

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- sentat- ives	Percent of voting- age pop- ulation			For Presi- dent	Percent of voting- age pop- ulation	For U.S. Repre- sentat- ives	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
1942.....	86,465	(X)	(X)	28,074	32.5	1966.....	116,638	(X)	(X)	52,900	45.4
1944.....	85,654	47,977	56.0	45,103	52.7	1968.....	120,285	73,212	60.7	66,109	55.2
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.....	140,068	77,625	55.4	71,188	50.9
1950.....	98,134	(X)	(X)	40,342	41.1	1974.....	145,035	(X)	(X)	52,397	36.1
1952.....	99,929	61,551	61.6	57,571	57.6	1976.....	150,127	81,603	54.4	74,419	49.6

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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