

LIVE Exit Polls

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Region

1,609 total respondents

	Upcountry 25%	Piedmont 13%	Central 23%	Pee Dee/Waccamaw 17%	Low Country 21%
Biden	39%	39%	53%	41%	52%
Trump	60%	54%	43%	59%	45%

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Age

1,609 total respondents

	18-29 15%	30-44 21%	45-64 39%	65 or older 25%
Biden	47%	53%	44%	41%
Trump	45%	43%	55%	58%

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Age

1,609 total respondents

	18-24 9%	25-29 7%	30-39 12%	40-49 18%	50-64 30%	65 or older 25%
Biden	52%	39%	52%	56%	39%	41%
Trump	35%	58%	42%	43%	60%	58%



**situation today:**

1,609 total respondents

	Better than four years ago 47%	Worse than four years ago 17%	About the same 33%
● Biden	16%	90%	65%
● Trump	82%	10%	29%

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

1,609 total respondents

	Excellent 13%	Good 42%	Not so good 29%	Poor 16%
● Biden	9%	24%	69%	92%
● Trump	91%	75%	26%	3%

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**Party ID**

1,609 total respondents

	Democrat 31%	Republican 40%	Independent 29%
● Biden	95%	4%	49%
● Trump	4%	95%	44%

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**Ideology**

1,609 total respondents

	Liberal 16%	Moderate 38%	Conservative 45%
● Biden	91%	58%	15%
● Trump	8%	39%	83%

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**Race**

1,609 total respondents



● Trump	<b>70%</b>	7%	n/a	n/a	n/a
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## Gender

1,609 total respondents

	<b>Male</b> 45%	<b>Female</b> 55%
● Biden	41%	<b>50%</b>
● Trump	<b>56%</b>	49%

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## Area type

1,609 total respondents

	<b>Urban</b> 14%	<b>Suburban</b> 48%	<b>Rural</b> 38%
● Biden	<b>60%</b>	41%	45%
● Trump	37%	<b>55%</b>	<b>54%</b>

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## Condition of the nation's economy:

1,609 total respondents

	<b>Excellent/Good</b> 54%	<b>Not good/Poor</b> 45%
● Biden	21%	<b>77%</b>
● Trump	<b>79%</b>	18%

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## U.S. military veteran?

1,609 total respondents

	<b>YES</b> 17%	<b>NO</b> 83%
● Biden	30%	42%
● Trump	<b>68%</b>	<b>55%</b>



**Income**

1,609 total respondents

	Less than \$50,000 43%	\$50,000 or more 57%
● Biden	57%	44%
● Trump	43%	53%

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**Vote for president mainly:**

1,609 total respondents

	For your candidate 69%	Against his opponent 26%
● Biden	39%	59%
● Trump	60%	34%

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**Income**

1,609 total respondents

	Less than \$100,000 73%	\$100,000 or more 27%
● Biden	55%	35%
● Trump	45%	60%

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

1,609 total respondents

	Yes 38%	No 62%
● Biden	14%	63%
● Trump	82%	35%

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**How confident that votes will be**

● Biden	43%	41%	n/a	n/a
● Trump	<b>57%</b>	<b>55%</b>	n/a	n/a

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

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	Confident 84%	Not confident 13%
● Biden	42%	n/a
● Trump	<b>56%</b>	n/a

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### Parents

1,609 total respondents

	Men with children 13%	Women with children 18%	Men no children 31%	Women no children 37%
● Biden	n/a	48%	42%	44%
● Trump	n/a	<b>52%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>52%</b>

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### Sex by race

1,609 total respondents

	White men 29%	White women 36%	Black men 13%	Black women 15%	Latino men 2%	Latino women 2%	All other races 3%
● Biden	23%	31%	<b>82%</b>	<b>96%</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a
● Trump	<b>75%</b>	<b>66%</b>	11%	3%	n/a	n/a	n/a

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● Biden	<b>57%</b>	<b>52%</b>	35%
● Trump	43%	47%	<b>60%</b>

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**Age**

1,609 total respondents

	<b>18-44</b> 36%	<b>45 or older</b> 64%
● Biden	<b>50%</b>	43%
● Trump	44%	<b>57%</b>

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**Education**

1,609 total respondents

	<b>College graduate</b> 38%	<b>No college degree</b> 62%
● Biden	44%	46%
● Trump	<b>53%</b>	<b>52%</b>

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**Education by race**

1,609 total respondents

	<b>White voters, college degree</b> 30%	<b>White voters, no degree</b> 36%	<b>Voters of color, college degree</b> 8%	<b>Voters of color, no degree</b> 26%
● Biden	36%	21%	<b>77%</b>	<b>79%</b>
● Trump	<b>61%</b>	<b>77%</b>	19%	18%

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**Is this the first year you voted?**

1,609 total respondents

	<b>Yes</b> 12%	<b>No</b> 88%
● Biden	n/a	45%



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**View of Joe Biden:**

1,609 total respondents

	<b>Favorable</b> 47%	<b>Unfavorable</b> 51%
● Biden	<b>96%</b>	6%
● Trump	4%	<b>88%</b>

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

1,609 total respondents

	<b>Democrats</b> 41%	<b>Republicans</b> 53%
● Biden	<b>96%</b>	3%
● Trump	4%	<b>94%</b>

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**Have any children under 18?**

1,609 total respondents

	<b>YES</b> 32%	<b>NO</b> 68%
● Biden	46%	43%
● Trump	<b>51%</b>	<b>54%</b>

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**Race**

1,609 total respondents

	<b>White voters</b> 65%	<b>Voters of color</b> 35%
● Biden	28%	<b>79%</b>
● Trump	<b>70%</b>	18%

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	YES 50%	NO 49%
• Biden	7%	<b>86%</b>
• Trump	<b>93%</b>	7%

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### Gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?

1,609 total respondents

	YES 6%	NO 94%
• Biden	n/a	43%
• Trump	n/a	<b>55%</b>

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### Decided on presidential vote:

1,609 total respondents

	In the last few days 3%	In the last week 5%	In October 6%	In September 8%	Before that 76%
• Biden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	43%
• Trump	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>54%</b>

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### View of Donald Trump:

1,609 total respondents

	Favorable 47%	Unfavorable 52%
• Biden	3%	<b>89%</b>
• Trump	<b>96%</b>	6%

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### Decided on



● Biden	<b>55%</b>	44%
● Trump	41%	<b>53%</b>

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### Decided on presidential vote:

1,609 total respondents

	In the last week 8%	Before that 90%
● Biden	n/a	45%
● Trump	n/a	<b>53%</b>

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### Education by Gender Among White Voters

1,609 total respondents

	White college graduate women 15%	White women no degree 21%	White college graduate men 15%	White men no degree 14%	Voters of color 34%
● Biden	39%	26%	32%	14%	<b>79%</b>
● Trump	<b>57%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>83%</b>	18%

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### Opinion of Trump as president

1,609 total respondents

	Strongly approve 42%	Somewhat approve 16%	Somewhat disapprove 8%	Strongly disapprove 33%
● Biden	5%	14%	n/a	<b>98%</b>
● Trump	<b>95%</b>	<b>80%</b>	n/a	2%

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### Opinion of Trump as



● Biden	7%	93%
● Trump	91%	5%

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### Education

1,609 total respondents

	Never attended college 22%	Some college 25%	Associate's degree 16%	Bachelor's degree 25%	Advanced degree 13%
● Biden	47%	49%	39%	44%	46%
● Trump	50%	50%	59%	53%	51%

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### Income

1,609 total respondents

	Less than \$30,000 23%	\$30,000-\$49,999 20%	\$50,000-\$99,999 30%	\$100,000-\$199,999 21%	\$200,000 or more 6%
● Biden	62%	51%	52%	36%	n/a
● Trump	38%	47%	47%	61%	n/a

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### Most important issue to your vote?

1,609 total respondents

	Racial inequality 17%	Coronavirus 16%	The economy 35%	Crime and safety 13%	Health care policy 12%
● Biden	91%	89%	13%	n/a	n/a
● Trump	7%	10%	84%	n/a	n/a

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### Which candidate quality mattered most?

1,609 total respondents



	28%	83%	44%	20%
● Trump				

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

1,609 total respondents

	Very well 21%	Somewhat well 39%	Somewhat badly 14%	Very badly 25%
● Biden	7%	19%	73%	94%
● Trump	93%	79%	25%	3%

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### Which is more important to do now?

1,609 total respondents

	Contain coronavirus 49%	Rebuild the economy 46%
● Biden	80%	15%
● Trump	18%	83%

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

1,609 total respondents

	The most important problem 12%	An important problem 55%	A minor problem 19%	Not a problem at all 8%
● Biden	n/a	51%	7%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	46%	89%	n/a

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### View of Lindsey Graham:

1,609 total respondents

	Favorable 52%	Unfavorable 45%



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**83%**

11%

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

1,609 total respondents

	YES 45%	NO 53%
● Biden	<b>95%</b>	5%
● Trump	4%	<b>90%</b>

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### Favorable opinion of:

1,609 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 2%	Only Biden 44%	Only Trump 44%	Neither of them 7%
● Biden	n/a	<b>98%</b>	1%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	1%	<b>98%</b>	n/a

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

1,609 total respondents

	Biden and Trump 3%	Only Biden 42%	Only Trump 47%	Neither of them 6%
● Biden	n/a	<b>98%</b>	3%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	2%	<b>97%</b>	n/a

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### Better handle the coronavirus pandemic?

1,609 total respondents

	BIDEN 43%	TRUMP 51%
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4%

**94%**

### Is wearing a face mask in public more of a:

1,609 total respondents

#### Personal choice

36%

#### Public health responsibility

61%

● Biden

26%

**59%**

● Trump

**72%**

39%

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### View of Jaime Harrison:

1,609 total respondents

#### Favorable

49%

#### Unfavorable

43%

● Biden

**88%**

6%

● Trump

11%

**91%**

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

1,609 total respondents

#### An important problem

67%

#### Not an important problem

27%

● Biden

**58%**

9%

● Trump

40%

**88%**

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

1,609 total respondents

#### Well

60%

#### Badly

39%

● Biden

15%

**86%**

● Trump



### Favorable opinion of:

1,609 total respondents

	Both candidates 11%	Only Harrison 39%	Only Graham 41%	Neither candidate 6%
● Biden	n/a	97%	1%	n/a
● Trump	n/a	2%	94%	n/a

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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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