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2002 General Election Turnout Rates

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Please see the [FAQ](#) for [information](#) on the construction of these statistics. Turnout data are culled from state election websites. The denominator data reflect the [July 1, 2002 and 2003 voting-age population estimates](#) (2010 intercensal adjustments) interpolated to Nov. 2002, non-citizen estimates are interpolated from [2000 Census](#) and the [2006 American Community Survey](#) interpolated to Nov. 2002, the [year-end-year 2002 DOJ prison report](#) and the [end-year 2002 DOJ probation and parole report](#). The overseas eligible estimate is recently updated with data provided by the [Federal Voting Assistance Program](#). Note that these data provide **preliminary estimates** of the turnout and voting-eligible population for the November, 2002 election. These statistics are updated continually as new data become available.

VEP Turnout Rate <recommended statistic> is the [vote for highest office](#) divided by the [voting-eligible population or VEP](#). In a midterm election, the vote for highest office is the highest vote tally for Governor, U.S. Senator, or combined House of Representatives. The voting-eligible population is the best estimate of the number of people eligible to vote.
VEP Total Ballots Counted Turnout Rate is the [total ballots counted](#) divided by the voting-eligible population. The total ballots cast includes blank and other such ballots, but does not include rejected provisional ballots. This would be the preferred turnout rate statistic, but all states do not report total ballots cast. An adjustment based on the ratio of votes for highest office to the total ballots cast for the states that report both numbers has been applied to the national highest office to estimate the U.S. total turnout rate.
VAP Rate is the vote for highest office divided by the [voting-age population](#), all residents age 18 and older. Although not recommended, this statistic is provided for organizations such as polling firms that sample the voting-age population.

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	State	VEP Highest Office Turnout Rate	VEP Total Ballots Counted Turnout Rate	VAP Turnout Rate	VAP Non-citizen	% Non-citizen	Prison	Probation	Parole	Total Ineligible Felon	Overseas Eligible	VEP Highest Office	Total Turnout	
US	United States	39.5%	40.5%	36.3%	215,461,549	8.0%	1,456,927	2,451,708	485,282	3,168,063	3,308,145	198,381,939	78,381,943	80,295,249
	Alabama	41.5%	40.4%	40.4%	3,371,451	1.8%	28,440	39,713	5,309	53,606		3,285,643	1,364,602	
	Alaska	54.2%	54.5%	51.0%	457,154	3.8%	4,431	5,229	900	7,946		427,337	231,484	232,852
	Arizona	35.9%	36.7%	30.7%	3,998,148	11.1%	30,741	66,485	4,587	68,571		3,419,481	1,226,111	1,255,615
	Arkansas	41.3%	41.7%	39.7%	2,031,787	2.6%	12,378	27,377	12,128	38,195		1,951,568	805,696	814,176
	California	36.1%	37.3%	29.0%	25,622,609	18.8%	163,361	0	113,185	276,546		20,733,192	7,476,351	7,738,821
	Colorado	46.3%	46.6%	42.0%	3,362,098	7.2%	19,085	0	6,215	25,300		3,056,465	1,416,093	1,424,029
	Connecticut	42.3%	45.1%	38.9%	2,617,814	7.1%	20,525	0	2,186	22,711		2,418,037	1,022,942	1,090,756
	Delaware	41.1%	37.9%	37.9%	612,919	4.4%	6,879	20,201	551	17,531		564,938	232,314	
	District of Columbia	30.1%		27.1%	458,631	10.0%	0	0	0	0		412,062	124,228	
	Florida	45.6%	45.9%	39.5%	13,005,435	10.9%	80,352	291,315	5,223	231,233		11,194,391	5,100,581	5,143,674
	Georgia	35.4%		32.2%	6,287,215	6.5%	47,004	367,349	20,822	251,501		5,731,983	2,031,604	
	Hawaii	43.8%	44.2%	40.2%	950,520	8.0%	5,635	0	0	5,635		872,992	382,110	385,462
	Idaho	44.7%	45.2%	42.0%	970,916	4.0%	5,825	31,361	1,961	23,467		921,256	411,477	416,533
	Illinois	41.4%	42.8%	37.7%	9,302,571	8.9%	43,186	0	0	43,186		8,540,965	3,538,883	3,651,808
	Indiana	33.9%		33.3%	4,587,747	2.6%	22,576	0	0	22,576		4,494,191	1,521,353	
	Iowa	47.9%	48.7%	45.7%	2,214,936	2.5%	8,395	19,970	2,787	21,167		2,136,683	1,023,075	1,040,201
	Kansas	44.0%	44.9%	41.4%	2,007,407	4.1%	9,009	15,217	3,990	20,608		1,897,261	835,692	851,966
	Kentucky	37.2%		36.4%	3,100,972	1.7%	16,377	24,480	5,968	34,585		3,044,267	1,131,313	
	Louisiana	39.4%	40.1%	37.8%	3,312,330	1.7%	36,091	36,257	23,049	77,269		3,163,663	1,246,333	1,267,225
	Maine	50.8%		50.1%	1,001,796	1.6%	0	0	0	0		995,056	505,190	
	Maryland	46.3%	46.8%	41.6%	4,082,694	6.9%	24,186	81,982	13,271	78,448		3,678,346	1,704,560	1,721,626
	Massachusetts	49.2%	49.8%	44.4%	4,919,958	8.2%	10,511	0	0	10,511		4,458,820	2,194,189	2,220,301
	Michigan	44.5%	45.0%	42.3%	7,445,335	3.4%	49,524	0	0	49,524		7,147,888	3,177,565	3,219,864
	Minnesota	64.1%		59.7%	3,745,577	3.8%	7,612	122,692	3,577	72,535		3,518,184	2,254,639	
	Mississippi	30.1%		29.2%	2,099,698	1.1%	20,542	16,633	1,816	30,675		2,047,426	615,609	
	Missouri	45.6%		43.9%	4,262,146	1.9%	30,649	54,584	13,533	71,474		4,116,889	1,877,620	
	Montana	48.4%	49.7%	47.7%	690,652	1.0%	3,440	0	0	3,440		684,572	331,321	340,272
	Nebraska	39.9%		37.3%	1,285,024	3.8%	4,103	16,468	574	12,911		1,204,512	480,991	
	Nevada	36.2%	36.8%	31.1%	1,640,679	12.7%	10,527	12,290	3,971	20,643		1,391,100	504,079	512,433
	New Hampshire	48.1%	48.7%	46.0%	960,401	3.0%	2,483	0	0	2,483		930,362	447,135	453,078
	New Jersey	38.1%	38.9%	32.6%	6,448,445	11.5%	28,213	134,290	12,576	107,934		5,549,726	2,112,604	2,161,105
	New Mexico	38.6%	40.0%	35.7%	1,360,130	7.0%	6,173	16,287	1,962	16,279		1,255,086	484,229	502,230
	New York	36.1%	37.0%	31.4%	14,504,792	12.6%	65,914	0	55,990	121,904		12,679,865	4,579,078	4,690,968
	North Carolina	39.7%		37.2%	6,314,679	5.0%	33,334	112,900	2,805	92,589		5,876,705	2,331,181	
	North Dakota	48.5%	49.8%	47.6%	486,797	1.2%	1,168	0	0	1,168		476,251	231,030	237,224
	Ohio	38.8%	40.3%	37.6%	8,556,557	1.9%	45,831	0	0	45,831		8,322,521	3,228,992	3,356,285
	Oklahoma	41.2%		39.6%	2,610,016	3.3%	23,004	29,881	3,573	41,518		2,513,143	1,035,620	
	Oregon	50.8%	51.8%	47.2%	2,674,581	6.7%	12,422	0	0	12,422		2,495,739	1,267,221	1,293,756
	Pennsylvania	38.8%		37.3%	9,454,338	2.6%	40,545	0	0	40,545		9,143,001	3,545,431	
	Rhode Island	44.7%	45.4%	40.1%	819,310	7.4%	3,569	25,914	384	16,910		741,776	331,834	337,027
	South Carolina	36.9%		35.6%	3,100,548	2.6%	24,247	41,574	3,491	48,525		2,982,810	1,102,010	
	South Dakota	60.7%	61.2%	59.7%	564,305	1.3%	3,059	0	0	3,059		556,154	337,497	340,407
	Tennessee	39.6%		37.3%	4,393,757	2.5%	25,409	42,712	7,949	54,714		4,151,834	1,644,741	
	Texas	34.2%	34.5%	28.8%	15,718,593	12.1%	164,222	434,486	103,068	484,533		13,181,016	4,514,012	4,552,059
	Utah	37.0%	37.8%	35.0%	1,601,707	6.5%	5,594	0	0	5,594		1,504,529	557,153	568,290
	Vermont	48.8%	49.4%	48.1%	472,402	2.1%	0	0	0	0		471,403	230,161	232,993
	Virginia	29.0%	32.3%	26.9%	5,536,511	6.0%	34,733	40,359	4,530	59,443		5,138,270	1,489,422	1,661,915
Washington	41.8%	43.5%	37.9%	4,553,733	7.3%	16,284	171,603	95	102,181		4,162,032	1,739,116	1,808,720	
West Virginia	31.2%	31.5%	30.8%	1,413,580	0.6%	4,703	6,430	999	8,917		1,398,124	436,183	440,156	
Wisconsin	45.4%		43.2%	4,094,028	2.6%	22,366	54,614	11,088	60,761		3,908,088	1,775,349		
Wyoming	50.1%	50.8%	49.2%	376,121	1.6%	1,809	4,596	570	4,677		370,488	185,459	188,028	

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