

Utah VOTER VERIFICATION PROJECT

REPORT 1
May 13, 2022

YOUR VOTE UTAH CANVASS REPORT

Through elections the people choose who will run our government. The people have a responsibility to: be involved in the election process, to learn the laws and ensure our elections happen accurately, securely and with transparency.



The Utah Constitution is clear that political power is “inherent in the people” and they have the right to “alter or reform their government” to “petition for redress of grievances”; that “elections shall be free, and no power...shall at any time interfere to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage”. (Utah Constitution, n.d.)

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YOUR VOTE

UTAH CANVASS REPORT 1

The Utah Voter Verification Project is a non-partisan, volunteer, grassroots effort to canvass the Utah voter registration records.

Our team of volunteers canvassed to verify the accuracy of the Utah Voter PSR (Utah's voter registration records). To do this, the Utah Voter PSR (which was requested and purchased from the county clerk's office) is compared to what the respondent reported at the door. Volunteers verify: address, name of voter listed, if a ballot was processed and the method by which they voted (e.g. InPerson or ByMail). Volunteers do not ask about party affiliation or who they voted for.

Why is this canvass important? Voter verification canvassing is a check and balance on our voter records, a way to identify moved voters, and can provide important data to improve our voting processes.

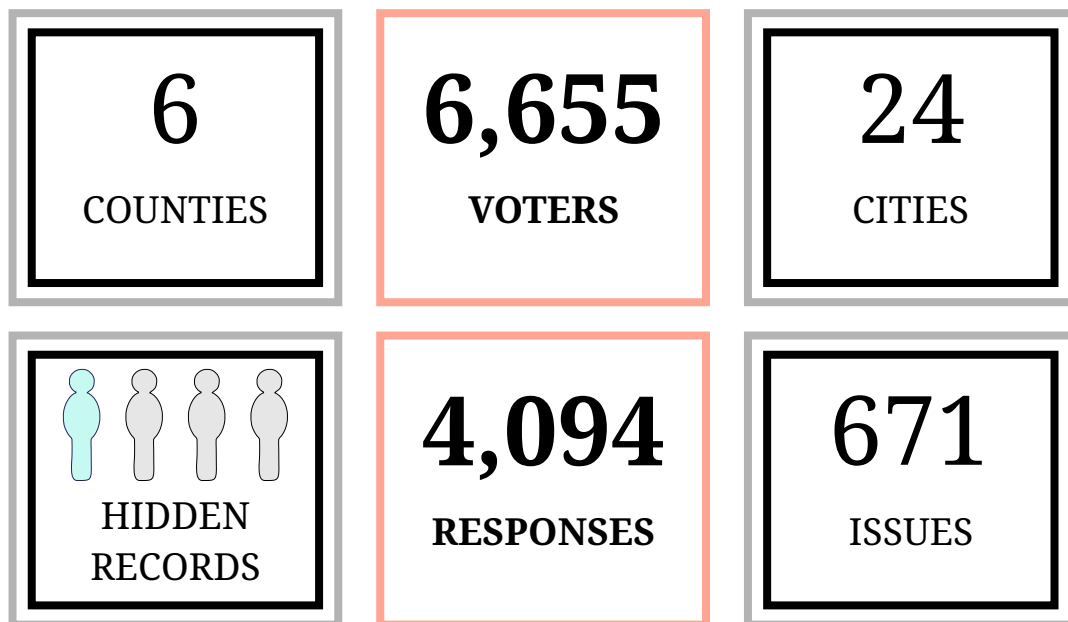
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Special Thank You to
Our Volunteers
Respondents

DISCLAIMER: This data compares the responses from voters to the official voter registration record. The issues are as described. Every effort has been made to report accurate data based the records received and information collected.

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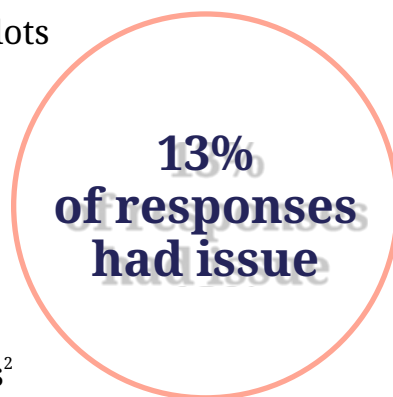


TOTAL ADDRESSES CANVASSED: 3,211

- 1,731 or 53.9% responses
- 96 or 5.5% of the 1731 received extra ballots
- 26 or 0.8% problematic addresses

TOTAL VOTERS CANVASSED: 6,655

- 5,592 public records in Utah Voter PSR
- 4,094 or 61.5% responses
- 543 voters* had 671 issues
- 1,051 or 26% of 4,094 are hidden records²



LOST VOTE: 200

Voted and the Utah Voter PSR has NO vote

METHOD MISMATCH: 68

Vote method does not match the public Utah Voter PSR. For example, a vote by mail is recorded in person

PHANTOM/GHOST VOTE: 26

Did NOT vote and Utah Voter PSR has a vote

INELIGIBLE VOTE: 164

A vote by voter who does not live at address or deceased or otherwise ineligible

ADDRESSES WITH EXTRA BALLOTS: 96

A registrant who does not live at address or is deceased

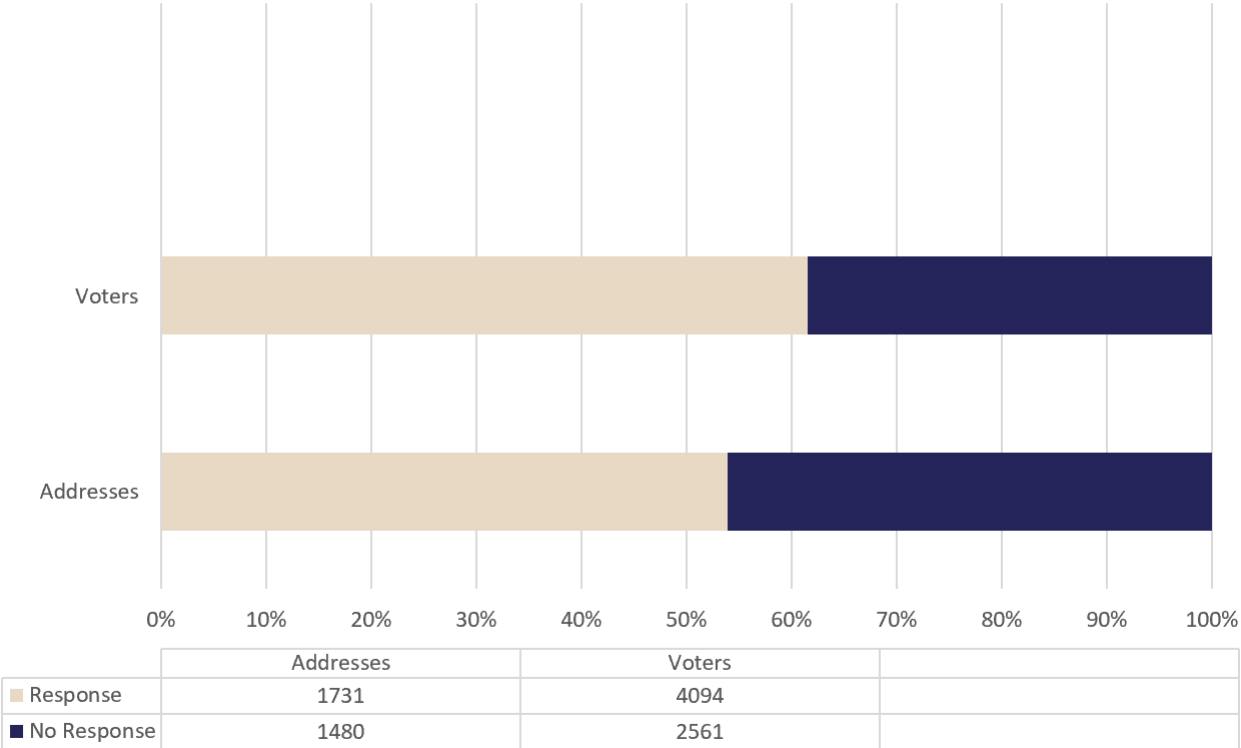
INELIGIBLE REGISTRANT: 135

A registrant does not live at address or deceased or otherwise ineligible

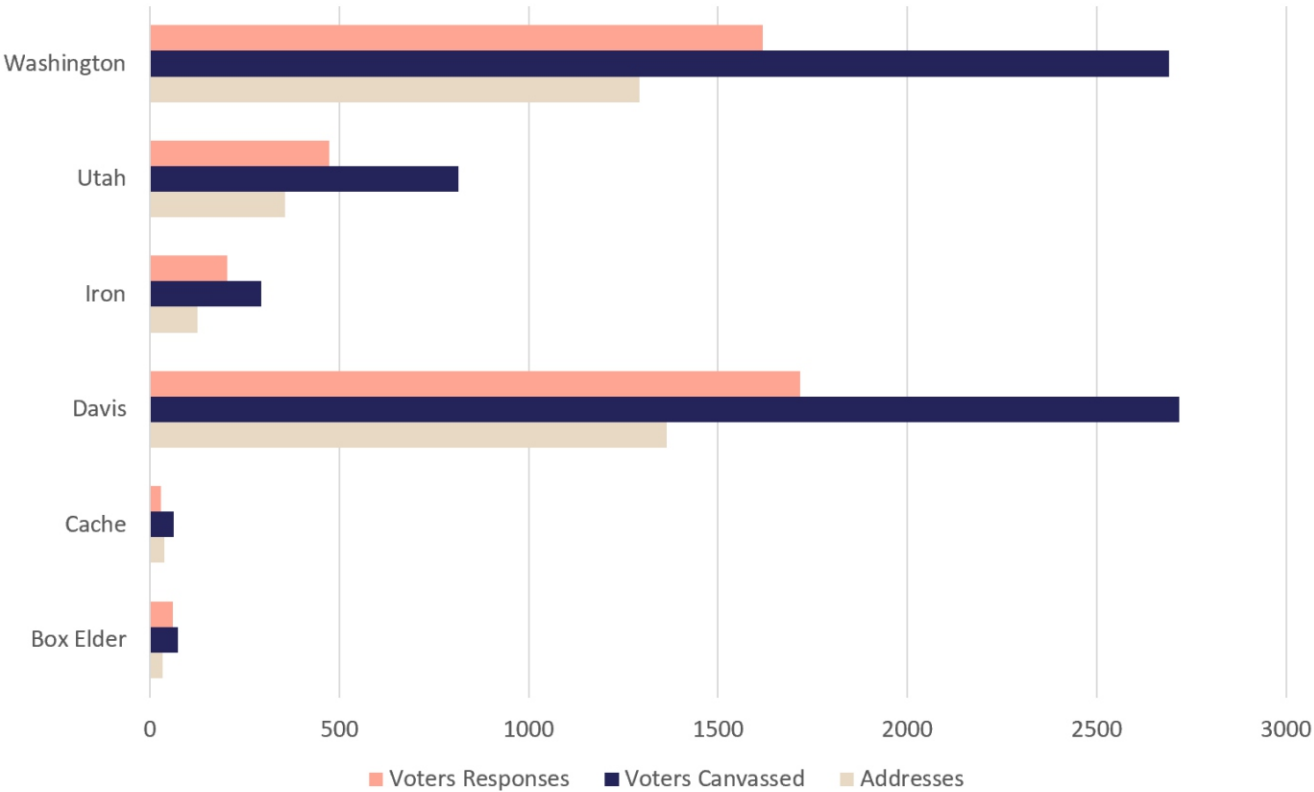
¹A "Voter" is an individual of voting age who may have responded to a door knock, or who may be registered to vote, or who may have voted, for which we have data from the canvass.

²A hidden record is an individual voter not on our public Utah Voter PSR.

Total Canvassed 6,655



Number Canvassed



ISSUES & EXAMPLES

LOST VOTE: 200

Voted and Utah Voter PSR has **NO** vote

Voting InPerson was important to “Debra”. You can imagine her surprise when the official record showed NO vote for her. The volunteers asked if she had been contacted by the county or had any issues when she went InPerson to vote. “Debra” reported that there were no issues and she was not contacted by the county.

“Morgan” and “Sarah” went together and put their ballots in the same dropbox at the post office. “Sarah” has NO vote in the official records, while “Morgan” has a ByMail vote.

METHOD MISMATCH: 68

Vote method does not match the Utah Voter PSR

“Kyle” voted ByMail by putting his ballot in a mail box at a local USPS (Post Office), however the official record shows “Kyle” voted Early (InPerson).

PHANTOM/GHOST VOTE: 26

Did **NOT** vote and Utah Voter PSR has a vote

“Ben” is a registered voter who did NOT vote. The official record has a vote ByMail for Ben.

INELIGIBLE VOTE: 164

A vote by voter who does not live at address, address does not exist, address is commercial with no residents, address is vacant lot, deceased or otherwise ineligible

A few examples were found where a person is registered and voting from an address but has not lived at that addresses for many years. In one example, “Lori and Steve” have rented the home for over 8 years. Neither “Lori or Steve” are registered to vote and said they do not vote. Imagine their surprise to learn that the owner/landlord--who lives out of state--was registered and voted from their address. This was especially confusing when they never received any ballots in the mail during the 8 years at this address. It was discovered this ineligible voter, who lives out of state, has voted in 5 elections (4 of which are presidential elections) during the last 8 years.

“Jared” has a ByMail vote on the official record. According to the current residents of the address Jared is registered at, he was living in another state at the time of the election.

ISSUES & EXAMPLES

PROBLEMATIC ADDRESS VOTE: 23

Voter has voted at an address that does not exist, is vacant, commercial, or does not have a residence.

PROBLEMATIC ADDRESS REGISTRANT: 27

Voter is registered at an address that does not exist, is vacant, commercial, or does not have a residence.

A team of volunteers spent over 30 minutes trying to locate three addresses in a housing community. They went up and down the streets. It was finally decided that these address would be located in a vacant lot. Did these homes ever exist? To get an answer they began talking to neighbors. No one had heard of those addresses. One neighbor told the volunteers about a community map sign at the entrance with house numbers. These three addresses were not listed on the aged community map. These addresses have 4 votes for at least 5 voters (that we have records for).

ADDRESSES WITH EXTRA BALLOTS: 96

An address that received a ballot in the mail for a person who does not live at address.

“Jo” still receives a ballot for a person who moved out of state 4 years ago.

MOVED REGISTRANT: 123

Voter does not live at address at time of election and is still registered to vote.

“Sally” moved over 4 years ago, but was still registered to vote at this address.

DECEASED REGISTRANT: 5

Is deceased and still registered to vote. (note this only includes those who died prior to date received records)

“Carol” still receives a ballot in the mail for her deceased husband.

In 2018 and 2020 access to voter registration changed. Utah currently has 3 classifications of voter records: public, private and withheld.

PUBLIC

A record is classified public when the option for private or withheld are not chosen. These records are publicly available through record requests called GRAMA (Government Access Management Act).

PRIVATE

A record is classified as private if you submit a written application or chose a to be private record when registering to vote after May 2020.

- (h) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk shall classify the voter registration record of a voter as a private record if the voter:
 - (i) submits a written application, created by the lieutenant governor, requesting that the voter's voter registration record be classified as private;
 - (ii) requests on the voter's voter registration form that the voter's voter registration record be classified as a private record; or
 - (iii) submits a withholding request form described in Subsection (7) and any required verification.
- (i) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk may not disclose to a person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) a voter registration record, or information obtained from a voter registration record, if the record is withheld under Subsection (7).

WITHHELD

Withheld voters “submit a withholding form” for reasons of “victim of domestic violence or dating violence”, “law enforcement officer”, “member of armed forces”, “public figure” or “protected by a protective order”.

All voters classified as Private before May 2020 were automatically reclassified as withheld as required by legislation in April 2020.

- (7) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk shall withhold from a person, other than a person described in Subsection (4)(a)(i), the voter registration record, and information obtained from the voter registration record, of an individual:
 - (a) who submits a withholding request form, with the voter registration record or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk, if:
 - (i) the individual indicates on the form that the individual, or an individual who resides with the individual, is a victim of domestic violence or dating violence or is likely to be a victim of domestic violence or dating violence; or
 - (ii) the individual indicates on the form and provides verification that the individual, or an individual who resides with the individual, is:
 - (A) a law enforcement officer;
 - (B) a member of the armed forces, as defined in Section 20A-1-513;
 - (C) a public figure; or
 - (D) protected by a protective order or protection order; or
 - (b) whose voter registration record was classified as a private record at the request of the individual before May 12, 2020.