



City of Albuquerque Redistricting Committee: Redistricting Review



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Principles of Redistricting

Equal Population

Minority Voting
Rights

Contiguity

Compactness

Communities of
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Ideal District
Population



Allowable Population
Deviation



Total city population
Number of Districts

+/- 5%



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Minority Voting Rights

-  What does it mean?
 - Non-dilution of voting strength
 - Opportunity to elect a candidate of choice
 - No packing/cracking
-  Who does it cover?
 - Ethnic/language minorities (VRA)
-  Any caveats?
 - Prohibition on race as predominant factor



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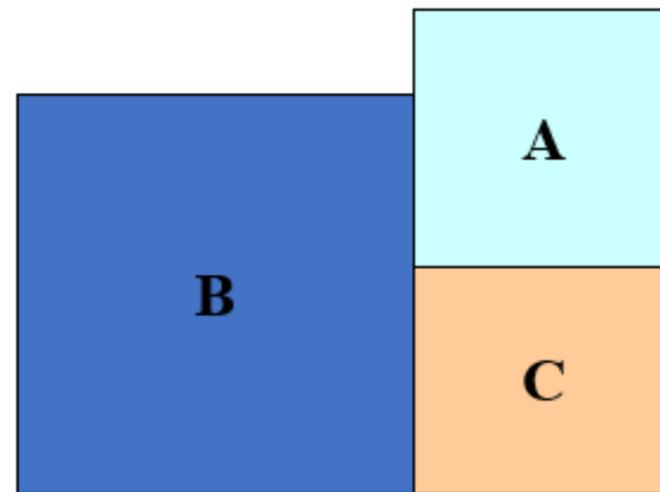
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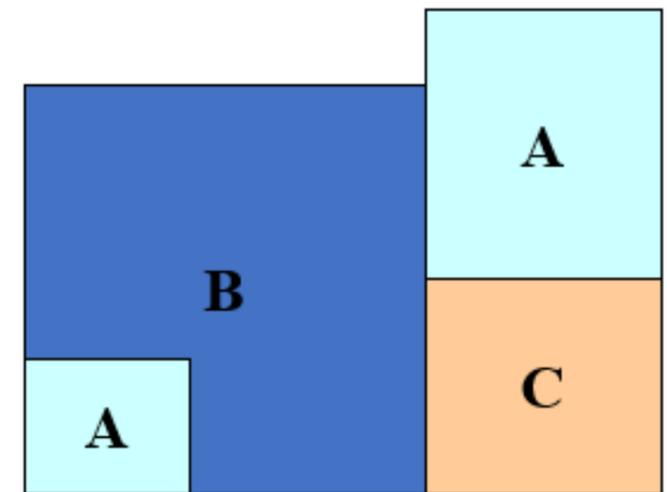


Contiguity

All parts of the district
are connected



Contiguous



Not Contiguous



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NM - CD3
1991

How a district is
distributed around its
center

You know it when you
see it



TX - CD18
1991



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Communities of Interest

A group/area with shared characteristics

e.g. neighborhoods, language, history, economics, lived experiences





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Redistricting Committee Rules

Districts shall:

- 📍 Be contiguous
- 📍 Be relatively compact with as few geographic extremes as possible
- 📍 Attempt to preserve communities of interest
- 📍 Adhere to existing precinct lines, except where divided by municipal boundaries
- 📍 Follow Constitutional principles governing voting rights (VRA)

Districts may:

- 📍 Preserve the core of existing districts
- 📍 Consider the residence of incumbents

Districts shall not:

- 📍 Use partisan election data or registration data in designing plans