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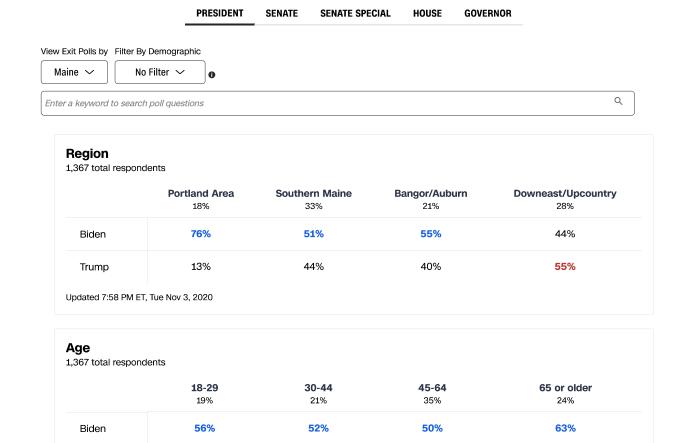
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LIVE **Exit Polls**

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Region
1,367 total respondents

	Portland Area 18%	Southern Maine 33%	Bangor/Auburn 21%	Downeast/Upcountry 28%
Biden	**76%**	**51%**	**55%**	44%
Trump	13%	44%	40%	**55%**

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Age
1,367 total respondents

	18-29 19%	30-44 21%	45-64 35%	65 or older 24%
Biden	**56%**	**52%**	**50%**	**63%**
Trump	33%	44%	47%	36%

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Age
1,367 total respondents

	18-24 11%	25-29 8%	30-39 14%	40-49 14%	50-64 29%	65 or older 24%
Biden	**59%**	**51%**	**58%**	40%	**52%**	**63%**
Trump	28%	39%	37%	**54%**	46%	36%

...situation today:
1,367 total respondents

	Better than four years ago 36%	Worse than four years ago 21%	About the same 40%
Biden	16%	**91%**	**63%**
Trump	**81%**	8%	31%

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Condition of the nation's economy:
1,367 total respondents

	Excellent 7%	Good 31%	Not so good 34%	Poor 27%
Biden	n/a	25%	**78%**	**83%**
Trump	n/a	**70%**	19%	6%

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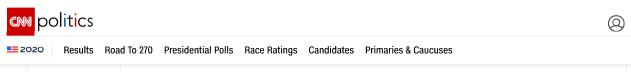
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Party ID
1,367 total respondents

	Democrat 29%	Republican 28%	Independent 43%
Biden	**95%**	9%	**57%**
Trump	5%	**89%**	33%

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Ideology
1,367 total respondents

	Liberal 29%	Moderate 42%	Conservative 29%
Biden	**94%**	**61%**	9%
Trump	3%	35%	**86%**

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Race

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Biden	**55%**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Trump	41%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Gender
1,367 total respondents

	Male 43%	Female 57%
Biden	42%	**64%**
Trump	**48%**	35%

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Area type
1,367 total respondents

	Urban 7%	Suburban 45%	Rural 48%
Biden	n/a	**59%**	**50%**
Trump	n/a	38%	47%

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Condition of the nation's economy:
1,367 total respondents

	Excellent/Good 38%	Not good/Poor 61%
Biden	21%	**80%**
Trump	**74%**	13%

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Vote for president mainly:
1,367 total respondents

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Trump	**49%**	19%

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How confident that votes will be counted accurately?

1,367 total respondents

	Very confident 56%	Somewhat confident 34%	Not very confident 7%	Not at all confident 2%
Biden	**72%**	44%	n/a	n/a
Trump	23%	**51%**	n/a	n/a

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How confident that votes will be counted accurately?

1,367 total respondents

	Confident 90%	Not confident 9%
Biden	**62%**	n/a
Trump	34%	n/a

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Parents

1,367 total respondents

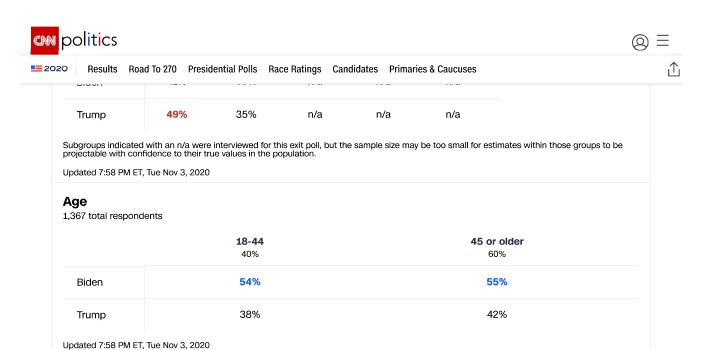|	Men with children 10%	Women with children 15%	Men no children 32%	Women no children 42%
Biden	n/a	n/a	40%	**66%**
Trump	n/a	n/a	**51%**	34%

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Sex by race

1,367 total respondents

Biden	42%	55%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Trump	**49%**	35%	n/a	n/a	n/a

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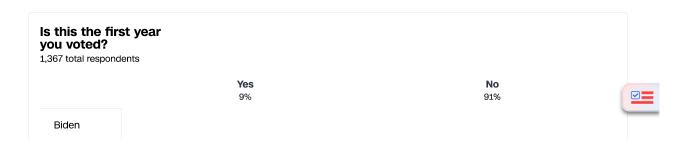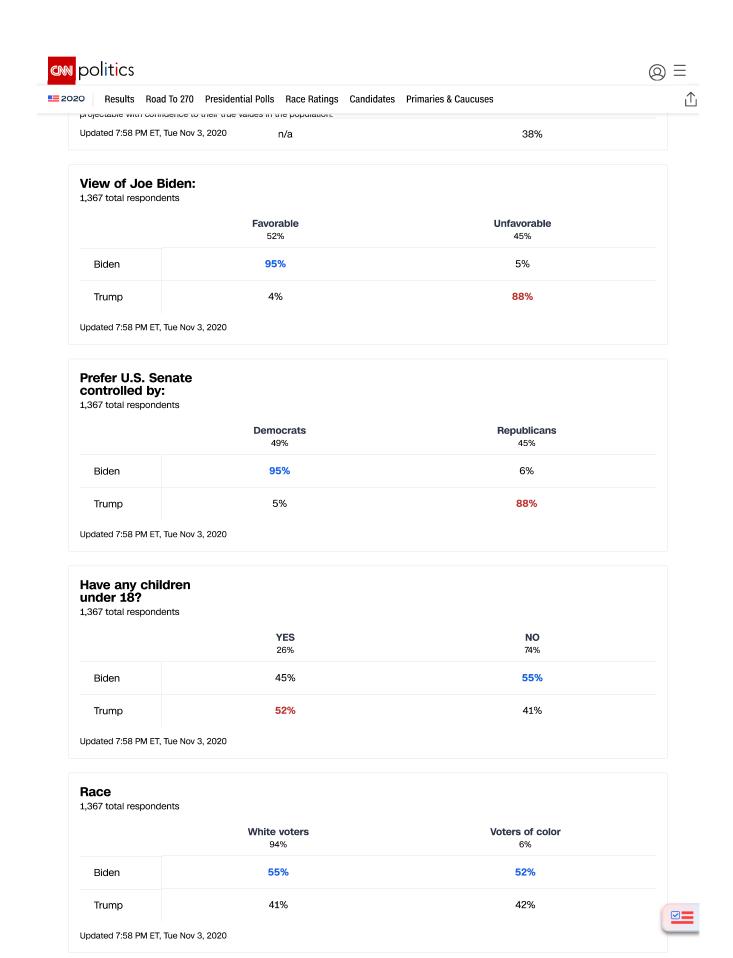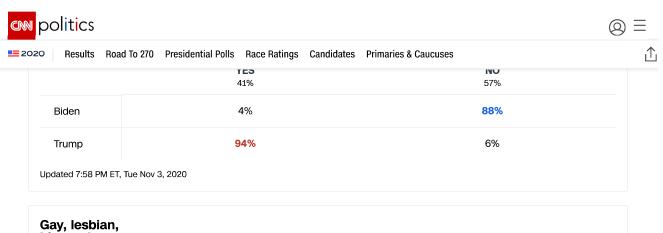1,367 total respondents

	18-44 40%	45 or older 60%
Biden	**54%**	**55%**
Trump	38%	42%

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Education
1,367 total respondents

	College graduate 38%	No college degree 62%
Biden	**69%**	45%
Trump	28%	**49%**

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Education by race
1,367 total respondents

	White voters, college degree 36%	White voters, no degree 57%	Voters of color, college degree 2%	Voters of color, no degree 4%
Biden	**71%**	44%	n/a	n/a
Trump	27%	**50%**	n/a	n/a

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Is this the first year you voted?
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	Yes 9%	No 91%
Biden		

projectable with confidence to their true values in the population.

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View of Joe Biden:
1,367 total respondents

	Favorable 52%	Unfavorable 45%
Biden	**95%**	5%
Trump	4%	**88%**

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Prefer U.S. Senate controlled by:
1,367 total respondents

	Democrats 49%	Republicans 45%
Biden	**95%**	6%
Trump	5%	**88%**

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Have any children under 18?
1,367 total respondents

	YES 26%	NO 74%
Biden	45%	**55%**
Trump	**52%**	41%

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Race
1,367 total respondents

	White voters 94%	Voters of color 6%
Biden	**55%**	**52%**
Trump	41%	42%

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	YES 41%	NO 57%
Biden	4%	**88%**
Trump	**94%**	6%

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Gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?
1,367 total respondents

	YES 8%	NO 92%
Biden	n/a	**57%**
Trump	n/a	39%

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Decided on presidential vote:
1,367 total respondents

	In the last few days 4%	In the last week 1%	In October 6%	In September 8%	Before that 77%
Biden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**53%**
Trump	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	46%

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View of Donald Trump:
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	Favorable 43%	Unfavorable 54%
Biden	5%	**93%**
Trump	**94%**	4%

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Decided on

	12%	85%
Biden	n/a	**54%**
Trump	n/a	45%

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Decided on presidential vote:

1,367 total respondents

	In the last week 5%	Before that 91%
Biden	n/a	**53%**
Trump	n/a	45%

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Education by Gender Among White Voters

1,367 total respondents

	White college graduate women 21%	White women no degree 32%	White college graduate men 15%	White men no degree 26%	Voters of color 6%
Biden	**78%**	**55%**	**61%**	31%	**52%**
Trump	21%	44%	34%	**58%**	41%

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Opinion of Trump as president

1,367 total respondents

	Strongly approve 27%	Somewhat approve 11%	Somewhat disapprove 5%	Strongly disapprove 56%
Biden	0%	n/a	n/a	**93%**
Trump	**95%**	n/a	n/a	1%

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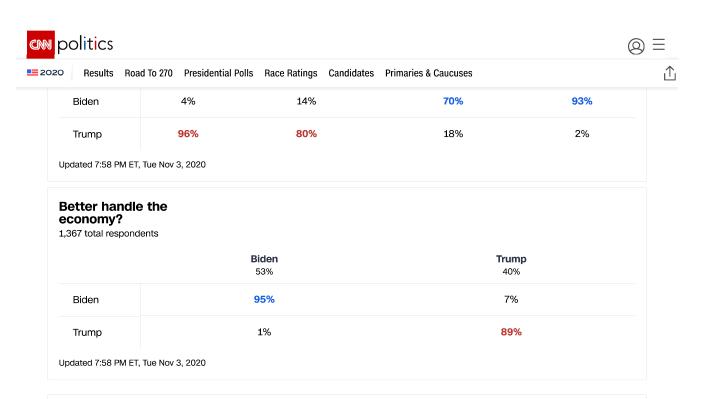
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	38%		61%
Biden	3%		**91%**
Trump	**90%**		3%

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Education
1,367 total respondents

	Never attended college 20%	Some college 29%	Associate's degree 13%	Bachelor's degree 22%	Advanced degree 17%
Biden	36%	**53%**	44%	**68%**	**69%**
Trump	**59%**	43%	**47%**	29%	27%

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Most important issue to your vote?
1,367 total respondents

	Racial inequality 15%	Coronavirus 21%	The economy 34%	Crime and safety 8%	Health care policy 11%
Biden	**96%**	**89%**	8%	n/a	n/a
Trump	3%	10%	**90%**	n/a	n/a

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Which candidate quality mattered most?
1,367 total respondents

	Can unite the country 20%	Is a strong leader 31%	Cares about people like me 17%	Has good judgment 26%
Biden	**81%**	13%	**57%**	**77%**
Trump	17%	**84%**	43%	17%

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U.S. efforts to contain coronavirus are going:

Biden	4%	14%	**70%**	**93%**
Trump	**96%**	**80%**	18%	2%

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Better handle the economy?
1,367 total respondents

	Biden 53%	Trump 40%
Biden	**95%**	7%
Trump	1%	**89%**

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Which is more important to do now?
1,367 total respondents

	Contain coronavirus 54%	Rebuild the economy 40%
Biden	**86%**	10%
Trump	13%	**87%**

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Racism in the U.S. is:
1,367 total respondents

	The most important problem 9%	An important problem 70%	A minor problem 15%	Not a problem at all 5%
Biden	n/a	**71%**	4%	n/a
Trump	n/a	24%	**88%**	n/a

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View of Maine's use of ranked choice voting?
1,367 total respondents

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	15%	**74%**

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Does Biden have the temperament to serve as president?

1,367 total respondents

	YES 57%	NO 42%
Biden	**90%**	2%
Trump	8%	**92%**

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Favorable opinion of:

1,367 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 4%	Only Biden 49%	Only Trump 40%	Neither of them 5%
Biden	n/a	**99%**	1%	n/a
Trump	n/a	0%	**98%**	n/a

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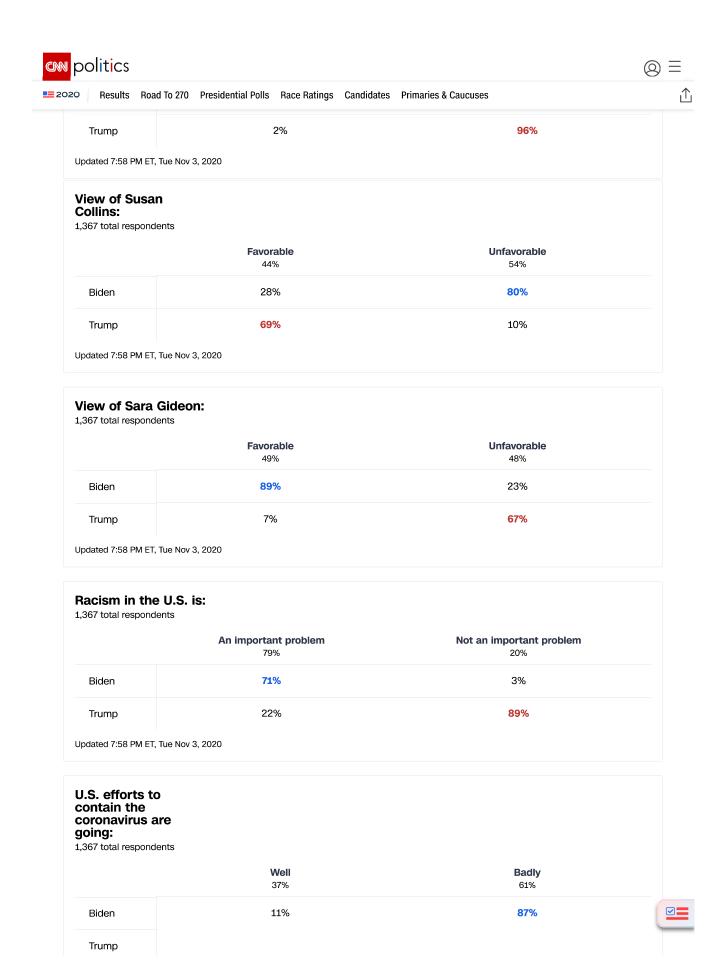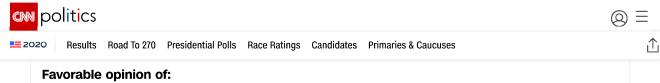
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Who has the temperament to serve as president?

1,367 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 6%	Only Biden 51%	Only Trump 35%	Neither of them 6%
Biden	n/a	**98%**	1%	n/a
Trump	n/a	1%	**99%**	n/a

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Better handle the coronavirus pandemic?

1,367 total respondents

Trump	2%	**96%**

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View of Susan Collins:

1,367 total respondents

	Favorable 44%	Unfavorable 54%
Biden	28%	**80%**
Trump	**69%**	10%

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View of Sara Gideon:

1,367 total respondents

	Favorable 49%	Unfavorable 48%
Biden	**89%**	23%
Trump	7%	**67%**

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Racism in the U.S. is:

1,367 total respondents

	An important problem 79%	Not an important problem 20%
Biden	**71%**	3%
Trump	22%	**89%**

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

1,367 total respondents

	Well 37%	Badly 61%
Biden	11%	**87%**
Trump		

Favorable opinion of:

1,367 total respondents

	Both candidates 8%	Only Gideon 40%	Only Collins 36%	Neither candidate 12%
Biden	n/a	**91%**	16%	n/a
Trump	n/a	5%	**81%**	n/a

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