

LIVE Exit Polls

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Age

15,234 total respondents

	18-29 17%	30-44 24%	45-64 38%	65 or older 21%
● Biden	61%	52%	50%	48%
● Trump	35%	45%	49%	50%

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Age

15,234 total respondents

	18-24 9%	25-29 8%	30-39 16%	40-49 16%	50-64 30%	65 or older 21%
● Biden	67%	55%	51%	54%	48%	48%
● Trump	29%	42%	46%	44%	51%	50%

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Family's financial situation today:

15,234 total respondents

	Better than four years ago 41%	Worse than four years ago 20%	About the same 38%
● Biden	25%	74%	65%
● Trump			



Life for the next generation of Americans will be:

15,234 total respondents

	Better than today 53%	Worse than today 20%	About the same 21%
● Biden	58%	55%	43%
● Trump	41%	42%	55%

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Marital status

15,234 total respondents

	Married 56%	Not married 44%
● Biden	44%	57%
● Trump	54%	40%

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Condition of the nation's economy:

15,234 total respondents

	Excellent 13%	Good 35%	Not so good 31%	Poor 19%
● Biden	22%	24%	76%	88%
● Trump	78%	75%	22%	9%

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Party ID

15,234 total respondents

	Democrat 37%	Republican 35%	Independent 28%
● Biden	94%	6%	55%
● Trump	6%	93%	40%

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Ideology

15,234 total respondents



	10%	33%	84%
● Trump			

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Race

15,234 total respondents

	White 65%	Black 12%	Latino 13%	Asian 4%	Something else 6%
● Biden	42%	87%	65%	63%	58%
● Trump	56%	12%	32%	31%	40%

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Region

15,234 total respondents

	East 21%	Midwest 23%	South 35%	West 22%
● Biden	57%	50%	47%	57%
● Trump	41%	47%	52%	41%

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Gender

15,234 total respondents

	Male 47%	Female 53%
● Biden	48%	56%
● Trump	49%	43%

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Area type

15,234 total respondents

	Urban 30%	Suburban 51%	Rural 20%
● Biden	60%	51%	45%
● Trump	37%	48%	53%

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	YES 59%	NO 41%
● Biden	48%	58%
● Trump	50%	40%

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U.S. House Vote

15,234 total respondents

	Democrat 52%	Republican 47%
● Biden	95%	5%
● Trump	4%	94%

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Condition of the nation's economy:

15,234 total respondents

	Excellent/Good 48%	Not good/Poor 50%
● Biden	23%	81%
● Trump	76%	17%

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Abortion should be:

15,234 total respondents

	Legal in all cases 25%	Legal in most cases 27%	Illegal in most cases 24%	Illegal in all cases 18%
● Biden	77%	67%	26%	19%
● Trump	19%	30%	72%	80%

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U.S. military veteran?

15,234 total respondents

	YES 15%	NO 85%
● Biden		



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52%

46%

Income

15,234 total respondents

Less than \$50,000

35%

\$50,000 or more

65%

● Biden

57%**51%**

● Trump

42%

47%

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Vote for president mainly:

15,234 total respondents

For your candidate

70%

Against his opponent

25%

● Biden

47%

68%

● Trump

52%

30%

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Income

15,234 total respondents

Less than \$100,000

72%

\$100,000 or more

28%

● Biden

57%

43%

● Trump

42%

53%

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White born-again or evangelical Christian?

15,234 total respondents

Yes

27%

No

73%

● Biden

23%

60%

● Trump

76%

37%

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	Very confident 46%	Somewhat confident 41%	Not very confident 8%	Not at all confident 4%
● Biden	55%	59%	35%	31%
● Trump	44%	39%	60%	65%

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How confident that votes will be counted accurately?

15,234 total respondents

	Confident 87%	Not confident 12%
● Biden	57%	34%
● Trump	42%	61%

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Abortion should be:

15,234 total respondents

	LEGAL 52%	ILLEGAL 42%
● Biden	72%	23%
● Trump	25%	75%

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Gender by marital status

15,234 total respondents

	Married men 30%	Married women 26%	Unmarried men 20%	Unmarried women 23%
● Biden	46%	42%	50%	62%
● Trump	52%	55%	44%	37%

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Parents

15,234 total respondents

	Men with children 17%	Women with children 16%	Men no children 33%	Women no children 34%
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46%	46%	50%	46%
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Sex by race

15,234 total respondents

	White men 32%	White women 33%	Black men 5%	Black women 7%	Latino men 6%	Latino women 8%	All other races 9%
● Biden	40%	44%	80%	91%	60%	69%	60%
● Trump	57%	55%	18%	8%	37%	29%	37%

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Age by race

15,234 total respondents

	White Voters 18-29 8%	White Voters 30-44 14%	White Voters 45-59 19%	White Voters 60 or older 25%	Black Voters 18-29 2%	Black Voters 30-44 3%	Black Voters 45-59 3%	Black Voters 60 or older 3%	Latino Voters 18-29 4%	Latino Voters 30-44 4%	Latino Voters 45-59 3%
● Biden	46%	41%	38%	44%	90%	78%	88%	92%	67%	64%	68%
● Trump	51%	57%	60%	55%	10%	20%	11%	7%	30%	34%	30%

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Income

15,234 total respondents

	Less than \$50,000 35%	\$50,000 to \$99,999 38%	\$100,000 or more 28%
● Biden	57%	56%	43%
● Trump	42%	43%	53%

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Age

15,234 total respondents

	18-44 41%	45 or older 59%
● Biden	56%	49%
● Trump	41%	49%

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• Biden	55%	49%
• Trump	43%	49%

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Education by race

15,234 total respondents

	White voters, college degree 31%	White voters, no degree 34%	Voters of color, college degree 13%	Voters of color, no degree 22%
• Biden	50%	35%	70%	72%
• Trump	49%	63%	27%	26%

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Is this the first year you voted?

15,234 total respondents

	Yes 13%	No 87%
• Biden	65%	50%
• Trump	32%	48%

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View of Joe Biden:

15,234 total respondents

	Favorable 52%	Unfavorable 45%
• Biden	94%	4%
• Trump	5%	94%

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Importance of recent rise in coronavirus cases to presidential vote

15,234 total respondents

	The most important factor 23%	An important factor 37%	A minor factor 18%	Not a factor at all 16%
• Biden				
• Trump				



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38%

51%

85%

89%

Have any children under 18?

15,234 total respondents

	YES 33%	NO 67%
● Biden	51%	49%
● Trump	46%	48%

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Importance of recent rise in coronavirus cases to presidential vote

15,234 total respondents

	Important 60%	Not important 34%
● Biden	53%	11%
● Trump	46%	87%

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Importance of recent rise in coronavirus cases to presidential vote

15,234 total respondents

	A factor 78%	Not a factor 16%
● Biden	44%	7%
● Trump	55%	89%

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Union household?

15,234 total respondents

	YES 19%	NO 81%
● Biden	57%	51%



Is climate change a serious problem?

15,234 total respondents

	YES 66%	NO 30%
● Biden	68%	15%
● Trump	29%	84%

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Race

15,234 total respondents

	White voters 65%	Voters of color 35%
● Biden	42%	71%
● Trump	56%	27%

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View of federal government

15,234 total respondents

	Enthusiastic 14%	Satisfied 27%	Dissatisfied 31%	Angry 25%
● Biden	24%	31%	66%	74%
● Trump	75%	68%	32%	24%

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View of federal government

15,234 total respondents

	Enthusiastic/Satisfied 41%	Dissatisfied/Angry 57%
● Biden	29%	70%
● Trump	70%	28%

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Does Trump have the

	YES 44%	NO 53%
● Biden	5%	87%
● Trump	94%	9%

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Gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?

15,234 total respondents

	YES 7%	NO 93%
● Biden	61%	50%
● Trump	28%	48%

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Decided on presidential vote:

15,234 total respondents

	In the last few days 3%	In the last week 2%	In October 8%	In September 11%	Before that 72%
● Biden	44%	30%	49%	55%	49%
● Trump	51%	63%	46%	41%	49%

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View of Donald Trump:

15,234 total respondents

	Favorable 45%	Unfavorable 53%
● Biden	5%	92%
● Trump	95%	5%

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In vote for president, Supreme Court appointments were:

15,234 total respondents



● Trump

50%

44%

49%**50%**

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View of Mike Pence:

15,234 total respondents

Favorable

43%

Unfavorable

50%

● Biden

9%

91%

● Trump

90%

8%

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**In vote for president,
Supreme Court
appointments were:**

15,234 total respondents

An important factor

60%

Not an important factor

37%

● Biden

52%

48%

● Trump

45%

50%

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**Decided on
presidential vote:**

15,234 total respondents

In the last month

13%

Before that

84%

● Biden

45%

50%

● Trump

49%

48%

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**Decided on
presidential vote:**

15,234 total respondents

In the last week

5%

Before that

91%

● Biden

39%

50%

Education by Gender Among White Voters

15,234 total respondents

	White college graduate women 15%	White women no degree 18%	White college graduate men 16%	White men no degree 16%	Voters of color 35%
• Biden	49%	39%	50%	31%	71%
• Trump	50%	60%	48%	67%	27%

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Opinion of Trump as president

15,234 total respondents

	Strongly approve 35%	Somewhat approve 12%	Somewhat disapprove 10%	Strongly disapprove 41%
• Biden	4%	21%	90%	97%
• Trump	95%	74%	7%	2%

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Opinion of Trump as president

15,234 total respondents

	Approve 47%	Disapprove 51%
• Biden	8%	96%
• Trump	90%	3%

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Education

15,234 total respondents

	Never attended college 19%	Some college 22%	Associate's degree 15%	Bachelor's degree 28%	Advanced degree 16%
• Biden	48%	52%	48%	51%	62%
• Trump	51%	46%	49%	46%	36%

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● Biden	95%	8%	63%	60%
● Trump	4%	92%	24%	37%

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Income

15,234 total respondents

	Less than \$30,000 15%	\$30,000-\$49,999 19%	\$50,000-\$99,999 38%	\$100,000-\$199,999 21%	\$200,000 or more 7%
● Biden	57%	58%	56%	42%	47%
● Trump	42%	41%	43%	57%	43%

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Most important issue to your vote?

15,234 total respondents

	Racial inequality 20%	Coronavirus 17%	The economy 35%	Crime and safety 11%	Health care policy 11%
● Biden	91%	82%	17%	28%	63%
● Trump	8%	14%	81%	70%	36%

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Which candidate quality mattered most?

15,234 total respondents

	Can unite the country 19%	Is a strong leader 32%	Cares about people like me 21%	Has good judgment 23%
● Biden	76%	28%	50%	68%
● Trump	23%	71%	49%	27%

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U.S. efforts to contain coronavirus are going:

15,234 total respondents

Very well Somewhat well Somewhat badly Very badly



84%

75%

23%

4%

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Voting in your state is:

15,234 total respondents

	Very easy 68%	Somewhat easy 25%	Somewhat difficult 5%	Very difficult 2%
● Biden	51%	63%	54%	n/a
● Trump	47%	36%	43%	n/a

Subgroups indicated with an n/a were interviewed for this exit poll, but the sample size may be too small for estimates within those groups to be projectable with confidence to their true values in the population.

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Better handle the economy?

15,234 total respondents

	Biden 48%	Trump 50%
● Biden	97%	9%
● Trump	2%	90%

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Which is more important to do now?

15,234 total respondents

	Contain coronavirus 51%	Rebuild the economy 42%
● Biden	80%	22%
● Trump	18%	76%

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Racism in the U.S. is:

15,234 total respondents

	The most important problem 20%	An important problem 51%	A minor problem 17%	Not a problem at all 9%
● Biden	87%	63%	19%	9%



On Obamacare, should the Supreme Court:

15,234 total respondents

	Keep it as is 52%	Overturn it 43%
● Biden	80%	21%
● Trump	18%	78%

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Has the coronavirus pandemic caused you:

15,234 total respondents

	Severe financial hardship 17%	Moderate financial hardship 38%	No financial hardship at all 44%
● Biden	72%	61%	42%
● Trump	27%	38%	56%

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Feelings if Biden elected president:

15,234 total respondents

	Excited 22%	Optimistic 28%	Concerned 23%	Scared 23%
● Biden	98%	90%	5%	10%
● Trump	2%	9%	92%	89%

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Feelings if Trump re-elected president:

15,234 total respondents

	Excited 24%	Optimistic 21%	Concerned 18%	Scared 32%
● Biden	2%	14%	76%	96%
● Trump	98%	84%	21%	2%

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serve as president:

15,234 total respondents

	YES 53%	NO 45%
● Biden	91%	3%
● Trump	7%	93%

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View of Black Lives Matter:

15,234 total respondents

	Favorable 57%	Unfavorable 36%
● Biden	78%	14%
● Trump	20%	85%

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Favorable opinion of:

15,234 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 3%	Only Biden 50%	Only Trump 42%	Neither of them 4%
● Biden	46%	96%	2%	32%
● Trump	49%	2%	98%	52%

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Who has the temperament to serve as president?

15,234 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 5%	Only Biden 48%	Only Trump 39%	Neither of them 6%
● Biden	38%	97%	1%	17%
● Trump	60%	2%	98%	65%

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More important to presidential vote?



● Biden	47%	66%
● Trump	52%	30%

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Better handle the coronavirus pandemic?

15,234 total respondents

	BIDEN 51%	TRUMP 43%
● Biden	92%	7%
● Trump	5%	93%

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Is wearing a face mask in public more of a:

15,234 total respondents

	Personal choice 30%	Public health responsibility 67%
● Biden	25%	64%
● Trump	72%	35%

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Who has the physical/mental health to serve effectively as president?

15,234 total respondents

	Only Biden does 43%	Only Trump does 38%	Both do 8%	Neither does 8%
● Biden	98%	1%	56%	62%
● Trump	2%	98%	43%	26%

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Does the country's criminal justice system:



● Biden	15%	81%
● Trump	83%	17%

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View of Kamala Harris:

15,234 total respondents

	Favorable 51%	Unfavorable 43%
● Biden	92%	10%
● Trump	7%	88%

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Feelings if Biden is elected president:

15,234 total respondents

	Excited/Optimistic 50%	Concerned/Scared 46%
● Biden	93%	7%
● Trump	6%	91%

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Feelings if Trump is elected president:

15,234 total respondents

	Excited/Optimistic 44%	Concerned/Scared 50%
● Biden	8%	89%
● Trump	92%	9%

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Racism in the U.S. is:

15,234 total respondents

	An important problem 71%	Not an important problem 26%
● Biden	70%	15%



Has the coronavirus pandemic caused you:

15,234 total respondents

	Financial hardship 55%	No financial hardship 44%
● Biden	64%	42%
● Trump	34%	56%

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

15,234 total respondents

	Well 48%	Badly 50%
● Biden	21%	88%
● Trump	78%	10%

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Voting in your state is:

15,234 total respondents

	Easy 93%	Difficult 6%
● Biden	54%	53%
● Trump	44%	43%

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Favorable opinion of:

15,234 total respondents



	Harris and Pence 6%	Only Harris 46%	Only Pence 37%	Neither of them 7%
● Biden	48%	97%	3%	50%
● Trump	48%	2%	96%	41%

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Health to serve effectively as president?



15,234 total respondents

	Yes 52%	No 46%
 Biden	91%	12%
 Trump	8%	85%

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Does Trump have the physical/mental health to serve effectively as president?

15,234 total respondents

	Yes 46%	No 52%
 Biden	11%	92%
 Trump	88%	6%

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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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