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**STATISTICS OF NEGRO AND WHITE
VOTER REGISTRATION IN THE
FIVE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS
OF MISSISSIPPI**

FROM: "Restrictions on Negro Voting in Mississippi History,"
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1st Congressional District

Chickasaw County *

6336 eligible whites	- - -	3054 registered	46.5%
3054 eligible Negroes	- - -	1 "	.03%

Lowndes County *

16,460 eligible whites	- -	8312 registered	50.5%
8,312 eligible Negroes	- -	95 "	1.1%

Oktibbeha County **

8423 eligible whites	- -	substantial number registered	
4952 eligible Negroes	- -	128 registered	2.5%

* Registration figures from Complaint in United States v. Allen, Appendix A-1.

** Registration figures from complaint in United States v. Henry, Appendix A-2.

The foregoing figures have a special significance in that 26.1% of the adult population of this District are Negroes, yet only 2.94% are permitted to vote.***

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2nd Congressional District

(1) Benton County

2514 eligible whites	- - -	2078 registered	82.5%
1419 " Negroes	- - -	30 "	.21%

(2) Coshocma County

8708 eligible whites	- - -	6380 registered	73%
14,004 " Negroes	- - -	1061 "	7.6%

(3) De Soto County

5338 eligible whites	- - -	4030 registered	75%
6246 " Negroes	- - -	11 "	.18%

(4) Grenada County

5792 eligible whites	- - -	5518 registered	95%
4323 " Negroes	- - -	135 "	3.1%

(5) Holmes County

4773 eligible whites	- - -	3530 registered	74%
8757 " Negroes	- - -	8 "	.09%

(6) Le Flore County

10,274 eligible whites	- - -	7168 registered	70%
13,567 " Negroes	- - -	268 "	2%

(7) Marshall County

4342 eligible whites	- - -	4162 registered	96%
7168 " Negroes	- - -	57 "	.8%

(8) Panola County

7639 eligible whites	- - -	5309 registered	69%
7250 " Negroes	- - -	2 "	.028%

(9) Quitman County

4176 eligible whites	- - -	2991 registered	71.6%
5673 " Negroes	- - -	436 "	6.0%

(10) Tallahatchie County

5099 eligible whites	- - -	4330 registered	85%
6483 " Negroes	- - -	5 "	.07%

(11) Tunica County

2011 eligible white	- - -	1436 registered	71%
5822 " Negroes	- - -	42 "	.72%

(12) Washington County

19,837	eligible whites	- - -	10,838	registered	54.5%	
20,619	"	Negroes	- - -	1,762	"	8.6%

The foregoing figures have a special significance in that 52.4% of the adult population of this district are Negroes yet only 2.97% have been permitted to register to vote.*

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3rd Congressional District

Amite County

4449	eligible whites	- - -	3532	registered	80%	
3560	"	Negroes	- - -	1	"	.028%

Claiborne County

1688	eligible whites	- - -	1440	registered	85.3%	
3969	"	Negroes	- - -	15	"	.37%

Copiah County

8153	eligible whites	- - -	7533	registered	92%	
6407	"	Negroes	- - -	25	"	.39%

Franklin County

3403	eligible whites	- - -	3731	registered	100%	
1842	"	Negroes	- - -	236	"	12.8%

Hinds County

67,836	eligible whites	- - -	56,363	registered	80%	
36,183	"	Negroes	- - -	4756	"	13.2%

Pike County

12,163	eligible whites	- - -	7864	registered	65%	
6,936	"	Negroes	- - -	150	"	2%

Walthall County

4736	eligible whites	- - -	4219	registered	89%	
2490	"	Negroes	- - -	2	"	.08%

Warren County

13,530	eligible whites	- - -	11,153	registered	83%	
10,726	"	Negroes	- - -	2,360	"	22%

Yazoo County

7598	eligible whites	- - -	7130	registered	93%	
8714	"	Negroes	- - -	256	"	2.9%

The foregoing figures have a special significance in that 40.5% of the adult population of this district are Negroes, yet only 5.8% are permitted to vote.*

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4th Congressional District

Clarke County

6,072	eligible whites	- - -	5,000	registered	83%	
2,988	"	Negroes	- - -	1	"	.03%

Jasper County*

5,327	eligible whites	- - -	3,000	registered	56%	
3,675	"	Negroes	- - -	9	"	.02%

Kemper County

3,113	eligible whites	- - -	3,213	registered	100%	
3,221	"	Negroes	- - -	30	"	.9%

Lauderdale County

27,806	eligible whites	- - -	13,347	registered	48%
11,924	"	Negroes	- - -	2,109	" 18%

Leake County

6,754	eligible whites	- - -	5,927	registered	88%
3,397	"	Negroes	- - -	116	" 3.4%

Madison County

5,622	eligible whites	- - -	5,458	registered	97%
10,366	"	Negroes	- - -	121	" 1.1%

Newton County

8,014	eligible whites	- - -	5,700	registered	71%
3,018	"	Negroes	- - -	104	" 2.8%

Rankin County

13,246	eligible whites	- - -	12,000	registered	90%
6,944	"	Negroes	- - -	94	" 1.35%

The foregoing figures have a special significance in that 34.4% of the adult population of this District are Negroes yet only 2.64 are permitted to vote.**

* Registration figures from the complaint in United States v. Hosey, App. B.

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5th Congressional DistrictCovington County

5,329	eligible whites	- - -	3,991	registered	75%
7,032	"	Negroes	- - -	202	" 3.5%

Forrest County

22,431	eligible whites	- - -	12,655	registered	57%
7,495	"	Negroes	- - -	22	" .3%

George County

5,276	eligible whites	- - -	3,510	registered	67%
580	"	Negroes	- - -	10	" 1.7%

Greene County

3,518	eligible whites	- - -	3,000	registered	85%
859	"	Negroes	- - -	43	" 5%

Jefferson Davis County

3,629	eligible whites	- - -	3,600	registered	99%
3,222	"	Negroes	- - -	76	" 2.3%

Lamar County

6,489	eligible whites	- - -	5,593	registered	91%
1,071	"	Negroes	- - -	-	" 0%

Marion County

8,997	eligible whites	- - -	9,540	registered	100%
3,630	"	Negroes	- - -	363	" 10%

The foregoing figures have a special significance in that 20.8% of the adult population of this District are Negroes yet only 11.5% are permitted to vote.*

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