

November 8, 2011 General Election Official Canvass Certification Data - Amended

FINAL RESULTS

Amended Election Results for the November 8, 2011 General Election are attached in the "Election Summary" report.

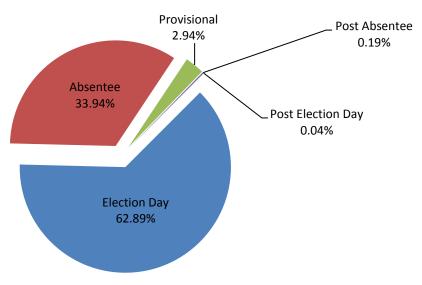
NOTE: Seven (7) ballots were added to the Provisional Category

SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL CANVASS

There were a total of 384,202 ballots tabulated for the November 8, 2011 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	241,632	62.89%
Absentee	130,413	33.94%
Provisional	11,295	2.94%
Post Absentee	722	0.19%
Post Election Day	140	0.04%

% of Total Ballots Cast





ABSENTEE / VOTE BY MAIL

The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections received a total of 148,046 valid Absentee/Vote by Mail applications. Of those requests, 133,123 ballots were returned (89.92%). The Ballot Department tabulated 131,135 Absentee / Vote by Mail Ballots (88.57%). There were 1,988 ballots challenged in this election resulting in a challenge rate of 1.49* for this election. Details of the challenges are below.

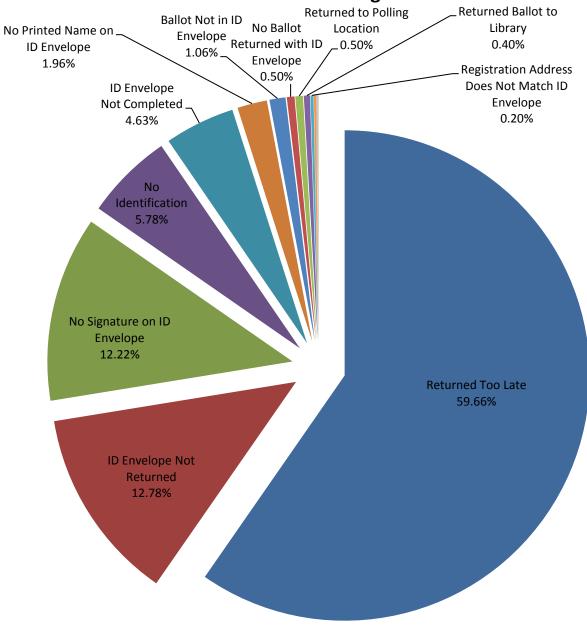
*The Absentee Ballot Challenge Rate is 0.61% when the Absentee Ballots postmarked after the deadline are excluded.

Absentee Challenge Category	# Challenged	% of Total Challenged Absentee
Returned Too Late*	1,186	59.66%
ID Envelope Not Returned	254	12.78%
No Signature on ID Envelope	243	12.22%
No Identification	115	5.78%
ID Envelope Not Completed	92	4.63%
No Printed Name on ID Envelope	39	1.96%
Ballot Not in ID Envelope	21	1.06%
No Ballot Returned with ID Envelope	10	0.50%
Returned to Polling Location	10	0.50%
Returned Ballot to Library	8	0.40%
Registration Address Does Not Match ID Envelope	4	0.20%
Invalid Signature on ID Envelope	3	0.15%
No Stub or Stub Removed	1	0.05%
Printed Signature	1	0.05%
Non-County Resident	1	0.05%
Total	1,988	

Absentee Data	
Total Ballots - COUNTED	384,202
Absentee Ballots - REQUESTED	148,046
Absentee Ballots - RETURNED	133,123
Absentee Ballots - COUNTED	131,135
Absentee Ballots - CHALLENGED	2,226
Challenges - CORRECTED	238
Challenges - NOT CORRECTED	1,988
Challenge - LATE RETURN	1,186
% Counted of All Ballots Counted	34.13%
% Returned of Absentee Ballots Requested	89.92%
% Counted of Absentee Ballots Requested	88.58%
% Challenged of Absentee Ballots Requested	1.67%
% Remaining Challenges of Absentee Ballots Returned	1.49%
% Challenged Not Including Late	0.61%
% Corrected of All Challenges	10.69%
% Corrected Not Including Late	22.88%
% Late of All Absentee Ballots Returned	0.89%
% Late of All Remaining Challenges	59.66%



% of Total Challenged Absentee





PROVISIONAL VOTING SUMMARY

A total of 13,335 Provisional Ballots were cast In-House and on Election Day. Of those ballots, 11,295 (84.70%) were valid and tabulated by the Ballot Department. There were 2,041 rejected Provisional Ballots resulting in a 15.30%* rejection rate for this election. Details of the rejections are below.

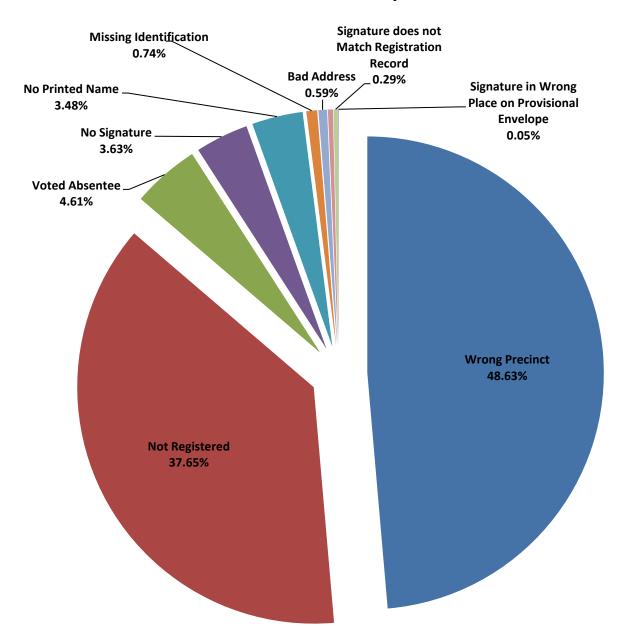
* The Provisional Ballot Rejection Rate is 14.70% when Provisional Voters who have already cast an Absentee Ballot are excluded.

Reason for Rejection	# Rejected	% of Total Provisional Rejections
Wrong Precinct	992	48.63%
Wrong Precinct in Correct Location	499	24.46%
Wrong Precinct in Wrong Location	493	24.16%
Not Registered	768	37.65%
Voted Absentee*	94	4.61%
No Signature	74	3.63%
No Printed Name	71	3.48%
Missing Identification	15	0.74%
Incorrect Address	12	0.59%
Out of County	7	0.34%
Signature Does Not Match Registration Record	6	0.29%
Signature in Wrong Place on Provisional Envelope	1	0.05%
Total	2040	

Provisional Data		
Provisional Ballots - CAST	13,335	
Provisional Ballots - VALID	11,295	
Provisional Ballots - REJECTED	2,040	
Rejected – ABSENTEE VOTERS	94	
Rejected - NOT INCLUDING ABSENTEE VOTERS	1,946	
Rejected - WRONG PRECINCT (Total)	992	
Rejected - WRONG PRECINCT/CORRECT LOCATION	499	
% VALID of All Provisional Ballots Cast	84.70%	
% REJECTED of All Provisional Ballots Cast	15.30%	
% REJECTED Not Including Absentee Voters	14.70%	
% Wrong Precinct (Total) of All Provisional Ballots Cast	7.44%	
% Wrong Precinct/Correct Location of All Provisional Ballots Cast	3.74%	



% of Total Provisional Rejections





BALLOT REMAKES

During the election, 1,236 ballots were processed in accordance with the CCBOE Remake Procedure (approved by the Board on August 4, 2010). Of those, 839 ballots were processed during the Unofficial Canvass; the remaining 397 were processed during the Official Canvass. The following is a breakdown by category:

Reason for Remake	Number of Remakes	% of Total Remakes
1 - Ripped or torn ballot.	357	28.88%
3 - Crossed out one choice.	221	17.88%
4 - Tried to erase one choice.	83	6.72%
5 - A dot or resting mark occurs on one contest.		
(Run As Is)	266	21.52%
6 - Used whiteout.	18	1.46%
7 - Dash marks are made outside of the ovals and		
nothing is inside of the ovals.	3	0.24%
8 - Majority of ovals marked with "X", check mark		
or other mark.	16	1.29%
9 - Entire response crossed out. (Run As Is)	2	0.16%
10 - Used only (or majority of) circles, "x" or other		
marks.	11	0.89%
11 - Used words instead of filling in ovals.	195	15.78%
12 - Used green ink.	2	0.16%
14 - Ink transferred when ballot was folded.	15	1.21%
15 - Miscellaneous writing on ballot. (Run As Is)	2	0.16%
16 - Circle oval rather than filling it in.	27	2.18%
MOVE Act	18	1.46%

Stage of Election	Number of Ballots Remade	% of Total Remakes
Unofficial	839	67.88%
Official	397	32.12%



OVER VOTES

There were a total of 2,796 over votes recorded resulting in a 0.086% over vote rate for the election. The exact number of over voted ballots is unknown as the Unity system reports over votes on a per-contest basis, thus a ballot containing multiple over votes is recorded multiple times. Details of the over votes by contest are below:

A detailed listing of over votes cast by contest is attached.

POLL BOOK JUSTIFICATION AND BALLOT RECONCILIATION

All 1,066 precincts were involved in this election. The number of signatures in the Poll Books matches the number of Ballots Cast in 866 (81.24%) precincts. Below is a breakdown of the range of discrepancies between the number of signatures in the poll books and the number of ballots cast on Election Day.

Number of Precincts	Range	
2	5 Discrepancies	
9	4 Discrepancies	
15	3 Discrepancies	
50	2 Discrepancies	
124	1 Discrepancy	
TOTAL = 200		

A review of the ballots cast on Election Day was completed for all of the precincts with a discrepancy.

The number of ballots ordered reconciles with the number of ballots used, unused, soiled and defaced at the polls on Election Day in 867 (81.33%) precincts. Below is a breakdown of the range of discrepancies between the number of ballots ordered and the number of ballots used, unused and soiled on Election Day.

Number of Precincts	Range	
2	5 Discrepancies	
3	4 Discrepancies	
8	3 Discrepancies	
25 2 Discrepancies		
161	1 Discrepancy	
TOTAL = 199		

The Poll Worker Department is conducting further review into both the Poll Book Justification and Ballot Reconciliation and will determine if there is a trend in certain geographical areas of the county.



RECOUNTS

The following six (6) contests resulted in a margin of victory that is less than one half of one percent - the threshold to conduct an automatic recount.

Contest	Total Precincts	Precincts Hand Counted
Bedford Heights Charter Review Commission	10	1
Cleveland Heights Council	37	2
Mayfield Heights Council - UTE 12/31/2013	15	1
University Heights Council at Large	10	1
4-Bedford City School District – Tax Levy	31	3
13 – Olmsted Falls City School District – Tax Levy	20	2

A recount was also requested in an additional four (4) races.

Contest	Total Precincts	Precincts Hand Counted
Euclid Mayor (3 Precincts Only)	48	3
Walton Hills Mayor	2	1
Walton Hills Council	2	1
Warrensville Heights Council Ward 5	2	1

A detailed description of the recount results is attached.

AUDITS

The Post-Election Audit for the November 8, 2011 General Election began on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 2:00 PM. Utilizing the funds from the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) Logic & Accuracy Testing and Post-Election Audit Grant, we conducted an audit of two races – Berea Mayor (15 Precincts) and Issue 2 – State Issue Referendum (countywide).

A detailed description of the audit results is attached.

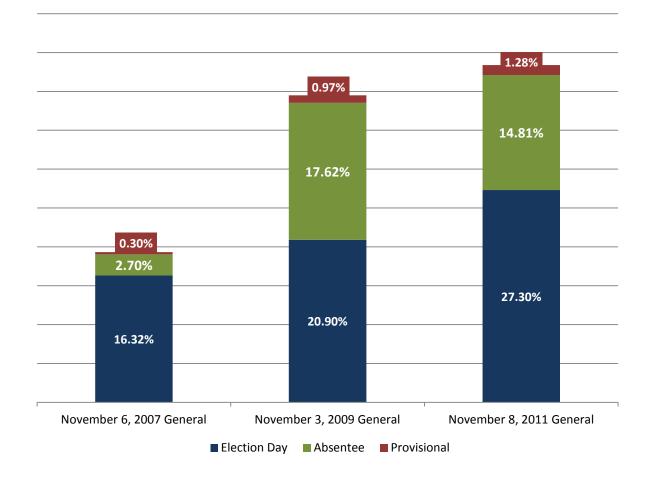


HISTORICAL DATA FOR MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTIONS

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

	November 6, 2007 General	November 3, 2009 General	November 8, 2011 General
Precincts	1,436	1,069	1,066
Registered Voters	1,057,374	984,397	885,563
Ballot Cast - Counted	204,379	388,851	384,202
Election Day	172,604	205,785	241,632
Absentee	28,596	173,475	130,413
Provisional	3,179	9,591	11,295
Post Absentee	Included in Absentee	Included in Absentee	722
Post Election Day	Included in Election Day	Included in Election Day	140
Voter Turnout	19.33%	39.50%	43.39%

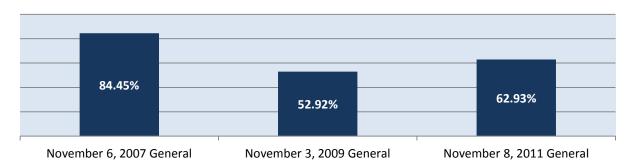
Voter Turn Out





	November 6, 2007 General	November 3, 2009 General	November 8, 2011 General
Election Day	84.45%	52.92%	62.93%
Absentee	13.99%	44.61%	34.13%
Provisional	1.56%	2.47%	2.94%

Election Day Voting Trend



Absentee Voting Trend



Provisional Voting Trend

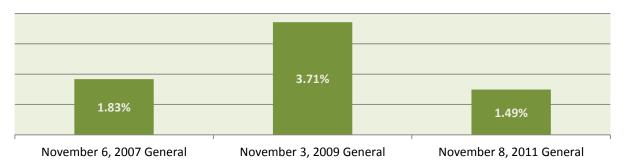




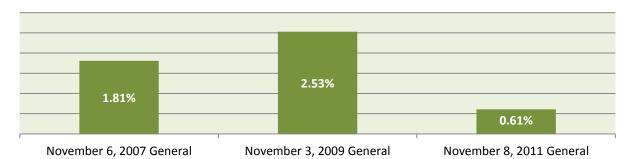
Absentee Data

	November 6, 2007	November 3, 2009	November 8, 2011
TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED	General 204,379	General 388,851	General 384,202
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS REQUESTED	33,830	205,655	148,046
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED	29,130	180,162	133,123
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS COUNTED	28,596	173,475	131,135
TOTAL BALLOTS CHALLENGED	920	7,144	2,226
CHALLENGES CORRECTED	386	457	238
CHALLENGES NOT CORRECTED	534	6,687	1,988
ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED LATE	7	2,135	1,186
% COUNTED of All Ballots Counted	13.99%	44.61%	34.13%
% RETURNED of Absentee Ballots Requested	86.11%	87.60%	89.92%
% COUNTED of Absentee Ballots Returned	98.17%	96.29%	98.51%
% CHALLENGED of Absentee Ballots Returned	1.83%	3.71%	1.49%
% CHALLENGED Not Including Late	1.81%	2.53%	0.61%
% CORRECTED of All Challenges	41.96%	6.40%	10.69%
% CORRECTED Not Including Late	42.28%	9.12%	22.88%
% LATE of Absentee Ballots Returned	0.02%	1.19%	0.89%
% LATE of All Remaining Challenges	1.31%	31.93%	59.66%

Challenge Rate



Challenge Rate (Excluding Late)

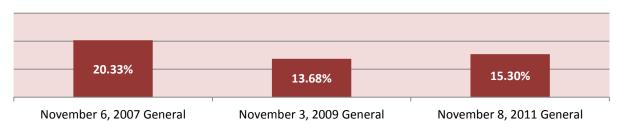




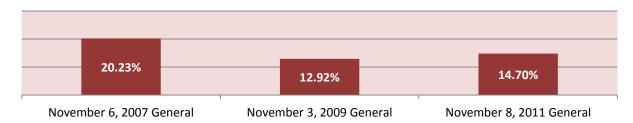
Provisional Data

	November 6, 2007 General	November 3, 2009 General	November 8, 2011 General
TOTAL PROVISIONAL BALLOTS CAST	3,990	11,111	13,335
TOTAL BALLOTS VALID	3,179	9,591	11,295
TOTAL REJECTED	811	1,520	2,040
REJECTED Absentee Voters	5	97	94
REJECTED Not Including Absentee Voters	806	1,423	1946
WRONG PRECINCT (Total)	not recorded	831	992
WRONG PRECINCT/CORRECT LOCATION	not recorded	351	499
% Valid	79.67%	86.32%	84.70%
% Rejected	20.33%	13.68%	15.30%
% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters	20.23%	12.92%	14.70%
% Wrong Precinct (Total)	not recorded	7.48%	7.44%
% Wrong Precinct/Correct Location	not recorded	3.16%	3.74%

Rejection Rate



Rejection Rate (Excluding Absentee Voters)



Wrong Precinct Rejection Rate

