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Bernie Sanders and the Black Vote

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This project focuses on Democratic Presidential Candidate Bernie Sanders and his struggle in obtaining the minority vote. While Sanders has attracted the white vote, the Independent vote, and the youth vote, he's struggled heavily with minorities, especially Blacks. Another reason Bernie Sanders is losing to Hillary Clinton in the election is because he cannot win a specific region that helped Barack Obama defeat Hillary Clinton in 2008, the South. According to the U.S. Census, eight of the top ten black population states are located in the South. Bernie Sanders lost all eight states to Hillary Clinton in 2016, while Barack Obama won all eight states against Hillary Clinton in 2008. The project focuses on cities with large majority populations in states where Sanders won and lost. After finding the data, we compare the results to Barack Obama's performance in the same cities against Hillary Clinton by using tables, bar graphs, and count data.