# **ENGAGING OLDER VOTERS** Through Direct Mail



Voters are increasingly looking for personalized, targeted outreach to break through the clutter in the crowded landscape of political campaigns. Older voters (Boomers and Gen X) consistently turn out to vote at higher rates than other demographics and prefer traditional communication channels, making them a crucial demographic for engagement.

Older voters tend to appreciate straightforward messaging with information about the candidate's stance on issue areas relevant to them as well as when and where to vote. Campaigns can build authentic connections with older voters by delivering direct mail pieces that resonate with their values and concerns, emphasizing the issues that matter most to them. Personalization and clarity are key to leveraging targeted direct mail pieces as part of an integrated campaign strategy with this voting bloc.



81% of Surveyed Older Voters

Check Their Mailbox At Least 4 Days a Week.

### Deliver Individualized Content to Facilitate Personalized Engagement

72% of Surveyed Older Voters Read the Mail Piece Upon Seeing It **65%** 

of Surveyed Older Voters Follow News About That Race More Closely **59%** 

of Surveyed Older Voters Discuss the Race with Friends or Family



# Tailor Direct Mail to Include Information on the IssuesOlder Voters Care About













to Vote





74%

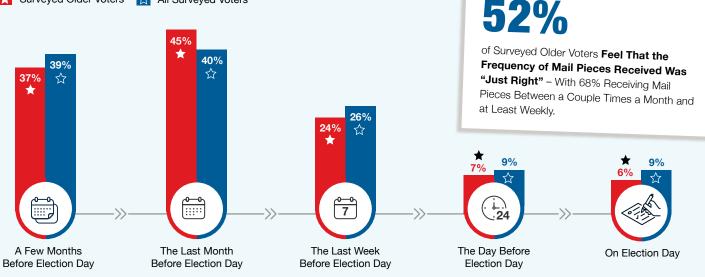
of Surveyed Older Voters Agree Direct Mail is **One of the Most Credible Advertising Channels.** 





### Incorporate Direct Mail Earlier During the Election Cycle as a Starting Point for Engagement

Surveyed Older Voters 🔂 All Surveyed Voters



Surveyed Voters Selected When They Want to Receive Direct Mail Pieces

### **Leverage Direct Mail to Break Through the Clutter**

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Feel That Direct Mail Was Harder to Ignore Than Online and Television Ads



Feel Less Overwhelmed by Direct Mail Than Other Political Advertising Channels



Agree That Direct Mail **Reinforces Information They Saw** on Other Political Advertising Channels

## **59%**

of Surveyed Older Voters Believe Direct Mail Includes **More Facts Than Other Advertising Channels.** 



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### **References:**

All 2023 election data sourced from consultant interviews and post-election surveys conducted on behalf of the Postal Service<sup>™</sup> by Summit Research and KRC Research from September 2023 through January 2024. The research includes 11 in-depth interviews with campaign consultants, an online post-election survey of 171 campaign consultants, and an online post-election survey of 2,529 voters from Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Houston, TX, Columbus, OH, and Philadelphia, PA. In the online post-election survey, a total of 1,278 Older voters were surveyed.

