

Voter Messaging Survey: Eligible Voters Who Want Their Mail Ballots in Language Other than English



What kinds of concerns do you have when it comes to casting your ballot in the November 2020 presidential election?		
	All Eligible Voters*	Eligible Voters Who Want Their Mail Ballots in Language Other Than English
COVID-19 infection	14.2%	30.4%
Long lines	8.8%	16.0%
Not receiving ballot	10.5%	18.0%
Inaccessible voting location	5.3%	8.4%
Finding voting location	3.7%	9.6%
Ballot not counted	12.0%	9.4%
I do not trust the USPS	6.0%	4.6%
Ballot tampering	9.7%	8.2%
Don't know how to cast VBM ballot	1.8%	3.3%
Uncomfortable voting in non-native language	1.8%	2.5%
Other	1.8%	.5%

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Thinking ahead to the November 2020 presidential election, what would be your most preferred way to cast a ballot?		
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Voting in person on Election Day	23.1%	32.5%
Voting in person three days before Election Day	7.7%	10.4%
Mailing in my ballot	41.8%	35.5%
Dropping off my ballot at VC	9.4%	10.0%
Dropping off my ballot in Drop Box	7.7%	6.3%
Using different voting methods in different elections	1.3%	1.7%
None	4.6%	1.7%
Don't know	4.3%	2.0%

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Thinking ahead to the November 2020 presidential election, what would give you the most confidence that your ballot would be counted correctly?		
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Voting early at an in-person voting location sometime in the three days before Election Day	8.6%	13.5%
Voting at an in-person voting location on Election Day	25.8%	32.8%
Mailing in a ballot that was automatically sent to my home a month before Election Day	23.1%	27.0%
Dropping off my vote-by-mail ballot at an in-person voting location, after having that ballot automatically mailed to my home a month before Election Day	8.9%	10.1%
Dropping off my vote-by-mail ballot in a ballot drop-off box, after having that ballot automatically mailed to my home a month before Election Day	4.9%	4.7%
The ability to track my ballot and confirm it was counted	18.5%	7.7%
None	5.1%	1.7%
Don't know	5.1%	2.5%

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If you vote in person in the November 2020 presidential election, when are you most likely to vote?

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The first week before election day, if this option was made available	20.6%	14.9%
The first weekend before Election Day	18.3%	33.1%
The day before Election Day	10.0%	14.9%
Election Day	32.4%	29.1%
Don't know	16.9%	7.1%
Other:	1.8%	1.0%

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Do you happen to know where to find information on the locations of where to vote in person in your community?

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Yes	56.1%	68.9%
No	17.9%	16.5%
Don't know	8.6%	5.4%
I vote by mail or not at a polling place	17.4%	9.3%

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Where do you typically turn to for help with questions about registration or voting procedures, or important election dates?

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County voter information guide	33.5%	33.8%
The county website	31.0%	33.0%
Vote-by-mail packet	26.4%	29.7%
Call in to my county elections office	8.3%	13.4%
Advertisements from community groups	4.9%	9.6%
Advertisements in the media	7.0%	12.5%
Social media	10.2%	15.1%
Contact a community group	3.3%	6.3%
Posters at voting location	4.2%	6.5%
Friends or family	16.6%	15.3%
No typical way	5.7%	4.0%
None	9.5%	4.4%
Don't know	4.0%	1.9%
Other	1.4%	0.5%

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Did your county change the options for how and where you could cast your ballot in the March 2020 primary election?

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Yes	26.7%	52.2%
No	36.2%	28.7%
Don't know	37.2%	19.1%

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