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Chicago Board of Elections Releases New Ward and Precinct Maps for the City of Chicago

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CHICAGO, IL – Today, the Chicago Board of Elections released [new ward and precinct maps for the City of Chicago](#) ahead of the upcoming November 8, 2022 General Election. *A ward-by-ward break down of precinct changes is included at the end of this press release.*

The new ward boundaries were adopted by the Chicago City Council on May 19, 2022, as required every 10 years after the U.S. Census. The [Illinois General Assembly recently passed legislation](#) that gave the Board the authority to create new precincts containing up to 1,800 registered voters.

The Chicago Board of Elections is now creating 1,290 precincts across all 50 Wards in Chicago, for a reduction total of 779 precincts. The average number of precincts per ward is 26, and the average number of voters per precinct is 1,165.

Just previously, the City of Chicago had 2,069 voter precincts, with an average of 550-750 voters per precinct. For comparison during the last redistricting process in 2010, the Chicago Board of Elections reduced its precincts from 2,570 to 2,069, for a total reduction of 501 precincts.

[Please click here to view and download the new City of Chicago ward and precinct maps](#)

Many voters in Chicago will find themselves in new wards and precincts or assigned to new polling places. Polling places will be finalized by early October 2022 ahead of the November 8, 2022 General Election. Voters can check their new information by going here: <https://www.chicagoelections.gov/en/your-voter-information.html>

All Chicago voters will soon receive a new voter registration card in the mail notifying them of their new ward and precinct information ahead of the November 8, 2022 General Election.

The amount of polling places in Chicago will not drastically change for the next few election cycles. In the 2022 Primary Election, the City of Chicago had a total of 1,043 polling places to serve 2,069 precincts, with many polling places serving double or triple duty. With 1,290 total new precincts, a similar number of polling places can more effectively serve those precincts.

The most immediate change voters can expect to see is the number of election judges needed for each election in Chicago. Each election, the Board works to staff each precinct polling place with five election judges. With 1,290 total new precincts, that target number of judges would now be 6,450, instead of the current 10,345 target.

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“No one wants to see a delayed opening for a polling place or an empty judges’ table on Election Day. We want to help more voters with what they need, right when they need it,” said Max Bever, Director of Public Information, Chicago Board of Elections. “This recent precinct consolidation allows the Board to train a smaller pool of election judges and coordinators, and for Election Central to provide more support to poll workers’ and voters’ needs on Election Day.”

The availability of voting options and voter habits have changed in Chicago over the last few elections. In the 2020 General Election, 70% of voters chose to either Vote By Mail or Early Vote. In the 2022 Primary Election, nearly 52% of voters chose to Vote By Mail or Early Vote.

Please see below for a ward-by-ward breakdown of precinct changes:

Ward	New Pct Count	Old Pct Count	Difference
Ward 1	26	44	-18
Ward 2	25	46	-21
Ward 3	27	41	-14
Ward 4	28	38	-10
Ward 5	25	41	-16
Ward 6	27	48	-21
Ward 7	31	46	-15
Ward 8	30	56	-26
Ward 9	30	51	-21
Ward 10	25	36	-11
Ward 11	23	38	-15
Ward 12	22	23	-1
Ward 13	40	48	-8
Ward 14	15	31	-16
Ward 15	20	24	-4
Ward 16	25	36	-11
Ward 17	29	41	-12
Ward 18	26	50	-24
Ward 19	36	57	-21
Ward 20	23	39	-16
Ward 21	29	54	-25
Ward 22	19	25	-6
Ward 23	33	39	-6
Ward 24	19	41	-22
Ward 25	17	32	-15
Ward 26	32	49	-17
Ward 27	29	50	-21

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Ward 28	26	46	-20
Ward 29	24	44	-20
Ward 30	26	32	-6
Ward 31	23	41	-18
Ward 32	30	43	-13
Ward 33	17	28	-11
Ward 34	20	53	-33
Ward 35	22	31	-9
Ward 36	27	30	-3
Ward 37	22	41	-19
Ward 38	25	41	-16
Ward 39	35	45	-10
Ward 40	23	39	-16
Ward 41	31	47	-16
Ward 42	24	42	-18
Ward 43	23	46	-23
Ward 44	21	41	-20
Ward 45	29	48	-19
Ward 46	23	40	-17
Ward 47	28	48	-20
Ward 48	35	46	-11
Ward 49	17	33	-16
Ward 50	28	40	-12
TOTAL	1,290	2,069	-779

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