

Table 6.7
VOTING STATISTICS FOR GUBERNATORIAL ELECTIONS BY REGION

| State or other jurisdiction | Date of last election | Primary election | | | | Total votes | General election | | | | | | | | Total votes |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---|-------------|-------------|-------|-------------|------------------|---------|------------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------|-------------|
| | | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Other | | Republican | Percent | Democrat | Percent | Independent | Percent | Other | Percent | |
| Eastern Region | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut..... | 2006 | (b) | | | | 710,048 | 63.2 | 398,220 | 35.4 | 0 | 0.0 | 15,198 | 1.4 | 1,123,466 | |
| Delaware..... | 2008 | 28,972 | 73,961 | 0 | 0 | 102,933 | 126,662 | 32.0 | 266,861 | 67.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 1,681 | 0.5 | 395,204 |
| Maine..... | 2006 | 68,574 | 54,422 | 0 | 0 | 120,996 | 166,425 | 30.2 | 209,927 | 38.1 | 118,715 | 21.5 | 55,798 | 10.1 | 550,865 |
| Maryland..... | 2006 | 213,744 | 524,671 | 0 | 0 | 738,415 | 825,464 | 46.2 | 942,279 | 52.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 20,573 | 1.1 | 1,717,068 |
| Massachusetts..... | 2006 | 71,430 | 912,348 | 0 | 0 | 983,778 | 784,342 | 35.0 | 1,234,984 | 55.0 | 154,628 | 7.0 | 69,881 | 3.1 | 2,243,835 |
| New Hampshire..... | 2008 | 53,120 | 49,124 | 0 | 0 | 102,444 | 188,555 | 27.6 | 479,042 | 70.2 | 14,987 | 2.2 | 326 | 0.05 | 682,910 |
| New Jersey..... | 2009 | 334,215 | 209,304 | 0 | 0 | 543,519 | 1,174,445 | 47.9 | 1,087,731 | 44.4 | 161,508 | 6.6 | 0 | 0 | 2,451,704 |
| New York..... | 2006 | 138,263 | 624,684 | 0 | 0 | 762,947 | 1,105,681 | 23.5 | 2,740,864 | 58.3 | 190,661(c) | 4 | 660,661 | 14 | 4,697,867 |
| Pennsylvania..... | 2006 | 572,375(d) | 644,444 (d) | 0 | 0 | 1,216,819 | 1,622,135 | 39.6 | 2,470,517 | 60.4 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 4,092,652 |
| Rhode Island..... | 2006 | 63,148 | 88,688 | 0 | 0 | 151,836 | 197,306 | 51.0 | 189,503 | 48.9 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 387,870 |
| Vermont..... | 2008 | 11,798 | 18,851 | 0 | 135 | 30,784 | 170,492 | 53.4 | 69,534 | 21.7 | 0 | 0 | 79,059 | 24.7 | 319,085 |
| Regional total..... | | 983,264 | 2,556,053 | 0 | 135 | 4,754,471 | 7,071,555 | 37.9 | 10,089,462 | 54.0 | 449,838 | 2.4 | 903,177 | 4.8 | 18,662,526 |
| Midwestern Region | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Illinois..... | 2006 | 699,786 | 931,779 | 0 | 0 | 1,631,565 | 1,368,682 | 38.2 | 1,736,219 | 48.4 | 0 | 0.0 | 381,770 | 10.6 | 3,586,292 |
| Indiana..... | 2008 | 350,390 | 1,151,951 | 0 | 0 | 1,502,341 | 1,563,885 | 57.8 | 1,082,463 | 40.0 | 28 | 0.0 | 57,376 | 2.1 | 2,703,752 |
| Iowa..... | 2006 | 73,903 (d) | 148,000 | 0 | 0 | 221,903 | 467,425 | 44.1 | 569,021 | 53.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 22,618 | 2.1 | 1,059,064 |
| Kansas..... | 2006 | 194,295 | 76,046 (d) | 0 | 0 | 382,003 | 343,586 | 40.4 | 491,993 | 57.9 | 0 | 0.0 | 14,121 | 1.7 | 849,700 |
| Michigan..... | 2006 | 581,404 | 531,322 | 0 | 119 | 1,112,845 | 1,608,086 | 42.3 | 2,142,513 | 56.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 50,657 | 1.3 | 3,801,256 |
| Minnesota..... | 2006 | 166,112 | 316,470 | 11,689 | 0 | 514,373 | 1,028,568 | 46.4 | 1,007,460 | 45.4 | 141,735 | 6.4 | 25,174 | 1.1 | 2,217,719 |
| Nebraska..... | 2006 | 271,487 | 73,592 | 0 | 128 | 345,207 | 435,507 | 73.3 | 145,115 | 24.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 12,735 | 2.1 | 593,357 |
| North Dakota..... | 2008 | 50,226 | 38,784 | 0 | 18 | 89,028 | 235,009 | 74.4 | 74,279 | 23.5 | 6,404 | 2.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 315,692 |
| Ohio..... | 2006 | 812,388 | 783,044 | 0 | 0 | 1,816,916 | 1,470,708 | 35.2 | 2,428,013 | 58.0 | 112,742 | 2.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 4,184,072 |
| South Dakota..... | 2006 | (d) | 36,389 | 0 | 0 | 92,763 | 206,990 | 61.7 | 121,226 | 36.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 7,292 | 2.2 | 335,508 |
| Wisconsin..... | 2006 | 234,020 | 320,782 | 0 | 1,812 | 556,614 | 979,427 | 45.3 | 1,139,115 | 52.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 43,158 | 2.0 | 2,161,700 |
| Regional total..... | | 3,434,011 | 4,408,159 | 11,689 | 2,077 | 8,265,558 | 9,707,873 | 44.5 | 10,937,417 | 50.2 | 260,909 | 1.2 | 614,901 | 2.8 | 21,808,112 |
| Southern Region | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alabama..... | 2006 | 460,019 | 466,537 | 0 | 0 | 925,467 | 718,327 | 57.4 | 519,827 | 41.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 12,247 | 1.0 | 1,250,401 |
| Arkansas..... | 2006 | .. No primary in 2006 due to only one candidate per party.... | | | | 314,630 | 314,630 | 40.7 | 430,090 | 55.5 | 15,739 | 2.0 | 13,093 | 1.7 | 773,552 |
| Florida..... | 2006 | 985,986 | 857,814 | 0 | 0 | 1,843,800 | 2,519,845 | 52.2 | 2,178,289 | 45.1 | 92,595 | 1.9 | 38,541 | 0.8 | 4,829,270 |
| Georgia..... | 2006 | 419,254 | 482,117 | 0 | 0 | 901,371 | 1,229,724 | 57.9 | 811,049 | 38.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 81,412 | 3.8 | 2,122,185 |
| Kentucky..... | 2007 | 202,339 | 348,238 | 0 | 0 | 458,341 | 435,773 | 41.3 | 619,552 | 58.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1,055,325 |
| Louisiana (a)..... | 2007 | 699,275 | 397,755 | 200,810 | 0 | 1,297,840 | 699,275 (a) | 54.0 | 397,755 | 30.6 | 200,810 | 15.4 | 0 | 0.0 | 1,297,840 |
| Mississippi..... | 2007 | 197,647 | 446,722 | 0 | 0 | 644,369 | 430,807 | 57.9 | 313,232 | 42.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 744,039 |
| Missouri..... | 2008 | 395,885 | 358,016 | 0 | 1,729 | 755,630 | 1,136,364 | 39.5 | 1,680,611 | 58.4 | 0 | 0.0 | 60,803 | 2.1 | 2,877,778 |
| North Carolina..... | 2008 | 504,973 | 1,494,998 | 0 | 0 | 1,999,971 | 2,001,168 | 46.9 | 2,146,189 | 50.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 121,584 | 2.9 | 4,268,941 |
| Oklahoma..... | 2006 | 182,136 | 264,467 | 0 | 0 | 446,603 | 310,327 | 66.5 | 616,135 | 33.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 926,462 |
| South Carolina..... | 2006 | 247,281 | 138,343 | 0 | 0 | 395,905 | 601,868 | 55.1 | 489,076 | 44.8 | 0 | 0.0 | 1,008 | 0.1 | 1,091,952 |
| Tennessee..... | 2006 | 534,824 | 539,018 | 0 | 809 | 1,074,651 | 540,853 | 29.7 | 1,247,491 | 68.6 | 30,205 | 1.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 1,818,549 |
| Texas..... | 2006 | 655,919 | 508,602 | 0 | 0 | 1,164,521 | 1,716,792 | 39.0 | 1,310,337 | 29.8 | 1,344,525 | 30.5 | 27,462 | 0.7 | 4,399,116 |
| Virginia..... | 2009 | (b) | 319,168 | 0 | 0 | 319,168 | 1,163,523 | 59.0 | 818,901 | 41.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1,982,432 |
| West Virginia..... | 2008 | 81,019 | 354,849 | 0 | 0 | 435,868 | 181,612 | 25.7 | 492,697 | 69.8 | 31,486 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 705,795 |
| Regional total..... | | 5,566,557 | 6,976,644 | 200,810 | 2,538 | 12,663,505 | 14,000,888 | 46.4 | 14,071,231 | 46.7 | 1,715,360 | 5.7 | 356,150 | 1.2 | 30,143,637 |

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VOTING STATISTICS FOR GUBERNATORIAL ELECTIONS BY REGION — Continued

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| Western Region | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alaska | 2006 | 101,695 | 97,238 | 22443 | 2,944 | 160,874 | 114,697 | 48.1 | 97,238 | 40.8 | 22,443 | 7.9 | 2,944 | 1.2 | 238,307 |
| Arizona | 2006 | 333,604 | 246,876 | 0 | 4,046 | 584,526 | 543,528 | 35.4 | 959,830 | 62.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 30,287 | 2.0 | 1,533,645 |
| California | 2006 | 1,809,189 | 2,360,529 | 27,195 | 49,693 | 4,246,606 | 4,850,157 | 55.9 | 3,376,732 | 39.0 | 61,901 | 0.7 | 390,258 | 4.4 | 8,679,048 |
| Colorado | 2006 | 193,804 (d) | 142,586 (d) | 0 | 0 | 336,390 | 625,886 | 40.2 | 888,096 | 57.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 44,405 | 2.8 | 1,558,387 |
| Hawaii | 2006 | 32,107 | 179,227 | 0 | 642 | 211,976 | 215,313 | 61.7 | 121,717 | 34.9 | 0 | 0.0 | 11,721 | 3.4 | 348,751 |
| Idaho | 2006 | 137,175 | 30,443 | 0 | 0 | 184,456 | 276,029 | 52.7 | 198,845 | 44.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 14,550 | 3.2 | 489,424 |
| Montana | 2008 | 81,526 | 175,043 | 0 | 0 | 204,993 | 158,268 | 32.5 | 318,670 | 65.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 9,796 | 2.0 | 486,734 |
| Nevada | 2006 | 140,515 | 119,046 | 0 | 0 | 259,561 | 279,003 | 47.9 | 255,684 | 43.9 | 0 | 0.0 | 47,471 | 8.2 | 582,158 |
| New Mexico | 2006 | 53,974 | 107,520 | 0 | 0 | 160,575 | 174,364 | 31.2 | 384,806 | 68.8 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 559,170 |
| Oregon | 2006 | 300,554 | 319,177 | 0 | 0 | 619,731 | 533,650 | 38.1 | 579,060 | 41.3 | 248,655 | 17.7 | 37,925 | 2.7 | 1,399,650 |
| Utah | 2008 | | | (b) | | | 700,565 | 77.9 | 175,031 | 19.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 23,449 | 2.6 | 906,706 |
| Washington | 2008 | 695,116 | 712,952 | 10,884 | 23,505 | 1,442,457 | 1,404,124 | 46.8 | 1,598,738 | 53.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 3,002,862 |
| Wyoming | 2006 | 69,401 | 29,612 | 0 | 0 | 99,013 | 58,100 | 29.9 | 135,516 | 69.8 | 0 | 0.0 | 276 | 0.1 | 193,892 |
| Regional total | | 3,948,660 | 4,520,249 | 60,522 | 80,830 | 8,511,158 | 9,933,684 | 49.7 | 9,089,963 | 45.4 | 332,999 | 1.6 | 613,082 | 3.0 | 19,978,734 |
| Regional total without California | | 2,139,471 | 2,159,720 | 33,327 | 31,137 | 4,264,552 | 5,083,527 | 44.9 | 5,713,231 | 50.5 | 271,098 | 2.4 | 222,824 | 2.0 | 11,299,686 |
| American Samoa (e) | 2008 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | 0 | 0.0 | 6,590 | 56.5 | 5,084 | 43.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 11,674 |
| U.S. Virgin Islands | 2006 | 2,803 | 31,615 | 1,740 | 0 | 36,158 | 2,838 | 6.2 | 32,308 | 59.2 | 1,778 | 30.8 | 16,093 | 3.7 | 53,017 |
| Puerto Rico | 2008 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | 1,025,945 | 53.0 | 801,053 | 41.2 | 53,690 | 2.7 | 60,975 | 3.1 | 1,941,663 |

Sources: The Council of State Governments' survey of election administration offices, February 2007 and state elections web sites, March 2010.

Key:

N.A. — Not applicable

(a) Louisiana has an open primary which requires all candidates, regardless of party affiliation, to appear on a single ballot. If a candidate receives over 50 percent of the vote in the primary, he is elected to the office. If no candidate receives a majority vote, then a single election is held between the two

candidates receiving the most votes. In the October 20, 2007 primary election Bobby Jindahl (R) received 54 percent of the vote, the five Democrats received 30.6 percent of the vote and the other candidates received the remaining 15.6 percent of the vote. No run-off election was required.

(b) Candidate nominated by convention.

(c) Governor Eliot Spitzer was also the Independence Party candidate.

(d) Candidate ran unopposed.

(e) The results displayed in the table are from the Nov. 18, 2008 run-off election.