

GET OUT THE VOTE

in South Dakota

Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2024, only 64% of the voting-age population in the United States reported voting.

Modern technology has improved access to information on candidates and made it easier to register to vote in many areas, and it is vital to be aware of how you can participate in the 2026 election cycle.

PRIMARY ELECTION TYPE:

Partially Closed

State law allows parties to determine whether unaffiliated voters may participate in the nomination contests before each election cycle. In this type of system, parties may let in unaffiliated voters, while still excluding members of opposing parties.



ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTING PROCEDURES

Permanent absentee/ mail-in voting procedures:

- No excuse required to request an absentee ballot
- Applications can be submitted by mail or in-person

EARLY VOTING:



PRIMARY ELECTION DAY



JUNE 2



DEADLINES TO KNOW FOR VOTING IN

South Dakota



VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

May 18

15 days before the election.

ABSENTEE / MAIL-IN VOTING BALLOT DEADLINES:

Request must be received by

June 1

1 day before the election at 5 PM.

BALLOT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

Mail receipt by Election Day

Must be received by the close of polls on Election Day.

HOW YOU CAN REGISTER TO VOTE IN SOUTH DAKOTA

To register to vote in South Dakota, visit the State Board of Elections website for more information on voter eligibility and the registration process.

You can begin the registration process through South Dakota's Online Voter Registration System.

STATE ELECTION OFFICE

ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION