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Subject: Re: Why did you vote for Obama?

Posted by [Dover](#) on Wed, 17 Dec 2008 07:28:30 GMT

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Nukelt15 wrote on Tue, 16 December 2008 17:21 Some of our most popular and successful Presidents have been veterans- including, among others, Washington and Kennedy, and their terms saw some of the most responsible and efficient uses of military resources to resolve conflicts with a minimum of bloodshed. Some of our worst military cluster-fucks, on the other hand, have taken place during the terms of Presidents with no combat experience... Carter (Iran- the botched attempt to rescue American personnel from the embassy), Clinton (Somalia), and Bush Jr. for instance (the latter served in the Air National Guard but never flew in combat). Perhaps such experience is useful, even if it doesn't make or break a Presidency on its own?

Yet ironically, the two presidents that are often named as "the greatest" had next to no military experience; Lincoln had six months in a militia that saw no combat. FDR had no experience at all. Perhaps the opposite is true?

Nukelt15 wrote on Tue, 16 December 2008 17:21 You cannot deny that at least a large number of voters turned out in favor of Obama because of his skin color. All of the major news agencies covered that aspect of the race (no pun intended), and people were saying left and right how proud they were of being able to vote for the first black President- and mentioned no other reason for their votes.

I'm willing to wager that an equally large, if not greater number of people voted against Obama, or purposely didn't vote, because of his skin color.

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