

Methodology

On behalf of the Republican Jewish Coalition, from October 28 through Election Night on November 3, Basswood Research and McLaughlin & Associates conducted a nationwide survey of registered general election voters who describe themselves as Jewish. All survey respondents had either voted early or voted on Election Day. The survey was conducted by live professional interviewers by telephone. The sample size was 600, with a margin of error of +/- 4%, at a 95% confidence interval. Interviews were geographically distributed to reflect the actual Jewish voting population in the country.

Key Findings

• President Trump received 30.5% of the Jewish vote nationally. That is the highest percentage for any Republican presidential candidate since 1988.

Joe Biden received 60.6%, Donald Trump received 30.5%, minor party candidates received 4.9%, and 3.9% refused to disclose how they voted. Note that the Trump percentage is very likely higher than 30.5%, given the 3.9% refusing to state their vote preference.

Jewish Vote Percentage for Republican Presidential Candidates

| Year | Candidate | Jewish Vote % |
|------|-----------|---------------|
| 2020 | Trump | 30.5% |
| 2016 | Trump | 24% |
| 2012 | Romney | 30% |
| 2008 | McCain | 22% |
| 2004 | Bush | 24% |
| 2000 | Bush | 19% |
| 1996 | Dole | 16% |
| 1992 | Bush | 11% |
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• Jewish voters were critical to the Trump victory in Florida.

In the critical state of Florida, The *New York Times* exit poll shows Biden leading Trump 58%-41%. The 41% for Trump is a historic high Republican performance with Jewish voters. The Republican Jewish Coalition spent over \$5 million targeting Jewish voters in Florida on behalf of President Trump.



• Presidential voting was highly polarized based on political party and religious affiliation.

Republican Jews voted 78%-14% for Trump. Jewish Democrats went 86%-11% for Biden. And Jewish Independents voted 41%-38% for Biden.

Orthodox Jews supported Trump 70%-19%, while Conservative Jews supported Biden 57%-36%, Reform Jews supported Biden 80%-13%, and those who are not affiliated with any movement voted 57%-32% for Biden.

 Jewish voters whose top priority was Israel and foreign policy overwhelmingly voted for Trump.

Voters were offered four possible reasons for why they voted as they did.

| Israel & Foreign Policy | Trump 87% | Biden 6% |
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| Condition of the Economy | Trump 71% | Biden 17% |
| COVID-19 Pandemic | Trump 14% | Biden 76% |
| Candidates' Character | Trump 10% | Biden 85% |

Demographics

Survey respondents self-identified as 19% Republicans, 55% Democrats, and 25% Independents. It included 68% who voted either in person or by mail before Election Day, and 32% who voted on Election Day. Eighty-three percent of respondents said they had made up their mind more than one month ago.