## Comparative Voter Registration and Participation in Statewide Primary Elections—1910 through 1994

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Note 1: *Although counties have been required to report the party affiliation of California's registered voters since 1915, the first statewide record did not appear until 1922, and no records are available prior to that date.* See Eugene C. Lee, *California Votes 1928 - 1960*, Institute of Governmental Studies, University of California, 1963, quoted at page 26.

Note 2: Prior to 1944, the presidential primary was held in May, and a second primary was held in September or August to nominate partisan candidates for congress, the state senate, and the assembly. In 1944, these primary elections were consolidated into a single primary election date.

Note 3: Since the statewide primary election party nomination process began in 1910, fifteen parties have qualified to conduct primary elections, including:

- Democratic (1910 - present)
- Republican (1910 - present)
- Independence League (1910)
- Prohibition (1910 - 1962)
- Socialist (1910 - 1938)
- Independent Progressive (1948 - 1954)
- Progressive ("Bull Moose") (1914 - 1918)
- Libertarian (1980 - present)
- Green (1992 - present)

Prior to 1910, many parties either conducted conventions or held primary elections to select their candidates for the statewide general election. The five parties whose names are preceded by an asterisk (*) were active before 1910.