



Preliminary analysis of June 5, 2018 ballots cast for California Governor suggest substantial increase in party preference from June 3, 2014 ballots cast for California Governor. Two major changes occurred between June 2014 and June 2018 with respect to ballots cast by political party in the Governor’s race: 1) Most Large California Counties Experienced Increases in the Number of Democratic Ballots Cast, Including Double-Digit Increases; and 2) Three Major California Counties Saw a Change from Republican Majority to Democrat Majority in Ballots Cast for Governor Between 2014 and 2018.

Major highlights include double-digit increases in the percent of Democratic ballots cast between June 2014 (all ballots) and June 2018 (among early votes) for the following California Counties:

- Merced County (+12% in Democrat Ballots)
- Orange County (+10% in Democrat Ballots)

The following counties saw a shift from Republican majority to Democrat majority party preference for Governor ballots cast between June 2014 (all ballots) and June 2018 (early votes):

- Merced County (41% in '14 to 53% in '18)
- San Diego County (47% in '14 to 55% in '18)
- Ventura County (46% in '14 to 55% in '18)

### **Analysis of Party Preference for Ballots Cast in Governor’s Race: June 2014 (All Votes) versus June 2018 (Among Early Votes)**

California County	June 2014: % of Democratic Ballots Cast for Governor	June 2018: % of Democratic Ballots Cast for Governor	% Change
Alameda County	77%	80%	+3%
Fresno County	42%	49%	+7%
Los Angeles County	61%	67%	+6%
Merced County	41%	53%	+12%
Orange County	39%	49%	+10%
Riverside County	42%	49%	+7%
Sacramento County	57%	60%	+3%
San Bernardino County	40%	48%	+8%
San Diego County	47%	55%	+8%
Santa Barbara County	53%	57%	+4%
Tulare County	33%	38%	+5%
Ventura County	46%	55%	+9%