

New Mexico 2024 General Election Results In Federal Races And New Mexico House and Senate

United States President

Nationally, Former Republican President Donald Trump defeated Democrat Vice President Kamala Harris both in the public vote and the electoral college vote. Trump defeated Harris in the public vote with Trump securing 71,588,137 votes to Harris securing 66,715,622. Trump secured 276 electoral college votes and Harris secured 223 electoral college votes.

However, in New Mexico, with 100% of the precincts reporting, Vice President Kamala Harris defeated former President Donald Trump **51.64%** (469,975 votes) to **46.07%** (419,248) with other candidates on the ballot getting the difference including Robert Kennedy, Jr.

UNITED STATES SENATE

Incumbent Democrat Senior Senator Martin Heinrich defeated Republican Nella Domenici **54.85%** (488,375 votes) to **45.15%** (401,930) winning a third term as one of New Mexico's two U.S. Senators. During the run-up to Election Day, Heinrich maintained a consistent advantage in recent polls over Domenici, a Republican who pumped more than \$2 million of her own money into her campaign in the form of loans.

U.S. House – District 1

Democratic incumbent Melanie Stansbury defeated Republican Steven Jones **56.20%** (189,464 votes) to **43.80%** (147,687 votes) to retain her seat in the U.S. House of Representatives and serve another two-year term. District 1 represents many areas of central New Mexico, including a majority of Albuquerque and Sandoval County.

U.S. House – District 2

With all precincts reporting, Democratic incumbent Gabe Vasquez defeated Yvette Herrell **51.92%** (136,350 votes) to **48.08%** (126,252 votes) to retain his seat in the U.S. House of Representatives and serve another two year term. Herrell previously held the seat, but lost to Vasquez in the 2022 election.

District 2 encompasses most of southern New Mexico, including Albuquerque's South Valley.

U.S. House – District 3

Democratic incumbent Teresa Leger Fernandez defeated Republican challenger Sharon Clahchischilliage **56.02** (159,058) to **43.98%** (124,854). A Republican has only been elected to the seat once in the district's history. That happened 1997 when former Rep. Bill Redmond was elected to finish former Rep. Bill Richardson's term when he became the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations. Leger Fernandez has held the seat since 2021.

NEW MEXICO HOUSE AND SENATE RACES

All 112 seats in Legislature are on this year's general election ballot. Members of the state Senate stand for election every four years while House districts are on the ballot every two years. Democrats hold majority control in both chambers. There are 45 Democrats and 25 Republicans in the New Mexico House of Representatives. Currently, there are 27 Democrats and 15 Republicans in the New Mexico Senate. The 2025 New Mexico legislature convenes on January 21, 2025 and ends on March 22, 2025.

On November 6, New Mexico Politics With Joe Monahan posted the following results on the most contested races:

“Republicans appeared to pick up one seat in the state House but the Dems will still have a majority of 44 to 26. In the Senate the Dems appeared to pick up one seat there, upping their majority to 28-14.

Rebecca Dow defeated incumbent Dem Tara Jaramillo in a T or C area race and was already being mentioned as possibly the next House Minority Leader as Rep. Rod Montoya plans to bow out.

Republican Nicole Chavez won the only ABQ state House seat held by the GOP, pushing away a stiff challenge from the Dems.

Democrat Michelle Sandoval lost her second attempt to take a House seat in Rio Rancho District 57 that GOP Rep. Jason Harper is leaving. Senator Martin Hickey, in a closely watched race in ABQ's NE Heights, defeated Republican Wayne Yevoli.”

COMMENTARY AND ANALYSIS

Thank you to all the voters who took their civic responsibility serious and voted. Congratulations and best wishes to all the victors. Now the hard part begins in making decisions that are in the best interest of the public.

Excerpted from Pete Dinelli Blog of Nov 6, 2024.