

• LIVE Exit Polls

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Region

2,562 total respondents

	Eastern Cities 28%	East Central 18%	Des Moines Area 24%	Central 15%	West 15%
• Biden	59%	46%	58%	39%	33%
• Trump	39%	52%	39%	60%	65%

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Age

2,562 total respondents

	18-29 16%	30-44 22%	45-64 35%	65 or older 27%
• Biden	57%	54%	43%	49%
• Trump	38%	43%	56%	50%

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Age

2,562 total respondents

	18-24 11%	25-29 6%	30-39 14%	40-49 15%	50-64 28%	65 or older 27%
• Biden	63%	46%	49%	54%	42%	49%
• Trump	33%	47%	46%	43%	57%	50%



**situation today:**

2,562 total respondents

	Better than four years ago 45%	Worse than four years ago 14%	About the same 40%
● Biden	18%	88%	65%
● Trump	79%	10%	32%

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**Condition of the nation's economy:**

2,562 total respondents

	Excellent 11%	Good 39%	Not so good 31%	Poor 17%
● Biden	4%	20%	75%	95%
● Trump	96%	77%	24%	2%

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**Party ID**

2,562 total respondents

	Democrat 27%	Republican 34%	Independent 38%
● Biden	95%	8%	54%
● Trump	5%	92%	41%

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**Ideology**

2,562 total respondents

	Liberal 21%	Moderate 42%	Conservative 37%
● Biden	92%	63%	10%
● Trump	7%	34%	89%

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**Race**

2,562 total respondents



● Trump	<b>51%</b>	19%	26%	n/a	n/a
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### Gender

2,562 total respondents

	Male 48%	Female 52%
● Biden	43%	<b>55%</b>
● Trump	<b>54%</b>	43%

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### Area type

2,562 total respondents

	Urban 32%	Suburban 30%	Rural 38%
● Biden	<b>61%</b>	<b>51%</b>	38%
● Trump	37%	47%	<b>60%</b>

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### Condition of the nation's economy:

2,562 total respondents

	Excellent/Good 50%	Not good/Poor 49%
● Biden	17%	<b>82%</b>
● Trump	<b>81%</b>	16%

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### Abortion should be:

2,562 total respondents

	Legal in all cases 22%	Legal in most cases 29%	Illegal in most cases 29%	Illegal in all cases 15%
● Biden	<b>83%</b>	<b>67%</b>	23%	10%
● Trump	13%	32%	<b>74%</b>	<b>89%</b>



**Income**

2,562 total respondents

	Less than \$50,000 38%	\$50,000 or more 62%
● Biden	56%	45%
● Trump	41%	52%

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**Vote for president mainly:**

2,562 total respondents

	For your candidate 64%	Against his opponent 29%
● Biden	38%	72%
● Trump	62%	24%

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**Income**

2,562 total respondents

	Less than \$100,000 73%	\$100,000 or more 27%
● Biden	49%	50%
● Trump	49%	47%

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**White born-again or evangelical Christian?**

2,562 total respondents

	Yes 33%	No 67%
● Biden	27%	60%
● Trump	71%	39%

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**How confident that votes will be**

● Biden	<b>58%</b>	46%	n/a	n/a
● Trump	42%	<b>51%</b>	n/a	n/a

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### How confident that votes will be counted accurately?

2,562 total respondents

	<b>Confident</b> 91%	<b>Not confident</b> 8%
● Biden	<b>53%</b>	n/a
● Trump	46%	n/a

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### Abortion should be:

2,562 total respondents

	<b>LEGAL</b> 51%	<b>ILLEGAL</b> 44%
● Biden	<b>74%</b>	19%
● Trump	24%	<b>79%</b>

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### Parents

2,562 total respondents

	<b>Men with children</b> 10%	<b>Women with children</b> 14%	<b>Men no children</b> 39%	<b>Women no children</b> 37%
● Biden	36%	47%	44%	<b>59%</b>
● Trump	<b>62%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>54%</b>	40%

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### Sex by race

2,562 total respondents



● Trump	<b>56%</b>	45%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
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### Income

2,562 total respondents

	<b>Less than \$50,000</b> 38%	<b>\$50,000 to \$99,999</b> 35%	<b>\$100,000 or more</b> 27%
● Biden	<b>56%</b>	41%	<b>50%</b>
● Trump	41%	<b>56%</b>	47%

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### Age

2,562 total respondents

	<b>18-44</b> 38%	<b>45 or older</b> 62%
● Biden	<b>55%</b>	46%
● Trump	41%	<b>53%</b>

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### Education

2,562 total respondents

	<b>College graduate</b> 39%	<b>No college degree</b> 61%
● Biden	<b>56%</b>	45%
● Trump	41%	<b>53%</b>

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### Education by race

2,562 total respondents

	<b>White voters, college degree</b> 37%	<b>White voters, no degree</b> 55%	<b>Voters of color, college degree</b> 2%	<b>Voters of color, no degree</b> 6%
● Biden	<b>55%</b>	42%	n/a	<b>70%</b>
● Trump	42%	<b>56%</b>	n/a	29%



### Is this the first year you voted?

2,562 total respondents

	Yes 10%	No 90%
● Biden	60%	48%
● Trump	39%	50%

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### View of Joe Biden:

2,562 total respondents

	Favorable 49%	Unfavorable 49%
● Biden	94%	6%
● Trump	6%	89%

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

2,562 total respondents

	Democrats 44%	Republicans 51%
● Biden	97%	7%
● Trump	2%	91%

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### Have any children under 18?

2,562 total respondents

	YES 24%	NO 76%
● Biden	42%	51%
● Trump	56%	47%

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● Biden	47%	<b>69%</b>
● Trump	<b>51%</b>	29%

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### Does Trump have the temperament to serve as president?

2,562 total respondents

	<b>YES</b> 49%	<b>NO</b> 50%
● Biden	6%	<b>90%</b>
● Trump	<b>93%</b>	6%

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### Gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?

2,562 total respondents

	<b>YES</b> 4%	<b>NO</b> 96%
● Biden	n/a	48%
● Trump	n/a	<b>50%</b>

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### Decided on presidential vote:

2,562 total respondents

	<b>In the last few days</b> 4%	<b>In the last week</b> 2%	<b>In October</b> 8%	<b>In September</b> 5%	<b>Before that</b> 80%
● Biden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	45%
● Trump	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>53%</b>

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### View of Donald





● Biden	3%	<b>90%</b>
● Trump	<b>95%</b>	7%

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**Decided on presidential vote:**

2,562 total respondents

	In the last month 14%	Before that 85%
● Biden	<b>50%</b>	47%
● Trump	45%	<b>51%</b>

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**Decided on presidential vote:**

2,562 total respondents

	In the last week 6%	Before that 93%
● Biden	40%	48%
● Trump	<b>52%</b>	<b>51%</b>

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**Education by Gender Among White Voters**

2,562 total respondents

	White college graduate women 18%	White women no degree 30%	White college graduate men 19%	White men no degree 25%	Voters of color 9%
● Biden	<b>59%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>51%</b>	33%	<b>69%</b>
● Trump	39%	49%	44%	<b>65%</b>	29%

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**Opinion of Trump as president**

2,562 total respondents

Strongly approve 34%	Somewhat approve 15%	Somewhat disapprove 7%	Strongly disapprove 43%
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## Opinion of Trump as president

2,562 total respondents

	Approve 49%	Disapprove 50%
● Biden	5%	96%
● Trump	94%	2%

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## Education

2,562 total respondents

	Never attended college 18%	Some college 25%	Associate's degree 18%	Bachelor's degree 26%	Advanced degree 13%
● Biden	41%	50%	42%	54%	61%
● Trump	58%	48%	56%	43%	36%

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## Income

2,562 total respondents

	Less than \$30,000 15%	\$30,000-\$49,999 23%	\$50,000-\$99,999 35%	\$100,000-\$199,999 22%	\$200,000 or more 5%
● Biden	61%	53%	41%	49%	n/a
● Trump	37%	44%	56%	47%	n/a

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## Most important issue to your vote?

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	Racial inequality 12%	Coronavirus 20%	The economy 34%	Crime and safety 11%	Health care policy 13%
● Biden	93%	90%	12%	15%	82%
● Trump	6%	10%	88%	85%	18%



### Which candidate quality mattered most?

2,562 total respondents

	Can unite the country 19%	Is a strong leader 34%	Cares about people like me 17%	Has good judgment 23%
● Biden	75%	21%	61%	65%
● Trump	25%	78%	36%	30%

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

2,562 total respondents

	Very well 12%	Somewhat well 32%	Somewhat badly 19%	Very badly 34%
● Biden	12%	8%	70%	95%
● Trump	88%	91%	27%	4%

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### Better handle the economy?

2,562 total respondents

	Biden 44%	Trump 52%
● Biden	99%	5%
● Trump	0%	94%

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### Which is more important to do now?

2,562 total respondents

	Contain coronavirus 50%	Rebuild the economy 45%
● Biden	83%	10%
● Trump	15%	87%



2,562 total respondents

	The most important problem 9%	An important problem 65%	A minor problem 20%	Not a problem at all 5%
● Biden	n/a	60%	18%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	38%	81%	n/a

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### Does Biden have the temperament to serve as president?

2,562 total respondents

	YES 49%	NO 50%
● Biden	92%	3%
● Trump	6%	93%

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### Favorable opinion of:

2,562 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 3%	Only Biden 46%	Only Trump 42%	Neither of them 7%
● Biden	n/a	98%	1%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	2%	97%	n/a

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### Who has the temperament to serve as president?

2,562 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 5%	Only Biden 44%	Only Trump 44%	Neither of them 5%
● Biden	n/a	97%	1%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	2%	98%	n/a

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### coronavirus pandemic?

2,562 total respondents

	<b>BIDEN</b> 50%	<b>TRUMP</b> 46%
● Biden	<b>95%</b>	2%
● Trump	3%	<b>97%</b>

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### View of Joni Ernst:

2,562 total respondents

	<b>Favorable</b> 49%	<b>Unfavorable</b> 48%
● Biden	9%	<b>88%</b>
● Trump	<b>89%</b>	9%

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### View of Theresa Greenfield:

2,562 total respondents

	<b>Favorable</b> 47%	<b>Unfavorable</b> 46%
● Biden	<b>90%</b>	6%
● Trump	8%	<b>91%</b>

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### Racism in the U.S. is:

2,562 total respondents

	<b>An important problem</b> 73%	<b>Not an important problem</b> 25%
● Biden	<b>63%</b>	16%
● Trump	35%	<b>83%</b>

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### U.S. efforts to contain the coronavirus are





● Biden	9%	86%
● Trump	90%	12%

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### Favorable opinion of:

2,562 total respondents

	Both candidates 5%	Only Greenfield 42%	Only Ernst 43%	Neither candidate 5%
● Biden	n/a	95%	4%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	4%	95%	n/a

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- 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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