

Interesting aspects of elections in the USA

1. You can lose your right to vote, just by [having a common name](#) or the same name as someone else ...

(e.g. <http://www.rollingstone.com/politics/features/the-gops-stealth-war-against-voters-w435890> #CrossCheck)

2. ... or you [were just at work when a letter arrived](#) ...

3. ... or you can't remember how exactly your signature looked years ago ...

4. ... or you can't wait e.g. 7 hours in a line ...

5. ... or are [convicted of felonies](#) ...

6. Take a look at “gerrymandering and geography” (e.g.:

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonk/wp/2014/05/15/americas-most-gerrymandered-congressional-districts/> or even funnier: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A-4dIImaodQ>)

7. How about the different registration requirements (e.g. <http://www.brennancenter.org/analysis/hillarys-game-changing-voting-reform>) ... ?

8. ... like the requirement of specific photo IDs (e.g. <http://www.reuters.com/article/schwartz-voters-idUSL1N1D42AX>)?

9. Why is [election day not on a holiday](#)?

10. Where is early voting available and where are enough and well known polling places available to guarantee less than an hour of waiting (and where not)?

(e.g. <http://thehill.com/homenews/campaign/294804-north-carolina-early-voting-cuts-could-dampen-black-vote>)

11. Is there an open and reliable voting process which can be controlled by everyone who wants to do so (paper! watching!)? Are there insecure, hard to control and unreliable voting machines?

(e.g. <http://www.gregpalast.com/the-republican-sabotage-of-the-vote-recounts-in-michigan-and-wisconsin/>)

12. Is the [electoral college](#) still a good idea? Why (not)? (e.g. [What happened in 1876 with the certificates?](#))

Donald Trump: “[The electoral college is a disaster for a democracy.](#)” (20:45 - 6. Nov. 2012)

(e.g. <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2016/nov/09/hillary-clinton-popular-vote-electoral-college-donald-trump>) How about https://www.fairvote.org/national_popular_vote ?

13. ... and how many senators represent how many people?

More: “[Ex-Felons in Florida Must Pay Fines Before Voting, Appeals Court Rules](#)”,

<https://theintercept.com/2016/11/06/nine-ways-the-u-s-voting-system-is-rigged-but-not-against-donald-trump/>

<http://thebestdemocracymoneycanbuy.com/petition/#pet-title>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AytDzZ2ecCc> - What long voting lines in the US really mean 2020 - Vox

and you may want to check out: <http://www.gregpalast.com/> , too.

How America participated in the election

Data from U.S. Election Project, Dave Wasserman, Census Bureau.

