Asian Americans at a Glance

3 in 4
Asian Americans speak a language other than English at home

Almost 1/3
of all Asian Americans are LEP and have some difficulty communicating in English

LEP rates vary among Asian ethnic groups. For example,

- Vietnamese: 51%
- Bangladeshi: 46%
- Korean: 41%
- Lao: 45%
- Chinese: 42%
- Hmong: 43%
- Cambodian: 43%
- Thai: 36%
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Vote-by-Mail Use

Percent of voters who used VBM ballots
California, November 2016

Vietnamese: 72%
Chinese: 69%
Japanese: 67%
Korean: 66%
Asian American: 66%
Indian: 60%
Cambodian: 60%
Filipino: 59%
All Voters: 58%

Source: California Voter File (January 25, 2017), California Secretary of State’s Office and Asian Americans Advancing Justice – Los Angeles.
Vote-by-Mail Rejection

VBM ballot rejection rates by race and ethnic group, November 2016

Source: Contra Costa, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Santa Clara Counties Registrars of Voters, voter files and vote-by-mail files; and Asian American Advancing Justice – Los Angeles.
Vote-by-Mail Rejection

Asian American VBM ballot rejection rates
by age and nativity, November 2016

Source: Contra Costa, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Santa Clara Counties Registrars of Voters, voter files and vote-by-mail files; and Asian American Advancing Justice – Los Angeles.
Reasons for Vote-by-Mail Rejection

VBM ballot rejection rates and reasons for rejection
by ethnic group, race, and all voters, November 2016

Source: Contra Costa, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Santa Clara Counties Registrars of Voters, voter files, and vote-by-mail files; and Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Los Angeles. The total rejection rate is labeled at the top of the bar. Percentages for "other" are not labeled.
Signature Instructions and Voter Education
Field Testing
No Assumptions