Number of Voters Served

(per DRE, per 900 min. election day, assuming .25% of voters use audio, sip&puff, or rocker paddles)

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Each DRE is purchased to serve	Election Da Poll-site	•	using thes	Disabilities se devices % of turnout*	Voters wo Disabilities estimate 99.75% of turnout		
this number	Percentage	Number	Number	37 min* each	Number	4 min. each	Total
reg. voters				Minutes:		Minutes:	Minutes:
200	50	100	1	37	99	396	433
	60	120	1	37	119	476	513
	70	140	1	37	139	556	593
	80	160	1	37	159	636	673
300	50	150	1	37	149	596	633
	60	180	1	37	179	716	753
	70	210	1	37	209	836	873
	80	240	1	37	239	956	<u>993</u>
400	50	200	1	37	199	796	833
	60	240	1	37	239	956	<u>993</u>
	70	280	1	37	279	1116	<u>1153</u>
	80	320	1	37	319	1276	<u>1313</u>
500	50	250	1	37	249	996	<u>1033</u>
	60	300	1	37	299	1196	1233
	70	350	1	37	349	1396	<u>1433</u>
	80	400	1	37	399	1596	<u>1633</u>
600	50	300	1	37	299	1196	<u>1233</u>
	60	360	1	37	359	1436	<u>1473</u>
	70	420	2	74	418	1672	<u>1746</u>
	80	480	2	74	478	1912	<u>1986</u>

Two Alternative Estimates of Time								
Voters			Voters					
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3.25**			5 min.					
min ea	Total		each	Total				
Min:	Min:		Min:	Min:				
322	359		495	532				
387	424		595	632				
452	489		695	732				
517	554		795	832				
485	522		745	782				
582	619		895	<u>932</u>				
680	717		1045	<u>1082</u>				
777	814		1195	<u>1232</u>				
647	684		995	<u>1032</u>				
777	814		1195	<u>1232</u>				
907	<u>944</u>		1395	<u>1432</u>				
1037	<u>1074</u>		1595	<u>1632</u>				
810	847		1245	<u>1282</u>				
972	<u>1009</u>		1495	<u>1532</u>				
1135	<u>1172</u>		1745	<u>1782</u>				
1297	<u>1334</u>		1995	<u>2032</u>				
972	1009		1495	<u>1532</u>				
1167	1204		1795	1832				
1359	<u>1433</u>		2090	<u>2164</u>				
1554	<u>1628</u>		2390	<u>2464</u>				

^{*}The pollsite turnout of voters with disabilities who will wish to vote via DRE assistive devices is unpredictable. Disability advocates in NYC say that 20% of voters have disabilities that prevent them from voting without direct human assistance on our current lever machines, and assert that, if we have DREs with assistive devices, these voters would choose to use them. In other jurisdictions the turnout of such voters has been low, in some cases as low as zero.

This chart assumes .25% of registered voters (rounded up to the next whole number for any fraction) who vote at the pollsite will choose to use DRE audio, sip&puff, or rocker paddles to vote. It assumes these voters will require an average of 37 minutes each to vote, which is halfway between the State Board of Elections' assessment that BMDs (Ballot Marking Devices) for use in 2006 required 30 to 45 minutes per voter who used such accessible features of the BMD.

**NYC BOE Voters Per Machine Report v-34.2.doc of 8/21/06 estimated that voters without disabilities would average 3 min 15 seconds to vote on DREs.

All cost studies: www.wheresthepaper.org/ny.html#costReports

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