



DeSoto County Voter Registration Report

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Executive Summary

This report has been generated automatically using the data provided by the Florida Secretary of State's office from January 13, 2026 to February 10, 2026.

Special Projects

This section contains unique information for special projects. It will vary from month to month as topics of interest change. "This month adds a new topic under Anomalies: Potential Duplicate Voter Registrations. This tracks what appears to be a voter registered more than once in the state of Florida."

Elections

Secretary of State records contain no election data from the last 60 days.

Details

Total Number of Voters

As of this writing there are **20,077** total registered voters in DeSoto County.

Electorate Changes

Voter Numbers

There are **73** new voters this month in DeSoto County. During this same time, **87** voters have been removed from the county's registrations.

New Registrations

The table below presents the number of new voter registrations by party since the previous report.

Party	Total New Registrations
REP	11
DEM	6
NPA	4
IND	1
FFP	1
AMF	1

TABLE 1 - NEW REGISTRATIONS



Pre-Registration

Florida allows a person who is otherwise qualified to preregister on or after that person’s 16th birthday and may vote in any election occurring on or after that person’s 18th birthday. See FS 97.041 5(b) for details. There are **11** pre-registered (underage) voters in the county’s registrations for this month.

Party	Total Pre-Registrations
CPF	1
NPA	3
REP	7
Grand Total	11

TABLE 2 -PRE-REGISTRATIONS (UNDERAGE)

The full name for each party can be found in in the appendix.

Registered Seniors

As of this writing there are **42** voters 100 years old or older in DeSoto County.

Age	Total Seniors
100	8
101	11
102	7
103	2
104	6
105	3
106	2
107	1
108	1
112	1

TABLE 3 - DeSOTO SENIORS (100+)

Voter Migration

Voters move for a variety of reasons. This month DeSoto County experienced **225** voters that had their address changed within the system.

87 voters have either moved out or have been removed for DeSoto County while **73** have moved in. The remainder, **65** had a change in either their residential or mailing address which may warrant an inquiry to your Supervisor of Elections to learn more.

Voter Status Changes

Voter Activity

A voter changes their status because of “Voter activity” or “Voter inactivity”.

“Active voter” refers to a registered voter whose registration status is active.

“Inactive voter” refers to a registered voter whose registration record has been placed on inactive status after procedures in section 98.065(4)(c), F.S., and Rule 1S-2.041 were followed.

Per Rule 1S-2.041(3)(e) a voter placed on inactive status cannot become active when a third-party address change has been received. An inactive voter can only be restored to active status upon the voter’s own activity as set forth in section 98.065(4)(c), F.S.



Removal from the rolls. If an inactive voter does not sign a petition, vote, request a vote-by-mail ballot or update his or her voter registration record by the second federal general election after the date he or she was placed on inactive status, the Supervisor shall remove the name of the inactive voter from the FVRS no later than December 31 in the same year of the second federal general election. Except as provided in subsection (5), no address list maintenance notices can be issued and a voter’s name cannot be removed during the 90-day period immediately preceding an election for federal office.

13 voters had their status changed from INACTIVE to ACTIVE.

0 voters had their status changed from ACTIVE to INACTIVE.

Party Affiliation

Voters change parties for a variety of reasons. The following table captures the number of voters who changed their party affiliation and to which party they moved to this month.

Previous Party	New Party	Total
CPF	REP	1
DEM	NPA	2
DEM	REP	5
IND	NPA	1
IND	REP	1
NPA	DEM	4
NPA	REP	9
REP	DEM	2
REP	IND	1
REP	NPA	1

TABLE 4 - CHANGES IN PARTY

The full name for each party can be found in the appendix.

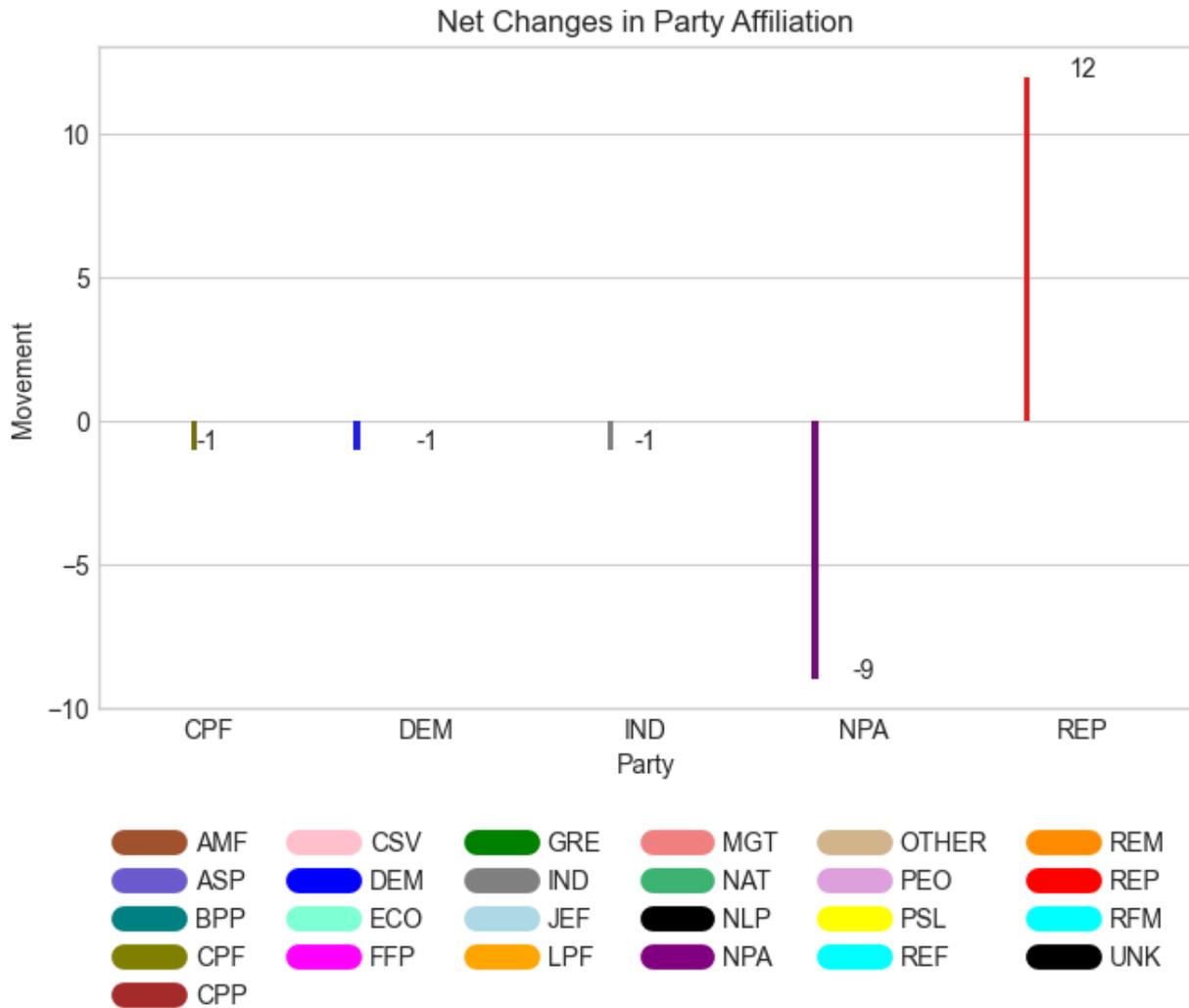


FIGURE 1 - PARTY MOVEMENT

Anomalies

This section reports on anomalies found in the voter registrations.

Elector That Appears to Have Voted in an Election Before Being Registered

This query looks for voters who show having voted prior to their date of registration.

This situation should only occur when a voter for some reason becomes ineligible and subsequently gets re-registered. When a voter re-registers they get a new voter ID yet their old voting history stays intact. This then shows up as voting prematurely.

Another possibility is a data entry error or a bug in the election management software.

There were **no** voters where this happened, and this is how they casted their votes:

Voter ID	Registration Date	Election Date	Vote Cast
None	-	-	-



TABLE 5 VOTERS THAT HAVE CAST AT LEAST ONE VOTE PRIOR TO THEIR REGISTRATION DATE

Voters with a Change in Registration

The rationale for these changes remains uncertain.

Voter ID	Previous Registration Date	New Registration Date
None	-	-

TABLE 6 VOTERS WHO HAD THEIR REGISTRATION DATES CHANGED

Voters Who Had Their Birth Date Changed

The rationale for these changes remains uncertain.

Voter ID	Previous Birth Date	New Birth Date
None	-	-

TABLE 7 VOTERS WHO HAD THEIR BIRTH DATE CHANGED

Potential Duplicate Voter Registrations

Florida Statute § 98.075(2) addresses the identification of duplicate voter registrations across counties in the state. Specifically, subsection (2)(a) provides: “The department shall identify those voters who are registered more than once or those applicants whose registration applications within the state would result in duplicate registrations. The most recent application shall be deemed an update to the voter registration record.”

For the purposes of this report, potential duplicate registrations are identified by matching records on last name, first name, and date of birth (case-insensitive). A match probability score is then calculated, taking into account factors such as middle name similarity, consistency of name suffixes, and differences in county of registration and voting history. Only potential matches meeting or exceeding the configured similarity threshold (80%) are included in the results presented below.

Note that Florida election officials have access to additional identifying information not available in public datasets, including the last four digits of a voter’s Social Security number, Florida driver’s license number, and/or state identification number. As a result, this analysis is necessarily limited in scope compared to the verification processes conducted by official election systems and personnel. While no method is infallible, the identified potential duplicates may merit further review by appropriate authorities to determine their status and accuracy.

There are 7 potential duplicate registration entries involving voters in DeSoto County.

Voter ID	Full Name	County	Full Address	DOB	Reg Date	Match
133533383	Bradham, Jennifer Gobay	DES	165 S Lee AVE, Arcadia, 34266	1985-03-09	2025-03-03	90%
117389841	BRADHAM, JENNIFER GOBAY	PIN	1101 UPTON CT S, #23, ST PETERSBURG, 33712	1985-03-09	2009-03-05	90%
110040175	Acevedo, Ginette Zoe	DAD	1580 Kia Dr, Homestead, 33033	1984-01-25	2001-07-16	80%
109988713	Acevedo, Ginette Z	DES	2834 NE Brownville ST, Arcadia, 34266	1984-01-25	2024-11-03	80%

Voter ID	Full Name	County	Full Address	DOB	Reg Date	Match
100351715	Clarke, Judith M	DES	2158 SW Ali TER, Arcadia, 34266	1963-05-08	1996-04-16	80%
117576851	Clarke, Judith Mary	MAN	5213 72nd ST E, Bradenton, 34203	1963-05-08	2009-06-18	80%
102412809	Evans, Eric C	DES	1870 SW Pax Duces Dr, Arcadia, 34266	1968-10-14	2004-07-30	80%
131978260	Evans, Eric Carl	HAR	805 State Road 66, Zolfo Springs, 33890	1968-10-14	2023-11-07	80%
103216799	Johnson, Patricia A	DES	135 Oak Ridge Dr, Arcadia, 34266	1970-09-14	1988-07-28	80%
105453916	JOHNSON, PATRICIA ANN	SAR	5072 BARRINGTON CIR, SARASOTA, 34234	1970-09-14	2003-01-31	80%
103217592	Lopata, Walter H.	DES	2307 SE Piper St, Arcadia, 34266	1941-07-24	1990-11-19	80%
126013627	Lopata, Walter H	POL	2191 Crofton Ave, Davenport, 33837	1941-07-24	2018-08-20	80%
132676710	Rutig, Brian G	DES	8904 SW Rabbit TRL, Arcadia, 34266	1979-12-28	2024-08-12	80%
126235532	RUTIG, BRIAN GEOFFREY	SAR	3508 CORONADO DR, #105, SARASOTA, 34231	1979-12-28	2018-10-05	80%

TABLE 8 DUPLICATE VOTER REGISTRATIONS

Probability Scoring (0-100%)

Each duplicate group receives a match probability based on:

Factor	Condition	Score
Base	Matched on Last + First + DOB	50
Middle name	Exact match	+25
Middle name	Initial-to-full (e.g. "J" vs "JAVIER")	+15
Middle name	Same initial, different full names (e.g. "ETHEL" vs "EDNA")	-10
Middle name	One or both blank	+5
Middle name	Different initials	-15
Suffix	Match or both blank	+5
Suffix	Conflict (e.g. Jr vs Sr)	-25
County	All different counties (likely a move)	+10
County	Same county appears (possible relatives)	-5
Co-voting	1 shared election	-15
Co-voting	2 shared elections	-25
Co-voting	3+ shared elections	-35

Typical ranges:

- 90%: Same name, matching middle, no suffix conflict, different counties, no co-voting
- 75%: Same name, matching middle, different counties, co-voted once
- 70%: Same name, blank/partial middle, no suffix conflict
- 45%: Same name, same initial but different full middle names
- 30%: Father/son (suffix conflict, same county, co-voted twice)
- 0%: Same name but conflicting suffix, co-voted 3+ election



Appendix – Florida Party Affiliations

Party	Full Name
AMF	America First
ASP	American Solidarity Party of Florida
BPP	Boricua Party
CPF	Constitution Party of Florida
CPP	Coalition With A Purpose Party
CSV	Conservative Party of Florida
DEM	Florida Democratic Party
ECO	Ecology Party of Florida
FFP	Florida Forward Party
GRE	Green Party of Florida
IND	Independent Party of Florida
JEF	Jeffersonian Party of Florida
LPF	Libertarian Party of Florida
MTG	MGTOW (Men Going Their Own Way)
NAT	Florida Natural Law Party (Disbanded)
NLP	No Labels Party of Florida (Disbanded)
NPA	No Party Affiliation
PEO	People's Party (Disbanded)
PSL	Party for Socialism and Liberation - Florida
REM	Reform Party
REP	Republican Party of Florida