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Sources for Election Information

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Selected Sources for Election Information, Statistics, and Visualizations:

Check out these sources for good examples and methodology to examine with students.

- FiveThirtyEight (Nate Silver): https://fivethirtyeight.com/
 - o In-depth analysis of polls, statistics, and visualizations
- Flowing Data (Nathan Yau): http://flowingdata.com/
 - Compelling visualizations
- Vote411: http://www.vote411.org/
 - Local election information
- The New York Times The Upshot: http://www.nytimes.com/section/upshot
 - Highlights methodology
- Pew Research Center: http://www.pewresearch.org/
 - Includes methodology

Selected Aggregators of Polls:

Use these to check out recent polls, trends in poll results, and accuracy of polls over time.

- FiveThirtyEight's Pollster Ratings: http://projects.fivethirtyeight.com/pollster-ratings/
 - Gives polls a grade
- HuffPost Pollster: http://elections.huffingtonpost.com/pollster
 - Aggregates results of polls in visualizations
- RealClearPolitics: http://www.realclearpolitics.com/
 - Lists recent polls by date

Transparency and Disclosure Organizations:

Use these to see if a particular pollster discloses information to one of these transparency agencies.

- American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR): http://www.aapor.org/
- National Council on Public Polls (NCPP): http://www.ncpp.org/
- Roper Center: http://ropercenter.cornell.edu/polls/

(see next page for resources from this webinar)

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