

# ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS 1996-2008

	Assembly Election Year						
	1996	1998	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Estimated District Population (on Average)	<u>397,000</u>	<u>409,000</u>	<u>424,000</u>	<u>440,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>	<u>460,000</u>	<u>475,000</u>
Increase in District Size	N/A	12,000	15,000	16,000	10,000	10,000	15,000
Special Electoral Event(s)							
Presidential/Gubernatorial Election	President	Governor	President	Governor	President	Governor	President
Total Number of Seats	80	80	80	80	80	80	80
Incumbent Losses	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
Races with only one Major Party Contestant	5	5	3	7	6	7 (6)*	8
Margins of Victory by Election Winner							
Less than 5%	9	3	3	3	2	2	5
5% to less than 10%	5	6	4	2	3	2	4
10% to less than 20%	20	14	10	5	9	9	13
20% or Greater	46	57	63	70	66	67	58
Third Party Candidates							
American Independent	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Green	1	2	4	1	4	2	1
Independent	0	0	3	2	0	1**	0
Libertarian	21	37	51	36	33	3	15
Natural Law	24	11	16	0	0	0	0
Peace and Freedom	5	5	0	0	1	2	3
Reform	2	5	4	1	0	0	0
Total Third Party Participation	54	62	78	40	38	8	19
Number of Third Party's in the Election	6	6	5	4	3	3 (4)**	3

\* Republican Challenger was a write-in effectively giving the race away.

\*\* Single person third party write-in with almost no effect or few if any votes at all.