



2012 Post-Election Qualitative Voting Survey of Local Election Officials

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

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- **E-mail:** dodhra.mc-alex.DMDC.mbx.leo-survey@mail.mil
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What is the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)? [Top](#)

- 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.

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- 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/>

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- Post-Election Voting (PEV) surveys are sponsored by the Director of FVAP as the Presidential designee to administer the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986 (UOCAVA). UOCAVA, as amended by the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act), requires FVAP to report to Congress on how effective programs are for assisting the uniformed services 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.

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- 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.

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- In accordance with [DoD Instruction 8910.01](#), all data collection in the Department must be licensed and show that license as a Report Control Symbol (RCS) with an expiration date. The OMB control number for this survey is xxxx-xxxx, expiring {EXPIRE DATE}.

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- DMDC uses well-established, scientific procedures to randomly select a sample that represents Local Election Officials based on combinations of demographic characteristics (e.g., jurisdiction size).

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- We use your input to shape the absentee voting program in ways that directly affect you. This is your opportunity to inform policy officials of your views regarding FVAP's products and services provided to you during the 2012 election year.

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

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- The official e-mail address for communicating with Local Election Officials about Post-Election Voting (PEV) surveys.

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- 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? [Top](#)

- 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.

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- 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.

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- Your privacy will be safeguarded to the fullest extent of the law.

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- If you wish to withdraw your answers, please notify the Survey Processing Center prior to January 3, 2013 by sending an e-mail to dodhra.mc-alex.DMDC.mbx.leo-survey@mail.mil or calling, toll-free 1-800-881-5307. Include your name and Ticket Number.

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- FVAP will post survey results and a corresponding post-election report to Congress at <http://www.fvap.gov/>

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