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Most Utahns report being satisfied with voting experience

Confidence high despite long lines, voting equipment problems, and talk of “rigged” outcome

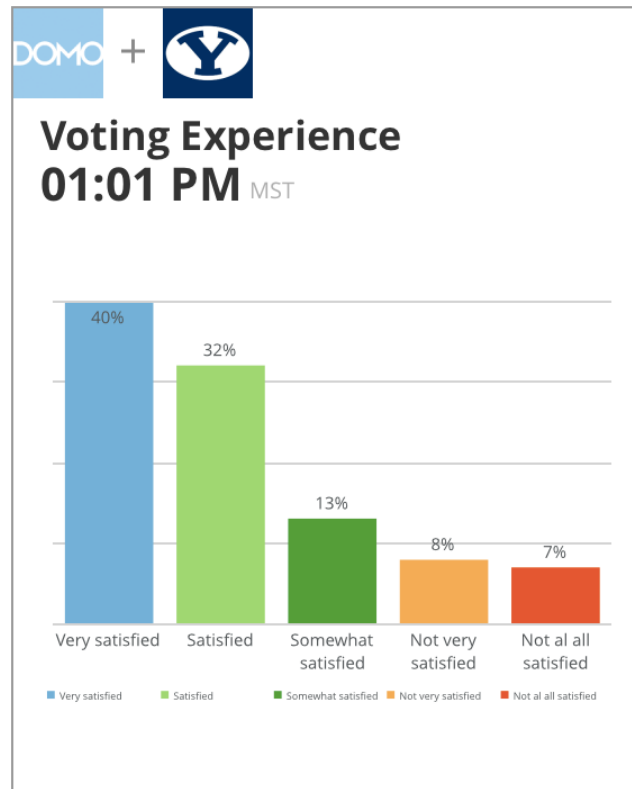
Provo, UT — While Donald Trump expressed concern about voting being rigged on Election Day and even tweeted about failed voting machines in Utah on Election Day, most Utah voters were confident their ballots had been counted correctly. 56 percent reported they were very confident their ballot had been counted correctly, while 30 percent of Utah voters said they were somewhat confident. Only 11 percent reported that they were not too confident or not at all confident that their ballot was counted correctly.

One reason lines were long in Utah on Election Day was that some counties had switched to by-mail balloting and far fewer voters than expected used the mail ballots.

Even with these challenges nearly three-quarters of Utah voters said they were satisfied or very satisfied with their 2016 voting experience.

Of those who used mail ballots, 93 percent saw this mode of voting as convenient, and 78 percent said that voting by mail helped them to be better informed while voting. One third of Utah voters expressed concern that voting by mail would increase voter fraud.

The 2016 Utah Colleges Exit Poll had over 2,160 students involved in conducting the survey and over 26,500 Utah voters complete the survey. The survey included samples of by-mail voters and other early voters as well as of Election Day voters statewide.



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