

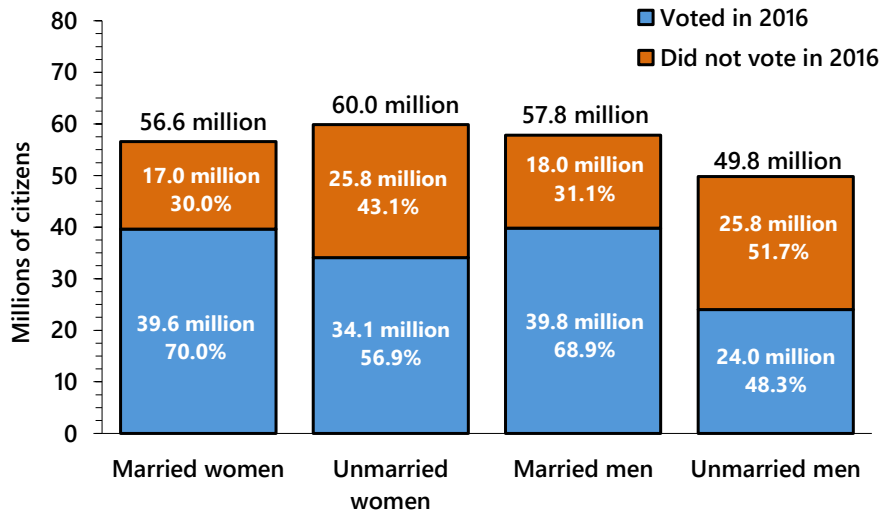
FACT SHEET: Voting by Gender and Marital Status

Married Women Most Likely to Vote; Majority of Missing Voters were Unmarried

Married women were most likely to vote in 2016 (70.0%), followed closely by married men (68.9%) (Figure 5). Rates of voter participation were much lower for unmarried women (56.9%) and unmarried men (48.3%). The number of missing voters was roughly equal for unmarried women and men (25.8 million), and unmarried people accounted for 60% of all missing voters (51.6 million out of 86.5 million) (Figure 6).

Voting by Gender and Marital Status

Citizens 18+ years old in 2016
Total = 224 million



Married Women

The majority (70.0%) of married women voted in 2016 (Figure 5). There were 17.0 million missing voters, 13.2 million of whom (77.5%) were not registered to vote before the election (Figure 6).

Unmarried Women

Slightly more than half (56.9%) of unmarried women voted in 2016 (Figure 5). This resulted in 25.8 million missing voters (Figure 6). Only 24.3% of these missing voters were registered to vote before the election.

Married Men

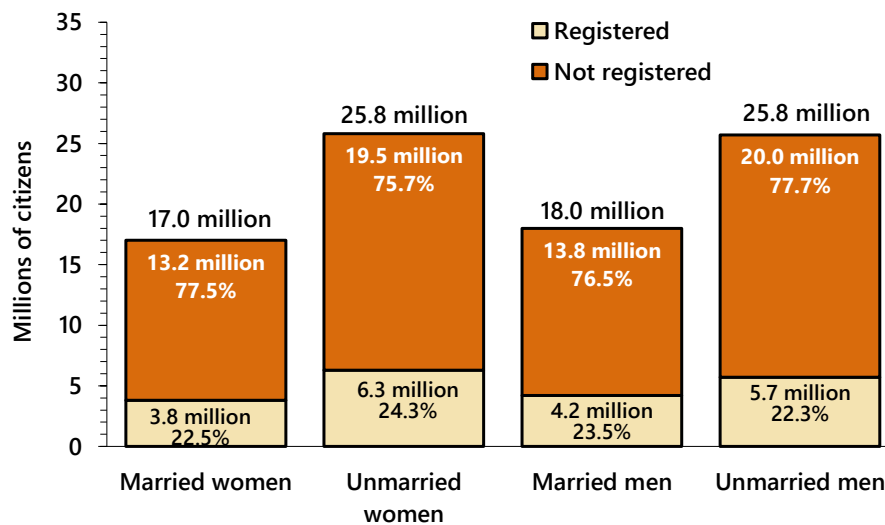
The majority of married men (68.9%) voted in 2016 (Figure 5). There were 18.0 million missing voters (Figure 6). The majority of missing voters (13.8 million) were not registered to vote before the election.

Unmarried Men

Only 48.3% of unmarried men voted in 2016 (Figure 5), resulting in 25.8 million missing voters. The majority of these missing voters (20.0 million, 77.7%) were not registered to vote before the election (Figure 6).

Missing Voters by Gender and Marital Status

Citizens 18+ years old who did not vote in 2016
Total = 86.5 million



Notes

Unmarried includes persons who were never married, divorced, separated, widowed, or married living separately. Please note that some numbers may appear not to add up correctly due to rounding. Voting data are from the Current Population Survey (November 2016). Population counts and percentages in this report are statistically-weighted estimates derived by the Bureau of the Census from a national sample of over 90,000 respondents in 54,000 households. Full technical details for the Missing Voters Project, links to the original census data, and other valuable resources are available at <https://www.wiise-usa.org/mvp>.

