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2012 POST-ELECTION VOTING SURVEY OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY SPOUSES: TABULATIONS OF RESPONSES

Introduction to the Survey

The *Human Resources Strategic Assessment Program* (HRSAP), Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC), conducts surveys to support the personnel information needs of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD[P&R]). These surveys assess the attitudes and opinions of the entire Department of Defense (DoD) community. DMDC developed the *Post-Election Voting* (PEV) surveys in 2008. These surveys are conducted every other year at the request of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) office as required by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986, Section 101.b (1), 42 USC §1973ff (UOCAVA) and the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act). The surveys provide an evaluation of the effectiveness of assistance provided UOCAVA voters in federal elections.

This report contains tabulations of responses from the *2012 Post-Election Voting Survey of Active Duty Military Spouses (2012 PEV7)*, conducted November 7, 2012, through January 18, 2013. The UOCAVA population consists of active duty members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard. The *2012 PEV7* targeted spouses of UOCAVA-covered active duty members. This introduction (1) summarizes the survey content, (2) defines the total population surveyed and the subgroups used in tabulations of responses, (3) summarizes the survey methodology,¹ and (4) provides details on how to use the tabulations. The tabulations and a copy of the survey items follow this introduction.²

Survey Content

Topics covered in the *2012 PEV7* include background information, absentee ballots, the 2012 election, voting assistance, other sources of voting information, electronic transmission of voting materials, and the 2010 election. The survey was subdivided into the following seven topic areas:

1. *Background Information*—Marital status, member's active duty status, citizenship, age, race/ethnicity, geographic location on election day, location of legal voting residency, and voter registration status.
2. *Absentee Ballots*—Absentee ballot requests; use of Federal Post Card Application (FPCA); receipt, completion, and return of absentee ballots; sources used to obtain FPCA; satisfaction with absentee voting process; preferences about using absentee ballots in future elections; use and return of Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB); use of FVAP website to complete FWAB; satisfaction with automated assistant/wizard on FVAP website; and reasons for not using FWAB.

¹ Details on survey methodology are reported by DMDC (2013b).

² Refer to DMDC (2013a) to view a screen-shot version of the survey as it appeared on the Web.

3. *2012 Election*—Voting interest in 2012 election, voting history, voting behavior in the 2012 election, and reasons for not voting in 2012 election.
4. *Voting Assistance*—Receipt of and satisfaction with information and assistance from spouse’s Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) and Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO); types of information and assistance received from spouse’s UVAO and IVAO; reasons for not receiving information and assistance from spouse’s UVAO and IVAO; use of and satisfaction with FVAP website; reasons for not using FVAP website; use of DoD *2012-13 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)*; and use of and satisfaction with FVAP’s online chat service, e-mail support, and toll-free telephone service.
5. *Other Sources of Voting Information*—Use of other sources of voting information, including social media (Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Google+), government agencies, political organizations, and news media; and best sources of information for future absentee voting.
6. *Electronic Transmission of Voting Materials*—Access to government and non-government websites, fax, e-mail, printers, and scanners from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, election and use of fax and e-mail for voting materials during 2012.
7. *2010 Election*—Voting behavior in the 2010 election.

Population and Reporting Categories

The target population for the *2012 PEV7* consisted of spouses of active duty members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard who (1) have at least six months of service at the time the questionnaire is first fielded and (2) are below flag rank. Spouses of National Guard/Reserve members were excluded from the target population. In addition, for respondents to have remained eligible, they must have indicated that, at the time of the survey, they were a United States (U.S.) citizen and were currently married to an active duty member.

Survey results are presented for the total population and by a variety of reporting categories. To form the reporting categories for the tabulations, respondents were classified by survey self-report. If the self-reported data are missing, then DMDC’s *Active Duty Master File* data, at the time of sampling, are used to impute a subgroup classification. Survey results are tabulated by total, member Service, age, location, voter registration status, and voting behavior in 2012 election. Definitions for reporting categories follow:

- *Total*—This category includes all respondents.
- *Member Service*—The categories include *Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force,* and *Coast Guard* based on the Service of the respondent’s active duty spouse.
- *Age*—Categories include *18 to 29 Years Old* and *30 Years Old or More*.

- *Location*—The primary classification distinguishes *Overseas* from *US (Incl. Territories)*. *US (Incl. Territories)* include spouses located in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and United States territories or possessions. Location is also presented by the spouse age subcategories specified above.
- *Voter Registration Status*—Respondents are classified based on self-reported registration status. *Registered to Vote* includes spouses who indicated they were registered to vote in the United States in 2012.
- *Voting Behavior in 2012 Election*—Respondents are classified based on self-report categories. *Definitely Voted* includes spouses who indicated they definitely voted in person, by e-mail, at an online website, or by fax in the November 6, 2012, election. *Definitely Did Not Vote* includes spouses who indicated they definitely did not vote in the election and is further broken down by *Interested*, indicating spouses were interested in voting in the election.

Survey Methodology

The Web survey administration process began on November 7, 2012, with the mailout of notification letters to sample members. This notification letter included a single dollar bill as an incentive and explained why the survey was being conducted, how the survey information would be used, and why participation was important. Throughout the administration period, additional e-mail, postal, and telephone reminders were sent to encourage survey participation. Data were collected from November 7, 2012, to January 18, 2013. Paper surveys were mailed November 28, 2012, to those who did not respond via the Web.

Single-stage, nonproportional stratified random sampling³ procedures were used. The sample consisted of 9,995 individuals drawn from the sample frame constructed from DMDC's *Active Duty Master File*. Members of the sample became ineligible if they indicated in the survey or by other contact (e.g., telephone calls to the data collection contractor) that their spouses were not on active duty as of November 6, 2012, or that they were not a U.S. citizen or were not at least 18 years old as of November 6, 2012 (1.6% of the sample).

Completed surveys were received from 1,370 eligible respondents. The overall weighted response rate was 17.3%.

³ In stratified random sampling, all members of a population are categorized into homogeneous groups. For example, spouses might be grouped by member paygrade and Service (e.g., all Army enlisted spouses in one group). Spouses are chosen at random within each group. Small groups are oversampled in comparison to their proportion of the population so there will be enough responses from small groups to analyze. Weights are used so that groups are correctly represented in the analyses.

Data were weighted using the industry standard three-stage process. This form of weighting produces survey estimates of population totals, proportions, and means (as well as other statistics) that are representative of their respective populations. Unweighted survey data, in contrast, are likely to produce biased estimates of population statistics. The three-stage process of weighting consists of the following steps:

- *Adjustment for selection probability*—Probability samples such as the sample for this survey are selected from lists, and each member of the list has a known nonzero probability of selection. For example, if a list contained 10,000 members in a demographic subgroup and the desired sample size for the subgroup was 1,000, one in every tenth member of the list would be selected. During weighting, this selection probability (1/10) is taken into account. The base, or first weight, used to adjust the sample is the reciprocal of the selection probability. In this example, the adjustment for selection probability (base weight) is 10 for members of this subgroup.
- *Adjustments for nonresponse*—Some sampled members do not respond to the survey. Two steps are involved at this stage where an adjustment is made to the base weight for eligibility and completion. For those who respond to the survey and indicate whether they are eligible or ineligible, an adjustment is made to those cases where the eligibility is not known. For cases where the respondent is eligible and has completed the survey, an adjustment is made to those cases who are eligible but did not complete the survey. For simplicity purposes, these adjustments are considered to be one step. Continuing the previous example, suppose only half of sample members (i.e., 500 out of 1,000) completed and returned a survey. Because the unweighted sample size would only be 500, weights are needed to project the sample up to the subgroup population total (10,000). In this case, the base-weighted respondents would sum to only 5,000 weighted respondents. To adjust for nonresponse, the base weights are multiplied by the reciprocal of the nonresponse rate. In this example, the base weight (10) is multiplied by the reciprocal of the nonresponse rate (2) to create a new weight of 20. The weighted sample sums to the subgroup population total of 10,000.
- *Adjustment to known population values*—The first of the two previous weighting adjustments are applied according to the demographic groupings used in designing the subgroups for the sample. The second is based on population characteristics that are known to be related to whether a sample member responds to the survey. Because the sample design and adjustments for nonresponse cannot take into account all demographic differences related to who responds to a survey and how they respond, auxiliary information is used to increase the precision of survey estimates. For this reason, a final weighting adjustment is computed that reproduces population totals for important demographic groupings related to who responds to a survey and how they might answer the survey. Suppose in our example the population for the subgroup was 8,500 men and 1,500 women, but the nonresponse-adjusted weighted estimates from the respondents was 7,000 men and 3,000 women. To reduce this possible bias and reproduce known population totals, the weights would be adjusted

by 1.21 for men and 0.5 for women, which would give unbiased estimates of the total and of men and women in the subgroup.

Table 1 (page 6) shows the number of respondents and the portion of total respondents in each reporting group. Also shown are the estimated number of members and the portion of total members in each reporting group. Differences in the percentages of respondents and population for the reporting categories reflect differences in the number sampled, as well as differences in response rates.

Tabulation Procedures

Tabulations⁴ for each question from the survey are shown on one page. To compress the width of columns in the tables, the response options are shown with a number or letter; then, that number or letter is used as the column heading for the responses. The central feature of the tabulations is the percentage of members choosing the response options indicated by the column heading. Within a set of response options, percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding error.

Where an item lends itself to presentation as an average, that average is also shown as both a number estimate and in a bar chart. The averages lend themselves to a quick scan for reporting groups differing from other similarly defined groups. In some cases, the responses are averages of the numeric scales presented with the response options. Where there is a simple binomial response (e.g., yes/no), only one percentage is presented. In this case, the bar chart represents that percentage.




































On each page of tabulations, the first column lists the reporting group shown in that row. The second column, *Percent Responding*, lists the portion of the reporting group represented in the estimates in that row. If this percentage is not 100, it may reflect item nonresponse, and the table note indicates that “Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.”

Not all questions will apply to every respondent. Where possible, the Web survey is programmed to skip respondents over questions that do not apply to them. For example, Q15 (How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot in 2012?) does not apply to those who marked in Q10 and Q14 that they did not request and receive an absentee ballot for the election. The table note for this question indicates, “Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested and received an absentee ballot for the election (Q10/Q14).”

Several items (Q28, Q29, Q30, Q33, Q34, Q37, Q38, and Q47) are not included in the tabulations. Because so few members of the total sample were eligible to see these items based on their responses to previous items, the data are not reportable. In addition, nine response options in Q12 (Did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application [FPCA] for the November 6, 2012, election from any of the following sources?) were collapsed to create four response options to reduce instances of non-reportable data.

⁴ Details of data editing and preparation are provided by DMDC (2013a).

Table 1.
Number of Respondents (Total) and Estimated Population by Reporting Categories

	Respondents			Estimated Population				
	Count	Percent		Totals		Percent		Max ME
OVERALL								
Total	1,370	100%		642,816	±17,268	100%		
MEMBER SERVICE								
Army	324	24%		263,943	±14,053	41%		±2
Navy	284	21%		134,636	±6,521	21%		±1
Marine Corps	267	19%		80,641	±4,190	13%		±1
Air Force	290	21%		142,142	±6,310	22%		±1
Coast Guard	205	15%		21,454	±904	3%		±1
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS								
AGE								
18 to 29 Years Old	524	38%		284,600	±19,678	44%		±3
30 Years Old or More	843	62%		355,747	±19,070	55%		±3
LOCATION								
US (Incl. Territories)	1,187	87%		600,765	±20,405	93%		±2
18 to 29 Years Old	464	34%		268,313	±20,513	42%		±3
30 Years Old or More	722	53%		331,539	±20,008	52%		±3
Overseas	181	13%		40,494	±6,582	6%		±2
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS								
Registered to Vote	1,161	85%		531,189	±21,757	83%		±3
Not Registered to Vote	202	15%		107,889	±16,553	17%		±3
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION								
Definitely Voted	909	66%		398,636	±22,577	62%		±4
Definitely Did Not Vote	439	32%		230,784	±22,590	36%		±4
Interested	300	22%		163,816	±20,734	25%		±4

Margins of Error

The complex sample design required weighting to produce population estimates (e.g., percent male).⁵ Because of the weighting, conventional formulas for calculating the margin of error will overstate the reliability of the estimate. For this report, variance estimates were calculated using SUDAAN[®] PROC DESCRIPT (Research Triangle Institute, 2004).

By definition, sample surveys are subject to sampling error. Standard errors are estimates of the variance around population parameters, such as percentages or means, and are used to construct margins of error (i.e., confidence interval half-widths). Percentages and means in these tabulations are reported with margins of error based on 95% confidence intervals. In order to compress the data display, only the maximum margin of error (Max ME) for each reporting category is shown. That is, the tabulation volume shows only the largest margin of error for the percentages or means in each row. For each average shown in these tabulations, its margin of error is also printed.

The following reporting conventions are used:

- “0” indicates that no one in any reporting group selected the response option,
- NR indicates the estimate is *Not Reportable* and is suppressed because of low reliability. Estimates of low reliability are suppressed based on criteria defined in terms of nominal sample size (less than 5), effective sample size (less than 30), or relative standard error (greater than 0.225),
- NA indicates the question was *Not Applicable* because the question did not apply to respondents in the reporting category based on answers to previous questions,
- no Max ME is printed when all percentages in the row are shown as NR,
- no margin of error is printed for an average when it is shown as NR.

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⁵ As a result of differential weighting, only certain statistical software procedures (such as SUDAAN[®] PROC DESCRIPT) correctly calculate standard errors, variances, or tests of statistical significance for stratified samples.

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Tabulations of Responses

1. What is your marital status?

- 1. Married
- 4. Widowed

- 2. Separated
- 5. Never married


















- 3. Divorced

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	
			1	2	3	4	5		
OVERALL									
Total	100	±1	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±2	
MEMBER SERVICE									
Army	100	±1	97	3	0°	0°	0°	±3	
Navy	100	±0	100	0	0°	0°	0°	±2	
Marine Corps	100	±1	99	1	0°	0°	0°	±3	
Air Force	100	±0	99	1	0°	0°	0°	±3	
Coast Guard	100	±0	99	1	0°	0°	0°	±3	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS									
AGE									
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±3	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	99	1	0°	0°	0°	±2	
LOCATION									
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±0	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±2	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±3	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	99	1	0°	0°	0°	±2	
Overseas	100	±0	100	0	0°	0°	0°	±0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS									
Registered to Vote	100	±0	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±2	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±5	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION									
Definitely Voted	100	±1	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±3	
Interested	100	±1	98	2	0°	0°	0°	±4	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Respondents who were divorced, widowed, or never married (Q1) are excluded from this report.

° Response option never endorsed.

2. Was your spouse serving on active duty on November 6, 2012?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	100	±0	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±1	100	±0	
Navy	100	±0	100	±0	
Marine Corps	100	±1	100	±0	
Air Force	100	±0	100	±0	
Coast Guard	100	±0	100	±0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	100	±0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	100	±0	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±0	100	±0	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	100	±0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	100	±0	
Overseas	100	±0	100	±0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±0	100	±0	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	100	±0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	100	±0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	100	±0	
Interested	100	±1	100	±0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Respondents who indicated their spouse was not on active duty on November 6, 2012 (Q2), are excluded from this report.

3. Were you a U.S. citizen on November 6, 2012?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	99	±1	100	±0	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	99	±1	100	±0	
Navy	99	±2	100	±0	
Marine Corps	100	±1	100	±0	
Air Force	100	±0	100	±0	
Coast Guard	99	±2	100	±0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	100	±0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	100	±0	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	100	±0	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	100	±0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	100	±0	
Overseas	100	±1	100	±0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	100	±0	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	100	±0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	99	±1	100	±0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	100	±0	
Interested	100	±1	100	±0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Respondents who were not U.S. citizens on November 6, 2012 (Q3), are excluded from this report.

4. What was your age on November 6, 2012?

1. 17 years old or younger
4. 30 to 34 years old

2. 18 to 24 years old
5. 35 to 44 years old


















3. 25 to 29 years old
6. 45 years old or older

	Percent Responding		Percentages						Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	
OVERALL									
Total	100	±1	0°	18	26	24	23	9	±4
MEMBER SERVICE									
Army	100	±1	0°	16	27	26	23	9	±6
Navy	100	±0	0°	17	23	25	25	9	±7
Marine Corps	100	±1	0°	34	29	19	15	3	±7
Air Force	99	±2	0°	17	25	21	27	10	±6
Coast Guard	100	±0	0°	6	26	27	28	14	±7
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS									
AGE									
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	0°	41	59	0	0	0	±6
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	0°	0	0	43	42	16	±5
LOCATION									
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	0°	19	26	24	23	8	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	0°	42	58	0	0	0	±6
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	0°	0	0	43	42	15	±5
Overseas	100	±0	0°	12	28	22	26	12	±9
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS									
Registered to Vote	100	±1	0°	17	26	22	25	9	±4
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	0°	25	26	29	14	5	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION									
Definitely Voted	99	±1	0°	14	25	23	27	12	±4
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	0°	26	29	25	17	3	±6
Interested	100	±1	0°	25	29	25	18	3	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Respondents who were not at least 18 years old (Q4) are excluded from this report.

° Response option never endorsed.

5. Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	15	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±1	17	±6	
Navy	100	±1	13	±6	
Marine Corps	99	±1	16	±6	
Air Force	99	±2	11	±6	
Coast Guard	100	±0	10	±6	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	16	±5	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	13	±4	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	15	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	17	±5	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	14	±4	
Overseas	100	±0	9	±7	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	12	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	27	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	99	±1	12	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	18	±6	
Interested	100	±1	19	±7	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

6. What is your race?

1. White
4. Asian

2. Black or African American
5. Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

3. American Indian/Alaska Native
6. More than one race

	Percent Responding		Percentages						Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	
OVERALL									
Total	96	±2	85	11	2	5	1	4	±3
MEMBER SERVICE									
Army	96	±3	82	13	2	4	1	3	±5
Navy	96	±3	80	13	1	9	2	5	±6
Marine Corps	94	±3	88	10	2	3	1	3	±5
Air Force	98	±3	91	6	2	6	0	5	±5
Coast Guard	99	±2	92	4	2	4	1	3	±5
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS									
AGE									
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	91	7	2	4	1	4	±4
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	80	14	2	7	2	4	±4
LOCATION									
US (Incl. Territories)	97	±2	85	11	2	5	1	4	±3
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	90	7	2	4	1	4	±4
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	81	14	2	6	2	3	±4
Overseas	95	±4	78	12	2	13	0	5	±9
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS									
Registered to Vote	97	±2	85	11	2	4	1	3	±3
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	82	8	2	12	3	7	±8
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION									
Definitely Voted	96	±2	85	11	2	5	1	3	±4
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±3	87	9	1	6	2	5	±5
Interested	96	±3	85	10	2	6	2	5	±6

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

7. On November 6, 2012, where were you located?

1. United States/territories

2. Overseas

	Percent Responding		Percentages		Max ME
			1	2	
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	94	6	±2
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±1	94	6	±3
Navy	100	±0	95	5	±3
Marine Corps	100	±1	96	4	±3
Air Force	100	±0	90	10	±4
Coast Guard	100	±0	100	0	±3
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	94	6	±2
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	93	7	±2
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±0	100	0	±0
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	100	0	±0
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	100	0	±0
Overseas	100	±0	0	100	±0
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±0	94	6	±2
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	94	6	±4
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	94	6	±2
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	94	6	±3
Interested	100	±1	95	5	±3

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.


















8. As of the November 6, 2012, election, what state or territory was your legal voting residence? Constructed item representing U.S. Census divisions.

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|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. New England | 2. Middle Atlantic | 3. East North Central |
| 4. West North Central | 5. South Atlantic | 6. East South Central |
| 7. West South Central | 8. Mountain | 9. Pacific |
| 10. Territory | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages										Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
OVERALL													
Total	98	±1	2	4	6	4	34	7	14	8	21	1	±4
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	99	±2	1	4	7	4	29	13	19	6	15	1	±7
Navy	97	±3	3	2	5	1	41	3	5	3	37	0	±7
Marine Corps	98	±3	2	4	9	5	35	4	7	7	28	0	±7
Air Force	99	±2	1	4	6	7	34	1	18	15	13	1	±7
Coast Guard	100	±1	6	9	5	1	35	5	10	2	25	2	±7
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	1	4	8	4	29	7	13	11	23	1	±6
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	2	4	5	4	37	7	15	5	20	1	±5
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	99	±1	2	4	6	4	34	7	14	8	21	1	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	1	4	7	4	30	7	12	10	23	1	±6
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	2	4	5	4	37	7	15	5	19	1	±5
Overseas	99	±2	1	5	14	1	30	6	14	6	23	0	±9
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	99	±1	2	4	7	4	35	7	13	8	20	0	±4
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	1	4	3	4	26	7	18	7	28	3	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	100	±1	2	4	7	5	36	6	14	9	18	0	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±2	2	5	5	3	28	8	14	6	28	1	±6
Interested	97	±3	2	4	5	3	28	7	14	7	30	1	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Legal voting residence is defined as the state or territory where the spouse last resided. The right to vote extends to them even though they may no longer own property or have other ties to that state.

9. In 2012, were you registered to vote in the United States?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	99	±1	83	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	99	±2	84	±6	
Navy	100	±1	83	±6	
Marine Corps	99	±2	84	±6	
Air Force	100	±1	80	±6	
Coast Guard	100	±0	87	±7	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	80	±5	
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	85	±4	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	83	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	80	±5	
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	85	±4	
Overseas	100	±1	85	±8	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±0	100	±0	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	0	±0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	100	±1	
Definitely Did Not Vote	99	±2	56	±6	
Interested	99	±2	59	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

10. Did you request an absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012, election?















1. Yes
2. No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official.
3. No, and I never received an absentee ballot.
4. No, I did not need an absentee ballot.

	Percent Responding		Percentages				Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes		
			1	2	3	4				
OVERALL										
Total	100	±1	29	4	29	38	±4	29.0	±4.0	
MEMBER SERVICE										
Army	100	±1	28	2	30	40	±7	28.0	±6.0	
Navy	100	±1	22	6	29	43	±7	22.0	±6.0	
Marine Corps	100	±1	32	5	32	31	±8	32.0	±7.0	
Air Force	100	±0	33	7	27	33	±7	33.0	±7.0	
Coast Guard	100	±1	31	8	22	39	±8	31.0	±8.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS										
AGE										
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	27	3	35	35	±6	27.0	±5.0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	30	5	24	41	±5	30.0	±5.0	
LOCATION										
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	27	4	29	40	±4	27.0	±4.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	24	4	36	36	±6	24.0	±5.0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	28	5	23	43	±5	28.0	±5.0	
Overseas	100	±0	60	6	28	6	±9	60.0	±9.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS										
Registered to Vote	100	±1	34	5	21	40	±4	34.0	±4.0	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	4	1	65	30	±8	4.0	±5.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION										
Definitely Voted	100	±1	41	6	7	46	±5	41.0	±5.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	8	2	66	25	±6	8.0	±4.0	
Interested	100	±1	10	3	65	23	±8	10.0	±5.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

11. Did you use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA; Standard Form 76) to request your absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012, election or did you use another method?

1. Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot.
2. No, I used a state or local form to request an absentee ballot.
3. No, I used a non-government website (e.g., Rock the Vote [RTV], Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF]) to request an absentee ballot.
4. No, I used another method.

	Percent Responding		Percentages				Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes		
			1	2	3	4				
OVERALL										
Total	28	±3	29	52	5	14	±6	29.0	±6.0	
MEMBER SERVICE										
Army	28	±6	27	50	6	16	±12	27.0	±11.0	
Navy	22	±6	34	52	3	11	±14	34.0	±14.0	
Marine Corps	31	±6	28	58	2	12	±12	28.0	±11.0	
Air Force	33	±7	29	52	7	12	±12	29.0	±11.0	
Coast Guard	31	±8	37	48	1	15	±15	37.0	±15.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS										
AGE										
18 to 29 Years Old	27	±5	34	48	5	13	±10	34.0	±10.0	
30 Years Old or More	30	±4	26	56	5	14	±8	26.0	±7.0	
LOCATION										
US (Incl. Territories)	26	±4	27	54	5	14	±7	27.0	±7.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	24	±5	33	49	6	12	±11	33.0	±11.0	
30 Years Old or More	28	±5	24	58	5	14	±9	24.0	±8.0	
Overseas	59	±9	42	40	6	12	±12	42.0	±12.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS										
Registered to Vote	33	±4	29	53	5	13	±7	29.0	±6.0	
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION										
Definitely Voted	40	±5	30	54	4	12	±7	30.0	±6.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	8	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	10	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10). The FPCA is a request for registration and a regular (as opposed to back-up) absentee ballot. Some states require eligible voters who vote absentee to use the FPCA to request an absentee ballot.
 NR: Not reportable

12. Did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for the November 6, 2012, election from any of the following sources? Constructed from Q12.

1. From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
2. Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
3. From a state or local election official
4. Some other source

	Percent Responding		Percentages				Max ME
			1	2	3	4	
OVERALL							
Total	8	±2	66	11	16	8	±11
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	8	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	
Navy	7	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	
Marine Corps	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	
Air Force	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	
Coast Guard	11	±6	NR	NR	NR	NR	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±3	62	14	14	11	±16
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	70	8	18	5	±14
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	7	±2	65	10	17	8	±13
18 to 29 Years Old	8	±3	NR	NR	NR	11	±15
30 Years Old or More	7	±3	69	NR	19	5	±17
Overseas	25	±8	71	12	12	NR	±17
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	10	±2	65	11	16	8	±11
Not Registered to Vote	1	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	12	±3	64	11	18	7	±11
Definitely Did Not Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	
Interested	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who used the FPCA to request an absentee ballot for the election (Q10/Q11).
NR: Not reportable















13. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been...

a. Received?

1. Yes

2. No

3. Do not recall

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes		
			1	2	3				
OVERALL									
Total	28	±3	53	33	14	±7	62.0	±7.0	
MEMBER SERVICE									
Army	28	±6	55	31	14	±12	63.0	±12.0	
Navy	21	±6	56	34	11	±14	62.0	±15.0	
Marine Corps	31	±6	51	38	11	±12	57.0	±12.0	
Air Force	32	±7	52	31	16	±12	63.0	±13.0	
Coast Guard	31	±8	42	45	13	±15	49.0	±15.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS									
AGE									
18 to 29 Years Old	26	±5	50	36	14	±10	58.0	±11.0	
30 Years Old or More	29	±4	55	31	13	±8	64.0	±9.0	
LOCATION									
US (Incl. Territories)	26	±4	53	33	15	±7	62.0	±8.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	23	±5	48	37	15	±12	57.0	±12.0	
30 Years Old or More	28	±5	56	30	14	±9	65.0	±10.0	
Overseas	58	±9	55	38	7	±12	59.0	±13.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS									
Registered to Vote	33	±4	54	32	14	±7	63.0	±7.0	
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION									
Definitely Voted	39	±5	56	31	13	±7	64.0	±7.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	8	±3	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	10	±4	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10). Percentage Reporting Yes excludes those who indicated "Do not recall."

NR: Not reportable

13. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been...
b. Rejected?

1. Yes

2. No

3. Do not recall

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes		
			1	2	3				
OVERALL									
Total	25	±3	4	86	10	±6	5.0	±5.0	
MEMBER SERVICE									
Army	26	±6	7	83	10	±11	8.0	±10.0	
Navy	20	±6	NR	93	7	±12	NR		
Marine Corps	26	±6	3	84	13	±12	4.0	±9.0	
Air Force	27	±6	2	87	10	±11	3.0	±10.0	
Coast Guard	28	±7	NR	89	11	±12	NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS									
AGE									
18 to 29 Years Old	24	±5	7	83	11	±10	7.0	±10.0	
30 Years Old or More	25	±4	2	88	9	±8	2.0	±5.0	
LOCATION									
US (Incl. Territories)	23	±3	4	85	10	±7	5.0	±6.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	22	±5	8	81	11	±11	8.0	±11.0	
30 Years Old or More	24	±4	2	88	10	±9	2.0	±6.0	
Overseas	54	±9	2	91	7	±8	2.0	±5.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS									
Registered to Vote	29	±4	4	86	10	±6	5.0	±5.0	
Not Registered to Vote	3	±3	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION									
Definitely Voted	35	±4	5	87	9	±6	5.0	±5.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	7	±3	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	8	±4	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10). Percentage Reporting Yes excludes those who indicated "Do not recall."

NR: Not reportable














13. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been...

c. Accepted?

1. Yes

2. No















3. Do not recall

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes		
			1	2	3				
OVERALL									
Total	26	±3	43	41	16	±7	51.0	±7.0	
MEMBER SERVICE									
Army	26	±6	39	45	16	±13	46.0	±14.0	
Navy	20	±5	54	36	10	±14	60.0	±15.0	
Marine Corps	29	±6	43	41	16	±12	51.0	±13.0	
Air Force	28	±6	42	38	20	±13	53.0	±14.0	
Coast Guard	30	±7	41	46	13	±15	NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS									
AGE									
18 to 29 Years Old	25	±5	40	40	20	±11	50.0	±12.0	
30 Years Old or More	26	±4	44	43	13	±9	51.0	±9.0	
LOCATION									
US (Incl. Territories)	24	±3	43	41	16	±8	51.0	±8.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	23	±5	41	41	18	±12	50.0	±13.0	
30 Years Old or More	25	±4	45	41	14	±10	52.0	±10.0	
Overseas	54	±9	38	43	19	±13	47.0	±14.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS									
Registered to Vote	30	±4	43	40	16	±7	52.0	±8.0	
Not Registered to Vote	3	±3	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION									
Definitely Voted	37	±4	46	39	15	±7	54.0	±8.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	7	±3	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	9	±4	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10). Percentage Reporting Yes excludes those who indicated "Do not recall."

NR: Not reportable

14. Did you receive your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012, election?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	28	±3	86	±5	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	28	±6	84	±10	
Navy	22	±6	89	±10	
Marine Corps	32	±7	91	±10	
Air Force	33	±7	83	±10	
Coast Guard	31	±8	92	±11	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	27	±5	83	±8	
30 Years Old or More	30	±4	89	±7	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	26	±4	87	±6	
18 to 29 Years Old	24	±5	84	±10	
30 Years Old or More	28	±5	89	±8	
Overseas	59	±9	81	±11	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	33	±4	88	±5	
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	40	±5	93	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	8	±3	NR		
Interested	10	±4	NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10).

NR: Not reportable















15. How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot in 2012?

- | | | |
|-------------------------|---|--------------|
| 1. State voting website | 2. State link on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website | 3. Mail |
| 4. Fax | 5. E-mail | 6. In person |
| 7. Other | 8. Do not recall | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages								Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
OVERALL											
Total	24	±3	13	11	56	0°	15	1	2	2	±7
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	23	±6	14	15	49	0°	18	NR	3	1	±16
Navy	20	±5	5	9	69	0°	14	NR	NR	NR	±15
Marine Corps	29	±6	16	6	53	0°	16	4	3	2	±12
Air Force	28	±6	16	13	58	0°	9	NR	NR	2	±13
Coast Guard	29	±7	3	NR	71	0°	16	NR	NR	NR	±17
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	22	±5	11	14	53	0°	16	2	2	1	±15
30 Years Old or More	26	±4	14	9	58	0°	14	1	2	2	±9
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	23	±3	13	10	59	0°	13	1	2	2	±8
18 to 29 Years Old	20	±5	11	NR	56	0°	14	2	2	2	±13
30 Years Old or More	25	±4	15	9	61	0°	11	1	2	2	±10
Overseas	48	±9	11	18	38	0°	30	NR	1	1	±13
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	29	±4	13	11	56	0°	15	1	2	2	±7
Not Registered to Vote	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	37	±4	13	12	57	0°	14	1	2	2	±7
Definitely Did Not Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	±0
Interested	3	±3	NR	NR	NR	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	±0

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested and received an absentee ballot for the election (Q10/Q14).
 NR: Not reportable ° Response option never endorsed. NA: Not applicable

16. Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012, election?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	29	±3	89	±5	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	25	±6	93	±10	
Navy	26	±6	84	±11	
Marine Corps	33	±6	91	±9	
Air Force	34	±7	87	±10	
Coast Guard	36	±8	86	±15	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	25	±5	93	±6	
30 Years Old or More	32	±4	87	±7	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	27	±4	88	±5	
18 to 29 Years Old	23	±5	92	±7	
30 Years Old or More	30	±5	86	±7	
Overseas	54	±9	95	±6	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	34	±4	90	±5	
Not Registered to Vote	1	±2	NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	43	±5	95	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±3	NR		
Interested	6	±4	NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official (Q10) or who requested and received an absentee ballot for the election (Q10/Q14).
NR: Not reportable

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17. How did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012, election?

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|---------------------------------|--|---|
| 1. Mail | 2. USPS Express/Certified mail | 3. FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier |
| 4. Embassy/consulate mail pouch | 5. Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS) | 6. Fax |
| 7. E-mail (e.g., as attachment) | 8. Online (e.g., through a website) | 9. In person |
| 10. Other | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages										Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
OVERALL													
Total	26	±3	85	6	0°	0°	0	1	3	1	2	1	±5
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	23	±6	84	5	0°	0°	NR	NR	6	NR	1	1	±11
Navy	22	±6	88	2	0°	0°	NR	1	NR	NR	4	NR	±12
Marine Corps	30	±6	80	6	0°	0°	NR	1	5	NR	6	NR	±10
Air Force	30	±6	85	10	0°	0°	NR	0	2	0	NR	NR	±10
Coast Guard	31	±7	97	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	±9
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	24	±5	82	10	0°	0°	1	0	4	1	2	0	±9
30 Years Old or More	27	±4	87	3	0°	0°	0	1	3	2	2	2	±7
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	24	±3	88	3	0°	0°	0	1	3	2	3	1	±6
18 to 29 Years Old	22	±5	86	6	0°	0°	1	NR	4	1	3	NR	±10
30 Years Old or More	26	±4	89	1	0°	0°	0	1	2	2	3	2	±8
Overseas	51	±9	63	24	0°	0°	NR	2	9	0	1	NR	±13
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	31	±4	85	6	0°	0°	0	1	3	1	2	1	±5
Not Registered to Vote	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	41	±5	85	6	0°	0°	0	1	3	1	2	1	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Interested	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question, who automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official (Q10) or who requested and received an absentee ballot for the election (Q10/Q14), and who completed and returned a regular absentee ballot for the election (Q16).
 NR: Not reportable ° Response option never endorsed. NA: Not applicable

18. Did you return your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for the November 6, 2012, election using any of the following sources?

- | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|---|
| 1. Mail | 2. USPS Express/Certified mail | 3. FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier |
| 4. Embassy/consulate mail pouch | 5. Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS) | 6. Fax |
| 7. E-mail (e.g., as attachment) | 8. Online (e.g., through a secure website) | 9. In person |
| 10. Other | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages										Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
OVERALL													
Total	8	±2	65	6	0°	0°	3	6	10	6	1	2	±11
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	8	±3	NR	NR	0°	0°	1	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	±6
Navy	7	±4	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	2	NR	NR	NR	NR	±8
Marine Corps	8	±4	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	1	NR	NR	±7
Air Force	8	±4	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	±0
Coast Guard	11	±6	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	±0
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	8	±3	NR	10	0°	0°	NR	NR	11	NR	NR	NR	±15
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	71	2	0°	0°	4	5	9	8	1	1	±14
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	7	±2	68	3	0°	0°	3	6	8	7	2	3	±13
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±3	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	±0
30 Years Old or More	6	±3	72	NR	0°	0°	NR	4	8	NR	1	1	±16
Overseas	24	±8	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	5	18	3	NR	1	±16
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	9	±2	67	6	0°	0°	3	6	10	5	1	1	±11
Not Registered to Vote	1	±2	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	11	±3	71	6	0°	0°	2	5	10	5	0	1	±12
Definitely Did Not Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	±0
Interested	2	±2	NR	NR	0°	0°	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	±0

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who used the FPCA to request an absentee ballot for the election (Q10/Q11).
 NR: Not reportable ° Response option never endorsed.

19. How satisfied or dissatisfied were you, in general, with each aspect of the absentee voting process?
a. Process of registering to vote

- 1. Very dissatisfied
- 2. Dissatisfied
- 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 4. Satisfied
- 5. Very satisfied

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Satisfaction		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	20	±3	4	2	18	32	44	±8	4.1	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	21	±5	5	5	20	26	44	±14	4.0	±0.4	
Navy	12	±5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		4.4	±0.3	
Marine Corps	18	±5	NR	3	12	26	58	±15	4.4	±0.3	
Air Force	24	±6	6	NR	20	41	33	±14	3.9	±0.3	
Coast Guard	23	±7	NR	NR	19	NR	37	±16	4.2	±0.3	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	17	±4	7	1	23	25	44	±13	4.0	±0.3	
30 Years Old or More	22	±4	2	3	15	36	44	±10	4.2	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	18	±3	5	2	19	30	44	±9	4.1	±0.2	
18 to 29 Years Old	15	±4	8	0	26	21	45	±15	4.0	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	20	±4	3	3	16	35	44	±11	4.1	±0.3	
Overseas	44	±9	1	5	9	44	40	±14	4.2	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	23	±4	3	2	17	33	45	±8	4.2	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	28	±4	1	1	15	36	46	±8	4.2	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	6	±3	NR	NR	NR	6	NR	±12	NR		
Interested	8	±4	NR	NR	NR	6	NR	±14	NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10).
 NR: Not reportable

19. How satisfied or dissatisfied were you, in general, with each aspect of the absentee voting process?**b. Process of requesting an absentee ballot**1. Very dissatisfied
4. Satisfied2. Dissatisfied
5. Very satisfied

3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Satisfaction		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	20	±3	6	6	14	29	45	±8	4.0	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	21	±5	6	5	18	26	44	±14	4.0	±0.4	
Navy	13	±5	NR	NR	10	NR	NR	±16	4.4	±0.3	
Marine Corps	18	±5	3	12	10	19	56	±15	4.1	±0.4	
Air Force	24	±6	8	7	12	37	35	±15	3.8	±0.4	
Coast Guard	24	±7	5	4	NR	35	36	±16	3.9	±0.4	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	17	±4	7	8	18	22	45	±13	3.9	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	22	±4	5	5	12	33	45	±10	4.1	±0.3	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	18	±3	6	6	15	28	45	±9	4.0	±0.2	
18 to 29 Years Old	15	±4	7	8	21	18	46	±15	3.9	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	21	±4	5	5	12	33	45	±11	4.1	±0.3	
Overseas	46	±9	6	7	7	36	44	±14	4.0	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	23	±4	5	6	13	30	46	±8	4.1	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	28	±4	3	6	11	32	49	±8	4.2	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	6	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	8	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10).

NR: Not reportable

19. How satisfied or dissatisfied were you, in general, with each aspect of the absentee voting process?

c. Process of receiving/getting an absentee ballot

1. Very dissatisfied
4. Satisfied

2. Dissatisfied
5. Very satisfied

3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Satisfaction		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	20	±3	9	10	10	30	42	±8	3.9	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	21	±5	8	12	11	26	42	±14	3.8	±0.4	
Navy	12	±5	NR	NR	8	NR	NR	±15	4.0	±0.5	
Marine Corps	18	±5	4	14	5	22	55	±15	4.1	±0.4	
Air Force	25	±6	12	4	9	41	34	±14	3.8	±0.4	
Coast Guard	23	±7	NR	6	NR	32	36	±16	3.8	±0.4	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	17	±4	14	10	13	20	42	±13	3.7	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	22	±4	5	9	8	36	42	±10	4.0	±0.3	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	18	±3	8	9	10	30	43	±9	3.9	±0.3	
18 to 29 Years Old	15	±4	13	11	14	19	43	±15	3.7	±0.5	
30 Years Old or More	21	±4	5	9	7	36	43	±11	4.0	±0.3	
Overseas	44	±9	12	10	11	30	37	±15	3.7	±0.4	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	23	±4	7	9	9	31	43	±8	3.9	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	28	±4	4	9	9	32	46	±8	4.1	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	6	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	8	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10).
NR: Not reportable

19. How satisfied or dissatisfied were you, in general, with each aspect of the absentee voting process?

d. Process of completing absentee ballot

1. Very dissatisfied
4. Satisfied

2. Dissatisfied
5. Very satisfied

3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Satisfaction		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	20	±3	6	4	13	31	46	±8	4.1	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	21	±5	6	6	16	27	45	±14	4.0	±0.4	
Navy	13	±5	NR	NR	13	NR	NR	±14	4.3	±0.4	
Marine Corps	18	±5	NR	6	8	30	55	±15	4.3	±0.3	
Air Force	25	±6	9	3	12	38	38	±13	3.9	±0.4	
Coast Guard	23	±7	1	NR	NR	43	42	±17	4.2	±0.3	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	17	±4	10	5	14	24	47	±13	3.9	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	22	±4	4	3	13	35	45	±10	4.1	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	18	±3	6	4	13	30	46	±9	4.1	±0.2	
18 to 29 Years Old	15	±4	11	NR	15	19	48	±15	3.9	±0.5	
30 Years Old or More	21	±4	4	3	12	35	46	±11	4.2	±0.3	
Overseas	46	±9	5	1	13	40	40	±14	4.1	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	23	±4	5	3	12	32	47	±8	4.1	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	28	±4	3	3	9	35	50	±8	4.3	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	6	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	7	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10).

NR: Not reportable

19. How satisfied or dissatisfied were you, in general, with each aspect of the absentee voting process?
e. Process of returning absentee ballot to local election official

- 1. Very dissatisfied
- 2. Dissatisfied
- 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 4. Satisfied
- 5. Very satisfied

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Satisfaction			
			1	2	3	4	5					
OVERALL												
Total	20	±3	10	5	12	30	43	±8	3.9	±0.2		
MEMBER SERVICE												
Army	21	±5	14	5	16	24	40	±14	3.7	±0.4		
Navy	13	±5	NR	1	13	NR	NR	±15	4.3	±0.4		
Marine Corps	18	±5	NR	8	8	31	49	±15	4.1	±0.4		
Air Force	24	±6	10	6	6	38	40	±13	3.9	±0.4		
Coast Guard	23	±7	3	NR	NR	35	40	±17	4.0	±0.4		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS												
AGE												
18 to 29 Years Old	17	±4	14	6	15	22	43	±13	3.7	±0.4		
30 Years Old or More	22	±4	8	4	10	34	44	±10	4.0	±0.3		
LOCATION												
US (Incl. Territories)	18	±3	10	4	12	29	44	±9	3.9	±0.3		
18 to 29 Years Old	15	±4	15	5	16	18	45	±15	3.7	±0.5		
30 Years Old or More	21	±4	7	4	9	35	44	±11	4.1	±0.3		
Overseas	45	±9	11	10	13	32	34	±14	3.7	±0.4		
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS												
Registered to Vote	23	±4	9	5	11	31	44	±8	4.0	±0.2		
Not Registered to Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR			
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION												
Definitely Voted	28	±4	7	4	7	33	48	±8	4.1	±0.2		
Definitely Did Not Vote	6	±3	NR	NR	NR	8	NR	±14	NR			
Interested	8	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR			

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who requested an absentee ballot for the election (Q10).
 NR: Not reportable

20. If you were to vote using an absentee ballot in a future election, how would you prefer to receive the absentee ballot?

1. By postal mail
4. By fax

2. From a website

3. By e-mail

	Percent Responding		Percentages				Max ME
			1	2	3	4	
OVERALL							
Total	99	±1	51	14	35	0	±4
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	98	±2	48	14	38	0	±7
Navy	99	±2	55	13	32	0	±7
Marine Corps	99	±2	54	10	34	1	±7
Air Force	99	±2	48	16	35	0	±7
Coast Guard	100	±0	54	12	34	1	±8
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±1	57	9	34	0	±6
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	46	18	36	0	±5
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	99	±1	52	14	34	0	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±1	58	9	33	0	±6
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	47	17	36	0	±5
Overseas	99	±3	34	15	50	0	±9
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	99	±1	52	14	33	0	±4
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	41	13	45	0	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	98	±2	51	15	33	0	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	99	±2	51	11	38	0	±6
Interested	99	±2	50	10	40	0	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

21. If you were to vote using an absentee ballot in a future election, how would you prefer to return the absentee ballot?

1. By postal mail
 2. Through a website
 3. By e-mail
 4. By fax

	Percent Responding		Percentages				Max ME
			1	2	3	4	
OVERALL							
Total	99	±1	51	18	29	1	±4
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	99	±2	51	18	30	1	±7
Navy	98	±2	53	21	26	1	±7
Marine Corps	98	±2	52	16	32	1	±8
Air Force	99	±2	50	20	30	1	±7
Coast Guard	99	±2	51	17	31	1	±8
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	57	14	27	1	±6
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	46	22	31	1	±5
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	99	±1	52	18	29	1	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	58	14	27	1	±6
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	47	22	30	1	±5
Overseas	99	±2	40	18	41	1	±9
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	99	±1	53	19	28	1	±4
Not Registered to Vote	100	±1	43	18	39	0	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	98	±2	52	20	27	1	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	51	15	33	1	±6
Interested	100	±1	51	15	33	1	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

22. How interested or uninterested were you in the U.S. elections held on November 6, 2012?

1. Very uninterested 2. Somewhat uninterested 3. Neither uninterested nor interested
4. Somewhat interested 5. Very interested

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Interest		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	100	±0	3	3	8	23	63	±4	4.4	±0.1	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	100	±0	3	1	9	20	67	±7	4.5	±0.2	
Navy	100	±0	3	4	9	27	58	±7	4.3	±0.2	
Marine Corps	100	±0	3	5	8	26	59	±9	4.3	±0.2	
Air Force	100	±0	2	4	7	25	62	±7	4.4	±0.2	
Coast Guard	100	±0	4	2	5	21	67	±8	4.4	±0.2	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	3	4	9	30	54	±6	4.3	±0.2	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	2	2	7	19	70	±5	4.5	±0.1	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±0	3	3	8	23	64	±4	4.4	±0.1	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	3	4	10	29	54	±6	4.3	±0.2	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	2	2	7	18	71	±5	4.5	±0.1	
Overseas	100	±0	3	3	9	33	52	±9	4.3	±0.2	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	100	±0	1	2	6	21	70	±4	4.6	±0.1	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	9	5	21	34	31	±9	3.7	±0.2	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	100	±0	0	1	3	16	80	±4	4.7	±0.1	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±0	7	6	17	37	34	±6	3.9	±0.2	
Interested	100	±0	0	0	0	52	48	±8	4.5	±0.1	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

23. During the months leading up to the election held on November 6, 2012, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote?

1. Did plan to vote


















2. Did not plan to vote

	Percent Responding		Percentages		Max ME
			1	2	
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	82	18	±3
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±0	83	17	±6
Navy	100	±0	79	21	±7
Marine Corps	100	±0	81	19	±8
Air Force	100	±1	84	16	±6
Coast Guard	100	±0	88	12	±6
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	77	23	±5
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	86	14	±4
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	83	17	±3
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	77	23	±6
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	87	13	±4
Overseas	100	±0	78	22	±9
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	90	10	±3
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	46	54	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	97	3	±2
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±0	57	43	±6
Interested	100	±0	70	30	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

24. In the election held on November 6, 2012, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely complete an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail, fax, or online on or before November 6, 2012, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election?

1. Definitely voted in person
2. Definitely voted by mail
3. Definitely voted by e-mail
4. Definitely voted at an online website
5. Definitely voted by fax
6. Definitely did not vote
7. Not sure

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage Definitely Voted		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	100	±1	32	27	2	1	0	36	2	±4	62.0	±4.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	100	±0	34	24	2	1	0	36	2	±7	61.0	±7.0	
Navy	100	±0	34	25	0	0	0	37	3	±7	61.0	±7.0	
Marine Corps	100	±1	25	30	2	1	1	39	1	±7	59.0	±7.0	
Air Force	100	±0	31	30	2	1	0	34	1	±7	65.0	±7.0	
Coast Guard	100	±0	36	36	0	1	0	25	2	±8	73.0	±8.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	27	24	1	1	0	45	1	±6	54.0	±6.0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	36	29	2	1	0	29	3	±5	68.0	±5.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	34	25	1	1	0	36	2	±4	62.0	±4.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	29	22	1	1	0	45	1	±6	54.0	±6.0	
30 Years Old or More	100	±0	39	28	1	1	0	29	2	±5	69.0	±5.0	
Overseas	100	±0	1	49	8	1	2	33	6	±9	61.0	±9.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	100	±0	39	32	2	1	0	24	1	±4	75.0	±4.0	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±1	0	0	0	1	0	93	6	±6	1.0	±4.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	100	±0	52	43	3	1	0	0	0	±5	100.0	±0.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	±0	0.0	±0.0	
Interested	100	±0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	±0	0.0	±0.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.


















25. What was the main reason you did not vote in the November 6, 2012, election?

- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. I was not registered to vote. | 2. I felt out of touch with the issues in my local community. | 3. I did not know how to get an absentee ballot. |
| 4. My absentee ballot arrived too late. | 5. My absentee ballot did not arrive at all. | 6. The absentee voting process was too complicated. |
| 7. I was concerned my absentee ballot would not be counted. | 8. I tried to vote but did not or could not complete the process. | 9. I do not think it is appropriate for spouses of members of the military to vote. |
| 10. Some other reason | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages										Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
OVERALL													
Total	36	±4	25	6	17	1	10	5	1	4	0	29	±6
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	36	±7	24	3	21	0	9	7	2	4	NR	30	±11
Navy	36	±7	25	13	13	NR	8	3	NR	4	NR	33	±12
Marine Corps	39	±7	23	5	14	6	5	4	0	7	NR	34	±14
Air Force	33	±7	31	7	17	0	15	4	1	4	1	22	±13
Coast Guard	25	±7	24	6	21	NR	15	6	NR	8	NR	18	±15
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	44	±6	24	6	22	1	9	5	1	3	0	28	±9
30 Years Old or More	29	±5	27	6	12	1	11	5	1	6	0	31	±9
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	36	±4	26	6	18	1	10	5	1	5	0	29	±7
18 to 29 Years Old	44	±6	24	6	22	1	9	5	1	3	0	28	±9
30 Years Old or More	29	±5	28	6	12	0	11	6	1	6	0	30	±9
Overseas	33	±9	16	10	14	2	11	1	NR	3	NR	36	±17
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	24	±4	4	7	23	1	14	6	1	7	0	36	±9
Not Registered to Vote	91	±5	53	5	11	0	4	2	1	2	0	22	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Definitely Did Not Vote	99	±1	25	6	17	1	10	5	1	4	0	29	±6
Interested	99	±2	26	4	19	1	12	6	1	6	0	24	±7

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who indicated they definitely did not vote in the November 6, 2012, election (Q24).
 NR: Not reportable
 NA: Not applicable

26. Were you aware that you could use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB; Standard Form 186) for the November 6, 2012, election?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	16	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±1	15	±6	
Navy	99	±2	16	±6	
Marine Corps	100	±0	16	±6	
Air Force	100	±1	17	±6	
Coast Guard	100	±0	11	±6	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	15	±5	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	16	±4	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	15	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	13	±6	
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	15	±4	
Overseas	100	±0	33	±9	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	17	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	9	±7	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	99	±1	19	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±0	10	±5	
Interested	100	±0	10	±7	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. The FWAB is a back-up ballot for those who do not receive a regular absentee ballot.

27. Did you use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) in the November 6, 2012, election?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	99	±1	4	±2	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±1	4	±5	
Navy	99	±2	4	±4	
Marine Corps	99	±2	4	±4	
Air Force	100	±1	4	±3	
Coast Guard	100	±0	4	±5	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±1	5	±4	
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	3	±2	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	99	±1	4	±2	
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±1	5	±4	
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	3	±3	
Overseas	100	±0	12	±7	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	99	±1	5	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	0	±1	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	99	±1	7	±3	
Definitely Did Not Vote	99	±1	0	±0	
Interested	100	±1	0	±0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.


















31. What is the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 6, 2012, election?

1. I did not know about the FWAB.
2. I knew about it, but didn't know how to get one.
3. I knew about it, but could not get one.
4. I had difficulty filling it out.
5. I had already returned a regular absentee ballot.
6. Some other reason

	Percent Responding		Percentages						Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	
OVERALL									
Total	94	±2	64	2	0	0	10	23	±4
MEMBER SERVICE									
Army	95	±4	63	3	1	1	8	24	±7
Navy	92	±4	64	1	1	0	11	23	±7
Marine Corps	94	±4	66	2	0	1	11	20	±7
Air Force	96	±3	65	2	0	1	10	23	±7
Coast Guard	95	±4	63	1	0	0	14	21	±8
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS									
AGE									
18 to 29 Years Old	94	±3	69	2	0	0	7	21	±6
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	60	2	1	1	12	25	±5
LOCATION									
US (Incl. Territories)	95	±2	65	2	0	0	9	23	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	94	±4	70	2	0	0	6	21	±6
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	61	2	0	1	11	25	±5
Overseas	88	±6	52	3	1	1	24	18	±10
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS									
Registered to Vote	94	±2	63	2	1	0	12	22	±4
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	68	1	0	NR	0	29	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION									
Definitely Voted	92	±3	58	1	0	0	15	24	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	99	±1	74	3	1	0	1	21	±6
Interested	99	±2	77	4	1	0	1	17	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who did not use the FWAB in the election (Q27).
NR: Not reportable

32. During 2012, did you receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	5	±2	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±0	4	±3	
Navy	100	±1	4	±4	
Marine Corps	100	±0	6	±4	
Air Force	100	±1	7	±5	
Coast Guard	100	±0	6	±6	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	4	±2	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	6	±3	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	4	±2	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	3	±3	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	6	±3	
Overseas	100	±0	16	±8	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	6	±2	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	2	±5	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	6	±3	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	3	±3	
Interested	100	±1	3	±4	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. UVAOs are designated individuals who provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.


















35. In 2012, what is the MAIN REASON you didn't receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)?

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| 1. I did not need any voting information or assistance. | 2. I was not interested in voting. | 3. I did not know I could get information or assistance from the UVAO. |
| 4. My spouse did not have a UVAO. | 5. I did not know how to contact my spouse's UVAO. | 6. I did not have access to my spouse's UVAO. |
| 7. My spouse's UVAO did not have the materials or information I needed. | 8. I received my voting assistance elsewhere. | 9. Some other reason |

	Percent Responding		Percentages									Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
OVERALL												
Total	94	±2	29	5	43	5	4	3	0	4	6	±4
MEMBER SERVICE												
Army	96	±3	29	4	44	5	5	4	0	5	4	±7
Navy	95	±3	33	6	39	4	2	4	0	4	9	±7
Marine Corps	93	±4	20	7	50	5	6	2	1	3	5	±8
Air Force	92	±4	32	6	43	5	4	0	1	3	6	±7
Coast Guard	94	±5	38	6	37	5	2	2	1	6	4	±8
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS												
AGE												
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±2	22	7	49	6	4	3	1	3	5	±6
30 Years Old or More	93	±3	36	4	38	4	5	2	0	5	6	±5
LOCATION												
US (Incl. Territories)	95	±2	30	5	43	5	4	3	0	4	5	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	22	7	49	6	3	3	1	3	5	±6
30 Years Old or More	94	±3	36	4	38	4	5	3	0	5	5	±5
Overseas	83	±7	26	7	36	5	7	1	1	6	11	±10
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS												
Registered to Vote	94	±2	35	1	42	5	4	3	0	5	5	±4
Not Registered to Vote	98	±3	2	27	45	5	6	4	0	1	10	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION												
Definitely Voted	93	±2	46	0	35	4	3	2	1	6	3	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±2	4	15	57	6	5	3	0	1	9	±6
Interested	96	±3	3	7	64	6	6	3	0	1	9	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who did not receive voting information or assistance from their spouse's UVAO during 2012 (Q32).

36. During 2012, did you receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO)?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	3	±2	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	99	±2	3	±3	
Navy	100	±1	3	±3	
Marine Corps	100	±0	3	±3	
Air Force	100	±1	4	±4	
Coast Guard	100	±0	1	±4	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	2	±2	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	4	±2	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	3	±2	
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	1	±2	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	3	±3	
Overseas	100	±1	10	±7	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	4	±2	
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	0	±2	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	4	±3	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	1	±2	
Interested	100	±0	1	±2	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. IVAOs are designed to provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.


















39. In 2012, what is the MAIN REASON you didn't receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO)?

1. My location does not have an IVAO.
2. I did not need any voting information or assistance.
3. I was not interested in voting.
4. I did not know I could get information or assistance from the IVAO.
5. I did not know how to contact the IVAO.
6. The IVAO did not have the materials or information I needed.
7. I received my voting assistance elsewhere.
8. Some other reason

	Percent Responding		Percentages								Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
OVERALL											
Total	96	±2	3	27	5	46	7	0	5	7	±4
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	96	±3	4	25	4	48	9	0	5	5	±7
Navy	96	±3	1	29	6	41	5	0	5	13	±7
Marine Corps	96	±3	3	22	7	50	10	0	2	5	±7
Air Force	96	±3	2	29	5	45	5	1	5	9	±7
Coast Guard	99	±2	11	35	5	36	5	0	4	5	±8
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	3	20	7	51	8	0	3	8	±6
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	3	32	4	42	6	0	6	7	±5
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	3	27	5	47	7	0	4	7	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	3	20	7	51	9	0	2	8	±6
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	3	33	3	43	6	0	6	7	±5
Overseas	88	±6	5	25	7	35	6	1	10	11	±10
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	95	±2	3	32	1	46	7	0	5	6	±4
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	1	3	24	47	9	0	2	14	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	94	±2	4	41	0	39	5	0	7	4	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	99	±2	2	4	14	58	9	0	2	12	±6
Interested	99	±2	1	4	7	64	10	0	2	11	±7

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who did not receive voting information or assistance from their spouse's IVAO during 2012 (Q36).

40. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	10	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±1	9	±5	
Navy	99	±2	9	±5	
Marine Corps	100	±0	9	±5	
Air Force	100	±1	12	±5	
Coast Guard	100	±0	6	±6	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±1	9	±4	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	10	±3	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	8	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	7	±4	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	9	±3	
Overseas	99	±2	37	±9	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	11	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	2	±4	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	13	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	4	±3	
Interested	99	±1	4	±4	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. The FVAP website, www.fvap.gov, provides voting-related information and resources.

41. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website when you visited it in 2012?1. Very dissatisfied
4. Satisfied2. Dissatisfied
5. Very satisfied

3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Satisfaction		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	10	±2	2	3	13	46	35	±12	4.1	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	9	±4	NR	1	NR	NR	NR	±6	NR		
Navy	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Marine Corps	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Air Force	12	±4	6	9	NR	NR	NR	±15	3.8	±0.4	
Coast Guard	6	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±4	NR	7	18	NR	NR	±16	NR		
30 Years Old or More	10	±3	2	1	9	51	37	±14	4.2	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	8	±2	1	2	13	44	39	±15	4.2	±0.3	
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	2	NR	9	NR	39	±16	4.2	±0.3	
Overseas	36	±9	NR	8	11	55	23	±15	3.9	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	11	±3	2	2	12	47	37	±12	4.2	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	13	±3	1	2	11	45	40	±13	4.2	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who visited the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).

NR: Not reportable

42. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?**a. State voting and related instructions were clear and easy to understand.**1. Strongly disagree
4. Agree2. Disagree
5. Strongly agree

3. Neither agree nor disagree

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Agreement		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	10	±2	2	5	17	40	35	±12	4.0	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Navy	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Marine Corps	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Air Force	12	±4	7	NR	13	34	NR	±18	4.0	±0.4	
Coast Guard	6	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±4	NR	8	24	28	NR	±18	4.0	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	10	±3	2	3	12	50	32	±13	4.1	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	8	±2	1	6	18	36	38	±15	4.0	±0.3	
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±4	NR	8	NR	NR	NR	±14	NR		
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	2	4	11	NR	32	±16	4.1	±0.3	
Overseas	36	±9	4	3	14	52	27	±15	4.0	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	11	±3	1	4	18	41	37	±12	4.1	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	13	±3	1	3	13	42	41	±13	4.2	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who visited the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).

NR: Not reportable

42. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?
b. Contact information was easy to find.

 1. Strongly disagree
 4. Agree

 2. Disagree
 5. Strongly agree

3. Neither agree nor disagree

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Agreement		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	10	±2	3	4	16	40	37	±12	4.0	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	9	±4	1	NR	NR	NR	NR	±5	NR		
Navy	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Marine Corps	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Air Force	12	±4	6	NR	21	33	NR	±18	3.8	±0.4	
Coast Guard	6	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±4	1	7	21	26	NR	±16	4.0	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	10	±3	3	2	13	51	31	±14	4.1	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	8	±2	1	5	17	36	41	±15	4.1	±0.3	
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	2	3	14	NR	32	±16	4.1	±0.3	
Overseas	36	±9	5	NR	12	56	25	±15	3.9	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	11	±3	2	3	15	42	38	±12	4.1	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	13	±3	1	2	12	43	41	±13	4.2	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who visited the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).

NR: Not reportable

42. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?
c. Search feature met my needs.

1. Strongly disagree
-
4. Agree

2. Disagree
-
5. Strongly agree

3. Neither agree nor disagree

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Agreement		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	9	±2	2	4	20	41	33	±12	4.0	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Navy	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Marine Corps	8	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Air Force	12	±4	4	8	16	31	NR	±18	4.0	±0.4	
Coast Guard	6	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±4	0	9	27	30	NR	±18	NR		
30 Years Old or More	10	±3	2	1	15	50	32	±14	4.1	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	8	±2	1	4	18	41	36	±15	4.1	±0.3	
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±4	NR	9	NR	NR	NR	±15	NR		
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	2	1	10	NR	34	±16	4.2	±0.3	
Overseas	35	±9	1	5	27	44	23	±15	3.8	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	11	±3	1	3	19	43	34	±13	4.1	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	13	±3	1	2	17	43	37	±13	4.1	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Interested	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who visited the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).

NR: Not reportable

42. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?**d. I was able to find what I needed quickly and easily.**1. Strongly disagree
4. Agree2. Disagree
5. Strongly agree

3. Neither agree nor disagree

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Agreement		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	10	±2	2	5	14	41	38	±12	4.1	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	9	±4	NR	1	NR	NR	NR	±6	NR		
Navy	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Marine Corps	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Air Force	12	±4	7	NR	17	29	NR	±18	4.0	±0.4	
Coast Guard	6	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±4	1	11	14	29	NR	±16	4.1	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	10	±3	2	1	13	50	33	±13	4.1	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	8	±2	1	6	13	40	40	±15	4.1	±0.3	
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±4	NR	13	NR	NR	NR	±17	NR		
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	2	1	12	52	33	±16	4.1	±0.3	
Overseas	36	±9	3	4	15	46	32	±15	4.0	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	11	±3	1	4	13	42	39	±12	4.1	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	13	±3	1	3	10	43	43	±13	4.2	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	1	±5	NR		
Interested	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who visited the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).

NR: Not reportable

42. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?

e. I was able to find the materials and forms I needed to vote.

- | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Strongly disagree | 2. Disagree | 3. Neither agree nor disagree |
| 4. Agree | 5. Strongly agree | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME	Average Agreement		
			1	2	3	4	5				
OVERALL											
Total	9	±2	4	4	15	42	36	±12	4.0	±0.2	
MEMBER SERVICE											
Army	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Navy	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Marine Corps	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
Air Force	11	±4	9	NR	NR	28	NR	±17	3.8	±0.5	
Coast Guard	6	±4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS											
AGE											
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±4	4	9	22	23	NR	±18	3.9	±0.4	
30 Years Old or More	9	±3	2	0	9	57	32	±14	4.2	±0.2	
LOCATION											
US (Incl. Territories)	8	±2	2	4	16	41	37	±15	4.1	±0.3	
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±4	NR	9	NR	NR	NR	±15	NR		
30 Years Old or More	8	±3	2	0	8	59	31	±17	4.2	±0.3	
Overseas	36	±9	6	5	11	46	33	±15	4.0	±0.3	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS											
Registered to Vote	11	±3	2	3	14	43	37	±12	4.1	±0.2	
Not Registered to Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION											
Definitely Voted	13	±3	2	3	11	43	41	±13	4.2	±0.2	
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±2	NR	NR	NR	NR	1	±5	NR		
Interested	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		NR		

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who visited the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).
 NR: Not reportable

43. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, how often did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?

1. Once

2. More than once

3. Do not recall

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME
			1	2	3	
OVERALL						
Total	10	±2	41	44	15	±11
MEMBER SERVICE						
Army	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	
Navy	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	
Marine Corps	9	±4	NR	NR	NR	
Air Force	12	±4	NR	NR	NR	
Coast Guard	6	±4	NR	NR	NR	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS						
AGE						
18 to 29 Years Old	9	±4	NR	NR	7	±14
30 Years Old or More	10	±3	37	43	21	±14
LOCATION						
US (Incl. Territories)	8	±3	41	42	17	±14
18 to 29 Years Old	7	±4	NR	NR	NR	
30 Years Old or More	9	±3	41	35	23	±17
Overseas	36	±9	40	52	7	±15
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS						
Registered to Vote	11	±3	41	45	15	±12
Not Registered to Vote	2	±2	NR	NR	NR	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION						
Definitely Voted	13	±3	42	48	10	±12
Definitely Did Not Vote	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	
Interested	4	±3	NR	NR	NR	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who visited the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).

NR: Not reportable

44. In 2012, why didn't you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| 1. I did not need any voting information or assistance. | 2. I was not interested in voting. | 3. I did not have Internet access. |
| 4. I did not know the website address. | 5. I did not know about it. | 6. I got all the information I needed from other sources. |
| 7. I received my voting assistance elsewhere. | 8. I did not think it would be useful. | 9. Some other reason |

	Percent Responding		Percentages									Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
OVERALL												
Total	89	±3	24	6	0	9	49	5	3	1	4	±4
MEMBER SERVICE												
Army	91	±4	22	4	0	12	50	5	4	1	2	±7
Navy	88	±5	25	10	0	4	42	8	2	1	7	±7
Marine Corps	89	±4	19	6	1	11	52	3	1	NR	3	±8
Air Force	88	±4	27	5	0	6	49	3	1	2	6	±8
Coast Guard	94	±4	29	7	1	4	48	6	1	1	4	±8
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS												
AGE												
18 to 29 Years Old	90	±4	17	9	1	8	54	4	2	2	3	±6
30 Years Old or More	89	±3	29	3	0	9	44	5	3	1	5	±5
LOCATION												
US (Incl. Territories)	91	±3	24	6	0	9	49	5	3	1	3	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	92	±4	17	9	1	8	54	4	2	2	3	±6
30 Years Old or More	90	±3	29	3	0	9	45	6	3	1	4	±5
Overseas	62	±9	21	9	NR	7	38	5	2	NR	18	±12
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS												
Registered to Vote	88	±3	28	2	0	9	48	6	3	1	2	±4
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	2	24	0	7	52	1	0	2	11	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION												
Definitely Voted	86	±3	37	0	0	7	41	8	4	1	1	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	95	±3	4	14	1	11	60	0	1	2	7	±7
Interested	95	±3	4	7	1	12	66	0	1	0	7	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who did not visit the FVAP website in preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election (Q40).

NR: Not reportable

45. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you refer to the Department of Defense 2012-13 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG) for information about registering to vote or requesting an absentee ballot?

	Percent Responding		Percentages	Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			Yes		
OVERALL					
Total	100	±1	5	±2	
MEMBER SERVICE					
Army	100	±1	6	±5	
Navy	100	±1	5	±4	
Marine Corps	99	±2	6	±4	
Air Force	100	±1	2	±3	
Coast Guard	100	±0	3	±4	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS					
AGE					
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	5	±4	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	4	±2	
LOCATION					
US (Incl. Territories)	100	±1	4	±2	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	5	±5	
30 Years Old or More	100	±1	3	±2	
Overseas	100	±1	12	±7	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS					
Registered to Vote	100	±1	5	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	100	±0	2	±4	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION					
Definitely Voted	100	±1	6	±3	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	2	±3	
Interested	100	±1	2	±3	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. The Department of Defense 2012-13 VAG provides state-by-state information about registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot.

46. Did you use Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP's)...

a. Online chat service?

1. Yes

2. No, but I was aware of this service

3. No, and I was not aware of this service

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	98	±1	0	10	89	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	98	±2	1	12	87	±5	
Navy	97	±3	0	11	89	±5	
Marine Corps	98	±2	0	7	93	±4	
Air Force	96	±3	0	8	92	±5	
Coast Guard	99	±2	0	7	93	±6	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	0	8	92	±4	
30 Years Old or More	97	±2	1	12	87	±4	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	98	±2	0	9	90	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	0	7	93	±5	
30 Years Old or More	97	±2	1	12	88	±4	
Overseas	97	±3	0	21	79	±9	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	98	±2	0	11	89	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	1	6	93	±6	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	98	±2	0	12	87	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	98	±2	0	6	93	±4	
Interested	98	±2	1	6	93	±5	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. FVAP provides online chat, e-mail support, and a toll-free telephone service so that FVAP staff can provide voting information or assistance.

46. Did you use Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP's)...

b. E-mail support?

1. Yes

2. No, but I was aware of this service

3. No, and I was not aware of this service

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	99	±1	1	12	86	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	99	±1	2	14	85	±5	
Navy	99	±2	1	14	86	±6	
Marine Corps	99	±2	1	9	90	±5	
Air Force	99	±2	1	11	88	±5	
Coast Guard	99	±2	0	9	91	±6	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±1	1	9	90	±4	
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	1	15	84	±4	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	99	±1	1	12	87	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±1	1	9	91	±5	
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	1	14	85	±4	
Overseas	99	±2	4	26	70	±9	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	99	±1	1	13	85	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	0	8	92	±6	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	99	±1	2	15	83	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	0	7	93	±4	
Interested	100	±1	0	7	93	±5	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. FVAP provides online chat, e-mail support, and a toll-free telephone service so that FVAP staff can provide voting information or assistance.

46. Did you use Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP's)...

c. Toll-free telephone service?

1. Yes

2. No, but I was aware of this service

3. No, and I was not aware of this service

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	98	±1	1	14	85	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	98	±2	1	17	82	±6	
Navy	97	±3	0	14	86	±6	
Marine Corps	99	±2	2	9	89	±5	
Air Force	96	±3	1	11	88	±5	
Coast Guard	99	±2	0	8	91	±6	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	1	11	88	±5	
30 Years Old or More	97	±2	1	16	82	±4	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	98	±1	1	12	87	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	1	9	90	±5	
30 Years Old or More	97	±2	1	15	84	±4	
Overseas	95	±5	1	35	63	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	98	±1	1	15	84	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	96	±3	0	9	91	±7	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	98	±2	2	17	81	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	98	±2	0	8	92	±4	
Interested	98	±2	0	7	93	±5	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. FVAP provides online chat, e-mail support, and a toll-free telephone service so that FVAP staff can provide voting information or assistance.

48. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, or Google+?

a. Twitter

1. Yes

2. No, and I do not use this social networking site

3. No, but I use this social networking site

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	97	±2	0	74	26	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	97	±3	0	72	28	±7	
Navy	96	±3	0	77	23	±7	
Marine Corps	99	±1	0	73	27	±8	
Air Force	95	±3	0	73	27	±7	
Coast Guard	99	±2	0	72	28	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	0	71	29	±6	
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	0	76	24	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	97	±2	0	74	26	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	0	71	29	±6	
30 Years Old or More	95	±3	0	76	24	±5	
Overseas	97	±4	1	72	27	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	97	±2	0	73	27	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	94	±5	0	78	22	±8	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	97	±2	0	75	25	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±2	0	72	28	±7	
Interested	97	±3	0	71	29	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

48. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, or Google+?

b. Facebook

1. Yes

2. No, and I do not use this social networking site

3. No, but I use this social networking site

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	99	±1	2	16	82	±3	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	99	±1	2	17	81	±6	
Navy	98	±2	1	18	81	±6	
Marine Corps	99	±1	2	13	85	±5	
Air Force	99	±2	2	14	83	±6	
Coast Guard	100	±0	1	23	76	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	2	11	87	±4	
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	2	21	77	±4	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	99	±1	2	17	82	±3	
18 to 29 Years Old	100	±0	2	11	87	±4	
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	1	22	77	±5	
Overseas	99	±2	2	11	87	±7	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	99	±1	2	17	81	±3	
Not Registered to Vote	99	±2	1	13	85	±8	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	99	±1	2	18	81	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	100	±1	1	13	85	±5	
Interested	99	±1	2	12	87	±6	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

48. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, or Google+?

c. LinkedIn

1. Yes

2. No, and I do not use this social networking site

3. No, but I use this social networking site

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	97	±2	0	76	24	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	97	±2	0	76	24	±6	
Navy	96	±3	0	78	22	±6	
Marine Corps	99	±2	0	73	27	±8	
Air Force	96	±3	0	75	25	±7	
Coast Guard	99	±2	0	75	25	±7	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	0	78	22	±5	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	0	74	26	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	97	±2	0	76	24	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	0	78	22	±5	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	0	74	26	±5	
Overseas	96	±4	1	74	25	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	97	±2	0	75	25	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±4	0	79	21	±8	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	97	±2	0	77	23	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±3	0	75	25	±6	
Interested	96	±3	0	74	26	±7	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

48. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, or Google+?

d. Google+

1. Yes

2. No, and I do not use this social networking site

3. No, but I use this social networking site

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	98	±1	1	63	36	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	99	±1	2	61	37	±7	
Navy	96	±3	1	68	32	±7	
Marine Corps	99	±2	1	58	40	±8	
Air Force	98	±2	1	61	38	±7	
Coast Guard	100	±0	1	68	31	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	0	61	38	±6	
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	2	63	35	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	98	±1	1	62	36	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	99	±2	0	61	39	±6	
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	2	64	35	±5	
Overseas	97	±3	3	65	33	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	99	±1	1	63	36	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	0	62	38	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	99	±1	1	64	35	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	98	±2	1	60	39	±7	
Interested	98	±2	1	60	39	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

a. State or local election official

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	96	±2	43	34	23	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	97	±2	41	35	25	±7	
Navy	96	±3	48	33	19	±7	
Marine Corps	98	±2	45	32	23	±8	
Air Force	95	±3	41	36	22	±7	
Coast Guard	98	±2	48	32	19	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	37	37	26	±6	
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	48	32	20	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	44	35	21	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	37	39	24	±6	
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	49	32	18	±5	
Overseas	99	±2	32	23	45	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	96	±2	50	32	18	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	96	±3	11	46	44	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	96	±2	59	30	11	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±2	17	43	40	±7	
Interested	97	±3	18	43	39	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

b. Local television, radio, and print media

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	97	±1	52	30	18	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	98	±2	50	30	21	±7	
Navy	96	±3	55	29	15	±7	
Marine Corps	97	±2	54	28	18	±8	
Air Force	97	±3	51	31	18	±7	
Coast Guard	97	±3	63	29	9	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	48	31	21	±6	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	55	29	16	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	97	±2	54	30	16	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	49	31	20	±6	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	58	29	13	±5	
Overseas	97	±3	24	25	51	±9	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	97	±2	57	27	16	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	98	±3	31	41	28	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	97	±2	63	25	13	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±2	36	38	26	±7	
Interested	98	±2	39	36	25	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.


















49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

c. Armed Forces Radio/TV

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	95	±2	8	41	51	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	96	±3	10	38	51	±7	
Navy	92	±4	5	41	54	±7	
Marine Corps	96	±3	8	41	51	±7	
Air Force	93	±4	6	47	46	±7	
Coast Guard	97	±3	4	35	61	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	6	45	49	±6	
30 Years Old or More	93	±3	9	38	53	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	94	±2	5	42	53	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	4	45	51	±6	
30 Years Old or More	92	±3	6	39	55	±5	
Overseas	98	±3	44	32	25	±9	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	94	±2	8	41	51	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	6	43	51	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	94	±2	9	41	50	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±2	6	41	53	±7	
Interested	96	±3	7	39	55	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

d. Other U.S. civilian newspapers, magazines, radio, or TV

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	96	±2	47	35	18	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	97	±2	46	35	19	±7	
Navy	96	±3	48	36	16	±7	
Marine Corps	96	±3	47	36	18	±8	
Air Force	94	±4	46	34	20	±7	
Coast Guard	97	±3	54	28	17	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	41	38	21	±6	
30 Years Old or More	94	±2	52	32	17	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	48	35	17	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	42	39	19	±6	
30 Years Old or More	94	±2	54	32	15	±5	
Overseas	98	±3	28	31	41	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	96	±2	51	33	16	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	28	42	30	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	96	±2	58	31	11	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±2	30	41	29	±7	
Interested	96	±3	35	38	28	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.


















49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

e. International television, radio, and print media

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	94	±2	22	38	40	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	94	±3	22	37	41	±7	
Navy	94	±4	21	40	39	±7	
Marine Corps	96	±3	23	40	37	±8	
Air Force	93	±4	23	39	39	±7	
Coast Guard	95	±3	24	34	43	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	22	39	39	±6	
30 Years Old or More	92	±3	22	37	40	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	94	±2	23	39	39	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	23	39	38	±6	
30 Years Old or More	91	±3	22	38	39	±5	
Overseas	97	±3	20	33	47	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	94	±2	24	39	38	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±4	16	35	49	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	93	±3	26	37	37	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±3	15	42	44	±7	
Interested	95	±3	14	41	45	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

f. Family or friends

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	97	±2	56	30	14	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	97	±2	54	31	15	±7	
Navy	97	±3	54	33	13	±7	
Marine Corps	96	±3	63	25	13	±8	
Air Force	96	±3	56	30	13	±7	
Coast Guard	98	±2	61	28	11	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	57	28	14	±6	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	55	32	13	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	57	30	13	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	58	28	14	±6	
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	56	32	12	±5	
Overseas	99	±2	44	33	23	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	96	±2	60	28	12	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	37	41	22	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	96	±2	67	26	7	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±2	38	38	24	±7	
Interested	97	±3	42	34	23	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

g. The Internet

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	96	±2	60	30	11	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	98	±2	57	30	13	±7	
Navy	94	±4	58	32	10	±7	
Marine Corps	97	±2	60	30	10	±8	
Air Force	94	±4	64	28	8	±7	
Coast Guard	98	±2	67	23	10	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	58	30	12	±6	
30 Years Old or More	94	±2	61	29	10	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	60	30	11	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	58	30	12	±6	
30 Years Old or More	94	±3	61	29	9	±5	
Overseas	98	±3	54	31	16	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	96	±2	65	26	9	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	97	±3	34	46	21	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	95	±2	73	22	5	±4	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±2	37	43	20	±7	
Interested	97	±3	43	38	19	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

h. Voting Assistance Officers (VAO)

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	95	±2	4	52	44	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	96	±3	4	51	45	±7	
Navy	93	±4	2	49	49	±7	
Marine Corps	96	±3	5	50	45	±8	
Air Force	93	±4	7	56	37	±7	
Coast Guard	97	±3	0	45	55	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	3	49	48	±6	
30 Years Old or More	93	±2	5	54	41	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	94	±2	3	52	45	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	2	49	49	±6	
30 Years Old or More	93	±3	4	54	42	±5	
Overseas	99	±2	13	51	37	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	95	±2	4	53	43	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±5	3	45	51	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	95	±2	5	56	38	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	95	±3	2	44	53	±7	
Interested	94	±4	2	42	55	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.


















49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

i. Federal Voting Assistance Program website

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	94	±2	8	53	39	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	95	±3	8	54	38	±7	
Navy	92	±4	7	51	42	±7	
Marine Corps	96	±3	9	52	39	±8	
Air Force	93	±4	9	57	34	±7	
Coast Guard	97	±3	4	49	47	±8	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	7	53	40	±6	
30 Years Old or More	92	±3	8	54	38	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	94	±2	6	54	40	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	5	53	41	±6	
30 Years Old or More	91	±3	6	55	38	±5	
Overseas	99	±2	31	44	25	±9	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	94	±2	9	54	36	±4	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±5	2	47	51	±9	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	94	±2	11	57	32	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	94	±3	3	49	48	±7	
Interested	94	±4	3	49	49	±8	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012?

j. Other

1. Yes

2. No, was available

3. No, was not available

	Percent Responding		Percentages			Max ME	Percentage Reporting Yes
			1	2	3		
OVERALL							
Total	81	±3	16	47	37	±4	
MEMBER SERVICE							
Army	84	±5	14	48	38	±7	
Navy	78	±6	18	47	35	±8	
Marine Corps	84	±5	16	46	39	±8	
Air Force	77	±6	19	47	34	±8	
Coast Guard	82	±6	17	44	40	±9	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS							
AGE							
18 to 29 Years Old	85	±4	17	44	39	±6	
30 Years Old or More	78	±4	16	50	34	±5	
LOCATION							
US (Incl. Territories)	81	±3	16	47	37	±4	
18 to 29 Years Old	85	±4	17	44	40	±7	
30 Years Old or More	78	±4	16	50	34	±6	
Overseas	81	±7	13	49	38	±10	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS							
Registered to Vote	81	±3	17	47	36	±5	
Not Registered to Vote	80	±7	10	47	43	±10	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION							
Definitely Voted	81	±4	21	49	30	±5	
Definitely Did Not Vote	81	±5	10	44	47	±7	
Interested	76	±7	11	42	47	±9	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

50. If you were to need information about absentee voting in a future election, which of the following sources would best serve you?

1. Use an Internet search engine to find information
2. Contact my state election office online
3. Contact my county election office online
4. Contact my Voting Assistance Officer (VAO)
5. Use the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) website
6. Ask a friend
7. Ask my supervisor

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
OVERALL										
Total	98	±1	49	9	7	6	23	5	1	±4
MEMBER SERVICE										
Army	99	±2	49	7	8	4	26	5	1	±7
Navy	96	±3	53	10	5	6	18	7	0	±7
Marine Corps	99	±2	48	14	7	6	20	4	1	±7
Air Force	99	±2	46	8	8	8	23	5	1	±7
Coast Guard	99	±2	49	12	12	3	20	3	0	±8
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS										
AGE										
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	51	7	5	5	23	7	1	±6
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	48	10	9	6	23	4	0	±5
LOCATION										
US (Incl. Territories)	98	±1	50	9	8	5	22	5	1	±4
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	52	7	5	5	22	7	1	±6
30 Years Old or More	99	±1	49	10	9	6	22	4	0	±5
Overseas	98	±3	33	13	5	8	36	4	2	±10
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS										
Registered to Vote	98	±1	48	10	8	5	23	4	1	±4
Not Registered to Vote	98	±2	53	3	2	8	22	10	2	±9
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION										
Definitely Voted	98	±2	49	12	10	5	21	4	0	±5
Definitely Did Not Vote	98	±2	50	4	4	4	27	8	2	±6
Interested	99	±2	49	5	3	4	29	8	1	±8

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following?

a. Government websites other than the Federal Voting Assistance Program (e.g., state or Federal .gov or .mil sites)

- 1. 1% - 15% of the time
- 2. 16% - 30% of the time
- 3. 31% - 50% of the time
- 4. 51% - 70% of the time
- 5. 71% - 99% of the time
- 6. 100% of the time
- 7. Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage With Access to Resource		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	96	±2	12	3	5	7	10	45	19	±4	81.0	±3.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	96	±3	12	2	5	7	9	46	20	±7	80.0	±6.0	
Navy	97	±3	14	3	5	5	12	43	18	±7	82.0	±6.0	
Marine Corps	96	±3	14	4	4	6	11	43	18	±8	82.0	±6.0	
Air Force	96	±3	9	4	4	8	10	46	18	±7	82.0	±6.0	
Coast Guard	97	±3	11	3	6	6	7	48	19	±8	81.0	±7.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	12	3	5	8	11	45	17	±6	83.0	±5.0	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	12	2	5	6	10	45	21	±5	79.0	±4.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	12	3	5	7	10	45	19	±4	81.0	±4.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±3	12	3	5	8	11	45	17	±6	83.0	±5.0	
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	12	2	5	6	10	45	21	±5	79.0	±5.0	
Overseas	99	±2	13	5	5	5	12	46	14	±9	86.0	±8.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	96	±2	10	3	5	7	10	47	18	±4	82.0	±4.0	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±5	21	1	6	4	8	38	22	±9	78.0	±8.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	96	±2	9	3	5	7	10	50	17	±5	83.0	±4.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±3	17	2	4	5	11	39	21	±7	79.0	±6.0	
Interested	97	±3	17	2	5	5	12	40	20	±8	80.0	±7.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots. Respondents were instructed to mark "Does not apply..." if they did not have access to the specified resource from Labor Day to November 6, 2012.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following?

b. Non-government websites (e.g., .com sites)

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. 1% - 15% of the time | 2. 16% - 30% of the time | 3. 31% - 50% of the time |
| 4. 51% - 70% of the time | 5. 71% - 99% of the time | 6. 100% of the time |
| 7. Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage With Access to Resource		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	96	±2	7	2	5	9	12	59	7	±4	93.0	±2.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	96	±3	8	1	5	10	9	59	8	±7	92.0	±5.0	
Navy	96	±3	8	3	4	9	14	54	8	±7	92.0	±5.0	
Marine Corps	96	±3	5	4	6	6	13	58	6	±7	94.0	±4.0	
Air Force	97	±3	7	1	5	7	12	62	5	±7	95.0	±4.0	
Coast Guard	96	±3	7	3	5	5	12	60	9	±8	91.0	±6.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	6	2	4	9	13	60	6	±6	94.0	±4.0	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	8	2	5	8	11	58	8	±5	92.0	±3.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	7	2	5	9	11	59	7	±4	93.0	±3.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	6	2	4	9	13	60	6	±6	94.0	±4.0	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	8	2	5	9	10	58	8	±5	92.0	±3.0	
Overseas	98	±3	11	4	3	5	15	56	6	±9	94.0	±6.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	97	±2	6	2	4	9	12	60	7	±4	93.0	±3.0	
Not Registered to Vote	94	±5	14	2	7	7	9	51	9	±9	91.0	±7.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	96	±2	5	2	4	9	11	62	7	±5	93.0	±3.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±3	9	2	5	7	13	55	7	±6	93.0	±4.0	
Interested	97	±3	9	2	4	6	15	58	6	±8	94.0	±5.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots. Respondents were instructed to mark "Does not apply..." if they did not have access to the specified resource from Labor Day to November 6, 2012.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following?

c. Fax

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. 1% - 15% of the time | 2. 16% - 30% of the time | 3. 31% - 50% of the time |
| 4. 51% - 70% of the time | 5. 71% - 99% of the time | 6. 100% of the time |
| 7. Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage With Access to Resource		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	96	±2	19	6	6	6	5	19	40	±4	60.0	±4.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	96	±3	19	4	7	6	5	19	41	±7	59.0	±7.0	
Navy	97	±3	19	8	7	5	4	20	37	±7	63.0	±7.0	
Marine Corps	95	±3	19	9	6	6	8	14	38	±8	62.0	±8.0	
Air Force	95	±3	19	6	3	5	4	22	41	±7	59.0	±7.0	
Coast Guard	96	±3	17	6	5	5	1	17	47	±8	53.0	±8.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	21	6	6	7	6	13	41	±6	59.0	±6.0	
30 Years Old or More	95	±2	17	6	6	4	4	24	39	±5	61.0	±5.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	18	6	6	6	5	20	39	±4	61.0	±4.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±3	21	6	6	7	6	13	41	±6	59.0	±6.0	
30 Years Old or More	95	±3	17	6	6	5	4	25	38	±5	62.0	±5.0	
Overseas	97	±3	22	6	3	3	5	13	48	±9	52.0	±9.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	96	±2	17	6	6	6	5	21	39	±4	61.0	±4.0	
Not Registered to Vote	94	±5	26	6	6	3	3	12	44	±9	56.0	±9.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	96	±2	18	5	5	7	5	22	37	±5	63.0	±5.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±3	20	7	6	4	5	14	45	±7	55.0	±7.0	
Interested	97	±3	21	8	6	3	4	14	43	±8	57.0	±8.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots. Respondents were instructed to mark "Does not apply..." if they did not have access to the specified resource from Labor Day to November 6, 2012.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following?

d. DoD e-mail account

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. 1% - 15% of the time | 2. 16% - 30% of the time | 3. 31% - 50% of the time |
| 4. 51% - 70% of the time | 5. 71% - 99% of the time | 6. 100% of the time |
| 7. Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage With Access to Resource		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	95	±2	13	2	3	2	4	11	65	±4	35.0	±4.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	93	±4	13	2	3	4	4	13	61	±7	39.0	±7.0	
Navy	97	±2	14	2	2	1	4	8	69	±7	31.0	±7.0	
Marine Corps	95	±3	16	2	3	3	3	12	61	±8	39.0	±8.0	
Air Force	94	±4	12	2	4	1	4	10	67	±7	33.0	±7.0	
Coast Guard	95	±3	10	0	0	0	2	6	80	±7	20.0	±7.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	15	2	3	3	3	11	62	±6	38.0	±6.0	
30 Years Old or More	93	±3	12	1	2	2	5	11	67	±5	33.0	±5.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	95	±2	13	2	2	3	4	11	65	±4	35.0	±4.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	15	2	3	4	3	11	63	±6	37.0	±6.0	
30 Years Old or More	93	±3	12	1	2	2	4	11	68	±5	32.0	±5.0	
Overseas	96	±4	15	1	2	2	8	15	58	±10	42.0	±10.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	95	±2	12	2	2	2	4	11	67	±4	33.0	±4.0	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±5	18	2	4	2	4	12	58	±9	42.0	±9.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	94	±3	12	2	2	2	4	10	67	±5	33.0	±5.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	96	±3	15	2	3	3	4	12	60	±6	40.0	±6.0	
Interested	97	±3	15	3	3	3	4	11	61	±8	39.0	±8.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots. Respondents were instructed to mark "Does not apply..." if they did not have access to the specified resource from Labor Day to November 6, 2012.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following?

e. Personal e-mail account

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. 1% - 15% of the time | 2. 16% - 30% of the time | 3. 31% - 50% of the time |
| 4. 51% - 70% of the time | 5. 71% - 99% of the time | 6. 100% of the time |
| 7. Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource | | |


















	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage With Access to Resource		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	96	±2	5	2	2	5	11	70	6	±4	94.0	±2.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	96	±3	5	2	2	6	10	71	5	±7	95.0	±4.0	
Navy	98	±2	5	3	1	4	11	67	7	±7	93.0	±5.0	
Marine Corps	96	±3	3	2	2	5	9	75	3	±7	97.0	±4.0	
Air Force	95	±3	4	1	3	3	15	68	6	±7	94.0	±5.0	
Coast Guard	97	±3	4	0	5	0	10	73	7	±8	93.0	±5.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±3	5	2	2	6	10	71	5	±6	95.0	±3.0	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	5	2	2	4	12	69	6	±5	94.0	±3.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	5	2	2	5	11	70	6	±4	94.0	±2.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±3	4	1	2	6	10	71	5	±6	95.0	±4.0	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	5	2	3	4	11	69	6	±5	94.0	±3.0	
Overseas	95	±4	9	3	1	4	14	66	4	±9	96.0	±6.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	97	±2	4	2	2	5	11	70	6	±4	94.0	±3.0	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±5	8	2	3	5	10	68	5	±9	95.0	±5.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	96	±2	4	1	2	5	11	72	5	±5	95.0	±3.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±3	7	3	2	3	11	68	6	±6	94.0	±4.0	
Interested	98	±3	6	2	2	2	11	71	6	±7	94.0	±5.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots. Respondents were instructed to mark "Does not apply..." if they did not have access to the specified resource from Labor Day to November 6, 2012.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following?

f. Printers

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. 1% - 15% of the time | 2. 16% - 30% of the time | 3. 31% - 50% of the time |
| 4. 51% - 70% of the time | 5. 71% - 99% of the time | 6. 100% of the time |
| 7. Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage With Access to Resource		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	97	±2	8	2	6	6	12	55	11	±4	89.0	±3.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	97	±3	8	1	4	7	12	55	13	±7	87.0	±5.0	
Navy	98	±2	9	3	8	5	12	52	11	±7	89.0	±6.0	
Marine Corps	96	±3	7	3	6	9	13	55	8	±7	92.0	±5.0	
Air Force	95	±4	7	2	7	6	11	59	8	±7	92.0	±5.0	
Coast Guard	97	±3	7	3	9	4	6	57	14	±8	86.0	±6.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±3	8	2	7	7	12	52	11	±6	89.0	±4.0	
30 Years Old or More	97	±2	8	2	5	5	11	58	11	±5	89.0	±4.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	97	±2	8	2	6	6	11	55	11	±4	89.0	±3.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	96	±3	8	2	7	7	12	52	11	±6	89.0	±4.0	
30 Years Old or More	97	±2	8	2	5	5	11	58	11	±5	89.0	±4.0	
Overseas	99	±3	11	6	3	4	14	54	8	±9	92.0	±7.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	97	±2	7	2	6	6	12	56	11	±4	89.0	±3.0	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±5	13	2	6	8	9	50	12	±9	88.0	±7.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	97	±2	6	3	5	6	12	59	9	±5	91.0	±3.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±3	11	2	7	6	11	50	13	±6	87.0	±5.0	
Interested	98	±3	10	2	7	6	12	51	13	±8	87.0	±6.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots. Respondents were instructed to mark "Does not apply..." if they did not have access to the specified resource from Labor Day to November 6, 2012.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following?

g. Scanners

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. 1% - 15% of the time | 2. 16% - 30% of the time | 3. 31% - 50% of the time |
| 4. 51% - 70% of the time | 5. 71% - 99% of the time | 6. 100% of the time |
| 7. Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage With Access to Resource		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	96	±2	10	4	7	6	9	46	18	±4	82.0	±3.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	97	±3	11	4	5	6	8	49	17	±7	83.0	±6.0	
Navy	98	±2	10	4	9	6	9	44	17	±7	83.0	±6.0	
Marine Corps	96	±3	10	7	8	7	11	38	19	±8	81.0	±8.0	
Air Force	94	±3	8	3	8	5	9	48	19	±7	81.0	±6.0	
Coast Guard	97	±3	10	2	8	5	7	45	23	±8	77.0	±7.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±2	12	5	7	7	8	42	19	±6	81.0	±5.0	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	8	3	7	5	9	50	17	±5	83.0	±4.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	96	±2	10	4	7	6	9	46	18	±4	82.0	±3.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	97	±3	12	5	7	7	8	42	19	±6	81.0	±5.0	
30 Years Old or More	96	±2	8	3	8	4	9	51	17	±5	83.0	±4.0	
Overseas	97	±3	9	6	2	5	12	48	18	±9	82.0	±8.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	97	±2	9	4	7	6	9	47	18	±4	82.0	±4.0	
Not Registered to Vote	95	±5	14	4	9	6	5	41	21	±9	79.0	±8.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	96	±2	9	4	6	6	9	51	15	±5	85.0	±4.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±3	11	5	9	5	7	40	22	±6	78.0	±6.0	
Interested	97	±3	11	5	9	5	9	42	20	±8	80.0	±7.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question. Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots. Respondents were instructed to mark "Does not apply..." if they did not have access to the specified resource from Labor Day to November 6, 2012.

52. During 2012, did you fax or e-mail any of the following materials?

- a. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for absentee ballot b. Other non-FPCA request for absentee ballot c. Voted regular absentee ballot
 d. Voted Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) e. Other voting materials


















	Percent Responding		Percentages					Max ME
			a	b	c	d	e	
OVERALL								
Total	90	±3	5	4	8	2	4	±2
MEMBER SERVICE								
Army	90	±4	6	4	8	2	4	±6
Navy	88	±5	2	1	5	1	4	±4
Marine Corps	92	±4	6	6	8	2	5	±5
Air Force	90	±4	5	4	11	1	5	±6
Coast Guard	91	±4	4	2	5	NR	4	±6
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS								
AGE								
18 to 29 Years Old	91	±3	5	4	6	2	4	±5
30 Years Old or More	89	±3	5	4	9	1	4	±3
LOCATION								
US (Incl. Territories)	90	±3	4	4	7	2	4	±3
18 to 29 Years Old	91	±4	4	4	6	2	4	±5
30 Years Old or More	89	±3	4	3	8	1	4	±4
Overseas	92	±6	14	9	18	3	5	±8
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS								
Registered to Vote	91	±3	6	5	10	2	5	±3
Not Registered to Vote	86	±6	0	0	0	0	0	±3
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION								
Definitely Voted	91	±3	7	6	13	2	6	±4
Definitely Did Not Vote	90	±4	2	1	1	0	2	±3
Interested	90	±5	2	2	0	0	3	±4

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question and who had access to a fax, DoD e-mail account, and/or personal e-mail account from Labor Day to November 6, 2012 (Q51c/Q51d/Q51e).

NR: Not reportable

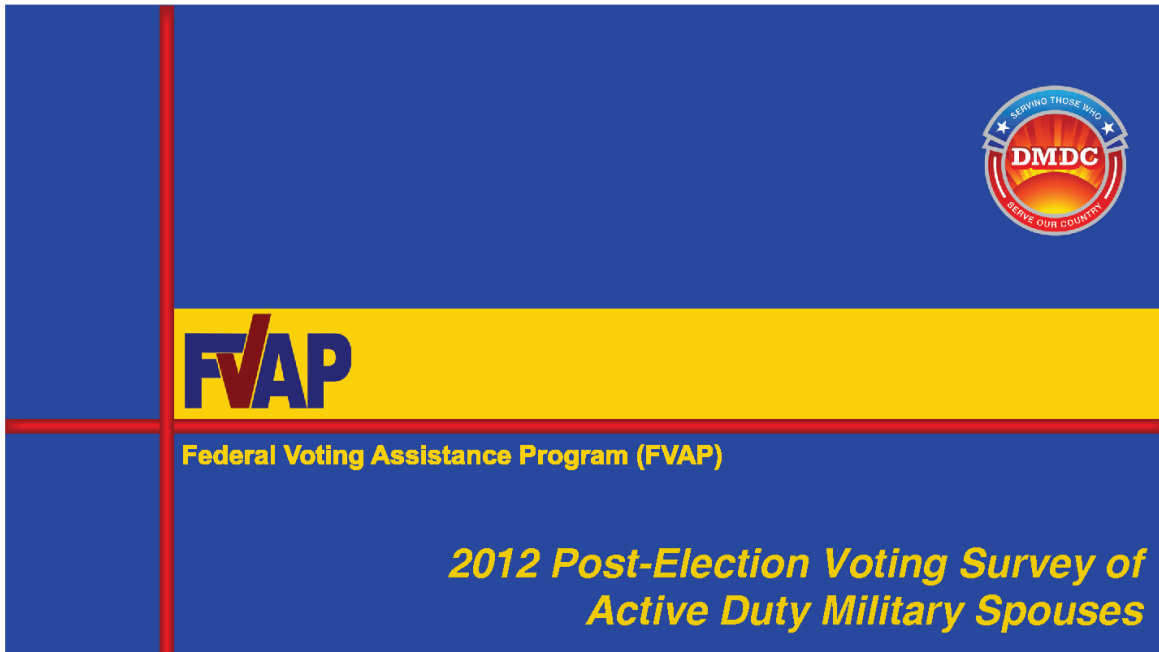
53. Did you vote in the 2010 elections for the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives?

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| 1. Definitely voted in person | 2. Definitely voted by mail | 3. Definitely voted by e-mail |
| 4. Definitely voted at an online website | 5. Definitely voted by fax | 6. Definitely did not vote |
| 7. Not sure | | |

	Percent Responding		Percentages							Max ME	Percentage Voted in 2010 Election		
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
OVERALL													
Total	98	±1	24	13	0	0	0	56	7	±4	37.0	±4.0	
MEMBER SERVICE													
Army	98	±2	24	11	0	0	0	59	6	±7	35.0	±7.0	
Navy	97	±2	27	16	0	0	0	52	5	±7	43.0	±7.0	
Marine Corps	97	±2	20	12	1	0	0	60	7	±7	33.0	±7.0	
Air Force	98	±2	23	12	1	0	0	54	11	±7	35.0	±7.0	
Coast Guard	99	±2	25	18	1	0	0	47	9	±8	44.0	±8.0	
SPOUSE DEMOGRAPHICS													
AGE													
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	20	9	0	0	0	63	8	±6	29.0	±5.0	
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	27	16	0	0	0	51	6	±5	43.0	±5.0	
LOCATION													
US (Incl. Territories)	98	±2	24	12	0	0	0	57	7	±4	37.0	±4.0	
18 to 29 Years Old	98	±2	20	8	0	0	0	63	8	±6	28.0	±6.0	
30 Years Old or More	98	±2	28	15	0	0	0	51	5	±5	43.0	±5.0	
Overseas	99	±2	10	27	2	0	0	48	12	±9	40.0	±9.0	
VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS													
Registered to Vote	99	±1	28	15	0	0	0	48	8	±4	44.0	±4.0	
Not Registered to Vote	96	±5	2	1	0	0	0	95	3	±5	2.0	±5.0	
VOTING BEHAVIOR IN 2012 ELECTION													
Definitely Voted	98	±1	34	20	1	0	0	37	9	±5	54.0	±5.0	
Definitely Did Not Vote	97	±3	7	1	0	0	0	89	3	±5	8.0	±4.0	
Interested	98	±3	8	1	0	0	0	87	4	±6	9.0	±6.0	

Note. Percent responding are active duty spouses who answered the question.

**Appendix A.
Paper Survey Instrument**



Privacy Act Statement & Informed Consent Information

In accordance with the Privacy Act, this notice informs you of the purpose of the survey and how the findings of these surveys will be used. It also provides information about the Privacy Act and about informed consent. Please read it carefully. **Returning this survey indicates your agreement to participate in this research.**

AUTHORITY: The authority to solicit the information requested in this survey is contained in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986, Section 101.b (1), 42 USC §1973ff (UOCAVA) and the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act), a subtitle of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: Information collected in this survey will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of assistance under UOCAVA, as amended in November 2009 by the MOVE Act, in the 2012 election. Reports will be provided to the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP). Previous survey results have affected decisions in critical areas such as establishing advertising campaigns geared towards 18-24 year old uniformed service members, utilizing social networking sites to encourage voter participation, and developing online Federal Post Card Application and Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot wizards. Survey results are also the basis for developing Legislative initiatives. Some findings may be published by the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) or in professional journals, or presented at conferences, symposia, and scientific meetings. Data could be used in future research. Datasets without any identifying information may be analyzed by researchers outside of DMDC. Survey results will be posted on the Web: www.fvap.gov

ROUTINE USES: None.

DISCLOSURE: Providing information on this survey is voluntary. Most people can complete the survey in 20 minutes. There is no penalty or loss of benefits to which you are entitled if you choose not to respond. However, maximum participation is encouraged so that the data will be complete and representative. Your survey responses will be treated as confidential. Identifying information will be used only by government and contractor staff engaged in, and for purposes of, the survey research. For example, the research oversight office of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) and representatives of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command are eligible to review research records as a part of their responsibility to protect human subjects in

research. This survey is being conducted for research purposes. In no case will individual identifiable survey responses be reported.

SURVEY ELIGIBILITY AND POTENTIAL BENEFITS: DMDC uses well-established, scientific procedures to randomly select a sample that represents the Defense community based on combinations of demographic characteristics (for example, location, gender). This is your chance to be heard on issues that directly affect you, including sources of voting information and assistance, satisfaction with voting information and assistance, and voting in the 2012 election. While there is no direct benefit for your individual participation, your responses on this survey *make a difference*. Individuals who are minors as per their state law are not eligible to participate in the survey.

STATEMENT OF RISK: The data collection procedures are not expected to involve any risk or discomfort to you. The only risk to you is accidental or unintentional disclosure of the data you provide. However, the government and its contractors have a number of policies and procedures to ensure that survey data are safe and protected. For example, no identifying information (name, address, Social Security Number) is ever stored in the same file as survey responses. Survey data may be shared with organizations doing research on DoD personnel but only after minimizing detailed demographic data (for example, paygrade and detailed location information) that could possibly be used to identify an individual. A confidentiality analysis is performed to reduce the risk of there being a combination of demographic variables that can single out an individual. Government and contractor staff members have been trained to protect client identity and are subject to civil penalties for violating your confidentiality.

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COMPLETION INSTRUCTIONS:

- Use a blue or black pen.
 - Place an "X" in the appropriate box or boxes.
- RIGHT WRONG

To change an answer, completely black out the wrong answer and put an "X" in the correct box as shown below.

CORRECT ANSWER INCORRECT ANSWER

Please return your completed survey in the business envelope through a U.S. government mail room or post office.

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DATA RECOGNITION CORPORATION
P.O. BOX 5720
HOPKINS, MN 55343

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. What is your marital status?

- Married
- Separated
- Divorced ⇒ GO TO Q54
- Widowed ⇒ GO TO Q54
- Never married ⇒ GO TO Q54

2. Was your spouse serving on active duty on November 6, 2012?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO Q54

3. Were you a U.S. citizen on November 6, 2012?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO Q54

4. What was your age on November 6, 2012? *Mark one.*

- 17 years old or younger ⇒ GO TO Q54
- 18 to 24 years old
- 25 to 29 years old
- 30 to 34 years old
- 35 to 44 years old
- 45 years old or older

5. Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?

- No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
- Yes, Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino

6. What is your race? *Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.*

- White
- Black or African American
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, or Vietnamese)
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian, or Chamorro)

7. On November 6, 2012, where were you located?

- United States/territories
- Overseas

Your legal voting residence is the state or territory that you claim as your legal residence even though you may no longer own property or have other ties there.

8. As of the November 6, 2012 election, what state or territory was your legal voting residence? *Please enter your two letter postal code for the U.S. state, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession that you claim as a legal residence.*

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9. In 2012, were you registered to vote in the United States?

- Yes
- No

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

10. Did you request an absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.*

- Yes
- No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official. ⇒ GO TO Q16
- No, and I never received an absentee ballot. ⇒ GO TO Q20
- No, I did not need an absentee ballot. ⇒ GO TO Q20

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA; Standard Form 76) is a request for registration and a regular (as opposed to back-up) absentee ballot. Some states require eligible voters who vote absentee to use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to request an absentee ballot.

11. Did you use the FPCA to request your absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election or did you use another method? *Mark one.*

- Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot.
- No, I used a State or local form to request an absentee ballot. ⇒ GO TO Q13
- No, I used a non-government website (e.g., Rock the Vote [RTV], Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF]) to request an absentee ballot. ⇒ GO TO Q13
- No, I used another method. ⇒ GO TO Q13

12. Did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for the November 6, 2012 election from any of the following sources? *Mark one.*

- From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website
- From some other contact with the FVAP
- Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
- From a U.S. embassy or consulate
- From a state or local election official
- A printable FPCA downloaded from the FVAP website that you filled out by hand
- FVAP's automated assistant/wizard for filling out the FPCA online
- From a military post office
- Some other source

13. Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... *Mark one answer for each row.*

	Do not recall	No	Yes
a. Received?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Rejected?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Accepted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. Did you receive your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No ⇨ GO TO Q18

15. How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot in 2012? *Mark one.*

- State voting website
- State link on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website
- Mail
- Fax
- E-mail
- In person
- Other
- Do not recall

16. Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No ⇨ GO TO Q18

17. How did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.*

- Mail
- USPS Express/Certified mail
- FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- Embassy/consulate mail pouch
- Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- Fax
- E-mail (e.g., as attachment)
- Online (e.g., through a website)
- In person
- Other

If you did not request an absentee ballot (Q10), GO TO Q20

18. Did you return your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for the November 6, 2012 election using any of the following sources? *Mark one.*

- Does not apply; I did not use a FPCA to request an absentee ballot.
- Mail
- USPS Express/Certified mail
- FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- Embassy/consulate mail pouch
- Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- Fax
- E-mail (e.g., as attachment)
- Online (e.g., through a secure website)
- In person
- Other

If you requested an absentee ballot (Q10), answer question Q19. If you did not request an absentee ballot, GO TO Q20

19. How satisfied or dissatisfied were you, in general, with each aspect of the absentee voting process? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
a. Process of registering to vote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Process of requesting an absentee ballot.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Process of receiving/getting an absentee ballot.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Process of completing absentee ballot.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Process of returning absentee ballot to local election official	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

20. If you were to vote using an absentee ballot in a future election, how would you prefer to receive the absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

- By postal mail
- From a website
- By e-mail
- By fax

21. If you were to vote using an absentee ballot in a future election, how would you prefer to return the absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

- By postal mail
- Through a website
- By e-mail
- By fax

2012 ELECTION

22. How interested or uninterested were you in the U.S. elections held on November 6, 2012?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Neither interested nor uninterested
- Somewhat uninterested
- Very uninterested

23. During the months leading up to the election held on November 6, 2012, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote? *Mark one.*

- Did plan to vote
- Did not plan to vote

24. In the election held on November 6, 2012, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely complete an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail/fax, or online on or before November 6, 2012, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election? *Mark one.*

- Definitely voted in person ⇒ Go to Q26
- Definitely voted by mail ⇒ Go to Q26
- Definitely voted by e-mail ⇒ Go to Q26
- Definitely voted at an online website ⇒ Go to Q26
- Definitely voted by fax ⇒ Go to Q26
- Definitely did not vote
- Not sure ⇒ Go to Q26

25. What was the main reason you did not vote in the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.*

- I was not registered to vote.
- I felt out of touch with the issues in my local community.
- I did not know how to get an absentee ballot.
- My absentee ballot arrived too late.
- My absentee ballot did not arrive at all.
- The absentee voting process was too complicated.
- I was concerned my absentee ballot would not be counted.
- I tried to vote but did not or could not complete the process.
- I do not think it is appropriate for spouses of members of the military to vote.
- Some other reason

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB; Standard Form 186) is a back-up ballot if you do not receive your regular absentee ballot.

26. Were you aware that you could use the FWAB for the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No

27. Did you use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) in the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No ⇒ Go to Q31

28. Did you obtain your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 6, 2012 election from any of the following sources? *Mark one.*

- From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website
- From some other contact with FVAP ⇒ Go to Q31
- Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs) ⇒ Go to Q31
- From a U.S. embassy or consulate ⇒ Go to Q31
- From a state or local election official ⇒ Go to Q31
- From an overseas organization (e.g., Overseas Vote Foundation, [OVF]) ⇒ Go to Q31
- From a non-FVAP website ⇒ Go to Q31
- From a military post office ⇒ Go to Q31
- Some other source ⇒ Go to Q31

29. How did you use the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website to complete your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? *Mark one.*

- A printable FWAB downloaded from the FVAP website that you filled out by hand ⇒ Go to Q31
- FVAP's automated assistant/wizard for filling out the FWAB online
- Don't know ⇒ Go to Q31

30. In 2012, overall how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the assistance you received filling out the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) from the automated assistant/wizard on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

31. What is the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.*

- Does not apply; I used a FWAB for the November 6, 2012 election.
- I did not know about the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB).
- I knew about it, but didn't know how to get one.
- I knew about it, but could not get one.
- I had difficulty filling it out.
- I had already returned a regular absentee ballot.
- Some other reason

VOTING ASSISTANCE

Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) are designated individuals who provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

32. During 2012, did you receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's UVAO?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO Q35

33. In 2012, overall how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the information or assistance you received from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

34. During 2012, did you receive the following information or assistance from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. Determining my eligibility to vote	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Understanding the absentee voting process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Obtaining the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Completing the FPCA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Obtaining the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Completing the FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Finding information on candidates/issues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Finding information on deadlines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. Electronic transmission of election materials (i.e., faxing, e-mailing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. Assistance with websites (i.e., federal, state, local)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
k. Finding out where to send my FPCA/FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
l. Some other voting information or assistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

35. In 2012, what is the MAIN REASON you didn't receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)? Mark one.

- Does not apply; I received voting information or assistance from my spouse's UVAO.
- I did not need any voting information or assistance.
- I was not interested in voting.
- I did not know I could get information or assistance from the UVAO.
- My spouse did not have a UVAO.
- I did not know how to contact my spouse's UVAO.
- I did not have access to my spouse's UVAO.
- My spouse's UVAO did not have the materials or information I needed.
- I received my voting assistance elsewhere.
- Some other reason

Installation Voter Assistance Offices (IVAOs) are designed to provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

36. During 2012, did you receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's IVAO?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO Q39

37. In 2012, overall how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the information or assistance you received from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO)?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

◆ **38. During 2012, did you receive the following information or assistance from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.**

	Yes	No
a. Determining my eligibility to vote	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Understanding the absentee voting process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Obtaining the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Completing the FPCA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Obtaining the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Completing the FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Finding information on candidates/issues.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Finding information on deadlines.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. Electronic transmission of election materials (i.e., faxing, e-mailing).....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. Assistance with websites (i.e., federal, state, local).....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
k. Finding out where to send my FPCA/FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
l. My spouse's IVAO offered to send my election materials to my election official for me	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
m. Some other voting information or assistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

39. In 2012, what is the MAIN REASON you didn't receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO)? Mark one.

- Does not apply; I received voting information or assistance from my spouse's IVAO.
- My location does not have an IVAO.
- I did not need any voting information or assistance.
- I was not interested in voting.
- I did not know I could get information or assistance from the IVAO.
- I did not know how to contact the IVAO.
- The IVAO did not have the materials or information I needed.
- I received my voting assistance elsewhere.
- Some other reason

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website, www.fvap.gov, provides voting-related information and resources.

40. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit this website?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO Q44

41. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website when you visited it in 2012?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

42. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website? Mark one answer for each item.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a. State voting and related instructions were clear and easy to understand. .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Contact information was easy to find.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Search feature met my needs.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. I was able to find what I needed quickly and easily.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. I was able to find the materials and forms I needed to vote.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

43. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, how often did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website? Mark one.

- Once
- More than once
- Do not recall

44. In 2012, why didn't you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website? Mark one.

- Does not apply; I visited the FVAP website.
- I did not need any voting information or assistance.
- I was not interested in voting.
- I did not have Internet access.
- I did not know the website address.
- I did not know about it.
- I got all the information I needed from other sources.
- I received my voting assistance elsewhere.
- I did not think it would be useful.
- Some other reason

The Department of Defense 2012-13 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG) provides state-by-state information about registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot.

45. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you refer to the VAG for information about registering to vote or requesting an absentee ballot?

- Yes
- No

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides online chat, e-mail support, and a toll-free telephone service so you can ask FVAP staff for voting information or assistance.

46. Did you use FVAP's . . . *Mark one answer for each row.*

	No, and I was not aware of this service	
	No, but I was aware of this service	
	Yes	
a. Online chat service?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. E-mail support?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Toll-free telephone service?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

If you did not use FVAP's online chat, e-mail support, or toll-free telephone service, GO TO Q48.

47. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the assistance you received in 2012 from the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) staff via the online chat, e-mail support, or toll-free telephone service?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

OTHER SOURCES OF VOTING INFORMATION

48. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, or Google+? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	No, but I use this social networking site	
	No, and I do not use this social networking site	
	Yes	
a. Twitter		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Facebook		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. LinkedIn		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Google+		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	No, was not available	
	No, was available	
	Yes	
a. State or local election official		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Local television, radio, and print media		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Armed Forces Radio/TV		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Other U.S. civilian newspapers, magazines, radio, or TV		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. International television, radio, and print media		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Family or friends		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. The Internet		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Voting Assistance Officers (VAO)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. FVAP website		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. Other		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

50. If you were to need information about absentee voting in a future election, which of the following sources would best serve you? *Mark one.*

- Use an Internet search engine to find information
- Contact my state election office online
- Contact my county election office online
- Contact my Voting Assistance Officer (VAO)
- Use the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) website
- Ask a friend
- Ask my supervisor

ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF VOTING MATERIALS

Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following? *Mark one answer for each item. If you did not have access to any of the following, please mark 'Does not apply...'.*

	Does not apply, I did not have access to this resource	100% of the time	71% - 99% of the time	51% - 70% of the time	31% - 50% of the time	16% - 30% of the time	1% - 15% of the time
a. Government websites other than the Federal Voting Assistance Program (e.g., state or Federal .gov or .mil sites)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Non-government websites (e.g., .com sites)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Fax	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. DoD e-mail account	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Personal e-mail account	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Printers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Scanners	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you did not have access to fax or e-mail between Labor Day and November 6, 2012, GO TO Q53.

2010 ELECTION

Elections for the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives were held in 2010. A lot of respondents did not get to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they didn't have time.

52. During 2012, did you fax or e-mail any of the following materials? *Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.*

	Yes	No
a. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for absentee ballot.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Other non-FPCA request for absentee ballot.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Voted regular absentee ballot.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Voted Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Other voting materials.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

53. How about you — did you vote in that election? *Mark one.*

- Definitely voted in person
- Definitely voted by mail
- Definitely voted by e-mail
- Definitely voted at an online website
- Definitely voted by fax
- Definitely did not vote
- Not sure

TAKING THE SURVEY

54. If you have comments or concerns that you were not able to express in answering this survey, please enter them in the space provided.

Appendix B.
Web Survey Instrument



Human Resources Strategic Assessment Program
(HRSAP)

Information and Technology for Better Decision Making

- You have reached the redirect page for Department of Defense Human Resources Strategic Assessment Program (HRSAP) surveys. You will be redirected to our contractor's web site (a secure .com site run by Data Recognition Corporation) to participate in the survey.
- DMDC has set up a telephone line for anyone who wishes to verify the survey's legitimacy. Call DSN 372-1034 from any DoD or other government telephone with DSN for a list of current DMDC surveys. If you do not have access to a DSN telephone line, call 1-571-372-1034. The prerecorded list does not include surveys conducted by agencies other than DMDC.
- Please enter your Ticket Number below, then click the Continue button to access your survey.

2012 Post-Election Voting Survey of Active Duty Military Spouses

Welcome

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You have been selected to take a survey for spouses of the active duty military on your experiences with the absentee voting process during the November 2012 General Election. When you click the *Continue* button below, you will be asked to:

- Create a Personal Identification Number (PIN)
- Read the Privacy Act & Informed Consent Statement
- Review your contact information
- Take the survey, which should only take you about 20 minutes

Thank you for your time and participation.

Click [here](#) to verify and update your postal and e-mail address.

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT & INFORMED CONSENT INFORMATION

In accordance with the Privacy Act, this notice informs you of the purpose of the survey and how the findings of these surveys will be used. It also provides information about the Privacy Act and about informed consent. Please read it carefully.

AUTHORITY: The authority to solicit the information requested in this survey is contained in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986, Section 101.b (1), 42 USC §1973ff (UOCAVA) and the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act), a subtitle of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: Information collected in this survey will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of assistance under UOCAVA, as amended in November 2009 by the MOVE Act, in the 2012 election. Reports will be provided to the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP). Previous survey results have affected decisions in critical areas such as establishing advertising campaigns geared towards 18-24 year old Uniformed Service members, utilizing social networking sites to encourage voter participation, and developing online Federal Post Card Application and Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot wizards. Survey results are also the basis for developing Legislative initiatives. Some findings may be published by the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) or in professional journals, or presented at conferences, symposia, and scientific meetings. Data could be used in future research. Datasets without any identifying information may be analyzed by researchers outside of DMDC. Survey results will be posted on the Web: www.fvap.gov

ROUTINE USES: None.

DISCLOSURE: Providing information on this survey is voluntary. Most people can complete the survey in 20 minutes. There is no penalty or loss of benefits to which you are entitled if you choose not to respond. However, maximum participation is encouraged so that the data will be complete and representative. Your survey responses will be treated as confidential. Identifying information will be used only by government and contractor staff engaged in, and for purposes of, survey research. For example, the research oversight office of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) and representatives of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command are eligible to review research records as a part of their responsibility to protect human subjects in research. This survey is being conducted for research purposes. In no case will individual identifiable survey responses be reported.

SURVEY ELIGIBILITY AND POTENTIAL BENEFITS: DMDC uses well-established, scientific procedures to randomly select a sample that represents the Defense community based on combinations of demographic characteristics (for example, location, gender). This is your chance to be heard on issues that directly affect you, including sources of voting information and assistance, satisfaction with voting information and assistance, and voting in the 2012 election. While there is no direct benefit for your individual participation, your responses on this survey **make a difference**. Individuals who are minors as per their state law are not eligible to participate in the survey.

STATEMENT OF RISK: The data collection procedures are not expected to involve any risk or discomfort to you. The only risk to you is accidental or unintentional disclosure of the data you provide. However, the government and its contractors have a number of policies and procedures to ensure that survey data are safe and protected. For example, no identifying information (name, address, Social Security Number) is ever stored in the same file as survey responses. Survey data may be shared with organizations doing research on DoD personnel but only after minimizing detailed demographic data (for example, paygrade and detailed location information) that could possibly be used to identify an individual. A confidentiality analysis is performed to reduce the risk of there being a combination of demographic variables that can single out an individual. Government and contractor staff members have been trained to protect client identity and are subject to civil penalties for violating your confidentiality.

If you experience any difficulties taking the survey, please contact the Survey Processing Center by sending an e-mail to ADMSSurvey@osd.pentagon.mil or call, toll-free, 1-800-881-5307. If you have concerns about your rights as a research participant, please contact the OUSD(P&R) Research Regulatory Oversight Office at 703-575-2677/703-575-3536 or e-mail R2O2@tma.osd.mil.

Once you start answering the survey, if you desire to withdraw your answers, please notify the Survey Processing Center prior to January 16, 2013. Please include in the e-mail or phone message your name, Ticket Number, and the PIN that you selected when you started this survey. Unless withdrawn, partially completed survey data may be used after that date.

Click *Continue* if you agree to do the survey.

HOW TO CONTACT US

If you have questions or concerns about this survey, you have three ways to contact the Survey Operations Center:

- **Call:** 1-800-881-5307
- **E-mail:** ADMSSurvey@osd.pentagon.mil
- **Fax:** 1-763-268-3002

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)?

- FVAP administers the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) on behalf of the Secretary of Defense. FVAP provides U.S. citizens worldwide a broad range of non-partisan information and assistance to facilitate their participation in the democratic process—regardless of where they work or live.

What is Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC)?

- DMDC maintains the largest archive of personnel, manpower, training, and financial data in the Department of Defense (DoD). DMDC also conducts Joint-Service surveys including the Status of Forces Surveys, QuickCompass, and Human Relations Surveys for the DoD. To learn more, visit the DMDC website.

<http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/>

What is the Post-Election Voting (PEV) Program?

- Post-Election Voting (PEV) surveys are sponsored by the Director of FVAP as the Presidential designee to administer UOCAVA. UOCAVA, as amended by the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act), requires FVAP to report to Congress how effective programs are for assisting Uniformed Service members and overseas voters in Federal elections. The PEV surveys are designed to assist FVAP in administering UOCAVA and are used to develop ways to make absentee voting easier for military personnel and overseas citizens.

What is the UOCAVA?

- The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) was enacted in 1986. UOCAVA law permits members of the Uniformed Services and Merchant Marines, their eligible family members, and U.S. citizens residing overseas, to vote in Federal elections. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) has been charged with administering UOCAVA law and works to ensure UOCAVA citizens their right to vote no matter where in the world they may be residing.

How do I know this is an official, approved DoD survey?

- In accordance with [DoD Instruction 8910.01](#), all data collection in the DoD must be licensed and show that license as a Report Control Symbol (RCS) with an expiration date. The RCS for this survey is RCS# DD-P&R(AR)2145, expiring 04/30/2014.

How did you pick me?

- DMDC uses well-established, scientific procedures to randomly select a sample that represents the Defense community based on combinations of demographic characteristics (e.g., location, gender).

Why should I participate?

- This is your chance to be heard on issues that directly affect you, including sources of voting information and assistance, satisfaction with voting information and assistance, and voting in the 2012 election.
- Your responses on this survey **make a difference**.

How do I participate?

- The survey will be available at this website around November 7, 2012. Currently, you may (1) read the Privacy Act Statement, (2) verify contact information, and (3) provide postal and e-mail address(es) so we can notify you when the survey launches.

What is ADMSSurvey@osd.pentagon.mil?

- The official e-mail address for communicating with military spouses about Post-Election Voting (PEV) surveys. "[ADMSSurvey](mailto:ADMSSurvey@osd.pentagon.mil)" is short for Active Duty Military Spouses Survey.

Why am I being asked to use the Web?

- Web administration enables us to get survey results to senior Defense leaders faster.

Why are you using a .net instead of a .mil domain to field your survey?

- The survey is administered by our contractor, Data Recognition Corporation, an experienced survey operations company. The survey collection tool starts on a .mil site within DMDC. Once you enter your ticket number, you are redirected to a contractor site which uses a .net domain. This allows everyone to access the survey, even from a non-government computer.

Do I have to answer all questions?

- No, it is not necessary to answer every question. Within the survey screen, you have four control buttons: *Next Page* (→), *Previous Page* (←), *Clear Responses*, and *Save and Return Later*. Use these buttons to navigate through the survey or skip questions. Use *Save and Return Later* to give yourself flexibility to complete the survey at a convenient time. When you return to the survey website, enter your Ticket Number to get to the place in the survey where you had stopped.

Why does the survey ask personal questions?

- DMDC reports overall results, as well as other characteristics, such as location, gender, etc. To complete analyses, we must ask respondents for these types of demographic information.
- Analyzing results in this way provides Defense leaders information about the attitudes and concerns of all subgroups of personnel so that no groups are overlooked.
- Sometimes sensitive questions are asked in order to improve personnel policies, programs, and practices. As with all questions on the surveys, your responses will be held in confidence.

Will my answers be kept private?

- Your privacy will be safeguarded in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579).
- All data will be reported in the aggregate and no individual data will be reported.
- We encourage you to safeguard your Ticket Number to prevent unauthorized access to your survey. In addition, to ensure your privacy, be aware of the environment in which you take the survey (e.g., take the survey when no one else is home, take care to not leave the survey unattended).

Can I withdraw my answers once I have started the survey?

- If you wish to withdraw your answers, please notify the Survey Processing Center prior to January 16, 2013 by sending an e-mail to ADMSSurvey@osd.pentagon.mil or calling, toll-free 1-800-881-5307. Include your name, Ticket Number, and PIN.

Will I ever see the results of the survey?

- FVAP will post survey results and a corresponding post-election report to Congress at www.fvap.gov.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. **What is your marital status?**
 - Married
 - Separated
 - Divorced
 - Widowed
 - Never married
2. **Was your spouse serving on active duty on November 6, 2012?**
 - Yes
 - No
3. **Were you a U.S. citizen on November 6, 2012?**
 - Yes
 - No
4. **What was your age on November 6, 2012?**
Mark one.
 - 17 years old or younger
 - 18 to 24 years old
 - 25 to 29 years old
 - 30 to 34 years old
 - 35 to 44 years old
 - 45 years old or older
5. **Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?**
 - No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
 - Yes, Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
6. **What is your race? *Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.***
 - White
 - Black or African American
 - American Indian or Alaska Native
 - Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, or Vietnamese)
 - Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian, or Chamorro)
7. **On November 6, 2012, where were you located?**
 - United States/territories
 - Overseas

[Ask if Q7 = "Overseas"] Please specify in which overseas country you were located.

Your legal voting residence is the state or territory that you claim as your legal residence even though you may no longer own property or have other ties there.

8. **As of the November 6, 2012 election, what state or territory was your legal voting residence? *Please select the U.S. state, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession that you claim as a legal residence.***

9. **In 2012, were you registered to vote in the United States?**

Yes

No

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

10. **Did you request an absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.***

Yes

No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official.

No, and I never received an absentee ballot.

No, I did not need an absentee ballot.

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA; Standard Form 76) is a request for registration and a regular (as opposed to back-up) absentee ballot. Some states require eligible voters who vote absentee to use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to request an absentee ballot.

11. **[Ask if Q10 = "Yes"] Did you use the FPCA to request your absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election or did you use another method? *Mark one.***

Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot.

No, I used a State or local form to request an absentee ballot.

No, I used a non-government website (e.g., Rock the Vote [RTV], Overseas Vote Foundation [OVF]) to request an absentee ballot.

No, I used another method.

12. [Ask if Q11 = "Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot."] Did you obtain your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for the November 6, 2012 election from any of the following sources? *Mark one.*

- From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website
- From some other contact with the FVAP
- Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
- From a U.S. embassy or consulate
- From a state or local election official
- A printable FPCA downloaded from the FVAP website that you filled out by hand
- FVAP's automated assistant/wizard for filling out the FPCA online
- From a military post office
- Some other source

13. [Ask if Q10 = "Yes"] Did you receive notification from a local election official that your registration and/or request for an absentee ballot had been... *Mark one answer for each row.*

	Yes	No	Do not recall
a. Received?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Rejected?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Accepted?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

14. [Ask if Q10 = "Yes"] Did you receive your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No

15. [Ask if Q14 = "Yes"] How did you obtain your regular absentee ballot in 2012? *Mark one.*

- State voting website
- State link on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website
- Mail
- Fax
- E-mail
- In person
- Other
- Do not recall

16. [Ask if Q10 = "No, but I automatically received an absentee ballot from a local election official." or Q14 = "Yes"] Did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No

17. [Ask if Q16 = "Yes"] How did you complete and return your regular absentee ballot for the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.*

- Mail
- USPS Express/Certified mail
- FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- Embassy/consulate mail pouch
- Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- Fax
- E-mail (e.g., as attachment)
- Online (e.g., through a website)
- In person
- Other

18. [Ask if Q11 = "Yes, I used an FPCA to request an absentee ballot."] Did you return your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for the November 6, 2012 election using any of the following sources? *Mark one.*

- Mail
- USPS Express/Certified mail
- FedEx, UPS, DHL, or other delivery carrier
- Embassy/consulate mail pouch
- Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Electronic Transmission System (ETS)
- Fax
- E-mail (e.g., as attachment)
- Online (e.g., through a secure website)
- In person
- Other

19. [Ask if Q10 = "Yes"] How satisfied or dissatisfied were you, in general, with each aspect of the absentee voting process? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied
a. Process of registering to vote.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Process of requesting an absentee ballot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Process of receiving/getting an absentee ballot.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Process of completing absentee ballot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Process of returning absentee ballot to local election official	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

20. If you were to vote using an absentee ballot in a future election, how would you prefer to receive the absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

- By postal mail
- From a website
- By e-mail
- By fax

21. If you were to vote using an absentee ballot in a future election, how would you prefer to return the absentee ballot? *Mark one.*

- By postal mail
- Through a website
- By e-mail
- By fax

2012 ELECTION

22. How interested or uninterested were you in the U.S. elections held on November 6, 2012?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Neither interested nor uninterested
- Somewhat uninterested
- Very uninterested

23. During the months leading up to the election held on November 6, 2012, did you ever plan to vote in that election, or didn't you plan to vote? *Mark one.*

- Did plan to vote
- Did not plan to vote

24. In the election held on November 6, 2012, did you definitely vote in person on election day, definitely complete an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail, fax, or online on or before November 6, 2012, definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election? *Mark one.*

- Definitely voted in person
- Definitely voted by mail
- Definitely voted by e-mail
- Definitely voted at an online website
- Definitely voted by fax
- Definitely did not vote
- Not sure

25. [Ask if Q24 = "Definitely did not vote"] What was the main reason you did not vote in the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.*

- I was not registered to vote.
- I felt out of touch with the issues in my local community.
- I did not know how to get an absentee ballot.
- My absentee ballot arrived too late.
- My absentee ballot did not arrive at all.
- The absentee voting process was too complicated.
- I was concerned my absentee ballot would not be counted.
- I tried to vote but did not or could not complete the process.
- I do not think it is appropriate for spouses of members of the military to vote.
- Some other reason

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB; Standard Form 186) is a back-up ballot if you do not receive your regular absentee ballot.

26. Were you aware that you could use the FWAB for the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No

27. Did you use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) in the November 6, 2012 election?

- Yes
- No

28. [Ask if Q27 = "Yes"] Did you obtain your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 6, 2012 election from any of the following sources? *Mark one.*

- From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website
- From some other contact with FVAP
- Through military channels/Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs)
- From a U.S. embassy or consulate
- From a state or local election official
- From an overseas organization (e.g., Overseas Vote Foundation, [OVF])
- From a non-FVAP website
- From a military post office
- Some other source

29. [Ask if Q28 = "From the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website"] How did you use the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website to complete your Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)? *Mark one.*

- A printable FWAB downloaded from the FVAP website that you filled out by hand
- FVAP's automated assistant/wizard for filling out the FWAB online
- Don't know

30. [Ask if Q29 = "FVAP's automated assistant/wizard for filling out the FWAB online"] In 2012, overall how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the assistance you received filling out the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) from the automated assistant/wizard on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

31. [Ask if Q27 = "No"] What is the MAIN REASON you did not use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for the November 6, 2012 election? *Mark one.*

- I did not know about the Federal Write-In Ballot (FWAB).
- I knew about it, but didn't know how to get one.
- I knew about it, but could not get one.
- I had difficulty filling it out.
- I had already returned a regular absentee ballot.
- Some other reason

	Yes	No
g. Finding information on candidates/issues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Finding information on deadlines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. Electronic transmission of election materials (i.e., faxing, e-mailing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. Assistance with websites (i.e., federal, state, local)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
k. Finding out where to send my FPCA/ FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
l. Some other voting information or assistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

VOTING ASSISTANCE

Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) are designated individuals who provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

32. During 2012, did you receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's UVAO?

- Yes
- No

33. [Ask if Q32 = "Yes"] In 2012, overall how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the information or assistance you received from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

34. [Ask if Q32 = "Yes"] During 2012, did you receive the following information or assistance from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)? *Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.*

	Yes	No
a. Determining my eligibility to vote	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Understanding the absentee voting process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Obtaining the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Completing the FPCA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Obtaining the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Completing the FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

35. [Ask if Q32 = "No"] In 2012, what is the MAIN REASON you didn't receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO)? *Mark one.*

- I did not need any voting information or assistance.
- I was not interested in voting.
- I did not know I could get information or assistance from the UVAO.
- My spouse did not have a UVAO.
- I did not know how to contact my spouse's UVAO.
- I did not have access to my spouse's UVAO.
- My spouse's UVAO did not have the materials or information I needed.
- I received my voting assistance elsewhere.
- Some other reason

Installation Voter Assistance Offices (IVAOs) are designed to provide accurate, non-partisan voting information and assistance to members of military units who wish to vote.

36. During 2012, did you receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's IVAO?

- Yes
- No

37. [Ask if Q36 = "Yes"] In 2012, overall how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the information or assistance you received from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVA O)?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

38. [Ask if Q36 = "Yes"] During 2012, did you receive the following information or assistance from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. Determining my eligibility to vote	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Understanding the absentee voting process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Obtaining the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Completing the FPCA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Obtaining the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Completing the FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Finding information on candidates/issues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Finding information on deadlines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. Electronic transmission of election materials (i.e., faxing, e-mailing)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. Assistance with websites (i.e., federal, state, local)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
k. Finding out where to send my FPCA/ FWAB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
l. My spouse's IVAO offered to send my election materials to my election official for me	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
m. Some other voting information or assistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

39. [Ask if Q36 = "No"] In 2012, what is the MAIN REASON you didn't receive voting information or assistance from your spouse's Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO)? Mark one.

- My location does not have an IVAO.
- I did not need any voting information or assistance.
- I was not interested in voting.
- I did not know I could get information or assistance from the IVAO.
- I did not know how to contact the IVAO.
- The IVAO did not have the materials or information I needed.
- I received my voting assistance elsewhere.
- Some other reason

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website, www.fvap.gov, provides voting-related information and resources.

40. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit this website?

- Yes
- No

41. [Ask if Q40 = "Yes"] Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website when you visited it in 2012?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

42. [Ask if Q40 = "Yes"] How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website? Mark one answer for each item.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a. State voting and related instructions were clear and easy to understand.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Contact information was easy to find.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Search feature met my needs.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. I was able to find what I needed quickly and easily.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. I was able to find the materials and forms I needed to vote.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

43. [Ask if Q40 = "Yes"] In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, how often did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website? Mark one.

- Once
- More than once
- Do not recall

44. [Ask if Q40 = "No"] In 2012, why didn't you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website? **Mark one.**

- I did not need any voting information or assistance.
- I was not interested in voting.
- I did not have Internet access.
- I did not know the website address.
- I did not know about it.
- I got all the information I needed from other sources.
- I received my voting assistance elsewhere.
- I did not think it would be useful.
- Some other reason

The Department of Defense 2012-13 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG) provides state-by-state information about registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot.

45. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you refer to the VAG for information about registering to vote or requesting an absentee ballot?

- Yes
- No

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides online chat, e-mail support, and a toll-free telephone service so you can ask FVAP staff for voting information or assistance.

46. Did you use FVAP's... **Mark one answer for each item.**

No, and I was not aware of this service			
No, but I was aware of this service			
			Yes
a. Online chat service?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. E-mail support?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Toll-free telephone service?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

47. [Ask if Q46 a = "Yes" OR Q46 b = "Yes" OR Q46 c = "Yes"] Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the assistance you received in 2012 from the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) staff via the online chat, e-mail support, or toll-free telephone service?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

OTHER SOURCES OF VOTING INFORMATION

48. In preparation for the 2012 primaries and general election, did you visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, or Google+? **Mark one answer for each item.**

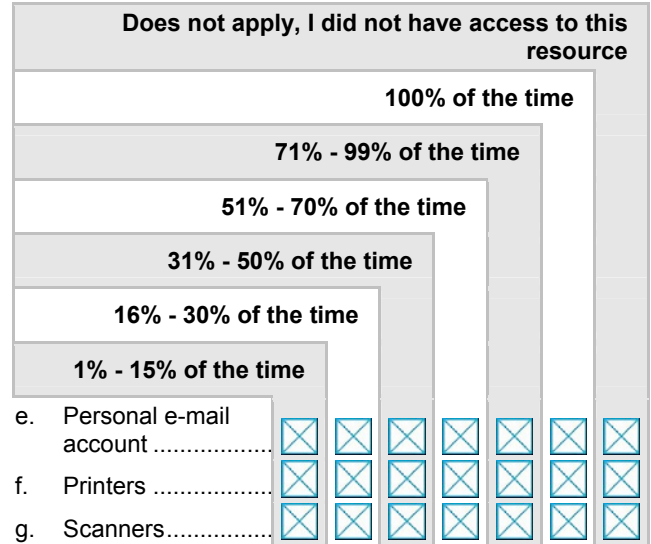
No, but I use this social networking site			
No, and I do not use this social networking site			
			Yes
a. Twitter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Facebook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. LinkedIn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Google+	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

49. Did you receive voting information from any of the following sources in 2012? **Mark one answer for each item.**

No, was not available			
No, was available			
			Yes
a. State or local election official	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Local television, radio, and print media	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Armed Forces Radio/TV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Other U.S. civilian newspapers, magazines, radio, or TV.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. International television, radio, and print media	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Family or friends	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. The Internet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Voting Assistance Officers (VAO)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. FVAP website	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. Other.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

50. If you were to need information about absentee voting in a future election, which of the following sources would best serve you? *Mark one.*

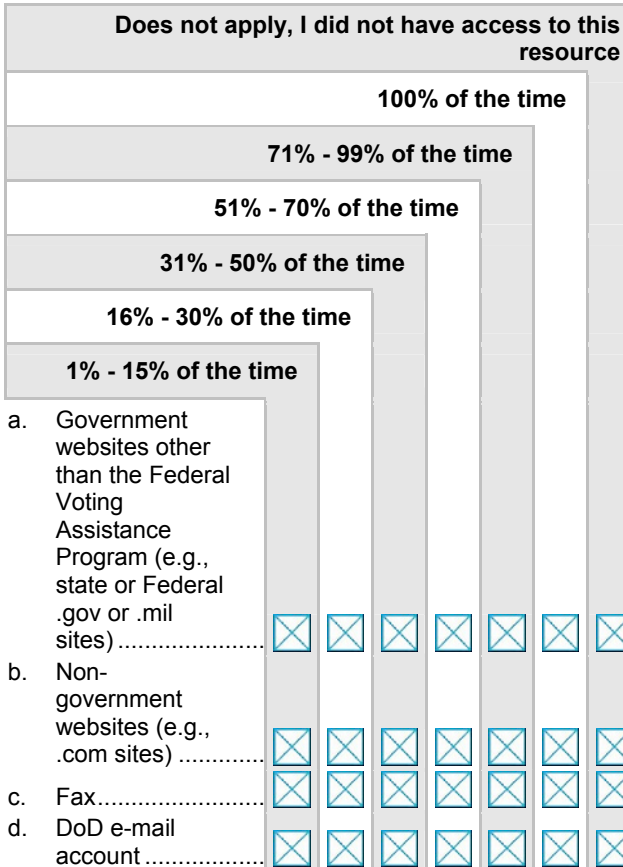
- Use an Internet search engine to find information
- Contact my state election office online
- Contact my county election office online
- Contact my Voting Assistance Officer (VAO)
- Use the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) website
- Ask a friend
- Ask my supervisor



ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF VOTING MATERIALS

Some states allow potential voters to check their voting eligibility status, to obtain voting materials such as absentee ballots from their websites, and/or to fax or e-mail voting materials including absentee ballots.

51. Considering your location and working conditions, approximately how often, from Labor Day to November 6, 2012, did you have access to each of the following? *Mark one answer for each item. If you did not have access to any of the following, please mark 'Does not apply...'*



52. [Ask if Q51 any c - e = "1% - 15% of the time" OR "16% - 30% of the time" OR "31% - 50% of the time" OR "51% - 70% of the time" OR "71% - 99% of the time" OR "100% of the time"] **During 2012, did you fax or e-mail any of the following materials? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.**

	Yes	No
a. Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for absentee ballot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Other non-FPCA request for absentee ballot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Voted regular absentee ballot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Voted Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Other voting materials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2010 ELECTION

Elections for the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives were held in 2010. A lot of respondents did not get to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they didn't have time.

53. How about you --- did you vote in that election?

- Definitely voted in person
- Definitely voted by mail
- Definitely voted by e-mail
- Definitely voted at an online website
- Definitely voted by fax
- Definitely did not vote
- Not sure

TAKING THE SURVEY

54. Thank you for participating in the survey. There are no more questions on this survey. If you have comments or concerns that you were not able to express in answering this survey, please enter them in the space provided. Your comments will be viewed and considered as policy deliberations take place. Your feedback is useful and appreciated.

55. Based on your answers to previous questions, you are ineligible to take this survey. If you feel you have encountered this message in error, click the back arrow and check your answers.

To submit your answer, click *Submit*. For further help, please call our Survey Processing Center toll-free at 1-800-881-5307 or e-mail ADMSSurvey@osd.pentagon.mil.

Insert SF298 if applicable

