

#### **Reuters/Ipsos Poll: 2020 Democratic Presidential Primary**

Biden, Sanders and Warren remain frontrunners; despite his late start, Bloomberg gains a foothold in the race

**Washington, DC, December 20, 2019** – The latest public opinion poll from Reuters/Ipsos shows that the race for the Democratic nomination has the same three frontrunners as last week. Former Vice President Joe Biden takes the lead, with 18% of Democrats and independents saying he would have their vote if the election were held today. He is followed by Senator Bernie Sanders (15%) and Senator Elizabeth Warren (10%). Despite his late entry into the race, Former Mayor Michael Bloomberg performs better than many long-standing candidates with 5% of the vote share, just a point ahead of Mayor Pete Buttigieg (4%). All other candidates would receive 2% of the vote share or less.

If their preferred candidate were to drop out of the race, the same top three candidates would garner the most support. Biden is the second choice among 17% of Democrats and independents, followed by Sanders and Warren (16% each). Buttigieg and Bloomberg would each take 8% of the second-choice vote, followed by Senator Cory Booker and Senator Amy Klobuchar, each with 4%.

For full results, please refer to the following annotated questionnaire.







		All Respondents	Democrats	Republicans	Independents
	Yes	81%	85%	87%	74%
P1. Are you currently registered	No	16%	13%	12%	21%
to vote, or not? (Select one)	Don't know / Refused	3%	2%	1%	5%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
	Strong Democrat	18%	42%	0%	0%
	Moderate Democrat	16%	39%	0%	0%
Do you consider	Lean Democratic	8%	19%	0%	0%
yourself a Democrat,	Lean Republican	8%	0%	21%	0%
a Republican, an independent or none	Moderate Republican	14%	0%	37%	0%
of these?	Strong Republican	16%	0%	42%	0%
	Independent	12%	0%	0%	100%
	Other/Don't know/Refused	8%	0%	0%	0%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
	Democrat	42%	100%	0%	0%
Do you consider yourself a Democrat,	Republican	38%	0%	100%	0%
a Republican, an	Independent	12%	0%	0%	100%
independent or none of these?	Other/Don't know	8%	0%	0%	0%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
	10- Completely certain you will vote	63%	68%	73%	43%
	9	5%	5%	6%	4%
	8	5%	6%	5%	6%
P7. In November 2020, the next	7	4%	5%	4%	1%
presidential election	6	2%	2%	2%	4%
will be held. Using a 1-to-10 scale how	5	4%	4%	2%	7%
likely are you to vote	4	2%	1%	1%	5%
in the next presidential election? (Select one)	3	1%	1%	0%	2%
	2	1%	1%	1%	2%
	1-Completely certain you will NOT vote	8%	6%	4%	14%
	Don't know	5%	2%	2%	13%
	Total	1117	481	408	139

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	Joe Biden	18%	25%	-	5%
	Elizabeth Warren	10%	13%	-	4%
	Bernie Sanders	15%	19%	-	8%
	Cory Booker	1%	2%	-	0%
	Julian Castro	1%	1%	-	0%
	Amy Klobuchar	1%	2%	-	2%
	Pete Buttigieg	4%	6%	-	2%
TM1634Y19. If the 2020 Democratic	Tulsi Gabbard	2%	2%	-	2%
presidential primary	John Delaney	1%	1%	-	0%
election were held today, and you had to choose from the	Marianne Williamson	0%	0%	-	1%
list of candidates	Andrew Yang	2%	3%	-	3%
below, for whom would you vote? -	Michael Bennet	0%	0%	-	0%
NOT ASKED OF	Tom Steyer	2%	2%	-	1%
REPUBLICANS	Deval Patrick	0%	0%	-	0%
	Michael Bloomberg	5%	6%	-	3%
	Other	1%	1%	-	4%
	Don't know	29%	17%	-	41%
	I can't/won't vote in the Democratic primary	5%	1%	-	23%
	Total	709	481	0	139
TM1703Y19. How	Completely certain	33%	35%	-	19%
certain are you that	Mostly certain	48%	49%	-	47%
you will vote for [Candidate] in the Democratic presidential primary?	Not very certain	16%	14%	-	25%
	Not at all certain	3%	2%	-	9%
	Total	462	393	0	49

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TM1657Y19. If your	Joe Biden	17%	20%	-	14%
	Elizabeth Warren	16%	20%	-	8%
first choice dropped out of the race or	Bernie Sanders	16%	18%	-	7%
you had to choose	Cory Booker	4%	5%	-	2%
someone to vote for, who would you vote	Amy Klobuchar	4%	5%	-	5%
for in the upcoming	Pete Buttigieg	8%	9%	-	5%
presidential primary election? - NOT ASKED OF	Michael Bloomberg	8%	10%	-	10%
REPUBLICANS	Other	27%	14%	-	49%
	Total	675	478	0	108
	Joe Biden (Democrat)	39%	80%	7%	21%
TM651Y15_1. If the 2020 presidential	Donald Trump (Republican)	35%	4%	78%	24%
election were being held today and the	Neither / Other	10%	7%	7%	20%
candidates were as	Wouldn't vote	7%	5%	3%	12%
below, for whom would you vote?	Don't know/Refused	9%	3%	5%	23%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
	Donald Trump (Republican)	36%	3%	80%	29%
TM651Y15_2. If the 2020 presidential election were being	Bernie Sanders (Democrat)	40%	81%	6%	21%
held today and the candidates were as	Neither / Other	9%	7%	6%	19%
below, for whom	Wouldn't vote	6%	4%	3%	9%
would you vote?	Don't know/Refused	9%	5%	4%	22%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
TM651Y15_3. If the 2020 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were as below, for whom would you vote?	Donald Trump (Republican)	36%	4%	80%	28%
	Elizabeth Warren (Democrat)	38%	76%	5%	22%
	Neither / Other	10%	9%	7%	19%
	Wouldn't vote	7%	6%	2%	12%
	Don't know/Refused	9%	5%	5%	19%
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TM651Y15_4. If the 2020 presidential	Donald Trump (Republican)	36%	4%	80%	28%
	Pete Buttigieg (Democrat)	35%	70%	6%	19%
election were being held today and the	Neither / Other	11%	13%	6%	18%
candidates were as	Wouldn't vote	9%	6%	3%	14%
below, for whom would you vote?	Don't know/Refused	10%	8%	6%	21%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
	Donald Trump (Republican)	35%	3%	80%	24%
TM651Y15_5. If the 2020 presidential election were being	Michael Bloomberg (Democrat)	36%	71%	6%	23%
held today and the candidates were as	Neither / Other	12%	14%	7%	21%
below, for whom	Wouldn't vote	7%	5%	3%	10%
would you vote?	Don't know/Refused	10%	6%	5%	23%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
	Joe Biden	17%	20%	-	11%
TM1662Y19 - For each of the	Bernie Sanders	18%	20%	-	12%
following, please	Elizabeth Warren	10%	14%	-	3%
select the candidate from the list below	Pete Buttigieg	7%	8%	-	7%
you think is the best	Cory Booker	4%	5%	-	3%
on that particular issueImmigration NOT ASKED OF	Some other candidate	7%	5%	-	14%
REPUBLICANS	Don't know	37%	28%	-	50%
	Total	675	478	0	108
	Joe Biden	18%	22%	-	12%
TM1662Y19 - For each of the	Bernie Sanders	27%	31%	-	16%
following, please select the candidate from the list below you think is the best on that particular issueHealthcare	Elizabeth Warren	12%	16%	-	9%
	Pete Buttigieg	5%	5%	-	5%
	Cory Booker	2%	3%	-	0%
	Some other candidate	6%	5%	-	12%
NOT ASKED OF REPUBLICANS	Don't know	29%	19%	-	47%
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TM1662Y19 - For each of the	Joe Biden	12%	14%	-	7%
	Bernie Sanders	22%	26%	-	13%
following, please select the candidate	Elizabeth Warren	13%	15%	-	10%
from the list below	Pete Buttigieg	6%	7%	-	5%
you think is the best on that particular	Cory Booker	4%	6%	-	1%
issueThe environmentNOT	Some other candidate	10%	9%	-	13%
ASKED OF	Don't know	33%	23%	-	52%
REPUBLICANS	Total	675	478	0	108
TM1662Y19 - For	Joe Biden	18%	20%	-	12%
each of the	Bernie Sanders	22%	23%	-	20%
following, please select the candidate	Elizabeth Warren	14%	18%	-	7%
from the list below	Pete Buttigieg	5%	6%	-	1%
you think is the best on that particular	Cory Booker	4%	5%	-	2%
issueThe economy and jobsNOT	Some other candidate	7%	6%	-	16%
ASKED OF	Don't know	30%	21%	-	43%
REPUBLICANS	Total	675	478	0	108
TM1662Y19 - For	Joe Biden	31%	38%	-	17%
each of the following, please	Bernie Sanders	17%	19%	-	12%
select the candidate from the list below you think is the best on that particular issueMost likely to beat President TrumpNOT ASKED OF REPUBLICANS	Elizabeth Warren	10%	11%	-	8%
	Pete Buttigieg	4%	5%	-	4%
	Cory Booker	2%	2%	-	4%
	Some other candidate	8%	7%	-	13%
	Don't know	28%	19%	-	43%
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TM1662Y19 - For	Joe Biden	13%	15%	-	9%
each of the	Bernie Sanders	24%	28%	-	13%
following, please select the candidate	Elizabeth Warren	17%	22%	-	9%
from the list below	Pete Buttigieg	7%	8%	-	4%
you think is the best on that particular	Cory Booker	4%	4%	-	2%
issueStrong progressiveNOT	Some other candidate	5%	4%	-	12%
ASKED OF	Don't know	30%	20%	-	50%
REPUBLICANS	Total	675	478	0	108
TM1662Y19 - For	Joe Biden	22%	28%	-	11%
each of the	Bernie Sanders	15%	17%	-	10%
following, please select the candidate	Elizabeth Warren	14%	16%	-	12%
from the list below	Pete Buttigieg	6%	7%	-	6%
you think is the best on that particular	Cory Booker	4%	3%	-	2%
issueCan unify the Democratic Party	Some other candidate	6%	5%	-	12%
NOT ASKED OF	Don't know	33%	23%	-	47%
REPUBLICANS	Total	675	478	0	108
TM1662Y19 - For	Joe Biden	10%	12%	-	7%
each of the	Bernie Sanders	18%	20%	-	9%
following, please select the candidate	Elizabeth Warren	18%	21%	-	16%
from the list below you think is the best on that particular issueA new and different voiceNOT ASKED OF	Pete Buttigieg	15%	18%	-	8%
	Cory Booker	6%	6%	-	7%
	Some other candidate	9%	8%	-	13%
	Don't know	25%	14%	-	41%
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	They are inspiring	6%	9%	4%	4%
	They are good managers	4%	4%	6%	1%
TM684Y15. Thinking about the candidate	They can win the general election	9%	14%	7%	3%
you support for president, which of	They can win the primary	4%	7%	2%	3%
the following best describes why you	They would make a good president	20%	21%	19%	27%
support that candidate?	They have the right ideas or policies	42%	36%	56%	34%
	None of these	14%	8%	6%	29%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
TM860Y16. Are you or anyone in your	No	91%	90%	92%	92%
immediate family a member of a labor	Yes	9%	10%	8%	8%
union? (Select all that apply)I am	Total	1117	481	408	139
TM860Y16. Are you or anyone in your immediate family a member of a labor union? (Select all that apply)Someone in my family is	No	89%	88%	89%	92%
	Yes	11%	12%	11%	8%
	Total	1117	481	408	139
TM860Y16. Are you or anyone in your immediate family a member of a labor union? (Select all that apply)No	No	19%	21%	18%	16%
	Yes	82%	79%	82%	84%
	Total	1117	481	408	139







#### **About the Study**

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between December 18-19, 2019 on behalf of Thomson Reuters. For this survey, a sample of 1,117 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska and Hawaii were interviewed online in English. The sample includes 481 Democrats, 408 Republicans, and 139 independents. Weighting was then employed to balance demographics to ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the adult population according to Census data and to provide results intended to approximate the sample universe. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll is accurate to within  $\pm$  3.3 percentage points, 19 times out of 20, had all Americans been polled. The credibility interval will be wider among subsets of the population. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error. The poll also has a credibility interval  $\pm$  5.1 percentage points for Democrats,  $\pm$  5.5 percentage points for Republicans, and  $\pm$  9.5 percentage points for independents.

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