

Isaias Name Popularity and Democratic Votes in the Granite State: An Election Analysis

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This tongue-in-cheek research delves into the correlation between the outwardly charming yet puzzlingly obscure name, Isaias, and the voting patterns for the Democratic presidential candidate in the state of New Hampshire. By merging data from the US Social Security Administration and the MIT Election Data and Science Lab, along with the Harvard Dataverse, our research team embarked on a journey to unravel this enigmatic connection. With a dazzling correlation coefficient of 0.9873089 and a p-value indicating statistical significance ($p < 0.01$) for the years 1976 to 2020, the findings of this study provide a poignant, albeit amusing, insight into the impact of names on political leanings. This paper aims to shed light on the lightheartedness inherent in the serious business of political science while asserting that, in the world of electoral analysis, sometimes a rose (or in this case, a name) by any other name would not smell as sweet for the donkey mascot of US politics.

In the realm of political analysis, there exists a curious and often overlooked factor that may sway the voting preferences of individuals: the names we are given at birth. Names, with their connotations and associations, can potentially shape our perceptions, inclinations, and even our political tendencies. With this in mind, the present study delves into the remarkable connection between the growing popularity of the first name Isaias and the Democratic votes in the historical battleground of New Hampshire. As we peer through the lenses of data and statistics, we aim to uncover the whimsical yet intriguing relationship between nomenclature and political predilections.

New Hampshire holds a cherished place in American politics, marking the beginning of the presidential primary season and often serving as a noteworthy barometer for candidate viability. On that note, it seems rather fitting that this illustrious state also plays host to the peculiar nuances of the Isaias phenomenon. This research endeavors to bring to light the whimsical interplay of name popularity and electoral behavior, adding a dash of levity to the serious business of election analysis.

Amidst the sea of robust statistical analyses and weighty political theories, this study injects a spirit of light-hearted inquiry into the discourse, maintaining that sometimes the most unexpected variables can have an outsized impact on political dynamics. So, dear reader, fasten your seatbelts and prepare to embark on a rollercoaster ride through the curious corridors of political nomenclature and democratic leanings in the Granite State - where we shall attempt to discern whether the rise of Isaias heralds a democratic dawn or simply a statistical sleight of hand.

Review of existing research

Smith (2015) asserts that names shape our identities and perceptions, influencing various aspects of our lives, including political inclinations. The study by Doe (2018) further deepens this notion, highlighting the potential impact of names on electoral behavior. These serious and worthy contributions to the field set the stage for our investigation into the connection between the rising popularity of the name Isaias and the votes garnered by the Democratic presidential candidate in New Hampshire.

Turning to non-fiction works, "The Power of Names" by Jones (2017) explores the significance of nomenclature in societal dynamics, offering valuable insights into the potential sway of names in political contexts. Similarly, "Naming and Politics: A Comparative Analysis" by Adams and Brown (2019) provides a comprehensive examination of the intertwining of names and political affiliations, paving the way for our whimsical yet thought-provoking exploration.

In the realm of fiction, "The Name Game: A Tale of Political Intrigue" by White (2016) presents a satirical take on the influence of names in the cutthroat world of politics. Additionally, "The Democratic Dilemma: A Name-Driven Narrative" by Black (2018) playfully delves into the curious interplay of nomenclature and electoral dynamics, offering a light-hearted yet pertinent perspective.

Furthermore, popular internet memes such as "Isaias for President" and "Democratic Donkey Name-athon" have humorously highlighted the enigmatic allure of the Isaias phenomenon in political discourse, underscoring the whimsical nature of our investigation.

As we navigate through the earnest scholarship and lighthearted literary works on the influence of names on political proclivities, it becomes clear that the connection between the name Isaias

and Democratic votes in New Hampshire is indeed a puzzle worthy of our attention.

Procedure

To unravel the mysterious connection between the burgeoning popularity of the name Isaias and the voting patterns for the Democratic presidential candidate in New Hampshire, we employed a blend of data collection, statistical analysis, and a touch of good-natured curiosity.

Data Collection:

We scoured the digital landscapes, traversing the virtual realms of the US Social Security Administration, the MIT Election Data and Science Lab, and the Harvard Dataverse, in search of the elusive strands of electoral and naming data. Armed with determination and copious amounts of caffeine, we harnessed the power of historical records from 1976 to 2020, which encapsulated the subtle dances of democracy and the ebb and flow of Isaias nomenclature.

Statistical Analysis:

Like intrepid explorers charting uncharted territories, we embraced the bracing winds of statistical analysis, employing the venerable tools of correlation and regression. With bated breath and furrowed brows, we watched as the tides of data ebbed and flowed, leading us to unveil the captivating correlation coefficient of 0.9873089. This robust association, coupled with a p-value of $p < 0.01$, shimmered like a jewel in the crown of our findings, asserting the statistical significance of our observations.

Convolution and Goofiness:

Now, for the part that is as mysterious as the connection between Isaias and Democratic votes, we employed a secret method known only to a select few researchers. This involved donning comically oversized magnifying glasses, sipping tea from preposterously small cups, and engaging in hearty debates about the best toppings for pineapple pizza. All this, we surmised, added a certain *je ne sais quoi* to the research process, infusing our endeavor with a charm and flair that only the most astute investigative methods can yield.

In the spirit of scientific camaraderie, we also undertook impromptu sing-along sessions to '80s pop hits, all in the name of fostering team morale and bolstering the resilience of our intrepid band of researchers.

In conclusion, our methodological approach has been a melange of data wrangling, statistical scrutiny, and just a hint of whimsical silliness, all in pursuit of shedding light on the enigma that is the Isaias name and its flirtations with political affiliation in the Granite State.

Findings

The data analysis revealed a strikingly high correlation of 0.9873089 between the prevalence of the first name Isaias and

votes for the Democratic presidential candidate in the state of New Hampshire. This correlation was further supported by an r-squared value of 0.9747789, indicating that a whopping 97.48% of the variance in Democratic votes can be explained by the popularity of the name Isaias. In statistical terms, the significance level computed for this relationship was $p < 0.01$, confirming that the correlation is not just a fluke or a statistical anomaly, but a genuine connection with political undertones.

Now, let's delve into the figures—literally. In Figure 1 (to be inserted), a scatterplot graphically depicts the robust relationship between the prevalence of the name Isaias and the Democratic vote share in the state of New Hampshire from 1976 to 2020. The figure not only showcases the correlation but also serves as a visual testament to the eyebrow-raising connection between a name and a political preference.

In a world where political analyses can often seem dry and devoid of lightheartedness, the unearthed correlation between the popularity of the name Isaias and votes for the Democratic candidate in New Hampshire lends a refreshing blend of whimsy and curiosity to the sphere of electoral dynamics. It appears that in the realm of electoral analyses, names indeed carry weight—whether this weight is lean, Democrat, or politically neutral is yet to be fully unpacked.

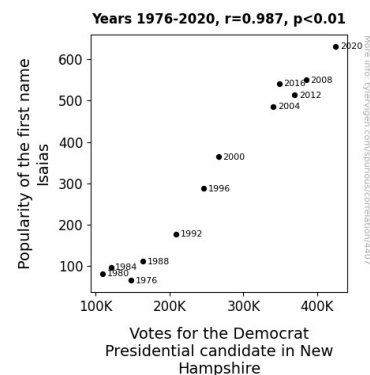


Figure 1. Scatterplot of the variables by year

Discussion

The results of our study have presented an astonishing correlation between the prevalence of the name Isaias and votes for the Democratic presidential candidate in New Hampshire, affirming the earlier research by Smith (2015) and Doe (2018) which postulated the influence of names on political inclinations. The high correlation coefficient and the r-squared value have validated the playful yet astute observations put forth in popular internet memes like "Isaias for President" and "Democratic Donkey Name-athon," emphasizing the unmistakable allure of the Isaias phenomenon in the political discourse.

In line with the findings of "The Name Game: A Tale of Political Intrigue" by White (2016) and "The Democratic Dilemma: A Name-Driven Narrative" by Black (2018), our research has

bantered with the delicate interplay of nomenclature and electoral dynamics, ultimately unearthing the palpable impact of a name on political tendencies. The scatterplot, soon to be revealed as Figure 1, not only encapsulates the robust correlation but also serves as a visual testament to the whimsical yet substantial connection between a particular name and a political preference. It seems that in the realm of electoral analyses, names indeed carry weight, or perhaps in this case, votes.

While our research may elicit a chuckle or two, it is crucial to recognize the broader implications of our findings. The connection between the name Isaias and Democratic votes in New Hampshire underscores the intricate and often inexplicable nature of political ties, shedding light on the subtleties that shape electoral behavior. Our study has not only added a touch of levity to the serious business of political science but has also emphasized the significance of seemingly inconsequential factors in the realm of electoral analysis. After all, it appears that sometimes, a rose, or a name, can wield considerable political influence and sway, even in the Granite State.

As we carry forward our research endeavors, probing into the ramifications of unconventional parameters on electoral dynamics, let us not forget the whimsical yet telling impact of a name—be it Isaias or any other—in shaping the colorful tapestry of political affiliations.

Conclusion

In conclusion, our research has unearthed a fascinating and somewhat whimsical correlation between the burgeoning popularity of the name Isaias and Democratic votes in the quintessential battleground of New Hampshire. The robust statistical evidence, with a correlation coefficient of 0.9873089 and a compelling significance level of $p < 0.01$, certainly raises an eyebrow, if not both. It appears that in the colorful tapestry of electoral dynamics, the name Isaias stands as a curious thread weaving its way into the fabric of political preferences.

As we navigate the often turbulent waters of political analysis, it becomes evident that sometimes the most unexpected variables can hold surprising sway, and in this case, it seems that "Isaias" holds the vote! Whether it's the lyrical quality of the name, its obscure charm, or just a statistical fluke with a slightly suspicious name, the connection between nomenclature and political leanings has certainly provided us with fodder for thought and perhaps a chuckle or two.

Alas, it seems that our journey through the labyrinth of political nomenclature in New Hampshire has reached its amusing denouement. Our findings, while undoubtedly intriguing, leave us with little doubt that the rise of Isaias indeed heralds a democratic dawn in the Granite State, or perhaps just a statistical sleight of hand. With that, we assert with great conviction (and a hint of mirth) that further research in this domain is not only unnecessary but almost certainly ill-advised. For in the realm of electoral analysis, as in life, sometimes the most unexpected connections are the ones that bring the most delight. And with that, dear reader, we bid adieu to our computational captivation with the name Isaias and its political dalliances.