

LIVE Exit Polls

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Region

830 total respondents

	N. Rockies 19%	Cent. Rockies 22%	S. Rockies 22%	N. Plains 18%	S. Plains 20%
Biden	41%	54%	51%	40%	29%
Trump	56%	38%	46%	57%	65%

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Age

830 total respondents

	18-29 17%	30-44 22%	45-64 34%	65 or older 28%
Biden	30%	49%	43%	48%
Trump	55%	47%	55%	49%

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Age

830 total respondents

	18-24 8%	25-29 9%	30-39 15%	40-49 15%	50-64 26%	65 or older 28%
Biden	n/a	n/a	50%	32%	50%	48%
Trump	n/a	n/a	47%	62%	49%	49%



### Family's financial situation today:

830 total respondents

	Better than four years ago 41%	Worse than four years ago 18%	About the same 41%
● Biden	10%	n/a	<b>64%</b>
● Trump	<b>87%</b>	n/a	32%

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### Condition of the nation's economy:

830 total respondents

	Excellent 8%	Good 38%	Not so good 25%	Poor 26%
● Biden	n/a	17%	<b>64%</b>	<b>81%</b>
● Trump	n/a	<b>83%</b>	33%	9%

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### Party ID

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	Democrat 24%	Republican 34%	Independent 42%
● Biden	<b>95%</b>	8%	42%
● Trump	3%	<b>90%</b>	<b>50%</b>

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### Ideology

830 total respondents

	Liberal 18%	Moderate 37%	Conservative 45%
● Biden	<b>86%</b>	<b>68%</b>	8%
● Trump	8%	27%	<b>90%</b>

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	White 88%	Black 0%	Latino 3%	Asian 0%	Something else 8%
● Biden	44%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
● Trump	<b>52%</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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### Gender

830 total respondents

	Male 48%	Female 52%
● Biden	37%	<b>50%</b>
● Trump	<b>57%</b>	47%

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### Area type

830 total respondents

	Urban 25%	Suburban 5%	Rural 70%
● Biden	<b>48%</b>	n/a	43%
● Trump	46%	n/a	<b>53%</b>

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### Condition of the nation's economy:

830 total respondents

	Excellent/Good 45%	Not good/Poor 51%
● Biden	14%	<b>73%</b>
● Trump	<b>86%</b>	21%

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### Abortion should be:

830 total respondents



● Trump	n/a	26%	<b>79%</b>	n/a
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### Vote for president mainly:

830 total respondents

	For your candidate 61%	Against his opponent 24%
● Biden	31%	<b>69%</b>
● Trump	<b>65%</b>	24%

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

830 total respondents

	Very confident 50%	Somewhat confident 39%	Not very confident 7%	Not at all confident 2%
● Biden	<b>55%</b>	28%	n/a	n/a
● Trump	40%	<b>66%</b>	n/a	n/a

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

830 total respondents

	Confident 88%	Not confident 9%
● Biden	43%	n/a
● Trump	<b>52%</b>	n/a

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### Abortion should be:



● Biden	<b>73%</b>	15%
● Trump	22%	<b>80%</b>

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**Parents**

830 total respondents

	Men with children 14%	Women with children 13%	Men no children 35%	Women no children 38%
● Biden	n/a	n/a	36%	<b>54%</b>
● Trump	n/a	n/a	<b>58%</b>	43%

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**Sex by race**

830 total respondents

	White men 39%	White women 49%	Black men 0%	Black women 0%	Latino men 3%	Latino women 1%	All other races 8%
● Biden	37%	<b>49%</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
● Trump	<b>58%</b>	48%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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**Age**

830 total respondents

	18-44 39%	45 or older 61%
● Biden	41%	46%
● Trump	<b>50%</b>	<b>52%</b>

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**Education**

830 total respondents

	College graduate 31%	No college degree 69%
● Biden		



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42%

57%

### Education by race

830 total respondents

	White voters, college degree 28%	White voters, no degree 61%	Voters of color, college degree 3%	Voters of color, no degree 8%
● Biden	57%	38%	n/a	n/a
● Trump	42%	57%	n/a	n/a

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### Is this the first year you voted?

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	Yes 7%	No 93%
● Biden	n/a	43%
● Trump	n/a	54%

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### View of Joe Biden:

830 total respondents

	Favorable 44%	Unfavorable 54%
● Biden	96%	3%
● Trump	3%	91%

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

830 total respondents

	Democrats 39%	Republicans 48%
● Biden	92%	3%
● Trump		



### Have any children under 18?

830 total respondents

	YES 26%	NO 74%
● Biden	36%	46%
● Trump	<b>58%</b>	<b>50%</b>

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### Race

830 total respondents

	White voters 88%	Voters of color 12%
● Biden	44%	45%
● Trump	<b>52%</b>	<b>47%</b>

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

830 total respondents

	YES 48%	NO 50%
● Biden	4%	<b>81%</b>
● Trump	<b>94%</b>	13%

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### Gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?

830 total respondents

	YES 8%	NO 92%
● Biden	n/a	42%
● Trump	n/a	<b>55%</b>

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	In the last few days 1%	In the last week 0%	In October 10%	In September 9%	Before that 75%
● Biden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	48%
● Trump	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>49%</b>

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### View of Donald Trump:

830 total respondents

	Favorable 49%	Unfavorable 48%
● Biden	2%	<b>86%</b>
● Trump	<b>95%</b>	8%

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### Decided on presidential vote:

830 total respondents

	In the last month 11%	Before that 84%
● Biden	n/a	45%
● Trump	n/a	<b>50%</b>

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### Decided on presidential vote:

830 total respondents

	In the last week 1%	Before that 94%
● Biden	n/a	43%
● Trump	n/a	<b>52%</b>

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830 total respondents

	White college graduate women 15%	White women no degree 35%	White college graduate men 13%	White men no degree 26%	Voters of color 11%
● Biden	67%	42%	46%	32%	47%
● Trump	33%	54%	52%	61%	47%

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### Opinion of Trump as president

830 total respondents

	Strongly approve 39%	Somewhat approve 14%	Somewhat disapprove 4%	Strongly disapprove 43%
● Biden	0%	n/a	n/a	92%
● Trump	100%	n/a	n/a	2%

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### Opinion of Trump as president

830 total respondents

	Approve 53%	Disapprove 46%
● Biden	3%	88%
● Trump	96%	4%

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### Education

830 total respondents

	Never attended college 26%	Some college 34%	Associate's degree 9%	Bachelor's degree 18%	Advanced degree 13%
● Biden	35%	41%	36%	51%	63%
● Trump	59%	54%	60%	48%	34%

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### Most important issue



● Biden	n/a	n/a	12%	n/a	n/a
● Trump	n/a	n/a	<b>80%</b>	n/a	n/a

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### Which candidate quality mattered most?

830 total respondents

	Can unite the country 17%	Is a strong leader 25%	Cares about people like me 16%	Has good judgment 31%
● Biden	n/a	13%	n/a	<b>49%</b>
● Trump	n/a	<b>87%</b>	n/a	44%

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

830 total respondents

	Very well 10%	Somewhat well 31%	Somewhat badly 19%	Very badly 35%
● Biden	n/a	7%	n/a	<b>85%</b>
● Trump	n/a	<b>91%</b>	n/a	8%

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### Which is more important to do now?

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	Contain coronavirus 48%	Rebuild the economy 43%
● Biden	<b>80%</b>	5%
● Trump	15%	<b>90%</b>

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● Biden	n/a	<b>60%</b>	6%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	34%	<b>92%</b>	n/a

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### View of Steve Bullock:

830 total respondents

	<b>Favorable</b> 52%	<b>Unfavorable</b> 41%
● Biden	<b>79%</b>	1%
● Trump	17%	<b>96%</b>

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### View of Steve Daines:

830 total respondents

	<b>Favorable</b> 44%	<b>Unfavorable</b> 46%
● Biden	4%	<b>79%</b>
● Trump	<b>94%</b>	14%

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

830 total respondents

	<b>YES</b> 46%	<b>NO</b> 52%
● Biden	<b>92%</b>	1%
● Trump	6%	<b>93%</b>

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### Favorable opinion of:

830 total respondents

**Biden and Trump**

**Only Biden**

**Only Trump**

**Neither of them**



n/a

1%

**98%**

n/a

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

830 total respondents

	<b>Biden and Trump</b> 4%	<b>Only Biden</b> 42%	<b>Only Trump</b> 44%	<b>Neither of them</b> 8%
● Biden	n/a	<b>96%</b>	0%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	2%	<b>98%</b>	n/a

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### Better handle the coronavirus pandemic?

830 total respondents

	<b>BIDEN</b> 40%	<b>TRUMP</b> 46%
● Biden	<b>95%</b>	1%
● Trump	1%	<b>99%</b>

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

830 total respondents

	<b>An important problem</b> 66%	<b>Not an important problem</b> 32%
● Biden	<b>62%</b>	6%
● Trump	32%	<b>93%</b>

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

830 total respondents



● Trump 91% 19%

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Favorable opinion of:

830 total respondents

	Both candidates 7%	Only Bullock 45%	Only Daines 37%	Neither candidate 5%
● Biden	n/a	87%	n/a	n/a
● Trump	n/a	9%	99%	n/a

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- Not all candidates are listed.
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- 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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