

DOUGLAS COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

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VOTER TURNOUT PREDICTION FOR 2008 PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION

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Omaha, Nebr. - Today, Douglas County Election Commissioner Dave Phipps released a turnout prediction for the 2008 Statewide Presidential General Election of 68 percent. Phipps attributes the high percentage to the fact that this is a historic election, with no incumbent president or vice president, and the nation's first chance to elect an African American president or female vice president.

There are 315,287 voters registered in Douglas County, including 123,505 Republicans, 127,158 Democrats, and 64,624 Nonpartisan and other party voters. 68 percent of those voters would amount to nearly 215,000 votes on Election Day.

"The Election Commission will be prepared to assist these voters on Election Day. We have trained over 2,500 poll workers for over 250 polling places and printed enough ballots for 98% of the registered voters within their ward and precinct." Phipps said.

Although more than 55,000 Early Voting Ballots have been requested and processed, voters can still expect possible wait times on Election Day.

"However, each registered voter in line before or at 8:00 p.m. will be able to cast their ballot," Phipps added.

General Election Day is Tuesday, November 4, 2008. Polls are open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

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If you have any questions, please contact Dave Phipps, Election Commissioner, at (402) 444-7141 or dhipps@votedouglascounty.com.