

September 29, 2009 Primary Election Post-Election Audit Summary

The audit began with the random selection of precincts whose ballots cast totaled at least 5% of the total ballots cast in the election. With 3,299 total ballots cast, the target number for selection was set at 165. After the initial selection of 1 precinct totaling 356 ballots cast. One contest was selected for auditing:

Mayor of City of East Cleveland

One bi-partisan team of Board of Elections employees was designated as the hand-counting team. The selected precinct was assigned to the hand-counting team along with a precinct-specific, contest-specific tally sheet. The team counted the ballots in each count group- Election Day, Absentee, and Provisional separately, and recorded the results for each candidate, along with over-votes and under-votes within each count group. Results were then compared to the Official Canvass results by Ballot Department management.

The results of the hand count matched the Official Count numbers exactly.

Attached is a copy the precinct group breakdown.