

**Weighted Frequencies – LD2 poll**  
**Stockton Polling Institute**  
**Sept. 7-9, 2013**

**Q1. If the election for New Jersey governor were held today, would you vote for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Democrat Barbara Buono	179	30.4	30.4	30.4
Republican Chris Christie	314	53.2	53.2	83.6
SOMEONE ELSE	11	1.8	1.8	85.5
Valid NOBODY	6	1.1	1.1	86.5
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	69	11.6	11.6	98.1
REFUSE	11	1.9	1.9	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q1A. At this time, would you say you lean more toward voting for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Barbara Buono	18	3.1	26.5	26.5
Chris Christie	14	2.3	19.7	46.2
Valid NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	36	6.1	52.5	98.7
REFUSE	1	.2	1.3	100.0
Total	69	11.6	100.0	
Missing System	521	88.4		
Total	590	100.0		

**COMBINED: If the election for New Jersey governor were held today, would you vote for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Democrat Barbara Buono	198	33.5	33.5	33.5
Republican Chris Christie	327	55.5	55.5	89.0
SOMEONE ELSE	11	1.8	1.8	90.8
Valid NOBODY	6	1.1	1.1	91.9
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	36	6.1	6.1	98.0
REFUSE	12	2.0	2.0	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**SENATE. If the election for U.S. Senate were held today, would you vote for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Democrat Cory Booker	280	47.5	47.5	47.5
Republican Steve Lonegan	216	36.6	36.6	84.1
SOMEONE ELSE	4	.6	.6	84.7
Valid NOBODY	4	.6	.6	85.3
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	75	12.7	12.7	98.0
REFUSE	12	2.0	2.0	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**SENATEA. At this time, would you say you lean more toward voting for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Cory Booker	11	1.8	14.5	14.5
Steve Lonegan	9	1.5	12.0	26.5
Valid NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	54	9.2	72.3	98.8
REFUSE	1	.2	1.2	100.0
Total	75	12.7	100.0	
Missing System	515	87.3		
Total	590	100.0		

**COMBINED: If the election for U.S. Senate were held today, would you vote for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Democrat Cory Booker	291	49.3	49.3	49.3
Republican Steve Lonegan	225	38.1	38.1	87.5
SOMEONE ELSE	4	.6	.6	88.1
Valid NOBODY	4	.6	.6	88.7
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	54	9.2	9.2	97.8
REFUSE	13	2.2	2.2	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q2. If the election for state Senate were held today, would you vote for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Democrat Jim Whelan	290	49.1	49.1	49.1
Republican Frank Balles	229	38.8	38.8	87.9
SOMEONE ELSE	5	.9	.9	88.8
Valid NOBODY	5	.9	.9	89.7
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	49	8.2	8.2	98.0
REFUSE	12	2.0	2.0	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q2A. At this time, would you say you lean more toward voting for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Jim Whelan	10	1.7	20.4	20.4
Frank Balles	3	.5	5.6	25.9
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	36	6.1	74.1	100.0
Total	49	8.2	100.0	
Missing System	541	91.8		
Total	590	100.0		

**COMBINED: If the election for state Senate were held today, would you vote for:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Democrat Jim Whelan	300	50.8	50.8	50.8
Republican Frank Balles	231	39.2	39.2	90.0
SOMEONE ELSE	5	.9	.9	91.0
Valid NOBODY	5	.9	.9	91.9
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	36	6.1	6.1	98.0
REFUSE	12	2.0	2.0	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q3. Which of the following best describes your overall opinion of Jim Whelan:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Very favorable	139	23.5	23.5	23.5
Somewhat favorable	258	43.8	43.8	67.3
Somewhat unfavorable	69	11.8	11.8	79.0
Very unfavorable	45	7.7	7.7	86.7
Valid Or are you not familiar with him?	65	11.0	11.0	97.7
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	12	2.0	2.0	99.7
REFUSE	2	.3	.3	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q4. Which of the following best describes your overall opinion of Frank Balles:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Very favorable	91	15.4	15.4	15.4
Somewhat favorable	165	28.0	28.0	43.4
Somewhat unfavorable	37	6.3	6.3	49.7
Very unfavorable	12	2.0	2.0	51.6
Valid Or are you not familiar with him?	271	45.9	45.9	97.6
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	12	2.0	2.0	99.5
REFUSE	3	.5	.5	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q5. If the election for state Assembly were held today, which two candidates would you vote for?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Republican John Amodeo	254	24.8	24.8	24.8
Republican Chris Brown	232	22.6	22.6	47.4
Democrat Vincent Mazzeo	193	18.8	18.8	66.2
Democrat Nick Russo	192	18.7	18.7	84.9
SOMEONE ELSE	8	.8	.8	85.7
NOBODY	7	.7	.7	86.4
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	131	12.8	12.8	99.1
REFUSE	9	.9	.9	100.0
Total	1026	100.0	100.0	

**Q5A. At this time, would you say you lean more toward voting for:**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Republican John Amodeo	14	2.3	10.1	10.1
	Republican Chris Brown	13	2.2	9.4	19.6
	Democrat Vincent Mazzeo	9	1.5	6.5	26.1
	Democrat Nick Russo	11	1.8	8.0	34.1
	SOMEONE ELSE	1	.2	.7	34.8
	NOBODY	1	.2	.7	35.5
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	88	14.8	63.8	99.3
	REFUSE	1	.2	.7	100.0
	Total	138	23.2	100.0	
Missing	System	458	76.8		
Total		596	100.0		

**COMBINED: If the election for state Assembly were held today, which two candidates would you vote for?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Republican John Amodeo	268	24.8	24.8	24.8
	Republican Chris Brown	245	22.6	22.6	47.4
	Democrat Vincent Mazzeo	202	18.8	18.8	66.2
	Democrat Nick Russo	203	18.7	18.7	84.9
	SOMEONE ELSE	8	.8	.8	85.7
	NOBODY	7	.7	.7	86.4
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	84	8.2	8.2	94.6
	REFUSE	9	.9	.9	100.0
	Total	1026	100.0	100.0	

**Q6. Which of the following best describes your overall opinion of John Amodeo:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very fav	105	17.7	17.7	17.7
Somewhat fav	177	30.1	30.1	47.8
Somewhat unfav	46	7.9	7.9	55.7
Very unfav	23	4.0	4.0	59.7
Not familiar	212	36.0	36.0	95.7
NOT SURE /DK	17	2.9	2.9	98.6
REFUSE	8	1.4	1.4	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q7. Which of the following best describes your overall opinion of Chris Brown:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very fav	84	14.2	14.2	14.2
Somewhat fav	163	27.6	27.6	41.8
Somewhat unfav	55	9.3	9.3	51.1
Very unfav	24	4.1	4.1	55.2
Not familiar	233	39.5	39.5	94.8
NOT SURE /DK	22	3.8	3.8	98.6
REFUSE	8	1.4	1.4	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q8. Which of the following best describes your overall opinion of Vincent Mazzeo:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very fav	58	9.9	9.9	9.9
Somewhat fav	141	23.9	23.9	33.8
Somewhat unfav	44	7.4	7.4	41.3
Very unfav	27	4.6	4.6	45.9
Not familiar	287	48.6	48.6	94.5
NOT SURE /DK	23	4.0	4.0	98.4
REFUSE	9	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q9. Which of the following best describes your overall opinion of Nick Russo:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very fav	52	8.8	8.8	8.8
Somewhat fav	127	21.5	21.5	30.2
Somewhat unfav	48	8.2	8.2	38.4
Very unfav	29	4.9	4.9	43.3
Not familiar	300	50.8	50.8	94.2
NOT SURE /DK	26	4.4	4.4	98.6
REFUSE	8	1.4	1.4	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q10. If Governor Chris Christie endorses a candidate for state Senate or Assembly, would that make you more likely or less likely to vote for that candidate?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid MORE LIKELY	179	30.4	30.4	30.4
LESS LIKELY	196	33.3	33.3	63.7
NO DIFFERENCE	166	28.1	28.1	91.8
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	36	6.1	6.1	98.0
REFUSE	12	2.0	2.0	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q11. Do you believe that New Jersey is headed in the right direction, or is it on the wrong track?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid RIGHT DIRECTION	329	55.9	55.9	55.9
WRONG TRACK	185	31.4	31.4	87.3
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	68	11.5	11.5	98.8
REFUSE	7	1.2	1.2	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	



**Q12. What do you think is the most important issue facing New Jersey?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
JOB	150	25.4	25.4	25.4
PROPERTY TAXES	112	19.0	19.0	44.3
TAXES	63	10.7	10.7	55.0
ECONOMY	53	9.0	9.0	64.0
EDUCATION (K-12)	41	6.9	6.9	70.9
EDUCATION	32	5.4	5.4	76.3
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	29	5.0	5.0	81.2
OTHER ISSUE (SPECIFY)	16	2.7	2.7	84.0
PENSIONS/BENEFITS	10	1.7	1.7	85.7
HEALTH CARE	9	1.6	1.6	87.2
SANDY RECOVERY	9	1.5	1.5	88.8
MINIMUM WAGE	8	1.4	1.4	90.2
ENVIRONMENT	7	1.3	1.3	91.4
IMMIGRATION	6	.9	.9	92.4
BUDGET	5	.9	.9	93.3
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	5	.8	.8	94.1
DEBT	5	.8	.8	94.8
REFUSE	4	.7	.7	95.6
EDUCATION (HIGHER), COLLEGES	4	.6	.6	96.2
GUN CONTROL	4	.6	.6	96.8
DISASTER PREPAREDNESS	3	.5	.5	97.3
CASINOS	3	.5	.5	97.7
BUSINESS TAXES	2	.3	.3	98.0
HOMESTEAD REBATE	2	.3	.3	98.3
SALES TAX	2	.3	.3	98.6
SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS	2	.3	.3	98.9
INFLATION	2	.3	.3	99.2
ABORTION	1	.2	.2	99.4
GAY MARRIAGE	1	.2	.2	99.5
INCOME TAXES	1	.2	.2	99.7
TRANSPORTATION	1	.2	.2	99.8
CORRUPTION	1	.2	.2	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

Valid

**Q13. What would you say has happened to property taxes in New Jersey during the past three years? Have property taxes:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Increased a lot	273	46.2	46.2	46.2
Increased a little	214	36.2	36.2	82.4
Stayed the same	44	7.5	7.5	90.0
Decreased a little	25	4.3	4.3	94.3
Or decreased a lot?	5	.8	.8	95.0
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	27	4.5	4.5	99.6
REFUSE	3	.4	.4	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q14. A question on the New Jersey ballot asks whether to raise the state's minimum wage from \$7.25 an hour to \$8.25 an hour and to provide annual cost of living increases. Would you support or oppose the minimum wage proposal?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid SUPPORT	445	75.5	75.5	75.5
OPPOSE	117	19.9	19.9	95.4
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	22	3.7	3.7	99.1
REFUSE	5	.9	.9	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

**Q14A. If the minimum wage proposal did not include annual cost of living raises, would you support or oppose raising the state's minimum wage from \$7.25 an hour to \$8.25 an hour?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid SUPPORT	52	8.9	37.6	37.6
OPPOSE	76	12.9	54.4	92.0
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	8	1.4	5.8	97.8
REFUSE	3	.5	2.2	100.0
Total	139	23.6	100.0	
Missing System	450	76.4		
Total	590	100.0		

**Q15. A question on the New Jersey ballot asks whether to allow veterans groups to use money raised in raffles and games of chance to fund their operations. Currently they can use that money only for educational, charitable, or other public purposes. Would you**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
SUPPORT	453	76.8	76.8	76.8
OPPOSE	79	13.3	13.3	90.2
Valid NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	44	7.5	7.5	97.6
REFUSE	14	2.4	2.4	100.0
Total	590	100.0	100.0	

Q12. What do you think is the most important issue facing New Jersey?

Open-ended text responses for ""OTHER"" choice  
(Open ends recoded into appropriate categories in weighted frequencies.)

Continued Growth  
campaign finance  
debt  
Unemployment Unemployment  
getting a favorable governor  
cost of living  
unemployment  
finances  
Corruption of politics  
UNEMPLOYMENT  
political devices  
Corruption  
cost of living  
Too many people on welfare.  
Public Employees are treated  
standard of living is higher  
Stop spending money (entitlements)  
unemployment  
Federal Government (Too Big)  
getting the debt down  
Education Reform  
school vouchers  
Decriminalize Marijuana  
Deficit  
unemployment  
unemployment  
balancing the budget (shouldn't borrow money)  
deficit  
Poverty  
Budget Deficit  
financial condition of the state  
employment  
Homeowners Taxes  
government spending  
unemployment  
Governor Christie  
Unemployment  
casinos  
Gas  
crime  
Get government working  
deterioration of cities (socially)  
Casinos  
size of gov't  
ES  
unemployment  
casino revenue  
state wasted money  
unemployment

## Frequencies - LD2 poll demographics

### Which category describes your age?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 18 to 29	22	3.7	3.7	3.7
30 to 49	114	19.1	19.1	22.8
50 to 64	215	36.1	36.1	58.9
Or 65 and older?	241	40.4	40.4	99.3
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	1	.2	.2	99.5
REFUSE	3	.5	.5	100.0
Total	596	100.0	100.0	

### Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid YES	14	2.3	2.3	2.3
NO	575	96.5	96.5	98.8
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	2	.3	.3	99.2
REFUSE	5	.8	.8	100.0
Total	596	100.0	100.0	

### Which of the following best represents your race?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid White	482	80.9	80.9	80.9
Black or African American	73	12.2	12.2	93.1
Asian or Pacific	12	2.0	2.0	95.1
Native American	3	.5	.5	95.6
Or do you identify with more than one race	16	2.7	2.7	98.3
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	2	.3	.3	98.7
REFUSE	8	1.3	1.3	100.0
Total	596	100.0	100.0	

**Which of the following best describes your highest level of education?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Less than high school	13	2.2	2.2	2.2
High school graduate	125	21.0	21.0	23.2
Some college	188	31.5	31.5	54.7
Or a four-year college degree or higher	261	43.8	43.8	98.5
REFUSE	9	1.5	1.5	100.0
Total	596	100.0	100.0	

**Which of the following general categories best represents your household income last year before taxes?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Less than \$50,000	164	27.5	27.5	27.5
\$50,000 to less than \$100,000	207	34.7	34.7	62.2
\$100,000 to \$150,000	94	15.8	15.8	78.0
Or more than \$150,000	58	9.7	9.7	87.8
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	16	2.7	2.7	90.4
REFUSE	57	9.6	9.6	100.0
Total	596	100.0	100.0	

**Sex**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid MALE	291	48.8	48.8	48.8
FEMALE	305	51.2	51.2	100.0
Total	596	100.0	100.0	

**Which party do you consider yourself to be a member of:**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Democrat	211	35.4	35.4	35.4
Republican	216	36.2	36.2	71.6
Unaffiliated	142	23.8	23.8	95.5
Or some other party?	10	1.7	1.7	97.1
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	7	1.2	1.2	98.3
REFUSE	10	1.7	1.7	100.0
Total	596	100.0	100.0	