

New Mexico

- Chief election official: Secretary of State
- Who runs elections locally: County Clerk, Board of Registration
- Number of jurisdictions: 33
- State website: www.sos.nm.gov/voting-and-elections/

VOTER REGISTRATION Online voter registration OVR permitted 42 states and D.C. have online voter registration Automatic/automated voter registration AVR permitted 24 states and D.C. have automatic voter registration Type of state voter registration database Top-down 36 states and D.C. use top-down; six states use bottom-up; seven states use a hybrid system Pre-registration Must be 18 by Election Day 23 states and D.C. permit pre-registration for 16- and 17-year-olds Election Day/same-day registration Permitted 24 states and D.C. have same-day registration Registration deadline Election Day National average is 19 days before Election Day VOTING Top-down 36 states require ID to vote in person Early in-person voting ID not required if presented at the time of registration 36 states require ID to vote in person Early in-person voting Begins 28 days before Election Day 47 states and D.C. allow early in-person voting; national average is 20 days Vote centers for Election Day voting Vote centers are used 21 states and D.C. allow early in-person voting; national average is 20 days Malis ballots to all registered voters Ballots are not mailed to all states and D.C. allow early in-person voting; national average is 20 days	ELECTION POLICY	STATUS	NATIONAL COMPARISON	
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^{*} Other states accept ballots postmarked by Election Day.

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^{**} Counties that receive more than 10,000 absentee ballots may begin processing five days before Election Day.