

Table 6.8
VOTER TURNOUT FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS BY REGION: 2004, 2008 AND 2012
(In thousands)

State or other jurisdiction	2012			2008			2004		
	Voting age population (a)	Number registered	Number voting (b)	Voting age population (a)	Number registered	Number voting (b)	Voting age population (a)	Number registered	Number voting (b)
U.S. Total.....	234,564	153,161	129,140	227,719	189,391	128,628	208,247	170,937	122,501
Eastern Region									
Connecticut.....	2,757	1,760	1,558	2,682	2,210	1,645	2,574	1,823	1,579
Delaware.....	692	470	414	659	602	391	594	554	376
Maine.....	1,054	787	725	1,037	1,000	731	1,042	957	741
Maryland.....	4,421	2,888	2,707	4,259	3,429	2,632	3,922	3,070	2,396
Massachusetts.....	5,129	3,759	3,184	5,016	4,220	3,103	4,931	3,973	2,927
New Hampshire.....	1,029	752	711	1,017	864	708	991	856	684
New Jersey.....	6,727	4,326	3,638	6,622	5,379	3,868	6,669	5,009	3,612
New York.....	15,053	8,887	7,117	14,884	12,031	7,675	14,206	11,837	7,448
Pennsylvania.....	9,910	6,795	5,742	9,646	8,730	5,995	9,404	8,367	5,770
Rhode Island.....	829	552	446	824	701	470	803	709	437
Vermont.....	497	357	299	489	454	325	490	445	312
Regional total.....	48,097	31,333	26,542	47,135	39,620	27,543	45,626	37,600	26,282
Midwestern Region									
Illinois.....	9,701	6,425	5,242	9,653	7,790	5,578	9,519	7,499	5,274
Indiana.....	4,876	3,270	2,625	4,758	4,515	2,751	4,420	4,163	2,468
Iowa.....	2,318	1,745	1,582	2,276	2,076	1,537	2,212	2,107	1,522
Kansas.....	2,126	1,467	1,160	2,079	1,750	1,751	2,038	1,694	1,188
Michigan.....	7,540	5,620	4,731	7,624	7,471	5,044	7,541	7,164	4,839
Minnesota.....	4,020	3,085	2,937	3,937	3,200	2,910	3,823	2,977	2,828
Nebraska.....	1,367	901	794	1,328	1,157	801	1,257	1,160	778
North Dakota.....	523	383 (c)	323	496	(c)	317	487	(c)	316
Ohio.....	8,806	6,076	5,581	8,715	8,163	5,698	8,604	7,973	5,426
South Dakota.....	611	454	364	599	508	382	573	502	395
Wisconsin.....	4,347	3,318	3,071	4,280	3,405	2,983	4,119	2,957 (c)	2,997
Regional total.....	46,235	32,744	28,410	45,745	40,035	24,174	44,593	38,196	28,031
Southern Region									
Alabama.....	3,647	2,556	2,074	3,504	2,841	2,100	3,252	2,597	1,883
Arkansas.....	2,204	1,376	1,069	2,134	1,686	1,087	1,951	1,686	1,055
Florida.....	14,799	9,102	8,474	14,207	11,248	8,358	12,539	10,301	7,610
Georgia.....	7,196	4,767	3,898	7,013	5,266	3,924	6,080	4,249	3,285
Kentucky.....	3,316	2,303	1,797	3,237	2,907	1,827	3,012	2,819	1,796
Louisiana.....	3,415	2,498	1,994	3,213	2,945	1,961	3,249	2,923	1,957
Mississippi.....	2,212	1,794	1,286	2,150	1,873	1,290	2,014	1,865	1,140
Missouri.....	4,563	3,384	2,757	4,453	4,181	2,925	4,297	4,194	2,731
North Carolina.....	7,254	5,295	4,505	6,843	6,226	4,311	6,453	5,527	3,501
Oklahoma.....	2,822	1,806	1,335	2,717	2,184	1,463	2,515	2,143	1,464
South Carolina.....	3,545	2,479	1,964	3,347	2,554	1,921	3,214	2,315	1,618
Tennessee.....	4,850	3,210	2,459	4,685	3,978	2,600	4,284	3,532	2,437
Texas.....	18,280	10,749	7,994	17,281	13,575	8,077	16,071	13,098	7,411
Virginia.....	6,147	4,210	3,854	5,885	5,044	3,724	5,194	4,528	3,195
West Virginia.....	1,466	982	670	1,424	1,212	713	1,406	1,169	744
Regional total.....	85,717	56,511	46,132	82,093	67,720	46,281	75,531	62,946	41,827
Western Region									
Alaska.....	523	361	300	501	496	326	460	472	313
Arizona.....	4,763	2,812	2,299	4,668	2,987	2,321	3,800	2,643	2,038
California.....	27,959	15,356	13,039	27,169	23,209	13,214	22,075	16,557	12,589
Colorado.....	3,804	2,635	2,570	3,668	3,209	2,401	3,246	2,890	2,130
Hawaii.....	1,056	547	437	997	691	454	877	647	429
Idaho.....	1,139	745	652	1,091	862	655	996	798	613
Montana.....	766	553	484	738	668	490	680	596	450
Nevada.....	2,036	1,176	1,015	1,905	1,208	968	1,580	1,094	830
New Mexico.....	1,541	978	784	1,469	1,193	830	1,318	1,105	756
Oregon.....	2,965	2,086	1,789	2,884	2,154	1,828	2,665	2,120	1,837
Utah.....	1,893	1,138	1,017	1,828	1,433	905	1,522	1,278	928
Washington.....	5,143	3,533	3,126	4,932	3,630	3,037	4,596	3,508	2,883
Wyoming.....	428	268	251	397	276	255	370	246	244
Regional total.....	54,014	32,188	27,746	52,247	42,016	30,620	44,181	33,954	26,040
Regional total without California.....	26,055	16,832	14,724	25,078	18,807	17,406	22,106	17,397	13,451
Dist. of Columbia.....	501	385	294	475	427	267	435	384	228

Sources: U.S. Congress, Clerk of the House, Statistics of the Presidential and Congressional Election, 2004, 2008, 2012. U.S. Census Bureau, Resident Population of Voting Age and Percent Casting Votes—States, as of July 1, 2010. U.S. Census Bureau, Table 4a: Reported Voting and Registration of the Citizen Voting-Age Population, for States: November 2012. U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, December 2008. The Council of State Governments' survey of election officials, January 2005, January 2009.

Key:

- (a) Estimated population, 18 years old and over. Includes armed forces in each state, aliens, and institutional population.
(b) Number voting is number of ballots cast in presidential race.
(c) No statewide registration required.