

Voter Registration Status Report

Summary

This Voter Registration Status Report is the third quarterly report for 2026 outlining DMV's data quality-control work to further ensure the integrity of Oregon Motor Voter (OMV) data. Established practices such as the SOS-initiated audit process and DMV's monthly sampling of OMV records continue.

This report includes:

- A review of the OMV data sampling for the quarter (July, August and September 2026).
- Descriptions of the prior error cases identified throughout the quarter.
- Highlights of other work to improve the OMV system and DMV's data integrity.

Quarter 3 Sample Results

Since October 2024, DMV has performed monthly OMV records sampling. DMV experts manually compare system data to information collected from customers to verify data accuracy and correct any errors.

DMV pulled 1,500 records total, with 500 per month, for review from July, August and September 2026. These records list a U.S. passport, U.S. birth certificate, a naturalization document, or other less common source documents as the basis for citizenship in the DMV system.

For two years in a row, each month, the sampling has found zero errors in new transactions.

Review of Past Errors

DMV identified 12 prior errors throughout quarter 3 of 2026:

- DMV identified six prior errors that occurred between 2010 and 2021 involving the misidentification of American Samoan documents as conclusive citizenship documents.
- DMV identified six other previous errors that originally occurred between 2013 and 2019. They were identified through new documentation of foreign passports, work authorizations, or permanent U.S. resident cards presented at DMV. These individuals were previously coded as citizens due to incorrect manual data entry in the legacy DMV system.

Of the 12 records from Q3, none had a voting history.

Additional Work on OMV and Data Integrity

OMV Administrative Rules implementation

Updates to the Secretary of State's [Administrative Rules](#) for Oregon Motor Voter were developed throughout fall 2025 with a Rules Advisory Committee, with most elements having an operative date of January 1, 2027. DMV has already implemented the required changes to DMV voter registration opportunities prior to the May and November 2026 elections, and more updates are actively in development and will be completed by January 1, 2027. In September 2026, Secretary of State Elections Division proposed an implementation [deadline adjustment](#) to one portion of the rules impacting DMV. The specific portion of the rule is about how DMV identifies and reports address data to SOS for voter registration purposes. This update will allow more time for complex technical changes to be successfully in place by January 31, 2028.