

ELECTIONS

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
Alabama.....	3,647	2,556	2,074	3,504	2,841	2,100	3,252	2,597	1,883
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
Arkansas.....	2,204	1,376	1,069	2,134	1,686	1,087	1,951	1,686	1,055
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
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
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
Hawaii.....	1,056	547	437	997	691	454	873	647	429
Idaho.....	1,139	745	652	1,091	862	655	996	798	613
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
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
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
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
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
Montana.....	766	553	484	738	668	490	680	596	450
Nebraska.....	1,367	901	794	1,328	1,157	801	1,257	1,160	778
Nevada.....	2,036	1,176	1,015	1,905	1,208	968	1,580	1,094	830
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 Mexico.....	1,541	978	784	1,469	1,193	830	1,318	1,105	756
New York.....	15,053	8,887	7,117	14,884	12,031	7,675	14,206	11,837	7,448
North Carolina.....	7,254	5,295	4,505	6,843	6,226	4,311	6,453	5,527	3,501
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
Oklahoma.....	2,822	1,806	1,335	2,717	2,184	1,463	2,515	2,143	1,464
Oregon.....	2,965	2,086	1,789	2,884	2,154	1,828	2,665	2,120	1,837
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
South Carolina.....	3,545	2,479	1,964	3,347	2,554	1,921	3,214	2,315	1,618
South Dakota.....	611	454	364	599	508	382	573	502	395
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
Utah.....	1,893	1,138	1,017	1,828	1,433	905	1,522	1,278	928
Vermont.....	497	357	299	489	454	325	490	445	312
Virginia.....	6,147	4,210	3,854	5,885	5,044	3,724	5,194	4,528	3,195
Washington.....	5,143	3,533	3,126	4,932	3,630	3,037	4,596	3,508	2,883
West Virginia.....	1,466	982	670	1,424	1,212	713	1,406	1,169	744
Wisconsin.....	4,347	3,318	3,071	4,280	3,405	2,983	4,119	2,957 (c)	2,997
Wyoming.....	428	268	251	397	276	255	370	246	244
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 2009, January 2005.

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.