

LIVE **Exit Polls**

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**Region**

998 total respondents

	North 25%	North Central 27%	Birmingham/S. Central 25%	South 23%
Biden	22%	28%	73%	44%
Trump	75%	69%	24%	54%

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Age

998 total respondents

	18-29 16%	30-44 22%	45-64 37%	65 or older 25%
Biden	54%	43%	43%	29%
Trump	42%	53%	54%	70%

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Age

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	18-24 9%	25-29 6%	30-39 14%	40-49 17%	50-64 29%	65 or older 25%
Biden	52%	n/a	44%	50%	39%	29%
Trump	46%	n/a	53%	46%	59%	70%



Family's financial situation today:

998 total respondents

	Better than four years ago 56%	Worse than four years ago 12%	About the same 30%
Biden	21%	n/a	67%
Trump	78%	n/a	30%

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Condition of the nation's economy:

998 total respondents

	Excellent 13%	Good 44%	Not so good 32%	Poor 11%
Biden	n/a	15%	73%	n/a
Trump	n/a	82%	21%	n/a

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Party ID

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	Democrat 30%	Republican 48%	Independent 22%
Biden	96%	2%	51%
Trump	4%	97%	38%

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Ideology

998 total respondents

	Liberal 16%	Moderate 37%	Conservative 47%
Biden	91%	61%	9%
Trump	8%	35%	89%

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	White 71%	Black 24%	Latino 3%	Asian 0%	Something else 2%
Biden	24%	92%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Trump	73%	8%	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Gender

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	Male 45%	Female 55%
Biden	38%	44%
Trump	58%	54%

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Area type

998 total respondents

	Urban 29%	Suburban 50%	Rural 22%
Biden	69%	25%	43%
Trump	27%	74%	54%

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Condition of the nation's economy:

998 total respondents

	Excellent/Good 57%	Not good/Poor 43%
Biden	13%	77%
Trump	85%	18%

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Abortion should be:

998 total respondents

Legal in all cases

Legal in most cases

Illegal in most cases

Illegal in all cases



n/a

31%

87%

n/a

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Income

998 total respondents

Less than \$50,000
38%

\$50,000 or more
62%

Biden	40%	40%
Trump	59%	57%

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Vote for president mainly:

998 total respondents

For your candidate
73%

Against his opponent
23%

Biden	34%	62%
Trump	64%	36%

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Income

998 total respondents

Less than \$100,000
70%

\$100,000 or more
30%

Biden	41%	36%
Trump	57%	61%

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White born-again or evangelical Christian?

998 total respondents

Yes
45%

No
55%

Biden	7%	64%
Trump		



How confident that votes will be counted accurately?

998 total respondents

	Very confident 41%	Somewhat confident 47%	Not very confident 7%	Not at all confident 1%
Biden	38%	36%	n/a	n/a
Trump	58%	61%	n/a	n/a

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How confident that votes will be counted accurately?

998 total respondents

	Confident 89%	Not confident 8%
Biden	37%	n/a
Trump	60%	n/a

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Abortion should be:

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	LEGAL 44%	ILLEGAL 49%
Biden	69%	9%
Trump	26%	90%

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Parents

998 total respondents

	Men with children 11%	Women with children 16%	Men no children 31%	Women no children 42%
Biden	n/a	n/a	30%	38%
Trump	n/a	n/a	66%	59%



Sex by race

998 total respondents

	White men 34%	White women 37%	Black men 9%	Black women 15%	Latino men 2%
Biden	25%	22%	n/a	95%	n/a
Trump	70%	76%	n/a	5%	n/a

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Income

998 total respondents

	Less than \$50,000 38%	\$50,000 to \$99,999 32%	\$100,000 or more 30%
Biden	40%	42%	36%
Trump	59%	53%	61%

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Age

998 total respondents

	18-44 38%	45 or older 62%
Biden	48%	38%
Trump	49%	60%

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Education

998 total respondents

	College graduate 36%	No college degree 64%
Biden	50%	37%
Trump	46%	61%

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**Education by race**

Biden	37%	15%	86%	85%
Trump	58%	82%	11%	15%

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**Is this the first year
you voted?**

998 total respondents

	Yes 11%	No 89%
Biden	n/a	41%
Trump	n/a	56%

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View of Joe Biden:

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	Favorable 39%	Unfavorable 57%
Biden	93%	3%
Trump	5%	95%

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**Prefer U.S. Senate
controlled by:**

998 total respondents

	Democrats 38%	Republicans 58%
Biden	94%	1%
Trump	5%	95%

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**Have any children
under 18?**

998 total respondents

YES

NO



51%

62%

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Race

998 total respondents

White voters

71%

Voters of color

29%

Biden	24%	85%
Trump	73%	14%

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Does Trump have the temperament to serve as president?

998 total respondents

YES

54%

NO

43%

Biden	4%	84%
Trump	95%	12%

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Gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?

998 total respondents

YES

5%

NO

95%

Biden	n/a	35%
Trump	n/a	62%

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Decided on presidential vote:

998 total respondents

In the last few days

4%

In the last week

2%

In October

3%

In September

4%

Before that

86%

Biden					
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projectable with confidence to their true values in the population.

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n/a

n/a

n/a

58%

View of Donald Trump:

998 total respondents

	Favorable 56%	Unfavorable 40%
Biden	3%	89%
Trump	96%	8%

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Decided on presidential vote:

998 total respondents

	In the last month 9%	Before that 90%
Biden	n/a	39%
Trump	n/a	59%

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Decided on presidential vote:

998 total respondents

	In the last week 6%	Before that 93%
Biden	n/a	40%
Trump	n/a	58%

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Education by Gender Among White Voters

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	White college graduate women 13%	White women no degree 24%	White college graduate men 14%	White men no degree 20%	Voters of color 29%



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65% 82% 52% 82% 14%

Opinion of Trump as president

998 total respondents

	Strongly approve 46%	Somewhat approve 10%	Somewhat disapprove 5%	Strongly disapprove 36%
Biden	1%	n/a	n/a	96%
Trump	99%	n/a	n/a	1%

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Opinion of Trump as president

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	Approve 56%	Disapprove 41%
Biden	2%	92%
Trump	98%	3%

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View of Doug Jones:

998 total respondents

	Favorable 43%	Unfavorable 51%
Biden	86%	4%
Trump	11%	94%

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Education

998 total respondents

	Never attended college 21%	Some college 25%	Associate's degree 17%	Bachelor's degree 21%	Advanced degree 16%
Biden	30%	42%	38%	44%	57%
Trump	68%	57%	59%	50%	42%



Income

998 total respondents

	Less than \$30,000 18%	\$30,000-\$49,999 20%	\$50,000-\$99,999 32%	\$100,000-\$: 23%
Biden	n/a	n/a	42%	n/a
Trump	n/a	n/a	53%	n/a

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Most important issue to your vote?

998 total respondents

	Racial inequality 20%	Coronavirus 8%	The economy 45%	Crime and safety 15%	Health care policy 8%
Biden	n/a	n/a	10%	n/a	n/a
Trump	n/a	n/a	90%	n/a	n/a

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Which candidate quality mattered most?

998 total respondents

	Can unite the country 21%	Is a strong leader 37%	Cares about people like me 24%	Has good judgment 15%
Biden	75%	15%	39%	n/a
Trump	23%	85%	59%	n/a

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U.S. efforts to contain coronavirus are going:

998 total respondents

	Very well 18%	Somewhat well 35%	Somewhat badly 14%	Very badly 29%
Biden	n/a	5%	n/a	95%



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Better handle the economy?

998 total respondents

	Biden 40%	Trump 57%
Biden	98%	2%
Trump	2%	94%

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Which is more important to do now?

998 total respondents

	Contain coronavirus 42%	Rebuild the economy 53%
Biden	79%	14%
Trump	19%	84%

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Racism in the U.S. is:

998 total respondents

	The most important problem 14%	An important problem 55%	A minor problem 23%	Not a problem at all 5%
Biden	n/a	43%	4%	n/a
Trump	n/a	54%	91%	n/a

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Does Biden have the temperament to serve as president?

998 total respondents

	YES 41%	NO 57%
Biden	93%	1%
Trump		



Favorable opinion of:

998 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 3%	Only Biden 36%	Only Trump 53%	Neither of them 5%
Biden	n/a	97%	0%	n/a
Trump	n/a	1%	98%	n/a

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Who has the temperament to serve as president?

998 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 3%	Only Biden 38%	Only Trump 52%	Neither of them 5%
Biden	n/a	94%	1%	n/a
Trump	n/a	3%	99%	n/a

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Better handle the coronavirus pandemic?

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	BIDEN 43%	TRUMP 55%
Biden	95%	0%
Trump	1%	98%

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View of Tommy Tuberville:

998 total respondents

	Favorable 52%	Unfavorable 41%
Biden	7%	81%
Trump		



Racism in the U.S. is:

998 total respondents

	An important problem 70%	Not an important problem 28%
Biden	54%	5%
Trump	44%	90%

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U.S. efforts to contain the coronavirus are going:

998 total respondents

	Well 53%	Badly 42%
Biden	4%	86%
Trump	94%	10%

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Favorable opinion of:

998 total respondents

	Both candidates 5%	Only Jones 38%	Only Tuberville 47%	Neither candidate 5%
Biden	n/a	90%	1%	n/a
Trump	n/a	8%	96%	n/a

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- All times ET.
- Not all candidates are listed.
- CNN will broadcast a projected winner only after an extensive review of data from a number of sources.
- "Flipped seat" denotes a race where the 2020 projected winner is from a different party than the previous winner or incumbent.
- Both Maine and Nebraska allow electoral votes to be split. In Maine, two of four electoral votes go to the statewide winner and one electoral vote goes to the winner in each of the two congressional districts. In Nebraska, two of five electoral votes go to the winner of the statewide vote. One electoral vote goes to the winner in each of Nebraska's three congressional districts.

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