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Thirty years ago, fewer than 100,000 Americans lived in cities that used RCV. In 2022, 20 million Americans live in communities that have embraced RCV. As evidenced by exit polling, voters like and understand RCV.

EXIT POLLING ON RCV

- 95% of New York City voters found their RCV ballot simple to complete in NYC's first RCV election in 2021. 77% of NYC voters said they want to keep using RCV.
- 85% of Alaska voters reported that RCV is "simple" in their first RCV election in 2022.
- 88% of Utah voters were satisfied with the method they used to cast their ballot in Utah's RCV elections in 2021. 81% of first-time RCV voters found RCV easy to use.
- In 2022, 56% of Virginia Republican primary voters who used RCV in congressional primaries preferred RCV to single-choice elections.
- 61% of Maine respondents said they want to see RCV maintained or expanded after their first use in 2018. Maine's legislature then expanded RCV to include presidential primary and general elections, and its biggest city passed RCV for all offices with 81% of the vote.
- 66% of Minneapolis, MN respondents and 72% of St. Paul, MN respondents said in 2017 that they wish to continue using RCV. 92% of Minneapolis respondents said they found voting in RCV elections simple.
- 94% of Santa Fe, NM voters were satisfied with their first RCV experience in 2018.

