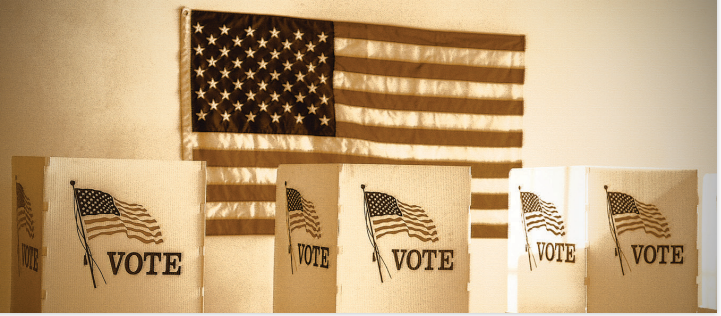


# Voting in America, 1789-1994

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Free and fair elections are the foundation of American democracy. Yet the path to securing voting rights for all Americans has been long and arduous and continues to face challenges today. For students and scholars of political science, history, sociology and other disciplines, the history of American elections and voting offers unmatched insight into the social, moral, and political fabric of the United States, both past and present.

*Voting in America, 1789-1994* is a comprehensive collection of primary source documents related to the history of voting and elections in the United States. Comprised of thousands of documents—spanning more than two centuries—this one-of-a-kind resource offers boundless opportunities for inquiry into the democratic experiment that shaped not only America, but democracies around the world.

### **An authoritative chronicle of American voting**

The right to vote is the most fundamental right in democratic society. Not only has voting been integral to the political life of the United States since its founding, it is also central to modern democracies around the world. In America, the history of voting is a record of expansion; expansion of the right to vote to an increasing and diverse population as well as an expansion of the voting processes in general. Yet, the process of expansion is not a history of equal access to the ballot across diverse demographics often differentiated by race, gender, and economic status.

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