



## Daily Kos

South Carolina survey  
May 2020

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### Overview

This report contains the results of a Civiqs survey of 591 registered voters in South Carolina from May 23-26, 2020. The survey was conducted online, among selected members of the Civiqs research panel. Sampled individuals were emailed by Civiqs and responded using a personalized link to the survey at [civiqs.com](https://civiqs.com).

The survey results are weighted by age, race, gender, education, and party identification to be representative of the population of registered voters in South Carolina. The general design effect due to weighting is 1.22. The survey has a margin of error of  $\pm 4.5\%$  at the 95% confidence level, accounting for the design effect. All survey results in this report are reported as percentages.

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More information about Civiqs can be found online at [civiqs.com/methodology](https://civiqs.com/methodology).

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## Topline Results

1. If the election for U.S. senator from South Carolina were held today, who would you vote for?

Lindsey Graham, Republican	42%
Jaime Harrison, Democrat	42%
Someone else	10%
Unsure	6%

2. If the election for president of the United States were held today and the choices were Donald Trump and Joe Biden, who would you vote for?

Donald Trump, Republican	52%
Joe Biden, Democrat	42%
Someone else	5%
Unsure	1%

3. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Lindsey Graham?

Favorable	35%
Unfavorable	56%
Unsure	9%

4. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Jaime Harrison?

Favorable	35%
Unfavorable	28%
Unsure	37%

5. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Tim Scott?

Favorable	48%
Unfavorable	30%
Unsure	22%

6. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Henry McMaster?

Favorable	42%
Unfavorable	38%
Unsure	21%

7. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Nikki Haley?

Favorable	56%
Unfavorable	33%
Unsure	11%

8. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Donald Trump?

Favorable	51%
Unfavorable	47%
Unsure	3%

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9. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Joe Biden?

Favorable 35%  
Unfavorable 59%  
Unsure 6%

10. Have you been personally affected by the coronavirus? [I or someone I know currently has coronavirus or is in recovery/Someone I know has died from coronavirus/I don't know anyone with coronavirus, but the outbreak has forced me to change plans/It hasn't affected me personally, but I've started taking precautions or changed some of my day-to-day habits/It hasn't affected me personally in any way]

I/Someone I know has coronavirus 14%  
Someone I know has died 11%  
Forced me to change plans 37%  
Taking precautions/Changed habits 21%  
Hasn't affected me in any way 17%  
Unsure 0%

## Crosstabs

1. If the election for U.S. senator from South Carolina were held today, who would you vote for?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Lindsey Graham, Republican	42%	3%	78%	28%	42%	43%
Jaime Harrison, Democrat	42%	92%	5%	46%	44%	38%
Someone else	10%	1%	11%	16%	7%	13%
Unsure	6%	3%	6%	10%	7%	6%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Lindsey Graham, Republican	42%	56%	4%	42%	60%	45%
Jaime Harrison, Democrat	42%	24%	89%	42%	16%	46%
Someone else	10%	12%	3%	10%	14%	7%
Unsure	6%	7%	4%	7%	9%	2%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Lindsey Graham, Republican	42%	46%	32%	31%	42%	43%	42%
Jaime Harrison, Democrat	42%	34%	58%	65%	52%	40%	37%
Someone else	10%	11%	7%	2%	1%	11%	14%
Unsure	6%	8%	3%	1%	4%	7%	7%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Lindsey Graham, Republican	42%	32%	37%	41%	54%	33%	53%	70%	71%
Jaime Harrison, Democrat	42%	46%	42%	48%	35%	42%	21%	17%	17%
Someone else	10%	12%	14%	5%	9%	13%	17%	7%	11%
Unsure	6%	11%	7%	6%	3%	13%	9%	6%	1%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Lindsey Graham, Republican	42%	2%	77%	60%	8%
Jaime Harrison, Democrat	42%	96%	0%	19%	67%
Someone else	10%	0%	15%	7%	12%
Unsure	6%	2%	7%	15%	12%

2. If the election for president of the United States were held today and the choices were Donald Trump and Joe Biden, who would you vote for?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Donald Trump, Republican	52%	4%	93%	44%	50%	56%
Joe Biden, Democrat	42%	93%	6%	40%	45%	36%
Someone else	5%	3%	1%	14%	4%	7%
Unsure	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Donald Trump, Republican	52%	71%	6%	49%	78%	51%
Joe Biden, Democrat	42%	24%	89%	36%	16%	44%
Someone else	5%	5%	4%	11%	6%	4%
Unsure	1%	1%	1%	4%	0%	2%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Donald Trump, Republican	52%	60%	37%	33%	48%	54%	56%
Joe Biden, Democrat	42%	35%	54%	64%	52%	39%	39%
Someone else	5%	5%	7%	2%	0%	5%	4%
Unsure	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Donald Trump, Republican	52%	43%	54%	48%	63%	45%	74%	81%	83%
Joe Biden, Democrat	42%	39%	42%	49%	36%	38%	23%	16%	16%
Someone else	5%	17%	3%	2%	1%	16%	2%	1%	0%
Unsure	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Donald Trump, Republican	52%	0%	99%	60%	8%
Joe Biden, Democrat	42%	99%	0%	32%	36%
Someone else	5%	0%	1%	0%	53%
Unsure	1%	1%	0%	8%	3%

3. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Lindsey Graham?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Favorable	35%	3%	66%	21%	37%	33%
Unfavorable	56%	95%	22%	68%	55%	56%
Unsure	9%	2%	12%	12%	8%	11%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Favorable	35%	47%	4%	32%	52%	34%
Unfavorable	56%	43%	93%	49%	37%	56%
Unsure	9%	11%	3%	19%	11%	10%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Favorable	35%	39%	24%	24%	34%	36%	34%
Unfavorable	56%	51%	68%	66%	60%	54%	58%
Unsure	9%	10%	7%	10%	6%	11%	8%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	35%	25%	32%	34%	46%	25%	45%	58%	61%
Unfavorable	56%	62%	59%	59%	46%	62%	45%	33%	30%
Unsure	9%	13%	9%	7%	8%	13%	10%	9%	9%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Favorable	35%	1%	64%	60%	4%
Unfavorable	56%	98%	23%	17%	85%
Unsure	9%	1%	12%	23%	11%

4. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Jaime Harrison?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Favorable	35%	80%	5%	30%	40%	28%
Unfavorable	28%	2%	48%	28%	25%	34%
Unsure	37%	17%	47%	42%	35%	38%

  

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Favorable	35%	19%	75%	36%	13%	33%
Unfavorable	28%	36%	6%	36%	40%	26%
Unsure	37%	45%	19%	28%	46%	42%

  

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Favorable	35%	29%	42%	54%	47%	29%	35%
Unfavorable	28%	32%	19%	18%	24%	32%	34%
Unsure	37%	38%	38%	28%	29%	40%	31%

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	35%	30%	34%	45%	29%	27%	18%	16%	13%
Unfavorable	28%	29%	24%	27%	33%	28%	31%	46%	41%
Unsure	37%	41%	42%	28%	38%	44%	51%	38%	45%

  

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Favorable	35%	79%	1%	19%	61%
Unfavorable	28%	1%	53%	16%	14%
Unsure	37%	20%	46%	66%	25%

5. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Tim Scott?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Favorable	48%	8%	83%	36%	46%	50%
Unfavorable	30%	67%	4%	30%	31%	29%
Unsure	22%	25%	13%	33%	23%	21%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Favorable	48%	64%	8%	37%	70%	47%
Unfavorable	30%	16%	65%	35%	10%	32%
Unsure	22%	20%	27%	28%	20%	21%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Favorable	48%	54%	33%	33%	40%	52%	55%
Unfavorable	30%	24%	44%	44%	36%	30%	27%
Unsure	22%	22%	23%	23%	24%	18%	18%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	48%	33%	47%	46%	63%	36%	66%	77%	79%
Unfavorable	30%	33%	26%	36%	24%	28%	11%	12%	11%
Unsure	22%	34%	26%	18%	13%	36%	23%	11%	10%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Favorable	48%	10%	82%	53%	16%
Unfavorable	30%	65%	3%	17%	42%
Unsure	22%	25%	16%	30%	42%



6. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Henry McMaster?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Favorable	42%	17%	68%	30%	42%	43%
Unfavorable	38%	66%	15%	43%	39%	36%
Unsure	21%	18%	17%	27%	19%	22%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Favorable	42%	51%	19%	37%	54%	43%
Unfavorable	38%	29%	59%	42%	26%	36%
Unsure	21%	20%	21%	21%	20%	21%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Favorable	42%	44%	37%	35%	44%	45%	46%
Unfavorable	38%	35%	48%	39%	32%	36%	34%
Unsure	21%	21%	16%	27%	24%	18%	20%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	42%	32%	31%	43%	59%	32%	38%	66%	68%
Unfavorable	38%	48%	40%	37%	27%	45%	32%	21%	17%
Unsure	21%	19%	29%	20%	14%	23%	29%	13%	15%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Favorable	42%	17%	65%	61%	14%
Unfavorable	38%	67%	15%	7%	58%
Unsure	21%	16%	20%	32%	28%

7. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Nikki Haley?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Favorable	56%	17%	86%	50%	54%	57%
Unfavorable	33%	68%	7%	35%	35%	31%
Unsure	11%	15%	7%	15%	11%	12%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Favorable	56%	70%	22%	41%	75%	56%
Unfavorable	33%	21%	62%	46%	17%	32%
Unsure	11%	9%	16%	13%	8%	12%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Favorable	56%	60%	49%	40%	47%	57%	62%
Unfavorable	33%	29%	41%	42%	44%	31%	26%
Unsure	11%	11%	10%	18%	10%	12%	11%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	56%	50%	53%	55%	64%	49%	71%	81%	80%
Unfavorable	33%	32%	36%	35%	29%	32%	21%	14%	16%
Unsure	11%	18%	11%	10%	7%	20%	8%	5%	4%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Favorable	56%	22%	86%	85%	27%
Unfavorable	33%	65%	7%	0%	57%
Unsure	11%	13%	7%	15%	15%

8. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Donald Trump?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Favorable	51%	4%	89%	43%	49%	55%
Unfavorable	47%	95%	7%	54%	50%	42%
Unsure	3%	1%	4%	3%	2%	4%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Favorable	51%	68%	7%	49%	76%	46%
Unfavorable	47%	29%	92%	47%	20%	52%
Unsure	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	3%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Favorable	51%	59%	35%	30%	45%	51%	57%
Unfavorable	47%	39%	63%	68%	53%	45%	41%
Unsure	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	51%	41%	52%	47%	63%	41%	71%	78%	82%
Unfavorable	47%	55%	45%	51%	37%	53%	26%	17%	17%
Unsure	3%	4%	3%	3%	1%	5%	3%	5%	1%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Favorable	51%	0%	100%	64%	0%
Unfavorable	47%	100%	0%	0%	100%
Unsure	3%	0%	0%	36%	0%

9. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Joe Biden?

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
Favorable	35%	82%	6%	30%	39%	30%
Unfavorable	59%	10%	93%	61%	57%	64%
Unsure	6%	8%	2%	9%	5%	6%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
Favorable	35%	19%	79%	29%	15%	28%
Unfavorable	59%	76%	15%	60%	83%	59%
Unsure	6%	5%	6%	11%	2%	13%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Favorable	35%	31%	43%	51%	35%	30%	39%
Unfavorable	59%	65%	50%	39%	58%	61%	58%
Unsure	6%	4%	7%	10%	7%	9%	3%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	35%	27%	30%	48%	34%	26%	16%	16%	17%
Unfavorable	59%	65%	62%	48%	63%	65%	78%	82%	81%
Unsure	6%	8%	9%	4%	3%	9%	6%	3%	2%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
Favorable	35%	100%	0%	45%	0%
Unfavorable	59%	0%	100%	0%	100%
Unsure	6%	0%	0%	55%	0%

10. Have you been personally affected by the coronavirus? [I or someone I know currently has coronavirus or is in recovery/Someone I know has died from coronavirus/I don't know anyone with coronavirus, but the outbreak has forced me to change plans/It hasn't affected me personally, but I've started taking precautions or changed some of my day-to-day habits/It hasn't affected me personally in any way]

	Total	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Female	Male
I/Someone I know has coronavirus	14%	19%	9%	16%	11%	17%
Someone I know has died	11%	25%	5%	5%	13%	9%
Forced me to change plans	37%	32%	37%	42%	43%	30%
Taking precautions/Changed habits	21%	20%	23%	19%	20%	21%
Hasn't affected me in any way	17%	4%	26%	19%	13%	23%
Unsure	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

	Total	White	Black	Other	White: Non-College	College
I/Someone I know has coronavirus	14%	11%	19%	25%	9%	18%
Someone I know has died	11%	5%	26%	9%	5%	6%
Forced me to change plans	37%	42%	27%	35%	41%	45%
Taking precautions/Changed habits	21%	21%	20%	20%	21%	22%
Hasn't affected me in any way	17%	21%	8%	11%	25%	9%
Unsure	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%

	Total	Non-College	College grad	Postgrad	Urban	Suburban	Rural
I/Someone I know has coronavirus	14%	13%	14%	21%	10%	12%	7%
Someone I know has died	11%	10%	11%	15%	14%	10%	15%
Forced me to change plans	37%	37%	37%	39%	27%	44%	31%
Taking precautions/Changed habits	21%	20%	26%	16%	26%	18%	22%
Hasn't affected me in any way	17%	20%	12%	6%	23%	15%	25%
Unsure	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	White: 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
I/Someone I know has coronavirus	14%	19%	14%	18%	6%	19%	9%	14%	3%
Someone I know has died	11%	9%	12%	8%	13%	9%	2%	3%	4%
Forced me to change plans	37%	42%	39%	35%	35%	44%	50%	37%	37%
Taking precautions/Changed habits	21%	16%	12%	23%	31%	16%	11%	18%	37%
Hasn't affected me in any way	17%	14%	22%	16%	16%	12%	27%	27%	19%
Unsure	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%

	Total	Biden fav only	Trump fav only	Both fav/unsure	Both unfav
I/Someone I know has coronavirus	14%	18%	8%	16%	16%
Someone I know has died	11%	22%	4%	8%	10%
Forced me to change plans	37%	34%	39%	25%	42%
Taking precautions/Changed habits	21%	22%	20%	32%	22%
Hasn't affected me in any way	17%	4%	29%	19%	10%
Unsure	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%

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## Demographics

### Party ID

Democrat 30%  
Republican 41%  
Independent 29%

### Gender

Female 54%  
Male 46%

### Age

18-34 22%  
35-49 25%  
50-64 27%  
65+ 26%

### Race

White 68%  
Black 27%  
Other 5%

### Education

Non-College 69%  
College grad 20%  
Postgrad 11%