

PUERTO RICO STATUS TIMELINE OF THE 21ST CENTURY

2012

PLEBESCITE ON STATUS

54% of voters say they do not want territory status; 61% vote for statehood

2017

PLEBISCITE ON STATUS

97% of voters choose statehood, with 1.5% each for independence and territory status

2020

STATEHOOD BILL INTRODUCED

The resident commissioner of Puerto Rico introduces a bill calling for statehood for Puerto Rico

2020

SELF-DETERMINATION BILL

Congresspeople from New York introduce a bill calling for self-determination for Puerto Rico, with no status options specified

2020

STATEHOOD WINS AGAIN

53% of Puerto Rico voters choose statehood again in a yes/no vote on statehood like those held in Hawaii and Alaska

2022

COMPROMISE BILL

The supporters of the two status bills in Congress work together to create a compromise bill, the Puerto Rico Status Act

2022

THE PUERTO RICO STATUS ACT

The Puerto Rico Status Act, the compromise bill, passes in the House in December, too late to go to the Senate

The Puerto Rico Status Act was reintroduced in the House and the Senate in 2023.

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