

## **VEST SC 2020**

## Election Results Validation Report

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**State:** South Carolina

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

Summary of Races included: Presidential, U.S. Senate [General]

Date File Updated: 06/09/2021 Date Report Updated: 12/03/2021 RDH Validation Code (Github):

https://github.com/nonpartisan-redistricting-datahub/pdv-sc/tree/main/vest-sc-2020

RDH Criteria	Explanation	
Is all raw data available? Yes	Accessible files:  ● Precinct-level Election Results, 2020  ○ Date accessed: 11/29/2021, Source: South Carolina Election Commission  ○ https://www.enr-scvotes.org/SC/106502/Web02-state.264691/#/  ○ Note: Selected 'SELECT COUNTY' tab, clicked on a county, select 'See Precincts Reporting', and downloaded 'Detail XLS'  ● VEST SC 2020 Data File  ○ Accessed: 11/26/2021, Source: VEST on the Harvard Dataverse  ○ https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?fileId=4789402&version=27.0  ● VEST SC 2020 Documentation  ○ Accessed: 11/26/2021, Source: VEST on the Harvard Dataverse	
	<ul> <li>https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?fileId=5431956&amp;version=27.0</li> <li>Inaccessible files:         <ul> <li>SC Precinct Shapefiles</li> <li>Note: Emailed Mapping Section of the South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office at analyticsmapping@rfa.sc.gov to request shapefiles on 12/02/21.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



Election results validated for every candidate statewide?  Yes	At the statewide to matched those of (https://www.enr-se
Election results	At the county total

At the statewide total level, the election results matched VEST's. The totals also matched those of South Carolina's election summary report https://www.enr-scvotes.org/SC/106502/Web02-state.264691/#/).

Election results validated for every candidate by county? At the county total level, the election results matched VEST's. The county totals also matched those of South Carolina's election summary report (https://www.enr-scvotes.org/SC/106502/Web02-state.264691/#/).

Yes

Election results validated for every candidate by precinct?

Yes

At the precinct level, the election results did not match VEST's (846 out of 2261 precincts matched). The average difference between election results and VEST was 1 vote and the largest difference was 2 votes. These differences are likely due to differences in how absentee votes were rounded.

There have been a few minor changes to precinct names to 46 out of 2261 precincts. The election results for two zero-vote precincts (VEST) were dropped.