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Anaconda-Deer Lodge	380	2,794	36	2,758	380	35	3,173	0	N/A	No
Beaverhead	799	2,418	25	2,418	799	19	3,236	3	We counted 3,214 but there should have been 3,211. As the precinct judge reported in Precinct 4, one voter placed all four of his ballots in the ballot box but the judge was not made aware of the issue until after several other voters had already placed their ballots in the ballot box. Therefore, an accurate retrieval was not an option.	Yes
Big Horn										
Blaine	305	970	14	956	277	28	1,261	0	N/A	Yes
Broadwater										
Butte-Silver Bow	2,449	8,633	150	8,612	2,450	12	10,934	Don't understand the question.	The difference bx poll ballots issued and cast is 21; abs diff is 7 after the recount. Poll difference is usually unvoted ballots in the voted ballot box. Variance in abs is a multitude of possibilities. All human error.	Yes
Carbon	927	3,354	35	3,270	927	31	4,228	30/70	Unknown	No
Carter	276	279	0	279	276	0	555	0	N/A	No
Cascade	1,042	19,604	573	19,054	1,042	15	20,174	63	Hand count errors	No
Chouteau										
Custer										
Daniels	278	393	unsure	unsure	unsure	N/A	Unsure	N/A	N/A Note regarding "total ballots counted:" The highest number of counted votes for a race was 639.	No
Dawson	411	2,252	24	2,228	411	3	2,642	0	I put none, but I believe I had a difference from precinct to precinct and had called my chief counting board judge. Looking at my daily sheets total, I showed we sent 76 ballots for Pr- 5Rural to counting board, and they said they counted 77. I showed we sent 32 ballots in Pr 5Town and they counted 31, but we were correct overall and concluded they probably wrote a rejected ballot on the wrong precinct number on the reconciliation sheet, at least that is what we came up with.	Yes
Fallon	192	965	10	955	192	0	1,147	10	10 Absentee rejected by Pre-Processing Teams for empty secrecy envelope OR multiple party ballots voted and returned in a secrecy envelope.	No
Fergus	732	3,187	38	3,149	732	0	3,881	0	N/A Note on "Provisional Ballots Counted:" Had 8 come in but they were resolved at count center	Yes

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Flathead	4,568	25,140	274	24,898	4,568	267	29,733	32	The variance between the accepted ballots by the signature verification team and the absentee ballot prep team is due to inconsistent reporting on reconciliation and rejection forms, i.e., counting multiple ballots in one secrecy envelope as more than one rejection. Flathead County is working to streamline the reconciliation process and update both rejection and reconciliation forms prior to the upcoming Gen. Election.	Yes
Gallatin	1,387	27,676	83 total (73 >1 absentee rejected before count, 10 >1 ballot found at count)	27,682	1,239	169 (21 issued in office, 154 at polls, 6 poll ballots rejected)	29,090	0	Overall we had 1 absentee that was not accepted, because there were 2 voted ballots in the envelope. Other than that it was 100%.	No
Garfield	251	350	6	350	251	0	601	N/A	N/A	No
Glacier	491	1,530	60	1,530	491	86	2,167	1,039 more absentee than poll	Higher Volume of Absentee Voters in Glacier County	Yes
Golden Valley	69	236	0	236	69	0	305	0	N/A	Yes
Granite	400	945	14	931	400	0	1,331	0% poll, 1.5% absentee	Had no provisionals therefore no "rejected" at polls. The absentee ballots were due to multiple party ballots marked in one envelope.	No
Hill	300	4,494	0	250	4,494	50	4,794	0	0	No
Jefferson	713	3,759	43	3,716	713	59	4,488	0	N/A	Yes
Judith Basin	284	533	1	533	284	0	817	2 to 1	More people vote absentee than go to polls	Yes
Lake	1,211	7,746	62	7,688	1,211	69	8,968	4	Appears 2 secrecy/4 ballots did not get rejected in central count.	Yes
Lewis & Clark	2,860	20,879 (secrecy envelopes)	234 (empty secrecy envelope, envelope contained instructions only, contained only school election ballot, or contained more than one primary election ballot)	20,645	2,660	196	23,503	2	1 LESS – PCT 3 noted they believe a poll voter accidently deposited their voted ballot in the non-voted ballot box. (We investigated, but there were multiple completed ballots in the non-voted ballot box. It appears more than one voter filled out all three-party ballots, then only returned one of the ballots they were issued as their voted ballot.) 3 MORE – Administrative errors possibly in manual tracking number of ballots during opening the secrecy envelopes and verifying whether the ballot should be accepted for tabulation or rejected. (Confusion arises due to the number of possibilities for a voter to return such as multiple blank ballots could have been returned by one or more voter(s) and forwarded on to tabulation by election judges. We have attempted to train for various situations such as this, but training isn't always remembered during the 32.5 continuous hours of counting during the 2024 Primary. This boils down to human error.)	No

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Liberty	201	546	4	542	201	0	743	0	N/A	Yes
Lincoln	1,558	4,734	19	4,756	1,558	43	6,468	0	No variance if we are not including provisional	Yes
Madison	10	23	0	2,443	807	0	3,250	0	N/A	Yes
McCone										
Meagher	979	649	0	649	97	0	746	0	N/A	Yes
Mineral	379	1,371	20	1,351	379	7	1,737	0	N/A	No
Missoula	2,222	33,278	505	32,773	2,222	222	35,249	32	26 ballots were run twice during resolution. This was a human error due to continuous tabulation. There is an unexplained difference of 6 ballots in addition to the 26 known but un-rectifiable human errors.	Yes
Musselshell	417	1,135	0	1,135	417	11	1,563	0	N/A	Yes
Park	1,423	4,823	56	4,767	1,423	64	6,254	56	More than one party ballot voted	No
Petroleum										
Phillips	130	1,283	9	1,272	130	2	1,404	9	More than one voted ballot in the envelope	No
Pondera	217	1,674	11	1,651	217	24	1,892	*	*	No
Powder River										
Powell	656	1,211	11	1,196	656	0	1,852	11	11 ballots were not counted for voting more than one ballot, 4 ballots were rejected for no signature giving the 15 total difference between "accepted" and "counted".	No
Prairie	158	309	2	307	158	0	465	0	N/A	Yes
Ravalli	2,904	13,187	-139	13,048	2,903	207	16,158	9	9 total, but 4 were over, and 5 short so short 1 ballot overall. Overall we were short a ballot returned in one precinct from the polling place (Pct 15)	Yes
Richland	828	1,394	12	1,382	828	22	2,232	12	12 absentee - voted multiple ballots	No
Roosevelt										
Rosebud	459	1,391	18	1,373	459	0	1,832	18	We had 18 ballots that when yellow secrecy envelope was opened, it contained three voted ballots.	No
Sanders										

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Sheridan	263	969	15	954	263	3	1,220	15	Multiple ballots in envelope, or no ballots in envelope.	No
Stillwater										
Sweet Grass	260	1,090	7	1,083	260	14	1,357	7	Counting board rejected due to multiple ballots or identifying markings on ballot or ballot being cut and only partially submitted.	Yes
Teton										
Toole	358	848	7	841	358	2	1,201	7	7 secrecy envelopes had more than 1 party voted ballot in them.	No
Treasure										
Valley	201	2,300	0	2,300	201	0	2,501	0	N/A	Yes
Wheatland										
Wibaux	140	202	0	202	140	0	342	0	N/A	No
Yellowstone	1,332	42,052 (plus additional 59 provisional ballots were accepted for total of 42,111)	452	41,562	1,332	59	42,953 (adjusted from 42,934 as reported on the SOS site for blank ballots)	0.000883906 (38 undercounted ballots total in all 59 precincts)	There were a large number of rejected ballots during this primary due to voters returning more than one voted party ballot, and there were a considerable number of new election judges--it is likely some of the election judges' rejected ballots were not properly documented.	NO (our county has central courthouse cameras--they are not in the regular counting center, but there are cameras in the room used during this federal election cycle for counting.)

TOTAL RESPONSES: 43 (70%)

Unable to Resond in Short Time Frame: 13

(Out of the office.)