

## Comparing Voting in the United States and the Federal Republic of Germany

	United States	Germany
Who may vote? (Age)		
How is voter registration handled?		
How often are elections held for federal offices?		
What is the role of political parties?		
What proportions of eligible voters actually vote in national elections?		
For which offices do the people cast direct votes?		

- a) Germans have two votes: Explain.
- b) Under what circumstances might an election be held more frequently than every 4th year?
- c) Neither the German Chancellor nor the U.S. President is elected to office directly, but how does the process differ?