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General Info

ABA Division for Public Education: [Online Conversation: Law, Diversity, and the Vote](#)

Explores voting, youth citizenship, voter registration, and representation in the U.S. system. Articles and Web-based activities are provided for both classroom and individual use.

[Census Bureau Voting and Registration Information](#)

[Center for Voting and Democracy \(CVD\)](#)

Deals with how voting systems affect issues such as participation; CVD is a nonpartisan organization.

[CVD: Voter Turnout](#)

Offers voter turnouts in nations all over the world between 1991 and 2000. The center is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that studies how voting systems affect participation, representation and governance.

[Democracy Project](#)

Offers curriculum resources and student activities related to voting, voting history, and the development of voting rights in the United States. For example, students may participate in a virtual campaign for the presidency through the Build Your Own Campaign activities.

[Federal Elections Commission: About Elections and Voting](#)

Provides recent election results, voter registration and turnout statistics, an overview of the Electoral College and U.S. federal election system, and general information about elections and voting procedures.

[Federal Judiciary Homepage: News and Information about the Federal Courts: Courts to Classes](#)

Provides curricular materials that help students understand the structure

and role of federal courts, judicial independence, and other court-related issues.

[FedStats: MapStats](#)

Offers statistical profiles of states, counties, congressional districts, and federal judicial districts.

[Images of American Political History](#)

Includes maps of presidential elections from 1796 to 1968 illustrating the popular vote and Electoral College vote; highlights the elections where presidents have not won the popular vote.

[National Archives and Records Administration Electoral College Home Page](#)

Official site from the National Archives and Records Administration includes information about 2000 electoral results; results of both popular voting and Electoral College votes from 1789 to 1996; procedural guides; and comparisons of allocation of Electoral College votes based on the 1990 and 2000 Census. FAQ, calculator, maps, statistics. Images of a number of original documents may also be found on the [National Archives and Records Administration Web site](#) in the Online Exhibit Hall and Online Classroom. Also see:

- [Distribution of Electoral Votes](#) to see how many votes each state gets
- [EC: Electoral College WebZine](#), for commentary on the U.S. Electoral College system
- [Electoral College: Then, Now, and Tomorrow](#), for a full report on the Electoral College system and perspectives on how it fails to represent the American voters
- [Encyclopedia Americana: Electoral College](#), for general information about the Electoral College
- [Mode of Electing the President](#), for the text of Federalist No. 68, which discusses the role of the Electoral College in electing the President
- [President Elect](#), a Web site dedicated to the Electoral College that features history, articles, election results since 1789, and Electoral College debate

[U.S. Department of Justice—Civil Rights Division](#)

Voting Section home page. Information on voting acts.

[Voting Integrity Project](#)

Nonprofit coalition.

[Voting Rights Act of 1965](#)

Election 2000

[Caltech-MIT Voting Technology Project](#), also see [Reports Section](#)

Ideas on how to prevent 2000 election problems.

[U.S. Commission on Civil Rights](#)

Draft report on voting irregularities in Florida during the 2000 presidential election. Includes information about voting equipment, voter disenfranchisement and other issues.

[Voting Irregularities in Palm Beach, Fla.](#)

Good information about voting models.

Internet Voting

[California Secretary of State—Internet Voting Task Force](#)

[Internet Policy Institute](#)

Sponsored by the National Science Foundation, a national workshop on Internet voting/e-voting.

[Internet Voting Technology Alliance](#)

Miscellaneous Voting Issues

Alternative Voting Method—Approval Voting

- [Boulder Community Network](#)
- [Paper by Professor Robert Weber, Kellogg School of Management](#)

[Alternative Voting Method—Instant Runoff Voting](#)

Center for Voting and Democracy: [Instant Runoff Voting](#)

[Federal Voting Assistance Program](#) (FVAP)

Information for Americans living overseas including military members.

[National Voting Rights Institute](#)

Nonprofit organization dealing with campaign finance reform.

[National Voting Rights Museum](#) (Selma, Ala.)

[Voting in New York State](#)

Student/Kids Voting Sites

[Kids Voting USA](#)

Nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to securing democracy by involving youth in the election process.

[PBS Kids Democracy Project: Inside the Voting Booth](#)

[Project Vote Smart](#)

Nonpartisan information for youth.

[Rock the Vote](#)

Online Lessons

[The New York Times Learning Network Election 2000 Online Lessons](#)

A series of lessons available online that explores the presidential election of 2000. All lessons refer and link to a related online *New York Times* article. Lessons include:

- Hail to the Chief: Exploring Front Page Coverage of Presidential Election Outcomes in the 20th Century
- You've Got My Vote: Comparing Electoral Systems Worldwide in the Wake of Presidential Tie-Up 2000
- Down for the Count? Exploring the Supreme Court Decision to Halt the Florida Recount
- A Dark Cloud Over the Sunshine State: Responding to the Voting Mishaps in Florida
- Un-Presidential Election: Assessing the Most Recent Results of and Reactions to the 2000 Presidential Elections
- Rocking the Vote: Exploring Popular and Electoral Votes and Their Influence in Determining the Presidency

Related Supreme Court Cases

[Shaw v. Reno](#), 509 U.S. 630 (1993)

Looked at North Carolina residents' claim that the state created a racially gerrymandered district, and questioned if it raised a valid constitutional issue under the Fourteenth Amendment's Equal Protection Clause.

[Miller v. Johnson](#), 515 U.S. 900 (1995)

Addressed whether racial gerrymandering of the congressional redistricting process is a violation of the Equal Protection Clause.

[Shaw v. Hunt](#), 116 S.Ct. 1894 (1996), No. 94-923

Explored whether North Carolina's redistricting plan constituted racial gerrymandering in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment's equal protection clause.

[Abrams v. Johnson](#), 521 U.S. 7 (1997)

Examined whether the District Court's redistricting plan violated the 1965 Voting Rights Act or Article I of the Constitution, guaranteeing "one person, one vote."