



**2018 CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY DATES
AND CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINES FOR BALLOT ACCESS**

(Data as of 8/17/2018)

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STATE		CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY DATE	CONGRESSIONAL RUNOFF DATE	FILING DEADLINE FOR PRIMARY BALLOT ACCESS	INDEPENDENT ¹ FILING DEADLINE FOR GENERAL ELECTION
Alabama		6/5	7/17	2/9	6/5
Alaska		8/21		6/1	8/21
American Samoa		n/a		n/a	9/1
Arizona	S	8/28		5/30	5/30
Arkansas		5/22	6/19	3/1 Noon	3/1 Noon
California	S	6/5		3/9	n/a
Colorado		6/26		3/20	4/2 (Third/Minor) 7/12 (Independent)
Connecticut	S	8/14 ²		6/12	8/8
Delaware	S	9/6		7/10	9/4 (Independent)
D.C.		6/19		3/21	8/8
Florida	S	8/28		5/4 Noon	4/2 Noon
Georgia		5/22	7/24	3/9 Noon	7/9
Guam		8/25		6/26	6/26
Hawaii	S	8/11		6/5	6/5
Idaho		5/15		3/9	3/9
Illinois		3/20		12/4/17	6/25
Indiana	S	5/8 ³		2/9 Noon	7/2 Noon
Iowa		6/5		3/16	8/25
Kansas		8/7 ⁴		6/1	6/1 (Third/Minor) 8/6 (Independent)
Kentucky		5/22		1/30 4pm	8/14 4pm
Louisiana		n/a ⁵		n/a ⁵	7/20 ⁵
Maine	S	6/12		3/15	6/1 (Independent)
Maryland	S	6/26 ⁶		2/27	8/6
Massachusetts	S	9/4		5/8	7/31
Michigan	S	8/7 ⁷		4/24 4pm	7/19 4pm (Independent)
Minnesota	S	8/14 ⁸		6/5	6/5
Mississippi	S	6/5	6/26	3/1	3/1 (Independent)
Missouri	S	8/7		3/27	7/30 (Independent)
Montana	S	6/5		3/12	5/29
Nebraska	S	5/15		2/15 (Incumbents) 3/1 (All Others)	9/4
Nevada	S	6/12		3/16	6/1
New Hampshire		9/11		6/15	9/5
New Jersey	S	6/5		4/2	6/5
New Mexico	S	6/5		3/13	6/28
New York	S	6/26		4/12	7/31 (Independent)
North Carolina		5/8	7/17	2/28	5/8 (Independent)
North Dakota	S	6/12		4/9 4pm	9/4 4pm
N. Mariana Islands		n/a		n/a	8/8
Ohio	S	5/8		2/7	5/7 (Independent)



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Oklahoma		6/26	8/28	4/13	4/13
Oregon		5/15 ⁹		3/6	5/30
Pennsylvania	S	5/15		3/6 (U.S.Senate) 3/20 (U.S. House)	8/1
Puerto Rico		n/a ¹⁰		n/a ²	n/a ²
Rhode Island	S	9/12		6/27	7/16
South Carolina		6/12 ¹¹	6/26	3/30 Noon	7/16 Noon (Independent)
South Dakota		6/5	8/14	3/27	3/27 (Third/Minor) 4/24 (Independent)
Tennessee	S	8/2		4/5 Noon	4/5 Noon
Texas	S	3/6 ¹²	5/22	12/11/17	12/11/17 (Third/Minor) 6/21 (Independent)
Utah	S	6/26 ¹³		3/15	3/15 (Independent)
Vermont	S	8/14		5/31	8/9
Virginia	S	6/12 ¹⁴		3/29 5pm	6/12 7pm (Independent)
Virgin Islands		8/4		5/8	5/8
Washington	S	8/7		5/18	n/a
West Virginia	S	5/8 ¹⁵		1/27	8/1
Wisconsin	S	8/14		6/1	6/1
Wyoming	S	8/21		6/1	8/20 (Third/Minor) 8/27 (Independent)

Notes:

- The column Independent Filing Deadline shows the date for the filing of petitions by independent or third/minor party candidates. This is a general reference date for use by the public and voters. Candidates and others seeking specific information should contact the states for other deadlines that may need to be met. For example, the petitions may have to be checked by officials prior to this date. A declaration of candidacy may be due before the petitions are due. New parties may have different deadlines.
- In Connecticut, conventions are held by the Democratic and Republican Parties prior to the primary. The Democratic convention date for U.S. Senate is 5/18/18, and the Democratic convention date for U.S. House districts is 5/14/18. The Republican convention date for U.S. Senate and the U.S. House districts is 5/11/18.
- In Indiana, the Libertarian Party convention date is 5/5/18.
- In Kansas, the Libertarian Party convention date is 4/22/18.
- In Louisiana, a Congressional primary election is not held. The election for candidates seeking Federal office is the General election scheduled for 11/6/18. If necessary, a Runoff Election will be held on 12/8/18. The filing deadline for ballot access is 7/20/18.
- In Maryland, the Libertarian Party state convention date is 3/10/18, and the Green Party's party-organized primary date is 4/30/18.
- In Michigan, the Green Party convention date is 5/6/18, the U.S. Taxpayers Party convention date is 7/14/18, the Working Class Party convention date is 7/15/18, and the Natural Law Party convention date is 8/1/18.
- Minnesota has two U.S. Senate seats on the ballot in 2018. One is for an Unexpired Term.
- In Oregon, Libertarian Party's party-organized primary date is 6/26/18. The Pacific Green Party convention date is 6/3/18, and the Working Families Party convention date is 8/5/18.
- In Puerto Rico, the general election for Resident Commissioner to the U.S. House of Representatives is held every four years, coinciding with the U.S. Presidential election.
- In South Carolina, the convention date for the Constitution, Green, and Libertarian Parties is 5/5/18. The convention date for the American Party is 5/12/18.
- In Texas, the Libertarian Party may nominate by convention. The convention dates are 3/17/18 for single county U.S. House Districts 2, 3, 7, 16, 18, 20, 29 and 30; 3/24/18 for multi-county U.S. House Districts 1, 4-6, 8-15, 17, 19, 21-28, 31-36. The state convention date for the Libertarian U.S. Senate nomination is 4/14/18.
- In Utah, conventions are held by the political parties prior to the primary. The Libertarian Party convention date is 4/14/18. The convention date for the Republican, Green, and Independent American Parties is 4/21/18. The convention date for the Democratic, Constitution and United Utah Parties is 4/28/18.
- In Virginia, the Democratic and Republican parties may choose to nominate by convention rather than by primary election. The Democratic Party has scheduled a convention on 5/5/18 for U.S. House District 5. The Republican Party convention dates are 4/28/18 (U.S. House Districts 5 and 8), 5/5/18 (U.S. House Districts 3 and 7), and 5/19/18 (U.S. House District 6). A Republican caucus was also held on 6/2/18 for U.S. House District 5.
- In West Virginia, the Libertarian Party convention date is 4/28/18, and the Mountain Party convention date is 6/9/18.



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Texas	S	3/6	5/22
Illinois		3/20	
Indiana	S	5/8	
North Carolina		5/8	7/17
Ohio	S	5/8	
West Virginia	S	5/8	
Idaho		5/15	
Nebraska	S	5/15	
Oregon		5/15	
Pennsylvania	S	5/15	
Arkansas		5/22	6/19
Georgia		5/22	7/24
Kentucky		5/22	
Alabama		6/5	7/17
California	S	6/5	
Iowa		6/5	
Mississippi	S	6/5	6/26
Montana	S	6/5	
New Jersey	S	6/5	
New Mexico	S	6/5	
South Dakota		6/5	8/14
Maine	S	6/12	
Nevada	S	6/12	
North Dakota	S	6/12	
South Carolina		6/12	6/26
Virginia	S	6/12	

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D.C.		6/19	
Colorado		6/26	
Maryland	S	6/26	
New York	S	6/26	
Oklahoma		6/26	8/28
Utah	S	6/26	
Tennessee	S	8/2	
Virgin Islands		8/4	
Kansas		8/7	
Michigan	S	8/7	
Missouri	S	8/7	
Washington	S	8/7	
Hawaii	S	8/11	
Connecticut	S	8/14	
Minnesota	S	8/14	
Vermont	S	8/14	
Wisconsin	S	8/14	
Alaska		8/21	
Wyoming	S	8/21	
Guam		8/25	
Arizona	S	8/28	
Florida	S	8/28	
Massachusetts	S	9/4	
Delaware	S	9/6	
New Hampshire		9/11	
Rhode Island	S	9/12	

Sources: State Election Offices, State Parties and Statutes

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