Who could vote and who couldn’t under each of New Jersey’s three state constitutions? Women? White men who didn’t have much money? African Americans? Eighteen-year-olds? Residents of the state for less than one year?

1776 Constitution

"All inhabitants of this colony of full age, who are worth fifty pounds (1) . . . , and have resided within the county in which they claim a vote for twelve months immediately preceding the election, shall be entitled to vote."

1844 Constitution

"Every white male citizen of the United States, of the age of twenty-one years, who shall have been a resident of this state one year, and of the county in which he claims to vote five months. . . shall be entitled to vote."
1947 Constitution

"Every citizen of the United States, of the age of twenty-one,(2) who shall have been a resident of the state one year, and of the county in which he claims his vote five months... shall be entitled to vote."

Source: Julian Boyd, *Fundamental Laws and Constitutions of New Jersey*

(1) The basic unit of money used in the British colonies.

(2) Amended to eighteen years of age in 1974.