

# Important Wins For Trump and Clinton in New York

## 4 Key Takeaways from the New York Primaries

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<b>1. Clinton prevents Sanders from changing the course of the race</b>	After losing a string of primaries and falling in national polls, Clinton won a decisive victory in New York that blunted Sanders' momentum and made his path to the nomination even more implausible. An upset in New York may have been Sanders' last chance to steal the nomination from Clinton, but Clinton proved that her coalition is still broad and durable.
<b>2. Trump helps his chances of avoiding contested convention</b>	Trump will pick up the vast majority of New York's delegates. His commanding win here was crucial for his bid to lock up a majority of delegates on the first ballot at the convention. After a difficult stretch where his campaign has appeared on the ropes, a win in New York could position him well going into the five more Northeastern and mid-Atlantic contests being held next week. Trump will have to win big in Indiana and California to avoid a second ballot at the convention.
<b>3. Republicans may be cautious to criticize 'New York values' in the future</b>	In the weeks before the primary, Trump reminded New Yorkers that Cruz insulted the values of New Yorkers when he was looking to win over Iowa Republicans, and New York Republicans punished Cruz by turning out in droves to vote against him. Cruz's failure to connect with east coast voters could hurt him in next week's primaries in Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island.
<b>4. Sanders won't bow out when winning becomes impossible</b>	Team Sanders has rejected the notion that Clinton is on track to beat Sanders by pledged delegates, by superdelegates, by actual votes, and by state outcomes. The Sanders campaign has recently decided to flip-flop on their old criticisms of superdelegates, and argue that Sanders's path forward will rely on them. That's a hard case to make, considering that most superdelegates are party loyalists with little enthusiasm for Sanders.

Sources: Andrew Prokop, "3 Winners and 2 Losers From the New York Primaries," Vox, April 19, 2016; Alexander Burns, "New York Primaries: Trump and Clinton Wins Highlight Opponent's Limits," April 20, 2016; Eric Bradner, "New York Primary: 5 Takeaways," CNN, April 20, 2016.