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Early Voting Availability

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Background

Almost all states offer some form of early voting, but the length of the early voting period varies by state. Our scoring includes states that offer “in-person absentee voting,” which is a process by which a voter completes an absentee ballot at a polling place. States that offer in-person absentee voting but require an “excuse” to vote absentee have been scored 0. Hours and locations may vary by county. These laws are applicable to general elections only.

Scoring

- State early voting period is more than 22 days, 1 point
- State early voting period is 15-21 days, ¾ point
- State early voting period is 7-14 days, ½ point
- State early voting period is 7 days or less, 1/4 point
- State does not offer early voting or excuse required, -1 point

Summary Table

Category	Number	List
State early voting period is more than 22 days	14 states	California Idaho Illinois Indiana Maine Michigan Minnesota Montana New Jersey Pennsylvania South Dakota Vermont Virginia Wyoming
State early voting period is 15-21 days	8 states	Arizona Colorado Georgia Nebraska



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		New Mexico Ohio Oregon Washington
State early voting period is 7-14 days	22 states & D.C.	Alaska Arkansas Connecticut Delaware D.C. Florida Hawaii Iowa Louisiana Maryland Massachusetts Missouri Nevada New York North Carolina North Dakota Rhode Island South Carolina Tennessee Texas Utah West Virginia Wisconsin
State early voting period is less than 7 days	3 states	Kansas Kentucky Oklahoma
State does not have early voting or excuse is required	3 states	Alabama Mississippi New Hampshire



State-by-State Sources and More Detail

Alabama (-1)

- State requires an excuse to vote early ([Ala. Code § 17-11-3](#)).

Alaska (1/2)

- State requires a 14-day period of early voting ([AS §15.20.064](#); [15.20.045](#)).

Arizona (3/4)

- State requires a 18-day period of early voting ([Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 16-541](#)).

Arkansas (1/2)

- State requires a 13-day period of early voting ([AR Code §7-5-418](#)).

California (1)

- State requires a 28-day period of early voting. May vary by county ([Cal. Elec. Code §3001, 3018](#)).

Colorado (3/4)

- State requires a 15-day period of early voting ([Colo. Rev. Stat. § 1-7.5-107.2](#)).

Connecticut (1/2)

- State requires a 14-day period of early voting ([CT HB 5004 \(2023\)](#)).

Delaware (1/2)

- State requires a 10-day period of early voting ([82 Del. Laws, c. 79, § 1](#)).

D.C. (1/2)

- Requires a 7-day period of early voting ([DC ST § 1-1001.09](#)).

Florida (1/2)

- State requires an 8-day period of early voting ([Fla. Stat. §101.657](#)).

Georgia (3/4)

- State requires a 16-day period of early voting ([GA Code §21-2-385](#)).



Hawaii (1/2)

- State requires a 10-day period of early voting ([HRS § 11-131](#)).

Idaho (1)

- State requires up to a 30-day period of early voting ([Idaho Code § 34-1012](#)).

Illinois (1)

- State requires a 31-day period of early voting ([10 Ill. Comp. Stat. 5/19A](#)).

Indiana (1)

- State requires a 22-day period of early voting ([Ind. Code §3-11-4-1](#)).

Iowa (1/2)

- State requires a 14-day period of early voting ([IA Code §53.10](#)).

Kansas (1/4)

- State requires a 5-day period of early voting ([Kan. Stat. Ann. § 25-1120](#)).

Kentucky (1/4)

- State requires a 3-day period of early voting ([Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 117.085](#)).

Louisiana (1/2)

- State requires a 7-day period of early voting ([La. Stat. Ann. § 18:1309](#)).

Maine (1)

- State requires a 29-day period of early voting ([Me. Stat. tit 21-A, §753-B](#)).

Maryland (1/2)

- State requires a 8-day period of early voting ([Md. Code Ann., Elec. Law §10-301.1](#)).

Massachusetts (1/2)

- State requires a 14-day period of early voting ([MA SB 2924 \(2022\)](#)).

Michigan (1)

- State requires a 29-day period of early voting ([Mich. Const., Art. II §4](#)).



Minnesota (1)

- State requires a 32-day period of early voting ([Minn. Stat. § 203B.081](#)).

Mississippi (-1)

- State does not allow early voting.

Missouri (1/2)

- State requires a 10-day period of early voting ([MO HB 1878 \(2022\)](#)).

Montana (1)

- State requires a 29-day period of early voting ([Mont. Code Ann. § 13-13-205](#)).

Nebraska (3/4)

- State requires a 21-day period of early voting ([Neb. Rev. Stat. § 32-942](#)).

Nevada (1/2)

- State requires a 12-day period of early voting ([Nev. Rev. Stat. § 293.3568](#)).

New Hampshire (-1)

- State does not allow early voting.

New Jersey (1)

- State requires a 32-day period of early voting ([N.J. Stat. Ann. § 19:15A-1](#)).

New Mexico (3/4)

- State requires a 15-day period of early voting ([N.M. Stat. Ann. § 1-6-5\(G\)](#)).

New York (1/2)

- State requires a 9-day period of early voting ([N.Y. Elec. Law § 8-600](#)).

North Carolina (1/2)

- State requires a 13-day period of early voting ([N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163-227.2](#)).

North Dakota (1/2)

- State requires a 14-day period of early voting ([NDCC §16.1-07-15](#)).



Ohio (3/4)

- State requires a 21-day period of early voting ([Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3509.01](#)).

Oklahoma (1/4)

- State requires a 3-day period of early voting ([Okla. Stat. tit. 26, § 14-115.4](#)).

Oregon (3/4)

- State requires up to an 16-day period of early voting ([Or. Rev. Stat. § 254.470](#)).

Pennsylvania (1)

- State requires up to a 43-day period of early voting ([25 Pa. Cons. Stat. § 3146.2a](#)).

Rhode Island (1/2)

- State requires a 14-day period of early voting ([17 R.I. Gen. Laws § 17-20-2.2](#)).

South Carolina (1/2)

- State requires a 11-day period of early voting ([SC SB 108 \(2022\)](#)).

South Dakota (1)

- State requires a 34-day period of early voting ([S.D. Codified Laws §§ 12-2-3](#)).

Tennessee (1/2)

- State requires a 14-day period of early voting ([Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-6-102](#)).

Texas (1/2)

- State requires a 10-day period of early voting ([Tex. Elec. Code Ann. § 85.001](#)).

Utah (1/2)

- State requires a 9-day period of early voting ([Utah Code Ann. § 20A-3-601](#)).

Vermont (1)

- State requires a 31-day period of early voting ([Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 17, § 2543](#)).

Virginia (1)

- State requires a 32-day period of early voting ([Va. Code Ann. § 24.2-701.1](#)).



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Washington (3/4)

- State requires an 18-day period of early voting ([Wash. Rev. Code § 29A.40.160](#)).

West Virginia (1/2)

- State requires a 10-day period of early voting ([W. Va. Code § 3-3-3](#)).

Wisconsin (1/2)

- State requires up to a 12-day period of early voting ([Wis. Stat. § 6.88](#)).

Wyoming (1)

- State requires a 28-day period of early voting ([Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§ 22-9-107](#)).

Democracy Map & Additional Resources

- See our Democracy Map, [Early Voting Availability](#), which is updated in real time.