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2024 Election Results

On a night where the contest between Republican **Donald Trump** and Democrat **Kamala Harris** was decided narrowly in the 45th president's favor with 277 Electoral College votes as of this writing, results in Indiana were similarly heartening for Republicans.

The GOP retained control of the governorship, the attorney general's office and supermajorities in the Indiana General Assembly.

A quick rundown using all returns available this morning (82% of the vote tallied):

FEDERAL

In the presidential contest, Indiana once again was a reliably Republican state, providing **Donald Trump** 58.5% of the vote. Democrat **Kamala Harris** received 39.8%.

In Indiana's U.S. Senate race, Congressman **Jim Banks** handily defeated his Democratic opponent **Dr. Valerie McCray** and perennial Libertarian candidate **Andrew Horning**. Banks won 58.3% of the vote and will replace **Mike Braun** in the U.S. Senate.

In U.S. House races, the outcome remains a 7-2 GOP majority for the Indiana delegation, with all incumbents being re-elected.

In CD 1, incumbent Democrat **Frank Mrvan** bested Republican challenger **Randall Neimeyer** 55%-43%.

Reps. **Rudy Yakym** (CD 2) **Jim Baird** (CD 4), **Victoria Spartz** (CD 5), **Andre Carson** (CD 7), and **Erin Houchin** (CD 9) will all return to Congress next session. Indiana's House candidates averaged 62% of the vote in their respective re-election bids.

They will be joined by "newcomers" **Marlin Stutzman** in the open CD 3 (65%), **Jefferson Shreve** in CD 6 (65%) and **Mark Messmer** in CD 8 (68%). Stutzman is returning to Congress to represent his old district, Shreve parlayed his unsuccessful 2023 Indianapolis mayoral bid into a successful bid for federal office, and Messmer traded his role as a state senator for federal legislative office.

STATE

Governor

Republican **Mike Braun** defeated Democrat **Jennifer McCormick** and Libertarian **Donald Rainwater** in the race for governor. The Associate Press (AP) called the race early for Braun, but it took several hours for McCormick to concede the race as ten counties in the Central Time Zone reported their results. The final tally was Braun 54.1% , McCormick 41.3% and Rainwater 4.5%.

Attorney General

Incumbent Republican **Todd Rokita** handily defeated his Democratic opponent **Destiny Wells** 59.3-40.7% winning a second term as the state's chief legal officer.

Indiana General Assembly

Indiana **Republicans** [maintained their supermajorities](#) in both the Indiana Senate and House of Representatives, leaving them firmly in control during the 2025 budget-writing session of the Indiana General Assembly.

The GOP will have a **40-10** majority in the Senate and a likely **71-29** majority in the House (with a potential pick-up of one seat).

OTHER RACES, BALLOT MEASURES

A ballot measure to change the **gubernatorial succession** order should a governor need to be replaced while in office passed easily with 54% of the vote. It essentially removed the superintendent of public instruction from the succession order as the state legislature abolished that office in 2021.

The retention vote for three **Indiana Supreme Court** justices - Chief Justice **Loretta Rush** and Justices **Mark Massa** and **Derek Molter** - went their way. All three were retained with 56-57% of the vote, respectively.

Several **school board races** in Marion and surrounding counties were contested yesterday, bringing new faces to these K-12 school district governing bodies - most notably [IPS](#).

National and statewide results can be found [here](#) courtesy of the *Indiana Capital Chronicle* and [here](#) courtesy of the *Indy Star*.

Organization Day Is November 19

The Indiana General Assembly will convene on Tuesday, November 19 for **Organization Day**.

"Org Day" is the first official roll call for lawmakers and allows the respective caucuses to organize formally for the 2025 "long" or budget-writing session.

It provides all legislators an opportunity to meet to discuss issues, decide leadership positions, and announce policy priorities for the upcoming session. It is also an opportunity for lobbyists, community organizations and special interest groups to meet with legislators and make their own priorities known.

