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Poll shows Obama leading in N.J., Christie continues promoting health care funding

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In the hours ahead of the tonight's presidential debate, a new poll shows President Obama with a significant lead over Republican Mitt Romney among New Jersey voters.

The Rutgers-Eagleton poll, which was released this morning, found **56 percent of likely New Jersey voters support Obama**, and only 39 percent say they will vote for Romney. Obama's support ticked up three percentage points since the last Rutgers-Eagleton poll in August.

The two candidates will meet for their first debate at 9 p.m. tonight.

Gov. Christie is scheduled to hold a town hall-style event at a union hall in Perth Amboy this afternoon. He was in the Flemington area yesterday to [tour Hunterdon Medical Center's cancer unit](#) and promote the New Jersey Cancer Education and Early Detection program, which is getting more money from the state budget this year.

At a press conference after the tour, Christie reported that he has [finished interviewing the finalists for the two open seats](#) on the state Supreme Court. But the governor did not reveal when he will announce his choices, according to PolitickerNJ.

Christie [dismissed criticism that he is too focused on campaigning for candidates in out-of-state elections](#) and is ignoring New Jersey politicians. He said he has campaigned for all the incumbent Republican members of Congress in New Jersey and has held six fundraisers for Assemblyman Joseph Kyrillos, who is challenging U.S. Senator Robert Menendez.

The governor also said that [he hopes the ongoing lockout in the National Hockey League end](#), but he is not going to get involved in the dispute between NHL team owners and players. New Jersey's two [U.S. senators sent](#)

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a joint letter to NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman and NHL Players' Association Executive Director Donald Fehr on Monday calling for an end to the lock-out.

The two senators made another announcement yesterday revealing that the state will receive \$5 million in federal grants to improve safety on New Jersey roads. The money will help fight drunk driving, promote the use of child car seats and improve systems that monitor the flow of traffic.



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