

Status of Voter ID Legislation

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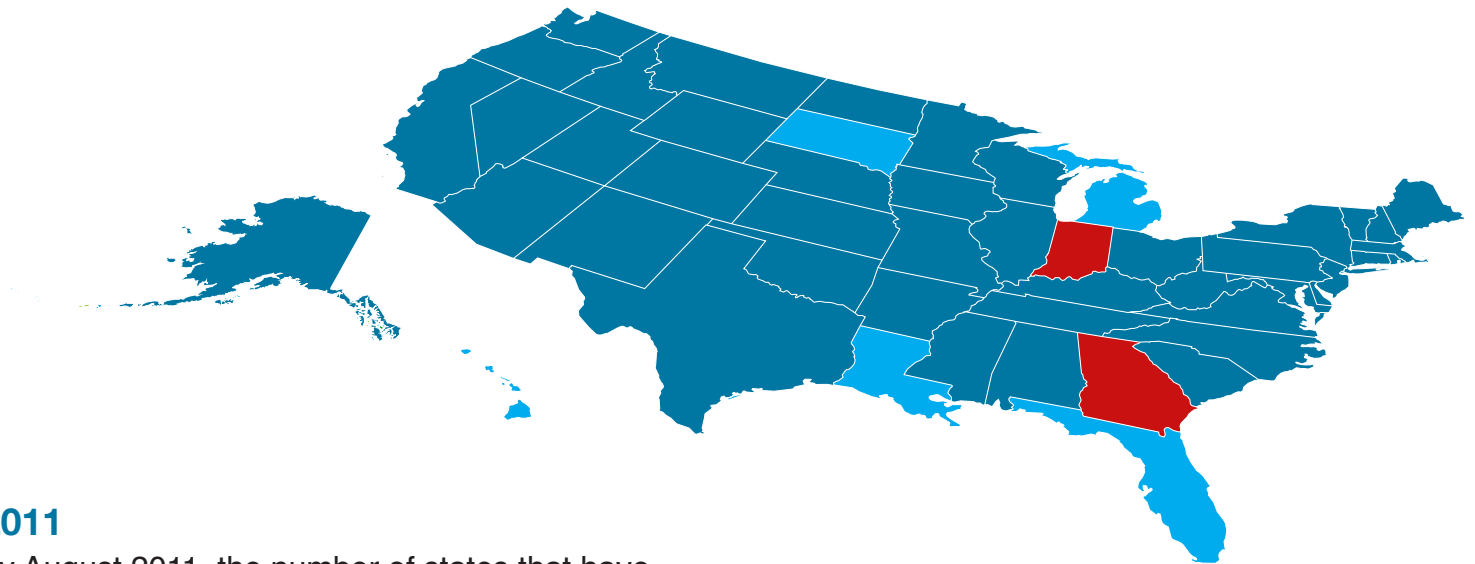
Since 2008, there has been a trend of states proposing and passing legislation that makes voting more difficult for those without the proper photo identification.

2008

In 2008, only two states required photo IDs and a handful of other states requested them but accepted alternatives for voters without photo ID.

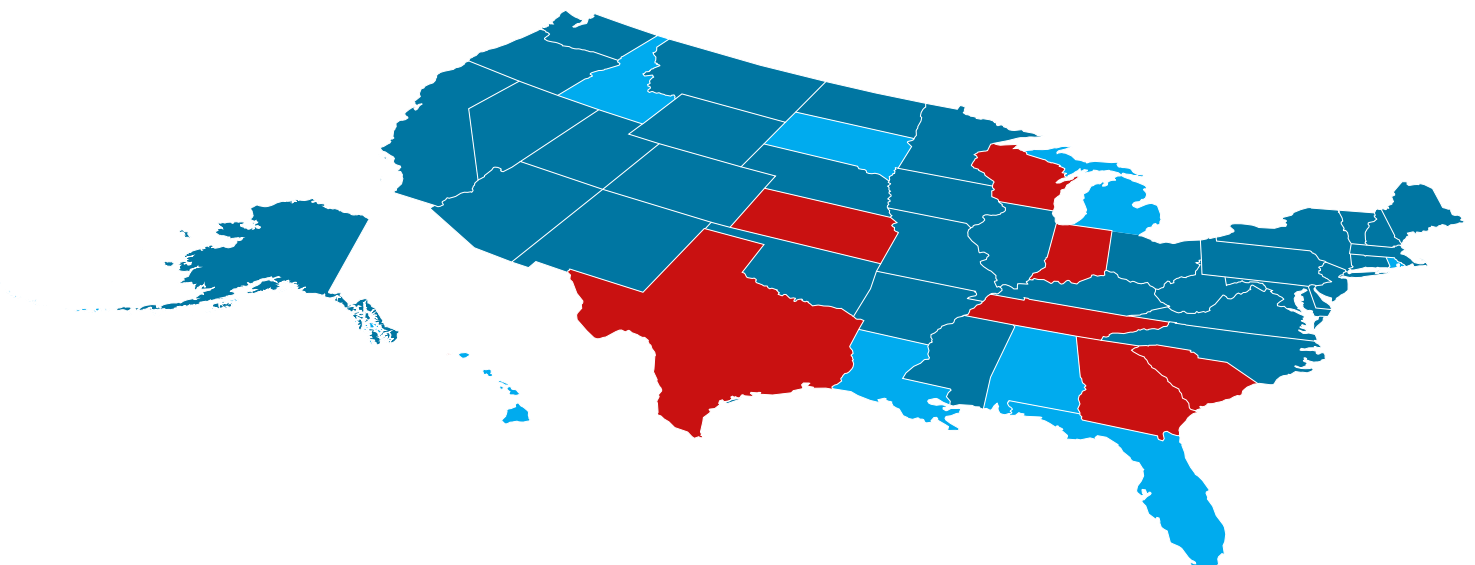
Does your state require a photo ID?

- Requires photo ID
- Requests photo ID
- Does not require or request photo ID



2011

By August 2011, the number of states that have passed photo ID laws has dramatically increased.



Source: Fair Elections Legal Network, fairelectionsnetwork.com, August 9, 2011
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Note: The new laws in SC, AL and TX are pending preclearance by the U.S. DOJ. The KS and TN laws are effective 1/1/12. WI's photo ID requirement is effective as of the Spring 2012 primary. The AL and RI laws are not effective until 2014.