



# USING DATA TO PROMOTE CONFIDENCE, EFFICIENCY, AND TRANSPARENCY IN GEORGIA ELECTIONS

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# GEORGIA EARLY VOTERS SET NEW RECORD

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## Georgia Election Data Hub: Track early voting numbers, check poll wait times

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### Record-breaking pace of voting in Georgia on first day of early voting

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Two critical battleground states – Georgia and North Carolina – are kicking off early in-person voting this week. Georgia Secretary ...

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**BREAKING:**  
Georgia's record early vote

If the state of Georgia is any indicator



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2,831,414 7,218,630 39.2%



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### Record-breaking early voting turnout breaks record

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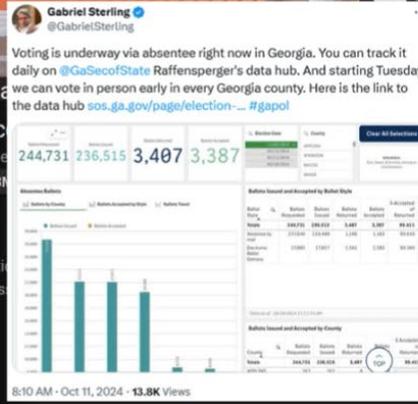
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Georgia reports a record early vote  
So as one of the battleground states



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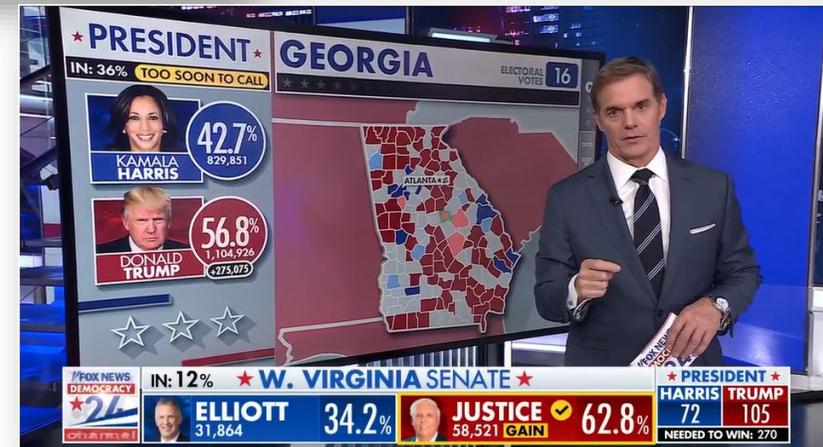
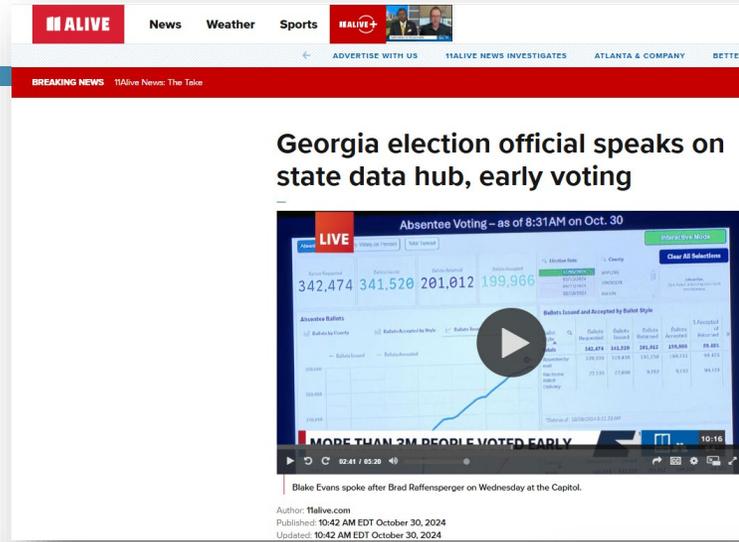


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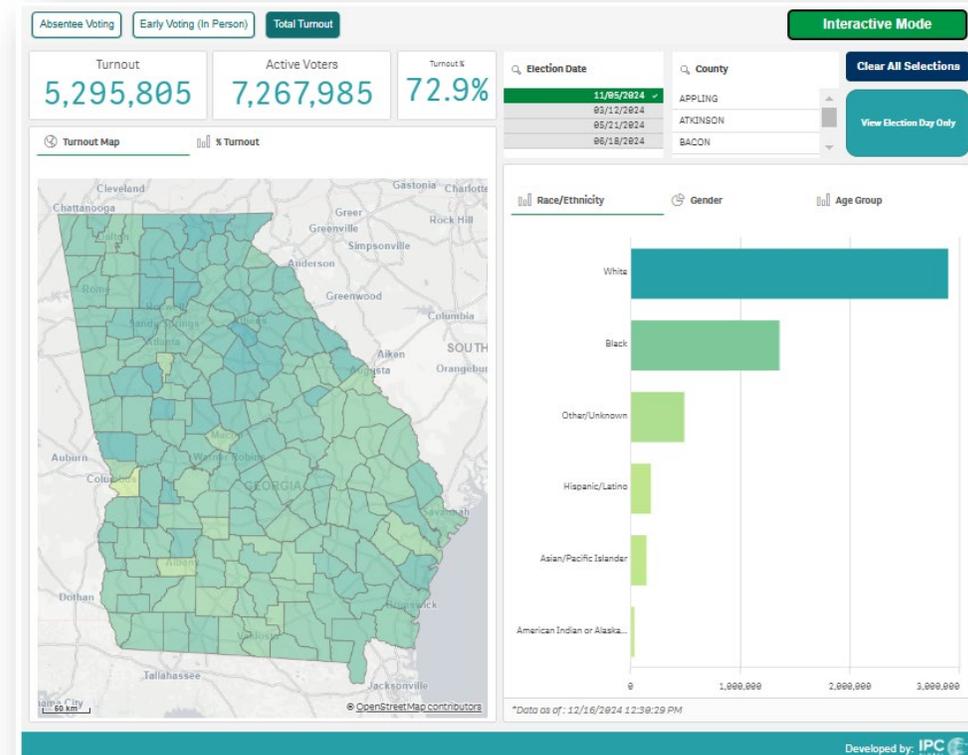
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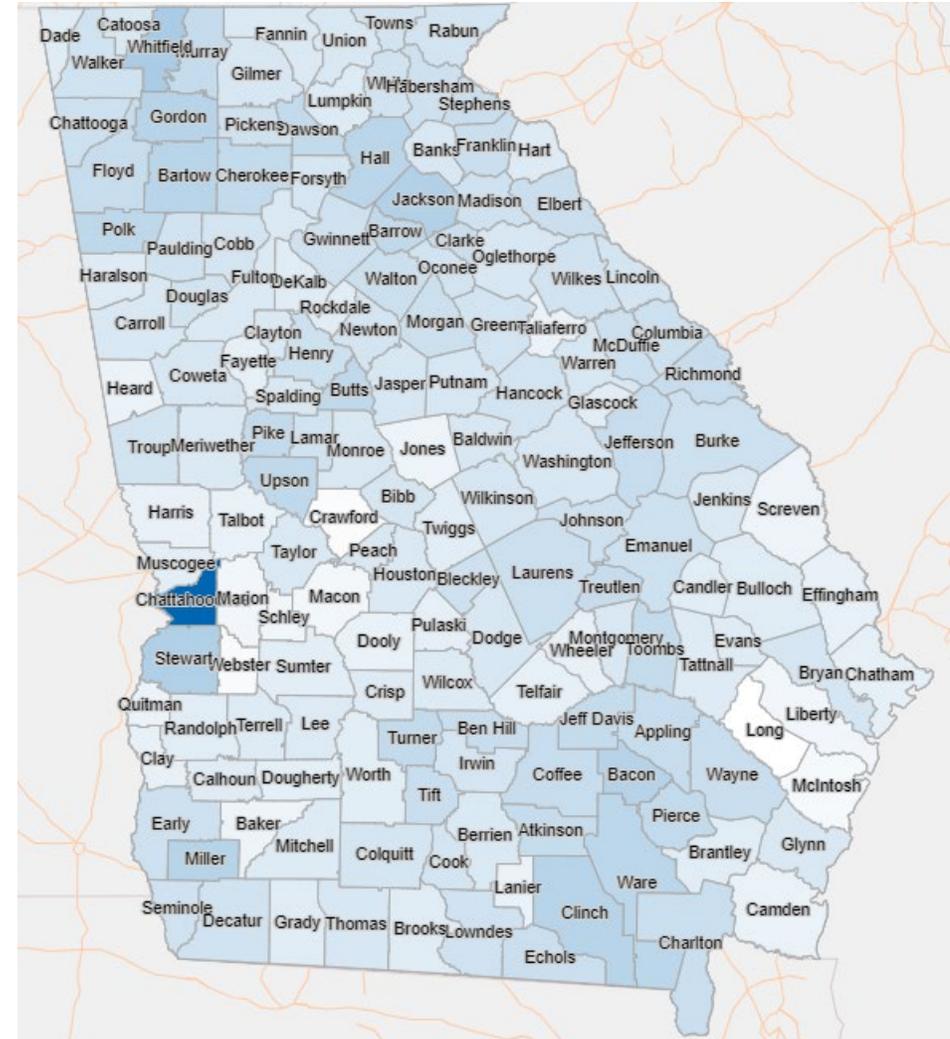
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- Overview of Georgia Elections
- The Importance of Election Data in Georgia
- The Election Data Hub
- Looking Ahead



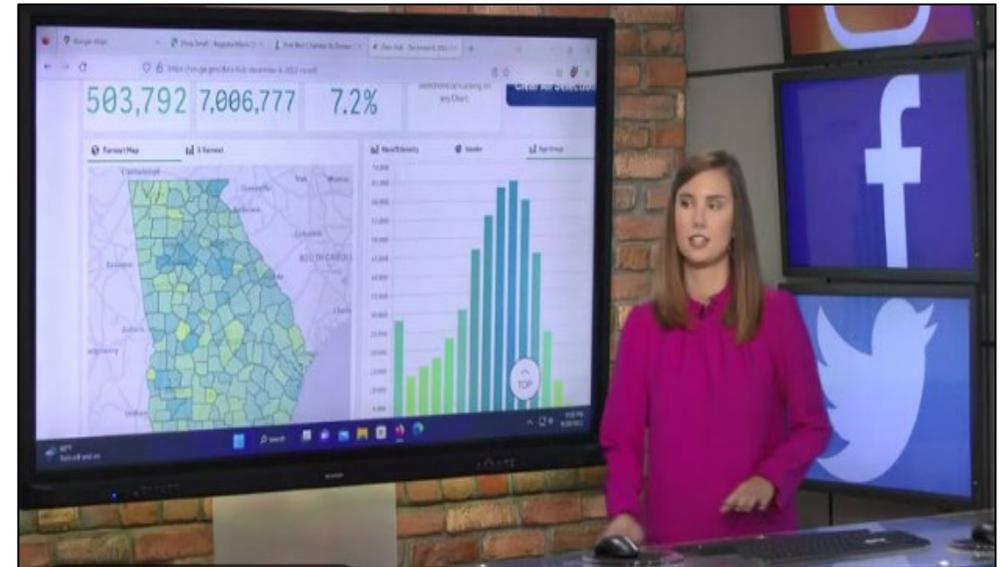
# OVERVIEW OF GEORGIA

- Elections are conducted by counties
- Georgia has 159 Counties
- 3 weeks of in-person early voting
  - About 360 early voting locations
- About 2,300 Election Day polling locations
- 8,337,564 voters (as of March 2025)



# THE IMPORTANCE OF ELECTION DATA

- Data empowers election officials to do our jobs well.
  - Examples
    - Voter list maintenance
    - Post-election reconciliation
    - Absentee ballot tracking
    - Public messaging
- Data allows election officials to be transparent to the public.



Video from WRDW/WAGT News 12 NBC 26



# WAIT TIME TRACKING

## Polling Locations: Avg. Wait Time & % Locations Reporting



### Average Wait Times

### Average Wait Time

# 2 mins

### % Reporting

# 62.3%

County	Q	Avg. Wait	Locations Reporting	Polling Locations	Wait Time Trend
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>2,626</b>	-
DAWSON COUNTY		14	3	3	
COWETA COUNTY		10	22	21	
TALBOT COUNTY		7	7	7	
EFFINGHAM COUNTY		5	5	5	
BROOKS COUNTY		5	8	7	
TOOMBS COUNTY		4	5	5	
CHEROKEE COUNTY		4	37	37	
DOUGHERTY COUNTY		4	14	14	
PEACH COUNTY		3	7	5	
COBB COUNTY		3	24	23	
NEWTON COUNTY		3	4	4	
CANDLER COUNTY		3	1	1	
FRANKLIN COUNTY		3	1	1	
PAULDING COUNTY		3	19	18	

### Wait Time Colors

Wait Time Interval	Color
0-15 minutes	Green
16-30 minutes	Yellow
31-60 minutes	Orange
61+ minutes	Red
Not reported	Grey

### % Locations Reporting Colors

Reporting Percentage	Color
75% + Reporting	Green
50 - 75% Reporting	Yellow
25 - 50% Reporting	Orange
0 - 25% Reporting	Red

### Polling Locations Reporting





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## Secretary Raffensperger Announces Launch of Georgia Registered Voter Information System – GARViS

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March 9th, 2023

Atlanta – Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger held a press conference on Thursday, March 9th announcing the successful launch of the new Georgia Registered Voter Information System. Election officials from across Georgia joined Secretary Raffensperger and our partners in the project, MTX, Salesforce, and Transform, to highlight the improvements to Georgia’s voter registration process using this one-of-a-kind technology purpose-built for Georgia.

“GARViS is a tremendous step forward in the security and accuracy of Georgia’s voter registration system,” said Secretary Raffensperger. “This voter registration system truly reinforces Georgia’s status as the #1 state in America for election administration.”

GARViS is the product of over 150,000 hours of development, testing, and training efforts culminating in the largest scale, fastest rollout of a top-down, statewide voter registration system in American history. The new system will take Georgia’s voter registration system to the highest standard of security on Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FEDRAMP) servers.

“When people ask us, ‘How do we know who voted? How do we know it’s real? How do we know it’s fair?’ Because we have the receipts we keep on this secure system. That’s how we know,” said Gabriel Sterling, Chief Operating Officer. “Don’t let anybody believe there are dead voters voting or double voting in any significant way, because it’s just not true.”

GARViS will host over 12,000,000 voter records, including 7 million active voters, and 833,000 inactive records. Over 100,000,000 voter history records will be stored in the GARViS system. GARViS will replace the system known as ENet, using the highest standards of technological innovation and security.

Secretary of State Raffensperger engaged [Salesforce](#) to provide the critical infrastructure, [MTX](#) as implementation partner, and [Transform](#) to help guide this modernization initiative. Transform’s team of experienced executives and operating professionals has a deep understanding of business and technology transformation – especially in the critical area of change management crucial to modernizing Georgia’s election infrastructure.

GEORGIA SECRETARY OF STATE | ELECTIONS DIVISION

**Gabriel Sterling**  
@GabrielSterling

Turnout for the HD68 Special Election so far:  
Early Vote  
Fayette 583  
Fulton 359

Absentee  
Fayette 6  
Fulton 4

Total Votes Cast 952

Today is the last day to Early Vote. Tuesday, May 16 is Election Day.  
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# State of Georgia

## Ballot Image Audit Report

General Election, November 2024



ENHANCED VOTING

Table 1 – Audit Statistics

Statistic	Value
Total Ballots	5,297,264
Total Ballots Audited	5,297,262 <sup>1</sup>
Summary Ballots Audited	5,025,863
Hand-Marked Ballots Audited	271,399
Contests Audited	1,955 (295 federal/state contests, 1660 local contests)
Ballot Styles Supported	6,647
Ballot Images Requiring Manual Review	13,719 (0.259% of the total ballots)
Ballots with Discrepancies	87 (see Table 3)



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Voter Absentee File

Absentee Files (HTTP Download)

\* Election Year

Election Category

\* Election Name

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 Voter History File

Voter History Files

These files are utilized by the elections division in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-215-(i) The board of registrars shall enter into the state-wide voter registration system credit for voting by qualified electors to the Secretary of State within 60 days of a primary or election for the purpose of maintaining the list of electors and voter history.

These files are used to ensure that individual voters remain active electors. Any request for voter lists from a specific election should be directed to the county or municipality conducting the election, and may not be available electronically.

[Click Here to download previous Election year Files](#)

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December 10th, 2024

Atlanta - The School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Georgia [surveyed registered voters](#) on various aspects of the voting process in Georgia during the recent Presidential election. The [2024 Georgia Post-Election Survey](#) showed positive results for Georgia voters and reflected the efforts of election administrators across the state.

**Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger** was pleased with the results of the survey, recognizing the win for Georgia voters, "Over half of Georgia's voters had zero wait, and 98% thought their poll workers went above and beyond. 94% of voters knew it's easy to cast a ballot, and 4 out of 5 voters trust the process. I'd say Georgia elections are on the right track. These results show what we've been saying all along: Georgia elections are secure and accessible." Raffensperger continued by praising Georgia's election officials, "We appreciate the hard work that Georgia's 159 election directors did to make it a success. They are our everyday heroes and should be praised for their work."

The survey highlights several wins for Georgia voters, including:

- 98% of voters had no issue casting a ballot.
- 98.3% of voters gave high marks to poll worker job performance.
- 98.5% of voters felt safe casting a ballot.
- 96.2% of voters had a positive experience while voting.
- 93.9% of voters found it easy to cast a ballot.
- 91.5% of voters trusted the integrity of the process, with 95.4% of Conservative voters expressing that their vote was counted accurately, compared to 88.6% of Liberal voters.
- 80.8% of voters experienced a wait time of less than 10 minutes.

**Donald Palmer, Vice Chair of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission** shared his congratulations on the survey, stating, "The 2024 post-election survey results from Georgia voters are a true testament to the exemplary performance of election directors across the state. I appreciate the continuing efforts of Secretary Raffensperger and local election officials to foster confidence in the integrity, security, and accessibility of Georgia elections."

The survey polled 1,541 registered voters in Georgia who voted in the 2024 Presidential election.

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# November General Election

November 5, 2024

OFFICIAL RESULTS

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## RESULTS MAP



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Vote Method  My Followed Results

Search for the contest or candidate name you are interested in

## President of the US

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Candidate	Percentage	Votes
<b>Donald J. Trump (Rep)</b> Rep	50.73%	2,663,117
<b>Kamala D. Harris (Dem)</b> Dem	48.53%	2,548,017
<b>Chase Oliver (Lib)</b> Lib	0.39%	20,684
<b>Jill Stein (Grn)</b> Grn	0.35%	18,229

Localities reporting 159/159 as of about a month ago

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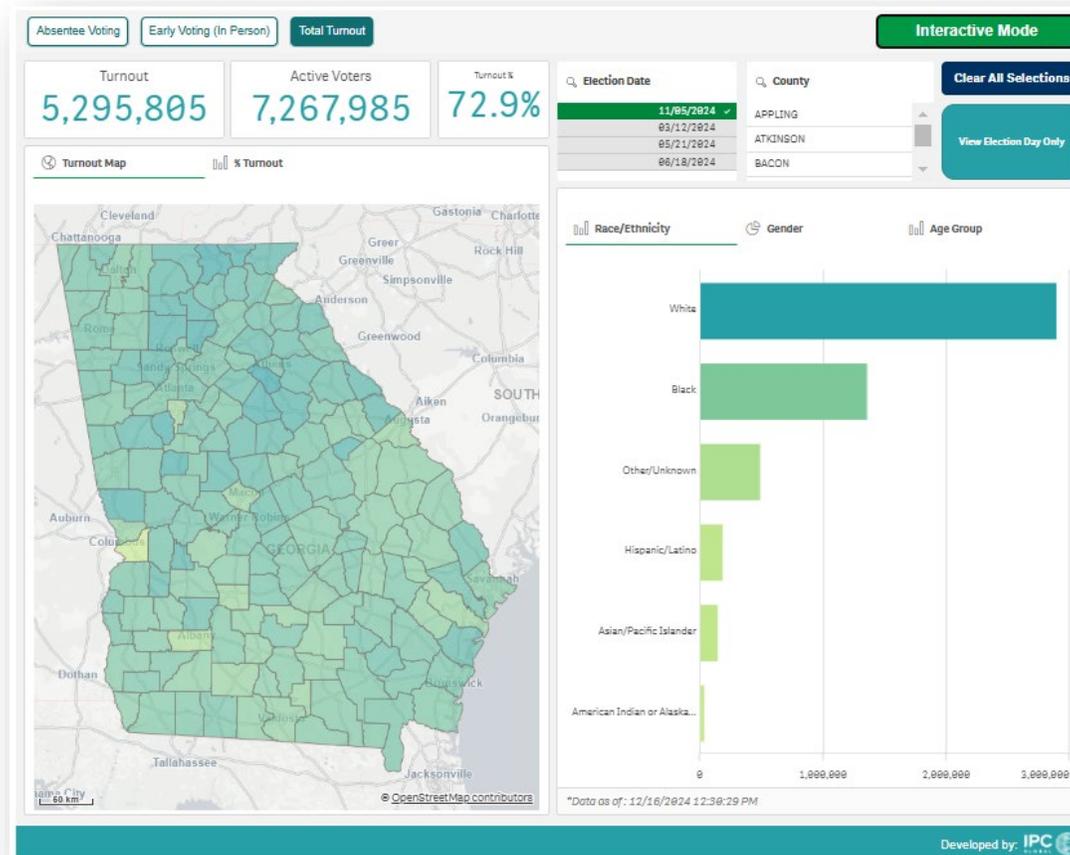


# ELECTION DATA HUB



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- Increases transparency by displaying election data publicly for citizens to interact with.

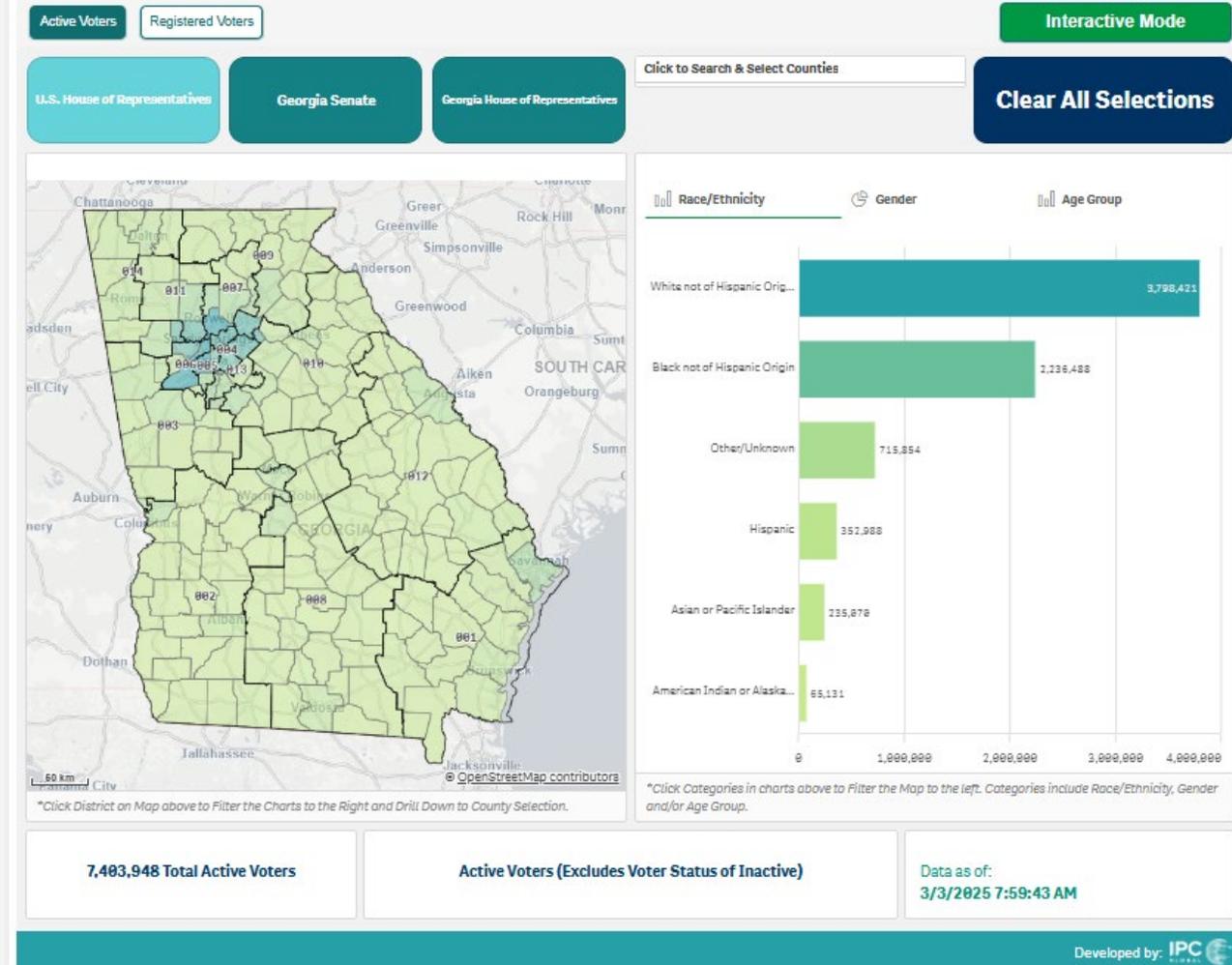


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- Registration Data

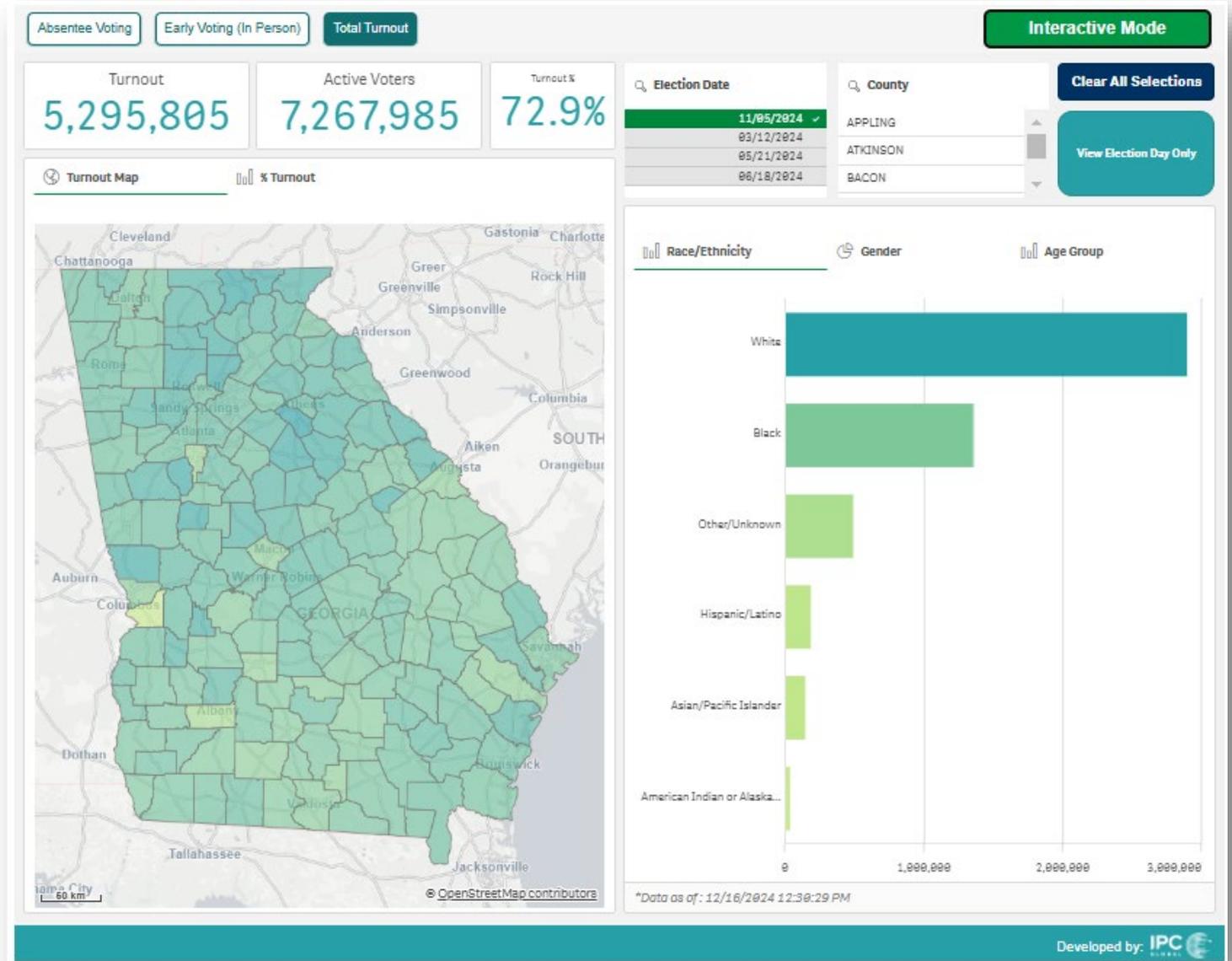
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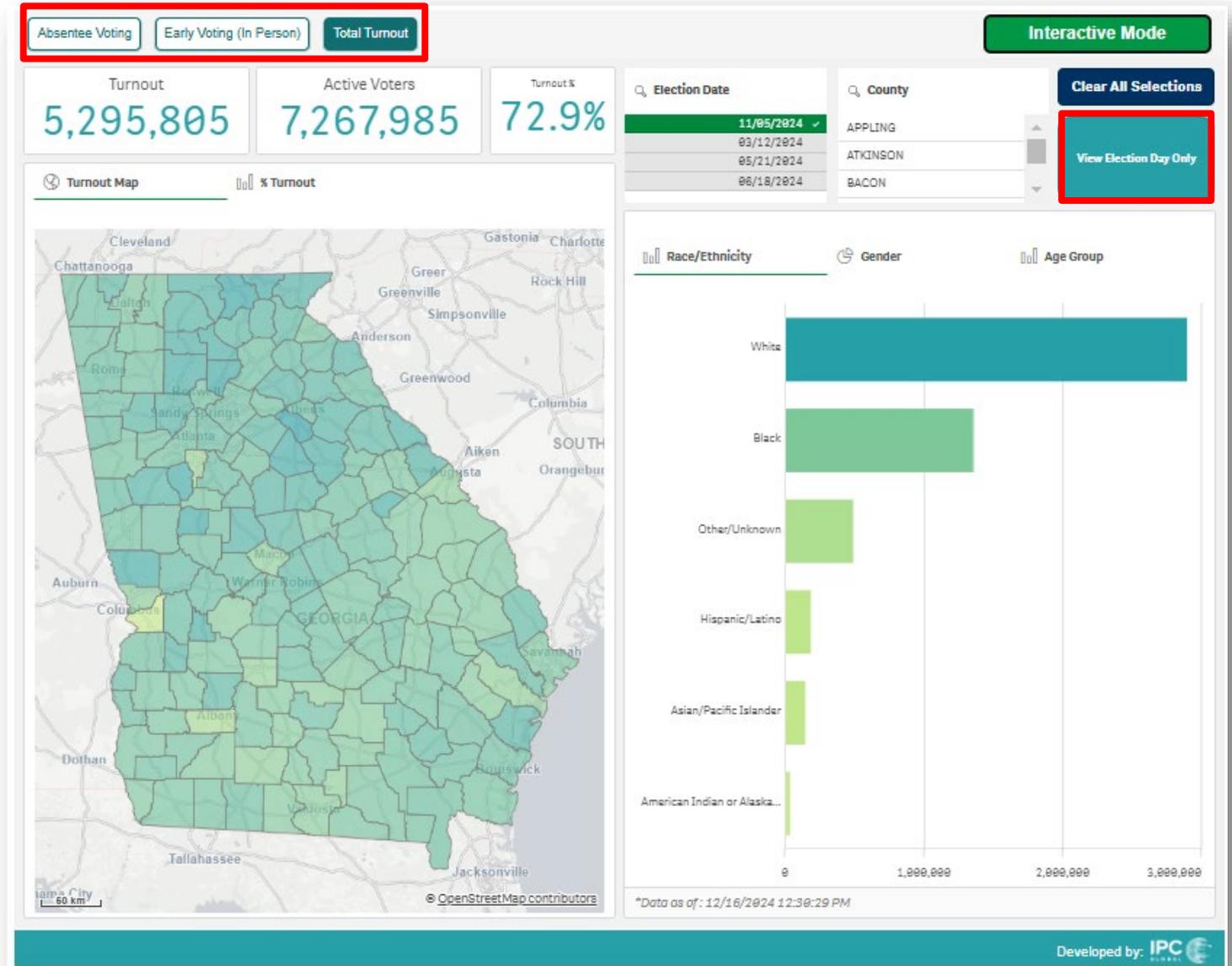
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- Registration Data
- Turnout Data



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Absentee Voting Early Voting (In Person) Total Turnout

Interactive Mode

Ballots Requested **345,077** Ballots Issued **344,425** Ballots Returned **289,315** Ballots Accepted **286,190**

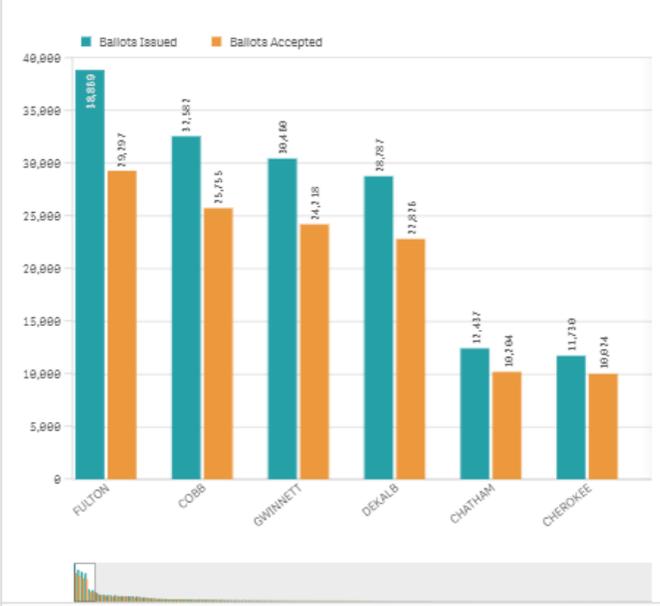
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 County: APPLING

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Interactive. Sort, Select, & Scroll by clicking on chart(s) below.

Absentee Ballots

Ballots by County Ballots Accepted by Style Ballots Trend



Ballots Issued and Accepted by Ballot Style

Ballot Style	Ballots Requested	Ballots Issued	Ballots Returned	Ballots Accepted	% Accepted of Returned
<b>Totals</b>	<b>345,077</b>	<b>344,425</b>	<b>289,315</b>	<b>286,190</b>	<b>98.92%</b>
Absentee by mail	322,748	322,114	275,070	270,064	98.90%
Electronic Ballot Delivery	22,337	22,311	16,245	16,126	99.27%

\*Data as of: 12/16/2024 12:30:29 PM

Ballots Issued and Accepted by County

County	Ballots Requested	Ballots Issued	Ballots Returned	Ballots Accepted	% Accepted of Returned
<b>Totals</b>	<b>345,077</b>	<b>344,425</b>	<b>289,315</b>	<b>286,190</b>	<b>98.92%</b>
APPLING	499	497	431	431	100.00%
ATKINSON	111	109	88	87	98.86%
BACON	175	175	151	149	98.68%
BAKER	141	141	135	135	100.00%
BALDWIN	1,274	1,268	1,116	1,116	100.00%
BANKS	398	398	342	342	100.00%
BARROW	2,145	2,142	1,929	1,917	99.38%
BARTOW	2,765	2,763	2,489	2,461	98.88%

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Interactive Mode

Ballots Accepted **3,768,075**

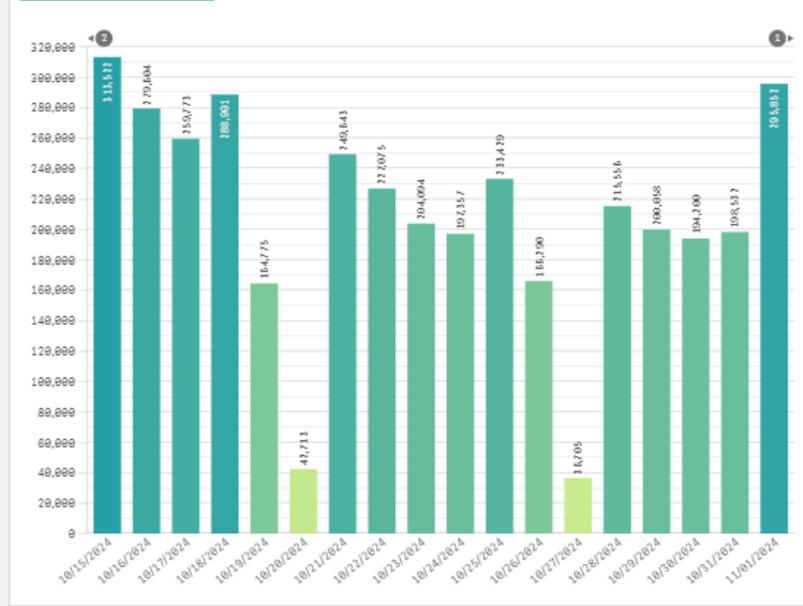
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 County: APPLING

Clear All Selections

Early Voting (In Person)

by Date by County Trend Line



Ballots to Date by County

County	Ballots Accepted
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,768,075</b>
APPLING	5,611
ATKINSON	1,883
BACON	3,944
BAKER	857
BALDWIN	13,259
BANKS	8,000
BARROW	29,615
BARTOW	39,794
BEN HILL	5,195
BERRIEN	5,277
BIBB	45,396
BLECKLEY	4,371
BRANTLEY	5,769
BROOKS	4,505
BRYAN	18,891
BULLOCH	20,234
BURKE	6,232
BUTTS	10,852
CALHOUN	1,161
CAMDEN	18,831
CANDLER	3,509
CARROLL	39,016
CATOOGA	26,485
CHARLTON	3,029
CHATHAM	41,807

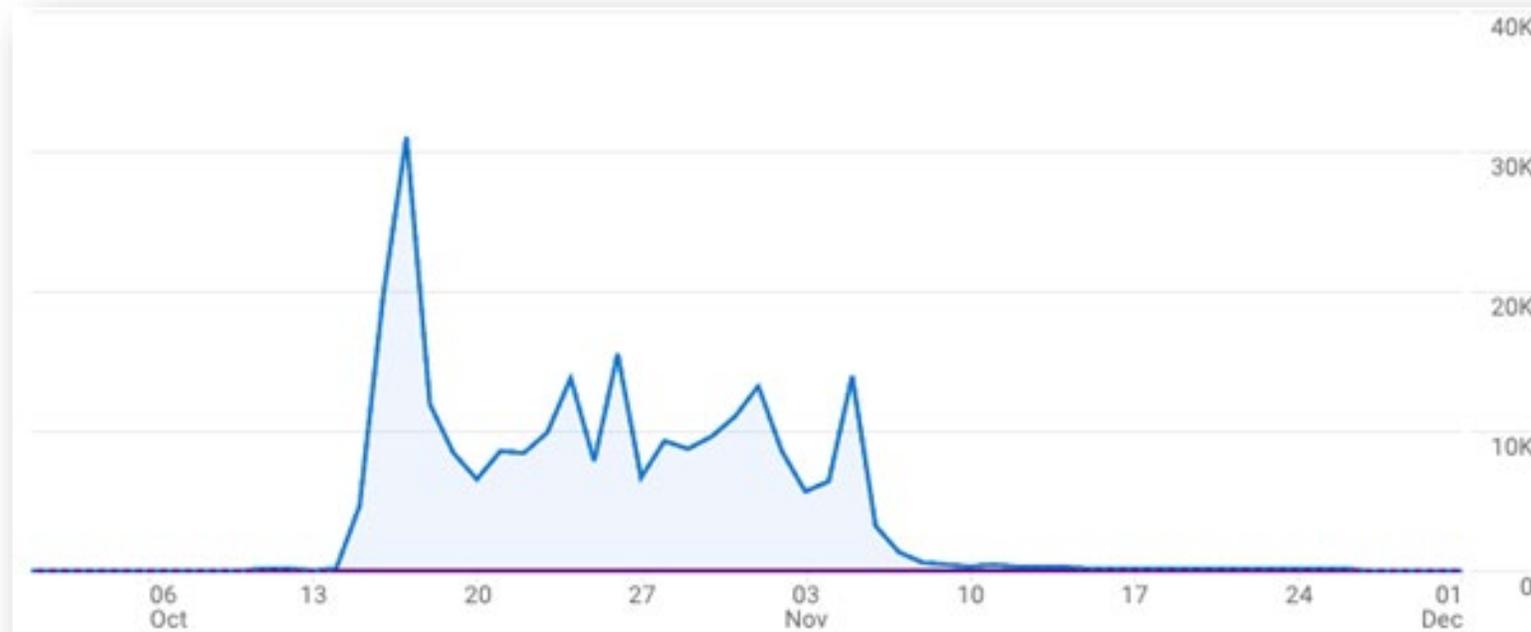
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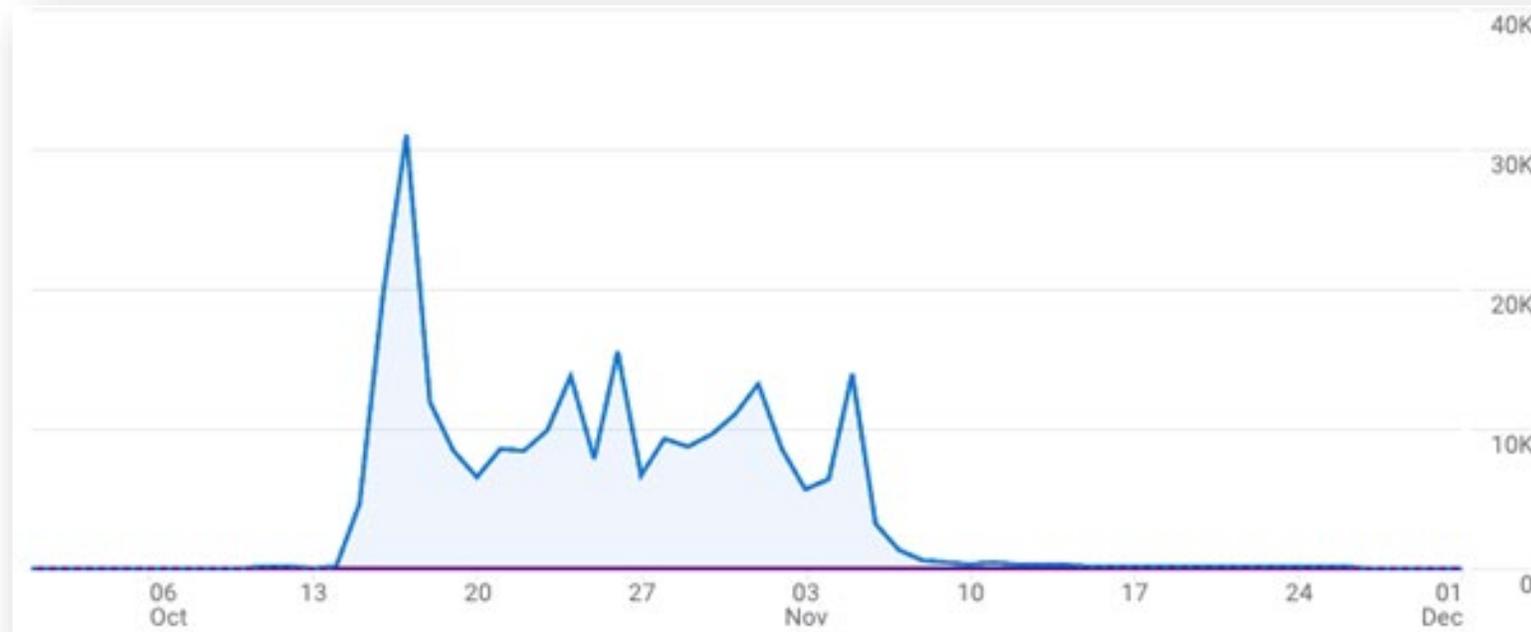
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- Over 30,000 active users in one day.



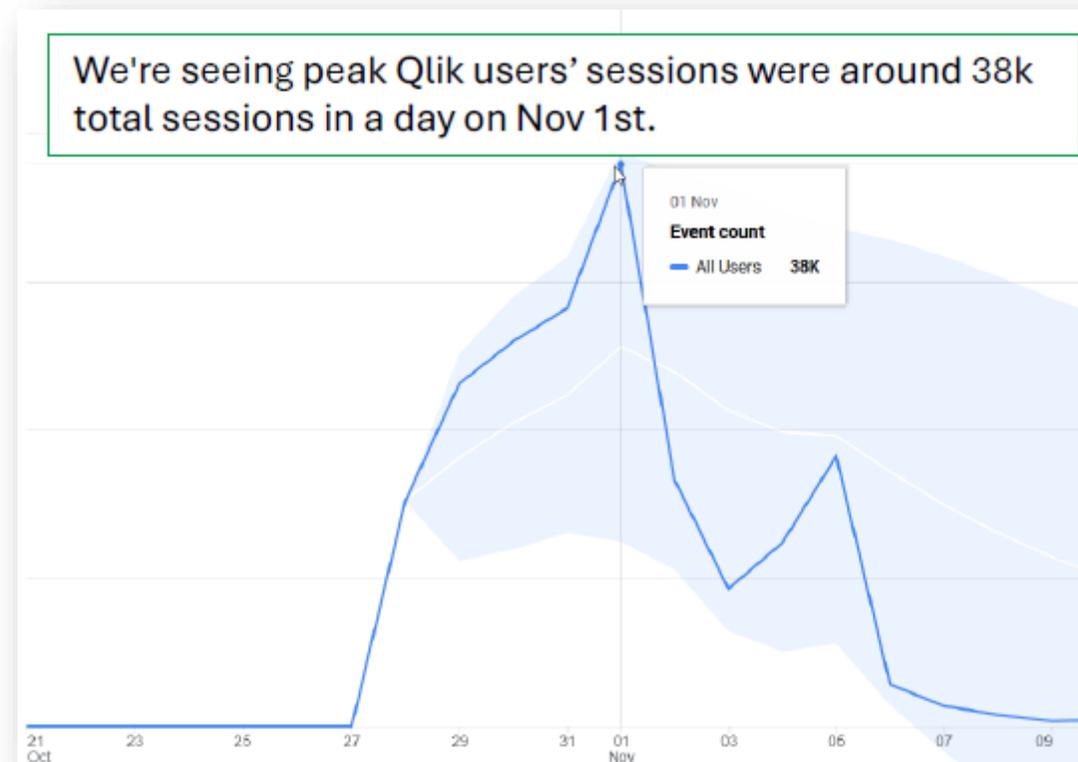
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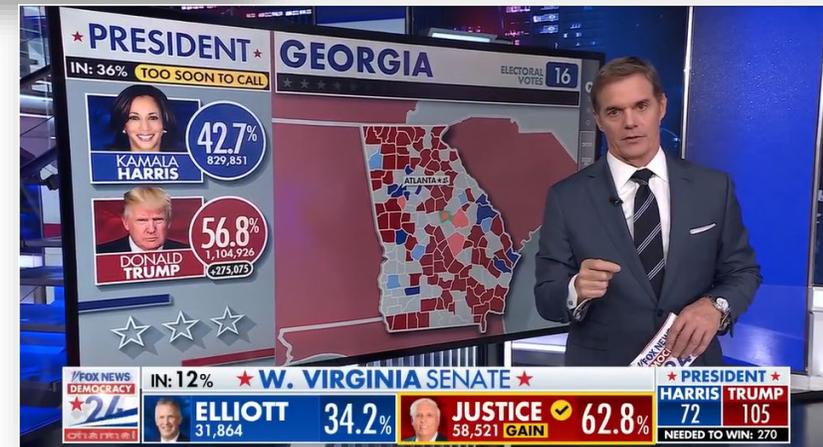
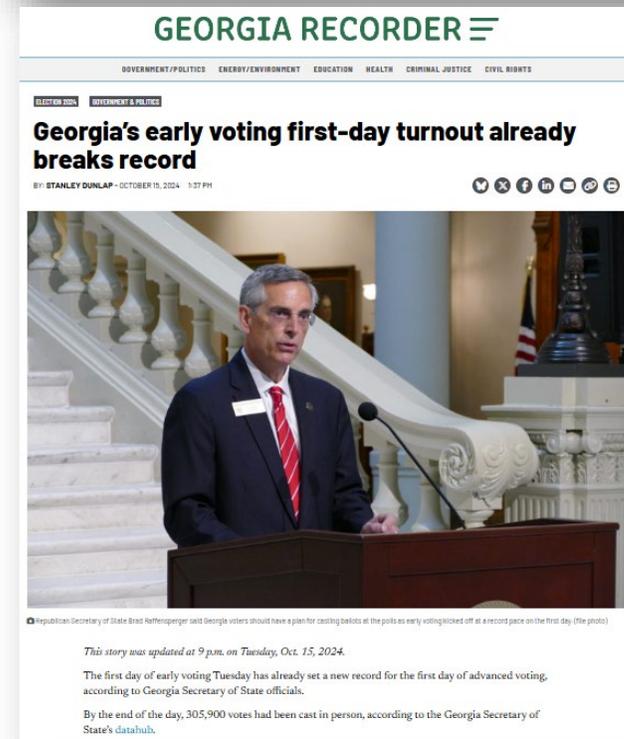
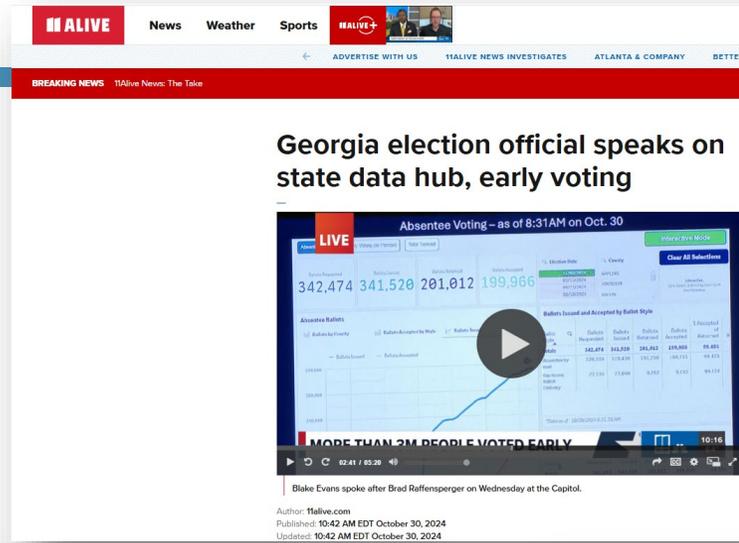
- Over 1.15 million views and 148,000 active users in October and November 2024.



# ELECTION DATA HUB

- Around 38,000 total Qlik user sessions on November 1, 2024.





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# LOOKING AHEAD



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# Thank you!

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