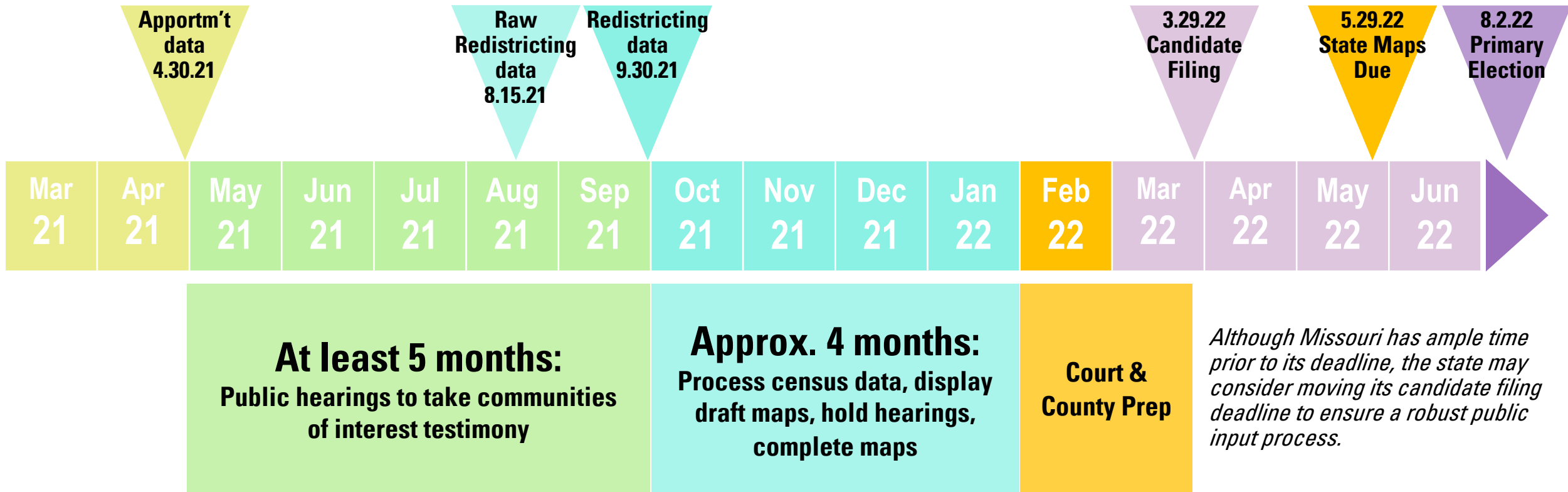
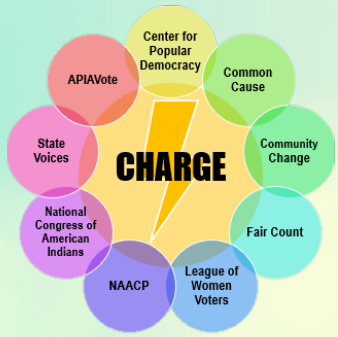


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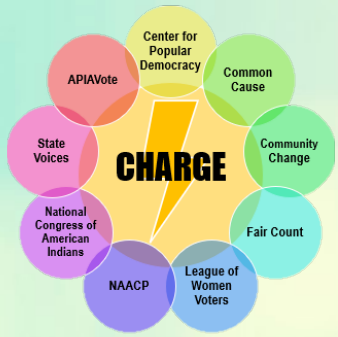




Redistricting Rules: Missouri Rules

Who draws the lines?

- ▶ Congressional lines are **drawn the state legislature** as a statute, subject to a gubernatorial veto
- ▶ State legislative lines are **drawn by two separate commissions**, one for state Senate and one for state House districts
 - ▶ Commission is appointed by political leaders across the state



Redistricting Rules: Missouri Rules

What are the mapping rules?

- ▶ Federal **equal population** requirements and adherence to the **Voting Rights Act** and constitutional rules on race
- ▶ Congressional districts must be contiguous, compact, and as equal in population as possible (Mo. Const. Art. III, § 45)
- ▶ State legislative districts must follow the following methods in this priority order (Mo. Const. art. III, §§ 3(b), 7(c)):
 - ▶ Districts must **deviate no more than 1%** from the average population, with up to 3% deviation to follow political boundaries
 - ▶ Districts cannot be drawn to deny or abridge right to vote based on race, nor drawn to deny any voter the opportunity to elect candidates of their choice
 - ▶ Districts must be **contiguous** and as **compact** as possible
 - ▶ Communities must be preserved following county and municipal lines, with as few splits as possible
 - ▶ Districts shall be drawn for partisan fairness and competitiveness