

# Voting Guide

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## The Election Cycle Explained

**Primary Elections:** Selection for general election candidates at the federal, state, and local levels; Indiana holds mixed primaries (voting for a single party ballot, no need to be registered with a party)

**General Elections:** Final candidates selected for national, state, and local offices

<b>"Election Year"</b> (every four years)	<b>Midterms</b> (even-numbered years)	<b>Off-Years</b> (odd-numbered years)
U.S. Congress Presidential Gubernatorial State Legislators Citizen Initiatives Mayoral Races Local Offices	U.S. Congress	State Legislators Citizen Initiatives Mayoral Races Local Offices

## Dates

**Register to vote:** Registration must be completed at least 29 days before an upcoming election

### INDIANA PRIMARIES

(always the first Tuesday following the first Monday of May)

Tuesday, May 3, 2016  
Tuesday, May 2, 2017  
Tuesday, May 8, 2018  
Tuesday, May 7, 2019  
Tuesday, May 5, 2020

### GENERAL ELECTIONS

(always the first Tuesday following the first Monday of November)

Tuesday, November 8, 2016  
Tuesday, November 7, 2017  
Tuesday, November 6, 2018  
Tuesday, November 5, 2019  
Tuesday, November 3, 2020

## Links to Useful Information

**Voter registration information:**

[www.usvotefoundation.org](http://www.usvotefoundation.org)  
[www.nationalvoterregistrationday.org](http://www.nationalvoterregistrationday.org)

**Information on candidates and issues:**

[www.presidential-candidates.insidegov.com](http://www.presidential-candidates.insidegov.com)  
[www.ontheissues.org](http://www.ontheissues.org)  
[www.crowdpac.com](http://www.crowdpac.com)

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