



# Zoe Lofgren

CA-19 (D): San Jose  
Jenny Xin

# Election Results of Current and Past Representatives



R: George Radanovich (1994-2010)

179245  
(98.43%)

2490  
(1.37%)



R: Jeff Denham (2010-2012)

128394  
(64.6%)

69912  
(35.2%)



D: Zoe Lofgren (2012-present)

59313  
(27%)

162300  
(73%)

41900  
(33%)

85888  
(67%)

64061  
(26%)

181802  
(74%)

57823  
(26.2%)

162496  
(73.8%)

\*Redistricted in 2012

# Existing Literature on Immigration Policy Votes

Wong  
(2017)

Republican identification and, to a lesser extent, smaller numbers of foreign-born population in any given area, are predictors of votes for restrictive policies.

Wong  
(2014)

Republican partisanship consistently predicts support for strict interior enforcement bills, but greater percentages of Latinx or Asians in a population are negatively correlated with support.

Casellas & Leal  
(2007)

In the House, partisanship of both the representative and their constituents is the strongest predictor of the MC's vote.

Ramakrishnan  
& Wong (2010)

Large cities are more likely to pass pro-immigration ordinances than small cities. Partisanship is the second-largest factor.

# Predictions

Facts about San Jose

39.4%  
Foreign-Born

60.6%  
Native

26.7%  
White

34.2%  
Asian

32.8%  
Latinx

26.2%  
Republican

73.8%  
Democratic

Population: 945,942

10th Largest City in US, 3rd Largest City in California

**Wong (2017):** The large foreign-born population in CA-19 will lead to Lofgren's increased support for expansionist policies.

**Wong (2014):** Large percentages of Asian and Latinx people in Democratic CA-19 will mean little support for interior enforcement bills from Lofgren.

**Casellas & Leal (2007):** Lofgren and her constituency are both Democratic, implying that her votes will, as a whole, be largely pro-immigration.

**Ramakrishnan & Wong (2010):** San Jose is a large, Democratic city and will support pro-immigration ordinances.

# Zoe Lofgren: Bill Sponsorship and Social Media

## Bill Sponsorship

- 236 total bills (7th-most)
- 59 immigration bills (32%)
- Primary issue of interest

## Voting Record

- Voted against party on some immigration bills; mostly consistent

## Twitter (1/19 – 3/19)

- 5/15 tweets about immigration (33%)
- **Positive** towards some form of border security, 21 Savage
- **Negative** towards idea of wall, ICE, detainment of children

## Campaign Website

- Leadership, personal connection
- First of four issues (25%)
- Same amount of information, emphasis on bill sponsorship, lack of multimedia sources

## Official Website

- Immigration is 1/9 issues (11%)
- **Positive** towards reform, DREAM Act, keeping families together, attracting “best and brightest”