

2024 AAPI Voter Demographics | WASHINGTON

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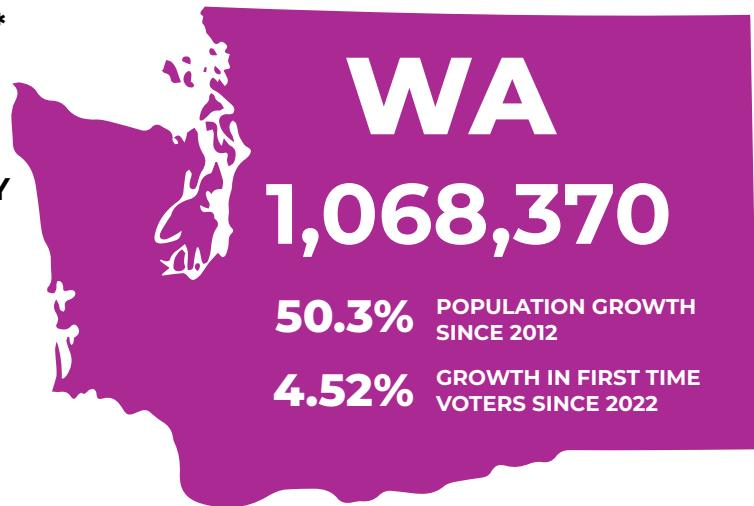
ELIGIBLE AAPI VOTERS*

24%

AAPI VOTER ELIGIBILITY
GROWTH (2012-2022)

10.44%

AAPI SHARE OF
ELECTORATE IN
WASHINGTON



233,310

FOREIGN BORN
NONCITIZENS

267,747

FOREIGN BORN
CITIZENS

497,656

NATIVE BORN
CITIZENS

** Includes multi-racial population*

COUNTIES WITH HIGHEST AAPI POPULATIONS

	AAPI Share of County Pop	Size of AAPI Population	AAPI Eligible Voter Share of County	Number of AAPI Eligible Voters
King County	19.8%	446,554	28.9%	231,945
Snohomish County	12.6%	104,169	18%	56,119
Pierce County	7.6%	69,624	10.4%	50,525
Clark County	5%	25,094	6.8%	16,994
Thurston County	6.4%	18,894	8.5%	12,901

LARGEST ASIAN AMERICAN ETHNIC GROUPS IN WASHINGTON

Chinese, except Taiwanese (203,902)	Filipino (187,513)	Asian Indian (154,782)	Vietnamese (103,901)	Korean (100,159)	Japanese (93,123)
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LARGEST NHPI ETHNIC GROUPS IN WASHINGTON

Native Hawaiian (30,431)	Samoan (25,010)	Chamorro (20,359)
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AAPI CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION (CVAP)

35.7%
Voters aged 50+

25.6%
Voters aged 18-29

VOTER ENGAGEMENT *(National Level Data)*

- Voter contact falls short for AAPIs. In the 2022 Asian American Voter Survey (AAVS), 56% of Asian Americans had no or uncertain contact from the Democrats. 66% reported the same from the Republicans.
- Of contacted Asian American registered voters, 44% reported outreach from Democrats, 35% from Republicans, 39% from community groups. Comparatively, in 2016, 48% reported Democratic outreach, 16% from the Republicans.
- 37% of registered Asian Americans did not identify with either party, signaling need and opportunity for voter education via outreach.

IMPORTANCE OF LANGUAGE ACCESS

Per the 2022 AAVS, of Asian Americans speaking non-English languages at home, 11% reported language barriers to voting and 42% stated voting assistance in their language would be utilized. *(National level data).*

55.3% of Asian American adults in WA **speak a language other than English at home.**

27.5% of Asian American adults in WA are **Limited English Proficient** (speak English less than “Very well”)

Chinese (126,760) **Vietnamese** (70,340) **Tagalog** (56,876) **Korean** (52,865) **Hindi** (35,313)

Samoa (8,424) **Other Eastern Malayo-Polynesian languages** (3,687) **Chamorro** (3,478)

TOP 5 ASIAN LANGUAGES SPOKEN IN WA

TOP NHPI LANGUAGES WITH 100+ ESTIMATED SPEAKERS IN WA

SOCIOECONOMIC CHALLENGES IN WASHINGTON



About 8.6% Asian Americans and 11.1% NHPIs in Washington live in poverty.



About 4.7% Asian Americans and 7.6% NHPIs in Washington lack health insurance.



About 9.5% Asian Americans and 12.2% NHPIs in Washington lack broadband access.

SECTION 203

Section 203 protects voting rights of language minorities by providing “registration or voting notices, forms, instructions, assistance, or other materials or information relating to the electoral process, including ballots” in the language appropriate to the covered minority group.

Coverage determinations for each state, county or county subdivision (depending on which is the operating level of government) is made every 5 years using data from the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

COVERAGE AREAS:

Political Subdivision: King County

Language Minority Group: Chinese (including Taiwanese), Vietnamese