

*Collier et al., Lone Star Politics, 8e*  
Chapter 8: Campaigns and  
Elections, Texas Style

# Introduction

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- Vote by mail.
- Used more often during Covid
- Still opposed by Trump
- Long-term impact.

# Democracy, Representation, and Elections in Texas (1 of 3)

- Citizens in a democracy.
- Electoral system.
- Essential qualities of democratic system.

# Mail in

- In mostly-mail elections, all registered voters are sent a ballot in the mail. The voter marks the ballot, puts it in a secrecy envelope or sleeve and then into a separate mailing envelope, signs an affidavit on the exterior of the mailing envelope and returns the package via mail or by dropping it off.

- Ballots are mailed out well ahead of Election Day, and thus voters have an “election period,” not just a single day, to vote. Mostly-mail elections can be thought of as absentee voting for everyone. This system is also referred to as “vote by mail.”