

# Get out the vote in **South Dakota**

**Election Day: November 3**

## Why should you vote?

Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, 43% of the eligible voting-age population (nearly 100 million Americans) did *not* cast a vote for president; and 38.6% did *not* vote for any office.

In 2016, the Black voter turnout rate declined for the first time in 20 years in a presidential election, falling from a record-high 66.6% in 2012 to 59.6% in 2016.

## South Dakota's absentee and mail-in voting procedures

### Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:

- No excuse required to request an absentee ballot

### 2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:

- Coronavirus updates: Mail-in ballot applications sent automatically to all voters in the June 2, 2020, election; no announced changes for the November 3, 2020 general election.



## Deadlines to know for voting in South Dakota

### Voter registration deadline:

**October 19, 2020**

Fifteen days before an election.

### Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:

Request must be received by

**November 2, 2020**

Day before the election

### Ballot submission deadline:

Received at your precinct before polls close on November 3, 2020 (Election Day).

## Voter ID Requirements

### Current photo ID:

- SD Driver's License or DMV ID card
- US government issued ID
- Tribal ID
- Current student ID card from a SD- located high school or accredited institution of higher learning

If you are not able to present acceptable ID, you can still vote by signing a Personal Identification Affidavit.



## How can you register to vote in South Dakota?

To register to vote, visit <https://blackeconomicalliance.org/register-to-vote/>



**Register**

For more information on voter eligibility you can also visit the State Board of Elections website.

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## Verify Your Registration



**Verify**

## State Election Office

<https://sdsos.gov/elections-voting/default.aspx>

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