

# 2008 Election Primary Explained Visually

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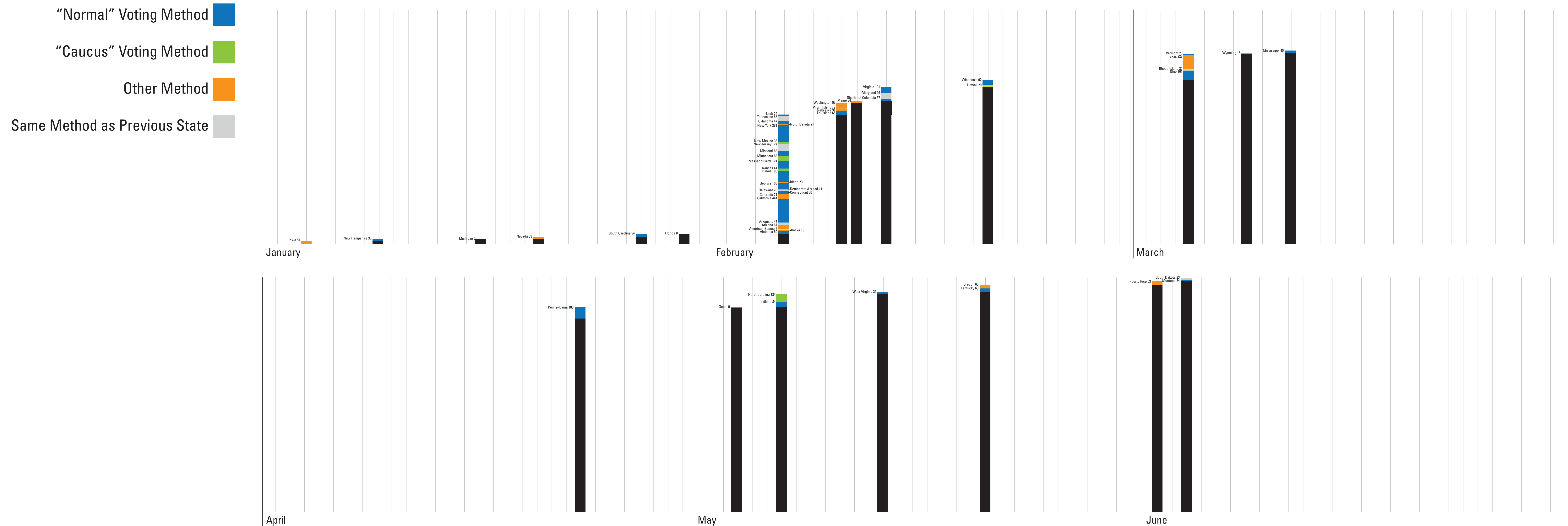
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# Calendar of Democratic Primaries and Cumulative Delegate Vote Count

There are a variety of methods that each state uses for their Democratic primary. This timeline shows the 2008 primary dates as well as the vote total over time. The colors correspond to the method the state uses. The following charts give a visual explanation of each method and the Democratic National Convention.










# Visual Explanation of “Normal” Voting Method

Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, DC, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin

Example: Mississippi

Vote for “Candidate A”    
Vote for “Candidate B”    
100 Voters 





# Visual Explanation of “Caucus” Voting Method

Hawaii, Kansas, Minnesota, New Mexico, North Carolina





# Votes at Democratic National Convention

Each state/territory’s delegates, both pledged and superdelegates, join together at the Democratic National Convention to select the candidate who will represent the party in the general election.

- Pledged Delegate
- Superdelegate
- Winning Candidate

