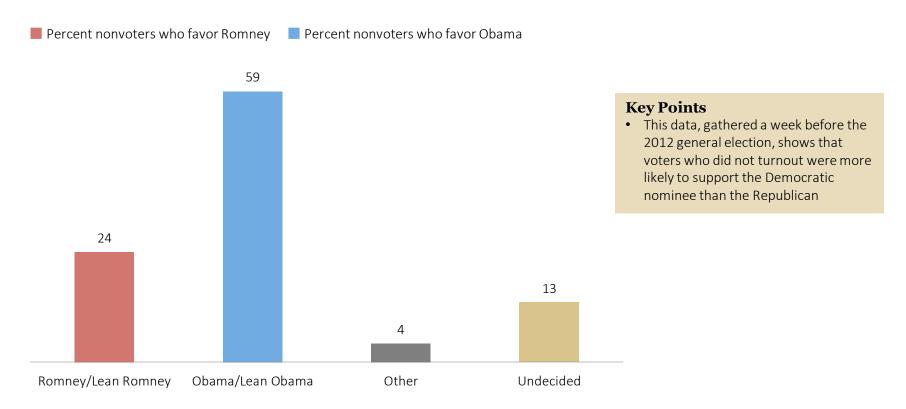
# A majority of nonvoters from 2012 favored Obama

## Pew Research Center poll of nonvoters in the 2012 general election

October 24-28, 2012; 513 were nonvoters of a total 2,008 individuals polled

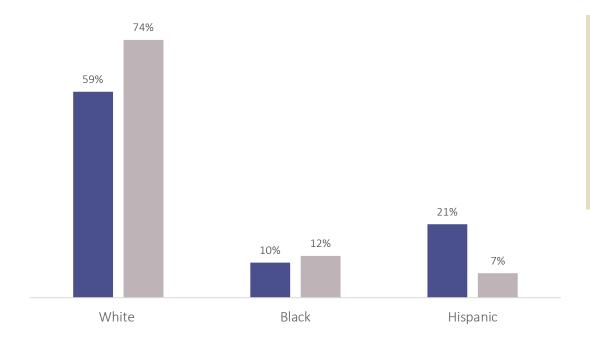


# 2012 voter turnout trends show nonvoters were more likely to be Hispanic than likely voters

## Pew Research Center 2012 general election poll

October 24-28, 2012; 513 nonvoters, 1,495 likely voters, total 2,008 individuals polled

Percent nonvotersPercent likely voters



#### **Analysis**

- Hispanics accounted for 21% of nonvoters, but only 7% of likely voters
- About six in 10 (59%) nonvoters were white, compared to around threequarters (74%) of likely voters
- Clinton has been working to appeal to Hispanic voters, which suggests her campaign expects a higher Hispanic voter turnout in 2016 than in 2012

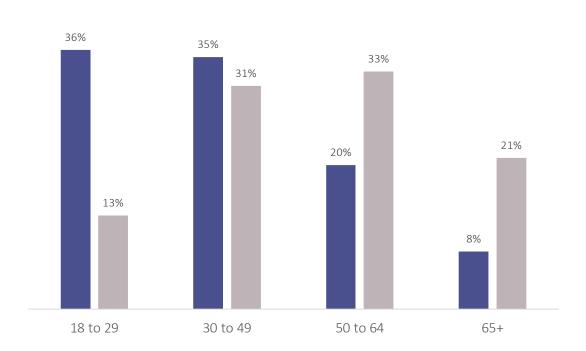
# 2012 nonvoters were more likely to be under the age of 30

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Percent likely voters



#### **Analysis**

- More than one-third (36%) of nonvoters were younger than 30, compared to just 13% of likely voters
- Neither Clinton nor Trump poll well among younger voters

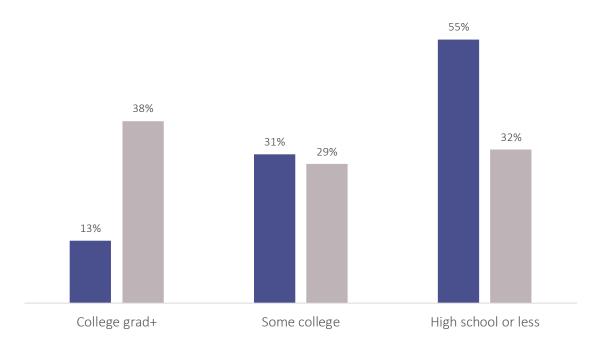
# In the 2012 election nonvoters were less likely to have gone to college

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#### **Analysis**

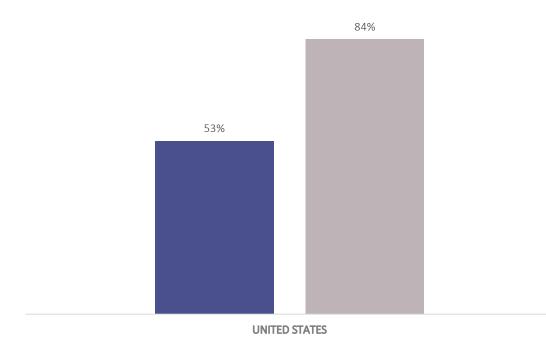
- Only 13% of nonvoters were college graduates, while over half of nonvoters (55%) were not educated beyond a high school level
- Non college-educated white voters are considered the core of Trump's base

# Only 53% of the U.S. voting age population voted in 2012

### Pew Research Center 2012 general election turnout

Based on data from the United States Elections Project and the House Clerk's Office

- Percent of voting age population
- Percent of registered voters



#### **Analysis**

- The U.S. ranks 31<sup>st</sup> out of the 35 OECD member countries in terms of overall voter turnout
- The U.S. comes in 7<sup>th</sup> out of 35 for turnout among registered voters, based on the 84% turnout rate in 2012
- In 2016 the big question will be if voters will turnout for two candidates who have the lowest favorability ratings since pollsters began tracking the metric

Sources: Pew Research Center, "U.S. voter turnout trails most developed countries," August 2, 2016; David Wright, "Trump, Clinton score historic unfavorable ratings, CNN, March 22, 2016.

# In states with the lowest turnout less than half of the voting age population votes on election day

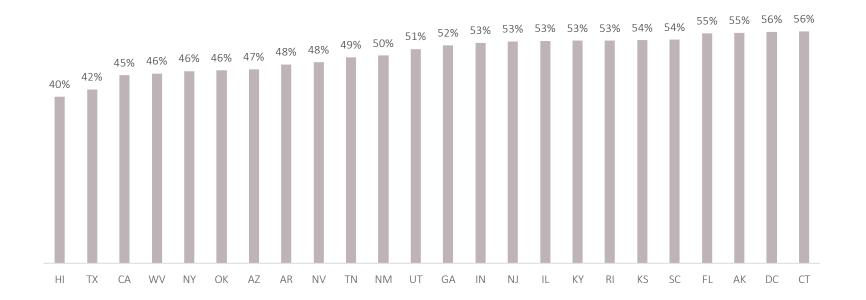
## U.S. Elections Project 2012 general election turnout by state

States ordered from lowest to highest percent of voting age turnout

Percent of voting age population

#### **Analysis**

 Nevada and Florida are both battleground states where 2016 candidates will try to boost turnout from 2012 levels



Source: United States Elections Project, "2012 November general election turnout rates," September 3, 2014.

# Battleground states tend to have higher voter turnout

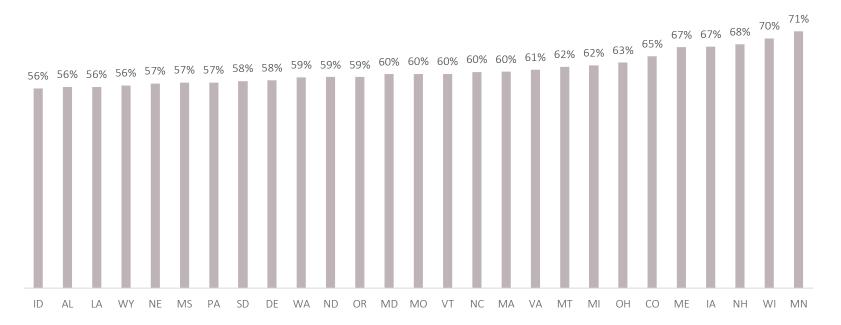
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#### **Analysis**

- Six of the eight states with the highest voter turnout are battleground states
- Only Minnesota and Maine are not



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