

# March 6, 2012 Primary Election Official Canvass Certification Data

## FINAL RESULTS

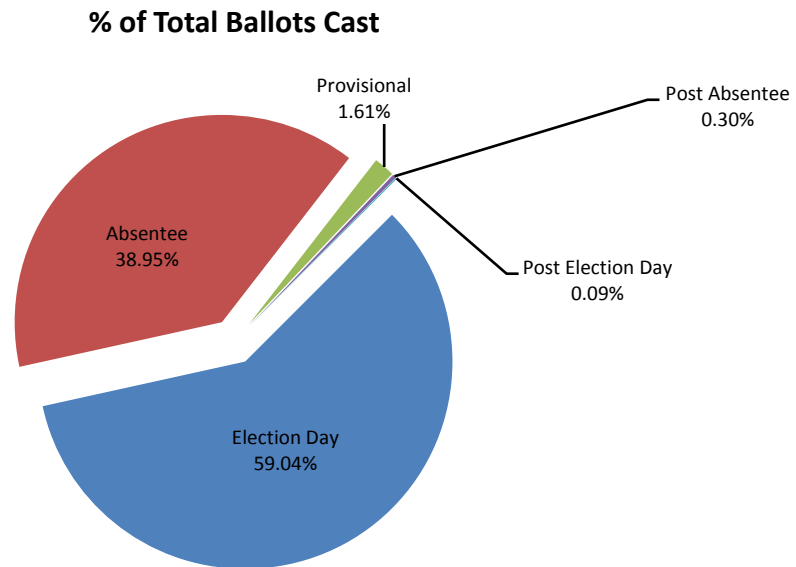
Official Election Results for the March 6, 2012 Primary Election are attached in the "Election Summary" report.

NOTE: There are forty-five (45) contests within districts overlapping eleven (11) surrounding counties. Cuyahoga County is the most populous county in forty-four (44) of those contests. Those overlapping county results are also attached.

## SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL CANVASS

There were a total of 244,712 ballots tabulated for the March 6, 2012 Primary Election. Below is a breakdown of the ballots counted by category and a percentage of the total vote by category.

Category	Ballots Cast	% of Total Ballots Counted
<i>Election Day</i>	144,480	59.04%
<i>Absentee</i>	95,325	38.95%
<i>Provisional</i>	3,947	1.61%
<i>Post Absentee</i>	738	0.30%
<i>Post Election Day</i>	222	0.09%
<b>Total</b>	<b>244,712</b>	



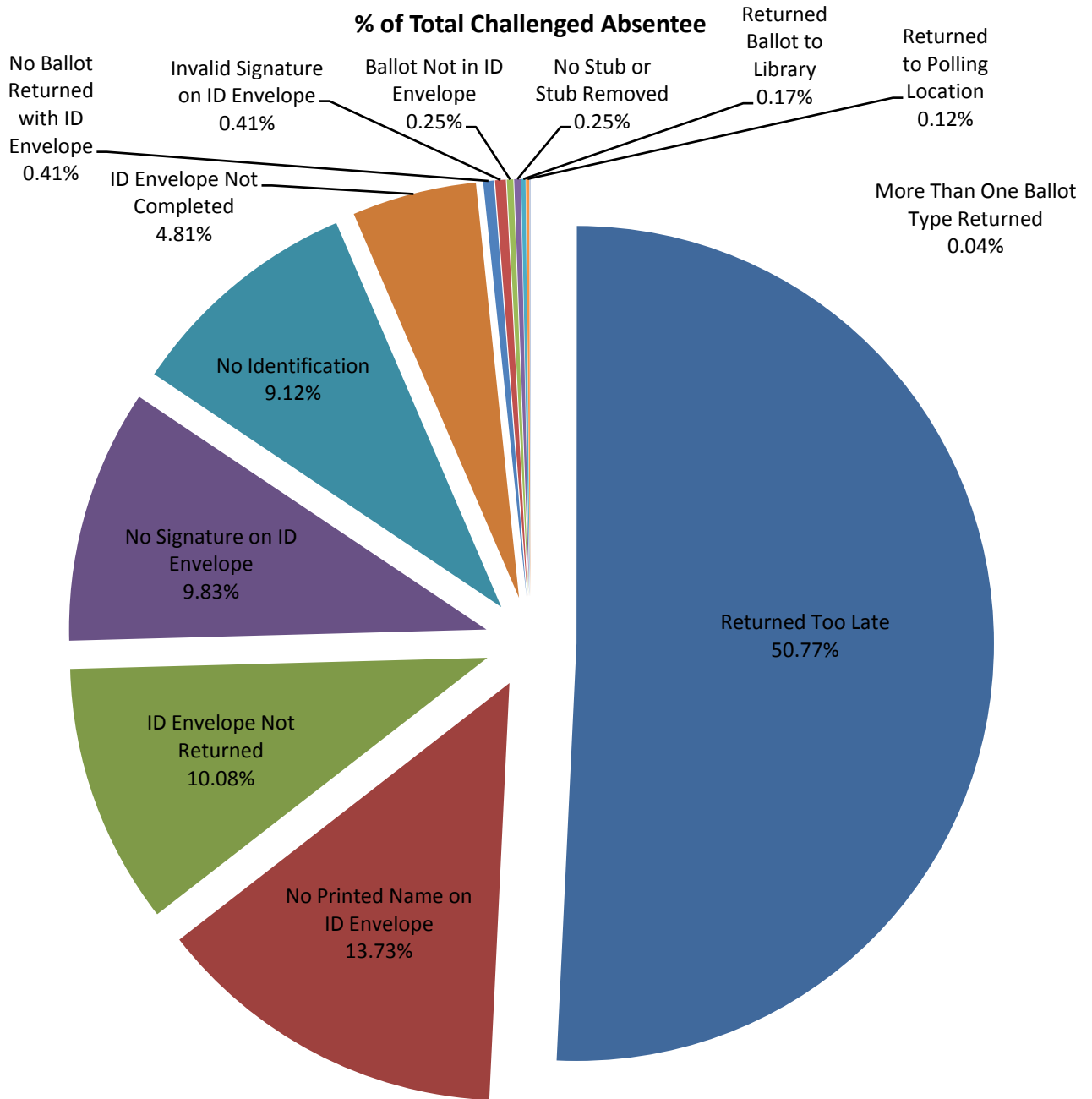
## ABSENTEE / VOTE BY MAIL

The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections received a total of 113,386 valid Absentee/Vote by Mail applications. Of those requests, 98,474 ballots were returned (86.85%). The Ballot Department tabulated 96,063 Absentee / Vote by Mail Ballots (84.72%). There were 2,411 ballots challenged in this election resulting in a challenge rate of 2.45%\*. Details of the challenges are below.

\*The Absentee Ballot Challenge Rate is 1.22% when the Absentee Ballots postmarked after the deadline are excluded.

Absentee Challenge Category	Number of Challenged Ballots	% of Total Challenged Absentee
Returned Too Late	1224	50.77%
No Printed Name on ID Envelope	331	13.73%
ID Envelope Not Returned	243	10.08%
No Signature on ID Envelope	237	9.83%
No Identification	220	9.12%
ID Envelope Not Completed	116	4.81%
No Ballot Returned with ID Envelope	10	0.41%
Invalid Signature on ID Envelope	10	0.41%
Ballot Not in ID Envelope	6	0.25%
No Stub or Stub Removed	6	0.25%
Returned Ballot to Library	4	0.17%
Returned to Polling Location	3	0.12%
More Than One Ballot Type Returned	1	0.04%

ABSENTEE DATA	
TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED	244,712
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS REQUESTED	113,386
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED	98,474
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS COUNTED	96,063
TOTAL BALLOTS CHALLENGED	2,646
CHALLENGES CORRECTED	235
CHALLENGES NOT CORRECTED	2,411
ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED LATE	1,224
% COUNTED of All Ballots Counted	39.26%
% RETURNED of Absentee Ballots Requested	86.85%
% COUNTED of Absentee Ballots Returned	97.55%
% CHALLENGED of VBM Ballots Returned	2.45%
% CHALLENGED Not Including Late	1.22%
% CORRECTED of All Challenges	8.88%
% CORRECTED Not Including Late	16.53%
% LATE of Absentee Ballots Returned	1.24%
% LATE of All Remaining Challenges	50.77%



## PROVISIONAL VOTING SUMMARY

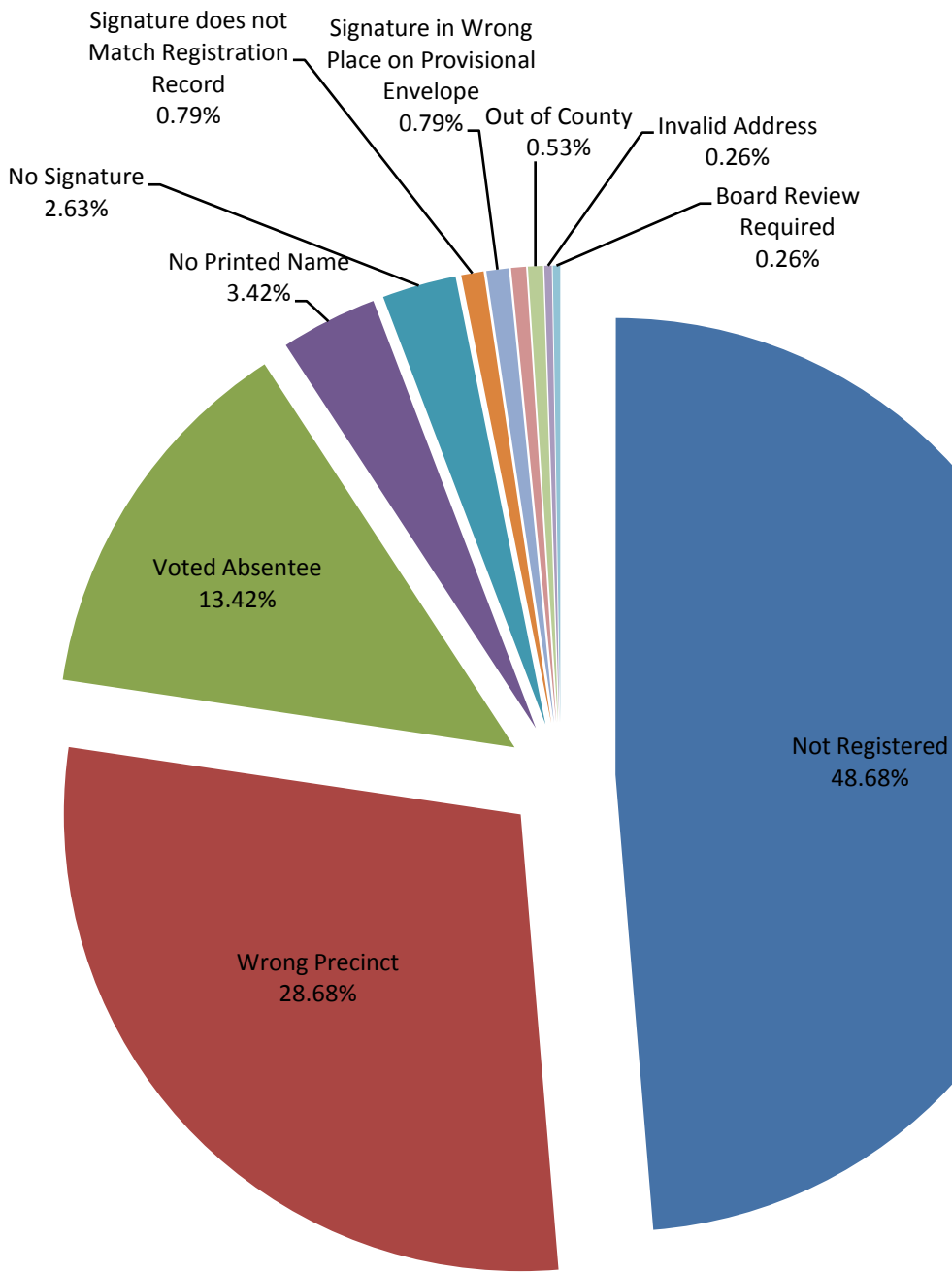
A total of 4,327 Provisional Ballots were cast In-House and on Election Day. Of those ballots, 3,947 (91.22%) were valid and tabulated by the Ballot Department. There were 380 invalid Provisional Ballots resulting in a 8.78%\* rejection rate for this election. Details of the rejections are below.

\* The Provisional Ballot Rejection Rate is 7.69% when Provisional Voters who have already cast an Absentee Ballot are excluded.

Reason for Rejection	# Rejected	% of Total Provisional Rejections
<b>Not Registered</b>	185	48.68%
<b>Wrong Precinct</b>	109	28.68%
<i>Wrong Precinct in Correct Location</i>	46	12.11%
<i>Wrong Precinct in Wrong Location</i>	63	16.58%
<b>Voted Absentee</b>	51	13.42%
<b>No Printed Name</b>	13	3.42%
<b>No Signature</b>	10	2.63%
<b>Signature does not Match Registration Record</b>	3	0.79%
<b>Signature in Wrong Place on Provisional Envelope</b>	3	0.79%
<b>Missing Identification</b>	2	0.53%
<b>Out of County</b>	2	0.53%
<b>Invalid Address</b>	1	0.26%
<b>Board Review Required</b>	1	0.26%
<b>Total</b>	<b>380</b>	

Provisional Data	
Provisional Ballots - CAST	4,327
Provisional Ballots - VALID	3,947
Provisional Ballots - REJECTED	380
Rejected – Absentee Voters	51
Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters	329
Rejected - WRONG PRECINCT (Total)	109
Rejected - WRONG PRECINCT/CORRECT LOCATION	46
% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast	91.22%
% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast	8.78%
% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters	7.69%
% Wrong Precinct (Total) of All Provisional Ballots Cast	2.52%
% Wrong Precinct/Correct Location of All Provisional Ballots Cast	1.06%

### % of Total Provisional Rejections



## BALLOT REMAKES

During the election, 1,620 ballot pages were processed in accordance with the CCBOE Remake Policy (approved by the Board on February 7, 2012). Of those, 1,392 ballot pages were processed during the Unofficial Canvass; the remaining 397 were processed during the Official Canvass. The following is a breakdown by category:

Reason for Remake	Number of Remakes	% of Total Remakes
1 - Ballot folded, torn or mutilated.	540	33.33%
2 - Ballot contains indeterminate marks not made by the voter.	122	7.53%
3 - Federal Only Ballot	2	0.12%
4 - 17 Year Old Ballot	300	18.52%
5 - Voter marked entire ballot contrary to the instructions listed at the beginning of the ballot.	23	1.42%
6 - Voter marked part of the ballot according to the ballot marking instructions contained on the ballot, and part of the ballot contrary to the instructions.	177	10.93%
7 - Over vote, voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number of times for a particular contest, and there is no indication of contrary intent.	110	6.79%
8 - Voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number of times for a particular contest, however, the voter also made an indication of contrary intent and the voter's choice can be determined.	343	21.17%
9 - Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a write-in vote for a different candidate for the same office by filling in the oval of, and the writing in of, the name of a write-in candidate.	3	0.19%
10 - Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a write-in vote for the same candidate for the same office by filling in the oval next to the blank space provided for write-in candidates.	0	0.00%

**TOTAL REMAKES**

**1,620**

## OVER VOTES

There were a total of 4,911 over votes recorded, resulting in a 0.19% over vote rate for the election. The exact number of over voted ballots is unknown as the Unity system reports over votes on a per-contest basis, thus a ballot containing multiple over votes is recorded multiple times. A detailed listing of over votes cast by contest is attached.

## POLL BOOK JUSTIFICATION AND BALLOT RECONCILIATION

All 1,063 precincts were involved in this election. The number of signatures in the Poll Books matches the number of Ballots Cast in 886 (83.34%) precincts. Below is a breakdown of the range of discrepancies between the number of signatures in the poll books and the number of ballots cast on Election Day.

Number of Precincts	Range
1	6 Discrepancies
1	4 Discrepancies
13	3 Discrepancies
36	2 Discrepancies
126	1 Discrepancy
<b>TOTAL = 177</b>	

A review of the ballots cast on Election Day was completed for all of the precincts with a discrepancy.

The Ballot Department staff will complete ballot reconciliation prior to the next scheduled board meeting.

## RECOUNTS

One contest resulted in a margin of victory that is less than one half of one percent - the threshold to conduct an automatic recount.

Contest	Total Precincts	Precincts to Hand Count
County Central Committee – Lyndhurst 02-C*	1	1

*\* This contest resulted in a tie vote with thirty (30) votes for each of the two candidates. The Board must break the tie by lot to determine a certified winner.*

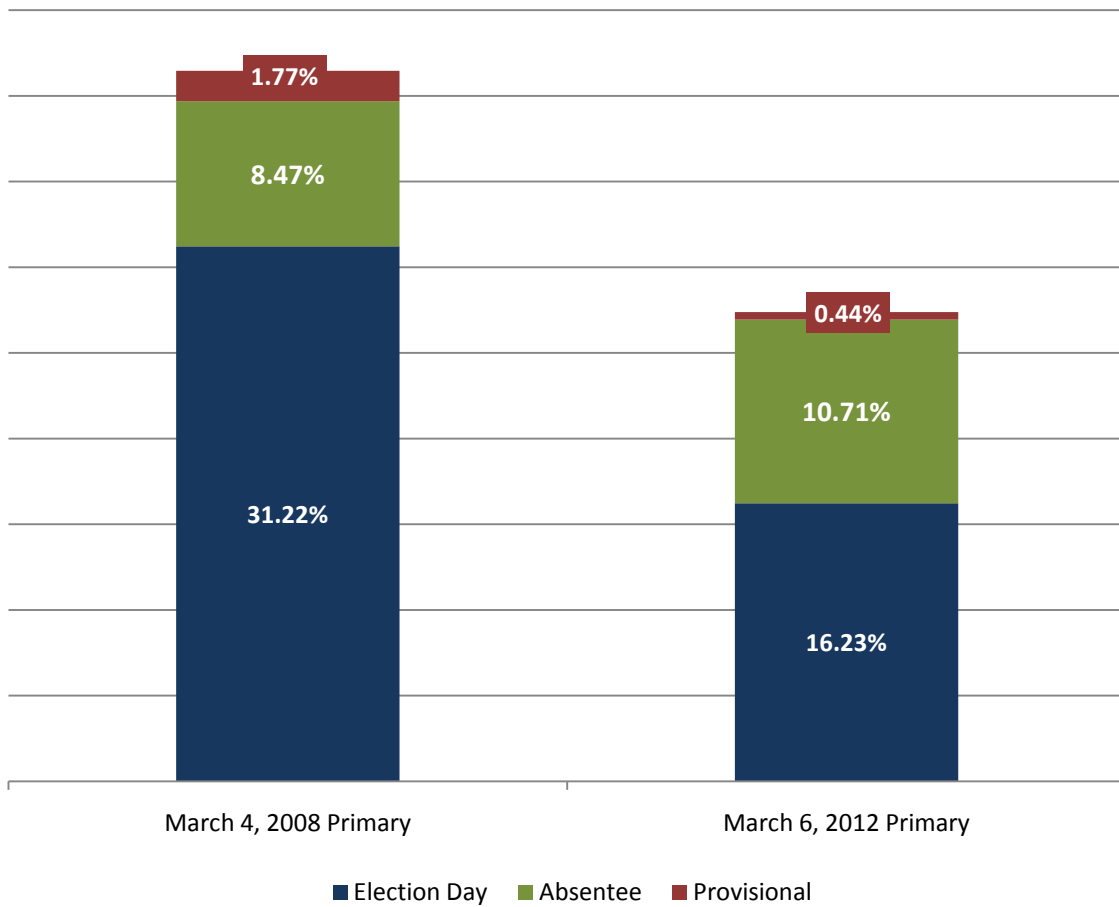
The schedule for the above automatic recount will be posted to our website by the close of business Tuesday, March 27, 2012. All involved candidates or issue committees will be notified via certified mail.

## HISTORICAL DATA FOR MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTIONS

The following data sets and graphs include comparisons related to election information and voting method distributions (ballot categories).

	March 4, 2008 Primary	March 6, 2012 Primary
<b>Precincts</b>	1,436	1,063
<b>Registered Voters</b>	1,053,232	890,367
<b>Ballot Cast - Counted</b>	436,647	244,712
<i>Election Day</i>	328,792	144,480
<i>Absentee</i>	89,209	95,325
<i>Provisional</i>	18,646	3,947
<i>Post Absentee</i>	<i>Included in Absentee</i>	738
<i>Post Election Day</i>	<i>Included in Election Day</i>	222
<b>Voter Turnout</b>	41.46%	27.48%

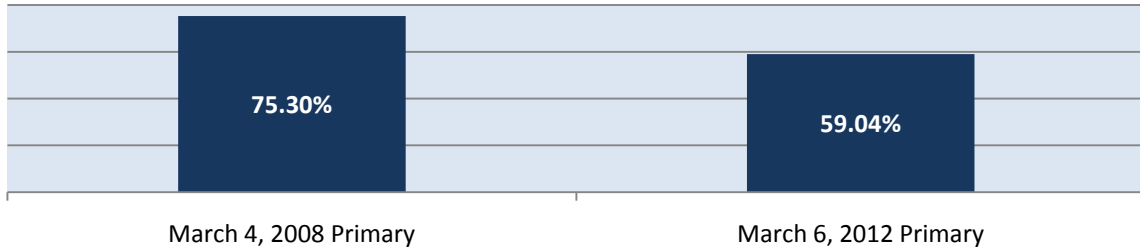
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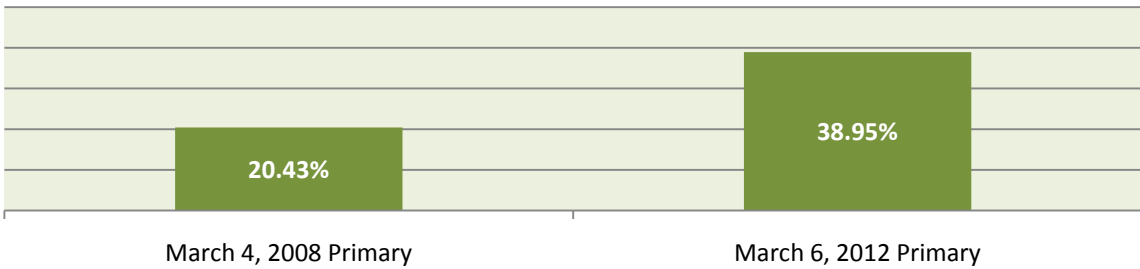


	March 4, 2008 Primary	March 6, 2012 Primary
<b>Election Day</b>	75.30%	59.04%
<b>Absentee</b>	20.43%	38.95%
<b>Provisional</b>	4.27%	1.61%

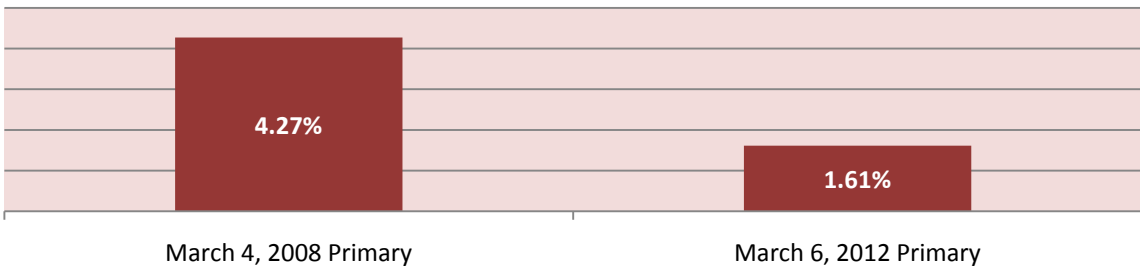
### Election Day Voting Trend



### Absentee Voting Trend



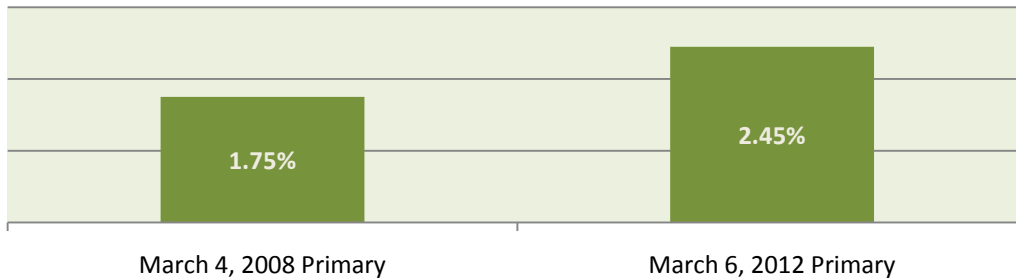
### Provisional Voting Trend



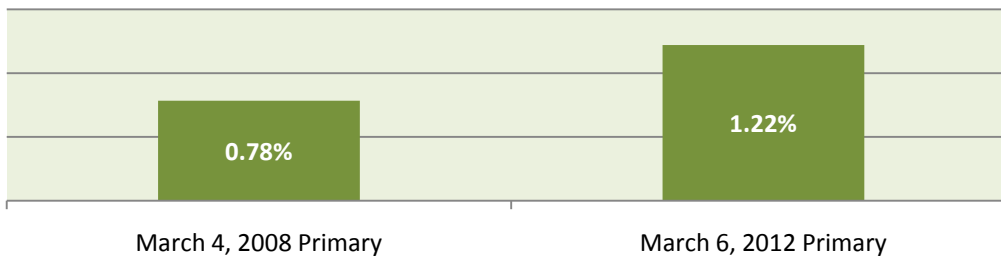
**Absentee Data**

	March 4, 2008 Primary	March 6, 2012 Primary
<b>TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED</b>	436,647	244,712
<b>TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS REQUESTED</b>	100,832	113,386
<b>TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED</b>	89,209	98,474
<b>TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS COUNTED</b>	87,647	96,063
<b>TOTAL BALLOTS CHALLENGED</b>	2,101	2,646
<b>CHALLENGES CORRECTED</b>	539	235
<b>CHALLENGES NOT CORRECTED</b>	1,562	2,411
<b>ABSENTEE BALLOTS RETURNED LATE</b>	863	1,224
<b>% COUNTED of All Ballots Counted</b>	20.07%	39.26%
<b>% RETURNED of Absentee Ballots Requested</b>	88.47%	86.85%
<b>% COUNTED of Absentee Ballots Returned</b>	98.25%	97.55%
<b>% CHALLENGED of VBM Ballots Returned</b>	1.75%	2.45%
<b>% CHALLENGED Not Including Late</b>	0.78%	1.22%
<b>% CORRECTED of All Challenges</b>	25.65%	8.88%
<b>% CORRECTED Not Including Late</b>	43.54%	16.53%
<b>% LATE of Absentee Ballots Returned</b>	0.97%	1.24%
<b>% LATE of All Remaining Challenges</b>	55.25%	50.77%

**Challenge Rate**



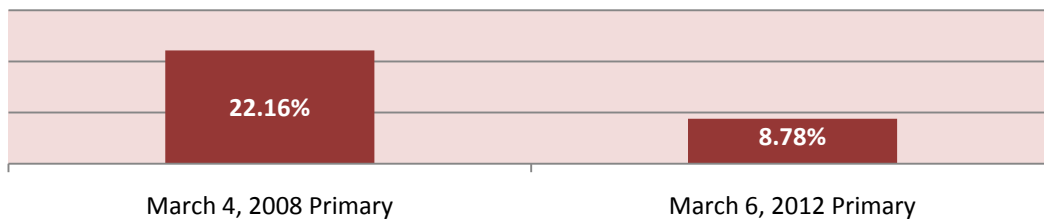
**Challenge Rate (Excluding Late)**



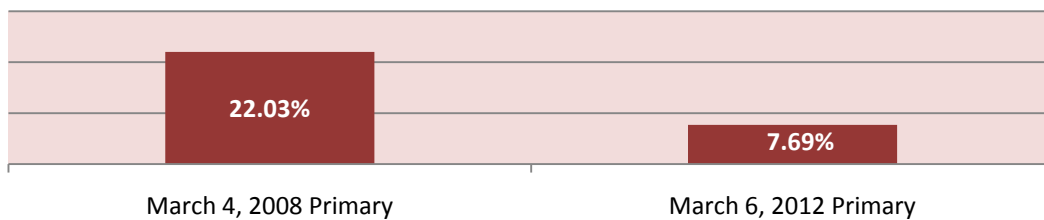
**Provisional Data**

	<b>March 4, 2008 Primary</b>	<b>March 6, 2012 Primary</b>
Provisional Ballots - CAST	23,954	4,327
Provisional Ballots - VALID	18,646	3,947
Provisional Ballots - REJECTED	5,308	380
Rejected – Absentee Voters	41	51
Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters	5,267	329
Rejected - WRONG PRECINCT (Total)	2,588	109
Rejected - WRONG PRECINCT/CORRECT LOCATION	862	46
% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast	77.84%	91.22%
% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast	22.16%	8.78%
% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters	22.03%	7.69%
% Wrong Precinct (Total) of All Provisional Ballots Cast	10.80%	2.52%
% Wrong Precinct/Correct Location of All Provisional Ballots Cast	3.60%	1.06%

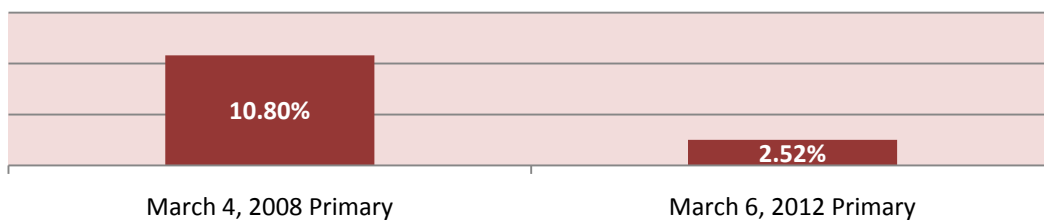
**Rejection Rate**



**Rejection Rate (Excluding Absentee Voters)**



**Wrong Precinct Rejection Rate**



## Over-Vote Analysis

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CONTEST	TOTAL VOTES	OVER VOTES	%
<b>Democratic</b>			
UNITED STATES REP 9TH DISTRICT	32,200	23	0.07%
UNITED STATES REP 11TH DISTRICT	68,113	90	0.13%
SUP CRT JUSTICE ST OF OH FTC 1/2/2013	104,524	378	0.36%
8TH DIST COURT OF APPEALS FTC 1/2/2013	120,915	516	0.43%
8TH DIST COURT OF APPEALS FTC 1/3/2013	112,766	205	0.18%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 21 MAN	33,478	98	0.29%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 21 WOMAN	32,878	39	0.12%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 23 MAN	30,132	71	0.24%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 23 WOMAN	22,462	30	0.13%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 24 MAN	22,267	14	0.06%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 24 WOMAN	21,857	29	0.13%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 25 MAN	25,137	23	0.09%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 25 WOMAN	21,103	26	0.12%
STATE REP 8TH DISTRICT	11,403	7	0.06%
STATE REP 9TH DISTRICT	14,580	5	0.03%
STATE REP 11TH DISTRICT	9,120	2	0.02%
STATE REP 16TH DISTRICT	9,039	4	0.04%
CRT OF COM PLEAS GEN DIV FTC 1/3/2013	114,307	188	0.16%
CRT OF COM PLEAS GEN DIV FTC 1/8/2013	101,544	147	0.14%
CRT OF COM PLEAS GEN DIV FTC 1/10/2013	106,282	135	0.13%
CRT OF COM PLEAS GEN DIV UTE 1/2/2015	102,672	205	0.20%
CRT OF COM PLEAS GEN DIV UTE 1/1/2017	105,686	236	0.22%
CRT OF COM PLEAS JUV DIV FTC 1/1/2013	114,794	195	0.17%
CRT OF COM PLEAS JUV DIV FTC 1/2/2013	104,918	121	0.12%
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	119,221	223	0.19%
<b>Republican</b>			
PRESIDENTIAL DEL AND ALT AT LARGE	85,425	77	0.09%
PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATE- 9TH DISTRICT	15,488	16	0.10%
PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATE- 11TH DISTRICT	20,021	21	0.10%
PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATE- 14TH DISTRICT	14,125	12	0.08%
PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATE- 16TH DISTRICT	32,029	40	0.12%
UNITED STATES SENATOR	70,724	34	0.05%
UNITED STATES REP 9TH DISTRICT	11,823	7	0.06%
8TH DIST COURT OF APPEALS FTC 1/2/2013	54,855	127	0.23%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 21 MAN	4,770	3	0.06%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 23 MAN	11,306	8	0.07%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 23 WOMAN	8,530	11	0.13%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 24 MAN	24,759	19	0.08%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 24 WOMAN	29,049	31	0.11%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 25 MAN	5,005	4	0.08%
STATE CENTRAL COM DIST 25 WOMAN	4,667	5	0.11%
CRT OF COM PLEAS JUV DIV FTC 1/1/2013	50,612	301	0.59%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM BEACHWOOD-00- E	30	0	0.00%

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CONTEST	TOTAL VOTES	OVER VOTES	%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CHAGRIN FALLS-00- D	178	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND HEIGHTS-02- B	73	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND HEIGHTS-04- E	24	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-09- M	28	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-12- N	48	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-17- I	28	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-18- D	43	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-18- E	44	2	4.55%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-18- M	33	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-19- K	53	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-19- L	42	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-19- O	41	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-19- P	79	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM CLEVELAND-19- Q	40	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM FAIRVIEW PARK-03- C	90	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM FAIRVIEW PARK-05- C	79	1	1.27%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM INDEPENDENCE-00- A	123	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM LAKEWOOD-02- I	38	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM LYNDHURST-02- C	30	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM MAYFIELD HEIGHTS-00- E	148	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM MAYFIELD HEIGHTS-00- L	58	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM MAYFIELD HEIGHTS-00- O	104	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM NORTH ROYALTON-02- C	120	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM OLMSTED TOWNSHIP-00- H	48	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM ROCKY RIVER-04- A	84	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM ROCKY RIVER-04- D	161	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM SEVEN HILLS-01- B	114	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM SHAKER HEIGHTS-00- K	27	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM SOUTH EUCLID-03- D	75	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM STRONGSVILLE-01- E	123	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM WESTLAKE-01- A	197	0	0.00%
REP COUNTY CENTRAL COM WESTLAKE-04- B	112	0	0.00%
<b>Nonpartisan</b>			
PARMA CHARTER COMMISSION	124,213	990	0.80%
1-CLEVE CH AMEND RESIDENT PREFERENCE	40,368	24	0.06%
2-CLEVELAND-18- E Local Liquor Option	196	0	0.00%
3-PARMA CHARTER COMMISSION	16,083	8	0.05%
4-STRONGSVILLE PRPSD ZONING AM - PEARL	13,214	1	0.01%
5-STRONGSVILLE PRPSD ZONING AM -ROYALTON	13,155	4	0.03%
6-WESTLAKE-04- A Local Liquor Option	255	0	0.00%
7-BEREA CSD Proposed Tax Levy (ADD)	14,435	7	0.05%
8-CHAGRIN FLS SD Proposed Tax Levy (ADD)	2,116	0	0.00%
9-CUYAHOGA HTS LSD Proposed Tax Levy	1,985	1	0.05%
10-GARFIELD HTS CSD Proposed Tax Levy	6,013	2	0.03%

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<b>CONTEST</b>	<b>TOTAL VOTES</b>	<b>OVER VOTES</b>	<b>%</b>
11-MAYFIELD CSD Proposed Tax Levy (ADD)	8,550	8	0.09%
12-PARMA CSD Proposed Tax Levy	24,496	8	0.03%
13-ROCKY RIVER CSD Proposed Tax Levy	6,978	4	0.06%
14-STRONGSVILLE CSD Proposed Tax Levy	13,811	5	0.04%
15-COUNTYWIDE Proposed Tax Levy	229,299	120	0.05%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,522,268</b>	<b>4,911</b>	<b>0.19%</b>