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## Five States Would Gain Seats if Congress Were Reapportioned with 2005 Population Estimates

Five states—**Arizona, Florida, Nevada, Texas, and Utah**—would each gain one seat if the U.S. House of Representatives were reapportioned with census population estimates for July 1, 2005, according to an analysis by Election Data Services Inc. Five states would lose seats—**Iowa, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania**. In Election Data Services' 2004 analysis, only four seats changed. **Nevada** is an addition to the states gaining seats; **Massachusetts**, to the states losing seats. The 2005 population estimates, which have not been statistically adjusted for any known undercount, were released today by U.S. Census Bureau.

The 2005 reapportionment analysis shows the margins by which congressional seats were allocated, compared to the last congressional reapportionment in 2001 after the 2000 census. In the 2005 analysis, the last seat in the 435-member House would go to Missouri, which holds onto its ninth congressional seat by a margin of only 9,419. Texas, in position no. 436, would be next in line to gain still another congressional seat. Texas received 32 congressional seats in the 2001 reapportionment.

### 2005 Reapportionment Analysis

2005 Population Estimates			2000 Census Population		
Last Five Seats	Margin of Gain		Last Five Seats	Margin of Gain	
431 Ohio (17th)	208,572		431 Iowa (5th)	44,338	
432 Illinois (19th)	142,416		432 Florida (25th)	212,934	
433 California (53rd)	304,458		433 Ohio (18th)	79,688	
434 Minnesota (8th)	25,713		434 California (53rd)	33,942	
435 Missouri (9th)	9,419		435 North Carolina (13th)	3,087	
Next Seats	Margin of Loss		Next Seats	Margin of Loss	
436 Texas (34th)	37,180		436 Utah (4th)	856	
437 New York (29th)	224,205		437 New York (30th)	47,249	
438 California (54th)	437,417		438 Texas (33rd)	86,272	
439 Massachusetts (10th)	86,201		439 Michigan (16th)	50,888	
440 Georgia (14th)	149,330		440 Indiana (10th)	37,056	

Four of the five states that would stand to gain seats in the 2005 analysis—**Arizona, Florida, Nevada, and Texas**—gained seats when Congress was last reapportioned in 2001. **Arizona, Florida, and Texas** have each gained at least one seat in every reapportionment since 1950. **Utah**, the fifth state that would gain a seat in the 2005 analysis, just missed gaining a seat in 2001 by only 856 people.

Three of the five states that would lose seats in the 2005 analysis—**New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania**—also lost seats in 2001. **New York** and **Pennsylvania** have each lost at least two seats in every reapportionment since 1950. **Iowa**, which in 2001 held position no. 431 of 435, retained its fifth congressional seat by a margin of only 44,338 people. **Massachusetts**, the fifth state that would lose a seat in the 2005 analysis, was in position no. 422 in 2001.

In 2001, the last congressional seat went to North Carolina, whose population included a substantial number of federal employees overseas. Federal employees overseas have been included in official census population counts since 1990, but are not included in census population estimates. Election Data Services' 2005 reapportionment analysis produced no changes when overseas federal employees were accounted for. The 2000 census was, of course, conducted well before troop deployments for the Iraqi war. And the new census population estimates do not show the effects of Hurricane Katrina on the state of Louisiana. In the 2005 reapportionment analysis, Louisiana held position no. 426 of 435 and kept its seventh congressional seat by a margin of 100,000 people. Population shifts from Louisiana to Texas as a result of Katrina, if they became permanent, could have implications for the next reapportionment in 2011 and chances for Texas for gaining another congressional seat.

Election Data Services Inc. is a Washington, D.C.-based consulting firm that specializes in redistricting, election administration, and the analysis of census and political data. Election Data Services conducts the congressional apportionment analyses with each annual release of the census population estimates. For more information about the reapportionment analysis, contact Kimball Brace (202.789.2004 or [kbrace@electiondataservices.com](mailto:kbrace@electiondataservices.com)).

Census Bureau 2005 Estimates, Released 22-Dec-2005 — Military Overseas Not Included								
State	Population	Compare To	Seats	Change	Gain a Seat	Lose a Seat	Last Seat Given	Next Seat At
Alabama	4,557,808	7	7	0	557,585	134,942	420	487
Alaska	663,661	1	1	0			at large	630
Arizona	5,939,292	8	9	1	545,652	148,401	424	474
Arkansas	2,779,154	4	4	0	277,878	415,033	369	478
California	36,132,147	53	53	0	437,417	304,458	433	438
Colorado	4,665,177	7	7	0	450,216	242,311	414	476
Connecticut	3,510,297	5	5	0	233,788	458,230	383	466
Delaware	843,524	1	1	0			at large	499
Florida	17,789,864	25	26	1	321,599	390,401	428	442
Georgia	9,072,576	13	13	0	149,330	548,615	410	440
Hawaii	1,275,194	2	2	0	399,212	310,046	332	572
Idaho	1,429,096	2	2	0	245,310	463,948	300	508
Illinois	12,763,371	19	19	0	561,922	142,416	432	454
Indiana	6,271,973	9	9	0	212,971	481,082	406	449
Iowa	2,966,334	5	4	-1	90,698	602,213	346	444
Kansas	2,744,687	4	4	0	312,345	380,566	376	481
Kentucky	4,173,405	6	6	0	256,655	435,401	389	464
Louisiana	4,523,628	7	7	0	591,765	100,762	426	492
Maine	1,321,505	2	2	0	352,901	356,357	320	552
Maryland	5,600,388	8	8	0	199,923	493,302	400	450
Massachusetts	6,398,743	10	9	-1	86,201	607,852	396	439
Michigan	10,120,860	15	15	0	469,009	231,030	425	455
Minnesota	5,132,799	8	8	0	667,512	25,713	434	491
Mississippi	2,921,088	4	4	0	135,944	556,967	353	456
Missouri	5,800,310	9	9	0	684,634	9,419	435	483
Montana	935,670	1	1	0			at large	448
Nebraska	1,758,787	3	3	0	609,180	87,101	415	584
Nevada	2,414,807	3	4	1	642,225	50,686	429	551
New Hampshire	1,309,940	2	2	0	364,466	344,792	323	556
New Jersey	8,717,925	13	13	0	503,981	193,964	427	462
New Mexico	1,928,384	3	3	0	439,583	256,698	381	531
New York	19,254,630	29	28	-1	224,205	489,997	423	437
North Carolina	8,683,242	13	13	0	538,664	159,281	430	465
North Dakota	636,677	1	1	0			at large	650
Ohio	11,464,042	18	17	-1	493,604	208,572	431	453
Oklahoma	3,547,884	5	5	0	196,201	495,817	375	460
Oregon	3,641,056	5	5	0	103,029	588,989	365	443
Pennsylvania	12,429,616	19	18	-1	211,867	491,388	418	441
Rhode Island	1,076,189	2	2	0	598,217	111,041	390	670
South Carolina	4,255,083	6	6	0	174,977	517,079	385	452
South Dakota	775,933	1	1	0			at large	539
Tennessee	5,962,959	9	9	0	521,985	172,068	421	470
Texas	22,859,968	32	33	1	37,180	682,542	419	436
Utah	2,469,585	3	4	1	587,447	105,464	417	534
Vermont	623,050	1	1	0			at large	667
Virginia	7,567,465	11	11	0	286,192	409,732	413	451
Washington	6,287,759	9	9	0	197,185	496,868	403	446
West Virginia	1,816,856	3	3	0	551,111	145,170	402	569
Wisconsin	5,536,201	8	8	0	264,110	429,115	405	458
Wyoming	509,294	1	1	0			at large	798
Washington DC	550,521	0						

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Alabama	4,571,838	7	7	0	553,299	138,878	419	486
Alaska	665,662	1	1	0			at large	629
Arizona	5,949,343	8	9	1	547,954	145,235	424	474
Arkansas	2,785,487	4	4	0	277,369	415,970	368	478
California	36,191,297	53	53	0	447,928	281,838	433	438
Colorado	4,675,798	7	7	0	449,339	242,838	414	476
Connecticut	3,514,267	5	5	0	236,950	455,234	383	466
Delaware	844,992	1	1	0			at large	499
Florida	17,836,376	25	26	1	309,587	397,201	427	441
Georgia	9,093,098	13	13	0	146,374	549,682	410	440
Hawaii	1,280,299	2	2	0	397,296	312,948	332	571
Idaho	1,432,417	2	2	0	245,178	465,066	299	508
Illinois	12,783,120	19	19	0	567,556	133,360	432	454
Indiana	6,282,270	9	9	0	215,027	478,162	406	449
Iowa	2,971,933	5	4	-1	90,923	602,416	346	444
Kansas	2,750,093	4	4	0	312,763	380,576	376	481
Kentucky	4,181,067	6	6	0	257,432	434,532	389	464
Louisiana	4,534,923	7	7	0	590,214	101,963	425	491
Maine	1,324,313	2	2	0	353,282	356,962	320	552
Maryland	5,611,788	8	8	0	199,572	493,046	400	450
Massachusetts	6,405,214	10	9	-1	92,083	601,106	396	439
Michigan	10,138,245	15	15	0	471,797	225,843	426	456
Minnesota	5,138,990	8	8	0	672,370	20,248	434	492
Mississippi	2,929,357	4	4	0	133,499	559,840	353	455
Missouri	5,811,359	9	9	0	685,938	7,251	435	483
Montana	938,791	1	1	0			at large	448
Nebraska	1,762,893	3	3	0	609,585	87,392	415	584
Nevada	2,418,582	3	4	1	644,274	49,065	429	551
New Hampshire	1,312,569	2	2	0	365,026	345,218	323	556
New Jersey	8,727,929	13	13	0	511,543	184,513	428	462
New Mexico	1,933,159	3	3	0	439,319	257,658	381	530
New York	19,283,146	29	28	-1	232,794	475,686	423	437
North Carolina	8,701,602	13	13	0	537,870	158,186	430	465
North Dakota	638,233	1	1	0			at large	650
Ohio	11,485,442	18	17	-1	494,982	204,284	431	453
Oklahoma	3,556,049	5	5	0	195,168	497,016	374	460
Oregon	3,648,200	5	5	0	103,017	589,167	365	443
Pennsylvania	12,449,232	19	18	-1	216,332	483,757	418	442
Rhode Island	1,077,532	2	2	0	600,063	110,181	391	671
South Carolina	4,268,132	6	6	0	170,367	521,597	384	452
South Dakota	777,963	1	1	0			at large	539
Tennessee	5,973,713	9	9	0	523,584	169,605	421	470
Texas	22,912,142	32	33	1	28,623	684,100	420	436
Utah	2,473,130	3	4	1	589,726	103,613	417	534
Vermont	624,113	1	1	0			at large	667
Virginia	7,589,652	11	11	0	278,966	415,583	413	451
Washington	6,302,322	9	9	0	194,975	498,214	403	445
West Virginia	1,821,589	3	3	0	550,889	146,088	402	569
Wisconsin	5,543,736	8	8	0	267,624	424,994	405	458
Wyoming	510,816	1	1	0			at large	797
Washington DC	550,521	0						