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# EL PASO COUNTY

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## High Level Analytics Report

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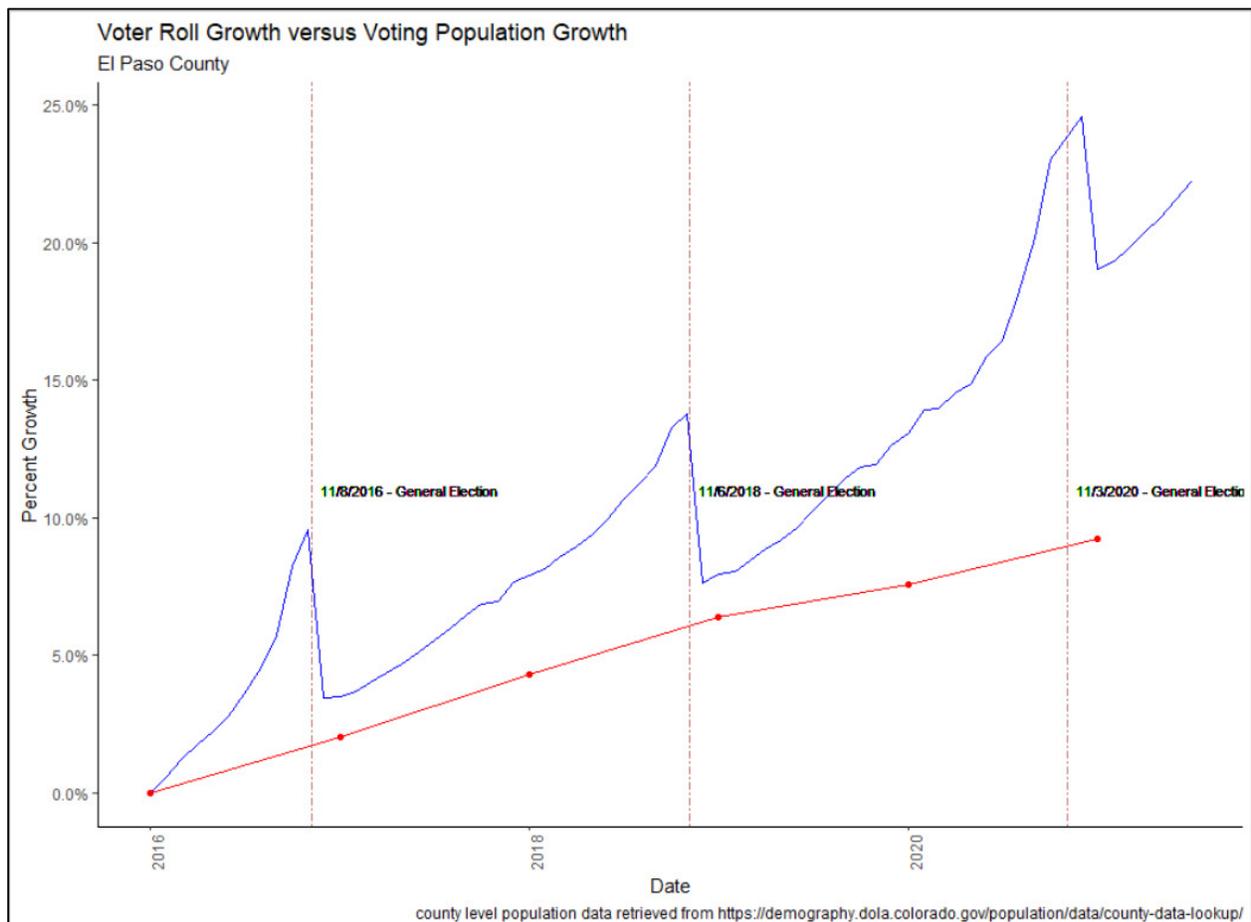
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## Voter Roll Analysis

Since 2016, the growth in the monthly voter rolls<sup>1</sup> has outpaced the growth in the voting population<sup>2</sup>. As shown below (the blue line is the actual monthly voter roll and the red line is the voting population), the most recent Colorado demography data reflects a voting population increase of just over 9%. The actual voter rolls, however, reflect an almost 25% increase since 2016. (Much of this growth occurred before automatic voter registration that became operational in May 2020.)

There is a cyclical buildup of the voter rolls going into an election and then a subsequent large removal following the election. There seems to be an intentional effort to clean the ballot rolls after the elections, but not before. This beckons the question of whether any of the people removed could have had a ballot—incorrectly and illegally—cast in their name.



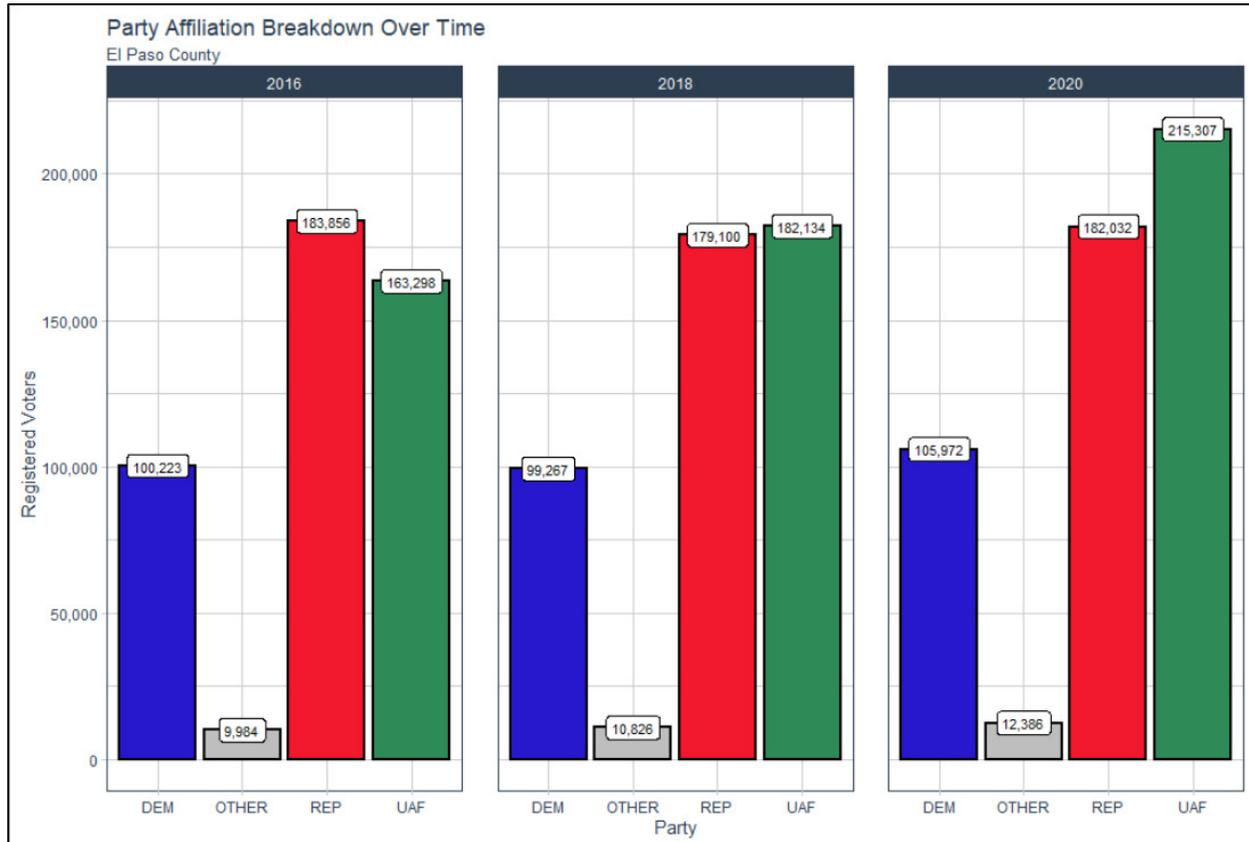
<sup>1</sup> Voter rolls accessed from the Colorado Secretary of State's website: example:

[https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/VoterRegNumbers/",years\[i\],/January/statistics.xlsx](https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/VoterRegNumbers/)

<sup>2</sup> County level population retrieved from <https://demography.dola.colorado.gov/population/data/county-data-lookup/>

## Party Affiliation Analysis

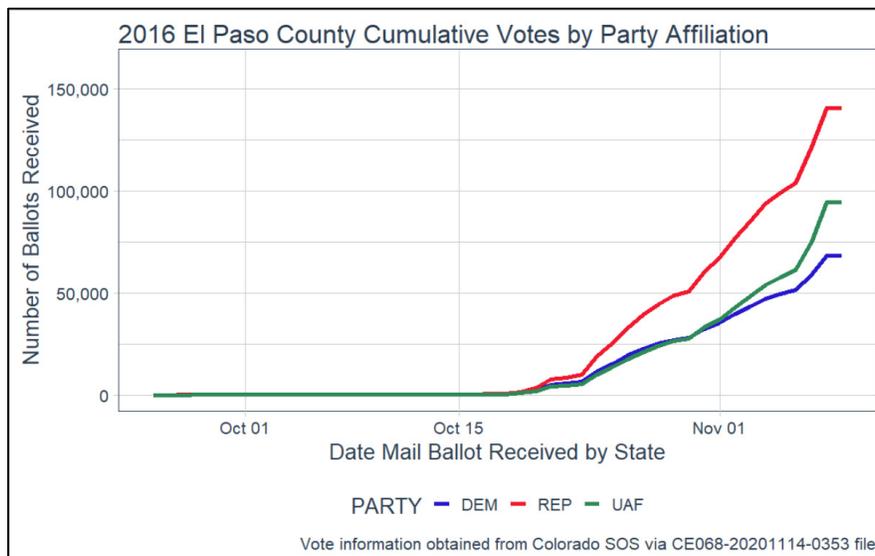
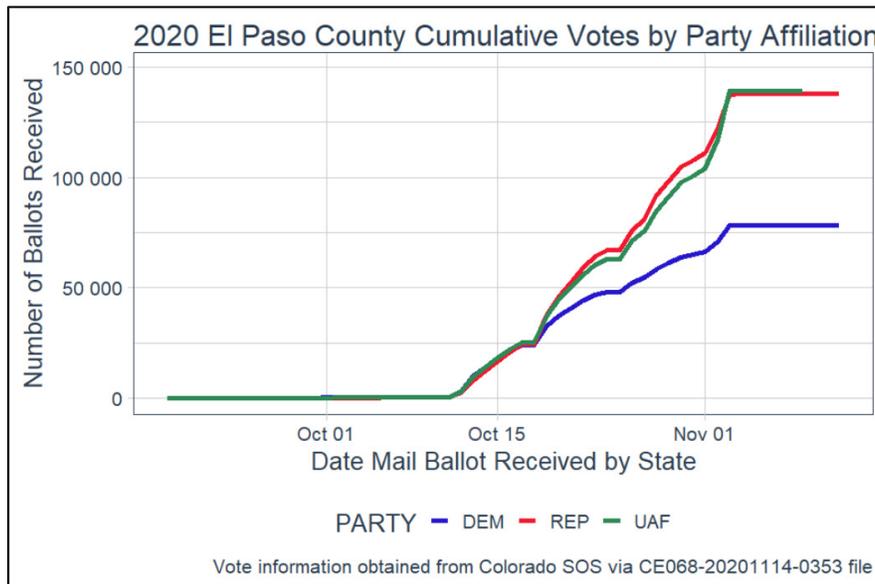
As shown below, there has been a 0.9% decrease in Republican registrations, a 5.7% increase in Democrat registrations, and an almost 32% increase in Unaffiliated registrations<sup>3</sup>. Again, this is curious as these increases outpace the voting population increase since 2016. Additionally, the decline in Democrat voter registration between 2016 and 2018 suggests that Democrats' messages were not reverberating with voters.



<sup>3</sup> Voter affiliation retrieved from EX-003 Master Voter List files

## Mail-In Ballots by Party Affiliation – 2020 versus 2016

In 2020, we saw an irregular pattern of mail-in ballots for Unaffiliated voters being returned at almost an identical rate and time as Republican voters<sup>4</sup>. This is very curious for two reasons: (1) We know based on vote totals reported by the county that Unaffiliated voters historically vote Democrat 52% of the time and only vote Republican 36% of the time. Given the unexpected 2020 parallel of activity (red line vs. green line), this suggests that two fundamentally different types of voters were returning ballots at the same rate and same time. (2) This pattern did not exist in the 2016 general election, which means in only four short years that the Unaffiliated voters completed changed voting behavior. This same pattern was found in all major Republican counties but was curiously missing from any major Democrat counties. Is it possible this irregular activity inflated votes for one party at the expense of the voters' intent?



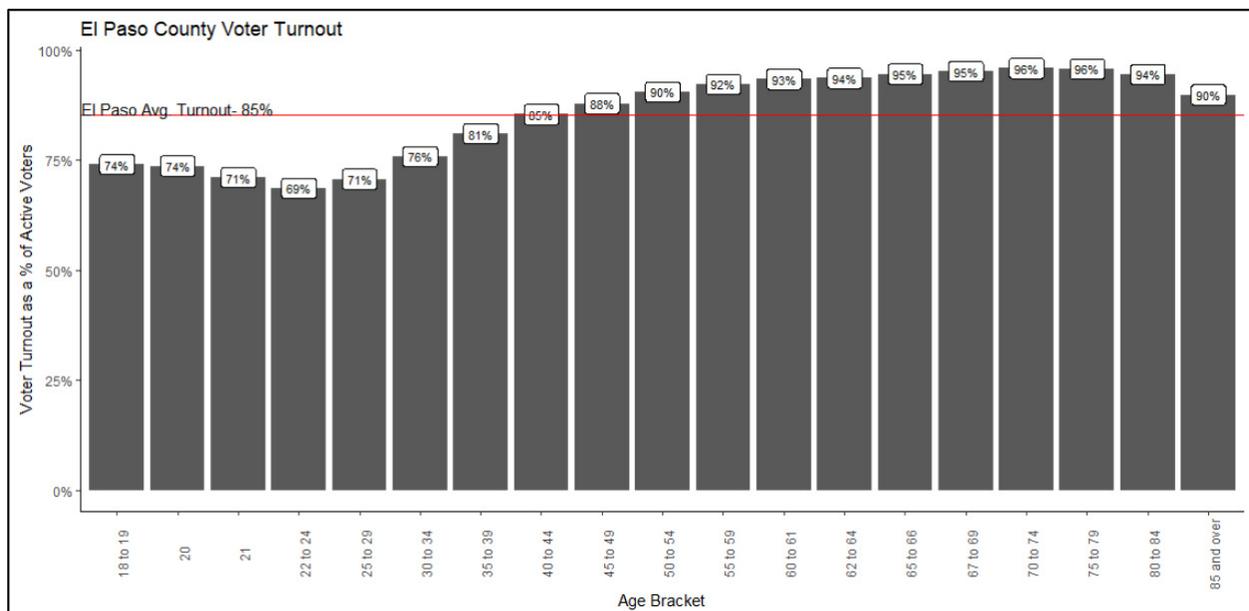
<sup>4</sup> Ballot information obtained from the obtained from Colorado SOS via CE068-20201114-0353 file for 2016 & 2020

## 2020 General Election Analysis

As mentioned in the previous section, Democrat affiliation saw a minor increase (5.7%) since 2016, while Republican affiliation saw a slight decrease (0.9%). However, in the 2020 general election, Biden received 50% more votes than Clinton did in 2016<sup>5</sup>. Is it possible that 50,000 more people voted for Biden than Clinton in the county? This doesn't appear to be consistent with the party affiliation analysis or the voting population growth (which, again, is substantially less than the voter roll increase).

Party	2016 Votes	2020 Votes	Change in Votes
Rep	179,228	202,828	13%
Dem	108,010	161,941	50%
Other	31,730	14,082	-56%

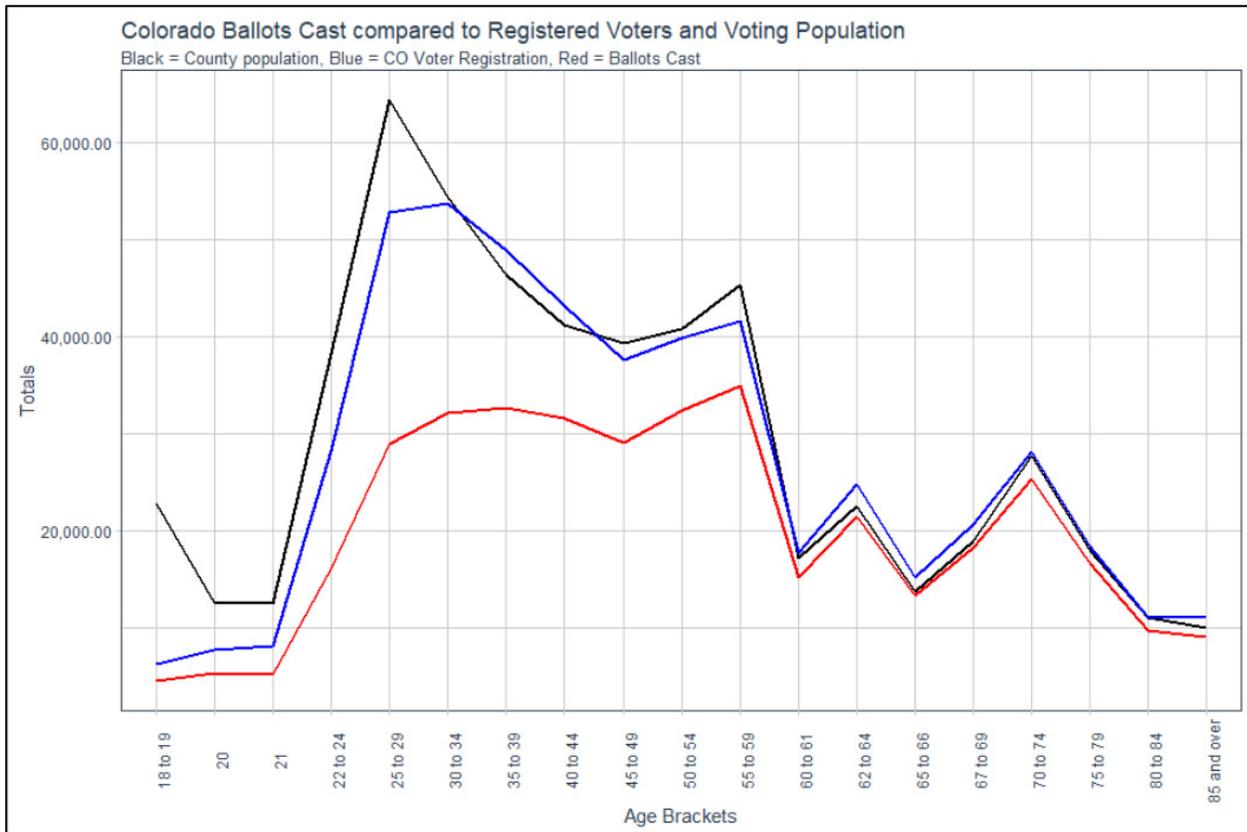
Additionally, in 2020, the voter turnout for age 55+ was also historic, reaching above 92% and also reaching 95%+ for ages 62-79<sup>6</sup>. Compared to the historically regular turnout of 85%, either the 2020 election had more interest, or there was an artificially inflated number of votes in our older population.



<sup>5</sup> Voting information retrieved from the general election precinct level results files from the Colorado Secretary of State's website. 2020 data retrieved from <https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/resultsData.html> and 2016 data retrieved from <https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/Results/Archives.html>.

<sup>6</sup> Voter status retrieved from the December 2020 EX-003 Master Voter file

Voter registration appears to exceed the estimated voting population for several voting age ranges. Additionally, there appear to have been more ballots cast for ages 65-66 than the voting population would suggest. While it is not uncommon for a variance between the Colorado Demography Office estimates and real numbers, the official estimate will almost always be high. Since these estimates are used to get grants from the federal government, there is an incentive to maintain arbitrarily high population estimates. (Thus, the idea of there being more votes than an estimate that is likely higher than reality is implausible.)



Another curious item is how many voters who cast ballots from El Paso are no longer on the Colorado voter rolls. Of the just under 382,000 ballots cast, approximately 1% (or 3,295) of those voters are no longer on the voter rolls<sup>7</sup>—meaning they are no longer living, no longer residing in Colorado, or no longer registered to vote. And these numbers are typical of other counties in Colorado, which results in state-wide inflation of invalid votes.

County	Total Ballots Cast	Total Voters Who Cast Ballots and Not in Registration File	Percent Decrease
El Paso	382,220	3,295	0.9%

<sup>7</sup> This percent change is comparing the voters who cast ballots in the 2020 general election (minus any rejected cured ballots) and comparing to the voter roll list as of August 2021

## Conclusions

There are several questionable items ascertained by the data for El Paso County. Among these are the following:

-  1. Voter roll growth since 2016 far exceeds the actual voting population growth.
-  2. The increase in votes for Biden in 2020 versus for Clinton in 2016 doesn't comport with the change in party affiliations since 2016.
-  3. There was an irregular pattern of mail-in ballots for Unaffiliated voters.
-  4. Historic voter turnout for age 55+ led to a situation where ballots cast appears to be greater than the expected voting population for ages 67-79.
-  5. The percentage of voters who cast ballots and no longer appear in the voter rolls is sufficient to change the outcome of the state-wide election.

Based on these items, we believe a review of El Paso County voter rolls and general election items (including ballots) are warranted.