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Note that P_1 has veto power (it is in every winning coalition)

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Maryland	10	1.86%	1.86%	1.82%
Pennsylvania	20	3.72%	3.72%	3.91%
Texas	38	7.06%	6.39%	6.50%