

Appendix A: Paper Survey Instrument

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*2008 Post-Election Voting
Survey of Local
Election Officials*

**Department of Defense
Federal Voting
Assistance Program
(FVAP)**



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

**DEFENSE MANPOWER DATA CENTER
ATTN: SURVEY PROCESSING CENTER
DATA RECOGNITION CORPORATION
P.O. BOX 5720
HOPKINS, MN 55343**

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

PRIVACY NOTICE

This survey collects no personally identifiable information which would be protected under the Privacy Act.

AUTHORITY:

The authority to solicit the information requested in this survey is contained in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. 1973 ff).

PURPOSE:

The information obtained is used to evaluate and improve the Federal Voting Assistance Program.

USES:

This information will be used for research and analysis purposes only. No identifying information will be retained after completion and return of the survey.

DISCLOSURE:

Voluntary. Failure to respond will not result in any penalty to you. However, maximum participation is encouraged so that the data will be complete and representative.

ABOUT YOUR JURISDICTION

1. Which of the following best describes your local election jurisdiction?

- County/Parish
- City
- Township/Village
- Other

2. In the November 2008 general election, how many people were registered to vote in your local election jurisdiction? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Number of active registrants

b. Number of inactive registrants

3. In the November 2008 general election, what was the total number who voted in your local election jurisdiction, including in-person voters and those who cast absentee and advance ballots? To indicate none, enter "0".

Total number who voted

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Please answer the following questions about the November 2008 general election for military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilian overseas only.

4. What was the total number of regular absentee/advance ballots issued to these citizens by any means (e.g., mail, fax, e-mail) from your local election jurisdiction? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

5. Some states send out special state ballots in advance of the regular ballot mailing. How many special state absentee/advance ballots (e.g., advance Federal office ballots, state write-in ballots) were sent by your local election jurisdiction? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

6. What was the total number of all absentee/advance ballots that were returned undeliverable to your local election jurisdiction? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

7. How many absentee/advance ballots were voted and returned by any means (e.g., mail, fax, e-mail) to your local election jurisdiction? Please enter a number in each box. Count only one ballot returned per voter. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

8. How many of the absentee/advance ballots returned by these citizens were counted in your election totals? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

9. In the November 2008 general election, when did your local election jurisdiction first begin to mail regular absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas?

- On or before September 25
- September 26 to October 2
- October 3 to October 9
- October 10 to October 16
- October 17 to October 23
- October 24 to October 30
- October 31 or later
- No absentee ballots were mailed for the November 2008 general election → GO TO QUESTION 19

10. In the November 2008 general election, how many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they lacked a postmark? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas



11. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

12. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because the voter signature could not be verified? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

13. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

14. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

15. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

16. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

17. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were returned as undeliverable? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

18. How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for some other reason? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB), Standard Form 186, is a backup absentee ballot if voters are in the military or overseas and do not receive regular absentee ballots.

19. In the November 2008 general election, how many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were submitted from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas to your local election jurisdiction? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

Does not apply; no FWABs were submitted to my local election jurisdiction
⇒ GO TO QUESTION 31

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

20. In the November 2008 general election, how many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were counted? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

21. In the November 2008 general election, how many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they lacked a postmark? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

22. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas



23. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

24. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

25. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

26. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

27. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no absentee ballot request on file? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

28. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were returned as undeliverable? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

29. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because state ballots were received in time? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

30. How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for other reasons? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) is a simultaneous request for registration and absentee ballot used by military and overseas voters. All FPCAs received since November 3, 2004 are valid requests for the November 4, 2008 general election.

31. Since November 3, 2004 (the day after election day), how many Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) forms did your local election jurisdiction receive from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas by any means (e.g., mail, fax, e-mail)? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- Does not apply; no FPCA forms were received by my local election jurisdiction
⇒ GO TO QUESTION 35

31. Continued.

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

32. In 2008, how many Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) forms was your local election jurisdiction unable to successfully register or complete a ballot request for for military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

33. In 2008, did your office use the following methods of acknowledgement for ballot requests made by Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. Acknowledgement card from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Letter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Telephone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. E-mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. FVAP toll-free fax service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Other fax	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Notified relative of requestor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Ballot sent as acknowledgement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. State voter verification Web site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j. Some other method	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
k. No acknowledgement sent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



34. During 2008, did your local election jurisdiction experience the following problems in processing the Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	No	Yes
a. No, or inadequate, voting residence address.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Inadequate mailing address.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Applicant failed to indicate political party preference.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Mail too slow.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Mailed to wrong local election jurisdiction.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Missing signature.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Missing date of birth.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Missing social security number.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. FPCA not witnessed or notarized.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. FPCA received too late.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
k. Writing illegible.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
l. Duplicate FPCA received.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
m. Some other problem.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

FAXED TRANSMISSION OF ELECTION MATERIALS

35. In 2008, did your local election jurisdiction accept faxed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) from military members in the U.S., military members overseas, or civilians overseas?

Yes
 No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 37

36. In 2008, how many faxed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) did your local election jurisdiction process from each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

37. In the 2008 November general election, did your local election jurisdiction fax blank absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas?

Yes
 No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 40

38. In faxing ballots in the November 2008 general election to military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas, how easy or difficult was each of the following for your local election jurisdiction?

	Very difficult	Difficult	Neither easy nor difficult	Easy	Very easy
a. Access to fax machine.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Transmitting legible copy to voters.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Receiving legible copy from voters.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Ballots fitting in fax machine.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

39. In the November 2008 general election, how many blank absentee/advance ballots did your local election jurisdiction fax to each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

40. In the November 2008 general election, did your local election jurisdiction accept faxed ballots from the military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas?

Yes
 No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 52

41. In the November 2008 general election, how many ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were voted and returned by fax? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

42. In the November 2008 general election, how many faxed voted ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

43. In the November 2008 general election, how many faxed voted ballots received were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

44. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

45. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

46. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

41. In the November 2008 general election, how many ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were voted and returned by fax? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

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b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

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b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

46. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

47. In the November 2008 general election, how many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

48. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were illegible? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

49. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were misrouted? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

50. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because of an incomplete voting package? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

51. How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for some other reason? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas



E-MAILED TRANSMISSION OF ELECTION MATERIALS

52. In 2008, did your local election jurisdiction accept e-mailed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) from military members in the U.S., military members overseas, or civilians overseas?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 54

53. In 2008, how many e-mailed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) did your local election jurisdiction process from each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

54. In the 2008 November general election, did your local election jurisdiction e-mail blank absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas, or overseas civilians?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 57

55. In e-mailing ballots in the November 2008 general election to military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas, how easy or difficult was each of the following for your local election jurisdiction?

	Very difficult	Difficult	Neither easy nor difficult	Easy	Very easy
a. Access to e-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Sending legible copy to voters by e-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Receiving legible copy from voters by e-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Making electronic images of ballots that didn't exceed size limitations for e-mail.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

56. In the November 2008 general election, how many blank absentee/advance ballots did your local election jurisdiction e-mail to each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

57. In the November 2008 general election, did your local election jurisdiction accept e-mailed ballots from the military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 69

58. In the November 2008 general election, how many ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were voted and returned by e-mail? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

59. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

60. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots received were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

61. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

62. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

63. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas



64. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

65. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were illegible? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

66. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were misrouted? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

67. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because of an incomplete voting package? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

68. In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for some other reason? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

VOTING ASSISTANCE GUIDE

69. The Department of Defense *2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)* is a publication that provides state-by-state information to assist citizens in registering and voting absentee. Did you or your staff refer to the *2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)* for any purpose?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 72
- Don't know ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 72

70. How did you obtain a copy of the *2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)*?

- Requested it from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
- Accessed it electronically on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site
- Obtained it from another source
- Don't know

71. What information in the *2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)* did you or your staff find most useful?

- Absentee registration and voting procedures of your state
- Absentee registration and voting procedures of other states
- Mailing addresses of local election officials in other states
- Information on Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)
- Information on Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)
- Other

LOCAL ELECTION OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

72. The *Military and Overseas Citizens Voting News for State and Local Election Officials* newsletter is a monthly publication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) containing timely information on elections and absentee voting. Do you or your staff currently receive this newsletter?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 74
- Don't know ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 74

73. How useful is the *Military and Overseas Citizens Voting News for State and Local Election Officials* newsletter to you or your staff?

- Very useful
- Somewhat useful
- Moderately useful
- Not very useful
- Not at all useful
- Don't know

TOLL-FREE FAXING SERVICE

74. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides a toll-free electronic transmission (faxing) service that allows you or your staff to fax election materials to military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas. Did you or anyone on your staff use the toll-free faxing service during the 2008 election year?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 76
- Don't know ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 76



75. Overall, how satisfied were you with the voting information or assistance you received from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) toll-free faxing service during the 2008 election year?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE SERVICE

76. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides a toll-free telephone service that allows you or your staff to talk to FVAP staff for voting assistance. Did you or anyone on your staff use the toll-free telephone service to request voting assistance during the 2008 election year?

- Yes
- No ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 79
- Don't know ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 80

77. For which of the following reasons did you or anyone else on your staff use the toll-free telephone service during the 2008 election year? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. To obtain voter mailing addresses.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. To request Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) publications/forms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. To give information on the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. To give information on the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB).....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. To clarify something in the 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG).....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. To resolve a voting problem for a military or overseas citizen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. To make suggestions or changes in Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) publications or programs.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Some other reason	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

78. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the voting information or assistance you received from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) toll-free telephone service during the 2008 election year?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

79. Did you or your staff not use the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) toll-free telephone service during the 2008 election year for the following reasons? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

- Does not apply; my staff or I used the FVAP toll-free telephone service ⇒ GO TO QUESTION 80

	Yes	No
a. Did not know about it.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. No one needed or asked to be referred ..	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. All information needed obtained from other sources.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Some other reason.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

COMMENTS

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

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Appendix B: Web Survey Instrument

ABOUT YOUR JURISDICTION

1. Which of the following best describes your local election jurisdiction?

- County/Parish
- City
- Township/Village
- Other

2. In the November 2008 general election, how many people were registered to vote in your local election jurisdiction? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Number of active registrants
- b. Number of inactive registrants

3. In the November 2008 general election, what was the total number who voted in your local election jurisdiction, including in-person voters and those who cast absentee and advance ballots? *To indicate none, enter "0".*

Total number who voted

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Please answer the following questions about the November 2008 general election for military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilian overseas only.

4. What was the total number of regular absentee/advance ballots issued to these citizens by any means (e.g., mail, fax, e-mail) from your local election jurisdiction? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

5. Some states send out special state ballots in advance of the regular ballot mailing. How many special state absentee/advance ballots (e.g., advance Federal office ballots, state write-in ballots) were sent by your local election jurisdiction? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

6. What was the total number of all absentee/advance ballots that were returned undeliverable to your local election jurisdiction? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

7. How many absentee/advance ballots were voted and returned by any means (e.g., mail, fax, e-mail) to your local election jurisdiction? *Please enter a number in each box. Count only one ballot returned per voter. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

8. How many of the absentee/advance ballots returned by these citizens were counted in your election totals? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

9. In the November 2008 general election, when did your local election jurisdiction first begin to mail regular absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas?

- On or before September 25
- September 26 to October 2
- October 3 to October 9
- October 10 to October 16
- October 17 to October 23
- October 24 to October 30
- October 31 or later
- No absentee ballots were mailed for the November 2008 general election

10. [Ask if Q9 < 8] In the November 2008 general election, how many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they lacked a postmark? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

11. [Ask if Q9 < 8] How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

12. [Ask if Q9 < 8] How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because the voter signature could not be verified? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

13. [Ask if Q9 < 8] How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

14. [Ask if Q9 < 8] How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

15. *[Ask if Q9 < 8]* How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

16. *[Ask if Q9 < 8]* How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

17. *[Ask if Q9 < 8]* How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were returned as undeliverable? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U. S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

18. *[Ask if Q9 < 8]* How many absentee/advance ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for some other reason? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

The Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB), Standard Form 186, is a backup absentee ballot if voters are in the military or overseas and do not receive regular absentee ballots.

19. In the November 2008 general election, how many Federal Write-in Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were submitted from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas to your local election jurisdiction? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

20. *[Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0]* In the November 2008 general election, how many Federal Write-in Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were counted? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

21. *[Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0]* In the November 2008 general election, how many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they lacked a postmark? *Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".*

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

22. [Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0] How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

23. [Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0] How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

24. [Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0] How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

25. [Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0] How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

26. [Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0] How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

27. [Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0] How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no absentee ballot request on file? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) is a simultaneous request for registration and absentee ballot used by military and overseas voters. All FPCAs received since November 3, 2004 are valid requests for the November 4, 2008 general election.

28. *[Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0]* How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were returned as undeliverable? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U. S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/ FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

29. *[Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0]* How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because state ballots were received in time? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U. S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/ FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

30. *[Ask if Q19a > 0 or Q19b > 0 or Q19c > 0]* How many Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for other reasons? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/ FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

31. Since November 3, 2004 (the day after election day), how many Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) forms did your local election jurisdiction receive from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas by any means (e.g., mail, fax, e-mail)? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/ FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

32. *[Ask if Q31a > 0 or Q31b > 0 or Q31c > 0]* In 2008, how many Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) forms was your local election jurisdiction unable to successfully register or complete a ballot request for military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/ FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

33. *[Ask if Q31a > 0 or Q31b > 0 or Q31c > 0]* In 2008, did your office use the following methods of acknowledgment for ballot requests made by Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. Acknowledgement card from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Letter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Telephone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. E-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. FVAP toll-free fax service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Other fax	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	Yes	No
g. Notified relative of requestor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Ballot sent as acknowledgment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. State voter verification Web site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. Some other method	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
k. No acknowledgement sent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

34. [Ask if Q31a > 0 or Q31b > 0 or Q31c > 0] During 2008, did your local election jurisdiction experience the following problems in processing the Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA)? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. No, or inadequate, voting residence address	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Inadequate mailing address	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Applicant failed to indicate political party preference	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Mail too slow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Mailed to wrong local election jurisdiction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Missing signature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Missing date of birth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Missing social security number	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. FPCA not witnessed or notarized	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
j. FPCA received too late	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
k. Writing illegible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
l. Duplicate FPCA received	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
m. Some other problem	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

FAXED TRANSMISSION OF ELECTION MATERIALS

35. In 2008, did your local election jurisdiction accept faxed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) from military members in the U.S., military members overseas, or civilians overseas?

Yes
 No

36. [Ask if Q35 = 'Yes'] In 2008, how many faxed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) did your local election jurisdiction process from each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/ FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

37. In the 2008 November general election, did your local election jurisdiction fax blank absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas, or overseas civilians?

Yes
 No

38. [Ask if Q37 = 'Yes'] In faxing ballots in the November 2008 general election to military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas, how easy or difficult was each of the following for your local election jurisdiction?

	Very difficult	Difficult	Neither easy nor difficult	Easy	Very easy
a. Access to fax machine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Transmitting legible copy to voters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Receiving legible copy from voters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Ballots fitting in fax machine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

39. [Ask if Q37 = 'Yes'] In the November 2008 general election, how many blank absentee/advance ballots did your local election jurisdiction fax to each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

a. Military in the U.S.

b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/ FPO address)

c. Civilians overseas

40. In the November 2008 general election, did your local election jurisdiction accept faxed ballots from the military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas?

- Yes
- No

41. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] In the November 2008 general election, how many ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were voted and returned by fax? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

42. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] In the November 2008 general election, how many faxed voted ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

43. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] In the November 2008 general election, how many faxed voted ballots received were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

44. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

45. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

46. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

47. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] In the November 2008 general election, how many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

48. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were illegible? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

49. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were misrouted? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

50. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because of an incomplete voting package? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

51. [Ask if Q40 = 'Yes'] How many faxed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for some other reason? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

E-MAILED TRANSMISSION OF ELECTION MATERIALS

52. In 2008, did your local election jurisdiction accept e-mailed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) from military members in the U.S., military members overseas, or civilians overseas?

- Yes
- No

53. [Ask if Q52 = 'Yes'] In 2008, how many e-mailed Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) did your local election jurisdiction process from each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

54. In the 2008 November general election, did your local election jurisdiction e-mail blank absentee/advance ballots to military in the U.S., military overseas, or overseas civilians?

- Yes
- No

55. [Ask if Q54 = 'Yes'] In e-mailing ballots in the November 2008 general election to military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas, how easy or difficult was each of the following for your local election jurisdiction?

	Very easy	Easy	Neither easy nor difficult	Difficult	Very difficult
a. Access to e-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Sending legible copy to voters by e-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Receiving legible copy from voters by e-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Making electronic images of ballots that didn't exceed size limitations for e-mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

56. *[Ask if Q54 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many blank absentee/advance ballots did your local election jurisdiction e-mail to each of the following groups? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

57. In the November 2008 general election, did your local election jurisdiction accept e-mailed ballots from the military in the U.S., military overseas, or civilians overseas?

- Yes
- No

58. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were voted and returned by e-mail? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

59. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots from military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas were counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

60. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots received were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
- c. Civilians overseas

61. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of voter signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
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62. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

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63. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because there was no date of notary/witness signature? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

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64. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were received too late? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

- a. Military in the U.S.
- b. Military overseas (usually designated by an APO/FPO address)
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65. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were illegible? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

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66. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because they were misrouted? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

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67. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals because of an incomplete voting package? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

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68. *[Ask if Q57 = 'Yes']* In the November 2008 general election, how many e-mailed voted ballots were not counted in your local election jurisdiction's election totals for some other reason? Please enter a number in each box. To indicate none, enter "0".

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- c. Civilians overseas

VOTING ASSISTANCE GUIDE

69. The Department of Defense *2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)* is a publication that provides state-by-state information to assist citizens in registering and voting absentee. Did you or your staff refer to the *2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)* for any purpose?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

70. [Ask if Q69 = 'Yes'] How did you obtain a copy of the 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)?

- Requested it from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)
- Accessed it electronically on the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) Web site
- Obtained it from another source
- Don't know

71. [Ask if Q69 = 'Yes'] What information in the 2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG) did you or your staff find most useful?

- Absentee registration and voting procedures of your state
- Absentee registration and voting procedures of other states
- Mailing addresses of local election officials in other states
- Information on Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)
- Information on Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)
- Other

LOCAL ELECTION OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

72. The *Military and Overseas Citizens Voting News for State and Local Election Officials* newsletter is a monthly publication from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) containing timely information on elections and absentee voting. Do you or your staff currently receive this newsletter?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

73. [Ask if Q72 = 'Yes'] How useful is the *Military and Overseas Citizens Voting News for State and Local Election Officials* newsletter to you or your staff?

- Very useful
- Somewhat useful
- Moderately useful
- Not very useful
- Not at all useful
- Don't know

TOLL-FREE FAXING SERVICE

74. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides a toll-free electronic transmission (faxing) service that allows you or your staff to fax election materials to military in the U.S., military overseas, and civilians overseas. Did you or anyone on your staff use the toll-free faxing service during the 2008 election year?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

75. [Ask if Q74 = 'Yes'] Overall, how satisfied were you with the voting information or assistance you received from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) toll-free faxing service during the 2008 election year?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE SERVICE

76. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides a toll-free telephone service that allows you or your staff to talk to FVAP staff for voting assistance. Did you or anyone on your staff use the toll-free telephone service to request voting assistance during the 2008 election year?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

77. [Ask if Q76 = 'Yes'] For which of the following reasons did you or anyone else on your staff use the toll-free telephone service during the 2008 election year? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. To obtain voter mailing addresses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. To request Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) publications/forms.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. To give information on the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA).....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. To give information on the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	Yes	No
e. To clarify something in the <i>2008-09 Voting Assistance Guide (VAG)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. To resolve a voting problem for a military or overseas citizen.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. To make suggestions or changes in Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) publications or programs.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Some other reason	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

78. [Ask if Q76 = 'Yes'] Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with the voting information or assistance you received from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) toll-free telephone service during the 2008 election year?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

79. [Ask if Q76 = 'No'] Did you or your staff not use the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) toll-free telephone service during the 2008 election year for the following reasons? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

	Yes	No
a. Did not know about it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. No one needed or asked to be referred.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. All information needed obtained from other sources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Some other reason	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

COMMENTS

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

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