

HISTORICAL VOTER REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION IN STATEWIDE PRIMARY ELECTIONS 1914 - 2018

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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%
June 3, 2014	24,192,752	7,692,670	5,036,610	1,243,511	3,749,215	17,722,006	4,461,346	25.17%	18.44%
June 7, 2016 P	24,783,789	8,029,130	4,888,771	819,504	4,177,648	17,915,053	8,548,301	47.72%	34.49%
June 5, 2018	25,119,238	8,438,268	4,769,299	963,033	4,852,817	19,023,417	7,141,987	37.54%	28.43%

Notes

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

**Indicates information not available.

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

P indicates a presidential primary election.

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

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

Source: CA Secretary of State