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It's All Over But the Count - Polls Close in the 2022 Democratic Primary Election

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The curtains have come down on the 2022 Democratic Party Primary in the US Virgin Islands. Early votes were received at the end of the day on Monday, and now the in-person voting exercise is over.

Registered Democrats in the USVI selected candidates to contest against Republicans and Independents in the November 8th general election, in positions from the Governorship to the Legislature to the Boards of Education and Elections.

There were 34, 697 registered Democrats across the territory as of June 06, 2022 - 16895 on St. Croix, 16,529 on St. Thomas, and 1,210 on the island of St. John.

Early voting was popular this cycle, with 13% of all registered Democrats choosing this modality to cast their votes (2131 on St. Croix, 2182 on St. Thomas, and 105 on St. John). Those between the ages of 55 and 64 were the largest cohort of the early vote.

However by 3pm today Saturday, only 750 St. Croix residents had turned up to cast ballots, and 789 from the St. Thomas-St. John District, suggesting a relatively low turnout.

Elections Supervisor Caroline Fawkes indicated around 8pm EST that the final in-person voter turnout was only 7% of registered voters, compared with 13% in 2018.

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