

"Upholding Democracy: Black Voter Mobilization and its Impact on Political Participation and Representation"

Introduction

- The 2020 U.S. Presidential election saw a historic turnout of Black voters, who played a key role in determining the outcome of the election. The Black Lives Matter (BLM) movement has played a significant role in mobilizing voters, particularly among Black Americans, in the 2020 U.S. presidential election. The movement's focus on racial justice has motivated black communities across the country and inspiring the community to report to the ballot box.
- Black , White and Hispanic Voter responses are compared in this poster

Literature

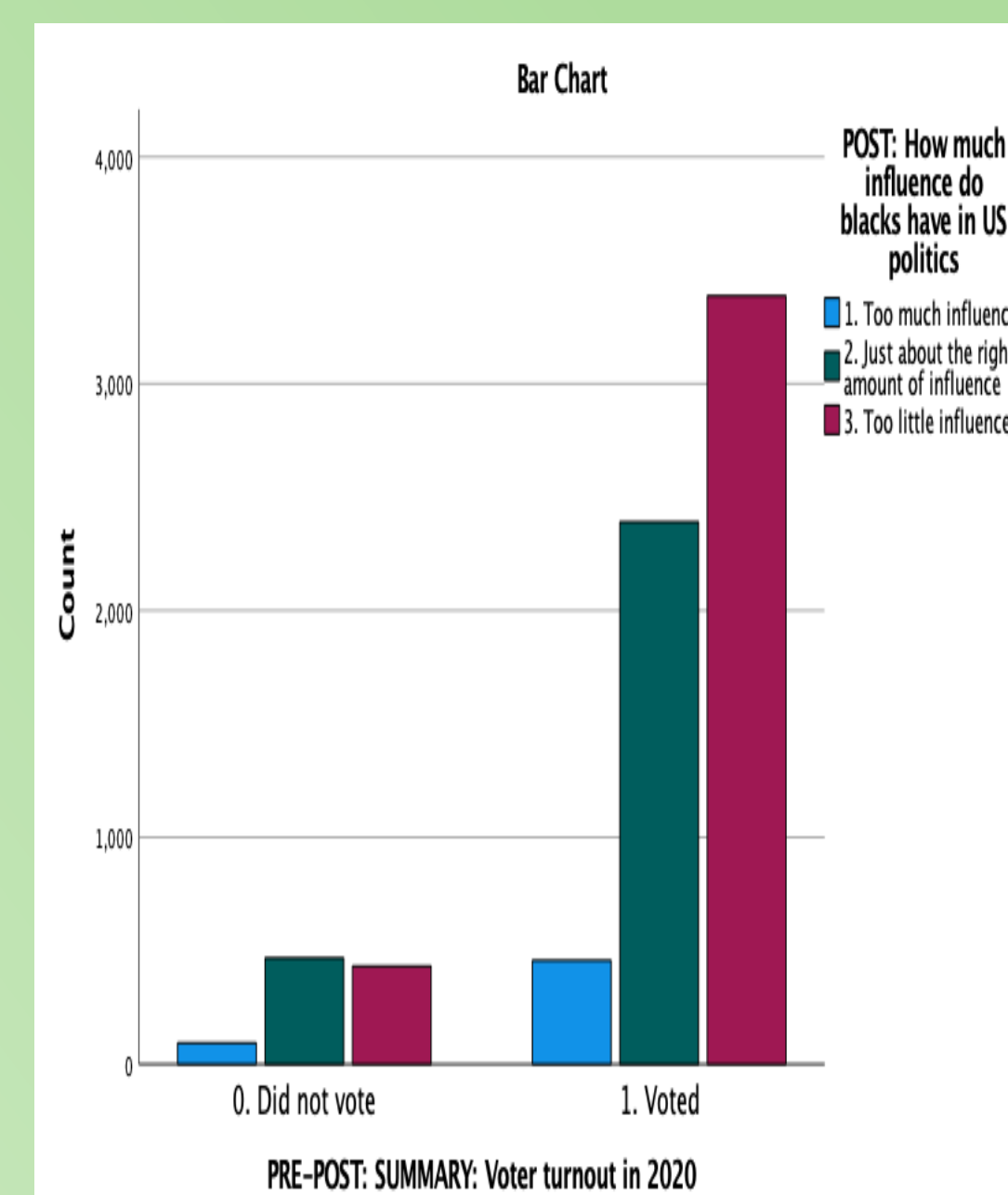
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Hypothesis and Analysis

Hypothesis 1: The Black Lives Matter effected 2020 voter participation.

Black Lives Matter Variable	Three Category Race		Three Category Race			Total
			White	Black	Hispanic	
Low	Count	1623	59	140	1822	
	% within Three Category Race	33.9%	7.2%	14.6%	27.7%	
Medium Low	Count	1126	82	214	1422	
	% within Three Category Race	23.5%	10.0%	22.3%	21.6%	
Medium High	Count	890	103	237	1230	
	% within Three Category Race	18.6%	12.6%	24.7%	18.7%	
High	Count	1152	576	367	2095	
	% within Three Category Race	24.0%	70.2%	38.3%	31.9%	
Total	Count	4791	820	958	6569	
	% within Three Category Race	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

Hypothesis 2: Black Americans have no influence in politics



Results

- The results from the American National Election Studies data resulted in supporting my hypothesis to a certain extent.
- In this survey there was around 6,672 total respondents. There were 834 black respondents who voted.
- Majority of the White and Hispanic respondents didn't have strong opinions on the Black Lives Matter Movement.

Implications

Black voter turnout in 2020 demonstrated the political power of the Black community and highlighted the importance of political engagement. This may encourage further participation and activism among Black voters in future elections, leading to increased representation and political influence.

