

# Get out the vote in California

**Election Day: November 3**

## Why should you vote?

Voting is the one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, only 61.4% of the voting age population in the United States reported voting.

Modern technology has improved access to information on candidates and made it easier to register to vote in many areas, and it is vital to be aware of how you can participate in the 2020 election.

## California's absentee and mail-in voting procedures

### Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:

- No excuse required to request an absentee ballot

### 2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:

- Coronavirus updates: Mail-in ballots sent automatically to all voters in the November 3, 2020, general election.



## Deadlines to know for voting in California

### Voter registration deadline:

**October 19, 2020**

Fifteen days before an election.

Same-day registration is permitted 14 days before an election and on Election Day

### Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:

Request must be received by

**October 27, 2020**

Seven days before the election

### Ballot submission deadline:

By mail: Postmarked by November 3, 2020 (Election Day) and received within 17 days.

In person: By 8:00 pm on November 3, 2020 (Election Day).



## How can you register to vote in California?

To register to vote in California, visit the State Board of Elections website for more information on voter eligibility and the registration process.

You can begin the registration process through California's Online Voter Registration System.

State Election Office

<http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections>

Online Voter Registration System

<http://registertovote.ca.gov/>