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# Voter File

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- \$150.00 for a Legislative Senate District file
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## About the Voter File

The Secretary of State is responsible for establishing a single official, centralized, and interactive electronic statewide voter registration system. County election administrators maintain the data in the statewide voter registration system.

The Secretary of State provides extracts of public information from the statewide voter registration system. Customers may purchase an annual subscription and get unlimited downloads of data, or may order one-time downloads. Because the statewide system is a live system, data changes from hour to hour, day to day, etc. as county election officials are entering and updating information. Similarly, numbers may change based on voter moves, cancellations and other updates. Each extract is static information that is current as of the time the extract is pulled.

Files purchased through this application are in ASCII delimited text format. **Some fields in the file may be empty depending on which county the data came from. Please review the information below to determine which extract you would like to order, and to understand the data that will be provided for each extract.**

### STATEWIDE VOTER FILE

Below is an explanation of the fields in the file:

VTRID – Unique voter identification number – NOT Social Security Number

FIRSTNAME – Voter first name

MIDDLENAME – Voter middle name

LASTNAME – Voter last name

NAMESUFFIX – Voter name suffix, e.g. Jr., Sr., III

VOTER\_STATUS – Voter status description (Active, Inactive, etc.)

VOTER\_STATUS\_REASON – Literal description of reason for voter status

RA\_HS\_NUM – Voter residence house number

RA\_STREET\_NAME – Voter residence street name

RA\_STTYPE – Voter residence street type, e.g. ST, LN, RD

RA\_STDIR\_CODE – Voter residence street pre-directional code, e.g. N, E, S, W

RA\_STDIR\_CODE\_POST – Voter residence street post-directional code, e.g. N, E, S, W

RA\_UTYP\_CODE – Voter residence address unit type code, e.g. APT, STE

RA\_UNIT\_NUM – Voter residence address unit number

RA\_CITY – Voter residence city

RA\_STATE – Voter residence state

RA\_ZIP\_CODE – Voter residence 5-digit zip code

RESIDENCEADDRESS – Voter residence address – complete with city, state and zip

MA\_ADDR\_LINE\_1 – Voter mailing address

MA\_CITY – Voter mailing address city  
 MA\_STATE – Voter mailing address state  
 MA\_ZIP\_CODE – Voter mailing address 5-digit zip code  
 MA\_ZIP\_PLUS – Voter mailing address 4-digit zip+4 code  
 MAILINGADDRESS – Voter mailing address – complete with city, state and zip  
 PHONE\_NO – Voter phone number  
 DOB – Voter date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm:ss am/pm)  
 VOTE\_ELIGIBLE\_DATE – Voter effective registration date (mm/dd/yyyy)  
 CURRENT\_COUNTY – Voter county of residence - see county code table  
 PRECINCT – Voter precinct description  
 HOUSE\_DISTRICT – Voter house district  
 SENATE\_DISTRICT - Voter senate district  
 PREC\_CODE – Voter precinct code  
 ABSENTEE – Voter absentee indicator (True/False)  
 WARD – Blank unless voter resides in city ward. Ward description if not blank  
 CITY\_LIMITS – Blank unless voter resides in city limits. City description if not blank

**VOTER HISTORY FILE**

VTRID – Unique voter identification number

Election\_Details

<b>ElectionType_ID</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	FG	Federal General
2	FP	Federal Primary
3	MP	Municipal Primary
4	MG	Municipal General
6	S	Special
7	SC	School
8	PP	Special Primary - Presidential
100000029	FD	Fire District General
100000030	WS	Water/Sewer District

Election\_Date – Date of the election

Election\_Description – Jurisdiction’s description of the election

E\_JS\_CODE – Election jurisdiction code – county code

**Voting\_Method**

1 - Absentee

2 - Polling Place

4 - Vote by Mail

Sent\_Date – For absentee ballots only

Received\_Date – For absentee ballots only

Ballot\_Status – For absentee ballots only

Ballot\_Status\_Reason – For absentee ballots only

\*The current system to track statewide voter history was implemented for use by all Montana counties in early 2006, prior to the 2006 Federal Primary Election. Some history may exist for a voter as far back as 1984, but it depends on the historic date the county provided.

### **ABSENTEE VOTER FILE**

Voter ID – Unique voter identification number

First Name – Voter first name

Last Name – Voter last name

Middle Name – Voter middle name

Mail Address – Voter mailing address

Mail City – Voter mailing address city

Mail State – Voter mailing address state

Mail Zip – Voter mailing address 5-digit zip code

Mail Zip Ext – Voter mailing address 4-digit zip+4 code

Country – Voter mailing address country

DOB – Voter date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm:ss am/pm)

Vote\_eligible\_date – Voter effective registration date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Absentee – Voter absentee indicator (True/False)

### **Election Type**

<b>ElectionType_ID</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	FG	Federal General
2	FP	Federal Primary
3	MP	Municipal Primary
4	MG	Municipal General
6	S	Special
7	SC	School
8	PP	Special Primary - Presidential
100000029	FD	Fire District General

Election Date – Date of the election

Election Description – Jurisdiction's description of the election

JS Code – Election jurisdiction code – county code

Sent Date – Date absentee ballot was sent to voter by county

Received Date – Date absentee ballot was received back by county

Ballot\_Status – Text description of ballot status (not code)

Ballot\_Status\_Reason- Text description of ballot status reason (not code)  
 House District - Voter house district  
 Senate District- Voter senate district

**MOST RECENT AVAILABLE GENERAL ELECTION LATE REGISTRANT REPORT**

Election - Most Recent Available General  
 Voter ID - Unique voter identification number  
 Last Name - Voter last name  
 First Name - Voter first name  
 Middle Name - Voter middle name  
 Name Suffix - Voter suffix  
 DOB - Voter date of birth (m/dd/yyyy)  
 County - Voter county at time of late registration  
 House District - Voter house district at time of late registration  
 Senate District - Voter senate district at time of late registration  
 Precinct - Voter precinct at time of late registration  
 Before/On Election Day - Indicates whether voter registered before or on election day  
 New/ County-to-County/ Precinct-to-Precinct - Indicates whether voter is a new registrant, county-to-county transfer registrant, or precinct-to-precinct transfer registrant. Not available for all elections.

**2008 - CURRENT LATE REGISTRANT REPORT**

Election - Year and Primary/General  
 Voter ID - Unique voter identification number  
 Last Name - Voter last name  
 First Name - Voter first name  
 Middle Name - Voter middle name  
 Name Suffix - Voter suffix  
 DOB - Voter date of birth (m/dd/yyyy)  
 County - Voter county at time of late registration  
 House District - Voter house district at time of late registration  
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**MONTANA COUNTY CODES**

1. Beaverhead	11. Dawson	21. Hill	31. Mineral	41. Ravalli	51. Toole
2. Big Horn	12. Deer Lodge	22. Jefferson	32. Missoula	42. Richland	52. Treasure
3. Blaine	13. Fallon	23. Judith Basin	33. Musselshell	43. Roosevelt	53. Valley
4. Broadwater	14. Fergus	24. Lake	34. Park	44. Rosebud	54. Wheatland
5. Carbon	15. Flathead	25. Lewis and Clark	35. Petroleum	45. Sanders	55. Wibaux

6. Cascade	16. Gallatin	26. Liberty	36. Phillips	46. Sheridan	56. Yellowstone
7. Carter	17. Garfield	27. Lincoln	37. Pondera	47. Silver Bow	
8. Chouteau	18. Glacier	28. Madison	38. Powder River	48. Stillwater	
9. Custer	19. Golden Valley	29. McCone	39. Powell	49. Sweet Grass	
10. Daniels	20. Granite	30. Meagher	40. Prairie	50. Teton	

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