



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

## The Pennsylvania Voter Registration Act

A REPORT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF ACT 25 OF 1995

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SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

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Members of the General Assembly:

As Secretary of the Commonwealth, I am pleased to report to you on the administration of the Pennsylvania Voter Registration Act for the calendar year 1997. I am proud of the progress we continue to make working with county election and voter registration officials and representatives from other state agencies to increase voter registration and voter participation among the citizens of this Commonwealth. At year's end, 7,096,914 Pennsylvanians were registered to vote, surpassing all previous voter registration totals. The Department of State continues to reach out to these registered voters to encourage them to participate in the electoral process.

We have expanded our efforts to increase voter awareness in the Commonwealth. In 1997, Governor Tom Ridge proclaimed September as Voter Participation and Awareness Month. The Department of State also unveiled the *Pennsylvania Voter Exhibit and State Voter Hall of Fame*. The permanent exhibit documents the state's political heritage and includes the names of the men and women in the Commonwealth who voted in every November election for 50 consecutive years. Since 1996, the Ridge Administration has inducted more than 2,400 Pennsylvanians from 17 counties into the Voter Hall of Fame.

In October 1998, the department, in partnership with the Department of Education, will again sponsor the Student Mock Election. In record numbers, students (K-12) from all 67 counties will participate in an exercise which promotes citizenship and the privilege to vote among young people.

Through the department's website, Pennsylvanians now have convenient access to voter registration statistics, election dates, results and other information. Last year, Pennsylvania became one of the first states in the nation to tabulate and post election results to the internet on Election Night. With our new electronic campaign finance reporting system, the public now has internet access to reports filed by statewide candidates. I encourage you to access our website at [www.dos.state.pa.us](http://www.dos.state.pa.us).

I also encourage you to visit the Pennsylvania Voter Exhibit located on the third floor of the North Office Building. If you have any questions regarding the enclosed update on the implementation of the Pennsylvania Voter Registration Act, my staff and I stand ready to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yvette Kane".  
Yvette Kane  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

## 1997 Report to the General Assembly on the Pennsylvania Voter Registration Act

The following summarizes the continued implementation of the Pennsylvania Voter Registration Act (PVRA); incorporates suggestions for improvements to the Act and also provides relevant voter registration statistics. Since last year's report, several improvements have been incorporated at our agency based registration programs which are highlighted below.

### **Department of Transportation**

Last year, State Department personnel continued to provide instruction, information, and assistance to all agencies required to offer voter registration opportunities. In 1997, county voter registration officials received 344,565 motor voter registration applications. The department worked closely with the Department of Transportation to improve the voter registration operations and customer service at PennDOT photo license centers. On April 30, 1998, all photo license centers began issuing paper receipts to individuals who applied for voter registration. In addition, the computer screens at the photo license centers were redesigned to be more user friendly.

In June 1997, the PennDOT change of address procedures were modified to include the prior name of an individual who reports a change of name or address to PennDOT. In addition, individuals who change their address with PennDOT are now given the option to have the change affect their voter registration. These modifications helped county voter registration officials to process 963,281 change of address applications received from PennDOT in 1997.

### **Agency Registration**

We continue to work with the public assistance and disability agencies which provide voter registration opportunities to their clients. In 1997, we published two issues of *Voter Registration Update*. This newsletter provides important information to each agency site coordinator regarding voter registration procedures and deadlines. We also worked with the Clerks of the Orphans' Court, who provide voter registration opportunities to their customers as mandated by the PVRA. We surveyed the clerks to determine the scope of their voter registration program and to find out how the Department of State can be of assistance to them. Staff members attended the Annual Meeting of the Register of Wills and Clerks of Orphans' Court Association to review the clerks' responsibilities.

### **Litigation Update**

During 1997, settlement negotiations were discontinued and then, after a lengthy period of discovery, reinitiated in the litigation brought by the United States Department of Justice and a group of private plaintiffs concerning the Commonwealth's compliance with the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA). By the year's end, substantial disagreements existed between the parties and it appeared that the plaintiffs would move for trial. However, as this report was being prepared, further discussions led to the plaintiffs' voluntarily dismissal of most of their claims.

The stipulation to dismiss the claims without prejudice was based on the Commonwealth's written agreement to adhere to certain registration procedures, most of which were already being followed. The stipulation of dismissal was recently reviewed and endorsed by Judge Ronald D. Buckwalter of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

The only major, unresolved issue in the case involves the plaintiffs' allegation that the Commonwealth must designate additional offices and programs, State-funded but not State-operated, to provide voter registration services to their clients with disabilities. The parties intend to engage in further discussions regarding a non-trial disposition of that issue. The department is hopeful that a final resolution of the NVRA litigation can be achieved by the end of 1998.

### **Legislative Initiatives**

In the last two annual reports, the department recommended several legislative amendments to the PVRA and the Election Code. Some of these changes have been made. With the enactment of Act 18 of 1998, the allowable size of each election district was increased from 800 to 1200 electors and the allowable minimum population for a voting compartment in counties using paper-based voting systems was also increased from 100 to 200. These changes to the Election Code will be helpful to counties and allow them to better accommodate the increase in voter registration. Other substantive changes to the Election Code include:

- A provision that changes the number of specimen ballots counties are required to print for each election;
- A provision that permits electors in most counties to apply for an absentee ballot when he/she is absent from his/her municipality on the day of an election; and
- A provision that increases the penalty for violations of provisions relating to absentee voting.

Other suggested legislative amendments identified in the prior annual reports still remain unresolved. The Department of State continues to support these changes:

- Adding two new sections to the Election Code to mirror the fail-safe voting procedures enacted by the PVRA;
- Amending sections applicable to the district register to allow the use of a digitized signature list to mirror those corresponding sections of the PVRA; and
- Amending the Election Code to provide that an elector requiring assistance may sign a declaration of assistance at the time of voting - mirroring the requirements of the PVRA.

We also seek to amend the PVRA to correct inaccurate statutory references and correct a number of implementation problems. The proposed amendments to the PVRA include the following:

- Contain a deadline for changes of address received by the Department of Transportation to be effective for the next election;
- Eliminate the transfer of registration records from county to county if a registrant has moved to another county and the county of former residence has been notified of such change by the Department of Transportation;
- Eliminate superfluous information on the voter's identification card;
- Eliminate the costly requirement that a county implement an annual mailing program to identify electors whose addresses may have changed in favor of a bi-annual mailing program that is in conformance with the NVRA of 1993;
- Eliminate the requirement that the Secretary of the Commonwealth set fees for public lists which are prepared and distributed by the counties;
- Make the requirement that the counties provide for computer inquiries about registered voters optional rather than mandatory;
- Delineate further procedures for registrants receiving assistance to vote; and
- Clarify procedures for counties using the National Change of Address program and/or mass confirmation mailings.

### **Conclusion**

This concise report outlines our efforts to effectively administer the Pennsylvania Voter Registration Act. The voter registration statistics for the period covered in this report are attached for your review.

## Appendices

Statistics for the period covered by this report are contained in Appendix I through Appendix VII.

- Appendix I contains voter registration figures by county and political party as of December 31, 1997.
- Appendix II contains a comparison of voter registration totals from 1995 - 1997 as of the close of registration prior to the November Elections.
- Appendix III contains data for the various voter registration methods. Total applications include new registrations, changes of address, changes of name or party regardless of whether the application was valid, rejected or a duplicate. Valid applications include only new registration applications which were accepted by the county voter registration commissions.
- Appendix IV contains data relative to list maintenance activities in the counties for the period covered by this report. These activities include the number of changes of address received from PennDOT and processed, the number of address verification notices mailed in accordance with Section 1901 (d)(2) of the PVRA, the number of registration files marked inactive at the end of 1997, and the number of active and inactive voter registrations which were canceled.
- Appendix V contains data for "motor voter" applications broken down by political party. This information is provided directly from DataCard Corporation, the contracted vendor who processes the applications for the Departments of State and Transportation. Because it is a centralized computer process, statistics can be provided by political party. It should be noted that these statistics relate to the number of individuals who applied to register to vote at a photo license center and not valid applications. Also, the total number of applications as provided by DataCard may differ from the counties' total applications received from PennDOT for a variety of reasons, including not having been received by the counties until the next reporting period.
- Appendix VI contains the number of changes of address received by PennDOT which were forwarded to the county voter registration commissions. These numbers differ from the numbers the counties report (Appendix IV) because they include all changes reported to PennDOT regardless of whether or not the individual was registered.
- Appendix VII depicts a breakdown of the distribution of the voter registration mail application.

## **APPENDIX I**

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  
**VOTER REGISTRATION REPORT: POLITICAL PARTY REGISTRATION - DECEMBER 1997**

NAME	REPUBLICAN	DEMOCRATIC	CONSTITUTIONAL	LIBERTARIAN	REFORM	OTHERS	TOTAL
ADAMS	24,120	14,950	68	154	10	4,075	43,377
ALLEGHENY	238,703	536,311	389	1,376	131	67,087	843,997
ARMSTRONG	17,417	19,795	27	101	0	2,856	40,196
BEAVER	31,393	71,201	75	173	7	8,298	111,147
BEDFORD	15,771	10,081	19	31	3	1,427	27,332
BERKS	81,958	87,692	251	1,144	45	18,655	189,745
BLAIR	37,352	23,113	67	180	3	5,422	66,137
BRADFORD	20,573	9,473	35	86	20	2,742	32,929
BUCKS	176,822	128,448	308	2,277	98	41,384	349,337
BUTLER	45,140	38,335	49	213	8	8,638	92,383
CAMBRIA	27,525	56,208	53	107	10	4,209	88,112
CAMERON	1,700	1,495	3	5	1	170	3,374
CARBON	12,719	15,712	34	85	5	2,366	30,921
CENTRE	36,396	29,866	69	300	47	11,709	78,387
CHESTER (1)	145,436	68,619	158	1,128	59	34,547	249,947
CLARION	10,659	9,011	14	54	1	1,135	20,874
CLEARFIELD	19,743	20,617	42	71	44	2,766	43,283
CLINTON	8,189	7,756	11	33	10	1,047	17,046
COLUMBIA	14,830	16,091	31	76	0	3,217	34,245
CRAWFORD	25,069	18,455	0	80	42	2,548	46,194
CUMBERLAND	70,376	36,301	101	360	58	12,363	119,559
DAUPHIN	77,825	53,335	202	411	32	13,154	144,959
DELAWARE (1)	223,545	95,470	187	827	39	28,860	348,928
ELK	7,061	10,191	17	18	6	1,378	18,671
ERIE	64,181	87,453	163	308	4	11,316	163,425
FAYETTE	16,354	57,669	53	69	99	3,300	77,544
FOREST	1,588	1,184	0	2	0	150	2,924
FRANKLIN	37,818	21,212	61	125	8	6,034	65,258
FULTON	3,966	3,288	8	16	0	365	7,643
GREENE	4,901	15,877	18	29	2	772	21,599
HUNTINGDON (2)	13,362	8,186	15	31	1	1,804	23,399
INDIANA	19,274	20,324	28	99	5	3,430	43,160
JEFFERSON	12,456	10,238	23	32	5	1,306	24,060
JUNIATA	6,323	4,428	8	12	22	590	11,383
LACKAWANNA	39,793	90,111	61	173	285	5,833	136,256
LANCASTER	148,690	60,103	307	778	73	28,132	238,083
LAWRENCE	19,061	31,070	25	50	15	3,306	53,527
LEBANON	37,578	18,035	74	180	63	5,654	61,584
LEHIGH	73,769	76,744	160	510	76	17,049	168,308
LUZERNE	65,397	105,515	*N/A	*N/A	*N/A	9,418	180,330
LYCOMING	32,928	23,059	79	112	9	4,359	60,546
MCKEAN	14,539	7,604	20	78	9	1,800	24,050
MERCER	27,893	34,114	62	97	22	5,352	67,540
MIFFLIN	11,659	8,561	6	33	5	1,347	21,611
MONROE	29,898	27,915	103	360	58	10,204	68,538
MONTGOMERY	260,490	148,699	348	2,329	102	53,130	465,098
MONTOUR	4,410	3,553	3	13	0	705	8,684
NORTHAMPTON	55,279	73,552	*N/A	567	421	16,589	146,408
NORTHERNBERLAND	22,496	22,932	35	85	20	2,613	48,181
PERRY	14,256	6,289	26	54	38	1,767	22,430
PHILADELPHIA	200,745	697,050	668	2,088	136	50,726	951,413
PIKE	12,896	7,964	30	59	13	3,676	24,638
POTTER	6,374	3,355	9	14	1	498	10,251
SCHUYLKILL	44,192	32,931	42	137	15	4,605	81,922
SNYDER	11,841	4,103	13	26	2	1,356	17,341
SOMERSET	22,347	21,351	34	44	4	2,145	45,925
SULLIVAN	2,370	1,630	0	5	0	269	4,274
SUSQUEHANNA	14,107	7,624	23	57	10	1,651	23,472
TIOGA	15,137	6,501	20	27	2	1,350	23,037
UNION	10,180	4,555	16	35	5	1,463	16,254
VENANGO	16,985	12,027	17	75	4	2,321	31,429
WARREN	13,671	10,093	19	44	2	2,177	26,006
WASHINGTON	36,683	82,996	13	186	23	9,001	128,902
WAYNE	15,285	6,916	17	46	23	2,235	24,522
WESTMORELAND	68,829	135,176	134	44	69	16,827	221,079
WYOMING	10,028	5,052	19	31	11	1,101	16,242
YORK	102,355	71,749	242	695	110	22,407	197,558
PENNSYLVANIA	3,012,706	3,457,314	5,212	19,045	2,451	600,186	7,096,914

\* Included with "Others"

(1) Figures are as of 10/31/97

(2) Figures are as of 1/16/98

## **APPENDIX II**

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  
**COMPARISON OF VOTER REGISTRATION TOTALS NOVEMBER 1995 - NOVEMBER 1997**

COUNTY	REPUBLICAN					DEMOCRATIC									
	REP/95	REP/96	INC/DEC	REP/96	REP/97	INC/DEC	ZYR INC	DEM/95	DEM/96	INC/DEC	DEM/96	DEM/97	INC/DEC	DEM/97	INC/DEC
ADAMS	20,405	22,630	11%	22,630	23,915	6%	17%	12,911	14,102	9%	14,102	14,847	5%	15%	
ALLEGHENY	204,472	228,385	12%	228,385	237,221	4%	16%	486,725	517,580	6%	517,580	534,272	3%	10%	
ARMSTRONG	15,466	16,734	8%	16,734	17,179	3%	11%	18,012	19,110	6%	19,110	19,595	2%	9%	
BEAVER	26,724	29,928	12%	29,928	31,075	4%	16%	64,831	68,508	6%	68,508	70,665	3%	9%	
BEDFORD	14,285	15,193	6%	15,193	15,689	3%	10%	9,285	9,660	4%	9,660	10,014	4%	8%	
BERKS	69,359	77,820	12%	77,820	81,408	5%	17%	78,734	84,574	7%	84,574	87,336	3%	11%	
BLAIR	32,777	35,777	9%	35,777	37,222	4%	14%	19,796	21,865	10%	21,865	22,982	5%	16%	
BRADFORD	18,524	19,809	7%	19,809	20,497	3%	11%	8,254	8,967	9%	8,967	9,423	5%	14%	
BUCKS	158,158	172,519	9%	172,519	175,717	2%	11%	113,111	124,270	10%	124,270	127,609	3%	13%	
BUTLER	37,840	43,067	14%	43,067	44,745	4%	18%	34,074	36,961	8%	36,961	38,079	3%	12%	
CAMBRIA	25,056	26,975	8%	26,975	27,382	2%	9%	52,388	55,141	5%	55,141	56,027	2%	7%	
CAMERON	1,618	1,665	3%	1,665	1,694	2%	5%	1,422	1,453	2%	1,453	1,488	2%	5%	
CARBON	11,065	12,013	9%	12,013	12,632	5%	14%	13,999	14,896	6%	14,896	15,662	5%	12%	
CENTRE	31,375	35,026	12%	35,026	36,379	4%	16%	25,710	28,760	12%	28,760	29,814	4%	16%	
CHESTER	126,362	140,617	11%	140,617	145,436	3%	15%	56,510	65,269	15%	65,269	68,619	5%	21%	
CLARION	9,820	10,855	11%	10,855	10,590	-2%	8%	8,400	9,110	8%	9,110	8,990	-1%	7%	
CLEARFIELD	17,607	18,897	7%	18,897	19,651	4%	12%	19,122	19,905	4%	19,905	20,561	3%	8%	
CLINTON	7,248	7,819	8%	7,819	8,343	7%	15%	6,866	7,457	9%	7,457	7,829	5%	14%	
COLUMBIA	13,280	14,328	8%	14,328	14,744	3%	11%	14,768	15,672	6%	15,672	16,055	2%	9%	
CRAWFORD	21,954	24,123	10%	24,123	25,140	4%	15%	15,381	17,162	12%	17,162	18,507	7%	20%	
CUMBERLAND	61,017	67,534	11%	67,534	69,660	3%	14%	31,686	34,875	10%	34,875	35,990	3%	14%	
DAUPHIN	69,464	75,174	8%	75,174	77,633	3%	12%	44,634	50,140	12%	50,140	53,119	6%	19%	
DELAWARE	211,770	223,946	6%	223,946	223,545	0%	6%	83,230	93,686	13%	93,686	95,470	2%	15%	
ELK	6,418	6,907	8%	6,907	7,061	2%	10%	9,742	10,064	3%	10,064	10,224	2%	5%	
ERIE	57,555	62,019	8%	62,019	63,863	3%	11%	79,061	84,445	7%	84,445	87,127	3%	10%	
FAYETTE	13,574	15,287	13%	15,287	16,316	7%	20%	53,252	55,160	4%	55,160	57,845	5%	9%	
FOREST	1,577	1,626	3%	1,626	1,587	-2%	1%	1,134	1,198	6%	1,198	1,175	-2%	4%	
FRANKLIN	32,159	35,900	12%	35,900	37,524	5%	17%	18,477	20,079	9%	20,079	21,083	5%	14%	
FULTON	3,409	3,774	11%	3,774	3,947	5%	16%	3,030	3,202	6%	3,202	3,284	2%	8%	
GREENE	3,878	4,411	14%	4,411	4,851	10%	25%	14,073	14,782	5%	14,782	15,803	6%	12%	
HUNTINGDON	11,665	12,488	7%	12,488	13,242	6%	14%	7,333	7,718	5%	7,718	8,123	5%	11%	
INDIANA	17,543	19,295	10%	19,295	19,256	0%	10%	18,317	20,269	11%	20,269	20,259	0%	11%	
JEFFERSON	11,130	12,138	9%	12,138	12,408	2%	11%	9,662	10,100	5%	10,100	10,225	1%	6%	
JUNIATA	5,711	6,338	11%	6,338	6,299	-1%	10%	4,270	4,543	6%	4,543	4,441	-2%	4%	

Percentages have been rounded to the next whole number.

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  
**COMPARISON OF VOTER REGISTRATION TOTALS NOVEMBER 1995 - NOVEMBER 1997**

COUNTY	REPUBLICAN				DEMOCRATIC							
	REP95	REP96	INCDEC	REP96	REP97	INCDEC	2YR INC	DEM95	DEM96	DEM97	INCDEC	2YR INC
LACKAWANNA	35,795	38,463	7%	38,463	39,662	3%	11%	81,979	85,436	90,146	5%	10%
LANCASTER	129,022	142,170	10%	142,170	147,825	4%	15%	50,025	56,036	56,036	6%	19%
LAWRENCE	17,780	18,742	5%	18,742	19,136	2%	8%	29,098	30,296	4%	30,296	3%
LEBANON	33,262	36,310	9%	36,310	37,469	3%	13%	15,170	16,991	12%	16,991	5%
LEHIGH	62,996	70,507	12%	70,507	73,313	4%	16%	65,627	73,186	12%	73,186	18%
LUZERNE	59,978	63,614	6%	63,614	65,066	2%	8%	96,991	101,503	5%	101,503	4%
LYCOMING	29,390	31,630	8%	31,630	32,779	4%	12%	20,814	22,184	7%	22,184	8%
MCKEAN	13,236	14,185	7%	14,185	14,484	2%	9%	6,758	7,362	9%	7,362	10%
MERCER	24,956	27,121	9%	27,121	27,928	3%	12%	30,847	32,968	7%	32,968	12%
MIFFLIN	10,026	10,970	9%	10,970	11,590	6%	16%	7,725	8,175	6%	8,175	11%
MONROE	24,690	27,727	12%	27,727	29,678	7%	20%	22,655	25,352	12%	25,352	10%
MONTGOMERY	231,271	253,409	10%	253,409	258,804	2%	12%	118,808	139,401	17%	139,401	22%
MONTOUR	4,487	4,817	7%	4,817	4,394	-9%	-2%	3,737	3,998	7%	3,998	24%
NORTHAMPTON	44,735	51,481	15%	51,481	54,795	6%	22%	64,133	69,820	9%	69,820	12%
NORTHUMBERLAND	20,168	21,473	6%	21,473	22,297	4%	11%	20,545	22,216	8%	22,216	14%
PERRY	12,576	13,692	9%	13,692	14,198	4%	13%	5,454	6,002	10%	6,002	5%
PHILADELPHIA	192,876	201,064	4%	201,064	198,859	-1%	4%	619,261	689,880	11%	689,880	14%
PIKE	10,419	11,639	12%	11,639	12,717	9%	22%	6,068	6,935	14%	6,935	12%
POTTER	5,701	6,072	7%	6,072	6,359	5%	12%	3,170	3,272	3%	3,272	29%
SCHUYLKILL	40,574	42,806	6%	42,806	44,266	3%	9%	30,635	32,016	5%	32,016	6%
SNYDER	10,718	11,539	8%	11,539	11,802	2%	10%	3,699	3,985	8%	3,985	8%
SOMERSET	19,929	21,528	8%	21,528	22,300	4%	12%	19,530	20,643	6%	20,643	9%
SULLIVAN	2,250	2,315	3%	2,315	2,372	2%	5%	1,602	1,612	1%	1,612	2%
SUSQUEHANNA	12,781	13,689	7%	13,689	14,119	3%	10%	6,869	7,346	7%	7,346	11%
TIoga	12,752	14,786	16%	14,786	15,038	2%	18%	5,187	6,273	21%	6,273	25%
UNION	8,750	9,677	11%	9,677	10,105	4%	15%	3,819	4,303	13%	4,303	19%
VENANGO	15,107	16,240	7%	16,240	16,882	4%	12%	10,517	11,437	9%	11,437	14%
WARREN	12,527	13,290	6%	13,290	13,666	3%	9%	9,133	9,753	7%	9,753	10%
WASHINGTON	29,978	33,962	13%	33,962	35,882	6%	20%	73,515	77,977	6%	77,977	11%
WAYNE	13,789	14,600	6%	14,600	15,274	5%	11%	5,826	6,438	11%	6,438	15%
WESTMORELAND	56,097	64,751	15%	64,751	68,371	6%	22%	123,511	130,346	6%	130,346	18%
WYOMING	9,020	9,676	7%	9,676	10,019	4%	11%	4,415	4,815	9%	4,815	9%
YORK	85,166	95,652	12%	95,652	101,783	6%	20%	62,346	68,293	10%	68,293	14%
PENNSYLVANIA	2,662,978	2,910,614	9%	2,910,614	2,998,083	3%	13%	3,067,639	3,336,933	9%	3,336,933	12%

Percentages have been rounded to the next whole number.

### **APPENDIX III**

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  
**1997 VOTER REGISTRATION REPORT**  
**TOTAL APPLICATIONS**

COUNTY	IN PERSON	PENN DOT	MAIL	VR DRIVES	WIC	DISABILITY AGENCIES	COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICES	ORPHANS' COURT	AGENCY TOTAL	RCRTMNT CENTERS	PENNDOT COA TRANSFERS	
ADAMS	632	2,809	1,029	108	7	0	13	49	69	0	174	4,821
ALLEGHENY	6,299	37,607	30,549	416	56	45	1,073	776	1,950	47	1,140	78,008
ARMSTRONG	476	1,512	865	0	6	19	30	6	61	8	415	3,337
BEAVER	1,790	12,341	4,898	661	67	11	201	177	456	2	1,935	22,083
BEDFORD	1,013	1,087	317	35	8	4	76	12	100	1	180	2,733
BERKS	702	14,168	4,722	176	114	4	199	15	332	3	1,292	21,395
BLAIR	410	4,139	1,022	80	55	11	309	2	377	2	426	6,456
BRADFORD	686	2,457	757	0	18	0	107	10	135	0	159	4,194
BUCKS	1,230	19,954	5,945	277	11	2	4	345	362	18	3,394	31,180
BUTLER	135	5,271	2,225	8	30	1	88	57	176	0	1,107	8,922
CAMBRIA	799	3,408	1,564	0	63	6	188	3	260	0	431	6,462
CAMERON	50	87	31	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	23	194
CARBON	226	1,695	665	292	2	0	12	5	19	3	369	3,269
CENTRE	164	3,652	1,471	871	11	3	14	11	39	0	722	6,919
CHESTER	216	11,496	4,601	0	16	0	60	45	121	0	3,277	19,711
CLARION	755	917	1,208	0	21	1	43	30	95	3	198	3,176
CLEARFIELD	229	2,205	1,603	96	0	0	27	5	32	0	247	4,412
CLINTON	256	733	798	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	19	1,809
COLUMBIA	144	1,303	778	193	4	0	26	0	30	15	282	2,745
CRAWFORD	391	1,961	932	405	5	0	20	1	26	4	106	3,825
CUMBERLAND	471	9,328	2,845	408	39	9	0	82	130	1	1,861	15,044
DAUPHIN	711	12,041	3,296	360	78	21	226	5	330	13	2,037	18,788
DELAWARE	569	14,329	12,599	483	331	1	223	15	570	12	3,024	31,586
ELK	42	653	247	11	0	0	4	2	6	0	75	1,034
ERIE	1,747	9,313	3,718	1,063	264	5	314	0	583	0	174	16,598
FAYETTE	344	3,115	2,805	943	23	5	102	10	140	1	366	7,714
FOREST	101	70	33	0	1	0	10	1	12	0	31	247
FRANKLIN	518	4,008	942	0	17	15	27	100	159	4	437	6,068
FULTON	99	339	128	0	10	0	21	0	31	0	55	652
GREENE	209	925	562	208	0	0	32	2	34	0	98	2,036
HUNTINGDON	2,472	877	395	64	11	1	14	0	26	1	192	4,027
INDIANA	478	1,706	530	55	8	3	117	9	137	37	369	3,312
JEFFERSON	125	931	301	0	1	1	66	10	78	0	277	1,712
JUNIATA	231	429	263	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	1,009
LACKAWANNA	826	5,095	3,849	2,635	66	3	19	63	151	0	436	12,992
LANCASTER	2,618	14,731	4,083	1,493	119	3	76	201	399	8	4,675	28,007
LAWRENCE	277	2,324	2,188	0	7	1	38	1	47	0	260	5,096
LEBANON	445	3,808	1,548	211	27	9	107	112	255	3	618	6,888
LEHIGH	829	10,382	4,678	536	1	11	72	25	109	0	1,330	17,864
LUZERNE	4,923	6,117	3,859	0	67	2	103	787	959	14	486	16,358
LYCOMING	650	3,973	3,496	169	43	18	230	294	585	31	331	9,235
MCKEAN	187	1,114	496	0	7	1	21	26	55	0	131	1,983
MERCER	583	3,835	1,661	146	14	0	211	8	233	10	296	6,764
MIFFLIN	625	1,075	401	443	6	7	20	0	33	0	101	2,678
MONROE	424	6,055	1,396	300	11	4	300	9	324	1	436	8,936
MONTGOMERY	2,198	18,551	30,605	760	363	0	164	3	530	0	10,693	63,337
MONTOUR	197	584	167	0	0	0	10	0	10	5	274	1,237
NORTHAMPTON	544	9,576	4,258	234	18	2	128	59	207	36	1,205	16,060
NORTHUMBERLAND	299	1,780	1,713	2	1	0	14	6	21	7	339	4,161
PERRY	159	1,300	410	379	9	0	30	9	48	0	368	2,664
PHILADELPHIA	2,423	30,888	15,549	11,657	43	147	8,475	559	9,224	46	2,577	72,364
PIKE	293	2,290	307	25	0	0	1	0	1	0	157	3,073
POTTER	127	370	132	171	0	1	29	4	34	0	82	916
SCHUYLKILL	1,149	5,367	9,783	1,730	38	8	54	2	102	3	486	18,520
SNYDER	13	720	284	65	0	0	39	0	39	1	159	1,281
SOMERSET	774	1,420	850	0	27	16	28	9	80	2	422	3,548
SULLIVAN	56	144	71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	331
SUSQUEHANNA	312	1,083	425	0	1	0	6	1	8	1	89	1,918
TIoga	166	1,578	351	96	4	0	76	2	82	1	220	2,494
UNION	190	820	258	39	0	0	53	2	55	2	247	1,611
VENANGO	175	1,630	583	96	25	3	119	126	273	9	288	3,054
WARREN	194	1,071	315	120	2	3	170	22	197	0	152	2,049
WASHINGTON	1,304	5,668	3,510	347	10	13	185	59	267	37	736	12,069
WAYNE	92	1,475	656	164	9	0	47	4	60	6	276	2,729
WESTMORELAND	648	21,886	26,425	1,534	114	19	250	4	387	94	3,359	54,333
WYOMING	190	718	309	29	3	0	6	0	9	1	182	1,438
YORK	7,832	10,816	3,629	519	118	8	145	117	388	12	1,324	24,520
PENNSYLVANIA	56,442	365,318	222,888	31,113	2,430	450	14,875	4,299	22,054	505	57,773	756,085

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**NUMBER OF VALID APPLICATIONS (NEW REGISTRATIONS)**

COUNTY	IN	PENN		VR		DISABILITY	COUNTY	RCRTMNT	PENNDOT		
	PERSON	DOT	MAIL	DRIVES	WIC	AGENCIES	ASSISTANCE OFFICES	COURT	COA CENTERS	TRANSFERS	TOTAL
ADAMS	291	2,400	635	85	7	0	14	49	70	0	141 3,622
ALLEGHENY	2,816	23,169	10,468	201	34	26	440	768	1,268	43	902 38,867
ARMSTRONG	331	1,275	526	0	6	20	29	4	59	8	271 2,470
BEAVER	1,607	9,728	4,043	665	63	10	181	141	395	2	1,280 17,720
BEDFORD	319	761	238	35	5	3	49	7	64	0	141 1,558
BERKS	443	9,102	2,541	102	92	3	206	11	312	3	1,102 13,605
BLAIR	174	3,267	689	75	40	9	228	1	278	2	331 4,816
BRADFORD	255	1,395	386	0	8	0	68	7	83	0	123 2,242
BUCKS	969	15,512	4,843	0	29	5	16	476	526	45	1,941 23,836
BUTLER	133	4,662	2,032	8	30	1	88	57	176	0	668 7,679
CAMBRIA	261	2,552	1,080	0	40	5	157	2	204	0	299 4,396
CAMERON	50	64	27	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	15 159
CARBON	127	1,424	448	0	2	0	12	5	19	3	318 2,339
CENTRE	156	2,994	1,306	764	11	3	5	11	30	0	634 5,884
CHESTER	200	9,671	3,896	0	16	0	60	41	117	0	2,633 16,517
CLARION	180	573	320	0	13	1	33	21	68	1	162 1,304
CLEARFIELD	82	977	301	87	0	0	12	0	12	0	174 1,633
CLINTON	4	589	761	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	15 1,372
COLUMBIA	141	1,294	756	193	4	0	9	0	13	4	259 2,660
CRAWFORD	387	1,872	888	377	5	0	20	1	26	4	94 3,648
CUMBERLAND	323	7,794	2,088	1	34	6	0	63	103	0	1,252 11,561
DAUPHIN	428	8,524	1,642	256	63	17	160	4	244	13	1,667 12,674
DELAWARE	498	11,519	10,536	442	275	1	172	12	460	7	2,399 25,861
ELK	38	603	229	10	0	0	4	2	6	0	73 959
ERIE	766	5,495	1,526	0	134	1	219	0	354	0	174 8,315
FAYETTE	130	2,302	1,923	685	20	3	73	7	103	0	266 5,409
FOREST	99	52	32	0	1	0	10	1	12	0	22 217
FRANKLIN	202	2,886	458	0	6	15	19	51	-91	3	347 4,762
FULTON	53	236	71	0	6	0	13	0	19	0	40 419
GREENE	136	749	409	177	0	0	25	2	27	0	68 1,566
HUNTINGDON	230	696	225	43	7	0	13	0	20	1	144 1,359
INDIANA	255	1,439	412	52	8	3	104	9	124	37	300 2,619
JEFFERSON	114	797	242	0	1	1	63	10	75	0	239 1,467
JUNIATA	131	339	178	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58 707
LACKAWANNA	515	4,313	2,473	2,293	50	2	16	59	127	0	317 10,038
LANCASTER	2,590	12,738	3,775	1,438	119	3	74	199	395	8	4,389 25,333
LAWRENCE	173	1,428	1,167	0	6	1	34	1	42	0	228 3,038
LEBANON	198	2,964	857	143	20	6	78	57	161	3	453 4,779
LEHIGH	334	7,770	2,639	159	1	10	61	17	89	0	764 11,755
LUZERNE	3,045	5,890	5,140	0	63	2	98	786	949	14	506 15,544
LYCOMING	295	3,186	2,847	160	37	16	200	227	480	25	275 7,268
MCKEAN	36	781	272	0	4	1	13	19	37	0	115 1,241
MERCER	174	2,635	608	105	4	0	188	7	199	10	255 3,986
MIFFLIN	364	866	277	34	6	7	13	0	26	0	94 1,661
MONROE	205	4,855	748	209	9	4	267	7	287	0	356 6,660
MONTGOMERY	1,320	12,830	15,369	467	0	0	123	3	126	0	4,301 34,413
MONTOUR	182	456	142	0	0	0	9	0	9	5	144 938
NORTHAMPTON	479	8,364	3,710	227	18	2	124	56	200	28	934 13,942
NORTHUMBERLAND	224	1,445	1,459	6	1	0	12	6	19	6	273 3,432
PERRY	117	996	274	77	6	0	25	9	40	0	257 1,761
PHILADELPHIA	2,328	26,708	12,980	10,144	34	115	6,649	525	7,323	27	1,815 61,325
PIKE	180	2,150	174	25	0	0	1	0	1	0	120 2,650
POTTER	63	305	87	144	1	0	21	4	26	0	77 702
SCHUYLKILL	873	2,844	2,344	908	38	8	52	2	100	4	408 7,481
SNYDER	13	579	214	40	0	0	31	0	31	1	136 1,014
SOMERSET	505	1,142	.538	0	21	16	23	1	61	2	224 2,472
SULLIVAN	31	91	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39 216
SUSQUEHANNA	312	976	425	0	1	0	6	1	8	1	89 1,811
TIoga	136	1,198	274	87	4	0	73	1	78	1	172 1,946
UNION	165	727	185	37	0	0	50	2	52	2	221 1,389
VENANGO	106	1,194	312	82	16	2	75	73	166	5	228 2,093
WARREN	146	870	238	109	2	3	140	19	164	0	106 1,633
WASHINGTON	1,256	5,185	3,311	335	10	13	171	54	248	36	531 10,902
WAYNE	96	1,181	489	116	10	0	50	18	78	4	154 2,118
WESTMORELAND	200	9,795	8,478	727	36	8	110	2	156	41	933 20,330
WYOMING	172	578	223	21	3	0	5	0	8	1	154 1,157
YORK	904	8,722	1,893	375	88	5	102	78	273	9	1,145 13,321
PENNSYLVANIA	30,066	272,474	130,132	22,726	1,568	360	11,399	3,996	17,323	409	38,666 512,571

## **APPENDIX IV**

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## **APPENDIX V**

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  
**MOTOR VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS BY POLITICAL PARTY**  
**RECEIVED AT PENNDOT PHOTO LICENSE CENTERS - 1997**

COUNTY	REPUBLICAN	DEMOCRATIC	CONSTITUTIONAL	LIBERTARIAN	REFORM	OTHERS	TOTAL
ADAMS	1,459	901	26	50	6	609	3,051
ALLEGHENY	11,142	18,511	205	287	56	6,513	36,714
ARMSTRONG	677	674	8	22	3	284	1,668
BEAVER	1,508	2,573	28	44	6	820	4,979
BEDFORD	596	338	3	2	1	175	1,115
BERKS	4,650	4,560	85	249	46	2,371	11,961
BLAIR	1,890	1,373	29	48	11	708	4,059
BRADFORD	800	500	16	16	2	374	1,708
BUCKS	8,139	6,682	87	408	42	4,304	19,662
BUTLER	2,453	1,950	23	52	7	935	5,420
CAMBRIA	1,193	1,715	24	33	8	501	3,474
CAMERON	56	57	1	1	0	10	125
CARBON	595	704	9	25	8	339	1,680
CENTRE	1,494	1,284	20	45	6	969	3,818
CHESTER	6,678	4,113	70	250	17	3,280	14,408
CLARION	363	254	8	7	1	114	747
CLEARFIELD	767	721	14	22	4	302	1,830
CLINTON	380	328	9	8	1	170	896
COLUMBIA	577	495	12	17	4	292	1,397
CRAWFORD	903	805	8	18	9	350	2,093
CUMBERLAND	3,853	2,142	39	71	17	1,563	7,685
DAUPHIN	4,069	3,956	84	121	24	2,001	10,255
DELAWARE	7,345	5,088	72	231	33	2,801	15,570
ELK	273	317	5	4	1	141	741
ERIE	3,110	3,966	51	86	17	1,480	8,710
FAYETTE	924	1,747	17	22	10	372	3,092
FOREST	51	29	0	0	0	16	96
FRANKLIN	1,979	1,171	17	33	14	759	3,973
FULTON	143	130	2	5	1	59	340
GREENE	265	526	4	6	5	118	924
HUNTINGDON	391	270	5	13	2	163	844
INDIANA	632	745	9	13	4	287	1,690
JEFFERSON	433	325	11	8	2	161	940
JUNIATA	178	122	3	2	2	80	387
LACKAWANNA	1,874	2,694	18	46	9	674	5,315
LANCASTER	6,657	3,929	105	193	45	2,956	13,885
LAWRENCE	762	1,121	10	10	2	376	2,281
LEBANON	1,843	1,158	31	47	22	750	3,851
LEHIGH	3,752	4,094	86	179	37	2,158	10,306
LUZERNE	2,556	3,034	41	70	23	968	6,692
LYCOMING	1,484	1,037	30	29	8	627	3,215
MCKEAN	555	393	11	15	6	213	1,193
MERCER	1,222	1,516	23	28	9	565	3,363
MIFFLIN	487	345	7	9	2	174	1,024
MONROE	2,124	2,263	39	89	14	1,525	6,054
MONTGOMERY	9,507	7,480	135	393	53	4,659	22,227
MONTOUR	223	160	1	2	0	107	493
NORTHAMPTON	3,340	3,518	68	113	27	1,959	9,025
NORTHUMBERLAND	881	589	8	17	6	315	1,816
PERRY	654	346	10	17	12	244	1,283
PHILADELPHIA	6,932	19,220	219	301	85	4,405	31,162
PIKE	1,003	780	15	28	9	533	2,368
POTTER	201	109	3	2	0	59	374
SCHUYLKILL	1,704	1,094	23	48	10	599	3,478
SNYDER	386	164	6	10	3	150	719
SOMERSET	675	606	12	12	2	190	1,497
SULLIVAN	63	45	1	1	1	25	136
SUSQUEHANNA	521	355	5	15	3	202	1,101
TIoga	596	325	9	16	2	195	1,143
UNION	404	241	4	9	3	170	831
VENANGO	685	544	9	12	4	265	1,519
WARREN	462	390	4	16	2	203	1,077
WASHINGTON	1,900	3,029	27	60	11	837	5,864
WAYNE	655	431	8	12	4	321	1,431
WESTMORELAND	3,593	4,852	60	80	20	1,718	10,323
WYOMING	336	235	6	5	3	147	732
YORK	5,746	4,083	79	178	29	2,620	12,735
PENNSYLVANIA	133,749	139,252	2,117	4,281	836	64,338	344,565

## **APPENDIX VI**

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  
**1997 SUMMARY - PENNDOT CHANGE OF ADDRESS REPORTS**

COUNTY	JAN-FEB 97	MAR-APR 97	MAY-JUNE 97	JUL-AUG 97	SEPT-OCT 97	NOV-DEC 97	TOTAL 1997
ADAMS	1,176	1,155	987	1,109	1,020	890	6,337
ALLEGHENY	14,438	16,658	14,437	15,851	15,877	13,694	90,955
ARMSTRONG	925	1,028	897	869	987	756	5,462
BEAVER	2,081	2,324	2,067	2,196	2,320	2,038	13,026
BEDFORD	538	623	534	631	561	1,423	4,310
BERKS	5,522	5,749	4,892	4,787	5,207	4,816	30,973
BLAIR	1,746	1,848	1,590	1,664	1,792	1,682	10,322
BRADFORD	789	924	665	758	816	763	4,715
BUCKS	7,236	7,674	6,399	7,212	7,133	6,506	42,160
BUTLER	2,664	3,283	2,944	2,874	2,774	2,311	16,850
CAMBRIA	2,557	2,959	2,289	2,612	2,548	2,208	15,173
CAMERON	99	106	76	100	84	83	548
CARBON	822	904	811	884	932	789	5,142
CENTRE	1,908	2,036	1,709	1,932	1,982	1,625	11,192
CHESTER	5,738	6,222	5,123	5,937	5,877	5,241	34,138
CLARION	436	583	429	533	499	417	2,897
CLEARFIELD	988	1,083	853	1,041	1,009	895	5,869
CLINTON	569	588	490	556	482	421	3,106
COLUMBIA	854	979	722	947	854	755	5,111
CRAWFORD	2,593	2,584	2,003	2,158	2,046	1,815	13,199
CUMBERLAND	2,968	3,161	2,864	3,150	3,011	2,571	17,725
DAUPHIN	4,284	4,696	4,085	4,100	3,979	3,448	24,592
DELAWARE	6,194	6,778	5,800	6,350	6,494	5,765	37,381
ELK	402	467	407	464	392	352	2,484
ERIE	3,451	3,954	3,377	3,851	3,776	3,443	21,852
FAYETTE	1,699	2,029	1,691	1,964	2,106	1,806	11,295
FOREST	63	86	69	78	79	58	433
FRANKLIN	1,510	1,603	1,430	1,647	1,499	1,338	9,027
FULTON	129	178	127	128	152	132	846
GREENE	498	580	457	488	532	481	3,036
HUNTINGDON	567	630	520	584	591	517	3,409
INDIANA	1,024	1,108	1,015	1,133	1,087	953	6,320
JEFFERSON	552	630	491	633	626	504	3,436
JUNIATA	358	364	287	324	336	275	1,944

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COUNTY	JAN-FEB 97	MAR-APR 97	MAY-JUNE 97	JUL-AUG 97	SEPT-OCT 97	NOV-DEC 97	TOTAL 1997
LACKAWANNA	2,167	2,488	2,071	2,226	2,344	2,058	13,354
LANCASTER	6,273	6,590	5,580	6,436	6,271	5,644	36,794
LAWRENCE	1,323	1,382	1,174	1,103	1,195	1,071	7,248
LEBANON	2,270	1,982	1,834	2,332	2,009	1,737	12,164
LEHIGH	3,904	4,334	3,481	4,088	3,954	3,766	23,527
LUZERNE	3,617	4,022	3,435	3,804	3,902	3,394	22,174
LYCOMING	1,733	2,046	1,644	2,021	1,976	1,745	11,165
MC KEAN	761	859	781	750	680	550	4,381
MERCER	1,443	1,715	1,387	1,453	1,457	1,298	8,753
MIFFLIN	922	935	832	950	981	883	5,503
MONROE	2,749	1,961	1,740	1,821	1,807	1,448	11,526
MONTGOMERY	8,732	10,523	9,028	10,053	9,937	9,163	57,436
MONTOUR	627	337	326	298	310	272	2,170
NORTHAMPTON	3,464	4,278	3,532	6,107	4,611	3,782	25,774
NORTHRUMBERLAND	1,257	1,385	1,181	1,254	1,243	1,085	7,405
PERRY	2,562	791	620	710	650	669	6,002
PHILADELPHIA	14,565	18,557	15,283	15,986	16,453	14,222	95,066
PIKE	434	535	421	435	438	397	2,660
POTTER	606	618	779	544	502	316	3,365
SCHUYLKILL	1,611	2,001	1,835	1,975	2,047	1,687	11,156
SNYDER	812	592	475	587	614	550	3,630
SOMERSET	2,316	3,271	2,883	7,697	3,146	2,210	21,523
SULLIVAN	131	122	96	111	92	85	637
SUSQUEHANNA	431	515	482	1,164	599	468	3,659
TIoga	565	739	601	653	665	576	3,799
UNION	591	609	495	570	546	421	3,232
VENANGO	763	834	715	802	824	685	4,623
WARREN	786	594	502	561	548	482	3,473
WASHINGTON	2,911	3,195	2,633	2,831	2,861	2,611	17,042
WAYNE	1,175	955	727	800	765	683	5,105
WESTMORELAND	3,746	4,543	3,904	4,119	4,237	3,635	24,184
WYOMING	1,145	588	467	603	683	745	4,231
YORK	5,266	6,256	5,517	6,070	5,927	6,219	35,255
PENNSYLVANIA	159,036	175,726	148,998	170,459	163,734	145,328	963,281

## **APPENDIX VII**

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### 1997 Voter Registration Mail Application (VRMA) Distribution

In addition to the organizations listed below, the Department of State also distributed 1,565,760 VRMAs to county voter registration offices. The department also received 971 individual requests for VRMAs. Many were received through the internet.

