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Congressional Redistricting Comments

Santa Cruz County

Current Status

Divided into two congressional, two state assembly, and two state senate districts

Could be entirely in one congressional, one state assembly, and one state senate district

Amesti CDP, Freedom CDP, Interlaken CDP, and Watsonville should be in one congressional district.

The bachelor's or higher degree attainment by the twenty-five years and older residents of these four communities is lower than it is among all California residents age twenty-five and older. In Freedom CDP somewhat under half of the five and older population speaks Spanish at home. The majority of the five and up populations of Interlaken CDP and Watsonville speak Spanish at home.

Aptos CDP, Aptos Hills-Larkin Valley CDP, Ben Lomond CDP, Boulder Creek CDP, Capitola, Corralitos CDP, Felton CDP, Live Oak CDP, Rio del Mar CDP, Santa Cruz (the city), Scotts Valley, and Soquel CDP (the twelve communities) should be in another congressional district.

The twenty-five and older residents of the twelve communities are more likely to have earned the bachelor's or higher degree than the twenty-five and older populations of Amesti CDP, Freedom CDP, Interlaken CDP, and Watsonville. Speaking Spanish at home among the five and up population is less likely in the twelve communities than in Freedom CDP, Interlaken CDP, and Watsonville. According to Census 2010 each of the twelve communities has a non-Hispanic white majority while Amesti CDP, Freedom CDP, Interlaken CDP, and Watsonville have Hispanic majorities.

Amesti CDP, Freedom CDP, Interlaken CDP, and Watsonville should be in the same congressional district as Monterey County places Pajaro CDP, Las Lomas CDP, Castroville CDP, Boronda CDP, Salinas, Chualar CDP, Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, and King City.

What do these Monterey County places have in common?

In each of these communities a very low proportion of people age twenty-five and older have completed a bachelor's or higher degree. Most of the residents of these areas age five and older speak Spanish at home. The median age for each of these communities is less than the state average.

The twelve communities should share a congressional district with parts of San Mateo County.

The source for the educational attainment and language data is the 2005-2009 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

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