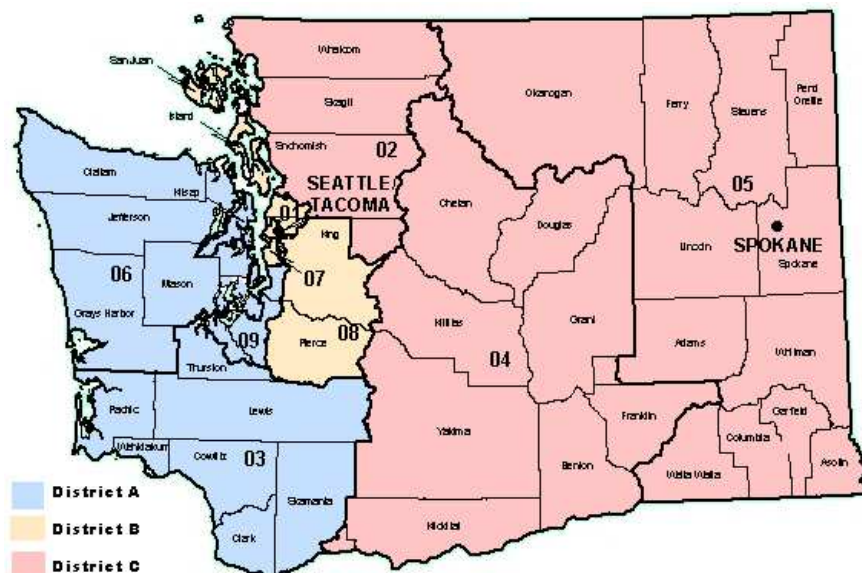


Washington



Racial Representation

Of the voting population of 2,467,210, 7.1% are Latino and 3.2% are black. There are currently no blacks or Latinos representing Washington. Under the proposed super districting plan, Latino voters in Super District C supporting a candidate with crossover appeal could, in coalition with other minority and white voters, elect a candidate of choice.

Political Analysis

In the 2000 Presidential election, Al Gore won Washington with 50% of the vote over George W. Bush's 45%. The state's Democratic partisanship is 51.8%. Under the current nine-district system, four districts can be considered Democratic, two can be considered Republican, and three can be considered competitive. Under the proposed super districting plan, voters would likely elect three Democrats, three Republicans, and three candidates who could come from either party.

SUPER DISTRICT A - THREE SEATS

State	CD	2000 Presidential Vote						Total	% Black Origin	% Latino Origin
		Bush	(%)	Gore	(%)	Other	(%)			
Washington	3	131958	(48.0%)	127292	(46.3%)	15732	(5.7%)	274982	1.2%	4.6%
Washington	6	115736	(42.8%)	139643	(51.6%)	15098	(5.6%)	270477	5.5%	5.1%
Washington	9	104549	(42.9%)	128076	(52.6%)	10874	(4.5%)	243499	6.3%	6.7%
Total		352243	(44.6%)	395011	(50.1%)	41704	(5.3%)	788958	4.2%	5.4%

Winning Percentage: 25%

Voting Rights Analysis: No racial minority would likely be able to control their representation.

District Partisanship: 51.7% This super district would likely elect one Democrat and one Republican with one swing seat.

SUPER DISTRICT B - THREE SEATS

State	CD	2000 Presidential Vote						Total	% Black	% Latino
		Bush	(%)	Gore	(%)	Other	(%)		Origin	Origin
Washington	1	123879	(36.5%)	154583	(47.2%)	13803	(2.9%)	292265	1.8%	4.3%
Washington	7	66066	(20.7%)	228988	(71.8%)	23952	(7.5%)	319006	8.3%	5.8%
Washington	8	136575	(47.3%)	140387	(48.6%)	11838	(4.1%)	288800	2.0%	4.0%
Total		326520	(36.5%)	523958	(47.2%)	49593	(2.9%)	900071	4.2%	4.7%

Winning Percentage: 25%

Voting Rights Analysis: No racial minority would likely be able to control their representation.

District Partisanship: 59.8% This super district would likely elect one Democrat and one Republican with one swing seat.

SUPER DISTRICT C - THREE SEATS

State	CD	2000 Presidential Vote						Total	% Black	% Latino
		Bush	(%)	Gore	(%)	Other	(%)		Origin	Origin
Washington	2	129027	(46.2%)	133216	(47.7%)	16765	(6.0%)	279008	1.1%	5.8%
Washington	4	141891	(61.9%)	78768	(34.4%)	8629	(3.8%)	229288	0.8%	26.4%
Washington	5	150013	(55.6%)	106610	(39.5%)	13262	(4.9%)	269885	1.3%	4.5%
Total		420931	(54.1%)	318594	(40.9%)	38656	(5.0%)	778181	1.1%	11.4%

Winning Percentage: 25%

Voting Rights Analysis: Latino voters supporting a candidate of choice could, in coalition with other minority and white voters, elect a candidate of choice.

District Partisanship: 42.5% This super district would likely elect one Democrat and one Republican with one swing seat.

This proposal is based on the current congressional districts of Washington. Because current congressional districts are often the results of gerrymandering, the proposed super district boundaries are not as smooth and nice-looking as they could be in a similar proposal that made use of sub-congressional district data.