



NEW YORK [NY]

Capital: Albany
 Area: 53,095 sq. mi.
 Population: 19,378,102
 Pop. Density: 412/sq. mi.
 Nickname: "Empire State"
 State motto: "Excelsior (Ever Upward)"
 Governor: Andrew M. Cuomo (D)
 U.S. Senators: Charles E. Schumer (D), Kirsten Gillibrand (D)



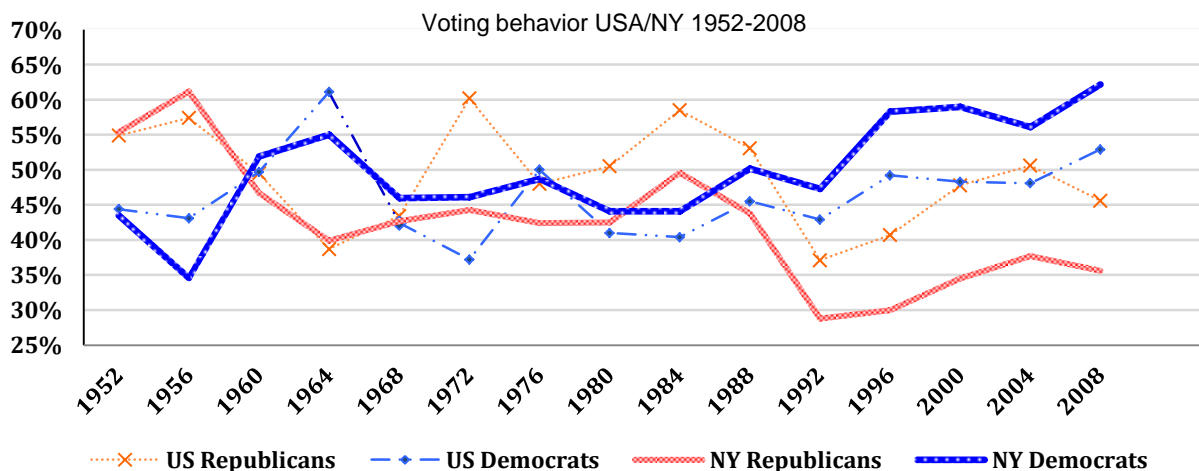
"New York." *Encyclopædia Britannica*. *Encyclopædia Britannica Online*. Encyclopædia Britannica Inc., 2012. Web. April 25, 2012. <<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/412293/New-York>>



I. VOTING BEHAVIOR:

"Enrolled Democratic voters in New York City usually significantly outnumber Republicans. But in the rest of the state, there are slightly more enrolled Republicans than Democrats. Albany and Erie Counties are often the only upstate counties to vote Democratic. Therefore, the two parties are fairly evenly matched, because New York City has about 40 per cent of the state's total population... New York has 31 electoral votes-more than any other state except California and Texas. For this reason, New York plays a key role in United States presidential elections and its governors have always been considered possible presidential candidates... Four men served as governor of New York before becoming president-Martin Van Buren, Grover Cleveland, Theodore Roosevelt, and Franklin D. Roosevelt... New Yorkers have voted for the winning candidate in most presidential elections."

Resource: *World Book 2008*



Resource: "Election Information" *Office of the Clerk*. February 2008. April 25, 2012. <http://clerk.house.gov/member_info/electioninfo/index.aspx>

VOTING RATES

	Percent voted (citizen) US	Percent voted (citizen) NY
2000	50.3%	48.6%
2004	55.7%	50.7%
2008	57.1%	51.4%

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2012*. April 25, 2012. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/2011pubs/12statab/election.pdf>>

About 51 percent of New York's citizens cast a ballot in the 2008 general election. The national rate was 57 percent. New York's 2010 population of more than 19 million has a lower percentage of non-Hispanic whites and a higher percentage of blacks and Hispanics than the population as a whole, according to U.S. Census Bureau statistics.

More information at: <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>



II. DEMOGRAPHICS

Selected Characteristics	New York	U.S.
Median age	37.3	36.4
Women	51.6%	50.8%
White persons, not Hispanic	58.3%	63.7%
Black persons	15.9%	12.6%
Hispanic or Latino	17.6%	16.3%
Median household income	\$55,603	\$51,914
Foreign born	21.7%	12.7%
Persons below poverty	14.2%	13.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher (age 25+)	32.1%	27.9%
Median home value	\$303,900	\$188,400

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *State and County QuickFacts*. 17. January 2012. April 25, 2012.

<<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/36000.html>>



III. MORE RESOURCES

Government Information

The official web site for the State New York: <http://www.state.ny.us/>

Governor of New York: <http://www.ny.gov/governor/>

New York - Elected officials in U.S. Senate:

http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm?State=NY

New York - Elected officials in U.S. House of Representatives:

http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW_by_State.shtml#ny

Elections 2012

My Time to Vote: http://elections.mytimetovote.com/dates/new_york.html

Politics 1: New York Directory: <http://www.politics1.com/ny.htm>

The Green Papers: New York 2008 General Elections: <http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G12/NY.phtml>

New York State Board of Elections: <http://www.elections.state.ny.us/>

Statistics

Quick Facts from the US Census Bureau – New York: <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/36000.html>

Election 2008 (Voting and Registration): <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/socdemo/voting/index.html>

Polling Report – Collection of National Polling Results: <http://www.pollingreport.com/>

Gallup – America's largest Polling Institute: <http://www.gallup.com/poll/election.aspx>

Media

General Media Collection by the U.S. Embassy: <http://usa.usembassy.de/media.htm>

Local newspapers

News Link, newspapers: <http://www.newslink.org/nynews.html>

U.S. Newspapers List (USNPL): <http://www.usnpl.com/nynews.php>

Local radio stations

News Link, radio stations: <http://www.newslink.org/nyradi.html>

On the Radio: http://www.ontheradio.net/states/new_york.aspx

General Information

Infoplease – New York: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108252.html>

50states.com – New York: <http://www.50states.com/newyork.htm>

Official Tourism Website: <http://www.iloveny.com/>

Web 2.0-Representation of the State and Parties

	Democratic Party	Republican Party
Official website:	http://www.nydems.org/	http://www.nygop.org/
Facebook:	http://www.facebook.com/pages/New-York-State-Democratic-Party/9169028036Party	http://www.facebook.com/pages/New-York-Republican-State-Committee/8225139261
YouTube:	http://www.youtube.com/user/NYDemsMediaRoom	http://www.youtube.com/user/NewYorkGOP
Twitter:	http://twitter.com/nydems	http://twitter.com/newyorkgop