

2020 Election Early Voting Breakdowns - Key Senate Races

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Bloomberg has an agreement with Catalist, a data company that works with Democrats and others, to compile counts of individual ballots cast before Election Day, either early in-person or by-mail, across 40 U.S. states.

The data is compiled from individual-level voting records in those states and is being provided to us each weekday morning. (Because of when and how certain states report their aggregate totals vs. individual voter-level information, you may see slight variations between Catalist's data and the AP's daily statewide tallies).

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Below are breakdowns of the **ballots cast as of the morning of November 03, 2020**, in states with this year's most competitive Senate races...

Bottom line: there are huge surges among voters across the board in battleground states, particularly among young voters and minority voters. Meanwhile, in states where party affiliation is identified, Democrats continue to be well ahead of Republicans in their growth from 2016 in most of those states.

Statewide Totals

state	ballots cast at this point 2016	ballots cast to date 2020	difference	percent change
AZ	1,608,449	2,442,208	833,759	51.8
FL	6,388,603	8,754,727	2,366,124	37.0
GA	2,396,345	3,884,766	1,488,421	62.1
IA	632,635	910,948	278,313	44.0
MI	1,099,550	2,871,104	1,771,554	161.1
MN	419,172	1,675,694	1,256,522	299.8
NC	3,048,968	4,523,127	1,474,159	48.4
NV	690,871	1,046,831	355,960	51.5
OH	1,697,100	2,980,767	1,283,667	75.6
TX	4,304,607	9,422,682	5,118,075	118.9
WI	761,775	1,820,937	1,059,162	139.0

Party Affiliation

Growth in early voters by their party affiliation to date, compared with the same point before the 2016 election. (Note that some states, such as Texas and Georgia, do not report this information associated with their early voting.)

state	party_affiliation	ballots cast at this point in 2016	ballots cast so far in 2020	difference	pct change
AK	Democrat	13,356	33,539	20,183	151.1
AK	Republican	24,448	38,540	14,092	57.6
AZ	Democrat	580,177	903,839	323,662	55.8
AZ	Republican	653,865	902,204	248,339	38.0
CO	Democrat	713,766	843,683	129,917	18.2
CO	Republican	716,153	713,043	-3,110	-0.4
IA	Democrat	264,379	417,999	153,620	58.1
IA	Republican	211,097	299,025	87,928	41.7
KS	Democrat	165,263	271,135	105,872	64.1
KS	Republican	260,478	347,884	87,406	33.6
ME	Democrat	102,781	224,582	121,801	118.5
ME	Republican	62,500	109,602	47,102	75.4
NC	Democrat	1,222,983	1,680,248	457,265	37.4
NC	Republican	973,519	1,413,008	439,489	45.1

Demographic breakdowns

Gender

Growth in male vs. female early voters

state	Differences from 2016		Percent Change from 2016	
	additional female votes cast	additional male votes cast	pct change in female voters	pct change in male voters
AK	42,300	35,843	114.8	103.2
AZ	415,302	383,241	48.2	52.8
CO	173,840	180,646	15.2	17.7
GA	797,311	690,442	57.5	68.3
IA	146,384	131,880	40.9	47.9
KS	138,116	119,708	49.8	54.6
ME	134,114	106,066	108.8	108.0
MI	977,469	793,939	154.1	170.6
MT	98,686	101,484	63.6	75.0
NC	780,019	685,309	45.1	52.0
TX	2,727,508	2,382,866	112.7	126.5

Age Groups

Growth in early voters by age groups to date, compared with the same point before the 2016 election. The table below shows the *percent change* in 2020 compared with 2016 at the same point before the election.

state	Percent Change from 2016					
	18-21	22-29	30-39	40-49	50-64	65+
AK	1,510.9	162.7	128.6	102.6	85.3	72.1
AZ	3,123.8	103.0	83.5	64.5	52.4	19.7
CO	4,677.9	46.5	36.3	20.7	8.6	-7.5
GA	4,567.2	103.4	96.2	72.5	52.7	23.5
IA	5,863.9	37.9	60.8	62.4	53.1	19.4
KS	6,117.2	108.1	84.5	66.5	49.5	21.9
ME	15,850.0	173.8	190.2	161.5	122.5	61.6
MI	16,269.1	458.7	753.1	670.7	361.3	42.8
MT	5,400.0	132.6	119.7	105.4	75.7	25.9
NC	5,502.6	71.6	72.5	57.8	43.1	15.1
TX	4,763.9	198.2	147.8	117.7	99.7	76.0

One thing to note is that for the enormous percentage jumps in 18-21 year old voters, they almost all start from a very low 2016 turnout early. Though it's still notable of course just how much that group - traditionally unreliable for voting - has been gangbusters voting early this time.

Here below is an expanded table showing the particulars behind those percent changes around ages 18-21.

state	age	ballots cast at this point in 2016	ballots cast so far in 2020	difference	pct change
AK	18-21	64	1,031	967	1,510.9
AZ	18-21	3,147	101,452	98,305	3,123.8
CO	18-21	2,172	103,775	101,603	4,677.9
GA	18-21	4,030	188,088	184,058	4,567.2
IA	18-21	649	38,706	38,057	5,863.9
KS	18-21	436	27,107	26,671	6,117.2
ME	18-21	90	14,355	14,265	15,850.0
MI	18-21	602	98,542	97,940	16,269.1
MT	18-21	327	17,985	17,658	5,400.0
NC	18-21	4,031	225,839	221,808	5,502.6
TX	18-21	9,273	451,029	441,756	4,763.9

Race

Growth in early voters by modeled racial groups to date, compared with the same point before the 2016 election. The table below shows the *percent change* in 2020 compared with 2016 at the same point before the election.

(Note: this designation is based on a statistical model by Catalist.)

state	Percent Change from 2016		
	Black	Caucasian	Hispanic
AK	121.7	103.1	138.3
AZ	77.9	44.4	75.3
CO	26.9	13.7	30.5
GA	63.7	54.0	152.8
IA	51.4	43.2	54.0
KS	58.7	48.6	99.4
ME	144.1	108.5	171.1
MI	276.8	143.5	351.1
MT	90.8	68.1	106.6
NC	38.6	48.0	104.2
TX	85.6	121.9	133.0

Below is an expanded table showing more details behind the changes around Black, Hispanic and Caucasian early voters in each state.

state	race	ballots cast at this point in 2016	ballots cast so far in 2020	difference	pct change
AK	Black	3,151	6,987	3,836	121.7
AK	Caucasian	55,369	112,475	57,106	103.1
AK	Hispanic	3,753	8,944	5,191	138.3
AZ	Black	67,500	120,106	52,606	77.9
AZ	Caucasian	1,228,016	1,773,282	545,266	44.4
AZ	Hispanic	223,784	392,192	168,408	75.3
CO	Black	81,039	102,836	21,797	26.9
CO	Caucasian	1,805,158	2,053,135	247,977	13.7
CO	Hispanic	199,814	260,851	61,037	30.5
GA	Black	717,785	1,174,696	456,911	63.7
GA	Caucasian	1,558,504	2,400,782	842,278	54.0
GA	Hispanic	47,190	119,282	72,092	152.8
IA	Black	16,949	25,661	8,712	51.4
IA	Caucasian	594,267	851,088	256,821	43.2
IA	Hispanic	12,260	18,875	6,615	54.0
KS	Black	27,872	44,230	16,358	58.7
KS	Caucasian	437,865	650,744	212,879	48.6
KS	Hispanic	17,608	35,110	17,502	99.4
ME	Black	1,785	4,357	2,572	144.1
ME	Caucasian	214,961	448,142	233,181	108.5
ME	Hispanic	1,864	5,053	3,189	171.1
MI	Black	94,325	355,426	261,101	276.8
MI	Caucasian	968,475	2,358,479	1,390,004	143.5
MI	Hispanic	14,520	65,504	50,984	351.1
MT	Black	1,938	3,697	1,759	90.8
MT	Caucasian	274,518	461,515	186,997	68.1
MT	Hispanic	4,968	10,263	5,295	106.6
NC	Black	692,025	958,832	266,807	38.6
NC	Caucasian	2,201,871	3,257,955	1,056,084	48.0
NC	Hispanic	60,323	123,174	62,851	104.2
TX	Black	658,993	1,223,031	564,038	85.6
TX	Caucasian	2,525,955	5,605,419	3,079,464	121.9
TX	Hispanic	874,917	2,038,729	1,163,812	133.0