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Voting is a Fundamental Right

Voting is a fundamental right that empowers citizens to shape the policies and leadership that impact their lives and communities.

Mail-in voting makes this process more **accessible** by allowing people to vote from the convenience of their homes, eliminating the need to visit polling places.

This option **ensures that more people, including those with disabilities, tight schedules, or health concerns, can participate in elections easily and safely.**



States with All-Mail Elections

Eight states allow all elections to be conducted entirely by mail:

California

Colorado

District of Columbia

Hawaii

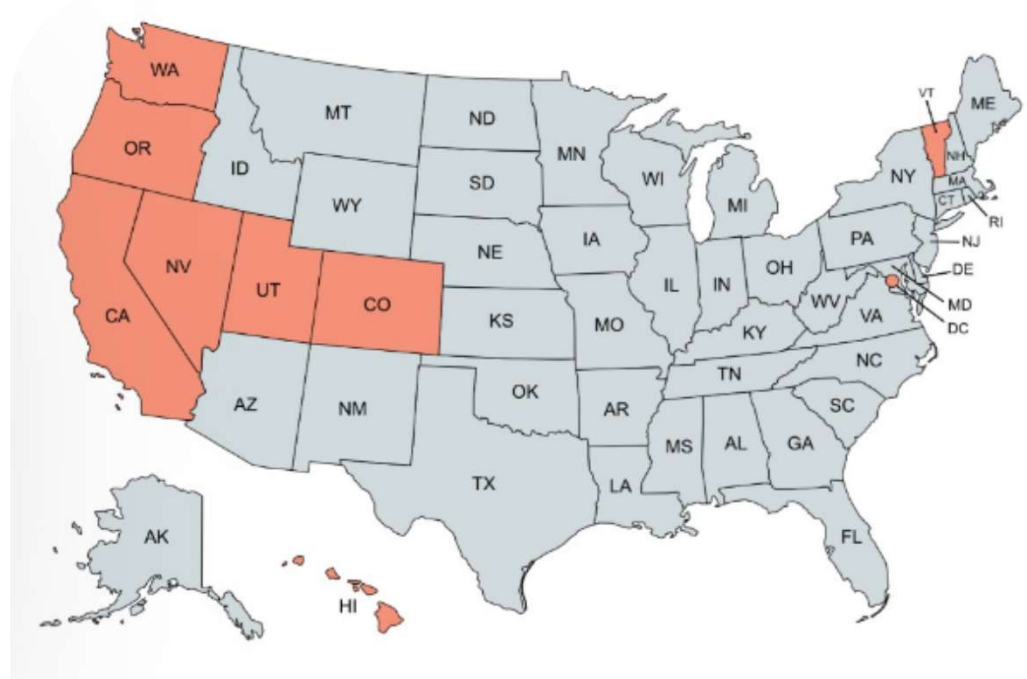
Nevada

Oregon

Utah

Vermont

Washington



Specific Counties or Small Elections

States Allowing Counties to Opt Into Mail-In Elections:

Nebraska and North Dakota

Nine states allow specific small elections to be conducted by mail:



Alaska, Arizona, Florida, Kansas, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, New Mexico, and Wyoming.

Four states permit mostly-mail elections for certain small jurisdictions:

Idaho, Minnesota, New Jersey, and New Mexico.

Key 2024 Presidential General Election Deadlines

October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 	30	31		

Online and mail-in registration deadline: October 15, 2024.

Deadline to receive ballots by mail: October 29, 2024.

Internet ballot request deadline: November 1, 2024.

In-person mail-in ballot request: November 5, 2024.

November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Eligibility Requirements to Register to Vote in Maryland

- U.S. citizen and Maryland resident.
- Must be at least 16 years old (18 by next general election).
- Restrictions: vote buying/selling, mental disability rulings, felony convictions.



Benefits of Mail-In Voting

- Accessibility for disabled, elderly, and military.
- Convenience and inclusivity (e.g., working class, trans individuals).
- Potential for increased voter participation.



Safety at Polls

By the numbers: The poll, commissioned by the nonprofit Global Project Against Hate and Extremism (GPAHE), found that 47% of white people feel safe at polling places, while 28% of Black people and 37% of Hispanic people report the same sense of security.



Safety at Polls

- Overall, 63% of survey participants said they are "very worried" about at least one of the following — fraud, violence, harassment, or intimidation — happening at the polls and their polling place.
- 28% percent are "very worried" about organized groups like the Proud Boys showing up as poll watchers. 25% and 21%, respectively, worried about intimidation from either right-wing or left-wing extremists.

Safety at Polls

- The potential of voter intimidation and harassment is a grave concern to 39% of Black people and 38% of Hispanic people compared to 19% of white people.
- Meanwhile, 24% of white people, 44% of Black people and 45% of Hispanic people expressed concern about a violent attack or shooting on Election Day.
- GPAHE's survey did not include data on Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders or Indigenous people.

Challenges of Mail-In Voting

- Potential inaccuracies in voter registration rolls.
- Concerns of voter fraud, coercion, or impersonation.
- Early voting might miss late campaign developments.



Voter Security Concerns in the U.S.

- 41% of Americans feel unsafe at polling places.
- Concerns over violence, intimidation, and harassment.
- Minority groups experience more fear of violence on Election Day.

How to Vote Safely and Securely

- Important: Only vote at one address, and ensure registration accuracy.
- Avoid multiple registrations and ballot misuse.



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