

Make Your Voice Count

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 - 3: Us
 - 4: Them

The Arc of Illinois Family to Family Health Information Center

Illinois Health Care Coverage Virtual Conference

September 1, 2020



Make **OUR** Voice Count



Leonor Vanik, PhD

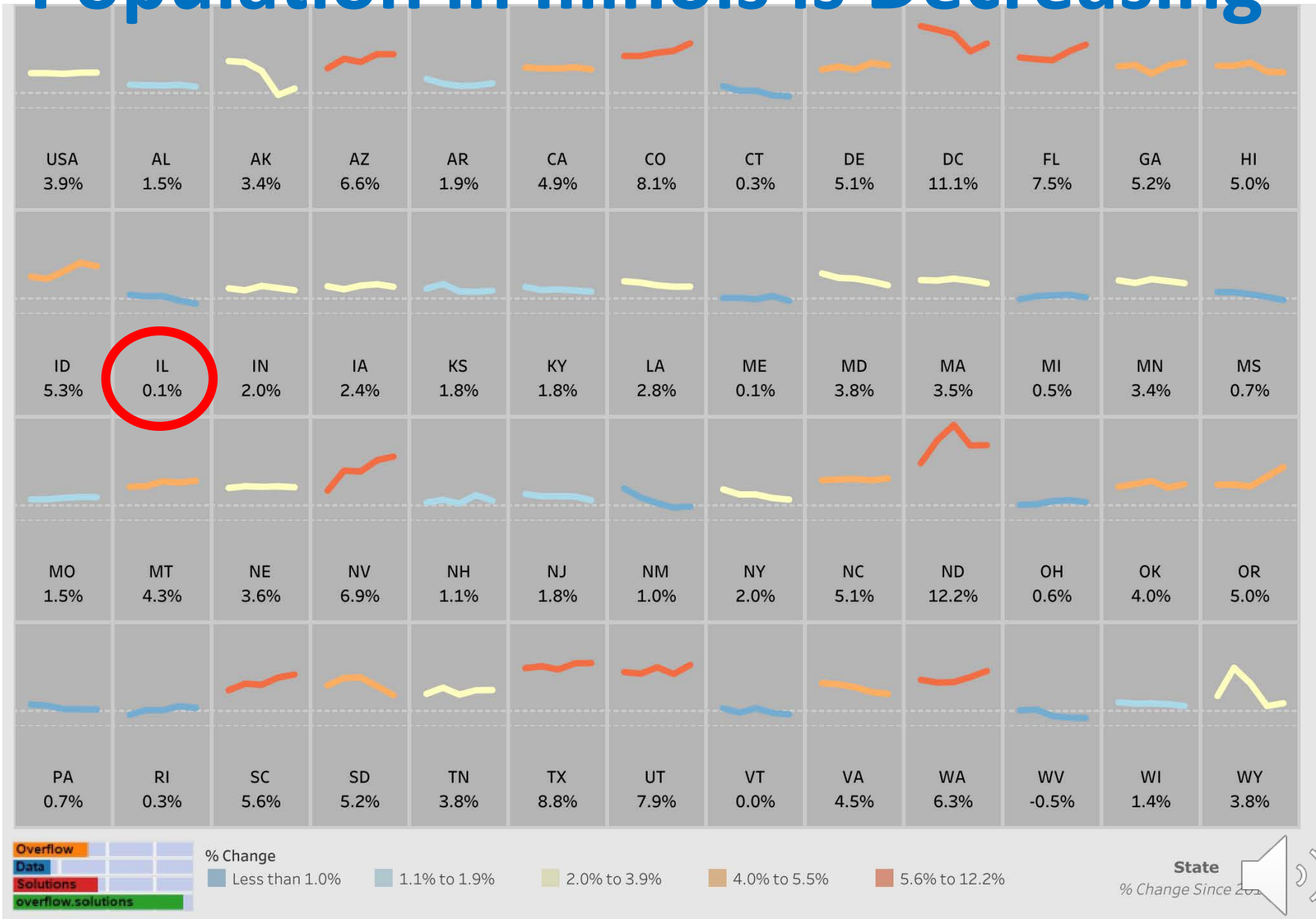
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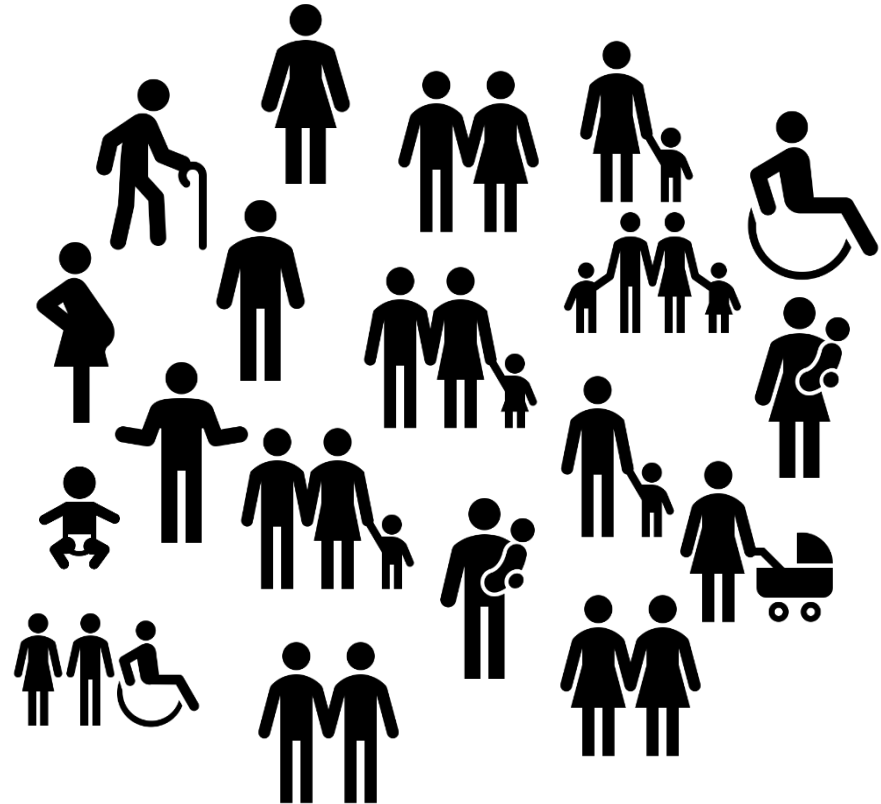


Population in Illinois is Decreasing





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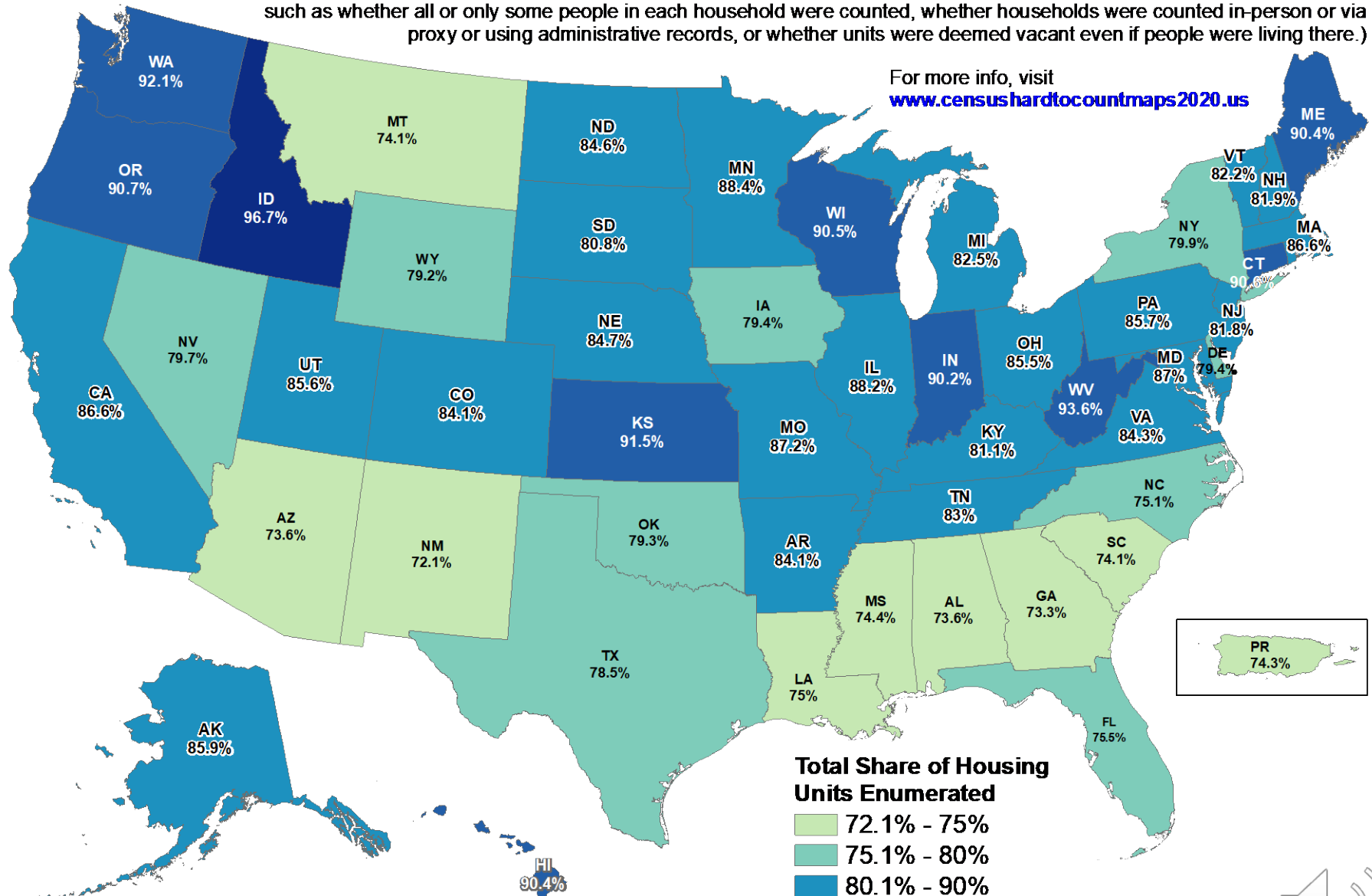
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2020 Census Total Response Rates (as of Aug. 31)

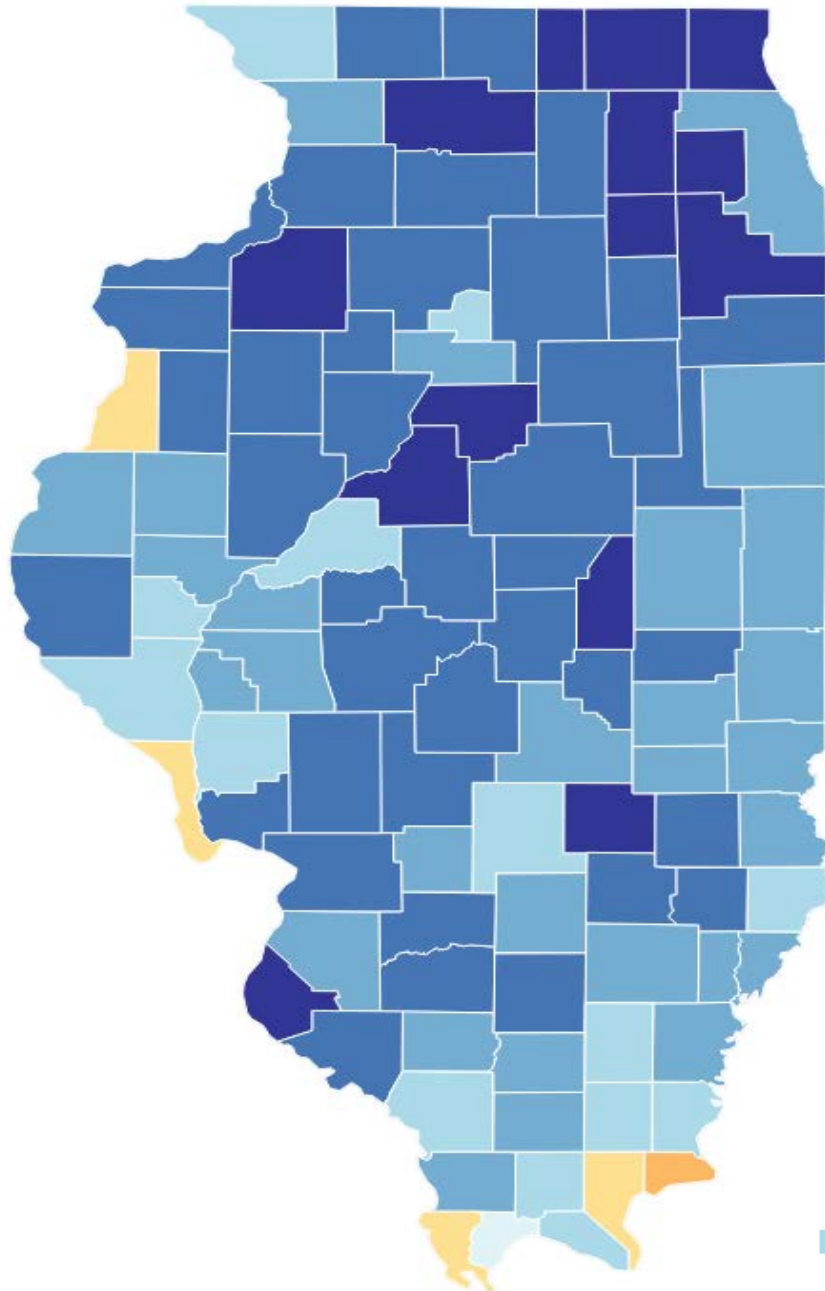
(NB: Total response rates are important, but on their own do not tell us about the quality or accuracy of the count, such as whether all or only some people in each household were counted, whether households were counted in-person or via proxy or using administrative records, or whether units were deemed vacant even if people were living there.)

For more info, visit

www.censushardtocountmaps2020.us



Self Response Rate



Top 5

- Monroe 81.6%
- McHenry 81.2%
- Kendall 81.0%
- DuPage 79.6%
- Piatt 77.7%

Bottom 5

- Hardin 33.5%
- Calhoun 43.8%
- Henderson 45.0%
- Alexander 45.9%
- Pope 48.0%

57-62 63-68 69-74 75-85 86-100



Federal Disability Programs Impacted

\$525.25 Billion



Medicaid



Protection & Advocacy
Systems



Vocational Rehabilitation



State Council on
Developmental Disabilities



Supplemental Nutrition
Assistance Program (Food Program)



Statewide Independent
Living Council



Title I Education Grants

Individuals w/Disabilities
Education Act (IDEA)



Section 811 Housing



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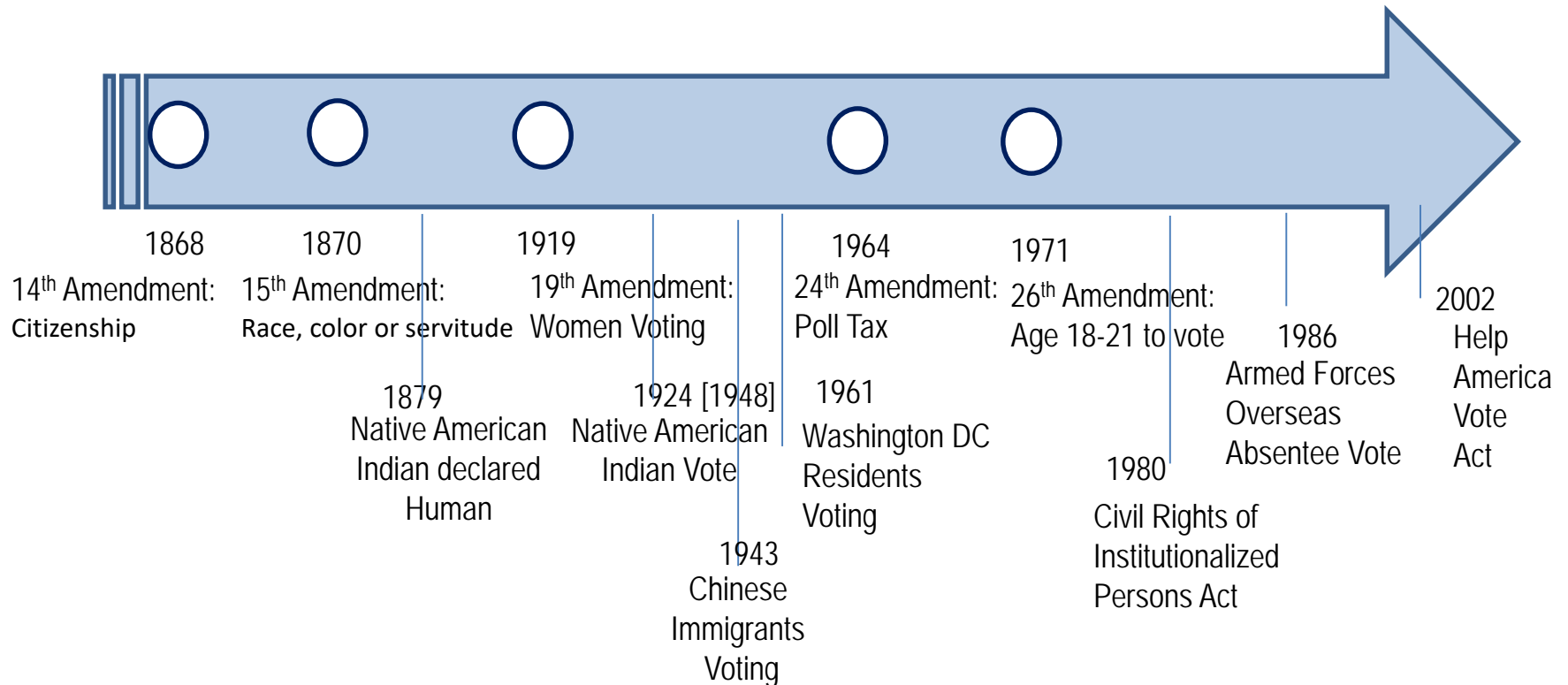


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Action Items 

Fighting for the Right : 1789



Not all states allow a person with a mental illness to vote.

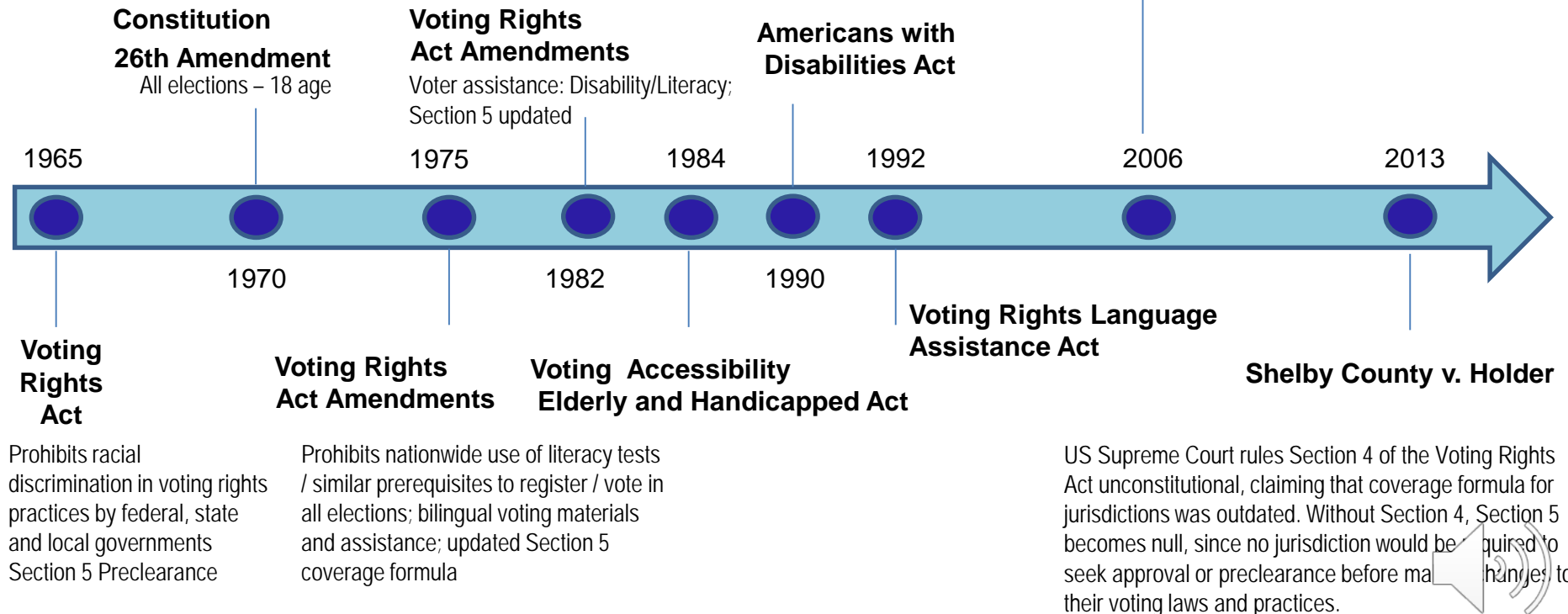
Competence issues

Not all Polling Places are Accessible

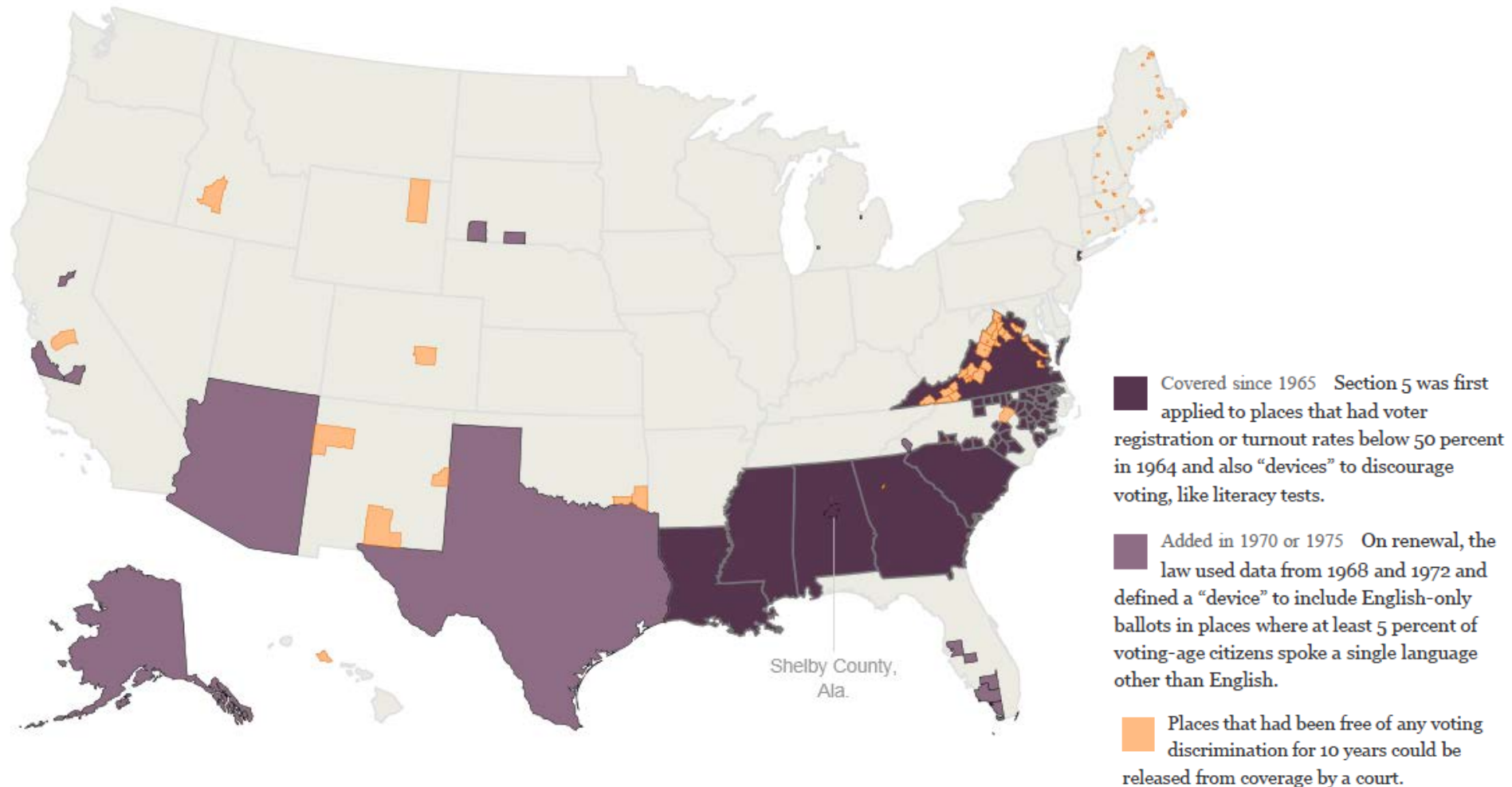
Policy Timeline Highlights

Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, Coretta Scott King, Cesar E. Chavez, Barbara Jordan, William Velazquez and Dr. Hector Garcia Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act— Reauthorizes Section 5 of the VRA

Requiring jurisdictions with a history of discrimination in voting to seek federal review before implementing voting changes; reauthorizes Section 203, requiring certain jurisdictions to provide bilingual voting materials and assistance; Section 5 reauthorized for 25 years, 1975 coverage not changed



Shelby County vs. Holder



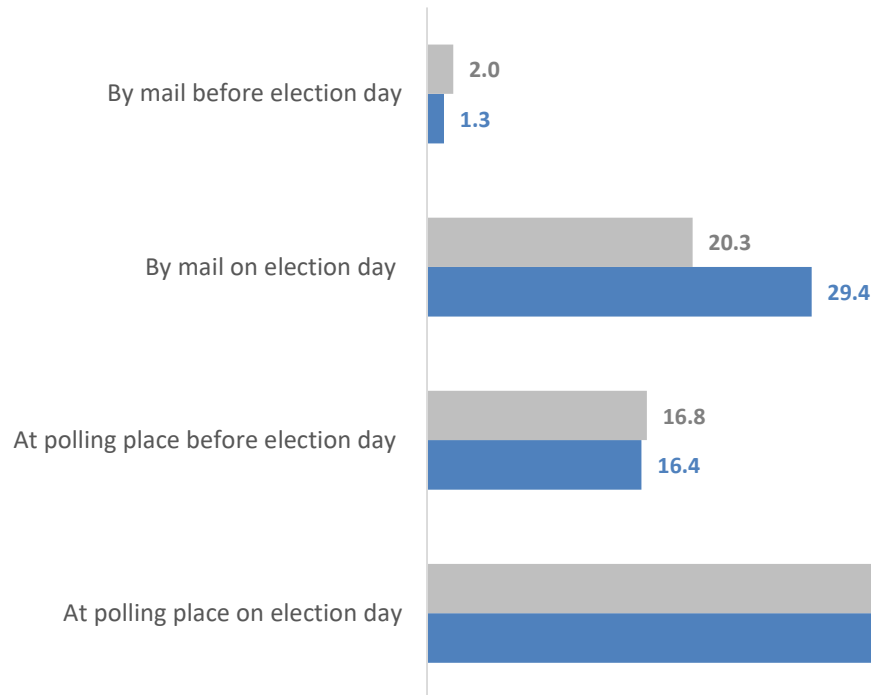
Exercise your rights ...



November of 2018 elections, 14.3 million citizens with disabilities voted

In 2018:

**8.9M cognitive impaired voters,
5.6M did not vote**



**30.7% of
Disabled voters
vote by Mail**

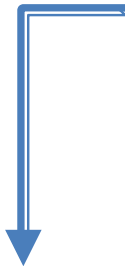


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<https://www.elections.il.gov/>

Online Registration
Vote by Mail Application
Polling Place



- You must be a United States Citizen.
- You must be 17 years old on or before the date of the Primary Election and turn 18 on or before the date of the General or Consolidated Election.
- You must live in your election precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day.
- You must not be serving a sentence of confinement in any penal institution as a result of a conviction.
- You may not claim the right to vote anywhere else.

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10.29 Last day to request

Online Registration
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- Voters will receive an official ballot no more than 40 days and no less than 30 days before the Election.
- **Mail delivery delay – send at least 10 business days prior – 10.20**

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10.19

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- Early voting – check dates for your area

11.02 Last day early voting

11.03 Vote in Person

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