

Results of SurveyUSA Election Poll #15929

Geography: State of New Jersey  
Data Collected: 10/19/2009 - 10/21/2009  
Release Date: 10/22/2009  
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**NJ Governor: Incumbent Corzine Can't Clear Challenger Christie; Independent Daggett Siphons 1 in 5 Votes:** In an election for New Jersey governor today, 10/22/09, twelve days until votes are counted, Republican Chris Christie and incumbent Democrat Jon Corzine remain even, just as they were 2 weeks ago, just as they were 1 week ago, according to SurveyUSA's latest tracking poll conducted exclusively for WABC-TV. Today, it's Christie 41%, Corzine 39%, independent Chris Daggett 19%. SurveyUSA's tracking graphs are flat. Corzine has not polled more than 40% nor less than 39%. Christie has not polled more than 43% nor less than 40%. Of likely 2009 voters who voted for Corzine in 2005, just 60% stick with him today. 18% of 2005 Corzine voters today cross over to Republican Christie; 21% vote for the Independent. Christie keeps in the GOP fold a larger share of those who voted for Corzine's 2005 Republican opponent, Doug Forrester: 82% of 2005 Forrester voters today vote for Republican Christie, 12% vote Daggett. Christie leads among voters focused on property taxes. Corzine leads among Eagles fans. Christie leads among Giants fans. Corzine leads among Springsteen fans. Christie leads among voters who cast a ballot enthusiastically. The candidates tie among voters who cast a ballot with reservations. 8% of likely voters have already voted.

**Filtering:** SurveyUSA interviewed 1,000 New Jersey adults 10/19/09 through 10/21/09. Of them, 904 were registered to vote. Of the registered voters, 674 were determined by SurveyUSA to have already cast their ballots or to be likely to vote in the 11/03/09 general election.

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674 Likely & Actual Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Already Voted?		Party Affiliation			Ideology			Biggest Issue					College Grad		Income		
Credibility Interval: +/-3.9 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Other	Yes	No	Republi	Democr	Indepe	Conser	Modera	Liberal	Propert	Jobs	Econo	Health	Corrupti	Yes	No	< \$50K	\$50K -	\$100K
Christie (R)	41%	46%	37%	35%	46%	37%	44%	42%	40%	47%	12%	35%	36%	39%	42%	66%	16%	49%	67%	35%	23%	55%	16%	34%	25%	55%	44%	37%	38%	48%	41%
Corzine (D)	39%	32%	45%	42%	34%	44%	36%	37%	40%	31%	67%	54%	45%	44%	38%	12%	68%	24%	19%	43%	53%	26%	58%	51%	54%	19%	36%	42%	45%	30%	39%
Daggett (I)	19%	21%	17%	22%	18%	18%	17%	20%	17%	20%	20%	10%	18%	16%	19%	20%	15%	24%	13%	21%	24%	17%	24%	14%	20%	24%	19%	19%	14%	21%	19%
Other	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Undecided	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Likely & Actual Voter	100%	50%	50%	18%	32%	27%	22%	51%	49%	72%	11%	11%	6%	8%	92%	37%	41%	20%	28%	45%	22%	42%	12%	20%	10%	8%	64%	36%	28%	35%	37%

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**Statement of Methodology:** About the Poll: This poll was conducted by telephone in the voice of a professional announcer. Respondent households were selected at random, using Random Digit Dialed (RDD) sample provided by Survey Sampling, of Fairfield CT. All respondents heard the questions asked identically. The pollster's report includes the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted, the number of respondents who answered each question and the theoretical margin of sampling error for each question. Where necessary, respondents were weighted using the most recent US Census estimates for age, gender, ethnic origin and region, to align the sample to the population. In theory, one can say with 95% certainty that the results would not vary by more than the stated margin of sampling error, in one direction or the other, had the entire universe of respondents with home telephones been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than sampling error. These include: the difficulty of interviewing respondents who do not have a home telephone; the refusal by some with home telephones to be interviewed; the order in which questions are asked; the wording of questions; the way and extent to which data are weighted; and the manner in which specialized populations, such as likely voters, are determined. It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these and other factors. Research methodology, questionnaire design and fieldwork for this survey were completed by SurveyUSA of Clifton, NJ. This statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls.