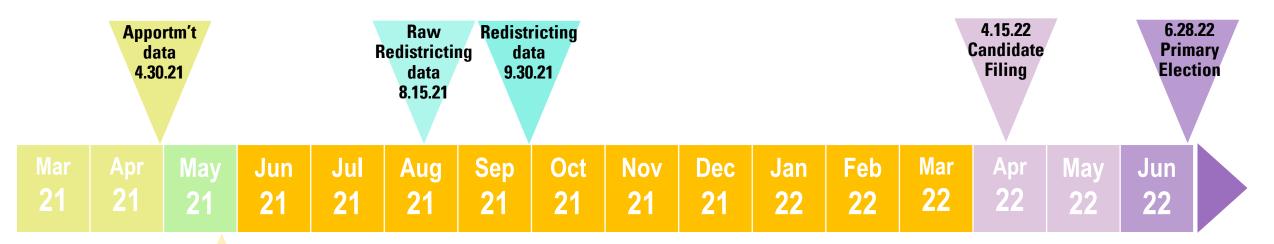


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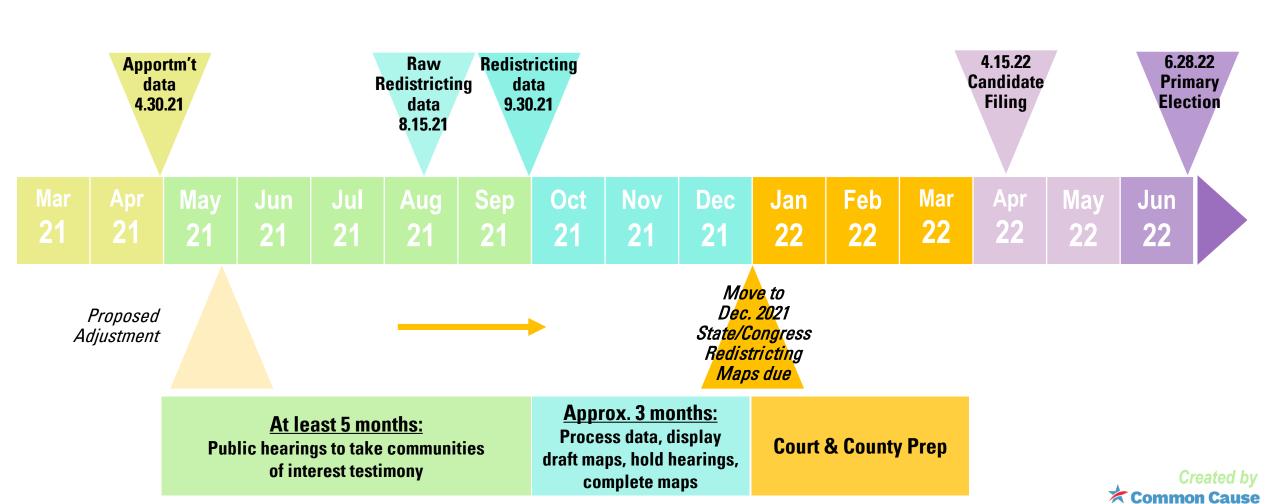


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Who draws the lines?

- Congressional lines are drawn by the state legislature, subject to gubernatorial veto
- ➤ State legislature lines are also drawn by the state legislature. If the legislature fails to pass a plan, a seven-member backup commission will draw the lines. The Governor, state Senate majority leader, and state House majority leaders each choose one Republican and one Democrat to serve as commissioners. The Lieutenant Governor is the nonvoting chair of the commission (Okla. Const. art. V, § 11A)





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What are the mapping rules?

- Federal equal population requirements and adherence to the Voting Rights Act and constitutional rules on race
- When drawing state Senate lines, "consideration shall be given to population, compactness, area, political units, historical precedents, economic and political interests, contiguous territory, and other major factors, to the extent feasible." (Okla. Const. art. V, § 9A)
- ► For the 2021 redistricting cycle, the <u>House</u> and <u>Senate</u> adopted further guidelines. The guidelines set the percent of total population deviation acceptable for congressional (no more than 1%) and state legislative districts (no more than 5%). Districts must be continuous, attempt to follow county and municipal boundaries and communities of interest.





Redistricting Rules: Oklahoma Public Access

Where can I find out more about my state's redistricting process?

- www.oksenate.gov/redistricting
- www.okhouse.gov/Publications/Redistricting.asp
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