

**Table 385. Vote Cast for President by Major Political Party: 1952 to 2008**

[In thousands (61,552 represents 61,552,000), except percent and electoral vote. Prior to 1960, excludes Alaska and Hawaii; prior to 1964, excludes DC. Vote cast for major party candidates includes the votes of minor parties cast for those candidates]

Year	Candidates for President		Vote cast for President						
	Democratic	Republican	Total popular vote <sup>1</sup> (1,000)	Democratic			Republican		
				Popular vote		Electoral vote	Popular vote		Electoral vote
				Number (1,000)	Per- cent		Number (1,000)	Per- cent	
1952 . . . .	Stevenson . . . .	Eisenhower . . . .	61,552	27,315	44.4	89	33,779	54.9	442
1956 . . . .	Stevenson . . . .	Eisenhower . . . .	62,027	26,739	43.1	73	35,581	57.4	457
1960 . . . .	Kennedy . . . . .	Nixon . . . . .	68,836	34,227	49.7	303	34,108	49.5	219
1964 . . . .	Johnson . . . . .	Goldwater . . . . .	70,098	42,825	61.1	486	27,147	38.7	52
1968 . . . .	Humphrey . . . . .	Nixon . . . . .	73,027	30,989	42.4	191	31,710	43.4	301
1972 . . . .	McGovern . . . . .	Nixon . . . . .	77,625	28,902	37.2	17	46,740	60.2	520
1976 . . . .	Carter . . . . .	Ford . . . . .	81,603	40,826	50.0	297	39,148	48.0	240
1980 . . . .	Carter . . . . .	Reagan . . . . .	86,497	35,481	41.0	49	43,643	50.5	489
1984 . . . .	Mondale . . . . .	Reagan . . . . .	92,655	37,450	40.4	13	54,167	58.5	525
1988 . . . .	Dukakis . . . . .	Bush . . . . .	91,587	41,717	45.5	111	48,643	53.1	426
1992 . . . .	Clinton . . . . .	Bush . . . . .	104,600	44,858	42.9	370	38,799	37.1	168
1996 . . . .	Clinton . . . . .	Dole . . . . .	96,390	47,402	49.2	379	39,198	40.7	159
2000 . . . .	Gore . . . . .	Bush . . . . .	105,594	50,996	48.3	266	50,465	47.8	271
2004 . . . .	Kerry . . . . .	Bush . . . . .	122,349	58,895	48.1	251	61,873	50.6	286
2008 . . . .	Obama . . . . .	McCain . . . . .	131,407	69,498	52.9	365	59,948	45.6	173

<sup>1</sup> Include votes for minor party candidates, independents, unpledged electors, and scattered write-in votes.

Source: U.S. House of Representatives, Office of the Clerk, *Statistics of the Presidential and Congressional Election*, biennial (published 10 July 2009). See also <[http://clerk.house.gov/member\\_info/election.html](http://clerk.house.gov/member_info/election.html)>.