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Toplines from VoteRiders Survey of Georgia and Texas Voting Age Populations July 18-August 11, 2024

This document reports on results from surveys the UMD Center for Democracy and Civic Engagement (CDCE) designed in consultation with VoteRiders. VoteRiders is a non-partisan, non-profit, voting rights organization with a particular expertise on the issue of voter ID. Founded in 2012, VoteRiders has provided free voter ID education and assistance to millions of voters. The surveys were conducted by SSRS on representative samples of voting age US citizens in Georgia and Texas, respectively. The sample of 1,258 Georgia respondents and 1,210 Texas respondents were drawn from SSRS's probability panel with a supplement from the Verasight probability panel. Included in both the Georgia and Texas samples are oversamples of 18-24-year-olds and individuals with income of less than \$30,000 per year. The Georgia sample includes an oversample of Hispanic respondents, and the Texas sample includes an oversample of Black respondents. The survey was fielded July 18, 2024 through August 11, 2024. Methodological details and sampling error margins appear at the end of this document. Results below are in the order they appeared in the survey and are weighted. Values may not add to 100% due to rounding and values less than 1% are shown as 0.

1. Do you have a current (non-expired) Georgia/Texas driver's license, or do you not have one?

	8/11/24 Georgia	8/11/24 Texas
Have a current (non-expired) Georgia/Texas driver's license	94	91
Have a current (non-expired) driver's license from another state	1	2
Have an expired driver's license from Georgia/Texas	1	1
Have an expired driver's license from another state	0	0
Do not have one	4	6

2. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) Georgia/Texas driver's license or Have an expired driver's license from Georgia/Texas)

Does your license have your current address on it?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	91	9
8/11/24 Texas	90	10

3. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) Georgia/Texas driver's license or Have an expired driver's license from Georgia/Texas)

Does your license have your current name on it?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	100	0
8/11/24 Texas	100	0

4. (Among those who Have an expired driver's license from Texas)

When did your Texas driver's license expire?

	Before October 21, 2020	Between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020	After November 5, 2020
8/11/24 Texas	56	1	42

5. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) driver's license from another state or Have an expired driver's license from another state or Do not have one)

Have you ever had a Texas driver's license?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Texas	24	76

6. (Among those who answered Yes to Ever Had a Texas Driver's License)

Do you still have the physical license or not?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Texas	42	58

7. (Among those who answered Yes to Ever Had a Texas Driver's License)
When did your Texas driver's license expire?

	Before October 21, 2020	Between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020	After November 5, 2020
8/11/24 Texas	30	7	62

8. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) driver's license from another state or Have an expired driver's license from Texas or Have an expired driver's license from another state or Do not have one)

States issue official state photo ID cards, called Personal Identification Cards in Texas, to those who apply for one and do not have a driver's license (or learner's permit). Do you have a current (non-expired) official Texas Personal Identification Card with your photo (state ID card)?

	8/11/24 Texas
Have a current (non-expired) official Texas Personal Identification Card with a photo (state ID card)	39
Have an expired official Texas Personal Identification Card with a photo (state ID card)	5
Have an official state ID card from another state with a photo	4
Do not have one	52

9. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) driver's license from another state or Have an expired driver's license from Georgia or Have an expired driver's license from another state or Do not have one)

States issue official state photo ID cards to those who apply for one and do not have a driver's license (or learner's permit). Do you have a current (non-expired) official Georgia state ID card with your photo?

8/11/24
Georgia

Have a current (non-expired) official Georgia state ID card with a photo	43
Have an expired official Georgia state ID card with a photo	6
Have a current (non-expired) official state ID card from another state with a photo	5
Have an expired official state ID card from another state with a photo	0
Do not have one	46

10. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) official Texas Personal Identification Card with a photo (state ID card) or Have an expired official Texas Personal Identification Card with a photo (state ID card))

Does your official Texas Personal Identification Card (state ID card) have your current address on it?

Yes No

8/11/24 Texas 64 36

11. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) official Texas Personal Identification Card with a photo (state ID card) or Have an expired official Texas Personal Identification Card with a photo (state ID card))

Does your official Texas Personal Identification Card (state ID card) have your current name on it?

Yes No

8/11/24 Texas 95 5

12. (Among those who Have an expired official Texas Personal Identification Card with a photo (state ID card))

When did your official Texas Personal Identification Card (state ID card) expire?

	Before October 21, 2020	Between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020	After November 5, 2020
8/11/24 Texas	17	29	54

13. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) official Georgia state ID card with a photo or Have an expired official Georgia state ID card with a photo)

Does your official Georgia state ID card have your current address on it?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	48	52

14. (Among those who Have a current (non-expired) official Georgia state ID card with a photo or Have an expired official Georgia state ID card with a photo)

Does your official Georgia state ID card have your current name on it?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	96	4

15. Do you have a current (non-expired) US passport or US passport card?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	46	54
8/11/24 Texas	51	49

16. (Among those who have a current (non-expired) US passport or US passport card)

Is your US passport or US passport card in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	96	4
8/11/24 Texas	95	5

17. (Among those who do not have a current (non-expired) US passport or US passport card)

Have you ever had a US passport or US passport card?

	No	Before October 21, 2020	Between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020	After November 5, 2020
8/11/24 Georgia	70	22	1	7
8/11/24 Texas	73	20	2	5

18. (Among those who answered Yes, it expired before October 21, 2020 or Yes, it expired between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020 or Yes, it expired after November 5, 2020)

Is your expired US passport or US passport card in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	57	43
8/11/24 Texas	53	47

19. Do you have a current (non-expired) US Military ID with a photo?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	7	93
8/11/24 Texas	6	94

20. (Among those who do not have a current (non-expired) US Military ID with a photo)

Have you ever had a US Military ID with a photo?

	No	Before October 21, 2020	Between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020	After November 5, 2020
8/11/24 Georgia	88	11	0	1
8/11/24 Texas	88	11	0	1

21. (Among those in Texas)

Do you have a current (non-expired) Texas Election Identification Certificate (EIC) with a photo?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Texas	10	90

22. (Among those who do not have a current (non-expired) Texas Election Identification Certificate (EIC) with a photo)

Have you ever had a Texas Election Identification Certificate (EIC) with a photo?

	No	Before October 21, 2020	Between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020	After November 5, 2020
8/11/24 Texas	99	0	0	0

23. Do you have a current (non-expired) Texas Handgun License with a photo?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Texas	13	87

24. (Among those who do not have a current (non-expired) Texas Handgun License with a photo)

Have you ever had a Texas Handgun License with a photo?

	No	Before October 21, 2020	Between October 21, 2020 and November 5, 2020	After November 5, 2020
8/1/24 Texas	98	1	0	1

25. Do you have a current (non-expired) Georgia Weapons Carry License with a photo?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	13	87

26. Do you have a current (non-expired) employee ID card from the US government, Georgia, or any county, municipality, board, or authority of Georgia with a photo?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	13	87

27. Do you have a current (non-expired) student ID card from a Georgia public College or University with a photo?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	10	90

28. Do you have a current (non-expired) tribal ID card with a photo?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	1	99

29. (Among those who are a US citizen by naturalization)

Do you have a US Naturalization Certificate?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	47	53
8/11/24 Texas	67	33

30. (Among those with a US Naturalization Certificate)

Is your US Naturalization Certificate in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	89	11
8/11/24 Texas	87	13

31. (Among those who selected "I was born outside the US but I am a US citizen through my parents")

Do you have a US Certificate of Citizenship?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	27	73
8/11/24 Texas	64	36

32. (Among those with a US Certificate of Citizenship)

Is your US Certificate of Citizenship in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	59	41
8/11/24 Texas	64	36

33. Do you have any photo ID that we did not already ask you about that was issued by the US federal government or state of Texas?

Yes No

8/11/24 Texas 9 91

34. Do you have any current (non-expired) photo ID that we did not already ask about that was issued by the US federal government, Georgia, or any other U.S. state?

Yes No

8/11/24 Georgia 7 93

35. Do you have a US birth certificate?

Yes No

8/11/24 Georgia 94 6

8/11/24 Texas 90 10

36. (Among those with a US birth certificate)

Is your US birth certificate in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

Yes No

8/11/24 Georgia 85 15

8/11/24 Texas 91 9

37. (Among those with a US birth certificate)

The **long form** of the US birth certificate, which is the official/certified form, has detailed information such as your parents' names and address and the signature of the attending doctor or midwife. Do you have the **long form**?

Yes, I have the **long form** No Not sure

8/11/24 Georgia 64 16 21

8/11/24 Texas 67 17 16

38. Do you have a Social Security Card?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	98	2
8/11/24 Texas	98	2

39. (Among those who have a Social Security Card)

Is your Social Security Card in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	92	8
8/11/24 Texas	95	5

40. (Among those who have a Social Security Card)

Does your Social Security Card have your current name on it?

	Yes	No
8/11/24 Georgia	98	2
8/11/24 Texas	99	1

41. Please indicate which of the following documents you have.

	8/11/24 Texas
Current utility bill	61
Bank statement	49
Government check	3
Paycheck	27
Government document with your name and address	61
Foreign birth document	7
None of the above	13

42. Is at least one of the documents you just selected in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

Yes No

8/11/24 Texas 98 2

43. Please indicate which of the following documents you have that show your name and address.

	8/11/24 Georgia
Current utility bill	64
Bank statement	66
Government check	9
Paycheck	34
Other government document	22
None of the above	15

44. Is at least one of the documents you just selected in a place where you could quickly find it if you had to show it tomorrow?

Yes No

8/11/24 Georgia 98 2

45. (Among those who "Have a current (non-expired) driver's license from another state" OR "Have an expired driver's license from Georgia/Texas" OR "Have an expired driver's license from another state" OR "Do not have one")

Which of the following is the most important reason you do not have a current (non-expired) Georgia/Texas driver's license?

	8/11/24 Georgia	8/11/24 Texas
Cost of getting a license	14	8
Cost of buying a car	6	11
Cost of car insurance	0	6
Not interested	20	7
Don't like driving/Don't drive	8	14
Don't have time	8	7
Not sure how to get a license	0	2

The process is too complicated	4	3
I don't have the documents needed	2	1
I don't have transportation to the ID issuing office	6	4
I can't drive for medical reasons or a disability	10	6
Driving makes me anxious/afraid	14	12
I'm legally prohibited from getting a license	0	3
Other	7	16

46. In Georgia/Texas, are all people required to show identification when voting in-person?

	-Knows-	---Doesn't Know---		
	Yes	Net	No	Unsure
8/11/24 Georgia	77	23	2	21
8/11/24 Texas	73	27	3	24

47. (Among those who answered Yes)

Is that required to be a photo ID, or are forms of ID without photos such as bank statements or utility bills accepted?

	----Knows----	-----Doesn't Know-----		
	Must be photo	Net	Other forms of ID are acceptable	Unsure
8/11/24 Georgia	71	29	4	26
8/11/24 Texas	64	36	10	26

48. When voting in-person, does Georgia/Texas accept any IDs that are expired?

	---Knows---	---Doesn't Know---		
	Yes	Net	No	Unsure
8/11/24 Georgia	4	96	45	50
8/11/24 Texas	4	96	49	47

49. (Among those who answered Yes).

Which of the following can be expired? Please check all that apply.

8/11/24 Georgia

Georgia driver's license	79
Student ID from a Georgia public College or University	10
Employee ID	21
US passport	40
US military ID	19
Tribal ID	19
Georgia official state ID card	37
Other government ID	14

-----Knows----- -----Doesn't Know-----

Georgia driver's license only Items other than Georgia driver's license

8/11/24 Georgia	41	59
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50. (Among those who answered Yes)

Up to how many years can the expiration be?

1 2 3 4 5 6 or more years Don't know

8/11/24 Texas	7	20	2	34	11	21	5
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---Knows--- ---Doesn't Know---

8/11/24 Texas	34	66
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51. If someone doesn't have the right photo ID when voting in person, is there a way for them to show other documents to vote a regular ballot?

---Knows--- ---Doesn't Know---

Yes Net No Unsure

8/11/24 Texas	17	83	10	72
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52. Have you ever heard of the Reasonable Impediment Declaration?

Yes No

8/11/24 Texas 10 90

53. (Among those who have heard of the Reasonable Impediment Declaration)

Have you ever used the Reasonable Impediment Declaration when voting?

Yes No

8/11/24 Texas 8 92

54. In Georgia/Texas, are all people who are eligible to vote by mail required to provide a copy of their identification when applying to vote by mail?

---Knows--- ---Doesn't Know---

Yes Net No Unsure

8/11/24 Georgia 26 74 9 66

8/11/24 Texas 19 81 8 74

55. How confident are you that you have an ID that is acceptable for voting in-person in Georgia/Texas?

-----Confident----- ----Not Confident----

	Net	Very	Somewhat	Net	Not too	Not at all	I do not need ID to vote in Georgia/Texas
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8/11/24 Georgia	95	90	5	3	1	2	1
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8/11/24 Texas	92	84	8	6	2	4	2
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56. How confident are you that you have the information from your ID that is acceptable for voting by mail in Georgia/Texas?

-----Confident----- ----Not Confident----

	Net	Very	Somewhat	Net	Not too	Not at all	I do not need ID to vote in Georgia/Texas
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8/11/24 Georgia	93	82	11	6	3	3	2
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8/11/24 Texas	86	72	14	12	8	5	2
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METHODOLOGICAL DETAILS

VoteRiders and the Center for Democracy and Civic Engagement (CDCE) at the University of Maryland contracted with SSRS, a highly regarded survey firm, to obtain a representative sample of the Georgia and Texas adult US citizen population to examine the extent to which adult citizens in Georgia and Texas have the ID needed to vote, as well as their understanding of their state’s voter ID laws. To the best of our knowledge, these are the first surveys of voting eligible Georgians and Texans with questions specific to the exact provisions of the Georgia and Texas voter ID laws, respectively. This research builds on national survey research conducted earlier this year with additional partners including the Brennan Center for Justice and Public Wise. The survey instrument was developed by CDCE with consultation from VoteRiders. The survey was available in English or Spanish, with Spanish translation provided by SSRS in consultation with Selene M. Gomez of VoteRiders. SSRS provided weights for race and ethnicity, age, and income, separately for Georgia and Texas. The following table reports the sample size, design effect (DE), and margin of error for each state and weight combination. The margin of error for subgroups is larger.

Table 1. Sample Size (N), Design Effect (DE), and Margin of Error by State and Weight, 8/11/24 VoteRiders Georgia and Texas Voter ID Survey conducted by SSRS

	N	DE	Margin of Error
Georgia race weight	1,258	1.89	±3.8 percentage points
Georgia age weight	1,258	2.10	±4.0 percentage points
Georgia income weight	1,258	2.10	±4.1 percentage points
Texas race weight	1,210	1.90	±3.9 percentage points
Texas age weight	1,210	2.02	±4.0 percentage points
Texas income weight	1,210	1.97	±4.0 percentage points