

Pierce County Presidential Primary Election - May 24, 2016

Canvassing Board Report presented June 3, 2016

Status Report - Statistics as of June 3, 2016

Voter Statistics	
Total number of active registered voters in all precincts	464,788
Total number of inactive registered voters in all precincts	55,356
Total registered voters in all precincts	520,144

Ballot Statistics	
The total number of ballots issued	464,788
Total number of ballots returned (includes challenged ballots)	147,305
Total ballots counted	144,109
*includes overseas, service voters, email ballots, and Address Confidentiality Program ballots	
Ballot Statistics (See report 1 and 2 for detail)	
Ballots returned by mail	76,709
Ballots returned at drop boxes	69,400
Ballots returned at the Elections Division customer service counter	592
Ballots returned at Voting Centers	260
Ballots returned electronically (fax and email)	175
Ballots counted on touch screen	169
Provisional Ballots	
Total number of provisional ballots issued by Pierce County	16
Total number of provisional ballots sent to other counties	8
Valid provisional ballots received from other counties	3
Total provisional ballots counted	7
Total provisional ballots rejected	4

Voter Turnout Statistics	
Total ballots counted	144,109
Overall turnout percentage	31.01%

Challenged and Rejected Ballot Statistics	
Challenged Ballots (Challenge Code Applied)	
Total signature discrepancies received (signatures that do not match and wrong signers)	1,212
Signature discrepancies resolved and processed	289
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response	923
Other Ballots Challenged (includes cancelled after ballot was issued, envelopes marked deceased, envelopes marked moved, missing ID, or no signature on file, POA)	
	55
Presidential Primary Challenged Ballots (No Challenge Code Applied)	
Total unsigned ballot envelopes received	898
Blank or modified declaration, no signature	662
Party box checked, no signature	236
Signature updates received and processed (Blank/Mod 236, Party Box 115)	351
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response (Missing Signature Issues)	547
Total ballot envelopes received with signature but blank or modified party declaration	5,495
Cure forms received and processed	2,337
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response	3,158
Total ballot envelopes received with both party boxes checked and signature	76
Cannot be cured per State law	

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Total Presidential Primary Challenged Ballots	3,781
Other Ballots Rejected - no challenge code applied	
Returned ballot in secrecy only, no declaration	45
Returned wrong election	1,065
Total ballots rejected - no challenge code applied	1,110
Rejected Ballots	
Total ballots rejected (Presidential Primary Rule)	
Both party voted ballots	1,104
Cross party voted ballots	610
Blank ballots	249
Not yet classified	110
Total ballots rejected	2,073
To Be Canvassed	
Ballots and Envelopes	
Voter Intent Unclear - Refer to Voter Intent Statewide Standards on What is a Vote	
Group 1, ballots 1-38 (one mark on ballot, mark outside target area - pages 25 and 40)	38
Group 2, ballots 39-49 (one mark on ballot, in target area, crossout - pages 39-43)	11
Group 3, ballots 50-54 (one mark on ballot, not in target area, crossout - pages 39-43)	5
Group 4, ballots 55-56 (hesitation marks - pages 17-19)	2
Group 5, ballots 57-58 (Corrected votes or not? - pages 44, 47, 50 and 51)	2
Group 6, ballots 59-60 (overvotes? - pages 2, 60-61)	2
Group 7, ballots 61-71 (miscellaneous - Page 85)	11
Group 8, ballots 72-75 (two ballots, one envelope - page 90)	4
Presidential Primary	
Group 9 ballots 76-85a (envelopes - party selection?)	11
Group 10 ballots 86-104 (Ballots with write-ins, party vote or both party voted?)	19
Group 11 ballots 105-121 (party vote or both party voted?)	17
Total ballots canvassed	122
Drop Box Seal	
<p>On May 24, 2016 the drop box closing team at the Puyallup Library location found the outer seal normally on the access door was missing. They found the seal decal had been moved to the top of the box, across the back ballot drop opening. The box was locked, and showed no other signs of tampering. The team followed procedures and opened the box. They found the inner seal log had a different number than the decal number that was in the incorrect place. The seal log had seal number G320004796, while the decal seal had number G320002196. The team sealed the ballots in a transport container, and returned them to the elections center. Additional research was conducted the prior collection team was interviewed. The prior team stated that they may have hand written the incorrect number on the paper seal. All ballots were inspected, found to be unopened, parties and signatures were verified. There were no anomalies found. These ballots were processed according to standard procedures and tabulated after the investigation.</p>	
Random Check of Ballots	
<p>On May 24th, representatives of the Republican and Democratic political parties requested a manual tally of ballots. The request was made to perform a random check of both parties Presidential Primary race, countywide. Two batches of ballots and two machines per party were chosen at random. The hand count from all batches matched the machine counts. The audit was performed on May 25th in the presence of the official political party observers.</p>	

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Touch Screen Audit

In accordance with state law, Pierce County conducted an audit of results of votes cast on the touch screen voting machines. Forty machines were certified for this election, thirteen had votes cast. State law requires four percent of machines with votes cast to be audited. To protect voter privacy the audit must be conducted on machines where the total of ten votes in the aggregate. This required the drawing of two machines, numbers 35296 and 35312. The audit was conducted on both machines in the presence of both political party observers. 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.

Mailing Statistics

Total number of undeliverable ballots returned by USPS	6,063
<i>UOCAVA (389)</i>	
Received too late at customer service or a ballot drop box	48
Ballots postmarked too late	
Received - 05/26/2016	662
Received - 05/27/2016	203
Received - 05/31/2016	206
Received - 06/01/2016	100
Received - 06/02/2016	66
Total number of ballots postmarked too late	1,237