

Analysis of Purged and New Voters in West Virginia by Party, Age Group, and Sex during the Year 2022

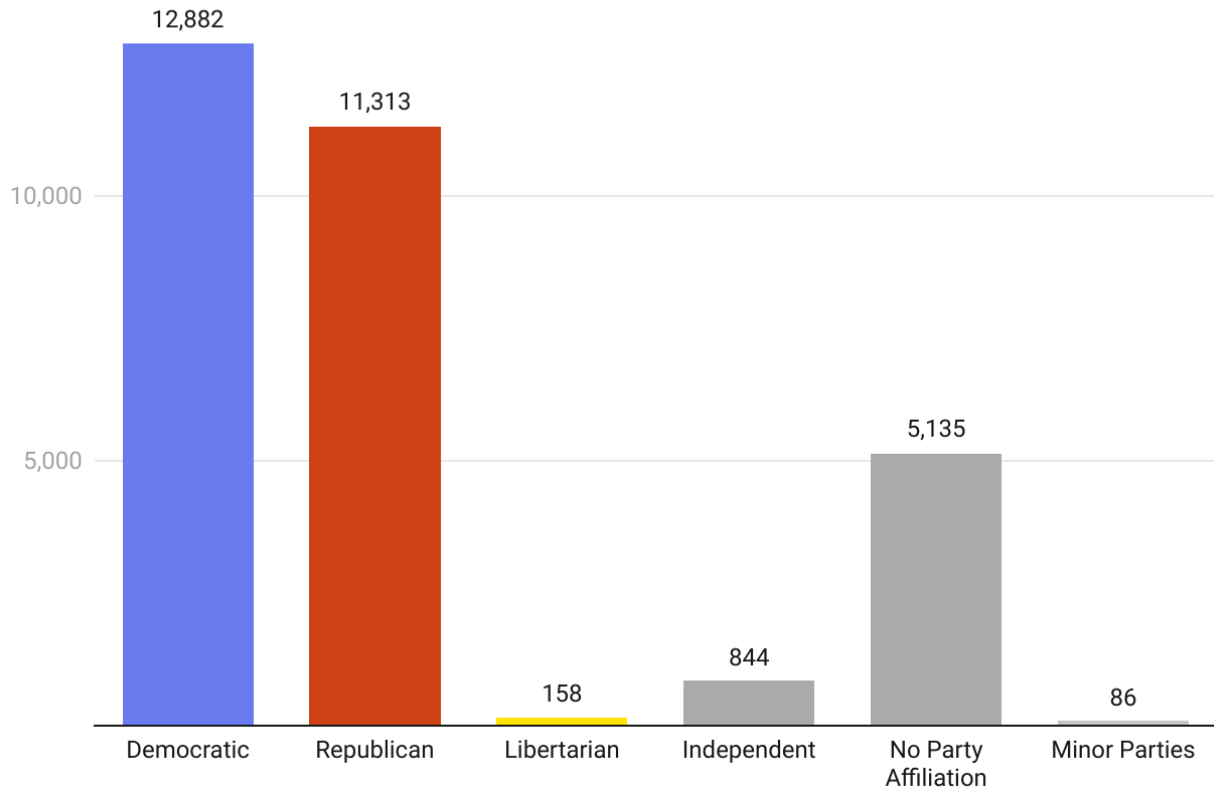
The Voter Purge Project

Introduction:

The following figures show the changes in the West Virginia voting population during the year 2022, as observed through three categories, party, age group, and sex—those being the only identifiers that West Virginia provides. West Virginia recognizes many political parties, but only five parties are listed specifically in this report. All other parties are measured together in one category denoted “minor parties”. The percentage of purged voters is calculated by comparing the number of voters dropped to the category population at the beginning of the observation period. Similarly, the percentage of new voters is calculated by comparing the amount of voters added to the total number of voters at the end of the observation period.

Analysis by Party

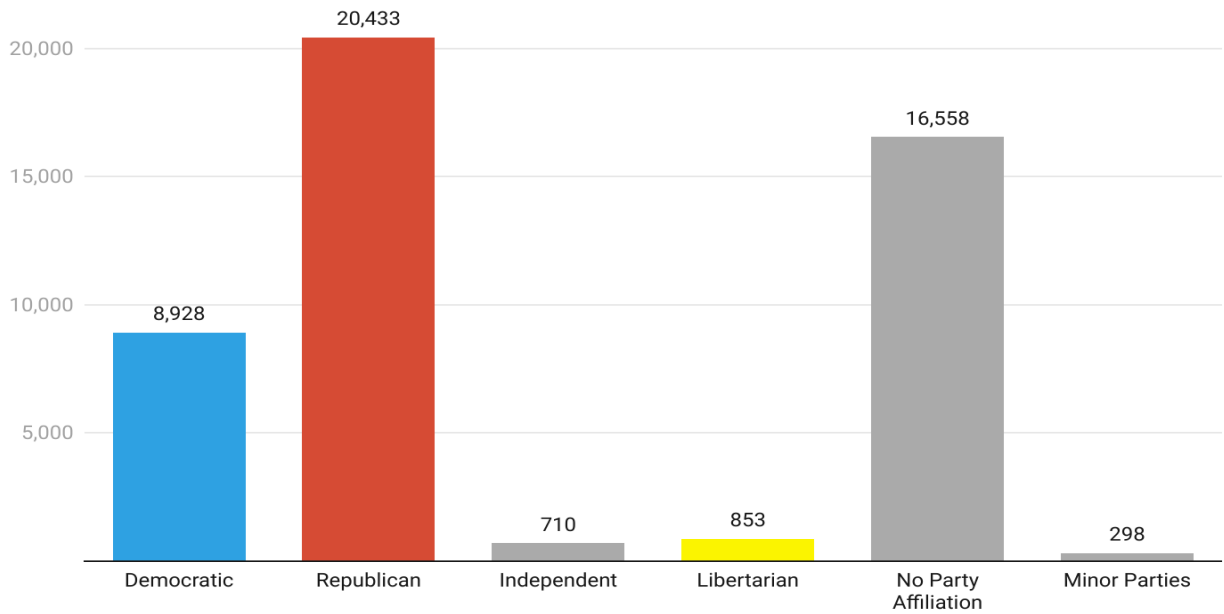
Purged West Virginia Voters by Party (2022)



Party	Total Voters	Amount Purged	Percentage Purged
Democratic	395,516	12,882	3.26%
Republican	430,155	11,313	2.63%
Libertarian	8,911	158	1.77%
Independent	35,021	844	2.41%
No Party Affiliation	251,298	5,135	2.04%
Minor Parties	3,509	86	2.45%

As shown in the figures, Democratic voters in West Virginia were purged at the highest rate, despite not comprising the majority of the voter base at the beginning of 2022.

New West Virginia Voters by Party (2022)

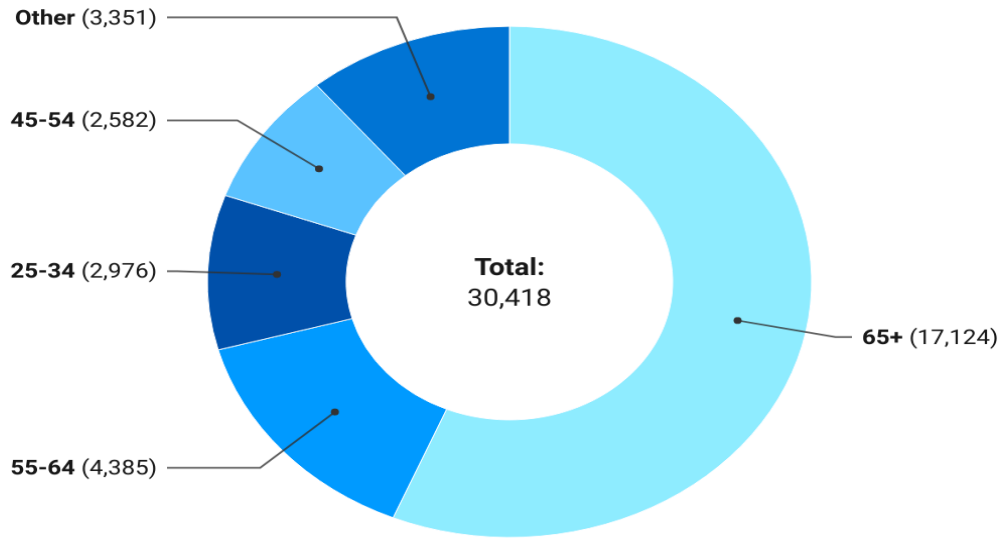


Party	Current Total Voters	Amount Added	Percentage Added
Democratic	381,660	8,928	2.340%
Republican	445,608	20,433	4.590%
Independent	35,404	710	2.010%
Libertarian	9,774	853	8.730%
No Party Affiliation	265,306	16,558	6.240%
Minor Parties	4,460	298	0.067%

In 2022, the West Virginia Republican voter base saw the greatest increase in voters. Despite holding the second largest vote-share in the state, the amount of new Democrats compared to their total base was outpaced by most other groups.

Analysis by Age Group

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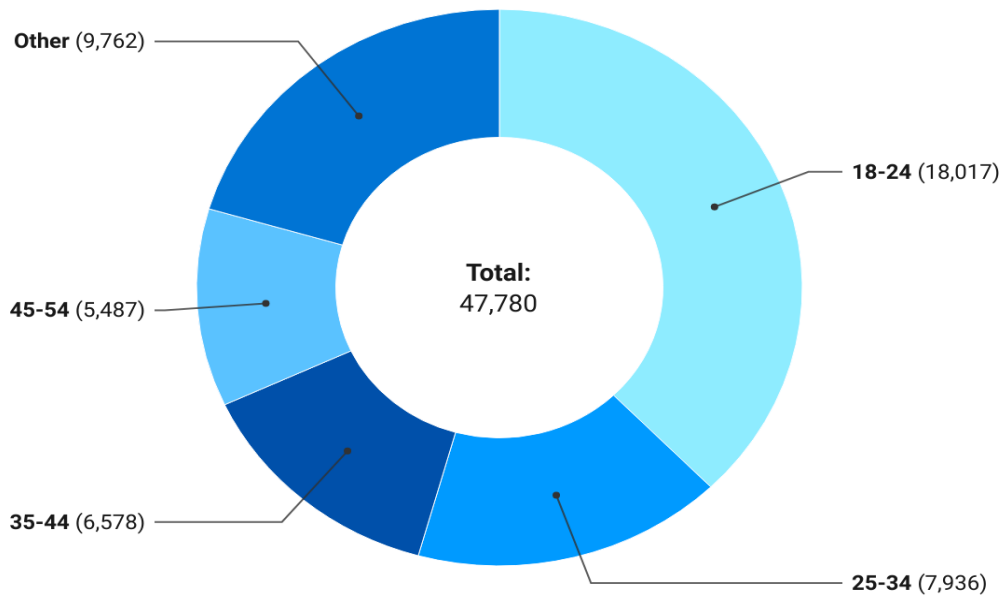


Purged West Virginia Voters by Age Group (2022)

Age Group	Total Voters	Amount Purged	Percentage Purged
17	352	3	0.85%
18-24	114,886	1,075	0.94%
25-34	167,851	2,976	1.77%
35-44	167,003	2,273	1.36%
45-54	175,455	2,582	1.47%
55-64	194,055	4,385	2.26%
65+	305,349	17,124	5.61%

As expected, voters ages 55+ were purged at the highest rates, as the largest reason for purging voters is because of death. Voters age 25-34 were purged at the third highest rate.

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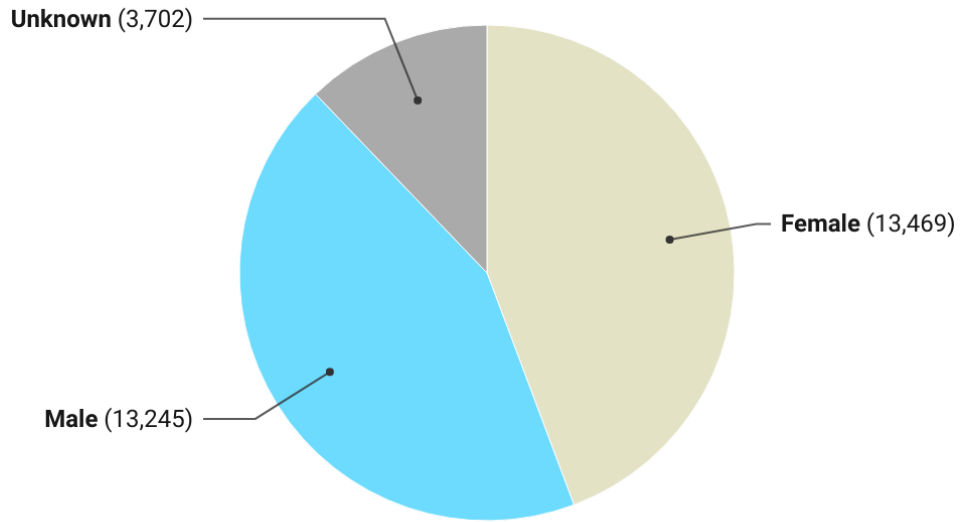
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Age Group	Current Total Voters	Amount Added	Percentage Added
17	425	425	100%
18-24	115,173	18,017	15.64%
25-34	174,534	7,936	4.55%
35-44	170,169	6,578	3.87%
45-54	177,873	5,487	3.08%
55-64	192,037	4,887	2.54%
65+	312,102	4,450	1.43%

Young voters were added at the highest rate compared to the size of each age group. The 17 year-old category having 100% new voters indicates that all voters who were 17 at the end of 2022 were voters who were added during that year.

Analysis by Sex

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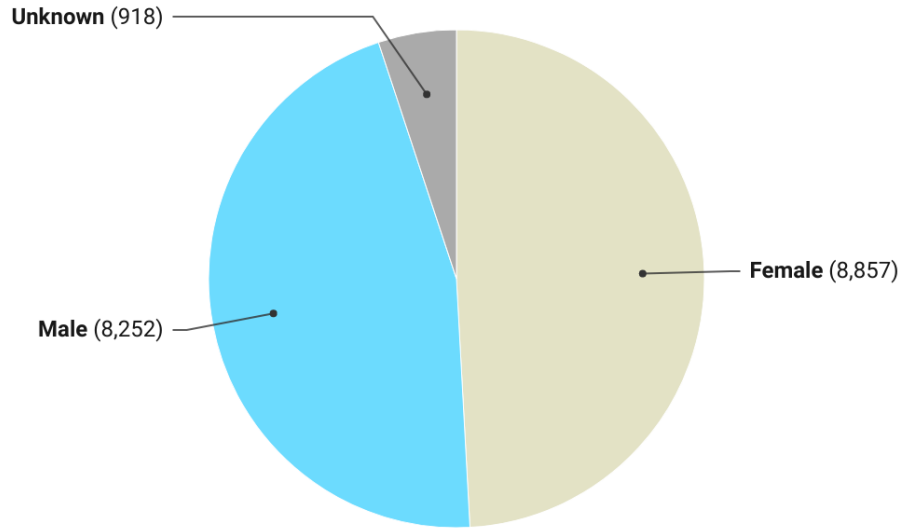


Purged West Virginia Voters by Sex (2022)

Sex	Total Voters	Amount Purged	Percentage Purged
Female	523,139	13,469	2.57%
Male	465,857	13,245	2.84%
Unknown	135,945	3,702	2.72%

Voters of each sex were purged at similar rates, though the male purge rate was slightly higher.

New West Virginia Voters by Sex (2022)



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Sex	Current Total Voters	Amount Added	Percentage Added
Female	512,308	8,857	1.73%
Male	456,566	8,252	1.81%
Unknown	126,557	918	0.73%

As with the purged voters, new voters in each sex category were added at similar rates.