

YouGov Snap Poll: Town Halls

Sample 2,023 registered voters
 Margin of Error ±2.8%

1. Did you watch either of the town hall events tonight?

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Yes, I watched both	15%	15%	15%	17%
2) Yes, I watched Trump's but not Biden's	14%	6%	28%	8%
3) Yes, I watched Biden's but not Trump's	17%	31%	3%	13%
4) No, I didn't watch either of these	54%	48%	55%	62%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	2,023	943	540	447

2. Did the Joe Biden town hall make you view Joe Biden more favorably or less favorably? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Much more favorably	34%	64%	5%	23%
2) Somewhat more favorably	16%	16%	12%	22%
3) No change	24%	14%	26%	35%
4) Somewhat less favorably	4%	3%	7%	2%

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
5) Much less favorably	20%	2%	50%	11%
6) Don't know	2%	0%	0%	7%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

3. Do you think Joe Biden was generally honest or dishonest during tonight's event? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Completely honest	32%	60%	9%	20%
2) Mostly honest	28%	31%	16%	38%
3) Mostly dishonest	16%	4%	29%	16%
4) Completely dishonest	17%	2%	39%	13%
5) Don't know	7%	3%	7%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

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4. Did Joe Biden do a generally good or generally bad job of answering the questions he was asked? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Generally good	52%	83%	18%	49%
2) Neither good nor bad	18%	12%	22%	19%
3) Generally bad	28%	3%	59%	23%
4) Don't know	3%	1%	1%	8%
Totals	101%	99%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

5. Do you think Joe Biden performed better in in the town hall or in the presidential debate on September 30? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Presidential debate	17%	18%	17%	18%
2) Town hall	62%	73%	51%	59%
3) Don't know	19%	8%	31%	23%
4) N/A - I didn't watch/hear anything about the presidential debate	1%	0%	2%	0%
Totals	99%	99%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

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6. Did the Donald Trump town hall make you view Donald Trump more favorably or less favorably? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Much more favorably	28%	7%	54%	25%
2) Somewhat more favorably	11%	7%	15%	13%
3) No change	26%	24%	26%	31%
4) Somewhat less favorably	9%	12%	3%	9%
5) Much less favorably	26%	49%	3%	21%
6) Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	99%	101%	99%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

7. Do you think Donald Trump was generally honest or dishonest during tonight's event? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Completely honest	31%	7%	55%	36%
2) Mostly honest	19%	8%	35%	17%
3) Mostly dishonest	18%	28%	5%	22%
4) Completely dishonest	30%	56%	3%	23%
5) Don't know	1%	1%	1%	2%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

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8. Did Donald Trump do a generally good or generally bad job of answering the questions he was asked? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Generally good	42%	7%	80%	46%
2) Neither good nor bad	15%	15%	15%	16%
3) Generally bad	42%	76%	5%	38%
4) Don't know	1%	2%	1%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

9. Do you think Donald Trump performed better in in the town hall or in the presidential debate on September 30? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Presidential debate	20%	13%	22%	29%
2) Town hall	51%	41%	68%	46%
3) Don't know	28%	46%	9%	25%
4) N/A - I didn't watch/hear anything about the presidential debate	1%	0%	1%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

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10. Do you think it was right or wrong for the two town halls to be held at the same time and broadcast on different networks? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Right	33%	21%	53%	25%
2) Wrong	56%	69%	39%	58%
3) Don't know	11%	10%	8%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

11. There is another presidential debate scheduled for October 22. Which of the following comes closest to your view? (Asked of those who watched BOTH town halls)

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) This debate should still take place, either in person or virtually	59%	61%	64%	46%
2) This debate should be replaced by a single town hall event	26%	21%	29%	34%
3) This debate should be replaced by separate town hall events	4%	4%	0%	9%
4) This debate should be canceled and not replaced with anything	8%	12%	4%	7%

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
5) Don't know	3%	3%	3%	3%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	294	125	78	75

12. Did the Donald Trump town hall make you view Donald Trump more favorably or less favorably? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Donald Trump's town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Much more favorably	54%	35%	59%	59%
2) Somewhat more favorably	12%	2%	14%	18%
3) No change	25%	19%	27%	11%
4) Somewhat less favorably	1%	8%	0%	0%
5) Much less favorably	8%	36%	0%	12%
6) Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	207	42	130	30

13. Do you think Donald Trump was generally honest or dishonest during tonight’s event? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Donald Trump’s town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Completely honest	59%	28%	68%	52%
2) Mostly honest	26%	10%	32%	21%
3) Mostly dishonest	6%	27%	1%	11%
4) Completely dishonest	7%	32%	0%	14%
5) Don’t know	2%	3%	0%	2%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	207	42	130	30

14. Did Donald Trump do a generally good or generally bad job of answering the questions he was asked? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Donald Trump’s town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Generally good	80%	36%	94%	66%
2) Neither good nor bad	8%	14%	5%	10%
3) Generally bad	11%	47%	1%	23%
4) Don’t know	1%	4%	0%	2%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	207	42	130	30

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15. Do you think Donald Trump performed better in in the town hall or in the presidential debate on September 30? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Donald Trump's town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Presidential debate	20%	31%	16%	20%
2) Town hall	66%	46%	73%	64%
3) Don't know	13%	22%	10%	13%
4) N/A - I didn't watch/hear anything about the presidential debate	1%	0%	1%	2%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	207	42	130	30

16. Do you think it was right or wrong for the two town halls to be held at the same time and broadcast on different networks? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Donald Trump's town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Right	50%	34%	55%	49%
2) Wrong	40%	52%	35%	43%
3) Don't know	10%	14%	9%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	207	42	130	30

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17. There is another presidential debate scheduled for October 22. Which of the following comes closest to your view? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Donald Trump's town hall)

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) This debate should still take place, either in person or virtually	67%	70%	66%	63%
2) This debate should be replaced by a single town hall event	18%	6%	21%	15%
3) This debate should be replaced by separate town hall events	4%	5%	2%	12%
4) This debate should be canceled and not replaced with anything	7%	17%	4%	8%
5) Don't know	5%	2%	7%	3%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	207	42	130	30

18. Did the Joe Biden town hall make you view Joe Biden more favorably or less favorably? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Joe Biden's town hall)

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Much more favorably	50%	57%	14%	33%
2) Somewhat more favorably	24%	22%	9%	35%

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
3) No change	22%	20%	26%	31%
4) Somewhat less favorably	1%	1%	19%	0%
5) Much less favorably	3%	1%	33%	1%
6) Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	101%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	403	312	19	63

19. Do you think Joe Biden was generally honest or dishonest during tonight's event? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Joe Biden's town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Completely honest	56%	64%	21%	32%
2) Mostly honest	39%	36%	39%	49%
3) Mostly dishonest	2%	0%	23%	4%
4) Completely dishonest	1%	0%	17%	1%
5) Don't know	3%	0%	0%	14%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	403	312	19	63

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20. Did Joe Biden do a generally good or generally bad job of answering the questions he was asked? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Joe Biden's town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Generally good	86%	92%	30%	72%
2) Neither good nor bad	12%	7%	41%	27%
3) Generally bad	2%	1%	29%	1%
4) Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	403	312	19	63

21. Do you think Joe Biden performed better in in the town hall or in the presidential debate on September 30? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Joe Biden's town hall)

	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Presidential debate	8%	9%	7%	1%
2) Town hall	80%	81%	70%	79%
3) Don't know	11%	9%	22%	19%
4) N/A - I didn't watch/hear anything about the presidential debate	1%	1%	0%	0%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	403	312	19	63

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22. Do you think it was right or wrong for the two town halls to be held at the same time and broadcast on different networks? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Joe Biden's town hall)

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) Right	16%	13%	52%	15%
2) Wrong	72%	75%	45%	72%
3) Don't know	12%	12%	3%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	403	312	19	63

23. There is another presidential debate scheduled for October 22. Which of the following comes closest to your view? (Asked of those who ONLY watched Joe Biden's town hall)

	Total	Party identification (with leaners)		
		Democrats	Republicans	Independent
1) This debate should still take place, either in person or virtually	48%	47%	80%	44%
2) This debate should be replaced by a single town hall event	20%	19%	7%	32%
3) This debate should be replaced by separate town hall events	10%	10%	2%	9%
4) This debate should be canceled and not replaced with anything	18%	19%	7%	14%

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	Party identification (with leaners)			
	Total	Democrats	Republicans	Independent
5) Don't know	3%	4%	3%	0%
Totals	99%	99%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	403	312	19	63

This YouGov Direct Poll was fielded October 15, 2020, between 9:35 p.m. and 10:23 p.m. Data were weighted according to age, gender, race, education, and 2016 presidential vote.