

Ohio Election Results

A.P. Polls Primary Results

Ohio voters can boast that they have been particularly adept at picking the winning presidential candidate.

Since 1944, in every race but one – the 1960 contest between Richard Nixon and John F. Kennedy – Ohioans have chosen the winner.

After picking Barack Obama in 2008 and 2012, they voted for Donald Trump over Hillary Clinton by eight points in 2016.

This time, President Trump has won in Ohio again.

President Winner: Donald J. Trump wins Ohio.

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99 % reported

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>Votes</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>Electoral votes</i>
<i>Donald J. Trump* Winner</i>	<i>Republican</i>	<i>3,154,834</i>	<i>53.3%</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Joseph R. Biden Jr.</i>	<i>Democrat</i>	<i>2,679,165</i>	<i>45.2</i>	<i>—</i>
<i>Total reported</i>		<i>5,922,202</i>		

Ohio Exit Polls: How Different Groups Voted

The numbers on this page are preliminary estimates from exit polls conducted by Edison Research for the National Election Pool. These surveys interviewed voters outside of polling places or early voting sites, or by phone (to account for mail-in voters).

Results from interviews with 5,946 voters are shown below. These numbers will be updated as more data becomes available, and they will eventually be adjusted to match the actual vote count.

While exit polls offer an initial indication of how groups voted on election night, they are not perfect. The polls are not precise enough to distinguish between, say, 53 percent support or 50 percent support from a certain group. Like any survey, they are subject to sampling error, and they rely on estimates of how many people voted in each group.



Donald Trump



Joseph R. Biden Jr.

Demographic

Are you male or female?

Male 47% of voters	57%	41%
Female 53%	47	53

What is your racial or ethnic heritage?

White 84% of voters	58	41
Black 11%	8	91
Hispanic/Latino 3%	39	60
Asian 1%	—	—
Other 2%	46	52

How old are you?

18-29 16% of voters	37	60
30-44 24%	46	53
45-64 37%	55	45
65 or over 22%	62	37

What is your level of education?

College graduate 35% of voters	40	59
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No college degree 65%	58	41
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Are you currently married?

Yes 57% of voters	58	42
No 43%	48	50

Are you gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender?

Yes 6% of voters	14	83
No 94%	57	42

Do you have any children under 18 living in your home?

Yes 30% of voters	51	47
No 70%	55	44

Are you a white evangelical or white born-again Christian?

White evangelical or white born-again Christian 32% of voters	81	18
All others 68%	40	58

What was your total family income in 2019?

Under \$50,000 35% of voters	44	55
\$50,000-\$99,999 34%	53	46
\$100,000 or more 31%	54	46

Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation:

Better today 43% of voters	82	18
Worse today 19%	13	85
About the same 37%	29	70

Do you work full-time for pay?

Yes 61% of voters	53	46
No 39%	55	45

Does anyone in your household belong to a labor union?

Yes 20% of voters	57	43
No 80%	53	46

Is this the first year you have ever voted?

<i>Yes 10% of voters</i>	54	45
<i>No 90%</i>	54	45

On most political matters, do you consider yourself:

<i>Liberal 21% of voters</i>	8	92
<i>Moderate 40%</i>	42	57
<i>Conservative 38%</i>	87	12

No matter how you voted today, do you usually think of yourself as a:

<i>Democrat 31% of voters</i>	7	92
<i>Republican 39%</i>	92	7
<i>Independent or something else 30%</i>	46	52
<i>What kind of place do you live in?</i>		
<i>City of 50K or more 33% of voters</i>	37	62
<i>Suburb 43%</i>	52	47
<i>Small city or rural area 24%</i>	72	27

In which part of the state do you live?

<i>Cleveland area 14% of voters</i>	38	62
<i>North 24%</i>	49	51
<i>West 12%</i>	73	26
<i>Columbus Area 18%</i>	42	57
<i>Cincinnati/Dayton area 21%</i>	50	49
<i>Ohio Valley 11%</i>	72	27

Are you white or nonwhite?

<i>White 84% of voters</i>	58	41
<i>Nonwhite 16%</i>	20	80

What is your gender and racial or ethnic heritage?

<i>White men 40% of voters</i>	63	35
<i>White women 44%</i>	53	46
<i>Black men 4%</i>	11	88
<i>Black women 6%</i>	6	93
<i>Latino men 1%</i>	—	—
<i>Latino women 2%</i>	37	62
<i>All other races 2%</i>	44	55

What is your race and education level?

<i>White college graduate 31% of voters</i>	43	56
<i>White non-college graduate 53%</i>	67	33
<i>Non-white college graduate 4%</i>	21	79
<i>Non-white non-college graduate 12%</i>	19	80

Issues and attitudes

Which one of these five issues mattered most in deciding how you voted for president?

<i>Racial inequality 19% of voters</i>	7	92
<i>The coronavirus pandemic 15%</i>	9	91
<i>The economy 38%</i>	88	11
<i>Crime and safety 11%</i>	77	23
<i>Health care policy 11%</i>	21	78

Which one of these four candidate qualities mattered most in deciding how you voted for president?

<i>Can unite the country</i> 22% of voters	20	80
<i>Is a strong leader</i> 34%	87	13
<i>Cares about people like me</i> 20%	44	55
<i>Has good judgment</i> 19%	22	76

Who would better handle the coronavirus pandemic?

<i>Joe Biden</i> 46% of voters	6	94
<i>Donald Trump</i> 50%	98	1

Who would better handle the economy?

<i>Joe Biden</i> 42% of voters	1	99
<i>Donald Trump</i> 56%	95	4

Which is more important?

<i>Containing the coronavirus now, even if it hurts the economy</i> 49% of voters	14	85
<i>Rebuilding the economy now, even if it hurts efforts to contain the coronavirus</i> 46%	84	15

Do you think Donald Trump has the temperament to serve effectively as president?

<i>Yes</i> 46% of voters	95	4
<i>No</i> 53%	8	91

Do you think Joe Biden has the temperament to serve effectively as president?

<i>Yes</i> 51% of voters	5	94
<i>No</i> 47%	95	3

Was your vote for president mainly:

<i>For your candidate</i> 70% of voters	64	36
<i>Against his opponent</i> 27%	29	70

How do you feel about the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

<i>Approve</i> 54% of voters	96	3
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<i>Disapprove</i> 44%	3	96
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Is your opinion of Donald Trump:

<i>Favorable</i> 47% of voters	97	3
<i>Unfavorable</i> 51%	7	92

Is your opinion of Joe Biden:

<i>Favorable</i> 47% of voters	4	96
<i>Unfavorable</i> 52%	92	7

Do you think U.S. efforts to contain the coronavirus pandemic are going:

<i>Very well</i> 16% of voters	97	3
<i>Somewhat well</i> 36%	88	10
<i>Somewhat badly</i> 17%	26	72
<i>Very badly</i> 28%	2	98

Do you think the condition of the nation's economy is:

<i>Excellent or good</i> 53% of voters	85	15
<i>Not so good or poor</i> 46%	19	80

Is racism in the U.S.:

<i>Most important problem or one of many important problems</i> 75% of voters	42	57
<i>A minor problem or not a problem at all</i> 24%	91	8

Which comes closest to your position? Abortion should be:

<i>Legal</i> 52% of voters	27	72
<i>Illegal</i> 44%	87	13

Which best describes your feelings about the way the federal government is working?

<i>Enthusiastic</i> 13% of voters	92	8
<i>Satisfied, but not enthusiastic</i> 26%	82	18
<i>Dissatisfied, but not angry</i> 33%	36	62

Angry 27%	11	88
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Which best describes your feelings about the way the federal government is working?

Enthusiastic or satisfied 39% of voters	85	15
Dissatisfied or angry 59%	25	74
<i>How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately?</i>		
Very confident 41% of voters	44	55
Somewhat confident 46%	59	40
Not very confident 9%	70	29
Not at all confident 3%	—	—

When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the presidential election?

In the last month 11% of voters	39	58
Before that 89%	50	49
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In the last week 6% of voters	42	56
Before that 94%	49	50

For which of the presidential candidates do you have a favorable opinion?

Both 2% of voters	—	—
Only Biden 45%	1	99
Only Trump 45%	99	1
Neither 7%	42	52

In the 2016 election for president, did you vote for:

Hillary Clinton (Dem) 37% of voters	5	94
Donald Trump (Rep) 43%	94	6
Other 5%	19	76
Did not vote 13%	32	66

More breakdowns

Which presidential candidate has the temperament to serve effectively as president?

<i>Both</i> 3% of voters	—	—
<i>Only Biden</i> 48%	3	97
<i>Only Trump</i> 42%	99	<1
<i>Neither</i> 5%	62	27

How do you feel about the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

<i>Strongly approve</i> 41% of voters	98	1
<i>Somewhat approve</i> 13%	89	9
<i>Somewhat disapprove</i> 6%	14	82
<i>Strongly disapprove</i> 38%	1	99

Do you think U.S. efforts to contain the coronavirus pandemic are going:

<i>Very well or somewhat well</i> 53% of voters	91	8
<i>Very badly or somewhat badly</i> 45%	11	88

Do you think the condition of the nation's economy is:

<i>Excellent</i> 11% of voters	95	5
<i>Good</i> 41%	82	17
<i>Not so good</i> 33%	23	76
<i>Poor</i> 13%	8	89

Is racism in the U.S.:

<i>The most important problem</i> 8% of voters	9	89
<i>One of many important problems</i> 66%	46	53
<i>A minor problem</i> 18%	89	10
<i>Not a problem at all</i> 5%	97	2

Which comes closest to your position? Abortion should be:

<i>Legal in all cases 21% of voters</i>	16	80
<i>Legal in most cases 30%</i>	34	65
<i>Illegal in most cases 30%</i>	86	13
<i>Illegal in all cases 14%</i>	88	11

How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately?

<i>Very or somewhat confident 86% of voters</i>	52	47
<i>Not very or not at all confident 12%</i>	67	30

When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the presidential election?

<i>In the last few days 4% of voters</i>	—	—
<i>In the last week 2%</i>	—	—
<i>In October 5%</i>	35	60
<i>In September 5%</i>	53	46
<i>Before that 84%</i>	50	49

Do you have any children under 18 living in your home? What is your gender?

<i>Men with children 15% of voters</i>	59	38
<i>Women with children 15%</i>	43	57
<i>Men without children 32%</i>	62	36
<i>Women without children 37%</i>	49	51
<i>Are you married? What is your gender?</i>		
<i>Married men 29% of voters</i>	66	34
<i>Married women 28%</i>	50	50
<i>Unmarried men 19%</i>	53	42
<i>Unmarried women 25%</i>	45	55

What best describes your level of education?

<i>Never attended college 23% of voters</i>	65	35
<i>Attended college but received no degree 28%</i>	55	44
<i>Associate's degree 15%</i>	53	46
<i>Bachelor's degree 21%</i>	44	55
<i>Graduate degree 14%</i>	35	64

How old are you?

<i>18-24 10% of voters</i>	40	58
<i>25-29 6%</i>	33	63
<i>30-39 16%</i>	44	55
<i>40-49 17%</i>	50	50
<i>50-64 28%</i>	57	43
<i>65 or over 22%</i>	62	37

How old are you?

<i>18-44 41% of voters</i>	42	56
<i>45+ 59%</i>	58	42

What was your total family income in 2019?

<i>Under \$30,000 15% of voters</i>	42	57
<i>\$30,000 - \$49,999 20%</i>	45	54
<i>\$50,000 - \$99,999 34%</i>	53	46
<i>\$100,000 - \$199,999 24%</i>	55	45
<i>\$200,000 or more 6%</i>	49	50

What was your total family income in 2019?

<i>Under \$50,000 35% of voters</i>	44	55
<i>\$50,000 or more 65%</i>	53	46

What was your total family income in 2019?

<i>Under \$100,000 69% of voters</i>	48	51
<i>\$100,000 or more 31%</i>	54	46

Are you:

<i>White female college graduate 16% of voters</i>	40	60
<i>White female not a college graduate 28%</i>	61	39
<i>White male college graduate 15%</i>	47	51
<i>White male not a college graduate 26%</i>	73	26
<i>Not any of these 16%</i>	19	80

These estimates are subject to sampling error. The potential error is greater for smaller groups, or for characteristics that are concentrated in a few polling places. They are also subject to other types of errors, such as those that would arise if certain types of people were unwilling to talk to exit poll workers.

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