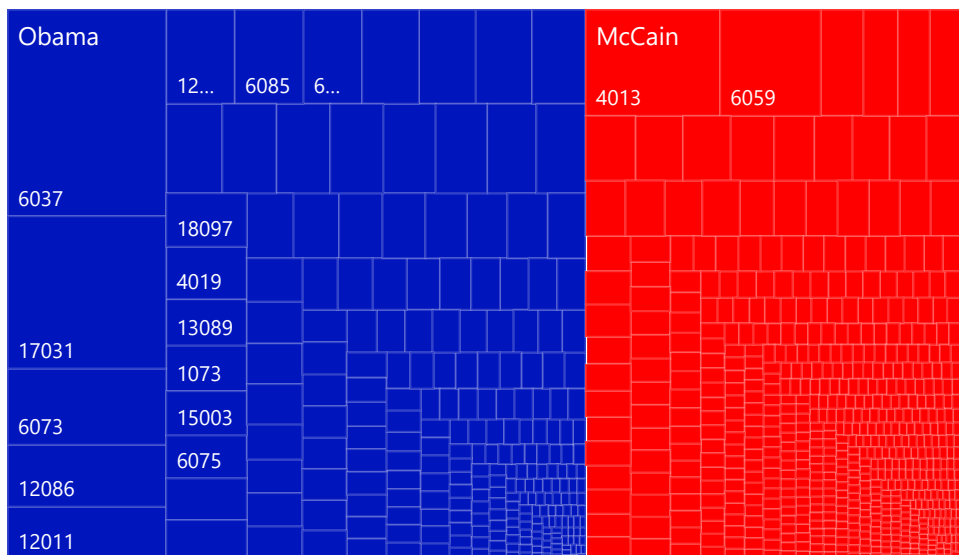
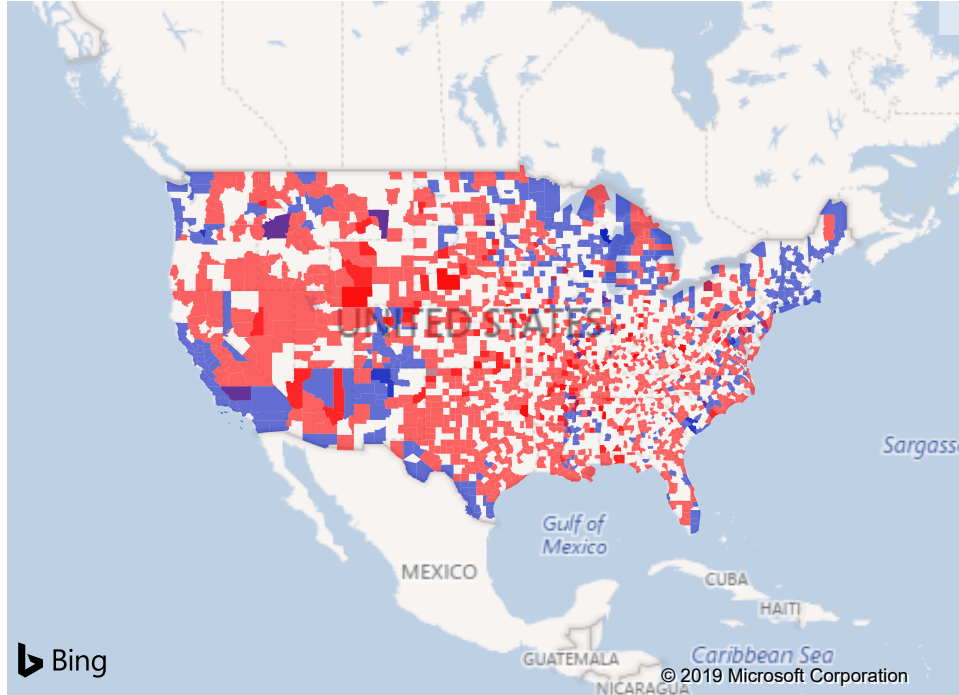


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Election Results

Winner by Majority V... ● (Blank) ● McCain ● Obama



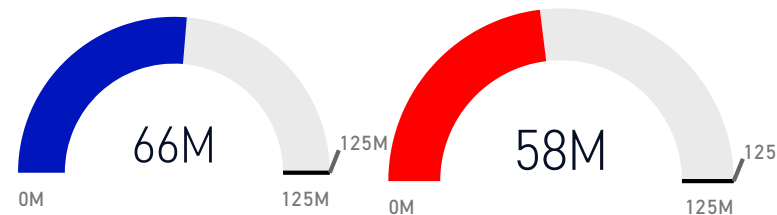
It was a very exciting time in American history! With a record breaking voter turnout, 58% of eligible voters flocked to the voting booths to participate in the first presidential election in US history with an African American candidate. Senator Barack Obama. It was a close race, but Obama defeated his Republican counterpart, Senator John McCain, with 52.92% of the popular vote and 363/538 electoral votes.



TOTAL OBAMA VOTES



TOTAL MCCAIN VOTES



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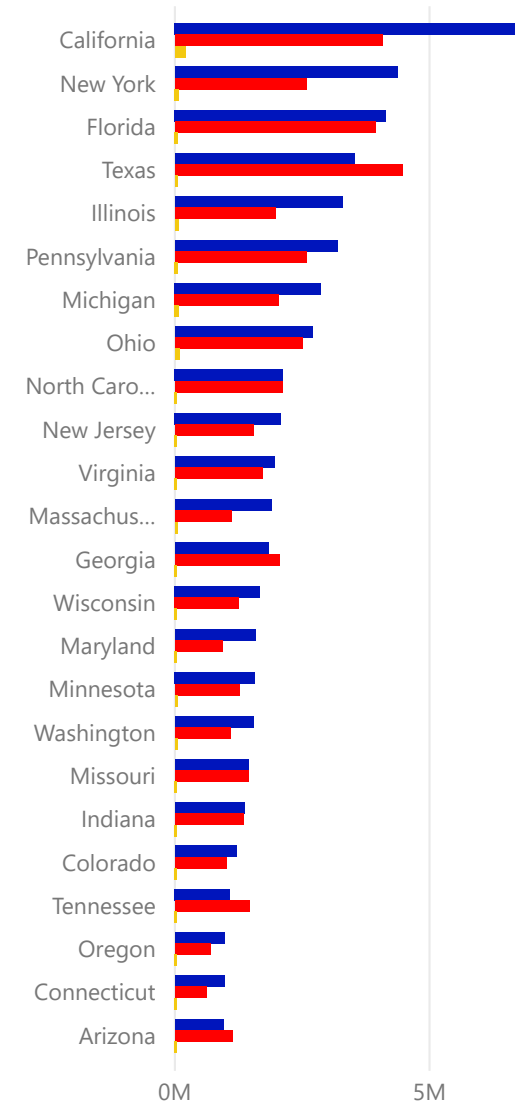
[John McCain](#)

Region

All

Total Votes By STATE

● Sum of OBAMA ● Sum of MCCAIN ● Sum of OTHER



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REGION vs COUNTY WINNER

Chi-Squared Test of Independence

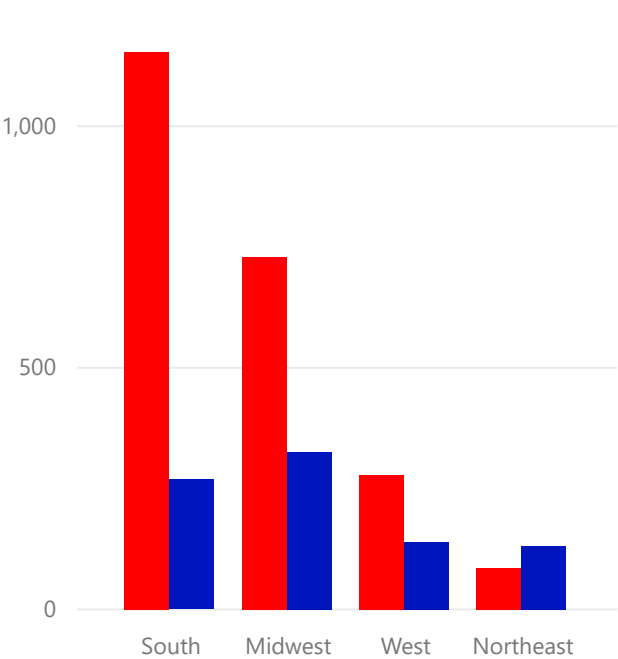
A chi-squared test was conducted under the null hypothesis that the winner of the 2008 election at the county level was independent of the region in which the county is located.

	Statistic	P-value
<i>X-squared</i>	186	0

Since $p < 0.05$, the null hypothesis should be rejected.
For US counties, the winner by majority was NOT independent of the US region.

COUNTY-WIDE WINNERS BY REGION

MAJORITY ... ● McCain ● Obama



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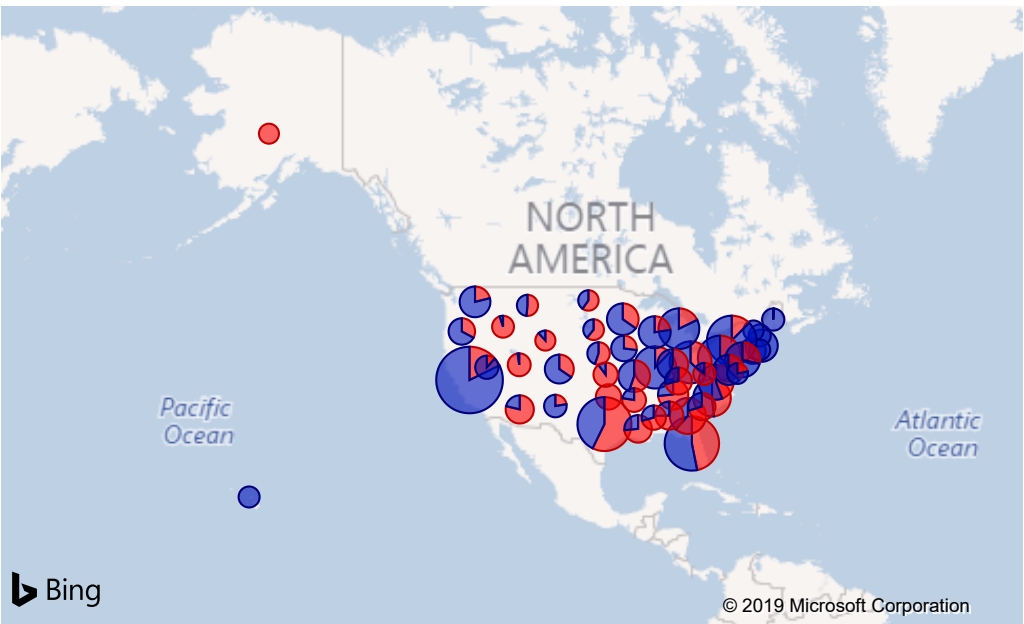
Regional Impact

In recent US history, southern counties have favorite republican candidates while north eastern counties have favored democrats. This held true in the 2008 election for most southern and northeastern counties, wherein McCain and Obama were the majority winners respectively.

Interestingly, even though McCain was also the winner in most midwestern and western counties, Obama won the popular vote. This phenomenon is explained by the fact that the *number of voters* in each county (and consequently, each state) varies greatly.

TOTAL VOTES BY STATE AND COUNTY-WIDE MAJORITY WINNERS

Winner_by_Majority_Vote ● (Blank) ● McCain ● Obama



TOTAL VOTES

Region	Obama	Third Party	McCain
West	13613515	456725	10393070
Northeast	13790650	284556	9289308
Midwest	16874960	459860	14022025
South	21649115	417623	24015594
Total	65928240	1618764	57719997

TOTAL VOTES BY REGION

● Sum of MCCAIN ● Sum of OTHER ● Sum of OBAMA

