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PROPOSITION 50

How majority of OC backed redistricting

Central cities voted yes; coastal and eastern areas were opposed

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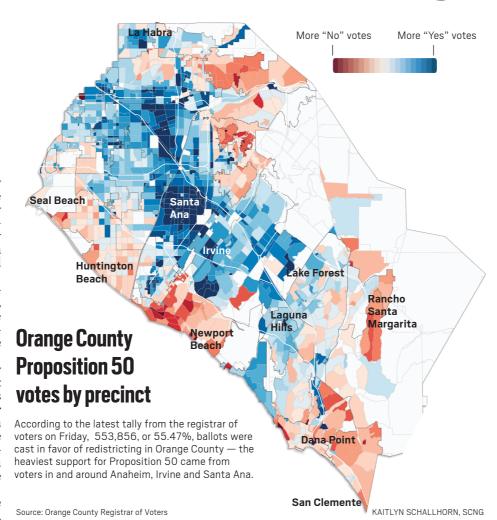
A majority of Orange County voters chose to redistrict the state's congressional boundary lines in the recent special election. That's in line with how voters decided statewide on Proposition 50 in the special election on redistricting.

More than 7.3 million Californians, or 64.3% of voters, supported the ballot measure that redraws the state's congressional lines for the next three elections, starting in 2026.

Zooming into Orange County - where, according to the latest tally from the registrar of voters on Friday evening, 553,856, or 55.47%, ballots were cast in favor of redistricting – the heaviest support for Proposition 50 came from voters in and around Anaheim, Irvine and Santa Ana.

The greatest opposition came from coastal communities, including Dana Point, Huntington Beach and San Clemente, as well as precincts in Orange, San Juan Capistrano, Yorba Linda

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"If you correlate the vote share for Donald Trump and the vote share for Proposition 50, you'll get a strong correlation,"

- FRED SMOLLER, a political scientist who teaches at Chapman University

In L.A. County, House hopefuls strike at Trump before new constituencies

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The effects from the new, voter-approved congressional maps for California are beginning to take shape — and a picture of how Proposition 50 will impact

2026 campaigns is emerging. In Los Angeles County, Rep. Linda Sánchez, who represents the 38th District, recently announced that she

will seek reelection in what will become California's 41st Congressional District. That's because Whittier, where she lives, was moved into the new 41st District under the voter-approved Proposition

Her move over to the 41st District means that her current seat in the 38th District will be filled by a non-incumbent next vear.

Of course, the 38th District looks a bit

different under the new maps.

The redrawn 38th District sweeps across L.A. County, taking in Bell, Commerce, El Monte, Diamond Bar, Hacienda Heights, Montebello, Pico Rivera and West Whittier. It will also include Yorba Linda in Orange County. But it loses current constituents in Whittier, Santa Fe Springs, Norwalk and

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2028 OLYMPICS

Rivalry over surf team is dropped

Utah group ends bid to govern U.S. squad amid opposition by San Clemente's USA Surfing

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The U.S. Ski & Snowboard Association is backing off from its bid to govern Team USA surfing in the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics, saying it will focus on its athletes and upcoming Winter Olympic Games.

USA Surfing, the San Clemente-based group that has long been the pipeline for amateur surfing athletes, and the Park City, Utah-based winter sports

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SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Nearly invisible minigovernments hold your billions

in the government's power to do good. But seriously, California, some things seem to have gotten completely out of



Teri Sforza COLUMNIST

We speak again of that near-invisible form of local government called "special districts" usually single-purpose agencies that form an awe-inspiring patchwork quilt above, below and alongside your higher-profile city and county governments. Some special districts deliver your water. Others cart away your sewage. Still others handle regional transportation, fire services,

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WEATHER Storm raises risk of hazards

Heavy rain that drenched most of the region on Saturday is expected to continue today as a particularly stormy start to the rainy season heightens concerns about potential flooding and mudslides. A3



Cars plow through the rainwater covering streets in Tustin on Saturday. MINDY SCHAUER -STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

COLLEGE FOOTBALL USC scores final 19 points in key win over Iowa

After giving up212 yards and down 11 in the first half, the Trojans shut out the Hawkeyes for a soggy 26-21 Big Ten win to keep their CFP hopes alive. B1



USC quarterback Jayden Maiava passes during Saturday's game. KEITH BIRMINGHAM - STAFF **PHOTOGRAPHER**

COLLEGE FOOTBALL Ohio State hands UCLA a brutal loss

The Buckeyes scored on their first five possessions against the Bruins without quarterback Nico Iamaleava, who missed the game due to a concussion. B1

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