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## Rutgers-Eagleton: Christie job approval at 68%

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Five months after Hurricane Sandy, New Jersey voters continue to give Gov. Chris Christie high marks for his job performance, according to today's Rutgers-Eagleton Poll, but Christie's ratings have dropped slightly since February.

While overwhelmingly approving (87 percent) Christie's post-Sandy recovery efforts, only 42 percent of voters approve of his handling of New Jersey's economy and jobs and only 37 percent approve of his tax policy. About 50 percent approve of Christie's efforts on education, the budget, and crime.

Christie's work on Sandy recovery drives up his general approval ratings despite unhappiness about economic issues: 68 percent approve of his overall job performance, 64 percent have a favorable impression, and 60 percent grade Christie A or B.

Polling has shown Christie all but invincible in the gubernatorial race, but there is some evidence his ratings are coming down from his record highs. Overall job performance is down five points and favorability is down six points from a February Rutgers-Eagleton Poll. Christie's approval on both the economy and taxes has fallen three points.

"Christie still has ratings any governor would love, but all-time highs generally come back toward earth over time," said David Redlawsk, director of the Rutgers-Eagleton Poll and professor of political science at Rutgers University. "With Sandy recovery helping drive overall approval and voters all but ecstatic at his efforts there, Christie remains in great political shape."

Results are from a poll of 923 New Jersey adults conducted statewide among both landline and cell phone households from April 3-7. A subsample of 819 registered voters reported on here has a margin of error of +/- 3.7 percentage points.

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Christie's economic policies of cutting taxes on business, creating tax incentives for businesses, and de-regulating have resulted in the addition of 103,000 jobs since he's been Governor. So, this notion his economic policies have failed is a false notion, the New Jersey comeback continues. As far as taxes, he capped property taxes and has proposed cutting income taxes by 10% but the Buono liberals oppose that tax cut, a tax cut which would help working New Jerseyians.

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Christie poll numbers are soft,Buono will win in nov on the issues.As for the 10% income taxes cut that will be great for the millionaires does almost nothing for the rest of us.

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Governor Christie probably won't win by 30 or even 20 points, but he will win. Our economy is growing, we have a budget surplus, and we've reformed a broken pension system in addition to a broken tenure system. The 10% income tax cut which Barbra Buono opposes would benefit all New Jerseyians, it's a step in the right direction. While Governor Christie fights for working families, Senator Buono represents the failed policies of the past which hurt working families.

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correct spelling is taxes !!!!!!! you jealous, uneducated little excuse of a man you.

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Hey asshole did you teach your kids to be to be a ASSHOLE AND HATEFUL?You are nothing more then a clown

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as ive been saying when you look deeper into the numbers hes not as popular as republicans and the national media think

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Corzine polled around 40% popularity or lower the entire year for 2009 up until the election. Go back and look at the polls. Not much is going to change between now and Nov if the economy gets little better it will be even more of a blow out.

Think about it, if this race was remotely winnable why did Booker, Sweeney, or any other top Dem stay out?

Most NJ voters have an opinion of the Governor that's not going to change much by Nov. You either love him or hate him .

Bouno, nobody knows and she needs public speaking improvement FAST.

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It's really sad. Christie is all bluster with little results. Our debt has increased, taxes are still going up, unemployment is sky high, he hands out big contracts to his buddies, he diverted the Corzine toll increase and he's the better choice?

NJ is totally screwed!

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