

Catalist Analysis of the Latino Vote:

How Catalist Uses Voter File Data To Explore Latino Voting Behavior





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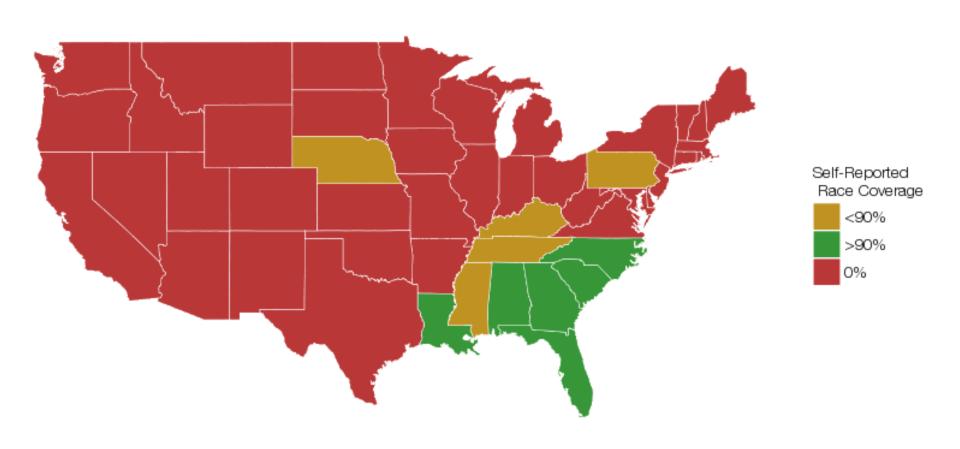
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Race and Voter Registration





Cata ist Voter Files Help Us Understand the Electorate

- 9 States with full coverage of self-reported race
 - 41states + DC do not have full coverage of selfreported race
- Catalist generates Race model predictions for voters without self-report
 - Ethnicity models as well



Catalist + Latino
 Decisions portporchin



Exit Polls Tell An Implausible Story

- The best predictor of voting is a history of voting
 - Asking people if they intend to vote (or have voted in the past) is not reliable data
- Over a decade of
 Catalist data shows
 turnout to be relatively
 stable over time
 - Not true for exit polls

- In <u>14</u> states with large Latino populations, <u>half</u> showed abs. diffs of +<u>10</u> percentage points in turnout change between '08 and '12
 - In 2008 in Virginia, exit polls implied more Latinos voted than the Census said live in the state.
 - And that Latino turnout fell by <u>40 percentage</u> <u>points</u> from 2008 to 2012

At Catalist we are experimenting with new techniques to marry high quality survey data with our voter file:

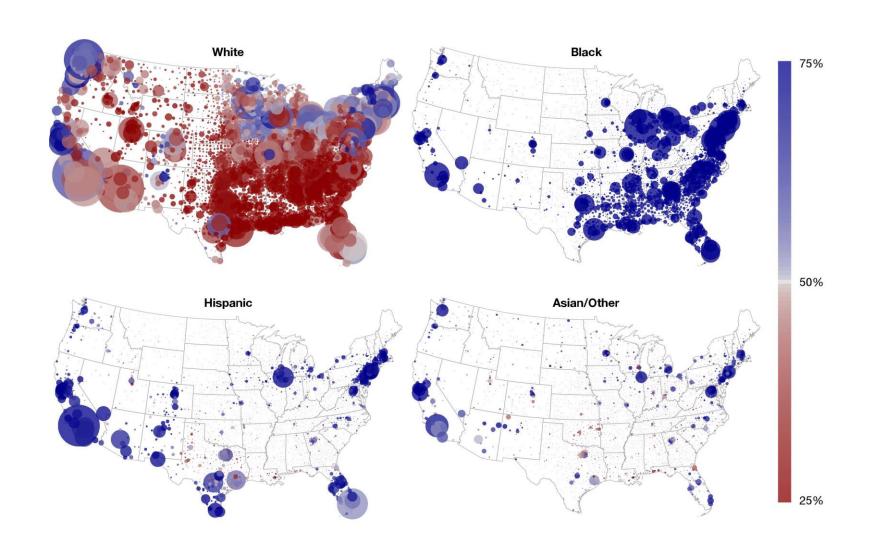
Multi Level Regression and Post Stratification

A procedure for generating **estimates** of public opinion

for groups where there is **not enough sample size** to get a reliable direct estimate from the raw data



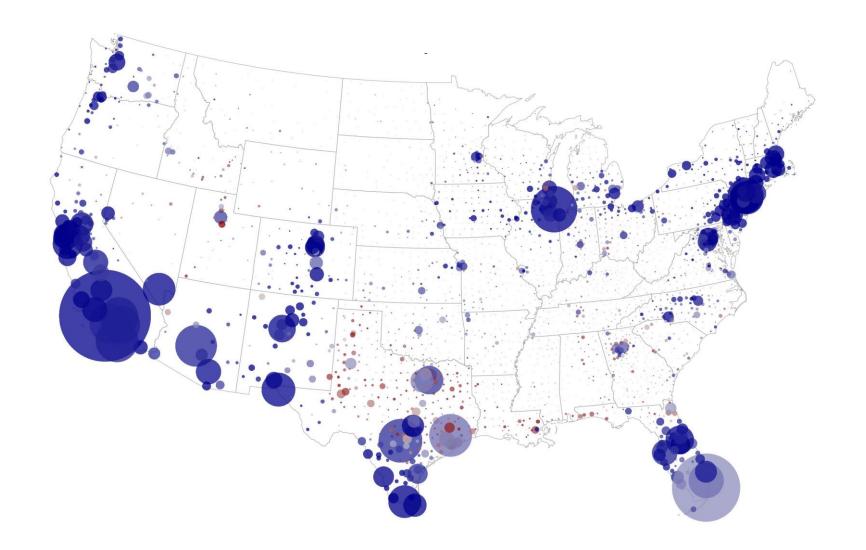
MRP: Granular Insights At Scale



Obama 2012 Support by Race by County



MRP: Focus In On Latinos



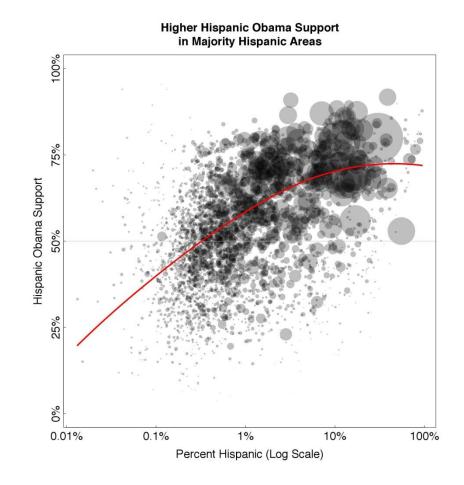
Bubble size is proportional to the number of Latinos who voted in '12 in the county



For Latinos—Geography Matters

The more densely
 Latino a county the
 higher President
 Obama's support in
 2012 was among
 Latinos

 Could help explain part of why exit poll #'s diverge from Latino Decision's #'s

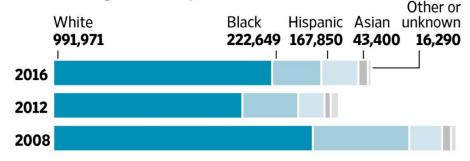


talist Latinos Are More Engaged Than Ever This Year

An Uptick in New Voters

A study of 10 battleground states by the Democratic firm Catalist finds a slight increase in new voters in the first half of this year compared with 2012. The share of new voters who are white has risen, while the share of African-Americans has declined.

Number of registrations by race



Percent change in registrations by race (2012 to 2016)



Note: Based on new registrations from January to June of each year in Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Michigan, North Carolina, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

Source: Catalist analysis of voter registration records

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* <u>As of August 22,</u> 2016

- Latino First time voter registrations among are higher in raw and percentage terms than it has ever been in the history of Catalist
- Latinos are poised to make a big difference in the upcoming election



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