

CBS News Exit Poll
2009 New Jersey Governor's Race
November 3, 2009

A. Are you:

	Total	Corzine	Christie	Daggett
Male	47%	40%	53	6
Female	53	50%	45	5

B. Are you:

White	73%	34%	59	6
Black	14	88%	9	2
Hispanic/Latino	9	65%	32	3
Asian	2	--	--	--
Other	1	--	--	--

D. When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the election for governor?

Within the last week	23%	43%	43	13
Earlier in October	13	42	48	10
Sometime in September	9	--	--	--
Before that	54	48%	50	1

E. If these were the only two candidates for governor on the ballot today, for whom would you have voted?

Jon Corzine (Dem)	46%	95%	1	4
Chris Christie (Rep)	49	1%	97	2
Would not have voted	4	--	--	--

F. Do you or does someone in your household belong to a labor union?

Yes	33%	54%	38	6
No	67	39%	55	5

G. To which age group do you belong?

18-29	9%	57%	36	6
30-44	24	44%	50	7
45-64	47	46%	48	6
65 or over	19	40%	55	4

H. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

Approve	57%	73%	19	7
Disapprove	42	7%	89	4

I. What was the last grade of school you completed?

	Total	Corzine	Christie	Daggett
High school graduate or less	20%	48%	46	5
Some college or associate degree	27	44%	49	6
College graduate	29	39%	54	6
Postgraduate	25	50%	44	5

College Graduate?

Yes	54%	44%	50	6
No	46	46%	48	6

J. Was your vote for governor mainly:

For your candidate	64%	52%	43	3
Against his opponent	34	28%	61	10

K. Which comes closer to your view?

Government should do more to solve national problems	49%	72%	21	6
Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals	47	15%	79	5

M. In your vote for governor today, was campaign advertising?

The single most important factor	8%	--	--	--
One of several important factors	20	48%	44	7
A minor factor	22	38%	56	6
Not a factor at all	45	43%	51	5

N. Which ONE issue mattered most in deciding how you voted for governor today?

Health care	17%	78%	19	3
Property taxes	26	25%	67	8
Economy/Jobs	32	58%	36	5
Corruption in government	20	25%	68	6

O. Which ONE of these four candidate qualities mattered most in deciding how you voted for governor?

Is honest	12%	57%	32	10
Has the right experience	17	82%	13	4
Can bring needed change	39	26%	67	7
Shares my values	27	46%	51	2

P. Is your opinion of Jon Corzine:

	Total	Corzine	Christie	Daggett
Favorable	45%	92%	5	2
Unfavorable	54	4%	86	8

Q. Is your opinion of Chris Christie:

Favorable	50%	8%	90%	3%
Unfavorable	48	82	7	9

R. Is your opinion of Chris Daggett:

Favorable	36%	45%	41	13
Unfavorable	52	44%	54	1

S. Did either of these candidates for governor attack the other unfairly?

Corzine did	73%	37%	57	6
Corzine did not	22	74	21	4
Christie did	62%	54%	38	8
Christie did not	33	28	69	2

T. How worried are you about the direction of the nation's economy in the next year?

Very worried	56%	34%	61	4
Somewhat worried	33	59%	33	8
Not too worried	8	65%	29	5
Not at all worried	2	--	--	--

U. Was one reason for your vote for governor today:

To express support for Barack Obama	19%	92%	5	2
To express opposition to Barack Obama	19	5%	92	2
Barack Obama was not a factor	60	44%	48	8

V. Regardless of how you voted today, which candidate has the best plan to lower property taxes?

Jon Corzine	22%	98%	1	--
Chris Christie	32	3%	96	--
Chris Daggett	6	--	--	--
None of them	38	52%	39	6

W. In the 2005 election for governor, did you vote for:

Jon Corzine (Dem)	49%	78%	17	2
Doug Forrester (Rep)	30	3%	96	1
Someone else	7	--	--	--
Did not vote	11	39%	50	9

X. No matter how you voted today, do you usually think of yourself as a:

	Total	Corzine	Christie	Daggett
Democrat	41%	86%	8	5
Republican	31	6%	91	3
Independent or something else	28	30%	60	9

Y. On most political matters, do you consider yourself:

Liberal	25%	83%	9	7
Moderate	45%	45%	48	6
Conservative	30%	15%	82	3

Z. Are you:

Protestant	34%	47%	46	6
Catholic	42	34%	61	4
Jewish	8	--	--	--
Other	6	--	--	--
None	11	68%	28%	4

AA. 2008 total family income:

Under \$50,000	23%	55%	40	5
\$50,000-\$99,999	38	47%	46	6
\$100,000 or more	39	40%	55	5