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Report Submitted to New York State Legislature Identifies Structural Deficiencies in Voter Registration System and Apparent Non-Compliance with Federal Law

Project Civica analysis highlights systemic vulnerabilities in voter-roll maintenance, verification, and record integrity

Williamsville, NY — March 24, 2026 — Project Civica has released findings from a multi-year analysis of New York State’s voter registration system identifying persistent structural vulnerabilities and an apparent lack of compliance with federal election law.

Overview of New York Registration Sources

Source	# of Records	Percentage
Mail-in USPS	8,544,682	36.9%
County Board of Election	7,817,275	33.8%
Local Registrar	5,301,860	22.9%
Dept. of Motor Vehicles	1,256,527	5.4%
Agency Based Registration	211,907	0.9%
School Registration	9,651	0.04%
Total	23,141,902	100%

Table 1 - Overview of New York Registration Sources
Record totals and percentages include active, inactive and purged records
Source: New York State Board of Elections, NYSVoter statewide voter file (snapshot dated October 3, 2025), obtained October 6, 2025.

The report, “**Red Flags in the Rolls: New York Voter List Integrity & Compliance Findings (2024–2025)**,” was formally submitted to members of the New York State Legislature on March 20, 2026, and is now being shared publicly to support review and accountability.

The analysis, based on statewide voter registration data obtained through Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) requests, cross-state comparisons, and publicly available data, identifies systemic issues in voter-roll maintenance, data integrity, and verification processes. The findings indicate persistent structural deficiencies, including low front-end verification, non-uniform list maintenance, untraceable voter-history changes, and the retention of stale or ineligible records.

These patterns indicate an apparent lack of compliance with federal requirements under the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA §8) and the Help America Vote Act (HAVA §303), which require states to maintain accurate, current, uniform, and auditable voter registration systems.

“Our elections are built on a database,” said Kim Hermance, President and Co-Founder of Project Civica. “If that database is not accurate, transparent, properly maintained and compliant with the law, the entire system rests on a fragile foundation.”

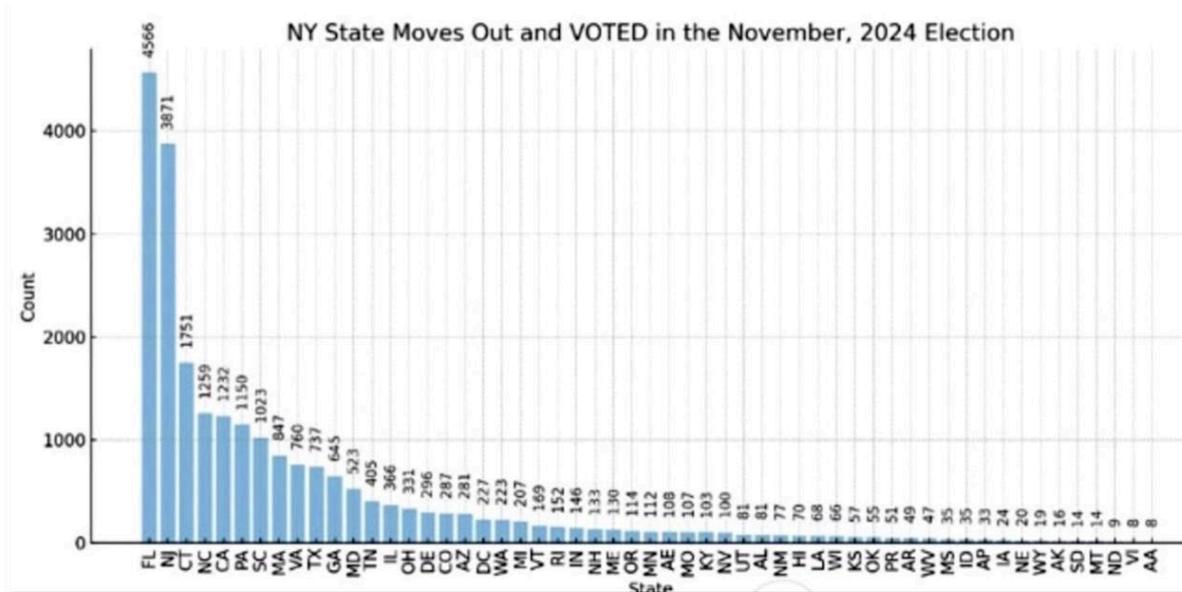


Figure 5 - NY State Moves Out and VOTED in the November, 2024 Election

Source: New York State Board of Elections, NYSVoter file, (snapshot dated Jan. 2, 2025) obtained Jan 7, 2025.

“Illustrates registrants who filed out-of-state relocation and voted in New York”

Key Findings:

- Over **94.6%** of voter registrations originate from low-verification channels
- More than **520,835** registrants filed USPS NCOA notices indicating out-of-state relocation prior to the **2024** general election but remained on New York voter rolls
- **23,298** of those registrants cast ballots in New York after reporting relocation out of state
- New York’s statewide voter rolls contain **significant volumes of stale and long-term inactive registrants**, estimated at approximately **13–15%** of total registrations, raising concerns regarding list maintenance and accuracy
- More than **1.8 million** registrants have never voted
- Substantial **duplicate registrations** across state lines including over **81,000** in NY / NJ with **800 confirmed double votes** in just two states requiring official investigation.
- Data-quality issues including **incomplete records, irregular birthdates, and missing address data**

- **Voter-history record integrity failures were identified**, including a Suffolk County case where 43 registrants confirmed deceased before the November 2022 general election were recorded as having voted. Those vote records disappeared approximately 22 months later from subsequent data extracts, with no audit logs or explanation
 - These findings raise concerns regarding compliance with **HAVA auditability requirements and federal and state record-retention laws**
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The report also identifies patterns in voter-roll maintenance activity, including post-election purge spikes and extended periods of minimal maintenance, indicating potential compliance issues regarding the consistency and uniformity of list maintenance practices.

“This report is not about undermining confidence - it is about strengthening it,” Hermance added. “Where structural deficiencies exist, they should be addressed transparently and consistently to ensure compliance with the law and restore public confidence in the system.”

Access the Report:

Executive Summary: [\[LINK\]](#)

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