

Messaging for 2014: Voter Outreach & Materials Review

Maricopa County Elections Department

Community Network Meeting

March 26th, 2014

Topics

- ▶ Voters
- ▶ Voter Registration
- ▶ Party Affiliation Trends
- ▶ PEVL Update
- ▶ Ballot Implications
- ▶ The Campaign Message
- ▶ UOCAVA

Voters

What do voters already know?

What do we need to work on?

**Moses / Arizona Citizens Clean
Elections (CCEC)
Focus Group Summary**



March 7, 2014



Clean Elections Voter Focus Group

- ▶ February 18th evening focus group in Phoenix
- ▶ Two groups of voters between the ages of 20-50
- ▶ The following slides are drawn from the focus group summary from the research group which also includes the Tucson results.

Voter Groups

High Efficacy Voters

- ▶ individuals with a high level of interest and engagement in the process and / or those who have some interest in participating personally

Age	Gender	Q.2 Votes	Q.3 Interests	Q.4 Voting Experience	Q.5 Ethnicity	Q.6 Political Party	Q.7 Education	Q.8 Income
34	Female	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Caucasian	Independent	College Graduate	\$35K to \$50K
48	Male	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Caucasian	Republican	Some College	\$100K+
37	Female	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Hispanic	Democrat	College Graduate	\$51K to \$75K
29	Male	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Caucasian	Republican	Post Graduate	\$100K+
26	Male	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Caucasian	Republican	College Graduate	\$51K to \$75K
46	Male	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Caucasian	Republican	Some College	\$35K to \$50K
25	Female	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Hispanic	Independent	College Graduate	\$35K to \$50K
35	Female	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	African American	Democrat	Post Graduate	\$51K to \$75K
34	Female	All	Has Participated	Somewhat difficult	African American	Democrat	Some College	less \$35K
46	Male	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Hispanic	Democrat	Some College	\$76K to \$100K
28	Female	All	Has Participated	Not Difficult	Caucasian	Independent	College Graduate	\$51K to \$75K

Less Engaged Voters

- ▶ individuals with a lower level of interest and engagement in the process and / or those who had some difficulty in the electoral process

Age	Gender	Q.2 Votes	Q.3 Interests	Q.4 Voting Experience	Q.5 Ethnicity	Q.6 Political Party	Q.7 Education
42	Male	Presidential only	Interested, not involved	Not Difficult	African American	Democrat	Some College
36	Female	Presidential only	none	Extremely Difficult	Caucasian	Democrat	Some College
44	Female	Presidential only	Interested, not involved	Somewhat Difficult	Caucasian	Republican	H.S. Graduate
24	Male	Only when cares	none	Somewhat Difficult	Hispanic	Independent	Some H.S.
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36	Female	Only when cares	Interested, not involved	Extremely Difficult	Hispanic	Independent	College Graduate
41	Male	Presidential only	Interested, not involved	Somewhat Difficult	Caucasian	Independent	Some College
47	Female	Presidential & when cares	Interested, not involved	Not Difficult	Caucasian	Democrat	H.S. Graduate
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What confused voters?

- ▶ *Primaries:* Many are unsure of who can vote in the primaries, with some suggesting *just members of the two major parties*, and others presuming that if you are a member of a party that has a candidate in the race, you can vote in that party's primary, and still others saying that all voters are eligible to vote in the primaries. A couple said it depends on the party.

What confused voters?

- ▶ *Provisional ballots*: Although several report having used a provisional ballot, few called it by name. Some recognized the name once it was mentioned, but others did not. No one recalls having any trouble voting with a provisional ballot and no one remembers being given a receipt. Another interesting finding is that several people in both groups, in both Phoenix and Tucson, *believe provisional ballots are only counted if and when the race is close.*

What confused voters?

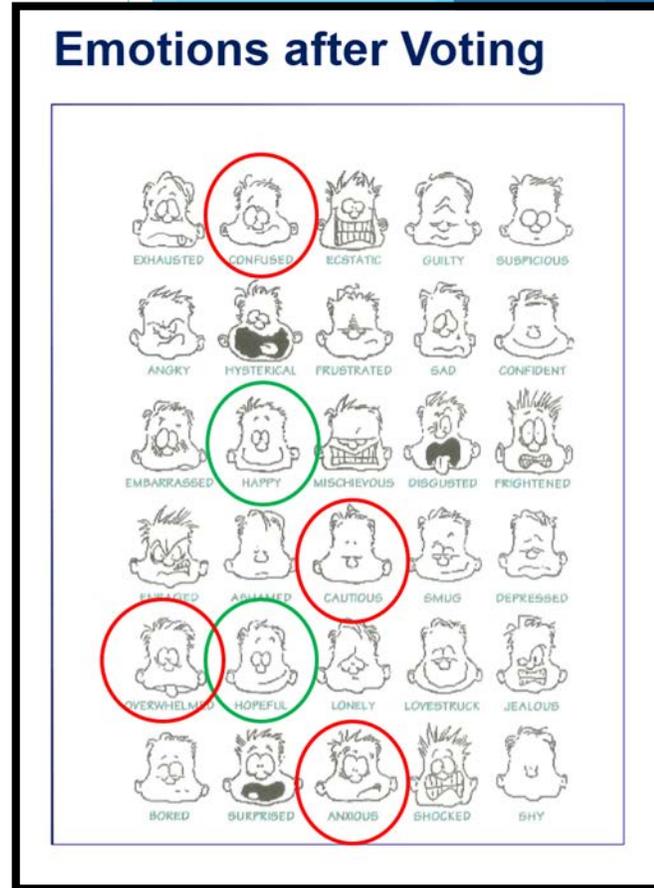
- ▶ *Polling place*: Multiple participants gave examples of *going to the wrong polling place*, with numerous others describing situations when they forgot to turn in their early ballot, so either dropped it off at the polls or voted at the polls using a provisional ballot.

- ▶ The biggest frustration of the voting process seems to be the overwhelming amount of information voters receive - *most of which they consider to be biased and do not trust.*
- ▶ In addition, many have *little confidence in the candidates themselves* and *feel propositions are written to confuse people*

- ▶ Many voters feel *hopeful* and *happy* after voting;
 - ▶ *hopeful* that their candidate will win and that he or she will keep the promises made during the campaign, and
 - ▶ *happy* that they were part of the process, and that the mudslinging is over.

- ▶ Some also felt *cautious*, *overwhelmed*, *confused*, and *anxious*.

- ▶ While many feel *cautious* or *anxious* about the implications of their vote or about the results of the election,
- ▶ others said they were *overwhelmed* or *confused* about the voting itself, primarily having to do with propositions and / or the long list of judges included on the ballot.



Confidence

- ▶ Voters want to feel *confident, happy,* and *hopeful* after they vote;
- ▶ *confident* they made the “right” decisions, that their vote will make a difference, and that their candidate will keep his or her promises.

So often in elections when we talk about voter confidence it is ALWAYS in the context that *the voting equipment correctly counted the vote*—that was not mentioned once.

Emotions after Voting

Emotion	Examples...
Happy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ That the mudslinging is over▪ That I have participated in the process / voted
Hopeful	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ That my candidate will win▪ That promises made during the campaign will be kept▪ That people will join me in voting
Cautious	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ That I made the right choice▪ About the implications of my vote (on propositions)▪ There is so much on the ballot
Confused	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Wording (of propositions) is confusing / I like to have some things <i>dumbed down</i>▪ Ballot can be intimidating▪ About my polling place
Anxious	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ About whether or not my candidate will win▪ That I made the right choice▪ To find out the results
Overwhelmed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ So much information coming from different angles▪ With all of the judges names

- ▶ These voters - *informed and less informed* - clearly demonstrated that they understand the electoral process - at least in terms of registering to vote, gathering information on the candidates and issues, and voting.
- ▶ Any attempt to educate them on these issues needs to be done delicately, if at all. *Voters will turn off to a message that assumes they don't understand the process of voting, especially those who have voted in the past.*
- ▶ Even if there are things they are unclear about (e.g., primary elections, provisional ballots), they certainly don't want to be talked down to. Similarly, *several group members resisted the idea of anyone or anything empowering them. They feel they empower themselves.*



Lets hear from the voters:

Voter Registration

- ▶ *I know you can do it on the DMV website itself, but I believe if you just did a [Google search](#) you would be able to find it anywhere on the Internet.*
- ▶ *You could probably go to one of the candidate's websites.*
- ▶ *[Helen Purcell](#) I think is her name who is in the office, but somewhere in (the county) website you can register.*
- ▶ *Sometimes people go knocking on your door asking you to register.*
- ▶ *What about the state capitol? Don't they have somewhere to go? I think it's the seventh floor, but I'm not positive.*
- ▶ *Mail. You go to the post office and pick up a registration form, fill it out, and then mail it in.*
- ▶ *When my daughter turned 18, she somehow did it at school and they sent her forms. I'm not sure how they did it, but she filled out something at her high school and the forms came in the mail and then we filled them out and mailed them in.*

Primary

- ▶ *Just Republican and Democrat.*
- ▶ *I know when I first registered, I registered Independent because I didn't want to side with either my mom or dad, but then **I realized I couldn't vote in the primaries**, so I switched to the party that I felt was more in line with my thoughts.*
- ▶ ***I think you have to declare a party to vote in the primaries.***
- ▶ *I didn't know if you were a certain party that you couldn't vote for the other party.*
- ▶ *There is one party that can actually vote for another party, but I don't know which party that is*

Voting at the Polls

- ▶ *It's usually on that big pamphlet thing too at the top of where you need to go, like the fire station over here or the church down the street or wherever.*
- ▶ *I happened to drive by a place that said 'vote here' when I was driving to the other place, but because the address on my card said the other place, I went there. That's when I then turned around and figured it must be the one that was closer to where I live. It was completely packed, and everyone was saying they changed the place last minute.*



Early Voting

- ▶ *You just have to sign up for it.*
- ▶ *There is a cutoff though, so you have to sign up before a certain period of time.*
- ▶ *I think if you are deployed overseas in the military they do that. That's the only way they can.*

Both focus groups emphatically denied that you could vote anywhere in-person prior to Election Day, just by mail. None were aware of the EV sites nor that it was available for almost a month.

Early Voting

- ▶ *I have done an early ballot that I have taken into the polls, and then I've also done it at the polling place for fear of anything getting lost in the mail and being late.*
- ▶ *I get an early ballot every single time, and I didn't even know why I was getting an early ballot. I've never used it though, I've only voted at a polling place.*
- ▶ *I usually just drop mine off to the place closest to where I work, which is not my designated polling place.*

One respondent said she just throws away the ballot mailed to her in every election and goes to the polls, that she will never vote by mail—she likes to get out of the house.

Provisional Voting

- ▶ *I have (misplaced my early ballot), and they still let me vote. They didn't say anything. They asked me if I filled one out, and I said I did but I left it at home, and they said it was okay and that I could still vote, so I did. It wasn't a big problem.*
- ▶ *I guess (my early ballot) got misplaced or something, and I wasn't sure if it was mailed off. I remember filling it out, but I didn't mail it, and my wife didn't remember mailing it, so I just went in and filled out what is called a provisional ballot, and they put it in an envelope, and they didn't run it through the machine like everyone else, I think they were just going to see if it was turned in or not.*
- ▶ *From what I can remember, it was something to do with my address, and it wasn't showing the right one or something, so they said I would have to complete a provisional ballot, and then they took it and put it in some envelope with a bunch of other ones. **I overheard one of the workers say, oh, it probably won't get counted anyway or something like that.***
- ▶ *I have always thought if it is within a certain percentage in the race between 2 candidates... then maybe they would be sure and do a recount and count the provisionals and scan the bar codes to make sure no one double voted.*
- ▶ *If you lost your mail-in ballot, you can let them know you want to invalidate that one, and they will make a special note and have to register you there, and then you can register and vote on a provisional ballot, so then **your ballot will only get counted if the race is close enough.***

Voter Registration

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Fed Form Update

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS

KRIS W. KOBACH, *et al.*,
Plaintiffs,

vs.

THE UNITED STATES ELECTION
ASSISTANCE COMMISSION, *et al.*,
Defendants.

Case No. 13-cv-4095-EFM-TJJ

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Does the United States Election Assistance Commission (“EAC”) have the statutory and constitutional authority to deny a state’s request to include its proof-of-citizenship requirement in the state-specific instructions on the federal mail voter registration form? The Plaintiffs—Arizona and Kansas and their secretaries of state—say it does not, and have asked this Court to order the EAC to add the requested language immediately. Because the Court finds that Congress has not preempted state laws requiring proof of citizenship through the National Voter Registration Act, the Court finds the decision of the EAC denying the states’ requests to be unlawful and in excess of its statutory authority. Since the Court’s decision turns on the plain statutory language, the Court need not resolve the question of whether the Constitution permits the EAC, or Congress, to disregard the states’ own determination of what they require to satisfactorily determine citizenship. Therefore, the Court orders the EAC, or the EAC’s acting

- ▶ On March 19th the Court determined that the EAC must put the state’s instructions for documentation of citizenship on the fed form instruction as requested.
- ▶ Also said the state’s request to declare a violation of their constitutional rights as moot.

Fed Form Update

- ▶ The implications are still being sorted out.
- ▶ It appears that we will not have a bifurcated system, but must reconcile the Supreme Court ruling that a state *cannot reject a fed form* and *that they can enforce a state requirement on the fed form*.
- ▶ It may mean that an insufficient fed form goes on suspense until resolved—whereas the state form is still rejected for lack of citizenship information.

Federal judge orders federal officials to help Arizona enforce law requiring new voters to provide proof of citizenship.



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A federal judge ruled Wednesday that Arizona can require residents to prove they are U.S. citizens in order to register to vote — a controversial change state officials said they'll implement immediately.

The ruling applies to prospective voters using the federal voter-registration form in both Arizona and Kansas. The states joined to challenge a decision by the Federal Elections Assistance Commission that blocked the states from requiring citizenship documents in order to register to vote.

The case was filed in Kansas, and argued in February before U.S. District Judge Eric Melgren in Topeka. His ruling clears the way for the states to add their own requirements to the federal form.

Arizona Secretary of State Ken Bennett, the state's top elections officer, applauded the decision, which he learned about during a phone call with his Kansas counterpart, Kris Kobach.

The ruling is a victory for state's rights, Bennett said, and eliminates the need for a "two-track" voting system for state and federal registration forms, which

had different requirements related to proving citizenship. Bennett and other elections officials have been readying the system for this year's primary and general elections.

However, he added, they will proceed with those plans since they anticipate the ruling will be appealed.

STORY HIGHLIGHTS

- Arizona can require new voters to prove U.S. citizenship when they register to vote using the federal form
- The ruling is a victory for Arizona Secretary of State Ken Bennett and Arizona Attorney General Tom Horne, who pressed the case
- Critics say the ruling will hamper voter registration, particularly among young voters

But the question remains:
What ballot will that voter get?



There will need to be strong messaging around this to the voters.

Once it is finalized!

Unresolved Fed-form voters

- ▶ Last month there were **908** fed form voters in suspense who were unidentified.
- ▶ We mailed out letters to all of them.
- ▶ **370** letters were returned as undeliverable by the post office.
- ▶ **2** voters responded to the letters and provided necessary information to get registered.

ASU Partnership

- ▶ Many of the remaining have ASU addresses.
- ▶ We have been working with the Arizona Student Association to try to resolve the remaining fed form applicants who are unidentified in the suspense file.
- ▶ They are working with the Registrars office and student directory information to attempt to locate the voters.

ASU Partnership

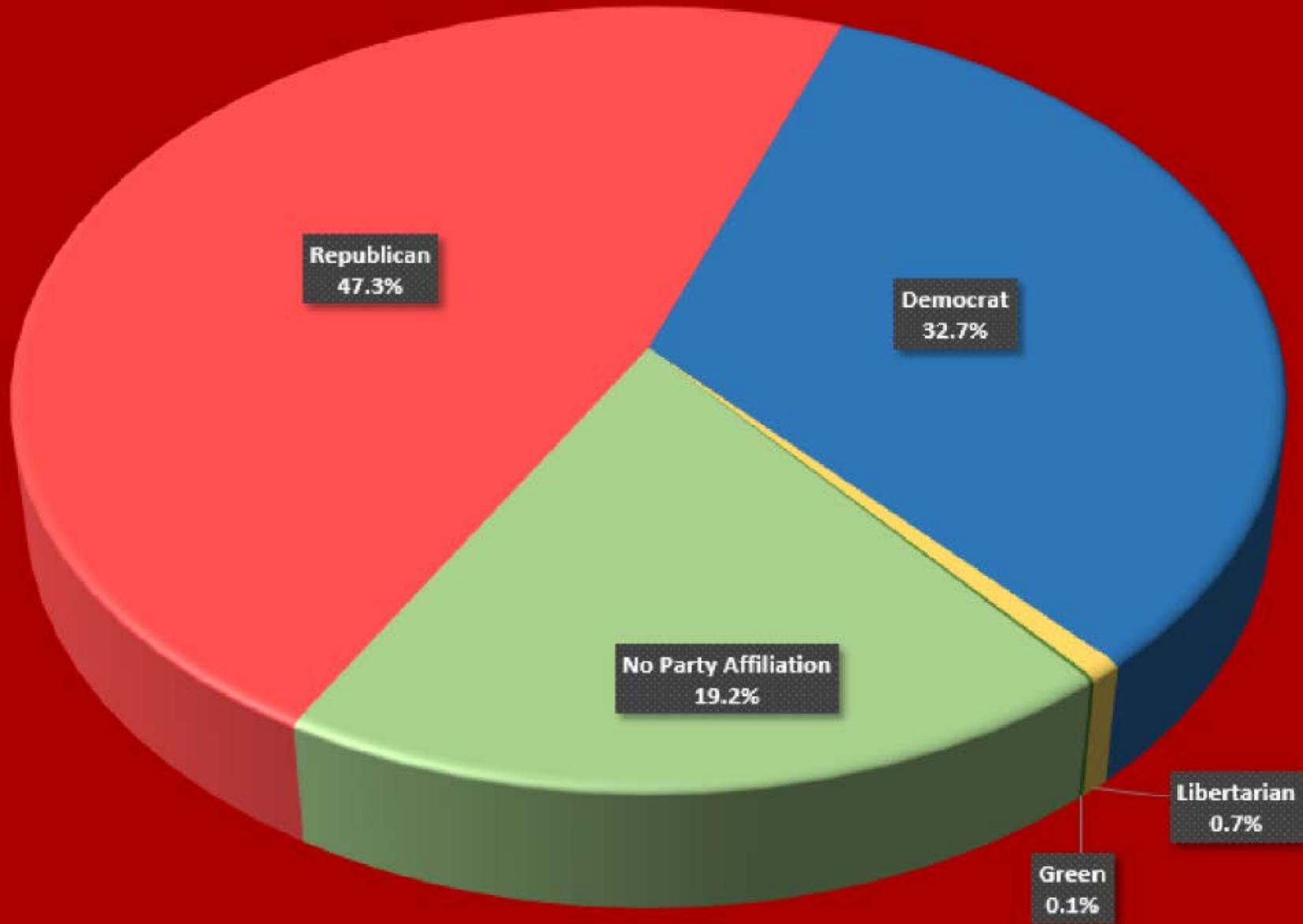
- ▶ We are also working with the Senior Vice President of Educational Outreach and Student Services to identify improvements that can be made:
 - ▶ In registration and potential use of information the University Registrars have to identify students.
 - ▶ Mailing and addressing issues for undeliverable mail and registration verifications.

Party Affiliation Trends

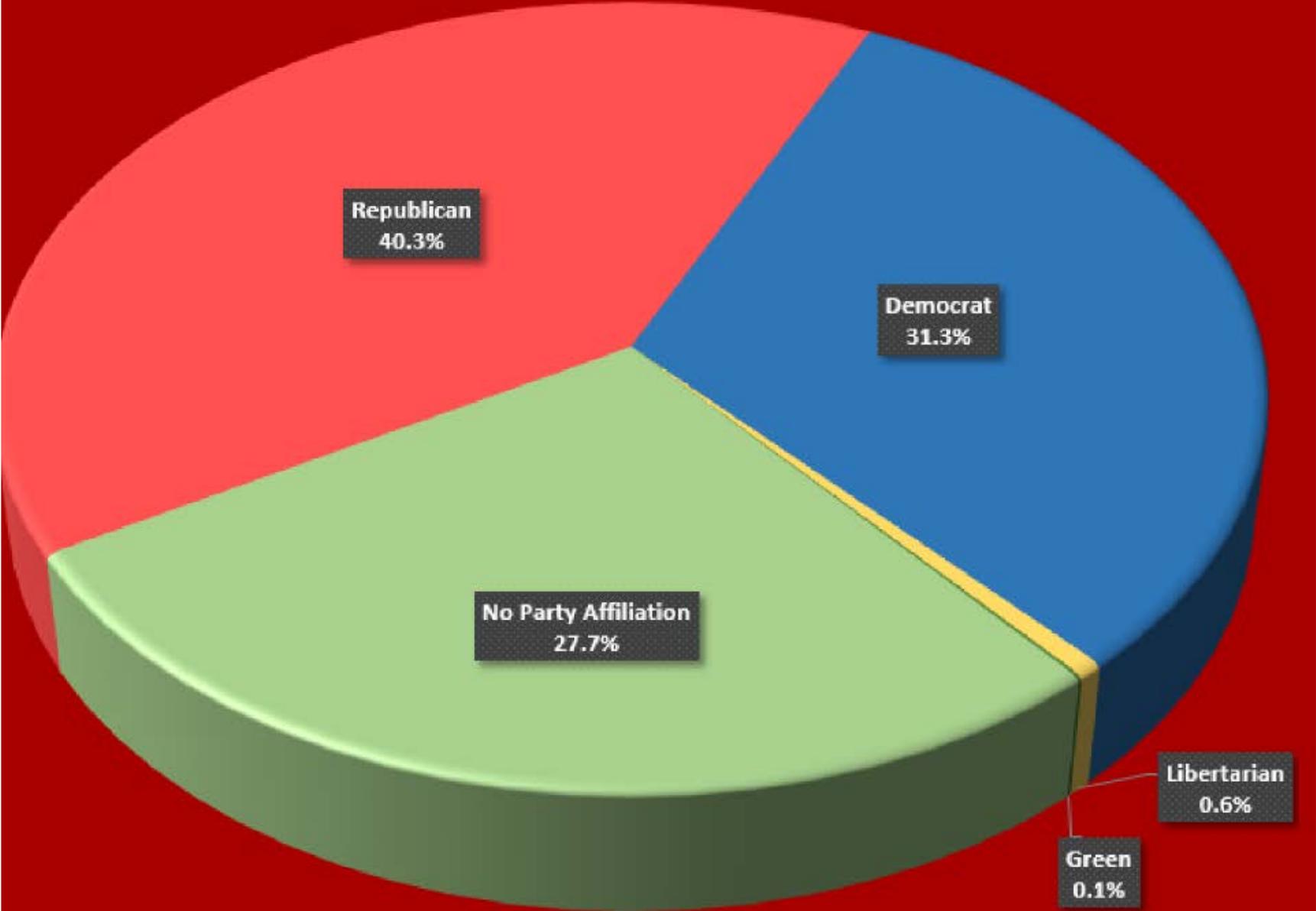
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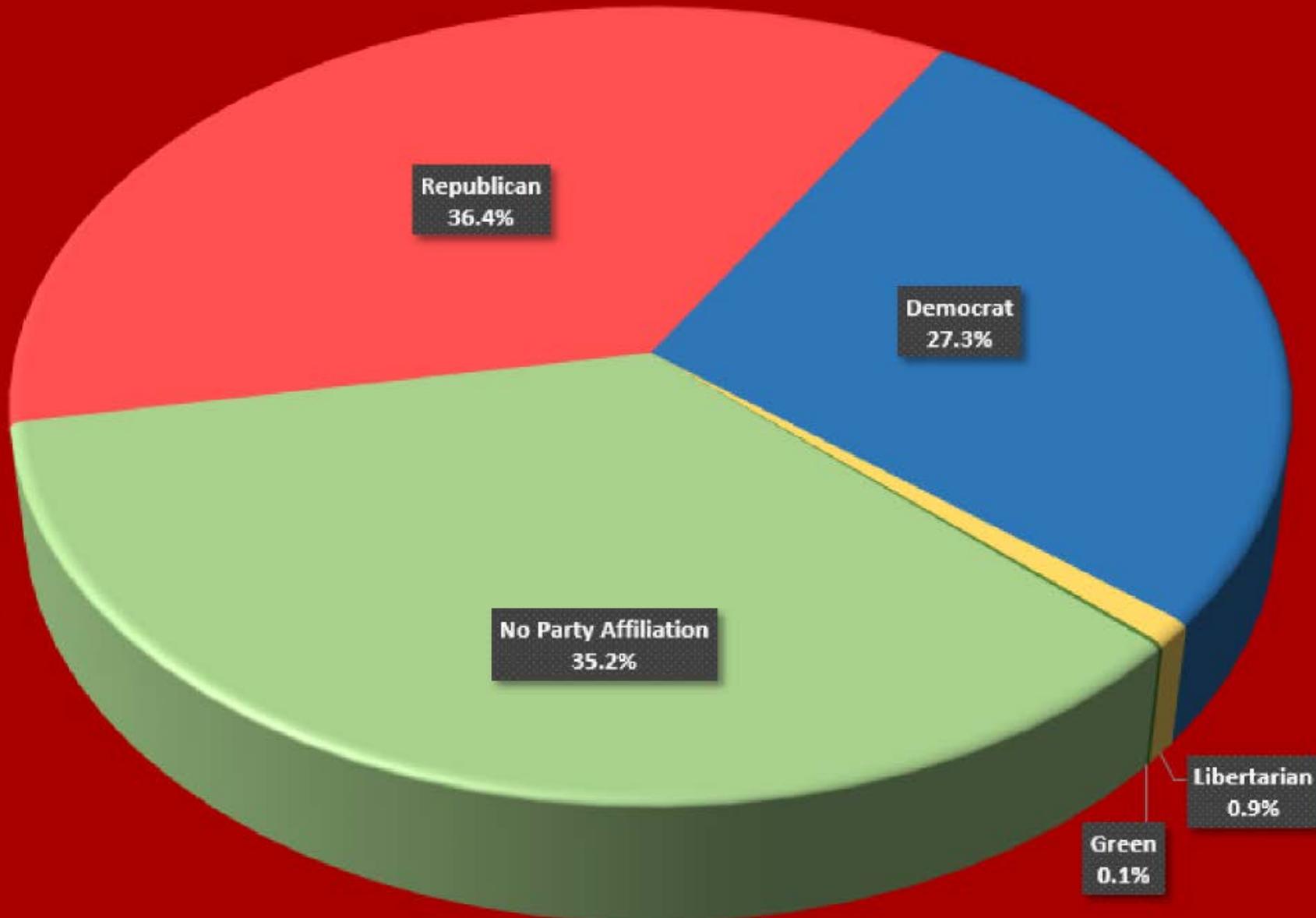
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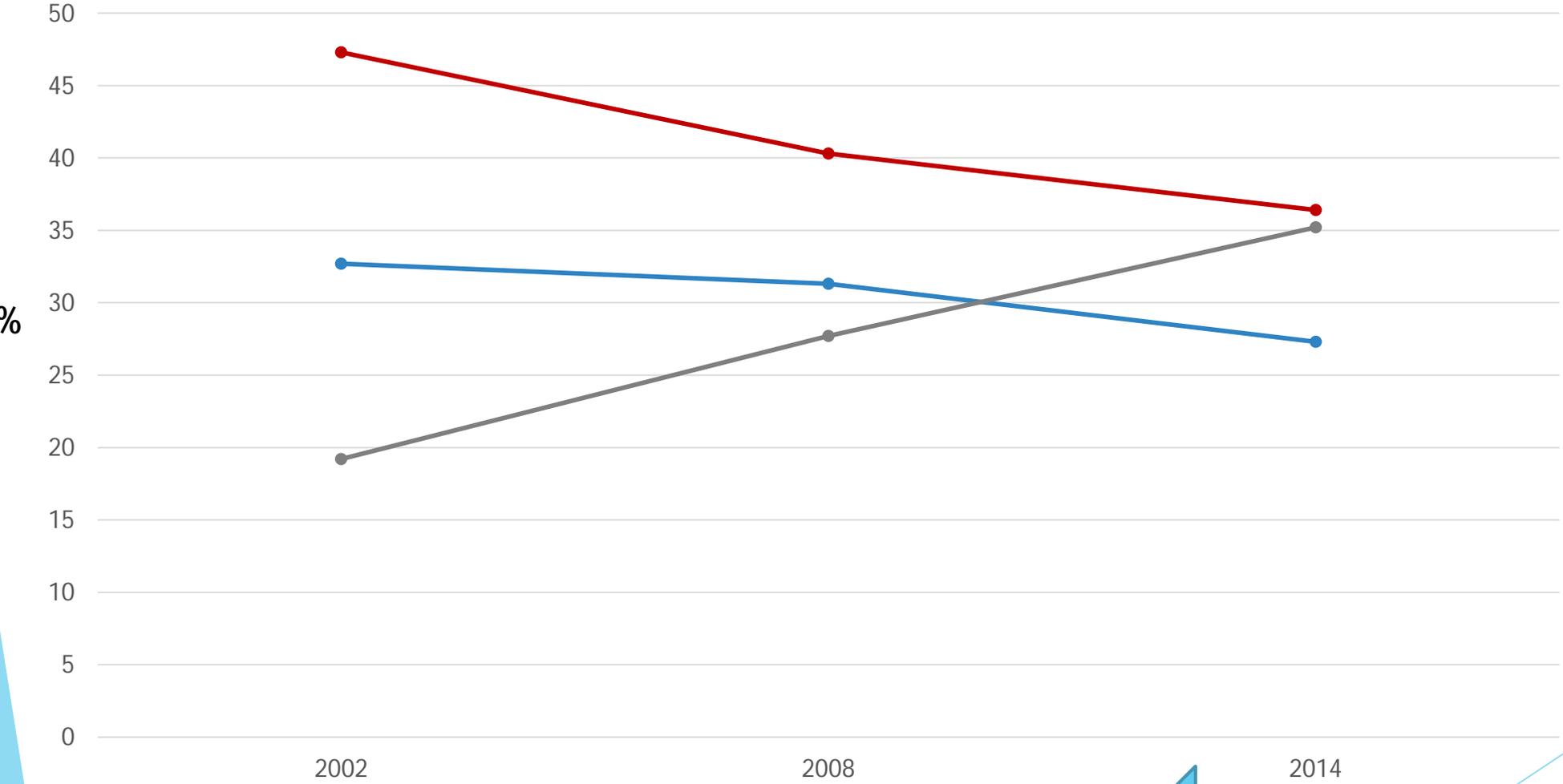
2008 Maricopa County Political Party Affiliations



2014 Maricopa County Political Party Affiliations



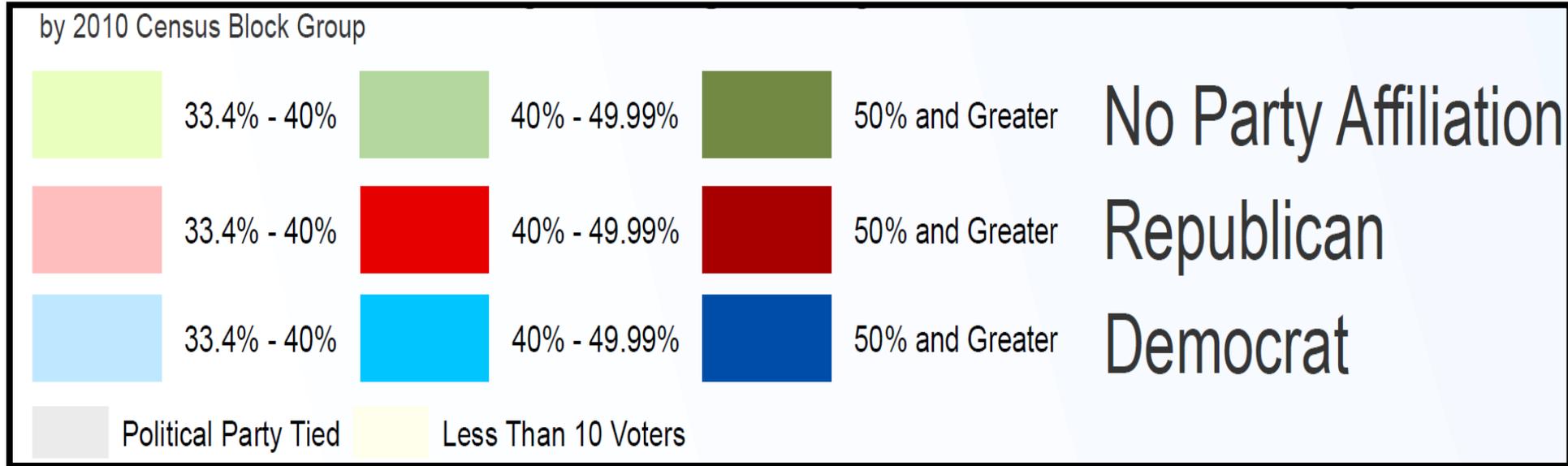
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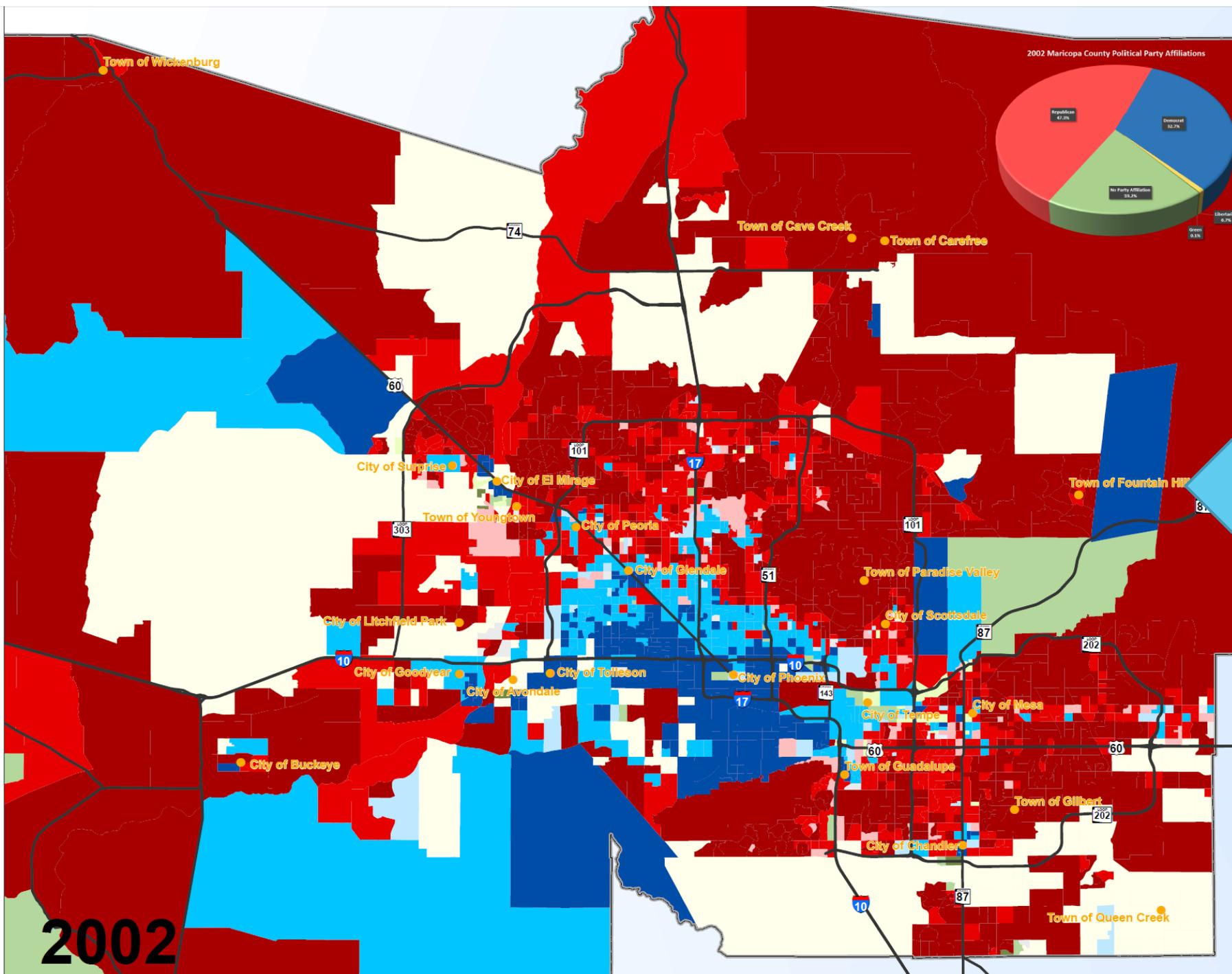


Democrat Republican Unaffiliated

Other recognized parties comprise less than 1%

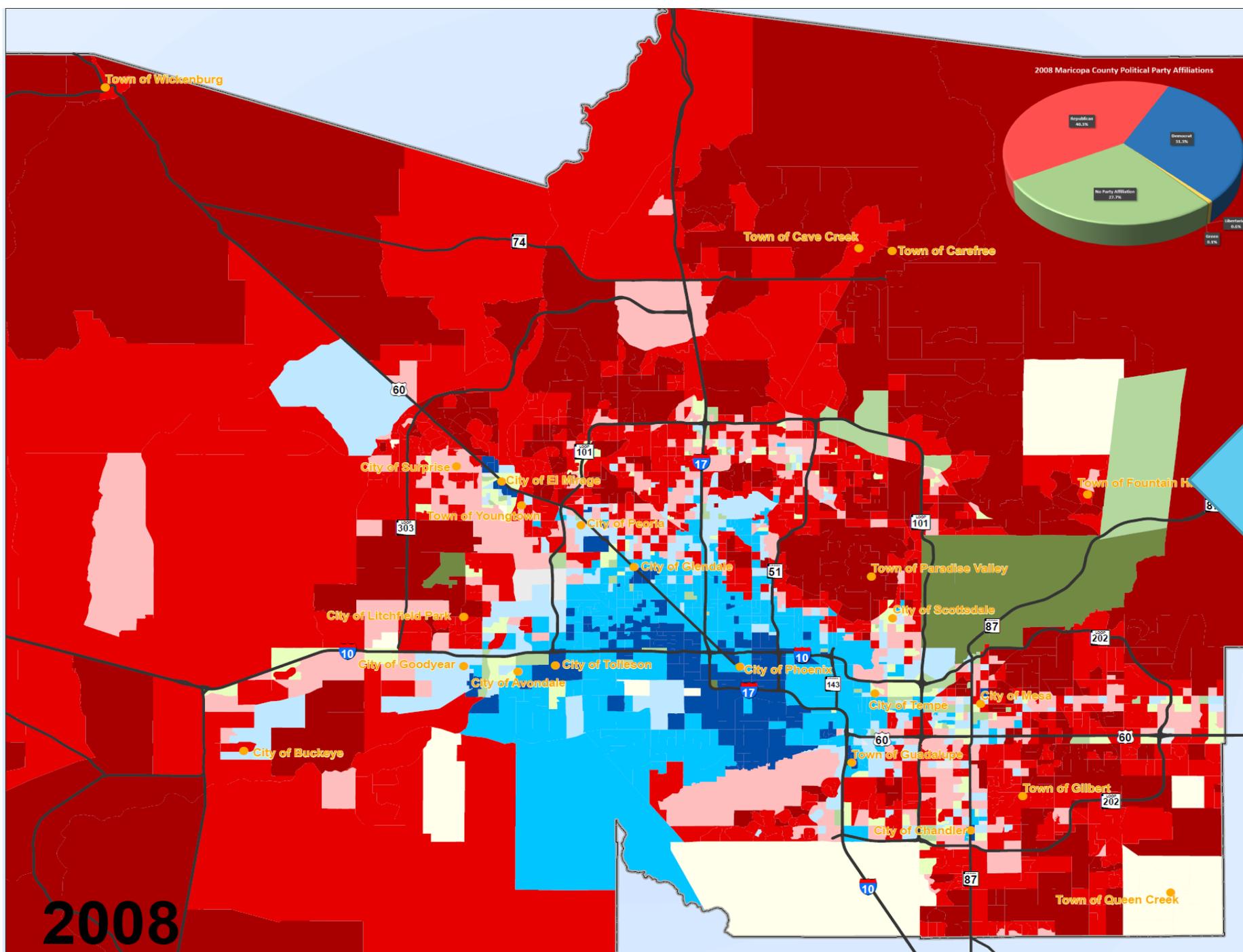
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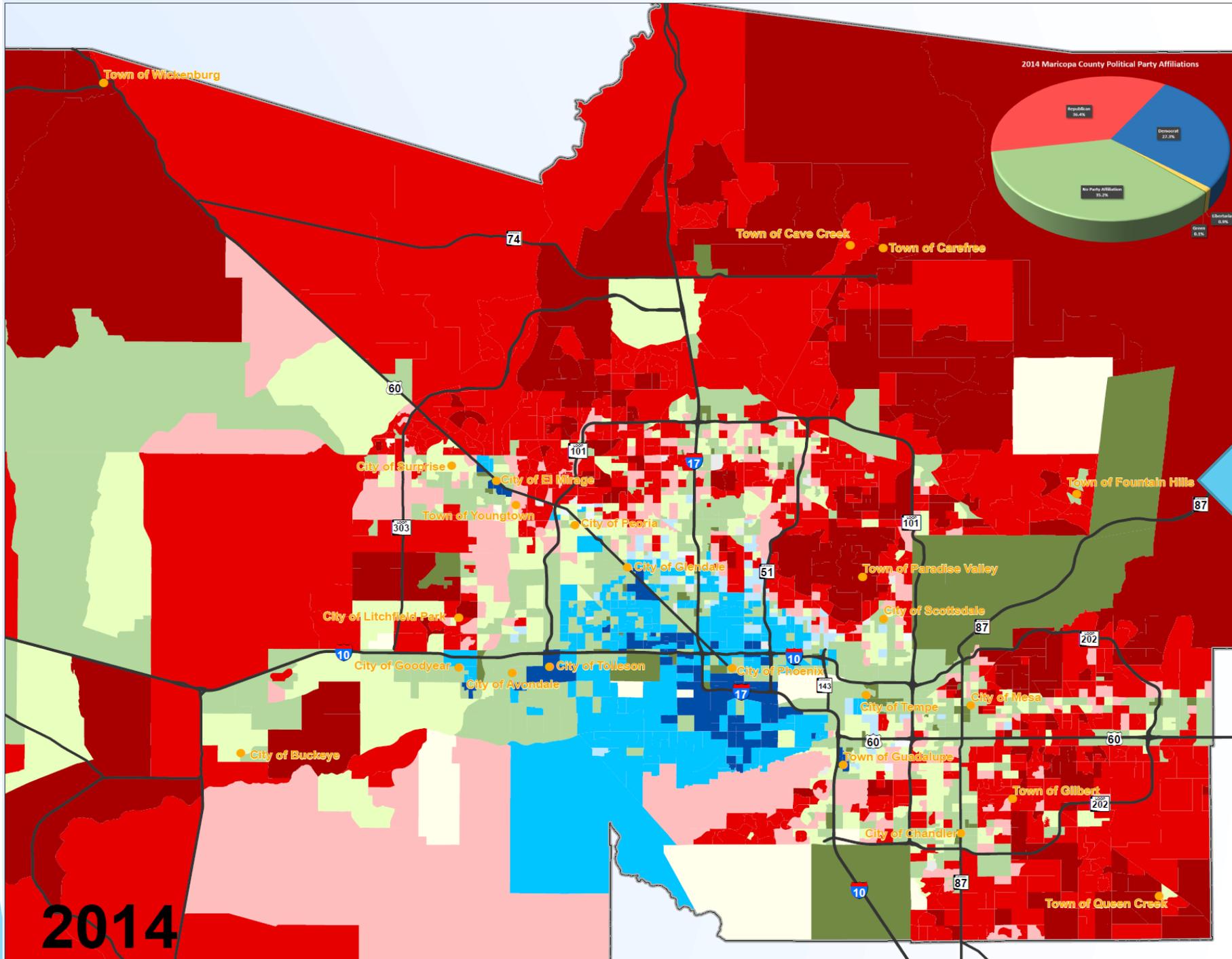
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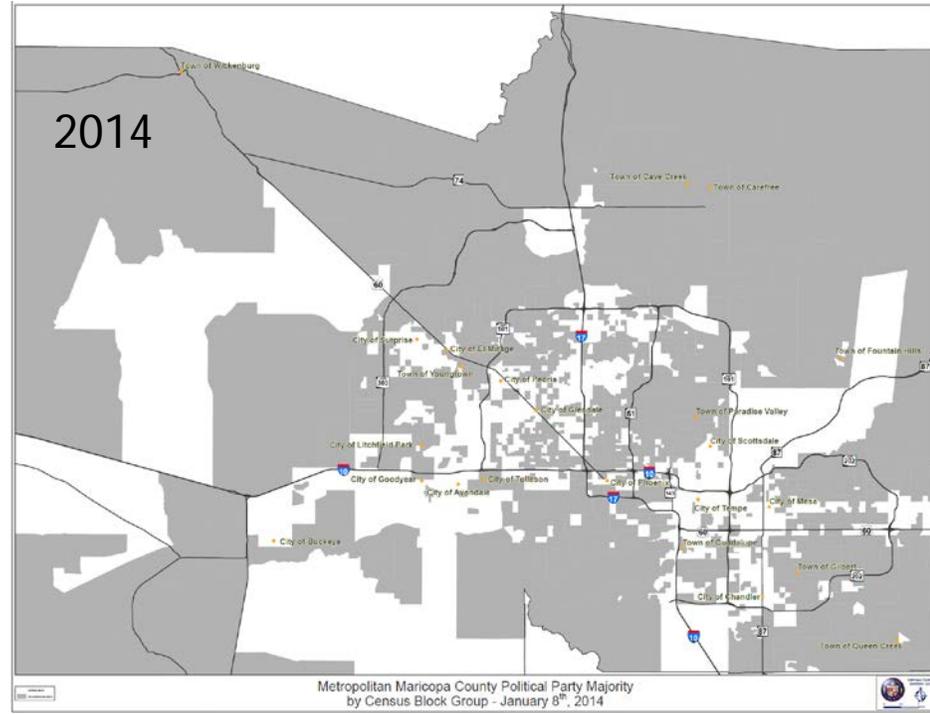
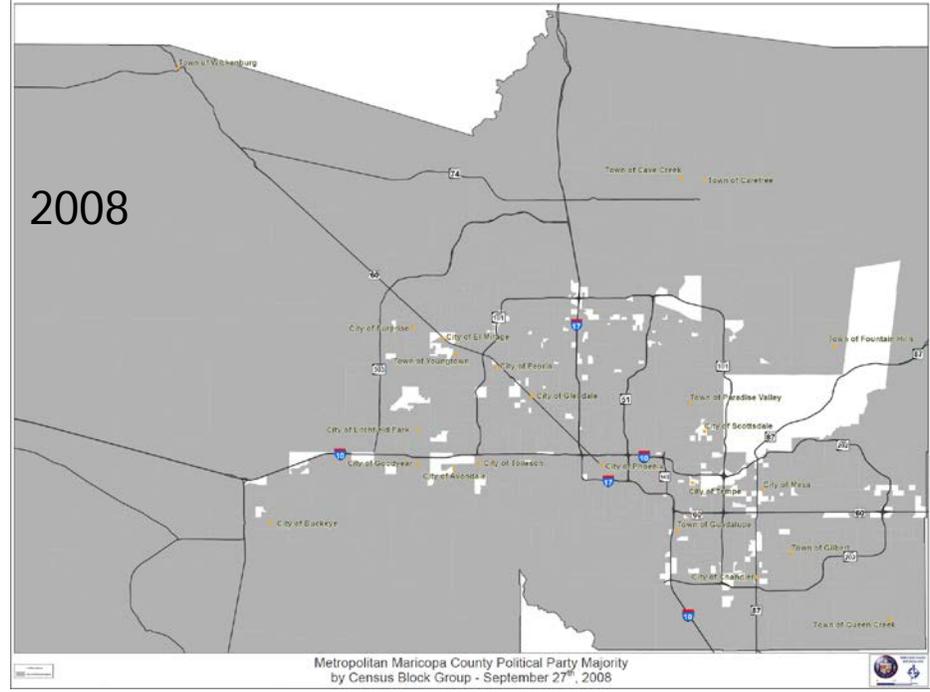
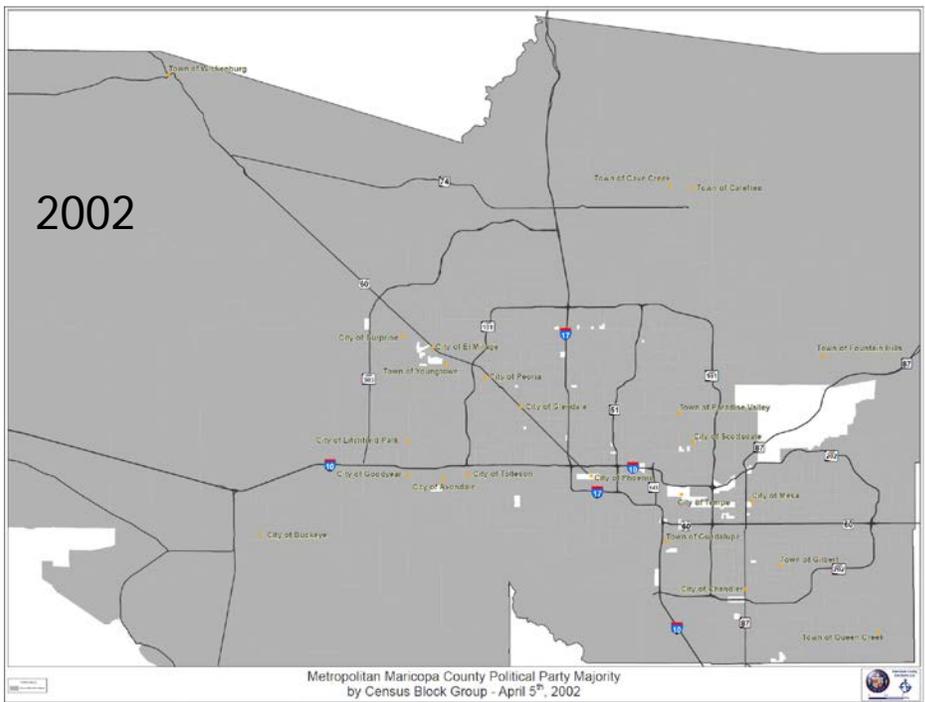
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Unaffiliated Majority



Democrat/Republican Majority

- ▶ Because our Elections Director is color blind, GIS did the same maps just showing the majority as either unaffiliated or partisan...



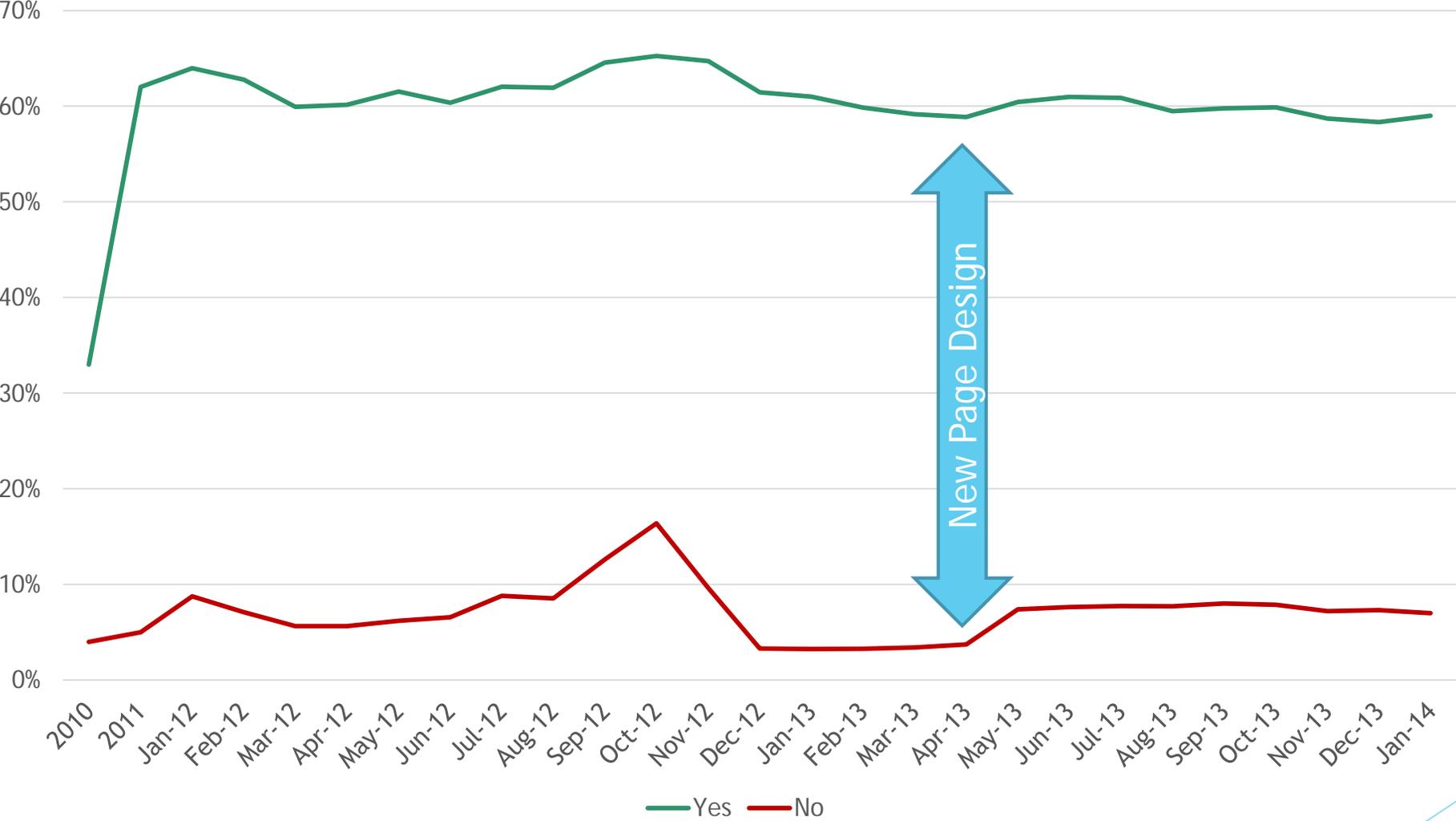
PEVL Update

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EZ Voter PEVL Page Updated April 2013

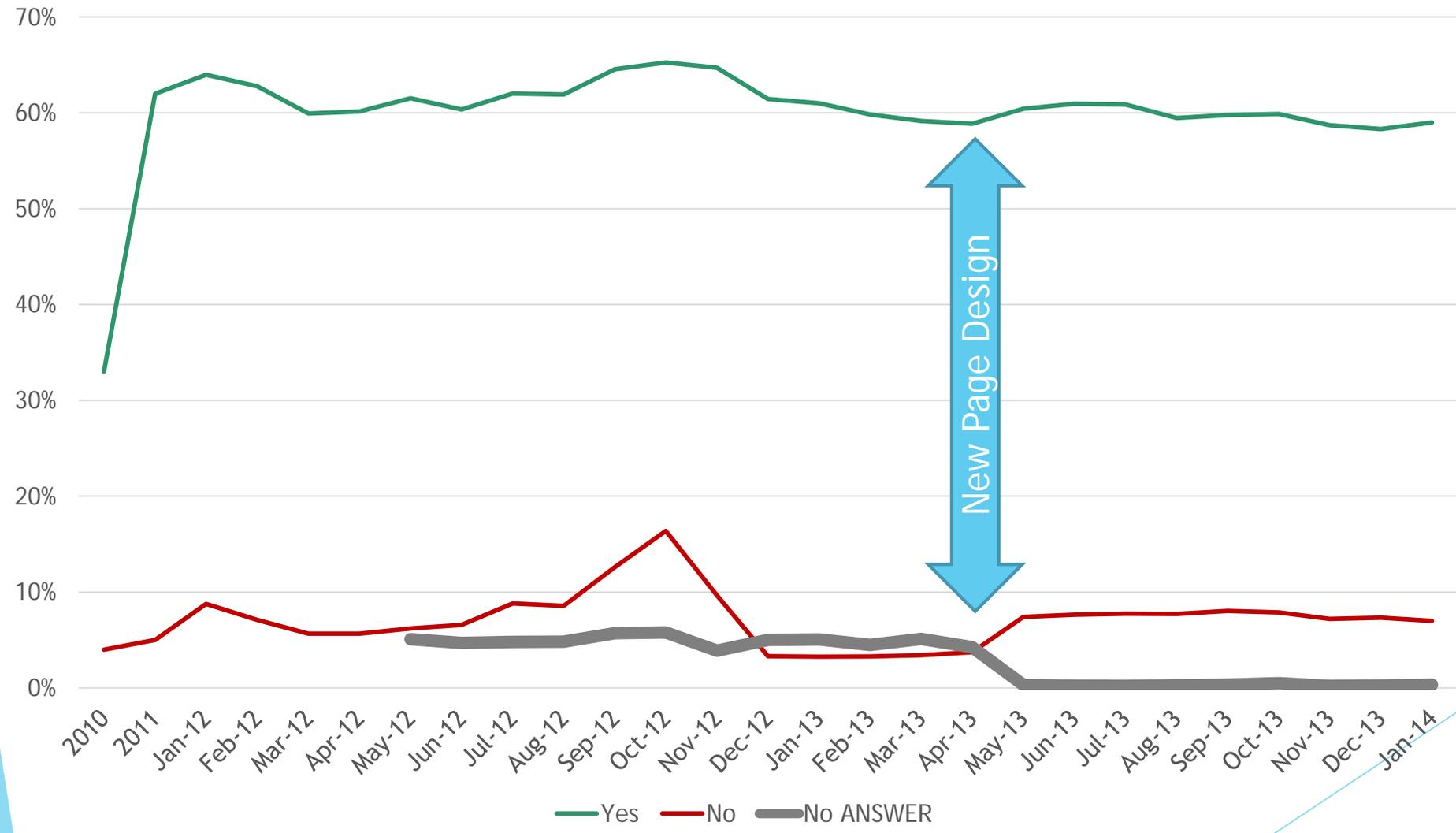
The screenshot shows the 'Voter Registration' section of the 'Permanent Early Voting List - Early Ballot' page. At the top left, the 'SERVICEARIZONA' logo is displayed in orange and blue, followed by the 'ADOT Motor Vehicle Division' logo and the text 'Authorized Service Website for Arizona Department of Transportation'. To the right of the text are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and RSS. The main content area features a white box with a blue border. Inside this box, there is a checked checkbox next to the heading 'Voter Registration'. Below this, the text reads 'Permanent Early Voting List - Early Ballot'. A sub-heading states 'You may choose to vote by mail or to vote at a polling location.' Two orange buttons are provided: 'I Want To Vote By Mail (Permanently)' and 'I Want To Go To The Polls To Vote'. Below the buttons, it says 'For additional information, contact your County Recorder.' At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with links for 'Info | Security | Privacy Policy | User Survey | Contact Us' and the IBM logo.

PEVL? Online Responses

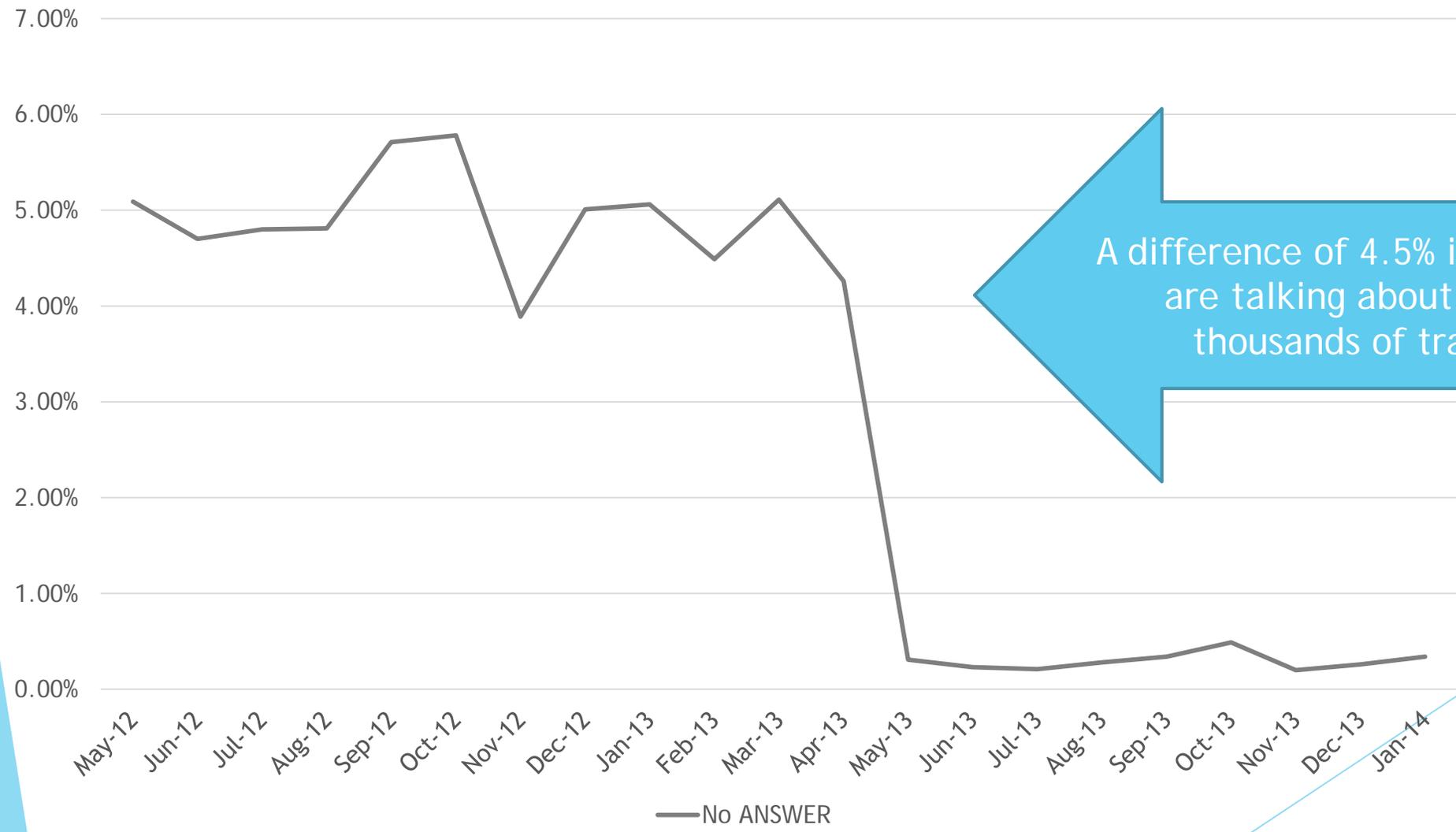


But there is more!

PEVL was not a required field...



The number of voters not answering the question dropped from 5% to less than a third of 1% & completion rates thus increased!



A difference of 4.5% is a lot when you are talking about hundreds of thousands of transactions!

Ballot Implications

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Municipalities

- ▶ 2014 will be the first election cycle that non-chartered cities and towns, regardless of their population, will have their candidate races on the federal/state ballot.
- ▶ They can still opt to conduct their elections by mail or the traditional combination of by mail & on-the-ground.

All Mail

- ▶ On February 19th we had a meeting at MCTEC with City & Town Clerks to go over the processes for this fall.



90 Day Notice

- ▶ All PEVL voters get a 90 Day Notice.
- ▶ Recognized Party Voters:
 - ▶ No need to return unless have a change.
 - ▶ Will be sent ballot for party they are registered to.
- ▶ Unaffiliated Voters:
 - ▶ Have to select what ballot they would like mailed to them:
 - ▶ Recognized party
 - ▶ Nonpartisan (if applicable)
 - ▶ If do not advise, no ballot is mailed

33 Day Notice

- ▶ In jurisdictions having an All-Mail Election at 33 days out a notice will be mailed:
 - ▶ To all non-PEVL voters
 - ▶ To all unaffiliated PEVL voters who have not selected a ballot.

The Campaign Message

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Outreach Campaign Logistics

- ▶ \$100,000 advertising campaign:
 - ▶ English & Spanish media
- ▶ Hoping to coordinate with other efforts:
 - ▶ Clean Elections
 - ▶ SOS

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

CLEAN ELECTIONS 101
YOUR GUIDE TO ARIZONA'S POLITICAL PROCESS

ENGLISH / ESPAÑOL

2012 CANDIDATES

ABOUT CANDIDATES VOTER DEBATES FAQ

Clean Elections Preamble

YOUR VOICE MATTERS

RUN *for* OFFICE

OR SUPPORT THOSE WHO DO

WHAT IS CLEAN ELECTIONS? [Like](#) Beth King, Jasper Al-Taha and 1,199 others like this.

Outreach Campaign Logistics

▶ Highlighting key deadlines & issues:

- ▶ 90 Day Notice
- ▶ 33 Day Notice
- ▶ VR Deadline
- ▶ Early Voting Begins/Ballots Mailed
- ▶ Deadline to Request
- ▶ Deadline to Return



90 Day Notice: May 28th

- ▶ Remind voter that this is in the mail to confirm their address for the mailing of the official Primary ballot.
- ▶ Return it *only if they*:
 - ▶ Need to select a party ballot for the Primary (unaffiliated voters)
 - ▶ Want ballot mailed to different address
 - ▶ Want to vote at the polls
 - ▶ Want to come off PEVL

33 Day Notice: July 24th

- ▶ Voters need to specify the ballot they would like to receive if they are not registered to a recognized party.
- ▶ Remind voters that this is in the mail to:
 - ▶ PEVL unaffiliated voters who have not requested a ballot style &
 - ▶ Voters in an All Mail election who are not affiliated to a party.
- ▶ Voters can:
 - ▶ Return the notice card by mail
 - ▶ Call the voter information number 602-506-1511
 - ▶ Make their selection online www.recorder.maricopa.gov

Voter Registration Deadline

- ▶ Remind voters of the 29 day deadline for voter registration for the Primary (& the General subsequently):
 - ▶ Initial registrations must be in by midnight:
 - ▶ July 28th for the Primary
 - ▶ October 6th for the General
 - ▶ Updates and modifications should be done by this time too—unless done online (the sooner the better will benefit the voter).

Am I Registered to Vote

How Do I Update My
Voter Registration

In-person Early Voting Begins

- ▶ Remind voters that sites are open:
 - ▶ July 31st for the Primary
 - ▶ October 9th for the General
- ▶ Listing on the website with addresses, days, & hours www.recorder.maricopa.gov

Am I On The Permanent
Early Voting List

Permanent Early Voting
List & Signup Form

Polling Place Locator &
Sample Ballots

Request an Early Ballot

Early Voting Ballot Status
Inquiry

Early Voting Locations

Early Voting Begins

- ▶ Remind voters that ballots have mailed:
 - ▶ July 31st for the Primary
 - ▶ October 9th for the General
- ▶ Let voters know that the envelopes are now **YELLOW**.
- ▶ Status of early ballot is available on website www.recorder.maricopa.gov

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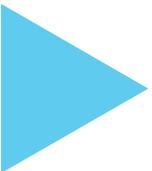
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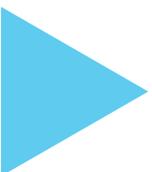
Early Voting Locations



Sign it.



Seal it.



Send it.

Deadline to Request

- ▶ Remind voters of the last day to request a ballot be mailed to them:
 - ▶ August 15th for the Primary
 - ▶ October 31st for the General
- ▶ Remind voters of how they can request:
 - ▶ Call voter information line 602-506-1511
 - ▶ Make their selection online www.recorder.maricopa.gov

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Close of Early Voting

- ▶ Remind voters of the last day to cast a ballot early, in-person.
- ▶ Remind voters they can locate sites:
 - ▶ Call voter information line 602-506-1511
 - ▶ Online www.recorder.maricopa.gov

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Deadline to Return

- ▶ Remind voters that ballots must be returned to the Elections Department by the close of the polls, 7:00 PM on Election Day:
 - ▶ Postmarks DO NOT COUNT!
- ▶ Voters can return their ballots:
 - ▶ By mail (if done early enough to be received by Election Day) postage paid
 - ▶ Drop off at any early voting site in the County
 - ▶ Drop off at any polling place on Election Day in the County

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Ballot Tracking

- ▶ Voters can check to see if their ballot was returned in time & its disposition:
 - ▶ Call voter information line 602-506-1511
 - ▶ Online www.recorder.maricopa.gov

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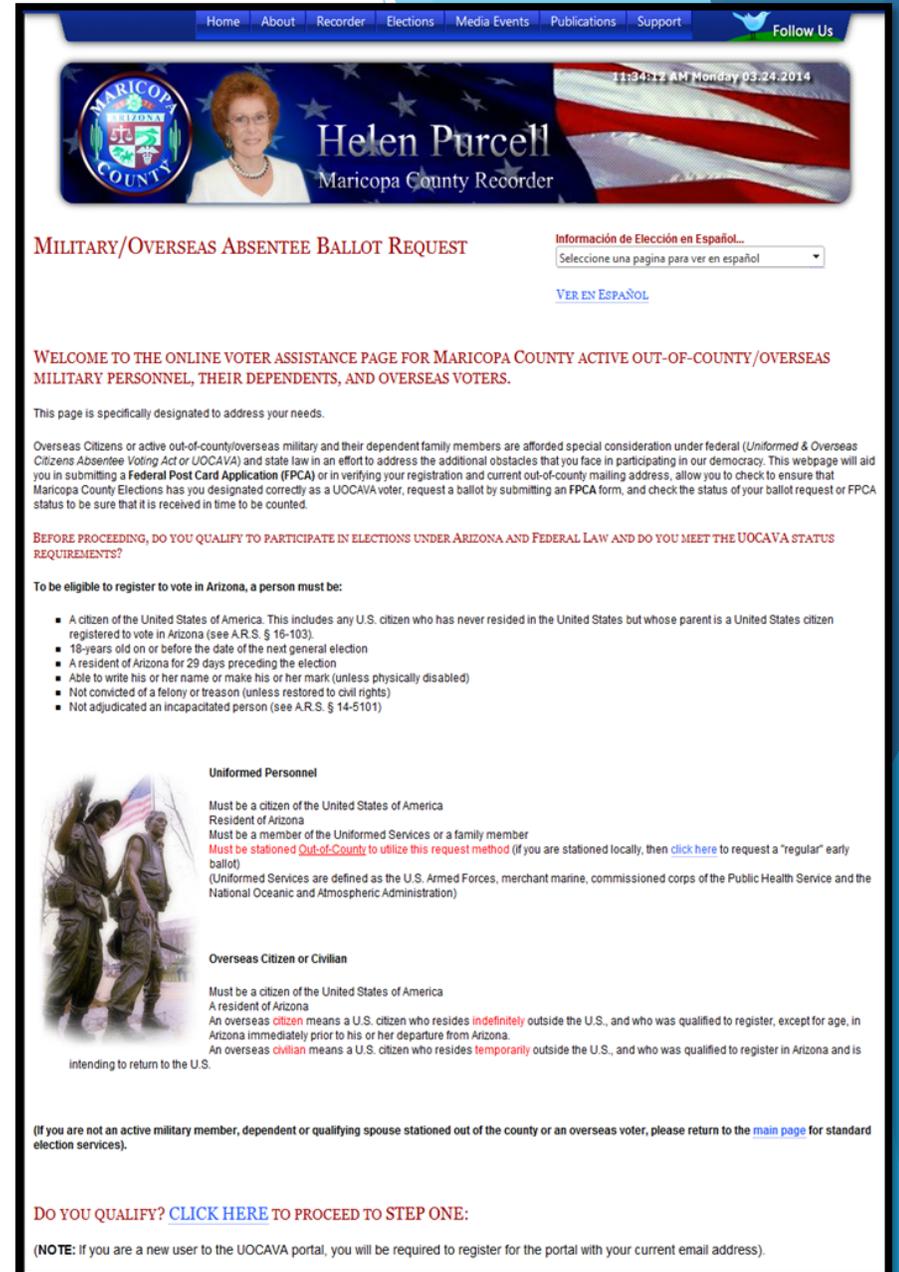
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UOCAVA

FVAP Grant

▶ Maricopa received a grant from the Federal Voting Assistance Program to update our website for UOCAVA voters and improves its functionality:

- ▶ Register using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) online
- ▶ Check their UOCAVA status
- ▶ Check ballot mailing & return information



The screenshot shows the website for Helen Purcell, Maricopa County Recorder. The page is titled "MILITARY/OVERSEAS ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST" and includes a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Recorder, Elections, Media Events, Publications, and Support. A dropdown menu for "Información de Elección en Español..." is visible, with a link to "VER EN ESPAÑOL". The main content area welcomes users to the online voter assistance page and provides instructions on how to use the site. It lists the requirements for registering to vote in Arizona, including being a citizen of the United States, 18 years old, a resident of Arizona, and not convicted of a felony or treason. The page also provides information for Uniformed Personnel and Overseas Citizen or Civilian voters, including details on how to request a ballot and how to return it.

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  Helen Purcell
Maricopa County Recorder

MILITARY/OVERSEAS ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

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

[VER EN ESPAÑOL](#)

WELCOME TO THE ONLINE VOTER ASSISTANCE PAGE FOR MARICOPA COUNTY ACTIVE OUT-OF-COUNTY/OVERSEAS MILITARY PERSONNEL, THEIR DEPENDENTS, AND OVERSEAS VOTERS.

This page is specifically designated to address your needs.

Overseas Citizens or active out-of-county/overseas military and their dependent family members are afforded special consideration under federal (*Uniformed & Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act or UOCAVA*) and state law in an effort to address the additional obstacles that you face in participating in our democracy. This webpage will aid you in submitting a **Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)** or in verifying your registration and current out-of-county mailing address, allow you to check to ensure that Maricopa County Elections has you designated correctly as a UOCAVA voter, request a ballot by submitting an FPCA form, and check the status of your ballot request or FPCA status to be sure that it is received in time to be counted.

BEFORE PROCEEDING, DO YOU QUALIFY TO PARTICIPATE IN ELECTIONS UNDER ARIZONA AND FEDERAL LAW AND DO YOU MEET THE UOCAVA STATUS REQUIREMENTS?

To be eligible to register to vote in Arizona, a person must be:

- A citizen of the United States of America. This includes any U.S. citizen who has never resided in the United States but whose parent is a United States citizen registered to vote in Arizona (see A.R.S. § 16-103).
- 18-years old on or before the date of the next general election
- A resident of Arizona for 29 days preceding the election
- Able to write his or her name or make his or her mark (unless physically disabled)
- Not convicted of a felony or treason (unless restored to civil rights)
- Not adjudicated an incapacitated person (see A.R.S. § 14-5101)

Uniformed Personnel

Must be a citizen of the United States of America
Resident of Arizona
Must be a member of the Uniformed Services or a family member
Must be stationed Out-of-County to utilize this request method (if you are stationed locally, then [click here](#) to request a "regular" early ballot)
(Uniformed Services are defined as the U.S. Armed Forces, merchant marine, commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration)

Overseas Citizen or Civilian

Must be a citizen of the United States of America
A resident of Arizona
An overseas citizen means a U.S. citizen who resides indefinitely outside the U.S., and who was qualified to register, except for age, in Arizona immediately prior to his or her departure from Arizona.
An overseas civilian means a U.S. citizen who resides temporarily outside the U.S., and who was qualified to register in Arizona and is intending to return to the U.S.

(If you are not an active military member, dependent or qualifying spouse stationed out of the county or an overseas voter, please return to the [main page](#) for standard election services).

DO YOU QUALIFY? [CLICK HERE](#) TO PROCEED TO STEP ONE:

(NOTE: If you are a new user to the UOCAVA portal, you will be required to register for the portal with your current email address).

UOCAVA

Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act



If you are a new user to the Maricopa County UOCAVA portal, [Start Here](#)

[Forgot password](#)



SECURE LOGIN

E-Mail Address (Required)

Password (Required & Case Sensitive)

Captcha Protection Mode Enabled



Type the code from the image (Case Sensitive)

Login

Contact Details

Recorder and Elections - MCTEC Office
510 S. Third Ave., Phoenix AZ 85003
Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Monday - Friday
Phone: 602-506-1511
T.D.D. 602-506-2348

Email: MILOS@risc.maricopa.gov

Social Network



57 days until Election Day!

UOCAVA REGISTRATION

Register for UOCAVA website here.

Fill in your voter information to get started:

Last Name:

Maricopa County voting address:

House Number:

(e.g. You live at 4569 E. Anywhere St. Apt#229, ENTER ONLY 4569)

DOB:

January

01

(4 digit year e.g. 1945 not 45)

Enter ONE of the following:

Voter ID:

DLN:

(No dashes or spaces)

SSN:

(Last 4 digits)

[Submit](#)

[Clear](#)

UOCAVA



Account Navigation

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Si usted es un usuario nuevo al portal UOCAVA del Condado Maricopa, [Empiece aquí](#)

[Olvidó la contraseña](#)



SECURE LOGIN

Dirección de Correo Electrónico *(Requerida)*

Contraseña *(Requerida con Mayúsculas y Minúsculas)*

Modo de Protección Captcha Activado



Escriba el código de la imagen *(Mayúsculas y Minúsculas)*

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Detalles de Contacto

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Red Social



57 días hasta el Día de la Elección!

REGISTRO UOCAVA

Registrarse para el sitio web UOCAVA aquí.

Llene su información de votante para empezar:

Apellido:

Dirección de Votación en el Condado Maricopa
Número de Casa
(ej. Vive en 4569 E Anywhere St. Apt #229, INTRODUZCA SÓLO 4569)

Fecha de Nacimiento: (4 dígitos del año ej. 1945 no 45)

Introduzca uno de los siguientes:
ID de Votante:

Número de Licencia de conducir: (sin guiones ni espacios)

Número de Seguro Social: (últimos 4 dígitos)

[Enviar](#) [Borrar](#)

UOCAVA



Navegación de Cuenta



Questions?

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