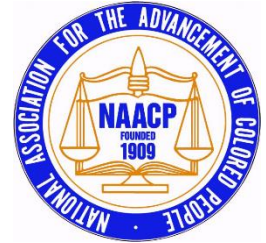


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Unanswered Questions about Proposed Maps

The Indiana House of Representatives Republican Caucus released draft Congressional and State House maps on September 14, 2021 as PDFs on [their website](#).¹ With only a PDF map, it is impossible to accurately assess the demographics of total population or voting age population of the proposed maps. Similarly, the PDF posted online as Proposed Amendment HB 1581 #1, is buried in the Indiana General Assembly's website and lists precincts and Census blocks corresponding to proposed districts.² This means that there are no clear answers to the following questions:

- How many of these proposed districts are “majority-minority” or influence districts?
- Have communities of color been divided or packed into districts?
- Are these maps compliant with the equal protection standard as well as civil rights and voting rights laws? Do the proposed districts prevent communities of color from electing candidates of their choice?
- How will these new districts impact communities of color?

For community members to be able to analyze the maps and answer these questions, the Indiana House of Representatives must make GIS shapefiles of the proposed maps available to the public, accompanying racial demographic information regarding the proposed districts, as well as all data and estimation techniques used in the drawing of districts. The information published on September 14 falls far short of providing meaningful information or reassurance to communities of color concerned about our voting rights.

Methodology

This document uses four sources available from the U.S. Census Bureau: American Community Survey 2006-2010; American Community Survey 2008-2012; American Community Survey 2015-2019; and the 2020 Census Redistricting Data Summary Files (P.L. 94-171). All geography summary levels displayed in these charts were available from the listed sources.

¹ <https://www.indianahouserepublicans.com/>

² <http://iga.in.gov/static-documents/5/6/d/8/56d84db9/AM158101.pdf>

Places with Large Communities of Color based on 2020 Census

The table below lists places, as [defined by the U.S. Bureau](#), in Indiana where there are significantly large communities of color, based on either overall percentage or raw population count.³

Indiana Places, Total Population				
Place	Total Pop.	Black %	Latinx %	Asian American %
East Chicago	26,370	39.3%	52.6%	0.2%
Elkhart	53,923	13.7%	30.7%	1.1%
Evansville	117,298	13.5%	4.3%	1.2%
Fort Wayne	263,886	15.0%	10.6%	5.8%
Gary	69,093	79.1%	7.6%	0.2%
Goshen	34,517	3.1%	33.7%	1.4%
Griffith	16,528	16.8%	18.5%	0.8%
Hammond	77,879	25.1%	40.2%	0.8%
Indianapolis	887,642	27.6%	13.1%	4.2%
Lake Station	13,235	4.9%	31.7%	0.3%
Lawrence	49,370	28.6%	19.8%	1.5%
Ligonier	4,568	0.5%	58.9%	0.7%
Merrillville	36,444	50.1%	14.7%	1.3%
Michigan City	32,075	27.4%	7.7%	0.9%
Monon	1,919	0.4%	55.7%	0.0%
New Chicago	1,999	4.4%	30.8%	0.9%
South Bend	103,453	25.2%	16.7%	1.5%
Southport	2,123	0.7%	4.2%	35.2%
Speedway	13,952	26.0%	11.9%	2.6%
Whiting	4,559	3.2%	49.1%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau (2020). (P.L. 94-171) Redistricting Data Summary Files. Retrieved from <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/rdo/summary-files.html>

³ <https://www2.census.gov/geo/pdfs/reference/GARM/Ch9GARM.pdf>

Counties with Large Communities of Color based on 2020 Census

The table below lists counties in Indiana where there are significantly large communities of color, based on either overall percentage or raw population count.

Indiana Counties, Total Population				
Place	Total Pop.	Black %	Latinx %	Asian American %
Lake	498,700	24.3%	20.0%	1.5%
Marion	977,203	27.2%	13.2%	4.1%
St. Joseph	272,912	13.0%	9.7%	2.4%
Elkhart	207,047	5.3%	19.1%	1.1%
Allen	385,410	11.3%	8.5%	4.7%
Tippecanoe	186,251	5.9%	10.0%	7.3%
Cass	37,870	1.5%	17.6%	1.5%
LaPorte	112,417	10.6%	7.1%	0.7%
Clinton	33,190	0.6%	18.5%	0.2%
Bartholomew	82,208	2.2%	8.8%	6.5%
Clark	121,093	7.7%	6.5%	1.1%
Porter	173,215	4.2%	10.9%	1.3%
Hamilton	347,467	4.2%	5.2%	6.8%
Vanderburgh	180,136	9.7%	3.5%	1.3%
Hendricks	174,788	7.6%	4.6%	3.2%
Monroe	139,718	3.6%	4.6%	6.0%
<p><i>Source: U.S. Census Bureau (2020). (P.L. 94-171) Redistricting Data Summary Files. Retrieved from https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/rdo/summary-files.html</i></p>				

Eligible Voters based on 2015-2019 American Community Survey

The white population has a higher share of eligible voters in Indiana overall than Black, Latinx and Asian American populations.

Indiana Share of Eligible Voters, 2015-2019	
	Percent of population who are eligible voters
Total	72.8%
White	78.5%
People of Color	52.5%
Black	68.4%
Latinx	40.4%
Asian	35.4%
Native American	86.7%
Pacific Islander	49.9%
Multi-Racial	45.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 2015-2019. Retrieved from <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/voting-rights/cvap.2019.html>

Eligible voters of color are growing in Indiana, particularly the Asian American and Latinx communities. Meanwhile, the population of white eligible voters has slightly increased, but at a rate that is slower than eligible voters of color.

Indiana Change of Eligible Voters by Race, 2010 to 2019						
	2010		2019		% Change	Overall Share change
	Number	%	Number	%		
Total	4,649,340	100%	4,903,145	100%	+5.5%	-
White	4,043,960	87%	4,136,965	84%	+2.3%	-3%
People of Color	605,380	13%	766,170	16%	+26.6%	+3%
Black	385,160	8%	432,775	9%	+12.4%	+1%
Latinx	128,310	3%	195,945	4%	+52.7%	+1%
Asian	36,975	1%	60,150	1%	+62.7%	+0.4%
Native American	9,805	0.2%	10,280	0.2%	+4.8%	+0.0%
Pacific Islander	920	0.0%	1,360	0.0%	+47.8%	+0.0%
Multi-Racial	44,210	1.0%	65,660	1.3%	+48.5%	+0.4%

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau Citizen Voting Age Population by Race and Ethnicity, 2006-2010 & 2015-2019. Retrieved from <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/voting-rights/cvap.2010.html>

State Senate District Changes with Large Communities of Color from 2012 to 2019

The table below lists State Senate Districts in Indiana where there are significantly large communities of color, based on either overall percentage or raw population count, or where there were significant population changes of communities of color between 2012 and 2019.

Indiana State Senate Districts, Total Population							
District	Region	Black		Latinx		Asian American	
		Pct. 2012	Pct. 2019	Pct. 2012	Pct. 2019	Pct. 2012	Pct. 2019
1	Northeastern Lake County	7.3%	9.3%	17.2%	19.0%	2.8%	2.7%
2	East Chicago to Merrillville	32.6%	31.8%	31.0%	35.6%	0.7%	0.4%
3	Gary	54.5%	49.0%	9.7%	12.5%	0.5%	1.0%
4	Michigan City, Chesterton	9.6%	9.9%	8.7%	10.5%	1.0%	1.1%
10	South Bend	20.3%	20.6%	10.7%	13.3%	1.5%	1.8%
12	Elkhart County	4.8%	4.6%	16.2%	18.7%	0.9%	0.9%
15	East Fort Wayne & Northern Suburbs	17.5%	15.0%	7.7%	10.1%	2.5%	4.3%
22	Lafayette, Tippecanoe County	3.9%	5.4%	7.5%	8.6%	7.8%	10.2%
25	Muncie, Anderson	8.7%	10.9%	2.7%	4.1%	0.9%	1.1%
28	Indianapolis to Hancock County	9.0%	12.5%	4.2%	4.3%	0.8%	0.9%
29	Zionsville	19.2%	20.2%	7.6%	8.8%	5.3%	5.9%
30	Northern Indianapolis Suburbs	11.9%	11.8%	5.2%	4.8%	3.1%	3.9%
31	Northwest Indianapolis Suburbs	13.1%	13.9%	6.3%	6.7%	3.0%	4.1%
33	Between Indianapolis and Speedway	52.4%	47.7%	13.8%	16.8%	1.7%	2.1%
34	Northeast Indianapolis	57.5%	55.6%	8.1%	10.9%	0.6%	0.8%
35	Southwest Indianapolis	10.8%	16.0%	8.5%	11.5%	1.3%	1.7%
36	Southern Indianapolis	6.7%	7.4%	8.6%	7.1%	3.7%	9.9%
40	Bloomington	3.2%	3.1%	3.1%	3.5%	5.7%	7.0%
50	Evansville	10.0%	10.4%	2.6%	3.3%	1.1%	2.2%

*Note: Additional analysis is forthcoming. The 2020 Census may provide further insights on these districts.
Source: United States Census Bureau "B03002 Hispanic or Latino by Race." American Community Survey 2008-2012 & 2015-2019. Retrieved from www.data.census.gov.*