

Table 2-17 District Voting for President and Representative,
1952 - 2020

Year	Number of districts carried by president ^a	President's vote compared with vote for his party's successful House candidates	
		President ran ahead	President ran behind
1952	297	n.a.	n.a.
1956	329	155	43
1960	204	22	243
1964	375	134 ^b	158 ^b
1972	377	104	88
1976	220	22	270
1980	309	38 ^c	150 ^c
1984	372	59	123
1988	299	26	149
1992	254	5 ^d	253 ^d
1996	281	45 ^e	162 ^e
2000	228	26	195
2004	256	39	192
2008	242	36 ^b	207 ^b
2012	209	61	137
2016	230	26	203
2020	220	62	160

Note: Some data from earlier years/previous versions of Vital Statistics have been updated. See errata for more detail.

- a. This refers to the winning presidential candidate. "President ran ahead" and "president ran behind" include districts where the congressional candidate of the presidents' party wins and the president loses the district.
- b. This does not include districts where the percentage of the total district vote won by House members equaled the percentage of the total district vote won by the president.
- c. We computed this on the basis of the actual presidential vote with John Anderson and others included. If it is recomputed on the basis of President Reagan's percentage of the major party vote, the president ran ahead in 59 districts and behind in 129 districts.
- d. We computed this on the basis of the actual presidential vote with Ross Perot included. If we recomputed this on the basis of President Clinton's percentage of the major party vote, the president ran ahead in 61 districts and behind in 197 districts.
- e. We computed this on the basis of the actual presidential vote with Ross Perot included. If we recomputed this on the basis of President Clinton's percentage of the major party vote, the president ran ahead in 102 districts and behind in 105 districts.

Source: Congressional Quarterly Almanac and CQ Voting and Elections Collection (Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly, various years); National Journal, various issues; The Almanac of American Politics (Washington, D.C.: National Journal Group, various years); Gregory Giroux, Congressional Quarterly; Presidential Results by Congressional Districts (Daily Kos Elections); Election 2012 Data: The Impact on the House (The Brookings Institution).

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