

SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS

- Please use a blue or black ink pen when marking your responses.
- Mark your responses the "right way" according to the following example.



Example:

Right Way



Wrong Way



ABOUT YOUR JURISDICTION

1. Which of the following best describes your jurisdiction?

- County/Parish
 City
 Township/Village
 Other

2. In the November 2004 general election, how many people were registered to vote in your jurisdiction?
Please enter a number in each box. If none, write in 0.

Active , ,
 Inactive , ,

3. In the November 2004 general election, what was the total number who voted in your jurisdiction, including all absentee/advance ballots? *If none, write in 0.*

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS

4. In the November 2004 general election, for military in the U.S., military overseas and overseas civilians only, please answer the following questions: *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

- a. What was the total number of regular absentee/advance ballots that were issued to these citizens by any means, e.g., mail, fax, e-mail, from your jurisdiction?
- b. Some states send out special state ballots to these citizens in advance of the regular ballot mailing. How many special state absentee/advance ballots (e.g., advance Federal office ballots, state write-in ballots) were sent to these citizens by your jurisdiction?
- c. What was the total number of all absentee/advance ballots that were returned undeliverable to your jurisdiction?
- d. How many absentee/advance ballots were voted and returned by any means from these citizens to your jurisdiction? **** Count only one ballot returned per voter.**
- e. Out of all of the absentee/advance ballots voted and returned by these citizens, how many were counted in your election totals?

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas*	Overseas Civilians
a. Total Regular Ballots Issued	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>
b. Special State Ballots Sent	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>
c. Returned Undeliverable	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>
d. Voted and Returned**	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>
e. Counted	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>

*Usually designated by an APO/FPO address ** Count only one ballot returned per voter

5. In the November 2004 general election, when did your jurisdiction first begin to mail regular absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas and overseas civilians?

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| <input type="radio"/> On or before September 25
<input type="radio"/> September 26 to October 2
<input type="radio"/> October 3 to October 9
<input type="radio"/> October 10 to October 16 | <input type="radio"/> October 17 to October 23
<input type="radio"/> October 24 to October 30
<input type="radio"/> After October 31 |
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} **Continue with Q6**

- I did not mail any absentee ballots for the November 2004 general election **Skip to Q7**

6. In the November 2004 general election, how many absentee/advance ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas and overseas civilians were not counted by your jurisdiction for the following reasons in your election totals? *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas	Overseas Civilians
Lacked postmark	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No voter signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Voter signature not verifiable	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No date of voter signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No notary/witness signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No date of notary/witness signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Received too late	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Returned undeliverable	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

7. The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB), Standard Form 186, is a back-up absentee ballot if you are overseas and you do not receive your regular absentee ballot. In the November 2004 general election, how many FWABs were submitted from military in the U.S., military overseas and overseas civilians to your jurisdiction and counted in your election totals? **(NOTE: Some jurisdictions have expanded the use of the FWAB to military in the U.S.)** *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas*	Overseas Civilians
Submitted	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Counted	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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8. In the November 2004 general election, how many FWABs from military in the U.S., military overseas and overseas civilians were not counted by your jurisdiction for the following reasons in your election totals? *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas	Overseas Civilians
Lacked postmark	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No voter signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No date of voter signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No notary/witness signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No date of notary/witness signature	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Received too late	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
No absentee ballot request on file	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Submitted from within U.S.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

9. The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) is a simultaneous request for registration and absentee ballot used by military and overseas voters.
- a. In 2004, how many FPCA forms did the military in the U.S., military overseas and overseas civilians send to your jurisdiction by any means, e.g., mail, fax, e-mail? **If none, write in 0 and skip to Q12.**
- b. In 2004, how many FPCAs from military in the U.S., military overseas and overseas civilians was your jurisdiction unable to process? **If none, write in 0 and continue with Q10.**

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas*	Overseas Civilians
FPCAs sent to your jurisdiction	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
FPCAs unable to process	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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10. In 2004, which of the following methods of acknowledgement for ballot requests made by FPCA did you use? **Mark all that apply**

- FPCA return postcard Fax Ballot sent as acknowledgement
 Letter Notified relative of requestor No acknowledgement sent
 Telephone FVAP "Ombudsman" toll-free telephone service Other
 E-mail

11. In 2004, what were the most frequent problems your jurisdiction encountered in processing the FPCA? **Mark up to three answers**

- No or inadequate voting residence address No Social Security Number given
 Mailing address inadequate FPCA not witnessed or notarized
 Failure to indicate political party preference FPCA received too late
 Mail too slow Writing illegible
 Mailed to wrong jurisdiction Duplicate FPCAs received
 No signature Other
 No birth date given

ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF ELECTION MATERIALS

12. In 2004, did your jurisdiction accept faxed FPCAs from military in the U.S., military overseas or overseas civilians?

- Yes **Continue with Q13** No **Skip to Q14**

13. In 2004, how many faxed FPCAs did your jurisdiction process from each of the following groups? **Please enter a number for each group below. If none, write in 0.**

Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas	Overseas Civilians
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

14. In the November 2004 general election, did your jurisdiction fax blank absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas or overseas civilians?

- Yes **Continue with Q15** No **Skip to Q16**

15. In the November 2004 general election, how many blank absentee/advance ballots did your jurisdiction fax to each of the following groups? **Please enter a number for each group below. If none, write in 0.**

Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas	Overseas Civilians
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

16. In the November 2004 general election, did your jurisdiction accept faxed voted ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas or overseas civilians?

- Yes *Continue with Q17* No *Skip to Q20*

17. In the November 2004 general election, how many voted ballots from military in the U. S., military overseas or overseas civilians were voted and returned by fax and of those returned by fax, how many were counted in your election totals? *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas*	Overseas Civilians
Voted and Returned	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Counted	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

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18. In the November 2004 general election, how many faxed voted ballots received from military in the U.S., military overseas or overseas civilians were not counted by your jurisdiction for the following reasons in your election totals? *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas	Overseas Civilians
No voter signature	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
No date of voter signature	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
No notary/witness signature	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
No date of notary/witness signature	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Received too late	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Illegible	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Misrouted	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Incomplete package	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

19. In faxing ballots in the November 2004 general election to military in the U.S., military overseas or overseas civilians, how easy or difficult was each of the following for your jurisdiction?

Mark ONE answer for each

	Very easy	Somewhat easy	Somewhat difficult	Very difficult
Access to fax machine	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transmitting legible copy to voters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Receiving legible copy from voters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ballots fitting in fax machine	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

ELECTRONIC VOTING PROJECTS

20. Did your jurisdiction participate in a local, state or Federal electronic voting project (e.g., e-mail ballot) during a general election in any of the following years? *Mark ONE answer for each year*

	Yes	No
2002	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2003	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2004	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

→ *If "Yes", continue with Q21. If "No", skip to Q23.*

21. If your jurisdiction participated in an electronic voting project in the November 2004 general election, how many ballots were voted and returned and of those returned, how many were counted for military in the U.S., military overseas or overseas civilians in your election totals? *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas*	Overseas Civilians
Voted and Returned	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Counted	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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22. In the electronic voting project in which your jurisdiction participated during the November 2004 general election, how many electronic ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas or overseas civilians were not counted in your jurisdiction for the following reasons in your election totals? *Please enter a number in each column and row below. If none, write in 0.*

	Military in the U.S.	Military Overseas	Overseas Civilians
Computer failure	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Unqualified voter	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Signature incorrect	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Date incorrect	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Received too late	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

VOTING ASSISTANCE GUIDE

23. The Department of Defense *Voting Assistance Guide 2004-05 (VAG)* is a publication that provides state-by-state information to assist citizens in registering and voting absentee. Did you or anyone else in your jurisdiction refer to the VAG for any purpose?

- Yes **Continue with Q24** No **Skip to Q26**

24. How did you or your jurisdiction obtain the VAG?

- I requested it from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
 I accessed it electronically on the FVAP web site
 I got it from another source

25. What information in the VAG did you or your jurisdiction find most useful? **Mark only one answer**

- Mailing addresses of election officials in other states
 Absentee registration and voting procedures of other states
 Absentee registration and voting procedures in your state
 Information on Federal Post Card Application
 Information on Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot
 Other

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VOTING INFORMATION NEWS NEWSLETTER

26. The *Voting Information News (VIN)* newsletter is a monthly publication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program containing timely information on elections and absentee voting. Do you or your jurisdiction currently receive the *VIN* newsletter?

- Yes **Continue with Q27**
- No **Skip to Q28**

27. How useful is the *VIN* currently to you or your jurisdiction?

- Very useful
- Useful
- Somewhat useful
- Not useful at all

TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE SERVICE

28. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides a toll-free telephone service that allows a caller to talk with FVAP staff for voting assistance. Did you or your jurisdiction use the toll-free telephone service to request voting assistance during the 2004 election year?

- Yes **Continue with Q29**
- No **Skip to Q31**

29. Which of the following are reasons you or anyone else in your jurisdiction used the toll-free telephone service during the 2004 election year? **Mark all that apply**

- Obtain voter mailing addresses
- Request FVAP publications/forms
- Information on the Federal Post Card Application
- Information on the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot
- Clarify something in the Voting Assistance Guide
- Resolve a voting problem with a military or overseas citizen
- Make suggestions or changes to FVAP's publications or programs
- Other

30. Overall, how satisfied were you or your jurisdiction with the voting information or assistance you received from the toll-free telephone service during the 2004 election year?

- Very satisfied
 - Satisfied
 - Dissatisfied
 - Very dissatisfied
- } **Skip to Q32**

31. Which of the following reasons explain why you or your jurisdiction did not use the toll-free telephone service during the 2004 election year? **Mark all that apply**

- Did not know about it
- No one needed it or asked to be referred
- Got all the information needed from other sources
- Other **Continue with Q32**

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