Redistricting Rules: Arizona Timeline

At least 5 months:
Public hearings to take communities of interest testimony

Approx. 4 months:
Process census data, display draft maps, hold hearings, complete maps

Court & County Prep

- Apportm’t data 4.30.21
- Raw Redistricting data 8.15.21
- Redistricting data 9.30.21
- 04.04.22 Candidate Filing
- 08.02.22 Primary Election
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Who draws the lines?

- Congressional and state legislative lines are **drawn by an independent redistricting commission**
What are the mapping rules?

- Federal **equal population** requirements and adherence to the **Voting Rights Act** and constitutional rules on race
- Maps must begin with a “**grid-like pattern**” which must then be **contiguous**, **compact**, and respect **communities of interest** (Ariz. Const. Art. IV, pt. 2, § 1(14))
- **Nesting**: two AZ House districts are nested in one AZ Senate district (Ariz. Const. art. IV, pt. 2, § 1(1))
- As possible, should use geographic features, existing jurisdictional boundaries, and undivided census tracts (Ariz. Const. Art. IV, pt. 2, § 1(14))
- Favor competitive districts (Ariz. Const. Art. IV, pt. 2, § 1(14))
Where can I find out more about my state's redistricting process?

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