

HuffPost: Democratic Debate

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1. Watch debate

As you may know, a Democratic primary debate aired on Tuesday, featuring 12 of the Democratic candidates. Did you watch this debate?

	Total	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Yes		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
I watched the entire debate	14%	17%		13%	14%	14%	10%	13%	18%	14%	13%	15%	14%
I watched part of it	15%	16%		17%	14%	11%	15%	16%	19%	16%	14%	15%	9%
I watched clips or highlights of the debate	22%	25%		23%	21%	24%	16%	25%	23%	23%	17%	24%	22%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the debate	21%	24%		22%	20%	17%	20%	22%	24%	23%	15%	16%	20%
I haven't heard anything about it	28%	17%		24%	32%	34%	39%	24%	17%	25%	41%	30%	36%
Totals	100%	99%		99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(997)	(678)		(488)	(509)	(220)	(221)	(351)	(205)	(712)	(114)	(101)	(70)

	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I watched the entire debate	14%	23%	9%	9%	25%	10%	12%	12%	25%	17%	13%	12%	13%
I watched part of it	15%	19%	12%	15%	16%	18%	14%	14%	19%	19%	14%	14%	14%
I watched clips or highlights of the debate	22%	22%	19%	27%	21%	31%	21%	25%	22%	21%	23%	22%	23%
I read or watched news stories analyzing the debate	21%	18%	19%	28%	24%	25%	18%	27%	24%	18%	23%	21%	22%
I haven't heard anything about it	28%	18%	41%	22%	15%	16%	34%	22%	11%	25%	27%	31%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Unweighted N	(997)	(325)	(425)	(247)	(263)	(243)	(455)	(242)	(156)	(216)	(223)	(386)	(172)

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2. Issues addressed well

How well would you say the issues and topics that matter to you were addressed at the debate?

Asked of those who watched at least clips of the debate or more

	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very well	7%	7%	5%	9%	13%	8%	5%	5%	7%	6%	4%	14%
Somewhat well	31%	30%	35%	28%	39%	48%	26%	21%	27%	50%	38%	36%
Not very well	27%	29%	25%	29%	20%	22%	30%	33%	28%	22%	28%	25%
Not at all well	24%	27%	26%	22%	9%	13%	31%	35%	28%	10%	21%	7%
Not sure	11%	7%	10%	12%	19%	9%	9%	7%	10%	12%	9%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(497)	(396)	(268)	(229)	(105)	(91)	(188)	(113)	(360)	(50)	(56)	(31)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very well	7%	10%	4%	6%	10%	4%	7%	10%	5%	7%	3%	9%	8%
Somewhat well	31%	50%	24%	9%	47%	8%	36%	30%	34%	34%	28%	32%	31%
Not very well	27%	23%	27%	35%	26%	30%	26%	26%	30%	29%	32%	26%	20%
Not at all well	24%	9%	26%	46%	9%	52%	16%	31%	27%	22%	22%	22%	34%
Not sure	11%	9%	18%	4%	8%	5%	15%	2%	4%	8%	15%	11%	8%
Totals	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(497)	(200)	(177)	(120)	(163)	(143)	(210)	(118)	(102)	(120)	(109)	(186)	(82)

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3. Improve opinion of candidates

Did the debate IMPROVE your opinion of any of these candidates? Select all that apply.

Asked of those who watched at least clips of the debate or more

	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Joe Biden	11%	10%	11%	12%	13%	12%	8%	13%	7%	28%	17%	16%
Michael Bloomberg	7%	6%	8%	5%	8%	9%	7%	3%	4%	8%	19%	11%
Pete Buttigieg	13%	14%	11%	16%	17%	10%	15%	12%	14%	11%	14%	14%
Amy Klobuchar	14%	16%	11%	17%	8%	15%	14%	18%	16%	14%	5%	16%
Bernie Sanders	21%	18%	26%	16%	35%	30%	12%	14%	15%	27%	41%	33%
Elizabeth Warren	24%	26%	26%	23%	29%	27%	21%	23%	25%	27%	14%	39%
None of them in particular	42%	44%	43%	41%	27%	25%	51%	54%	49%	20%	30%	26%
Not sure	5%	2%	4%	7%	13%	8%	2%	2%	4%	9%	7%	10%
Unweighted N	(500)	(398)	(271)	(229)	(106)	(92)	(188)	(114)	(360)	(51)	(56)	(33)

	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Joe Biden	11%	19%	7%	4%	17%	4%	13%	11%	11%	13%	9%	10%	14%
Michael Bloomberg	7%	8%	5%	7%	8%	4%	7%	9%	5%	11%	5%	4%	8%
Pete Buttigieg	13%	18%	12%	8%	22%	6%	15%	11%	17%	13%	16%	13%	13%
Amy Klobuchar	14%	19%	11%	11%	24%	9%	14%	14%	21%	16%	15%	13%	13%
Bernie Sanders	21%	31%	17%	9%	24%	7%	25%	19%	20%	27%	20%	20%	14%
Elizabeth Warren	24%	40%	17%	8%	44%	7%	23%	25%	34%	29%	25%	22%	23%
None of them in particular	42%	20%	47%	72%	23%	72%	35%	45%	41%	37%	43%	44%	43%
Not sure	5%	5%	9%	1%	3%	2%	8%	0%	1%	4%	6%	6%	4%
Unweighted N	(500)	(200)	(178)	(122)	(164)	(144)	(211)	(118)	(103)	(121)	(109)	(187)	(83)

4. Worsen opinion of candidates

Did the debate WORSEN your opinion of any of these candidates? Select all that apply.

Asked of those who watched at least clips of the debate or more

	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Joe Biden	27%	30%	30%	23%	13%	31%	32%	27%	32%	8%	14%	21%
Michael Bloomberg	48%	53%	53%	43%	46%	42%	53%	49%	52%	33%	40%	45%
Pete Buttigieg	27%	30%	30%	23%	14%	24%	31%	32%	30%	16%	18%	24%
Amy Klobuchar	21%	24%	26%	16%	19%	20%	24%	19%	25%	7%	15%	15%
Bernie Sanders	26%	28%	27%	25%	14%	20%	30%	35%	30%	16%	15%	15%
Elizabeth Warren	25%	27%	31%	20%	14%	29%	30%	26%	29%	5%	33%	5%
None of them in particular	25%	23%	22%	28%	22%	17%	27%	31%	25%	34%	22%	20%
Not sure	7%	5%	5%	10%	14%	8%	6%	4%	6%	12%	11%	13%
Unweighted N	(500)	(398)	(271)	(229)	(106)	(92)	(188)	(114)	(360)	(51)	(56)	(33)

	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Joe Biden	27%	15%	33%	38%	17%	43%	18%	35%	32%	18%	30%	32%	24%
Michael Bloomberg	48%	47%	47%	53%	47%	60%	39%	54%	64%	42%	47%	52%	51%
Pete Buttigieg	27%	17%	27%	42%	15%	43%	21%	26%	34%	22%	26%	31%	25%
Amy Klobuchar	21%	15%	24%	27%	14%	29%	15%	25%	26%	18%	22%	25%	16%
Bernie Sanders	26%	14%	29%	41%	17%	43%	20%	26%	39%	16%	23%	30%	35%
Elizabeth Warren	25%	12%	28%	44%	11%	46%	22%	28%	31%	17%	28%	27%	30%
None of them in particular	25%	24%	24%	28%	25%	24%	31%	24%	12%	33%	25%	21%	21%
Not sure	7%	6%	13%	2%	4%	3%	10%	2%	3%	7%	10%	8%	5%
Unweighted N	(500)	(200)	(178)	(122)	(164)	(144)	(211)	(118)	(103)	(121)	(109)	(187)	(83)

5. Candidate that did best job

Which candidate, if any, do you think did the best job

Asked of those who watched at least news about the debate or more

	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Joe Biden	5%	4%	6%	5%	10%	5%	3%	5%	4%	12%	7%	8%
Michael Bloomberg	5%	4%	5%	4%	3%	8%	5%	3%	2%	9%	14%	6%
Pete Buttigieg	8%	8%	7%	9%	9%	8%	8%	7%	9%	4%	4%	6%
Amy Klobuchar	5%	6%	5%	5%	3%	9%	5%	4%	6%	1%	3%	6%
Bernie Sanders	16%	16%	18%	13%	24%	19%	12%	11%	13%	19%	25%	16%
Elizabeth Warren	20%	22%	21%	19%	19%	21%	21%	21%	21%	26%	8%	27%
None of them in particular	32%	32%	30%	33%	18%	15%	41%	43%	37%	16%	25%	14%
Not sure	10%	7%	8%	12%	16%	15%	6%	7%	8%	13%	14%	18%
Totals	101%	99%	100%	100%	102%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(496)	(396)	(270)	(226)	(104)	(92)	(187)	(113)	(356)	(51)	(56)	(33)

	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Joe Biden	5%	7%	6%	2%	5%	3%	5%	7%	5%	4%	3%	6%	9%
Michael Bloomberg	5%	7%	2%	5%	5%	3%	6%	8%	1%	14%	2%	1%	3%
Pete Buttigieg	8%	10%	8%	5%	12%	4%	8%	7%	12%	7%	9%	8%	8%
Amy Klobuchar	5%	4%	5%	6%	7%	7%	5%	6%	5%	6%	9%	3%	4%
Bernie Sanders	16%	24%	11%	8%	17%	8%	20%	10%	15%	17%	15%	16%	14%
Elizabeth Warren	20%	31%	16%	8%	34%	9%	18%	22%	26%	22%	21%	20%	18%
None of them in particular	32%	10%	37%	61%	13%	59%	28%	33%	29%	27%	28%	37%	32%
Not sure	10%	8%	16%	5%	8%	6%	11%	7%	7%	5%	14%	10%	12%
Totals	101%	101%	101%	100%	101%	99%	101%	100%	100%	102%	101%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(496)	(198)	(176)	(122)	(163)	(143)	(209)	(118)	(103)	(120)	(108)	(185)	(83)

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6. Media said did best job

Which candidate, if any, do you think the media is saying did the best job at the debate?

Asked of those who heard anything about debate, including those who just read articles

	Registered voters		Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Joe Biden	3%	2%	4%	2%	6%	5%	2%	1%	2%	7%	0%	10%
Michael Bloomberg	4%	3%	6%	2%	8%	6%	3%	2%	3%	3%	12%	12%
Pete Buttigieg	5%	5%	5%	4%	6%	9%	2%	3%	5%	2%	6%	5%
Amy Klobuchar	4%	5%	4%	5%	2%	7%	4%	4%	4%	7%	2%	4%
Bernie Sanders	17%	18%	17%	18%	15%	14%	20%	18%	18%	19%	16%	7%
Elizabeth Warren	26%	30%	30%	23%	23%	23%	27%	31%	28%	31%	21%	14%
None of them in particular	21%	21%	20%	23%	18%	15%	24%	24%	22%	11%	27%	21%
Not sure	19%	17%	14%	24%	23%	21%	16%	18%	19%	21%	15%	27%
Totals	99%	101%	100%	101%	101%	100%	98%	101%	101%	101%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(712)	(563)	(389)	(323)	(144)	(135)	(268)	(165)	(520)	(73)	(73)	(46)

	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Joe Biden	3%	4%	3%	1%	2%	2%	5%	3%	1%	1%	1%	6%	2%
Michael Bloomberg	4%	3%	4%	6%	2%	3%	5%	5%	3%	8%	4%	2%	4%
Pete Buttigieg	5%	3%	6%	5%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	2%	5%	5%
Amy Klobuchar	4%	6%	3%	3%	6%	3%	3%	5%	5%	6%	6%	2%	4%
Bernie Sanders	17%	18%	14%	20%	18%	17%	17%	19%	18%	15%	20%	15%	23%
Elizabeth Warren	26%	32%	25%	20%	39%	21%	20%	26%	42%	26%	26%	29%	20%
None of them in particular	21%	13%	21%	32%	13%	32%	23%	22%	14%	25%	21%	19%	22%
Not sure	19%	19%	23%	13%	17%	15%	21%	16%	13%	13%	20%	21%	20%
Totals	99%	98%	99%	100%	101%	98%	99%	101%	101%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(712)	(262)	(261)	(189)	(228)	(206)	(298)	(185)	(138)	(160)	(162)	(269)	(121)

7. When the candidates disagree with each other

Thinking about the Democratic primary debates, do you generally:

Asked of Democrats and Independents who lean toward Democrats

	Total	Registered voters	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Yes	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Like it when candidates disagree with each other	38%	37%	47%	33%	51%	38%	35%	31%	37%	42%	36%	*
Dislike it when candidates disagree with each other	31%	31%	29%	32%	24%	29%	28%	44%	30%	32%	33%	*
Not sure	31%	32%	25%	35%	25%	33%	37%	26%	33%	25%	31%	*
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(405)	(322)	(181)	(224)	(100)	(90)	(137)	(78)	(258)	(73)	(51)	(23)

	Total	Party ID			2016 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Clinton	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Like it when candidates disagree with each other	38%	38%	41%	*	34%	*	37%	45%	38%	46%	42%	32%	34%
Dislike it when candidates disagree with each other	31%	31%	29%	*	33%	*	30%	28%	34%	31%	31%	32%	27%
Not sure	31%	31%	30%	*	33%	*	32%	27%	28%	23%	27%	36%	39%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	*	100%	*	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(405)	(324)	(81)	(0)	(219)	(16)	(183)	(99)	(74)	(108)	(91)	(145)	(61)

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Interviewing Dates	February 20 - 22, 2020
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2016 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2016 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, and 2016 Presidential vote. The weights range from 0.339 to 4.339, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.468.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.4% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	58 questions not reported.