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Suffolk University/USA TODAY National Voter Poll: Biden and Trump Tied

BOSTON—A new Suffolk University/USA TODAY national poll shows President Joe Biden and former President Donald Trump tied at 37%, with Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. at 8%, independent Cornel West and the Libertarian nominee at 2%, Green Party Jill Stein at 1%, with 12% undecided.

"When we think about the race tied with just 26 weeks to go, we have to consider that people tune out politics and the party conventions in July and August," said David Paleologos, director of the Suffolk University Political Research Center. "That leaves just 17 weeks for candidates to actively campaign, and it's actually 13 or 14 weeks when you consider states where early voting starts weeks before election day. We're basically at the doorstep of the election and the outcome is a coin flip."

Despite split voter preferences, 69% of registered voters say the country is on the wrong track while just 23% say the country is going in the right direction.

Among those saying the country is going in the wrong direction, Trump led Biden 53%-17%, but among those saying the country is going in the right direction, Biden led 89%-1%.

Methodology

The nationwide Suffolk University/USA TODAY survey was conducted April 30-May 3, 2024, through live interviews of 1,000 registered voters, residing in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Quota and demographic information—including region, race, and age—were determined from 2020 national census data. States were grouped into four general regions. Surveys were administered in English and Spanish. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is +/-3.1 percentage points. Marginals and full cross-tabulation data are posted on the <u>Suffolk University Political Research Center</u> website. For more information, contact David Paleologos at 781-290-9310, <u>dpaleologos@suffolk.edu</u>.

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