

Nevada 2024 Election Results and Analysis

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Despite polling and expert's best guesses, Nevada went red with former President Donald Trump holding an insurmountable lead over Vice President Kamala Harris. Nevada hasn't swung in the presidential election for a Republican since George W. Bush in 2004. Trump's historic performance is having cascading effects for Republicans downballot, especially for Sam Brown, who holds a razor-thin lead over Democratic incumbent Sen. Jacky Rosen as Nevada waits for final tabulation. In contested house races, Democratic incumbent Reps. Dina Titus (CD1) and Steven Horsford (CD 4) will win their contests, while the other blue incumbent Rep. Susie Lee (CD 3) holds a slim lead—but it's still too early to call.

Nevada is still counting Clark County mail ballots to determine the winners of tightly contested races. Importantly, Saturday, Nov. 9, marks the last day for Nevada counties to receive and count properly postmarked mail ballots. Furthermore, the deadline to "cure" ballot signatures is Tuesday, Nov. 11, meaning some tight races may come down to the result of ballot curing. Several key state legislative races still hang in the balance with the major headline being that Republican Gov. Joe Lombardo, who was not up for reelection this cycle, will maintain his veto power as both Senate and Assembly Democrats failed to reach a two-thirds supermajority.

Nevada's statewide ballot measures resulted in a mixed bag. One of the most discussed, Question 3—which would implement ranked choice voting and open primaries—failed 54.3% to 45.7%. Question 6, which would establish the constitutional right to an abortion until fetal viability or to protect the pregnant mother, overwhelmingly passed 63.3% to 36.7%. Another landslide win was Question 7, establishing voter ID requirements for both in-person and mail voting, which passed 73.6% to 26.4%. Notably, Nevada voters will need to approve Questions 6 and 7 again in the 2026 election for the changes to take effect.

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Nevada Congressional Races

Incumbent Reps. Dina Titus (CD 1), Mark Amodei (CD 2) and Steven Horsford (NV-04) all have comfortable leads and are presumed to win their races. Yet, two other Democratic incumbents—U.S. Sen. Jacky Rosen and Congresswoman Susie Lee (CD 3)—are waiting on all Nevada counties to receive and count postmarked mail ballots to determine their races. Following initial tabulations from election night and at the time of this publication, Sen. Rosen is losing by less than 4,000 votes—a .3% difference—to Republican challenger Sam Brown. Rep. Lee has a lead of roughly 3,700 votes (1.2%) to Republican Drew Johnson. Both races are likely to come down to the wire.

Nevada State Legislature

It was never a question of Democrats retaining control of the Nevada Legislature, but the prize of clinching a two-thirds supermajority was lost in both houses and, with it, the chance to eliminate Republican Gov. Joe Lombardo's veto power. Gov. Lombardo was not on the ballot in 2024 but endorsed a long list of Republicans in both houses with a goal of retaining his veto pen. The reddish wave is likely to shape the 2026 Nevada election when Gov. Lombardo will be the top of the ticket.

Nevada Leadership Shifts and Committee Consequences

The Nevada Legislature will have major leadership shakeups following the 2024 election. Most important, Democratic Party leadership like Assembly Speaker Steve Yeager, Assembly Majority Floor Leader Sandra Jauregui and Senate Majority Leader Nicole Cannizzaro are all in contests that are too close to call. While Speaker Yeager and Senate Majority Leader Cannizzaro lead in their respective races, Assembly Majority Leader Jauregui is losing by 200 votes at the time of first publication, hoping to make up ground with mail-in ballots. Additionally, with a potentially large turnover of Assembly Democrats, it cannot be assumed that Yeager will keep his role as speaker. There could be a challenge to his speakership posed by other Democrats within his caucus.

It is certain that five new committee chairs will be appointed:

1. **Assembly Education** - Assemblywoman Shannon Bilbray-Axelrod ran for a different office.
2. **Assembly Health and Humans Services** - Assemblywoman Sarah Peters did not run.
3. **Assembly Legislative Operations and Elections** - Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow did not run.
4. **Assembly Natural Resources** - Assemblywoman Lesley Cohen did not run.
5. **Senate Commerce and Labor** - Sen. Pat Spearman is termed out.

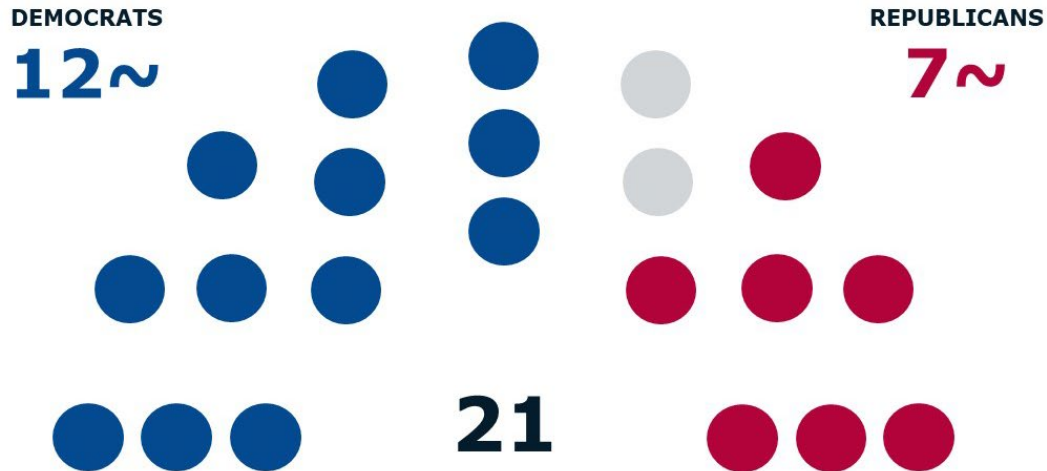
Additionally, there are four committee chairs in jeopardy of losing this election:

1. **Assembly Commerce and Labor** - Assembly Elaine Marzola's race is too close to call.
2. **Assembly Judiciary** - Assemblywoman Brittney Miller's race too close to call.
3. **Assembly Revenue** - Assemblywoman Shae Backus' race is too close to call.
4. **Senate Growth and Infrastructure** - Sen. Dallas Harris' race is too close to call.

In total, there are nine potential committees that will or could see a change in leadership. These committees are sure to see growing pains with new leaders as institutional knowledge is lost.

Even without the consequences of this election, the Republican Senate Caucus will lose decades of institutional knowledge as Senate Minority Leader Heidi Seevers-Gansert decided not to run for reelection and state Sen. Pete Goicoechea termed out.

NEVADA SENATE



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Democrats will retain control of the Nevada Senate with a majority, but with two races still too close to call, the ratio could be as high as 14 Democrats to 7 Republicans or as low as 12 Democrats to 9 Republicans. In the previous session, Nevada Senate Democrats were a single seat short from a two-thirds supermajority with a 14-7 margin in their favor.

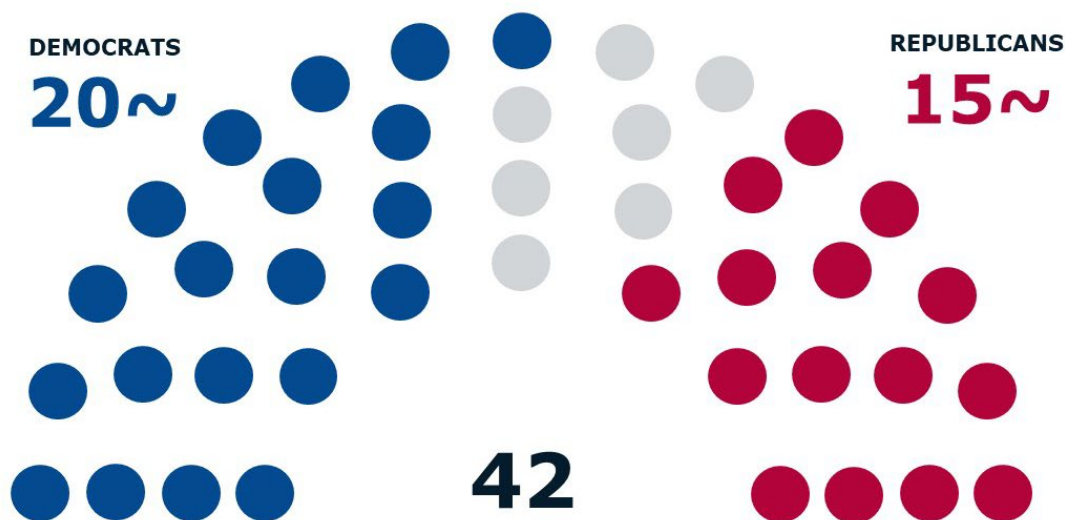
RACES TO WATCH:

- **SD 5:** Incumbent Republican Senator Carrie Buck is projected to win by 6,000 or more votes, a near 10% win over Democratic challenger Jennifer Atlas. Sen. Buck won this seat in 2020 by less than 350 votes.
- **SD 6 :** This race is too close to call but likely to go to incumbent Democratic Senate Majority Leader Nicole Cannizzaro, who is winning by less than 3,000 votes over Republican challenger Jill Douglass.
- **SD 11:** This could be the upset race of the Senate, with incumbent Democrat Dallas Harris (D) losing by roughly 2,000 votes, more than 3%, to Republican challenger Lori Rogich.
- **SD 15:** This Reno seat was projected to flip blue since redistricting and Democrat Angie Taylor is projected to win by 4,000 or more votes over Republican challenger Mike Ginsburg. Taylor served in the Nevada Assembly in 2023.

SD 1	Michelee Crawford (D) defeated Patricia Brinkley (R) with 58%.
SD 3	Incumbent Rochelle Nguyen (D) defeated Brent Howard (R) with 54%.
SD 4	Incumbent Dina Neal (D) ran unopposed in the general election.

SD 5	Incumbent Carrie Buck (R) is leading Jennifer Atlas (D) with 54%.
SD 6	Incumbent Nicole Cannizzaro (D) is leading Jill Douglass (R) with 51%.
SD 7	Incumbent Roberta Lange (D) defeated Henderson (R) by 58%.
SD 11	Lori Rogich (R) is leading incumbent Dallas Harris (D) with 51%.
SD 15	Angie Taylor (D) is leading Michael Ginsburg (R) with 54%.
SD 18	John Steinbeck (R) defeated Ron Bilodeau (D) by 58%.
SD 19	John Ellison (R) ran unopposed in the general election.

NEVADA ASSEMBLY



Note: Grey represents a race too close to call.

Assembly Democrats will lose their two-thirds supermajority of 28-14 from the last legislative session—the question remaining how many seats were lost as mail-in ballots are still being counted. A handful of Assembly races could result in major upsets, potentially wiping out top leadership and key Committee chairs.

RACES TO WATCH:

- **AD 4:** Republican Lisa Cole will win by almost 4,000 votes over Democrat Ryan Hampton. Democrats had targeted this seat as one to flip, but it stayed red.
- **AD 5:** This race is too close to call as incumbent Democrat Brittney Miller holds a slight lead of almost 500 votes over Republican Kelly Quinn.
- **AD 9:** Another nailbiter for the incumbent Democrat and Speaker of the Assembly Steve Yeager. He only holds a lead of roughly 300 votes over Republican Erica Nelly, although Yeager is expected to win after mail-in ballots are fully counted.
- **AD 12:** This race is too close to call as incumbent Democrat Max Carter II is losing by more than 250 votes to Republican Nancy Roecker.
- **AD 21:** Incumbent Democrat Elaine Marzola is currently losing by less than 80 votes to Republican April Arndt.
- **AD 29:** Democrat Joe Dalia has a slight lead of more than 600 votes over Republican Annette Owens. This seat is currently blue and one Republicans targeted to flip.
- **AD 34:** Democrat Hanadi Nadeem is likely to win by more than 1,000 votes over Republican Brandon Davis.
- **AD 35:** This seat was held by a Democrat last session and was thought to be a pivotal flip seat for Republicans. Republican Rebecca Edgeworth will win by nearly 3,500 votes, beating Democrat Sharifa Wahab.
- **AD 37:** Another race that is too close to call as incumbent Democrat Shae Backus holds a marginal lead of 400 votes over Republican David Brog.
- **AD 41:** Assembly Majority Leader and Democrat Sandra Jauregui is currently losing by less than 250 votes to Republican challenger Refael Arroyo. Jauregui’s loss would amount to a major upset favoring Republicans.

AD 1	Incumbent Daniele Monroe-Moreno (D) defeated Garland Brinkley by 56%
AD 2	Incumbent Heidi Kasama (R) defeated Ron Nelsen by 56%
AD 3	Incumbent Selena Torres (D) is leading Michele Rizza (R) with 55%.
AD 4	Lisa Cole (R) defeated Ryan Hampton (D) with 55%.
AD 5	Incumbent Brittney Miller (D) is leading Kelly Quinn (R) with 50%.
AD 6	Jovan Jackson (D) defeated Nephi Oliva (R) with 70%.

AD 7	Tanya Flanagan (D) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 8	Incumbent Duy Nguyen (D) is leading Kelly Chapman (R) with 53%.
AD 9	Incumbent Steve Yeager (D) is leading Erica Neely (R) with 50.5%.
AD 10	Venise Karris (D) defeated Sean Moore (Libertarian) with 64%.
AD 11	Cinthia Moore (D) defeated Jeffrey Lustick (R) with 68%.
AD 12	Nancy Roecker (R) is leading incumbent Max Carter II (D) by 50.5%.
AD 13	Incumbent Brian Hibbetts (R) defeated Daniel Andrews (D) with 56%.
AD 14	Incumbent Erica Mosca (D) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 15	Incumbent Howard Watts III (D) defeated Melissa Lynn Spence (R) with 58%.
AD 16	Incumbent Cecelia González (D) is leading James Neville with 52%.
AD 17	Linda Hunt (D) defeated Robert Olson (R) by 64%.
AD 18	Incumbent Venicia Considine (D) is leading Antario Brown (R) with 52%.
AD 19	Incumbent Thaddeus Yurek (R) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 20	Incumbent David Orentlicher (D) defeated Stan Vaughan (R) by 58%.
AD 21	April Arndt (R) is leading incumbent Elaine Marzola (D) by 50.1%.
AD 22	Incumbent Melissa Hardy (R) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 23	Incumbent Danielle Gallant (R) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 24	Erica Roth (D) defeated Terisia Kolesnick (R) with 63%.
AD 25	Incumbent Selena La Rue Hatch (D) defeated Diana Sande (R) with 52%.
AD 26	Incumbent Rich DeLong (R) defeated Diane Sullivan (D) with 62%.

AD 27	Heather Goulding (D) is leading Carmen Ortiz (R) with 54%.
AD 28	Incumbent Reuben D'Silva (D) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 29	Joe Dalia (D) is leading Annette Owens (R) with 51%.
AD 30	Incumbent Natha Anderson (D) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 31	Incumbent Jill Dickman (R) defeated Stuart MacKie (D) by 64%.
AD 32	Incumbent Alexis Hansen (R) defeated Arnold Thomas (D) by 72%.
AD 33	Incumbent Bert Gurr (R) defeated Darryl Baber (Libertarian) by 85%.
AD 34	Hanadi Nadeem (D) is leading Brandon Davis (R) by 52%.
AD 35	Rebecca Edgeworth (R) defeated Sharifa Wahab (D) by 55%.
AD 36	Incumbent Gregory Hafen (R) defeated Marlene Drake (D) by 64%.
AD 37	Incumbent Shea Backus (D) is leading David Brog (R) with 50.5%.
AD 38	Incumbent Gregory Koenig (R) ran unopposed in the general election.
AD 39	Incumbent Ken Gray (R) defeated Erich Obermayr (D) with 72%.
AD 40	Incumbent Philip O'Neill (R) defeated Katherine Ramsey (D) with 63%.
AD 41	Rafael Arroyo-Montalvo (R) is leading incumbent Sandra Jauregui (D) with 50.4%.
AD 42	Incumbent Tracy Brown-May (D) is leading Kevin Child (R) with 55%.

Statewide Ballot Initiatives

TITLE	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOME
Question 1: Remove Constitutional Status of Board of Regents Amendment	A legislatively referred constitutional amendment that would remove the constitutional status of the Board of Regents, which oversees state universities, allowing the legislature to change the governing structure of these universities through statute	FAILED 54.9% to 45.1%
Question 2: Revise language in the state constitution related to public entities that benefit individuals with mental illness, blindness, or deafness	A legislatively referred constitutional amendment that would revise language in the state constitution related to public entities that benefit individuals with mental illness, blindness or deafness	PASSED 65.4% to 34.6%
Question 3: Top-Five Ranked-Choice Voting Initiative	A citizen-initiated constitutional amendment that would establish top-five primaries and ranked-choice voting for federal and state offices in Nevada	FAILED 54.3% to 45.7%
Question 4: Remove Slavery as Punishment for Crime from Constitution Amendment	A legislatively referred constitutional amendment that would repeal language from the Nevada Constitution that allows the use of slavery and involuntary servitude as criminal punishments	PASSED 60.2% to 39.8%
Question 5: Sales Tax Exemption for Diapers Measure	A legislatively referred statute that would amend the Sales and Use Tax of 1955 to provide a sales tax exemption for child and adult diapers	PASSED 68.2% to 31.8%
Question 6: Right to Abortion Initiative	A citizen-initiated constitutional amendment that would provide for a state constitutional right to abortion before fetal viability	PASSED 63.3% to 36.7%
Question 7: Voter Identification Initiative	A citizen-initiated constitutional amendment that would require voters to present photo identification when voting in person or to provide the last four digits of their driver's license or Social Security number when voting by mail	PASSED 73.6% to 26.4%

Local Elections

CLARK COUNTY COMMISSION

Four out of seven Clark County Commission seats were at play, and initial results favor incumbent Democrats despite the top of the ticket leaning red. Incumbent Commissioners Marilyn Kirkpatrick (District B) and William McCurdy II (District D) will win their election. However, incumbent Democrat Michael Naft's (District A) race is too close to call with a lead of roughly 1,000 votes over Republican Ryan Hamilton. Notably, Republican April Becker will win District C by over 10,000 votes, almost 7%, over Democrat Shannon Bilbray-Axelrod. This is the first Republican elected to the Clark County Commission since 2008.

LAS VEGAS MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Shelley Berkley will win the election for mayor of Las Vegas against City Councilwoman Victoria Seaman by over 12,000 votes, or 6%. While the mayor's race is nonpartisan, Berkley is a Democrat who represented Nevada's First Congressional District from 1999 to 2013. Seaman is a Republican currently representing Las Vegas City Council Ward 2. Seaman will remain a council member for the next two years. Shonda Summers-Armstrong will win the Ward 5 seat against Cameron "CH" Miller by over 1,400 votes. Both candidates are Democrats who most recently served in the Nevada Assembly together.

HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL

A stunning upset in Henderson, Monica "Doc" Larson will win the Ward II City Council seat against incumbent Dan Shaw by almost 5,000 votes—over 12%. Both of Henderson's ballot questions failed, as residents rejected the proposed tax increases. Henderson's Ballot Question 1, seeking to increase property taxes by six cents (\$0.06) per \$100 of assessed valuation, failed 61.7% to 38.3%. Ballot Question 2, which would increase additional property tax for Henderson District Public Libraries by 2 cents (\$0.02) per \$100 of assessed valuation, failed 64.4% to 35.6%.

NORTH LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL

In North Las Vegas, the Ward 2 city council seat is too close to call as incumbent Ruth Garcia-Anderson has a narrow lead of less than 50 votes against Robert "Twixx" Taylor.

NYE COUNTY COMMISSION

As expected, Republicans will sweep all Nye County Commission seats up for election, including incumbent Nye County Commissioner Bruce Jabbour in District 1 and newcomers John Koenig in District 2 and Ian Bayne in District 3.

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