

Early Voting 2008:

PEVL, UOCAVA, & SEB Review



Agenda

1. Early Voting Trends in Past General Elections

2. Impact of Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL)

3. Early Voting Categories

4. Early Voters: Who are they?

5. The National Conversation





Early Voting Procedures

❖ For a comprehensive explanation of Early Voting Processing see the April 2008 Community Network presentation:

Maricopa County Elections Department
Community Network
April 30th, 2008

EARLYVOTING

Early Voting Requests

Drop-down menu of ballot types

Drop-down menu of source options

Early Voting Return Process

- Envelopes are counted and reconciled to the Audit Tray report from the vendor to ensure that all are present prior to processing:

The insertion machine is used to put ballots, voting instructions, and return envelopes into the early voting packet:

Ballots

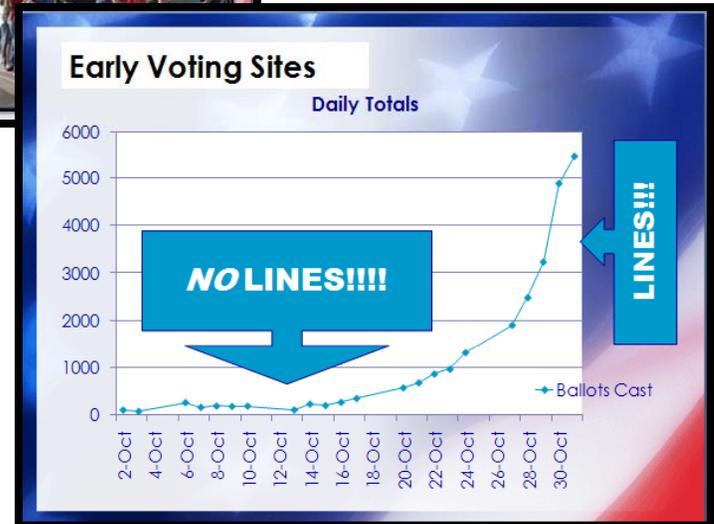
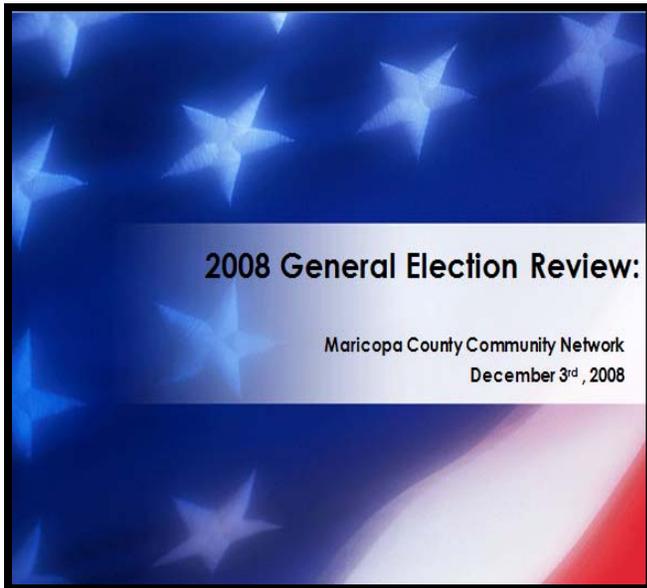
Voting instructions

All Mail election information for 2 different cities conducting all mail elections

Return envelopes

Early Voting Satellite Sites '08

❖ For a comprehensive review of the EV Satellite Sites please see the Nov 2008 Community Network presentation:

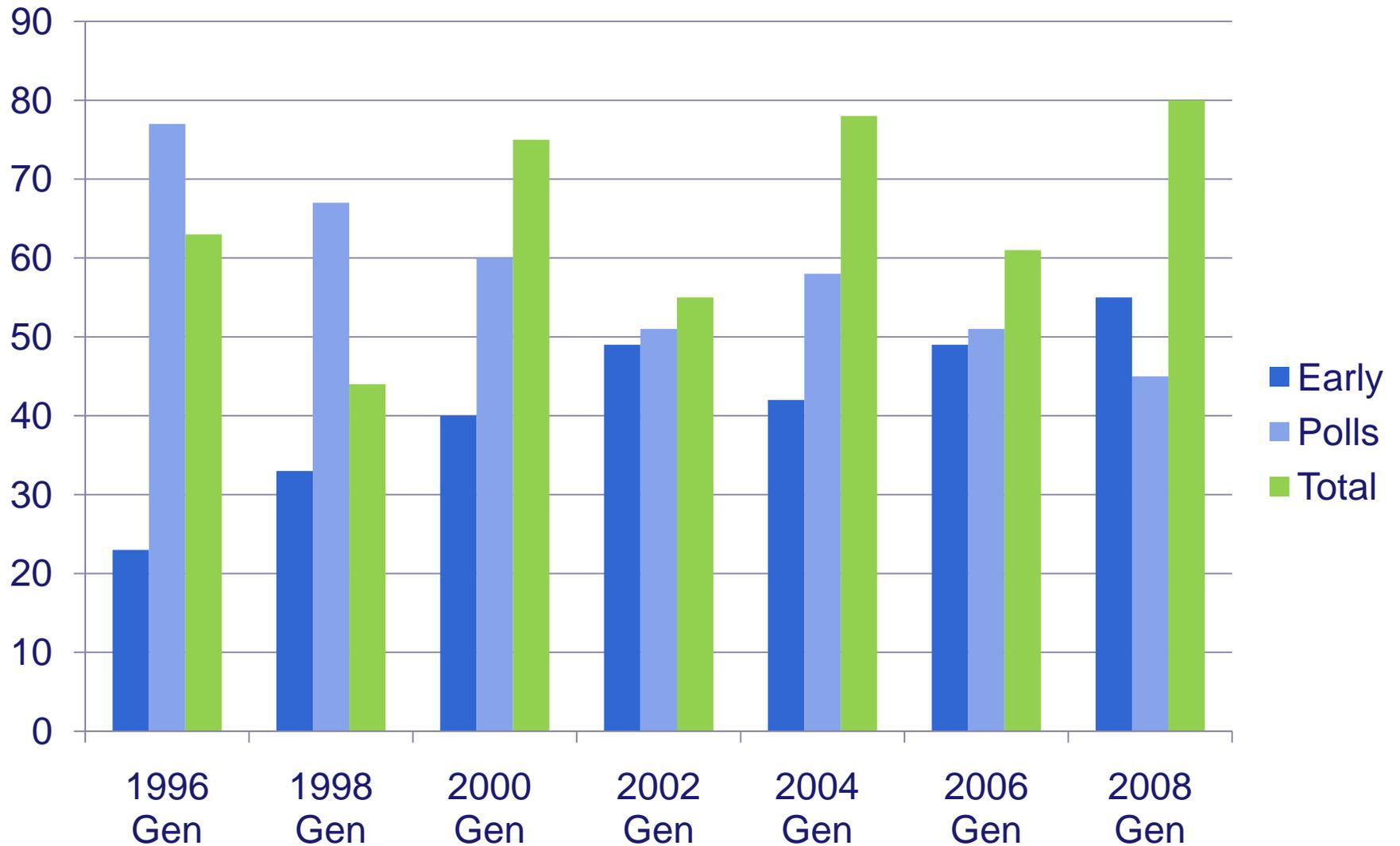


Early Voting Trends





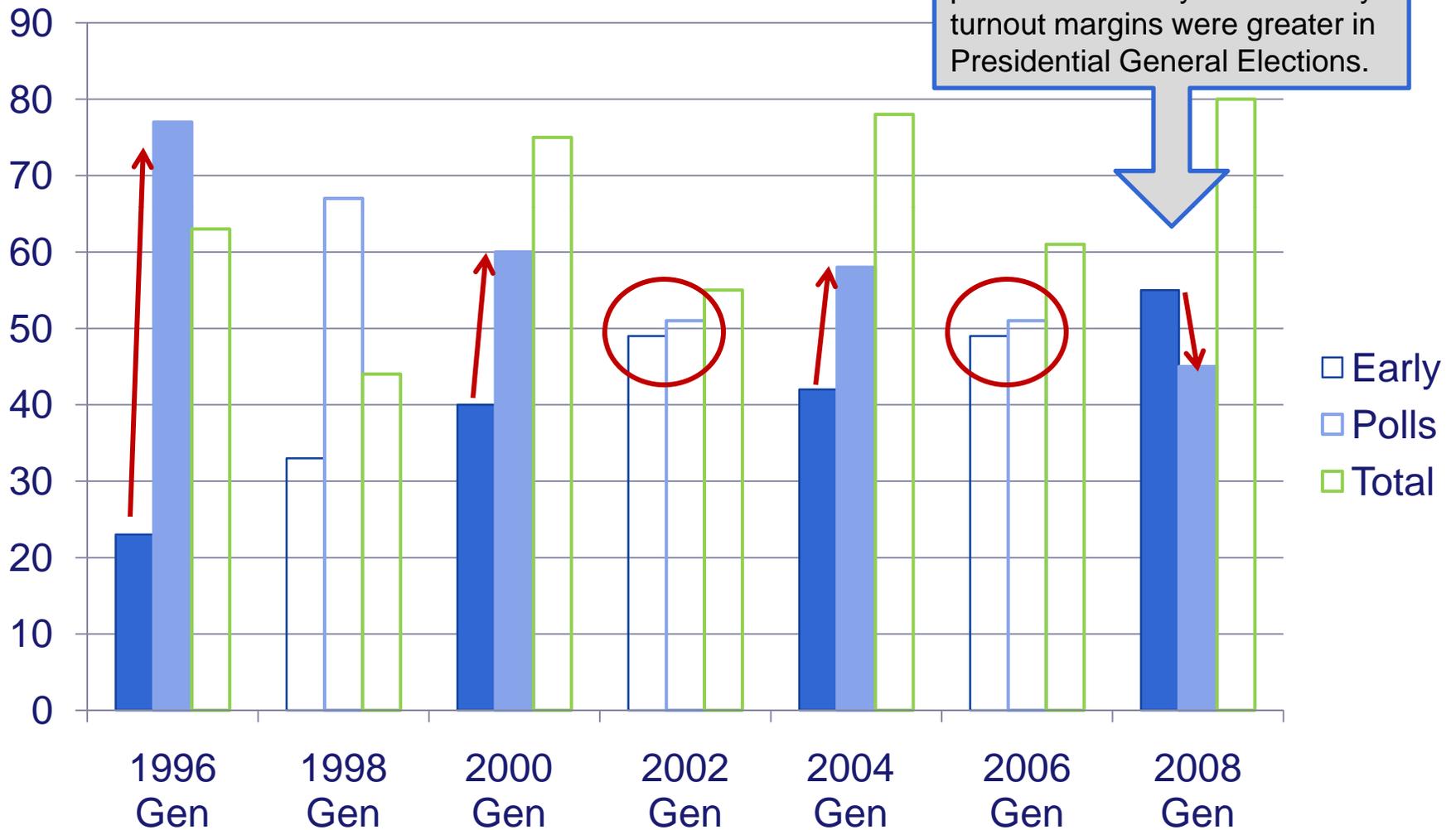
Early Voting Trends





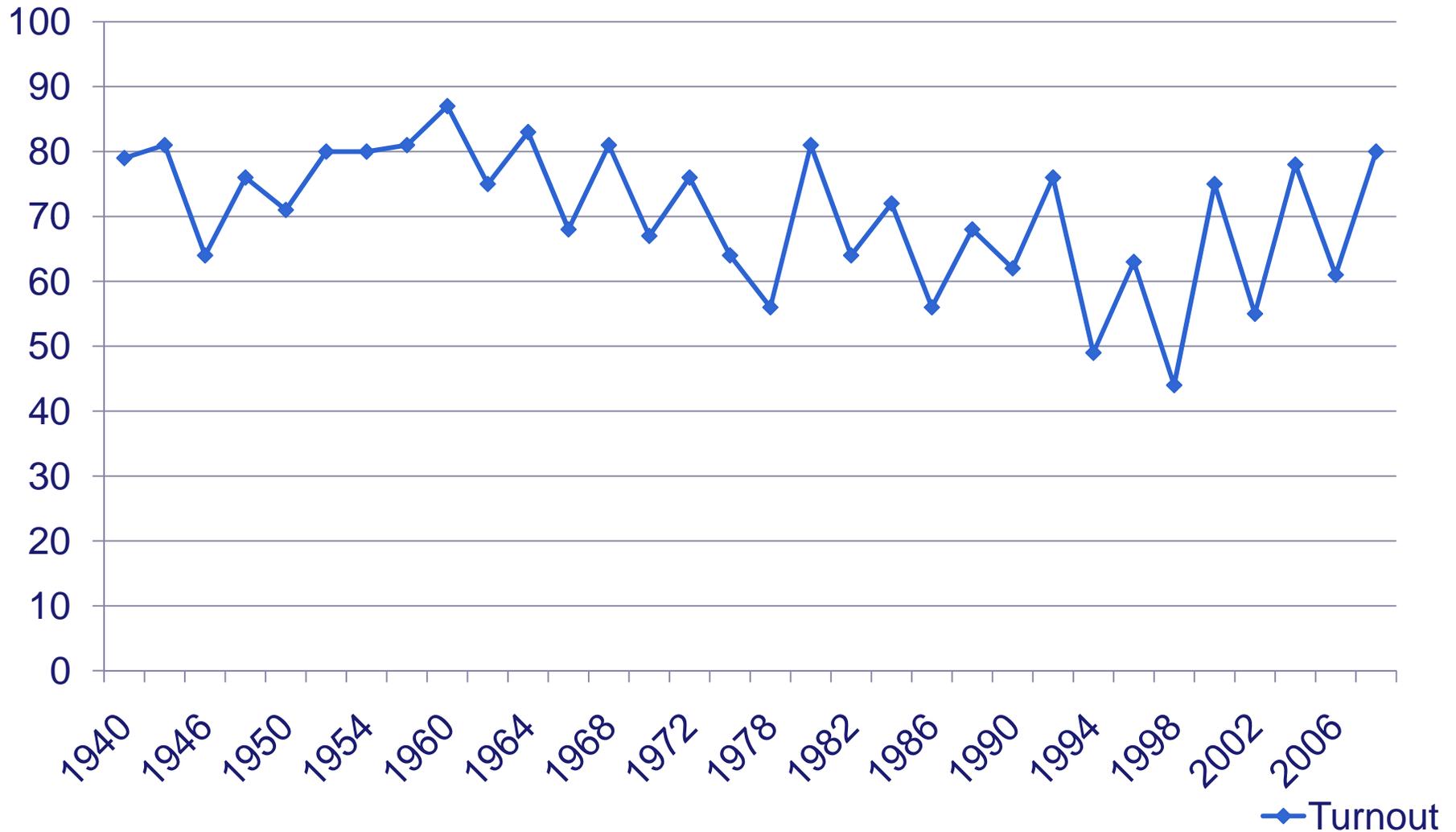
EV Trends In Presidential Elections

2008 was the first year that EV exceeded ballots cast at the polls. Traditionally Election Day turnout margins were greater in Presidential General Elections.





Voting Trends in General Elections



Requests & Returns





Online Requests

This page includes information on what to do if you need the ballot mailed to a different address than one on your registration. (In that instance we need a signed, written request for signature verification.)

As well as a reminder to not submit for an address where you no longer live since ballots are nonforwardable and voters want to update registrations to be sure that their ballot contains what they are eligible to vote for.



Helen Purcell
Maricopa County Recorder

10:40:02 AM Wednesday 03:25:2009

EARLY VOTING BALLOT REQUEST

Información de Elección en Español...
Seleccione una página para ver en español

To request an early ballot for upcoming elections, please complete the form below. A ballot will be mailed to you upon verification of registration. If the following information does not match our registration rolls a ballot will not be sent without an updated registration form being submitted because an original signature is required to modify your record. For information on how to obtain a registration form please see [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

If you desire a ballot to be mailed to an address that is not on your voter registration record, you must submit a written request that contains your: Name, Residence Address, Temporary Mail-to Address, Date of Birth, Party Affiliation (if request is for a partisan Primary Election), Election(s) requesting for and your Signature. Written requests can be sent by fax (802-508-8049) or by mail to:

Maricopa County Elections Department
510 S. 3rd Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Internet, phone and written request can only be accepted up until the second Friday prior to any election. Should you wish to vote after this time frame or if an election is not listed below, you may be able to vote at one of our offices in person up until the Friday before the election. For additional information please call 802-508-1511, T.D.D. 802-508-2348. For technical questions contact the [Webmaster](#). For tips on filling out the Early Voting Ballot form, [click here](#).

Resident Address Information Only - If you have a mailing address on file with us, your ballot will automatically be mailed to that address. If you wish your ballot to go to a mailing address that IS NOT on file, then you can not use this form. Instead, a written request is required that includes all of the information as listed in the above paragraph and this request can be sent by fax or mail.

DO NOT SUBMIT OLD ADDRESS INFORMATION

To see if you are registered at a former address, [click here](#) to use the "Voter Registration Status" page

Indicates a required field
**You must enter ONE of these fields

Step 1 - To begin your request, you must fill in ALL* of the following fields

Last Name*

Date of Birth* January 01 (1945 not 45)

House Number* (e.g. You live at 4569 E. Anywhere St. Apt# 218, ENTER ONLY 4569)

and ONE ** of the following fields

Voter ID**

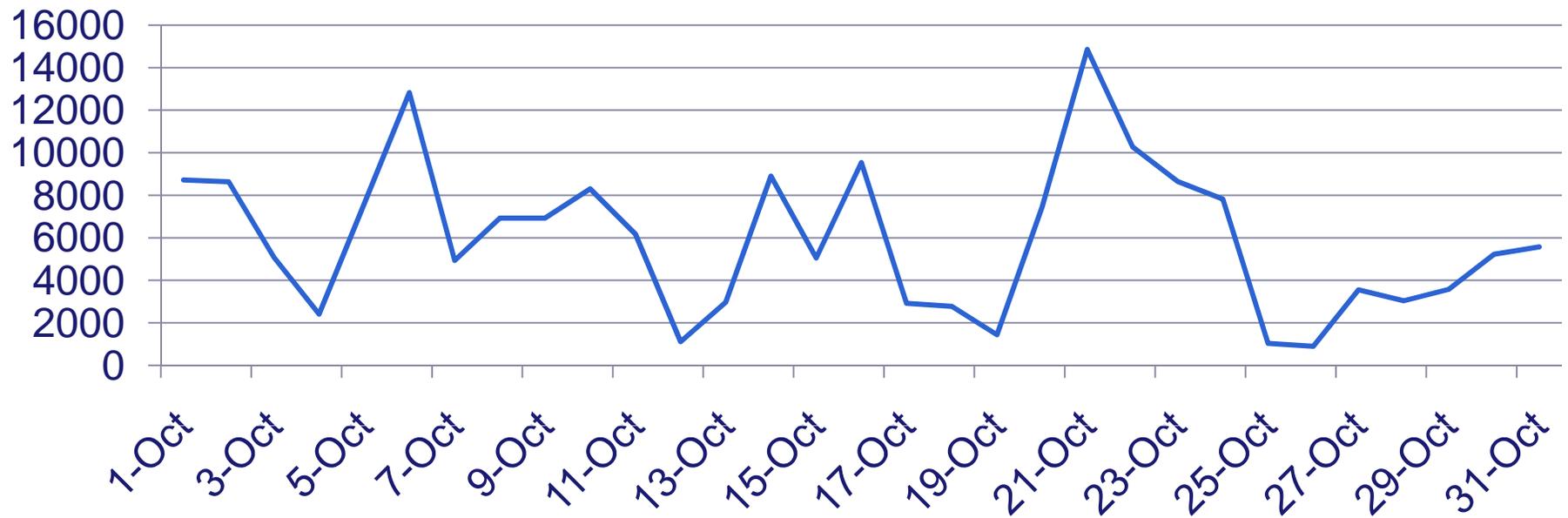
Driver's License Number *** or Non-Operating ID License Number (no dashes or spaces)

[Go To Step 2](#)

Requests



❖ For the 2008 General Election we had 185,197 requests for early ballots come in via our online request mechanism during the request period in October alone:





Online Requests

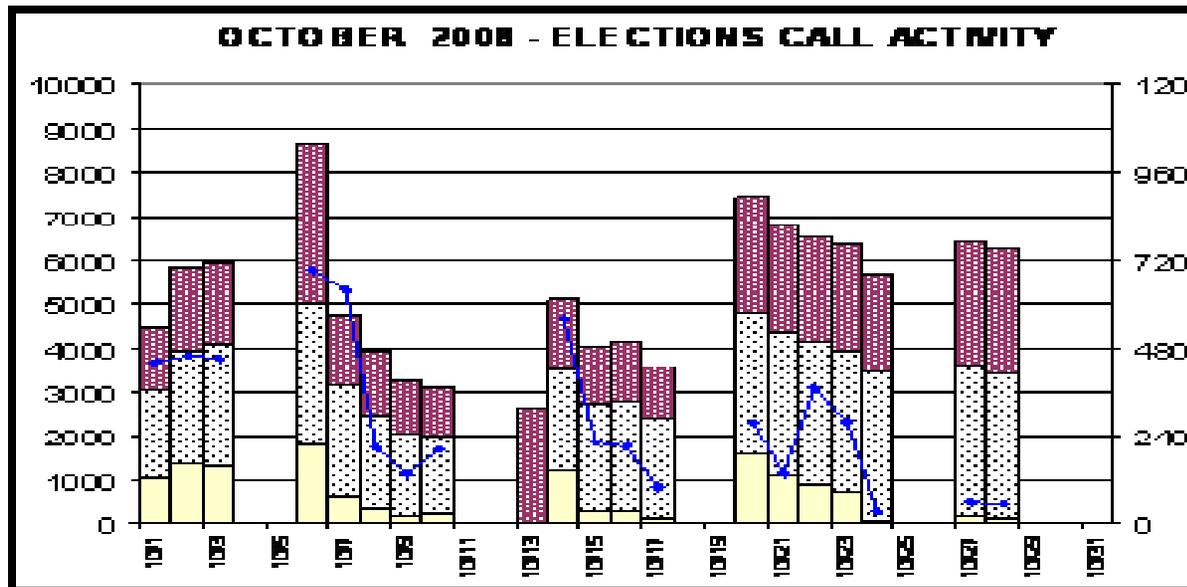
❖ That's progress!!



Requests

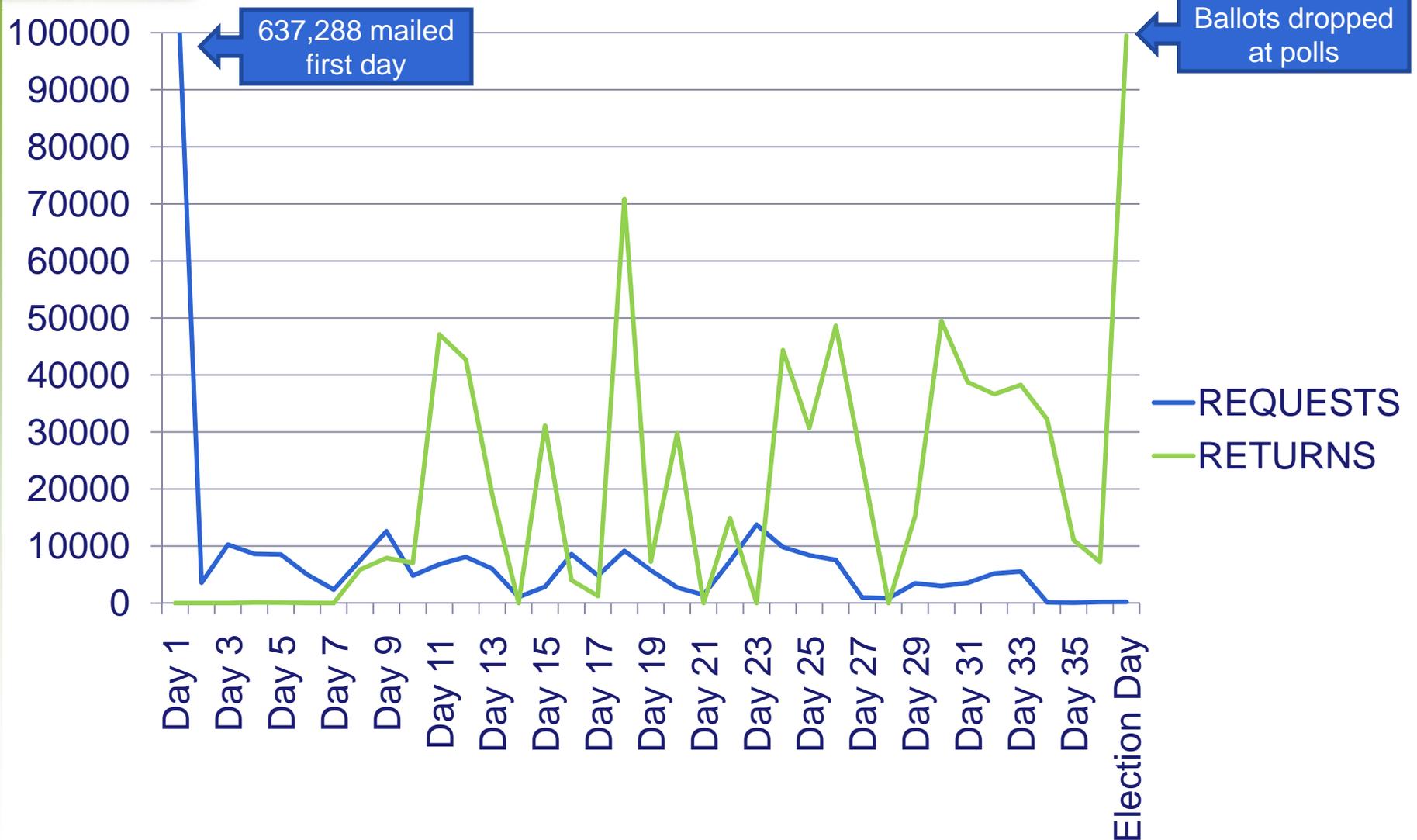


- ❖ The Star Call Center averaged 3500 agent calls a day **PLUS** the automated calls.
- ❖ The first few weeks were predominantly EV requests replaced by polling place inquiry as the election drew closer.



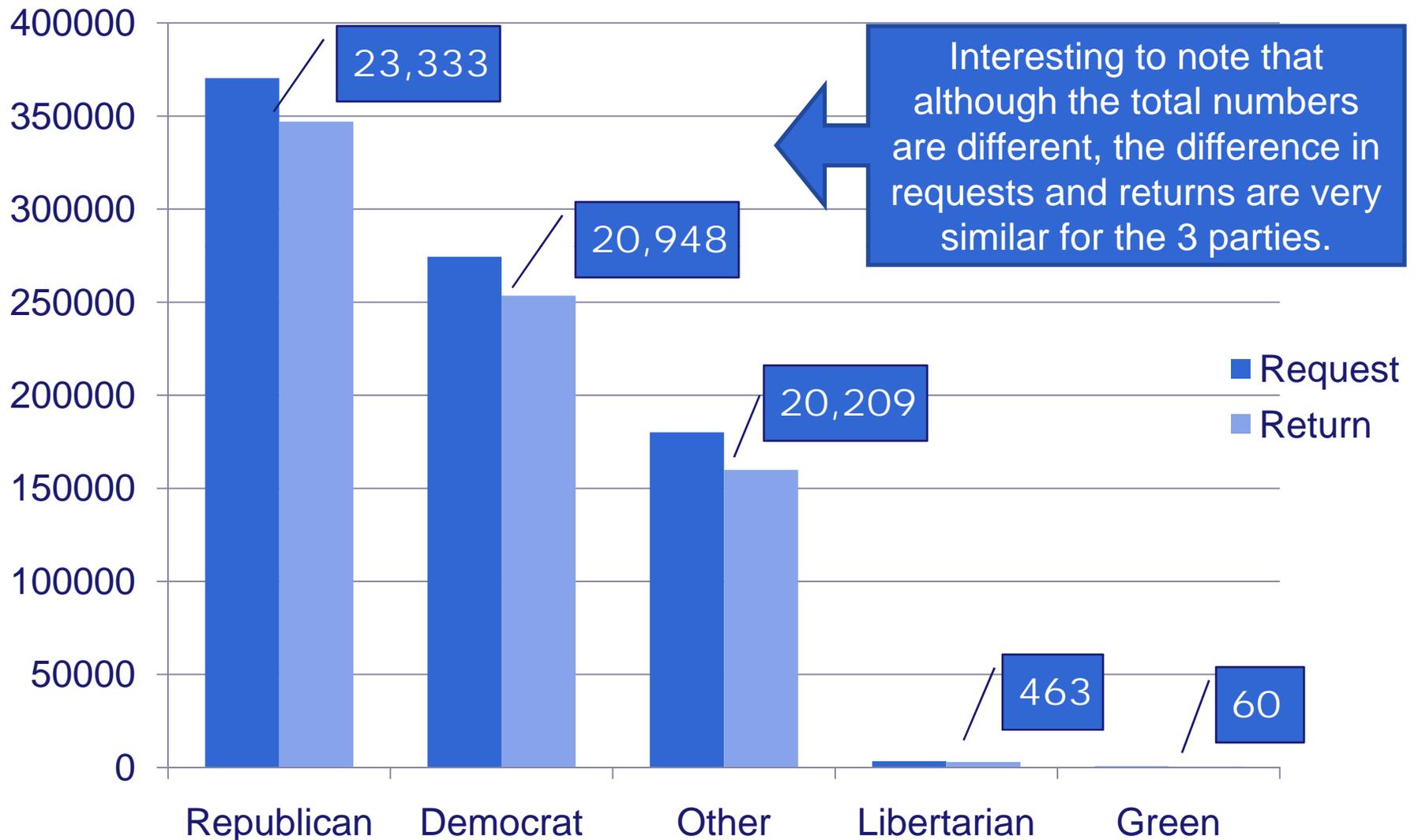


General 2008 Requests & Returns



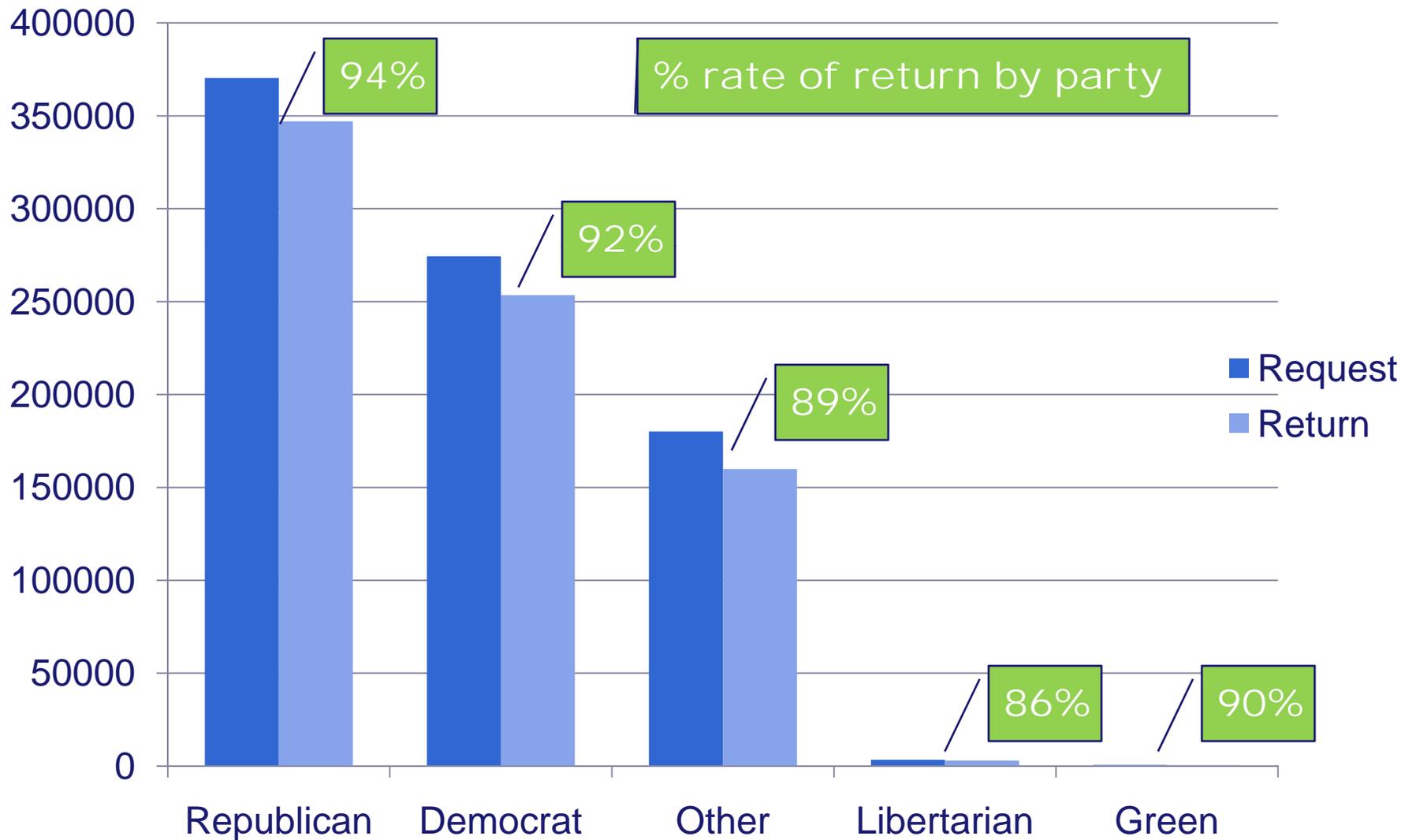


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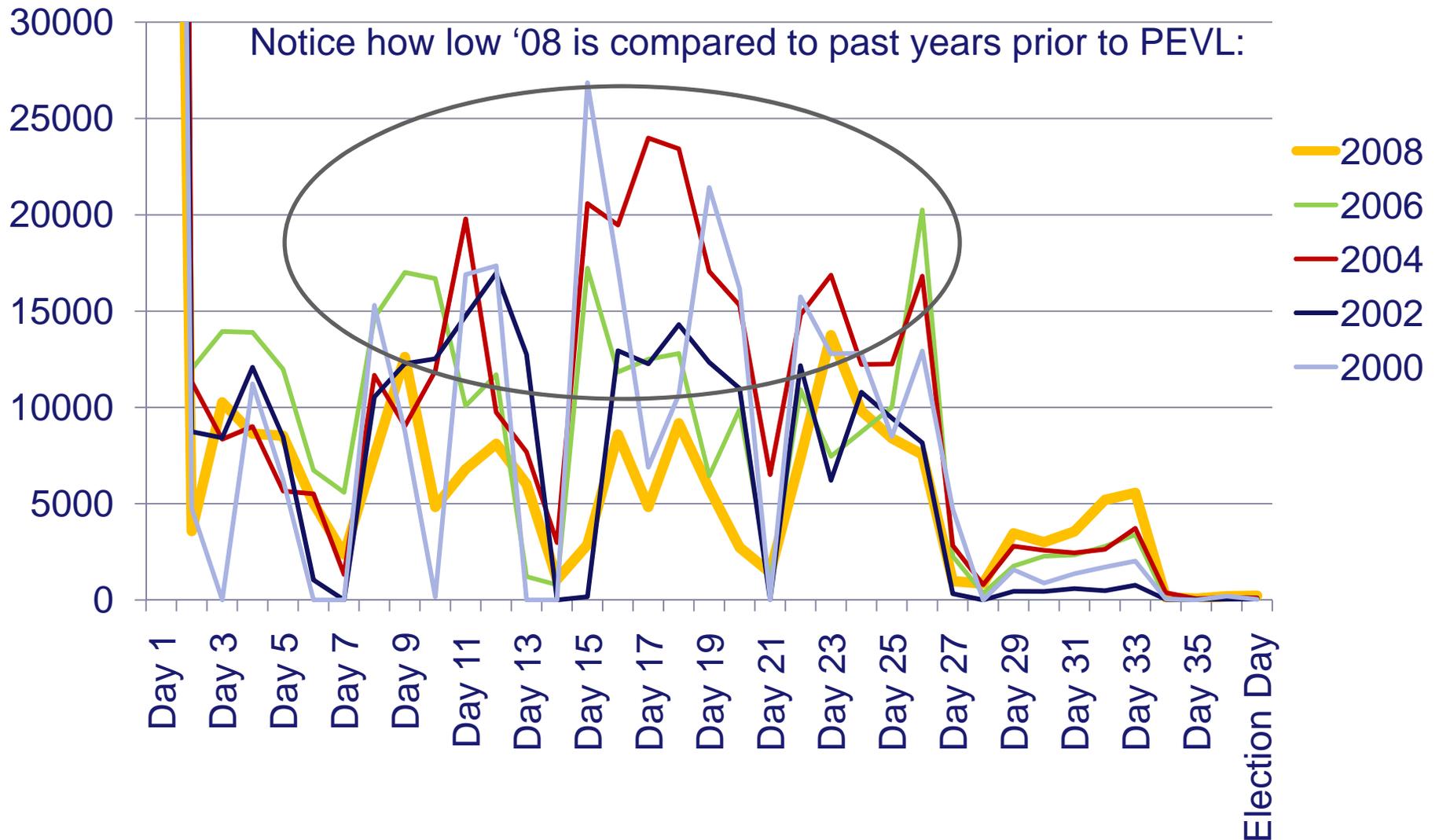


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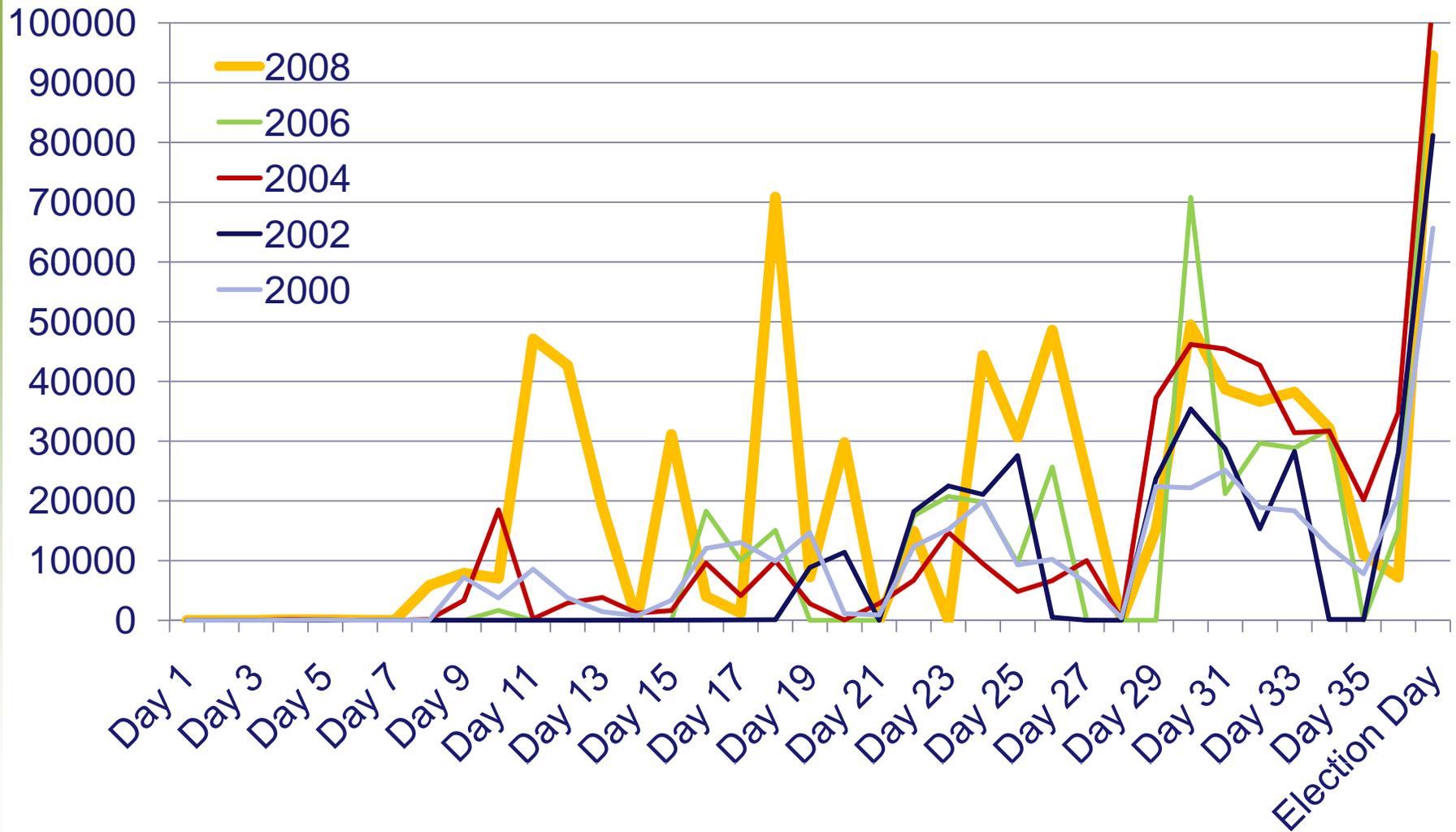


Requests In General Elections





Returns In General Elections



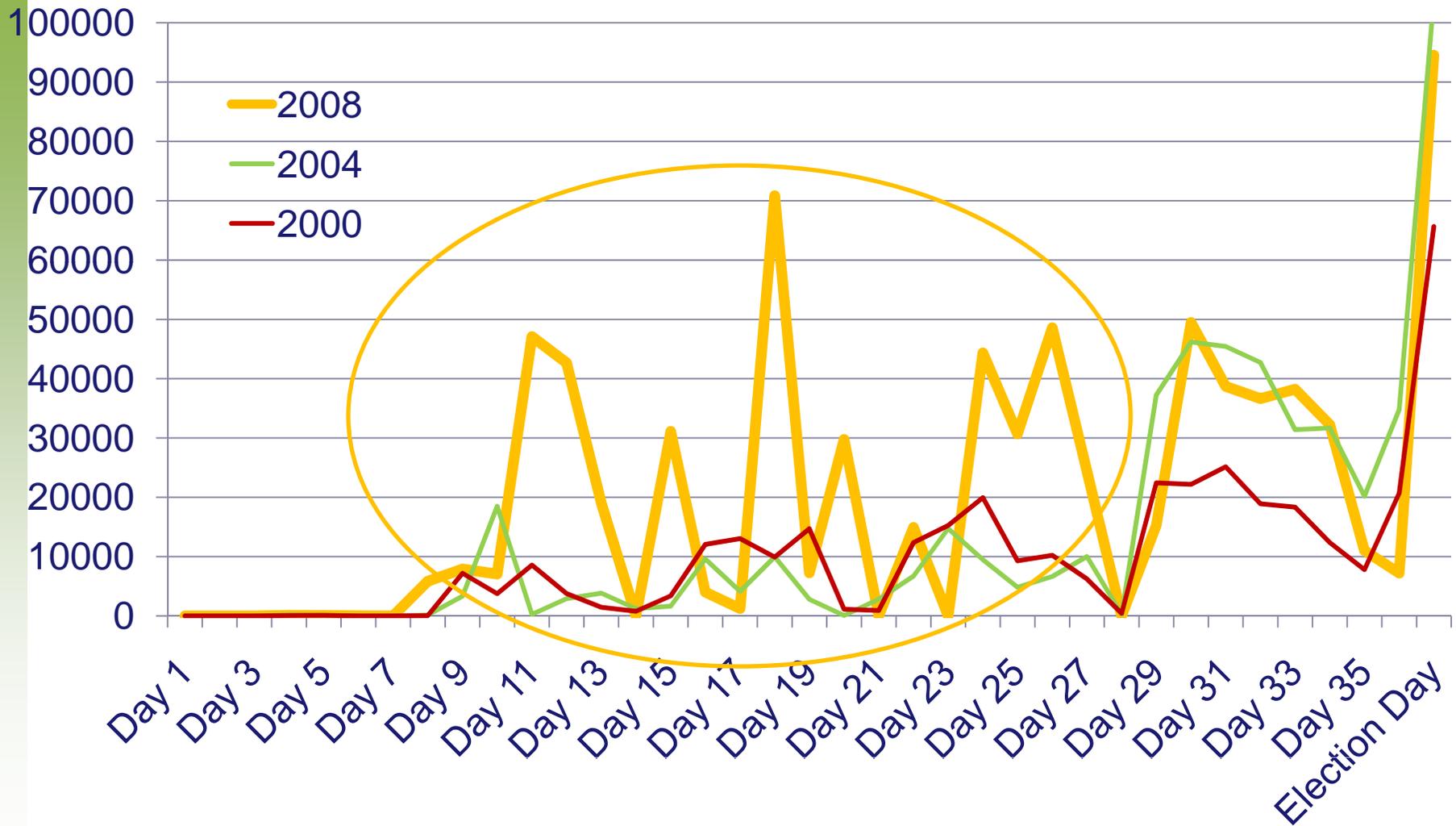


Returns in 2008

- ❖ You notice the early return rates in 2008.
- ❖ This can be for a number of reasons, or combination there of:
 - Permanent List (PEVL) allowed for voters to all get their ballots at the beginning of the EV period (they didn't have to remember to request it) so were able to return earlier.
 - Perhaps voters had made up their mind early on in this election.

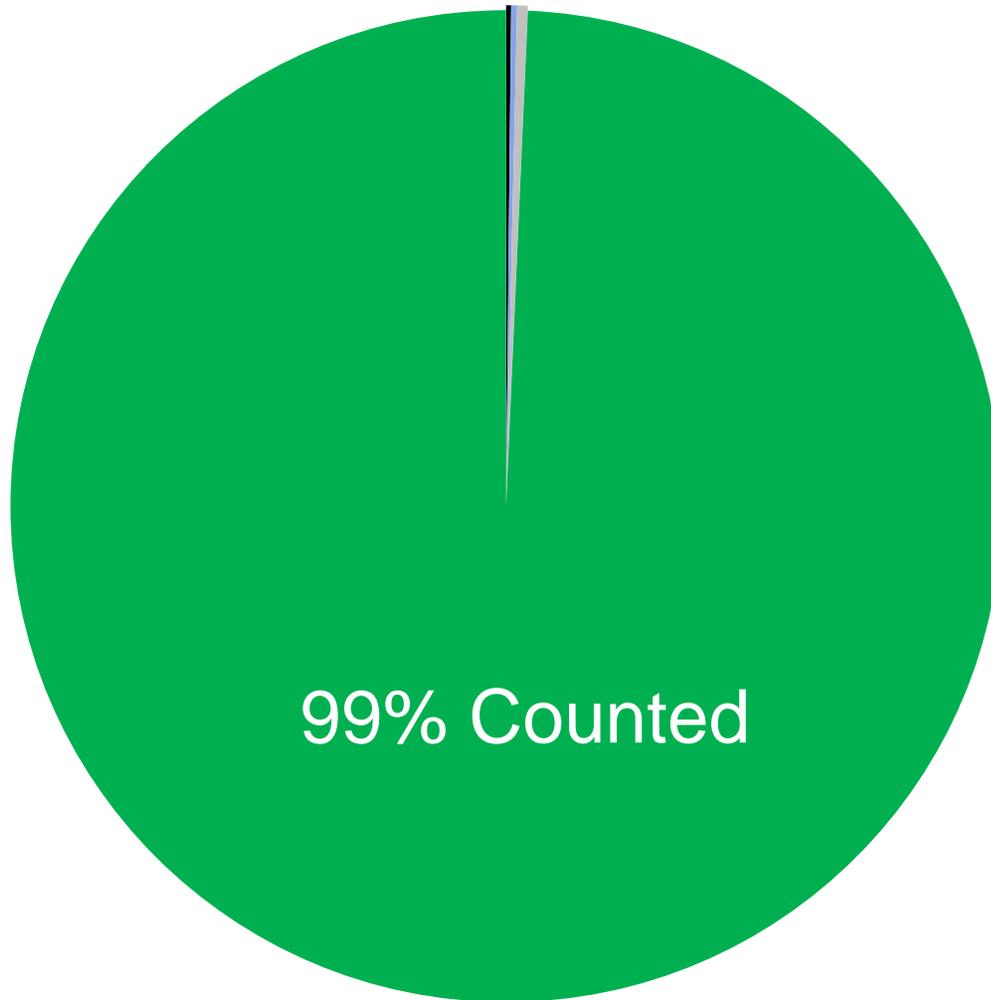


Returns In Presidential Elections





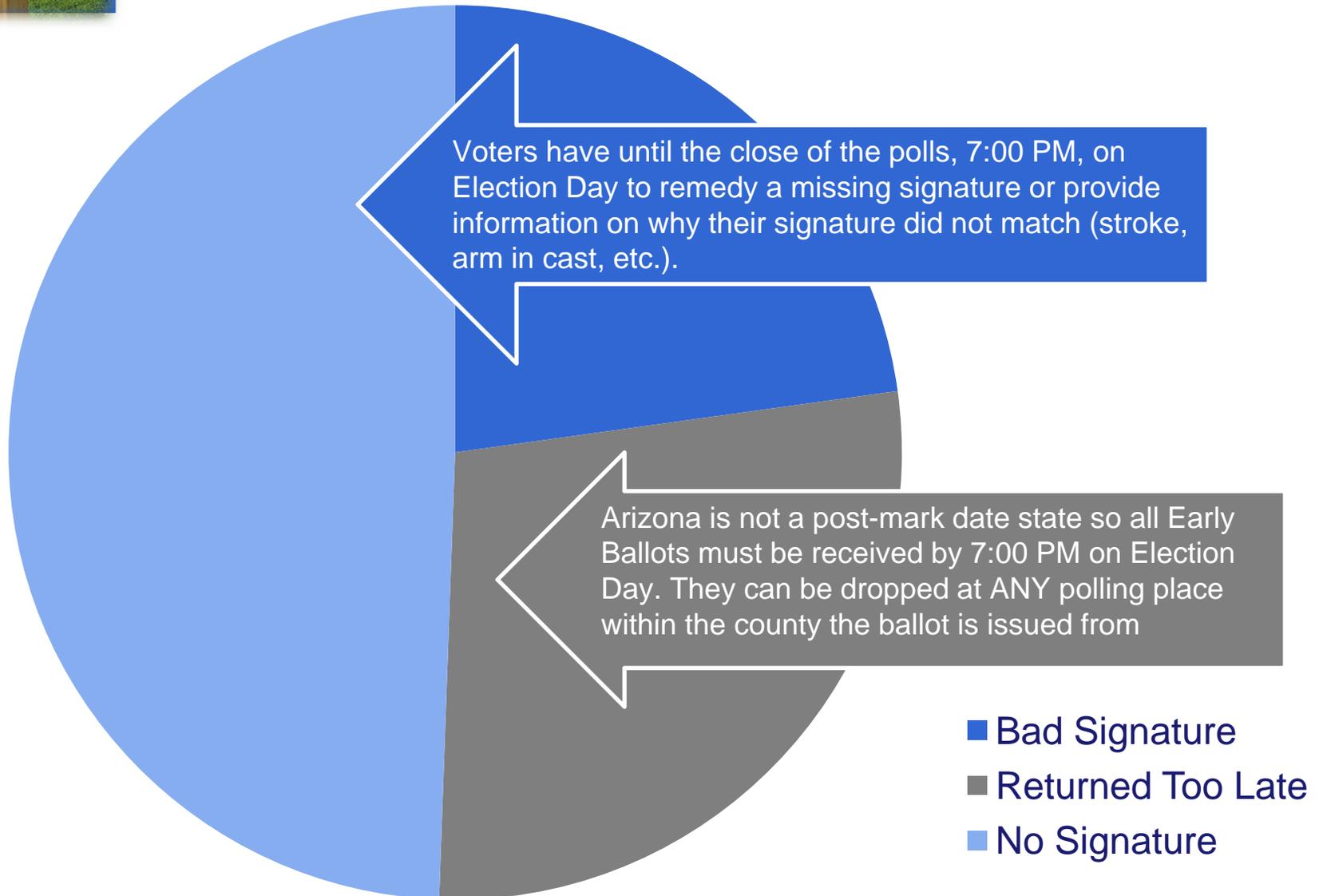
General 2008 Early Ballots Returned



- Bad Signature
- Returned Too Late
- No Signature
- Counted



General 2008 EV Didn't Count



Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL)





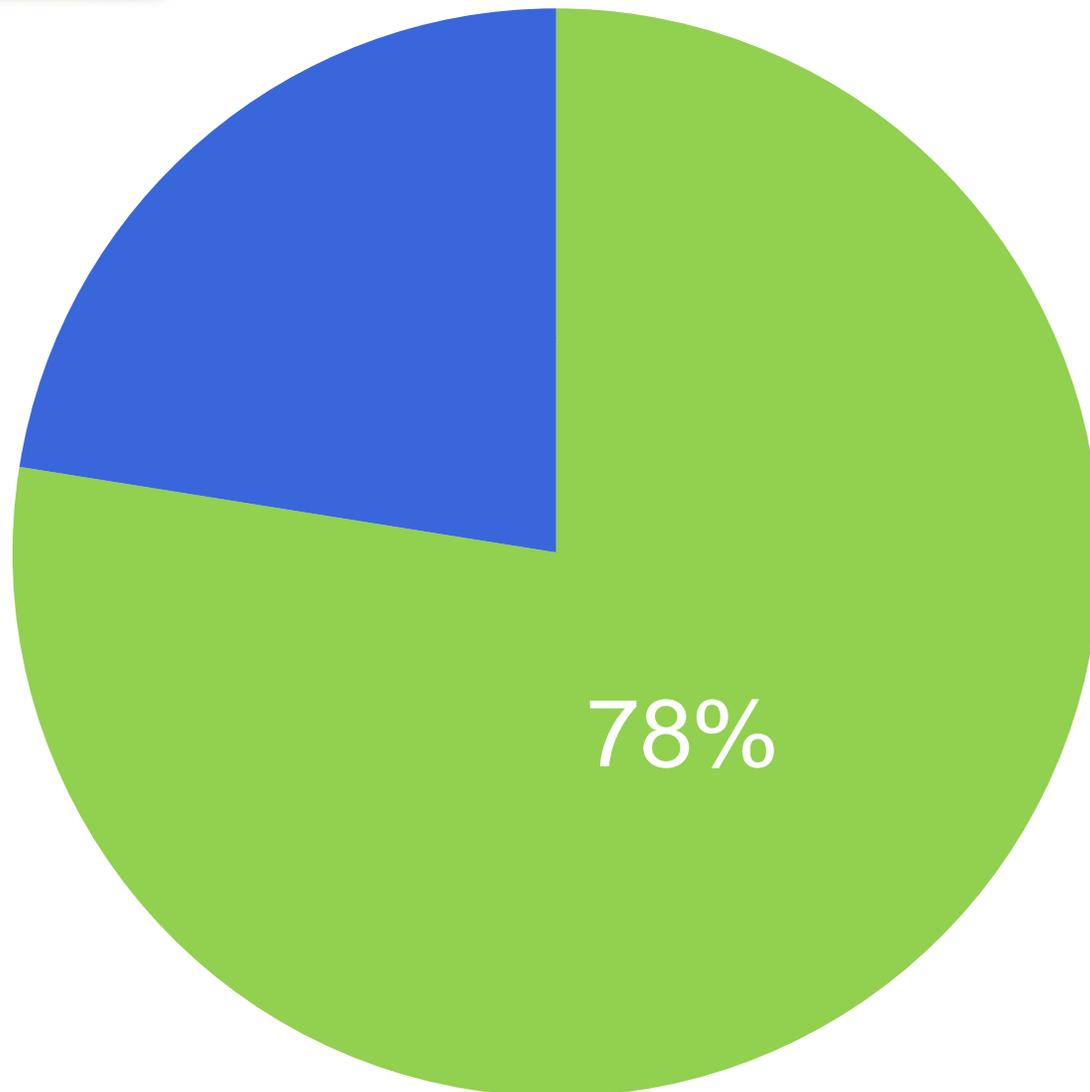
PEVL

- ❖ The impact of PEVL is noticeable in the increased volume of initial mailing of EV packets as we do not have to wait for additional notice from the voter that they want an early ballot for each election.
- ❖ This also allows for the status of an EV request to be printed in the Signature Roster at the polls reducing the number hand-marked by boardworkers.

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00301	EV	0325	
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PEVL % of Requested EVs



The vast majority of early ballots were sent to voters on the PEVL

- PEVL Requested
- Non-PEVL Requested



Initial Mailings on 1st Day of EV

2000

2002

2004

2006

2008

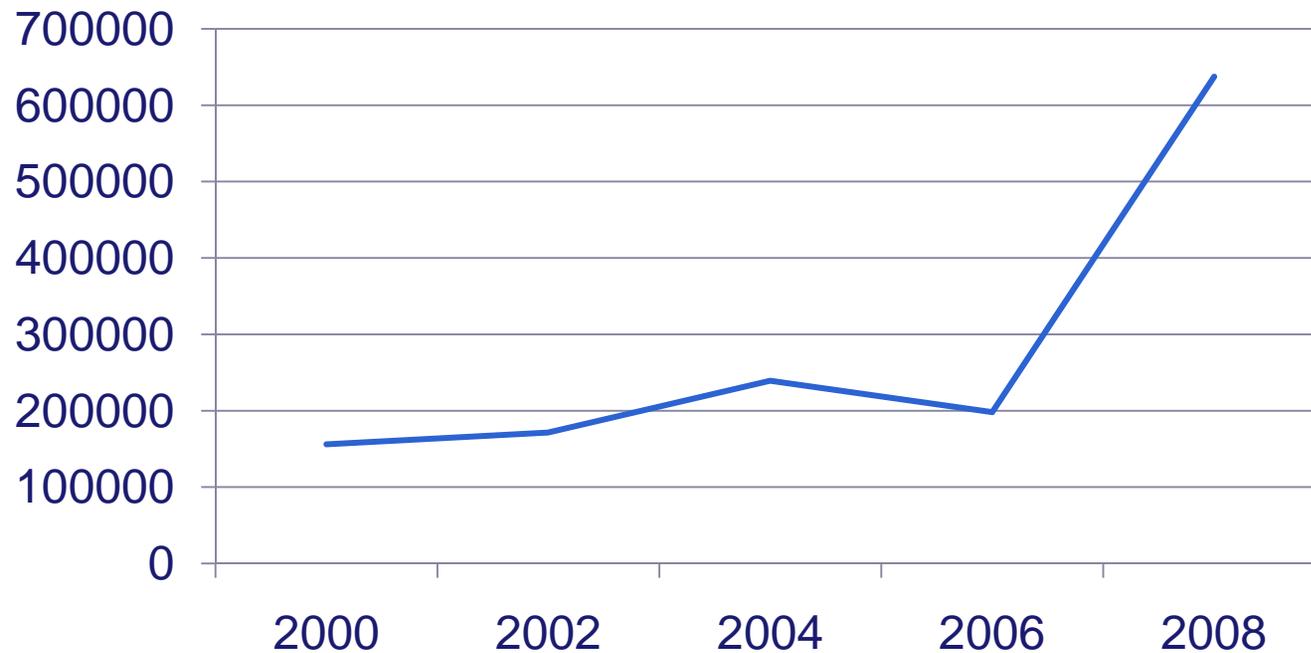
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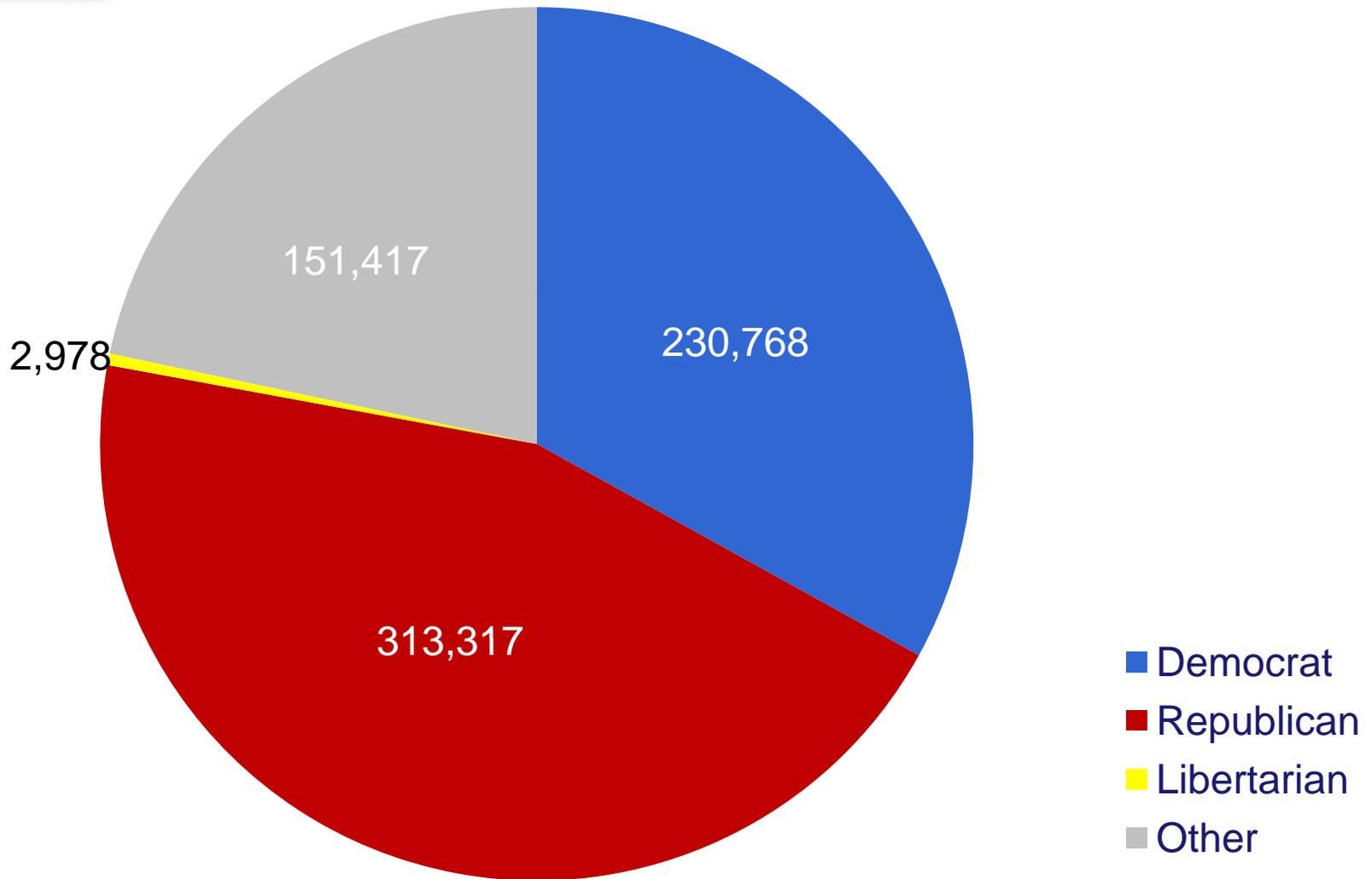
198,174

637,288





Party Make-up of PEVL





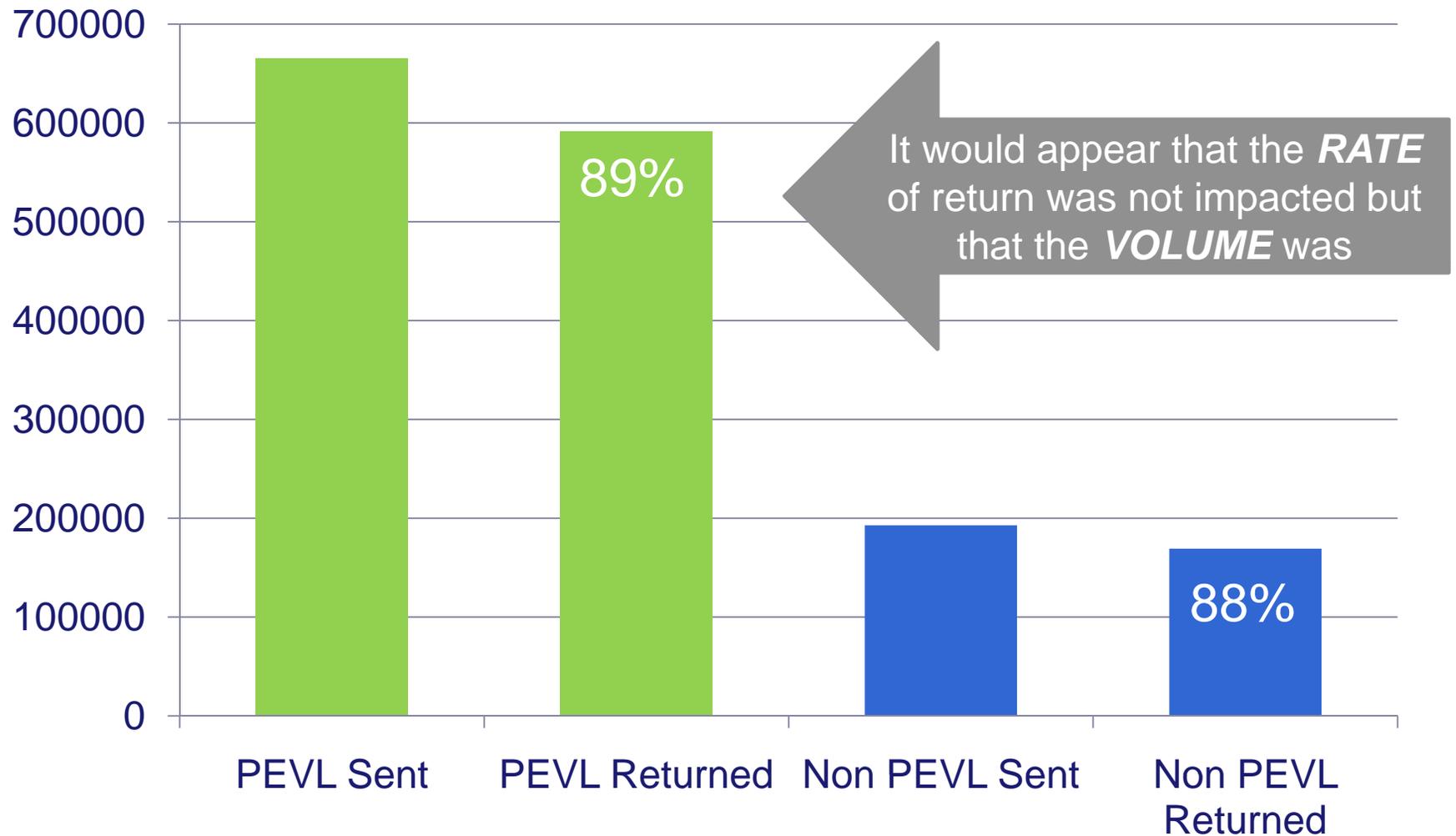
PEVL Rate of Return



- ❖ Hmmmm...how will PEVL impact the rate of return of ballots?
 - Will the rate be lower because the voters did not have to initiate a request for this particular election?
 - Will the rate be higher because the voters have early voting experience?
 - Will the rate be lower because the voters may have moved since the initial request?

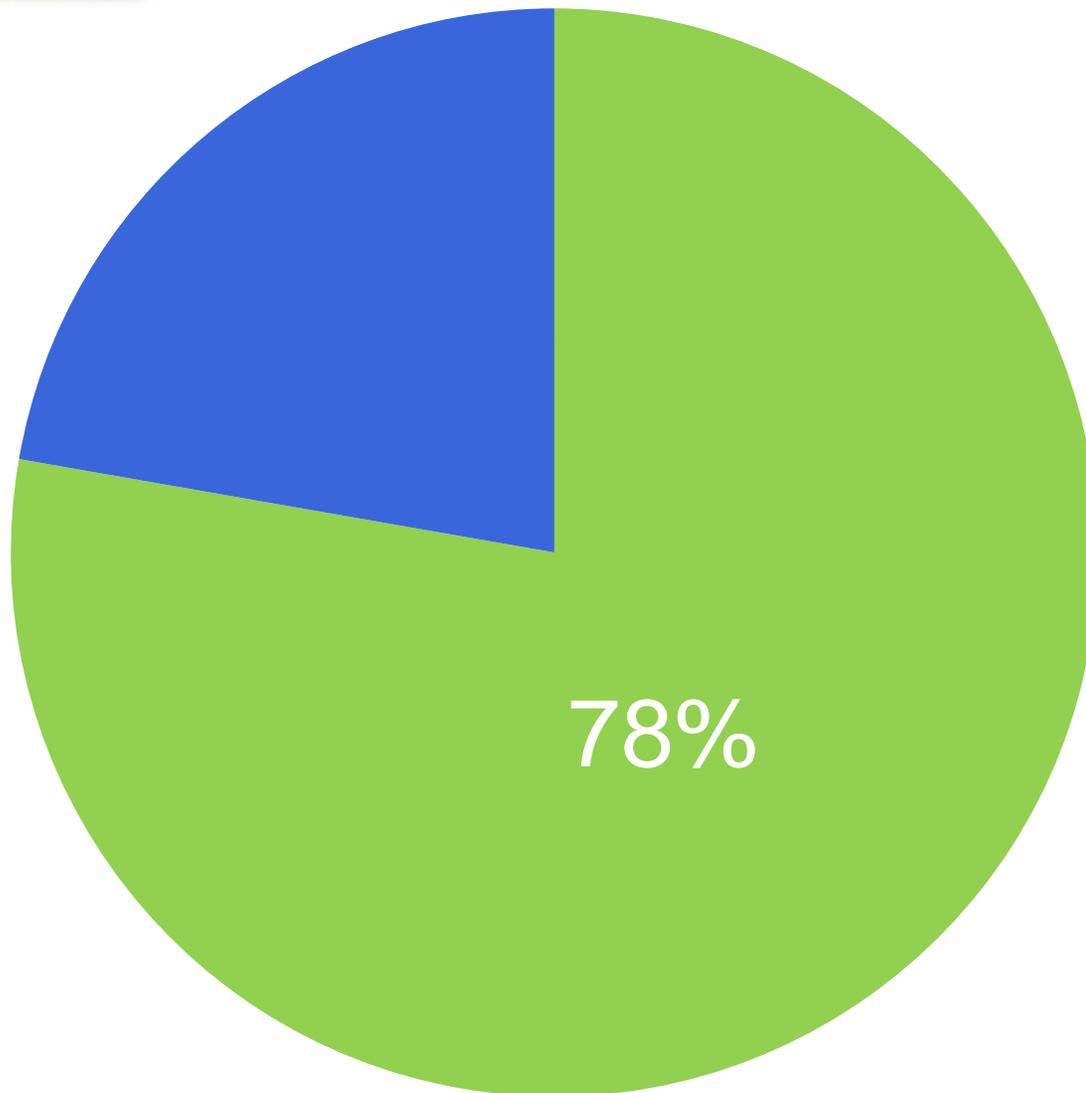


Rate of Return





PEVL % of Returned EVs

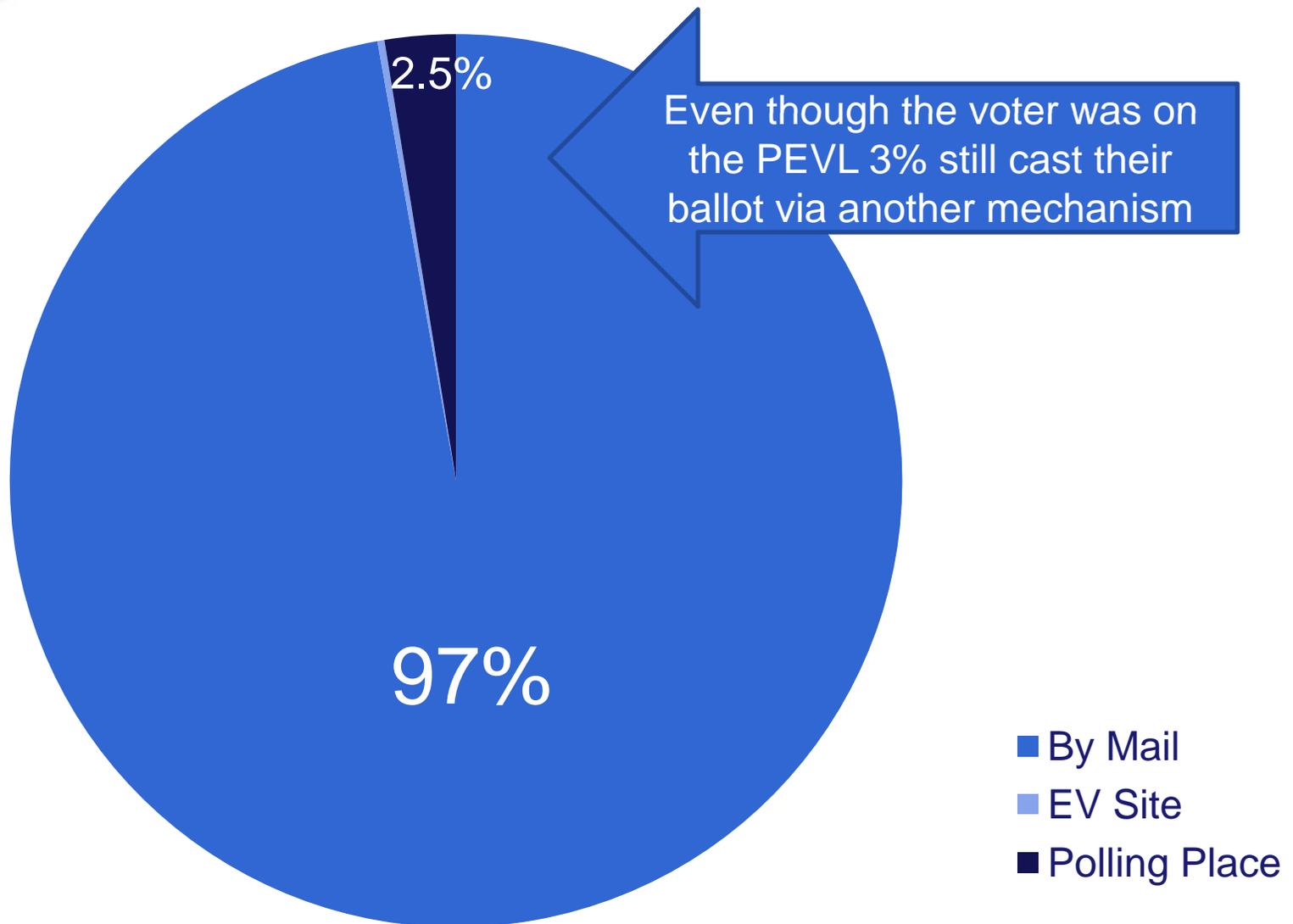


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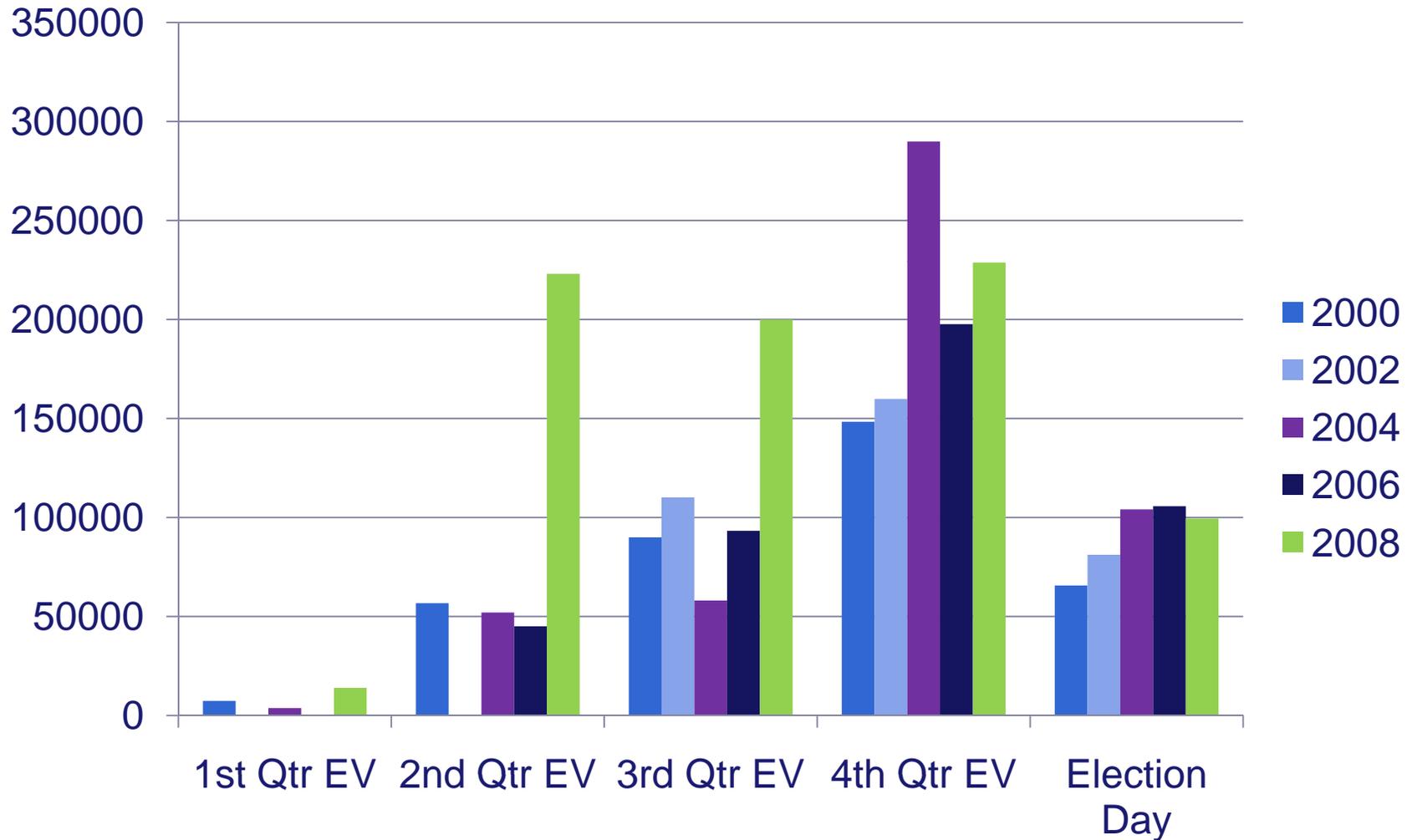
- PEVL Returned
- Non-PEVL Returned



PEVL Voters Method of Casting Ballot



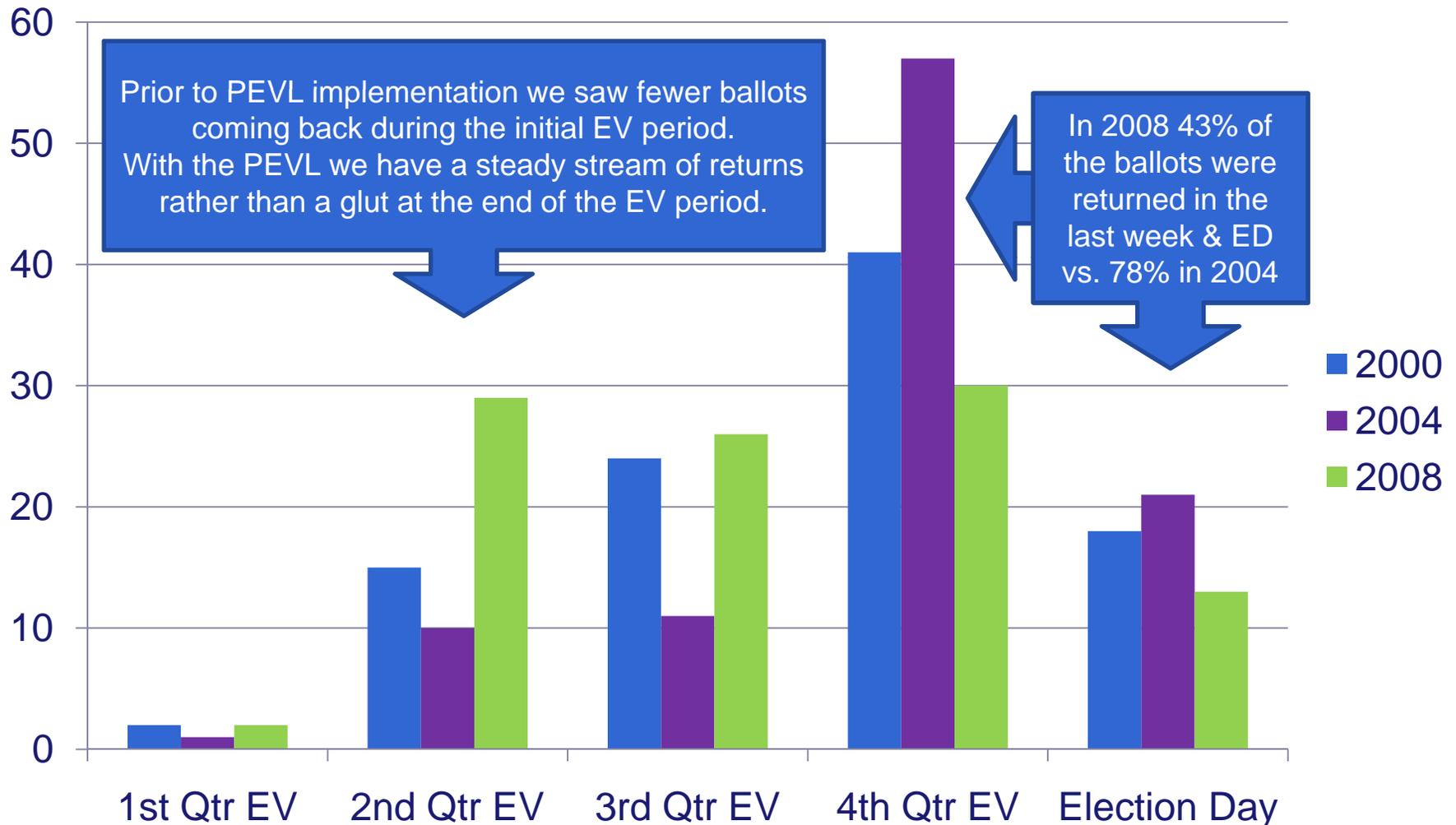
EV Returns



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EV Returns % Presidential Years



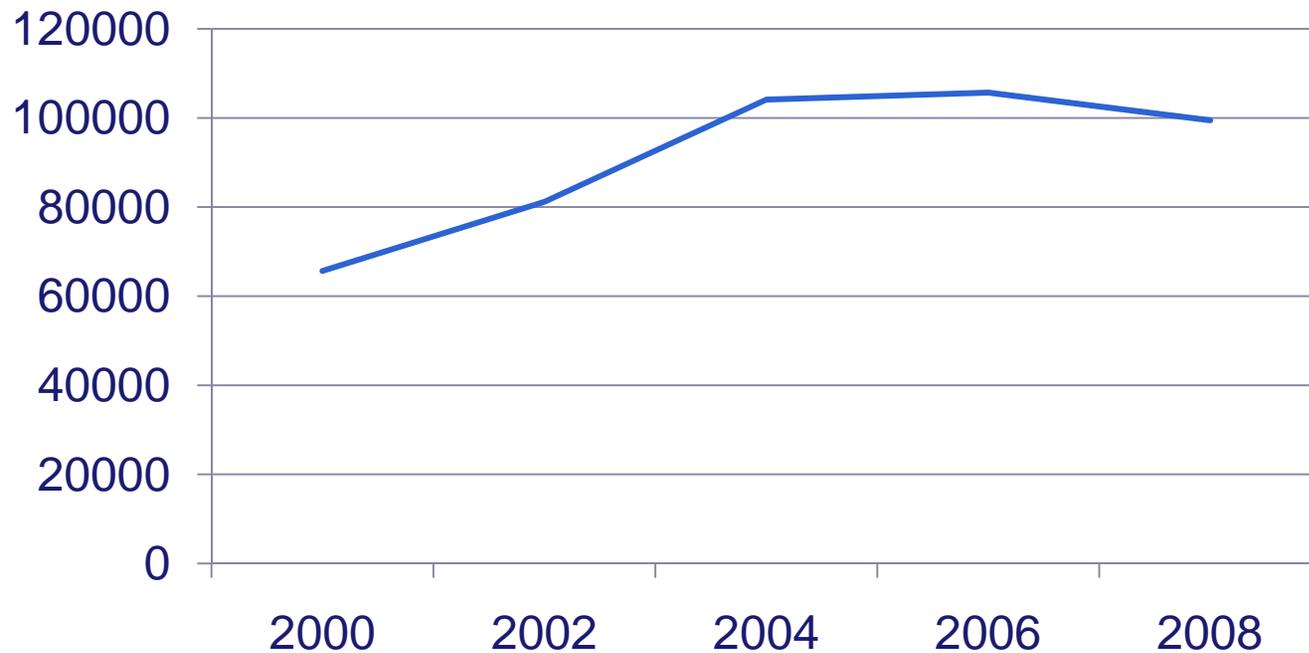
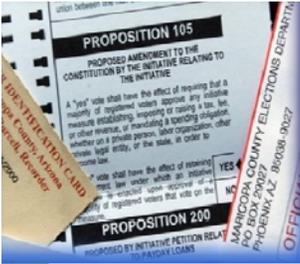
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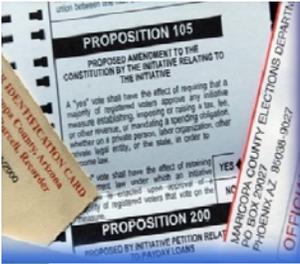


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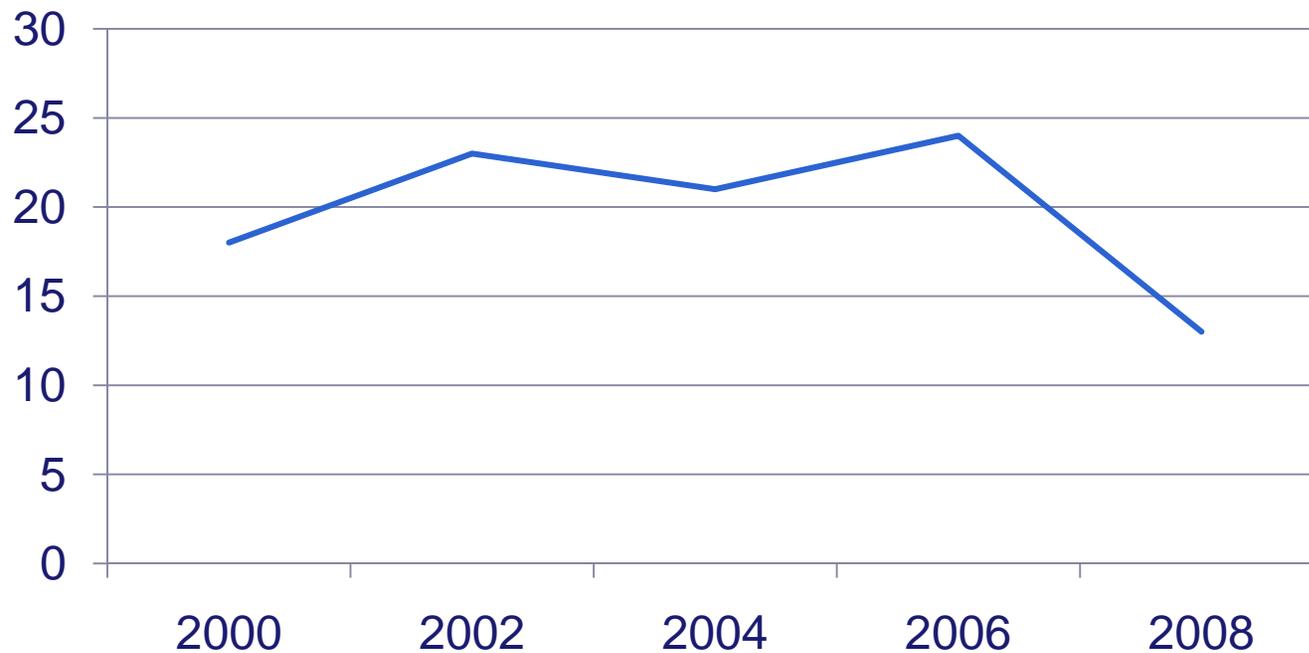


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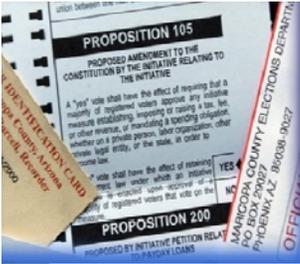


Election Day Drop-Off: % of all EV



Early Voting Categories





Early Voting Categories



By Mail

EV Sites

SEB



By Mail

- ❖ Hundreds of thousands of voters vote by mail in Maricopa County.
- ❖ For the General Election we sent out ballots in English, Spanish, Braille, and Large Print.
- ❖ Voter received assistance voting their early ballots in Tohono O'odham with the coordinated efforts of the San Lucy District Office and Elder Center. Some voters cast ballots in a federal election for the first time in their lives.





By Mail

- ❖ Voter information is available on our website in audio format in English, Spanish, & Tohono O'odham and ASL videos
- ❖ Brochures are also available addressing the unique challenges faced by Native American voters

TOHONO O'ODHAM INFORMATIONAL AUDIO

[Tohono O'odham Audio Glossary](#)

[Publicity Pamphlet Audio Files](#)

- [2008 Election Dates](#)
- [The address on my ID doesn't match](#)
- [When can I not register to vote?](#)

INFORMACIÓN PARA VOTANTES CON NECESIDADES AUDIO/VISUALES

ARCHIVOS DE AUDIO DE INFORMACIÓN PARA EL VOTANTE

- [Información sobre Registro de Votante](#)
- [Información sobre Votación Temprana](#)
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- [Instrucciones para Votar e ID en las urnas](#)
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- [Información sobre Pantalla de Toque con Audio](#)
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INFORMATION FOR DEAF VOTERS

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- [Early Voting Information](#)
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- [Polling Place Locator](#)

EARLY VOTING INFORMATION

*"Honor Our Past,
Invest in Our Future... Vote Today"*

By Mail



- ❖ Ballots are sent out to local voters still residing in the county, to other regions of the state, across the country, and around the world.
- ❖ College students, international business people, active-duty military—ballots travel great distances to reach voters.
- ❖ MCED must have a signed request from the voter for signature verification in order to send a ballot to another address.





By Mail

- ❖ College students across the country requested early ballots from their home jurisdictions
- ❖ While others registered where they are at school and voted there



New Voter • Freshman Chris Orozco registers to vote at a table manned by Jonathon Villanueva on the Arizona State University campus in Tempe. Villanueva is paid to register



**ASU student Michelle Jackson, 19, registers to vote for the first time during Wednesday's voter registration drive on campus.
Annette M. Drowlette/Staff**



By Mail

❖ For the 2008 General Election MCED mailed ballots around the world

To THE NORTH
POLE



From
KATHMANDU
NEPAL





UOCAVA

- ❖ The Uniform Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) was passed in 1986
- ❖ It requires that the states and territories allow certain groups of citizens to register and vote absentee in elections for Federal offices.
- ❖ This includes citizens living abroad, members of the military as well as their families

*Uniformed and Overseas
Citizens Absentee Voting Act*

UOCAVA



Overseas Civilian Voters

tuesday, september 9, 2008

Overseas Vote Foundation holds its first event in Uruguay



The Overseas Vote Foundation held its first-ever voter registration drive in Uruguay yesterday, helping at least 30 Americans here request absentee ballots from their local board of canvassers.

The non-profit group looks to "facilitate and increase participation of American overseas voters and military voters and their dependents."

But this year, **Bettina Hoar** (standing beside

U.S. Ambassador Baxter in this embassy photo) borrowed a computer lab at the Uruguayan American School in Carrasco and invited American citizens to participate in the November presidential election.



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India

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24 October 2008
Embassy's Voting Assistance Officer hits the Road

Sam Margollus uses the Voting Assistance Guide to find mailing address for his voting district in Pennsylvania
Embassy photo by W. Kolls

Great Britain

the **Korat Post**

Thailand

NORTHEAST THAILAND'S ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER



Overseas Civilian Voter



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Estonia

Article published in *The Baltic Times* on February 6, 2008

The ABCs of voting in U.S. election

Steve Roman

TALLINN - This is a contest you don't want to miss, and the race is narrowing: On the Republican side, John McCain and Mitt Romney now look to be the last two real contenders for their party's nomination, while Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama are battling it out for the Democratic ticket.

Interest in this year's Nov. 4 U.S. presidential election is sky high, not just among Americans themselves, but among pretty much everyone on the planet. It's a close race, and the first one since anyone can remember where there hasn't been a presidential or vice-presidential incumbent. Add to that the very likely prospect of Americans electing their first woman or black president, and you've got a recipe for the kind of drama that not even Hollywood could invent.

Though it seems everyone in the Baltics has an opinion about who they would like to see take over from George W., only U.S. citizens can vote, and U.S. embassies in this region are making sure they can do just that.

As part of that effort, the U.S. Embassy in Tallinn recently invited *The Baltic Times* to meet with Consul Rodger Deuerlein and other embassy officials to talk about what U.S. citizens need to do to register and vote, and how the embassies can help in the voting process.

The 'how to' guide

The embassy's main message is register and do it soon. Even with Super Tuesday already passed there may even be time to vote in some of the state primaries – the elections held in the early part of the year to decide who will be on the Democratic and Republican tickets.

"People overseas get very interested when the general election gets closer and people are sometimes caught unawares with the primaries. We try to get the word out. There's still time for perhaps, not Super Tuesday, but for some of the later primaries, and there's certainly time to register for the general election," said Deuerlein.



U.S. Consul Rodger Deuerlein
Photo: Jay Raman

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN
Last Update: Wednesday February 18 2009



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EMBASSY
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CITIZEN SERVICES
U.S. GOVERNMENT
ONE BIG THING
CONTACT US

AMERICAN CITIZEN SERVICES

Consular Section

- CONSULAR SECTION
- AMERICAN CITIZEN SERVICES
- NON-IMMIGRANT VISA UNIT
- IMMIGRANT VISA UNIT

ACS Services

- PASSPORT SERVICES AND FORMS
- REPORTING THE BIRTH OF A CHILD IN SWEDEN TO A U.S. CITIZEN
- TAX INFORMATION
- INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (ITIN)
- NOTARY PUBLIC SERVICES
- REGISTRATION WITH THE EMBASSY
- SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS
- CHILDREN'S ISSUES
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE
- VOTING ASSISTANCE
- BRINGING YOUR NON-U.S. SPOUSE OR RELATIVE TO THE U.S.

Sweden



NOTICE: Federal Voting Assistance Program Contest

The Federal Voting Assistance Program is pleased to announce the kick-off of the biennial contest to promote participation in the democratic process among citizens covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act -- members of the Uniformed Services, the Merchant Marine, their families, and all U.S. citizens residing outside the United States. For more information please see the [Federal Voting Assistance Program's website](#)

Where do I vote?

U.S. citizens do not vote at U.S. embassies and consulates. The electoral process is administered by the different U.S. states and you vote by mailing an absentee ballot to your home state. To apply for voter registration and to request an absentee ballot, American citizens abroad send a form called The Federal Post Card Application to the state where they last resided immediately prior to departing the U.S. The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) may be obtained from the Federal Voting Assistance Program website at www.fvap.gov. Please be aware of your state's registration deadline.

Some states accept the FPCA in faxed format, or by electronic submission, but they also require you to send in the hard copy by mail. Please consult the state specific instructions on www.fvap.gov to find out if your state allows these practices.

State laws regarding residence and who can register to vote differ. Acceptance or denial of voter registration is up to each state. Depending on your state, you may be registered permanently or temporarily, or allowed to waive registration to apply for an absentee ballot. For more detailed information, please see state specific information from the [Federal Voting Assistance Program website](#). Your local election officials should



- ➔ General information about ESTA
- ➔ Apply for ESTA
- ➔ SVENSKA BOKSTÄVER VID ESTA-ANSÖKAN
- ➔ Visa Waiver Program

- ALERTS -

Important notice: The consulate will be closed for training on March 17, 2009.

- ➔ Warden Message February 26, 2009
- ➔ Worldwide Caution
- ➔ Avian Influenza (bird flu)
- ➔ Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative

- INFORMATION -

- ➔ What the U.S. Embassy Can Do for American Citizens
- ➔ Selective Service Registration
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- ➔ Finding Jobs in Stockholm

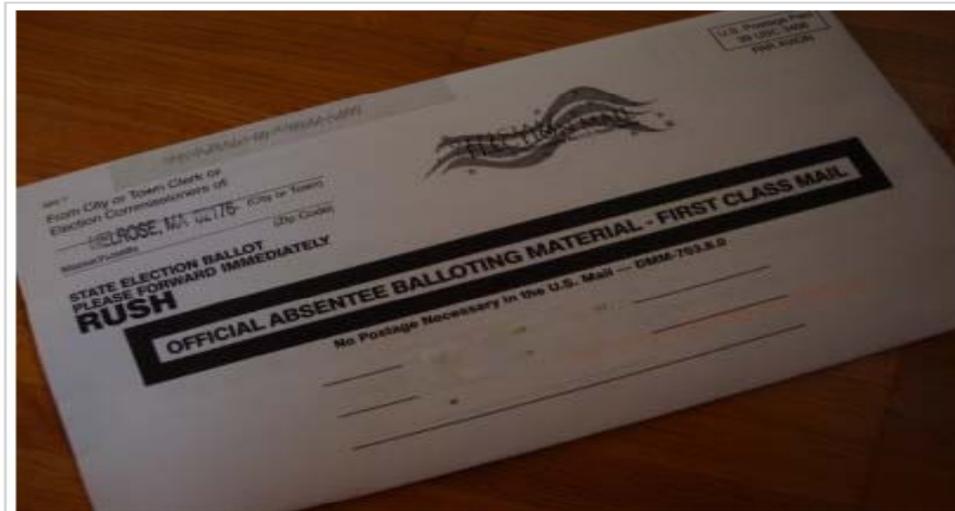


Overseas Citizens

- ❖ Some overseas Americans even blogged about getting their early ballots as did this student spending a year studying abroad in Switzerland:

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008

The Sweetest Thing...



I finally got it - my Absentee Ballot! Thank goodness, too, as I was starting to worry that I might have registered for my absentee ballot incorrectly and might be unable to do my civic duty! But alas, all is right in the world, and this bad boy will be going out on Monday morning to make the deadline... now... who should I vote for...? hm.... :)



Overseas/Military Vote

❖ Overseas/military voters have the ability to fill out a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register and request their ballot on the same document:

(After completion, fold to inside and seal before mailing.)
WARNING: Knowingly presenting false information in this application could result in criminal sanctions. Standard Form 76A (Rev. 10-2005)

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)

1. I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AND I AM (Mark only one):

(a) A MEMBER OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES OR MERCHANT MARINE ON ACTIVE DUTY, OR AN ELIGIBLE SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT

(b) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. TEMPORARILY

(c) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. INDEFINITELY

2. MY INFORMATION (Required)

a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle) _____ SUFFIX (Jr., III, etc.) _____ b. PREVIOUS NAME (If applicable) _____

c. SEX M F d. RACE _____ e. DATE OF BIRTH (MM/YY) _____ f. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____ g. STATE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR ID NUMBER _____

h. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No DSN number, include all international prefixes) _____ i. FAX NUMBER (No DSN number, include all international prefixes) _____

j. EMAIL ADDRESS _____

3. MY VOTING RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Required) (Military, use legal residence. Overseas citizens, use last legal residence in U.S.)

a. NUMBER AND STREET (Cannot be a P.O. Box) _____

b. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE _____ c. COUNTY _____ d. STATE _____ e. ZIP CODE _____

4. WHERE TO SEND MY VOTING MATERIALS

a. MY CURRENT ADDRESS (Where I live now) (Required) _____

b. MY FORWARDING ADDRESS (NOTE: Complete 4b only if you do not want your ballot mailed to the address in Block 4a.) _____

5. I PREFER TO RECEIVE MY ABSENTEE BALLOT, AS PERMITTED BY MY STATE, BY: MAIL FAX EMAIL

6. MY POLITICAL PARTY PREFERENCE (Optional, but may be required by states to register to vote in primary elections): _____

7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Designate the period for which you want to receive ballots - see instructions for Block 6, paragraph (3). Consult the Voting Assistance Guide for other specific state instructions.) _____

7. AFFIRMATION (Required)

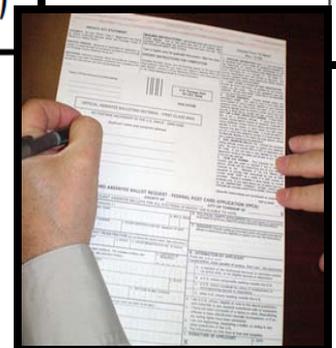
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1. I am a member of the Uniformed Services or merchant marine on active duty or an eligible spouse or dependent of such a member, or a U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S., or other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S., and
2. I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the day of the election), eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction, and
3. I have not been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated, and
4. I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S., and

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)

1. I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AND I AM (Mark only one):

- (a) A MEMBER OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES OR MERCHANT MARINE ON ACTIVE DUTY, OR AN ELIGIBLE SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT
- (b) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. TEMPORARILY
- (c) A U.S. CITIZEN RESIDING OUTSIDE THE U.S. INDEFINITELY





The Military Vote

❖ UOCAVA voters create a unique challenge for election administration:

- Highly mobile voting population
- Unconventional locations
- Frequent changes in location
- Potential lack of access to resources





The Military Vote

- ❖ Due to the extenuating circumstances our armed forces face they have other mechanisms available to them to cast their ballot.
- ❖ In Arizona the voter can receive & return their ballot via:
 - Fax
 - Online PDF
 - Email





The Military Vote

- ❖ In past elections MCED has even negotiated having a ballot present when a submarine surfaced for the serviceperson to get, vote, and return before returning to the ocean's depths!





The Military Vote

❖ The military attempts to keep enlisted personnel apprised of deadlines and process:

Don't forgo voting – let voice be heard by absentee ballot



GRAFENWOEHR, Germany – With barely 200 days left before the next U.S. president is elected, Americans living overseas can take advantage of their right to vote by registering for a federal absentee ballot. For example, 30 members of the U.S. Army Grafenwoehr community completed the federal postcard application during a recent voters registration drive here. [Click here for more](#)

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By [Jim Tice](#), Staff writer
Posted : Wednesday Jul 25, 2008 07:57:47 EDT

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Troops can register by filling out a Federal Post Card Application (Standard Form 76), available from unit voting assistance officers.

The voting assistance officers have all the information needed to properly fill out the applications to comply with state voting regulations, which vary from state to state, Johnson said.

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)

1. FEDERAL ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - ALL ELECTIONS IS AVAILABLE TO ALL U.S. CITIZENS WHO ARE ABSENT FROM THEIR HOME STATES AT THE TIME OF THE ELECTIONS.

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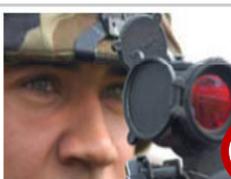
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ACTIVE DUTY



AKO - Army Knowledge Online (AKO) is the U.S. Army's restricted intranet for soldiers and DA civilians. It provides quick access to over 300 applications and services. [read more](#)

Voting Rights - Members of the military, their family members and all U.S. citizens overseas are able to vote under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA). [read more](#)

This Week's Issue



The Military Vote

Overseas Troops, Civilians Can Vote By Absentee Ballot



WASHINGTON, Aug. 15, 2008 - With fall general elections approaching, U.S. servicemembers and civilians living overseas should now be thinking about obtaining absentee ballots to vote, the Defense Department's senior voting official urged today. [Click here for more](#)

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Voting

2008 is a historical year in voting! Remember that in order to vote, you must be registered. Please ensure that you have filled out an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA). They can be found in the Adjutant's office located on the second deck of Building 60.

Frequently Asked Questions

1) Why should I vote?
Voting is a right that all Americans have and should exercise. Did you know that in 1998, fewer than one in five 18-to-24-year-olds bothered to vote? What's their reason? They were too busy!

2) How can I start voting?
Application (FPCA) at the Adjutant's office located on the second deck of the card and mail to your respective county.

FPCA?
Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act for the members of the U.S. Uniformed Services, U.S. Merchant Marine, and U.S. citizens that reside outside the country.

Changes your mailing address to your current location, and

How to get voting information. One is [www.fvap.gov](#). Another is [www.fvap.gov](#).

For more information on FPCA cards, you may be reached by calling either (910) 451-XXXX.

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Updated: Wednesday Jul 23, 2008 6:49:04 EDT

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Federal Voting Assistance Program

❖ FVAP offers a variety of resources to voters online:

The screenshot shows the FVAP website homepage. At the top left is the FVAP logo with the tagline "Voting Help For Uniformed Service Members, Their Families, & Citizens Living Outside The U.S." and links for "For Voting Assistance Officers" and "For Election Officials". A navigation menu includes "HOME", "UNIFORMED SERVICES MEMBERS", "CITIZENS OUTSIDE U.S.", "REFERENCE CENTER", "FAQ", and "CONTACT", along with a search bar. The main content area features a large heading "To Vote Absentee, Start By Telling Us Who You Are" and two columns of options: "I am a uniformed service member or a family member" and "I am a citizen living outside the U.S.", each with a "Get Started" button. A sidebar on the right displays "Election Countdown 601 Days", "News" with dates from March 11, 2009, to January 16, 2009, "Quick Links" with various registration and ballot request links, and an "RSS Subscribe" button. A footer note states: "If neither of these choices apply to you, please visit www.canivote.org".



Resources for Voters

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Absentee Voting for Overseas Citizens

What would you like to do?

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[Get Started](#)

Complete a Back-up Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot
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❖ As does the Overseas Vote Foundation:

MILITARY VOTER SERVICES
Secure, nonpartisan voter services for members of the U.S. Uniformed Services and their eligible spouses and dependents

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Register to VoteFederal Write-in Absentee BallotVoter Help DeskElection Official DirectoryState-specific Voter Information DirectoryMy Voter Account <p>More Voter Services: News on Overseas Voting Candidate Information Get Involved Tell a Friend Make a Donation</p>	<p>Register to Vote Request your Ballot</p> <p>Choose the state you last resided in:</p> <p>State you last resided in <input type="text"/></p> <p>Continue</p>	<p>Election Official Directory</p> <p>Choose the state you wish to look up:</p> <p>State to look up <input type="text"/></p> <p>Continue</p>	<p>Voter Help Desk</p> <p>Choose your question category:</p> <p>Question category <input type="text"/></p> <p>Continue</p>
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Registration Video Intro
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Resources for Voters

❖ And the Election Assistance Commission (EAC):

The screenshot shows the website for the United States Election Assistance Commission (EAC). The header features the EAC logo and the text "UNITED STATES ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION". Below the header, a breadcrumb trail reads "You are here: Home → Voter Information Center → Overseas Citizens and Military Voters". A left-hand navigation menu lists various sections, with "Overseas Citizens and Military" highlighted. The main content area is titled "Resources for Overseas Citizens and Military Voters" and contains a paragraph about the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Voting Act (UOCAVA) of 1986. Below this, a list of resources is provided, including links to various voting assistance programs and organizations. A note at the bottom states that PDF documents require Adobe Reader.

Resources for Overseas Citizens and Military Voters

The [Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Voting Act](#) (UOCAVA) of 1986 protects the voting rights of members of the Uniformed Services (on active duty), members of the Merchant Marine and their eligible dependents, Commissioner Corps of the Public Health Service, Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and U.S. citizens residing outside the U.S.

UOCAVA requires states/territories to allow these citizens to register and vote in elections for federal office using absentee procedures. For more information, view our [UOCAVA studies and surveys](#) and the links below.

- [America Supports You](#)
- [Federal Voting Assistance Program](#)
- [U.S. Department of Defense](#)
- [U.S. Air Force Voting Resources](#)
- [U.S. Army Voting Assistance Program](#)
- [U.S. Coast Guard Voting Assistance Program](#)
- [U.S. Marine Corps Voting Resources](#)
- [U.S. Navy Voting Assistance Program](#)
- [Overseas Vote Foundation](#)
- [Overseas Vote Foundation Military Voter Services](#)
- [Contact Your Election Official](#)
- [State Voter Registration Verification Websites](#)
- [The League of Women Voters' Vote 411](#)

PDF documents require Acrobat Reader, available for free at Adobe's website [<http://www.adobe.com/>].

Including specific information for each branch of the military



UOCAVA & The EAC



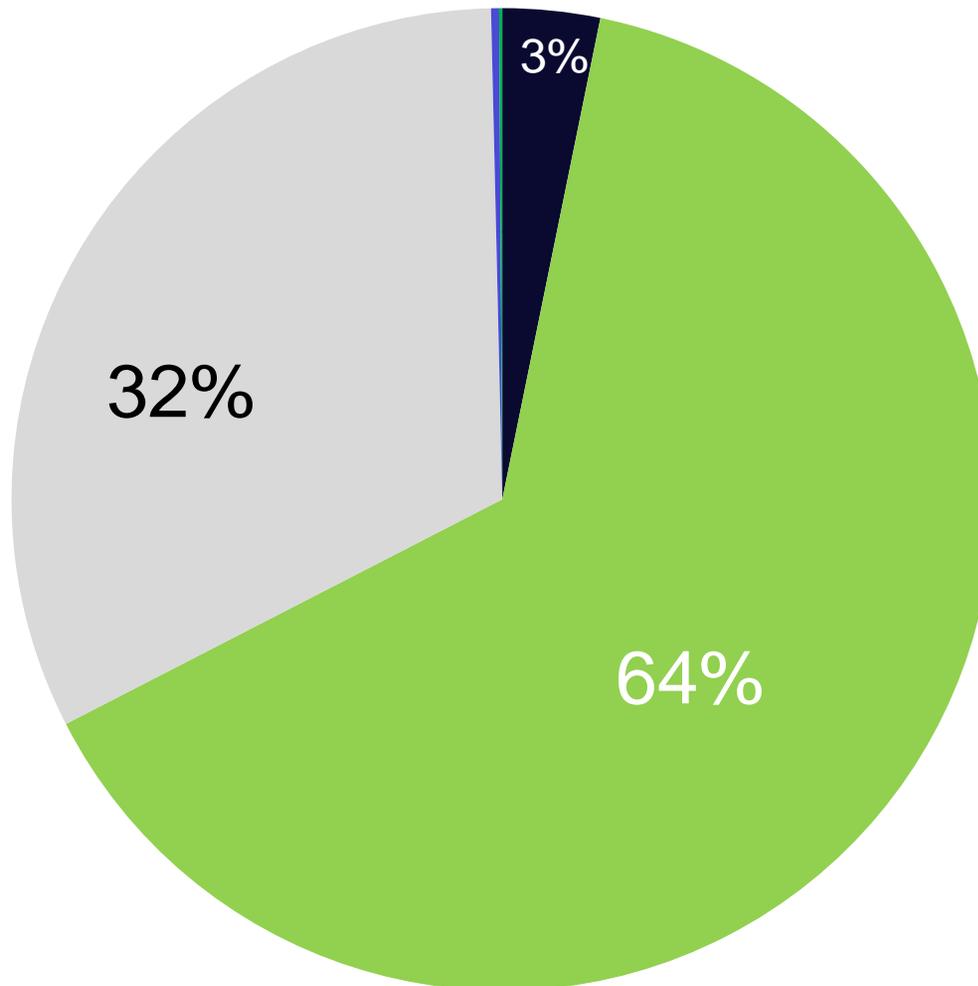
U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
2008 Election Administration & Voting Survey

- ❖ The EAC conducts an Administration and Voting Survey after each Federal General Election to report to Congress.
- ❖ Gathering this data helps to identify areas of opportunity for improvement in legislation & administration as well as evaluate efficacy of efforts.
- ❖ The following charts are created from the data submitted by MCED to the EAC for 2008



UOCAVA By Mail

UOCAVA Ballots Transmitted



Of the 7931 ballots transmitted to UOCAVA voters 5113 were returned, validated, and counted

Only 3% were returned undeliverable.

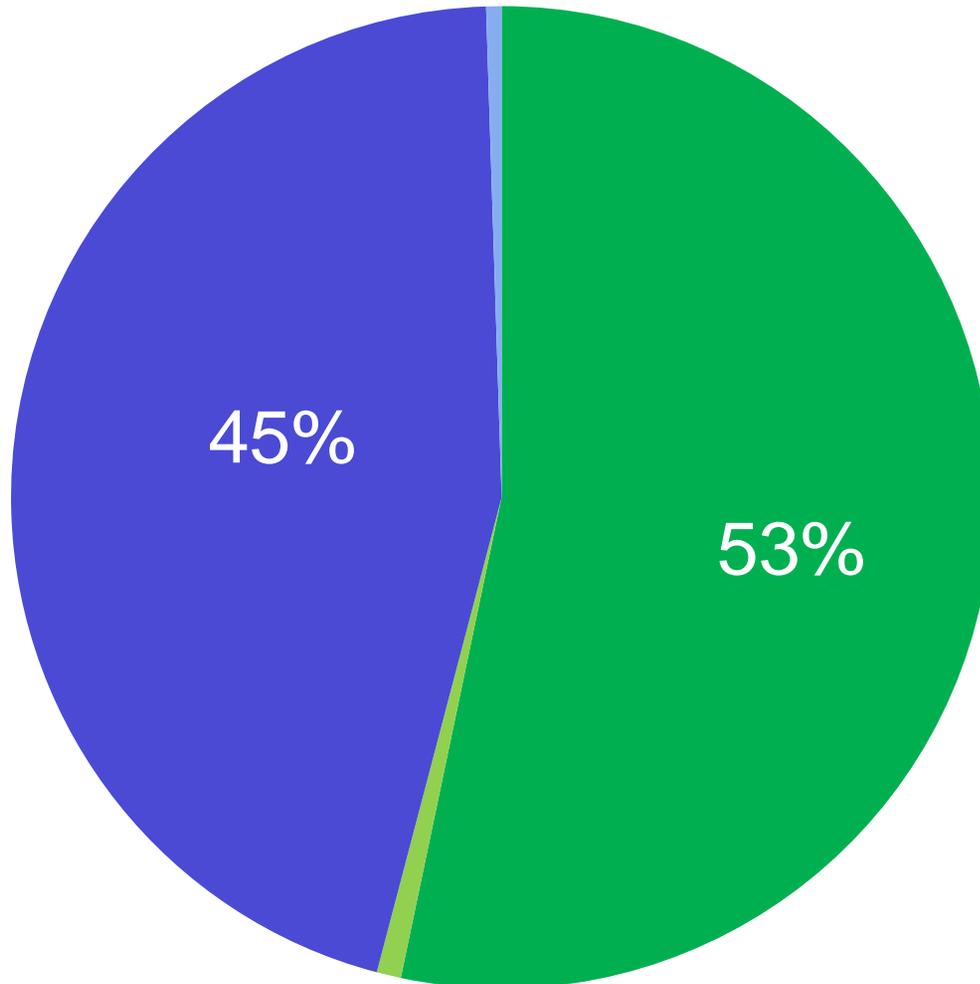
But the status of 32% of the ballots are unknown, never returned.

- Undeliverable
- Returned Voted
- Status Unknown
- No Signature
- Sig Mismatch



UOCAVA By Mail

UOCAVA Ballots Types



The majority of UOCAVA voters continue to vote standard ballots with a small fraction (roughly 1% of each category) using the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

- Military Standard
- Military FWAB
- Civilian Standard
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FWAB

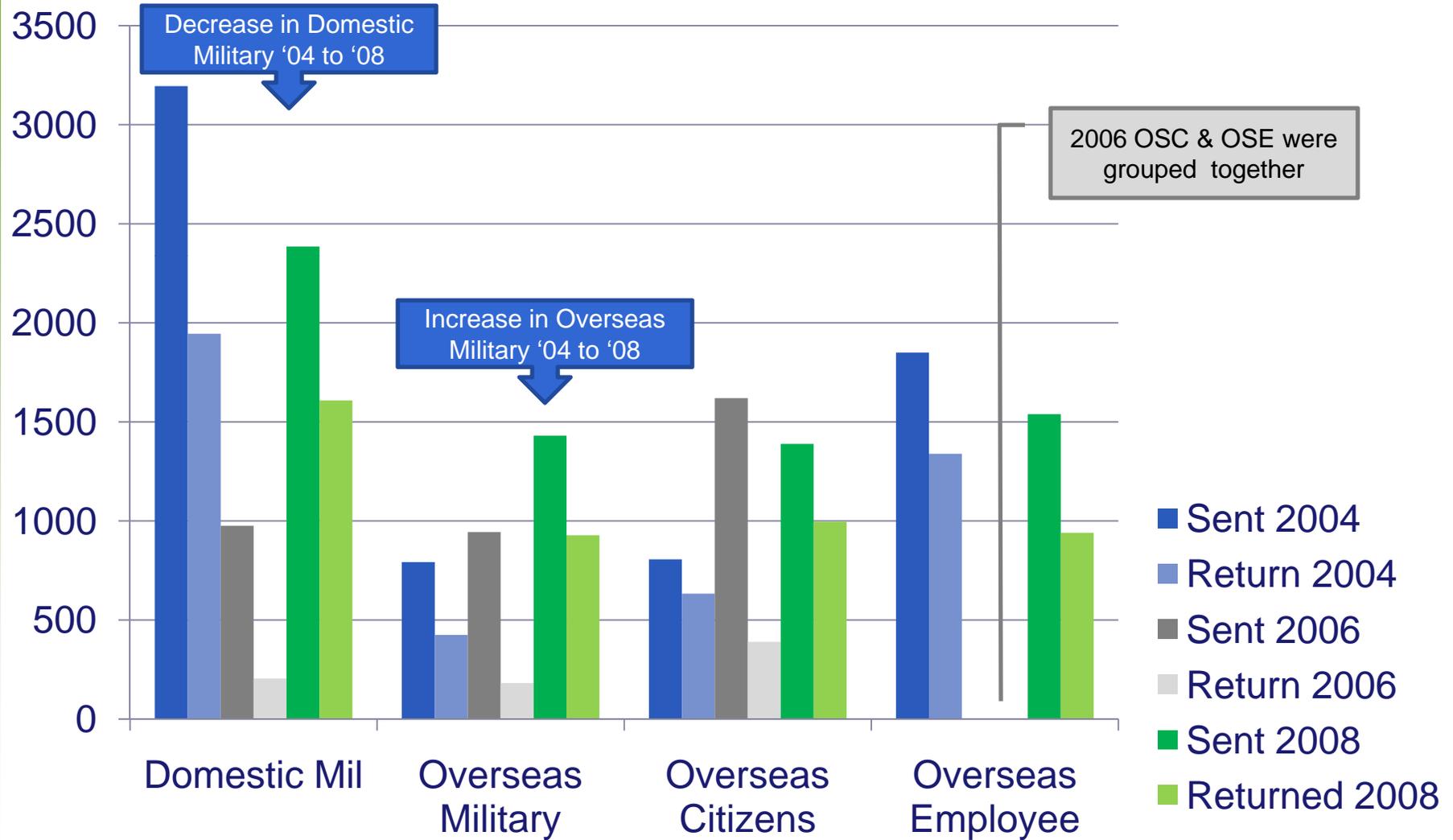


- ❖ Military and overseas voters unable to obtain a standard ballot in time may cast a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) on which they write the names of their candidates of choice:

OFFICIAL FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT	
PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT	
U.S. SENATOR*	
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE/DELEGATE**/RESIDENT COMMISSIONER**	
* Legal residents of the District of Columbia may vote only for President/Vice President and Delegate.	
** Legal residents of American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands may vote only for Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress.	
ADDENDUM	
Some states allow the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot to be used by military and overseas civilian voters in elections other than general elections or for offices other than Federal offices. Consult your state section in the <i>Voting Assistance Guide</i> to determine your state's policy. <i>If you are eligible to use this ballot to vote for offices/candidates other than those listed above, please indicate in the spaces provided below, the office for which you wish to vote (for example: Governor, Attorney General, Mayor, State Senator, etc.), and the name and/or party affiliation of the candidate for whom you wish to vote.</i>	
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UOCAVA Comparison



EV Site Voters



- ❖ Not all military voters got their ballots by mail.
- ❖ A squadron from the Arizona Air National Guard got deployed prior to Election Day and were able to come in to our MCTEC facility and vote before leaving for Iraq.



EV Site Voters



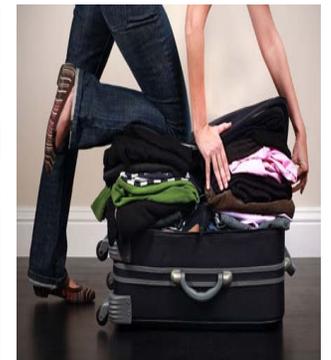
- ❖ Early voting sites close at 5:00 PM on the Friday prior to the election.
- ❖ ***EVERYONE*** in line at that time gets to vote—but no one gets in line after 5:00 PM.



EV Site Voters



- ❖ For anyone who finds out over the weekend that they will not be able to vote that Tuesday at the polls there is an Emergency Voting option. They can come into any of the 3 MCED offices and vote an Emergency Ballot.
- ❖ This *does not* apply to anyone who could have voted during the early voting period but chose to not request a ballot in time.



Special Election Boards

- ❖ For voters who find themselves hospitalized or home bound during that time period (the weekend before the election and even on Election Day) our Special Election Boards are poised to assist.
- ❖ SEB teams are comprised of a Democrat & a Republican.





Special Election Boards

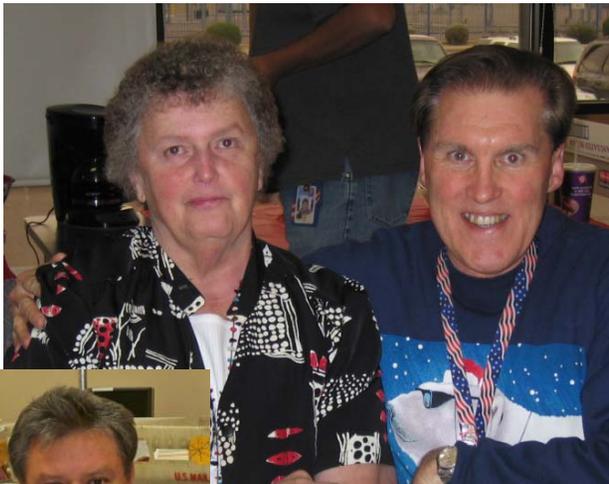
- ❖ Voters who are in a care facility, nursing home, or are homebound and do not have anyone to assist them in voting an early ballot can request an SEB team to help them.
- ❖ MCED coordinates with facility directors and administrators to schedule visits and ensure that all voters get the assistance that they need in an impartial manner.





Special Election Boards

- ❖ In the General Election of 2008 our SEB teams aided 766 voters in casting their ballots.
- ❖ This was a 64% increase over the September Primary



SEB staff

- November 2008					Search All Calendar
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
6 CLOSE OF REGISTRATION	7 peggy & GERTRUDE 10:00am CHRISTIAN I 2:30pm DR SILVER/	8	9 9:00am CITADEL 51: 9:00am MI CASA ME	10 10:00am CHAPARRAI 10:00am EAST MESA 11:00am SOCORRO, 12:00pm SONJA HEN	
13 9:00am PEPERTREE 1:30pm KIVEL CAMP 6:00pm PICK UP ME	14 peggy & GERTRUDE 10:00am PHOENIX M 10:30am WESTCHEST 1:00pm ATRIA CHAN	15 10:00am GLENDALE C 10:00am VIRGINIA A 12:30pm MARIA DE F 1:00pm PENNINGTC	16 10:00am FILLMORE C 10:00am SPRINGDAL 11:00am ASSISTED LI 11:00am LIFESTYLES C	17 PRE-GENERAL REPORT DUE 9:00am TEGGE AT H 10:00am FRIENDSHIP 1:30pm BROOKDAL	
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Early Voting Citizen Staff

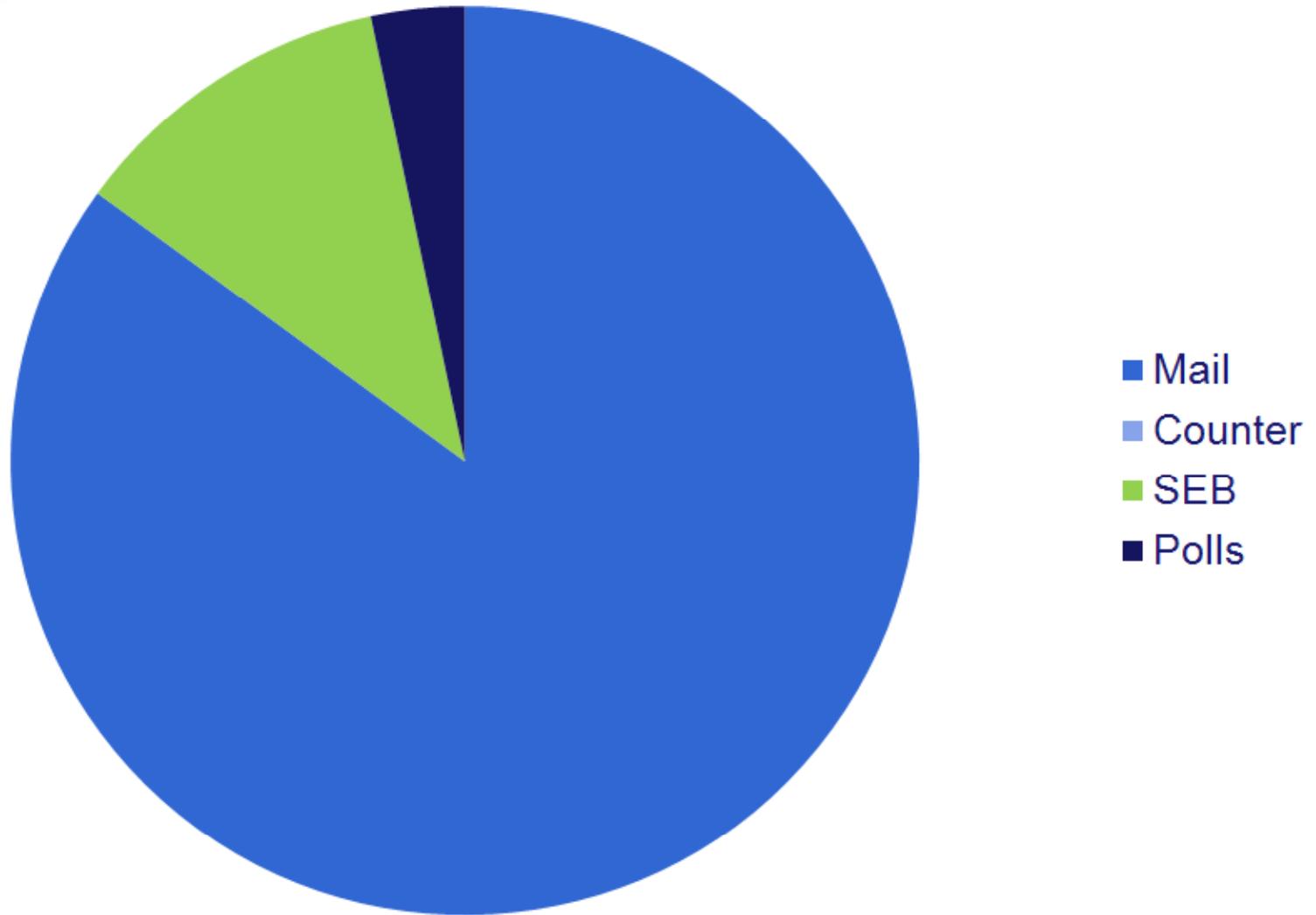


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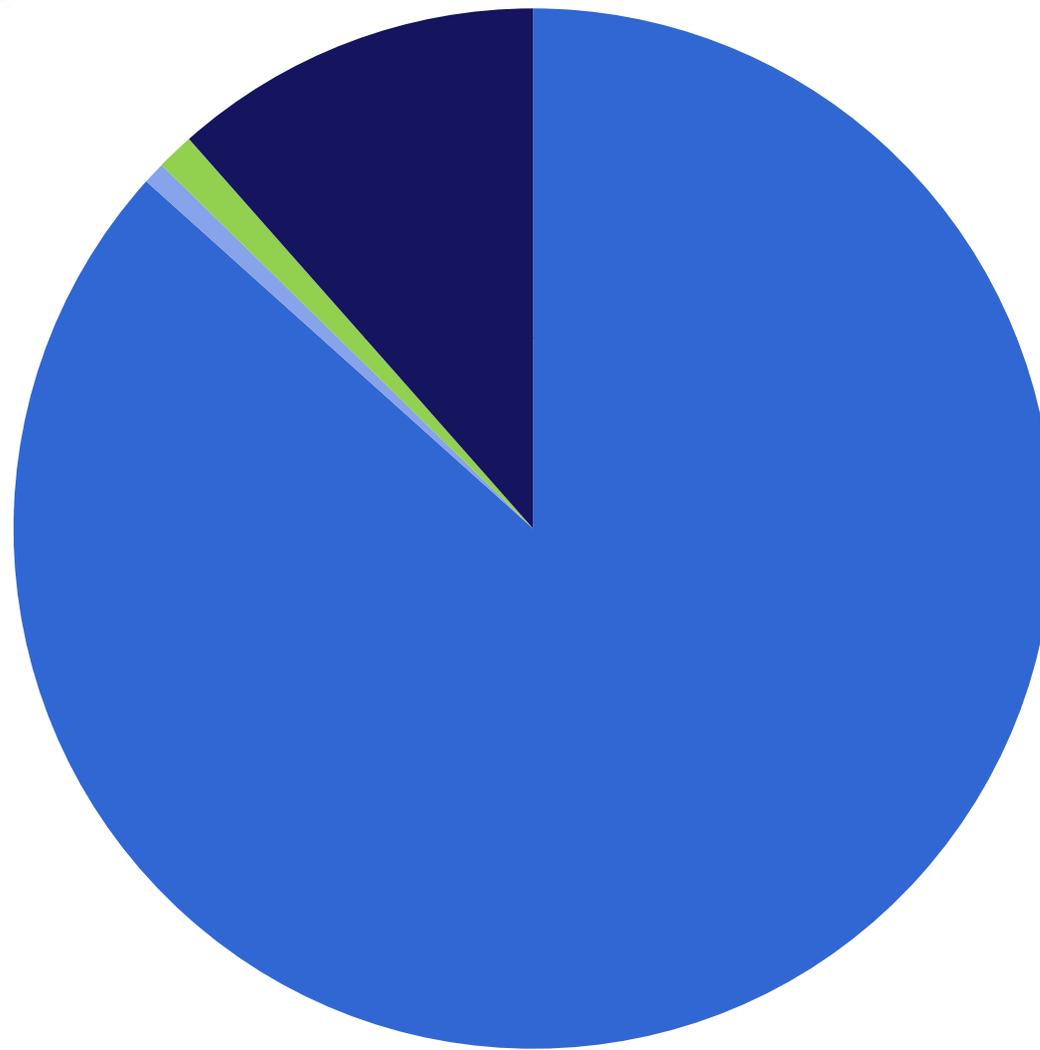


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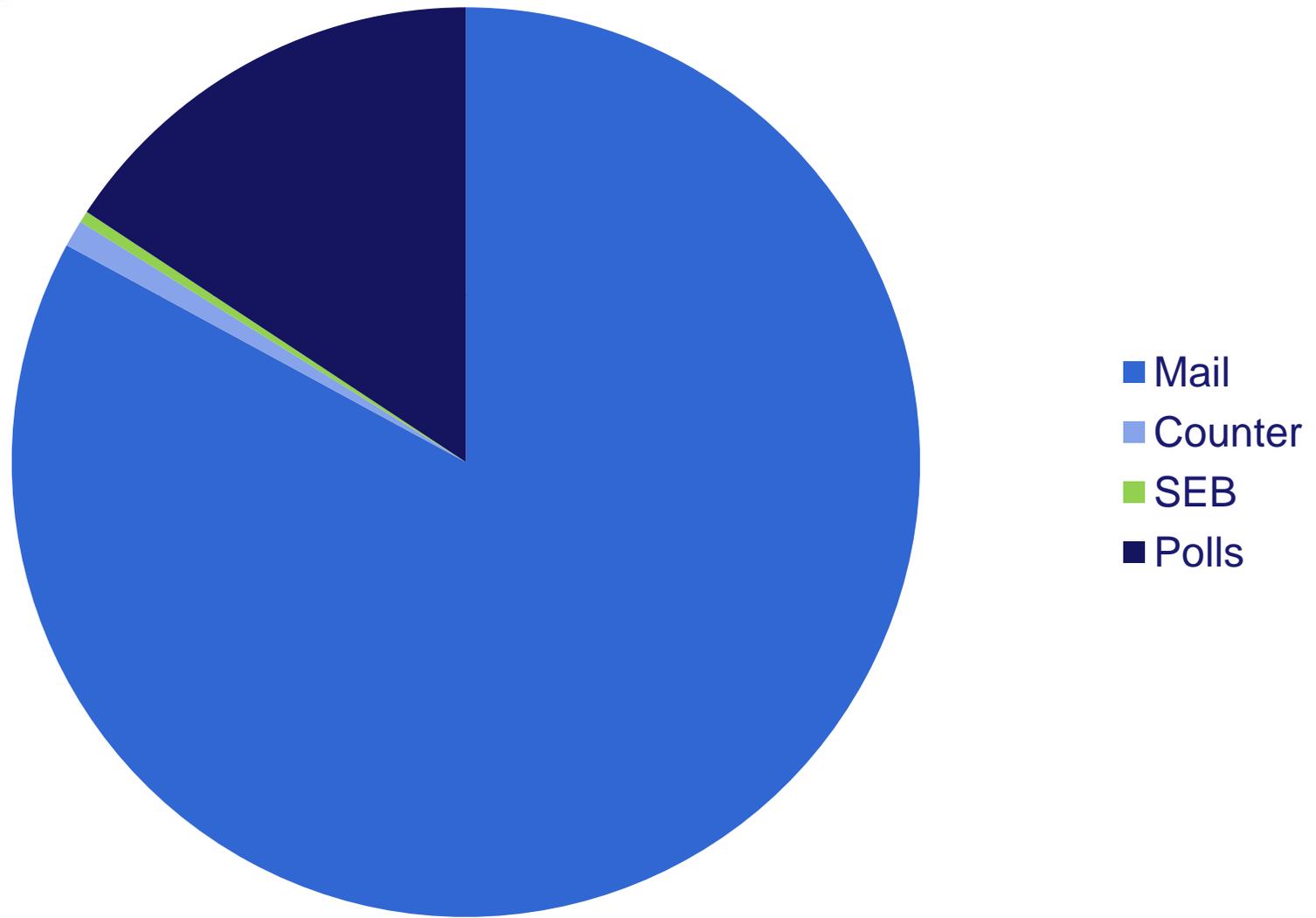
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- Mail
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- Polls

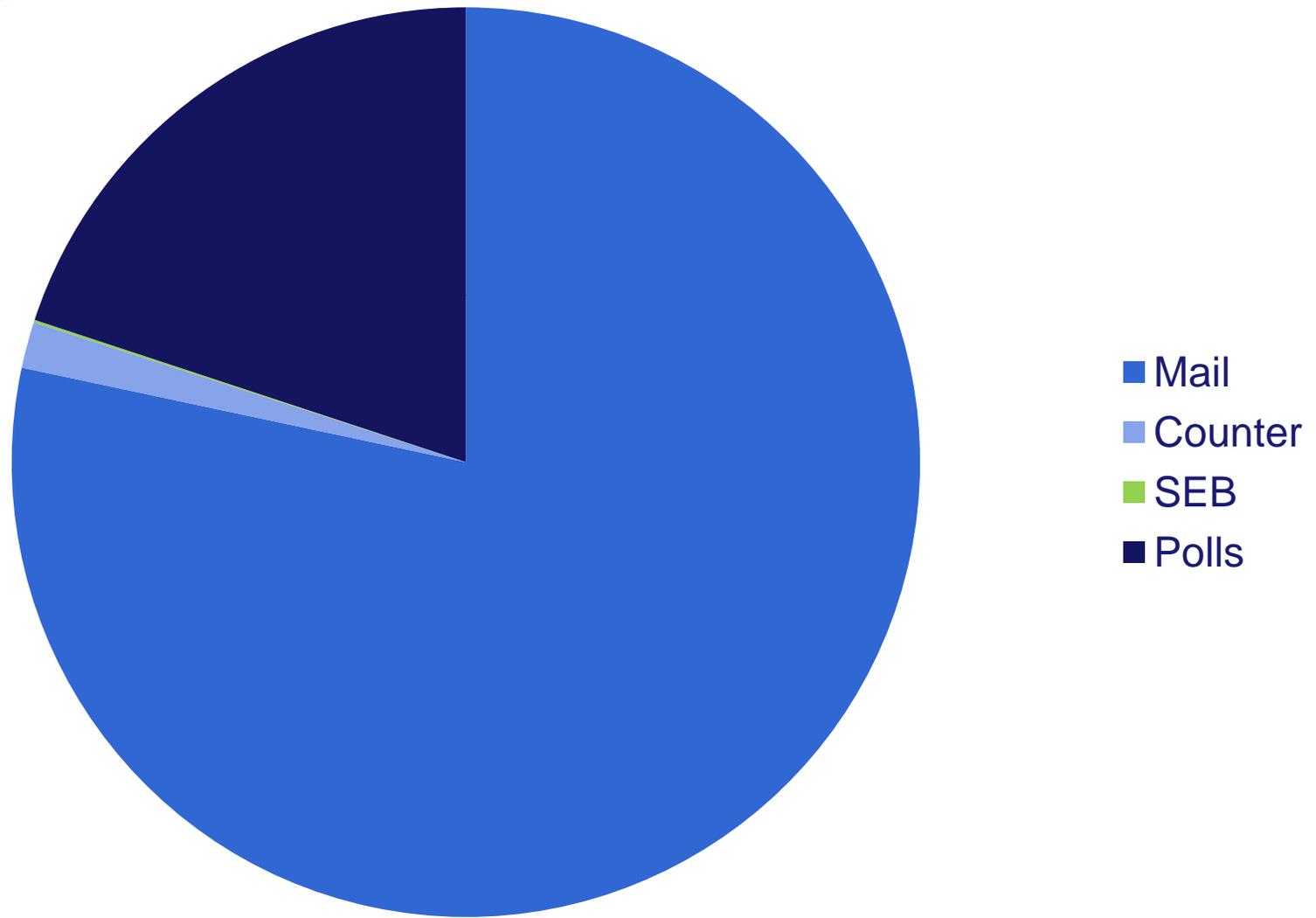


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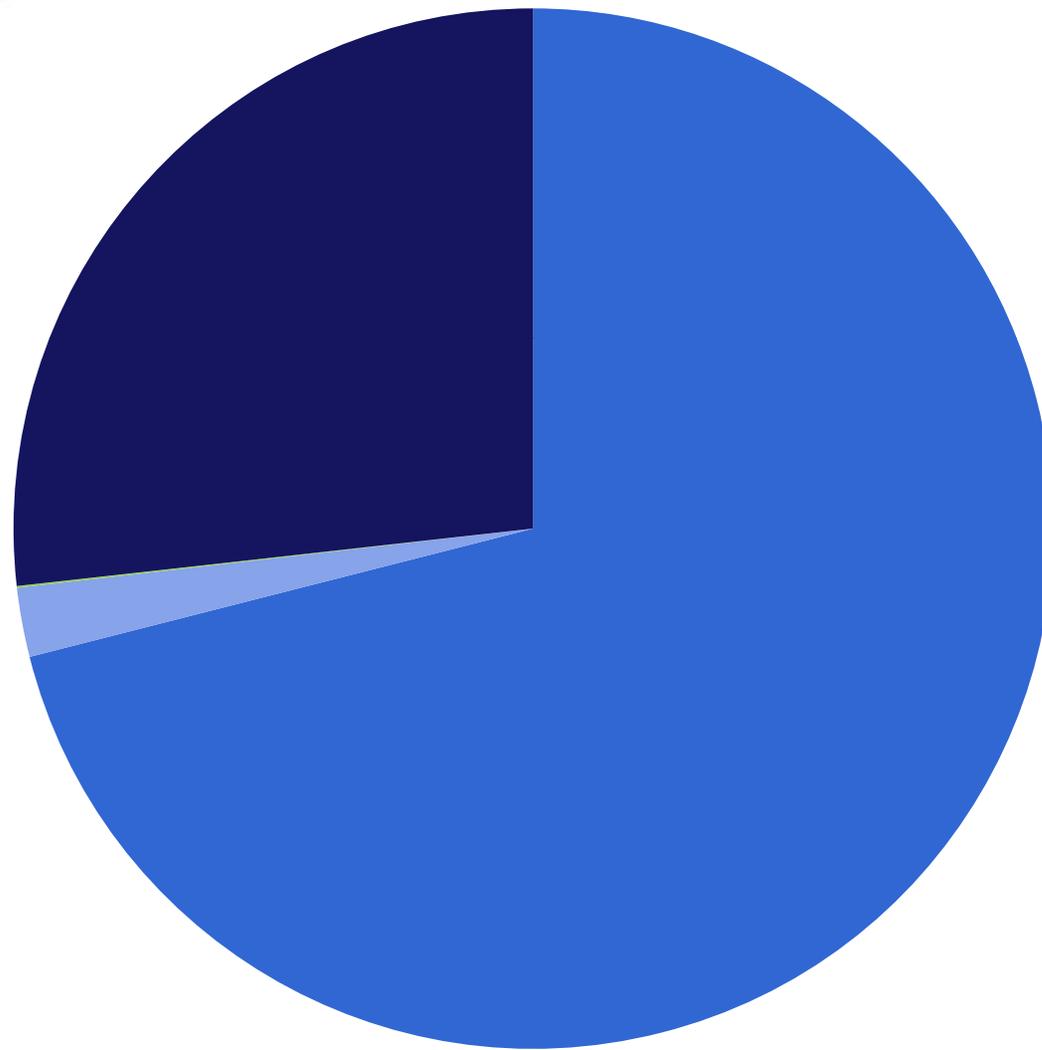


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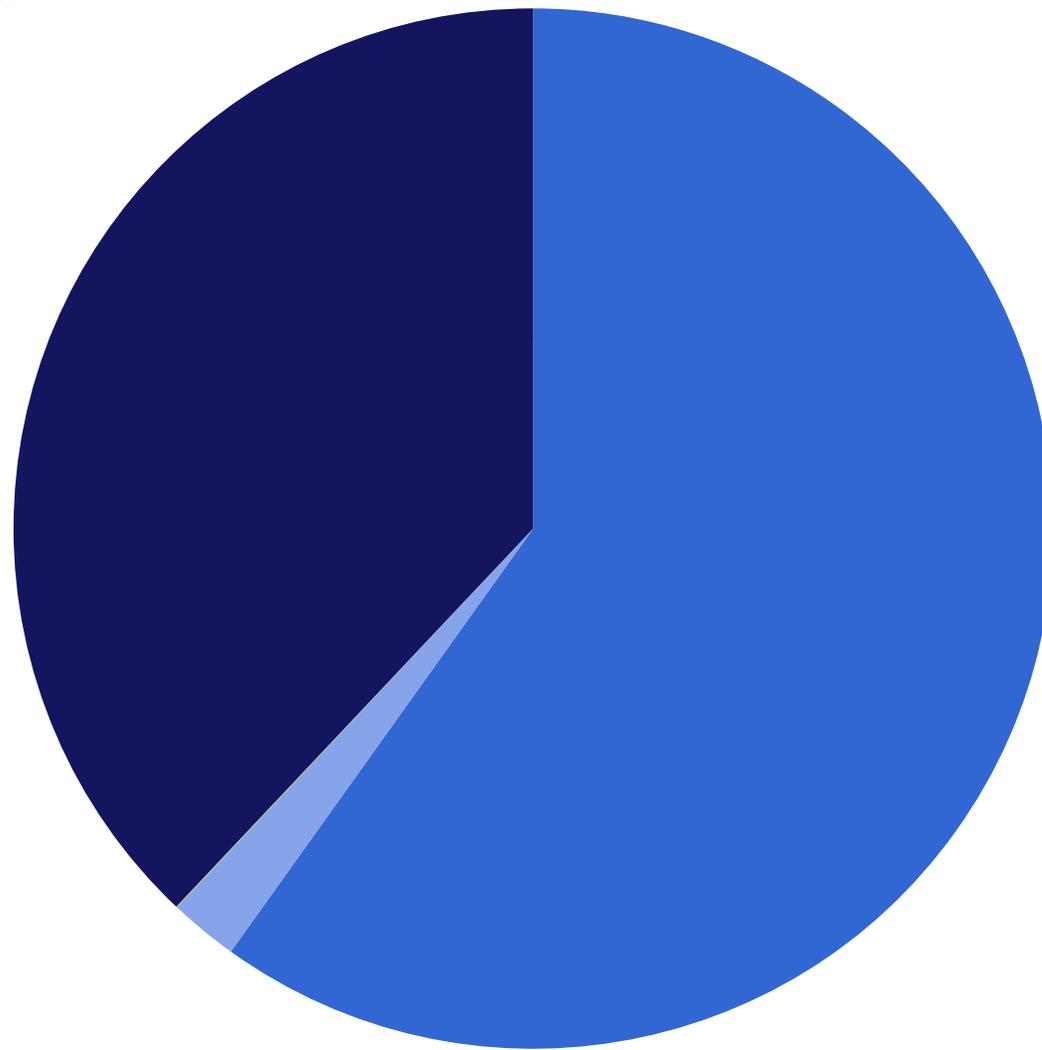
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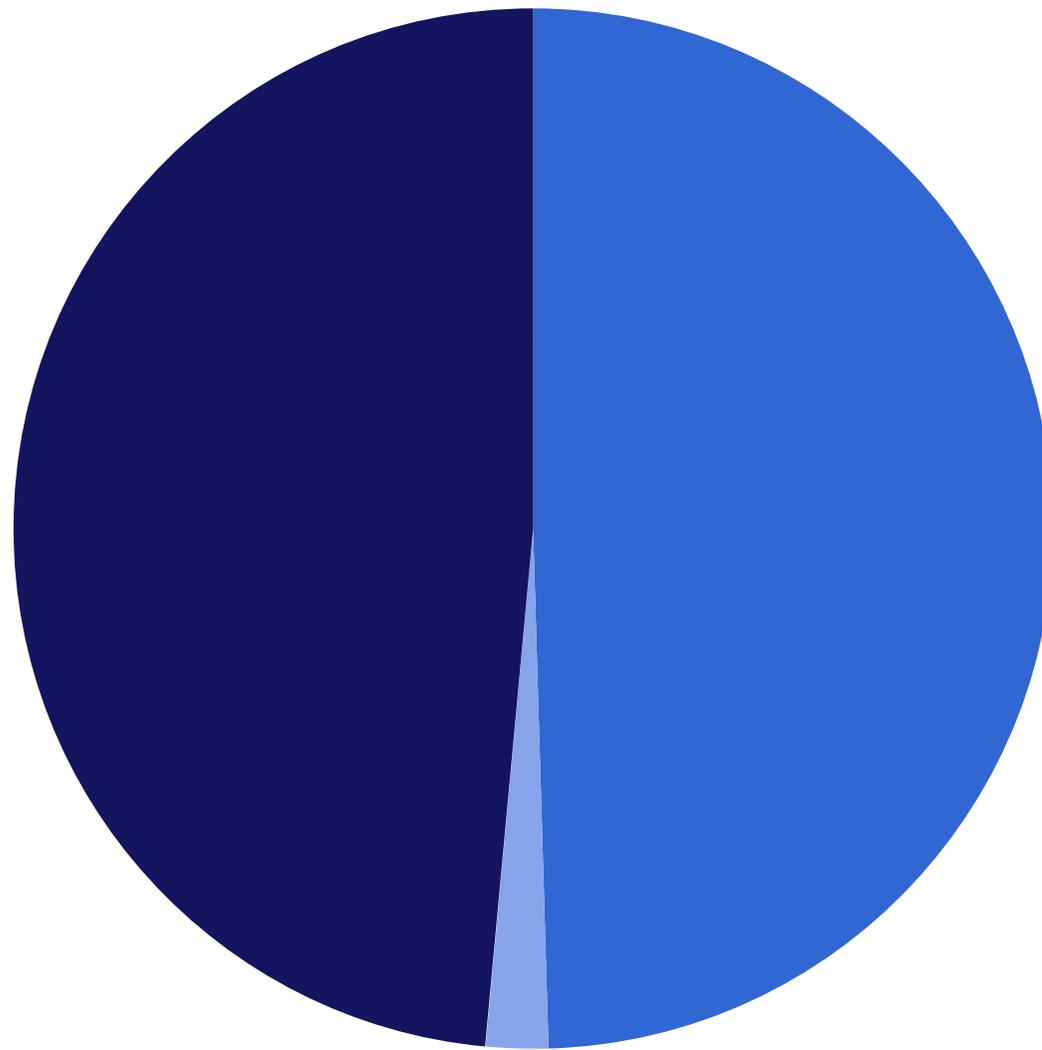
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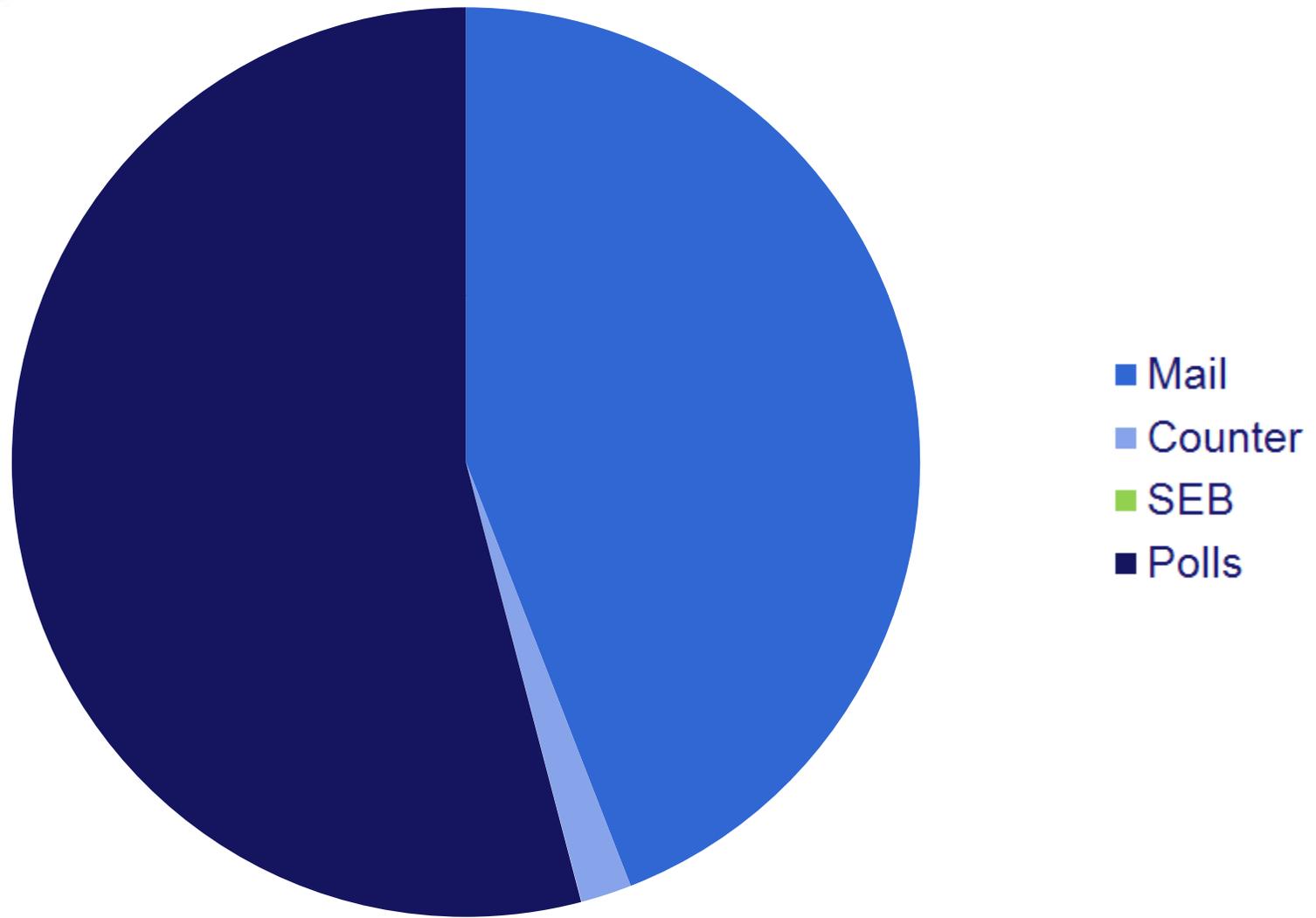
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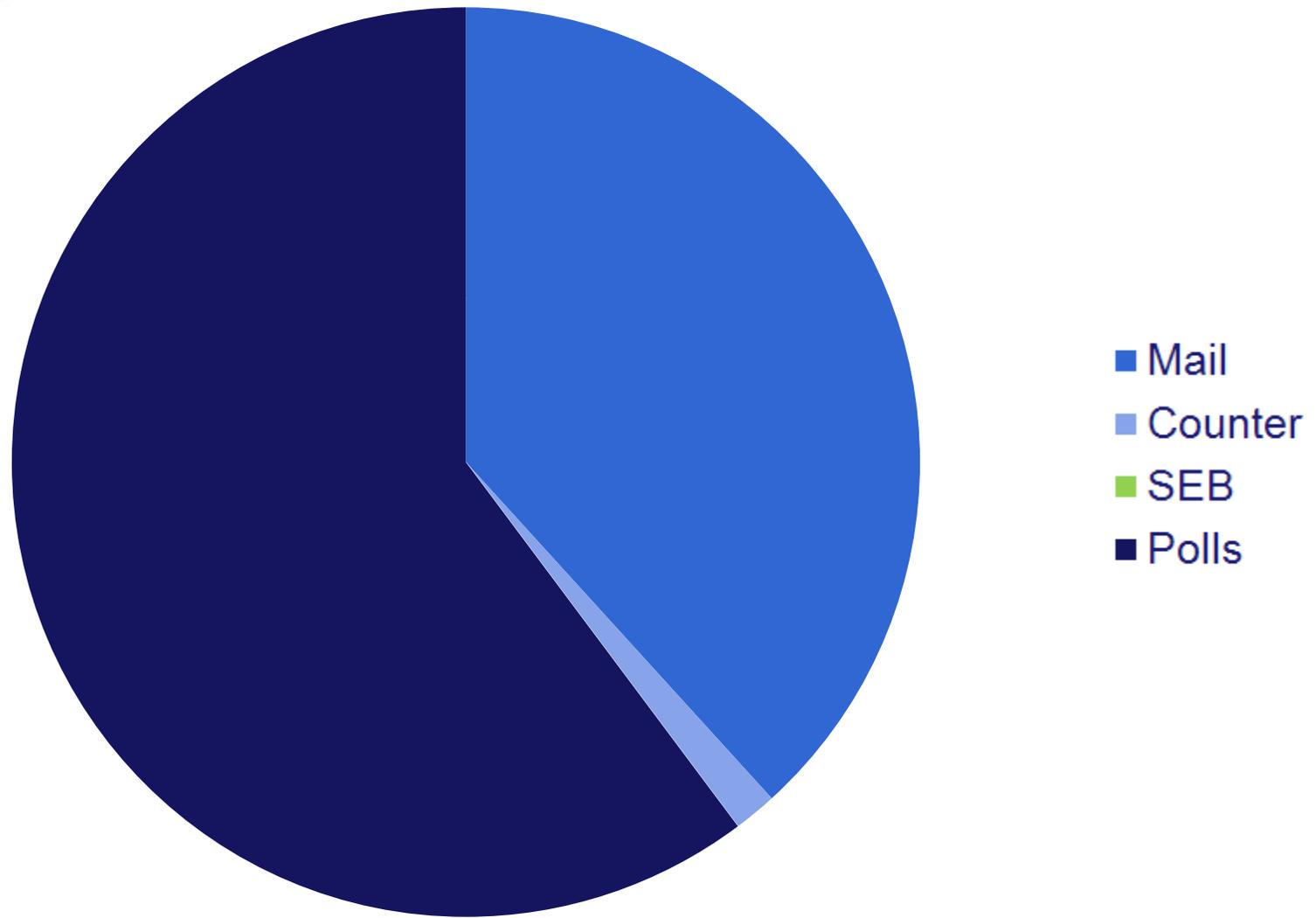


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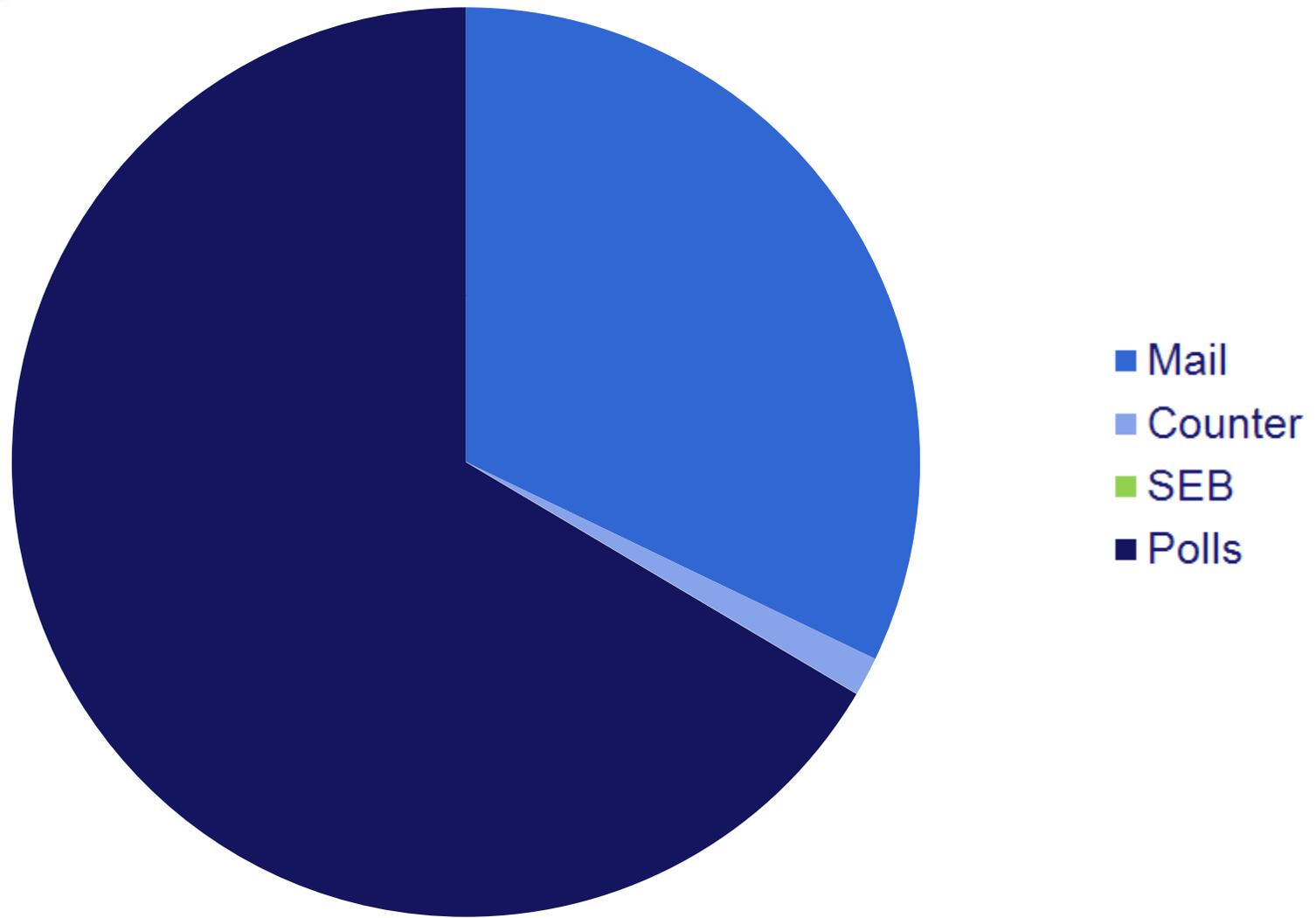


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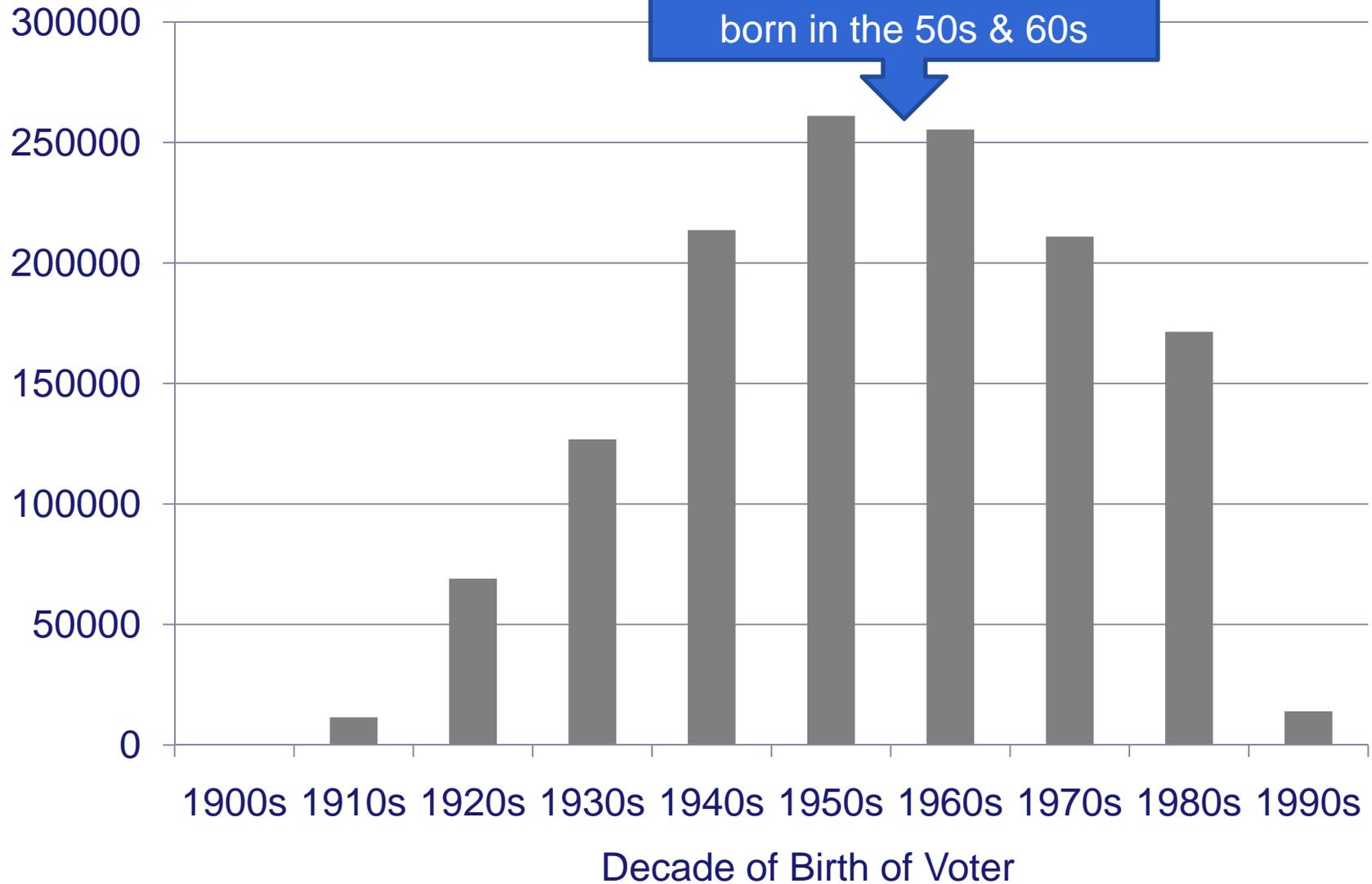
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Total Turnout by Decade of Birth

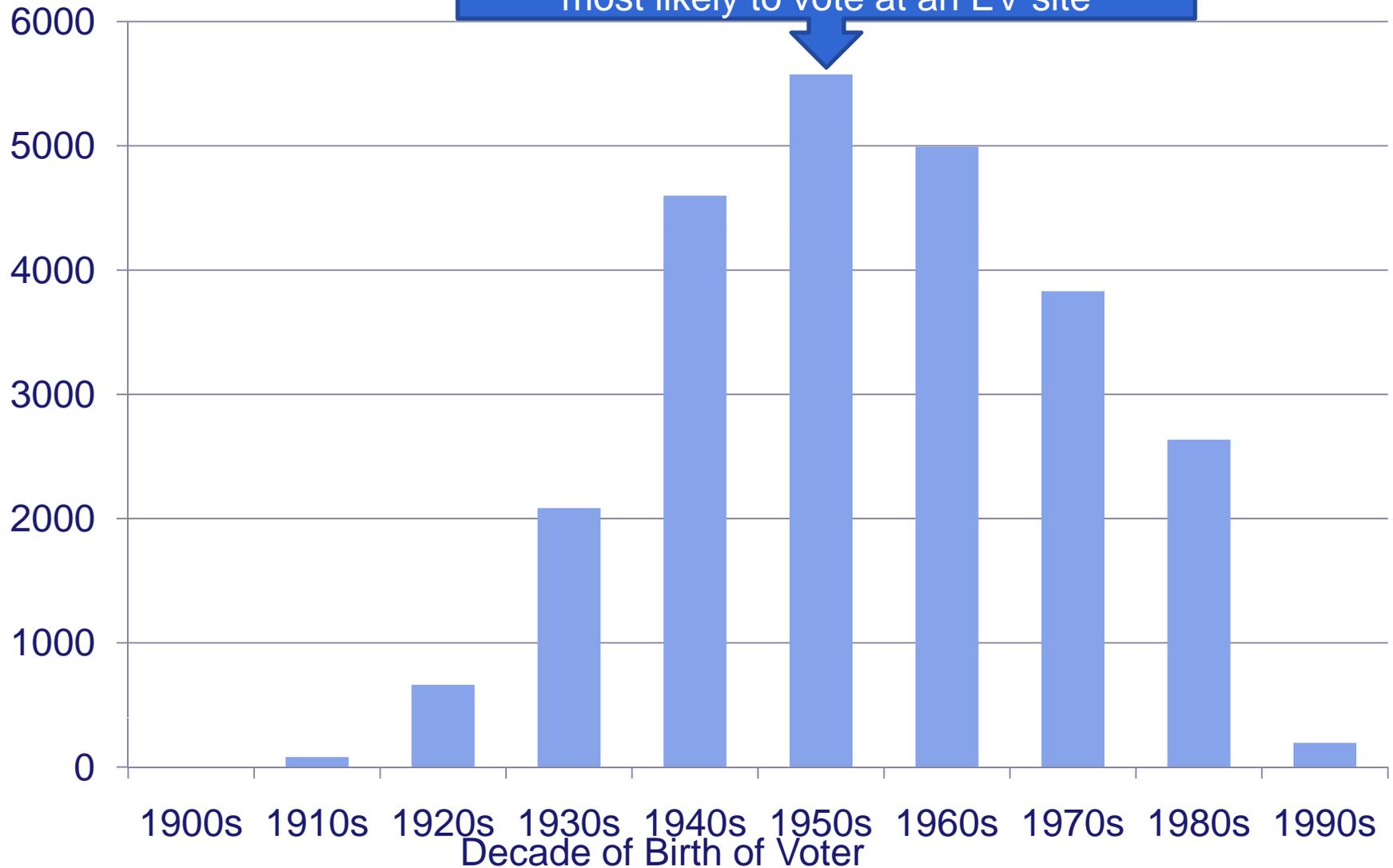
Most of our voters were born in the 50s & 60s





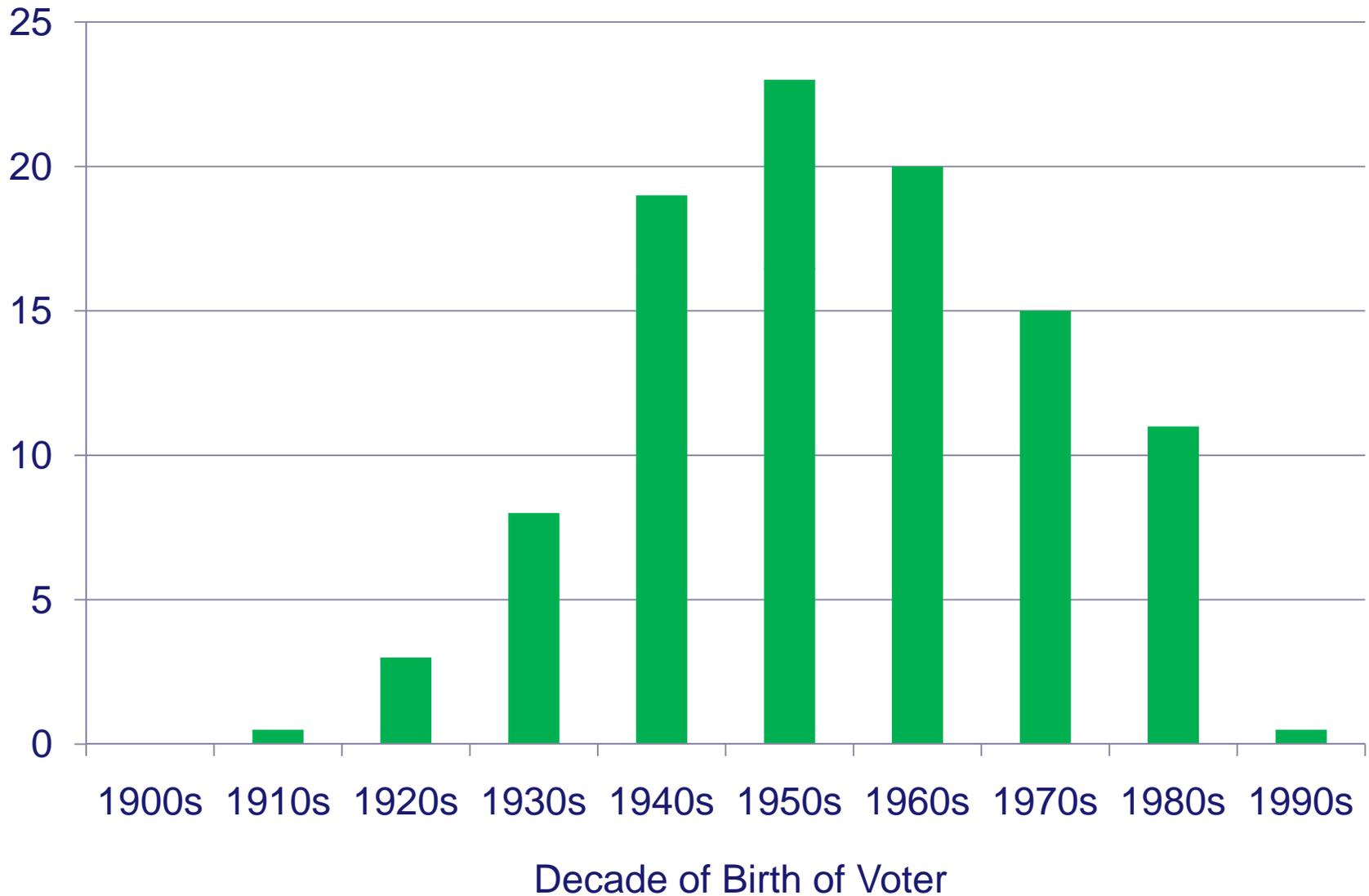
Counter Voting by Decade of Birth

Voters born in the 50s were the group most likely to vote at an EV site





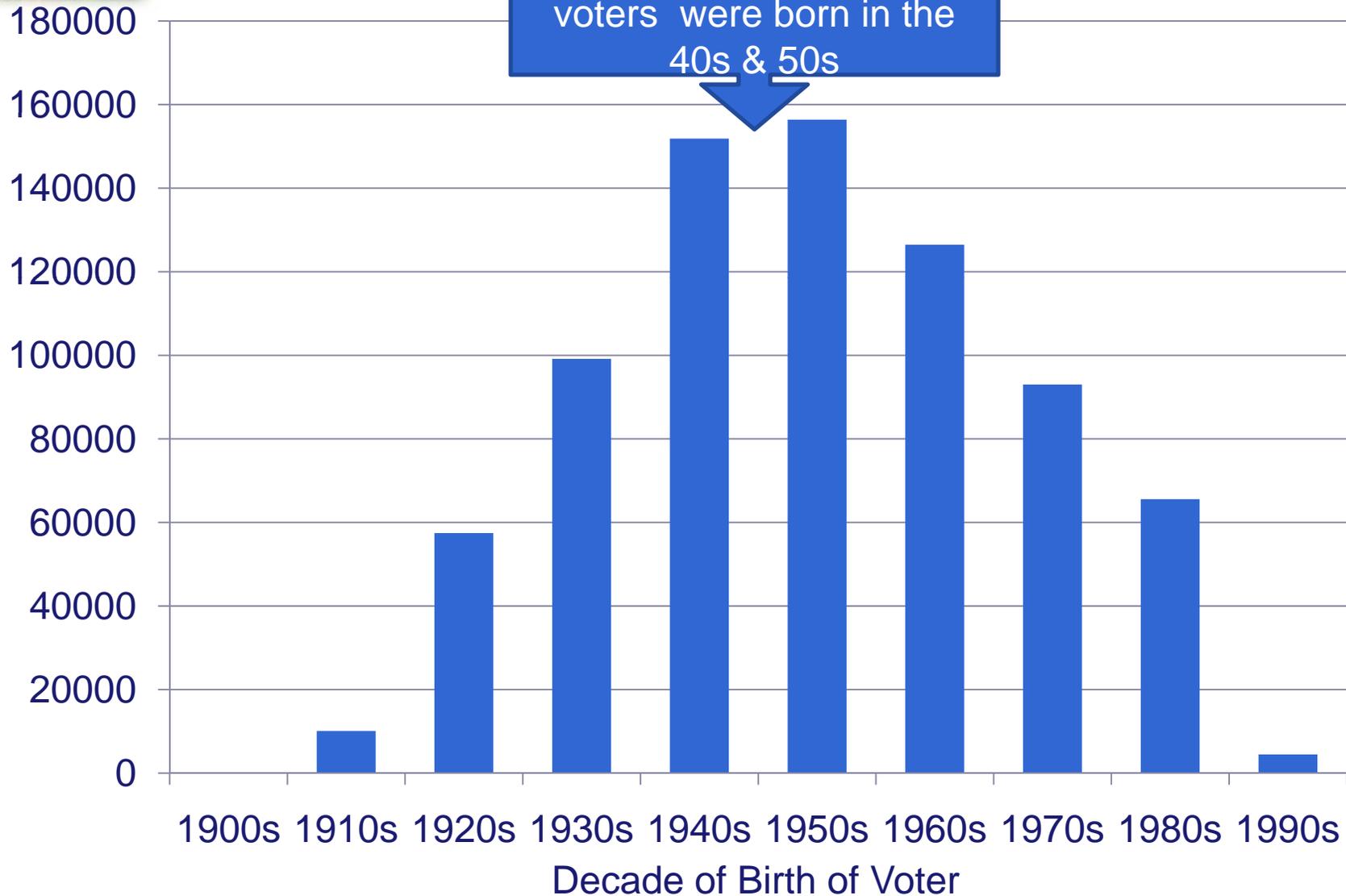
Counter Voting by Decade of Birth: % of Total





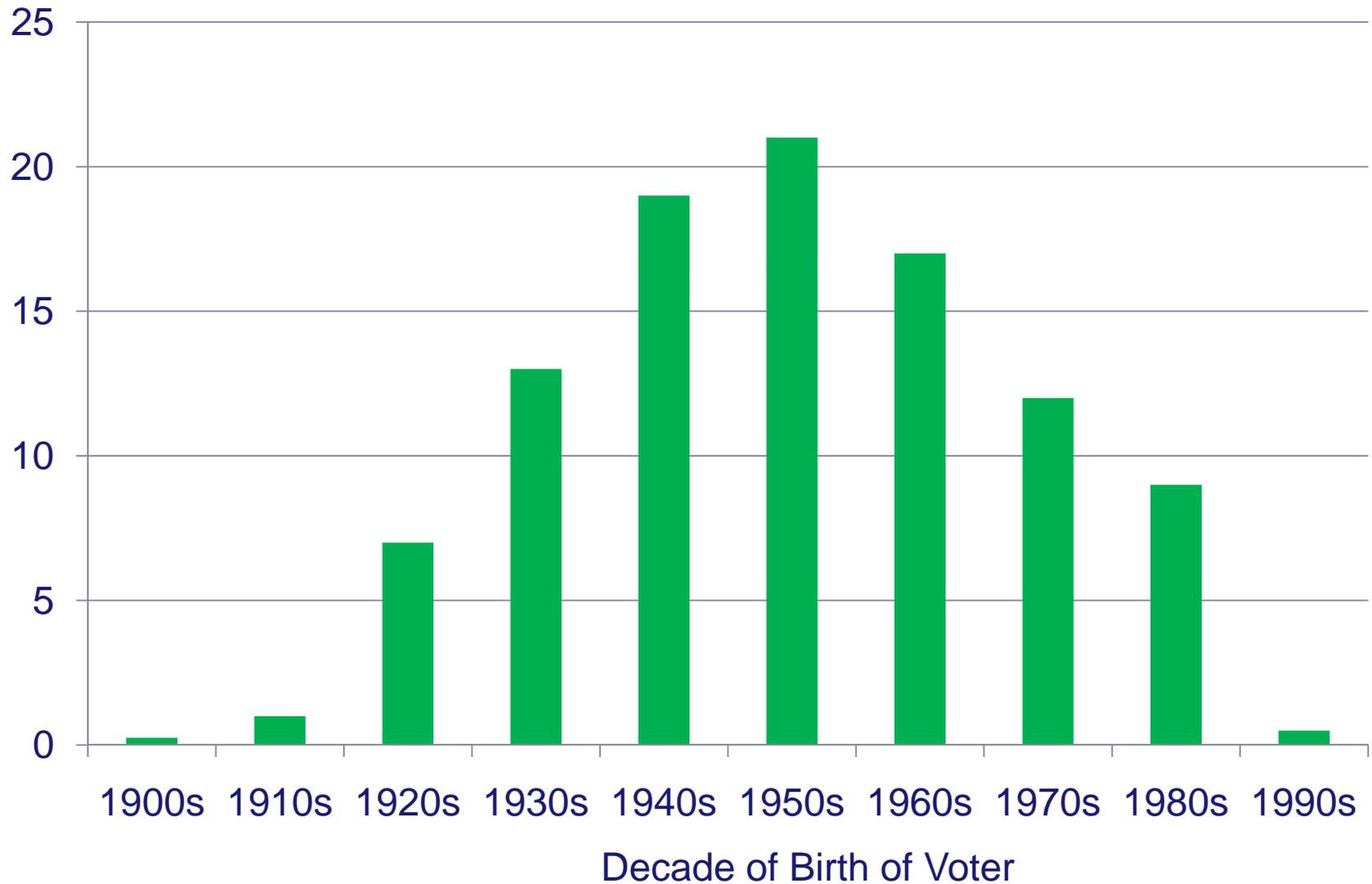
Early Voting by Mail by Decade of Birth

Most of our vote by mail voters were born in the 40s & 50s



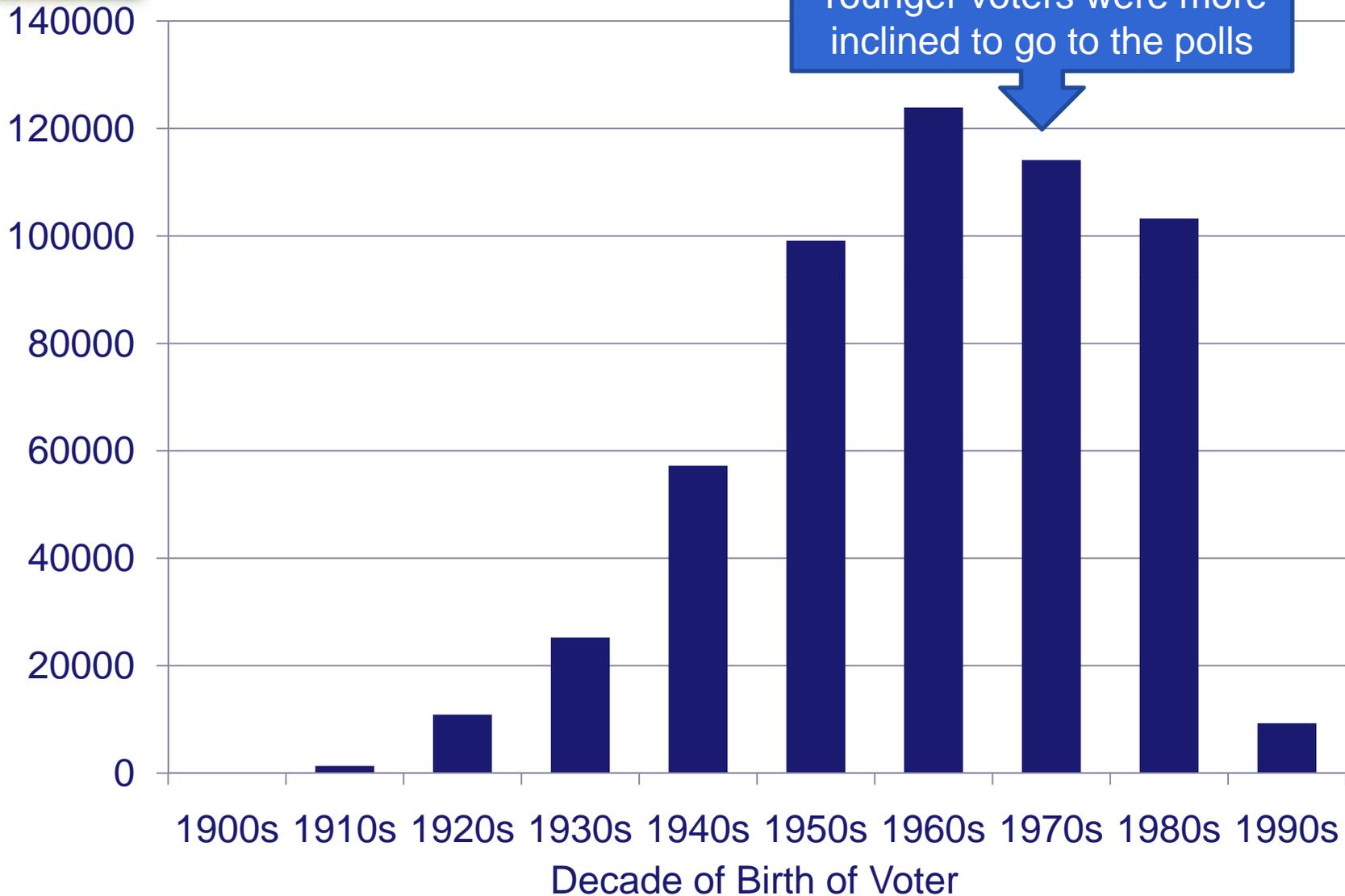


EV by Mail by Decade of Birth % of Total



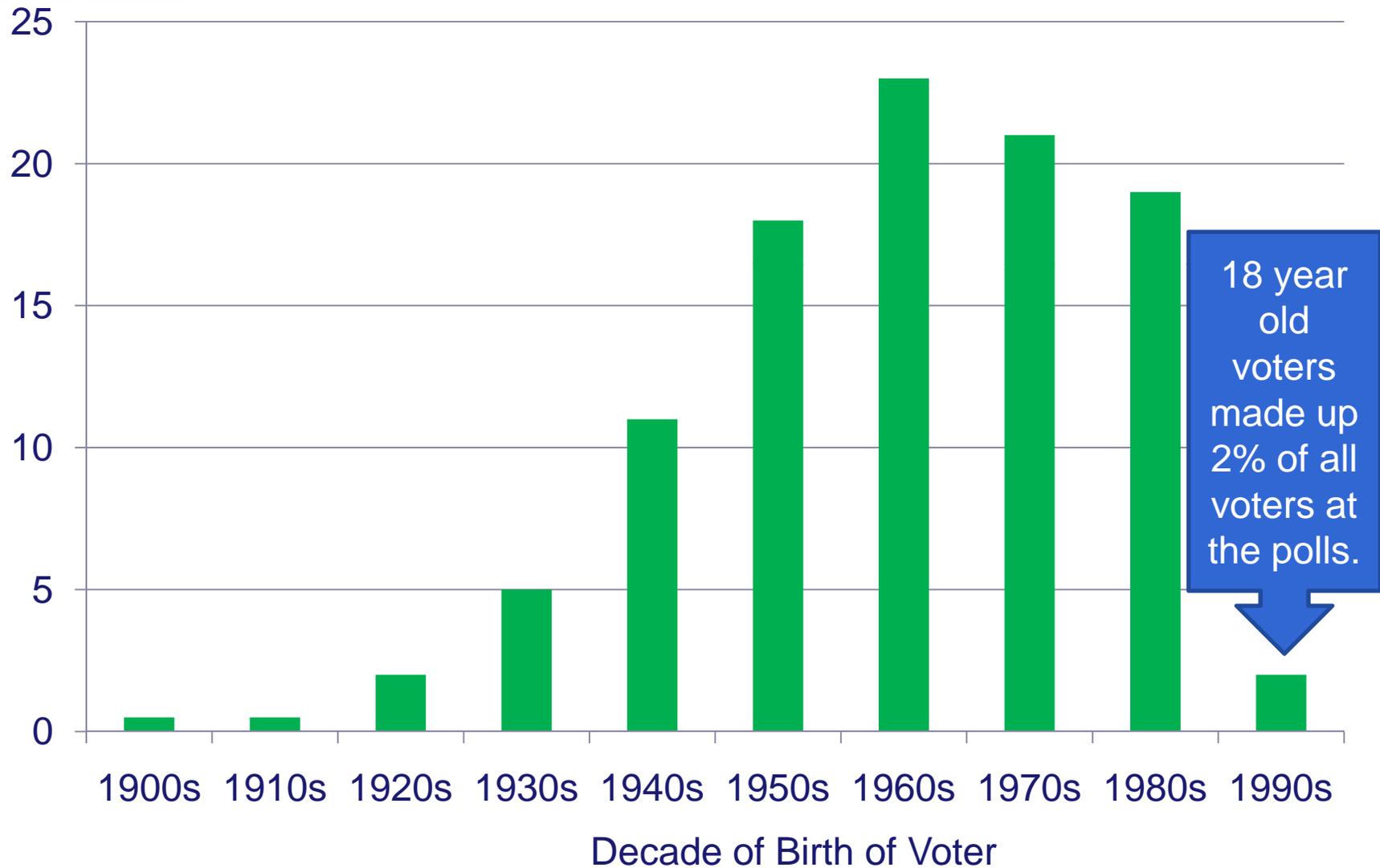


Polling Place Voting by Decade of Birth





PP Voting by Decade of Birth % of Total



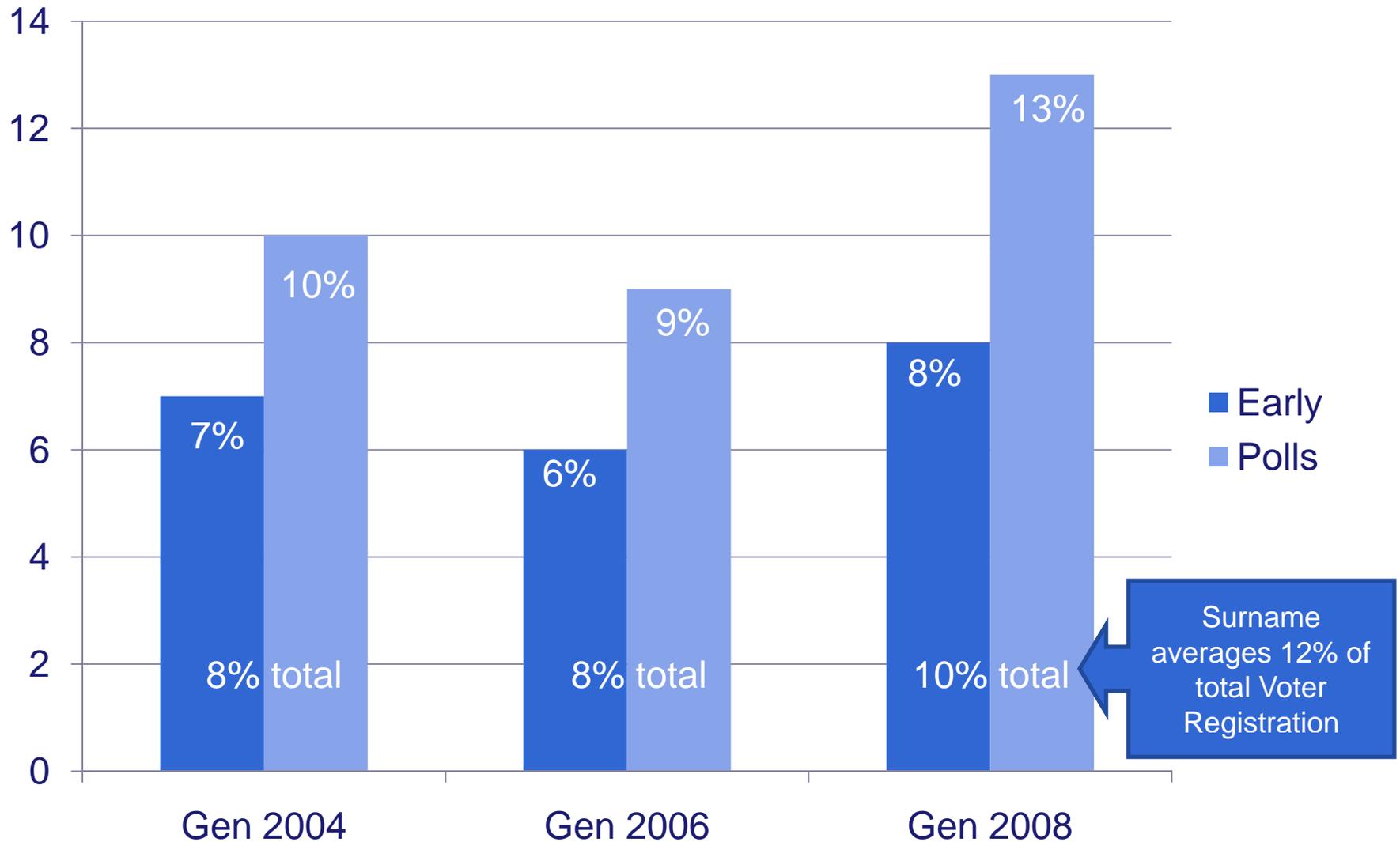


Hispanic Surname EV Trends

- ❖ **IMPORTANT NOTE:** we only began doing Hispanic Surname analysis in 2005.
- ❖ The EV report that we do looks to see who is registered with an Hispanic surname on the date that the report is run and then looks at the voter's voting history to see if they voted in the election in question and if they voted early or at the polls.
- ❖ So the first report from 2005 looked back at the General in 2004 but does not necessarily represent all Hispanic voters who participated in that election as many may have moved, passed away, or unregistered between the time of the election and when the report was run.
- ❖ We chose to configure the reports this way so that prior to each election we can use these voting habits to determine where we need to place bilingual boardworkers (which are not necessary if the voter is voting by mail).

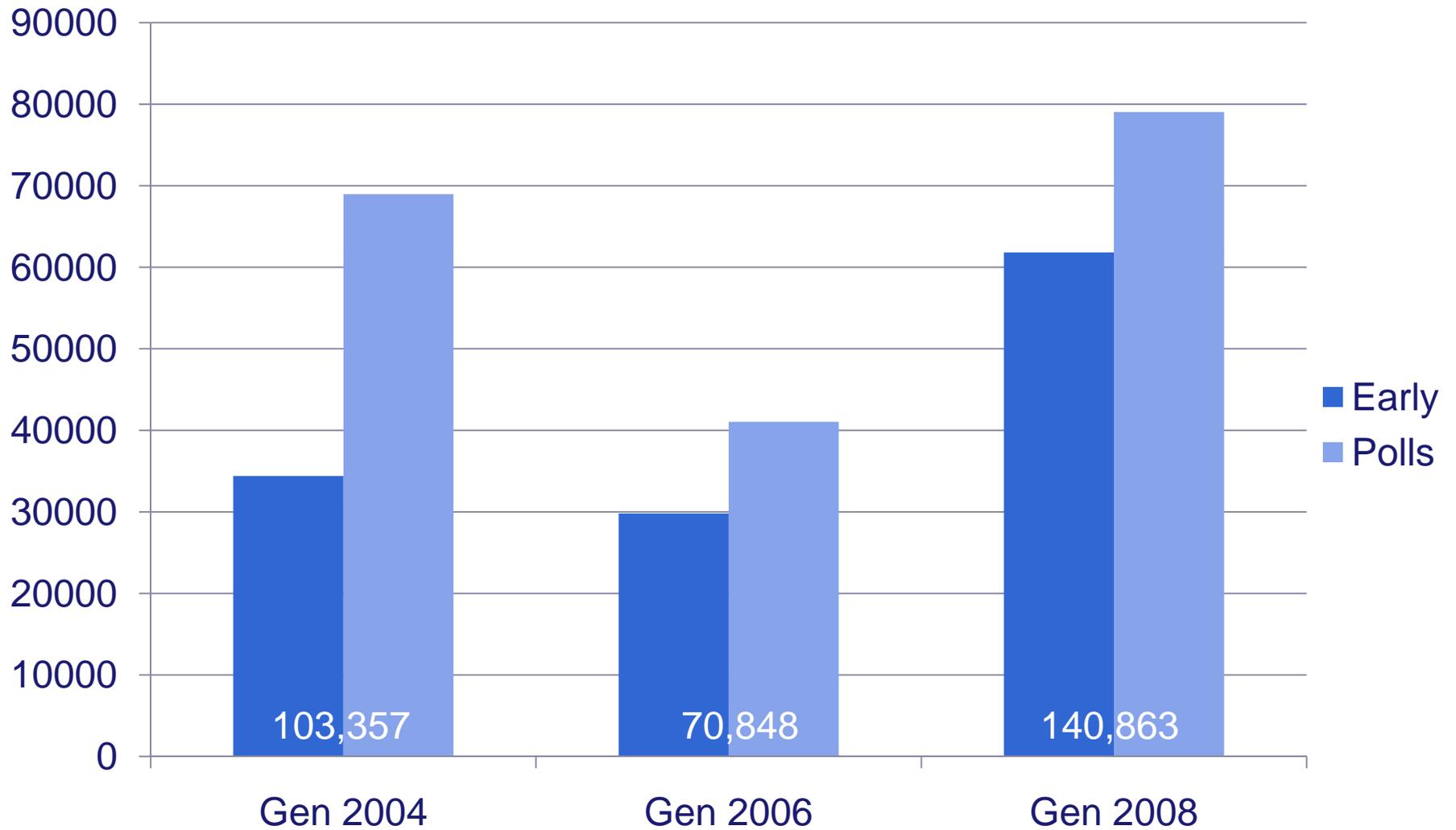


Hispanic Surname Voting % of All Ballots Cast



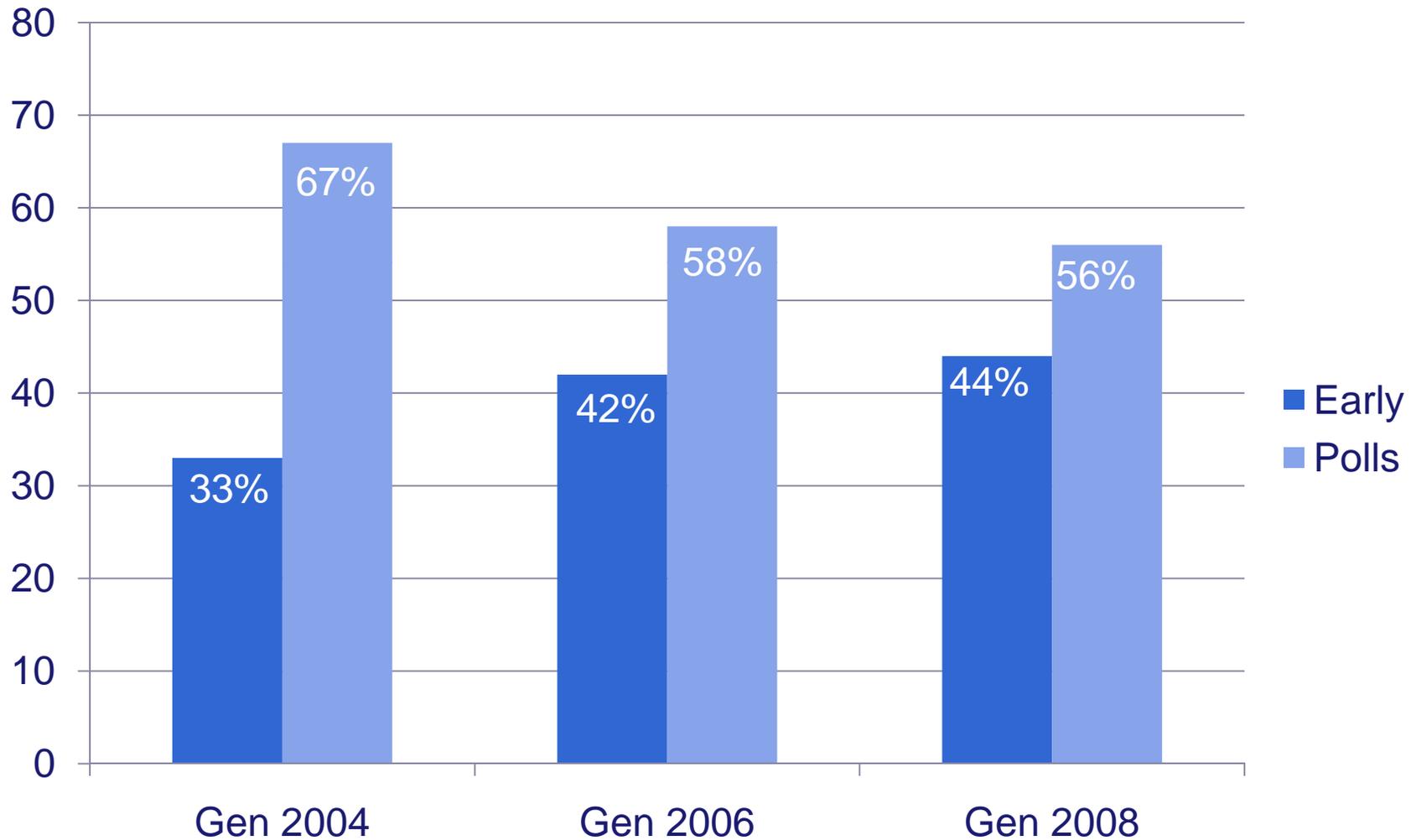


Hispanic Surname Voting Trends





Hispanic Surname Voting %s of Hispanic Votes Cast





First Time & Return Voters

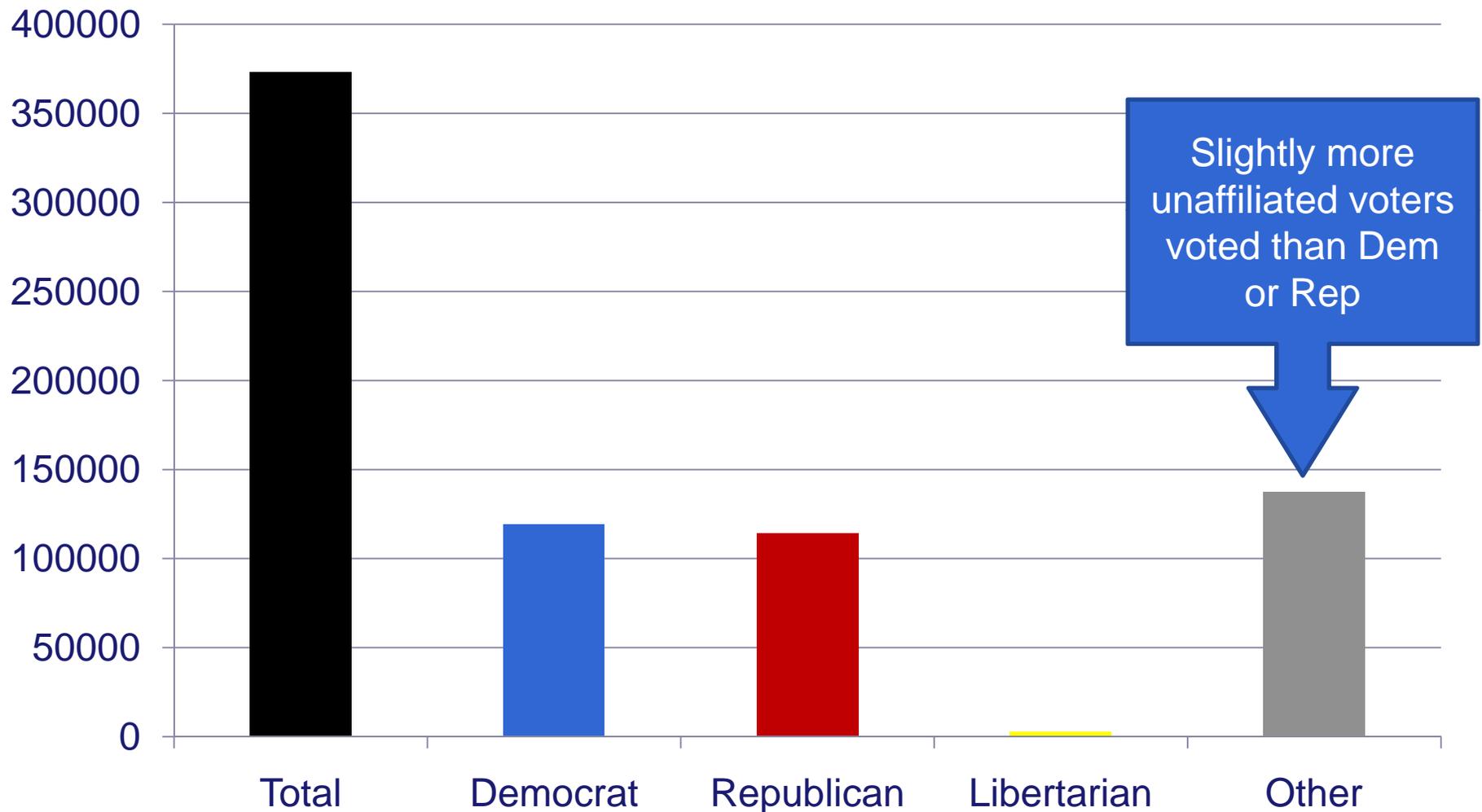
- ❖ Lets look at voters who voted in the 2008 General election who *DID NOT* vote in either the 2006 & 2004 Generals
 - How did they vote?
 - Early or at the Polls?
 - If early—by mail, at an EV site, or via SEB?
- ❖ Who were these voters?
 - What party?
 - Military &/or overseas voters?





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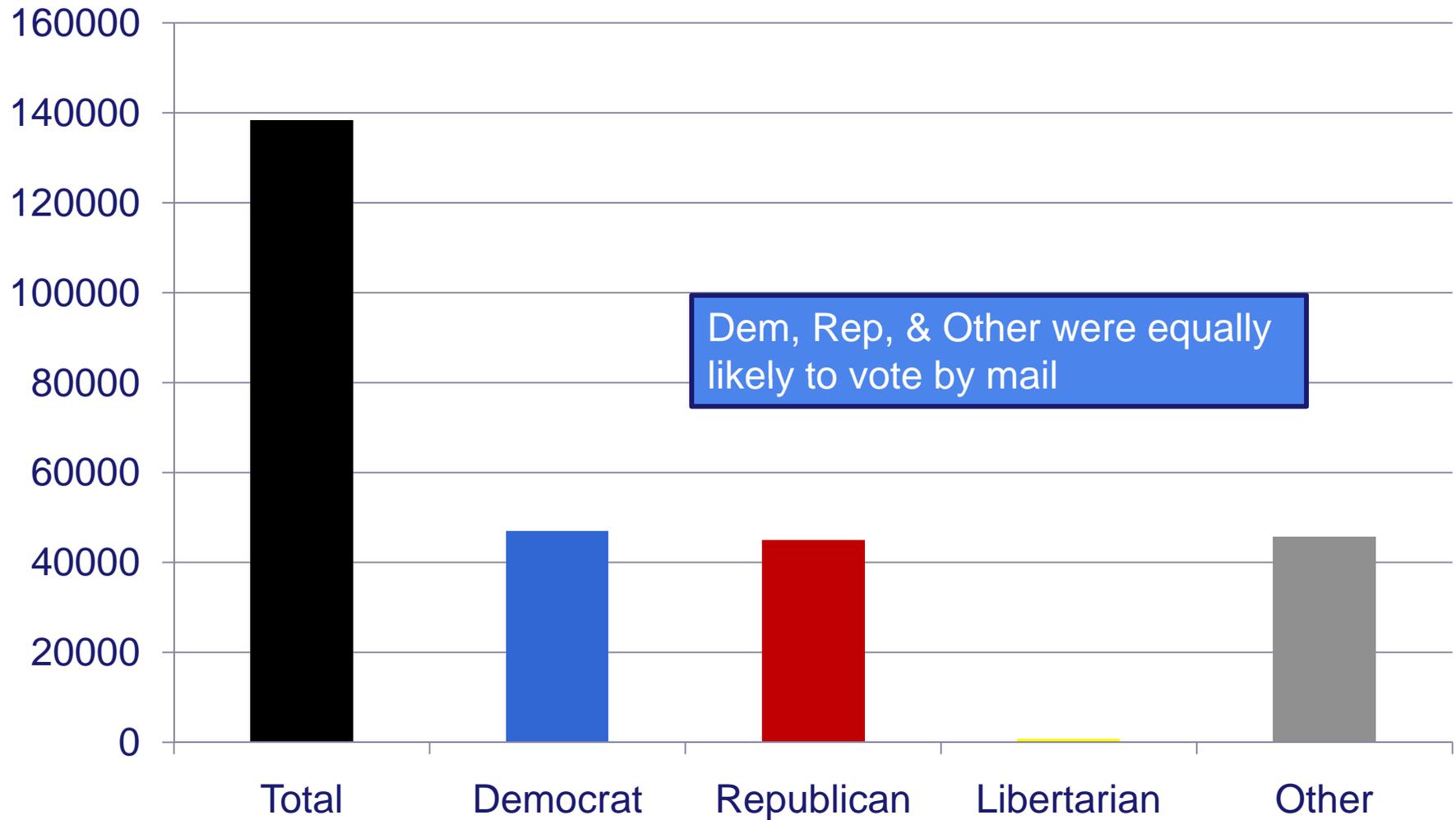
Party Affiliation Total Voted





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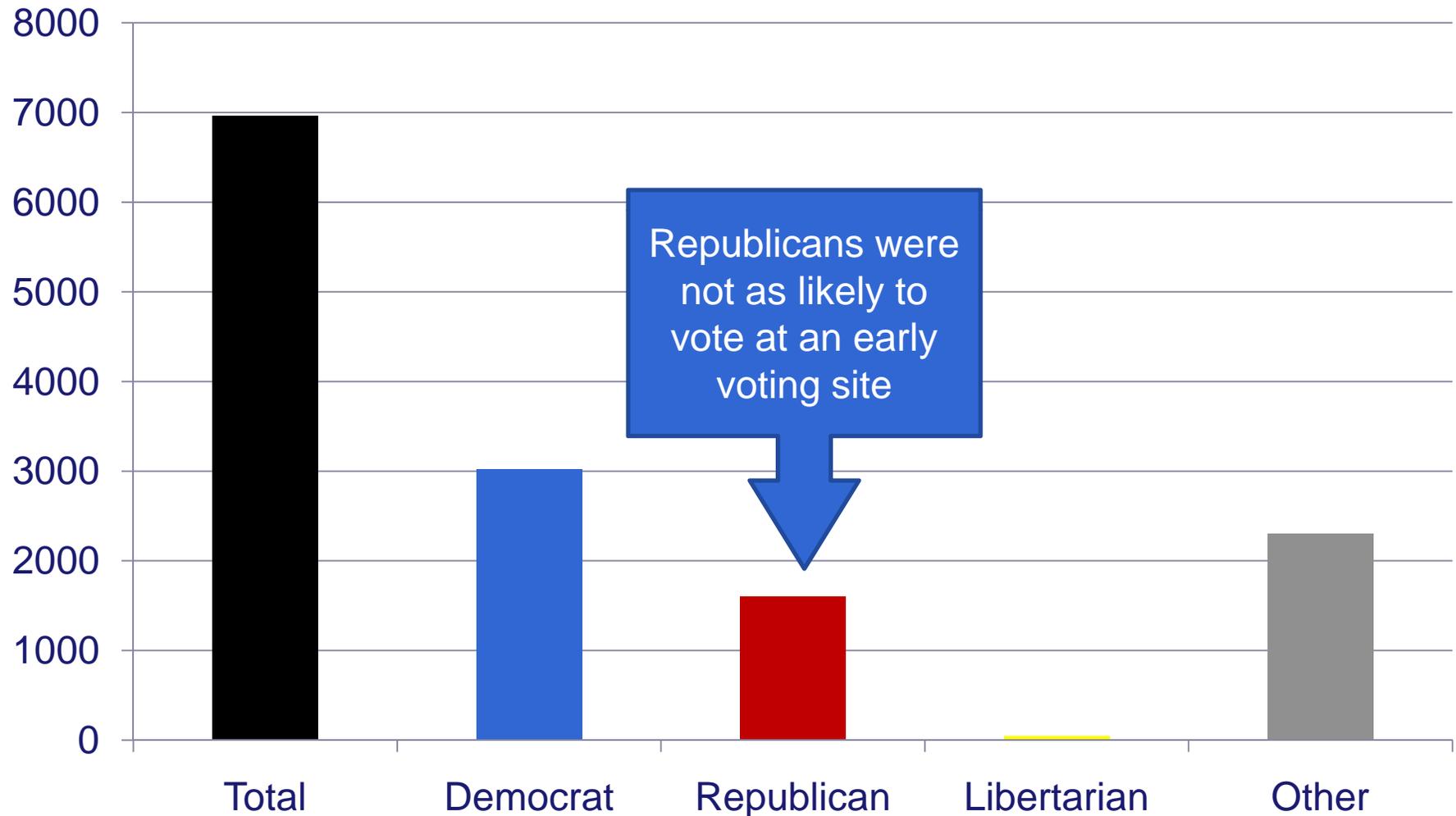
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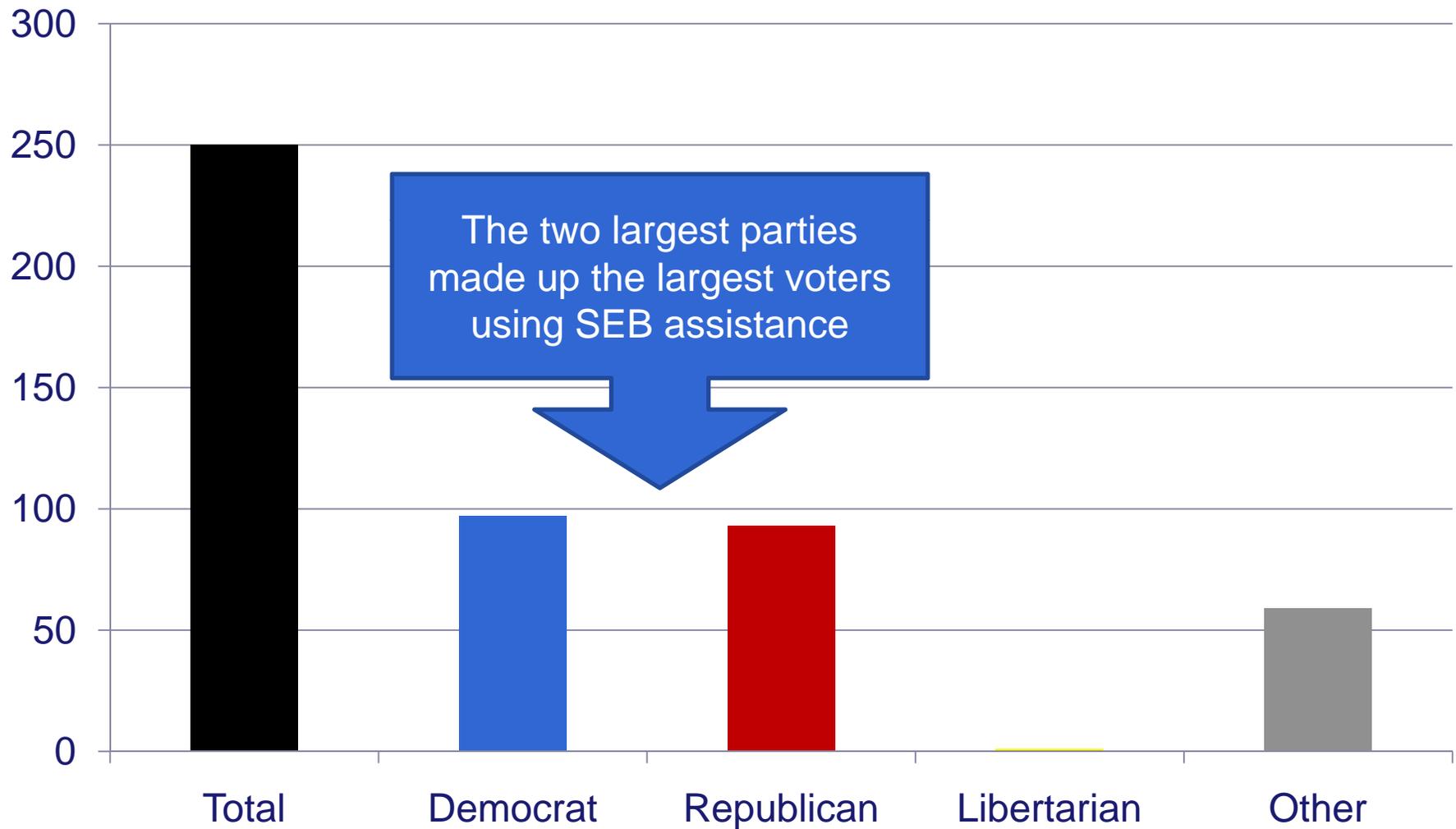
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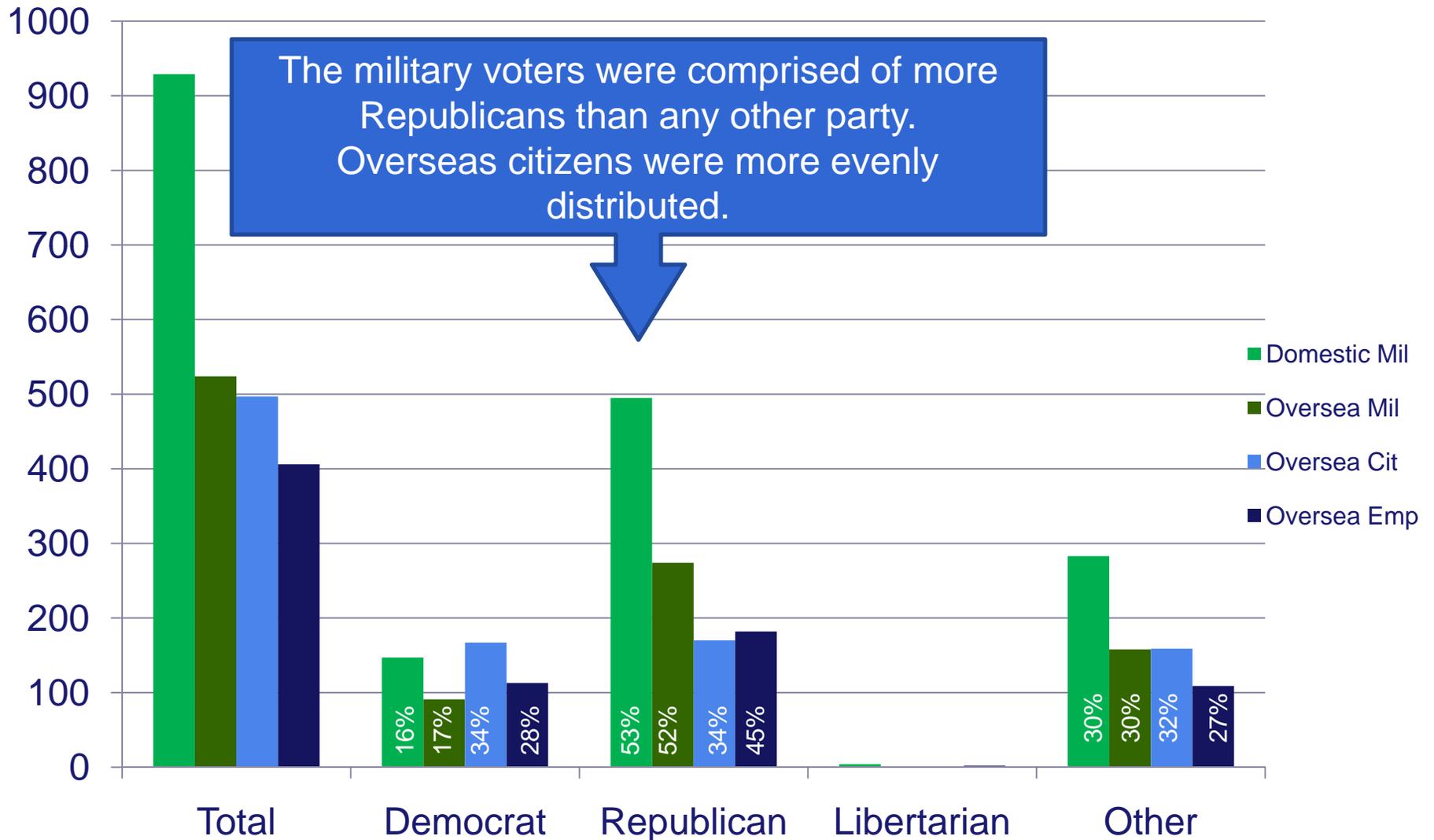
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Special Election Board (SEB) Voters by Party Affiliation





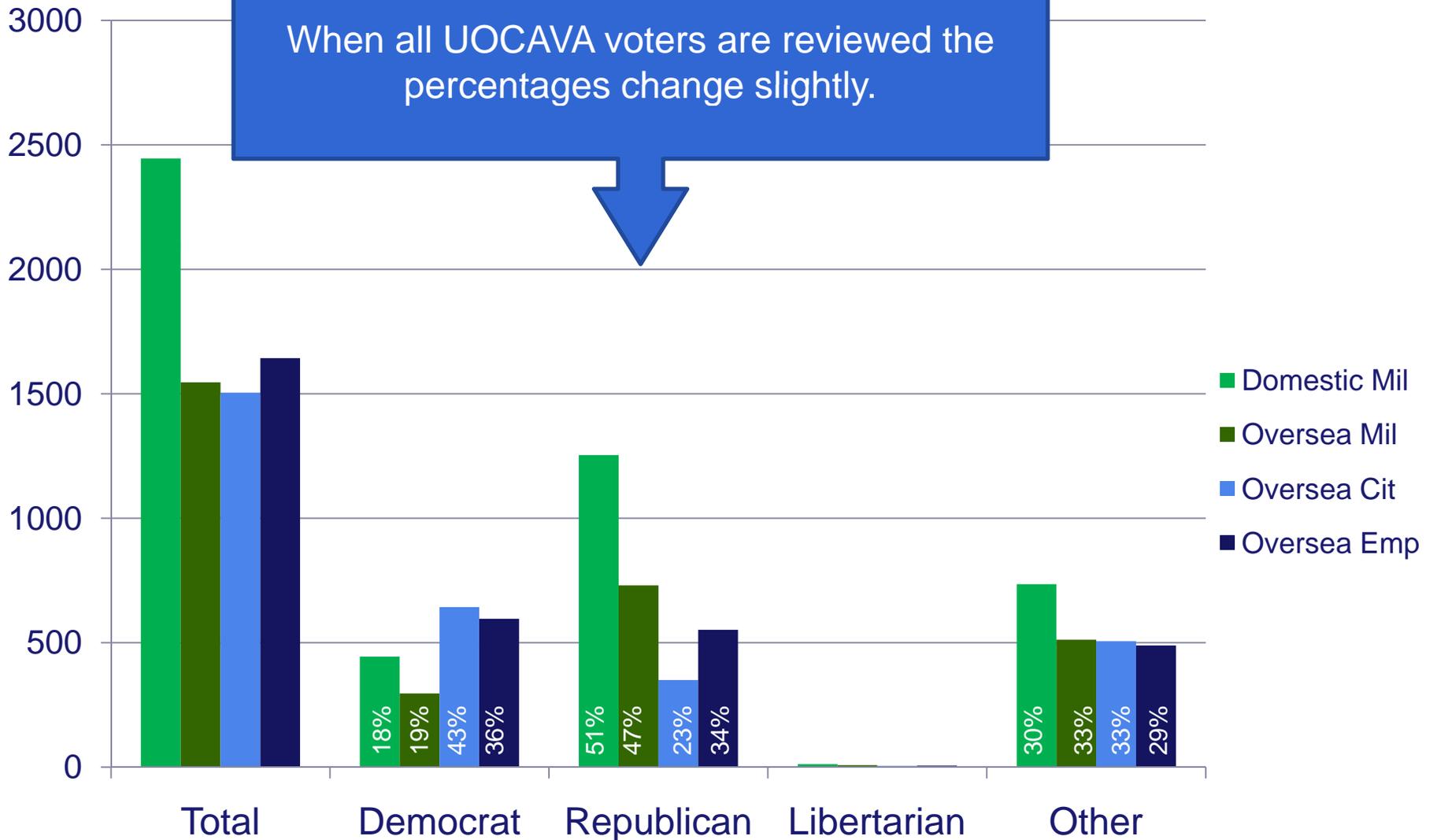
UOCAVA Voted in '08—Not in '06 or '04





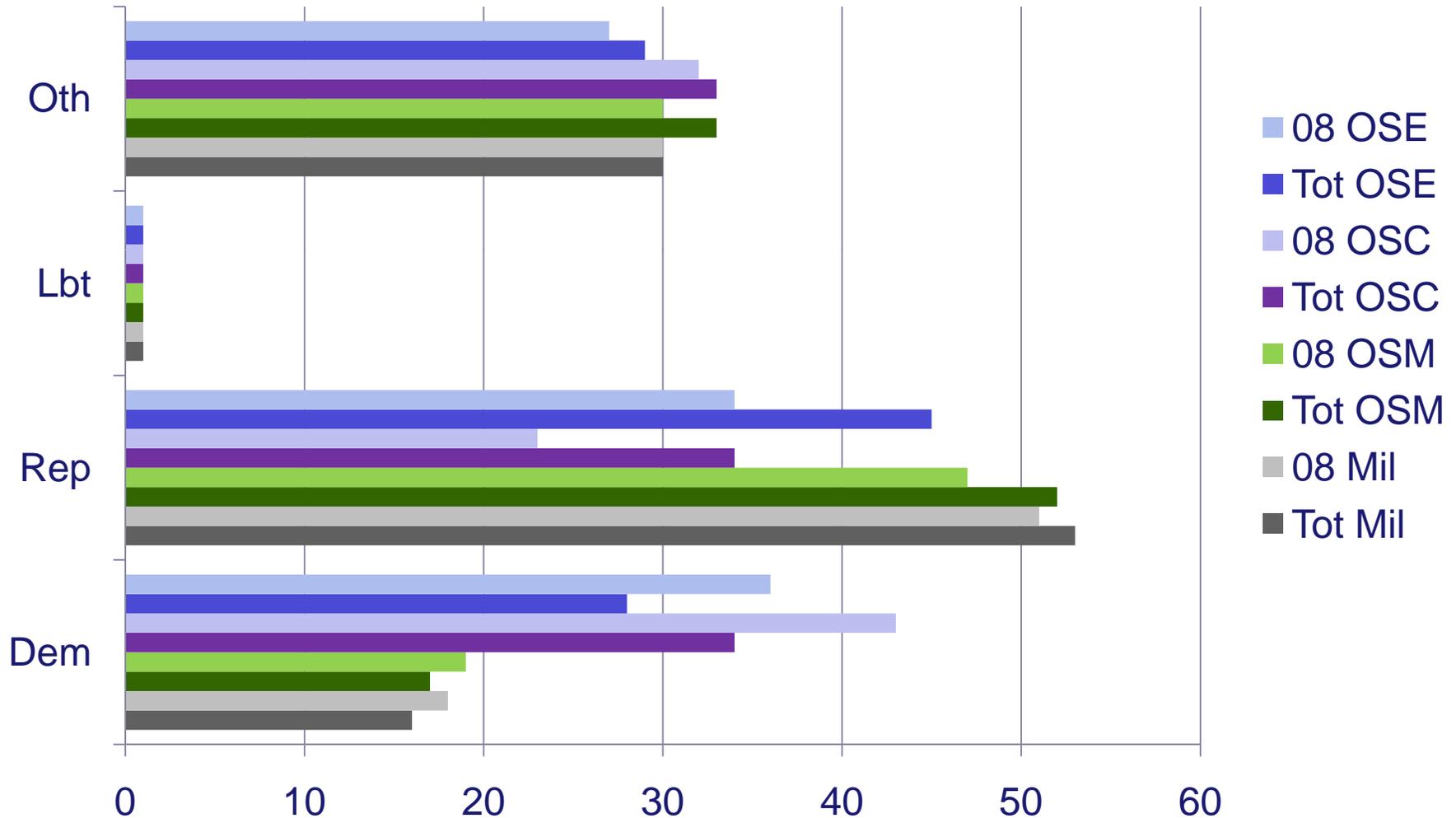
All UOCAVA Who Voted in '08

When all UOCAVA voters are reviewed the percentages change slightly.





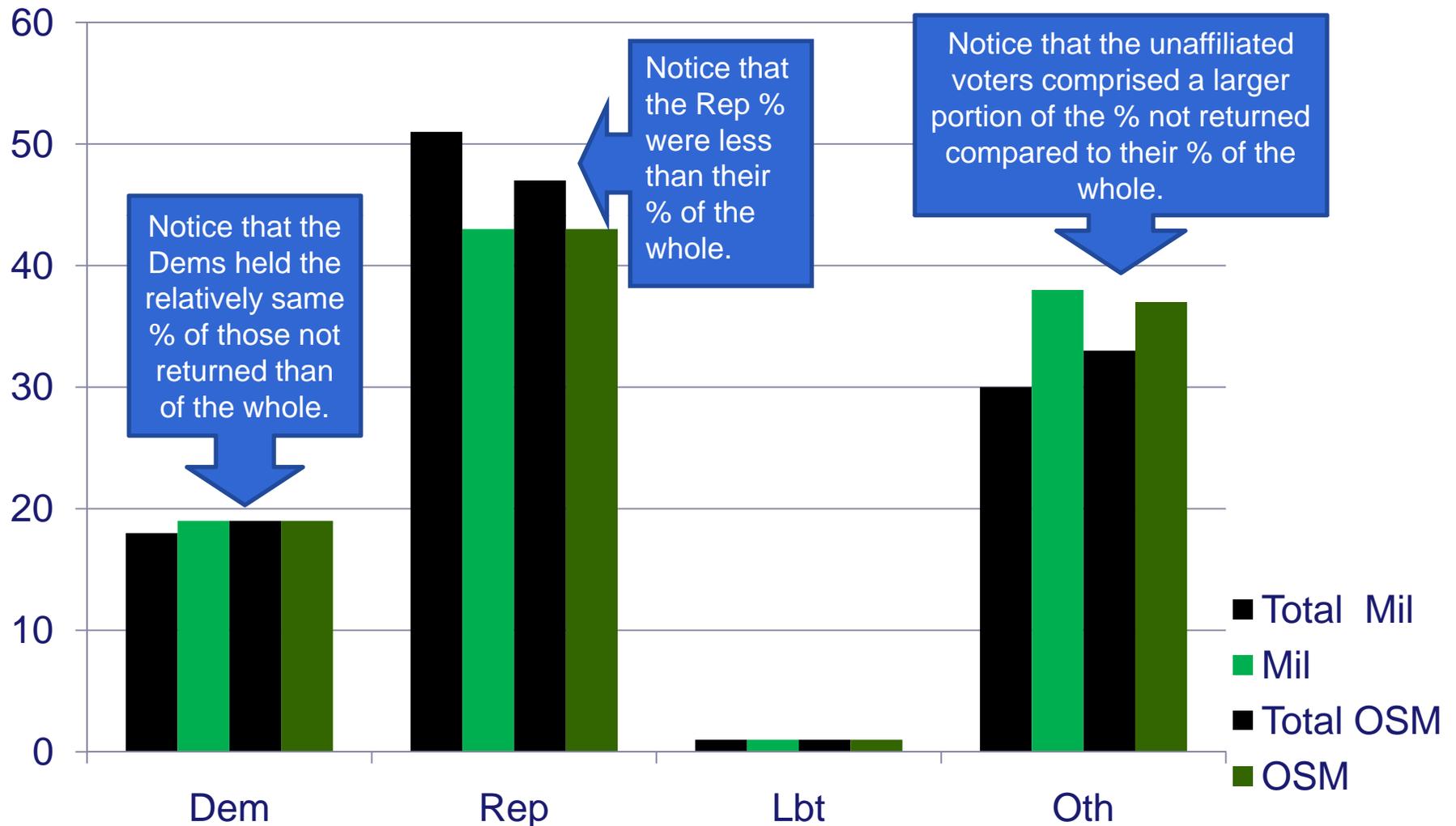
% of Voted Just in '08 vs. Total '08





Military Ballots Sent but not Returned:

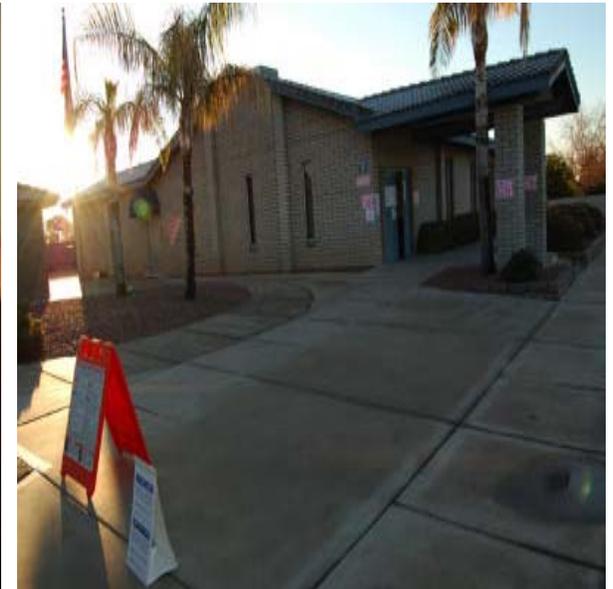
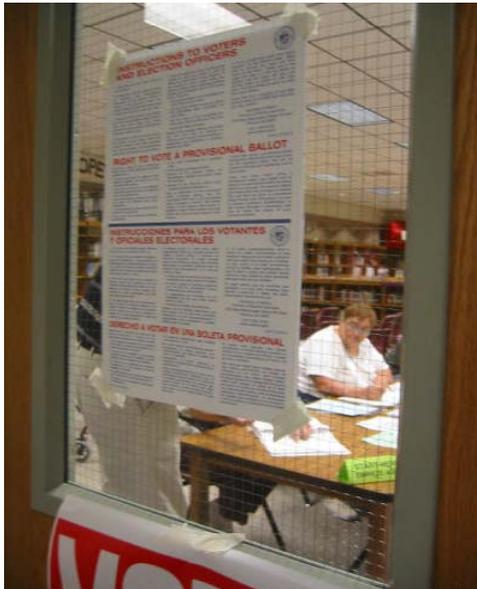
Of the military ballots mailed out, what was the % party make up of those voters vs. their total % of that category of military voter?





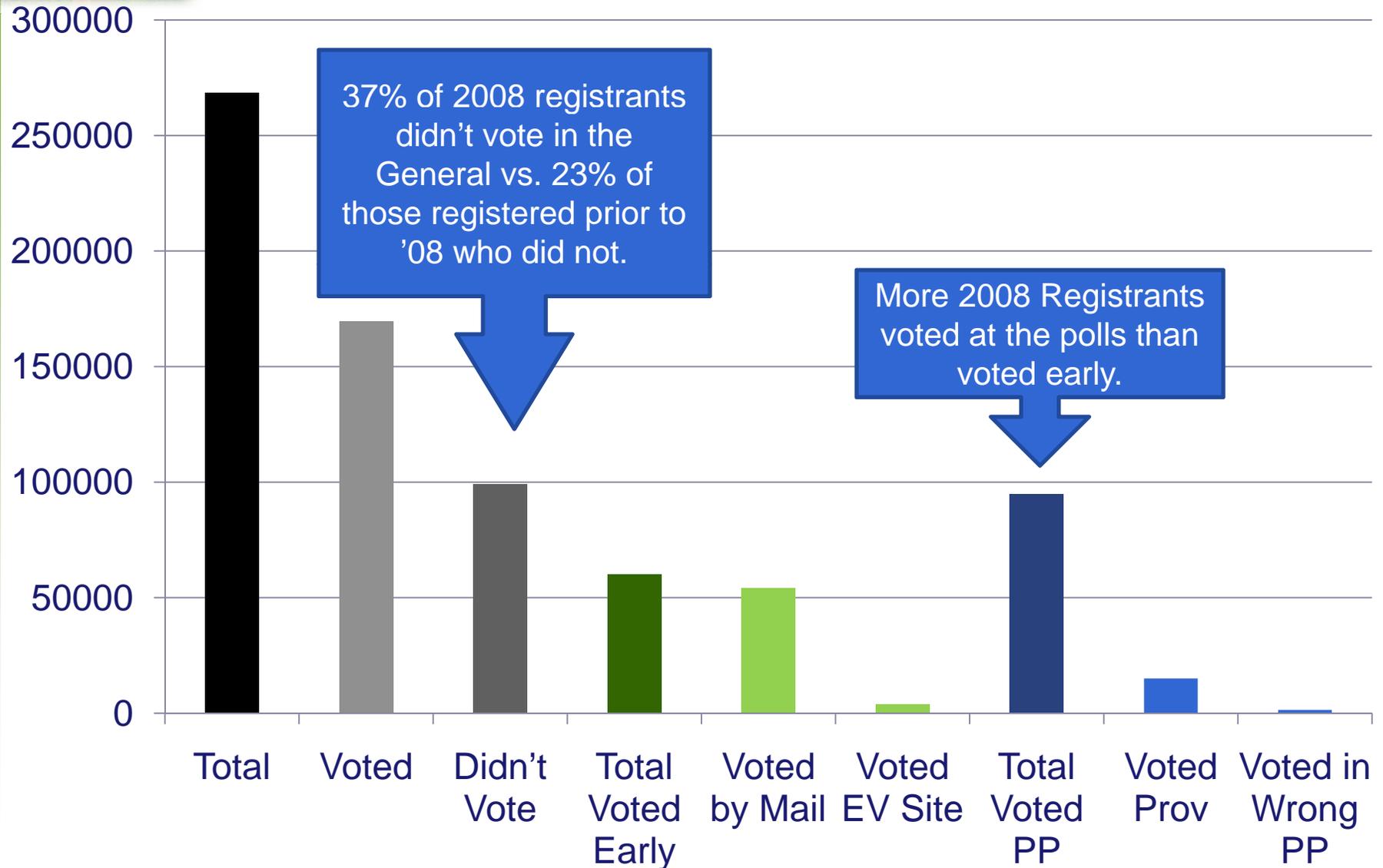
2008 Registrants

- ❖ What about those voters who registered in '08?
- ❖ How many were there?
- ❖ Did they vote?
- ❖ What manner did they use to cast their ballot?





2008 Registrants Voting Method

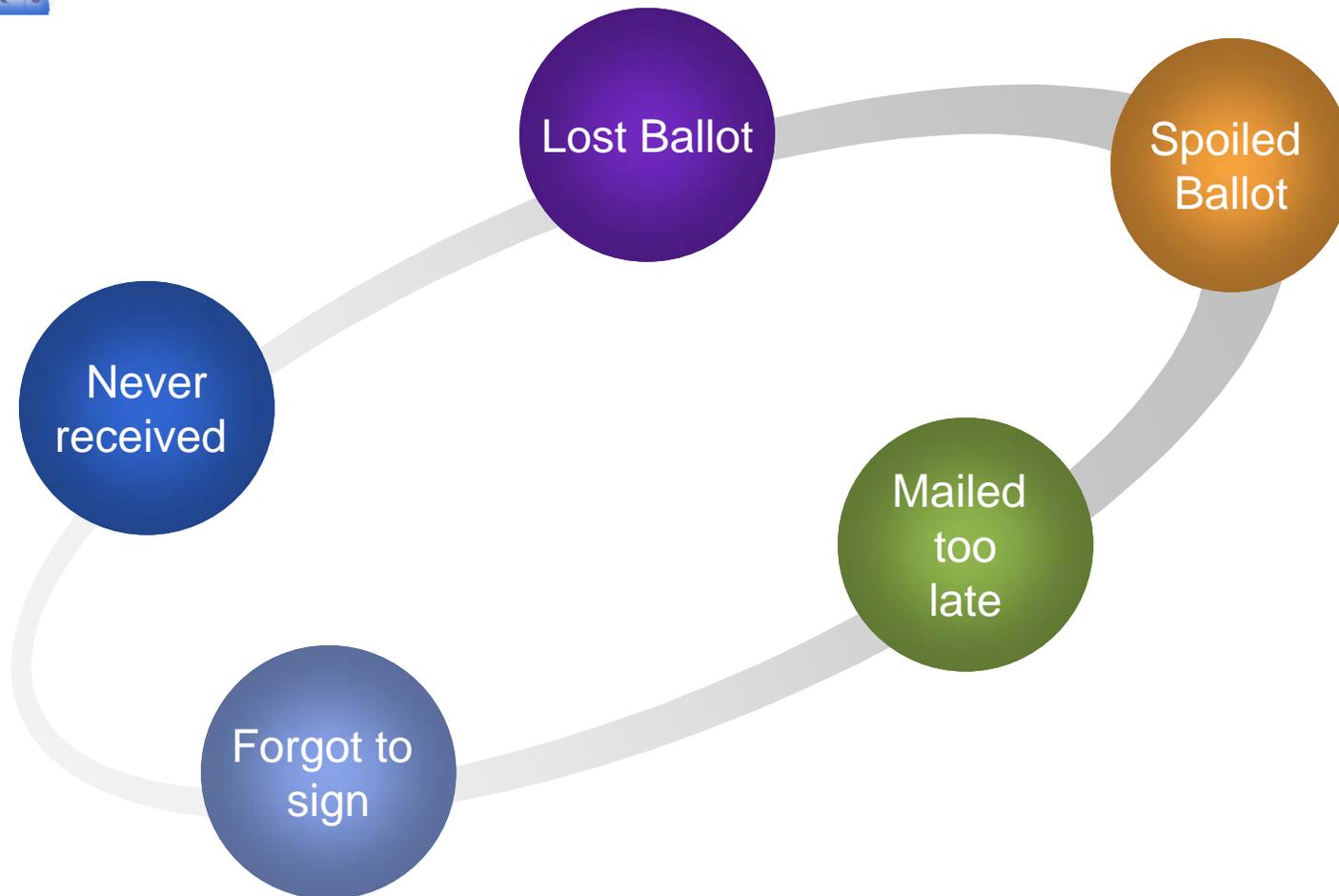




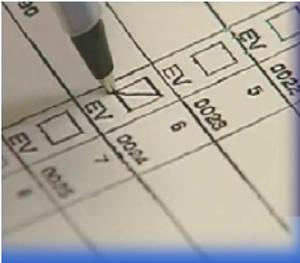
EV & Provisional Ballots

- ❖ If a voter requests an early ballot and then appears at a polling place on Election Day they are asked to vote a provisional ballot.
- ❖ Poll workers do not have a way to determine if the voter received, voted, or returned, the requested ballot.
- ❖ If the early ballot was not returned or validated then the provisional *IS* counted.
- ❖ If the early ballot was returned & validated the provisional *DOES NOT* count.

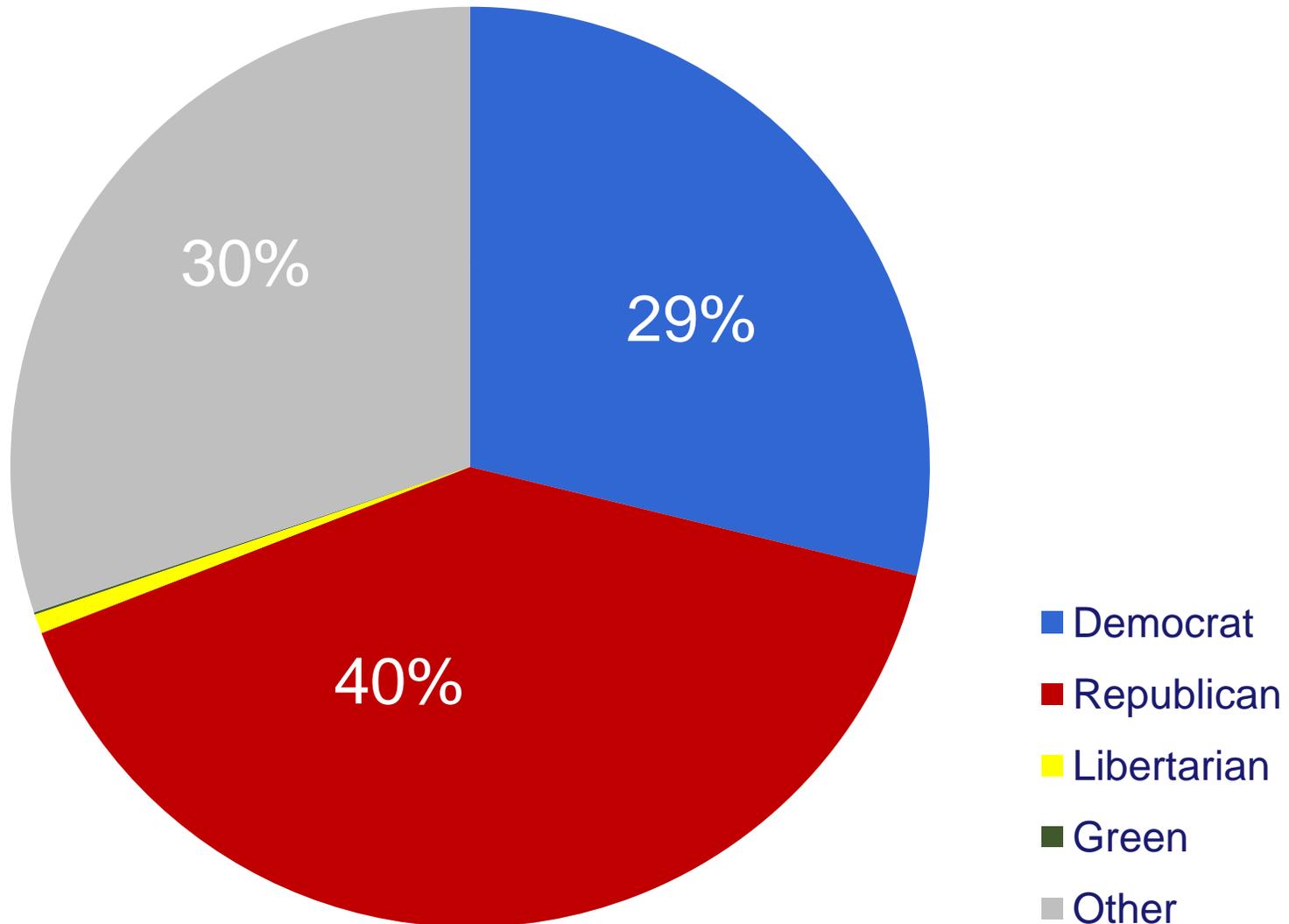
Reasons why a voter would go to the polls after requesting an early ballot:



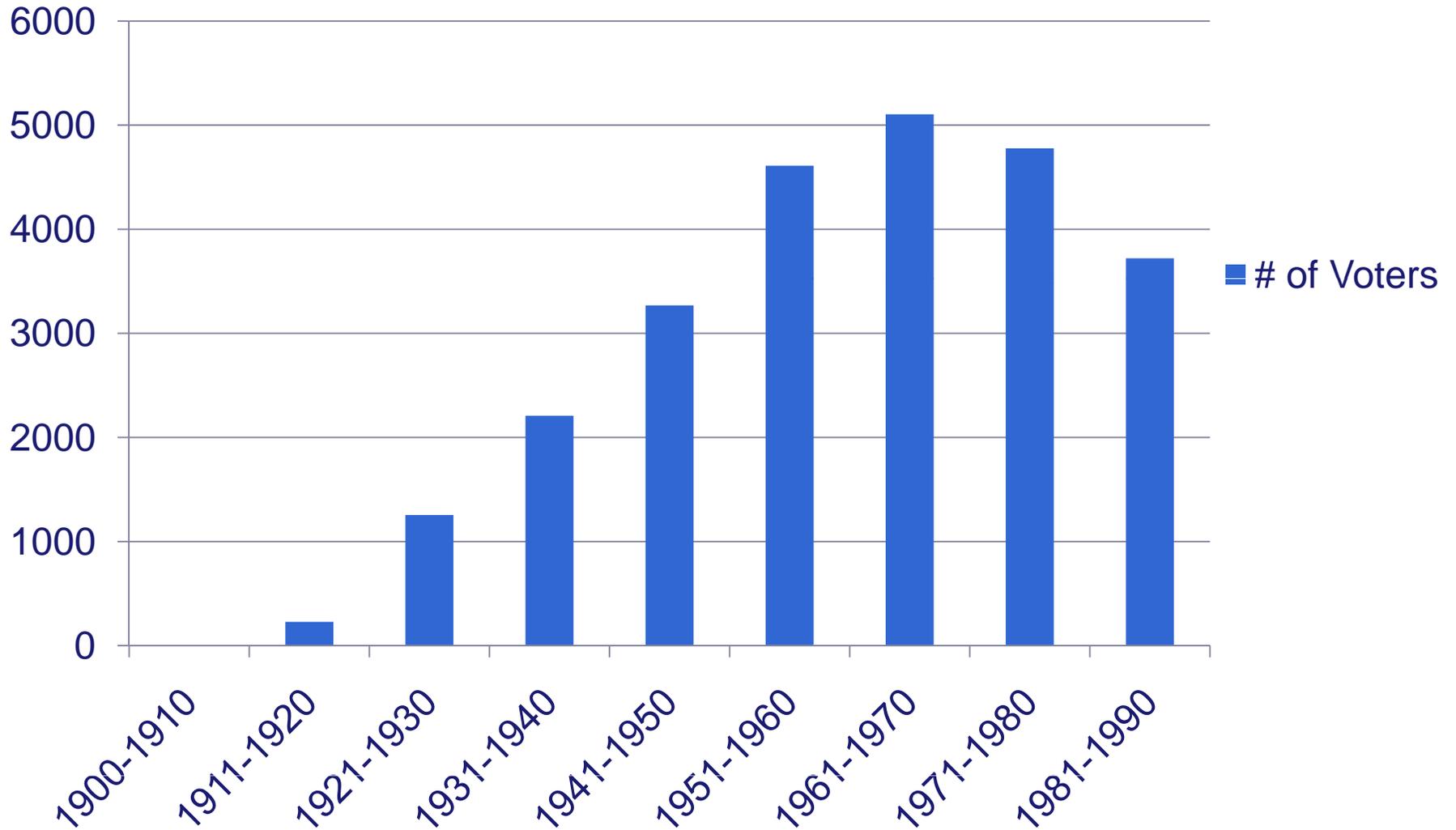
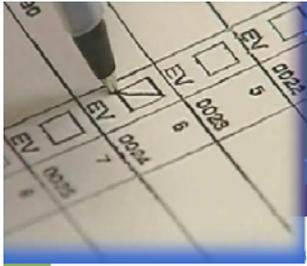
Voters who vote early, change their mind about who they want to vote for after sending in their ballot, and then go to the polls and vote provisionally *DO NOT* have that provisional counted. Once a ballot is cast, it is cast. It's the same for voters on Election Day—once that ballot is placed in the machine it is a done deal.



EV requested but not returned, provisional counted:



EV requested but not returned, provisional counted:





Early Voters at the Polls?

- ❖ Some voters checked the status of their early ballot to determine if they needed to go to the polls on Election Day.
- ❖ Was their ballot received?
- ❖ Did they remember to sign it?
- ❖ Voters can check by calling the voter information line or by checking on the website:



POLLING PLACE
LOCATOR &
SAMPLE BALLOTS

REQUEST AN EARLY
BALLOT

EARLY VOTING
BALLOT
STATUS INQUIRY

STATUS OF
PROVISIONAL BALLOT

Early Ballot Status Tool



EARLY VOTING BALLOT STATUS

Información de Elección en Español...

Seleccione una pagina para ver en español

Use the form below to check the status of your Early Voting Ballot.



*Indicates a required field
**You must enter ONE of these fields

To begin, you must fill in ALL* of the following fields

First Name*

Last Name *

Date of Birth * (4 digit year e.g. 1945 not 45)

and ONE ** of the following fields

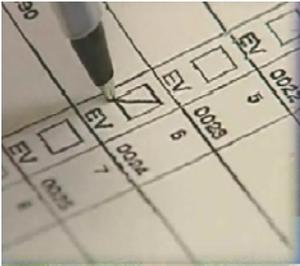
Voter ID **

Driver's License Number ** or Non-Operating ID License Number (no dashes or spaces)

Please note, if you registered to vote before 1996 you must use your VOTER ID ONLY. If you registered 1996 or later, you can use your Voter ID OR Drivers License Number

Submit

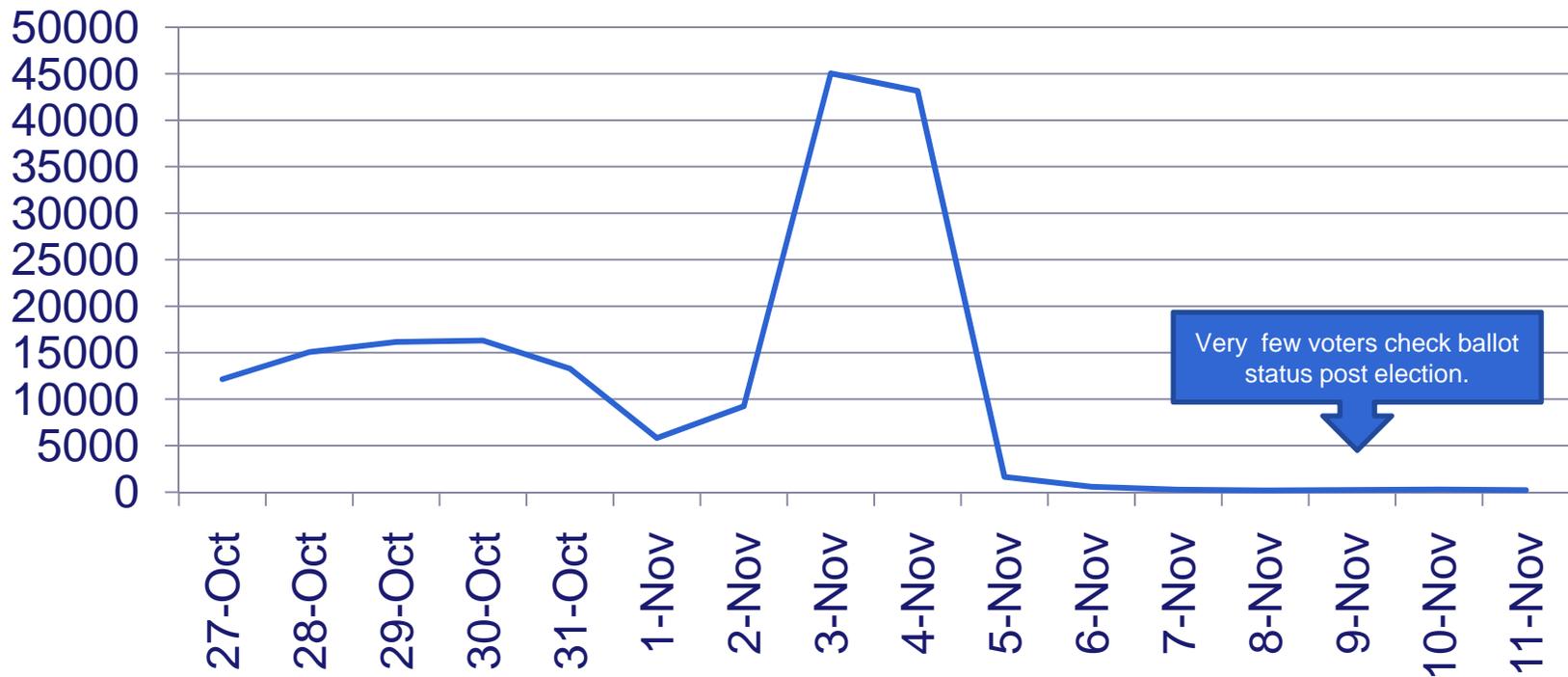
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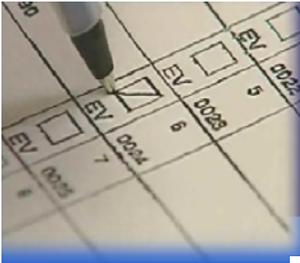


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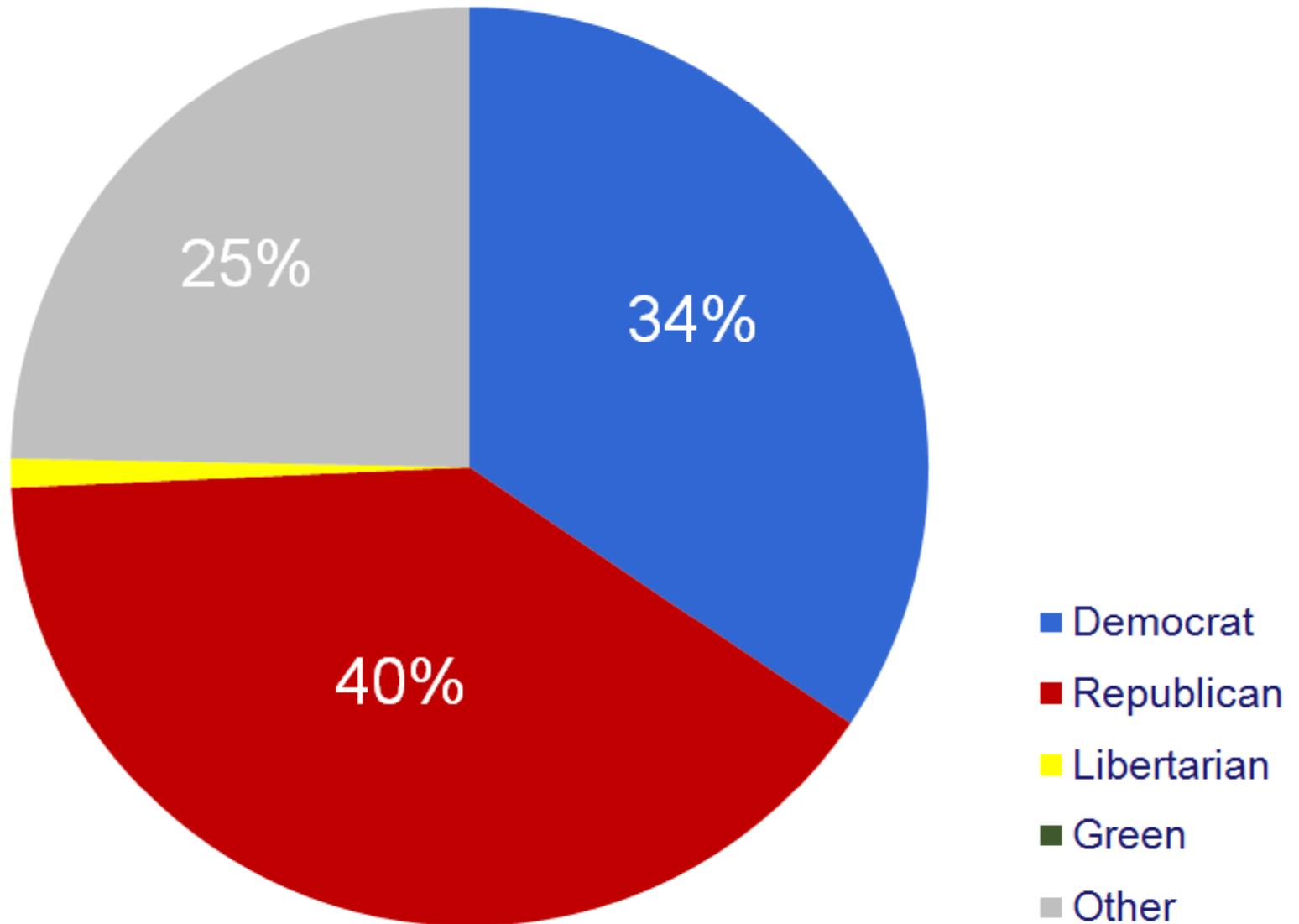
- ❖ It would seem that most voters checked the status leading up to election day for that very purpose:

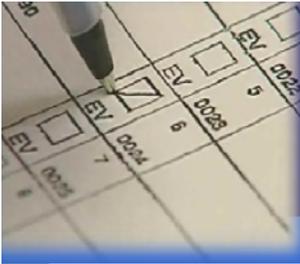
EV Website hits the week before & after Election Day



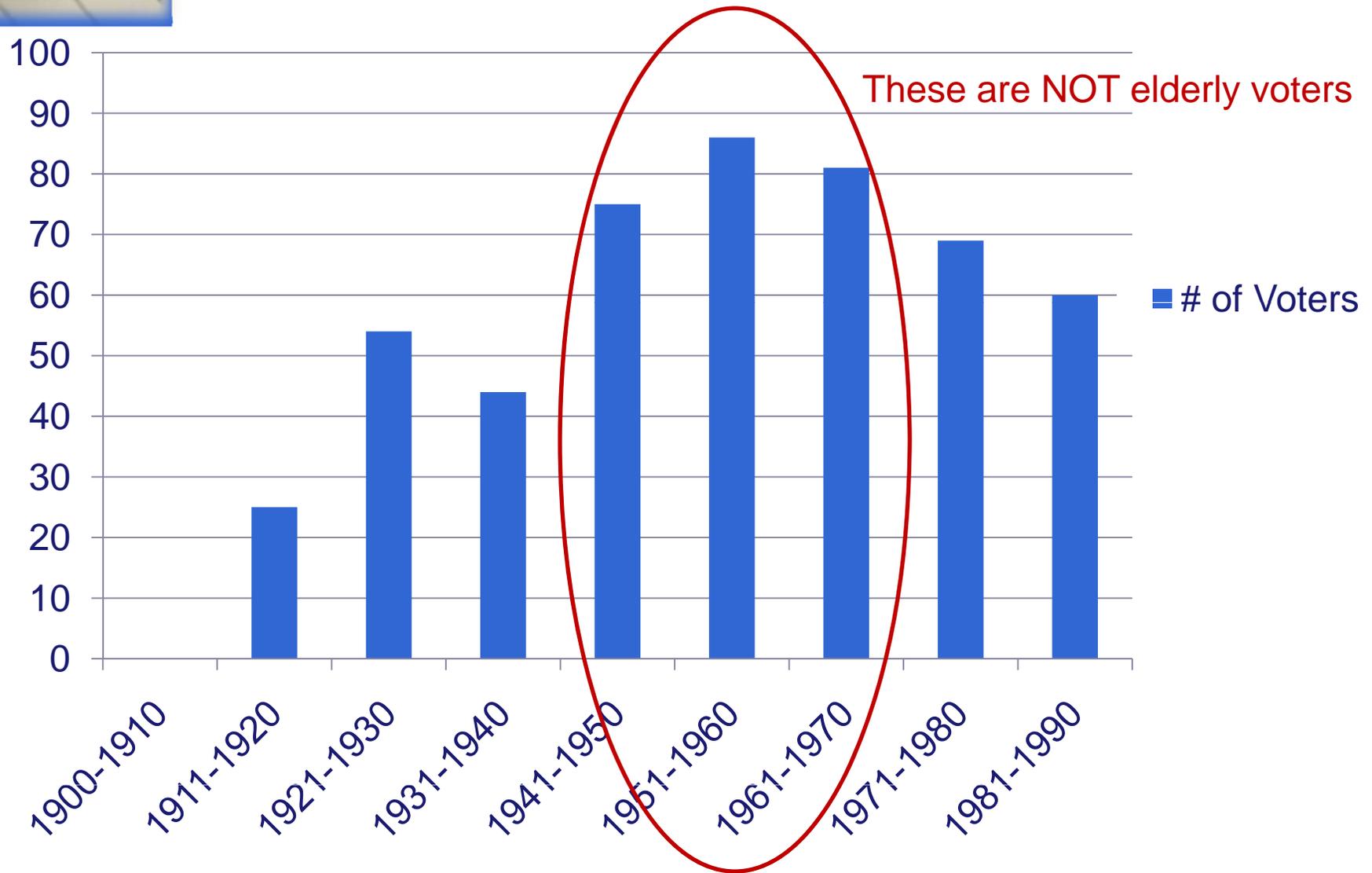


Voters who returned EV, went to the polls and voted provisionally:





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Early Voting:

The National Conversation



Best Practices

❖ Maricopa County Elections Department continues our efforts to share best practices and results with colleagues across the country.

The screenshot shows the NACO website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, JOIN NACo, SITEMAP, and CONTACT US. Below this is a search bar labeled "Search NACo" with a "GO" button. A secondary navigation bar contains links for About Counties, About NACo, Conferences & Events, Issues & Interest Areas, County Resource Center (highlighted in red), and News Room. The main content area is titled "County Resource Center" and includes options to PRINT THIS PAGE, EMAIL A FRIEND, EMAIL UPDATES, and a SHARE button. The breadcrumb trail reads: Home → County Resource Center → Awards → Achievement Awards. The main heading is "Achievement Award Programs Search Results". A specific program is highlighted: "Early Voting Ballot Affidavit Signature Verification" for Maricopa County, AZ, with a population of 2,122,101 and a program year of 2007. A sidebar on the left lists various award categories under "Achievement Awards".

This screenshot shows the same NACO website interface as the previous one, but with a different view of the search results. The breadcrumb trail is: Home → County Resource Center → Awards → Achievement Awards. The main heading is "Achievement Award Programs Search Results". A specific program is highlighted: "Military and Overseas Voter Project" for Maricopa County, AZ, with a population of 2,122,101 and a program year of 2005. The sidebar on the left is partially visible, showing the "Achievement Awards" category.



MCED's Reputation

- ❖ Most recently Paul Gronke of the Early Voting Information Center at Reed College and of the Pew Foundation's Make Voting Work Initiative honored MCED with inclusion in his presentation for the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) Voter Participation Committee meeting in Washington, DC.

EVIC The
Early Voting
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The Secretary of State's Guidebook
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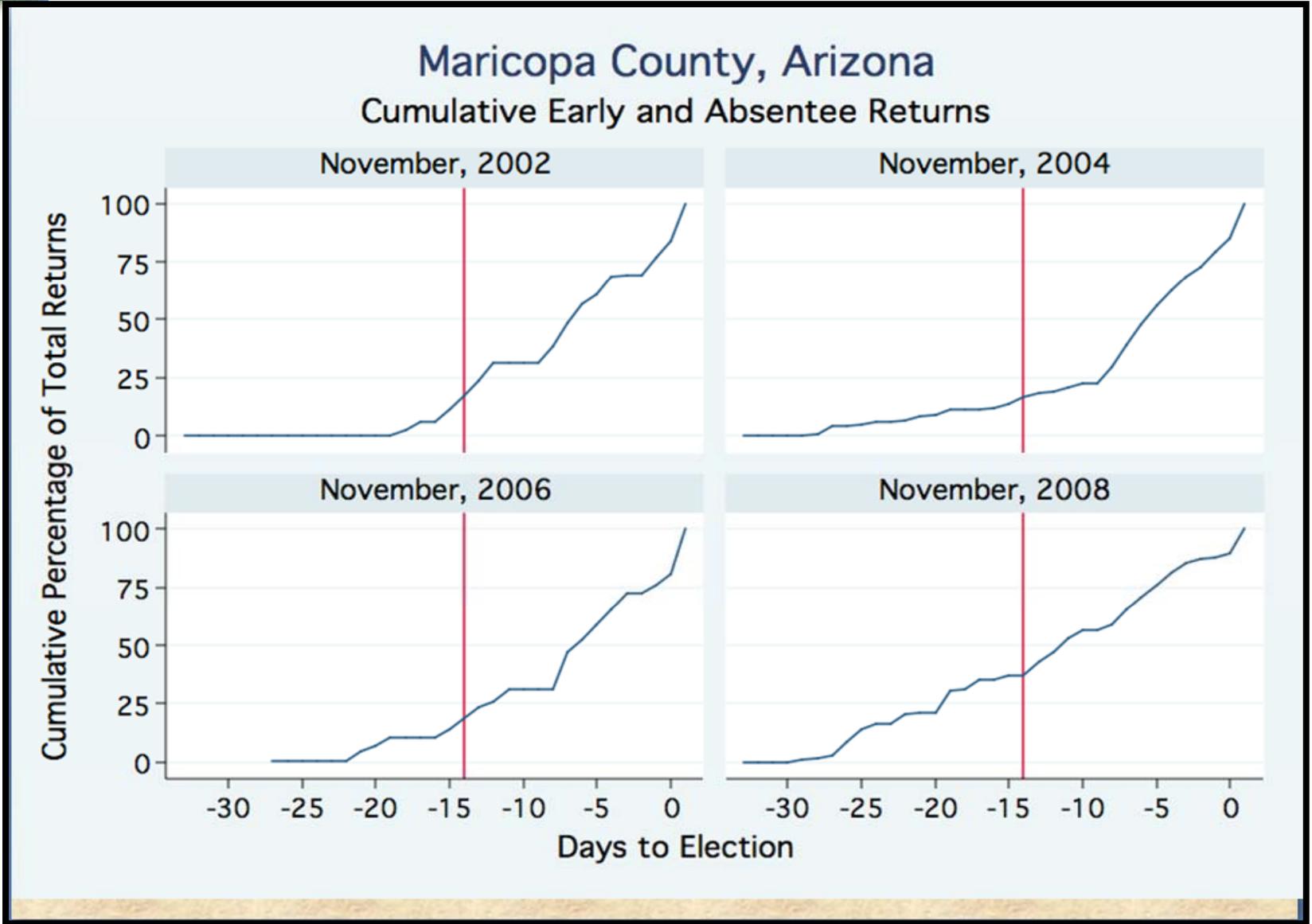
EVIC at Reed College – Portland, OR

Presentation available at <http://earlyvoting.net>

Prepared for the National Association of Secretaries of State
Voter Participation Committee Meeting
Washington, D.C.
February 7, 2009



NASS presentation by Paul Gronke:



EAC's EMG:

- ❖ The EAC publishes Election Management Guidelines (affectionately referred to as EMGs) and visits jurisdictions around the country to view procedures in action.
- ❖ We were privileged to have EAC Chairwoman Rosemary Rodriguez visit MCED for the 2008 Primary:



Here the Commissioner reviews the EV process



PEW: Voting in America Summit:

❖ Maricopa County Recorder Helen Purcell participated in the *Voting in America Summit* to share MCED's story

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Voting in America Summit

Voting in America- The Road Ahead, December 8 -10, 2008

The Voting in America summit revisited the 2008 election, using that experience as an opportunity to assess what progress has been made since 2000 in modernizing the nation's system of voting and what work remains. The symposium addressed many of the most critical issues in election administration and opened a dialogue across government, private and non-profit sectors aimed at finding innovative methods to make the voting process easier for the voter and more efficient and secure for election administrators.

Voting in America was sponsored by Make Voting Work, a project of the Pew Center on the States in partnership with the JEHT Foundation

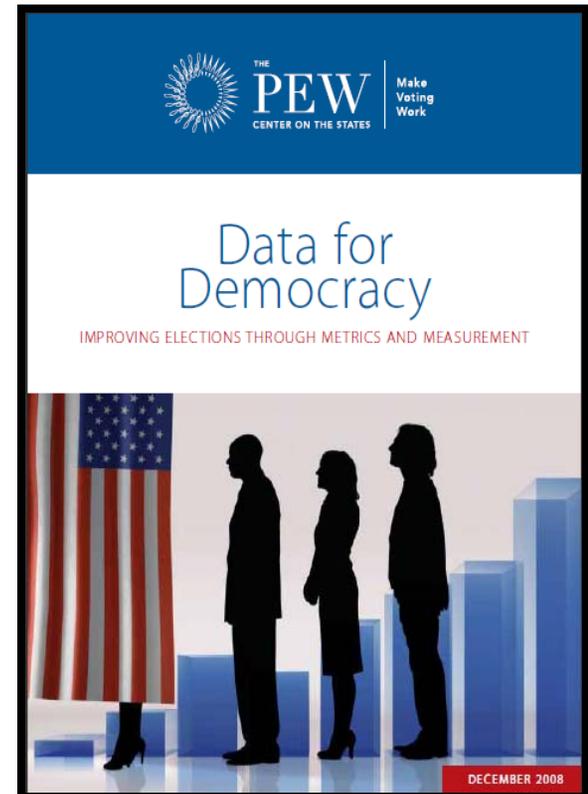


PEW: Data for Democracy

❖ MCED also participated in the compendium on *Data for Democracy* which discusses and demonstrates the import of collecting data as an “antidote to the anecdote”

For more information on the Pew Make Voting Work Initiative:

www.pewcenteronthestates.org



Congressional Hearings

❖ The Senate Rules Committee has already held one hearing on voter registration and UOCAVA voters this year and we anticipate more to come:



The screenshot displays the official website of the Senate Committee on Rules & Administration. The page features a navigation menu with options: COMMITTEE MEMBERS, COMMITTEE SCHEDULE, IN THE NEWS, RULES OF THE SENATE, and ABOUT THE COMMITTEE. Under the 'COMMITTEE SCHEDULE' section, a 'HEARING' is listed with the title 'Voter Registration: Assessing Current Problems', dated Wednesday, March 11, 2009, at 10:00 AM, held at the Russell Senate Office Building, room 301. A video player is embedded on the page, showing a live stream of the hearing. The video player interface includes a URL bar with the address <http://rules.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Com...> and a video player with a progress bar and volume controls. The video content shows a man in a suit, identified as SEN. CHARLES E. SCHUMER, CHAIRMAN, sitting at a desk with a nameplate that reads 'Rules and Administration Committee SR-301'. Other individuals are visible in the background.

Congressional Hearings

❖ We expect the Subcommittee on Elections in the House Administration Committee to be very active as well:

The screenshot shows the official website for the Subcommittee on Elections of the House Administration Committee. The page features a navigation bar with links for Home, CHA Assistance, Franking, About CHA, Newsroom, Hearings & Legislation, Minority Site, and Contact. A calendar for the period 03/15/09 to 03/28/09 is displayed, with a 'View Full Calendar' link. A 'VIEW LIVE Webcasts' button is also present. The page lists the majority and minority members of the subcommittee, including Chairwoman Zoe Lofgren (CA-16) and Ranking Member Kevin McCarthy (CA-22). A section titled 'Chairwoman Lofgren' includes a photo and a biographical paragraph. The right sidebar contains a search box, a 'HOT ISSUES' section with 'Wounded Warrior Program' and '2008 Summer Interns', and a 'HIGHLIGHTS' section with 'CVC Project Update' and 'SEARCH LEGISLATION (THOMAS)'. The bottom of the page includes a search box and radio buttons for 'Bill Number' and 'Word/Phrase'.

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- Rep. [Zoe Lofgren](#), CA-16
Chairwoman
- Rep. [Charles Gonzalez](#), TX-20
- Rep. [Susan Davis](#), CA-53
- Rep. [Artur Davis](#), AL-7

Minority

- Rep. [Kevin McCarthy](#), CA-22
Ranking Member
- Rep. [Vernon Ehlers](#), MI-3

Chairwoman Lofgren


Rep. [Zoe Lofgren](#)
Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Elections

Ms. Lofgren was appointed Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Elections on February 14, 2007. Chairwoman Lofgren believes it is critically important that our country's voting system has integrity and that we must ensure that Americans know their vote is going to be counted and that it is going to be counted the way it was cast. As Chair of the Subcommittee on Elections, Representative Lofgren is dedicated to holding hearings on the issues and keeping the federal agencies responsible for the administration of our elections accountable for their actions.

Chairwoman Lofgren has served in the House of Representatives since 1994, representing the 16th Congressional District of California. In addition to her leadership on the Subcommittee on Elections, Representative Lofgren also chairs the House Judiciary's Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law

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