

• LIVE Exit Polls

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Region

4,418 total respondents

	East 24%	Raleigh-Durham Triangle 20%	Charlotte Area 17%	Piedmont/Central 20%	West 19%
● Cunningham	45%	58%	51%	52%	40%
● Tillis	52%	40%	43%	47%	56%

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Age

4,418 total respondents

	18-29 15%	30-44 22%	45-64 40%	65 or older 23%
● Cunningham	54%	53%	48%	44%
● Tillis	40%	44%	50%	54%

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Age

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	18-24 8%	25-29 7%	30-39 14%	40-49 17%	50-64 31%	65 or older 23%
● Cunningham	56%	52%	54%	51%	47%	44%
● Tillis	42%	36%	44%	46%	50%	54%



situation today:

4,418 total respondents

	Better than four years ago 45%	Worse than four years ago 21%	About the same 33%
● Cunningham	18%	84%	69%
● Tillis	79%	8%	27%

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Condition of the nation's economy:

4,418 total respondents

	Excellent 11%	Good 37%	Not so good 34%	Poor 17%
● Cunningham	19%	17%	79%	90%
● Tillis	80%	82%	20%	5%

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Party ID

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	Democrat 34%	Republican 36%	Independent 30%
● Cunningham	96%	4%	49%
● Tillis	3%	95%	43%

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Ideology

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	Liberal 20%	Moderate 40%	Conservative 40%
● Cunningham	92%	65%	11%
● Tillis	7%	30%	88%

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Race

4,418 total respondents



	65%	9%	41%	n/a	37%
● Tillis					

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Gender

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	Male 44%	Female 56%
● Cunningham	45%	52%
● Tillis	52%	45%

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Area type

4,418 total respondents

	Urban 33%	Suburban 39%	Rural 28%
● Cunningham	67%	40%	41%
● Tillis	28%	58%	56%

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Condition of the nation's economy:

4,418 total respondents

	Excellent/Good 48%	Not good/Poor 51%
● Cunningham	18%	82%
● Tillis	81%	15%

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U.S. military veteran?

4,418 total respondents

	YES 18%	NO 82%
● Cunningham	37%	51%
● Tillis	52%	46%



Income

4,418 total respondents

	Less than \$50,000 35%	\$50,000 or more 65%
● Cunningham	53%	47%
● Tillis	43%	49%

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Income

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	Less than \$100,000 74%	\$100,000 or more 26%
● Cunningham	50%	46%
● Tillis	44%	54%

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White born-again or evangelical Christian?

4,418 total respondents

	Yes 33%	No 67%
● Cunningham	16%	67%
● Tillis	82%	31%

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How confident that votes will be counted accurately?

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	Very confident 42%	Somewhat confident 45%	Not very confident 10%	Not at all confident 2%
● Cunningham	57%	45%	46%	n/a
● Tillis	41%	53%	50%	n/a

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	Confident 87%	Not confident 12%
● Cunningham	51%	42%
● Tillis	47%	54%

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Parents

4,418 total respondents

	Men with children 13%	Women with children 18%	Men no children 30%	Women no children 39%
● Cunningham	53%	56%	45%	50%
● Tillis	45%	43%	53%	48%

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Sex by race

4,418 total respondents

	White men 28%	White women 35%	Black men 10%	Black women 15%	Latino men 3%	Latino women 3%	All other races 7%
● Cunningham	31%	34%	86%	91%	43%	71%	49%
● Tillis	67%	63%	12%	8%	55%	25%	37%

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Income

4,418 total respondents

	Less than \$50,000 35%	\$50,000 to \$99,999 39%	\$100,000 or more 26%
● Cunningham	53%	48%	46%
● Tillis	43%	46%	54%

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Age

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	18-44 37%	45 or older 63%
● Cunningham	53%	46%



Education

4,418 total respondents

	College graduate 36%	No college degree 64%
● Cunningham	58%	44%
● Tillis	40%	52%

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Education by race

4,418 total respondents

	White voters, college degree 25%	White voters, no degree 38%	Voters of color, college degree 11%	Voters of color, no degree 26%
● Cunningham	50%	22%	78%	76%
● Tillis	49%	75%	19%	19%

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Is this the first year you voted?

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	Yes 11%	No 89%
● Cunningham	52%	51%
● Tillis	46%	47%

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View of Joe Biden:

4,418 total respondents

	Favorable 49%	Unfavorable 47%
● Cunningham	91%	5%
● Tillis	7%	91%

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Prefer U.S. Senate



● Cunningham	96%	3%
● Tillis	2%	95%

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Have any children under 18?

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	YES 31%	NO 69%
● Cunningham	55%	48%
● Tillis	44%	50%

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Race

4,418 total respondents

	White voters 63%	Voters of color 37%
● Cunningham	33%	77%
● Tillis	65%	19%

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Gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?

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	YES 5%	NO 95%
● Cunningham	78%	49%
● Tillis	20%	49%

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View of Donald Trump:

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	Favorable 45%	Unfavorable 52%
● Cunningham		
● Tillis		



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93%

8%

Education by Gender Among White Voters

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	White college graduate women 15%	White women no degree 20%	White college graduate men 11%	White men no degree 17%	Voters of color 37%
● Cunningham	55%	20%	43%	24%	77%
● Tillis	45%	76%	56%	74%	19%

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Opinion of Trump as president

4,418 total respondents

	Strongly approve 38%	Somewhat approve 11%	Somewhat disapprove 7%	Strongly disapprove 41%
● Cunningham	4%	20%	70%	97%
● Tillis	95%	77%	25%	2%

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Opinion of Trump as president

4,418 total respondents

	Approve 50%	Disapprove 48%
● Cunningham	7%	93%
● Tillis	91%	5%

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Education

4,418 total respondents

	Never attended college 17%	Some college 28%	Associate's degree 19%	Bachelor's degree 22%	Advanced degree 14%
● Cunningham	39%	45%	48%	54%	65%
● Tillis	59%	53%	44%	44%	34%

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	Less than \$30,000 15%	\$30,000-\$49,999 20%	\$50,000-\$99,999 39%	\$100,000-\$199,999 21%	\$200,000 or more 5%
● Cunningham	52%	54%	48%	46%	46%
● Tillis	46%	40%	46%	54%	54%

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Most important issue to your vote?

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	Racial inequality 21%	Coronavirus 14%	The economy 36%	Crime and safety 11%	Health care policy 12%
● Cunningham	92%	79%	16%	12%	67%
● Tillis	6%	19%	80%	78%	25%

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Which candidate quality mattered most?

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	Can unite the country 22%	Is a strong leader 33%	Cares about people like me 20%	Has good judgment 22%
● Cunningham	76%	18%	63%	55%
● Tillis	22%	79%	31%	39%

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U.S. efforts to contain coronavirus are going:

4,418 total respondents

	Very well 20%	Somewhat well 31%	Somewhat badly 16%	Very badly 31%
● Cunningham	6%	20%	80%	94%
● Tillis	93%	79%	18%	4%

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Which is more important to do



● Cunningham	79%	17%
● Tillis	18%	78%

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Racism in the U.S. is:

4,418 total respondents

	The most important problem 12%	An important problem 66%	A minor problem 15%	Not a problem at all 5%
● Cunningham	85%	56%	13%	n/a
● Tillis	14%	42%	86%	n/a

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Favorable opinion of:

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	Biden and Trump 2%	Only Biden 47%	Only Trump 44%	Neither of them 4%
● Cunningham	n/a	93%	3%	n/a
● Tillis	n/a	4%	95%	n/a

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Racism in the U.S. is:

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	An important problem 78%	Not an important problem 20%
● Cunningham	60%	13%
● Tillis	38%	86%

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

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● Tillis

84%

9%

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Notes

- 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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