

## THE DECISION CO

## **Survey of Likely 2025 General Election Voters**

Atlanta Georgia

Conducted March 16 - 17, 2025

n=300 | ±5.65%

**Q1. Top Priority**: Which two of the following issues do you believe is the most important for the City of Atlanta's future? Select two.

	Freq.	%
Transportation and traffic	115	38.3%
Affordable housing	101	33.6%
Crime and public safety	93	31.0%
Homelessness	93	30.9%
Inflation and cost of living	74	24.7%
Water infrastructure	55	18.2%
Economic development and jobs	55	18.2%
Government transparency and	50	16.5%
accountability		
Taxes and government spending	35	11.5%
Improving government service delivery	25	8.3%
Unsure	0	0.0%
Total	300	100.0%

**Q2. Vote Method**: How do you plan to vote in the November 2025 general election for Atlanta Mayor and City Council?

	Freq.	%
Vote in-person on Election Day	<u>71</u>	<u>23.8%</u>
Definitely vote in-person on Election Day	45	14.9%
Probably vote in-person on Election Day	27	8.9%
Vote absentee by mail	10	3.4%
Definitely vote absentee by mail	4	1.5%
Probably vote absentee by mail	6	1.9%
Vote early in-person	<u>218</u>	<u>72.8%</u>
Definitely vote early in-person	123	41.1%
Probably vote early in-person	95	31.7%
Total	300	100.0%

# **Q3. City Direction**: Generally speaking, would you say things in Atlanta are headed in the right direction or off on the wrong track?

	Freq.	%
Right direction	<u>161</u>	<u>53.8%</u>
Definitely the right direction	25	8.5%
Mostly the right direction	136	45.3%
Wrong track	<u>86</u>	28.6%
Mostly the wrong track	50	16.7%
Definitely the wrong track	36	11.9%
Unsure	53	17.6%
Total	300	100.0%

# **Q4. Dickens Job Approval**: Do you approve or disapprove of the job Andre Dickens is doing as Mayor of Atlanta?

	Freq.	%	
Approve	<u>196</u>	<u>65.4%</u>	
Strongly approve	78	26.1%	
Somewhat approve	118	39.3%	
<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>26.3%</u>	

Somewhat disapprove Strongly disapprove	38 41	12.6% 13.7%
Unsure	25	8.3%
Total	300	100.0%

**Q5. City Council Job Approval**: Do you approve or disapprove of the job your councilmembers are doing on City Council?

	Freq.	%
Approve	<u>151</u>	<u>50.4%</u>
Strongly approve	23	7.6%
Somewhat approve	128	42.8%
<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>31.7%</u>
Somewhat disapprove	49	16.4%
Strongly disapprove	46	15.3%
Unsure	54	17.9%
Total	300	100.0%

Q6 - Q10. For each of the following issues in the City of Atlanta, please indicate if you believe things have become better or worse over the last 4 years.

	Better	Much better	Worse	Much worse	Unsure	Total
Public safety and crime	<u>57.4%</u>	10.3%	<u>33.5%</u>	13.2%	9.1%	100.0%
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Housing offerdebility	<u>14.4%</u>	2.7%	74.7%	40.2%	11.0%	100.0%
Housing affordability  43  8  14.77  2.77	<u>224</u>	121	33	300		
City's relationship with state	<u>45.2%</u>	11.2%	28.2%	10.1%	26.7%	100.0%
and county government	<u>135</u>	34	<u>85</u>	30	80	300
Transportation investment	<u>32.3%</u>	3.3%	<u>44.9%</u>	20.9%	22.8%	100.0%
Transportation investment	<u>97</u>	10	<u>135</u>	63	68	300
Unsheltered homelessness	<u>17.9%</u>	2.1%	<u>68.8%</u>	34.5%	13.4%	100.0%
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**Q11.** Leadership Trust Open End: In your own words, what could Atlanta's civic and business leaders be focused on?

#### See Verbatim File.

**Q12. Affordable Housing Concern**: Which of the following concerns you the most when thinking about affordable housing in Atlanta?

	Freq.	%
Rising rent prices	68	22.6%
Lack of affordable homes to purchase	70	23.2%
Gentrification and displacement of long-	47	15.5%
term residents		
Homelessness	40	13.4%
Property tax increases	71	23.8%
Unsure	5	1.5%
Total	300	100.0%

Q13. Public Safety Improvements: What do you believe would be the most effective approach to improving public safety in Atlanta?

	Freq.	%
Increasing the number of police officers	40	13.4%

Investing in community-based violence	31	10.5%
prevention programs		
Addressing root causes like poverty or	153	51.0%
lack of opportunity		
Improving police training and	25	8.3%
accountability		
Stricter enforcement of existing laws	42	13.8%
Unsure	9	3.0%
Total	300	100.0%

## **Q14. Transportation Improvements**: Which public transportation method in Atlanta would you most like to see improved?

	Freq.	%
MARTA bus service	23	7.6%
MARTA rail expansion	106	35.5%
Road conditions and traffic flow	125	41.5%
Pedestrian safety and walkability	26	8.8%
Bicycle infrastructure	13	4.4%
Unsure	6	2.1%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q15. New Development Goals: What should be the primary goal of economic development in Atlanta?

	Freq.	%
Creating jobs	45	15.1%
Increasing tax revenue	4	1.4%
Revitalizing neighborhoods	44	14.7%
Reducing vacant or abandoned buildings	47	15.7%
Increasing income equality	81	27.0%
Attracting new businesses	36	12.0%
Supporting existing small businesses	32	10.6%
Unsure	11	3.6%
Total	300	100.0%

**Q16. Change Optimism**: Which of the following would make you feel more optimistic about Atlanta's future? Select up to three.

	Freq.	%
More affordable housing options	154	51.3%
Reduced crime rates	128	42.7%
Improved public transportation	111	36.9%
Delivery of large-scale projects	33	11.1%
Better-paying jobs	63	20.9%
Less traffic congestion	142	47.5%
More green spaces and parks	46	15.3%
More transparent and accountable	110	36.8%
government		
Unsure	2	0.6%
Total	300	100.0%

**Q17. One Change Open End**: In your own words, what one change would make the biggest positive difference in your daily life as an Atlanta resident?

See Verbatim File.

Q18. Dickens Re-Elect: Now, thinking about the November 2025 general election... Do you believe Democrat Andre Dickens deserves to be re-elected as Mayor of Atlanta, or is it time for someone new?

Freq.	%
<u>167</u>	<u>55.7%</u>
95	31.7%
72	24.1%
<u>85</u>	<u>28.4%</u>
34	11.4%
51	17.1%
47	15.8%
300	100.0%
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Freq.

Q19. News Source: What are your primary sources for local news? Select up to three options.

Broadcast	183	<u>61.1%</u>
WSB-TV ABC 2	121	40.2%
WAGA-TV Fox 5	79	26.3%
WXIA-TV NBC 11	61	20.2%
WANF-TV CBS 46	48	15.9%
Social Media	<u>92</u>	<u>30.5%</u>
TikTok	27	8.8%
Facebook	36	12.0%
Twitter / X	27	8.9%
YouTube	26	8.6%
Newspaper	<u>77</u>	<u>25.7%</u>
Talk radio	<u>37</u>	<u>12.4%</u>
<u>Podcasts</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>10.4%</u>
Other websites	<u>84</u>	<u>28.0%</u>
Unsure	14	4.7%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q20. Gender

	Freq.	%
Female	166	55.3%
Male	127	42.5%
Nonbinary	7	2.3%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q21. Age Range

	Freq.	%	
Under 55	<u>162</u>	<u>54.1%</u>	
18 - 29	20	6.5%	
30 - 44	84	28.1%	
45 - 54	59	19.5%	
55 and Over	<u>138</u>	<u>45.9%</u>	
55 - 64	55	18.3%	

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	Freq.	%
Q22. Partisanship by Response		
Total	300	100.0%
65+	83	27.6%

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Republican	<u>38</u>	<u>12.6%</u>
Strongly Republican	18	6.0%
Mostly Republican	20	6.6%
Independent	<u>64</u>	21.3%
<u>Democratic</u>	<u>184</u>	61.4%
Mostly Democratic	76	25.5%
Strongly Democratic	108	35.9%
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Unsure	14	4.7%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q23. Ideology

	Freq.	%
Conservative	42	14.1%
Moderate	95	31.6%
Liberal	56	18.5%
Progressive	74	24.7%
Unsure	33	11.1%
Total	300	100.0%

#### **Q24.** Marital Status

	Freq.	%
Single	112	37.3%
Married	124	41.3%
Divorced	34	11.2%
Widowed	21	6.9%
Separated	3	1.1%
Unsure	7	2.2%
Total	300	100.0%

### Q25. Income by Response

	Freq.	%
Less than \$25,000	21	7.2%
\$25,000 - \$49,999	35	11.6%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	32	10.5%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	29	9.6%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	44	14.6%
\$150,000 - \$249,999	40	13.3%
\$250,000+	67	22.2%
Unsure	33	11.0%
Total	300	100.0%

### Q26. Race/Ethnicity

	Freq.	%
White or Caucasian	139	46.3%
Asian or Pacific Islander	7	2.2%
Black or African American	124	41.4%
Hispanic or Latino	12	3.8%
Other	10	3.2%

Unsure	9	3.1%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q27. 2024 Retro Ballot

	Freq.	<u> </u>
Republican Donald Trump	40	13.4%
Democrat Kamala Harris	233	77.6%
Another candidate	10	3.4%
Did not vote in 2024	1	0.4%
Unsure	16	5.2%
Total	300	100.0%

#### **Q28.** Education Level

	Freq.	%
No degree	<u>98</u>	32.8%
Some high school	5	1.8%
High school diploma/GED	20	6.6%
Technical Certification	7	2.3%
Some college or Associate's Degree	66	22.1%
At least College	<u>197</u>	<u>65.8%</u>
Four-year undergraduate or Bachelor's	84	28.1%
Degree		
Graduate degree or further	113	37.6%
Unsure	4	1.4%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q29. General Election X of 4

	Freq.	%
0 of 4	4	1.4%
1 of 4	20	6.6%
2 of 4	61	20.4%
3 of 4	71	23.6%
4 of 4	144	47.9%
Total	300	100.0%

#### **Q30.** Geo

	Freq.	%
South-East	119	39.6%
North	94	31.2%
South-West	88	29.2%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q31. Geo - CCD

	Freq.	%
South-East	<u>119</u>	<u>39.6%</u>
1	20	6.8%
2	23	7.7%
4	21	6.9%
5	26	8.8%
12	28	9.4%
<u>North</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>31.2%</u>
6	37	12.4%
7	22	7.3%
8	35	11.6%

South-West	<u>88</u>	<b>29.2%</b>
3	17	5.6%
9	24	7.8%
10	20	6.8%
11	27	9.0%
Total	300	100.0%

### Q32. Geo - Zip

	Freq.	%
30307	9	3.0%
30308	15	5.1%
30310	18	5.9%
30315	16	5.2%
30312	12	4.2%
30316	17	5.5%
30314	13	4.5%
30317	8	2.7%
30354	4	1.3%
30313	2	0.7%
30303	2	0.6%
30306	17	5.6%
30309	19	6.5%
30311	20	6.6%
30305	25	8.2%
30327	17	5.7%
30324	8	2.8%
30342	10	3.4%
30319	4	1.2%
30326	2	0.8%
30318	35	11.6%
30331	24	8.0%
30363	3	0.9%
Total	300	100.0%

## Q33. Community Type

	Freq.	%
Suburban	45	15.0%
Urban	255	85.0%
Total	300	100.0%

## Q34. Gender + Age

	Freq.	%
Female 18 - 29	11	3.6%
Female 30 - 44	45	15.2%
Female 45 - 54	31	10.2%
Female 55 - 64	29	9.8%
Female 65+	49	16.4%
Male 18 - 29	7	2.5%
Male 30 - 44	34	11.5%
Male 45 - 54	28	9.3%
Male 55 - 64	26	8.5%
Male 65+	32	10.7%
Nonbinary 18 - 29	1	0.4%
Nonbinary 30 - 44	4	1.5%
Nonbinary 65+	1	0.5%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q35. Race + Gender

Freq.	%
69	22.9%
69	23.0%
1	0.5%
6	2.0%
1	0.3%
77	25.8%
42	14.1%
4	1.5%
5	1.6%
5	1.8%
1	0.4%
5	1.8%
4	1.4%
9	3.1%
300	100.0%
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#### Q36. Gender + Education

	Freq.	%
Female At least College	104	34.7%
Female No degree	59	19.7%
Male At least College	87	29.1%
Male No degree	38	12.7%
Nonbinary At least College	6	1.9%
Nonbinary No degree	1	0.4%
Unsure	4	1.4%
Total	300	100.0%

#### Q37. Marital Status + Gender

	Freq.	%
Single Female	68	22.5%
Single Male	41	13.8%
Single Nonbinary	3	1.0%
Married Female	53	17.6%
Married Male	70	23.2%
Married Nonbinary	1	0.5%
Divorced Female	22	7.3%
Divorced Male	11	3.6%
Divorced Nonbinary	1	0.4%
Separated Female	2	0.6%
Separated Nonbinary	1	0.5%
Widowed Female	18	5.9%
Widowed Male	3	0.9%
Unsure Female	4	1.3%
Unsure Male	3	0.9%
Total	300	100.0%

#### **METHODOLOGY**

This probabilistic survey was conducted March 16 - 17, 2025, with 300 likely 2025 general election voters. It has a margin of error of ±5.65%. Known registered voters were interviewed via live phones and SMS. This survey was weighted to the likely 2025 general election voters universe.

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