

***2020 LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL CONVENTION ~  
AUSTIN, TEXAS***

***NOTIFICATION OF DELEGATE ALLOCATIONS***



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## METHODOLOGY

The Libertarian Party national Bylaws provide the methodology and definitions necessary for determining the number of delegates allocated to each state affiliate as follows:

### ARTICLE 10.3 REGARDING CALCULATIONS FOR ALLOCATIONS

Each affiliate party shall be entitled to send delegates to each Regular Convention on the following basis:

- a. One delegate for each 0.14 percent, or fraction thereof, of the total Party sustaining membership in that affiliate; provided that at least one such delegate must be a resident of that State or District.
- b. One delegate for each 0.35 percent, or fraction thereof, of the votes cast nationwide for the Libertarian Party candidate in the most recent presidential election, cast in that affiliate's state.

### IMPLICATIONS

Since there are approximately 714 slices of a whole at 0.14% each and 286 slices at 0.35% each, a Libertarian Party national convention will have slots for *at least* 1000 delegates. However, since affiliates are credited for 'fractions thereof', the **maximum** result is approximately 1051 possible delegates.

### ARTICLE 4.4 DEFINING SUSTAINING MEMBERS

"Sustaining members" are members of the Party who:

- a. During the prior twelve months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least \$25; or
- b. Are life members.

### ARTICLE 10.4.1 SETTING CUT-OFF DATE FOR CALCULATIONS

Delegate Allocation:

- a. In order to be counted for delegate allocation, sustaining membership applications must be sent to the National Headquarters by either the individual member or the affiliate party and received or postmarked no later than the last day of the seventh month prior to the Regular Convention.

**May 22, 2020 is the first business session of the 2020 Libertarian Party national convention making the last day of the seventh month prior October 31, 2019.**

## ARTICLE 10.4.C REGARDING ALTERNATE DELEGATE ALLOCATIONS

The number of alternates' names submitted shall not exceed the greater of 50 or the number of delegates allocated.

Therefore, every affiliate may name up to fifty (50) alternate delegates, and if any affiliate has any more than fifty (50) regular delegates allocated, they may name as many alternates as they have delegates.

### NOTE

*Percentages used for determination of regional formations will be sent in a separate manual as the percentages used differ slightly and have caused confusion in the past. Additionally, a delegation chair manual and a delegate manual will be sent as convention approaches. I am willing to customize the delegate manual to fit the needs of any particular affiliate's rules, please contact me to discuss same. These manuals will be passed down to successive national secretaries to be built upon and improved as part of our institutional knowledge.*

## OFFICIAL DELEGATE ALLOCATIONS

The following table lists the number of delegates each affiliate is entitled to send to the 2020 Libertarian Party national convention pursuant to the allocation methodology outlined above ( see, yellow column which is the sum total of the blue columns).

State	2020 Delegate Allocation	SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP			PRESIDENTIAL VOTE		
		Members as of 10/31/19	Delegate Allocation % of Members	Delegates Based on Members	Johnson 2016 Vote <sup>1</sup>	% of 2016 Vote	Delegates Based on 2016 Vote
AL	13	197	1.358%	10	44,467	0.991%	3
AK	6	69	0.476%	4	18,725	0.418%	2
AR	7	99	0.683%	5	29,829	0.665%	2
AZ	24	338	2.329%	17	106,327	2.369%	7
CA	107	1529	10.535%	76	478,500	10.659%	31
CO	35	501	3.452%	25	144,121	3.211%	10
CT	13	176	1.213%	9	48,676	1.085%	4
DC	3	40	0.276%	2	4,906	0.110%	1
DE	4	47	0.324%	3	14,757	0.329%	1
FL	54	806	5.554%	40	207,043	4.613%	14
GA	29	414	2.853%	21	125,306	2.792%	8
HI	5	51	0.352%	3	15,954	0.356%	2
IA	11	122	0.841%	7	59,186	1.319%	4
ID	6	63	0.435%	4	28,331	0.632%	2
IL	37	466	3.211%	23	209,596	4.669%	14

<sup>1</sup> Source for presidential vote totals:

<https://transition.fec.gov/pubrec/fe2016/2016presgeresults.pdf>

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IN	30	419	2.887%	21	133,993	2.985%	9
KS	10	118	0.814%	6	55,406	1.235%	4
KY	11	130	0.896%	7	53,752	1.198%	4
LA	13	193	1.330%	10	37,978	0.846%	3
MA	22	244	1.682%	13	138,018	3.075%	9
MD	20	275	1.895%	14	79,605	1.774%	6
ME	8	83	0.572%	5	38,105	0.849%	3
MI	34	462	3.184%	23	172,136	3.835%	11
MN	20	224	1.544%	12	112,972	2.517%	8
MO	19	236	1.627%	12	97,359	2.169%	7
MS	6	94	0.648%	5	14,435	0.322%	1
MT	6	63	0.435%	4	28,037	0.625%	2
NC	29	401	2.763%	20	130,126	2.899%	9
ND	4	33	0.228%	2	21,434	0.478%	2
NE	8	91	0.627%	5	38,946	0.868%	3
NH	11	171	1.200%	9	30,777	0.686%	2
NJ	20	300	2.067%	15	72,477	1.615%	5
NM	13	147	1.013%	8	74,541	1.661%	5
NY	48	729	5.023%	36	176,598	3.934%	12
NV	13	188	1.296%	10	37,384	0.833%	3
OH	45	668	4.603%	33	174,498	3.888%	12
OK	14	162	1.117%	8	83,481	1.860%	6
OR	15	174	1.199%	9	94,231	2.100%	6
PA	40	608	4.190%	30	146,715	3.269%	10
RI	3	32	0.221%	2	14,746	0.329%	1
SC	17	247	1.702%	13	49,204	1.097%	4
SD	5	47	0.324%	3	20,850	0.465%	2
TN	23	357	2.460%	18	70,397	1.569%	5
TX	73	1097	7.559%	54	283,492	6.315%	19
UT	9	119	0.820%	6	39,608	0.883%	3
VA	35	540	3.721%	27	118,274	2.635%	8
VT	3	38	0.262%	2	10,078	0.225%	1
WA	35	476	3.280%	24	160,879	3.584%	11
WI	20	246	1.695%	13	106,674	2.377%	7
WV	6	71	0.490%	4	23,004	0.513%	2
WY	4	42	0.290%	3	13,287	0.296%	1
OTHER <sup>2</sup>	-----	71	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
TOTAL	1046	14514	100%	735	4,489,221	100%	311

<sup>2</sup> The sustaining members in the "other" category are not tied to any particular affiliate.

## COMPARISON OF DELEGATE ALLOCATIONS 2016-2020

STATE	2020 ALLOCATIONS	2016 ALLOCATIONS	2018 ALLOCATIONS
AL	13	13	14
AK	6	6	7
AR	7	9	7
AZ	24	26	23
CA	107	130	109
CO	35	32	34
CT	13	12	13
DC	3	3	4
DE	4	3	4
FL	54	53	53
GA	29	31	30
HI	5	5	5
IA	11	11	11
ID	6	7	6
IL	37	37	40
IN	30	34	29
KS	10	13	11
KY	11	11	11
LA	13	13	15
MA	22	19	22
MD	20	22	21
ME	8	7	7
MI	34	25	36
MN	20	18	19
MO	19	24	20
MS	6	8	6
MT	6	7	7
NC	29	29	28
ND	4	5	5
NE	8	8	8
NH	11	10	11
NJ	20	22	21
NM	13	13	12
NY	48	44	44
NV	13	14	11
OH	45	44	41
OK	14	6	14
OR	15	15	15
PA	40	42	39

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RI	3	3	3
SC	17	14	16
SD	5	5	4
TN	23	18	24
TX	73	71	73
UT	9	8	8
VA	35	38	41
VT	3	3	3
WA	35	30	35
WI	20	17	21
WV	6	5	5
WY	4	4	3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1046</b>	<b>1047</b>	<b>1049</b>

## **PRELIMINARY 2022 NATIONAL COMMITTEE SEATS EARNED**

The national Libertarian Party Platform and Credentials Committees are comprised as per below.

### **ARTICLE 11.3 REGARDING PLATFORM COMMITTEE**

The Platform Committee shall consist of 20 members selected as follows:

- One member by each of the five affiliate parties having the greatest per capita sustaining membership as determined for Convention delegate allocations at the most recent Regular Convention.
- One member by each of the ten affiliate parties having the largest sustaining memberships, excluding those affiliates from (a), as determined for Convention delegate allocations at the most recent Regular Convention.
- Five members selected by the National Committee.

Traditionally, the official US Census numbers have been used for the per capita calculations required by Article 11.3.a., with that being the 2010 Census. However, the 2020 Census data used for state and local redistricting are due to be released by March 31, 2021 making those the more accurate numbers to use for that calculation. As such, those five affiliates will not be able to be determined until then; but, the affiliates in the top ten (10) for sustaining memberships are known as that was the data used in these delegate allocations.

At a minimum, the following states will have a platform seat (plus ranked alternates) for the 2022 Libertarian Party national convention:

- 1. California**
- 2. Texas**
- 3. Florida**
- 4. New York**
- 5. Ohio**
- 6. Pennsylvania**
- 7. Virginia**
- 8. Colorado**
- 9. Washington**
- 10. Illinois**

Congratulations to those affiliates! The next highest affiliates in rank are Michigan and Indiana. This is important as often two (2) states that are in the top ten (10) are also in the top five (5) per capita ranks, freeing up additional spaces to those ranked next. We will not know if this is the case for 2022 until the Census data is released for the per capita calculations which will occur during the 2020-2022 LNC term.

#### **ARTICLE 11.4 REGARDING CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

The Credentials Committee, composed of ten members, shall be selected as follows.

- a. Five members chosen by the National Committee no later than six months before a Regular Convention.
- b. One member by each of the five affiliate parties having the largest sustaining memberships as determined for Convention delegate allocations at the most recent Regular Convention.

Thus, the states earning Credentials Committee seats (and ranked alternates) are:

- 1. California**
- 2. Texas**
- 3. Florida**
- 4. New York**
- 5. Ohio**

Congratulations to these affiliates! You have plenty of time to make your appointments and will be notified by the LNC Secretary for the 2020-2022 term when that date is approaching.

## NOTICE

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**Honoured to be serving as your national Secretary for the 2018-2020  
LNC term,**

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