

**Data Validation Notes**

Analysis and Report of Overvotes and Undervotes  
For the 2004 General Election

**Alachua County** – There was a reported turnout of 111,566 on the official Canvass of Votes Cast. The county advised us by letter that there were actually 111,598 ballots cast which is the number used in the “True Turnout Ballots Counted” column on the spreadsheet.

**Brevard County** – The total number of votes cast on the official Canvass of Votes Cast and the total number of votes cast reported on the Report on Overvotes and Undervotes completed by the county balanced to each other. Candidate votes of 265,462, plus undervotes of 584, plus overvotes of 118 equals a total number of ballots cast of 266,160. The EAC report did not match these numbers. The county reviewed their records and determined that 175 overseas absentees had not been included in the EAC report. Another 20 ballots had been left off the EAC report but it could not be determined whether those were absentee, precinct, early or provisional votes. Accordingly, the EAC report number of 49,895 for absentee ballots was increased by 175 ballots to 50,070. The remaining 20 ballots were added to the EAC number for precinct ballots of 185,305 for a corrected number of precinct ballots of 185,325.

**Hillsborough County** – There was a reported turnout of 464,849 on the official Canvass of Votes Cast. There were 465,017 Reported Total Ballots Counted on the EAC report. On the Report on Overvotes and Undervotes completed by the county, there was a reported Turnout of 465,017. Candidate votes were reported as 463,222 and overvotes and undervotes totaled 1,765. Accordingly, 465,017 is the number used in the “True Turnout Ballots Counted” column.

**Levy County** – There was a reported turnout of 16,742 and 16,652 candidate votes reported on the official Canvass of Votes Cast. The Report on Overvotes and Undervotes completed by the county had a total of 93 total overvotes and undervotes. Overvotes plus undervotes plus candidate votes totaled 16,745. The County confirmed the error by e-mail. Accordingly, 16,745 is the number used in the “True Turnout Ballots Counted” column.

**Monroe County** – There was a reported turnout of 39,629 on the official Canvass of Votes Cast. This figure was from an unofficial tabulation. The correct number was 39,647. The County both explained this by telephone and provided a page from one of the constitutional amendments which showed the correct turnout. Accordingly, 39,647 is the number used in the “True Turnout Ballots Counted” column. The county then provided recalculations of the numbers reported to the EAC as follows.

<b>Monroe County</b>	<b>Reported to EAC and Official Canvass</b>	<b>County Corrections</b>	<b>Corrected Totals</b>
Precinct Ballots	19,706	-3	19,703
Absentee Ballots	10,949	69	11,018
Early Voting Ballots	8,918	-1	8,917
Provisional Ballots	9	0	9
<b>Total Ballots</b>	<b>39,582</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>39,647</b>

**Osceola County** – There was a reported turnout of 82,204 and an equal number of candidate votes on the official Canvass of Votes Cast. The county reported a total of 227 undervotes and overvotes. Accordingly, actual turnout was 82,204 candidate votes, plus 227 overvotes and undervotes to equal 82,431 votes cast. That is the number used in the “True Turnout Ballots Counted” column. This same error was made in the EAC Report. Overvotes and undervotes were not included in each type of ballot. To correct it, the overvotes and undervotes were added to the totals reflected on the EAC report. Osceola County will be asked to provide the Division with a corrected Report on Overvotes and Undervotes.

<b>Osceola County</b>	<b>Reported to EAC and Official Canvass</b>	<b>Overvotes and Undervotes</b>	<b>Corrected Totals</b>
Precinct Ballots	52525	135	52660
Absentee Ballots	10401	50	10451
Early Voting Ballots	19120	41	19161
Provisional Ballots	158	1	159
<b>Total Ballots</b>	<b>82204</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>82431</b>

**St. Lucie County** – There was a reported turnout of 100,374 on the official Canvass of Votes Cast. The county advised us by letter that there were actually 100,410 ballots cast which is the number used in the “True Turnout Ballots Counted” column.

**Santa Rosa** – There were numerous discrepancies reported by this county. All numbers are based upon a recalculation of statistics by the Supervisor of Elections. The total number of candidate votes was not restated.

**Volusia County** – There was a reported turnout of 229,193 and 228,939 candidate votes reported on the official Canvass of Votes Cast. There were 228,939 reported Total Ballots Counted on the EAC report. The county reported a total of 741 of overvotes and undervotes. Candidate votes plus overvotes and undervotes must equal the total ballots counted (228,939 + 741 = 229,680). Accordingly, this number is used in the “True Turnout Ballots Counted” column. Volusia will be asked to provide the Division with a corrected Report on Overvotes and Undervotes.

After the above errors were corrected, there were several counties where the numbers reported on their EAC reports did not match the numbers on their Official Canvass and Reports of Overvotes and Undervotes by a matter of a few votes. To bring all of the

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denominators for ratios into balance and minimize distortion of the statistics, the discrepancies were added and subtracted to the EAC report's "Precinct Ballots Cast" totals as follows:

<b>County</b>	<b>Reported on Official Canvass</b>	<b>Reported on EAC Report</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>EAC Precinct Ballot Count</b>	<b>Adjusted Precinct Ballot Count</b>
Bradford	10,917	10,913	4	6,871	6,875
Citrus	69,701	69,696	5	34,177	34,182
Columbia	25,082	25,075	7	14,490	14,497
Desoto	9,549	9,534	15	5,393	5,408
Dixie	6,474	6,472	2	4,462	4,464
Gulf	7,320	7,299	21	4,099	4,120
Hardee	7,284	7,289	-5	3,400	3,395
Marion	140,354	140,321	33	99,628	99,661
Putnam	31,072	31,067	5	22,775	22,780
Taylor	8,814	8,813	1	4,671	4,672