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August 25, 1914	1,710,000	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
May 2, 1916 P	1,786,000	**	**	**	**	735,869	324,366	44.08%	18.16%
August 29, 1916	1,798,000	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
August 27, 1918	1,906,000	**	**	**	**	1,151,365	647,234	56.21%	33.96%
May 4, 1920 P	2,047,000	**	**	**	**	1,111,192	618,981	55.70%	30.24%
August 31, 1920	2,072,000	**	**	**	**	**	488,261	**	23.56%
August 29, 1922	2,386,000	305,658	927,046	46,790	172,799	1,452,293	813,166	55.99%	34.08%
May 6, 1924 P	2,670,000	339,300	1,012,701	37,277	110,317	1,499,595	742,827	49.54%	27.82%
August 26, 1924	2,719,000	367,277	1,084,997	39,671	129,508	1,621,453	674,231	41.58%	24.80%
August 31, 1926	2,964,000	399,599	1,262,480	38,808	153,584	1,854,471	1,031,900	55.64%	34.81%
May 1, 1928 P	3,177,000	465,793	1,254,514	28,950	100,722	1,849,979	853,669	46.14%	26.87%
August 28, 1928	3,214,000	508,645	1,360,152	30,251	110,551	2,009,599	740,556	36.85%	23.04%
August 26, 1930	3,440,000	449,824	1,599,413	23,297	114,940	2,187,474	1,301,847	59.51%	37.84%
May 3, 1932 P	3,546,000	847,264	1,394,850	24,839	110,190	2,377,143	1,379,113	58.02%	38.89%
August 30, 1932	3,562,000	1,027,657	1,497,432	27,743	112,998	2,665,830	1,493,827	56.04%	41.94%
August 28, 1934	3,663,000	1,494,111	1,418,826	31,841	117,539	3,062,317	1,817,027	59.34%	49.60%
May 5, 1936 P	3,802,000	1,687,288	1,163,780	16,561	96,707	2,964,336	1,535,280	51.79%	40.38%
August 25, 1936	3,826,000	1,783,028	1,198,550	19,135	96,116	3,096,829	1,472,094	47.54%	38.48%
August 30, 1938	4,015,000	2,052,519	1,246,773	51,793	102,973	3,454,058	2,069,025	59.90%	51.53%
May 7, 1940 P	4,169,000	2,172,853	1,308,211	43,773	127,437	3,652,274	1,572,173	43.05%	37.71%
August 27, 1940	4,195,000	2,259,613	1,361,657	35,233	126,199	3,782,702	1,885,537	49.85%	44.95%
August 25, 1942	4,643,000	2,252,901	1,352,907	21,917	123,571	3,751,296	1,768,929	47.16%	38.10%
May 16, 1944 P	5,244,000	1,968,376	1,285,977	15,393	101,232	3,370,978	1,884,820	55.91%	35.94%
June 4, 1946	5,722,000	2,393,997	1,530,335	11,899	177,377	4,113,608	2,087,864	50.76%	36.49%
June 1, 1948 P	6,042,000	2,665,560	1,749,223	28,003	189,343	4,632,129	2,538,585	54.80%	42.02%
June 6, 1950	6,385,000	2,862,063	1,826,350	32,608	204,348	4,925,369	3,140,472	63.76%	49.19%
June 3, 1952 P	6,913,000	2,995,768	2,192,446	23,650	171,657	5,383,521	3,651,912	67.84%	52.83%
June 8, 1954	7,454,000	3,112,004	2,348,412	29,838	174,434	5,664,688	3,184,565	56.22%	42.72%
June 5, 1956 P	8,074,000	3,059,873	2,277,530	21,304	129,115	5,487,822	3,656,586	66.63%	45.29%
June 3, 1958	8,763,000	3,542,374	2,552,678	30,172	154,952	6,280,176	4,125,124	65.68%	47.07%
June 7, 1960 P	9,446,000	3,676,495	2,519,975	30,305	148,507	6,375,282	4,004,059	62.81%	42.39%
June 5, 1962	10,155,000	3,996,964	2,833,889	7,788	212,948	7,051,589	4,479,723	63.53%	44.11%
June 2, 1964 P	10,823,000	4,022,302	2,895,448	25,414	179,560	7,122,724	5,124,175	71.94%	47.35%
June 7, 1966	11,346,000	4,485,777	3,125,884	37,611	205,830	7,855,102	5,079,911	64.67%	44.77%
June 4, 1968 P	11,737,000	4,347,406	3,197,815	202,678	177,718	7,925,617	5,723,047	72.21%	48.76%
June 2, 1970	12,105,000	4,388,052	3,274,967	112,086	278,284	8,053,389	5,011,908	62.23%	41.40%
June 6, 1972 P	13,084,000	5,134,178	3,398,716	135,691	436,702	9,105,287	6,460,220	70.95%	49.37%
June 4, 1974	13,624,000	5,333,522	3,499,773	112,737	552,469	9,498,501	5,128,375	53.99%	37.64%
June 8, 1976 P	14,093,000	4,987,795	3,165,495	66,981	490,485	8,710,756	6,323,651	72.60%	44.87%
June 6, 1978	14,659,000	5,610,357	3,450,469	110,931	763,084	9,934,841	6,843,001	68.88%	46.68%

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June 3, 1980 P	15,258,000	5,786,806	3,703,515	245,103	959,236	10,694,660	6,774,184	63.34%	44.40%
June 8, 1982	15,859,000	5,853,273	3,867,531	267,294	1,099,064	11,087,162	5,846,026	52.73%	36.86%
June 5, 1984 P	16,457,000	6,142,820	4,047,509	250,109	1,089,331	11,529,769	5,609,063	48.65%	34.08%
June 3, 1986	17,357,000	6,181,719	4,566,785	366,591	1,091,537	12,206,632	4,937,941	40.45%	28.45%
June 7, 1988 P	18,917,000	6,380,397	4,782,248	267,047	1,107,515	12,537,207	6,037,468	48.16%	31.92%
June 5, 1990	19,133,000	6,453,186	5,072,331	249,873	1,206,039	12,981,429	5,386,545	41.49%	28.15%
June 2, 1992 P	19,180,000	6,581,888	5,242,805	435,572	1,308,983	13,569,248	6,439,629	47.46%	33.58%
June 7, 1994	18,946,000	6,924,121	5,261,009	459,884	1,526,397	14,171,411	4,966,827	35.05%	26.22%
March 26, 1996 P	19,326,000	6,849,330	5,373,746	697,203	1,603,084	14,523,363	6,081,777	41.88%	31.47%
June 2, 1998	20,653,000	6,830,530	5,225,686	685,871	1,863,590	14,605,677	6,206,618	42.49%	30.05%
March 7, 2000 P	21,220,772	6,684,668	5,140,951	773,523	2,032,663	14,631,805	7,883,385	53.88%	37.15%
March 5, 2002	21,507,390	6,873,476	5,354,358	798,155	2,254,819	15,280,808	5,286,204	34.59%	24.58%
March 2, 2004 P	21,887,894	6,518,631	5,364,832	727,658	2,480,039	15,091,160	6,684,421	44.29%	30.54%
June 6, 2006	22,542,844	6,685,288	5,387,865	704,313	2,890,973	15,668,439	5,269,142	33.63%	23.37%
February 5, 2008 P	22,948,059	6,749,406	5,229,425	690,758	3,043,164	15,712,753	9,068,415	57.71%	39.52%
June 3, 2008	23,033,970	7,053,860	5,244,394	696,849	3,128,684	16,123,787	4,550,227	28.22%	19.75%
June 8, 2010	23,453,690	7,553,109	5,228,320	771,852	3,423,750	16,977,031	5,654,993	33.31%	24.11%
June 5, 2012 P	23,713,027	7,442,921	5,186,492	869,678	3,654,608	17,153,699	5,328,296	31.06%	22.47%

Notes

*Known as "Decline to State" before 2011 when the Top Two Candidates Open Primary Act took effect.

**Indicates information not available.

P indicates a presidential primary election.

The first statewide record of party affiliations was reported in 1922.

In 1911, women were given the right to vote in California.

In 1972, the voting age was lowered from 21 to 18.