

2022 November General Election Recap

As in-person and absentee ballots continue to be tallied across the state, NYSAR can provide preliminary election results, which are subject to change. Overall, it appears Republicans will gain 3 Congressional seats in New York, at least 1 seat in the State Senate with 3 races still being too close to call, and at least 3 seats in the State Assembly with 6 races too close to call. Democrats in the State Legislature are closely watching these “too-close-to-call” races as they will decide whether the Senate and Assembly hold on to their respective supermajorities (42 members in the Senate and 100 members in the Assembly). Up-to-date election results can be viewed on the NYS Board of Elections site at <https://nyenr.elections.ny.gov/>.

Statewide Elections

Democratic incumbents swept the ballot in statewide elections for Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller and U.S. Senate.

Governor Kathy Hochul was re-elected in the closest New York gubernatorial election since 1994, becoming the first female elected as Governor in the State’s history. State Attorney General Letitia James and State Comptroller Tom DiNapoli also won re-election by narrower margins than more recent elections. U.S. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D) also won re-election.

U.S. House of Representatives

New York’s delegation in the U.S. House of Representatives will likely consist of 15 Democrats and 11 Republicans – a considerable shift from the last delegation which consisted of 19 Democrats and 8 Republicans (New York State lost a congressional seat due to redistricting).

Open Congressional Seats

There were seven open seats in New York’s congressional races and one seat held by an incumbent Pat Ryan (D) for less than 3 months following an August Special Election to replace Antonio Delgado, current Lieutenant Governor. Republican candidates won six of these open seats on Long Island (1st, 3rd & 4th Districts) and in upstate New York (19th, 22nd and 23rd Districts), while the Democratic candidates won the open seat in the 10th District in lower Manhattan/western Brooklyn and will likely win the 18th District in the Hudson Valley. New members of New York’s Congressional delegation will be:

- 1st District – Nick LaLota (R)
- 3rd District – George Santos (R)
- 4th District – Anthony D’Esposito (R)
- 10th District - Dan Goldman (D)
- 18th District – Pat Ryan (D)* (incumbent elected recently in the August 2022 Special Election) - *Likely winner as absentee ballots have not been counted; leading by 2,173 votes*
- 19th District – Marc Molinaro (R)
- 22nd District – Brandon Williams (R) – *Likely winner as absentee ballots have not been counted; leading by 3,220*
- 23rd District – Nick Langworthy (R)

Congressional Incumbents in Other Races

Incumbents won all other Congressional election contests in New York, except for Democrat Sean Patrick Maloney, who lost to Republican Assemblymember Mike Lawler in the 17th District.

State Senate

Republicans in the State Senate are expected to net at least 1 additional seat defeating Democratic incumbent Sens. John Brooks, Anna Kaplan, and Elijah Reichlin-Melnick, bringing their conference number to at least 21 members. Republicans also flipped control of the 9th Senate District previously held by Democrat Todd Kaminsky. Democrats however, had the benefit of two newly drawn districts in New York City as a result of the consolidation of upstate Republican districts following redistricting. Democratic Sen. Michelle Hinchey defeated Republican Sen. Sue Serino in the 41st Senate District in the mid-Hudson Valley also nullifying Republican gains.

There are 3 State Senate races that are currently too close to call. Senate Democrats would have to win all three seats to hold their 42-member supermajority. Current election counts for these districts are as follows (absentee ballots have not been counted yet):

- 17th District (open seat) – Iwen Chu (D) leads Vito LaBella (R) by 215 votes.
- 42nd District – James Skoufis (*D-incumbent*) leads Dorey Houle (R) by 1,190 votes.
- 50th District – Rebecca Shiroff (R) leads John Mannion (*D-incumbent*) by 396 votes.

State Assembly

Republicans in the State Assembly are expected to net at least 3 seats following the defeat of long-serving Democratic incumbent Assemblymembers Steve Cymbrowitz (Assembly Housing Committee Chair) and Peter Abbate (Assembly Governmental Employees Committee Chair), and Democrat Assemblymember Mathylde Frontus who was elected in 2018.

There are 6 Assembly races that are currently too close to call. Assembly Democrats would need to win at least 2 of those seats to maintain their 100-member supermajority. Current election counts for these districts are as follows (absentee ballots have not been counted yet):

- 4th District – Edward Flood (R) leads Steve Englebright (*D-incumbent*) by 973 votes.
- 11th District – Kimberly Jean-Pierre (*D-incumbent*) leads Christopher Sperber (R) by 136 votes.
- 23rd District – Thomas Sullivan (R) leads Stacey Pheffer-Amato (*D-incumbent*) by 246 votes.
- 21st District – Brian Curran (R) leads Judy Griffin (*D-incumbent*) by 270 votes.
- 90th District – Nader Sayegh (*D-incumbent*) leads Michael Breen (R) by 300 votes.
- 99th District (open seat) – Chris Eachus (D) leads Kathryn Luciani (R) by 19 votes.

Statewide Ballot Initiative – Environmental Bond Act

Over 59% of voters statewide [approved](#) a ballot initiative authorizing the Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act. This Act authorizes the state to issue bonds in the amount of up to \$4.2 billion for capital projects that make environmental improvements that preserve, enhance, and restore New York's natural resources and reduce the impact of climate change. Categories include:

- Restoration and flood risk reduction (at least \$1.1 billion),
- Open space land conservation and recreation (up to \$650 million),
- Climate change mitigation (up to \$1.5 billion),

- Water quality improvement and resilient infrastructure (at least \$650 million),
- Projects must comply with prevailing wage requirements and utilize a project labor agreement