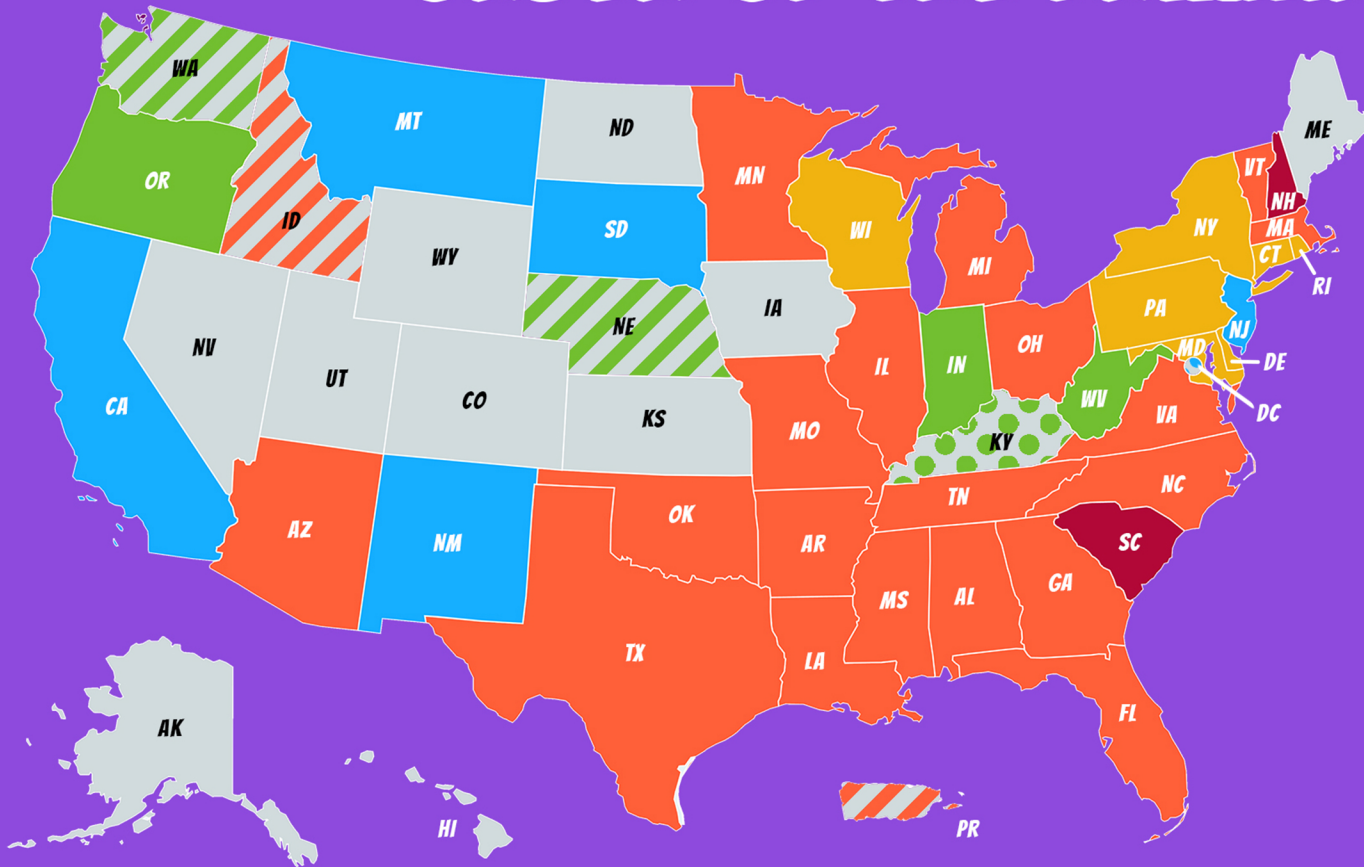


ORDER OF THE PRIMARIES



KEY

- February primary
- March primary
- April primary
- May primary
- June primary
- No primary (caucus)

STRIPES Only Republican primary

DOTS Only Democratic primary

Presidential primaries in the United States take place from January to June in the year of the election. The states don't always go in exactly the same order, but New Hampshire always comes first! Here is the order of the primaries from 2016. What do you notice?



1. In what month do the most primaries happen?
2. What percentage or fraction of the states have caucuses?
3. What are two positives (pros) and two negatives (cons) for having primaries take place over five months?