

NLRB Elections Data & Statistics from BNA PLUS

BNA PLUS has tracked union organizing activity through the National Labor Relations Board since 1985.

Comprehensive Data

BNA PLUS collects data from each of the 35 NLRB regional offices, including RC, RM, and RD petitions, tallies of ballots, certifications, and the status of unresolved petitions and elections. We merge this data with final certification results issued by the NLRB headquarters office to give you the most comprehensive information available.

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With a subscription to BNA Labor PLUS, you can search our Elections database by employer, union and local number, industry, state and city, date, NLRB region number, type of election (i.e., representation or decertification), outcome, and number of workers eligible to vote.

Biannual Statistical Report

BNA PLUS publishes a report, twice annually in the spring and fall. The contents of the report are described below. **To subscribe or to order the most recent issue, contact BNA PLUS at 800-372-1033 or bnaplus@bna.com.**

Representation: Number of representation elections, number and percentage won by unions, number of workers eligible to vote, and number of workers organized. Statistics are presented for the past five years for all unions combined and by major affiliation (AFL-CIO unions, Change to Win unions, and Independent unions) and also for the five most active unions in terms of NLRB elections activity.

Decertification: Number of decertification elections, number and percentage won by unions, number of workers eligible to vote, and number of workers in elections won by unions. Statistics are presented for the past five years for all unions combined and by major affiliation (AFL-CIO unions, Change to Win unions, and Independent unions) and also for the five most active unions in terms of NLRB elections activity.

Industry: Number of representation and decertification elections and number and percentage won by unions. Statistics are presented for the past five years by major industry sector (manufacturing; transportation, communications, and utilities; communications; wholesale; retail; services; health care services; finance, insurance, and real estate; mining; and construction).

Bargaining Unit Size: Number of representation and decertification elections and number and percentage won by unions. Statistics are presented over the past five years by bargaining unit size (1 - 49 workers, 50 - 99 workers, 100 - 499 workers, and 500 workers or more).

White-Collar Workers: Number of representation and decertification elections and number and percentage won by unions for elections involving professional, technical, office, clerical and other white-collar workers.

State Elections: Number of representation elections and percentage won by unions for all 50 states and the District of Columbia for the past two years.

BONUS NLRB ELECTION STATISTICS ARE BELOW!

NLRB Election Statistics

For the Top 15 Most Active Unions
Through the First Three Quarters of 2008

REPRESENTATION ELECTIONS				
Union	Number of Elections	Number Won by Union	Percent Won by Union	Number of Workers Gained
Auto Workers (UAW)	15	11	73.3%	530
Carpenters (CJA)	16	5	31.3%	4,908
Communications Workers (CWA)	19	12	63.2%	997
Electrical Workers (IBEW)	75	36	48.0%	1,138
Food & Commercial Workers (UFCW)	91	53	58.2%	3,310
Laborers (LIUNA)	27	18	66.7%	675
Machinists (IAM)	73	55	75.3%	1,622
Operating Engineers (IUOE)	76	51	67.1%	612
Painters (PAT)	23	19	82.6%	585
Plumbers & Pipe Fitters (PPF)	13	5	38.5%	84
Security, Police & Fire Professionals (SPFPA)	64	50	78.1%	3,267
Service Employees (SEIU)	126	90	71.4%	8,704
State, County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME)	36	27	75.0%	1,268
Steelworkers (USW)	48	26	54.2%	939
Teamsters (IBT)	293	163	55.6%	10,279

Note: Statistics are based on resolved NLRB elections where the tally of ballots declares a union win or loss. The top 15 most active unions are determined by number of resolved NLRB elections (RC, RM and RD cases combined) held January through September 2008.

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DECERTIFICATION ELECTIONS				
Union	Number of Elections	Number Won by Union	Percent Won by Union	Number of Workers Lost
Auto Workers (UAW)	8	5	62.5%	290
Carpenters (CJA)	3	1	33.3%	49
Communications Workers (CWA)	7	2	28.6%	165
Electrical Workers (IBEW)	7	1	14.3%	187
Food & Commercial Workers (UFCW)	12	7	58.3%	457
Laborers (LIUNA)	5	2	40.0%	92
Machinists (IAM)	9	5	55.6%	74
Operating Engineers (IUOE)	11	3	27.3%	129
Painters (PAT)	9	3	33.3%	51
Plumbers & Pipe Fitters (PPF)	2	1	50.0%	10
Security, Police & Fire Professionals (SPFPA)	2	1	50.0%	59
Service Employees (SEIU)	23	17	73.9%	857
State, County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME)	7	7	100.0%	0
Steelworkers (USW)	16	6	37.5%	593
Teamsters (IBT)	44	17	38.6%	1,247

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