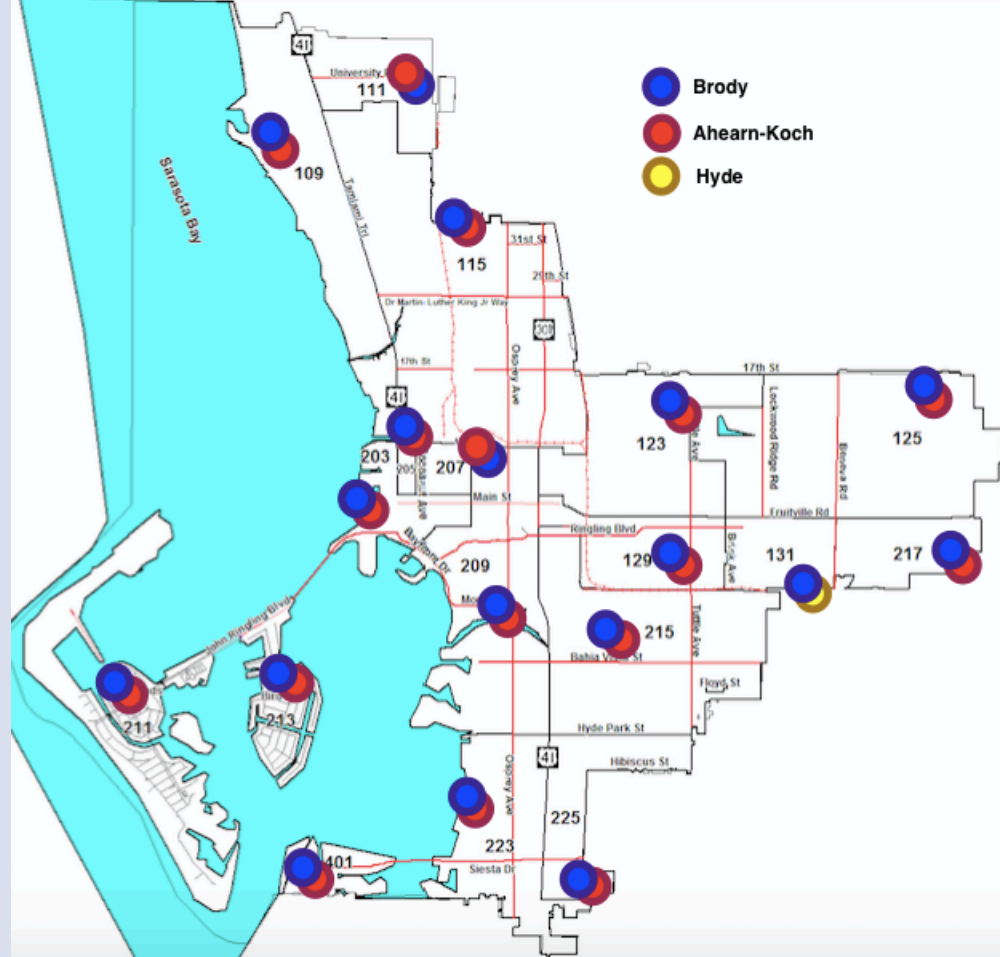


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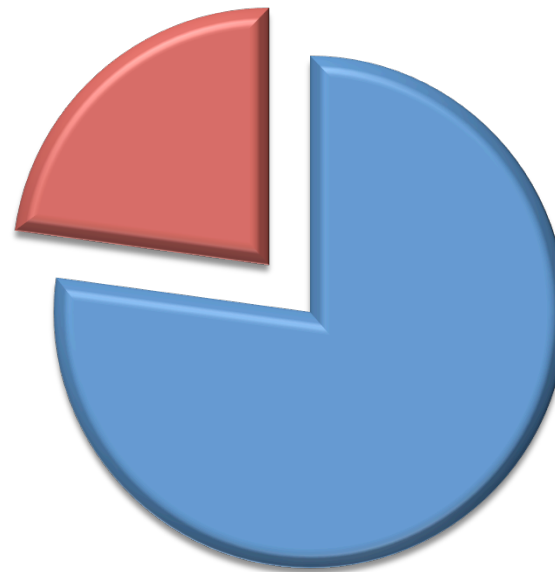
## Precinct winners

The city fairly uniformly backed Brody most strongly, followed by Ahearn-Koch. Hyde came in second in one east Sarasota precinct he won in March, while Ahearn-Koch held on to one she won before, but also won a precinct carried by Hyde in the first election.

# Voter Turnout

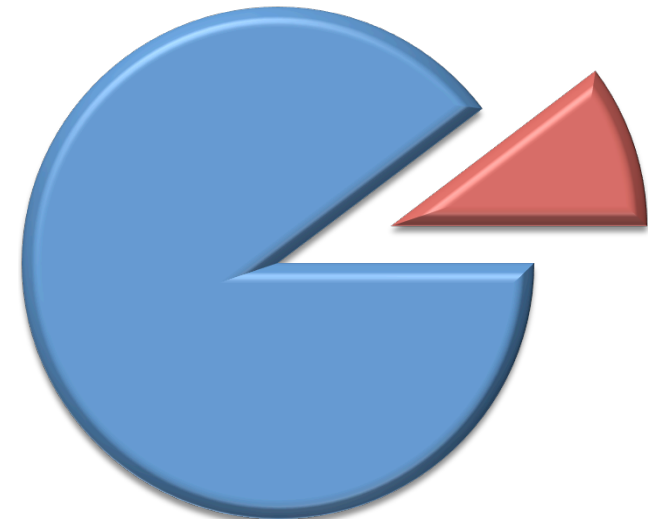
Turnout increased in both municipal runoffs this year. In Sarasota, the city saw the highest citywide turnout in more than 15 years. A special election in North Port broke 10 percent for the runoff.

**Sarasota**



■ Registered  
■ Voted

**North Port**



# Historic Turnout

## Sarasota Second Elections

2017	2015	2013	2011	2009	2007	2005	2003
22.86%	18.70%	19.97%	14.81%	15.67%	27.95%	16.93%	n/a

## Sarasota Regular Elections

2017	2015	2013	2011	2009	2007*	2005*	2003
19.14%	21.87%	17.34%	17.78%	20.79%	13.93%	18.98%	18.06%

\*Reflects countywide turnout

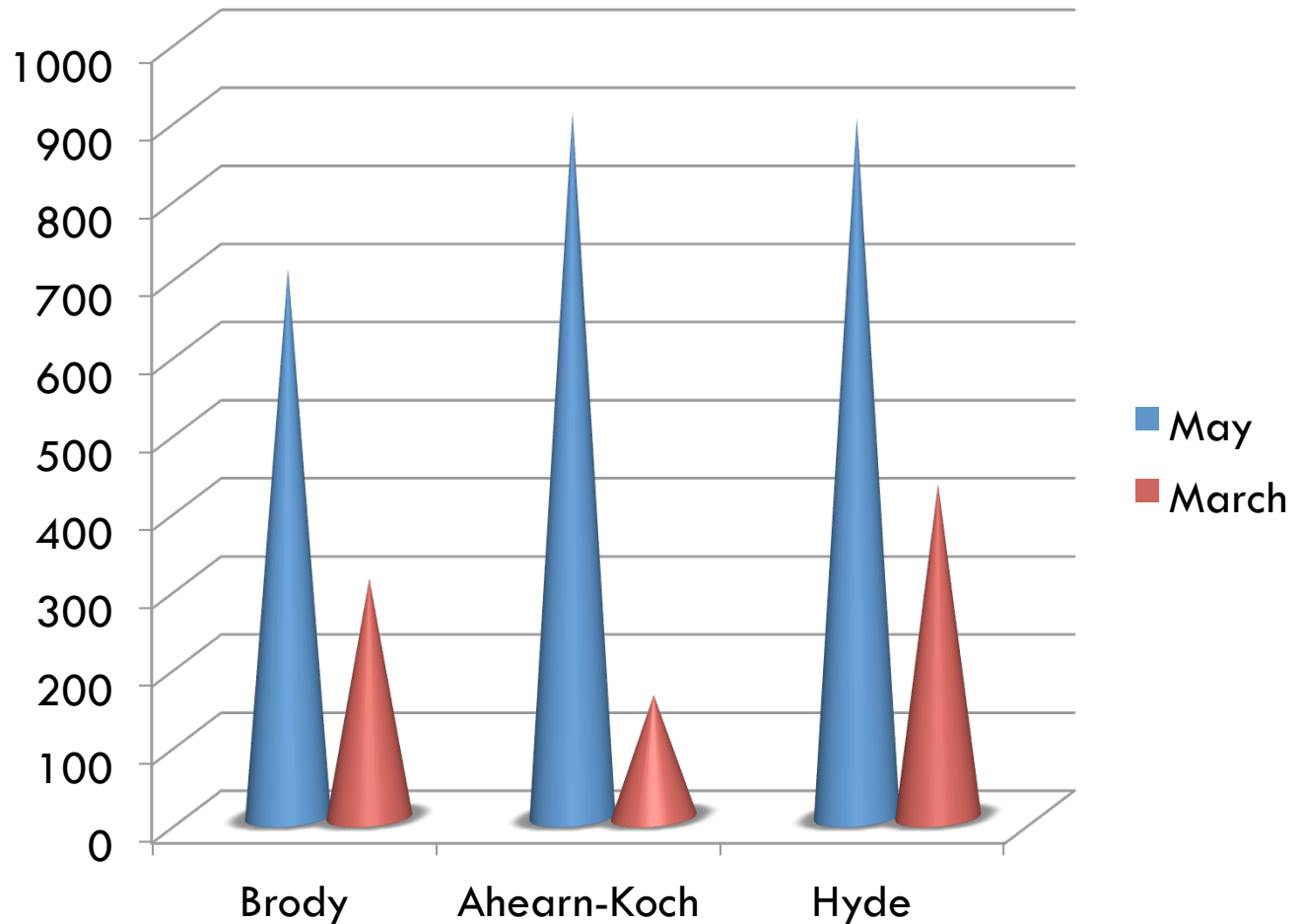
# North Port

Precinct	Luke	Emrich
309	161	149
311	371	390
313	519	425
317	97	120
319	53	55
327	414	309
329	134	186
331	216	212
333	100	42
339	205	162
341	69	60
541	122	78
<b>Total</b>	<b>2461</b>	<b>2188</b>

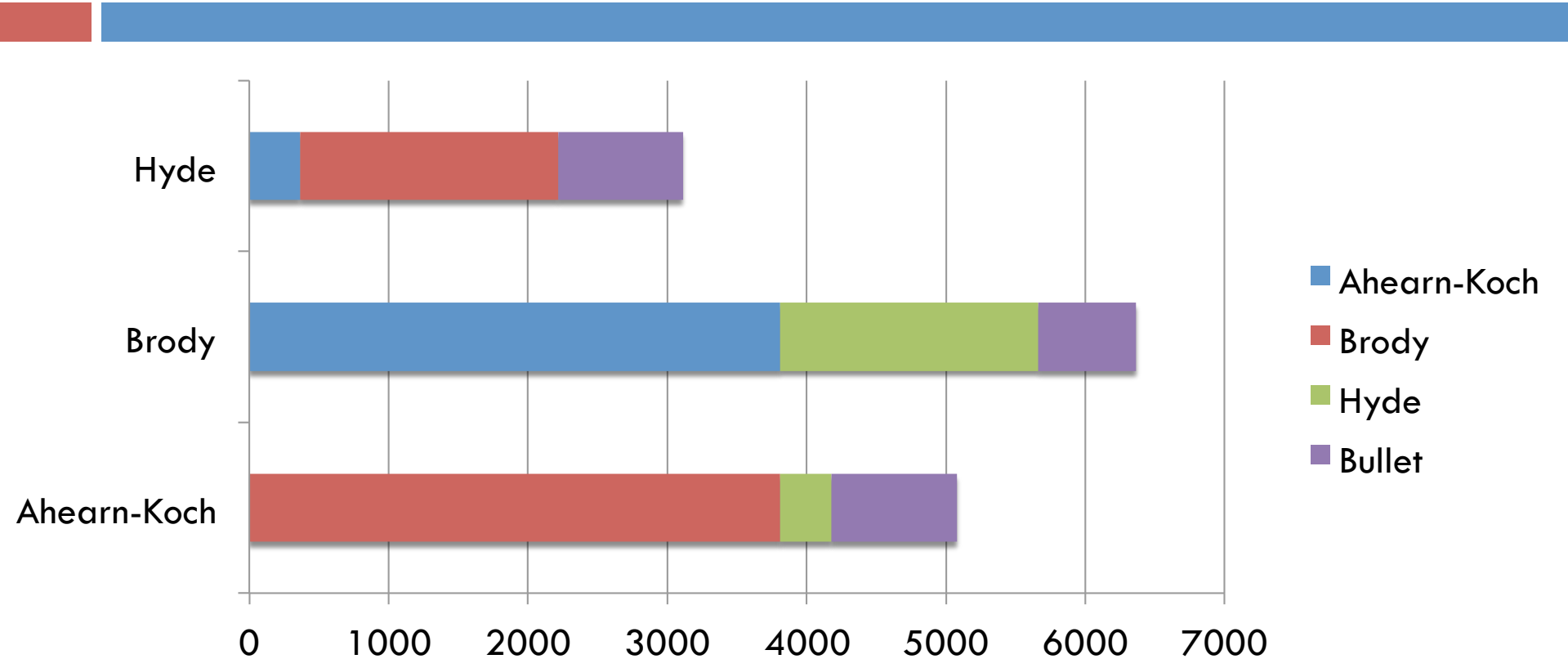
Emrich picked up 623 new voters since March, more than Luke's additional 570, and he expanded his base to steal a couple precincts, but was unable to catch up with Luke's broad support.

# Bullet Voting

Also called single-shot voting, this notes when voters elected not to use their second vote and support only on candidate. After having relatively few bullet votes in March, Ahearn-Koch led in bullets for the runoff. Hyde did almost as well, showing similar voter intensity.

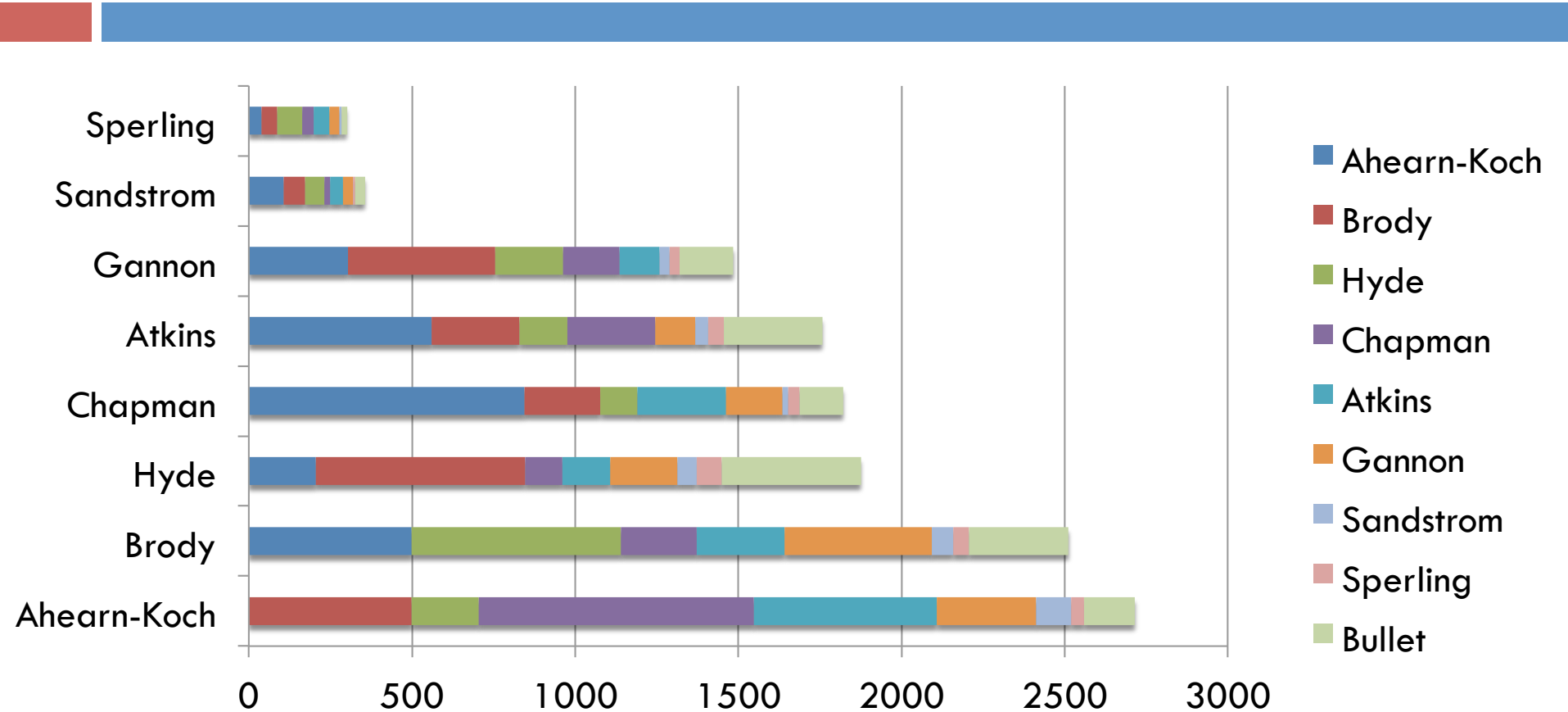


# Second Choices



Brody ultimately earned a record number of votes in both his opponents' camps. But there was also substantial party unity among the two registered Democrats in the race. The number of voters who cast votes for Brody and Ahearn-Koch exceeded the total number who cast either vote for Hyde.

# Second Choices

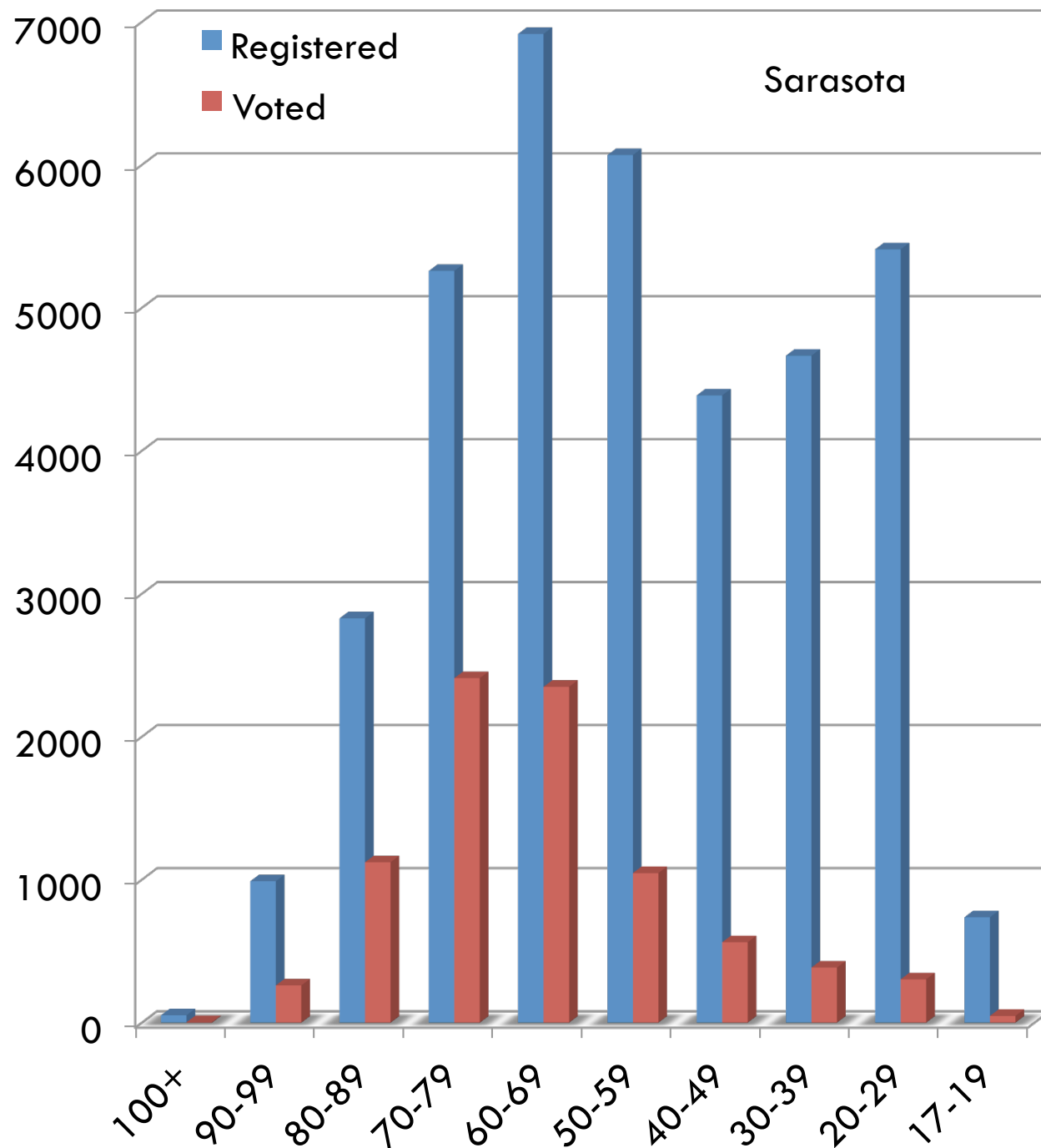


As a reminder, Ahearn-Koch's cross-support in the March election overlapped primarily with voters who backed 4<sup>th</sup>- and 5<sup>th</sup>-place finishers Chapman and Atkins in March. The question of whether they would come out or stay home broke in Ahearn-Koch's favor.

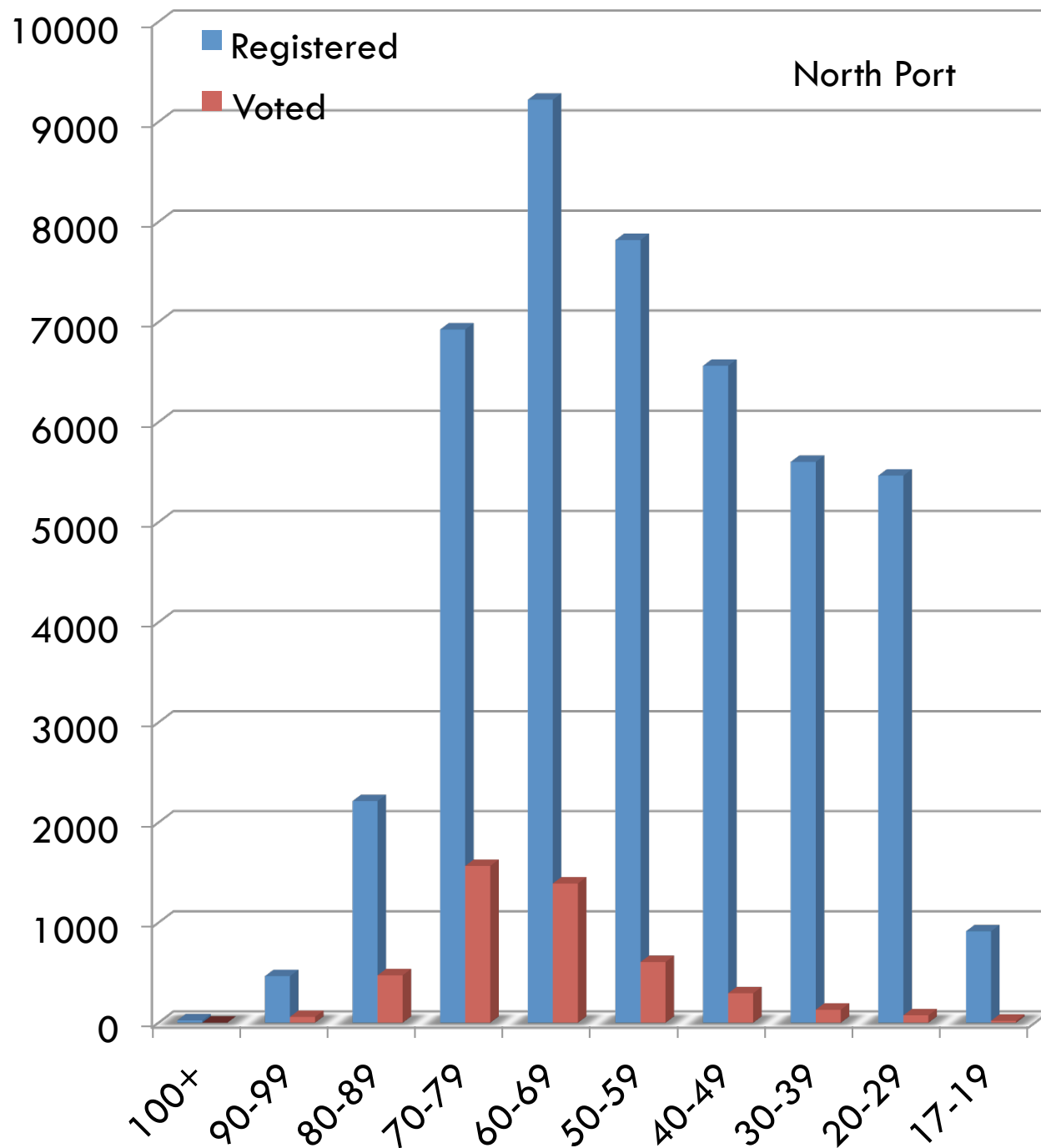


# AGE BREAKDOWN

Sarasota's youngest voting demo is growing in numbers but turnout remains low. Voters in their 60s and 70s dominate the participating electorate. Notably, voters in their 70s boast the best turnout in May elections.

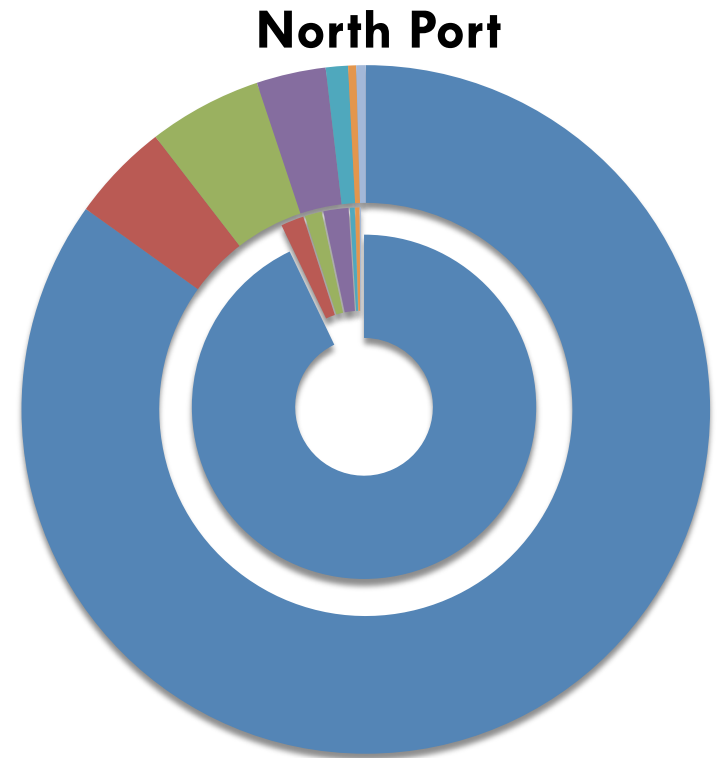
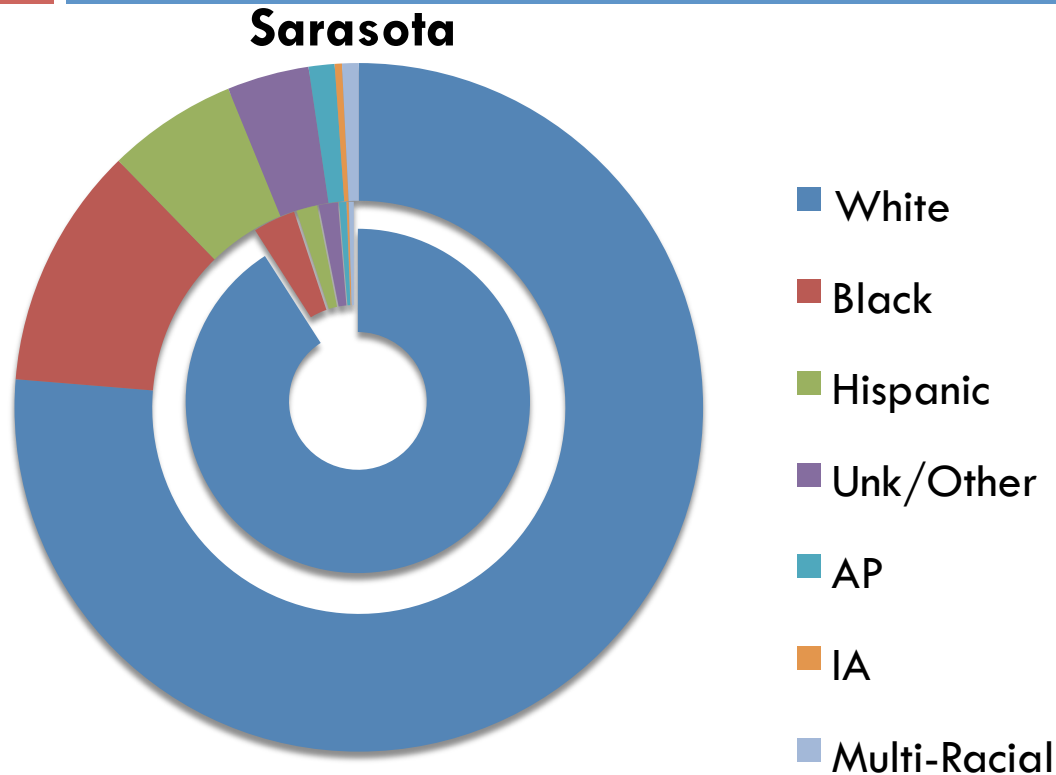


# AGE BREAKDOWN



An almost identical phenomenon can be seen in North Port. A special election suppressed turnout in all demographics, but older voters still turn out, and young voters do not.

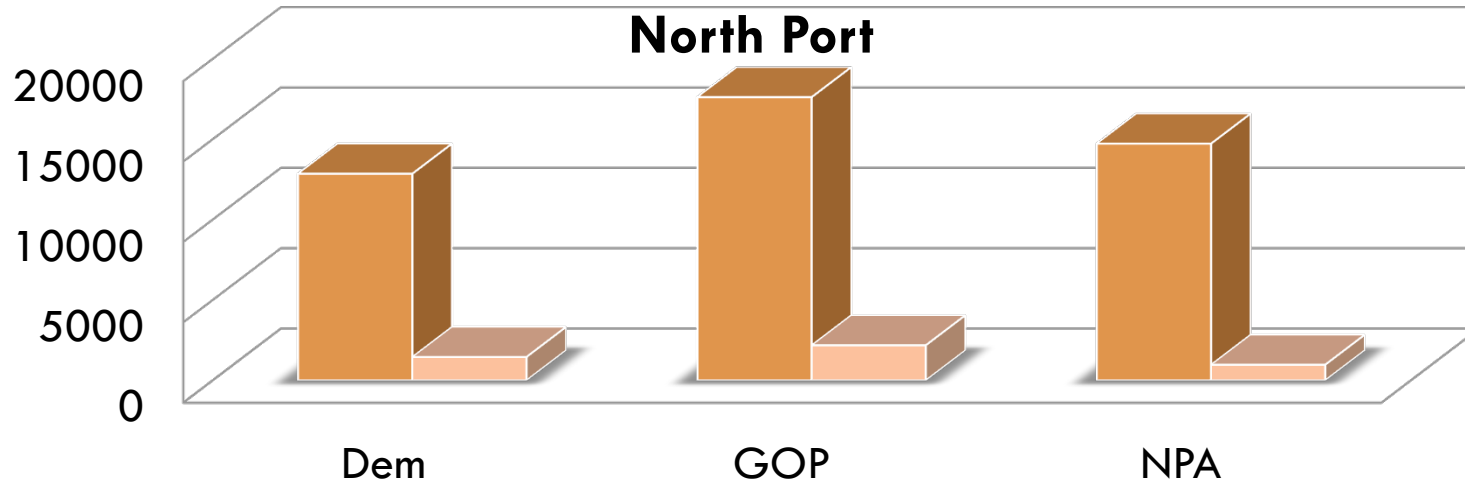
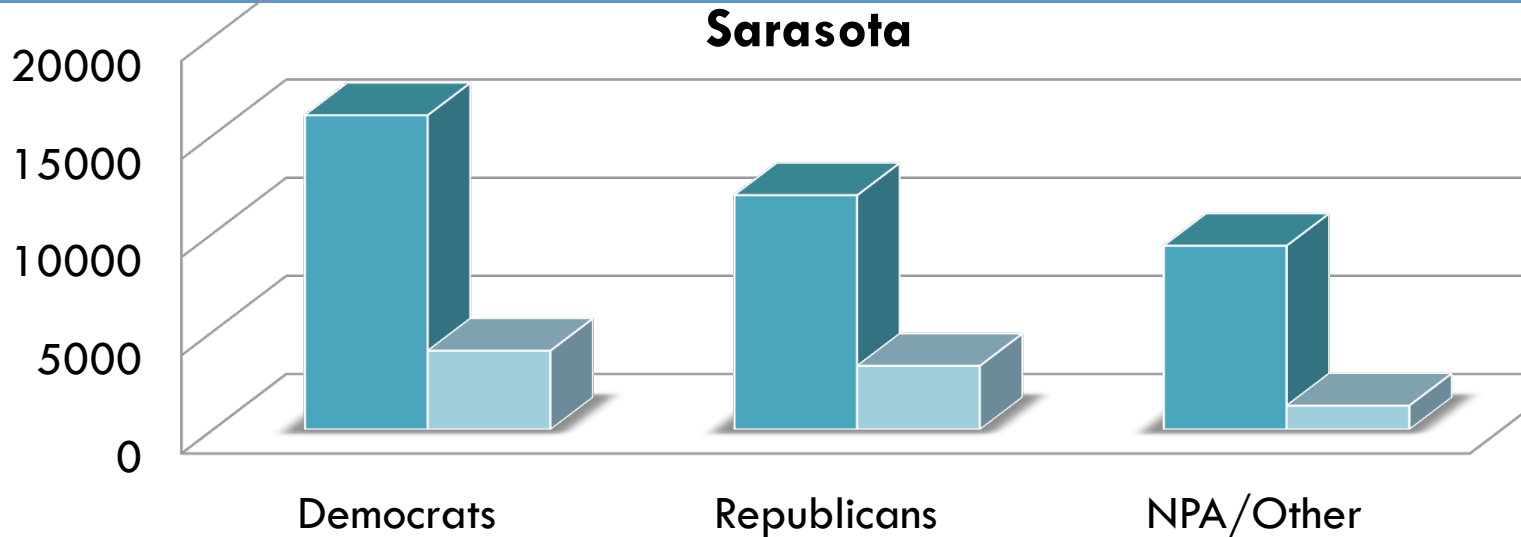
# Racial Makeup



- In both municipalities, whites dominate the total makeup of the city, and participating electorate more so. Even an issue like Sanctuary Cities did nothing to shift Hispanic turnout.

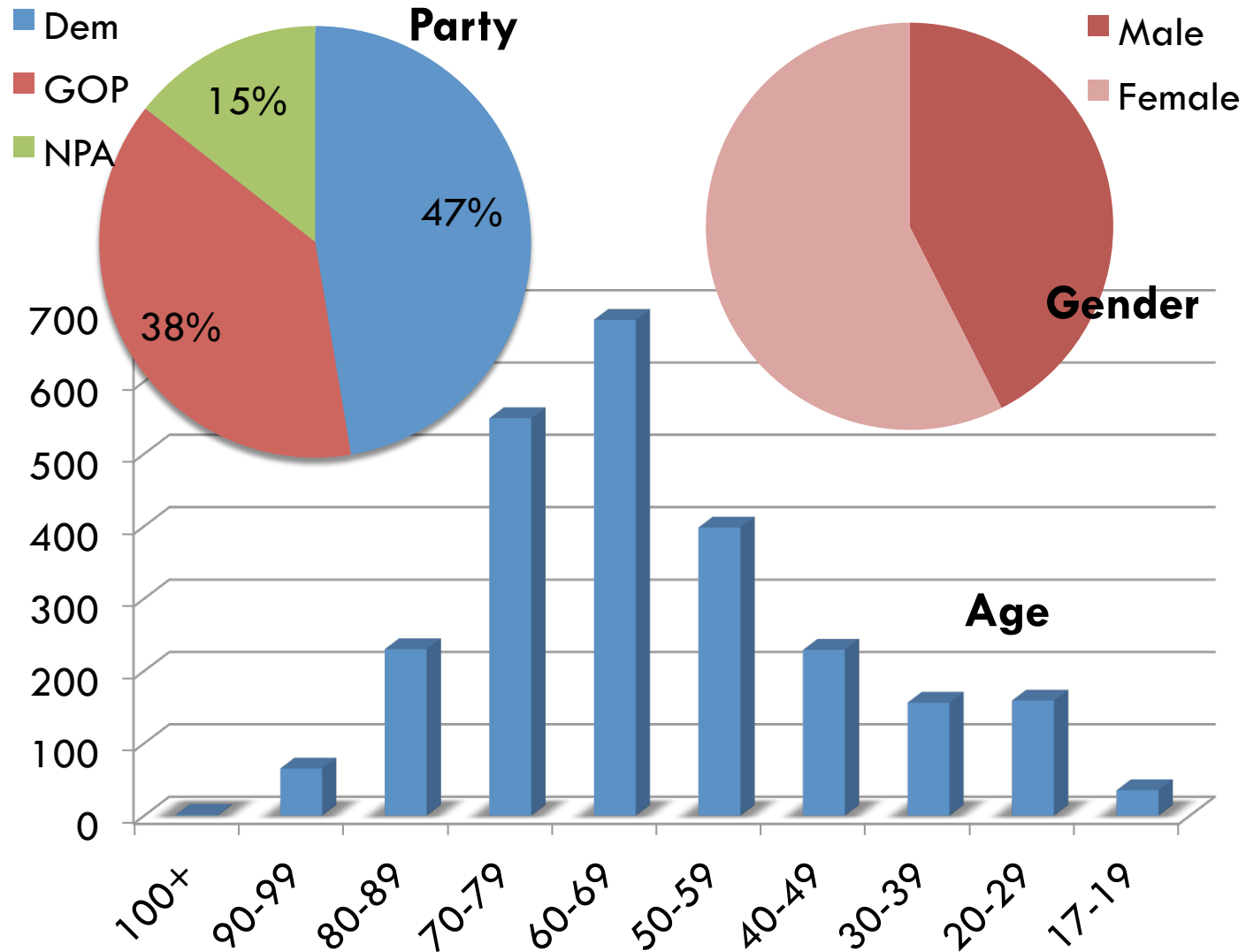
# Partisanship

□ Sarasota remains a city dominated by Democrats, who outnumbered at the ballot box despite a lower percent turnout than Republicans. In North Port, even without a Republican running, GOP voters showed the strongest performance.



# New Voters

When you look only at the 2,507 Sarasota voters who cast ballots in May but did not vote in March, Democrats and women showed enormous gains.



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Discussion

Thank you for your participation

Join Senior Editor Jacob Ogles for a precinct-by-precinct analysis of the May 9 Municipal Election featuring highlights and key findings.

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## Findings

- Brody proved the consensus candidate, showing wide overlap in support with both opponents on his way to a record-setting total.
- Jennifer Ahearn-Koch saw major growth in bullet voting, surpassing Hyde and Brody, proving a greater voter intensity than in March.
- Republicans in Sarasota saw a higher percentage turnout and retained more March voters, but Democrats still dominated in sheer numbers in the third straight Sarasota election where Democrats ran the tables.
- In North Port, Republican voters outnumbered and outperformed, though no registered Republican ran in the special election. Independent Jill Luke did beat a registered Democrat.
- Women made up a greater portion of the electorate in May than March in both municipalities, with a sharp increase in Sarasota.
- Black and Hispanic voters turned out at less than half the rate of white voters in both cities. White voters in Sarasota had very high turnout.
- Voters in their 60s and 70s made up more than half the electorate participating in Sarasota. Voters in their 20s continue to grow as a portion of registered voters, but to perform poorly at polls.



### Sarasota

	Registered	Voted	Turnout	March	Lost	New	November
Democrats	16013	4018	25.09%	3438	-565	1145	11471
Republicans	11935	3247	27.21%	2716	-420	951	9032
NPA	9175	1189	12.96%	963	-173	399	5383
Other	186	33	17.74%	29	-8	12	113
Total	37309	8487	22.75%	7146	-1166	2507	25999

100+	52	3	5.77%	3	-1	1	18
90-99	989	260	26.29%	234	-39	65	653
80-89	2828	1122	39.67%	1050	-158	230	2275
70-79	5258	2410	45.83%	2128	-267	549	4451
60-69	6916	2349	33.96%	1961	-297	685	5574
50-59	6068	1046	17.24%	837	-189	398	4453
40-49	4387	562	12.81%	398	-65	229	2916
30-39	4665	385	8.25%	305	-76	156	2576
20-29	5409	303	5.60%	213	-69	159	2691
17-19	737	47	6.38%	17	-5	35	392

White	28468	7717	27.11%	6360	-901	2258	20658
Black	4253	339	7.97%	447	-188	80	2564
Hispanic	2280	167	7.32%	127	-30	70	1461
Unk/Other	1436	153	10.65%	120	-27	60	816
AP	454	57	12.56%	50	-10	17	245
IA	127	15	11.81%	14	-5	6	77
Multi-Racial	291	39	13.40%	28	-5	16	178

Male	16097	3654	22.70%	3180	-570	1044	10824
Female	19913	4722	23.71%	3950	-638	1410	14424
Unidentified	1299	111	8.55%	88	-30	53	751

### North Port

	Registered	Voted	Turnout	March	Lost	New	November
Democrats	12857	1455	11.32%	1259	-269	465	9038
Republicans	17622	2185	12.40%	1855	-403	733	13538
NPA	14596	965	6.61%	829	-177	313	8681
Other	132	7	5.30%	8	-3	2	79
Total	45207	4612	10.20%	3951	-852	1513	31336

100+	23	0	0.00%	0	0	0	2
90-99	465	58	12.47%	55	-14	17	253



80-89	2214	474	21.41%	440	-94	128	1714
70-79	6925	1566	22.61%	1386	-244	424	5819
60-69	9220	1391	15.09%	1197	-261	455	7397
50-59	7818	606	7.75%	479	-105	232	5744
40-49	6562	294	4.48%	219	-76	151	4442
30-39	5602	130	2.32%	102	-35	63	3274
20-29	5465	74	1.35%	61	-22	35	2325
17-19	913	19	2.08%	12	-1	8	366

White	38377	4285	11.17%	3666	-761	1380	27032
Black	2103	100	4.76%	68	-19	51	1323
Hispanic	2412	74	3.07%	76	-41	39	1531
Unk/Other	1473	109	7.40%	96	-17	30	893
AP	470	21	4.47%	20	-4	5	324
IA	170	19	11.18%	23	-9	5	127
Multi-Racial	202	5	2.48%	2	0	3	106

Male	20581	2102	10.21%	1775	-377	704	13978
Female	23344	2435	10.43%	2106	-456	785	16573
Unidentified	1282	75	5.85%	70	-19	24	785

Pct	Voters	Ballots	Turnout		Brody	Ahearn-Koch	Hyde
109	2398	815	33.99 %		631	588	209
111	1148	178	15.51 %		134	147	31
115	6474	645	9.96 %		487	436	176
123	2488	255	10.25 %		165	150	99
125	3865	689	17.83 %		488	362	289
129	1303	291	22.33 %		223	171	100
131	649	166	25.58 %		123	73	80
203	1758	744	42.32 %		550	414	307
205	662	209	31.57 %		147	139	73
207	672	80	11.90 %		50	61	25
209	4437	1528	34.44 %		1130	929	548
211	1581	473	29.92 %		353	258	211
213	1135	495	43.61 %		358	277	209
215	3820	693	18.14 %		507	398	253
217	1283	219	17.07 %		151	109	95
223	1906	623	32.69 %		525	322	253
225	1322	311	23.52 %		251	184	106
401	464	126	27.16 %		98	62	53
Total	37365	8540	22.86 %		6371	5080	3117
Absentee					2637	2360	1238
Early					970	747	504
Polling					2764	1973	1375
District 1					652	586	275
District 2					4227	3381	2025
District 3					1492	1113	817

Pct	Voters	Ballots	Turnout		Emrich	Luke
309	3541	310	8.75 %		149	161
311	7625	761	9.98 %		390	371
313	10539	947	8.99 %		425	519
317	2648	217	8.19 %		120	97
319	784	108	13.78 %		55	53
327	4369	723	16.55 %		309	414
329	3141	320	10.19 %		186	134
331	5304	429	8.09 %		212	216
333	721	142	19.69 %		42	100
339	3481	369	10.60 %		162	205
341	595	129	21.68 %		60	69
541	2503	201	8.03 %		78	122
Total	45251	4656	10.29 %		2188	2461
Absentee					1171	1342
Early					528	585
Polling					489	534

	Ahearn-Koch	Brody	Hyde
A-Koch		3811	366
Brody	3811		1852
Hyde	366	1852	
Bullet	902	702	895