

# Key day in U.S. election

Super Tuesday sees U.S. voters in 24 states go to the polls in what amounts to the first ever “national primary”. While thousands of pledged delegate votes are up for grabs, hundreds of “superdelegates” remain free to vote as they choose

**DEMOCRAT**  
Votes pledged



Hillary Clinton  
**261**



Barack Obama  
**190**

John Edwards  
**26**

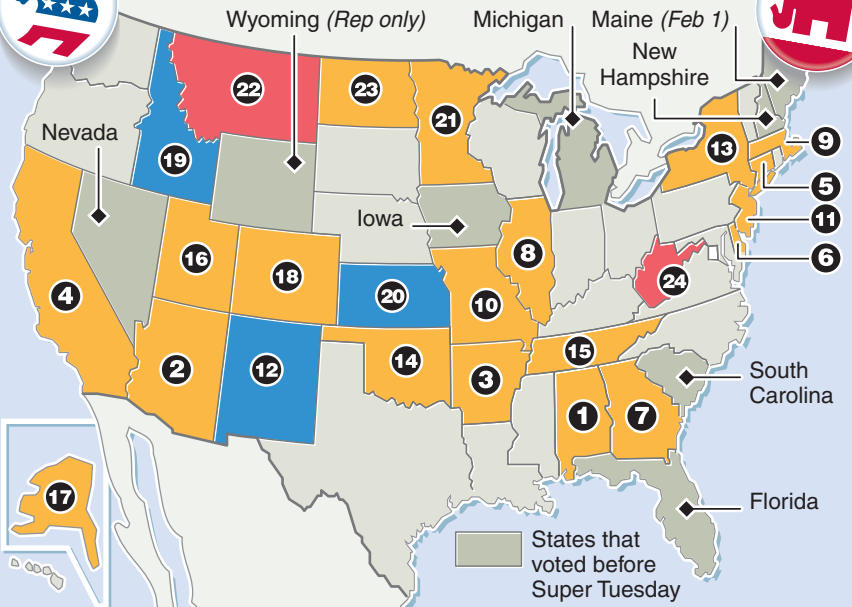
**Withdrawn**  
His delegates could determine winner in a tight race



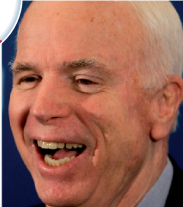
Democrat

Republican

Both parties



**REPUBLICAN**  
Votes pledged



John McCain  
**93**



Mitt Romney  
**77**



Mike Huckabee  
**40**



**Democrat: Total votes\* 4,049**  
Needed for nomination **2,025**

*\*Includes 796 superdelegates – one in five of all delegates – members of Congress, state governors, and members of Democratic National Committee*



**Republican: Total votes\*\* 2,380**  
Needed for nomination **1,191**

*\*\*Nine state primaries and caucuses are winner-take-all. Their 320 votes could give a particular candidate an insurmountable lead*

Primaries (pledged votes)						Caucuses		
DEM	REP		DEM	REP		DEM	REP	
1	Alabama	52 48	9	Massachusetts	93 43	17	Alaska	13 29
2	Arizona**	56 53	10	Missouri**	72 58	18	Colorado	55 46
3	Arkansas	35 34	11	New Jersey**	107 52	19	Idaho	18 –
4	California	370 173	12	New Mexico	26 –	20	Kansas	32 –
5	Connecticut**	48 30	13	New York**	232 101	21	Minnesota	72 41
6	Delaware**	15 18	14	Oklahoma	38 41	22	Montana**	– 25
7	Georgia	87 72	15	Tennessee	68 55	23	North Dakota	13 26
8	Illinois	153 70	16	Utah**	23 36	24	West Virginia**	– 18