

## New Data Suggest Hundreds of Thousands Could Be Disenfranchised by Pennsylvania's Voter ID Law

New state data show that 759,000 registered voters lack photo identification issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT). With a new Voter ID Law now in effect in Pennsylvania, a large number of Pennsylvanians could be disenfranchised if they have no other acceptable ID or are unable to get a state-issued ID by Election Day.

Almost one in five Philadelphia voters lack a PennDOT-issued ID, the data show. However, this is not an issue limited to Philadelphia. More than one in 10 voters lack PennDOT identification in Cameron, Cumberland, Lackawanna, Centre, Allegheny, Montour, Union, Delaware and Lawrence counties. The full list of counties is below.

In 2006, PennDOT estimated that 691,909 otherwise eligible Pennsylvanians did not hold a driver's or non-driver's photo ID. The most recent data are consistent with that earlier analysis.

The new data raise questions about the effectiveness of administration outreach efforts on the new Voter ID Law and whether this many people will be able to secure acceptable identification before November 6, 2012, without significant changes to the process.

Share of Registered Voters without PennDOT ID			
July 2012			
County	Total Count of All Voters <sup>1</sup>	Total Voters Without ID <sup>2</sup>	Pct with no PennDOT ID
PHILADELPHIA	1,028,818	186,830	18.2%
CAMERON	3,693	452	12.2%
CUMBERLAND	153,809	18,477	12.0%
LACKAWANNA	147,177	16,923	11.5%
CENTRE	102,261	11,442	11.2%
ALLEGHENY	892,579	99,218	11.1%
MONTOUR	13,274	1,470	11.1%
UNION	22,277	2,435	10.9%
DELAWARE	384,431	40,547	10.5%
LAWRENCE	60,973	6,401	10.5%
SCHUYLKILL	84,991	8,154	9.6%
CLINTON	22,197	2,102	9.5%
CRAWFORD	53,598	5,007	9.3%
FAYETTE	90,603	8,455	9.3%
BEAVER	113,447	10,265	9.0%

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NORTHAMPTON	202,541	18,062	8.9%
LUZERNE	189,900	16,869	8.9%
SOMERSET	51,194	4,538	8.9%
INDIANA	53,110	4,571	8.6%
ELK	20,208	1,725	8.5%
BLAIR	83,993	7,166	8.5%
JEFFERSON	28,094	2,358	8.4%
MONTGOMERY	539,122	44,952	8.3%
McKEAN	25,532	2,128	8.3%
COLUMBIA	38,536	3,195	8.3%
WASHINGTON	140,035	11,246	8.0%
MERCER	73,826	5,800	7.9%
CLEARFIELD	50,854	3,893	7.7%
CLARION	23,736	1,810	7.6%
CAMBRIA	85,736	6,207	7.2%
NORTHUMBERLAND	54,428	3,846	7.1%
BEDFORD	31,767	2,226	7.0%
CHESTER	326,384	22,475	6.9%
POTTER	10,805	744	6.9%
YORK	273,560	18,763	6.9%
LANCASTER	305,169	20,054	6.6%
ARMSTRONG	41,647	2,728	6.6%
FULTON	9,184	586	6.4%
DAUPHIN	174,382	11,091	6.4%
WARREN	28,888	1,830	6.3%
ERIE	172,280	10,913	6.3%
BUTLER	119,609	7,445	6.2%
BRADFORD	40,305	2,496	6.2%
HUNTINGDON	28,441	1,742	6.1%
CARBON	38,058	2,286	6.0%
BUCKS	425,992	25,449	6.0%
LEHIGH	218,295	13,025	6.0%
VENANGO	32,388	1,929	6.0%
MONROE	106,090	6,278	5.9%
WYOMING	16,972	995	5.9%
TIOGA	25,531	1,428	5.6%
GREENE	22,347	1,237	5.5%
WESTMORELAND	233,903	12,876	5.5%
PIKE	40,927	2,252	5.5%
LYCOMING	66,697	3,637	5.5%
BERKS	244,106	12,351	5.1%
ADAMS	59,662	2,921	4.9%

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MIFFLIN	23,964	1,146	4.8%
FOREST	3,223	154	4.8%
SNYDER	20,797	975	4.7%
WAYNE	32,113	1,470	4.6%
LEBANON	79,662	3,308	4.2%
SULLIVAN	4,193	173	4.1%
FRANKLIN	85,355	3,255	3.8%
SUSQUEHANNA	25,849	946	3.7%
PERRY	26,796	848	3.2%
JUNIATA	13,440	363	2.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,243,754</b>	<b>758,939</b>	<b>9.2%</b>

1 - PA Department of State, Registered voters as of July 2, 2012 (accessed July 5, 2012),  
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2 - PA Department of State, "Department of State and PennDOT Confirm Most Registered Voters Have Photo ID," July 3, 2012,  
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