

Pierce County Primary Election - August 16, 2011
Canvassing Board Report
August 25, 2011

Status Report

Ballot Statistics as of 8/25/2011

VOTER STATISTICS	
Total number of active registered voters in all precincts	367,597
Total number of inactive registered voters in all precincts	35,913
Total registered voters in all precincts	403,510

BALLOT STATISTICS	
The total number of ballots issued	368,268
Total number of ballots returned (includes challenged ballots)	100,563
Total ballots counted*	99,704
*includes overseas, out of state, service voters, email ballots, and Address Confidentiality Program ballots	
<u>Ballot Return Statistics (See report 1 and 2 for detail)</u>	
Ballots returned by mail	60,355
Ballots returned at drop boxes	38,941
Ballots returned at the Elections customer service counter	671
Ballots returned at Voting Centers	596
<u>Provisional Ballots</u>	
Total number of provisional ballots issued by Pierce County	14
Total provisional ballots counted	6

VOTER TURNOUT STATISTICS	
Total ballots counted	99,704
Overall turnout percentage	27.12%

CHALLENGED BALLOT STATISTICS	
<u>Unsigned ballot envelopes</u>	
Total unsigned ballot envelopes received	771
Signature updates received and processed	524
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response	247
<u>Signature Discrepancies**</u>	
Total signature discrepancies received	833
Signature discrepancies resolved and processed	295
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response	538
**Includes signatures that do not match, wrong signers, and envelopes signed with Power of Attorney	
Total ballots currently challenged	785

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TO BE CANVASSED	
Ballots	
<u>Voter Intent Unclear - Refer to Voter Intent Statewide Standards on What is a Vote</u>	
Group 1, Ballots 1 - 13 (Outside target area/voter intent; pages 2, 22, 23-31, 32, 34, 45)	13
Group 2, Ballots 14-21 (Hesitation mark or overvote? Pages 15, 17, 48-49)	8
Group 3, Ballots 22-27 (Inconsistent Pattern; Pages 2, 22 - 31)	6
Group 4, Ballots 28-29 (Corrected Votes; pages 32 - 41)	2
Group 5, Two ballots in one envelope; WAC 434-262-031 (2) (b), page 77	1
Group 6, On August 23rd, a group of 20 ballots were received from the Post Office that had no postmark. 16 ballots were dated by the voter on or before Election Day, two ballots were not dated and two ballots were dated after election day and were rejected. Do we count these ballots? See RCW 29A.40.110 and WAC 434-250-120.	18
Group 7, The day after Election Day three ballots were found in the Auditor's outside mailbox. The outside mailbox is different than the Drop Box which is about 20 feet away. Normally this outside mailbox is locked prior to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. This didn't happen this election. Thus we can't determine when these ballots were deposited. Two ballots are dated Election Day, one ballot was not dated. Do we count these ballots?	3
Group 8, Election staff routinely do a second check of all drop boxes to ensure they were properly closed, emptied, no maintenance is required and that no ballots were left after 8:00 p.m. On August 17th, at the South Hill Library two ballots were found inside the box; at the DuPont box one ballot was found inside. All deposit slots were locked. Do we count these ballots?	3
Total ballots canvassed	54

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REJECTED BALLOT STATISTICS

Ballots rejected (voter challenge code applied, no credit given)

Voter cancelled after ballots were mailed	3
No ballot in envelope	14

Ballots rejected (No challenge code applied, No credit given)

Cannot identify voter (returned secrecy only or no outer envelope)	19
Wrong election	14
Received too late at Customer Service or left outside a drop box	7

Ballots rejected (No challenge code applied, credit given)

Wrong election ballot found in secrecy envelope can't remove credit	1
Sample ballot found in secrecy envelope can't determine ballot type	1

Provisional ballots rejected

Not currently registered	5
Voters precinct not eligible this election	2
Voter returned absentee ballot	1

Total ballots rejected

67

VOTING CENTER RECONCILIATION:

Ballot accountability forms

Election workers are required to complete a ballot accountability form at the end of each night the voting centers are open. A thorough review has been completed. This involves an extensive review of the number of people signing the voter declarations compared to the number of ballots cast at the voting center and the number of voters receiving credit.

ACCESSIBLE VOTING AUDIT:

Touch Screen Audit of Results

In accordance with state law, Pierce County conducted an audit of results of votes cast on the touch screen voting machines. Three contests were selected by lot and nine machines audited. To conduct the audit, an election worker read the results from the voter verifiable paper audit trail and another election worker tallied the results. These results were compared to the results accumulated in the election tabulation system. No discrepancies or anomalies were found. The audit was conducted for: Tacoma SD 10 Director Pos. 3, FPD #3 – Proposition No. 1, FPD #6 – Proposition No. 1 on the following machines:

<u>Machine Number</u>	<u>Voting Center</u>
35255	TACID
35261	TACID
35265	TACID
35266	TACID
35276	Clover Park Technical College
35280	Clover Park Technical College
35289	Puyallup Library
35308	Pierce County Central Maintenance Facility
35370	Election Center

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RANDOM CHECK OF BATCHES

On August 16, 2011, representatives of the Republican and Democratic political parties requested a manual tally of selected Vote-By-Mail batches. The request was made to perform a random check of the votes cast for Tacoma School District No. 10 Position No. 5 in the 27th legislative district and University Place Council Position No. 6 in the 28th legislative district. All results matched exactly, no discrepancies were found. This audit was performed in the presence of the official political party observers.

MAILING STATISTICS

Undeliverable ballots

Total number of undeliverable ballots returned by the Post Office **5,540**

Ballots postmarked too late

Received August 18, 2011 633

Received August 19, 2011 90

Received August 22, 2011 119

Received August 23, 2011 53

Received August 24, 2011 26

Received August 25, 2011 21

Total number of ballots postmarked too late **942**

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Report 1

Ballots Issued		368,268	
Date	Ballots Received	Cumulative Total	Percent Received
8/3/2011	18,041	18,041	4.90%
8/4/2011	5,091	23,132	6.28%
8/5/2011	6,855	29,987	8.14%
8/8/2011	5,655	35,642	9.68%
8/9/2011	5,163	40,805	11.08%
8/10/2011	10,268	51,073	13.87%
8/11/2011	3,133	54,206	14.72%
8/12/2011	6,634	60,840	16.52%
8/15/2011	7,757	68,597	18.63%
8/16/2011	17,645	86,242	23.42%
8/17/2011	14,078	100,320	27.24%
8/18/2011	92	100,412	27.27%
8/19/2011	85	100,497	27.29%
8/22/2011	13	100,510	27.29%
8/23/2011	3	100,513	27.29%
8/24/2011	43	100,556	27.31%
8/25/2011	7	100,563	27.31%

Note: Turnout on this report is based on the cumulative number of ballots received (including challenged ballots) to the total number of ballots issued.

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Ballot Return Statistics - Ballot Drop Boxes (Report 2)**

Drop Boxes	7/14	7/21	7/28	8/2	8/4	8/9	8/11	8/12	8/13	8/14	8/15	8/16	Totals
72nd Park & Ride	0	0	0	106	74	142	60	19	19	26	138	220	804
Barney's Corner - Eatonville	0	0	0	8	7	12	2	1	4	0	4	19	57
Bonney Lake Park & Ride	2	2	1	122	194	443	154	113	104	101	433	901	2,570
Browns Point Substation	4	0	2	75	75	146	88	29	34	32	130	266	881
County City Bldg	0	0	0	51	36	50	44	11	0	0	38	134	364
Edgewood City Hall	0	0	0	69	79	202	100	62	29	54	222	454	1,271
Fife Municipal Court	0	0	0	9	13	18	6	7	3	0	13	38	107
Gig Harbor Fire Station	2	1	0	125	84	188	75	31	50	22	44	233	855
Kandle Park Substation	1	0	0	145	131	288	179	86	113	79	159	1561	2,742
Lakewood City Hall	5	2	4	440	279	521	251	104	150	93	518	614	2,981
Lakewood Park & Ride	0	0	0	44	40	31	30	15	15	13	39	91	318
Parkland/ Spanaway Library	4	1	1	426	349	677	360	120	134	94	383	818	3,367
PC Annex	3	2	0	192	301	504	216	167	105	96	616	1218	3,420
Pt Fosdick	0	1	1	100	126	257	103	53	33	41	120	441	1,276
Purdy Fire Station	2	0	0	57	42	63	43	17	8	24	31	148	435
Puyallup Library	3	1	2	172	243	589	300	151	111	120	547	1007	3,246
Ross Plaza - DuPont	7	7	0	92	79	122	44	25	17	16	26	119	554
Roy Y Park & Ride	2	1	0	124	110	225	91	41	45	27	220	456	1,342
Sound View Medical Clinic	0	0	0	44	26	44	29	14	11	5	39	134	346
South Hill Library	6	2	0	414	446	911	628	133	151	139	781	1273	4,884
Steilacoom Library	0	0	1	81	72	108	45	21	22	22	36	160	568
Sumner Library	2	1	0	109	182	400	219	93	108	80	359	607	2,160
TACID	0	0	0	96	82	148	85	40	41	19	199	337	1,047
Tacoma Dome Transit	1	0	1	35	24	71	25	10	10	8	28	111	324
University Place Fire Department	3	0	2	220	263	545	208	110	107	96	531	937	3,022
Daily Totals	47	21	15	3356	3357	6705	3385	1473	1424	1207	5654	12297	38,941
In Person	7/14	7/21	7/28	8/2	8/4	8/9	8/11	8/12	8/13	8/14	8/15	8/16	Totals
Election Center Customer Service	2	0	0	74	104	159	92	49	0	0	19	172	671
Daily Totals	2	0	0	74	104	159	92	49	0	0	19	172	671
Grand Totals	49	21	15	3430	3461	6864	3477	1522	1424	1207	5673	12469	39,612