

REDISTRICTING TIMETABLE

1990s

April 1, 1990	Census Day
December 31, 1990	Census Bureau reports total state populations to the president; number of congressional seats for each state may be determined
January 8, 1991	72nd Regular Session of the Texas Legislature convenes
April 1, 1991	P.L. 94-171 computer tape with the detailed population data necessary for redistricting is delivered to the legislature from the Census Bureau; no districts can be redrawn before this tape is received
April 8, 1991	Census tape loaded into redistricting graphics computer and reconciled with maps; resource reports and maps generated; on-line modeling can begin
May 27, 1991	Legislature adjourns sine die
July 15, 1991	Deadline for the Census Bureau to announce the release of adjusted data, if an adjustment is to be made
Summer/Fall 1991	Special session on congressional or State Board of Education redistricting, if necessary
May 28/Aug. 25, 1991	Legislative Redistricting Board convenes, if necessary; the board must convene within 90 days of sine die adjournment, and must complete its work within 60 days of convening
Summer/Fall 1991	Redistricting plans submitted to the Justice Department for Section 5, Voting Rights Act preclearance; the Justice Department has 60 days from the time it receives the submission to release its decision; if it decides that additional material is needed, it has another 60 days from the date of receipt of the supplemental submission
Summer/Fall/Winter	Possible court challenges to redistricting 1991 plans
January 2, 1992	Filing deadline for the 1992 elections
March 10, 1992	Primary elections