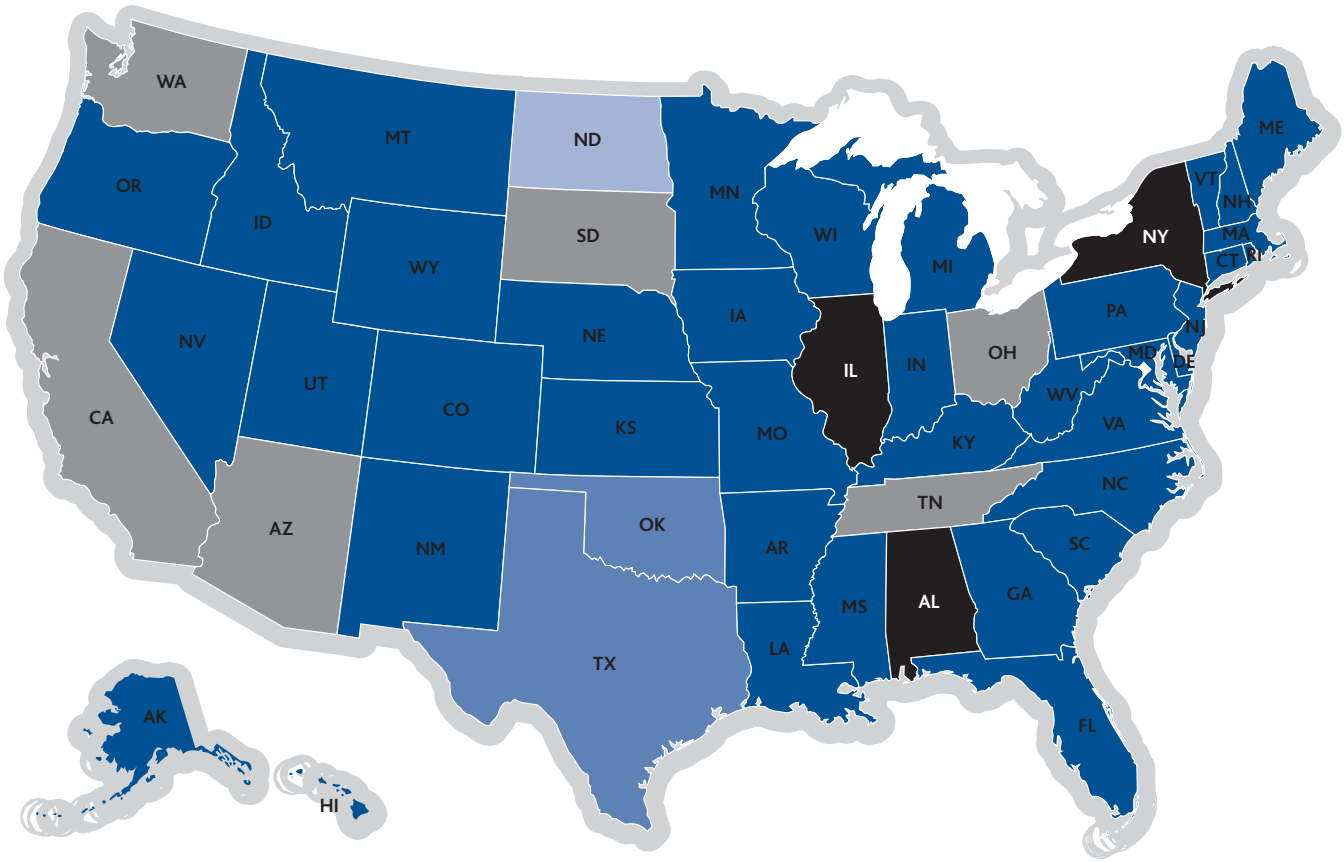
Statewide Voter Registration Databases: Top Down vs. Bottom Up



KEY

- **Top down:** The state possesses a single, unified, interactive system with data entered by local jurisdictions.
- **Bottom up:** Localities maintain their own lists and send information to the state list at regular intervals for record comparison.
- **Pending:** State is still in the process of deciding how to construct its database.
- **Hybrid:** The state database has characteristics of a top down and bottom up system.
- **No voter registration:** State is exempt from Help America Vote Act database requirements.

Note: The District of Columbia is a single voting jurisdiction and has a single database.