

AP VoteCast 2020 South Carolina Primary Questionnaire (English Version)

RV1.

Are you registered to vote in South Carolina?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Yes
 2. No
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ZIP.

What is the ZIP Code where you are registered to vote?

[CATI] [READ IF NECESSARY]: We assure you that we are only asking for your zip code in order to compare how people in different parts of the state feel about the political issues we've asked about on this survey.

[5 DIGIT TEXT BOX]

COUNTY.

[SHOW IF NOT MISSING ZIP]

[SHOW ONLY WHEN THERE IS MORE THAN ONE COUNTY ASSOCIATED WITH A ZIP CODE]

In what county [ENDIF] are you registered to vote?

[DROP DOWN WITH RADIO BUTTONS]

PARTYVOT1IA.

Are you registered to vote as a Democrat, as a Republican, with another party, or are you not affiliated with any party?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Democrat
 2. Republican
 3. Another party
 4. Not affiliated with any party
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LVA.

How interested are you in the upcoming Democratic primary election in South Carolina? / How interested are you in the Democratic primary election taking place today in South Carolina?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Extremely interested
2. Very interested
3. Somewhat interested
4. Only a little interested
5. Not at all interested

LVB.

There are a range of reasons why people do or do not vote. We're interested in hearing from voters and non-voters. How likely are you to vote in the Democratic primary election?

[CATI] If you have already voted, please just say so.

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Definitely will vote
2. Probably will vote
3. Probably will not vote
4. Definitely will not vote
5. Already voted

LV.

On a scale from zero to 10, where 10 means you're certain you will vote and zero means there is no chance you will vote, please indicate how likely it is that you will vote in this Democratic primary election.

[CATI] [SHOW IF LVB= DON'T KNOW, REFUSED] If you have already voted, please just say so.

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

0. 0-Certain will not vote
1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4
5. 5
6. 6
7. 7
8. 8
9. 9
10. 10-Certain will vote
11. [SHOW IF LVB= DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED, REFUSED] Already voted

WVA.

[SHOW IF LVB= ALREADY VOTED AND INTERVIEW CONDUCTED ON ELECTION DAY]

Did you vote at a polling place today, or did you vote by mail or vote in person at some point before Election Day?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I voted at a polling place today
 2. I voted by mail or in person before Election Day
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WVB.

[SHOW IF LVB= DEFINITELY WILL VOTE, PROBABLY WILL VOTE, PROBABLY WILL NOT VOTE AND INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BEFORE ELECTION DAY]

If you do vote in this election, which best describes how you plan to cast your ballot?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I will vote at a polling place on Election Day
 2. I will vote by mail or in person before Election Day
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PARTYVOT3.

[SHOW IF LVB= PROBABLY WILL NOT VOTE, DEFINITELY WILL NOT VOTE, DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED, REFUSED]

As you may know, the Republican Party in South Carolina has cancelled the Republican presidential primary election. Had the Republican primary election not been cancelled in your state, would you have considered voting in that primary election, or not?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Yes
 2. No
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RACE0.

Who do you plan to vote for in the Democratic primary election for president? / If you do vote in the Democratic primary election for president, who would you vote for? / In the Democratic primary election for president, who did you vote for?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 001. Michael Bennet [INSERT IF CATI] Michael Bin-nit
 - 002. Joe Biden [INSERT IF CATI] Jo BYE-den
 - 003. Cory Booker
 - 004. Pete Buttigieg [INSERT IF CATI] Peet BOOT-edge-edge
 - 005. John Delaney [INSERT IF CATI] John DUH-lane-ee
 - 006. Tulsi Gabbard [INSERT IF CATI] TULL-see Gah-bard
 - 007. Amy Klobuchar [INSERT IF CATI] Amy KLOH-buh-shar
 - 008. Deval Patrick [INSERT IF CATI] Da-VALL Pat-rick
 - 009. Bernie Sanders [INSERT IF CATI] BURN-EE SAND-ers
 - 010. Tom Steyer [INSERT IF CATI] Tom STY-err
 - 011. Elizabeth Warren
 - 012. Andrew Yang
 - 555. [SHOW IF LVB<>ALREADY VOTED] Undecided
 - 666. [IF LVB<>ALREADY VOTED] Will / Did not vote in this race
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RACE0_LEAN.

[SHOW IF (RACE0= UNDECIDED, DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED, REFUSED) AND LVB<>ALREADY VOTED]

As of today, do you lean more toward...?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 001. Michael Bennet [INSERT IF CATI] Michael Bin-nit
 - 002. Joe Biden [INSERT IF CATI] Jo BYE-den
 - 003. Cory Booker
 - 004. Pete Buttigieg [INSERT IF CATI] Peet BOOT-edge-edge
 - 005. John Delaney [INSERT IF CATI] John DUH-lane-ee
 - 006. Tulsi Gabbard [INSERT IF CATI] TULL-see Gah-bard
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 - 011. Elizabeth Warren
 - 012. Andrew Yang
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TIMDECPRIM20.

[SHOW IF LVB= DEFINITELY WILL VOTE, PROBABLY WILL VOTE, ALREADY VOTED AND ((RACE0<> WILL / DID NOT VOTE IN THIS RACE OR RACE0_LEAN<> DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED, REFUSED))]

Which best describes when you decided how you would vote in the presidential primary?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I've known all along
2. I decided more than a month ago
3. I decided over the last month
4. I decided in the last few days
5. [SHOW IF LVB<> ALREADY VOTED] I still haven't decided

ISSUESDEM20.

Which one of the following would you say is the most important issue facing the country?

RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. The economy and jobs
2. Health care
3. Immigration
4. Taxes
5. Abortion
6. Gun policy
7. Climate change
8. Foreign policy
9. Race relations

GETAHEAD.

Which best describes your family's financial situation? Are you...

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Getting ahead
2. Holding steady
3. Falling behind

VC6.

Do you [favor or oppose] each of the following?

[CATI] IF R SAYS FAVOR: Is that strongly favor or somewhat favor?

[CATI] IF R SAYS OPPOSE: Is that strongly oppose or somewhat oppose?

RANDOMIZE ITEMS:

- A. Legalizing the recreational use of marijuana nationwide
- B. Changing the health care system so that all Americans get their health insurance from a single government plan instead of private health insurance
- C. Reducing government regulation of business
- D. Changing the health care system so that any American can buy into a government-run health care plan if they want to.
- E. Taxing the use of carbon-based fuels such as coal, oil, and natural gas
- F. The government canceling student loan debt for most people
- G. Reducing the criminal justice system's focus on policing and prosecuting low-level offenses
- H. The government making cash payments to the descendants of enslaved people as reparations for slavery and racial discrimination
- I. Limiting how much money a presidential campaign can spend

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1. Strongly favor
- 2. Somewhat favor
- 3. Somewhat oppose
- 4. Strongly oppose

QUALSD20.

How important is each of the following qualities in the Democratic nominee for president?

RANDOMIZE ITEMS:

- A. Can beat Donald Trump
- B. Will work across party lines
- C. Has the best policy ideas
- D. Cares about people like me
- E. Is a strong leader
- F. Has the right experience

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1. Not at all important
- 2. Not too important
- 3. Somewhat important
- 4. Very important

RESTORE.

Which is more important to your vote in the Democratic presidential primary?

RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Voting for a candidate who will restore the political system to the way it was before the Trump administration
 2. Voting for a candidate who will fundamentally change how the political system works in Washington
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SATISNOM.

How satisfied or dissatisfied would you be if each of the following candidates won the Democratic nomination for president?

RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS:

- A. Joe Biden [INSERT IF CATI] Jo BYE-den
- B. Elizabeth Warren
- C. Bernie Sanders [INSERT IF CATI] BURN-EE SAND-ers
- D. Pete Buttigieg [INSERT IF CATI] Peet BOOT-edge-edge
- E. Amy Klobuchar [INSERT IF CATI] Amy KLOH-buh-shar
- F. Tom Steyer [INSERT IF CATI] Tom STY-err
- G. Mike Bloomberg

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Very satisfied
 2. Somewhat satisfied
 3. Somewhat dissatisfied
 4. Very dissatisfied
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HANDLEDEM20.

Regardless of who you support in the primary, which of the following candidates do you think would be best able to handle:

RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS:

- A. Issues related to race
- B. Health care

RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Joe Biden [INSERT IF CATI] Jo BYE-den
2. Bernie Sanders [INSERT IF CATI] BURN-EE SAND-ers
3. Elizabeth Warren
4. Pete Buttigieg [INSERT IF CATI] Peet BOOT-edge-edge
5. Tulsi Gabbard [INSERT IF CATI] TULL-see Gah-bard
6. Amy Klobuchar [INSERT IF CATI] Amy KLOH-buh-shar
7. Mike Bloomberg
8. Tom Steyer [INSERT IF CATI] Tom STY-err
9. None of them [ANCHOR]

FAIRDEMPRIM.

Overall, how confident are you that the Democratic Party's process to select a presidential nominee is fair?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not too confident
4. Not at all confident

IFNOMINEE.

Do you think it would be [easier or harder] to beat Donald Trump in November, or would it make no difference, if the Democratic Party nominated a candidate who [IF CATI: INSERT ITEM]?

[CATI] IF R SAYS EASIER: Is that a lot easier or somewhat easier?

[CATI] IF R SAYS HARDER: Is that a lot harder or somewhat harder?

[CATI] FOR NEXT ITEM AND IF NECESSARY: What about a candidate who [INSERT ITEM]?

RANDOMIZE GRID ITEMS:

- A. Is a woman
- B. Is gay or lesbian
- C. Has strongly liberal views
- D. Is over age 75
- E. Is a billionaire
- F. Is Jewish

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS

1. A lot easier
2. Somewhat easier
3. Wouldn't make a difference
4. Somewhat harder
5. A lot harder

ENGMNTDEM.

In the past couple weeks, have you:

GRID ITEMS:

- A. Seen a TV ad for a Democratic presidential candidate
- B. Watched a Democratic presidential debate

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

FAIRECONOMY.

Do you think the country's economic system is fair or unfair to most Americans?

[CATI] IF R SAYS FAIR: Is that very fair or somewhat fair?

[CATI] IF R SAYS UNFAIR: Is that somewhat unfair or very unfair?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Very fair
2. Somewhat fair
3. Somewhat unfair
4. Very unfair

VC12.

How important is it to you personally that the United States elects a woman president during your lifetime?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Not at all important
2. Not too important
3. Somewhat important
4. Very important

PID1.

Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or don't you consider yourself either?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED TOP TWO RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Democrat
2. Republican
3. Neither

PIDA.

[SHOW IF PID1= DEMOCRAT]

Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Democrat?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Strong Democrat
2. Moderate Democrat

PIDB.

[SHOW IF PID1 = REPUBLICAN]

Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Republican?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Strong Republican
2. Moderate Republican

PIDI.

[SHOW IF PID1= NEITHER, DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED, REFUSED]

Would you say you're closer to the Democrats, to the Republicans, or don't you lean toward either?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED TOP TWO RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Lean Democrat
2. Lean Republican
3. Don't lean either way

PHIL3.

Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be a liberal, moderate, or conservative?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Liberal
2. Moderate
3. Conservative

PHIL3A.

[SHOW IF PHIL3= LIBERAL]

Do you consider yourself...

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Very liberal
2. Somewhat liberal

PHIL3B.

[SHOW IF PHIL3= CONSERVATIVE]

Do you consider yourself...

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Very conservative
2. Somewhat conservative

PHIL3C.

[SHOW IF PHIL3= MODERATE]

Do you consider yourself...

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Closer to liberal
2. Neither liberal nor conservative
3. Closer to conservative

QPVVOTE18.

In talking to people about elections, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they just didn't have time. Which one of the following statements best describes you?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I did not vote in the 2018 midterm election.
2. I thought about voting in the 2018 midterm election, but didn't.
3. I usually vote, but I didn't in the 2018 midterm election.
4. I'm sure I voted.

QPVVOTE16G.

What about voting in the 2016 election for president? Which one of the following statements best describes you?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I did not vote in the 2016 presidential election.
2. I thought about voting in the 2016 presidential election, but didn't.
3. I usually vote, but I didn't in the 2016 presidential election.
4. I'm sure I voted.

QPVVOTE16P.

What about voting in the 2016 primary election for president? Which one of the following statements best describes you?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I did not vote in the 2016 presidential primary election.
2. I thought about voting in the 2016 presidential primary election, but didn't.
3. I usually vote, but I didn't in the 2016 presidential primary election.
4. I'm sure I voted.

QVOTE2016DR.

[SHOW IF QPVVOTE16P=I'M SURE I VOTED]

In the 2016 primary, did you vote in the Democratic primary or the Republican primary?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Democratic
2. Republican

QVOTE2016.

[SHOW IF QVOTE2016DR= DEMOCRATIC]

In the 2016 Democratic presidential primaries, did you support Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders, someone else, or did you have no preference?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED TOP TWO RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Hillary Clinton
2. Bernie Sanders
3. Someone else
4. Had no preference

AGE.

What is your age?

[ALLOW AGES 18-105]

GENDER.

[CATI] INTERVIEWER RECORD GENDER. IF UNSURE, ASK THE FOLLOWING:

Are you male or female?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Male
2. Female

EDUC1.

What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?

[CATI] INTERVIEWER: TECHNICAL OR VOCATIONAL COLLEGE EXPERIENCE SHOULD BE CODED AS OPTION 04-College or some college

PHD, MD, JD, OR MASTER'S DEGREE SHOULD BE CODED AS OPTION 05-Post bachelor's coursework or degree

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. No school
2. Nursery or preschool through grade 12
3. High school graduate
4. College or some college
5. Post bachelor's coursework or degree

EDUC2.

[SHOW IF EDUC1= NURSERY OR PRESCHOOL THROUGH GRADE 12]

Within that level, what is the highest level or degree you have completed?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Nursery or preschool
2. Kindergarten
3. Grade 1
4. Grade 2
5. Grade 3
6. Grade 4
7. Grade 5
8. Grade 6
9. Grade 7
10. Grade 8
11. Grade 9
12. Grade 10
13. Grade 11
14. Grade 12- NO DIPLOMA

EDUC3.

[SHOW IF EDUC1=HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE]

Within that level, what is the highest level or degree you have completed?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Regular high school diploma
2. GED or alternative credential

EDUC4.

[SHOW IF EDUC1=COLLEGE OR SOME COLLEGE]

Within that level, what is the highest level or degree you have completed?

[CATI] INTERVIEWER: TECHNICAL OR VOCATIONAL COLLEGE EXPERIENCE SHOULD BE CODED AS OPTION 01-SOME COLLEGE CREDIT, BUT NO DEGREE

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Some college credit, but no degree
2. Associate's degree, for example, an AA or AS degree
3. Bachelor's degree, for example, a BA or BS degree

EDUC5.

[SHOW IF EDUC1= POST BACHELOR'S COURSEWORK OR DEGREE]

Within that level, what is the highest level or degree you have completed?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Some graduate coursework, but no degree
2. Master's degree, for example, a MA, MS, MSW, or MBA degree
3. Professional degree beyond a bachelor's degree, for example, a MD, DDS, DVM, or JD
4. Doctorate degree, for example, a PhD or EdD degree

ATTEND.

How often, if at all, do you attend religious services?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Never
2. A few times a year or less
3. About once a month
4. A few times a month
5. Once a week or more

LATINO.

Are you of Latino or Hispanic descent, or not?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Yes
2. No

RACE.

What is your racial or ethnic heritage?

[CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. White
2. African-American or black
3. Asian
4. Latino or Hispanic
5. American Indian, Native American, or Alaska Native
6. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
7. Other

SIZEPLACE.

Which of the following best describes the area where you live?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Urban
2. Suburban
3. Small town
4. Rural

INCOME1.

In which of these categories is your total yearly household income, that is, of everyone living in your family household? Was your total household income in 2019...

[CATI] IF R REFUSES, PROBE FOR A RESPONSE. SAY IT IS CONFIDENTIAL AND IMPORTANT TO THE ANALYSIS OF THE DATA.

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Under \$25,000
2. \$25,000 to under \$50,000
3. \$50,000 to under \$75,000
4. \$75,000 to under \$100,000
5. \$100,000 or more

RECONTACT QUESTIONS BEGIN

LVA_W2.

How interested are you in the upcoming Democratic primary election in South Carolina? /
How interested are you in the Democratic primary election taking place today South Carolina?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Extremely interested
2. Very interested
3. Somewhat interested
4. Only a little interested
5. Not at all interested

LVB_W2.

There are a range of reasons why people do or do not vote. We're interested in hearing from voters and non-voters. How likely are you to vote in the primary election?

[CATI] If you have already voted, please just say so.

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. Definitely will vote
2. Probably will vote
3. Probably will not vote
4. Definitely will not vote
5. Already voted

LV_W2.

On a scale from zero to 10, where 10 means you're certain you will vote and zero means there is no chance you will vote, please indicate how likely it is that you will vote in this Democratic primary election.

[CATI] [SHOW IF LVB=DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED] If you have already voted, please just say so.

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

0. 0-Certain will not vote
1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4
5. 5
6. 6
7. 7
8. 8
9. 9
10. 10-Certain will vote
11. [SHOW IF LVB= DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED, REFUSED]Already voted

WVA_W2.

[SHOW IF LVB_W2=ALREADY VOTED AND INTERVIEW CONDUCTED ON ELECTION DAY]

Did you vote at a polling place today, or did you vote by mail or vote in person at some point before Election Day?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I voted at a polling place today
2. I voted by mail or in person before Election Day

WVB_W2.

[SHOW IF LVB_W2= DEFINITELY WILL VOTE, PROBABLY WILL VOTE, PROBABLY WILL NOT VOTE AND INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BEFORE ELECTION DAY]

If you do vote in this election, which best describes how you plan to cast your ballot?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

1. I will vote at a polling place on Election Day
2. I will vote by mail or in person before Election Day

RACE0_W2.

Who do you plan to vote for in the Democratic primary election for president? / If you do vote in the Democratic primary election for president, who would you vote for? / In the Democratic primary election for president, who did you vote for?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

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002. Joe Biden [INSERT IF CATI] Jo BYE-den
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010. Tom Steyer [INSERT IF CATI] Tom STY-err
011. Elizabeth Warren
012. Andrew Yang
555. [SHOW IF LVB_W2<> ALREADY VOTED] Undecided
666. Will / Did not vote in this race

RACE0_L_W2.

[SHOW IF (RACE0_W2= UNDECIDED, DON'T KNOW, SKIPPED, REFUSED) AND LVB_W2<>ALREADY VOTED]

As of today, do you lean more toward...?

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

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 - 002. Joe Biden [INSERT IF CATI] Jo BYE-den
 - 003. Cory Booker
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