

Table 12.2 Meso-Level Presidential Nomination Variations in the United States

Open	Semiclosed	Closed	States With Caucuses Rather Than Primaries
Allowing citizens to cross over to vote in the other party's primary	Allowing Independents to vote in a party's primary	Only party members may vote	Controlled by the political parties
AL AR GA IL IN MI MO MS MT SC TN TX VA VT WI Open in the Democratic but closed in the Republican processes: ND*	NH Semiclosed in Democratic but closed in Republican: CA OK SD UT**	AZ CT DE FL LA MD NM NY OR PA Closed Democratic primary; closed Republican caucus: KY Closed Republican caucus; closed Democratic caucus: ID NE Closed Republican primary; open Democratic caucus: WA	Open: MN Closed: CO KS ME NV WY Semiclosed in Democratic; closed in Republican: AK HI IA ***** Caucus for Republican but not Democratic: ND KY UT Caucus for Democratic but not Republican: ID NE WA

*North Dakota has an open primary for Democrats and a closed caucus for Republicans.

**Utah has a semiclosed primary for Democrats and closed caucus for Republicans.

Sources: Kamarck (2016); Real Clear Politics (2016).