Redistricting Rules: Iowa Timeline

- **Apportm’t data 4.30.21**
- **May 21**
- **June 21**
- **July 21**
- **Aug 21**
- **Sep 21**
- **Oct 21**
- **Nov 21**
- **Dec 21**
- **Jan 22**
- **Feb 22**
- **Mar 22**
- **Apr 22**
- **May 22**
- **Jun 22**
- **9.15.21 State Maps Due**
- **Raw Redistricting data 8.15.21**
- **Redistricting data 9.30.21**
- **3.18.22 Candidate Filing**
- **6.07.22 Primary Election**

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Redistricting Rules: Proposed Iowa

- **Approx. 3 months:** Process data, display draft maps, hold hearings, complete maps
- **Court & County Prep:**
- **At least 5 months:** Public hearings to take communities of interest testimony
- **Move to 12.31.21:** State/Congress Redistricting Map due
- **Proposed Adjustment:**

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**Additional Notes:**

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Who draws the lines?

- Congressional and state legislative lines are **drawn by the state legislature** and subject to a gubernatorial vote, but with substantial input from a nonpartisan advisory body and a bipartisan advisory committee, both maintained by statute.
What are the mapping rules?

- **Federal equal population** requirements adherence to the *Voting Rights Act* and constitutional rules of the race

- Congressional districts required to be populated as nearly equal as practicable and not more than 1% deviation (Iowa Code § 42.4(1))

- State legislative districts must be populated as nearly equal as practicable except where necessary to comply with other requirements, the overall average deviation cannot exceed 1% and the total deviation cannot exceed 10% (Iowa Code § 42.4(1))

- Must not be drawn for the purpose of augmenting or diluting the voting strength of a language or racial minority (Iowa Code § 42.4(5))

- Must be **convenient** and **contiguous**, preserve the integrity of political subdivisions like counties and cities, and reasonably compact(Iowa Const. Art. III §§ 34, 37; Iowa Code § 42.4)

- State House districts must be **nested** within state Senate districts, and both should be nested where possible within congressional districts (Iowa Code § 42.4(6))

- May not be drawn to favor a political party, incumbent, or other person or group (Iowa Code § 42.4(5))