

Facts: Who Elects Our Representatives

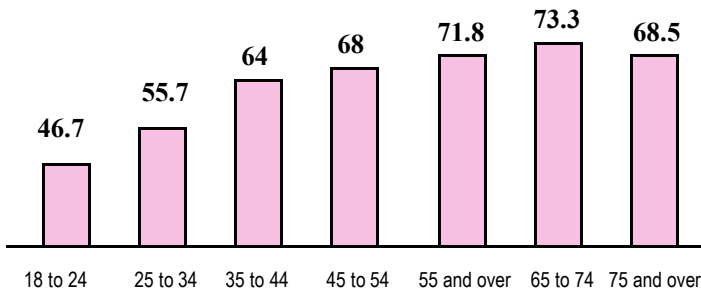
Although the US hit a record high for the overall number of people who voted in the 2004 November election, the facts remain the same: voter registration and participation rates drop consistently as household incomes decline. Along with younger voters, low-income people are a group whose voting rates are declining the most. The US Census data confirms that those who are most likely to vote are *older individuals, homeowners, married couples, people with more schooling, higher incomes, and good jobs.*

Voter Turnout in the 2004 Presidential Election

Source: U.S Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, November 2004

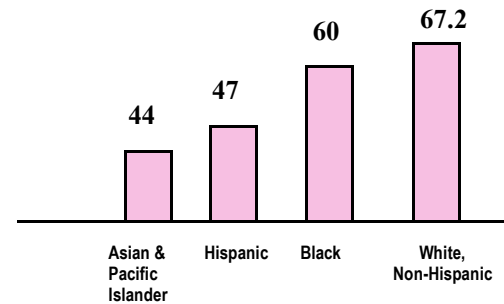
Older Individuals

(percent who voted of the voting-age citizen population)



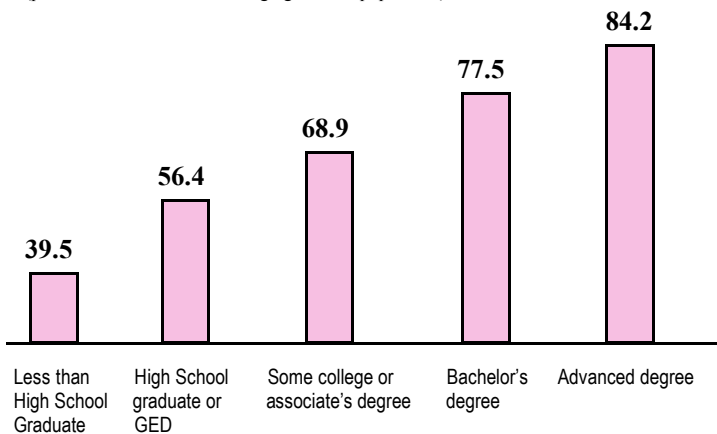
White, Non-Hispanic

(Percent who voted of the voting age citizen population)



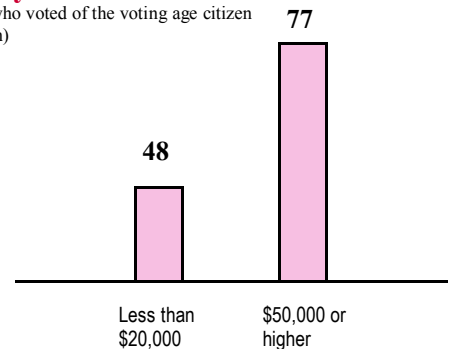
Highly Educated

(percent who voted of the voting-age citizen population)



Wealthy

(Percent who voted of the voting age citizen population)



Homeowners

(Percent who voted of the voting age citizen population)

68.7 Homeowners
48.3 Renters



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