

Table 387. Democratic and Republican Percentages of Two-Party Presidential Vote by Selected Characteristics of Voters: 2004 and 2008

[In percent. Covers citizens of voting age living in private housing units in the contiguous United States. Percentages for Democratic Presidential vote are computed by subtracting the percentage Republican vote from 100 percent; third-party or independent votes are not included as valid data. Data are from the National Election Studies and are based on a sample and subject to sampling variability; for details, see source]

Characteristic	2004		2008		Characteristic	2004		2008	
	Demo- cratic	Repub- lican	Demo- cratic	Repub- lican		Demo- cratic	Repub- lican	Demo- cratic	Repub- lican
Total ¹	50	50	55	45	Black	90	10	99	1
Year of birth:					Education:				
1975 or later. . . .	66	34	65	35	Less than high				
1959 to 1974 . . .	45	55	56	44	school	69	31	72	28
1943 to 1958 . . .	44	56	54	46	High school				
1927 to 1942 . . .	51	49	41	59	diploma/ equivalent	46	54	57	43
1911 to 1926 . . .	52	48	52	48	Some college, no degree	47	53	53	47
1895 to 1910 . . .	–	–	–	–	College	50	50	51	49
Sex:					Union household . .	64	36	60	40
Male	46	54	52	48	Nonunion house- hold	46	54	54	46
Female	53	47	57	43					
Race:									
White	42	58	44	56					

– Represents zero. ¹ Includes other characteristics, not shown separately.

Source: American National Election Studies; <<http://www.electionstudies.org/>>.