



Voters Support Redistricting Reform

The issue of gerrymandering is uniting Americans across the country and political spectrum.

Check the latest polls (November 2025)

There is strong, bipartisan opposition to districts drawn by elected officials for partisan advantage. Multiple opinion polls show that large majorities of Americans believe gerrymandering is a major problem and should be illegal. This concern isn't limited to any one group. Over 70% of every major age group agrees it's a serious issue, with concern among young adults rising fastest.

The clear answer is an independent redistricting commission. This solution enjoys strong and growing support because it takes the map-drawing pen out of politicians' hands and puts it in the hands of the public.



September 1, 2025 NBC News headline: **Most Americans oppose political parties drawing election lines; National majorities of Democrats and Republicans, as well as majorities in both Texas and California, prefer nonpartisan commissions over political parties in power to run redistricting.**

- "Nationwide, over 8 in 10 Americans (82%) prefer that congressional districts be drawn by nonpartisan commissions rather than the party in power in each state."
- The finding is a striking instance of political maneuvering falling out of sync with the opinions of Americans."
- "Americans' support for nonpartisan redistricting is high even when their party would be in control of the process."
- "In states where Republicans or Democrats would benefit from partisan gerrymandering, members of both parties still overwhelmingly prefer the idea of district boundaries being drawn by a nonpartisan commission."

When it comes to drawing borders for seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, do you prefer it is done...

By the party in power

18%

By a nonpartisan commission

82

Notes: The poll was conducted Aug. 13-Sept. 1 and surveyed 30,196 adults nationwide online. The margin of error is plus or minus 1.9 percentage points. Percentages may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Source: NBC News Decision Desk Poll

Graphic: NBC News

When it comes to drawing borders for seats in the U.S. House of Representatives in your state, do you prefer it is done by...

Share choosing "a nonpartisan commission," as opposed to the political party in power.

Democrats in states controlled by Republicans

90%

Democrats in states controlled by Democrats

88

Republicans in states controlled by Democrats

76

Republicans in states controlled by Republicans

71

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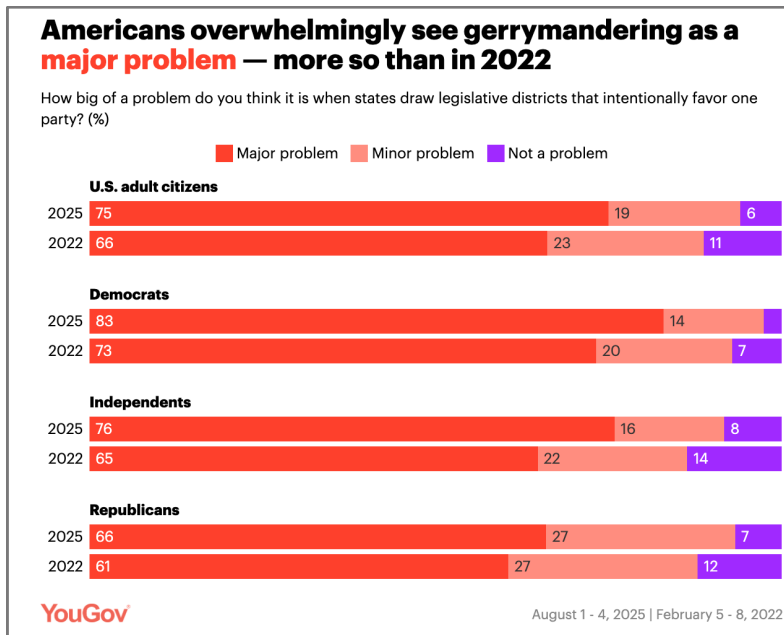
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Recent smaller surveys show similar results.



National survey from non-partisan YouGov: **Large majorities of Americans say gerrymandering is a major problem, unfair, and should be illegal.**



YouGov, August 8, 2025. conducted online on August 1 - 4, 2025, surveyed 1,116 U.S. adult citizens.

“Majorities of Americans in all age groups say that gerrymandering is a major problem. Today, attitudes differ little by age, and more than 70% of Americans in each major age group consider gerrymandering to be a major problem. But concern has increased the most since 2022 among younger adults.”

“Most Americans prefer for the districts in their state not to give an advantage to either party (67%) and few would support gerrymandering even if it countered partisan redistricting.”



North Carolina NewsOnline: **As redistricting fight looms, North Carolina poll shows voters of all parties oppose gerrymandering; About 84% of voters, including 87% of Democrats and 78% of Republicans, said they oppose partisan voting maps in the September survey.**

PARTISAN GERRYMANDERING	North Carolina has a long history of both Democrats and Republicans drawing district maps that favor their party when they are in power. When politicians draw voting districts to help their own party win more seats, which of these statements best represents your view?	
	It is always acceptable — it's part of politics	7.0%
	It is only acceptable if the other party does it first	2.2%
	It is never acceptable — districts should be drawn neutrally	83.8%
	Unsure	7.1%
	Net Acceptability	-74.6%

NC NewsOnline, October 2, 2025 Conducted by Opinion Diagnostics, the poll surveyed 671 North Carolina voters from Sept. 15 to Sept. 17, including, an even split of Democrats and Republicans, with 210 and 214, respectively, while 247 were unaffiliated or belonged to a third party.



What about Proposition 50 in California?

The California ballot measure to overturn a congressional map drawn by an independent commission received 64.6% YES, 35.4% NO votes. The VOTE YES campaign outspent VOTE NO by 3 to 1 (\$122,823,019 to \$44,517,570) in a campaign that focused on defending democracy rather than on California's redistricting process.

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The title of the bill in the Official Voter Guide: “The Election Rigging Response Act.” The Vote No outcome was not an endorsement of partisan redistricting in California; rather, it was a resounding objection to partisan redistricting elsewhere, with a promise to return to commission-drawn maps in the future. In exit polls, 92% of voters who responded said future districts should be drawn by an independent commission. **If Prop 50 had ended the Independent Redistricting Commission permanently, the results likely would have been quite different.**