

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SECRETARY OF STATE LAUREL M. LEE



Partnerships Make Us Stronger















Partnerships with Supervisors of Elections













Election Security Partnerships





















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JESI – Joint Election Security Initiative





RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

May 22, 2019

Secretary Laurel Lee Department of State R.A. Gray Building 500 South Bronningh Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Secretary Lee:

Recently, I was informed by federal officials that the elections systems in two Florida counties were breached during the 2016 U.S. presidential election. Although the breaches did not compromise the outcome of the election, they highlight the importance of protecting the security of our elections systems.

Accordingly, I direct the Department of State to immediately initiate a review of the security, particularly the cybersecurity, of our state's elections systems and the elections systems of Florida's 67 counties. The Department shall develop a plan to identify and address any vulnerabilities. You are further directed to make this a top priority of the Department, and report your findings to the Executive Office of the Governor upon completion of your review.

Public faith in our elections is the bedrock of our democracy and we must do everything within our power to preserve the integrity of our elections systems. This administration will continue to prioritize the security of our elections and the protection of voter information. Thank you for your diligence in these efforts.

Singlely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

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Election Response to COVID-19















Voting during a pandemic





Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC)

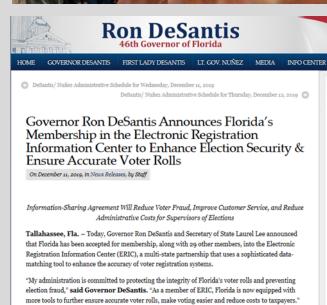
Governor Ron DeSantis
Announces Florida's
Membership in the Electronic
Registration Information Center
to Enhance Election Security &
Ensure Accurate Voter Rolls

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Florida Governor Ron DeSantis was joined by Secretary of State Laurel M. Lee, Florida State Association of Supervisors of Elections President Tammy Jones and Florida's Election Supervisors to announce Florida would join 29 States in Enhancing Voter Registration in Orlando, Wednesday, August 21, 2019, (Photo by Willie David / Florida National News, FNN News Network)

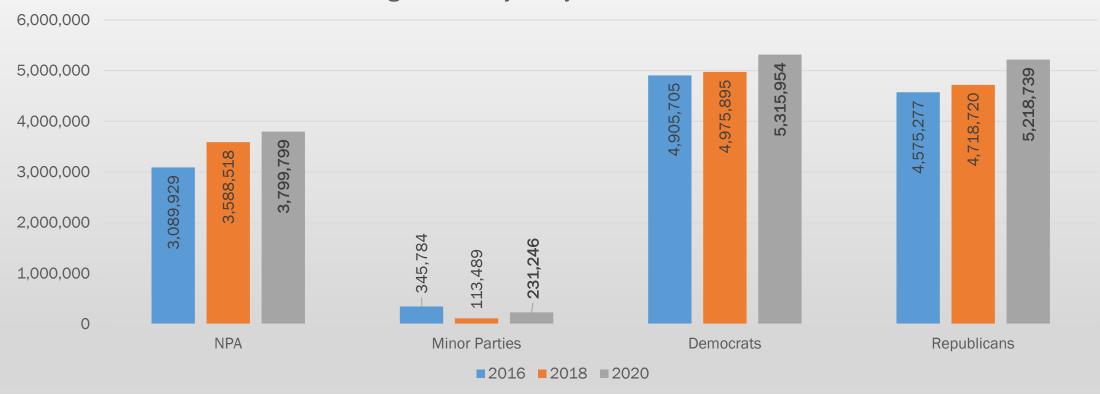




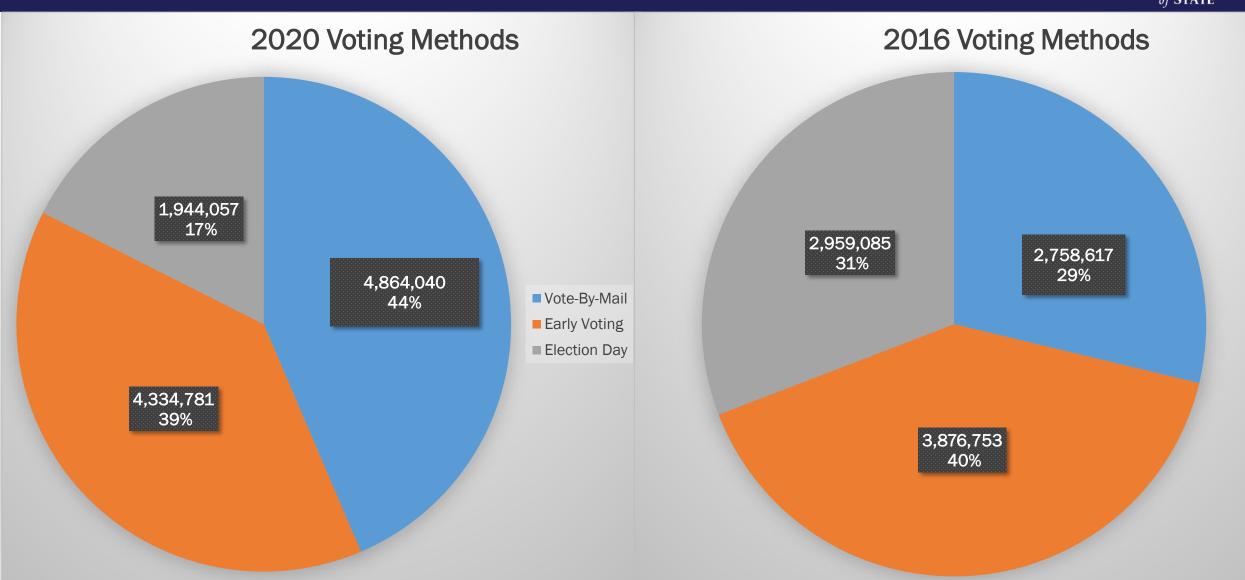




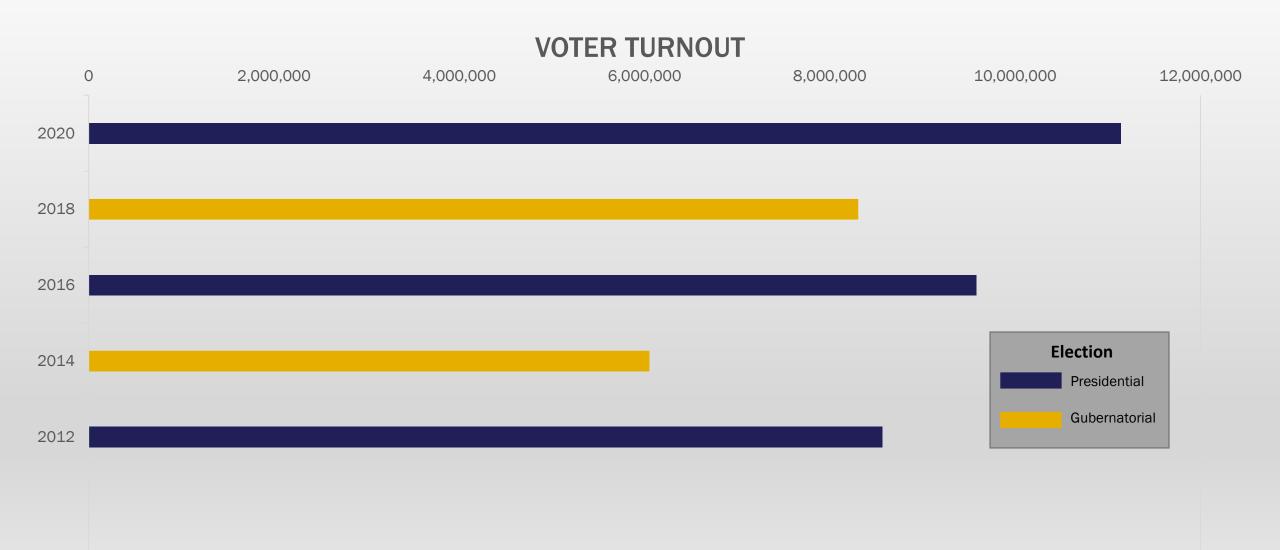
Voter Registration by Party Affiliation 2016 - 2020













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'A high bar': Florida praised for its elections in 2020

For the past two decades Florida has been heavily scrutinized for election night performances, most notably because of the 2000 presidential recount. This year, however, it was commended.











Florida Secretary of State Laurel Lee, [STEVE CANNON | Associated Press]

"Florida was able to handle 11 million ballots, a combination of in-person early voting, vote-by-mail, Election Day, and process them in a timely way, tabulate them and report them. ... I think that inspires confidence. I think that's how elections should be run." said Governor Ron DeSantis.

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You've Come a Long Way, Florida

J. Robert McClure / @JmsMadisonInst / November 06, 2020

Think about what we didn't hear from Florida—no issues of people unable to vote or being turned away from polls, no questionable tactics from outside groups, no concerns about the vote tallying, no protests, no "divining voter intent." Florida did its job, and did it well.

Much of this success is a credit to Florida's Gov. Ron DeSantis, Secretary of State Laurel Lee, and the work of 67 supervisors of elections across the state, whose sole job is to ensure a smooth election. They put on a master class in conducting an election that should be the envy of the rest of the country. They are professionals, they were prepared, and they made Floridians proud.

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Florida, local officials contributed to a calm, efficient, dispute-free election

The Daytona Beach News-Journal Published 5:30 a.m. ET Nov. 7, 2020







Supervisor of Elections Lisa Lewis, right, in green, and the canvassing board get down to counting ballots at the DeLand office on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020. Clayton Park/News-Journal



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