



UTAH [UT]

Capital: Salt Lake City
 Area: 84,899 sq mi
 Population: 2,763,885
 Pop. Density: 34.3/sq mi
 Nickname: "The Beehive State"
 State motto: "Industry"
 Governor: Gary R. Herbert (R)
 U.S. Senators: Orrin G. Hatch (R)
 Mike Lee (R)



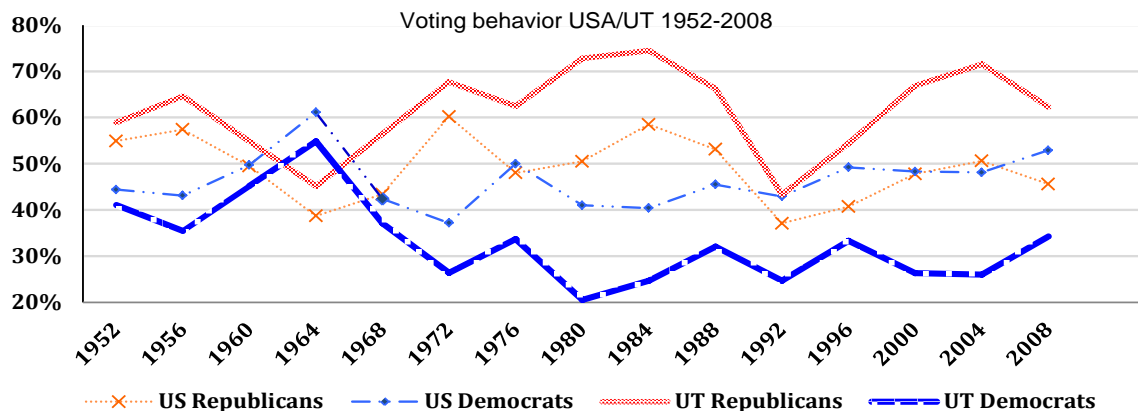
"Utah." *Encyclopædia Britannica*. *Encyclopædia Britannica Online*. Encyclopædia Britannica Inc., 2012. Web. June 08, 2012. <<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/620518/Utah>>.



I. VOTING BEHAVIOR:

"Through most of Utah's history, political strength was fairly evenly divided between the Democratic and Republican parties. But in the late 1900's, power shifted to the Republicans."

Resource: *World Book 2008*



Resource: "Election Information" *Office of the Clerk*. February 2008. June 08, 2012. <http://clerk.house.gov/member_info/electioninfo/index.aspx>

VOTING RATES

| | Percent voted (citizen) US | Percent voted (citizen) UT |
|------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 2000 | 50.3% | 50.6% |
| 2004 | 55.7% | 55.2% |
| 2008 | 57.1% | 50.7% |

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2012*. June 08, 2012. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/2011pubs/12statab/election.pdf>>

50.7 percent of Utah's citizens cast a ballot in the 2008 general election, seven percentage points less than the national rate of 57 percent. Utah's 2010 population of 2.7 million includes a higher percentage of the non-Hispanic white-alone population than the nation as a whole, and a percentage of Hispanics that is almost the same as the national rate, according to U.S. Census Bureau statistics.

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



II. DEMOGRAPHICS

| Selected Characteristics | Utah | U.S. |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Median age | 28.3 | 36.4 |
| Women | 49.8% | 50.8% |
| White persons, not Hispanic | 80.4% | 63.7% |
| Black persons | 1.1% | 12.6% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 13.0% | 16.3% |
| Median household income | \$56,330 | \$51,914 |
| Foreign born | 8.2% | 12.7% |
| Persons below poverty | 10.8% | 13.8% |
| Bachelor's degree or higher (age 25+) | 29.4% | 27.9% |
| Median home value | \$218,100 | \$188,400 |

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

<<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/49000.html>>



III. MORE RESOURCES

Government Information

The Official Website for the State Utah: <http://www.utah.gov/>

Governor of Utah: <http://www.utah.gov/governor/index.html>

Utah – Elected officials in U.S. Senate

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

Utah – Elected officials in U.S. House of Representatives

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

Elections 2008

My Time to Vote: <http://elections.mytimetovote.com/dates/utah.html>

Politics 1: Utah Directory <http://www.politicsone.com/ut.htm>

The Green Papers: Utah 2008 General elections: <http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G12/UT.phtml>

State Utah Election Office: <http://elections.utah.gov/>

Statistics

Quick facts from the US Census Bureau – Utah: <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/49000.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/utnews.html>

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

Local radio stations

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

On the Radio: <http://www.ontheradio.net/states/ohio.aspx>

General Information

Infoplease – Utah: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108279.html>

50states.com – Utah: <http://www.50states.com/utah.htm>

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

Web 2.0-Representation of the State and Parties

Democratic Party
 Official website: <http://www.utahdemocrats.org/>
 Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/utahdemocrats>
 YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/user/utahdemocrats>
 Twitter: <https://twitter.com/utahdemocrats>

Republican Party
<http://utgop.org/>
<http://www.facebook.com/UTGOP>
<http://www.youtube.com/user/utahgop>
<https://twitter.com/utahgop>