



## Governor Chris Christie's 1<sup>st</sup> Year In Office By The Numbers

*"We Have Made Great Progress Since January,  
But We Can And Must Go Further To Fix Our State."*

**– New Jersey Governor Chris Christie**

- \$158,000,000,000 – The amount that Governor Christie's pension & benefit reform plan will save in the estimated pension shortfall in 2041 if implemented.
- \$11,000,000,000 – Budget shortfall closed without raising taxes
- \$518,000,000 – In financing assistance, business incentives and tax credits provided by New Jersey Economic Development Authority
- \$64,800,000 – In total assistance provided to small businesses from Cape May County to Bergen County
- 2,334,420 – YouTube video views
- 174,943 – Constituents responded to by the Governor's Office of Constituent Relations
- 104,000 – Students trapped in chronically failing schools in New Jersey who could benefit from bold education reforms put forward by Governor Christie to bring accountability, competition and greater choice to New Jersey public education.
- 28,929 – Fans on the Governor Chris Christie Fan Page
- 23,457 – @GovChristie twitter followers
- 357 – Days since Chris Christie was sworn in as Governor of New Jersey
- 280+ – Number of times Governor Christie featured on the front page of The Star-Ledger
- 269 – New Jerseyans nominated by Governor Christie

(boards/commissions/authorities, cabinet members, judges, prosecutors, directors). Of which, 84 are still waiting for State Senate action

- 219 – Public events
- 121 – Bills signed into law
- 104 – Press availabilities
- 87 – Radio interviews including 12 “Ask the Governor” programs on 101.5 FM
- 85 – New Jersey towns visited
- 58 – Percent of school budgets defeated after unions refused pay freeze – highest ever percentage of defeated school budgets
- 52 – Executive Orders Issued
- 51 – Television interviews (national and local)
- 34 – Manufacturing projects which received \$22.2 million in assistance
- 33 – ‘Tool Kit’ reforms proposed to give municipalities the tools to help control property taxes and local spending
- 26 – Employer meetings and site visits, including Boeing, BASF, and Honeywell
- 25 – Town hall events held across the state
- 21 – Number of counties visited in the state
- 16 – Number of times the governor has exercised veto authority to police the actions of state boards, commissions and authorities
- 15 – Business relocations to New Jersey from New York, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Maryland
- 14 – Major speeches delivered
- 11 – Conditional vetoes of legislation
- 11 – Absolute vetoes of legislation
- 10 – Foreign delegations received in New Jersey
- 9 – New Jersey Heroes and counting
- 8 – Cabinet meetings
- 8 – Foreign Direct Investment Projects - From China, Portugal, and Germany

- 6 – Fortune 500 Expansions - Campbell Soup Company, Coca Cola Enterprises, Honeywell, Pitney Bowes, UPS, and Boeing
- 5 – Charter schools approved
- 2 – Percent Arbitration cap passed
- 2 – Percent Property tax cap passed
- 1 – Number of times the Governor read 'twas the night before Christmas with the Boston Pops Orchestra
- 0 – Tax increases while closing an \$11 billion budget deficit
- Countless – Number of times Governor Christie has been asked if he is running for president; Number of times he has answered NO

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