

OPEN PRIMARIES

CLOSED PRIMARIES DISENFRANCHISE A GROWING NUMBER OF VOTERS OF COLOR.

Voters of color are going independent... and millions
of independents are shut out of primary elections.

Independents by the Numbers

52% [of Hispanic Americans are independent](#)

41% [of Asian Americans are independent](#)

61% [Chinese Americans
are independent](#)

47% [Vietnamese Americans
are independent](#)

37% [Asian Indian Americans
are independent](#)

20% [of Black voters are independent](#)

27% [of Black men are independent](#)

28% [of Arab Americans are independent](#)

27% [of Native Americans are independent](#)

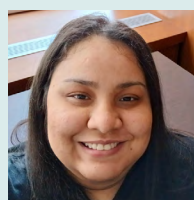
28% [of multiracial adults are independent](#)

National Overview

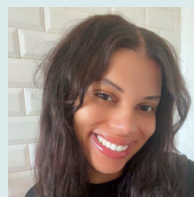
Over 18 million eligible Latino voters
are independent.

Over 7 million eligible African American
voters are independent.

Over 6 million eligible Asian voters
are independent.



"I think many Latinos are tired – politicians do the same thing every year and things do not get better. We have to be more independent to get anything done."
– Juliana



"I think many African Americans are becoming independent because they are not satisfied with either party. I am an independent because I choose to keep my mind, my ideology and my beliefs open."
– Briana



Today, [“a majority of unaffiliated voters \(54.5%\) in NYC are minority voters who are shut out of the primary election process”](#)

“Closed primaries have large demobilizing impacts on Asian American and Latino voters”
[University of Southern California](#)