

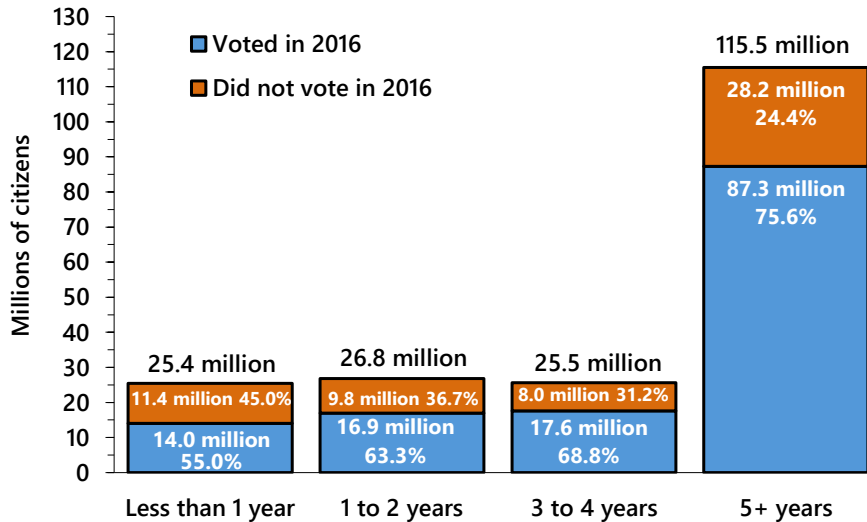
FACT SHEET: Length of Residence

Recent Movers Least Likely to Vote, but Most Missing Voters Long-Time Residents

Voting participation was lowest among citizens who had moved less than one year earlier, with only 55.0% voting in 2016 (Figure 13). The largest group of citizens were those who had lived in the same residence for 5 or more years (115.5 million). Over three-fourths (75.6%) of these citizens voted in 2016, but they still comprised the largest group of missing voters (28.2 million). The majority of missing voters were not registered to vote before the election, regardless of length of residence (Figure 14).

Voting by Length of Residence

Citizens 18+ years old in 2016
Total = 193 million (see Notes)



Less than 1 year

There were 25.4 million voting age citizens who had moved less than 1 year earlier, and only 55.0% voted in 2016 (Figure 13). This resulted in 11.4 million missing voters, including 7.7 million who were not registered before the election (Figure 14).

1-2 years

The majority (63.3%) of citizens who had moved 1 to 2 years earlier voted in 2016 (Figure 13). There were 9.8 million missing voters, including 6.7 million who were not registered to vote before the election (Figure 14).

3-4 years

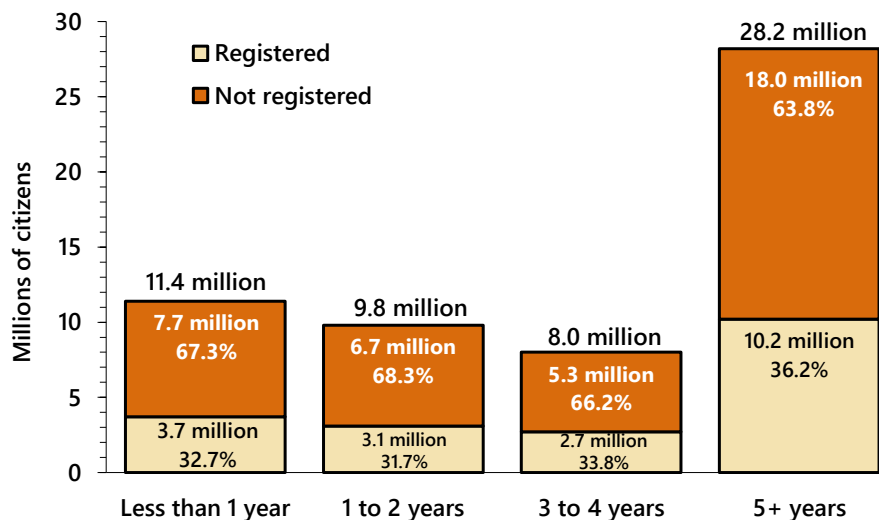
The majority (68.8%) of citizens who had moved 3 to 4 years earlier voted in 2016 (Figure 13). There were 8.0 million missing voters, including 5.3 million who were not registered to vote before the election (Figure 14).

5 or more years

There were 115.5 million citizens who had lived at the same residence for 5 or more years, and 75.6% voted in 2016 (Figure 13). There were 28.2 million missing voters, including 18.0 million who were not registered to vote before the election (Figure 14).

Missing Voters by Length of Residence

Citizens 18+ years old who did not vote in 2016
Total = 57.3 million (see Notes)



Notes

Length of residence data were not available for 31 million citizens due to survey non-response. Please note that some numbers may appear not to add up correctly due to rounding. Voting data are from the Current Population Survey (November 2016). Population counts and percentages in this report are statistically-weighted estimates derived by the Bureau of the Census from a national sample of over 90,000 respondents in 54,000 households. Full technical details for the Missing Voters Project, links to the original census data, and other valuable resources are available at www.wiise-usa.org/mvp.

