

Colorado 2024 Primary Legislative Election Results Roundup

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Colorado wrapped up its primary elections on Tuesday, June 25. Although voter turnout was reportedly lower for this year's primary elections across the state, the results could still portend shifts in the trajectory of Colorado politics—for both state and federal lawmakers. Overall, it was a good night for centrists as voters selected several candidates—on both sides of the aisle—who were perceived to be more moderate than their primary opponents.

Tuesday's results also highlight the increasing role of unaffiliated voters in Colorado after the state opened its primaries several years ago. The politically unaffiliated represent the state's largest voting bloc, outnumbering any other party in active registrations at 48% of Colorado's 3.9 million, according to the most recent statistics from the Secretary of State's Office. Although they only made up 35% of votes in these primary elections, according to [Colorado Public Radio](#), they played a key role in several races on Tuesday night and will be a deciding factor in close races in the general election, which is now only 132 days away.

The following is a summary of the results from the primaries for both the U.S. House of Representatives and state legislative seats.

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LEGEND

* denotes a race where the incumbent faces a primary

(i) indicates an incumbent

Safe R District

Safe D District

Competitive seat

U.S. CONGRESS ([current map](#))

Voters chose general election candidates for eight seats in Colorado's congressional delegation in Tuesday's primaries. Notably, Democratic incumbent Reps. Diana DeGette (CD-1), Joe Neguse (CD-2), Jason Crow (CD-6), Brittany Pettersen (CD-7) and Yadira Caraveo (CD-8) ran uncontested. Meanwhile, Adam Frisch ran unopposed in the Democratic primary for CD-3 and will face Jeff Hurd, the Grand Junction Republican candidate seeking to replace sitting Congresswoman Lauren Boebert (R), who is running for CD-4 and won her primary last night. Please see full results below:

CD-1: Denver

- Congresswoman [Diana DeGette](#) (i) ran uncontested in the Democratic primary for a seat she has held since 1997.
- [Valdamar Archuleta](#) ran uncontested in the Republican primary.

CD-2: Boulder and Larimer Counties

- Democratic Congressman [Joe Neguse](#) (i) ran uncontested in what is a solidly blue district.
- [Marshall Dawson](#) ran uncontested in the Republican primary.

CD-3: Western Slope and Southwestern Colorado

- [Adam Frisch](#) ran uncontested in the Democratic primary.
- [Jeff Hurd](#) defeated five other candidates to become the Republican nominee in CD-3 and will go on to face a competitive race against Frisch.

CD-4: Eastern Plains

- [Trisha Calvarese](#) defeated two other candidates in the Democratic primary.
- Congresswoman [Lauren Boebert](#) (currently representing CD-3) defeated five other candidates to become the Republican nominee in CD-4 in what is traditionally a safe Republican seat.
- Additionally, Republican [Greg Lopez](#) defeated three other candidates—including Trisha Calvarese (D)—to fill the remainder of Congressman Ken Buck's (R) term following his resignation this spring.

CD-5: Colorado Springs and El Paso County

- As of publication time, the Democratic primary between [River Gassen](#) and [Joe Reagan](#) in CD-5 remains close, but Gassen holds a slight edge and currently is just outside of automatic recount territory.
- [Jeff Crank](#) defeated state GOP Chair Dave Williams in the Republican primary for CD-5 in what has historically always been a secure Republican seat.

CD-6: Arapahoe County

- Congressman [Jason Crow](#) ran uncontested in the Democratic primary.
- [John Fabbriatore](#) ran uncontested in the Republican primary for CD-6, a district which has leaned increasingly blue in recent election cycles.

CD-7: Jefferson County

- Congresswoman [Brittany Pettersen](#) (i) ran uncontested in the Democratic primary.
- [Sergei Matveyuk](#) ran uncontested in the Republican primary for CD-7, a district which leans solidly blue.

CD-8: Weld and Adams Counties

- Congresswoman [Yadira Caraveo](#) (i) ran uncontested in the Democratic primary.
- State Rep. [Gabe Evans](#) defeated former state legislator Janak Joshi in the Republican primary and will enter what is likely to be a competitive race against the incumbent.

STATE SENATE ([2024 Senate Districts Map](#))

The state Senate has a staggered election schedule for four-year terms. With a two-term limit, about half of Colorado's state senators are up for election every two years. There are 18 Senate seats up for election in 2024. Seven of those seats had primary elections on Tuesday.

SD 2: Northern Douglas County: Republicans Lisa Frizell vs. Timothy Arvidson

- RESULT: [Lisa Frizell](#)

This race is in a stable Republican district to replace Sen. Jim Smallwood, who is termed out. The primary winner will face Democrat [Jennifer Brady](#) in the general election.

SD 10*: Central El Paso County: Republicans Larry Liston (i) vs. David Stiver vs. Rex Tonkins

- RESULT: [Larry Liston](#) (i)

Safe Republican seat. There is no Democratic candidate for the general election so the primary winner will serve in the General Assembly in 2025.

SD 12: Southwest El Paso County: Republicans Adriana Cuva vs. Stan Vanderwerf

- RESULT: [Stan Vanderwerf](#)

The primary winner will likely face a competitive general election race against Democrat and sitting state Rep. [Marc Snyder](#).

SD 18: West Boulder County: Democrats Jovitea Schiffer vs. Judy Amabile

- RESULT: [Judy Amabile](#)

This contest is in a safe Democratic seat to replace Senate President Steve Fenberg who is termed out. There is no Republican candidate for the general election so the primary winner will serve in the General Assembly in 2025.

SD 19: Northwest Jefferson County: Democrats Lindsey Daugherty vs. Obi Ezeadi

- RESULT: [Lindsey Daugherty](#)

This seat favors Democrats; the primary winner will seek to replace Sen. Rachel Zenzinger (D), who is termed out.

SD 23: Eastern Weld County and Western Larimer County: Republicans Barbara Kirkmeyer (i) vs. Natalie Abshier

- RESULT: **Barb Kirkmeyer** (i)

Safe Republican seat. The primary winner will serve in the General Assembly in 2025.

SD 28: Southwest Adams County and Northwest Arapahoe County: Democrats Mike Weissman vs. Idris Keith

- RESULT: **Mike Weissman**

*This is a stable Democratic seat where the winner will seek to replace Sen. Rhonda Fields, who is termed out. The primary winner will face Republican **Pedro Espinoza** in the general election.*

STATE HOUSE ([2024 House Districts Map](#))

All 65 seats in the Colorado House of Representatives are up for election every two years, for two-year terms and a four-term limit. On Tuesday, 18 of those seats had a primary election.

HD 4*: Northwest/West Denver: Democrats Tim Hernandez (i) vs. Cecelia Espinoza

- RESULT: **Cecelia Espinoza**

*Stable Democratic seat. The primary winner will face Republican **Jack Daus** in the general election.*

HD 6*: Central/West Denver: Democrats Elisabeth Epps (i) vs. Sean Camacho

- RESULT: **Sean Camacho**

*Stable Democratic seat. The primary winner will face Republican **Kyle Witter** in the general election.*

HD 10*: Boulder: Democrats Junie Joseph (i) vs. Tina Mueh

- RESULT: **Junie Joseph** (i)

*Safe Democratic seat. The primary winner will face Republican **William DeOreo** in the general election.*

HD 11: West Boulder County: Republicans Kathy Reeves vs. Terri Goon

- RESULT: **Kathy Reeves**

*Stable Democratic seat. The primary winner will face incumbent Democratic state Rep. **Karen McCormick**.*

HD 12: Southwest Boulder County: Republicans Robert Mahler vs. Mark Milliman

- RESULT: **Mark Milliman**

Safe Democratic seat. The primary winner will face incumbent Democratic state Rep. [Kyle Brown](#).

HD 20: Northwest El Paso County Republicans Jason Lupo vs. Jarvis Caldwell

- RESULT: **Jarvis Caldwell**

Safe Republican seat to replace Rep. Don Wilson, who is not seeking reelection. The primary winner will face Democrat [Arik Dougherty](#) in the general election.

HD 21*: Southern El Paso County: Republicans Mary Bradfield (i) vs. Bill Garlington vs. Jan Koester

- RESULT: **Mary Bradfield (i)**

Safe Republican seat. The primary winner will face Democrat [Liz Rosenbaum](#) in the general election.

HD 30: Eastern Jefferson County: Democrats Kyra deGruy Kennedy vs. Rebekah Stewart

- RESULTS: **Rebekah Stewart**

*Stable Democratic seat to replace Rep. Chris deGruy Kennedy (also Kyra deGruy Kennedy's husband), who is termed out. The primary winner will face Republican **Ramey Johnson** in the general election.*

HD 31*: Western Adams County: Democrats Julie Marvin (i) vs. Jacqui Phillips

- RESULT: **Jacqui Phillips**

*Safe Democratic seat. The primary winner will face Republican **Heidi Pitchfork** in the general election.*

HD 36: Southwest Adams County and Northwest Arapahoe County: Democrats Bryan Lindstrom vs. Michael Carter

- RESULT: **Michael Carter**

Safe Democrat seat to replace Rep. Mike Weissman, who is running for SD-28. There is no Republican candidate so the primary winner will be in the General Assembly in 2025.

HD 43: Northwest Douglas County: Republicans Lora Thomas vs. Matthew Burcham

- RESULT: **Matthew Burcham**

This seat leans Republican. The primary winner will face incumbent Democrat Rep. [Bob Marshall](#) in a competitive general election race.

HD 45: Central Douglas County: Republicans Max Brooks vs. Bill Jack

- RESULT: **Max Brooks**

*Safe Republican seat to replace Rep. Lisa Frizell, who is running for SD-2. The primary winner will face Democrat **Chad Cox** in the general election.*

HD 46: West Pueblo County: Republicans Christina Mascarenas vs. Kim Swearingen

- RESULT: **Kim Swearingen**

*Safe Democratic seat. The primary winner will face Democrat Rep. **Tisha Mauro** (i).*

HD 49: Larimer, Boulder, Gilpin and Clear Creek Counties: Democrats Max Woodfin vs. Lesley Smith

- RESULT: Lesley Smith

Safe Democratic seat to replace Rep. Judy Amabile who is running for SD-18. There is no Republican candidate so the primary winner will be in the General Assembly in 2025.

HD 52: Eastern Larimer County: Democrats Ethnie Treick vs. Yara Zokaie

- RESULT: **Yara Zokaie**

Stable Democratic seat to replace Rep. Cathy Kipp, who is running for SD-14. There is no Republican candidate so the primary winner will serve in the General Assembly in 2025.

HD 58: Delta, Delores, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montezuma, Montrose, Ouray and San Miguel Counties: Republicans J. Mark Roeber vs. Larry Don Suckla

- RESULT: Too close to call as of publication time

*Safe Republican seat to replace Rep. Marc Catlin, who is running for SD-5. The primary winner will face Democrat **Kathleen Curry** in the general election.*

HD 63: Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, Weld and Yuma Counties: Republicans Brian Urdiales vs. Dusty Johnson

- RESULT: **Dusty Johnson**

Safe Republican seat to replace Rep. Richard Holtorf, who is running for CD-4. There is no Democratic candidate in the general election so the primary winner will serve in the General Assembly in 2025.

HD 65: Eastern Larimer County: Republicans Lori Garcia Sander vs. Trent Leisy

- RESULT: **Lori Garcia Sander**

*Stable Republican seat to replace Rep. Mike Lynch, who is running for CD-4. The primary winner will face Democrat **Will Walters** in the general election.*

We will continue to monitor as the general election races develop in advance of Nov. 5. Because Colorado's voting happens through mail-in and drop-off ballots, expect heavy campaigning in the late summer and early fall before voters receive their ballots in mid-October.

Please note that these results reflect votes counted as of June 26. These outcomes are unofficial until results are certified.

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