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Hawaii voter turnout dropped below 2012 presidential election

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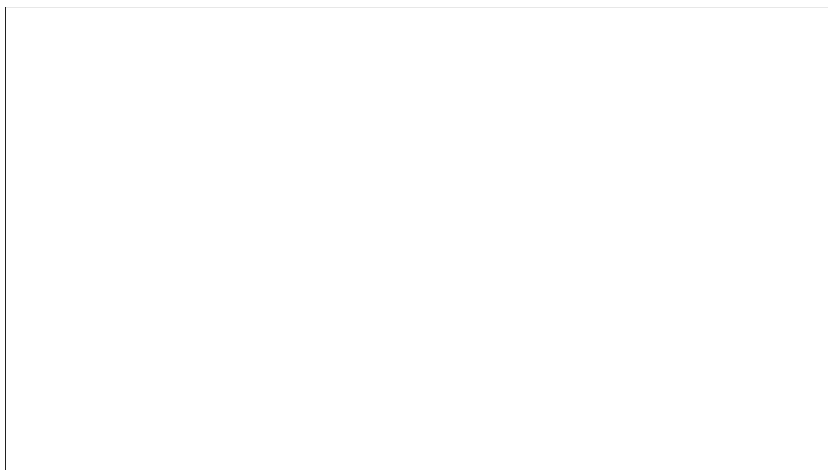
Mark Noguchi holds his son Frame, 1, and his wife, Amanda Noguchi holds their daughter, Elee, 3, while casting their votes in Manoa.

Without a native son on the ballot for president, Hawaii's voter turnout dropped below the last presidential election year in 2012.

With all but a handful of votes counted, 412,282 ballots were cast statewide, about 55 percent of Hawaii's 749,917 registered voters.

In 2012, the last presidential election with Hawaii-born Barack Obama on the ballot, 436,663 voters, about 62 percent of registered voters actually voted.

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This year's turnout is still better than 2014, when only 52 percent of voters cast ballots.

Presidential elections generally draw higher turnout than non-presidential elections.

Hawaii has one of the nation's lowest voter participation rates and it has been steadily worsening every election.

In 2008, when Obama first ran for president, 66 percent of Hawaii's registered voters cast ballots.