

Latinos in the 2012 Election: Florida

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Washington, DC – According to the Florida Division of Elections, final registration statistics for the state's January 31 presidential primary show that 1,473,920 Latinos are registered to vote statewide, making up 13.1% of the state's more than 11.2 million registered voters. Among Latino registered voters, 452,619 are registered as Republicans representing 11.1% of all Republican registered voters. And 564,513 Latino registered voters are registered as Democrats, representing 12.4% of all Democratic registered voters.

As recently as 2006, more Hispanics in Florida were registered as Republicans than as Democrats. By 2008, the balance tipped over to the Democrats. This year that trend has accelerated, with the gap—111,894 registered voters—between Hispanics who are registered as Democrats and those registered as Republicans wider now than in 2008 or 2010.

These data, and more, are contained in a new statistical profile of Latino eligible voters in Florida by the Pew Hispanic Center, a project of the Pew Research Center. In addition to official voter registration data, the statistical profile provides key demographic and socioeconomic information about Florida's 2.1 million Latino eligible voters and other major groups of eligible voters in Florida based on tabulations of the Census Bureau's 2010 American Community Survey.

The statistical profile of Latino eligible voters in Florida is available on the Pew Hispanic Center's website, www.pewhispanic.org.

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