# **Hour-by-Hour Projection:**

U.S. Election Day Outcome Analysis Using Engagement, Sentiment, and Polling Data



Date: November 5, 2024 (Election Night) 18:00 GMT

# **Hourly Election Day Projections**

This projection aims to provide an hour-by-hour estimate of each candidate's performance on Election Day based on the data and trends available. Actual election results may vary due to numerous factors not accounted for in this model.



#### **Election Day Hour-by-Hour Projections Table**

Hour (ET)	Trump (%)	Harris (%)	Notes/Trends
6:00 AM	49.8%	50.2%	Initial turnout higher in urban areas for Harris
7:00 AM	50.1%	49.9%	Trump's engagement begins to rise in swing states
8:00 AM	50.5%	49.5%	Harris steady in urban areas; Trump gains
9:00 AM	50.9%	49.1%	Trump expands lead with stronger sentiment
10:00 AM	51.3%	48.7%	Increased reach for Trump in swing states
11:00 AM	51.6%	48.4%	Positive sentiment growth for Trump
12:00 PM	52.0%	48.0%	Midday turnout in suburbs boosts Trump
1:00 PM	52.3%	47.7%	Harris maintains urban strongholds
2:00 PM	52.7%	47.3%	Trump reaches wider audience in key states
3:00 PM	53.0%	47.0%	Sentiment remains stable; Trump up slightly
4:00 PM	53.4%	46.6%	Afternoon engagement peaks for Trump
5:00 PM	53.7%	46.3%	Harris shows steady but lower engagement
6:00 PM	54.1%	45.9%	Evening surge for Trump across key states
7:00 PM	54.4%	45.6%	Trump benefits from high rural turnout
8:00 PM	54.8%	45.2%	Harris holding urban areas; Trump gains further
9:00 PM	55.1%	44.9%	Trump's rural and suburban engagement peak
10:00 PM	55.5%	44.5%	Swing states solidifying for Trump
11:00 PM	55.8%	44.2%	Last-hour voters increase Trump's margin
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12:00 AM	56.2%	43.8%	Final hour projection shows Trump lead
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#### **Explanation of Projections:**

# • Morning Hours (6 AM - 12 PM):

- Early in the day, the projections show a slight edge for Kamala Harris, reflecting initial voter turnout in urban and suburban areas where she has strong support.
- Donald Trump begins to gain momentum mid-morning as engagement and reach increase in swing states.

#### • Afternoon Hours (12 PM - 5 PM):

- o **Trump's** projection steadily increases due to higher engagement levels and positive sentiment observed through Buraq data.
- **Harris's** projection decreases slightly, indicating a potential plateau in voter mobilization during these hours.

### • Evening Hours (5 PM - 12 AM):

- o **Trump** continues to gain an advantage, reaching **56.2%** by midnight.
- o This trend corresponds with increased online activity and potential reach among his supporter base, especially in critical swing states.

# **Factors Influencing Projections:**

### • Engagement Levels:

 Trump maintains higher engagement throughout the day, contributing significantly to his increasing projections.

# • Sentiment Analysis:

- o Positive sentiment for **Trump** rises in the afternoon and evening hours, bolstering his projected performance.
- o Harris experiences stable but lower positive sentiment, impacting her projections.

#### Potential Reach:

o **Trump's** content has a higher potential reach, especially in swing states, influencing lateday projections.

# Historical Polling Trends:

Patterns from the 2016 and 2020 elections show increased support for **Trump** in later hours, which is reflected in these projections.

# **Assumptions and Methodology:**

#### • Data Sources:

- o Projections are based on Buraq data provided (engagement, sentiment, reach).
- o Historical polling data from the 2016 and 2020 elections were used to identify trends.

### • Weights Applied:

- o **Engagement:** 50% influence on projections.
- Sentiment: 30% influence.
- o **Potential Reach:** 10% influence.
- **Historical Polling Trends:** 10% influence.

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#### Model Limitations:

- o These projections are estimates and should be interpreted with caution.
- o Real-world events and late-breaking news can significantly impact voter behavior.