

The Portuguese American Citizenship Project

A non-partisan initiative to promote citizenship and civic involvement



**ST. CLARE'S PARISH
SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CA**

**EVALUATION
OF
THE NOVEMBER 2005 ELECTION**

May 19, 2006

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SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

There are an estimated 5,422 total members of St. Clare's Parish, counting heads of household and spouses. An estimated 4,798 of these parishioners reside in Santa Clara County, California.¹

As of May 2006, forty-five percent of the heads of household parishioners – 2,158 members – have been identified as registered to vote. If all members of the households are counted - that is adult children and seniors not listed as heads of household - there are a total of 3,346 registered voters affiliated with the parish.

Voter turnout for St. Clare's exceeds the county of Santa Clara average. The parish heads of household turnout for the November 2005 Statewide Special elections was 73 percent, as compared to the county turnout of 59 percent.

¹ Parishioners identified as Santa Clara residents reside in one of the following cities: Campbell, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Milpitas, Palo Alto, San Jose, Santa Clara, Saratoga, and Sunnyvale.

**ST. CLARE'S PARISH
REGISTRATION - VOTING**

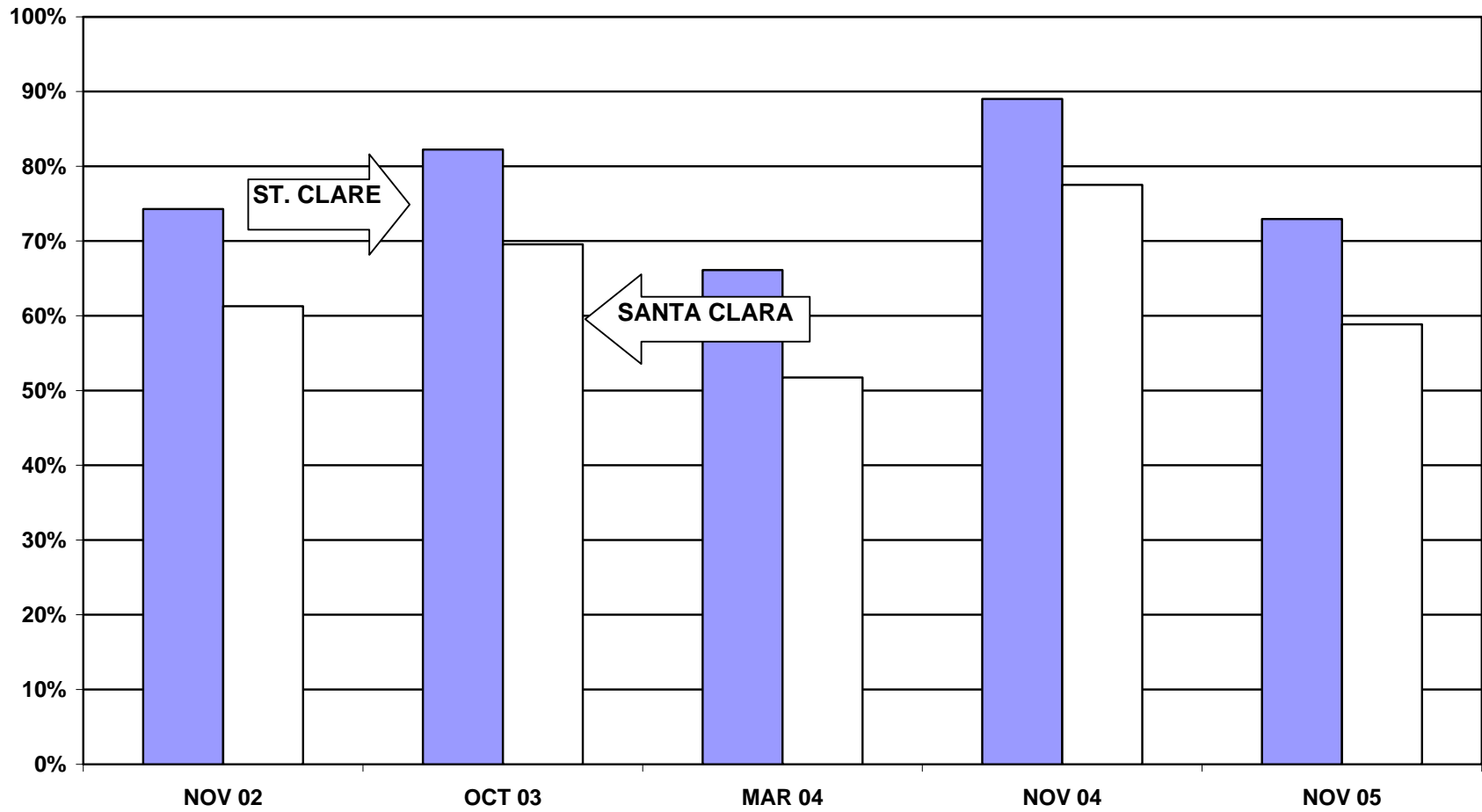
HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY	4798	
HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD REGISTERED TO VOTE IN COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA	2158	45 PERCENT (2158 OUT OF 4798 MEMBERS)
ALL MEMBERS REGISTERED TO VOTE IN COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA	3,346	

VOTING PERFORMANCE OF SANTA CLARA RESIDENTS

HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD		AS PERCENT OF ALL REGISTERED MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE	COUNTY WIDE VOTING HISTORY AS PERCENT OF ALL REGISTERED VOTERS
COMPARABLE STATISTICS			
VOTERS NOV 2002	1374	74.3%	61.3%
VOTERS OCT 2003	1574	82.2%	69.5%
VOTERS MAR 2004	1303	66.1%	51.7%
VOTERS NOV 2004	1870	89.0%	77.5%
VOTERS NOV 2005	1574	72.9%	58.9%

Note: Voting statistics for November 2005 are based on registration statistics from May 2006

ST. CLARE'S PARISH VOTER TURNOUT



**ST. CLARE'S PARISH
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MEMBER TURNOUT AND CITY AVERAGE**

