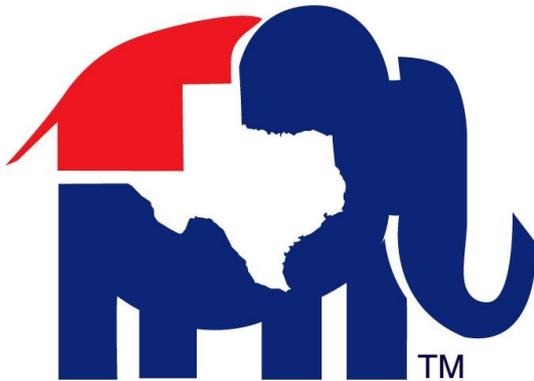


2016 National Convention



Who can Participate?



- Any registered voter in the precinct who either:
 - Voted in the 2016 Republican Primary Election;
 - OR -
 - Signed the Oath of Affiliation
 - ✦ This means the voter did not participate in another Party's primary or convention process in 2016,

Caucuses



- **Senatorial District (SD)**

- Elects Permanent SD Caucus Chairman
- Elects one delegate to Permanent Committees
 - ✦ Platform & Resolutions, Rules & Order of Business, Credentials, State Nominations
- Each SD elects their State Republican Executive Committee (SREC) Members
- Each SD selects their picks for State Chairman and Vice Chairman
 - ✦ Requires support from 16 of the 31 SD Caucuses to win

- **Congressional District (CD) (every 4 yrs)**

- Elects Permanent CD Caucus Chairman
- Elects one delegate to the National Nominations Committee
- Selects their picks for National Committee Man & Woman
 - ✦ Requires support from 19 of the 36 CD Caucuses to win
- Elects their National Convention Delegates (3) & Alternates (3)
- Elects their Presidential Elector

Binding of Delegates



- At Large Delegates
 - Bound by the statewide outcome of the March 1st primary
 - Selected by National Nominations Committee
 - ✦ At Large Automatic Delegates
 - National Committeewoman
 - National Committeeman
 - State Chairman

- Congressional District (CD) Delegates
 - Bound by the CD wide outcome of the March 1st primary
 - Selected by the delegates from that CD in caucus

Binding of Delegates



- Uncommitted
 - RPT Rule 38 – “Uncommitted” is an option on the ballot and is counted in the same manner as a presidential candidate.

- Withdrawals
 - If a candidate files sworn statement with RPT to withdraw, then that candidate’s delegates would become “Uncommitted”
 - ✦ NOTE: Candidates who have made public withdrawal announcements but who have not officially withdrawn in Texas will have their delegates allocated to them as if they had not withdrawn.

CD Delegates



- Binding Options for CD elected Delegates
 - Scenario A
 - ✦ One Candidate 50% or more = 3 Delegates
 - Scenario B
 - ✦ One Candidate gets 20% or more = 2 Delegates
 - ✦ Next highest vote getter = 1 Delegate
 - Scenario C
 - ✦ No candidate receives 20% = top 3 vote getters each get 1 Delegate

At Large Delegates



○ Scenario A

- ✦ One Candidate 50% or more = ALL At Large Delegates

○ Scenario B

- ✦ No Candidate receives a statewide majority AND more than one candidate receives at least 20% THEN only those candidates are entitled to delegates
 - Delegates are allocated proportionally among those candidates beginning with the highest vote getter, rounding up to the nearest whole number, proceeding until all delegates are allocated.

At Large Delegates



○ Scenario C

- ✦ If only one candidate receives 20% or more THEN only that candidate and the second-highest vote getter are entitled to delegates
 - The delegates are allocated proportionally between those two candidates, beginning with the highest vote getter, rounding up to the nearest whole number.

○ Scenario D

- ✦ If no candidate receives 20% of the statewide vote
 - delegates are allocated proportionally, beginning with the highest vote getter, rounding up to the nearest whole number, proceeding seriatim until all delegates are allocated.

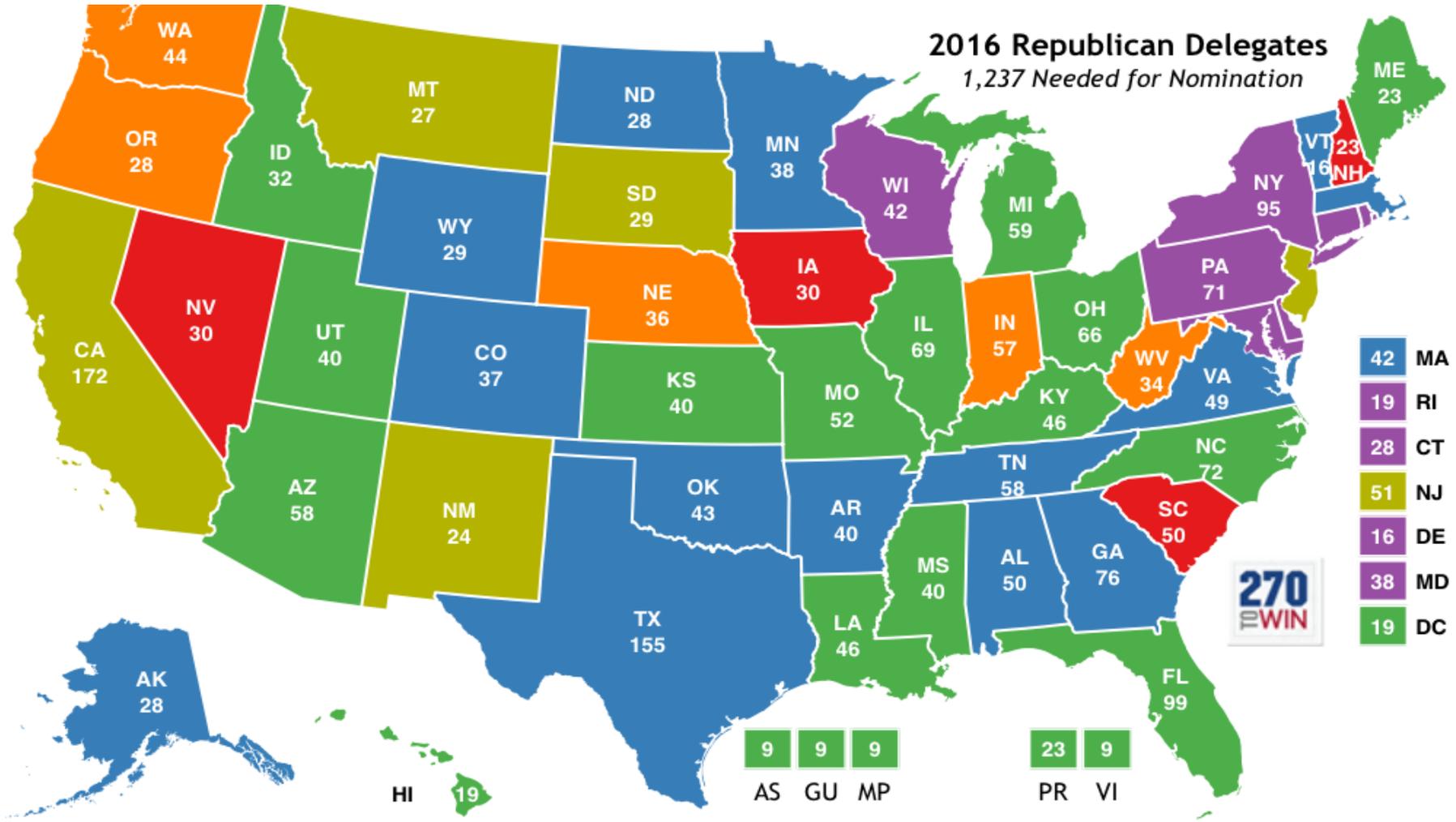
Voting at National Convention



- **Nomination for President**
 - All delegates are bound accordingly on the 1st vote
 - Delegates remain bound to their candidate until the candidate formally withdraws at National Convention
 - ✦ At that time the delegate is no longer bound to any candidate
- **Explanation**
 - Candidates do not just ‘drop off’ they remain until they remove themselves
 - Could result in multiple rounds of voting
- **Magic Number**
 - 1,237 Needed for Nomination
 - ✦ 2,472 possible

2016 Republican Delegates

1,237 Needed for Nomination



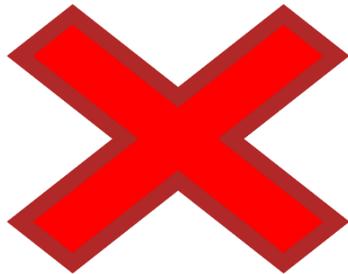
February	Super Tues	March 2-31	April	May	June
133	689	839	309	199	303

2,472 100%

Pop Quiz



When is the County/SD Convention?



Can an Alternate serve as an Officer, Committee Chair or Committee Member at any level in the convention process?

How many people are needed for a quorum at your Precinct Convention?



Are Alternates counted in a quorum?



Pop Quiz



You did NOT attend your precinct convention. . .
Do you still have a chance to be elected a delegate
or alternate to State Convention?

Yes!

You were elected as a delegate to
your County/SD Convention. . .
Are you automatically a delegate
or alternate to State Convention?

NO!



Can delegates or alternates be added after
the convention has adjourned?

Pop Quiz



If you are not elected as a delegate or alternate to the County/SD Convention can you still be elected to the State Convention?

The only way to serve as a delegate or alternate, after the precinct convention, is to be elected by the previous convention?



Are you required to be present at the convention to be elected as a delegate or alternate to the next convention level?

Pop Quiz



If you vote in the 2016 Democrat Primary can you participate in the REPUBLICAN convention process?



What is the only qualification to participate in the Republican Convention process?

- ❖ Registered voter in represented area
- ❖ Affiliated with the Republican Party
 - Voting in the 2016 Primary Election
 - Take Oath of Affiliation

