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**Nearly Seven in Ten New Jersey Voters Applaud Christie's Job Performance, Re-election Prospects Bright, But Not 2016**

\*\*\* Complete Tables for Poll Appended \*\*\*

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**This NBC News/Marist Poll Reports:**

Six months after Hurricane Sandy, New Jersey residents are optimistic about their governor and the state in general. Nearly seven in ten -- 68% -- approve of how Governor Chris Christie is doing his job. 24% disapprove, and 8% are unsure. Registered voters share these views. 69% of registered voters give Christie a thumbs up as governor. 24% of voters disapprove, and 7% are unsure.

"The key elements are in place for Governor Christie's re-election...his high approval ratings, voters' upbeat mood about the direction of the state, and, of course, his efforts following Hurricane Sandy," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion. "This makes it extremely difficult for his Democratic challenger."

The governor is lauded by residents for his handling of New Jersey's recovery from Hurricane Sandy. Eight in ten -- 81% -- approve of Christie's hurricane recovery efforts. 13% disapprove and 5% are unsure. 56% also approve of how Christie is handling the state's budget, and 33% disapprove. 11% are unsure.

Many New Jersey residents view the state as on track. 62% believe it is moving in the right direction. 31% disagree and say New Jersey is on the wrong path. Seven percent are unsure.

**Christie Leads Buono by More than Two-to-One in Governor's Race**

In the contest for New Jersey governor, Republican incumbent Chris Christie -- 60% -- outpaces Democratic State Senator Barbara Buono -- 28% -- by 32 percentage points among registered voters. One percent supports another candidate, and 10% are undecided. Among the probable electorate, including voters who are undecided yet leaning

toward a candidate, Christie has 62% to 28% for Buono. One percent supports another candidate and 9% are undecided.

**Key points:**

- **Party ID.** Most Republicans -- 94% -- support Christie while only a slim majority of Democrats -- 51% -- back Buono. Among independent voters in New Jersey, 64% are for Christie while 22% are behind Buono.
- **Intensity of Support.** Among registered voters in New Jersey who have a candidate preference, 56% strongly support their choice of candidate. 30% are somewhat committed to their pick while 11% might vote differently. Three percent are unsure. Among Christie's supporters, 57% are firmly behind him while 55% of Buono's backers are strongly in her camp.
- **Gender.** Among men, 66% are for Christie while 24% support Buono. A majority of women -- 56% -- support Christie compared with 32% for Buono.
- **Age.** Christie is ahead of Buono among all age groups. Christie -- 63% -- leads Buono -- 26% -- among voters 60 and older. Christie -- 58% -- also outdistances Buono -- 30% -- among those 45 to 59. Looking at those 30 to 44, 60% support Christie compared with 29% for Buono. 63% of voters under the age of 30 are for Christie while 29% are behind Buono.
- **Past Vote.** Christie also receives notable support from those who voted for President Obama last fall. 42% of Obama backers support Christie while 46% support Democrat Buono. 32% of those who voted for Jon Corzine, the Democratic candidate in the 2009 gubernatorial race, now support Christie. 55% of Corzine voters plan to vote for Buono.

More than six in ten registered voters -- 61% -- are satisfied with the candidates running for governor in November while 28% are not satisfied with the candidates from which they have to choose. 11% are unsure.

**Two-Thirds Have a Favorable Opinion of Christie...Buono Largely Unknown**

Governor Chris Christie is perceived well by 67% of New Jersey residents. 28% have an unfavorable opinion of him, and 5% are unsure. Registered voters have similar impressions. 68% of voters have a favorable view of the governor, 27% have an unfavorable one, and 4% are unsure.

However, Buono is little-known in the state. Only 23% have a favorable view of Buono while 18% have an unfavorable impression of her. Most residents statewide -- 59% -- have either never heard of Buono or are unsure how to rate her. Buono is not much better known among registered voters. 24% of voters have a favorable impression of her, 18% have an unfavorable view, but 57% have either never heard of her or are unsure how to rate her.

## **Majority Says Christie Should Not Run for President in 2016**

Despite his popularity, when talk turns to a possible presidential run, 55% of New Jersey registered voters do not want Christie to throw his hat into the ring. 34% believe Christie should run for president, and 12% are unsure.

### **By Party:**

- Among Republicans, 50% would like to see Christie run for President. 34% do not want him in the race, and 15% are unsure.
- 26% of Democrats want Christie in the presidential contest, but 64% do not. Nine percent are unsure.
- 32% of independents want the governor in the 2016 race. 56% do not, and 12% are unsure.
- Among Tea Party supporters, 34% support a Christie 2016 run, and 55% are opposed to it. 11% are unsure.

In fact, in a hypothetical 2016 presidential match-up with former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Christie trails Clinton, 41% to 52% among New Jersey voters. Six percent are undecided.

Christie bests Vice President Joe Biden for president, 51% to 40%, among registered voters in the state. Eight percent are undecided.

## **45% Approve of Job Senator Menendez is Doing in Office, 38% Believe He Acted Unethically in Donor Dust-Up**

A plurality of residents -- 45% -- approve of the job Senator Robert Menendez is doing in office. 31% disapprove, and 24% are unsure. Registered voters have similar opinions. 46% of voters in the state rate Senator Menendez positively, 32% rate him negatively, and 22% are unsure. Nearly two-thirds of Democrats -- 65% -- give the senator high marks, whereas 25% of Republicans and 39% of Independents say the same.

Opinion is divided about the investigation of Senator Menendez' ties to a wealthy donor. 14% of New Jersey residents believe he did nothing wrong while 38% think he did something unethical but not illegal. 16% say he did something illegal. One-third -- 33% -- are unsure.

## **Majority of New Jersey Residents Approve of Obama, Democratic Party, But GOP Doesn't Fare So Well**

President Obama has the approval of 57% of New Jersey residents. 38% disapprove of the job the president is doing in office, and 6% are unsure. Similar proportions of registered voters share these views. 56% of voters approve of the president's job performance, 38% disapprove, and 5% are unsure. Among Democrats in the state, 88% give Obama a thumbs up, and 8% disapprove. 78% of Republicans, however, disapprove of the President's job, and 16% approve. Independents divide -- 48% approve and 45% disapprove. 61% of residents view Obama favorably while 36% do not. Three percent are unsure. Registered voters agree. 60% approve of the job the president is doing, 37% disapprove, and 3% are unsure.

The Democratic Party is viewed favorably by a slim majority -- 51% -- of New Jersey residents. 42% have an unfavorable impression of the party, and 7% are unsure. Registered voters parallel these impressions. 50% of voters have a positive view, 43% have a negative one, and 6% are unsure.

The Republican Party is not highly regarded. 33% have a favorable view of the party while 58% of New Jersey residents view the party unfavorably. Nine percent are unsure. There is little difference in opinion among registered voters. 34% of voters have a favorable opinion, 59% do not, and 7% are unsure.

## **Sequester Cuts Not Affecting Most, Two-Thirds Want Stricter Gun Laws**

Nearly two-thirds of New Jersey residents -- 65% -- report they are not experiencing much impact personally from the federal spending cuts triggered by the sequester on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Seven percent say they have been affected a great deal, and 8% have been affected quite a bit. 16% have only been affected some, and 4% are unsure.

A plurality of New Jersey residents -- 42% -- say the sequester cuts will hurt the economy. 29% believe the cuts will have no impact, and 18% think the cuts will be good for the economy. 11% are unsure.

Most New Jersey residents think laws covering the sale of firearms should be stricter. 67% hold this view while 24% say current gun laws are sufficient. Six percent say the laws should be less strict, and 3% are unsure. Registered voters share these views. Among gun owners, a plurality -- 48% -- believes gun laws should be kept as they are now, and 38% want stricter laws. 12% of gun owners think the laws should be less strict, and 2% are unsure.

## How the Survey was Conducted

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### **Nature of the Sample: NBC News/Marist Poll New Jersey Survey of 1,214 Adults**

This survey of 1,214 adults was conducted April 28<sup>th</sup> through May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the state of New Jersey were interviewed by telephone. Telephone numbers were selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the state. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. To increase coverage, this landline sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers. The two samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2010 census results for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results for adults are statistically significant within  $\pm 2.8$  percentage points. There are 1,080 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within  $\pm 3.0$  percentage points. There are 707 likely voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within  $\pm 3.7$  percentage points. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

Nature of the Sample - New Jersey

		New Jersey Adults	New Jersey Registered Voters	New Jersey Likely Voters
		Col %	Col %	Col %
New Jersey Adults		100%		
Registered Voters		89%	100%	
Likely Voters		58%	65%	100%
Party Identification	Democrat	n/a	37%	36%
	Republican	n/a	22%	23%
	Independent	n/a	40%	39%
	Other	n/a	1%	1%
Party Identification	Strong Democrats	n/a	23%	24%
	Not strong Democrats	n/a	14%	12%
	Democratic leaning independents	n/a	15%	15%
	Just Independents	n/a	11%	11%
	Republican leaning independents	n/a	14%	14%
	Not strong Republicans	n/a	9%	9%
	Strong Republicans	n/a	13%	14%
	Other	n/a	1%	1%
	Political Ideology	Very liberal	n/a	5%
Liberal		n/a	22%	21%
Moderate		n/a	41%	40%
Conservative		n/a	26%	27%
Very conservative		n/a	6%	7%
Past Participation**	Yes	n/a	82%	91%
	No	n/a	18%	9%
Tea Party Supporters		n/a	19%	19%
Gender	Men	48%	47%	46%
	Women	52%	53%	54%
Age	Under 45	46%	42%	35%
	45 or older	54%	58%	65%
Age	18 to 29	19%	16%	11%
	30 to 44	27%	26%	25%
	45 to 59	30%	31%	35%
	60 or older	24%	26%	30%
Race	White	61%	64%	68%
	African American	12%	13%	13%
	Latino	17%	16%	13%
	Asian	8%	6%	5%
	Other	2%	1%	1%
Region	Urban North	22%	21%	21%
	Suburban North	16%	17%	16%
	Northwest	13%	14%	14%
	Central	21%	20%	21%
	South	28%	28%	28%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	54%	53%	49%
	\$75,000 or more	46%	47%	51%
Education	Not college graduate	51%	50%	45%
	College graduate	49%	50%	55%
Interview Type	Landline	72%	74%	80%
	Cell Phone	28%	26%	20%

NBC News/Marist Poll New Jersey Adults. Interviews conducted April 28th through May 2nd, 2013, N=1214 MOE +/- 2.8 percentage points. New Jersey Registered Voters: N=1080 MOE +/- 3.0 percentage points. New Jersey Likely Voters: N=707 MOE +/- 3.7 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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		New Jersey Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job Chris Christie is doing as governor?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		68%	24%	8%
New Jersey Registered Voters		69%	24%	7%
Party Identification^	Democrat	54%	37%	8%
	Republican	91%	7%	3%
	Independent	72%	21%	7%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	49%	44%	7%
	Soft Democrats	60%	30%	9%
	Just Independents	70%	20%	9%
	Soft Republicans	89%	8%	3%
	Strong Republicans	93%	6%	0%
Tea Party Supporters^		86%	12%	2%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	55%	39%	6%
	Moderate	68%	24%	8%
	Conservative-Very conservative	84%	12%	4%
Gender	Men	71%	22%	7%
	Women	65%	26%	9%
Age	Under 45	67%	23%	10%
	45 or older	68%	26%	6%
Age	18 to 29	61%	23%	16%
	30 to 44	72%	22%	6%
	45 to 59	65%	30%	5%
	60 or older	72%	20%	8%
Race	White	71%	23%	6%
	African American	64%	26%	10%
	Latino	57%	29%	14%
Region	Urban North	62%	29%	10%
	Suburban North	67%	26%	8%
	Northwest	61%	32%	7%
	Central	70%	22%	7%
	South	75%	16%	9%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	66%	24%	10%
	\$75,000 or more	71%	24%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	69%	21%	11%
	College graduate	66%	28%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	69%	25%	6%
	Cell Phone	65%	21%	14%

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		New Jersey Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of how Chris Christie is handling the state's recovery from Hurricane Sandy?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		81%	13%	5%
New Jersey Registered Voters		82%	13%	4%
Party Identification^	Democrat	81%	16%	4%
	Republican	89%	7%	4%
	Independent	81%	15%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	79%	18%	2%
	Soft Democrats	85%	11%	3%
	Just Independents	71%	21%	7%
	Soft Republicans	83%	10%	6%
	Strong Republicans	92%	7%	1%
Tea Party Supporters^		81%	16%	3%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	83%	16%	2%
	Moderate	85%	11%	5%
	Conservative-Very conservative	82%	14%	4%
Gender	Men	82%	13%	5%
	Women	81%	13%	6%
Age	Under 45	82%	12%	6%
	45 or older	80%	15%	5%
Age	18 to 29	82%	10%	8%
	30 to 44	83%	13%	5%
	45 to 59	77%	19%	4%
	60 or older	84%	10%	6%
Race	White	83%	12%	5%
	African American	76%	20%	4%
	Latino	76%	17%	7%
Region	Urban North	81%	15%	4%
	Suburban North	87%	9%	4%
	Northwest	76%	16%	8%
	Central	79%	16%	4%
	South	82%	11%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	77%	16%	6%
	\$75,000 or more	87%	10%	3%
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		New Jersey Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of how Chris Christie is handling the state's budget?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		56%	33%	11%
New Jersey Registered Voters		58%	32%	9%
Party Identification^	Democrat	43%	46%	11%
	Republican	77%	14%	9%
	Independent	62%	30%	7%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	38%	52%	10%
	Soft Democrats	49%	42%	9%
	Just Independents	63%	24%	13%
	Soft Republicans	79%	15%	7%
Tea Party Supporters^	Strong Republicans	75%	17%	8%
		74%	22%	4%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	44%	49%	6%
	Moderate	57%	32%	11%
	Conservative-Very conservative	73%	20%	7%
Gender	Men	61%	30%	9%
	Women	52%	35%	13%
Age	Under 45	50%	35%	15%
	45 or older	62%	31%	7%
Age	18 to 29	41%	40%	19%
	30 to 44	56%	31%	12%
	45 to 59	61%	35%	4%
	60 or older	63%	26%	10%
Race	White	62%	30%	8%
	African American	42%	47%	10%
	Latino	47%	36%	17%
Region	Urban North	55%	38%	7%
	Suburban North	50%	39%	12%
	Northwest	54%	36%	10%
	Central	54%	32%	14%
	South	65%	24%	11%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	53%	34%	13%
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Education	Not college graduate	57%	32%	11%
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		New Jersey Adults		
		All in all, do you think things in New Jersey are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel things are off on the wrong track?		
		Right direction	Wrong direction	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		62%	31%	7%
New Jersey Registered Voters		62%	32%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	56%	35%	8%
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		70%	30%	0%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	50%	43%	7%
	Moderate	62%	32%	6%
	Conservative-Very conservative	73%	22%	5%
Gender	Men	66%	29%	5%
	Women	59%	33%	8%
Age	Under 45	65%	29%	6%
	45 or older	60%	33%	7%
Age	18 to 29	68%	26%	5%
	30 to 44	62%	31%	7%
	45 to 59	57%	36%	7%
	60 or older	64%	30%	6%
Race	White	64%	31%	5%
	African American	56%	39%	5%
	Latino	65%	28%	7%
Region	Urban North	62%	34%	5%
	Suburban North	66%	29%	6%
	Northwest	59%	36%	5%
	Central	59%	31%	10%
	South	65%	29%	6%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	64%	30%	6%
	\$75,000 or more	63%	30%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	66%	28%	6%
	College graduate	59%	34%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	60%	34%	6%
	Cell Phone	67%	25%	8%

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		New Jersey Registered Voters			
		Tossup including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate			
		Barbara Buono, the Democrat	Chris Christie, the Republican	Other	Undecided
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Registered Voters		28%	60%	1%	10%
New Jersey Likely Voters		28%	62%	1%	9%
Party Identification	Democrat	51%	37%	0%	12%
	Republican	5%	94%	0%	1%
	Independent	22%	64%	2%	12%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	59%	27%	0%	14%
	Soft Democrats	38%	51%	0%	11%
	Just Independents	16%	54%	7%	23%
	Soft Republicans	7%	89%	0%	4%
	Strong Republicans	5%	95%	0%	0%
Tea Party Supporters		15%	80%	0%	4%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	48%	39%	2%	11%
	Moderate	29%	60%	1%	11%
	Conservative-Very conservative	13%	80%	0%	7%
Intensity of Support	Strongly support	30%	70%	0%	0%
	Somewhat support	26%	74%	0%	0%
	Might vote differently	46%	54%	0%	0%
Chances of Voting in Election for Governor	Excellent	27%	64%	1%	8%
	Good	29%	58%	0%	13%
	Fair	29%	53%	0%	17%
	Poor	35%	49%	6%	10%
Interest in Election for Governor	High	30%	61%	0%	9%
	Moderate	22%	65%	1%	12%
	Low	31%	54%	2%	12%
Past Participation**	Yes	28%	61%	1%	10%
	No	30%	57%	2%	12%
2009 Corzine Voters		55%	32%	0%	13%
2012 Obama Voters		46%	42%	0%	12%
Gender	Men	24%	66%	2%	9%
	Women	32%	56%	0%	11%
Age	Under 45	29%	61%	1%	9%
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		New Jersey Registered Voters with a Candidate Preference			
		Would you say that you strongly support <candidate> somewhat support <candidate>, or do you think that you might vote differently on Election Day?			
		Strongly support	Somewhat support	Might vote differently	Unsure
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Interview Type	Landline	60%	28%	10%	3%
	Cell Phone	47%	39%	12%	2%

NBC News/Marist Poll New Jersey Registered Voters with a Candidate Preference. Interviews conducted April 28th through May 2nd, 2013, N=888 MOE +/- 3.3 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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\*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

		New Jersey Registered Voters		
		Are you satisfied or not satisfied with the candidates you have to choose from who are running for governor in November?		
		Satisfied	Not satisfied	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Registered Voters		61%	28%	11%
Party Identification	Democrat	56%	29%	15%
	Republican	78%	15%	7%
	Independent	56%	33%	11%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	57%	27%	16%
	Soft Democrats	50%	37%	13%
	Just Independents	56%	34%	10%
	Soft Republicans	70%	22%	9%
	Strong Republicans	82%	13%	5%
Tea Party Supporters		74%	23%	4%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	52%	34%	14%
	Moderate	60%	28%	12%
	Conservative-Very conservative	69%	23%	7%
Past Participation**	Yes	61%	29%	11%
	No	59%	27%	14%
Gender	Men	59%	33%	9%
	Women	62%	24%	14%
Age	Under 45	61%	28%	10%
	45 or older	61%	28%	11%
Age	18 to 29	63%	28%	9%
	30 to 44	60%	28%	11%
	45 to 59	60%	30%	10%
	60 or older	62%	26%	13%
Race	White	64%	26%	10%
	African American	59%	27%	14%
	Latino	60%	29%	11%
Region	Urban North	58%	29%	14%
	Suburban North	60%	29%	11%
	Northwest	51%	35%	14%
	Central	59%	29%	12%
	South	69%	24%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	62%	26%	12%
	\$75,000 or more	58%	32%	10%
Education	Not college graduate	65%	24%	11%
	College graduate	56%	33%	12%
Interview Type	Landline	61%	28%	11%
	Cell Phone	59%	29%	11%

NBC News/Marist Poll New Jersey Registered Voters. Interviews conducted April 28th through May 2nd, 2013, N=1080 MOE +/- 3.0 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

\*\*Past participation refers to previous participation in a gubernatorial election.

\*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

		New Jersey Adults		
		In general, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Chris Christie?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		67%	28%	5%
New Jersey Registered Voters		68%	27%	4%
Party Identification^	Democrat	55%	40%	5%
	Republican	89%	8%	3%
	Independent	69%	27%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	49%	46%	5%
	Soft Democrats	60%	34%	6%
	Just Independents	70%	26%	3%
	Soft Republicans	87%	12%	1%
	Strong Republicans	87%	9%	4%
Tea Party Supporters^	81%	18%	1%	
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	53%	42%	5%
	Moderate	67%	29%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	82%	14%	4%
Gender	Men	70%	26%	4%
	Women	64%	29%	7%
Age	Under 45	65%	28%	6%
	45 or older	68%	28%	4%
Age	18 to 29	55%	34%	11%
	30 to 44	72%	24%	3%
	45 to 59	64%	33%	2%
	60 or older	73%	21%	5%
Race	White	71%	25%	4%
	African American	54%	39%	6%
	Latino	57%	34%	8%
Region	Urban North	62%	35%	4%
	Suburban North	67%	27%	5%
	Northwest	61%	32%	7%
	Central	71%	26%	3%
	South	70%	22%	8%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	63%	31%	6%
	\$75,000 or more	72%	24%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	66%	28%	6%
	College graduate	67%	28%	4%
Interview Type	Landline	68%	28%	4%
	Cell Phone	64%	27%	9%

NBC News/Marist Poll New Jersey Adults. Interviews conducted April 28th through May 2nd, N=1214 MOE +/- 2.8 percentage points.

^New Jersey Registered Voters: N=1080 MOE +/- 3.0 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

\*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

		New Jersey Adults		
		In general, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Barbara Buono?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		23%	18%	59%
New Jersey Registered Voters		24%	18%	57%
Party Identification^	Democrat	38%	10%	52%
	Republican	9%	33%	59%
	Independent	22%	19%	59%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	43%	7%	50%
	Soft Democrats	29%	13%	59%
	Just Independents	19%	12%	69%
	Soft Republicans	15%	30%	55%
Tea Party Supporters^	Strong Republicans	7%	37%	56%
	Tea Party Supporters^	17%	38%	45%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	36%	8%	56%
	Moderate	25%	16%	59%
	Conservative-Very conservative	16%	31%	53%
Gender	Men	22%	20%	58%
	Women	24%	16%	61%
Age	Under 45	26%	19%	56%
	45 or older	21%	18%	62%
Age	18 to 29	26%	23%	51%
	30 to 44	26%	15%	59%
	45 to 59	20%	17%	62%
	60 or older	21%	18%	61%
Race	White	22%	18%	60%
	African American	35%	16%	50%
	Latino	26%	15%	59%
Region	Urban North	26%	13%	61%
	Suburban North	20%	19%	61%
	Northwest	23%	24%	53%
	Central	22%	16%	62%
	South	23%	20%	58%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	22%	20%	59%
	\$75,000 or more	24%	17%	59%
Education	Not college graduate	20%	17%	63%
	College graduate	27%	19%	54%
Interview Type	Landline	25%	17%	58%
	Cell Phone	19%	20%	61%

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		New Jersey Registered Voters		
		Do you want Chris Christie to run for president in 2016, or not?		
		Yes	No	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Registered Voters		34%	55%	12%
Party Identification	Democrat	26%	64%	9%
	Republican	50%	34%	15%
	Independent	32%	56%	12%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	21%	71%	8%
	Soft Democrats	31%	62%	8%
	Just Independents	28%	50%	22%
	Soft Republicans	43%	43%	14%
	Strong Republicans	54%	32%	14%
Tea Party Supporters		34%	55%	11%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	24%	67%	9%
	Moderate	33%	53%	14%
	Conservative-Very conservative	43%	47%	10%
Gender	Men	36%	53%	11%
	Women	32%	56%	12%
Age	Under 45	34%	58%	8%
	45 or older	34%	52%	14%
Age	18 to 29	27%	68%	5%
	30 to 44	39%	52%	9%
	45 to 59	34%	54%	12%
	60 or older	33%	50%	17%
Race	White	38%	49%	12%
	African American	20%	71%	10%
	Latino	35%	58%	7%
Region	Urban North	28%	62%	10%
	Suburban North	31%	56%	13%
	Northwest	26%	65%	9%
	Central	37%	48%	15%
	South	41%	48%	11%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	32%	57%	11%
	\$75,000 or more	39%	51%	10%
Education	Not college graduate	37%	51%	12%
	College graduate	31%	58%	11%
Interview Type	Landline	36%	52%	12%
	Cell Phone	28%	61%	11%

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		New Jersey Registered Voters		
		If the 2016 presidential election were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are:		
		Hillary Clinton, the Democrat	Chris Christie, the Republican	Undecided
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Registered Voters		52%	41%	6%
Party Identification	Democrat	83%	12%	5%
	Republican	15%	84%	2%
	Independent	45%	46%	10%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	92%	6%	2%
	Soft Democrats	75%	18%	7%
	Just Independents	35%	44%	21%
	Soft Republicans	19%	77%	4%
Tea Party Supporters	Strong Republicans	7%	93%	0%
		24%	73%	3%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	81%	14%	6%
	Moderate	55%	38%	7%
	Conservative-Very conservative	27%	69%	4%
Gender	Men	45%	48%	6%
	Women	59%	35%	7%
Age	Under 45	52%	44%	4%
	45 or older	53%	40%	7%
Age	18 to 29	49%	49%	2%
	30 to 44	54%	41%	6%
	45 to 59	58%	36%	6%
	60 or older	46%	44%	9%
Race	White	44%	49%	7%
	African American	80%	16%	4%
	Latino	59%	35%	6%
Region	Urban North	65%	29%	6%
	Suburban North	53%	42%	6%
	Northwest	55%	42%	3%
	Central	50%	42%	9%
	South	43%	50%	6%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	52%	42%	6%
	\$75,000 or more	53%	41%	6%
Education	Not college graduate	48%	47%	5%
	College graduate	57%	35%	8%
Interview Type	Landline	52%	41%	7%
	Cell Phone	53%	42%	5%

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		New Jersey Registered Voters		
		If the 2016 presidential election were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are:		
		Chris Christie, the		
		Joe Biden, the Democrat	Republican	Undecided
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Registered Voters		40%	51%	8%
Party Identification	Democrat	71%	22%	7%
	Republican	5%	92%	3%
	Independent	33%	56%	11%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	79%	16%	5%
	Soft Democrats	60%	30%	10%
	Just Independents	25%	50%	26%
	Soft Republicans	7%	90%	3%
	Strong Republicans	3%	94%	3%
Tea Party Supporters		22%	75%	3%
Political Ideology	Very liberal-Liberal	65%	26%	8%
	Moderate	40%	50%	10%
	Conservative-Very conservative	20%	75%	5%
Gender	Men	38%	54%	8%
	Women	42%	49%	9%
Age	Under 45	41%	50%	9%
	45 or older	39%	53%	8%
Age	18 to 29	43%	51%	5%
	30 to 44	40%	48%	11%
	45 to 59	43%	50%	7%
	60 or older	34%	57%	9%
Race	White	32%	60%	8%
	African American	73%	23%	4%
	Latino	44%	44%	12%
Region	Urban North	52%	39%	8%
	Suburban North	40%	50%	10%
	Northwest	42%	51%	7%
	Central	35%	54%	11%
	South	33%	60%	7%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	43%	49%	7%
	\$75,000 or more	38%	54%	8%
Education	Not college graduate	37%	56%	7%
	College graduate	44%	46%	10%
Interview Type	Landline	40%	52%	8%
	Cell Phone	41%	50%	10%

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		New Jersey Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job Robert Menendez is doing as U.S. Senator?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		45%	31%	24%
New Jersey Registered Voters		46%	32%	22%
Party Identification^	Democrat	65%	15%	19%
	Republican	25%	47%	28%
	Independent	39%	41%	20%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	69%	15%	16%
	Soft Democrats	57%	19%	24%
	Just Independents	34%	44%	22%
	Soft Republicans	26%	51%	23%
Tea Party Supporters^	Strong Republicans	25%	52%	23%
		32%	50%	18%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	60%	20%	20%
	Moderate	50%	28%	22%
	Conservative-Very conservative	29%	48%	23%
Gender	Men	40%	36%	24%
	Women	49%	27%	24%
Age	Under 45	45%	26%	28%
	45 or older	45%	35%	20%
Age	18 to 29	46%	20%	34%
	30 to 44	45%	31%	25%
	45 to 59	44%	34%	22%
	60 or older	45%	37%	18%
Race	White	41%	35%	24%
	African American	53%	20%	27%
	Latino	56%	24%	20%
Region	Urban North	52%	21%	27%
	Suburban North	49%	32%	19%
	Northwest	43%	36%	21%
	Central	40%	36%	24%
	South	42%	32%	26%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	45%	27%	28%
	\$75,000 or more	46%	36%	18%
Education	Not college graduate	44%	28%	28%
	College graduate	46%	35%	20%
Interview Type	Landline	47%	31%	22%
	Cell Phone	39%	30%	31%

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		New Jersey Adults			
		From what you have heard or read about an investigation of Senator Menendez' ties to a wealthy donor, do you think he did nothing wrong, did something unethical, but not illegal, or did something illegal?			
		Did something unethical, but not illegal		Did something illegal	Unsure
		Did nothing wrong	Did nothing wrong	Did something illegal	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		14%	38%	16%	33%
New Jersey Registered Voters		15%	38%	16%	31%
Party Identification^	Democrat	24%	37%	6%	32%
	Republican	8%	41%	20%	31%
	Independent	10%	39%	23%	27%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	31%	35%	7%	28%
	Soft Democrats	16%	40%	13%	31%
	Just Independents	9%	33%	28%	31%
	Soft Republicans	5%	46%	21%	28%
	Strong Republicans	10%	36%	24%	31%
Tea Party Supporters^		6%	33%	30%	31%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	20%	42%	13%	25%
	Moderate	14%	41%	14%	31%
	Conservative-Very conservative	12%	34%	23%	31%
Gender	Men	17%	36%	18%	30%
	Women	11%	39%	14%	36%
Age	Under 45	9%	37%	12%	42%
	45 or older	17%	39%	19%	25%
Age	18 to 29	5%	38%	9%	48%
	30 to 44	12%	37%	15%	37%
	45 to 59	17%	38%	19%	26%
	60 or older	17%	40%	19%	24%
Race	White	13%	40%	18%	29%
	African American	22%	28%	9%	41%
	Latino	15%	35%	15%	35%
Region	Urban North	17%	33%	13%	37%
	Suburban North	18%	36%	21%	25%
	Northwest	11%	42%	14%	33%
	Central	14%	41%	15%	30%
	South	10%	37%	17%	36%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	13%	35%	17%	36%
	\$75,000 or more	14%	43%	16%	27%
Education	Not college graduate	13%	36%	16%	35%
	College graduate	14%	40%	16%	30%
Interview Type	Landline	15%	38%	17%	29%
	Cell Phone	9%	35%	12%	44%

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\*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

		New Jersey Adults		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		57%	38%	6%
New Jersey Registered Voters		56%	38%	5%
Party Identification^	Democrat	88%	8%	3%
	Republican	16%	78%	6%
	Independent	48%	45%	6%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	94%	4%	2%
	Soft Democrats	77%	17%	6%
	Just Independents	38%	52%	10%
	Soft Republicans	26%	68%	6%
	Strong Republicans	11%	87%	2%
Tea Party Supporters^		33%	62%	4%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	79%	16%	5%
	Moderate	61%	34%	5%
	Conservative-Very conservative	31%	64%	5%
Gender	Men	57%	37%	6%
	Women	56%	38%	6%
Age	Under 45	60%	32%	7%
	45 or older	54%	42%	4%
Age	18 to 29	58%	32%	10%
	30 to 44	62%	33%	5%
	45 to 59	55%	40%	5%
	60 or older	52%	45%	3%
Race	White	47%	48%	4%
	African American	85%	9%	6%
	Latino	66%	23%	11%
Region	Urban North	69%	23%	8%
	Suburban North	49%	45%	7%
	Northwest	49%	45%	5%
	Central	57%	36%	7%
	South	54%	43%	3%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	59%	35%	6%
	\$75,000 or more	56%	40%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	57%	36%	7%
	College graduate	56%	39%	5%
Interview Type	Landline	53%	41%	6%
	Cell Phone	65%	30%	5%

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\*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

		New Jersey Adults		
		In general, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Barack Obama?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		61%	36%	3%
New Jersey Registered Voters		60%	37%	3%
Party Identification^	Democrat	90%	8%	2%
	Republican	20%	76%	4%
	Independent	53%	43%	4%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	98%	1%	1%
	Soft Democrats	79%	16%	4%
	Just Independents	48%	47%	5%
	Soft Republicans	29%	67%	4%
	Strong Republicans	11%	87%	2%
Tea Party Supporters^		32%	66%	3%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	85%	14%	2%
	Moderate	63%	34%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	35%	61%	3%
Gender	Men	60%	37%	2%
	Women	61%	35%	4%
Age	Under 45	66%	32%	3%
	45 or older	57%	40%	4%
Age	18 to 29	66%	32%	2%
	30 to 44	66%	31%	3%
	45 to 59	58%	38%	4%
	60 or older	55%	42%	3%
Race	White	51%	45%	4%
	African American	84%	14%	2%
	Latino	76%	23%	1%
Region	Urban North	76%	22%	2%
	Suburban North	59%	38%	3%
	Northwest	54%	45%	1%
	Central	60%	35%	5%
	South	54%	42%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	61%	35%	4%
	\$75,000 or more	61%	37%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	61%	35%	4%
	College graduate	61%	36%	3%
Interview Type	Landline	58%	39%	3%
	Cell Phone	68%	29%	4%

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		New Jersey Adults		
		In general, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Democratic Party?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		51%	42%	7%
New Jersey Registered Voters		50%	43%	6%
Party Identification^	Democrat	89%	9%	2%
	Republican	10%	83%	7%
	Independent	39%	52%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	92%	7%	1%
	Soft Democrats	74%	20%	6%
	Just Independents	27%	57%	16%
	Soft Republicans	16%	77%	7%
	Strong Republicans	9%	89%	3%
Tea Party Supporters^		30%	67%	3%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	75%	20%	5%
	Moderate	51%	41%	8%
	Conservative-Very conservative	30%	66%	4%
Gender	Men	48%	46%	6%
	Women	54%	38%	8%
Age	Under 45	54%	39%	7%
	45 or older	48%	44%	8%
Age	18 to 29	52%	39%	9%
	30 to 44	56%	39%	6%
	45 to 59	51%	42%	6%
	60 or older	44%	47%	9%
Race	White	42%	50%	8%
	African American	74%	17%	9%
	Latino	61%	33%	6%
Region	Urban North	63%	33%	4%
	Suburban North	49%	41%	11%
	Northwest	45%	49%	7%
	Central	54%	38%	8%
	South	43%	49%	8%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	54%	39%	7%
	\$75,000 or more	49%	45%	6%
Education	Not college graduate	50%	42%	8%
	College graduate	52%	42%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	51%	44%	6%
	Cell Phone	51%	38%	12%

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		New Jersey Adults		
		In general, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Republican Party?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		33%	58%	9%
New Jersey Registered Voters		34%	59%	7%
Party Identification^	Democrat	14%	82%	5%
	Republican	74%	20%	6%
	Independent	32%	59%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	9%	87%	4%
	Soft Democrats	16%	76%	8%
	Just Independents	26%	60%	14%
	Soft Republicans	59%	33%	8%
	Strong Republicans	83%	15%	2%
Tea Party Supporters^	58%	35%	7%	
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	15%	80%	5%
	Moderate	29%	61%	9%
	Conservative-Very conservative	55%	38%	7%
Gender	Men	32%	62%	6%
	Women	34%	55%	11%
Age	Under 45	37%	55%	8%
	45 or older	31%	60%	9%
Age	18 to 29	39%	49%	12%
	30 to 44	35%	60%	6%
	45 to 59	29%	64%	7%
	60 or older	34%	55%	10%
Race	White	39%	53%	8%
	African American	20%	71%	9%
	Latino	26%	64%	10%
Region	Urban North	30%	65%	4%
	Suburban North	31%	54%	15%
	Northwest	34%	62%	5%
	Central	30%	62%	8%
	South	39%	50%	11%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	34%	57%	9%
	\$75,000 or more	34%	60%	6%
Education	Not college graduate	39%	50%	10%
	College graduate	26%	67%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	32%	61%	7%
	Cell Phone	37%	50%	13%

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		New Jersey Adults				
		As you may know, across the board automatic federal spending cuts to military and non-military programs were put in place on March 1st in order to reduce the federal deficit. How much of an impact have these automatic spending cuts had on you and your family:				
		A great deal	Quite a bit	Just some	Not much at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		7%	8%	16%	65%	4%
New Jersey Registered Voters		7%	8%	16%	65%	3%
Party Identification^	Democrat	8%	6%	17%	66%	3%
	Republican	4%	9%	16%	67%	4%
	Independent	7%	8%	17%	64%	3%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	8%	5%	18%	67%	3%
	Soft Democrats	6%	7%	17%	66%	4%
	Just Independents	10%	6%	21%	60%	4%
	Soft Republicans	6%	11%	14%	67%	2%
	Strong Republicans	4%	9%	18%	64%	5%
Tea Party Supporters^		10%	8%	19%	61%	2%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	10%	10%	19%	60%	2%
	Moderate	5%	7%	20%	65%	4%
	Conservative-Very conservative	7%	8%	11%	72%	3%
Gender	Men	6%	8%	14%	69%	2%
	Women	8%	9%	18%	60%	5%
Age	Under 45	6%	8%	16%	67%	3%
	45 or older	8%	8%	17%	63%	4%
Age	18 to 29	5%	9%	19%	60%	7%
	30 to 44	6%	8%	13%	71%	1%
	45 to 59	10%	9%	17%	61%	3%
	60 or older	6%	7%	16%	65%	5%
Race	White	5%	6%	16%	69%	4%
	African American	14%	13%	16%	54%	3%
	Latino	8%	12%	15%	62%	3%
Region	Urban North	12%	10%	16%	61%	2%
	Suburban North	6%	8%	23%	61%	3%
	Northwest	6%	5%	18%	65%	6%
	Central	5%	9%	14%	69%	4%
	South	6%	9%	15%	66%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	9%	10%	15%	62%	4%
	\$75,000 or more	5%	5%	17%	70%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	9%	11%	15%	60%	5%
	College graduate	4%	6%	18%	70%	2%
Interview Type	Landline	7%	8%	17%	64%	3%
	Cell Phone	6%	9%	16%	66%	4%

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		New Jersey Adults			
		As you may know, across the board automatic federal spending cuts to military and non-military programs were put in place on March 1st in order to reduce the federal deficit. Do you believe these automatic spending cuts will:			
		Mostly help the economy	Mostly hurt the economy	Have no impact on the economy	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		18%	42%	29%	11%
New Jersey Registered Voters		18%	42%	29%	11%
Party Identification^	Democrat	21%	45%	22%	12%
	Republican	21%	32%	36%	11%
	Independent	13%	45%	32%	9%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	19%	49%	20%	12%
	Soft Democrats	18%	45%	26%	11%
	Just Independents	7%	46%	34%	14%
	Soft Republicans	19%	35%	39%	7%
	Strong Republicans	22%	34%	34%	9%
Tea Party Supporters^		24%	35%	30%	11%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	13%	56%	21%	10%
	Moderate	18%	41%	31%	10%
	Conservative-Very conservative	22%	34%	34%	10%
Gender	Men	21%	40%	33%	6%
	Women	16%	43%	26%	14%
Age	Under 45	21%	35%	33%	11%
	45 or older	17%	47%	26%	9%
Age	18 to 29	22%	32%	35%	10%
	30 to 44	20%	37%	32%	11%
	45 to 59	18%	48%	26%	8%
	60 or older	15%	46%	27%	11%
Race	White	16%	40%	32%	12%
	African American	19%	51%	21%	9%
	Latino	22%	40%	28%	10%
Region	Urban North	20%	40%	31%	8%
	Suburban North	13%	44%	33%	10%
	Northwest	22%	37%	31%	10%
	Central	18%	44%	27%	11%
	South	19%	41%	27%	13%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	19%	45%	26%	10%
	\$75,000 or more	20%	38%	35%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	20%	43%	26%	12%
	College graduate	17%	41%	33%	9%
Interview Type	Landline	17%	45%	29%	10%
	Cell Phone	22%	34%	31%	13%

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		New Jersey Adults			
		Do you think the laws covering the sale of firearms should be more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?			
		More strict	Less strict	Kept as they are now	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
New Jersey Adults		67%	6%	24%	3%
Gun Owners		38%	12%	48%	2%
Gun HH		47%	11%	40%	1%
New Jersey Registered Voters		67%	6%	25%	2%
Party Identification^	Democrat	86%	1%	11%	1%
	Republican	39%	13%	44%	4%
	Independent	64%	6%	28%	2%
Party Identification*	Strong Democrats	90%	0%	9%	1%
	Soft Democrats	80%	4%	15%	1%
	Just Independents	59%	6%	33%	2%
	Soft Republicans	48%	11%	37%	4%
Tea Party Supporters^	Strong Republicans	37%	9%	50%	3%
		43%	14%	40%	3%
Political Ideology^	Very liberal-Liberal	84%	2%	13%	1%
	Moderate	70%	4%	23%	3%
	Conservative-Very conservative	48%	11%	39%	2%
Gender	Men	58%	10%	30%	2%
	Women	76%	2%	19%	3%
Age	Under 45	63%	8%	26%	2%
	45 or older	70%	4%	23%	3%
Age	18 to 29	62%	11%	24%	3%
	30 to 44	65%	6%	28%	1%
	45 to 59	69%	4%	25%	2%
	60 or older	71%	4%	21%	5%
Race	White	63%	6%	29%	3%
	African American	86%	0%	13%	1%
	Latino	68%	8%	18%	6%
Region	Urban North	76%	2%	21%	1%
	Suburban North	73%	4%	21%	2%
	Northwest	67%	7%	23%	3%
	Central	65%	7%	25%	2%
	South	59%	7%	30%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$75,000	66%	6%	26%	2%
	\$75,000 or more	68%	6%	24%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	64%	7%	26%	3%
	College graduate	71%	5%	23%	2%
Interview Type	Landline	69%	5%	25%	2%
	Cell Phone	63%	9%	24%	4%

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