Population Estimates and Projections

U.S. Department of Commerce
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

Series P-25, No. 916
Issued July 1982

Projections of the Population of Voting Age for States: November 1982

This report presents projections of the population of voting age for States on November 1, 1982, by broad age groups as a reference for the primary elections and the November general election for members of the 98th Congress of the United States. Projections are shown in table 1 for the population 18 years of age and older (the legal voting age since the passage of the 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in the early 1970's) and for ages 18 to 24, 25 to 44, 45 to 64, and 65 and over. The projections relate to the resident population as counted in the decennial census, including members of the Armed Forces where they reside at their duty stations. They exclude the population overseas—currently about 500,000 Armed Forces and 50,000 Federal civilian employees plus their dependents of voting age—who would be eligible to vote by absentee ballot in their home State.

Table 2 shows April 1, 1980, census counts for the voting-age population by sex by State for the same four age groups, as well as percent female, median age of the voting-age population, and the percentage of the total populations which is of voting age. Other 1980 census data on race and Spanish origin of the voting-age population are presented in table 3 by State.

Table 4 contains estimates of the voting-age population of States for the Congressional elections from 1972 to 1980 and the percentage casting votes for U.S. Representatives at each election. Table 5 shows the percentage voting in the United States for both President and Representatives since 1930. An appendix presents dates of all Congressional primaries and runoffs for the 98th Congress, many of which are scheduled late in the year because of Congressional redistricting.

GENERAL TRENDS

The voting-age population of the United States is projected to reach approximately 170 million persons by November 1982, increases of 5 million since the last Congressional election in 1980 and 29 million since November 1972. This exceeds the growth of 28 million during the preceding 10 years, 11 million of which resulted from the lowering of the voting age to 18 after 1970. This phenomenal growth over the last two decades is the result of much of the baby boom generation reaching adulthood. Although the voting-age population will continue to grow, the decline in the number of births during the 1960's will slow the amount of growth during the 1980's.

The rapid growth of the young adult population during the 1970's had the effect of shifting the median age of the voting-age population down from 42 in 1970 to 40 in 1980. In November 1982, 2 out of every 5 persons of voting age

Table A. Population of Voting Age, By Decade

(As of November 1 of the year specified)

Year	Population of voting age	Increase during preceding decade	
		Number	Percent
1982	169,342,000	28,565,000	20.3
1972	140,777,000	27,825,000	24.6
1962	112,952,000	13,023,000	13.0
1952	99,929,000	13,464,000	15.6
1942	86,465,000	10,697,000	14.1
1932	75,768,000	-	-

Source: Table 5.

For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Postage stamps not acceptable; currency submitted at sender's risk. Remittances from foreign countries must be by international money order or by a draft on a U.S. bank. Current Population Reports are sold in two subscription packages: Series P-20, P-23, P-27, and P-60 are available for $75 per year ($18.75 additional for foreign mailing); Series P-25, P-26, and P-28 are available for $100 per year ($25 additional for foreign mailing). The single-copy price of this report is $2.50.

will be between the ages of 25 and 44 and nearly 1 out of 5 will be under 25 (table 1).

Women represented the majority of the 1980 voting-age population in all States except Alaska, Hawaii, Nevada, and Wyoming (table 2). By November 1982, they will represent 52.4 percent of the national voting-age population, 8 million more women than men, 5 million of whom will be aged 65 and over (table B). Men 18 to 24 years old have a slight majority over women, but by age 45, women clearly predominate in the voting-age population and represent about 60 percent of persons 65 and over.

Race and Spanish origin. In 1980, the Nation's population of voting age included 17 million Blacks, 9 million persons of Spanish origin, 2.5 million Asian and Pacific Islanders, and 865,000 American Indians, Eskimos, and Aluets (table 3). Blacks constitute 10.5 percent of the total national electorate (table C). While the Black outmigration from the South which began in World War I and has spread the settlement of Blacks throughout the United States has considerably equalized the regional distribution of Blacks, they still constitute 1 in every 6 persons of voting age in the South. Two-thirds of the District of Columbia's electorate is Black, and States with high proportions of Blacks in the voting-age population are Mississippi (31 percent), South Carolina and Louisiana (27 percent), Georgia (24 percent), Alabama (23 percent), Maryland (21 percent), and North Carolina (20 percent). New York has the largest Black electorate (1.6 million) followed by California, Texas, and Illinois (more than 1 million).

The Spanish-origin population of voting age in 1980 was half that for Blacks (5.5 percent). Most of the Spanish-origin population is located in the West and in Texas, New York, and Florida. New Mexico has the highest percentage of the voting-age population of Spanish origin (33.1), followed by Texas (17.7), California (16.1), and Arizona (13.3). California and Texas together contain one-half the Spanish-origin electorate (2.8 million and 1.8 million, respectively, mostly Mexican), followed by New York (1.1 million, mostly Puerto Rican), and Florida (629,000, mostly Cuban). Nearly 70 percent of the voting-age population of Spanish origin reside in these four States.

The Asian and Pacific Islander population of voting age also is highly concentrated in a few States. Only in the West does this group constitute a significant portion of the electorate (4.8 percent). About 60 percent of Hawaii's voting-age population in 1980 was Asian and Pacific Islander (mostly Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, and Hawaiian). The only other State to have appreciably more than 2 percent of this group in its voting electorate is California (5.2 percent). California and Hawaii together have 1.3 million, or more than half of this population group.

The American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut population represent about 14 percent of the Alaskan voting-age total. In a few other States, this population group constitutes 4 to 7 percent: New Mexico (6.6), Oklahoma (4.8), South Dakota (4.7), Arizona (4.3), and Montana (3.7). Two States, California and Oklahoma, have over 100,000 persons of voting-age in this group.

Table B. Population of Voting Age, by Sex and Age: November 1982

Sex	18 and over	18 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 and over
Total	169,342,000	29,917,000	67,987,000	44,475,000	26,963,000
Male	80,667,000	15,061,000	33,602,000	21,148,000	10,846,000
Female	88,675,000	14,856,000	34,385,000	23,327,000	16,117,000
Percent female	52.4	49.7	50.6	52.4	59.8

Table C. Population of Voting Age, by Race and Spanish Origin, for Regions: 1980 Census

Race or Spanish origin	United States	Region			
		Northeast	North Central	South	West
Total ... thousands	162,791	36,052	41,947	53,735	31,057
Percent:					
Black	10.5	8.9	8.1	16.7	4.9
American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.4	1.4
Asian and Pacific Islander	1.5	1.1	0.6	0.6	4.8
Spanish origin	5.5	4.5	1.8	5.2	12.2

Source: Table 3.

Voter participation. Voter participation in Congressional elections in the non-Presidential election years has traditionally lagged well behind that in Presidential years. Unless economic or political issues bolster the turnout, the voting trend shown in table 4 for 1974 and 1978 suggests that voter participation in the United States in 1982 could drop to the lowest level since 1942, when only 32.5 percent of the voting-age population voted for Representatives. The percent voting for U.S. Representatives declined from 43.8 to 35.8 between 1970 and 1974; possibly half of this decline was the result of the lowering of the voting age to 18. The percent voting for Representatives dropped again from 1974 to 1978, falling to 34.5, and in the Presidential election years of 1976 and 1980, the percent voting for Representatives fell from 48.9 to 47.5. In 1978, the only three States to have more than 50 percent voting for Representatives were Minnesota, South Dakota, and Montana (table 4).

Population ineligible to vote. The population of voting age includes a relatively modest number of persons who meet the age requirement but cannot vote; this number has been appreciably smaller since 1972 because of shortened residence requirements. Aliens, both legal and illegal, are the principal group of ineligible voting-age persons. Based on the Current Population Survey, it is estimated that there will be approximately 6 million legal aliens 18 years and over residing in the United States in November 1982, about 4 percent of the total voting-age population. In addition, illegal aliens will be ineligible, some of whom may have been counted in the 1980 census. Somewhat more than 500,000 persons will be ineligible to vote because they will be in prisons, mental hospitals, or other institutions.

METHODOLOGY

The estimates of the population of voting age for States on November 1, 1980, and projections for 1982 were based on the 1980 census advance report counts and provisional July 1, 1981, estimates of the resident population of States by age. For November 1, 1982, the 1980-81 trend in the proportion in each age group was extended 16 months to November 1982 and applied to State totals projected for the date. The State totals themselves were extrapolated from the 1980-81 trend and were adjusted to independent national projections for November 1, 1982. For November 1, 1980, the proportion of the population age 18 and over was interpolated from the April 1, 1980, census and the July 1, 1981, estimate, applied to a State estimate for the date, and adjusted to national controls.

Estimates of the voting-age population for each State for the elections of November 1972 to 1978 have been revised to make them consistent with recently released intercensal State population totals for July 1, 1970, to 1979 related to the 1980 census count. The proportion 18 and over of each State's total population as of the 1980 and 1970 censuses was interpolated to November 1, 1972, 1974, 1976, and 1978 and applied to State totals based on the intercensal estimates series and adjusted to independent national controls 18 and over for each date.

The percent voting in each election was obtained by dividing the reported number of voters for the House of Representatives for each State by the estimated population 18 and over for November 1 of each election year. The percent voting as shown in table 4 may not be a fair representation of voter participation in certain States. In Arkansas, Florida, and Oklahoma, votes may not have been tabulated for all Congressional seats because uncontested elections do not require tabulation. In Louisiana, the November general election is used as a runoff election (where necessary) for the State's open primary.

1980 CENSUS SOURCES AND DEFINITIONS

All estimates and projections shown in the report are consistent with 1980 census *Advance Reports*, PHC80-V. The 1980 census counts shown in tables 2 and 3, however, are derived from final census tabulations contained in Summary Tape File 1, and the detail will appear in final census reports PC80-1-B later this year. Final tabulations reflect corrections of errors in the advance reports. The median ages shown in table 2 were computed from data for single year of age developed from the advance report counts.

Race. The census data on race reflect self-identification by respondents. It does not denote any clear-cut scientific definition of biological stock.

The category "White" includes persons who indicated their race as White, as well as persons who did not classify themselves in one of the specified race categories listed on the questionnaire but entered a response such as Canadian, German, Italian, Lebanese, or Polish. In the 1980 census, persons who did not classify themselves in one of the specific race categories but marked "Other" and wrote in entries such as Cuban, Puerto Rican, or Mexican were included in the "Other" race category; in the 1970 census, most of these persons were included in the "White" category.

The category "Black" includes persons who indicated their race as Black or Negro, as well as persons who did not classify themselves in one of the specific race categories listed on the questionnaire but reported entries such as Jamaican, Black Puerto Rican, West Indian, Haitian, or Nigerian.

The categories "American Indian," "Eskimo," and "Aleut" include persons who classified themselves as such in one of the specific race categories. In addition, persons who did not report themselves in one of the specific race categories but entered the name of an Indian tribe were classified as American Indian.

In this report, the category "Asian and Pacific Islander" includes persons who indicated their race as Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Vietnamese, Asian Indian, Hawaiian, Guamanian, or Samoan. Persons who did not report themselves in one of the specific race categories but reported a write-in entry indicating one of the nine categories listed above were classified accordingly.

The category "Other" includes Asian and Pacific Islander groups not listed separately (e.g., Cambodian, Laotian, Pakistani, Fiji Islander) and other races not included in the specific categories listed on the questionnaire.

Differences between 1980 and 1970 census counts by race seriously affect the comparability for some race groups. First, Spanish-origin persons reported their race differently in the 1980 census than in the 1970 census; this difference in reporting has a substantial impact on the counts and comparability for the "White" and "Other" populations. Second, in 1970, most persons who marked the "Other" race category and wrote in a Spanish designation, such as Mexican, Venezuelan, or Latino, were reclassified as "White". In 1980, such persons were not reclassified but remained in the "Other" race category. In 1980, 40 percent of the Spanish-origin population was classified as "Other," compared with only 1 percent in 1970. Consequently, 1980 population totals for "White" and "Other" races are not comparable to corresponding 1970 figures.

The 1980 count for the Asian and Pacific Islander population reflects a high level of immigration during the 1970's as well as a number of changes in census procedures which were developed, in part, as a result of this high level of immigration. The number of Asian and Pacific Islander categories listed separately on the 1980 census questionnaire was expanded over that in 1970 to include four additional groups: Vietnamese, Asian Indian, Guamanian, and Samoan. Asian Indians, which were classified as "White" in 1970, were included in the "Asian and Pacific Islander" category in 1980. The Vietnamese, Guamanian, and Samoan populations were included in the "Other" race category in the 1970 census but were included in the "Asian and Pacific Islander" category in 1980.

For a more detailed discussion of race and comparability of 1970 and 1980 census race detail, see appendix B of 1980 census, PC80-1-B, *General Population Characteristics,* State reports.

Spanish origin. Persons of Spanish origin or descent are those who classified themselves in one of the specific Spanish origin categories listed on the questionnaire—Mexican, Puerto Rican, or Cuban—as well as those who indicated that they were of other Spanish/Hispanic origin. Persons reporting "Other Spanish/Hispanic" origin are those whose origins are from Spain or the Spanish-speaking countries of Central or South America, or they are Spanish origin persons identifying themselves generally as Spanish, Spanish American, Hispano, Latino, etc. Origin or descent can be viewed as the ancestry, nationality group, lineage, or country in which the person or person's parents or ancestors were born before their arrival in the United States. Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

Preliminary evaluations of 1980 census data suggest some limited overreporting of Spanish origin. Available evidence indicates that the overreporting may have occurred only in selected areas with relatively small Spanish-origin populations, such as in some Southern States, but it is not apparent in those areas with the largest concentrations of Spanish-origin persons. For further discussion of the reporting in the Spanish-origin item, see the 1980 census Supplementary Reports, series PC80-S1, *Persons of Spanish Origin by State: 1980.*

The 1980 figures on Spanish origin are not directly comparable to 1970 Spanish-origin totals because of a number of factors: overall improvements in the 1980 census, better coverage of the population, improved question design, a shift in the tendency of the population to report Spanish origin, and an effective public relations campaign by the Census Bureau and national and community ethnic groups. These efforts also undoubtedly resulted in the inclusion of a sizable but unknown number of persons of Hispanic origin who are in the country in other than legal status.

LIMITATIONS OF THE ESTIMATES

The procedure for developing the age projections for November 1982 involves a 16-month extrapolation of age trends beyond the estimates for July 1, 1981. An evaluation of the procedure for developing population estimates for States by age for the 1960-70 period 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 extrapolation procedure used to develop the age projections would be expected to contribute some additional error.

The projections contained here are designed 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 1982 are consistent with estimates of the population of States by age for July 1, 1981, published in Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 913. The estimates for November 1972 through 1980 supersede those published in Series P-25, No. 879. Estimates shown in No. 879 are still current for earlier election years extending back to 1960.

Related data from the Current Population Survey on reported voting and registration in the Congressional elections of November 1978 are published in Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 344, and data for the Congressional and Presidential elections of November 1980 appear in Series P-20, No. 370.

Statistics on Congressional elections used in this report to estimate the percent voting are published biennially in U.S. Congress, Clerk of the House, *Statistics of the Presidential and Congressional Election* or *Statistics of the Congressional Election,* as appropriate.

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, for States: November 1, 1982

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

Region, division, and State	Total, 18 years and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	Percent of voting age population in ages			
						18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over
United States	169,342,000	29,917,000	67,987,000	44,475,000	26,963,000	17.7	40.1	26.3	15.9
Northeast	36,985,000	6,175,000	14,176,000	10,320,000	6,314,000	16.7	38.3	27.9	17.1
New England	9,405,000	1,649,000	3,665,000	2,503,000	1,588,000	17.5	39.0	26.6	16.9
Middle Atlantic	27,580,000	4,526,000	10,511,000	7,818,000	4,725,000	16.4	38.1	28.3	17.1
North Central	42,641,000	7,657,000	16,860,000	11,139,000	6,985,000	18.0	39.5	26.1	16.4
East North Central	30,061,000	5,406,000	11,998,000	7,942,000	4,714,000	18.0	39.9	26.4	15.7
West North Central	12,580,000	2,251,000	4,862,000	3,197,000	2,271,000	17.9	38.6	25.4	18.0
South	56,873,000	10,206,000	22,821,000	14,807,000	9,038,000	17.9	40.1	26.0	15.9
South Atlantic	28,523,000	4,988,000	11,263,000	7,564,000	4,709,000	17.5	39.5	26.5	16.5
East South Central	10,552,000	1,895,000	4,165,000	2,750,000	1,741,000	18.0	39.5	26.1	16.5
West South Central	17,798,000	3,324,000	7,394,000	4,492,000	2,588,000	18.7	41.5	25.2	14.5
West	32,843,000	5,878,000	14,130,000	8,209,000	4,627,000	17.9	43.0	25.0	14.1
Mountain	8,454,000	1,567,000	3,657,000	2,066,000	1,164,000	18.5	43.3	24.4	13.8
Pacific	24,389,000	4,311,000	10,473,000	6,143,000	3,463,000	17.7	42.9	25.2	14.2
New England:									
Maine	831,000	143,000	322,000	219,000	147,000	17.2	38.8	26.4	17.7
New Hampshire	697,000	123,000	289,000	176,000	110,000	17.6	41.5	25.2	15.7
Vermont	379,000	71,000	157,000	91,000	61,000	18.7	41.3	24.0	16.0
Massachusetts	4,394,000	786,000	1,704,000	1,153,000	751,000	17.9	38.8	26.2	17.1
Rhode Island	726,000	129,000	266,000	198,000	132,000	17.8	36.6	27.3	18.2
Connecticut	2,378,000	398,000	927,000	666,000	387,000	16.7	39.0	28.0	16.3
Middle Atlantic:									
New York	13,153,000	2,175,000	5,094,000	3,674,000	2,209,000	16.5	38.7	27.9	16.8
New Jersey	5,544,000	891,000	2,147,000	1,601,000	906,000	16.1	38.7	28.9	16.3
Pennsylvania	8,883,000	1,460,000	3,270,000	2,543,000	1,610,000	16.4	36.8	28.6	18.1
East North Central:									
Ohio	7,793,000	1,367,000	3,077,000	2,122,000	1,228,000	17.5	39.5	27.2	15.8
Indiana	3,904,000	713,000	1,553,000	1,025,000	613,000	18.3	39.8	26.3	15.7
Illinois	8,346,000	1,478,000	3,347,000	2,208,000	1,313,000	17.7	40.1	26.5	15.7
Michigan	6,554,000	1,208,000	2,668,000	1,712,000	967,000	18.4	40.7	26.1	14.8
Wisconsin	3,464,000	641,000	1,354,000	876,000	593,000	18.5	39.1	25.3	17.1
West North Central:									
Minnesota	2,988,000	553,000	1,210,000	725,000	500,000	18.5	40.5	24.3	16.7
Iowa	2,094,000	363,000	792,000	539,000	400,000	17.4	37.8	25.7	19.1
Missouri	3,640,000	636,000	1,380,000	955,000	668,000	17.5	37.9	26.2	18.3
North Dakota	473,000	90,000	184,000	116,000	83,000	19.0	38.9	24.5	17.6
South Dakota	482,000	88,000	177,000	124,000	94,000	18.3	36.6	25.7	19.4
Nebraska	1,144,000	203,000	443,000	287,000	211,000	17.7	38.7	25.1	18.4
Kansas	1,759,000	317,000	675,000	451,000	315,000	18.0	38.4	25.6	17.9
South Atlantic:									
Delaware	443,000	86,000	174,000	119,000	64,000	19.4	39.2	27.0	14.4
Maryland	3,190,000	571,000	1,342,000	853,000	423,000	17.9	42.1	26.8	13.3
District of Columbia	487,000	90,000	204,000	119,000	74,000	18.5	41.9	24.4	15.3
Virginia	4,078,000	768,000	1,719,000	1,050,000	541,000	18.8	42.2	25.7	13.3
West Virginia	1,408,000	227,000	546,000	386,000	248,000	16.1	38.8	27.5	17.6
North Carolina	4,417,000	820,000	1,774,000	1,168,000	655,000	18.6	40.2	26.4	14.8
South Carolina	2,291,000	452,000	945,000	581,000	313,000	19.7	41.2	25.4	13.7
Georgia	4,040,000	753,000	1,717,000	1,016,000	554,000	18.6	42.5	25.1	13.7
Florida	8,169,000	1,221,000	2,841,000	2,271,000	1,836,000	14.9	34.8	27.8	22.5
East South Central:									
Kentucky	2,620,000	476,000	1,045,000	673,000	427,000	18.2	39.9	25.7	16.3
Tennessee	3,375,000	583,000	1,352,000	891,000	548,000	17.3	40.1	26.4	16.2
Alabama	2,812,000	504,000	1,099,000	745,000	465,000	17.9	39.1	26.5	16.5
Mississippi	1,745,000	333,000	670,000	442,000	301,000	19.1	38.4	25.3	17.2
West South Central:									
Arkansas	1,650,000	273,000	618,000	432,000	328,000	16.6	37.4	26.2	19.9
Louisiana	3,055,000	602,000	1,266,000	764,000	423,000	19.7	41.4	25.0	13.8
Oklahoma	2,299,000	409,000	903,000	600,000	387,000	17.8	39.3	26.1	16.9
Texas	10,793,000	2,039,000	4,607,000	2,697,000	1,450,000	18.9	42.7	25.0	13.4
Mountain:									
Montana	569,000	98,000	237,000	144,000	90,000	17.3	41.6	25.3	15.8
Idaho	661,000	117,000	281,000	161,000	102,000	17.6	42.6	24.3	15.5
Wyoming	354,000	65,000	166,000	83,000	39,000	18.4	47.0	23.5	11.1
Colorado	2,225,000	421,000	1,024,000	517,000	263,000	18.9	46.0	23.2	11.8
New Mexico	936,000	180,000	393,000	236,000	127,000	19.2	42.0	25.2	13.6
Arizona	2,061,000	366,000	828,000	522,000	345,000	17.7	40.2	25.3	16.8
Utah	986,000	209,000	438,000	222,000	118,000	21.2	44.4	22.5	12.0
Nevada	661,000	112,000	291,000	180,000	78,000	16.9	44.0	27.3	11.8
Pacific:									
Washington	3,154,000	547,000	1,368,000	775,000	465,000	17.3	43.4	24.6	14.7
Oregon	1,954,000	307,000	844,000	477,000	326,000	15.7	43.2	24.4	16.7
California	18,277,000	3,259,000	7,792,000	4,653,000	2,573,000	17.8	42.6	25.5	14.1
Alaska	287,000	60,000	156,000	58,000	13,000	21.0	54.3	20.1	4.6
Hawaii	716,000	138,000	312,000	181,000	85,000	19.3	43.6	25.2	11.9

Table 2. Population of Voting Age of States, by Sex and Selected Ages: 1980 Census

(Consistent with final reports, PC80-1, except as noted. Population 18 years old and over)

Region, division, and State	Total 18 years and over		Male				
	Number	Percent of all ages	Total, 18 years and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over
United States	162,790,845	71.9	77,470,886	15,053,675	30,951,622	21,160,674	10,304,915
Northeast	36,052,317	73.4	16,796,047	3,030,861	6,441,459	4,953,822	2,369,905
New England	9,067,547	73.4	4,246,318	804,286	1,655,370	1,203,915	582,747
Middle Atlantic	26,984,770	73.4	12,549,729	2,226,575	4,786,089	3,749,907	1,787,158
North Central	41,947,223	71.3	19,959,418	3,915,715	7,853,234	5,503,929	2,686,540
East North Central	29,616,736	71.1	14,072,103	2,757,704	5,588,470	3,927,735	1,798,194
West North Central	12,330,487	71.8	5,887,315	1,158,011	2,264,764	1,576,194	888,346
South	53,734,742	71.3	25,536,409	5,072,828	10,210,821	6,801,018	3,451,742
South Atlantic	26,842,070	72.6	12,711,536	2,450,799	5,033,155	3,450,336	1,777,246
East South Central	10,308,688	70.3	4,861,875	972,123	1,921,015	1,300,101	668,636
West South Central	16,583,984	69.8	7,962,998	1,649,906	3,256,651	2,050,581	1,005,860
West	31,056,563	71.9	15,179,012	3,034,271	6,446,108	3,901,905	1,796,728
Mountain	7,914,561	69.6	3,882,150	798,776	1,654,319	969,851	459,204
Pacific	23,142,002	72.8	11,296,862	2,235,495	4,791,789	2,932,054	1,337,524
New England:							
Maine	803,273	71.4	381,568	70,673	149,832	104,829	56,234
New Hampshire	662,528	72.0	316,181	59,378	131,767	84,486	40,550
Vermont	366,138	71.6	174,380	34,744	71,977	44,503	23,156
Massachusetts	4,246,648	74.0	1,968,818	383,797	761,417	552,581	271,023
Rhode Island	704,303	74.4	327,315	63,437	120,319	95,290	48,269
Connecticut	2,284,657	73.5	1,078,056	192,257	420,058	322,226	143,515
Middle Atlantic:							
New York	12,870,209	73.3	5,948,384	1,053,096	2,313,483	1,740,873	840,932
New Jersey	5,373,962	73.0	2,516,434	432,107	972,744	771,141	340,442
Pennsylvania	8,740,599	73.7	4,084,911	741,372	1,499,862	1,237,893	605,784
East North Central:							
Ohio	7,703,310	71.3	3,633,647	696,293	1,429,155	1,045,952	462,247
Indiana	3,871,906	70.5	1,837,930	364,919	733,457	506,786	232,768
Illinois	8,183,481	71.6	3,880,904	754,178	1,547,631	1,083,161	495,934
Michigan	6,510,092	70.3	3,109,691	622,236	1,252,306	861,566	373,583
Wisconsin	3,347,947	71.1	1,609,931	320,078	625,921	430,270	233,662
West North Central:							
Minnesota	2,904,162	71.3	1,397,896	276,634	563,277	360,913	197,072
Iowa	2,087,935	71.7	993,806	193,376	376,613	269,149	154,668
Missouri	3,554,203	72.3	1,667,417	315,700	632,164	462,532	257,021
North Dakota	461,726	70.7	230,370	50,370	86,939	57,578	35,483
South Dakota	485,162	70.2	236,092	48,137	85,646	63,844	38,465
Nebraska	1,122,655	71.5	537,444	105,589	206,438	142,031	83,386
Kansas	1,714,644	72.5	824,290	168,205	313,687	220,147	122,251
South Atlantic:							
Delaware	427,743	72.0	201,853	40,485	79,614	58,438	23,316
Maryland	3,049,445	72.3	1,446,789	273,151	610,371	407,696	155,571
District of Columbia	494,842	77.5	223,207	45,141	93,705	57,130	27,231
Virginia	3,872,484	72.4	1,865,395	381,600	787,981	496,086	199,728
West Virginia	1,390,008	71.3	658,224	120,222	255,080	185,061	97,861
North Carolina	4,224,031	71.8	2,008,881	424,809	808,800	539,022	236,250
South Carolina	2,179,854	69.8	1,037,297	229,008	427,479	269,534	111,276
Georgia	3,816,975	69.9	1,799,194	367,156	769,622	464,763	197,653
Florida	7,386,688	75.8	3,470,696	569,227	1,200,503	972,606	728,360
East South Central:							
Kentucky	2,578,047	70.4	1,232,930	250,069	488,964	326,259	167,638
Tennessee	3,292,560	71.7	1,551,436	299,604	625,386	418,808	207,638
Alabama	2,731,640	70.2	1,278,650	254,308	500,903	348,066	175,373
Mississippi	1,706,441	67.7	798,859	168,142	305,762	206,968	117,987
West South Central:							
Arkansas	1,615,061	70.6	761,064	137,387	284,574	206,362	132,741
Louisiana	2,875,432	68.4	1,364,355	296,534	555,165	350,053	162,603
Oklahoma	2,170,406	71.7	1,037,283	205,642	403,615	276,413	151,613
Texas	9,923,085	69.7	4,800,296	1,010,343	2,013,297	1,217,753	558,903
Mountain:							
Montana	554,795	70.5	273,558	52,544	112,216	71,747	37,051
Idaho	637,270	67.5	314,145	61,443	131,758	78,906	42,038
Wyoming	324,004	69.0	165,728	36,255	74,741	38,615	16,117
Colorado	2,081,151	72.0	1,021,023	213,718	463,599	243,132	100,574
New Mexico	884,987	67.9	429,531	89,182	179,351	110,449	50,549
Arizona	1,926,728	70.9	934,861	186,996	371,164	240,670	136,031
Utah	920,932	63.0	448,652	105,108	193,425	103,551	46,568
Nevada	584,694	73.0	294,652	53,530	128,065	82,781	30,276
Pacific:							
Washington	2,992,796	72.4	1,468,728	285,292	623,171	379,721	180,544
Oregon	1,910,048	72.5	925,772	164,200	395,100	237,359	129,113
California	17,278,944	73.0	8,403,671	1,674,567	3,547,414	2,197,941	983,749
Alaska	271,106	67.5	145,524	32,191	77,801	29,773	5,759
Hawaii	689,108	71.4	353,167	79,245	148,303	87,260	38,359

Table 2. Population of Voting Age of States, by Sex and Selected Ages: 1980 Census—Continued

(Consistent with final reports, PC80-1, except as noted. Population 18 years old and over)

Region, division, and State	Female					Percent female 18+	Median age of the voting-age population[1]
	Total, 18 years and over	18 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over		
United States	85,319,959	14,968,532	31,764,927	23,341,988	15,244,512	52.4	40.1
Northeast	19,256,270	3,132,215	6,845,376	5,576,745	3,701,934	53.4	42.1
New England	4,821,229	827,434	1,723,345	1,332,829	937,621	53.2	41.1
Middle Atlantic	14,435,041	2,304,781	5,122,031	4,243,916	2,764,313	53.5	42.5
North Central	21,987,805	3,955,895	8,048,007	5,978,574	4,005,329	52.4	40.3
East North Central	15,544,633	2,801,287	5,767,567	4,280,789	2,694,990	52.5	40.1
West North Central	6,443,172	1,154,608	2,280,440	1,697,785	1,310,339	52.3	40.9
South	28,198,333	4,992,565	10,530,319	7,639,300	5,036,149	52.5	39.8
South Atlantic	14,130,534	2,407,156	5,224,573	3,908,991	2,589,814	52.6	40.6
East South Central	5,446,813	974,446	2,006,105	1,478,110	988,152	52.8	40.2
West South Central	8,620,986	1,610,963	3,299,641	2,252,199	1,458,183	52.0	38.8
West	15,877,551	2,887,857	6,341,225	4,147,369	2,501,100	51.1	38.2
Mountain	4,032,411	784,137	1,622,409	1,024,086	601,779	50.9	37.6
Pacific	11,845,140	2,103,720	4,718,816	3,123,283	1,899,321	51.2	38.4
New England:							
Maine	421,705	70,760	151,692	114,569	84,684	52.5	41.3
New Hampshire	346,347	61,212	132,657	90,061	62,417	52.3	39.3
Vermont	191,758	36,365	72,587	47,796	35,010	52.4	38.7
Massachusetts	2,277,830	400,236	801,453	620,633	455,508	53.6	40.9
Rhode Island	376,988	66,043	124,579	107,713	78,653	53.5	42.5
Connecticut	1,206,601	192,818	440,377	352,057	221,349	52.8	41.8
Middle Atlantic:							
New York	6,921,825	1,104,422	2,509,951	1,987,617	1,319,835	53.8	42.0
New Jersey	2,857,528	4,401,102	1,044,972	853,125	519,329	53.2	42.4
Pennsylvsnia	4,655,688	760,257	1,567,108	1,403,174	925,149	53.3	43.3
East North Central:							
Ohio	4,069,663	717,240	1,494,044	1,151,166	701,213	52.8	40.6
Indiana	2,033,976	371,697	754,534	555,129	352,616	52.5	39.9
Illinois	4,302,577	754,027	1,600,927	1,181,672	765,951	52.6	40.2
Michigan	3,400,401	635,592	1,291,980	934,154	538,675	52.2	39.2
Wisconsin	1,738,016	322,731	626,082	458,668	330,535	51.9	40.2
West North Central:							
Minnesota	1,506,266	281,864	562,478	379,432	282,492	51.9	39.4
Iowa	1,094,129	194,777	375,238	291,198	232,916	52.4	41.6
Missouri	1,886,786	320,333	661,139	514,209	391,105	53.1	41.9
North Dakota	231,356	46,820	80,864	58,710	44,962	50.1	39.3
South Dakota	249,070	47,168	83,613	65,735	52,554	51.3	41.4
Nebraska	585,211	105,122	206,537	151,254	122,298	52.1	40.8
Kansas	890,354	158,524	310,571	237,247	184,012	51.9	40.9
South Atlantic:							
Delaware	225,890	42,888	83,690	63,449	35,863	52.8	39.7
Maryland	1,602,656	278,489	642,275	441,854	240,038	52.6	39.2
District of Columbia	271,635	51,671	103,112	69,796	47,056	54.9	38.2
Virginia	2,007,089	359,969	802,768	538,776	305,576	51.8	38.5
West Virginia	731,784	122,908	257,942	210,927	140,007	52.6	41.8
North Carolina	2,215,150	397,282	837,582	613,355	366,931	52.4	39.4
South Carolina	1,142,557	218,336	439,767	308,402	176,052	52.4	38.2
Georgia	2,017,781	364,935	807,751	526,017	319,078	52.9	38.3
Florida	3,915,992	570,678	1,249,686	1,136,415	959,213	53.0	46.1
East South Central:							
Kentucky	1,345,117	241,646	501,182	360,099	242,190	52.2	39.8
Tennessee	1,741,124	301,458	653,078	476,638	309,950	52.9	40.2
Alabama	1,452,990	260,695	527,563	400,090	264,642	53.2	40.6
Mississippi	907,582	170,647	324,282	241,283	171,370	53.2	40.3
West South Central:							
Arkansas	853,997	140,778	298,178	235,305	179,736	52.9	42.6
Louisiana	1,511,077	298,725	575,813	394,863	241,676	52.6	38.2
Oklahoma	1,133,123	196,258	409,179	303,173	224,513	52.2	40.8
Texas	5,122,789	975,202	2,016,471	1,318,858	812,258	51.6	38.0
Mountain:							
Montana	281,237	51,433	109,128	73,168	47,508	50.7	39.2
Idaho	323,125	61,591	127,970	81,922	51,642	50.7	38.4
Wyoming	158,276	32,705	66,989	37,524	21,058	48.9	35.7
Colorado	1,060,128	204,440	452,899	256,038	146,751	50.9	36.3
New Mexico	455,456	89,092	182,234	118,773	65,357	51.5	37.9
Arizona	991,867	181,840	370,639	268,057	171,331	51.5	39.6
Utah	472,280	111,196	190,156	108,276	62,652	51.3	35.2
Nevada	290,042	51,840	122,394	80,328	35,480	49.6	38.6
Pacific:							
Washington	1,524,068	269,042	608,685	395,323	251,018	50.9	38.4
Oregon	984,276	166,349	389,849	253,855	174,223	51.5	39.1
California	8,875,273	1,577,672	3,510,539	2,356,561	1,430,501	51.4	38.6
Alaska	125,582	27,582	67,029	25,183	5,788	46.3	33.0
Hawaii	335,941	63,075	142,714	92,361	37,791	48.8	36.6

[1]Derived from special tabulations by single year of age from advance report counts.

Table 3. Population of Voting Age, for States, by Race and Spanish Origin: 1980 Census

(Consistent with final reports, PC80-1. Population 18 years old and over)

Region, division, and State	Total, 18 years and over	Race						Spanish origin[1]	
		White	Black		American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut	Asian and Pacific Islander[2]	Other races[3]		
			Number	Percent				Number	Percent
United States	162,790,845	138,286,601	17,099,113	10.5	864,665	2,455,838	4,084,628	8,980,717	5.5
Northeast	36,052,317	31,607,282	3,199,732	8.9	52,669	388,210	804,424	1,633,378	4.5
New England	9,067,547	8,586,823	304,004	3.4	14,153	57,165	105,402	173,422	1.9
Middle Atlantic	26,984,770	23,020,459	2,895,728	10.7	38,516	331,045	699,022	1,459,956	5.4
North Central	41,947,223	37,728,052	3,401,964	8.1	145,114	262,479	409,614	754,691	1.8
East North Central	29,616,736	26,108,134	2,897,245	9.8	65,389	206,723	339,245	631,195	2.1
West North Central	12,330,487	11,619,918	504,719	4.1	79,725	55,756	70,369	123,496	1.0
South	53,734,742	43,255,897	8,988,394	16.7	237,976	320,517	931,958	2,801,060	5.2
South Atlantic	26,842,070	21,441,970	4,960,806	18.5	77,706	178,855	182,733	855,522	3.2
East South Central	10,308,688	8,446,432	1,797,579	17.4	14,938	28,731	21,008	78,715	0.8
West South Central	16,583,984	13,367,495	2,230,009	13.4	145,332	112,931	728,217	1,866,823	11.3
West	31,056,563	25,695,370	1,509,023	4.9	428,906	1,484,632	1,938,632	3,791,588	12.2
Mountain	7,914,561	7,065,004	173,892	2.2	202,189	69,897	403,579	861,088	10.9
Pacific	23,142,002	18,630,366	1,335,131	5.8	226,717	1,414,735	1,535,053	2,930,500	12.7
New England:									
Maine	803,273	794,002	2,090	0.3	2,366	1,917	2,898	3,069	0.4
New Hampshire	662,528	655,540	2,669	0.4	925	2,020	1,374	3,480	0.5
Vermont	366,138	363,061	765	0.2	644	863	805	2,320	0.6
Massachusetts	4,246,648	4,006,461	144,673	3.4	5,241	35,760	54,513	81,328	1.9
Rhode Island	704,303	672,418	17,448	2.5	1,834	3,716	8,887	12,459	1.8
Connecticut	2,284,657	2,095,341	136,359	6.0	3,143	12,889	36,925	70,766	3.1
Middle Atlantic:									
New York	12,870,209	10,497,499	1,596,598	12.4	26,104	219,279	530,729	1,061,852	8.3
New Jersey	5,373,962	4,587,838	593,207	11.0	5,886	68,808	118,223	307,321	5.7
Pennsylvania	8,740,599	7,935,122	705,923	8.1	6,526	42,958	50,070	90,783	1.0
East North Central:									
Ohio	7,703,310	6,917,695	708,592	9.2	8,447	32,546	36,030	71,944	0.9
Indiana	3,871,906	3,565,828	261,820	6.8	5,332	14,170	24,756	51,337	1.3
Illinois	8,183,481	6,799,450	1,057,129	12.9	10,838	110,205	205,859	379,208	4.6
Michigan	6,510,092	5,630,818	762,962	11.7	23,954	37,537	54,821	93,255	1.4
Wisconsin	3,347,947	3,194,343	106,742	3.2	16,818	12,265	17,779	35,451	1.1
West North Central:									
Minnesota	2,904,162	2,823,138	32,856	1.1	19,308	15,408	13,452	18,276	0.6
Iowa	2,087,935	2,042,734	25,950	1.2	3,176	7,355	8,720	14,814	0.7
Missouri	3,554,203	3,185,054	331,303	9.3	8,590	15,668	13,588	32,853	0.9
North Dakota	461,726	446,760	1,768	0.4	10,498	1,300	1,400	2,152	0.5
South Dakota	485,162	458,277	1,480	0.3	23,020	1,115	1,270	2,197	0.5
Nebraska	1,122,655	1,074,734	29,548	2.6	5,077	4,780	8,516	15,855	1.4
Kansas	1,714,644	1,589,221	81,814	4.8	10,056	10,130	23,423	37,349	2.2
South Atlantic:									
Delaware	427,743	360,631	60,526	14.2	978	2,772	2,836	5,583	1.3
Maryland	3,049,445	2,348,126	634,698	20.8	5,345	43,455	17,821	43,388	1.4
District of Columbia	494,842	155,132	325,518	65.8	819	5,626	7,747	13,964	2.8
Virginia	3,872,484	3,122,753	677,147	17.5	6,904	44,168	21,512	54,037	1.4
West Virginia	1,390,008	1,338,428	44,990	3.2	1,176	3,464	1,950	8,619	0.6
North Carolina	4,224,031	3,299,160	857,241	20.3	39,557	14,770	13,303	38,364	0.9
South Carolina	2,179,854	1,566,361	596,122	27.3	3,746	8,118	5,507	21,837	1.0
Georgia	3,816,975	2,855,536	926,297	24.3	5,410	17,207	12,525	40,438	1.1
Florida	7,386,688	6,395,843	838,267	11.3	13,771	39,275	99,532	629,292	8.5
East South Central:									
Kentucky	2,578,047	2,390,874	171,886	6.7	2,595	7,043	5,649	18,397	0.7
Tennessee	3,292,560	2,802,974	469,015	14.2	3,754	9,798	7,019	23,145	0.7
Alabama	2,731,640	2,087,726	626,858	22.9	4,949	6,875	5,232	21,707	0.8
Mississippi	1,706,441	1,164,858	529,820	31.0	3,640	5,015	3,108	15,466	0.9
West South Central:									
Arkansas	1,615,061	1,373,112	227,093	14.1	6,434	4,635	3,787	10,993	0.7
Louisiana	2,875,432	2,073,425	766,187	26.6	7,471	14,694	13,655	65,273	2.3
Oklahoma	2,170,406	1,902,190	130,493	6.0	103,316	11,841	22,566	33,586	1.5
Texas	9,923,085	8,018,768	1,106,236	11.1	28,111	81,761	688,209	1,756,971	17.7
Mountain:									
Montana	554,795	528,231	1,215	0.2	20,739	1,743	2,867	5,548	1.0
Idaho	637,270	612,178	1,848	0.3	5,918	4,169	13,157	20,340	3.2
Wyoming	324,004	309,898	2,254	0.7	4,113	1,410	6,329	14,193	4.4
Colorado	2,081,151	1,879,974	67,611	3.2	11,521	21,391	100,654	204,301	9.8
New Mexico	884,987	690,560	15,374	1.7	58,737	4,835	115,481	292,714	33.1
Arizona	1,926,728	1,647,915	48,246	2.5	83,035	15,751	131,781	256,688	13.3
Utah	920,932	875,298	6,101	0.7	9,786	10,153	19,594	33,283	3.6
Nevada	584,694	520,950	31,243	5.3	8,340	10,445	13,716	34,021	5.8
Pacific:									
Washington	2,992,796	2,765,145	70,457	2.4	36,852	72,761	47,581	69,593	2.3
Oregon	1,910,048	1,819,674	23,822	1.2	16,806	24,441	25,305	38,536	2.0
California	17,278,944	13,592,665	1,218,874	7.1	133,944	899,233	1,434,228	2,775,170	16.1
Alaska	271,106	215,550	9,107	3.4	37,161	5,604	3,684	5,791	2.1
Hawaii	689,108	237,332	12,871	1.9	1,954	412,696	24,255	41,410	6.0

[1]Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.
[2]Excludes "Other Asian and Pacific Islander" groups such as Cambodian, Laotian, and Thai, which are identified in sample tabulations.
[3]Not comparable with 1970 census. Includes many persons of Spanish origin who would have been reclassified to specific races in 1970. See text.

Table 4. Estimates of the Population of Voting Age and Percent Casting Votes for U.S. Representatives, by State: November 1972 to 1980

(All estimates consistent with 1970 and 1980 censuses; revised since Series P-25, No. 879)

Region, division, and State	Population 18 and over					Percent casting votes for U.S. Representatives[1]				
	1980	1978	1976	1974	1972	1980	1978	1976	1974	1972
United States[2]	164,381,000	158,369,000	152,308,000	146,338,000	140,777,000	47.5	34.5	48.9	35.8	50.7
Northeast	36,296,000	35,868,000	35,354,000	34,670,000	34,196,000	48.9	38.3	51.8	40.8	54.7
New England	9,148,000	8,956,000	8,711,000	8,486,000	8,262,000	55.2	43.4	58.2	44.7	58.2
Middle Atlantic	27,148,000	26,912,000	26,643,000	26,185,000	25,934,000	46.7	36.6	49.7	39.5	53.6
North Central	42,144,000	41,373,000	40,248,000	39,171,000	38,172,000	56.3	41.0	56.5	41.6	58.0
East North Central	29,747,000	29,251,000	28,469,000	27,766,000	27,064,000	54.9	39.1	55.2	40.5	56.9
West North Central	12,398,000	12,122,000	11,780,000	11,406,000	11,108,000	59.6	45.6	59.7	44.4	60.6
South	54,470,000	51,645,000	49,113,000	46,558,000	43,943,000	38.7	24.0	39.6	24.2	37.8
South Atlantic	27,243,000	25,832,000	24,586,000	23,382,000	21,889,000	40.5	25.1	38.7	25.1	38.4
East South Central	10,367,000	10,048,000	9,624,000	9,171,000	8,773,000	40.2	26.9	40.1	26.7	41.6
West South Central	16,860,000	15,766,000	14,904,000	14,006,000	13,281,000	34.8	20.3	40.8	21.2	34.4
West	31,471,000	29,483,000	27,592,000	25,938,000	24,466,000	49.3	39.4	50.4	41.2	56.7
Mountain	8,036,000	7,413,000	6,834,000	6,351,000	5,829,000	51.8	38.4	54.3	45.0	57.0
Pacific	23,435,000	22,070,000	20,758,000	19,587,000	18,637,000	48.4	39.7	49.2	40.0	56.6
New England:										
Maine	810,000	791,000	759,000	723,000	692,000	63.3	46.7	62.4	48.9	59.7
New Hampshire	671,000	638,000	593,000	560,000	525,000	54.3	40.5	54.8	39.2	60.0
Vermont	369,000	353,000	337,000	321,000	308,000	52.7	34.1	54.8	43.8	60.4
Massachusetts	4,281,000	4,213,000	4,132,000	4,060,000	3,963,000	52.7	42.9	56.8	41.8	54.5
Rhode Island	710,000	707,000	689,000	678,000	682,000	54.5	43.6	56.4	44.8	56.9
Connecticut	2,307,000	2,254,000	2,201,000	2,143,000	2,091,000	58.0	45.3	61.3	50.3	64.6
Middle Atlantic:										
New York	12,945,000	12,912,000	12,892,000	12,734,000	12,717,000	43.4	33.9	46.5	38.4	52.0
New Jersey	5,417,000	5,326,000	5,220,000	5,108,000	5,010,000	50.6	36.3	53.8	40.8	56.5
Pennsylvania	8,785,000	8,673,000	8,531,000	8,342,000	8,207,000	49.2	40.8	52.0	40.5	54.4
East North Central:										
Ohio	7,731,000	7,638,000	7,461,000	7,311,000	7,149,000	51.1	36.4	51.5	40.3	53.6
Indiana	3,883,000	3,812,000	3,692,000	3,603,000	3,498,000	56.4	38.0	57.0	48.0	60.3
Illinois	8,224,000	8,132,000	7,939,000	7,727,000	7,576,000	54.4	37.4	55.0	36.8	57.9
Michigan	6,526,000	6,406,000	6,214,000	6,066,000	5,876,000	55.0	42.3	55.2	41.5	55.7
Wisconsin	3,383,000	3,263,000	3,163,000	3,059,000	2,965,000	63.1	44.4	62.0	39.1	60.8
West North Central:										
Minnesota	2,927,000	2,823,000	2,726,000	2,620,000	2,537,000	65.1	53.9	65.8	46.5	66.6
Iowa	2,091,000	2,075,000	2,026,000	1,961,000	1,917,000	60.1	39.1	61.3	46.1	62.4
Missouri	3,577,000	3,499,000	3,408,000	3,319,000	3,240,000	57.3	44.2	55.9	36.4	56.6
North Dakota	465,000	455,000	442,000	424,000	411,000	63.1	48.4	65.6	55.2	65.3
South Dakota	485,000	480,000	469,000	454,000	443,000	65.9	53.2	62.9	60.0	67.9
Nebraska	1,128,000	1,108,000	1,081,000	1,053,000	1,021,000	55.4	44.6	55.7	42.5	55.7
Kansas	1,726,000	1,681,000	1,628,000	1,575,000	1,539,000	54.1	40.2	55.9	49.2	57.1
South Atlantic:										
Delaware	432,000	426,000	412,000	395,000	379,000	50.1	37.0	52.2	40.6	59.6
Maryland	3,082,000	3,014,000	2,920,000	2,822,000	2,721,000	45.5	30.7	45.1	31.0	44.8
District of Columbia	493,000	515,000	525,000	531,000	537,000	30.6	18.7	30.5	19.6	29.7
Virginia	3,920,000	3,794,000	3,613,000	3,429,000	3,257,000	39.6	27.8	40.5	26.9	39.0
West Virginia	1,395,000	1,363,000	1,314,000	1,250,000	1,219,000	49.2	32.5	51.3	33.3	59.1
North Carolina	4,265,000	4,088,000	3,907,000	3,734,000	3,548,000	40.7	25.0	40.2	26.5	38.1
South Carolina	2,204,000	2,104,000	1,993,000	1,883,000	1,762,000	37.7	27.3	39.3	27.5	35.8
Georgia	3,868,000	3,667,000	3,494,000	3,338,000	3,153,000	35.0	16.1	35.8	24.6	28.3
Florida[2]	7,585,000	6,862,000	6,408,000	5,999,000	5,313,000	40.8	23.6	32.5	17.7	36.4
East South Central:										
Kentucky	2,590,000	2,528,000	2,434,000	2,315,000	2,223,000	40.8	18.9	40.6	29.3	44.4
Tennessee	3,313,000	3,179,000	3,033,000	2,890,000	2,763,000	39.4	33.4	41.2	31.2	39.9
Alabama	2,748,000	2,669,000	2,554,000	2,429,000	2,325,000	36.9	24.1	38.5	23.1	41.8
Mississippi	1,716,000	1,672,000	1,603,000	1,537,000	1,462,000	45.9	31.0	39.7	19.9	40.2
West South Central:										
Arkansas[2]	1,629,000	1,575,000	1,502,000	1,431,000	1,354,000	12.4	18.6	22.4	29.6	13.8
Louisiana[3]	2,915,000	2,760,000	2,623,000	2,480,000	2,389,000	26.4	4.7	38.7	22.0	28.4
Oklahoma[2]	2,199,000	2,081,000	1,990,000	1,896,000	1,818,000	38.0	28.3	53.7	26.7	44.9
Texas	10,117,000	9,350,000	8,789,000	8,198,000	7,719,000	40.2	23.3	41.7	18.2	37.4
Mountain:										
Montana	559,000	548,000	519,000	492,000	470,000	60.6	51.7	61.9	51.6	67.1
Idaho	643,000	612,000	567,000	526,000	490,000	64.6	46.6	60.3	47.6	61.6
Wyoming	332,000	296,000	267,000	242,000	226,000	51.2	43.8	56.9	52.5	64.7
Colorado	2,114,000	1,974,000	1,838,000	1,734,000	1,604,000	54.4	39.8	55.5	45.3	56.9
New Mexico	896,000	841,000	783,000	720,000	669,000	45.6	33.9	51.3	44.0	55.9
Arizona	1,956,000	1,766,000	1,611,000	1,490,000	1,315,000	43.7	29.4	45.2	36.5	45.2
Utah	936,000	858,000	791,000	736,000	689,000	63.3	44.2	68.7	56.1	72.7
Nevada	601,000	520,000	457,000	411,000	367,000	39.3	35.2	43.8	40.9	49.1
Pacific:										
Washington	3,030,000	2,792,000	2,601,000	2,448,000	2,330,000	53.7	35.1	54.8	40.1	55.9
Oregon	1,921,000	1,808,000	1,679,000	1,583,000	1,495,000	57.6	48.3	55.2	47.6	58.2
California	17,513,000	16,546,000	15,598,000	14,751,000	14,062,000	46.7	39.4	47.7	39.0	56.9
Alaska	274,000	269,000	257,000	219,000	203,000	56.4	46.2	46.1	43.7	47.0
Hawaii	696,000	657,000	624,000	586,000	547,000	40.3	38.6	47.0	44.3	50.3

[1]Based on votes cast as shown in U.S. Congress, Clerk of the House, Statistics of the Presidential and Congressional Election and Statistics of the Congressional Election.

[2]State law does not require tabulation of votes in uncontested elections in Arkansas, Florida, and Oklahoma.

[3]Beginning 1978 Louisiana has had an open primary for congress. General election is used for runoff purposes where no candidate received a majority vote in the primary.

Table 5. Participation in Elections for President and U.S. Representatives: 1930 to 1980

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

Year	Population of voting age[1]	Vote cast				Year	Population of voting age[1]	Vote cast			
		For President	Percent of voting-age population	For U.S. Representatives	Percent of voting-age population			For President	Percent of voting-age population	For U.S. Representatives[2]	Percent of voting-age population
1930	73,623	(X)	(X)	24,777	33.7	1956	104,515	62,027	59.3	58,428	55.9
1932	75,768	39,732	52.4	37,657	49.7	1958	106,447	(X)	(X)	45,818	43.0
1934	77,997	(X)	(X)	32,256	41.4						
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
						1964	114,090	70,645	61.8	65,886	57.8
1940	84,728	49,900	58.9	46,951	55.4	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						
1946	92,659	(X)	(X)	34,398	37.1	1970	124,498	(X)	(X)	54,173	43.8
1948	95,573	48,794	51.1	45,933	48.1	1972	140,777	77,625	55.1	71,348	50.7
						1974	146,338	(X)	(X)	52,418	35.8
1950	98,134	(X)	(X)	40,342	41.1	1976	152,308	81,603	53.6	74,419	48.9
1952	99,929	61,551	61.6	57,571	57.6	1978	158,369	(X)	(X)	54,680	34.5
1954	102,075	(X)	(X)	42,580	41.7	1980	164,381	86,497	52.6	78,025	47.5

X Not applicable.

[1]Population 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.

[2]Beginning 1972 includes votes cast for delegate in the District of Columbia.

Source: For voting data: U.S. Congress, Clerk of the House, Statistics of the Presidential and Congressional Election and Statistics of the Congressional Election; and Elections Research Center, Washington, D.C., America Votes (copyright).

APPENDIX

Table A-1. Congressional Primaries, by State: 1982

State	Congressional primary	Congressional runoff	State	Congressional primary	Congressional runoff
Alabama	Sept. 7	Sept. 28	Missouri	Aug. 3	
Alaska	Aug. 24		Montana	June 8	
Arizona	Sept. 7		Nebraska	May 11	
Arkansas	May 25	June 8	Nevada	Sept. 14	
California	June 8		New Hampshire	Sept. 14	
Colorado	Sept. 14		New Jersey	June 8	
Connecticut	Sept. 7		New Mexico	June 1	
Delaware	Sept. 11		New York	Sept. 14	
District of Columbia	Sept. 14		North Carolina	June 29	July 27
Florida	Sept. 7	Oct. 5	North Dakota	June 8	
Georgia[2]			Ohio	June 8	
Hawaii	Sept. 18		Oklahoma	Aug. 24	Sept. 21
Idaho	May 25		Oregon	May 18	
Illinois	March 16		Pennsylvania	May 18	
Indiana	May 4		Rhode Island	Sept. 14	
Iowa	June 8		South Carolina	June 8	June 22
Kansas	Aug. 3		South Dakota	June 1	
Kentucky	May 25		Tennessee	Aug. 5	
Louisiana	Sept. 11[1]		Texas	May 1	June 5
Maine	June 8		Utah	Sept. 14	
Maryland	Sept. 14		Vermont	Sept. 14	
Massachusetts	Sept. 14		Virginia	June 8	
Michigan	Aug. 3		Washington	Sept. 14	
Minnesota	Sept. 14		West Virginia	June 1	
Mississippi	Aug. 17	Aug. 31	Wisconsin	Sept. 14	
			Wyoming	Sept. 14	

[1]Open primary. If no majority, two candidates receiving greatest number of votes run in November general election.
[2]Dates not certain.

Source: Congressional Quarterly Inc. and D.C. Elections Commission.

Superintendent of Documents
U.S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D.C. 20402

Official Business
Penalty for Private Use, $300

Postage and Fees Paid
U.S. Department
of Commerce

COM-202

U.S.MAIL

First Class Mail