# Summary Tables on Voting Technology and Residual Vote Rates <br> David C. Kimball <br> University of Missouri-St. Louis 

Table 1
Residual Vote Rates by Type of Voting Technology

| Technology | Residual Vote Rate in: |  |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Punch Card - <br> Votomatic | Punch card is inserted behind booklet with ballot choices - voter <br> uses stylus to punch out holes in card. Ballots counted by card <br> reader machine. | $2.8 \%$ | $3.5 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Punch Card - <br> Datavote | Ballot choices are printed on punch card - voter punches out hole <br> next to chosen candidate. Ballots counted by card reader. | $1.2 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ |
| Lever Machine | Candidates listed by levers on a machine - voter pulls down the <br> lever next to chosen candidate. Machine records and counts votes. | $1.6 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Paper Ballot | Candidates are listed on a sheet of paper - voter marks box next to <br> chosen candidate. Ballots counted by hand. | $1.9 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Older DRE <br> (full-face) | Candidates listed on a full-face computerized screen - voter pushes <br> button next to chosen candidate. Machine records and counts <br> votes. | $1.6 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ |
| Newer DRE <br> (touch-screen) | Candidates listed on a scrolling computer screen - voter touches <br> screen next to chosen candidate. Machine records and counts <br> votes. |  | $1.2 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Optical Scan - <br> Central Count | Voter darkens an oval or arrow next to chosen candidate on paper <br> ballot. Ballots counted by computer scanner at a central location. | $1.8 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Optical Scan - <br> Precinct Count | Voter darkens an oval or arrow next to chosen candidate on paper <br> ballot. Ballots scanned at the precinct, allowing voter to find and <br> fix errors. | $0.9 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ |
| InkaVote | Hybrid of Votomatic punch card and optical scan central count <br> systems (used in Los Angeles County, CA) |  |  | $2.0 \%$ |
| Mixed | More than one voting method used. | $1.1 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
|  | Nationwide Residual Vote Rate | $\mathbf{1 . 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 1 \%}$ |

Residual vote rates were calculated as the percentage of ballots cast that failed to record a valid vote for president (in 2000 and 2004) or governor (in 2002). 2897 counties were analyzed in 2000, 1847 counties analyzed in 2002, and 3034 counties analyzed in 2004.

Table 2
Residual Vote Rates by Touch-Screen DRE Brand 2004 Presidential Election

| Brand of Voting Machine | Residual Vote <br> Rate |
| :--- | :--- |
| Unilect Patriot (17 counties) | $6.8 \%$ |
| VotWare (1 county) | $4.1 \%$ |
| EV 2000 (8 counties) | $2.3 \%$ |
| E-Slate (8 counties) | $1.8 \%$ |
| Microvote Infinity (20 counties) | $1.6 \%$ |
| Winvote (10 counties) | $1.1 \%$ |
| AccuVote-TSX (1 county) | $0.9 \%$ |
| AVC Edge (24 counties) | $0.8 \%$ |
| ES\&S iVotronic (55 counties) | $0.7 \%$ |
| AccuVote-TS (191 counties) | $0.7 \%$ |
| Sequoia DRE with VVPT (17 <br> counties in Nevada) | $\mathbf{1 . 0 \%}$ |
| Nationwide Touch-Screen DRE <br> Residual Vote Rate |  |

Based on 353 counties using touch-screen DRE voting machines in 2004.

Table 3
Residual Vote Rates by Full-Face DRE Brand 2004 Presidential Election

| Brand of Voting Machine | Residual Vote <br> Rate |
| :--- | :---: |
| Microvote 464 (97 counties) | $1.9 \%$ |
| Shouptronics $1242(155$ counties $)$ | $1.2 \%$ |
| AVC Advantage (48 counties) | $0.8 \%$ |
| Nationwide Full-Face DRE <br> Residual Vote Rate | $\mathbf{1 . 2 \%}$ |

Based on 300 counties using full-face DRE voting machines in 2004.

Table 4
Residual Vote Rates by Precinct-Count Optical Scan Brand 2004 Presidential Election

| Brand of Voting Machine | Residual Vote <br> Rate |
| :--- | :--- |
| Optech 3P Eagle (259 counties) | $0.9 \%$ |
| ES\&S M100 (106 counties) | $0.6 \%$ |
| AccuVote-OS (265 counties) | $0.6 \%$ |
| Nationwide Precinct-Count OS <br> Residual Vote Rate | $\mathbf{0 . 7 \%}$ |

Based on 630 counties using precinct-count optical scan balloting in 2004.

Table 5
Racial and Economic Disparity in Residual Votes by Voting Technology 2000 Presidential Election

|  | Residual votes in counties using: |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Racial composition of county | Votomatic <br> punch <br> cards | Optical <br> scan - <br> central | Optical <br> scan - <br> precinct | Lever <br> machines | Electronic <br> machines |
| Less than 10\% black | $2.2 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Between 10\% and 30\% black | $3.1 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Over 30\% black | $5.6 \%$ | $5.2 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Median Income |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than \$25,000 | $4.5 \%$ | $4.4 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $3.4 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ |
| Between \$25,000 and \$32,499 | $3.2 \%$ | $2.1 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ |
| Between \$32,500 and \$40,000 | $3.0 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Over \$40,000 | $2.2 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |

Based on 2897 counties in 2000.

Table 6
Racial and Economic Disparity in Residual Votes by Voting Technology 2004 Presidential Election

|  | Residual votes in counties using: |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Racial composition of county | Votomatic <br> punch <br> cards | Optical <br> scan - <br> central | Optical <br> scan - <br> precinct | Full-Face <br> DRE | Touch- <br> Screen DRE |
| Less than 10\% black | $1.8 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Between 10\% and 30\% black | $1.7 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ |
| Over 30\% black | $2.4 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ |
| Median Income |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than \$25,000 | $4.0 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |
| Between \$25,000 and \$32,499 | $2.3 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ |
| Between \$32,500 and \$40,000 | $2.0 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Over \$40,000 | $1.5 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ |

Based on 2402 counties in 2004.

Table 7
Residual Votes in Optical Scan Ballots by Voting Mark 2004 Presidential Election

| Where Ballots are Counted | Type of Mark <br> Darken <br> an oval | Connect <br> an arrow |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Precinct-Count (690 counties) | $0.6 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ |
| Central-Count (789 counties) | $1.6 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ |
| Nationwide Optical Scan <br> Residual Vote Rate | $1.0 \%$ |  |

Table 8
Racial and Economic Disparity in Residual Votes by Voting Technology 2004 Presidential Election

|  | Residual votes in counties using: |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | OS - <br> central <br> Racial composition of county | OS - <br> central <br> (oval) | OS - <br> precinct <br> (arrow) | OS - <br> precinct <br> (oval) |
| Less than 10\% black | $2.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ |
| Between 10\% and 30\% black | $2.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |
| Over 30\% black | $2.8 \%$ | $4.9 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ |
| Median Income |  |  |  |  |
| Less than \$25,000 | $6.4 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ |
| Between \$25,000 and \$32,499 | $2.1 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ |
| Between \$32,500 and \$40,000 | $2.1 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ |
| Over \$40,000 | $2.5 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |

Based on 1448 counties in 2004.

