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# Secretary of State Padilla Releases Report of Voter Registration for June 7 Primary Election

**SACRAMENTO** – California Secretary of State Alex Padilla today released the second of three voter registration reports for the June 7, 2016, Presidential Primary Election. The report is a compilation of voter registration numbers reported by California's 58 county elections offices. The report reflects registration data as of April 8, 2016, which is 60 days prior to the primary election.

The report shows that 17,268,833 Californians are currently registered to vote – up 231,419 since the April 6, 2012 Report on Registration. The next report will reflect data as of May 23, 2016, which is 15 days prior to the primary election.

"70.08% of eligible California citizens are currently registered to vote," Secretary of State Alex Padilla said. "If you want to register to vote in the June 7 Presidential Primary Election there is still time—the registration deadline is May 23."

"If you've moved or changed your name since the last election, you will need to update your registration information. Californians can register or update their registration information online at <u>RegisterToVote.ca.gov</u>. It is quick and easy. You can also use <u>RegisterToVote.ca.gov</u> to update your political party preference."

"If you are unsure of your voter registration status—check with your county elections office," Padilla said. "Many county offices have online tools that allow voters to quickly check their status."

A full list of contact information for county elections officials and links to county online voter registration status tools is available on the Secretary of State's website at: <a href="http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/registration-status/">http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/registration-status/</a>

"Whether you've recently turned 18, become a new US citizen, or just want to vote for the first time—register today. You can even register from your smart phone through <u>RegisterToVote.ca.gov</u>" Padilla said.

Los Angeles County had the largest numerical increase in registered voters since April 6, 2012, increasing by **304,457**. Voter registration in the Central Valley County of San Joaquin increased by **31,862**—making it the county with the greatest percentage increase (+**11.9%**) in registrations since April 6, 2012.

Click here for more information and the complete Report of Registration http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/report-registration/60day-primary-2016/

## **Out of State Primaries Impact Use of California Online Registration?**

Since <u>April 9, 2016</u>, there have been over 500,000 completed transactions on the Secretary of State's voter registration website, which include new registrations and updates to registration information. 52.7% of these registrations or registration updates were by voters ages 17-35.

Over 205,000 of these completed transactions occurred in the days immediately preceding and following recent Presidential Primary Elections in other states.

#### New York Primary (April 19)

From April 18-20 there were 66,438 completed transactions on the Secretary of State's voter registration website.

<u>Pennsylvania, Maryland, Rhode Island, Delaware, Connecticut Primaries (April 26)</u> From April 25-27 there were 47,758 completed transactions on the Secretary of State's voter registration website.

#### Indiana Primary (May 3)

From May 2 - 5 there were 91,613 completed transactions on the Secretary of State's voter registration website.

"The race for the White House is capturing the attention of many Californians. It is clear that people want to vote in the Presidential Primary Election, and the first step is registering to vote," said Secretary Padilla.

### **Registration Totals and Statistics**

The registration totals for the six qualified political parties and voters who have no political party preference are:

	April 6, 2012		April 8, 2016	
Political Party	<u># Registered</u>	<u>% of Total</u>	<u># Registered</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
American Independent	430,635	2.53 %	474,338	2.75%
Democratic	7,408,884	43.49 %	7,537,312	43.65%
Green	110,431	0.65 %	93,128	0.54%
Libertarian	93,217	0.55 %	117,327	0.68%
Peace and Freedom	59,536	0.35 %	73,440	0.43%
Republican	5,163,541	30.31 %	4,752,293	27.52%
No Party Preference	3,630,726	21.31 %	4,117,885	23.85%
Miscellaneous	140,444	0.82 %	103,110	0.60%
Total	17,037,414		17,268,833	

## Largest County Increase In Registration Since April 6, 2012, Report

County	Increase In Registration
Los Angeles	304,457
Alameda	57,382
Sacramento	45,834
Riverside	38,994
San Joaquin	31,862

## Largest Increase In Registration By Percentage Since April 6, 2012, Report

County	% Increase in registration	# Increase in Registration
San Joaquin	11.9%	(+31,862)
Imperial	10.8%	(+5,821)
Monterey	9.5%	(+14,852)
Alameda	7.7%	(+57,382)
Del Norte	7.3%	(+896)

## Counties with Largest % of Eligible Citizens Registered to Vote

# County % of Eligible Citizens Registered to Vote

Sierra	85.40%
Marin	81.71%
Nevada	81.68%
Placer	78.52%

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