Table 18. REPORTED REASON NOT VOTING OF PERSONS WHO REPORTED THAT THEY WERE REGISTERED BUT DID NOT VOTE, BY AGE, SEX, AND RACE, FOR THE UNITED STATES: NOVEMBER 1972

(Numbers in thousands. Civilian noninstitutional population)

Age, race, and sex	Total reported registered but not voting	Reported reason for not voting						
		Not interested	Dislikes politics	Unable to go to polls	Machines not working, lines too long	Out of town or away from home	Other reasons	Do not know and not reported
All Races								
Both sexes	12,714	1,898	1,511	4,419	269	1,464	1,567	1,586
18 to 20 years	1,086	147	87	183	14	246	173	236
21 to 24 years	1,190	198	130	295	11	167	192	196
25 to 29 years	1,222	199	171	323	39	146	186	156
30 to 34 years	1,129	213	146	366	23	115	139	128
35 to 44 years	1,891	318	317	521	61	207	237	231
45 to 54 years	1,971	353	258	693	47	197	211	212
55 to 64 years	1,794	262	214	669	37	196	212	204
65 years and over	2,430	207	189	1,369	37	190	217	221
Male	5,774	846	737	1,774	135	863	636	783
18 to 20 years	541	77	41	82	4	137	65	134
21 to 24 years	574	79	68	139	4	93	83	107
25 to 29 years	594	89	82	146	25	100	76	76
30 to 34 years	559	88	69	166	10	89	66	72
35 to 44 years	912	149	155	219	28	147	103	112
45 to 54 years	885	150	123	280	19	130	79	104
55 to 64 years	772	113	104	258	21	94	84	98
65 years and over	937	100	96	484	24	74	80	79
Female	6,940	1,052	774	2,645	134	601	931	803
18 to 20 years	545	69	46	101	10	109	108	102
21 to 24 years	616	118	62	156	7	75	109	89
25 to 29 years	627	110	89	178	14	46	110	80
30 to 34 years	570	125	77	200	13	26	73	56
35 to 44 years	979	169	162	302	33	61	134	119
45 to 54 years	1,087	204	135	413	28	67	131	108
55 to 64 years	1,023	149	110	411	16	102	128	107
65 years and over	1,493	107	93	885	13	115	138	142
White								
Both sexes	10,820	1,612	1,369	3,684	258	1,336	1,301	1,260
18 to 20 years	895	112	75	138	14	223	138	195
21 to 24 years	957	158	116	233	11	148	151	141
25 to 29 years	1,029	172	154	257	37	133	155	122
30 to 34 years	929	185	120	292	21	105	115	89
35 to 44 years	1,584	267	272	430	59	190	194	172
45 to 54 years	1,711	310	245	582	45	186	174	169
55 to 64 years	1,573	230	205	560	34	183	182	179
65 years and over	2,143	179	182	1,193	35	168	192	193
Male	4,951	709	669	1,508	127	794	526	619
18 to 20 years	459	60	37	63	4	129	53	112
21 to 24 years	474	62	59	117	4	86	64	82
25 to 29 years	498	74	74	117	23	90	61	58
30 to 34 years	467	79	57	141	9	86	54	42
35 to 44 years	779	127	134	192	26	135	82	82
45 to 54 years	778	128	119	236	19	122	72	82
55 to 64 years	688	96	99	226	20	85	69	92
65 years and over	808	82	90	416	22	59	70	69
Female	5,869	904	699	2,176	131	542	775	641
18 to 20 years	435	52	37	76	10	94	85	82
21 to 24 years	483	95	56	116	7	62	87	59
25 to 29 years	531	98	80	139	14	43	93	64
30 to 34 years	462	106	64	152	13	19	61	48
35 to 44 years	805	140	138	237	33	55	112	90
45 to 54 years	933	182	126	346	26	63	103	87
55 to 64 years	885	134	105	334	15	98	113	87
65 years and over	1,335	98	93	776	13	109	122	124
Negro								
Both sexes	1,805	273	136	711	11	118	261	294
18 to 20 years	172	33	12	41	-	18	34	34
21 to 24 years	218	37	14	58	-	18	40	52
25 to 29 years	186	24	17	66	2	13	31	32
30 to 34 years	191	28	22	72	1	9	24	35
35 to 44 years	298	51	45	88	1	17	42	55
45 to 54 years	252	43	12	111	1	12	36	37
55 to 64 years	210	31	9	106	3	8	29	23
65 years and over	279	27	6	168	2	22	25	28

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Table 18. REPORTED REASON NOT VOTING OF PERSONS WHO REPORTED THAT THEY WERE REGISTERED BUT DID NOT VOTE, BY AGE, SEX, AND RACE, FOR THE UNITED STATES: NOVEMBER 1972—Continued

(Numbers in thousands. Civilian noninstitutional population)

Age, race, and sex	Total reported registered but not voting	Reported reason for not voting						
		Not interested	Dislikes politics	Unable to go to polls	Machines not working, lines too long	Out of town or away from home	Other reasons	Do not know and not reported
Negro—Continued								
Male	782	129	63	254	8	67	109	153
18 to 20 years	74	15	3	17	-	8	11	20
21 to 24 years	100	17	9	22	-	7	19	25
25 to 29 years	92	13	8	27	2	10	14	18
30 to 34 years	86	8	8	25	1	3	11	28
35 to 44 years	130	22	21	26	1	12	21	27
45 to 54 years	102	21	3	44	-	7	8	19
55 to 64 years	78	16	4	31	1	5	15	6
65 years and over	121	17	6	61	2	15	10	10
Female	1,023	144	73	457	3	51	153	142
18 to 20 years	97	18	9	24	-	10	23	14
21 to 24 years	119	20	5	36	-	12	20	27
25 to 29 years	94	11	9	38	-	4	17	15
30 to 34 years	105	20	13	47	-	6	12	7
35 to 44 years	168	29	24	62	-	5	21	28
45 to 54 years	150	22	9	67	1	4	29	17
55 to 64 years	132	15	5	76	2	3	14	17
65 years and over	158	10	-	108	-	7	16	18
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION								
All Races								
Both sexes	100.0	14.9	11.9	34.8	2.1	11.5	12.3	12.5
18 to 20 years	100.0	13.5	8.0	16.8	1.3	22.6	16.0	21.8
21 to 24 years	100.0	16.6	10.9	24.8	1.0	14.1	16.1	16.5
25 to 29 years	100.0	16.3	14.0	26.5	3.2	12.0	15.2	12.8
30 to 34 years	100.0	18.9	12.9	32.4	2.0	10.2	12.3	11.3
35 to 44 years	100.0	16.8	16.7	27.5	3.2	11.0	12.5	12.2
45 to 54 years	100.0	17.9	13.1	35.2	2.4	10.0	10.7	10.8
55 to 64 years	100.0	14.6	11.9	37.3	2.1	10.9	11.8	11.4
65 years and over	100.0	8.5	7.8	56.3	1.5	7.8	8.9	9.1
Male	100.0	14.6	12.8	30.7	2.3	15.0	11.0	13.6
18 to 20 years	100.0	14.3	7.5	15.1	0.8	25.3	12.1	24.8
21 to 24 years	100.0	13.8	11.9	24.2	0.7	16.2	14.5	18.7
25 to 29 years	100.0	15.0	13.8	24.5	4.3	16.8	12.8	12.8
30 to 34 years	100.0	15.8	12.3	29.7	1.8	15.9	11.7	12.8
35 to 44 years	100.0	16.3	17.0	24.0	3.1	16.1	11.3	12.3
45 to 54 years	100.0	16.9	13.9	31.7	2.1	14.7	9.0	11.7
55 to 64 years	100.0	14.7	13.4	33.5	2.7	12.2	10.9	12.7
65 years and over	100.0	10.7	10.3	51.6	2.6	7.9	8.5	8.4
Female	100.0	15.2	11.1	38.1	1.9	8.7	13.4	11.6
18 to 20 years	100.0	12.7	8.5	18.5	1.8	19.9	19.8	18.7
21 to 24 years	100.0	19.2	10.1	25.3	1.2	12.1	17.6	14.4
25 to 29 years	100.0	17.5	14.2	28.3	2.2	7.4	17.6	12.8
30 to 34 years	100.0	22.0	13.5	35.1	2.2	4.5	12.9	9.8
35 to 44 years	100.0	17.2	16.5	30.9	3.4	6.2	13.7	12.1
45 to 54 years	100.0	18.8	12.4	38.0	2.6	6.2	12.1	10.0
55 to 64 years	100.0	14.6	10.8	40.2	1.6	9.9	12.5	10.4
65 years and over	100.0	7.2	6.2	59.3	0.9	7.7	9.2	9.5
White								
Both sexes	100.0	14.9	12.6	34.0	2.4	12.3	12.0	11.6
18 to 20 years	100.0	12.5	8.4	15.4	1.6	24.9	15.4	21.7
21 to 24 years	100.0	16.5	12.1	24.3	1.2	15.5	15.8	14.7
25 to 29 years	100.0	16.7	15.0	24.9	3.6	12.9	15.0	11.9
30 to 34 years	100.0	19.9	12.9	31.5	2.3	11.3	12.4	9.6
35 to 44 years	100.0	16.8	17.2	27.1	3.7	12.0	12.3	10.8
45 to 54 years	100.0	18.1	14.3	34.0	2.6	10.8	10.2	9.9
55 to 64 years	100.0	14.6	13.0	35.6	2.2	11.6	11.5	11.4
65 years and over	100.0	8.4	8.5	55.7	1.6	7.9	9.0	9.0
Male	100.0	14.3	13.5	30.4	2.6	16.0	10.6	12.5
18 to 20 years	100.0	13.0	8.2	13.6	1.0	28.1	11.6	24.4
21 to 24 years	100.0	13.1	12.5	24.6	0.9	18.2	13.5	17.3
25 to 29 years	100.0	14.9	14.9	23.5	4.7	18.1	12.3	11.6
30 to 34 years	100.0	17.0	12.1	30.1	1.9	18.4	11.6	8.9
35 to 44 years	100.0	16.3	17.2	24.7	3.4	17.4	10.5	10.5
45 to 54 years	100.0	16.5	15.3	30.3	2.4	15.7	9.2	10.6
55 to 64 years	100.0	14.0	14.5	32.8	2.9	12.4	10.0	13.4
65 years and over	100.0	10.1	11.1	51.5	2.7	7.4	8.7	8.6

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PERCENT DISTRIBUTION—Continued								
White—Continued								
Female	100.0	15.4	11.9	37.1	2.2	9.2	13.2	10.9
18 to 20 years	100.0	11.9	8.6	17.4	2.3	21.6	19.4	18.9
21 to 24 years	100.0	19.7	11.7	24.0	1.5	12.8	18.0	12.2
25 to 29 years	100.0	18.4	15.1	26.2	2.6	8.0	17.5	12.1
30 to 34 years	100.0	22.9	13.8	32.8	2.7	4.2	13.2	10.3
35 to 44 years	100.0	17.3	17.1	29.5	4.1	6.9	13.9	11.2
45 to 54 years	100.0	19.5	13.5	37.1	2.8	6.8	11.0	9.3
55 to 64 years	100.0	15.1	11.9	37.7	1.6	11.0	12.7	9.8
65 years and over	100.0	7.3	6.9	58.2	1.0	8.2	9.2	9.3
Negro								
Both sexes	100.0	15.1	7.6	39.4	0.6	6.5	14.5	16.3
18 to 20 years	100.0	19.1	7.0	23.9	-	10.6	19.9	19.5
21 to 24 years	100.0	17.0	6.2	26.5	-	8.4	18.2	23.8
25 to 29 years	100.0	13.1	9.1	35.3	1.2	7.2	16.7	17.4
30 to 34 years	100.0	14.4	11.4	37.8	0.7	5.0	12.3	18.3
35 to 44 years	100.0	17.1	15.0	29.5	0.5	5.5	14.1	18.3
45 to 54 years	100.0	16.9	4.8	44.2	0.5	4.6	14.4	14.5
55 to 64 years	100.0	14.9	4.4	50.7	1.3	4.0	14.0	10.7
65 years and over	100.0	9.6	2.3	60.5	0.9	7.8	9.0	10.0
Male	100.0	16.5	8.1	32.5	1.1	8.5	13.9	19.5
18 to 20 years	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
21 to 24 years	100.0	17.2	9.1	22.5	-	6.5	19.3	25.4
25 to 29 years	100.0	14.3	8.7	29.9	2.4	10.5	15.0	19.2
30 to 34 years	100.0	9.2	9.9	29.4	1.7	3.7	13.3	33.0
35 to 44 years	100.0	16.9	16.0	20.2	1.0	8.9	16.2	20.8
45 to 54 years	100.0	20.2	3.1	43.2	-	7.2	7.4	18.8
55 to 64 years	100.0	20.6	5.3	39.3	1.1	6.9	19.5	7.2
65 years and over	100.0	14.1	5.3	50.2	2.0	12.4	8.0	8.0
Female	100.0	14.1	7.2	44.7	0.3	5.0	14.9	13.9
18 to 20 years	100.0	18.1	9.1	24.3	-	10.5	24.1	14.0
21 to 24 years	100.0	16.7	3.8	29.9	-	9.9	17.2	22.4
25 to 29 years	100.0	11.9	9.4	40.6	-	4.1	18.3	15.7
30 to 34 years	100.0	18.6	12.6	44.7	-	6.0	11.6	6.4
35 to 44 years	100.0	17.3	14.3	36.6	-	3.0	12.5	16.3
45 to 54 years	100.0	14.6	5.9	44.9	0.9	2.9	19.2	11.6
55 to 64 years	100.0	11.5	3.8	57.5	1.3	2.3	10.7	12.8
65 years and over	100.0	6.1	-	68.3	-	4.2	9.8	11.6

- Represents zero.
B Base less than 75,000.