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What's Inside

2022 Election Results

In yet another interesting and chaotic Election Night, the New York State Legislature will once again have a number of new members from across the state and on both sides of the aisle. The official results of many of these races may not be decided for days or even weeks. We will provide you with necessary updates on absentee ballot returns as they become available.

Please see our synopsis below and do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Statewide Races

Governor

Kathy Hochul has declared victory in the race for Governor. As of this writing, she appears to have defeated challenger Lee Zeldin by roughly 5 points, 52% to 47%. Provided her lead holds as expected, Hochul will become the first elected female Governor of the State of New York.

Attorney General

Attorney General **Letitia James** has won reelection with 52% of the vote. Her challenger Michael Henry appears to have run behind Lee Zeldin winning only 44.7% of the vote.

State Comptroller

Comptroller **Tom DiNapoli** has won reelection with 55% of the vote, outpacing both the Governor and Attorney General in his race.

Ballot Proposal

The Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022 passed with nearly 60% of the vote.

Federal Races

U.S. Senate

Senate Majority Leader **Chuck Schumer** has defeated his challenger taking 55% of the vote. At the time of this writing, it is unclear if Schumer will return as the Majority or the Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate.

Congressional Districts

Of the 26 U.S. House seats it appears that Republicans will add to their ranks. Provided results hold after absentee ballots are counted, Republicans have swept all four Long Island congressional seats. In addition, Mike Lawler (R) has defeated Sean Patrick Maloney (D) and Mark Molinaro (R) has defeated Josh Riley (D). Republicans held the Syracuse area seat vacated by the retiring John Katko and fended off a challenge on Staten Island with Malliotakis (R) defeating Rose (D) in a rematch of 2020. Pat Ryan (D) has defeated Colin Schmitt (R) to maintain his seat in congress.

Highlights include:

1st District (Suffolk County)

Bridget Fleming (D, WFP): 136,899
Nick LaLota (R, CON): 173,275

2nd District (Nassau and Suffolk counties)

Jackie Gordon (D, WFP): 95,183
Andrew Garbarino (R, CON): 148,613

3rd District (Nassau County and Queens)

Robert Zimmerman (D, WFP): 120,060
George Santos (R, CON): 142,017

4th District (Nassau County)

Laura Gillen (D): 127,748
Anthony D'Esposito (R, CON): 137,899

11th District (Staten Island and southern Brooklyn)

Max Rose (D): 69,241
Nicole Malliotakis (R, CON): 113,485

17th District (Lower Hudson Valley)

Sean Patrick Maloney (D, WFP): 118,963

Mike Lawler (R, CON): 132,190

18th District (Orange, Dutchess and Ulster counties)

Pat Ryan (D, WFP): 131,301

Colin Schmitt (R, CON): 129,128

19th District (Upper Hudson Valley and Southern Tier)

Josh Riley (D, WFP): 136,471

Marc Molinaro (R, CON): 142,663

22nd District (Onondaga, Madison, Oneida and Oswego counties)

Francis Conole (D): 128,393

Brandon Williams (R, CON): 131,613

25th District (Monroe and Orleans counties)

Joseph Morelle (D, WFP): 148,681

La'Ron Singletary (R, CON): 128,502

State Legislative Races

State Senate

Senate Democrats flipped the upper house four years ago and gained a supermajority in 2020. At the time of this writing, it appears that Republicans and Democrats have traded a few seats, but, Senate Democrats will still hold a sizable majority, with their supermajority hinging on a handful of races that are still too close to call.

Key races include:

1st District (Suffolk County)

Skyler Johnson (D, WFP): 55,362

Anthony Palumbo (R, CON): 71,752

2nd District (Suffolk County)

Susan Berland (D, WFP): 57,936

Mario Mattera (R, CON): 80,362

3rd District (Suffolk County)

Farzeen A. Bham (D): 37,009

Dean Murray (R, Con): 69,972

4th District (Suffolk County)

Monica Martinez (D, WFP): 36,350

Wendy Rodriguez (R, CON): 34,631

5th District (Nassau County)

John Brooks (D, WFP): 50,985

Steven Rhoads (R, CON): 79,486

6th District (Nassau County)

Kevin Thomas (D, WFP): 52,694

Thomas Coll (R, Con): 36,564

7th District (Nassau County)

Anna Kaplan (D, WFP): 55,963
Jack Martins (R, CON): 64,009

8th District (Nassau County)

John R. Alberts (D): 41,655
Alexis Weik (R, Con): 94,692

9th District (Nassau County)

Kenneth Moore (D, WFP): 48,212
Patricia M. Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick (R, CON): 61,670

17th District (Bensonhurst, Bay Ridge and Sunset Park, Brooklyn)

Iwen Chu (D, WFP): 17,125
Vito LaBella (R, CON): 16,910

23rd District (North Shore of Staten Island and Coney Island, Brooklyn)

Jessica Scarcella-Spanton (D): 28,234
Joseph Tirone (R, CON): 26,716

38th District (Rockland County)

Elijah Reichlin-Melnick (D, WFP): 46,827
Bill Weber (R, CON): 50,380

39th District (Hudson Valley)

Julie Shiroishi (D, WFP): 49,937
Rob Rolison (R): 57,125

40th District (Westchester, Putnam and Rockland counties)*

*Note: it appears that although the State Board of Elections website has the incumbent Pete Harckham (D) losing, that seems to be inaccurate as county boards of election results have Harckham winning when all votes totaled.

Pete Harckham (D, WFP):
Gina Arena (R):

41st District (Hudson Valley)

Michelle Hinchey (D, WFP): 72,149
Sue Serino (R, CON, IND): 65,599

42nd District (Orange County)

James Skoufis (D, WFP): 48,445
Dorey Houle (R, CON): 47,265

43rd District (Rensselaer, Washington and Albany counties)

Andrea Smyth (D, WFP): 54,108
Jake Ashby (R, CON): 61,146

44th District (Saratoga and Schenectady counties)

Michelle Ostrelich (D, WFP): 50,655
James Tedisco (R, CON): 67,734

48th District (Onondaga and Cayuga)

Rachel May (D, WFP): 49,143
Julie Abbott (R): 42,067

Justin M. Coretti (Con): 7,104

50th District (Onondaga and Oswego counties)

John Mannion (D, WFP): 59,849

Rebecca Shiroff (R, CON): 60,245

52nd District (Tompkins, Cortland and Broome counties)

Lea Webb (D, WFP): 51,623

Rich David (R, CON): 50,168

55th District (Monroe County)

Samra Brouk (D, WFP): 71,932

Len Morrell (R, Con): 51,595

56th District (Monroe County)

Jeremy Cooney (D, WFP): 50,545

Jim VanBrederode (R, CON, IND): 43,086

61st District (Erie County)

Sean Ryan (D, WFP): 61,995

Ed Rath (R, Con): 47,723

State Assembly

The Democrats in the State Assembly have held a sizable majority since the 1970s. It appears however, that Republicans have made some gains in the chamber in 2022, albeit not enough to drastically impact the Democratic Majority.

The following Democrat-held seats are in jeopardy of flipping to the GOP provided election night results hold pending absentee ballot counting:

- AD 4 – Steve Englebright (D) / Down by 973 votes
- AD 21 – Judy Griffin (D) / Down by 270 votes
- AD 23 – Pheffer Amato (D) / Down by 246 votes
- AD 45 – Steve Cymbrowitz (D) / Down by 4,315 votes
- AD 46 – Mathylde Frontus (D) / Down by 797 votes
- AD 49 – Peter Abbate (D) / Down by 668 votes
- AD 63 – Argenziano (D) / Down by 3,336 (Formerly Cusick)

We expect the Assembly Democrats to still hold approximately 100 seats or more after absentee ballots are counted.

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