The Republican Party A of San Diego County



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Legal Criteria

- Voting Rights Act concerns
- Population Deviation
- Compactness
- Natural Boundaries
- Communities of Interest



Voting Rights Act

- Shaw v Reno (1993)
 Excessive and unjustified use of race prohibited
- Miller v Johnson (1995)
 Consideration of race <u>cannot outweigh</u> traditional race-neutral redistricting principles
- Bush v Vera (1996)
 If traditional redistricting criteria are neglected and neglect is predominantly due to the misuse of race, district is presumptively unconstitutional
- Hunt v Cromartie (2001)
 Upholds creation of minority seats under Section 2, suggests race may be used as one of the several factors



Use of Race

Overuse of race is unconstitutional

- Race can't be your sole criteria
- Race can't be your motive
- Redistricting Commission of 2000 found that no districts meet the *Gingles* criteria for a "majority-minority" district
- Since then we have had more minorities elected to office



Population Deviation

Population deviation only 2.5% deviation from 144,624 while still meeting the other requirements

District	Population	Deviation	%
D1	144,584	-40	0%
D2	146,040	+1416	0.9%
D3	144,695	+71	0%
D4	145,887	+1,263	0.8%
D5	145,061	+437	0.3%
D6	146,314	+1,690	1.2%
D7	142,882	-1,742	1.2%
D8	142,691	-1,933	1.3%
D9	142,999	-1,625	1.1%
Total		3623	2.5%

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Natural Boundaries

District 1: 5, 805, Hwy 274 & Canyons

District 2: 8, 5, Balboa Park, Hwy 94

District 3: Hwy 94, Balboa Park, El Cajon Blvd

District 4: 15 & Hwy 94

District 5: Divided along Canyons

District 6: 805, 8, Hwy 274

District 7: El Cajon Blvd, 805, 163

District 8: 15 & 94

District 9: Genesse Ave & Canyons



Compactness

- Appearances matter
- All of these districts "look normal"
- Perfect District would be a circle
- Using the Polsby-Popper test to measure against a perfect circle, one gets very good scores

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Communities of Interest

District 1: UTC/La Jolla

District 2: Point Loma

District 3: City Heights

District 4: Encanto

District 5: Rancho Bernardo

District 6: Clairemont

District 7: Navajo

District 8: Otay Mesa

District 9: Mira Mesa

 Used old districts as the starting point since people selfidentify with their district

 Used the largest planning group/census tract and built the districts around it



District 1: UTC/La Jolla

Population 144, 585

Deviation -40

Deviation % 0.0%

Latino 19%

African-Am 1%

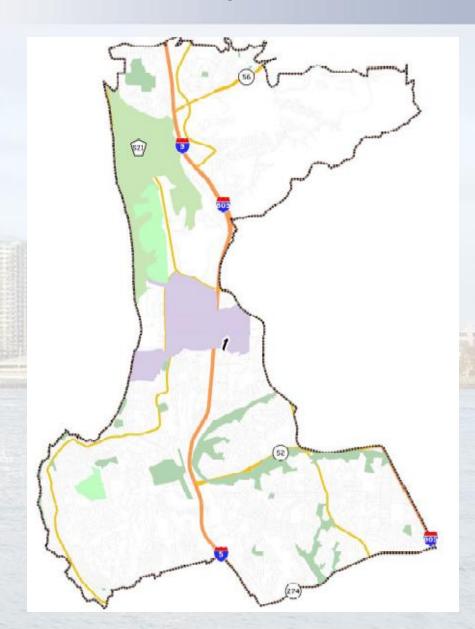
Asian 19%

Key points

Costal Communities

La Jolla intact

UCSD region





District 2: Point Loma

Population 144,695

Deviation +71

Deviation % 0%

Latino 19%

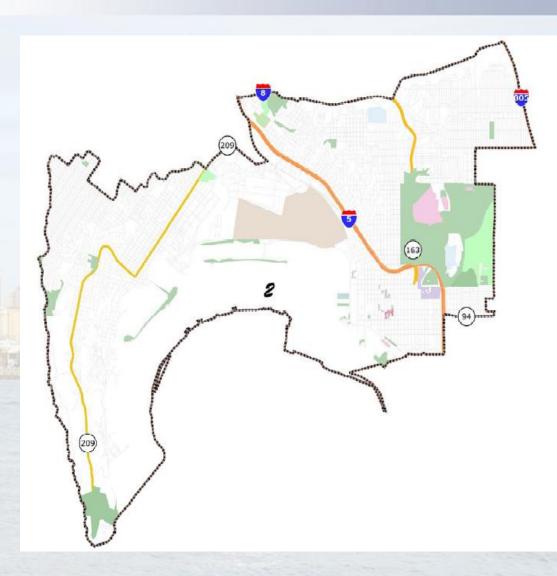
African-Am 6%

Asian 6%

Key Points

Peninsula Community

Downtown & Mission Hills





District 3: City Heights

Population 142,999

Deviation -1,625

Deviation % 1.12%

Latino 46%

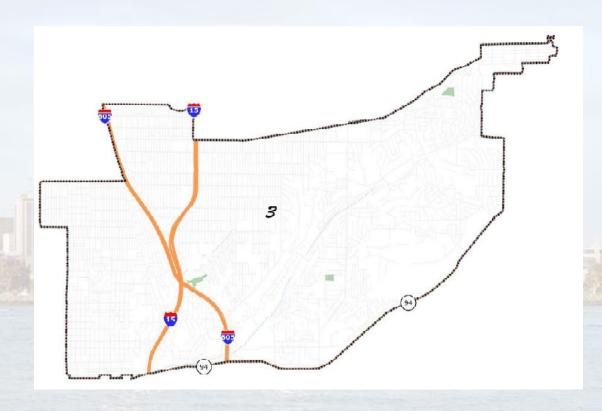
African-Am 13%

Asian 14%

Key Points

United City Heights

"Latino District"





District 4: Encanto

Population 145,887

Deviation 1,263

Deviation % 0.87%

Latino 50%

African-Am 19%

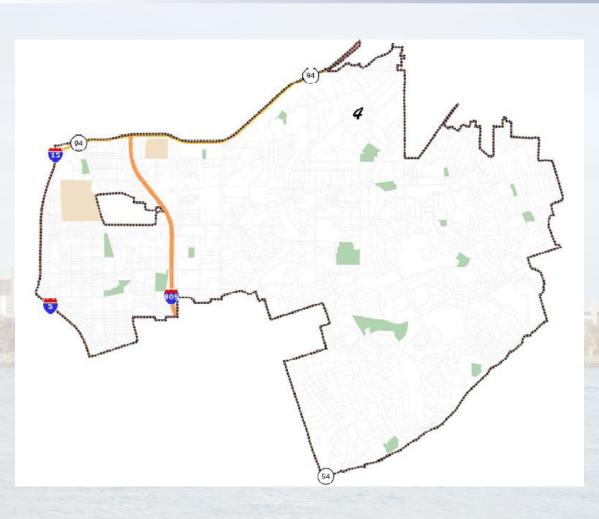
Asian 20%

Key Points

Compact

Natural Boundaries

"Latino District"





District 5: Rancho Bernardo

Population 145,061

Deviation +437

Deviation % 0.3%

Latino 9%

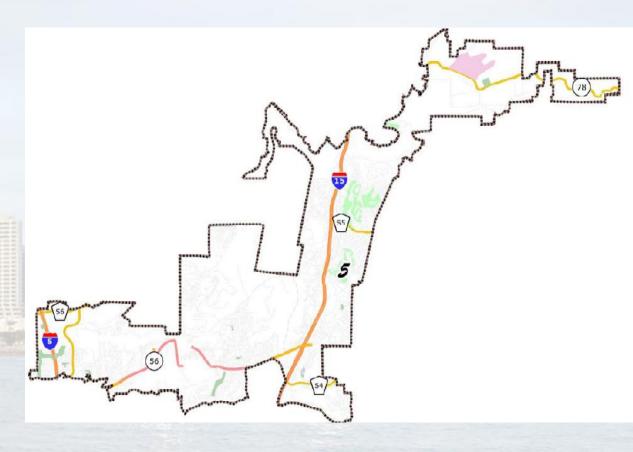
African-Am 2%

Asian 24%

Key Points

Poway Unified School

Hwy 56 Canyons





District 6: Clairemont

Population 146,040

Deviation +1416

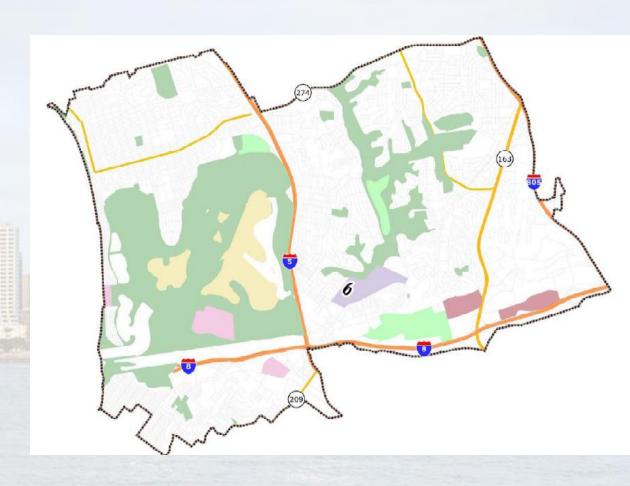
Deviation % 0.9%

Latino 19%
African-Am 4%
Asian 9%

Key Points

Mission Bay - Mesa

Natural Boundaries





District 7: Navajo

Population 142,882

Deviation -1,742

Deviation % 1.2%

Latino 18%
African-Am 7%
Asian 6%

Key Points

Tierrasanta/Kearny Mesa

Navajo & College





District 8: Otay Mesa

Population 142,691

Deviation -1,933

Deviation % 1.3%

Latino 74%

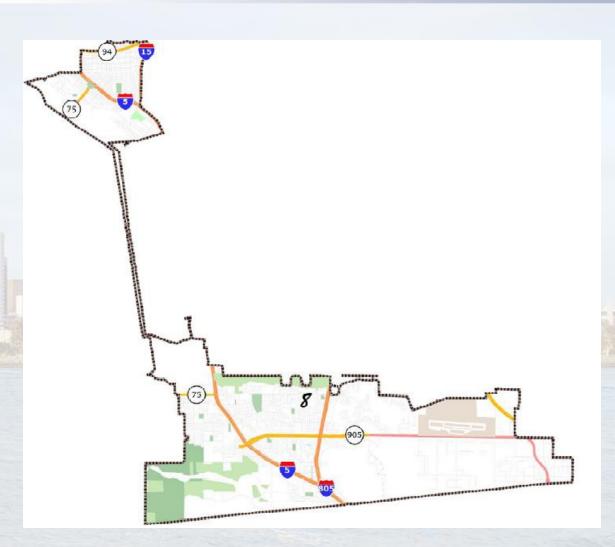
African-Am 5%

Asian 9%

Key Points

Nearly identical D8

"Latino District"





District 9: Mira Mesa

Population 146,314

Deviation 1,690

Deviation 1.17%

Latino 12%

African-Am 4%

Asian 34%

Key Points

"Asian District"

Miramar Base





Conclusion

Legal Requirements Met

- Population Deviation 2.5%
- Compact & Continuous
- Natural boundaries
- Communities of Interest not divided

Political Realities

- Three "Latino" districts
- An "Asian" district

