

Immigrants and Voting: 2008 Election Profile

TEXAS

Total Electoral College Votes: 34

Electoral and Popular Vote Choice in 2004 General Election: Republican (Bush: 61%)

Total Citizens eligible to vote (2006): 14,747,043

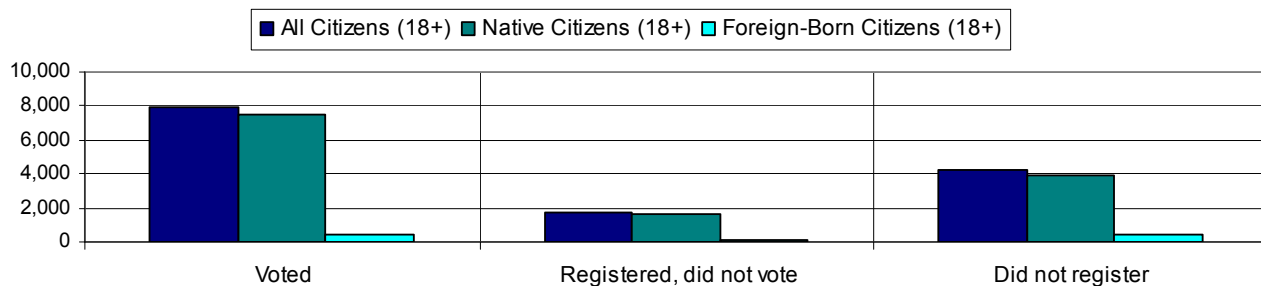
Naturalized Citizens eligible to vote (2006): 1,089,109

- In 2006, the foreign born represented 15.9 percent (or 3,740,667) of Texas' total population (23,507,783), compared with 13.9 percent in 2000 and 9.0 percent in 1990
- Texas' foreign-born population increased by 841,025 (or 29.0 percent) between 2000 and 2006 (from 2,899,642 to 3,740,667)
- Texas' foreign-born citizen population increased by 230,259 (or 25.2 percent) between 2000 and 2006 (from 914,326 to 1,144,585)
- Texas' foreign-born voting eligible population (18+) increased by 218,263 (or 25.1 percent) between 2000 and 2006 (from 870,846 to 1,089,109)

Voting and Registration by Nativity in Texas

November 2004 CPS

(In thousands)



TEXAS	Total	Voted		Registered, did not vote		Did not register	
		Number (In thousands)	Number (In thousands)	Percent	Number (In thousands)	Percent	Number (In thousands)
All Citizens (18+)	13,926	7,950	57%	1,731	12%	4,245	30%
Native Citizens (18+)	13,016	7,545	58%	1,612	12%	3,859	30%
Foreign-Born Citizens (18+)	910	405	45%	119	13%	386	42%

Texas' Rankings: Size and Growth of Foreign-Born Population

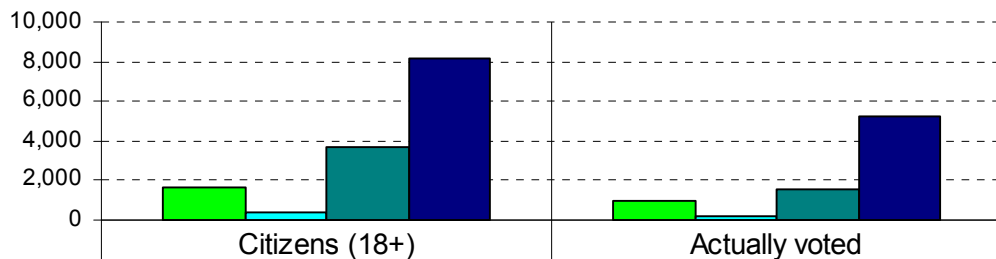
(All rankings include the 50 states and the District of Columbia – a total of 51)

- Proportion Texas total population of total U.S. total population (2006): 2 out of 51
- Proportion Texas foreign-born citizens of total U.S. foreign-born citizens (2004): 4 out of 51
- Size of the foreign-born population (2006): 3 out of 51
- Percent foreign born in the total population (2006): 7 out of 51
- Numeric change in the foreign-born population (2000-2006): 2 out of 51
- Percent change in the foreign-born population (2000-2006): 22 out of 51

Citizenship and Voter Participation in Texas by Ethnicity (2004 CPS)*

(In thousands)

■ Black Alone ■ Asian Alone ■ Hispanic (of any race) ■ White non-hispanic alone



	Citizens (18+)	Actually voted
■ Black Alone	1,613	931
■ Asian Alone	356	152
■ Hispanic (of any race)	3,688	1,533
■ White non-hispanic alone	8,107	5,232

- Hispanics represented 24.6 percent of the voting eligible population in Texas in 2006 (3,624,165 out of 14,747,043)
 - The Hispanic population represented 18.1 percent of state projected voters**
- Of the foreign born in Texas, 73.8 percent reported Hispanic or Latino origins
- Of the native born in Texas, 29.2 percent reported Hispanic or Latino origins

*Tabulations do not include American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander voters because of their small sample size in the November 2004 CPS

**Pew Hispanic Center calculates the projected Hispanic share of votes by multiplying the Hispanic share of eligible voters by the difference in turnout between Hispanics and non-Hispanics. The national average has been used in this calculation due to a lack of reliable information on Hispanic voter turnout at the state level.

Sources: Migration Policy Institute Data Hub; Federal Election Commission (2004 Elections Results); 2006 American Community Survey; Taylor, Paul, and Richard Fry. "Hispanics and the 2008 Election: a Swing Vote?" Pew Hispanic Center. Washington D.C.: Pew Research Center, 2007.; voting and registration data based on Pew Hispanic Center tabulations of November 2004 Current Population Survey; and, U.S. Census Bureau

For more detailed information about the foreign-born population in your state, including data and factsheets on demographic, social, income, education, language, workforce and poverty characteristics, please visit the Migration Policy Institute Data Hub at <http://www.migrationinformation.org/datahub>

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