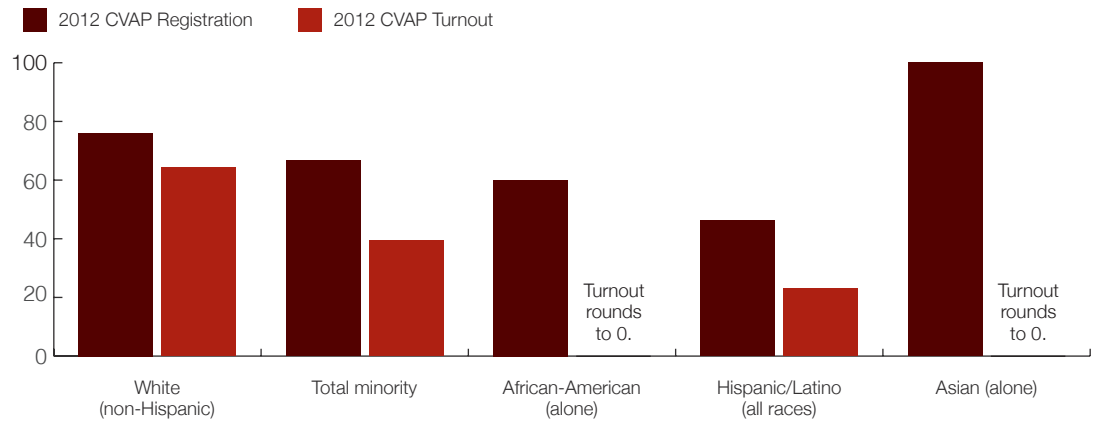
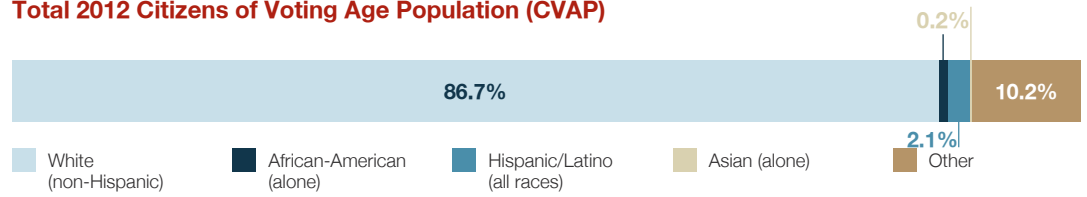




2012 Registration and Turnout Rates among Citizens of Voting Age Population (CVAP)

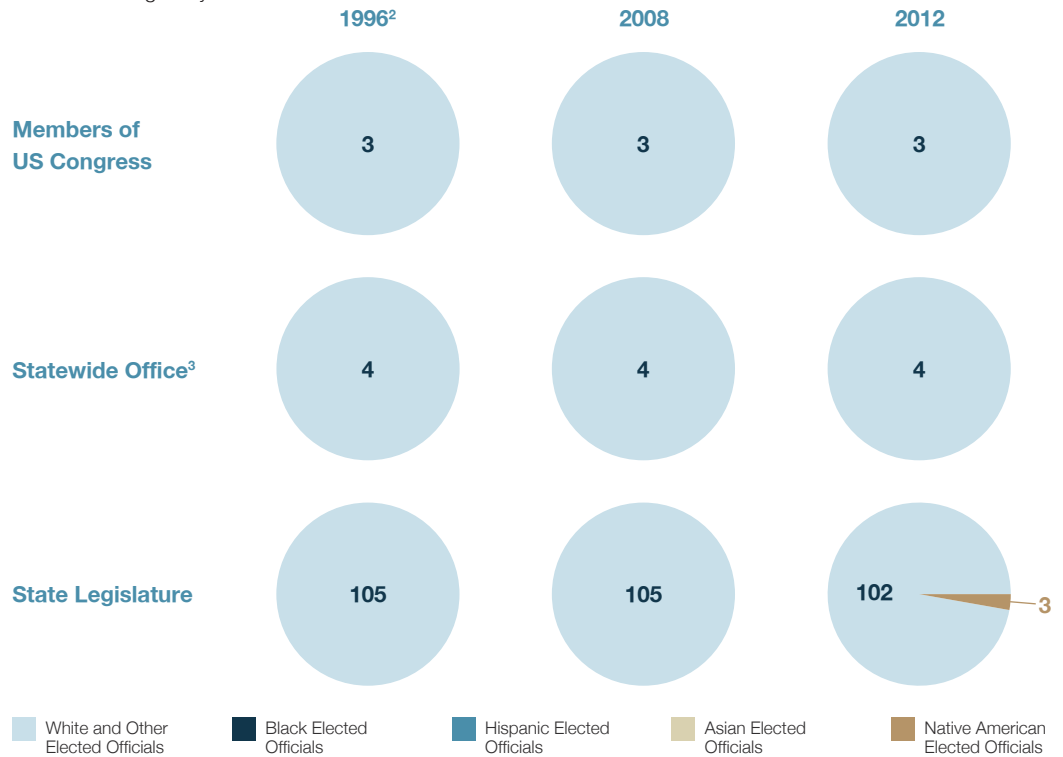


Total 2012 Citizens of Voting Age Population (CVAP)



Numbers of Minority Elected Officials¹

With the exception of 2008 data on Asian elected officials, these figures represent the results from the November election in the given year.



¹ Data on Native American elected officials is only available for 2012 state legislatures.

² Data on Asian elected officials is unavailable for 1996.

³ This category is limited to Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, and Secretary of State.

Prior Coverage Under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act

Two counties in South Dakota were covered by Section 5 at the time of the *Shelby County* decision.

Coverage 2011 to Present Under Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act

Currently, none of South Dakota is covered under Section 203.

Section 2 Cases (not including language assistance cases), 1995 to June 2014 (adjudicated in favor of plaintiffs or settled)

Subjurisdiction	Case	Method By Which Case Was Resolved	Was a Violation Found?	Challenged Voting Practice	Section 3 Remedy (preclearance and/or observers)?
State	Bone Shirt v. Hazeltine, 461 F.3d 1011 (8th Cir. 2006)	Court Decision	Yes	Redistricting plan for state legislature	No
State	United States v. State of South Dakota (D. S.D. 2000)	Court Decision	State law violation	Multi-member method of election for State House district	No
Buffalo County	Kirkie v. Buffalo County, No. 3:03CV3011 (D. S.D. 2004)	Settlement	Yes	Redistricting plan	Preclearance
Charles Mix County	Blackmoon v. Charles Mix County, No. 4:05-CV-04017 (D. S.D. 2007)	Consent Decree	No	Redistricting plan	Preclearance & federal observers
Day County	United States v. Day County and Enemy Swim Sanitary District, No. 1:99CV1024 (D. S.D. 2000)	Settlement	Yes	Qualifications to vote	No
Shannon County	Brooks v. Gant, 2013 WL 4017036 (D. S.D. 2013)	Resolved by defendants' post-litigation filing action	No	Early voting	No
Wagner Community School District	Weddell v. Wagner Community School District, No. 4:02-4056 (D.S.D. 2003)	Settlement	No	At-large method of election	No

Language Assistance Cases, 1995 to June 2014 (adjudicated in favor of plaintiffs or settled)

Subjurisdiction	Case	Method by Which Case Was Resolved	Was a Violation Found?	Language(s)	Were Federal Observers Authorized Under Section 3 of the VRA?	VRA Provisions, and Other Laws, Under Which Relief Was Sought
Shannon County	Suit not filed	Memo-randum of Agreement (Apr. 23, 2012)	No	Lakota	No (was eligible for observers because of Section 4 coverage)	Sections 4(f)(4) & 203, & HAVA

Department of Justice Objections and Court Denials of Preclearance (Sections 5 and 3 of the Voting Rights Act), 1995 to June 2014

Jurisdiction (submission no.)	Voting Change(s)	Action Date
Shannon and Todd Counties (94-4477)	S.B. No. 17, Chapter 107 (1994), providing for voter removal procedures insofar as they incorporate the failure to vote within a four-year period as a trigger for mailing a registration confirmation notice	6-19-95 (with-drawn 11-5-96)
Charles Mix County (2007-6012)	Referendum on the increase of county commissioners from three to five members and the 2007 redistricting plan	2/11/2008 (Section 3 objection)