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# **Politics**

## 2024 Wrap Up, 2025 Outlook

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# Presidential election

- **Donald Trump won** men by 12, Whites by 15, White men by 24, White women by 7, Hispanic men by 10 and voters over 45; Trump received 21% of Black men and 7% of Black women
- **Kamala Harris fell short in Democratic base**
  - She won women... **but** by a smaller margin than H. Clinton or Biden (8% vs. 13% or 15%)
  - She won Hispanics... **but** with only 51%--compared to Obama's 67% or Biden's 65% -- Realignment?
  - She won Blacks... **but** with 86% (compared to Biden's 87%, H. Clinton's 89% and Obama's 95%);
  - Harris did best with voters under 30 (54%)... **but** fell short of Biden's 60% and Obama's 66%--with a turnout drop since 2020 of 14% vs. 17%
- **Trump won mostly because of the economy**
  - More than 2/3 of electorate viewed economic conditions negatively, and Trump won 70% of them. Of those who picked the economy as the top issue, Trump won 80% of them.
  - Change: 73% voters said they were either dissatisfied or angry with the way things were going in the country--and Trump won 62% of these voters.

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# 2024 Polls: How accurate?

	<u>Harris</u>	<u>Trump</u>	<u>Margin</u>
<b>Election</b>	<b>48.3%</b>	<b>49.8%</b>	<b>Trump +1.5</b>
<b>Final polls</b>	<b>49.3%</b>	<b>48.3%</b>	<b>Harris +1.0</b> <b>Off 2.5</b>

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Wisconsin	Even	Trump won by 0.9	Polls off by 0.9 points
Pennsylvania	Harris +0.1	Trump won by 1.7	Polls off by 1.8 points
Michigan	Even	Trump won by 1.4	Polls off by 1.4 points
Arizona	Trump +3.2	Trump won by 5.5	Polls off by 2.3 points
Georgia	Trump +0.8	Trump won by 2.2	Polls off by 1.4 points
North Carolina	Trump +0.8	Trump won by 3.2	Polls off by 2.4 points
Nevada	Trump +1	Trump won by 3.1	Polls off by 2.1 points

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**Average off: 1.8 points**

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# How Louisiana voted

38%



60%

<b>Trump</b>	<b>1,256,000</b>	<b>➔</b>	<b>Trump</b>	<b>1,209,000</b>	<b>- 47,000</b>
<b>Biden</b>	<b>856,000</b>	<b>➔</b>	<b>Harris</b>	<b>767,000</b>	<b>- 89,000</b>

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# How Louisiana voted

**New Orleans 82%**

**EBR 54%**

**Caddo 52%**



**Jefferson 55%**

**Lafayette 65%**

**St. Tammany 71%**

**Bossier 71%**

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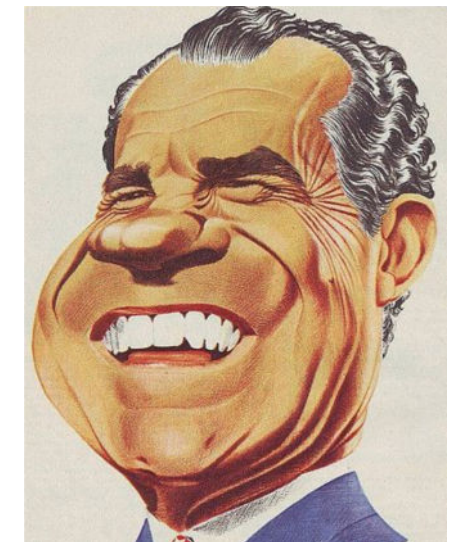
# How Louisiana voted

**Last Democrat to carry Louisiana in a presidential election: Bill Clinton 1996**



**Won highest percentage in state:  
Franklin Roosevelt 1932: 93%**

**Republican who won highest percentage  
in state: Richard Nixon in 1972: 65%**



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# Louisiana voter turnout 2024

- Statewide 66% (down from 70% in 2020)
- Republicans 78%, Democrats 64%, Independents 55%
- Whites 72%, Blacks 57%

<b>New Orleans</b>	<b>59%</b>
<b>EBR</b>	<b>66%</b>
<b>Caddo</b>	<b>61%</b>
<b>Jefferson</b>	<b>65%</b>
<b>Lafayette</b>	<b>69%</b>
<b>St. Tammany</b>	<b>71%</b>
<b>Bossier</b>	<b>67%</b>

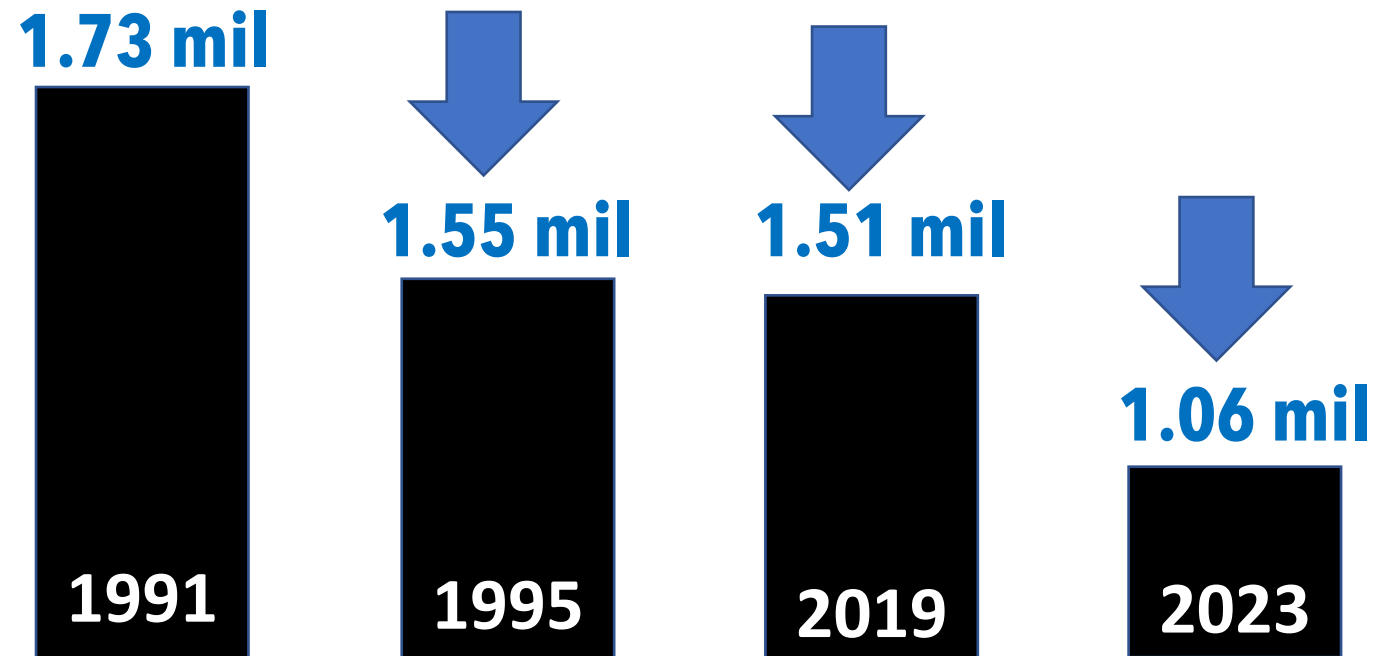


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# Louisiana turnout

## Gubernatorial elections





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# New Orleans election turnout

**LaToya Cantrell 2021**

**Won with 47,753 votes.**

**191,892 registered voters didn't vote (72%)**

- **Lowest number of votes received by a winner since T. Semmes Walmsey in 1934**



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# Advocate/TP statewide polling

- **Louisiana quality of life: 43% positive, 56% negative**
  - Highest positives: Whites, Republicans, 45+
  - Quality of public education: 34% positive, 60% negative
  - 16% expect to leave state within 5 years (24% of 18-44-year-olds)
- **Landry went from 51.6% (election) to 56% (approval)**
  - Best issues: Crime, parental rights, the economy
  - Worst issues: Insurance rates (second most important issue)
- **Issues**
  - **Crime:** 53% get tough on crime/put criminals away longer, 40% systemic issues/root causes
  - **Abortion:** 41% keep law as is, 54% expand abortion rights/15 weeks
  - **School cash vouchers:** 53% good idea, 40% bad idea
  - **Concealed carry:** 63% require permits, 33% keep law as is



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## ▪ **Trump's supporters split (and Democrats, too)**

- Support expansion of abortion rights: 26% of Hard Trump Republicans vs. 46% of Soft Trump Republicans.
- Support permits for concealed carry: 41% of Hard Trump Republicans vs. 64% of Soft Trump Republicans.
- Prohibiting the sale of "AR-15 style" semiautomatic rifles: 24% of Hard Trump Republicans vs. 45% of Soft Trump Republicans.



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# Upcoming elections

## 2025 New Orleans Mayor so far

- **Helena Morena**
- **Oliver Thomas**
- **Arthur Hunter**
- **Royce Duplessis?**

## New Orleans City electorate

- **Voter registration: 54% Black, 37% White**
- **2024 actual vote: 52% Black, 40% White**

## New Orleans City Council Races

**2 at-large, District A, District E**

## Statewide 2026 U.S. Senate Race

**Sen. Bill Cassidy vs. John Fleming (so far)**