



# THE LATINO VOTE

## 2006 VOTE PROJECTIONS

State	2002 Latino Vote	2006 Projected Latino Vote	Change Between 2002 and 2006		Latino Share of Vote	
			Number	Percentage	2002	2006
<b>NATIONAL</b>	4,747,000	5,600,000	853,000	18%	4%	4%
<b>ARIZONA</b>	155,000	189,000	34,000	22%	11%	13%
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>	1,206,000	1,380,000	174,000	14%	14%	17%
<b>COLORADO</b>	118,000	163,000	45,000	38%	8%	10%
<b>FLORIDA</b>	639,000	825,000	186,000	29%	12%	14%
<b>ILLINOIS</b>	171,000	196,000	25,000	15%	4%	5%
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>	157,000	188,000	31,000	20%	6%	7%
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>	195,000	229,000	34,000	18%	36%	40%
<b>NEW YORK</b>	370,000	396,000	26,000	7%	7%	7%
<b>TEXAS</b>	982,000	1,192,000	210,000	21%	19%	22%

These projections were derived by taking the Latino vote in 2002, and increasing it by the average of the percentage change in the Latino vote the last three non-Presidential (“off-year”) Congressional elections. The Latino vote in the last three Congressional elections is from the U.S. Bureau of the Census, *Voting and Registration in the Elections of November: 1990-2002*. This methodology does not take into account the many other variables that can affect voter turnout, including the competitiveness of races in the state, the presence of statewide Latino candidates on the ballot, or the impact of efforts to mobilize Latino voters.