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1st Qtr 2024 Report on NC Voter Registration Data Changes

for

The NC Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Elections

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INTRODUCTION:

The Electoral Education Foundation continues to track periodic movement in NC voter registration records to detect any aspects of those changes that have the highest correlation to election data fraud. Our archives of voter registration data files contain over 500 weekly voter registration files published by the NCSBE dating back to late 2012. The data in this report was extracted from those files by comparing the NCID#s in the previous week's report with the following week's to identify any record that was no longer present in the following week's file. This report includes data from each weekly file for 30-Dec-23 thru 30-Mar-24. (https://dl.ncsbe.gov/?prefix=data/ncvoter_Statewide.zip)

The nature of the discrepancies detailed below do not appear to be mere clerical error or consistent with known NCSBE data management policies. We also ask you to include additional issues and recommendations from past reports to you that have not yet been passed into law for your re-consideration.

RECORDS DISAPPEARING FROM THE WEEKLY FILES:

The table below shows by week how many voter registration records (NCID#s) in the file in the previous week were no longer in the next week's data file and what their voter registration status was at the time of redaction. We previously inquired of the NCSBE what the criteria was for such redactions and they stated the voter had to be in a REMOVED status and had no subsequent registration or voting activity in the last decade. They say they do this to keep the weekly file from becoming overly large with historic data, and we take no exception to that reasoning.

However, these records disappeared despite not meeting that criterion. In fact, 7,453 out of the 9,854 (76%) that disappeared were ACTIVE voters at that time, and of that 7,453, 4,770 showed their status reason as "AV" – VERIFIED. Only 361 (3.6%) of them were in a REMOVED status at the time of redaction. They disappeared by the hundreds statewide each and every week this year including while the 5-Mar-24 Primary Election was underway. We are currently uploading additional weekly files to the database in order to produce the same report for past years to see if there are trends of surges or shrinkage in the voter rolls that may have a similar correlation to other election dates.

NC VOTER REGISTRATION DATA

NCID#s No Longer Reported by the NCSBE

NCID Last Reported Week Ending	ACTIVE	DENIED	INACTIVE	REMOVED	TEMPORARY	TOTAL					
12/31/23	336	0	69	16	0	421					
1/6/24	420	0	146	19	0	585					
1/13/24	501	9	152	23	0	685					
1/20/24	691	5	166	22	0	884					
1/27/24	661	0	104	27	0	792					
2/3/24	717	1	97	39	1	855					
2/10/24	781	0	213	28	0	1,022					
2/17/24	787	2	322	14	2	1,127					
2/24/24	617	1	176	12	1	807					
3/2/24	221	0	57	5	0	283					
3/5/24	ELECTION DAY										
3/9/24	238	1	61	70	0	370					
3/16/24	479	0	166	36	0	681					
3/23/24	610	1	187	34	1	833					
3/30/24	394	2	97	16	0	509					
4/6/24											
TOTALS	7,453	22	2,013	361	5	9,854					

All data https://dl.ncsbe.gov/?prefix=data/ncvoter_Statewide.zip on dates indicated.

The next graphic below breaks those numbers down by County and Voter status at the time of their disappearance. Only two Counties had no disappearing records during this quarter, Tyrrell and Washington.

NC VOTER REGISTRATION RECORD STATS

1st QTR 2024 NCID# COUNT DELETED BY COUNTY & RECORD STATUS AT TIME OF REMOVAL

COUNTY/ RECORD STATUS	ACTIVE	DENIED	INACTIVE	REMOVED	TEMPORARY	TOTAL	COUNTY/ RECORD STATUS	ACTIVE	DEMED	IMACTIVE	REMOVED	TEMPORARY	TOTAL
ALAMANCE	95		36			131	JOHNSTON	125		28	10		163
ALEXANDER	21		4			25	JONES	8		3			11
ALLEGHENY	5	1	1			6	LEE	50		11	3		-64
ANSON	60		43	1		104	LENOIR	31		3	2		36
ASHE	6		3			9	LINCOLN	41		9			50
AVERY	7		1			8	MACON	47		9			56
BEAUFORT	38		5	2		45	MADISON	15		11	1		27
BERTIE	31		12			43	MARTIN	17		3			20
BLADEN	80		32	2		114	McDOWELL	32		8			40
BRUNSWICK	130		24	7		161	MECKLENBURG	654		112	26		792
BUNCOMBE	201		30	9		240	MITCHELL	11		7	1		19
BURKE	41		18	4		63	MONTGOMERY	14		5			19
CABARRUS	122		27	5	ALIEN LINE OLIVER CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR	154	MOORE	67		15	2		84
CALDWELL	35	<u> </u>	13	2		50	NASH	119		32	5		156
CAMDEN	5		3			8	NEW HANOVER	209		45	8		262
CARTERET	45	 	9	2		56	NORTHAMPTON	17		14	1		32
CASWELL	10		5			15	ONSLOW	182	 	29	4		215
CATAWBA	139	1	64	2	-	206	ORANGE	126		33	14	1	174
CHATHAM			6	6		51	PAMLICO	22	1	9	1		33
	39							30	1	11	-		41
CHEROKEE	27		15	1		43	PASQUOTANK				•		
CHOWAN	19		11			30	PENDER	36	1	13	1		51
CLAY	9		7	-		16	PERQUIMANS	49		11			60
CLEVELAND	42	2	15	1		60	PERSON	36		11			47
COLUMBUS	254		46	1		301	PITT	143	ļ	47	14	ent de sinningeren op de nichte en entre na	204
CRAVEN	107		31	5		143	POLK	15		5			20
CUMBERLAND	217	1	80	11	1	310	RANDOLPH	64		25	4		93
CURRITUCK	36	-	8		1	45	RICHMOND	15	1	12			28
DARE	38	-	13	1		52	ROBESON	51		24	62	Mark Course (Control of Control o	137
DAVIDSON	97		47	4		148	ROCKINGHAM	73	1	26	3		103
DAVIE	55		8	1		64	ROWAN	80		28	1		109
DUPLIN	77		13	1		91	RUTHERFORD	59	2	17	2		80
DURHAM	284		59	14		357	SAMPSON	61		8	3	-	72
EDGECOMBE	38	1	11			50	SCOTLAND	8		2	1		11
FORSYTH	209		45	11		265	STANLY	31	1	15	1		48
FRANKLIN	34		11			45	STOKES	17		12			29
GASTON	197		65	6		268	SURRY	38	-	17	2		57
GATES	8		1			9	SWAIN	3		2	1		6
GRAHAM	4		4			8	TRANSYLVANIA	17		7	2		26
GRANVILLE	18		4	1		23	TYRRELL						0
GREENE	8		1			9	UNION	115		30	8		153
GUILFORD	338	8	110	13		469	VANCE	33	1	12			45
HALIFAX	33		17	2		52	WAKE	825		119	43		987
HARNETT	92		36	4		132	WARREN	14		4	,	1 .	19
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What we found that was even more alarming is that of those ACTIVE voters whose records disappeared, 596 recently registered to vote in January of this year, 221 registered in February and another 118 registered just last month in March.

Considering recent complaints filed against the NCSBE regarding alleged deficiencies in List Maintenance, we suggest this is an issue that should be incorporated into whatever remedial actions they may entertain as a result of those complaints and that they should investigate why so many, including nearly a thousand recent registrants, are not being included in the weekly file updates.

PRIMARY ELECTION DATA FINDINGS:

While developing the above data, we compared those records that disappeared with voters who cast a ballot in the 5-Mar-24 Primary Election and found 32 voting records in the Absentee Ballot Data file published by the NCSBE on 16-Mar-24, the day after Canvass, whose NCID# is no longer found as an NC voter as of 6-Apr-24.

Of those 32, the Absentee Ballot data shows 8 cast a ballot that was ACCEPTED, yet those voters *are no longer reported* as an NC voter in any status. Six of those accepted were Same-Day Registrants (SDRs) yet the Mail Verification Status for 4 of them in the Absentee Ballot file shows their status as DENIED.

We will provide the actual by-name rosters for all of the above data to you or the NCSBE upon request. We also ask you to reconsider the additional items in our previous White Paper from last session that were not incorporated into SB 747 or 749. That paper will be re-sent to you under separate cover following your receipt of this paper. We welcome your comments and any discussion necessary between us to advance your inquiry into these matters.

Respectfully submitted:

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