# 154-DAY REPORT OF REGISTRATION

October 1, 2019, for the March 3, 2020, Presidential Primary Election

# HISTORICAL VOTER REGISTRATION STATISTICS FOR 154-DAY CLOSE FOR STATEWIDE PRIMARIES IN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION YEARS

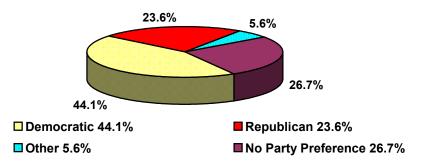
| TOTAL VOTER REGISTRATION        |                              |                   |                |  |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|
| Report Date                     | Eligible Voters <sup>1</sup> | Registered Voters | <u>Percent</u> |  |
| October 1, 2019                 | 25,205,690                   | 20,328,636        | 80.65%         |  |
| January 5, 2016                 | 24,584,491                   | 17,259,413        | 70.20%         |  |
| January 3, 2012                 | 23,645,811                   | 17,028,290        | 72.01%         |  |
| January 1, 2008²                | 22,927,832                   | 15,537,046        | 67.77%         |  |
| September 4, 2007 <sup>2</sup>  | 22,911,664                   | 15,527,076        | 67.77%         |  |
| September 30, 2003 <sup>3</sup> | 21,841,848                   | 15,437,370        | 70.68%         |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The figures given are unofficial but are based on U.S. Census data, as adjusted by information from the California Department of Finance and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

#### **REGISTRATION BY POLITICAL PARTY**

| Report Date        | <u>Democratic</u> | <u>Republican</u> | No Party<br>Preference | <u>Other</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| October 1, 2019    | 8,956,480         | 4,793,833         | 5,435,431              | 1,142,892    |
|                    | 44.1%             | 23.6%             | 26.7%                  | 5.6%         |
| January 5, 2016    | 7,438,655         | 4,767,259         | 4,141,860              | 911,639      |
|                    | 43.1%             | 27.6%             | 24.0%                  | 5.3%         |
| January 3, 2012    | 7,429,684         | 5,170,592         | 3,617,466              | 810,548      |
|                    | 43.6%             | 30.4%             | 21.2%                  | 4.8%         |
| January 1, 2008    | 6,636,067         | 5,197,897         | 3,011,371              | 691,711      |
|                    | 42.7%             | 33.5%             | 19.4%                  | 4.4%         |
| September 4, 2007  | 6,599,660         | 5,254,795         | 2,980,622              | 691,999      |
|                    | 42.5%             | 33.8%             | 19.2%                  | 4.5%         |
| September 30, 2003 | 6,735,349         | 5,448,469         | 2,484,275              | 769,277      |
|                    | 43.6%             | 35.3%             | 16.1%                  | 5.0%         |

# 154-Day Registration by Political Party



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The presidential and statewide direct primaries were split in 2008. The presidential primary election was held on February 5, and the statewide direct primary election was held on June 3. Therefore, by law, two 154-day reports were published.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Presidential primary and statewide direct primary elections were held on the same day in March 2004 and will be the same day in March 2020.

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#### **TRENDS**

Since the last 154-Day Report of Registration for a primary in a presidential election year (January 5, 2016):

- The total voter registration in the state increased from 17,259,413 to 20,328,636.
- The percentage of eligible Californians who are registered to vote increased from 70.2% to 80.7%.
- The percentage of voters who have no party preference increased from 24.0% to 26.7%.
- The percentage of voters registered with a qualified political party decreased from 75.2% to 72.2%.
- The percentage of voters registered with the Democratic Party increased from 43.1% to 44.1%.
- The percentage of voters registered with the Republican Party decreased from 27.6% to 23.6%.

## POLITICAL PARTY REGISTRATION HIGHLIGHTS

The counties with the 10 highest percentages of Democratic Party, Republican Party, and No Party Preference registered voters are:

| Democratic Party | <u>Y</u> | <u>Republican</u> | <u>Party</u> | No Party Prefere | nce    |
|------------------|----------|-------------------|--------------|------------------|--------|
| San Francisco    | 58.25%   | Lassen            | 50.29%       | Santa Clara      | 32.61% |
| Marin            | 56.58%   | Modoc             | 49.81%       | San Francisco    | 30.92% |
| Alameda          | 56.44%   | Shasta            | 46.40%       | San Diego        | 29.56% |
| Santa Cruz       | 55.25%   | Amador            | 44.08%       | San Mateo        | 29.46% |
| Sonoma           | 52.78%   | Mariposa          | 43.31%       | Imperial         | 29.01% |
| San Mateo        | 51.47%   | Tehama            | 43.14%       | Alameda          | 28.42% |
| Los Angeles      | 50.69%   | Plumas            | 42.43%       | Lake             | 28.40% |
| Contra Costa     | 49.56%   | Glenn             | 42.11%       | Mono             | 28.16% |
| Monterey         | 49.46%   | Calaveras         | 41.99%       | Yuba             | 27.58% |
| Yolo             | 47.65%   | Tuolumne          | 41.39%       | Los Angeles      | 27.22% |

The counties with the three highest percentages of American Independent Party, Green Party, Libertarian Party, and Peace and Freedom Party registered voters are:

| American Independent Party |                         | <b>Green Party</b>               |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Sierra<br>Lassen<br>Plumas | 6.25%<br>5.57%<br>5.27% | Humboldt<br>Mendocino<br>Trinity | 2.22%<br>2.02%<br>1.20% |
|                            |                         |                                  |                         |
| <u>Libertarian Party</u>   |                         | Peace and Freedom                | <u>Party</u>            |

#### COUNTY REGISTRATION HIGHLIGHTS

## Largest County Increase In Registration Since the January 5, 2016, Report

| County         | Increase In Registration |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Los Angeles    | 626,228                  |
| San Diego      | 382,951                  |
| San Bernardino | 275,279                  |
| Riverside      | 254,637                  |
| Orange         | 193,143                  |

# Largest Increase in Registration By Percentage Since the January 5, 2016, Report

| County         | % Increase in Registration | # Increase in Registration |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| San Bernardino | 37.84%                     | (+275,279)                 |
| San Benito     | 35.64%                     | (+8,585)                   |
| Tulare         | 32.74%                     | (+43,722)                  |
| Imperial       | 31.12%                     | (+18,472)                  |
| Riverside      | 30.14%                     | (+254,637)                 |
|                |                            |                            |

# PRE-REGISTRATION HIGHLIGHTS

# Current Count of Pre-Registered Voters<sup>1</sup>

| Total   | Democratic | Republican | No Party<br>Preference | Other  |
|---------|------------|------------|------------------------|--------|
| 155,954 | 62,123     | 20,845     | 61,473                 | 11,513 |
|         | 39.8%      | 13.4%      | 39.4%                  | 7.4%   |

# **Historical Pre-Registrations Totals<sup>2</sup>**

| Date               | <b>Pre-Registered Voters to Date</b> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 0.4.14.0040        | 107 700                              |
| October 1, 2019    | 437,702                              |
| February 10, 2019  | 316,798                              |
| October 22, 2018   | 260,077                              |
| September 7, 2018  | 189,094                              |
| May 21, 2018       | 132,529                              |
| April 6, 2018      | 105,053                              |
| January 2, 2018    | 79,325                               |
| September 26, 2016 | 0                                    |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Since September 26, 2016, 16- and 17-year-olds can pre-register to vote. Once they turn 18, they become automatically registered. Pre-registered voters may be activated before their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday if they will be 18 in an upcoming election. Those pre-registered voters were not eliminated from pre-registration statistics since they remain pre-registrants until their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. Therefore, some voters are counted in both pre-registration and active registration statistics.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Historical pre-registration totals show how many people pre-registered to vote since pre-registration began on September 26, 2016, including pre-registered voters who have since turned 18 and have become active voters.