# November 4, 2014 General Election Official Canvass Certification Data 

## FINAL RESULTS

Official Election Results for the November 4, 2014 General Election are attached to the Election Summary Report.

NOTE: There are six (6) contests within districts overlapping sixteen (16) surrounding counties. Cuyahoga County is the most populous county in five (5) of those contests, overlapping thirteen (13) counties. Eleven of those counties have certified their results to date. The remaining two counties will be certifying today. All certified results will be entered into the required reporting form upon receipt and forwarded to the Secretary of State.

## SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL CANVASS

There were a total of 350,534 ballots tabulated for the November 4, 2014 General Election. Below is a breakdown of the ballots counted by category and a percentage of the total vote by category.

| Category | Ballots Cast | \% of Total Ballots Counted |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Election Day | 209,773 | $59.84 \%$ |
| Absentee | 131,963 | $37.65 \%$ |
| Provisional | 6,780 | $1.93 \%$ |
| Post Election Day | 650 | $0.19 \%$ |
| Post Absentee | 1,368 | $0.39 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 5 0 , 5 3 4}$ |  |

\% of Total Ballots Cast


## ABSENTEE / VOTE BY MAIL

The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections received a total of 153,340 valid Absentee/Vote by Mail applications. Of those requests, 135,146 ballots were returned ( $88.13 \%$ ). The Ballot Department tabulated 133,331 Absentee/Vote by Mail Ballots of the applications processed. There were 1,421 ballots challenged in this election resulting in a challenge rate of $1.05 \%^{*}$. Details of the challenges are below.
*The Absentee Ballot Challenge Rate is $0.37 \%$ when the Absentee Ballots postmarked after the deadline are excluded.

| Absentee Challenge Category | Number of Challenged <br> Ballots | \% of Total Challenged Absentee |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Returned Too Late | 916 | $64.46 \%$ |
| No Signature on ID Envelope | 187 | $13.16 \%$ |
| No Date of Birth | 129 | $9.08 \%$ |
| ID Envelope Not Returned | 96 | $6.76 \%$ |
| No Identification | 37 | $2.60 \%$ |
| Returned Ballot to Polling Location | 12 | $0.84 \%$ |
| No Ballot Returned with ID Envelope | 11 | $0.77 \%$ |
| Canceled/Inactive | 10 | $0.70 \%$ |
| ID Does Not Match Registration Database | 9 | $0.63 \%$ |
| More Than One Ballot Type Returned | 7 | $0.49 \%$ |
| ID Envelope Not Completed | 2 | $0.14 \%$ |
| Wrong Voter Completed Envelope | 2 | $0.14 \%$ |
| Registration Address/ID Envelope Do Not Match | 2 | $0.14 \%$ |
| Invalid Signature | 1 | $0.07 \%$ |
| Total | 1,421 |  |


|  | November 4, 2014 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Total Ballots Counted | 350,534 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Requested | 153,340 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Returned | 135,146 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Counted | 133,331 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Challenged | 2,730 |
| Absentee Challenges Corrected | 1,309 |
| Absentee Challenges Not Corrected | 1,421 |
| Absentee Ballots Returned Late | 916 |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of All Ballots Counted | $38.04 \%$ |
| \% Returned of Absentee Ballots Requested | $88.13 \%$ |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of Absentee Ballots Returned | $98.66 \%$ |
| \% Remaining Challenges of Absentee Ballots Returned | $1.05 \%$ |
| \% Remaining Challenges (Excluding Late) of Absentee Ballots Returned | $0.37 \%$ |
| \% Corrected Challenges of All Challenges | $47.95 \%$ |
| \% Corrected Challenges (Excluding Late) of Absentee Ballots Returned | $72.16 \%$ |
| \% Late of Absentee Ballots Returned | $0.68 \%$ |
| \% Late of All Remaining Challenges | $64.46 \%$ |

## Absentee Challenges



## PROVISIONAL VOTING SUMMARY

A total of 7,536 Provisional Ballots were cast In-House and on Election Day. Of those ballots, 6,780 (89.97\%) were valid and tabulated by the Ballot Department. There were 756 invalid Provisional Ballots resulting in a $10.03 \%$ * rejection rate for this election. Details of the rejections are below.

* The Provisional Ballot Rejection Rate is $5.37 \%$ when Provisional Voters who have already cast an Absentee Ballot and those who were registered to vote are excluded.

| Reason for Rejection | \# Rejected | \% of Total Provisional Rejections |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Not Registered <br> (Including 64 voter registrations <br> received after close of registration) | $\mathbf{3 2 3}$ | $42.72 \%$ |
| Wrong Precinct Wrong Location | $\mathbf{2 4 0}$ | $31.75 \%$ |
| Voted Absentee | $\mathbf{4 1}$ | $5.42 \%$ |
| No Signature | $\mathbf{3 4}$ | $4.50 \%$ |
| Missing Acceptable Identification | $\mathbf{3 2}$ | $4.23 \%$ |
| Missing/Incomplete Address | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $3.70 \%$ |
| Invalid Address | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | $2.12 \%$ |
| Empty Envelope | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $1.98 \%$ |
| Missing Date of Birth | $\mathbf{8}$ | $1.06 \%$ |
| Voted in Incorrect County | $\mathbf{7}$ | $0.93 \%$ |
| Voted Absentee was Challenged | $\mathbf{7}$ | $0.93 \%$ |
| Non Matching Signature | $\mathbf{2}$ | $0.26 \%$ |
| Challenged | $\mathbf{2}$ | $0.26 \%$ |
| Not Eligible for this Election (17yr old) | $\mathbf{1}$ | $0.13 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{7 5 6}$ |  |

NOTE: There were 160 wrong precinct/correct location provisional ballots cast that were remade on the correct precinct's ballot.

|  | November 4, 2014 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Provisional Ballots - CAST | 7,536 |
| Provisional Ballots - VALID | 6,780 |
| Provisional Ballots - REJECTED | 756 |
| Rejected - Absentee Voters | 48 |
| Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters | 708 |
| Rejected - Not Registered | 323 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered | 433 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | 385 |
| Rejected - Wrong Precinct | 240 |
| \% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $89.97 \%$ |
| \% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $10.03 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters | $9.46 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | $5.37 \%$ |
| \% Wrong Precinct of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $3.18 \%$ |

## Rejected Provisionals



## BALLOT REMAKES

During the election, 4,539 ballot pages were processed in accordance with the CCBOE Remake Policy (approved by the Board on May 17, 2013). Of those, 2,062 were processed during the Unofficial Canvass. The remaining 2,477 ballot pages were processed during the Official Canvass. The following is a breakdown by category:

| Reason for Remake | Number of Remakes | \% of Total Remakes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 - Ballot folded, torn or mutilated. | 1,746 | 38.47\% |
| 2 - Ballot contains indeterminate marks not made by the voter. | 24 | 0.53\% |
| 3 - UOCAVA Ballot that cannot be accurately read by automatic tabulating equipment. | 350 | 7.71\% |
| 4 - Ballot contains votes for ineligible contest(s). | 334 | 7.36\% |
| 5 - Inadvertent mark made by the voter, resulting in the scanner detecting an over vote or an indeterminate mark. | 246 | 5.42\% |
| 6 - Voter marked entire ballot contrary to the instruction listed at the beginning of the ballot. | 305 | 6.72\% |
| 7 - Voter marked part of the ballot according to the ballot marking instructions contained on the ballot, and part of the ballot contrary to the instructions. | 506 | 11.15\% |
| 8 - Over vote, voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number of times for a particular contest, and there is no indication of contrary intent. | 430 | 9.47\% |
| 9 - Voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number of times for a particular contest, however, the voter also made an indication of contrary intent and the voter's choice can be determined. | 593 | 13.06\% |
| 10- Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a write-in vote for a different candidate for the same office by filling in the oval of, and the writing in of, the name of a write-in candidate. | 5 | 0.11\% |
| 11- Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a write-in vote for the same candidate for the same office by filling in the oval of, and the writing in of, the name of a write-in candidate. | 0 | 0.00\% |
| TOTAL REMAKES | 4,539 |  |
| Stage of Election | Number of Remake Ballots Processed | \% of Total Remake Ballots Processed |
| Unofficial | 2,062 | 45.43\% |
| Official | 2,477 | 54.57\% |
| Total | 4,539 |  |

## OVER VOTES

There were a total of 6,313 over votes recorded, resulting in a $0.05 \%$ over vote rate for the election.

## VOTER HISTORY /BALLOT RECONCILIATION

There are 1,047 precincts involved in this election. The Registration Department is still in the process of reviewing each poll book for the voter history process.

Ballot Reconciliation is currently being performed by the Ballot Department.

## RECOUNTS

There are no automatic recounts this election.
The requested recount deadline is Monday, December $1^{\text {st }}, 2014$.

## AUDIT

The post-election audit is scheduled to begin Monday, December $8^{\text {th }}$ at 9:30AM if no recounts are required to be conducted. If recounts are requested, those will begin Monday, December $8^{\text {th }}$ and the post-election audit will be postponed until the business day after the completion of any necessary recounts and subsequent certification amendments. The Board and observers will be notified as soon the schedule is confirmed (after the requested recount deadline). Additionally, the schedule will be posted to our website.

The post-election audit will include:
Governor / Lieutenant Governor - Selected by the Secretary of State's Office
Treasurer of State - Randomly selected by the Secretary of State's Office
One contest to be randomly selected by the Board during the certification meeting (possible contests are attached)

## HISTORICAL DATA FOR GENERAL ELECTIONS

The following data sets and graphs include comparisons related to election information and voting method distributions (ballot categories).

|  | November 4, 2008 <br> General | November 2, 2010 <br> General | November 6, 2012 <br> General | November 4, 2014 <br> General |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Precincts | 1,436 | 1,068 | 1,063 | 1,047 |
| Registered Voters | $1,111,286$ | 978,267 | 927,996 | 886,098 |
| Ballots Cast - Counted | 672,750 | 432,052 | 650,437 | 350,534 |
| Election Day | 285,204 | 214,994 | 356,093 | 209,773 |
| Absentee | 266,053 | 199,945 | 21,493 | 15,072 |
| Provisional | 1,938 | 26,999 | 131,963 |  |
| Post Absentee | Included in Absentee | 103 | 3,156 | 6,780 |
| Post Election Day | Included in Election Day | $60.54 \%$ | $44.17 \%$ | 369 |

## Overall Voter Turnout



## Ballots Cast by Category - \% of Total Ballots Cast

|  | November 4, 2008 <br> General | November 2, 2010 <br> General | November 6, 2012 <br> General | November 4, 2014 <br> General |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Election Day | $57.26 \%$ | $49.78 \%$ | $54.80 \%$ | $60.03 \%$ |
| Absentee | $39.55 \%$ | $46.73 \%$ | $41.05 \%$ | $38.04 \%$ |
| Provisional | $3.19 \%$ | $3.49 \%$ | $4.15 \%$ | $1.93 \%$ |

## Voter Turnout by Category



November 4, 2008 General November 2, 2010 General November 6, 2012 General November 4, 2014 General $\square$ Election Day $\square$ Absentee $\square$ Provisional

Absentee Data

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { November 4, } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November 2, } \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November 6, } \\ 2012 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November 4, } \\ 2014 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Ballots Counted | 672,750 | 432,052 | 650,437 | 350,534 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Requested | 292,619 | 229,282 | 291,502 | 153,340 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Returned | 271,517 | 206,121 | 269,761 | 135,146 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Counted | 266,053 | 201,883 | 266,985 | 133,331 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Challenged | 7,154 | 5,935 | 3,898 | 2,730 |
| Absentee Challenges Corrected | 1,690 | 1,697 | 1,122 | 1,309 |
| Absentee Challenges Not Corrected | 5,464 | 4,238 | 2,776 | 1,421 |
| Absentee Ballots Returned Late | 1,591 | 1,758 | 1,524 | 916 |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of All Ballots Counted | 38.73\% | 46.73\% | 41.05\% | 38.04\% |
| \% Returned of Absentee Ballots Requested | 90.92\% | 89.90\% | 92.54\% | 88.13\% |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of Absentee Ballots Returned | 97.95\% | 97.94\% | 98.97\% | 98.66\% |
| \% Remaining Challenges of Absentee Ballots Returned | 2.05\% | 2.06\% | 1.03\% | 1.05\% |
| \% Remaining Challenges (Excluding Late) of Absentee Ballots Returned | 1.46\% | 1.20\% | 0.46\% | 0.37\% |
| \% Corrected Challenges of All Challenges | 23.62\% | 28.59\% | 28.78\% | 47.95\% |
| \% Corrected Challenges (Excluding Late) of Absentee Ballots Returned | 30.38\% | 40.63\% | 47.26\% | 72.16\% |
| \% Late of Absentee Ballots Returned | 0.60\% | 0.85\% | 0.56\% | 0.68\% |
| \% Late of All Remaining Challenges | 29.12\% | 41.48\% | 54.90\% | 64.46\% |

Challenge Rate


## Challenge Rate (Excluding Late)



November 4, 2008 November 2, 2010 November 6, 2012 November 4, 2014

|  | November 4, <br> 2008 | November 2, <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | November 6, <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | November 4, <br> 2014 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Provisional Ballots - CAST | 28,903 | 17,665 | 31,848 | 7,536 |
| Provisional Ballots - VALID | 21,493 | 15,072 | 26,990 | 6,780 |
| Provisional Ballots - REJECTED | 7,410 | 2,593 | 4,858 | 756 |
| Rejected - Absentee Voters | 91 | 122 | 208 | 48 |
| Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters | 7,319 | 2,471 | 4,650 | 708 |
| Rejected - Not Registered | 3,238 | 879 | 2,882 | 323 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered | 4,172 | 1,714 | 1,976 | 433 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered or <br> Absentee Voters | 4,081 | 1,592 | 1,768 | 385 |
| Rejected - Wrong Precinct | 3,423 | 1,323 | 1,200 | 240 |
| \% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $74.36 \%$ | $85.32 \%$ | $84.75 \%$ | $89.97 \%$ |
| \% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $25.64 \%$ | $14.68 \%$ | $15.25 \%$ | $10.03 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters | $25.32 \%$ | $13.99 \%$ | $14.60 \%$ | $9.46 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Not Registered or | $14.12 \%$ | $9.01 \%$ | $5.55 \%$ | $5.37 \%$ |
| Absentee Voters | $11.84 \%$ | $7.49 \%$ | $3.77 \%$ | $3.18 \%$ |
| \% Wrong Precinct of All Provisional Ballots Cast |  |  |  |  |

## Rejection Rate



## Rejection Rate (Excluding Not Registered and Absentee Voters)



## Wrong Precinct Rejection Rate



