Redistricting Rules: Washington Timeline

- **Apportm’t data 4.30.21**
- **Raw Redistricting data 8.15.21**
- **Redistricting data 9.30.21**
- **5.20.22 Candidate Filing**
- **8.22.22 Primary Election**

- **Mar 21**
- **Apr 21**
- **May 21**
- **Jun 21**
- **Jul 21**
- **Aug 21**
- **Sep 21**
- **Oct 21**
- **Nov 21**
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- **Jan 22**
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- **May 22**
- **Jun 22**

1.15.21 Cong. & State Maps by Comm. Due

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- **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

**Timeline Details:**
- **Mar 21:** Apportm’t data 4.30.21
- **Apr 21:** Raw Redistricting data 8.15.21
- **May 21:** Redistricting data 9.30.21
- **Jun 21:** Apportm’t data 4.30.21
- **Jul 21:** Raw Redistricting data 8.15.21
- **Aug 21:** Redistricting data 9.30.21
- **Sep 21:** Proposed Adjustment
- **Oct 21:** Move to 1.15.22 Cong. & State Maps by Comm. Due
- **Nov 21:** Apportm’t data 4.30.21
- **Dec 21:** Proposed Adjustment
- **Jan 22:** 5.26.22 Candidate Filing
- **Feb 22:** 8.09.22 Primary Election
- **Mar 22:** Apportm’t data 4.30.21
- **Apr 22:** Raw Redistricting data 8.15.21
- **May 22:** Redistricting data 9.30.21
- **Jun 22:** Apportm’t data 4.30.21
Who draws the lines?

- Congressional and State legislative lines are **drawn by a five-member independent commission** (each of the majority and minority leaders from each chamber selects one commissioner, those four select a fifth) (Wash. Const. Art. II, § 43(3))
What are the mapping rules?

- Federal **equal population** requirements and state constitution further requires that state legislative districts be equally populated "as nearly as practicable"
- Adherence to the **Voting Rights Act** and constitutional rules on race
- To the extent reasonable, congressional and legislative districts should be **contiguous**, **compact**, and **convenient**, and follow natural geographic, artificial, or political subdivision boundaries. (Wash. Const. Art. II § 43(5))
- Must not be purposely drawn to favor or discriminate against any political group/party
- Drawn to preserve communities of interest and divide counties and municipalities as little as possible
- Provide fair and effective representation and to encourage electoral competition
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Where can I find out more about my state's redistricting process?

▶ www.redistricting.wa.gov