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**RUN, CHRISTIE, RUN, NEW JERSEY VOTERS TELL GOV,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS;
WITH HUGE REELECTION LEAD, WHITE HOUSE BECKONS**

As New Jersey Gov. Christopher Christie cruises to a 2-1 reelection victory, Garden State likely voters say 48 – 41 percent that they would like to see the Republican incumbent run for president in 2016, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

Gov. Christie tops State Sen. Barbara Buono, the Democratic challenger, 64 – 31 percent in his reelection bid, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds. This 2-1 margin has been basically unchanged throughout the campaign.

There is no gender gap, as Christie holds 2-1 leads among both men and women. He leads 95 – 3 percent among Republicans and 72 – 22 percent among independent voters and even gets 31 percent of Democrats to Buono’s 63 percent.

Five percent of New Jersey likely voters remain undecided and another 5 percent say there’s a “good chance” they will change their mind by next Tuesday.

Christie gets a 65 – 29 percent favorability rating, as even 40 percent of Democrats have a favorable opinion. Sen. Buono gets a negative 26 – 37 percent favorability rating, with 35 percent who don’t know enough about her to form an opinion.

“From the banks of the Delaware to the beaches of the Atlantic, New Jersey voters like their governor, Christopher Christie. On the banks of the Potomac? Less like the governor, but still a lot” said Maurice Carroll, director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute.

“Voters in his own state are split over whether Christie would make a good President and only about half think he ought to run. He’s near the top in all the national polls. But not with his Garden State neighbors.

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“The election looks like a runaway. Even almost a third of Democrats pick Christie over State Sen. Barbara Buono. She’s been an energetic campaigner, but more than a third of voters don’t know enough about her to decide whether or not they like her,” Carroll added.

New Jersey likely voters are divided 42 – 43 percent on whether Christie would make a good president. Republicans say yes 71 – 17 percent while Democrats say no 70 – 19 percent. Independent voters are divided as 43 percent say yes and 39 percent say no.

Looking at the number two spot in the state, 72 percent of voters don’t know enough about Lt. Gov. Kim Guadagno to say if she’s ready to step up if Christie goes to Washington. For Milly Silva, the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, 84 percent don’t know enough.

“The lieutenant governor moves up if the governor moves out, but hardly anyone knows either of the candidates, even Lt. Gov. Kim Guadagno, who’s had the job for four years,” Carroll said.

From October 21 – 27, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,203 New Jersey likely voters in the election for governor, with a margin of error of +/- 2.8 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and the nation as a public service and for research.

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1. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Barbara Buono the Democrat and Chris Christie the Republican, for whom would you vote? (If undecided) As of today, do you lean more toward Buono or Christie? (Table includes leaners) (* Subgroup size less than 75, additional caution should be taken when interpreting findings of this group because of the large margin of error)

	LIKELY VOTERS.....							
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Buono	31%	3%	63%	22%	30%	31%	25%	61%
Christie	64	95	31	72	64	64	71	29
SOMEONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-	-	2	1	-	1	-
DK/NA	5	1	5	4	5	4	3	10
	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HSHOLD INC	AGE IN YRS.....				
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34*	35-54	55+
Buono	37%	26%	34%	31%	29%	46%	32%	26%
Christie	59	67	60	64	67	48	62	69
SOMEONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	1
DK/NA	3	6	4	4	3	4	5	4

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	LIKELY VOTERS.....			
	Oct 29 2013	Oct 17 2013	Oct 10 2013	Sep 25 2013
Buono	31	33	33	30
Christie	64	62	62	64
SOMEONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-	1	1
DK/NA	5	5	4	5

1a. (If candidate chosen q1) Will you definitely vote for (Candidate of choice), or is there a chance you could change your mind and vote for (Candidate not chosen)? IF CHANGE MIND: Would you say there's a good chance you'll change your mind, or would you say it's pretty unlikely?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....		
	CANDIDATE CHOSEN Q1.....		
	CANDIDATE OF CHOICE Q1		
	Tot	Buono	Christie
Def vote for cand	85%	85%	85%
Unlikely to change	8	6	9
Good chance change	5	7	5
DK/NA	2	3	2

TREND: (If candidate chosen) Will you definitely vote for (Candidate of choice), or is there a chance you could change your mind and vote for (Candidate not chosen)? IF CHANGE MIND: Would you say there's a good chance you'll change your mind, or would you say it's pretty unlikely?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....			
	Oct 29 2013	Oct 17 2013	Oct 10 2013	Sep 25 2013
Def vote for cand	85	87	87	86
Unlikely to change	8	6	6	5
Good chance change	5	6	7	8
DK/NA	2	1	1	1

1b. (If candidate chosen q1) Would you say you are very enthusiastic about supporting (Candidate of choice), somewhat enthusiastic, not so enthusiastic, or not enthusiastic at all?

LIKELY VOTERS.....			
CANDIDATE CHOSEN Q1.....			
CANDIDATE OF CHOICE Q1			
	Tot	Buono	Christie
Very enthusiastic	39%	29%	44%
Somewht enthusiastic	47	52	44
Not so enthusiastic	8	11	7
Not enthush at all	5	7	3
DK/NA	1	1	1

TREND: (If candidate chosen) Would you say you are very enthusiastic about supporting (Candidate of choice), somewhat enthusiastic, not so enthusiastic, or not enthusiastic at all?

LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	Oct 29	Oct 17	Oct 10	Sep 25
	2013	2013	2013	2013
Very enthusiastic	39	48	48	50
Somewht enthusiastic	47	39	41	37
Not so enthusiastic	8	9	7	8
Not enthush at all	5	4	3	4
DK/NA	1	1	-	1

2. Is your opinion of Chris Christie favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	65%	92%	40%	71%	66%	65%	71%	46%
Unfavorable	29	6	52	27	29	29	27	47
Hvn't hrd enough	2	-	4	1	2	3	1	2
REFUSED	3	1	4	1	3	3	1	5

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....								
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34*	35-54	55+
Favorable	60%	70%	67%	65%	66%	55%	62%	71%
Unfavorable	36	25	29	30	31	33	34	25
Hvn't hrd enough	2	3	1	2	1	9	1	2
REFUSED	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	2

TREND: Is your opinion of Chris Christie favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	Oct 29	Oct 17	Oct 10	Sep 25
	2013	2013	2013	2013
Favorable	65	63	63	67
Unfavorable	29	31	31	27
Hvn't hrd enough	2	3	2	2
REFUSED	3	3	4	4

3. Is your opinion of Barbara Buono favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....							
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	26%	8%	50%	18%	26%	27%	23%	45%
Unfavorable	37	62	12	38	35	38	43	13
Hvn't hrd enough	35	29	36	40	36	33	32	38
REFUSED	3	1	2	3	3	2	2	3

	COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....							
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34*	35-54	55+
Favorable	30%	23%	27%	30%	25%	28%	29%	25%
Unfavorable	35	38	36	37	37	25	34	41
Hvn't hrd enough	34	36	36	32	35	45	36	31
REFUSED	2	3	1	1	3	2	2	3

TREND: Is your opinion of Barbara Buono favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....			
	Oct 29 2013	Oct 17 2013	Oct 10 2013	Sep 25 2013
Favorable	26	28	29	23
Unfavorable	37	36	35	36
Hvn't hrd enough	35	34	34	40
REFUSED	3	2	2	1

4. Do you think Chris Christie would make a good President or not?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....							
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Yes	42%	71%	19%	43%	45%	39%	49%	13%
No	43	17	70	39	43	43	38	75
DK/NA	15	13	11	17	11	18	14	12

	COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....							
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34*	35-54	55+
Yes	38%	45%	37%	46%	44%	34%	43%	44%
No	50	38	47	44	42	59	46	37
DK/NA	12	17	16	10	14	7	11	19

5. Would you like to see Chris Christie run for President in 2016 or not?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....							
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Yes	48%	72%	28%	50%	52%	44%	52%	26%
No	41	21	63	36	39	43	38	61
DK/NA	11	7	9	13	9	13	10	12

	COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....							
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34*	35-54	55+
Yes	44%	51%	41%	51%	52%	46%	47%	50%
No	47	36	46	42	40	50	45	36
DK/NA	9	12	13	7	8	4	9	15

6. (INTRO Q6-7: As you may know, the Lieutenant Governor becomes Governor if the Governor does not complete his or her term.) Do you think Kim Guadagno would make a good governor if it becomes necessary, or not, or haven't you heard enough about her?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....							
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Yes/Good governor	17%	28%	7%	16%	19%	15%	19%	10%
No	10	3	15	11	12	7	8	16
Hvn't hrd enough	72	68	77	72	67	78	72	71
REFUSED	1	-	1	1	2	-	1	3
	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL	HS HOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34*	35-54	55+
Yes/Good governor	17%	17%	11%	18%	18%	16%	16%	17%
No	14	7	9	10	12	12	11	8
Hvn't hrd enough	69	75	79	72	69	72	71	74
REFUSED	1	1	2	-	1	-	1	1

7. Do you think Milly Silva would make a good governor if it becomes necessary, or not, or haven't you heard enough about her?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....							
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Yes/Good governor	5%	6%	6%	3%	7%	3%	4%	4%
No	9	10	10	8	12	7	9	11
Hvn't hrd enough	84	83	83	88	79	90	85	82
REFUSED	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	3
	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL	HS HOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34*	35-54	55+
Yes/Good governor	6%	4%	4%	5%	7%	6%	5%	5%
No	10	9	9	7	11	11	10	8
Hvn't hrd enough	83	85	85	87	81	81	84	86
REFUSED	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	1