

# VEST DE 2016

## Election Results Validation Report

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**State:** Delaware

**Organization:** Voting and Election Science Team (VEST)

**Summary of Races included:** President, U.S. House At Large, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Insurance Commissioner [General]

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**RDH Validation Code (Github):**

<https://github.com/nonpartisan-redistricting-datahub/pdv-de/tree/main/vest-de-2016>

RDH Criteria	Explanation
<p>Is all raw data available?</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p><b>Accessible files:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Precinct-level Election Results, 2016 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Date accessed: 7/9/2021, Source: Secretary of State</li> <li>○ <a href="https://elections.delaware.gov/archive/elect16/elect16_general/html/index.shtml">https://elections.delaware.gov/archive/elect16/elect16_general/html/index.shtml</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● Precinct-level Shapefile <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Date accessed: 7/1/2021, Source: Secretary of State</li> <li>○ <a href="https://opendata.firstmap.delaware.gov/datasets/delaware-election-boundaries/explore?location=39.144386%2C-75.386594%2C9.23">https://opendata.firstmap.delaware.gov/datasets/delaware-election-boundaries/explore?location=39.144386%2C-75.386594%2C9.23</a></li> <li>○ Notes: selected 'Download', 'Shapefile', 'Download available data'.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● VEST DE 2016 Data File <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accessed: 6/29/2021, Source: VEST on the Harvard Dataverse</li> <li>○ <a href="https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DV/N/NH5S2I/AMXWTN&amp;version=61.0">https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DV/N/NH5S2I/AMXWTN&amp;version=61.0</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● VEST DE 2016 Documentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accessed: 6/29/2021, Source: VEST on the Harvard Dataverse</li> <li>○ <a href="https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?fileId=4863153&amp;version=61.0">https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?fileId=4863153&amp;version=61.0</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Election results</b></p>	<p>At the statewide total level, the election results matched VEST's. The totals also matched those of Delaware's election summary report</p>

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<p>validated for every candidate statewide?</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>(<a href="https://elections.delaware.gov/archive/elect16/elect16_general/html/election.shtml">https://elections.delaware.gov/archive/elect16/elect16_general/html/election.shtml</a>).</p>
<p>Election results validated for every candidate by precinct?</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>At the precinct level, the election results matched VEST's (429 out of 429 precincts with votes).</p> <p>We performed the vote distribution for the county-wide votes as VEST described, and without performing the merges they describe, the election results match in all precincts with votes.</p>