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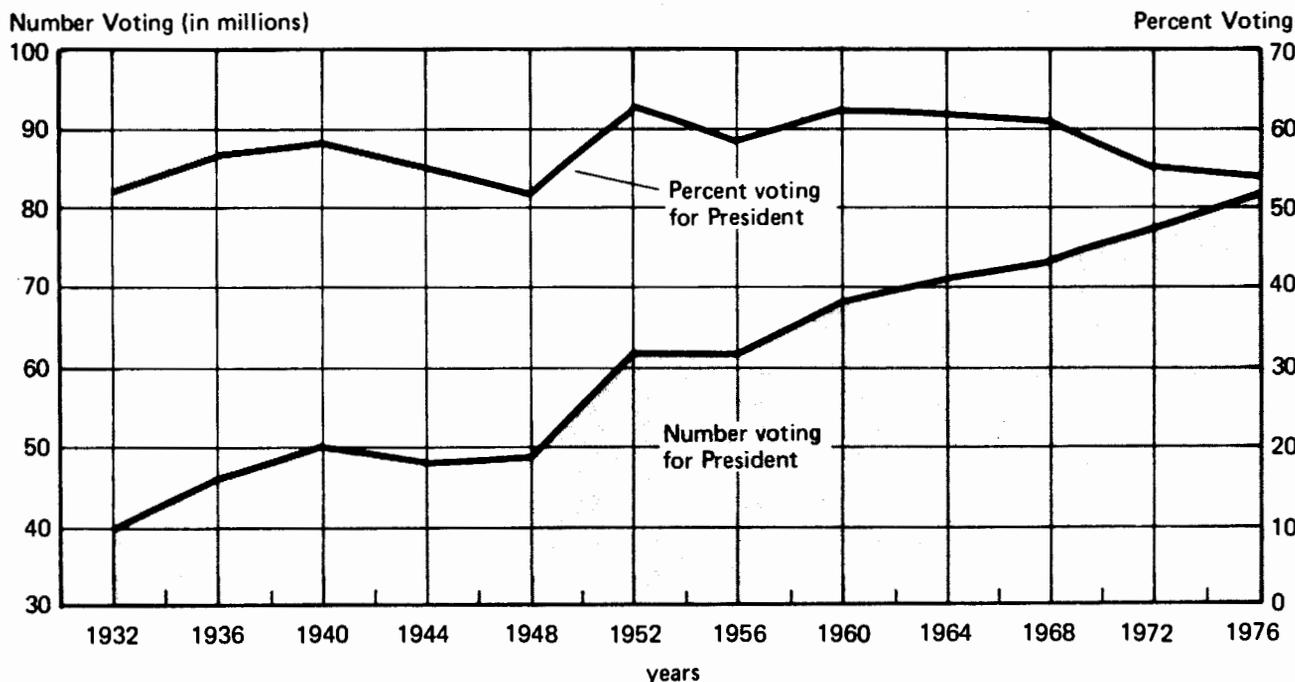
Projections of the Population of Voting Age for States: November 1980

This report presents projections of the November 1980 population of voting age for States, by race and broad age groups as a reference for the upcoming Presidential election. Included are estimates of the population of voting age and the percent casting votes in Presidential and Congressional election years in each State since 1960 and in the United States since 1930.¹ Also shown are dates of Presidential primaries.

¹ The information on the number of votes cast in both Presidential and Congressional election years is published biennially by the U.S. Congress, Clerk of the House, in either *Statistics of the Presidential and Congressional Elections* or *Statistics of the Congressional Elections*.

As a result of the ratification of the 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, the voting-age data shown in the tables of this report beginning with 1972 relate to persons 18 years old and over in all States and the District of Columbia, including members of the Armed Forces stationed in each State. They exclude population overseas—currently about 484,000 Armed Forces and 60,000 Federal civilian employees, plus their dependents of voting age—who would be eligible to vote by absentee ballot in their home State. All States and the District of Columbia permit members of the Armed Forces to register and vote by the absentee process. In 1968, Congress amended the Federal Voting

Figure 1. Number and Percent Casting Votes for President: 1932 to 1976



Assistance Act of 1955 to permit all other U.S. citizens temporarily residing overseas to register or vote.²

For elections prior to 1972, the voting-age population included persons 21 years and over, except in Georgia and Kentucky (18 years and over), Alaska (19 years and over), and Hawaii (20 years and over).

General Trends. The Nation's voting-age population is expected to reach 160 million persons³ (table 3) in November 1980, an increase of 10.4 million or 6.9 percent over 1976, the date of the last Presidential election. This increase is slightly lower than the increase of 10.1 million between the Presidential elections of 1972 and 1976, but is only half as much as the increase between 1968 and 1972, when lowering of the voting age to 18 added nearly 11 million voting-age population.

The 1970's have witnessed a heavy immigration into the Southern and Western regions of the country at the expense of the Northeast and North Central States. General population growth in the South and West has brought with it an increasing share of the Nation's voting-age population, growing to 51 percent of the U.S. total in 1980 (table 3).

Comparison of growth rates for each State with growth rates for the Nation as a whole documents the extent to which the Nation's electorate has redistributed itself in recent years. Excluding Alaska, all States in the West, 9 Southern States, and 5 Northern States exceed the National growth rate of 6.9 percent between 1976 and 1980 (table 2). Approximately 16 Northern States and 7 Southern States were growing more slowly, and the District of Columbia is expected to contain a smaller voting-age population in 1980 than in 1976.

¹See U.S. Department of Defense, *Federal Voting Assistance Program*, 11th Report, December 1977. Department of Defense, Washington, D.C.

²The figure includes about 4 million noncitizens residing in the United States.

Women have constituted more than half of the population of voting age in the United States since 1940. In 1979, their majority had increased to 52.4 percent of the population 18 years old and over.⁴ In 1970, women outnumbered men 18 years old and over in all States except Alaska, Hawaii, Nevada, and North Dakota (table 2). The female share of the population 18 years old and over currently is at about the same level as 1970, due to the return of more than 600,000 overseas Armed Forces and the addition of 18-to-20 years olds (with high sex ratios), offsetting the effect of the continued growth of the older population.

Minority populations. The Nation's population of voting age includes 141 million Whites and approximately 17 million Blacks and 3 million persons of other races—mostly American Indian and Asian Americans such as Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean, and Vietnamese (table A). Both Blacks and other minority races are increasing their share of the voting-age population. This is particularly true of Asians, who have immigrated to the United States in large numbers since the middle 1960's. The Spanish-origin population of voting age in the United States was estimated at 7.1 million persons in March 1979, according to the results of the Current Population Survey (CPS).⁵

The Black population comprises 11 percent of the total electorate. The Black population constitutes a larger proportion of the South's population of voting age (17 percent) than found in other regions. In the District of Columbia, Blacks are a majority of the electorate. In Mississippi, South Carolina, and Louisiana, they represent somewhat more than one-fourth of the voting-age population.

⁴Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 870.

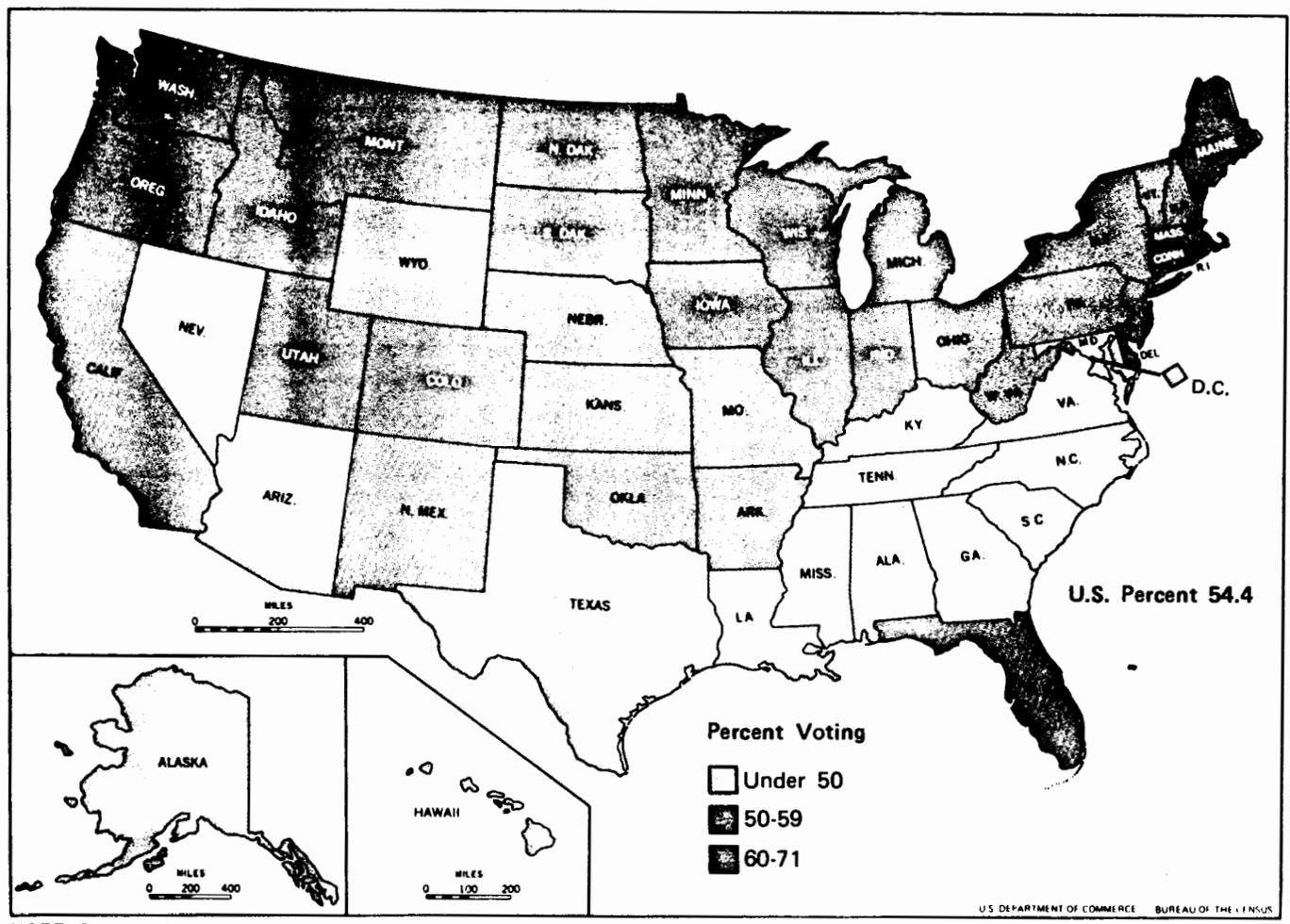
⁵See Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 347. Persons of Spanish origin were self-identified in the March 1979 CPS by a question on the person's origin or descent. Persons of Spanish origin were those who indicated that their origin was Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or some other Spanish origin.

Table A. Projections of the Population of Voting Age in the United States and Regions, by Race: November 1980

(In thousands)

Race	United States	Northeast	North Central	South	West
NUMBER					
Total.....	160,491	36,061	42,066	51,945	30,418
White.....	140,558	32,323	38,254	42,743	27,238
Black.....	16,967	3,292	3,443	8,718	1,514
Other races.....	2,966	446	369	484	1,666
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION					
Total.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White.....	87.6	89.6	90.9	82.3	89.5
Black.....	10.6	9.1	8.2	16.8	5.0
Other races.....	1.8	1.2	0.9	0.9	5.5

Figure 2. Percent of the Voting-Age Population Voting in the 1976 Presidential Election



NOTE: State law does not require tabulation of votes in uncontested elections.

Other racial minorities comprise only a small proportion of the voting-age population in the country. The greatest proportion of American Indians and Asian Americans are found in the West, where they constituted 1 percent and 3 percent, respectively, of the voting-age population in 1970.

In 1979, 59 percent of the population of Spanish origin lived in the five Southwestern States (Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, and Texas), and they were largely concentrated in metropolitan areas.

Both the Black population and Spanish-origin population have rather large proportions of young persons largely due to birth rates above the national average. In 1979, the median age of the Spanish-origin voting-age population (35 years) was lower than the median age of the Black voting-age population (37 years) and the overall voting-age population in the United States (41 years).

Voter Participation—The Last 5 Decades. The pattern of voting behavior in 12 Presidential and 25 Congressional elections over the past 5 decades is presented in table 5. Between the Presidential elections of 1932 and 1976, both the number of voters and the voting-age population doubled.

Except for the 1948 Presidential election, when barely half of the voting-age population went to the polls, the turnout for Presidential elections in the post-World War II

years was approximately 60 percent through 1968. After many barriers to registration and voting were removed by various legal actions during 1964 and 1965, voter participation rose to 61 percent in 1968 and then declined in the succeeding two Presidential elections.⁶

Changes in the age distribution of the electorate contributed to the decline in voter turnout. The young adult population has been the most rapidly growing group as a consequence of the surge in the birth rate beginning in 1947 and continuing into the late 1950's. When the approximately 11 million young persons entered the electorate for the first time in 1972 with the lowering of the voting age in national elections to age 18, the voter participation level dropped sharply to approximately 55 percent. These younger Americans tend to vote in much smaller proportions than the older population, thus contributing to the decline in voter participation.

Results from the Current Population Survey after each national election provide additional information on the characteristics of voters. The survey of 1976, for example,

⁶ Literacy tests were suspended under the 1965 Voting Rights Act. In 1966, the Supreme Court of the United States found use of the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting to be unconstitutional. The Voting Rights Act Amendment of 1970 eliminated the residency requirement as a precondition to voting for President and Vice President of the United States.

Table B. Percent Reported Voting by Age, Sex, and Race: November 1976

(As reported in Current Population Survey. Civilian noninstitutional population)

Age	Total	White	Black	Spanish origin ¹	Men	Women
Total, 18 years and over.....	59.2	60.9	48.7	31.8	59.6	58.8
18 to 24 years.....	42.2	44.7	27.9	21.8	40.9	43.4
25 to 34 years.....	55.4	57.3	46.0	29.3	54.6	56.1
35 to 44 years.....	63.3	65.1	54.4	38.6	62.5	64.0
45 to 64 years.....	68.7	69.9	62.3	40.3	69.7	67.9
65 years and over.....	62.2	63.2	54.3	29.9	68.3	58.0

¹Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

Source: Current Population Reports, Series P-20 No. 322 "Voting and Registration in the Election of November 1976," March 1978, table 2.

indicated that voter participation among Whites was substantially higher than for Blacks (about 12 percentage points) and about twice the rate for the population of Spanish origin (table B). Voter participation in general rose with increased educational level and with increased age. Women are now voting with the same frequency as men. In 1976, 59 percent of the women of voting age reported themselves as voting compared with 60 percent of the men. Younger women voted at slightly higher rates than men and older women at somewhat lower rates.⁷ Voting turnout for both Whites and Blacks in 1976 was about 10 percentage points below their respective levels in the 1964 election, whereas the figure for persons of Spanish origin was 6 percentage points below that of 1972, the first year the Bureau of the Census obtained voting data for the group separately.

Population ineligible to vote. The population of voting age includes a relatively modest number of persons who meet the age requirement but cannot vote, although the number has been appreciably smaller since 1972 due to shortened residence requirements. Aliens are the principal group of ineligible voting-age persons. It is estimated that there will be about 4 million aliens 18 years and over residing in the United States in November 1980, somewhat less than 3 percent of the total voting-age population.⁸ In addition, somewhat more than 500,000 persons will be disenfranchised because they have been committed to prisons, mental hospitals, or other institutions.

METHODOLOGY

The projections of the population of voting age shown by State, age, and race for November 1980 were based on the 1970 population counts and provisional July 1, 1979, estimates of the resident population by age, for States.⁹

⁷Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 322, *Voting and Registration in the Election of November 1976*, March 1978.

⁸See U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, *1977 Annual Report*.

⁹See *1970 Census of Population*, Vol. 1, "Characteristics of the Population," for each State, table 19, and Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 875.

The 1970 census base was adjusted slightly to reflect corrections to area counts made since the census tabulations, and to correct for the overstatement of other races and the centenarian population in the census.

The projections of the voting-age population for States shown by age for November 1980 were derived by extending the trend for July 1, 1978 to July 1, 1979, linearly for 1 year and 4 months. The projections by age, for States, obtained in this manner were adjusted to an independent national projection of the population by age for November 1, 1980.

The 1980 projections shown by race for each State were based on July 1, 1975, estimates of the population by race shown in Current Population Reports, Series P-23, No. 67, *Population Estimates by Race for States: July 1, 1973 and 1975*. The projections of the population of voting age were developed by race by assuming that the proportion 18 years of age and over in each State changed from 1970 to 1975 by the same absolute amount as the United States rate and applying the estimated 1975 proportion 18 years and over to the 1975 race estimates to estimate a 1975 population 18 years and over. The 1970 and 1975 proportion of each State's population 18 years old and over was then extended linearly to November 1, 1978. The estimates of the racial proportions for 1980 are assumed to remain at the 1978 values. As a last step, the projections were adjusted to the State age projections for 1980 and to an independent national total by race for the age group.

The estimates of the resident population of voting age for each State for elections prior to November 1970 were based on intercensal estimates of the resident population totals for States published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, Nos. 460, 304, and 72. The proportion of the population of each State which was 21 years old and over (18 years and over in Kentucky and Georgia, 20 years and over in Hawaii, and 19 years and over in Alaska) in the two consecutive censuses, was derived. Linear interpolation between census proportions provided an estimate for each State for each of the election years. These proportions were then applied to the appropriate annual estimates of the intercensal

population for States to yield estimates of the voting-age population. As a final step, these estimates were adjusted to an independent estimate of the voting-age population for the United States as a whole.

LIMITATIONS OF THE PROJECTIONS

The procedure for developing the age projections involves a 16-month extrapolation of age trends beyond the estimates for July 1, 1979. An evaluation of the procedure for developing population estimates for States by age for the period 1960-70 appears in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 734. The average percent error for the estimates of the voting-age population as shown by the test was 1.5 percent. The extrapolative procedure used to develop the age projections would be expected to have a larger error.

The method used to develop the estimates by race also involved an extrapolative technique, but of a longer duration. By virtue of this fact and the likelihood of less precision in the 1975 race estimates than in the 1979 age estimates, it is likely that the projections by race are subject to greater error than the detail by age.

The estimates contained here are designed primarily to provide approximate growth patterns and levels of the

voting-age population by race. Small differences between figures, as well as small changes over time, should be interpreted cautiously.

RELATED REPORTS

The projections of the voting-age population for November 1980 are consistent with estimates of the population of States by age for July 1, 1979, published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 875. The estimates for 1978 contained in this report supersede those published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 732. Estimates of the U.S. population by race and single years of age up to 1979 appear in Series P-25, No. 870.

Related data from the CPS on reported voting and registration in the national elections of November 1976 are published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 322.

ROUNDING OF ESTIMATES

The estimates shown in the tables of this report have been rounded to the nearest thousand without adjustment to group totals, which are independently rounded. The percentages are based on unrounded numbers.

Table 1. Projections of the Population of Voting Age by Age and Race for States: November 1980

(In thousands. Population 18 years old and over. Includes Armed Forces in each State)

Region, division, and State	Population of voting age	Age				Race	
		18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	White	Black
United States, total.....	160,491	29,227	62,280	43,910	25,074	140,558	16,967
Regions:							
Northeastern States.....	36,061	6,111	13,489	10,491	5,970	32,323	3,292
North Central States.....	42,066	7,828	16,318	11,348	6,573	38,254	3,443
The South.....	51,945	9,537	20,227	13,893	8,288	42,743	8,718
The West.....	30,418	5,751	12,247	8,179	4,242	27,238	1,514
Northeast:							
New England.....	9,112	1,636	3,459	2,520	1,496	8,745	302
Middle Atlantic.....	26,950	4,475	10,031	7,970	4,474	23,578	2,990
North Central:							
East North Central.....	29,598	5,530	11,629	8,035	4,405	26,468	2,886
West North Central.....	12,468	2,299	4,688	3,312	2,168	11,787	557
South:							
South Atlantic.....	25,736	4,663	9,874	6,906	4,292	20,773	4,724
East South Central.....	10,089	1,816	3,943	2,721	1,608	8,294	1,747
West South Central.....	16,121	3,057	6,409	4,266	2,388	13,676	2,247
West:							
Mountain.....	7,661	1,525	3,058	2,021	1,057	7,243	175
Pacific.....	22,757	4,225	9,189	6,157	3,186	19,994	1,339
New England:							
Maine.....	790	139	290	224	137	785	(¹)
New Hampshire.....	657	117	264	176	100	653	(¹)
Vermont.....	359	67	146	89	56	355	(¹)
Massachusetts.....	4,298	791	1,617	1,174	715	4,111	153
Rhode Island.....	687	122	247	193	125	661	20
Connecticut.....	2,321	400	894	664	363	2,180	125
Middle Atlantic:							
New York.....	12,900	2,172	4,852	3,766	2,110	11,025	1,648
New Jersey.....	5,398	886	2,037	1,619	856	4,710	615
Pennsylvania.....	8,652	1,418	3,141	2,586	1,508	7,843	727
East North Central:							
Ohio.....	7,701	1,419	3,009	2,124	1,149	6,931	724
Indiana.....	3,849	715	1,522	1,038	573	3,566	269
Illinois.....	8,046	1,481	3,122	2,221	1,222	6,906	1,028
Michigan.....	6,557	1,263	2,657	1,738	898	5,739	770
Wisconsin.....	3,446	652	1,318	914	562	3,325	95
West North Central:							
Minnesota.....	2,957	568	1,170	745	473	2,899	30
Iowa.....	2,093	364	773	575	381	2,061	29
Missouri.....	3,569	643	1,340	951	636	3,156	385
North Dakota.....	469	92	166	130	81	456	(¹)
South Dakota.....	485	91	166	138	91	459	(¹)
Nebraska.....	1,138	212	421	301	204	1,095	33
Kansas.....	1,756	328	653	472	303	1,661	76
South Atlantic:							
Dalaware.....	420	83	167	112	58	361	58
Maryland.....	3,039	584	1,247	821	387	2,388	610
District of Columbia.....	475	99	186	117	72	149	316
Virginia.....	3,817	765	1,539	1,016	496	3,105	665
West Virginia.....	1,357	210	407	227	127	1,308	462
North Carolina.....	4,055	746	1,627	1,093	589	3,216	796
South Carolina.....	2,069	407	844	540	279	1,483	573
Georgia.....	3,629	702	1,505	920	502	2,743	867
Florida.....	6,876	1,066	2,247	1,880	1,683	6,019	796
East South Central:							
Kentucky.....	2,532	462	991	684	396	2,348	174
Tennessee.....	3,205	551	1,275	875	503	2,742	450
Alabama.....	2,702	490	1,046	736	430	2,077	609
Mississippi.....	1,650	313	631	426	280	1,127	515
West South Central:							
Arkansas.....	1,562	257	580	420	305	1,303	217
Louisiana.....	2,780	557	1,110	729	384	2,007	759
Oklahoma.....	2,131	376	811	577	367	1,913	139
Texas.....	9,648	1,867	3,908	2,541	1,333	8,454	1,132
Mountain:							
Montana.....	560	104	215	158	84	538	(¹)
Idaho.....	634	118	250	172	94	623	(¹)
Wyoming.....	335	65	135	99	37	323	(¹)
Colorado.....	2,050	420	871	514	245	1,951	70
New Mexico.....	869	182	339	234	114	795	15
Arizona.....	1,779	329	673	469	308	1,640	48
Utah.....	901	206	366	220	109	882	(¹)
Nevada.....	533	101	210	156	66	492	31
Pacific:							
Washington.....	2,978	552	1,228	771	427	2,824	67
Oregon.....	1,909	324	766	517	302	1,851	25
California.....	16,956	3,140	6,809	4,636	2,372	14,866	1,230
Alaska.....	257	63	126	57	11	209	(¹)
Hawaii.....	657	146	261	176	74	244	(¹)

¹Numbers not shown where less than 10,000 living in States.

Table 2. Summary of Selected Characteristics of the Voting-Age Population: November 1, 1980 and April 1, 1970

(Population 18 years old and over. Includes Armed Forces in each State)

Region, division, and State	Voting-age population as percent of total population	Percent of voting-age population										Median age, 1970	Percent change since 1976	
		1980 projection					1970 census							
		Under 25 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	Black	Other races ¹	Spanish origin ²	Asian Americans ³	American Indians	Females			
United States, total	72.2	18.2	38.8	27.4	15.6	10.6	1.8	3.8	0.7	0.3	52.5	43.0	6.9	
Regions:														
Northeast.....	73.9	16.9	37.4	29.1	16.6	9.1	1.2	3.9	0.4	0.1	53.4	44.3	2.5	
North Central.....	71.9	18.6	38.8	27.0	15.6	8.2	0.9	1.9	0.2	0.2	52.5	43.3	5.1	
South.....	71.5	18.4	38.9	26.7	16.0	16.8	0.9	4.4	0.2	0.3	52.5	42.3	8.5	
West.....	71.9	18.9	40.3	26.9	13.9	5.0	5.5	9.7	3.0	0.9	51.4	41.5	12.6	
Northeast:														
New England.....	74.0	18.0	38.0	27.7	16.4	3.3	0.7	1.2	0.3	0.1	53.1	43.9	5.1	
Middle Atlantic.....	73.8	16.6	37.2	29.6	16.6	11.1	1.4	4.7	0.5	0.1	53.5	44.5	1.7	
North Central:														
East North Central.....	71.6	18.7	39.3	27.1	14.9	9.8	0.8	2.1	0.3	0.1	52.5	42.9	4.7	
West North Central.....	72.5	18.4	37.6	26.6	17.4	4.5	1.0	1.2	0.2	0.4	52.4	44.3	6.0	
South:														
South Atlantic.....	72.8	18.1	38.4	26.8	16.7	18.4	0.9	2.0	0.2	0.2	52.4	42.2	7.8	
East South Central.....	70.7	18.0	39.1	27.0	15.9	17.3	0.5	1.2	0.1	0.1	52.8	42.8	7.2	
West South Central.....	70.0	19.0	39.8	26.5	14.8	13.9	1.2	10.3	0.2	0.6	52.3	42.2	10.4	
West:														
Mountain.....	69.2	19.9	39.9	26.4	13.8	2.3	3.2	10.7	0.5	0.2	51.3	41.1	15.5	
Pacific.....	72.9	18.6	40.4	27.1	14.0	5.9	6.3	9.3	3.7	0.5	51.4	41.7	11.6	
New England:														
Maine.....	71.6	17.6	36.7	28.4	17.3	0.2	0.4	(*)	0.1	0.2	52.4	44.5	6.3	
New Hampshire.....	72.3	17.8	40.2	26.7	15.3	0.3	0.4	(*)	0.2	0.1	52.3	43.2	13.7	
Vermont.....	71.7	18.7	40.8	24.9	15.7	(2)	1.0	(*)	0.1	0.1	52.5	42.8	8.8	
Massachusetts.....	74.6	18.4	37.6	27.3	16.6	3.6	0.8	(*)	0.4	0.1	53.8	44.1	4.0	
Rhode Island.....	74.3	17.7	36.0	28.1	18.2	2.9	0.8	(*)	0.4	0.1	51.7	44.1	2.7	
Connecticut.....	74.6	17.2	38.5	28.6	15.6	5.4	0.7	(*)	0.2	0.1	52.7	43.7	4.9	
Middle Atlantic:														
New York.....	73.7	16.8	37.6	29.2	16.4	12.8	1.8	6.3	0.7	0.1	53.7	44.1	0.3	
New Jersey.....	73.5	16.4	37.7	30.0	15.9	11.4	1.4	3.5	0.3	0.1	52.9	44.1	4.1	
Pennsylvania.....	74.1	16.4	36.3	29.9	17.4	8.4	0.9	0.8	0.2	(2)	53.4	45.2	2.3	
East North Central:														
Ohio.....	71.9	18.4	39.1	27.6	14.9	9.4	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.1	52.9	42.9	3.8	
Indiana.....	71.1	18.6	39.6	27.0	14.9	7.0	0.4	1.8	0.1	0.1	52.5	42.5	5.4	
Illinois.....	71.8	18.4	38.8	27.6	15.2	12.8	1.4	3.0	0.5	0.1	52.7	43.3	3.3	
Michigan.....	71.0	19.3	40.5	26.5	13.7	11.8	0.7	1.4	0.2	0.2	52.1	42.2	5.4	
Wisconsin.....	72.3	18.9	38.3	26.5	16.3	2.8	0.7	(*)	0.2	0.3	52.1	43.7	7.9	
West North Central:														
Minnesota.....	72.1	19.2	39.6	25.2	16.0	1.0	0.9	(*)	0.2	0.5	52.2	43.2	8.3	
Iowa.....	72.3	17.4	36.9	27.5	18.2	1.4	0.1	(*)	0.1	0.1	52.7	45.1	4.3	
Missouri.....	73.0	18.0	37.5	26.6	17.8	10.8	0.8	(*)	0.2	0.1	53.1	44.6	5.4	
North Dakota.....	70.9	19.6	35.4	27.8	17.2	0.4	2.4	(*)	0.1	1.6	49.9	43.9	6.1	
South Dakota.....	70.7	18.7	34.2	28.4	18.7	0.4	5.0	(*)	0.1	3.5	51.1	45.2	3.0	
Nebraska.....	72.1	18.6	37.0	26.5	17.9	2.9	0.9	(*)	0.2	0.4	52.3	44.5	5.0	
Kansas.....	73.3	18.7	37.2	26.9	17.2	4.3	1.1	(*)	0.2	0.4	51.9	44.0	7.1	
South Atlantic:														
Delaware.....	72.5	19.9	39.6	26.7	13.8	13.7	0.4	(*)	0.3	0.1	52.5	41.4	4.0	
Maryland.....	73.3	19.2	41.0	27.0	12.7	20.1	1.4	(*)	0.5	0.1	52.2	41.2	5.3	
District of Columbia.....	74.8	21.0	39.3	24.6	15.1	66.5	2.0	(*)	0.8	0.1	55.1	40.2	-6.3	
Virginia.....	73.2	20.1	40.3	26.6	13.0	17.4	1.2	(*)	0.4	0.1	51.4	40.5	7.3	
West Virginia.....	71.5	15.5	37.8	30.0	16.8	3.1	0.5	(*)	0.1	(2)	52.9	45.2	4.9	
North Carolina.....	71.8	18.4	40.1	27.0	14.5	19.6	1.1	(*)	0.1	0.7	52.1	40.8	6.6	
South Carolina.....	69.7	19.7	40.8	26.1	13.5	27.7	0.6	(*)	0.1	0.1	51.9	40.1	7.6	
Georgia.....	70.2	19.4	41.5	25.3	13.8	23.9	0.5	(*)	0.1	0.1	52.7	40.4	7.0	
Florida.....	75.5	15.5	32.7	27.3	24.5	11.6	0.9	5.8	0.2	0.1	53.0	46.5	12.4	
East South Central:														
Kentucky.....	70.9	18.2	39.1	27.0	15.6	6.9	0.4	(*)	0.1	(2)	52.1	43.0	6.6	
Tennessee.....	72.2	17.2	39.8	27.3	15.7	14.0	0.4	(*)	0.1	0.1	53.0	42.6	7.8	
Alabama.....	70.8	18.1	38.7	27.2	15.9	22.5	0.6	(*)	0.1	0.1	53.2	42.8	7.8	
Mississippi.....	67.3	19.0	38.3	25.8	17.0	31.2	0.5	(*)	0.1	0.2	53.0	43.2	6.2	
West South Central:														
Arkansas.....	71.2	16.5	37.1	26.9	19.5	13.9	2.7	(*)	0.1	0.1	52.8	45.5	6.2	
Louisiana.....	68.4	20.0	39.9	26.2	13.8	27.3	0.5	(*)	0.1	0.1	52.6	41.5	8.3	
Oklahoma.....	72.1	17.6	38.1	27.1	17.2	6.5	3.7	(*)	0.2	3.3	52.5	44.2	8.6	
Texas.....	69.9	19.3	40.5	26.3	13.8	11.7	0.6	13.4	0.2	0.2	52.1	41.4	12.1	
Mountain:														
Montana.....	70.7	18.5	38.3	28.1	15.1	0.3	3.6	(*)	0.2	2.9	50.6	43.6	8.5	
Idaho.....	67.9	18.7	39.5	27.1	14.8	0.3	1.4	(*)	0.5	0.8	50.8	43.2	13.4	
Wyoming.....	69.6	19.4	40.2	29.4	10.9	1.8	1.9	(*)	0.3	1.2	50.4	42.7	24.5	
Colorado.....	71.8	20.5	42.5	25.1	11.9	3.4	1.4	8.4	0.6	0.4	51.5	40.2	14.4	
New Mexico.....	68.1	21.0	39.0	26.9	13.1	1.7	6.8	2.6	0.3	5.7	51.6	40.1	13.3	
Arizona.....	69.8	18.5	37.8	26.3	17.3	2.7	5.1	12.1	0.5	4.1	51.7	41.9	16.5	
Utah.....	62.9	22.8	40.6	24.4	12.1	0.2	1.9	(*)	0.7	0.8	51.8	39.2	15.5	
Nevada.....	71.3	19.0	39.3	29.4	12.3	5.8	1.9	(*)	0.7	1.4	49.4	40.5	25.4	
Pacific:														
Washington.....	72.7	18.6	41.2	25.9	14.3	2.2	2.9	(*)	1.3	0.8	51.1	42.3	17.0	
Oregon.....	72.8	17.0	40.1	27.1	15.8	1.3	1.7	(*)	0.7	0.5	52.1	44.1	15.1	
California.....	73.2	18.5	40.2	27.3	14.0	7.3	1.2	9.8	2.8	0.4	51.7	41.6	10.6	
Alaska.....	64.1	24.4	49.0	22.3	4.3	3.1	15.2	(*)	1.0	4.5	43.2	33.9	0.4	
Hawaii.....	70.7	22.3	39.7	26.8	11.3	1.3	61.5	(*)	49.8	0.2	47.6	38.3	8.6	

(2) Less than .005.

¹Other races is comprised principally of American Indians, Asian Americans, and Pacific Islanders.

²Persons whose origin or descent was Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish. U.S. all-ages percentage is 4.5. Dark ruled percentages for divisions and regions based on population all-ages.

³Includes persons indicating their race as Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Filipino.

⁴Data not available where less than 100,000 persons of Spanish origin in State.

Table 3. Estimates of the Population of Voting Age by State: November 1960 to 1980

(In thousands. For years prior to 1972, population of voting age includes persons 18 years old and over in Georgia and Kentucky, 19 and over in Alaska, 20 and over in Hawaii, end 21 and over in all other States. Beginning 1972 comprises persons 18 years old and over in each State. Includes Armed Forces stationed in each State)

Region, division, and State	1980	1978	1976	1974	1972	1970	1968	1966	1964	1962	1960
United States.....	160,491	155,712	150,127	145,035	140,068	124,498	120,285	116,638	114,090	112,952	109,672
Regions:											
Northeast.....	36,061	35,658	35,171	34,522	34,090	30,799	30,209	29,749	29,399	29,251	28,616
North Central.....	42,066	41,253	40,036	39,069	38,163	34,039	33,100	32,299	31,720	31,805	31,297
South.....	51,945	50,017	47,894	45,793	43,507	38,388	36,803	35,389	34,435	33,662	32,601
West.....	30,418	28,784	27,026	25,652	24,308	21,272	20,172	19,201	18,536	18,234	17,158
Northeast:											
New England.....	9,112	8,917	8,666	8,438	8,237	7,337	7,128	6,955	6,833	6,781	6,609
Middle Atlantic.....	26,950	26,742	26,505	26,083	25,853	23,462	23,081	22,794	22,566	22,470	22,007
North Central:											
East North Central.....	29,598	29,076	28,277	27,653	27,010	24,132	23,496	22,903	22,382	22,347	21,955
West North Central.....	12,468	12,176	11,759	11,416	11,153	9,907	9,604	9,396	9,338	9,458	9,342
South:											
South Atlantic.....	25,736	24,897	23,880	22,930	21,605	19,047	18,182	17,365	16,771	16,212	15,616
East South Central.....	10,089	9,765	9,410	9,052	8,711	7,841	7,610	7,431	7,302	7,194	7,087
West South Central.....	16,121	15,355	14,604	13,810	13,191	11,501	11,011	10,593	10,362	10,256	9,898
West:											
Mountain.....	7,661	7,159	6,635	6,270	5,797	4,858	4,590	4,388	4,295	4,189	3,947
Pacific.....	22,757	21,626	20,391	19,381	18,511	16,414	15,582	14,813	14,241	14,045	13,211
New England:											
Maine.....	790	771	743	714	683	601	592	589	585	595	588
New Hampshire.....	657	621	578	551	520	452	427	408	398	391	376
Vermont.....	359	345	330	316	306	265	252	240	232	233	231
Massachusetts.....	4,298	4,222	4,133	4,054	3,968	3,538	3,459	3,391	3,349	3,333	3,266
Rhode Island.....	687	680	669	654	671	596	573	554	545	548	540
Connecticut.....	2,321	2,278	2,213	2,149	2,089	1,886	1,826	1,773	1,724	1,679	1,608
Middle Atlantic:											
New York.....	12,900	12,870	12,863	12,701	12,663	11,543	11,450	11,403	11,324	11,247	10,965
New Jersey.....	5,398	5,287	5,187	5,070	4,997	4,507	4,358	4,232	4,142	4,089	3,919
Pennsylvania.....	8,652	8,585	8,455	8,312	8,193	7,412	7,273	7,159	7,100	7,135	7,122
East North Central:											
Ohio.....	7,701	7,601	7,420	7,296	7,123	6,419	6,252	6,080	5,962	5,989	5,888
Indiana.....	3,849	3,777	3,653	3,577	3,496	3,104	3,003	2,915	2,845	2,836	2,799
Illinois.....	8,046	7,955	7,791	7,612	7,532	6,795	6,667	6,542	6,422	6,430	6,298
Michigan.....	6,557	6,414	6,220	6,077	5,868	5,200	5,032	4,885	4,719	4,665	4,598
Wisconsin.....	3,446	3,328	3,193	3,090	2,991	2,615	2,543	2,481	2,434	2,426	2,372
West North Central:											
Minnesota.....	2,957	2,854	2,730	2,631	2,546	2,248	2,154	2,082	2,050	2,062	2,017
Iowa.....	2,093	2,069	2,007	1,958	1,936	1,712	1,673	1,641	1,625	1,661	1,666
Missouri.....	3,569	3,494	3,386	3,306	3,228	2,913	2,813	2,751	2,709	2,726	2,706
North Dakota.....	469	457	442	425	413	360	354	358	362	359	357
South Dakota.....	485	482	471	459	447	389	384	385	395	406	395
Nebraska.....	1,138	1,116	1,084	1,056	1,030	906	881	863	879	893	868
Kansas.....	1,756	1,705	1,639	1,581	1,553	1,380	1,346	1,316	1,318	1,352	1,334
South Atlantic:											
Delaware.....	420	415	404	390	378	326	314	301	292	284	272
Maryland.....	3,039	2,976	2,885	2,783	2,690	2,372	2,271	2,174	2,065	1,966	1,867
District of Columbia.....	475	492	507	515	530	483	495	506	513	527	513
Virginia.....	3,817	3,721	3,556	3,375	3,202	2,823	2,717	2,608	2,539	2,456	2,349
West Virginia.....	1,357	1,327	1,293	1,240	1,221	1,077	1,061	1,049	1,049	1,051	1,075
North Carolina.....	4,055	3,953	3,805	3,677	3,496	3,043	2,921	2,798	2,723	2,647	2,585
South Carolina.....	2,069	2,001	1,923	1,842	1,748	1,487	1,427	1,373	1,333	1,293	1,272
Georgia.....	3,629	3,519	3,391	3,251	3,098	2,985	2,851	2,717	2,634	2,546	2,507
Florida.....	6,876	6,494	6,116	5,856	5,242	4,451	4,124	3,839	3,623	3,442	3,176
East South Central:											
Kentucky.....	2,532	2,456	2,376	2,284	2,204	2,136	2,063	1,996	1,964	1,950	1,950
Tennessee.....	3,205	3,092	2,974	2,859	2,758	2,410	2,325	2,254	2,212	2,165	2,110
Alabama.....	2,702	2,609	2,506	2,404	2,314	2,042	1,993	1,968	1,919	1,874	1,850
Mississippi.....	1,650	1,608	1,554	1,505	1,435	1,253	1,229	1,213	1,207	1,205	1,177
West South Central:											
Arkansas.....	1,562	1,528	1,471	1,420	1,354	1,180	1,143	1,119	1,108	1,085	1,049
Louisiana.....	2,780	2,689	2,567	2,443	2,373	2,058	2,002	1,950	1,894	1,859	1,813
Oklahoma.....	2,131	2,044	1,963	1,872	1,809	1,605	1,540	1,489	1,471	1,478	1,431
Texas.....	9,648	9,093	8,603	8,075	7,655	6,658	6,327	6,035	5,889	5,832	5,605
Mountain:											
Montana.....	560	544	516	494	469	410	403	402	402	403	395
Idaho.....	634	600	559	528	491	418	397	384	379	385	377
Wyoming.....	335	299	269	245	229	198	190	184	192	193	192
Colorado.....	2,050	1,929	1,792	1,710	1,586	1,328	1,251	1,171	1,142	1,124	1,056
New Mexico.....	869	818	767	717	671	561	539	532	530	517	504
Arizona.....	1,779	1,652	1,527	1,444	1,295	1,056	975	917	878	836	760
Utah.....	901	841	780	741	699	583	551	530	512	506	479
Nevada.....	533	476	425	390	357	303	284	268	260	226	184
Pacific:											
Washington.....	2,978	2,749	2,546	2,419	2,306	2,078	1,975	1,833	1,754	1,774	1,727
Oregon.....	1,909	1,783	1,658	1,581	1,503	1,308	1,231	1,185	1,141	1,111	1,079
California.....	16,956	16,201	15,326	14,595	13,969	12,376	11,771	11,220	10,789	10,622	9,895
Alaska.....	257	262	256	213	197	178	166	158	153	148	139
Hawaii.....	657	631	605	574	536	473	439	417	404	390	371

Table 4. Estimates of the Percent Casting Votes for Presidential Electors and U.S. Representatives, by State: November 1960 to 1978

(Total votes cast as a percent of the population of voting age. For years prior to 1972, population of voting age includes persons 18 years old and over in Georgia and Kentucky, 19 and over in Alaska, 20 and over in Hawaii, and 21 and over in all other States. Beginning 1972 comprises persons 18 years old and over in each State.)

Region, division, and State	Percent casting votes for Presidential electors ¹						Percent casting votes for U.S. Representatives ¹								
	1976	1972	1968	1964	1960	1978	1976	1974	1972	1970	1968	1966	1964	1962	1960
United States.....	54.4	55.4	60.7	61.8	63.1	35.1	49.6	36.1	50.9	43.8	55.2	45.4	57.8	46.3	58.7
Regions:															
Northeast.....	55.9	58.5	63.7	66.7	70.4	38.5	52.0	41.0	54.9	48.8	59.0	51.8	63.0	54.1	67.7
North Central.....	60.3	60.7	67.1	70.0	73.4	41.1	56.8	41.7	58.0	50.1	63.4	50.9	67.6	53.7	70.5
South.....	48.4	46.1	52.0	47.6	44.7	24.7	40.6	24.6	38.2	30.2	42.2	29.9	40.8	26.1	32.5
West.....	54.1	59.4	61.7	65.9	66.6	40.3	51.5	41.7	57.1	50.4	59.3	54.6	64.1	52.5	63.5
Northeast:															
New England.....	61.7	63.1	67.7	70.0	75.4	43.6	58.5	45.0	58.4	52.9	62.5	54.8	66.3	58.2	71.6
Middle Atlantic.....	54.0	57.1	62.4	65.8	68.9	36.9	49.9	39.7	53.8	47.6	57.9	50.8	62.1	52.8	66.4
North Central:															
East North Central.....	59.4	60.3	66.8	70.0	73.3	39.3	55.5	40.6	57.0	50.3	62.9	51.2	67.4	55.1	70.5
West North Central.....	62.5	61.8	67.7	70.1	73.6	45.4	59.8	44.3	60.4	49.7	64.7	50.0	68.0	50.3	70.6
South:															
South Atlantic.....	47.6	45.9	51.8	48.3	44.9	26.0	39.9	25.6	38.9	31.6	44.9	30.5	41.2	26.1	39.6
East South Central.....	48.8	45.0	52.7	45.0	44.1	27.7	41.0	27.0	41.9	32.1	42.6	34.5	40.6	25.0	32.6
West South Central.....	49.4	47.0	52.0	48.4	45.0	20.8	41.6	21.5	34.6	26.5	37.5	25.8	40.4	25.9	35.0
West:															
Mountain.....	57.4	59.1	63.0	66.0	67.0	39.8	55.9	45.6	57.4	50.0	60.5	53.2	65.1	53.6	66.6
Pacific.....	53.0	59.6	61.3	65.6	66.5	40.5	50.1	40.4	57.0	50.5	59.0	55.0	63.8	52.1	63.1
New England:															
Maine.....	65.0	61.1	66.4	65.1	71.7	47.9	63.6	49.5	60.5	52.9	64.9	53.1	63.2	48.0	69.5
New Hampshire.....	58.8	64.2	69.5	71.8	78.7	41.6	56.2	39.8	60.6	47.4	66.2	56.1	70.1	56.5	75.7
Vermont.....	55.7	60.8	64.0	70.4	72.4	35.0	54.5	40.8	57.5	62.3	56.7	70.5	75.2	71.8	80.5
Massachusetts.....	61.6	62.0	67.4	70.0	75.6	42.9	56.7	41.9	54.4	50.9	59.5	53.4	63.0	59.1	69.2
Rhode Island.....	61.4	62.0	67.2	71.6	75.2	45.3	58.2	46.5	57.8	54.6	63.7	57.9	68.5	58.1	72.7
Connecticut.....	62.6	66.3	68.8	70.7	76.1	44.8	60.9	50.2	64.7	56.8	66.1	56.6	70.2	61.5	75.8
Middle Atlantic:															
New York.....	51.8	56.6	59.3	63.4	67.3	34.0	46.6	38.5	52.2	47.2	53.3	48.3	59.7	49.4	64.0
New Jersey.....	58.1	60.0	66.0	68.7	70.8	36.6	54.2	41.1	56.7	46.6	61.9	49.6	65.7	47.9	67.8
Pennsylvania.....	54.7	56.0	65.3	67.9	70.3	41.3	52.4	40.6	54.5	48.7	62.9	55.4	63.7	61.0	69.6
East North Central:															
Ohio.....	55.4	57.5	63.3	66.6	70.7	36.6	51.8	40.4	53.9	47.4	58.2	46.0	62.6	50.1	65.3
Indiana.....	60.8	60.8	70.7	73.5	76.3	38.4	57.6	48.4	60.4	55.7	67.9	57.9	72.9	63.2	75.8
Illinois.....	60.6	62.7	69.3	73.2	75.5	38.3	56.0	37.3	58.2	51.3	66.3	57.1	71.2	55.9	73.1
Michigan.....	58.7	59.5	65.7	67.9	72.2	42.2	55.2	41.5	55.8	49.3	60.5	48.5	64.8	57.3	70.1
Wisconsin.....	65.8	62.0	66.5	69.5	72.9	43.6	61.4	38.7	60.2	50.7	64.5	46.5	67.7	51.3	70.1
West North Central:															
Minnesota.....	71.4	68.4	73.8	75.8	76.4	53.4	65.7	46.3	66.4	59.4	71.2	58.6	74.2	58.4	75.1
Iowa.....	63.7	63.3	69.8	72.9	76.5	39.2	61.9	46.1	61.8	45.5	67.2	53.6	70.3	48.3	73.6
Missouri.....	57.7	57.3	64.3	67.1	71.5	44.2	56.2	36.6	56.8	41.1	61.2	38.0	65.6	44.5	68.1
North Dakota.....	67.2	68.0	70.1	71.4	77.9	48.2	65.5	54.9	65.1	58.4	64.8	55.0	68.8	60.3	71.8
South Dakota.....	63.9	68.7	73.2	74.1	77.6	53.0	62.7	59.4	67.3	60.4	70.7	58.4	72.8	62.3	76.3
Nebraska.....	56.0	55.9	60.9	66.4	70.6	44.3	55.5	42.4	55.2	49.5	59.3	54.6	63.8	49.9	66.9
Kansas.....	58.4	59.0	64.8	65.1	69.7	39.7	55.5	49.0	56.5	52.2	60.7	50.2	61.7	46.3	65.3
South Atlantic:															
Delaware.....	58.4	62.4	68.3	69.0	72.2	38.0	53.3	41.1	59.8	49.2	64.0	54.2	68.1	54.0	71.7
Maryland.....	49.6	50.3	54.4	54.1	56.5	31.1	45.6	31.4	45.3	37.3	44.9	35.2	49.0	36.6	52.5
District of Columbia.....	33.3	30.8	34.4	38.7	-	19.6	31.5	21.0	29.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia.....	47.7	45.5	50.1	41.1	32.8	28.4	41.1	27.4	39.7	32.0	46.7	26.2	36.6	18.2	27.2
West Virginia.....	58.1	62.4	71.1	75.5	78.0	33.4	52.1	33.5	59.0	40.7	67.1	47.1	73.4	58.4	76.3
North Carolina.....	44.1	43.4	54.3	52.3	52.9	25.8	41.3	26.9	38.6	30.6	47.9	32.7	47.9	30.9	50.4
South Carolina.....	41.7	38.6	46.7	39.4	30.4	28.7	40.7	28.1	36.1	28.7	44.0	26.5	32.9	20.3	25.8
Georgia.....	43.1	37.9	43.4	43.3	29.2	16.7	36.9	25.3	28.8	29.5	33.1	31.3	31.7	13.1	22.9
Florida ²	51.5	49.3	53.0	51.2	48.6	24.9	34.0	18.1	36.9	28.1	42.9	27.5	39.1	27.3	39.3
East South Central:															
Kentucky.....	49.1	48.4	51.2	53.3	57.6	19.4	41.6	29.7	44.7	22.2	41.9	33.9	48.6	32.4	46.8
Tennessee.....	49.6	43.6	53.7	51.7	49.8	34.4	42.1	31.5	40.0	41.0	43.6	35.5	46.8	28.0	30.5
Alabama.....	47.2	43.5	52.7	35.9	30.8	24.6	39.3	23.4	42.0	36.3	45.7	35.8	32.2	23.8	23.7
Mississippi.....	49.5	45.0	53.2	33.9	25.3	32.3	41.0	20.3	41.0	24.9	36.5	31.6	29.9	13.4	21.9
West South Central:															
Arkansas ¹	52.2	47.9	53.3	50.6	40.8	19.2	22.9	29.8	13.8	14.7	26.1	26.1	11.7	16.7	36.0
Louisiana ²	49.8	44.3	54.8	47.3	44.6	4.9	39.5	22.4	28.6	17.6	31.4	28.0	31.7	18.6	28.7
Oklahoma ²	55.6	56.9	61.2	63.4	63.1	28.8	54.4	27.0	45.2	42.1	52.6	42.7	57.1	42.3	58.6
Texas.....	47.3	45.3	48.7	44.6	41.2	24.0	42.6	18.4	37.7	27.5	37.9	20.8	44.4	25.8	36.4
Mountain:															
Montana.....	63.7	67.8	68.0	69.4	70.3	52.0	62.2	51.4	67.2	60.8	65.3	64.2	68.9	61.7	69.0
Idaho.....	61.0	63.1	73.3	77.2	79.7	47.5	61.1	47.4	61.5	56.0	69.6	65.6	75.1	66.1	77.0
Wyoming.....	58.2	63.8	67.1	74.2	72.7	43.2	56.5	51.7	63.8	58.6	65.0	64.7	72.4	60.5	69.8
Colorado.....	60.3	60.2	64.5	68.0	69.7	40.7	57.0	45.9	57.6	48.0	62.4	54.7	66.3	53.1	67.7
New Mexico.....	54.3	57.5	60.7	61.9	61.7	34.8	52.3	44.1	55.7	50.2	57.5	49.8	65.9	52.1	59.8
Arizona.....	48.6	50.5	49.9	54.8	52.4	31.4	47.7	37.7	45.9	38.1	47.9	39.7	52.5	41.7	49.6
Utah.....	69.4	68.4	76.7	78.2	78.2	45.1	69.7	55.8	71.7	63.9	75.5	57.9	77.3	62.7	77.1
Nevada.....	47.5	51.0	54.4	52.1	58.3	38.5	47.0	43.1	50.4	45.4	50.9	47.8	50.3	41.3	56.3
Pacific:															
Washington.....	61.1	63.8	66.0	71.7	71.9	35.6	56.0	40.6	56.5	49.2	61.0	51.2	68.2	49.7	65.1
Oregon.....	62.1	61.7	66.4	68.9	71.8	49.0	55.9	47.6	57.9	49.9	63.9	56.1	67.3	56.8	70.6
California.....	50.9	59.1	60.4	65.4	65.8	40.3	48.6	39.4	57.3	51.1	58.5	55.9	63.3	52.3	62.7
Alaska.....	48.2	48.2	49.9	43.9	43.7	47.4	46.1	45.1	48.2	44.9	48.3	41.8	43.9</		

Table 5. Participation in Elections for President and U.S. Representatives: 1930 to 1976

(Numbers in thousands. As of November 1. Includes Armed Forces. Prior to 1960, excludes Alaska and Hawaii)

Year	Popula- tion of voting age ¹	Vote cast				Year	Popula- tion of voting age ¹	Vote cast			
		For Presi- dent	Percent of voting- age pop- ulation	For U.S. Repre- senta- tives	Percent of voting- age pop- ulation			For Presi- dent	Percent of voting- age pop- ulation	For U.S. Repre- senta- tives	Percent of voting- age pop- ulation
1930.....	73,623	(X)	(X)	24,777	33.7	1954.....	102,075	(X)	(X)	42,580	41.7
1932.....	75,768	39,732	52.4	37,657	49.7	1956.....	104,515	62,027	59.3	58,428	55.9
1934.....	77,997	(X)	(X)	32,256	41.4	1958.....	106,447	(X)	(X)	45,818	43.0
1936.....	80,174	45,643	56.9	42,886	53.5	1960.....	109,672	68,838	63.1	64,133	58.7
1938.....	82,354	(X)	(X)	36,236	44.0	1962.....	112,952	(X)	(X)	51,261	46.3
1940.....	84,728	49,900	58.9	46,951	55.4	1964.....	114,090	70,645	61.8	65,886	57.8
						1966.....	116,638	(X)	(X)	52,900	45.4
1942.....	86,465	(X)	(X)	28,074	32.5	1968.....	120,285	73,212	60.7	66,109	55.2
1944.....	85,654	47,977	56.0	45,103	52.7	1970.....	124,498	(X)	(X)	54,173	43.8
1946.....	92,659	(X)	(X)	34,398	37.1	1972.....	140,068	77,625	55.4	71,188	50.9
1948.....	95,573	48,794	51.1	45,933	48.1	1974.....	145,035	(X)	(X)	52,397	36.1
1950.....	98,134	(X)	(X)	40,342	41.1	1976.....	150,127	81,603	54.4	74,419	49.6
1952.....	99,929	61,551	61.6	57,571	57.6	1978.....	155,712	(X)	(X)	54,680	35.1

X Not applicable.

¹Population 18 and over beginning 1972; prior to 1972 population 21 and over except population 18 and over in Georgia since 1944, 18 and over in Kentucky since 1956, 19 and over in Alaska, and 20 and over in Hawaii.

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APPENDIX

Presidential and Congressional Primaries, by State: 1980

State	Presidential preference primary	Congressional primary	Congressional runoff	State	Presidential preference primary	Congressional primary	Congressional runoff
UNITED STATES				UNITED STATES--Con.			
Alabama.....	March 11	September 2	September 23	Missouri.....		August 5	
Alaska.....		August 26		Montana.....	June 3	June 3	
Arizona.....		September 9		Nebraska.....	May 13	May 13	
Arkansas.....	May 27 ¹	May 27	June 10	Nevada.....	May 27	September 9	
California.....	June 3	June 3		New Hampshire.....	February 26	September 9	
Colorado.....		September 9		New Jersey.....	June 3	June 3	
Connecticut.....	March 25	September 9		New Mexico.....	June 3	June 3	
Delaware.....		September 6		New York.....	March 25	September 9	
District of Columbia	May 6	May 6		North Carolina.....	May 6	May 6	June 3
Florida.....	March 11	September 9	October 7	North Dakota.....		September 2	
Georgia.....	March 11	August 12	September 2	Ohio.....	June 3	June 3	
Hawaii.....		October 4		Oklahoma.....		August 26	September 16
Idaho.....	May 27	August 5		Oregon.....	May 20	May 27	
Illinois.....	March 18	March 18		Pennsylvania.....	April 22	April 22	
Indiana.....	May 6	May 6		Rhode Island.....	June 3	September 9	
Iowa.....		June 3		South Carolina.....	March 8 ²	June 10	June 24
Kansas.....	April 1	August 5		South Dakota.....	June 3	June 3	
Kentucky.....	May 27	May 27		Tennessee.....	May 6	August 7	
Louisiana.....	April 5	September 20 ³		Texas.....	May 3 ²	May 3	June 7
Maine.....		June 10		Utah.....		September 9	
Maryland.....	May 13	May 13		Vermont.....	March 4	September 9	
Massachusetts.....	March 4	September 16		Virginia.....		June 10	
Michigan.....	May 20	August 5		Washington.....		September 16	
Minnesota.....		September 9		West Virginia.....	June 3	June 3	
Mississippi.....	June 3 ²	June 3	June 24	Wisconsin.....	April 1	September 9	
				Wyoming.....		September 9	

¹Democratic party only.²Republican party only.³Open primary, if no majority, two candidates receiving greatest number of votes run in November general election.

Note: States not holding Presidential primaries pick candidates at State conventions.

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