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# Voting Systems Assessment Project

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Largest county population in the U.S.

- 4.3 million voters
- 4,082 square miles
- 88 cities
- Over 500 political subdivisions

In the 2008 General Election

- 4,883 precincts
- 4,394 polling locations
- 3,368,057 ballots cast



# Los Angeles County

Recognized for its cultural and ethnic diversity

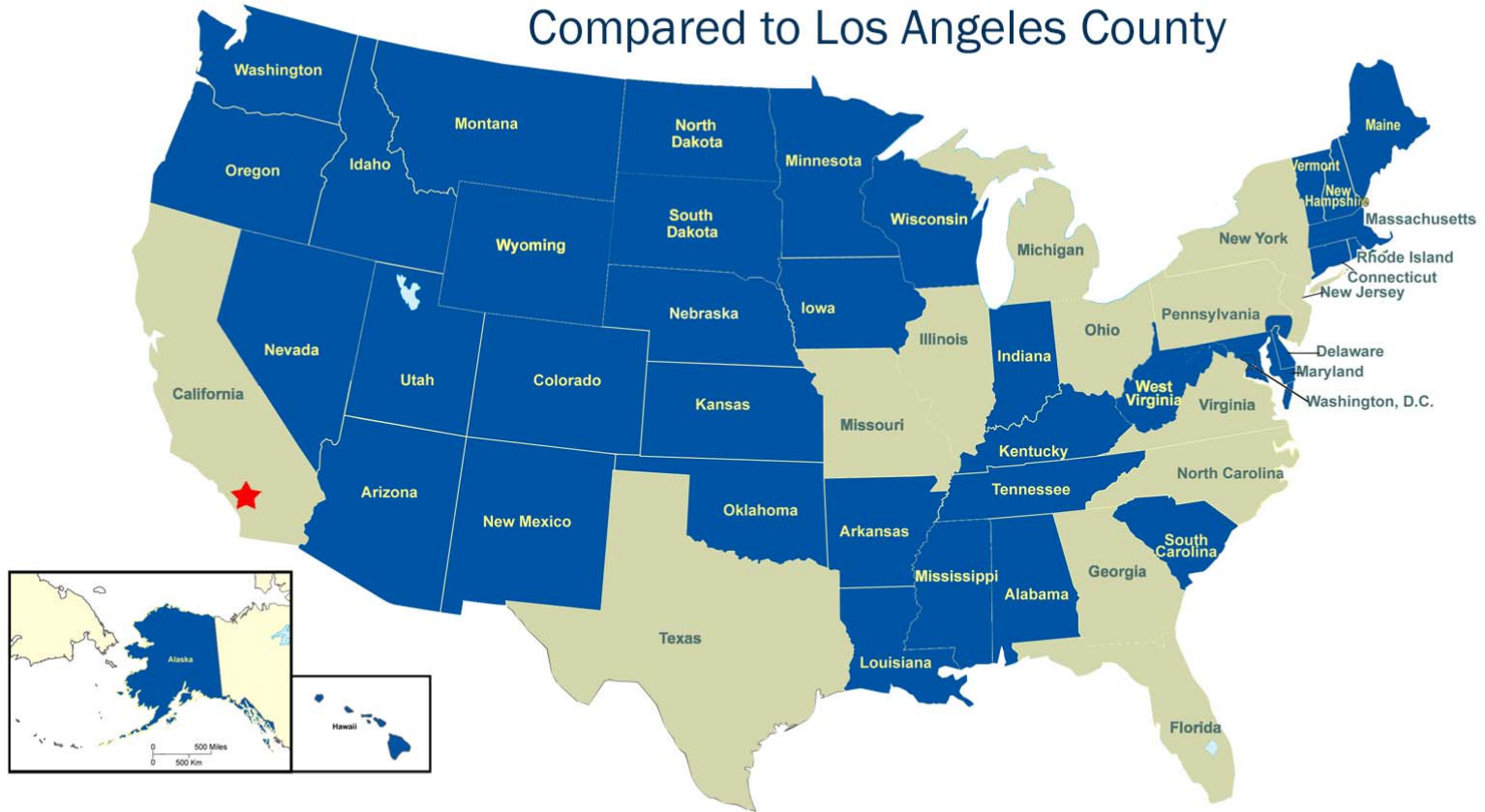
- Minority language requirement
- Six languages in addition to English

Help America Vote Act

- Second-chance voting requirements
- Accessible voting devices



## U.S. States With Fewer Registered Voters Compared to Los Angeles County



LA County

Fewer Registered Voters

More Registered Voters

Source: Websites of respective SOS Offices.



# LA County Voting System

## Challenges:

- Aging system/outdated technology
- Changing demographics
- New legislation, codes, and regulations



# Voting Systems Assessment Project

## **Vision:**

To implement a voting system through a transparent process that takes into account the needs and expectations of current and future LA County voters



# Voting Systems Assessment Project

## Goals:

- Give the current and future voters of Los Angeles County an unprecedented opportunity to participate in the assessment and development of a new voting system for the County.
- Increase voter confidence in the electoral process through the participatory structure of the project.
- Synthesize public input and research to acquire or develop a new voting system for the County.



# VSAP Timeline

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| <b>2009-2010</b>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Symposium</li><li>○ VSAP Phase I</li></ul>   |
| <b>2011</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ VSAP Phase II (Q1-Q2)</li><li>○ Draft Procurement Model (Q3-Q4)</li></ul>  |
| <b>2012</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ RFP Solicitation and Award Process (Q1-Q2)</li><li>○ Contract Agreement and Board Approval Process (Q3-Q4)</li></ul>                     |
| <b>2013- 2014</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Development and Certification of New System (2013 Q1- 2014 Q4)</li><li>○ Prepare for Implementation of New System (2014 Q3-Q4)</li></ul> |
| <b>2015</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Delivery of New System (Q1)</li><li>○ Pilot Implementation for November UDEL Election (Q2-Q3)</li></ul>                                  |





# Citizen Participation and Transparency

- Incorporated throughout the process
- To provide input and guidance for the establishment of principles and general requirements for a system through implementation of new system