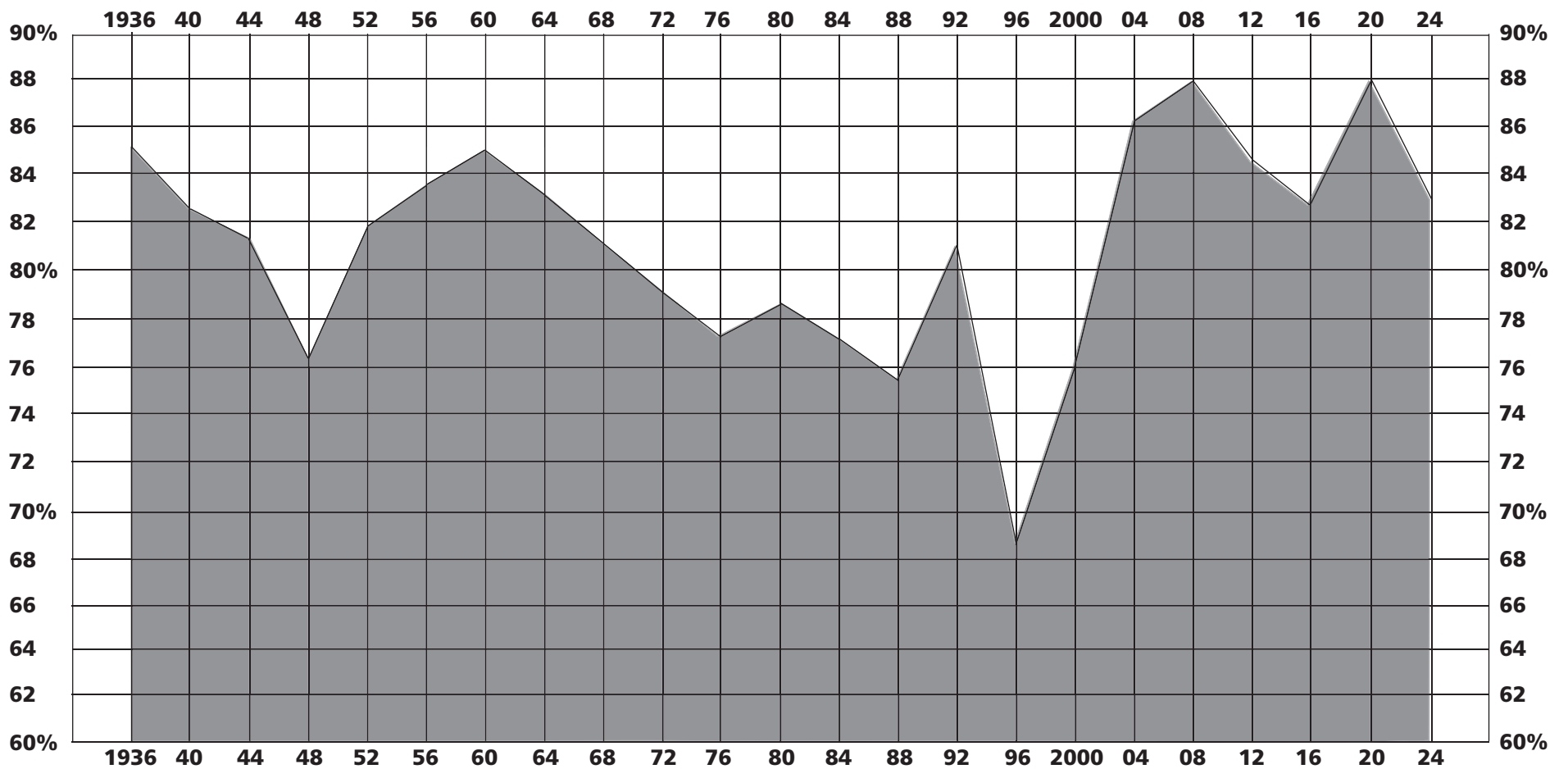


# General Election Results—2024

## Whatcom County Voter Turnout: Presidential Elections 1936 – 2024



### Voter Turnout: 1936 – 2024

Year	Registered	Voted	Turnout
1936	30,857	26,293	85.2%
1940	33,753	27,837	82.5%
1944	34,770	28,340	81.5%
1948	37,783	28,853	76.4%
1952	38,409	31,448	81.9%
1956	39,169	32,712	83.5%
1960	38,339	32,601	85.0%
1964	38,290	31,903	83.3%
1968	38,918	31,662	81.4%
1972	50,117	39,693	79.1%
1976	54,335	42,038	77.4%
1980	59,639	46,955	78.7%
1984	66,965	51,736	77.3%
1988	67,817	51,354	75.7%
1992	79,501	64,463	81.1%
1996	95,665	65,518	68.5%
2000	98,352	74,671	75.9%
2004	106,094	91,497	86.2%
2008	115,314	101,399	87.9%
2012	125,485	104,727	84.5%
2016	138,962	114,092	82.7%
2020	158,780	139,628	87.9%
2024	167,790	139,080	82.9%
<b>Mean</b>			<b>81.2%</b>

### Voting Drop-Off Rate

The first column is the total number voting in the general election. The second column is the number voting in the general election. The third column is the second column subtracted from the first column and reflected as a percent.

Whatcom County	Total Voting	Voted On	Not Voting
President/Vice President	139,080	137,868	0.87%
Governor	139,080	136,451	1.93%
U.S. Senate	139,080	135,481	2.66%
2nd Congressional District	139,080	134,738	3.22%
Lieutenant Governor	139,080	134,304	3.56%
Initiative 2109 (Repeal Capital Gains Excise Tax )	139,080	133,562	4.13%
Initiative 2117 (Prohibit Any Type of Carbon Tax) ..	139,080	133,519	4.16%
Secretary of State	139,080	133,271	4.36%
Attorney General	139,080	132,904	4.65%
40th District, Senator	44,279	41,420	4.90%
State Treasurer	139,080	132,520	4.95%
Commissioner of Public Lands	139,080	132,435	5.02%
State Auditor	139,080	132,198	5.21%
42th District, Representative #1	94,769	89,978	5.32%
Initiative 2124 (Decrease Long-Term Care Funding)	139,080	132,042	5.33%
42th District, Representative #2	94,769	89,913	5.40%
Initiative 2066 (Repeal Certain Natural Gas Laws)...	139,080	131,592	5.80%
Insurance Commissioner	139,080	130,455	6.20%
Superintendent of Public Instruction	139,080	116,562	16.19%
State Supreme Court — #2	139,080	116,858	19.02%
P.U.D. #1 — District 2	139,080	112,392	23.75%
P.U.D. #1 — District 1	139,080	109,815	21.04%
40th District, Representative #1*	44,279	33,641	24.02%
40th District, Representative #2*	44,279	33,374	24.63%
State Supreme Court — #9*	139,080	89,889	35.37%
Court of Appeals, Judge Position 1*	139,080	88,723	36.21%
State Supreme Court — #8*	139,080	87,408	37.15%

\*Unopposed

#### Proposition 2024-22

##### Amend the Whatcom County Home Rule Charter

Prohibit members of the County Council, the executive, assessor, auditor, treasurer, sheriff and prosecuting attorney from holding another office or employment within county government or any other elected public office during their term of office.

Yes ..... 107,437 ..... 84.20% ✓  
 No ..... 20,161 ..... 15.80%  
**Total ..... 127,598**

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## Compiled by

Bill McCallum from information on the Washington Secretary of State, the state Public Disclosure Commission and the Federal Election Commission websites. Also, he compiled information from the Whatcom County Auditor's website, with thanks to Amy Grasher and Rebecca Rouse in the Whatcom County Auditor's office.

## Presidential Primary Election March 12, 2024

## Primary Election August 6, 2024

## General Election November 5, 2024

## Party Preference

- (D) Democratic
- (G) Green
- (GOP) Grand Old Party
- (I) Independent
- (J) Justice For All
- (L) Libertarian
- (M) MAGA Republican
- (R) Republican
- (SE) Socialist Equality
- (SL) Socialism and Liberation
- (SW) Socialist Workers
- (W) We The People

<sup>2</sup>Incumbent

<sup>4</sup>The 2nd Congressional District represents all of Whatcom, Skagit, San Juan and Island counties. It also includes a narrow portion of Snohomish County along the Salish Sea from the Skagit County line to the King County line.

<sup>5</sup>The 40th District represents San Juan County, northwestern Skagit County and southwestern Whatcom County.

	Washington State	Whatcom County
<b>President/Vice President</b>		
K. Harris/T. Walz (D) .....	2,245,849 .... 57.23% ✓	83,295....60.42%
D. Trump/JD Vance (R) .....	1,530,923 .... 39.01%	49,213....35.70%
R. Kennedy/N. Shanahan (W) .....	54,868 ..... 1.40%	1,893..... 1.37%
J. Stein/R. Ware (G) .....	29,754 ..... 0.76%	1,196.....0.87%
C. Oliver/M. ter Maat (L) .....	16,428 ..... 0.42%	566.....0.41%
C. De la Cruz/K. Garcia (SL) .....	8,695 ..... 0.22%	393.....0.29%
C. West/M. Abdullah (J) .....	7,254 ..... 0.18%	280.....0.20%
S. Ayyadurai/C. Ellis (I) .....	3,323 ..... 0.08%	104.....0.08%
J. Kishore/J. White (SE) .....	917 ..... 0.02%	39.....0.03%
R. Fruit/D. Richter (SW) .....	824 ..... 0.02%	27.....0.02%
Write-In .....	25,408 ..... 0.65%	862.....0.63%
<b>Total Votes .....</b>	<b>3,924,243.....</b>	<b>137,868</b>
<b>U.S. Senate</b>		
Maria Cantwell <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	2,252,577 .... 59.09% ✓	83,355....61.53%
Dr Raul Garcia (GOP) .....	1,549,187 .... 40.64%	51,836....38.26%
Write-In .....	10,627 ..... 0.28%	290.....0.21%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,812,391.....</b>	<b>135,481</b>
<b>2nd Congressional District<sup>4</sup></b>		
Rick Larsen <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	263,750 .... 63.83% ✓	86,678....64.33%
Cody Hara (M) .....	148,167 .... 35.86%	47,633....35.35%
Write-In .....	1,303 ..... 0.32%	427..... 0.32%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>413,220.....</b>	<b>134,738</b>
<b>Initiative 2066 (Repeal Certain Laws Regulating Natural Gas)</b>		
Yes.....	1,941,474 .... 51.71% ✓	64,954....49.36%
No.....	1,813,169 .... 48.29%	66,638....50.64%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,754,643.....</b>	<b>131,592</b>
<b>Initiative 2109 (Repeal an Excise Tax on Capital Gains)</b>		
Yes.....	1,364,510 .... 35.89%	44,036....32.97%
No.....	2,437,419 .... 64.11% ✓	89,526....67.03%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,801,929.....</b>	<b>133,562</b>
<b>Initiative 2117 (Prohibit Any Type of Carbon Tax Credit Rating)</b>		
Yes.....	1,437,103 .... 38.05%	47,239....35.38%
No.....	2,340,077 .... 61.95% ✓	86,280....64.62%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,777,180.....</b>	<b>133,519</b>
<b>Initiative 2124 (Decrease Funding for Long-Term Care)</b>		
Yes.....	1,668,435 .... 44.54%	51,712....39.16%
No.....	2,077,216 .... 55.46% ✓	80,330....60.84%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,745,651.....</b>	<b>132,042</b>
<b>Governor</b>		
Bob Ferguson (D) .....	2,143,368 .... 55.51% ✓	81,435....59.68%
Dave Reichert (R) .....	1,709,818 .... 44.28%	54,769....40.14%
Write-In .....	8,202 ..... 0.21%	247.....0.18%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,861,388.....</b>	<b>136,451</b>
<b>Lieutenant Governor</b>		
Denny Heck (D) .....	2,112,132 .... 55.72% ✓	79,713....59.35%
Dan Matthews (R) .....	1,674,025 .... 44.16%	54,457....40.55%
Write-In .....	4,376 ..... 0.12%	134..... 0.1%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,790,533.....</b>	<b>134,304</b>
<b>Secretary of State</b>		
Steve Hobbs <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	2,234,420 .... 59.20% ✓	83,082....62.34%
Dale Whitaker (R) .....	1,535,977 .... 40.70%	50,090 .... 37.59%
Write-In .....	3,958 ..... 0.10%	99.....0.07%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,774,355.....</b>	<b>133,271</b>
<b>State Treasurer</b>		
Mike Pellicciotti <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	2,148,764..... 57.26% ✓	80,545 .... 60.78%
Shanon Hawkin (R) .....	1,600,370 .... 42.65%	51,900....39.16%
Write-In .....	3,261 ..... 0.09%	75.....0.06%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,752,395.....</b>	<b>132,520</b>
<b>State Auditor</b>		
Pat McCarthy <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	2,170,306 .... 57.99% ✓	81,199....61.42%
Matt Hawkins (R) .....	1,568,750 .... 41.92%	50,924....38.52%
Write-In .....	3,262 ..... 0.09%	75.....0.06%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,742,318.....</b>	<b>132,198</b>
<b>Attorney General</b>		
Nick Brown (D) .....	2,093,570 .... 55.58% ✓	79,277....59.65%
Pete Serrano (R) .....	1,669,884 .... 44.33%	53,531....40.28%
Write-In .....	3,616 ..... 0.10%	96.....0.07%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,767,070.....</b>	<b>132,904</b>

	Washington State	Whatcom County
<b>Commissioner of Public Lands</b>		
Dave Upthegrove (D) .....	1,969,936 ..... 52.62% ✓	76,452.... 57.73%
Jaime Herrera Beutler (R) .....	1,765,121 ..... 47.15%	5,808.... 42.14%
Write-In .....	8,394 ..... 0.22%	175..... 0.13%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,743,451.....</b>	<b>132,435</b>
<b>Superintendent of Public Instruction (Nonpartisan race)</b>		
Chris Reykdal <sup>2</sup> .....	1,746,848 .... 52.77% ✓	64,300....55.16%
David Olson.....	1,543,550 .... 46.63%	51,807....44.45%
Write-In .....	19,932 ..... 0.60%	455.....0.39%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,310,330.....</b>	<b>116,562</b>
<b>Insurance Commissioner</b>		
Patty Kuderer (D).....	2,091,969 .... 56.62% ✓	78,967....60.53%
Phil Fortunato (R).....	1,598,032 .... 43.26%	51,382....39.39%
Write-In .....	4,430 ..... 0.12%	106.....0.08%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,694,431.....</b>	<b>130,455</b>
<b>State Supreme Court — Position 2 (Nonpartisan race)</b>		
Sal Mungia .....	1,644,253 .... 50.05% ✓	62,239....53.26%
Dave Larson .....	1,624,309 .... 49.44%	54,234....46.41%
Write-In .....	16,654 ..... 0.51%	385.....0.33%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>3,285,216.....</b>	<b>116,858</b>
<b>State Supreme Court — Postion 8 (Nonpartisan race)</b>		
Steve Gonzalez <sup>2</sup> .....	2,564,372 .... 97.64% ✓	85,558....97.88%
Write-In .....	61,866 ..... 2.36%	1,850.....2.12%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2,626,238.....</b>	<b>87,408</b>
<b>State Supreme Court — Postion 9 (Nonpartisan race)</b>		
Sheryl Gordon McCloud <sup>2</sup> .....	2,534,783 .... 97.48% ✓	88,153....98.07%
Write-In .....	65,479 ..... 2.52%	1,736.....1.93%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2,600,262.....</b>	<b>89,889</b>
<b>Court of Appeals, Division 1, District 3 (Nonpartisan race)</b>		
<b>Judge Position 1</b>		
Cecily C. Hazelrigg <sup>2</sup> .....	163,845 .... 98.11% ✓	87,183....98.26%
Write-In .....	3,164 ..... 1.89%	1,540.....1.74%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>167,009.....</b>	<b>88,723</b>
<b>40th District, Senator<sup>5</sup></b>		
Elizabeth (Liz) Lovelett <sup>2</sup> (D).....	62,064 .... 69.52% ✓	32,205....77.75%
Charles Carrell (R) .....	27,091 .... 30.35%	9,181....22.17%
Write-In .....	118 ..... 0.13%	34.....0.08%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>89,273.....</b>	<b>41,420</b>
<b>40th District, Representative #1<sup>5</sup></b>		
Debra Lekanoff <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	63,993 .... 96.15% ✓	32,809....97.53%
Write-in .....	2,565 ..... 3.85%	832.....2.47%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>66,558.....</b>	<b>33,641</b>
<b>40th District, Representative #2<sup>5</sup></b>		
Alex Ramel <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	63,215 .... 95.72% ✓	32,572....97.60%
Write-in .....	2,828 ..... 4.28%	802.....2.40%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>66,043.....</b>	<b>33,374</b>
The following only appeared on Whatcom County ballots.		
<b>42th District, Representative #1</b>		
Alicia Rule <sup>2</sup> (D).....	49,802 .... 55.35% ✓	
Raymond Pelletti (R).....	40,090 .... 44.56%	
Write-In .....	86 ..... 0.10%	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>89,978</b>	
<b>42th District, Representative #2</b>		
Joe Timmons <sup>2</sup> (D) .....	47,947 .... 53.33% ✓	
Kamal Bhachu (R).....	41,894 .... 46.59%	
Write-In .....	72 ..... 0.08%	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>89,913</b>	
<b>P.U.D. #1 — Commissioner District 1 (Nonpartisan race)</b>		
Eddie Ury <sup>2</sup> .....	65,222 .... 59.39% ✓	
Jeremish J. Goggins .....	44,047 .... 40.11%	
Write-In .....	546 ..... 0.5%	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>109,815</b>	
<b>P.U.D. #1 — Commissioner District 2 (Nonpartisan race)</b>		
Atul Deshmane <sup>2</sup> .....	64,946 .... 57.79% ✓	
Dan Johnson .....	46,974 .... 41.79%	
Write-In .....	472 ..... 0.42%	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>112,392</b>	

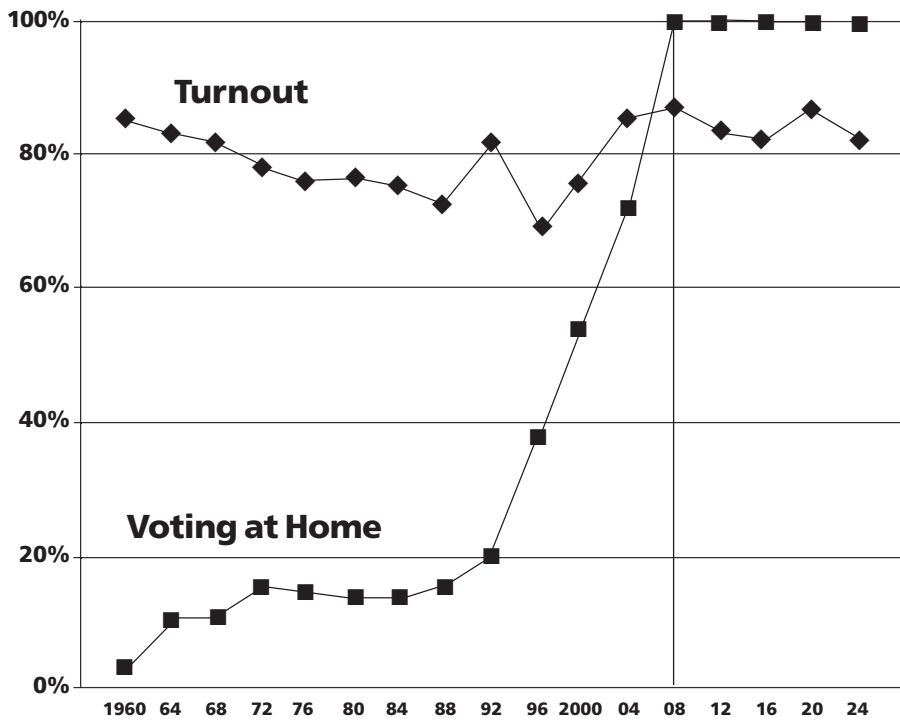
# General Election Results—2024

## State/Local Election Statistics

Of the 39 counties in the state, eight counties had a higher general election turnout than Whatcom County. They were: Callam, Columbia, Jefferson, Kittitas, Klickitas, Lincoln, San Juan and Wahkiakum. The total combined turnout of the eight counties were 140,361, slightly above Whatcom County's 139,080. Counties with turnout below 70 percent were: Adams, Yakima and Franklin. The Skagit County turnout was 79.95 percent.

General	Washington State	Whatcom County
Total Registered	5,018,245	167,790
Ballots Cast	3,961,569	139,080
Turnout	78.94%	82.89%
<b>Primary</b>		
Total Registered	4,874,877	162,389
Ballots Cast	1,994,096	72,681
Turnout	40.91%	44.76%

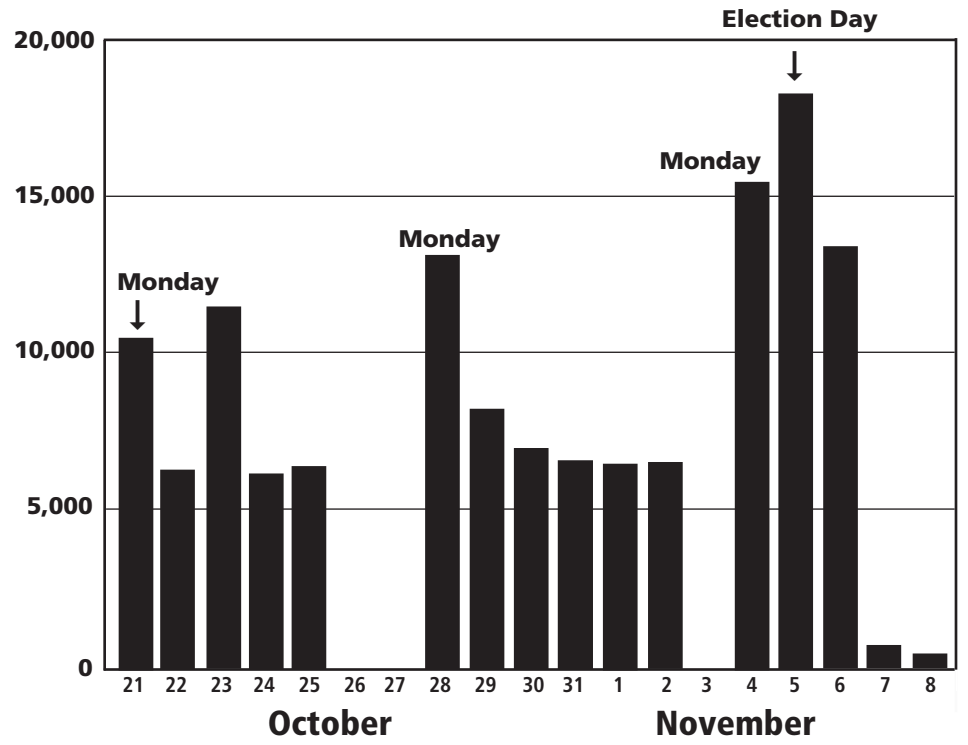
## Turnout and Voting at Home 1960—2024



Starting in 1915, Washington state voters were allowed to vote at home if they were unable to be present at a polling site on Election Day. In 1974, the Washington Legislature voted to allow voters to request a ballot be sent to their home for the next election without stating a particular need. Beginning in 1985, registered voters over the age of 65 and those with disabilities were eligible to receive all future ballots at their home. Starting in 1993, registered voters could request all future ballots be sent to their homes. By 2002, five rural counties were mailing all ballots to voters' homes. Whatcom County began mailing ballots to all voters in 2005. All of Washington's 39 counties are now mailing ballots to registered voters.

General Election	Registered Voters	Ballots Cast	Turnout Percent	Voting at Home
1960	38,339	32,601	85.0%	3.5%
1964	38,290	31,903	83.3%	10.8%
1968	38,918	31,662	81.4%	11.5%
1972	50,117	39,693	79.1%	16.1%
1976	54,335	42,038	77.4%	15.2%
1980	59,639	46,995	78.7%	13.4%
1984	66,965	51,736	77.3%	14.7%
1988	67,817	51,354	75.7%	17.4%
1992	79,501	64,463	81.1%	20.3%
1996	95,665	65,518	68.5%	39.0%
2000	98,352	74,671	75.9%	56.9%
2004	106,094	91,497	86.2%	72.9%
2008	115,314	101,399	87.9%	100%
2012	125,485	104,727	84.5%	100%
2016	138,962	114,920	82.7%	100%
2020	158,780	139,628	87.9%	100%
2024	167,950	139,080	82.9%	100%
<b>Mean</b>			<b>80.9%</b>	

## Daily Envelope Returns



Almost three-quarters of the ballots — 105,178 or 74.96 percent — were returned before election day. Envelopes challenged accounted for 0.87 percent of returned ballots.

General Election	Envelopes Returned	Percent of Total Returned
September 20	(Friday: Military/Overseas Ballots Mailed)	
September 30	(Monday)	266 .....0.19%
October 1	(Tuesday)	25 .....0.02%
October 2	(Wednesday)	200 .....0.14%
October 3	(Thursday)	22 .....0.02%
October 4	(Friday)	58 .....0.04%
October 7	(Monday)	59 .....0.04%
October 8	(Tuesday)	116 .....0.08%
October 9	(Wednesday)	43 .....0.03%
October 11	(Friday)	174 .....0.12%
October 14	(Monday)	71 .....0.05%
October 15	(Tuesday)	134 .....0.10%
October 16	(Wednesday: Whatcom County Ballots Mailed)	
October 16	(Wednesday)	120 .....0.09%
October 17	(Thursday)	51 .....0.04%
October 18	(Friday)	1,344 .....0.96%
October 21	(Monday)	10,173 .....7.25%
October 22	(Tuesday)	6,313 .....4.50%
October 23	(Wednesday)	11,037 .....7.87%
October 24	(Thursday)	6,069 .....4.33%
October 25	(Friday)	6,270 .....4.47%
October 28	(Monday)	12,993 .....9.26%
October 29	(Tuesday)	8,202 .....5.85%
October 30	(Wednesday)	7,080 .....5.05%
October 31	(Thursday)	6,446 .....4.59%
November 1	(Friday)	6,373 .....4.52%
November 2	(Saturday)	6,347 .....4.52%
November 4	(Monday)	15,192 .....10.83%
November 5	(Tuesday: Election Day)	17,902 .....12.76%
November 6	(Wednesday)	13,572 .....9.67%
November 7	(Thursday)	947 .....0.67%
November 8	(Friday)	588 .....0.42%
November 11	(Monday: Courthouse closed for Veterans Day)	
November 12	(Tuesday)	644 .....0.46%
November 13	(Wednesday)	50 .....0.04%
November 14	(Thursday)	47 .....0.03%
November 15	(Friday)	23 .....0.02%
November 18	(Monday)	54 .....0.04%
November 19	(Tuesday)	10 .....0.01%
November 20	(Wednesday)	4 .....0.00%
November 21	(Thursday)	1 .....0.00%
November 22	(Friday)	4 .....0.00%
November 25	(Monday)	1 .....0.00%
Total		140,304

This total includes envelopes that were challenged.

# General Election Results—2024

## Party Preference

(D) Democratic  
 (GOP) Grand Old Party  
 (MR) MAGA Republican  
 (NP) Nonpartisan  
 (R) Republican

<sup>1</sup>This Federal Election Commission (www.fec.gov.) information is through 12/5/2024.

<sup>2</sup>Incumbent

<sup>3</sup>This information is from the state Public Disclosure Commission website (www.pdc.wa.gov). These figures are from the C4 disclosure report that is through November 30, 2024.

<sup>4</sup>Candidates that do not spend over \$7,000 are not required to file disclosure reports.

	General Election		Primary Election		Receipts	Expenditures	Surplus Deficit	
<b>U.S. Senate</b>								
	2,252,577	59.09%	Maria Cantwell <sup>2</sup> (D)	1,114,327	57.18%	\$13,016,329 <sup>1</sup>	\$12,720,312 <sup>1</sup>	\$865,910 <sup>1</sup>
	1,549,187	40.64%	Dr. Raul Garcia (GOP)	431,182	22.13%	\$773,709 <sup>1</sup>	\$758,233 <sup>1</sup>	\$15,475 <sup>1</sup>
	10,627	0.28%	Write-In					
<b>2nd Congressional District</b>								
	263,750	63.83%	Rick Larsen <sup>2</sup> (D)	106,276....	48.14%	\$2,448,835 <sup>1</sup>	\$2,365,503 <sup>1</sup>	\$343,647 <sup>1</sup>
	148,167	35.86%	Cody Hart (MR)	43,637....	19.76%	No financial forms in Federal Election Commission file.		
	1,303	0.32%	Write-In					
<b>Governor</b>								
	2,143,368	55.51%	Bob Ferguson (D)	884,268...	44.88%	\$14,411,688 <sup>3</sup>	\$14,259,466 <sup>3</sup>	\$152,222 <sup>3</sup>
	1,709,818	44.28%	Dave Reichert (R)	541,533...	27.48%	\$6,208,099 <sup>3</sup>	\$6,631,225 <sup>3</sup>	\$148,951 <sup>3</sup>
	8,202	0.21%	Write-In					
<b>Commissioner of Public Lands</b>								
	1,969,936	52.62%	Dave Upthegrove (D)	396,306...	20.82%	\$1,292,209 <sup>3</sup>	\$1,247,443 <sup>3</sup>	\$44,766 <sup>3</sup>
	1,765,121	47.15%	Jaime Herrera Beutler (R)	419,297...	22.03%	\$783,112 <sup>3</sup>	\$778,276 <sup>3</sup>	\$4,836 <sup>3</sup>
	8,394	0.22%	Write-In					
<b>Washington State Supreme Court — Postion 2</b>								
	1,644,253	50.05%	Sal Mungia (NP)	762,797...	43.43%	\$557,582 <sup>3</sup>	\$544,865 <sup>3</sup>	\$12,718 <sup>3</sup>
	1,624,309	49.44%	Dave Larson (NP)	640,116...	36.45%	\$192,739 <sup>3</sup>	\$185,963 <sup>3</sup>	\$6,776 <sup>3</sup>
	16,654	0.51%	Write-In					
<b>40th District Senator</b>								
	62,064	69.52%	Elizabeth Lovelett <sup>2</sup> (D)	34,724...	71.11%	\$167,157 <sup>3</sup>	\$133,294 <sup>3</sup>	\$33,862 <sup>3</sup>
	27,091	30.35%	Charles Carrell (R)	14,015...	28.70%	Under \$7,001 <sup>4</sup>		
	118	0.13%	Write-In					
<b>Representative — Position 1</b>								
	63,993	96.15%	Debra Lekanoff <sup>2</sup> (D)	35,225...	95.48%	\$117,129 <sup>3</sup>	\$63,532 <sup>3</sup>	\$53,596 <sup>3</sup>
	2,565	3.85%	Write-In	1,669.....	4.52%			
<b>Representative — Position 2</b>								
	63,215	95.72%	Alex Ramel <sup>2</sup> (D)	34,809...	95.28%	\$134,264 <sup>3</sup>	\$97,093 <sup>3</sup>	\$37,172 <sup>3</sup>
	2,828	4.28%	Write-In	1,723.....	4.52%			
<b>42nd District Representative — Position 1</b>								
	49,802...	55.35%	Alicia Rule (D)	22,752...	46.58%	\$476,499 <sup>3</sup>	\$442,994 <sup>3</sup>	\$33,505 <sup>3</sup>
	40,090...	44.56%	Raymond Pelletti (R)	22,336...	45.72%	\$20,741	\$20,741	0
	86.....	0.10%	Write-In					
<b>Representative — Position 2</b>								
	47,947...	53.33%	Joe Timmons <sup>2</sup> (D)	25,741...	52.73%	\$441,501 <sup>3</sup>	\$427,601 <sup>3</sup>	\$13,900 <sup>3</sup>
	41,894...	46.59%	Kamal Bhachu (R)	23,012...	47.14%	\$131,417 <sup>3</sup>	\$131,417 <sup>3</sup>	0 <sup>3</sup>
	72.....	0.08%	Write-In					
<b>Public Utility District Commissioner District 1<sup>6</sup></b>								
	65,222...	59.39%	Eddy Ury (NP)			Under \$7,001 <sup>4</sup>		
	44,047...	40.11%	Jeremiah J. Goggins (NP)			No financial forms in disclosure commission file.		
	546.....	0.50%	Write-In					
<b>Commissioner District 2</b>								
	64,946...	57.79%	Atul Deshmane <sup>2</sup> (NP)	10,219.....	46.43%	\$19,673 <sup>3</sup>	\$19,628 <sup>3</sup>	\$45 <sup>3</sup>
	46,974...	41.79%	Dan Johnson (NP)	9,019.....	40.98%	Under \$7,001 <sup>4</sup>		
	472.....	0.42%	Write-In					

# General Election Results—2024

## Charter Review Commission

The top three finishers in each district serve on the Charter Review Commission. They will discuss changes to the Home Rule Charter and place their recommendations on the 2025 general election ballot. A party endorsement by the local Republican Party has an (R) or the local Democratic Party a (D). If a candidate anticipates spending more than \$7,000 they are required to do complete financial reporting. If spending less than \$7,001, candidates are not required to file any financial disclosure forms. Six candidates (marked with an asterisk) filed the registration form expecting to spend more than \$7,001 — only one did.

### District 1

			Expenditures
Liz Darrow (D)	15,081	26.45%✓	Under \$7,001
Andrew Reding (D)	12,013	21.07%✓	Under \$7,001
Joel Pitts-Jordan (D)	11,554	20.26%✓	Under \$7,001
Sarah Rothenbuhler*	4,920	8.63%	No financial forms in file
Bill Geyer (R)	4,337	7.61%	Under \$7,001
Dan Robbins (R)	3,875	6.80%	Under \$7,001
Todd Lagestee	2,723	4.78%	Under \$7,001
Roderick “Robin” Dexter	2,005	3.52%	Under \$7,001
Write-in	616	0.90%	
<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>57,024</b>		

### District 2

Maya Morales (D)*	13,112	20.90%✓	\$2,146
Eamonn Collins (D)	12,616	20.11%✓	Under \$7,001
Colton Kaltenfeldt (D)	10,034	16.00%✓	Under \$7,001
Russ Whidbee	7,199	11.48%	Under \$7,001
Mary Kay Robinson (R)	6,005	9.57%	Under \$7,001
Ken Bell (R)	5,655	9.01%	Under \$7,001
Garrett O’Brien (R)	5,560	8.86%	Under \$7,001
Bee Oldham*	2,082	3.32%	\$0
Write-in		0.74%	
<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>62,730</b>		

### District 3

Doug Chadwick (R)	10,702	16.78%✓	Under \$7,001
Jennifer Wright (D)	10,617	16.64%✓	Under \$7,001
Jessica Rienstra (D)	9,695	15.20%✓	Under \$7,001
Kelly Krieger (D)*	8,656	13.57%	\$767
John (Westy) Westerfield (R)	7,394	11.59%	Under \$7,001
David Ramirez (R)	6,884	10.79%	Under \$7,001
Charles Carrell	6,884	10.79%	Under \$7,001
Holly O’Neil	3,762	5.90%	Under \$7,001
Roland Middleton	1,927	3.02%	Under \$7,001
Kent Murray	856	1.34%	No registration form in file
Leaf Schumann	783	1.23%	Under \$7,001
Write-in	652	1.02%	
<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>63,787</b>		

### District 4

Joe Elenbaas (R)	14,748	24.20%✓	Under \$7,001
Hannah Ordos (R)	14,492	23.78%✓	Under \$7,001
Brad Kelly (R)	13,427	22.03%✓	Under \$7,001
Ryan Bowman*	5,780	9.49%	\$0
Katherine Orłowski	4,822	7.91%	Under \$7,001
J. G. Sandy Phillips*	4,150	6.81%	\$30,577
Russell N. Dzialo	2,991	4.91%	Under \$7,001
Write-in	6525	0.86%	
<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>60,935</b>		

### District 5

Lindsey Graham Elenbaas (R)	9,878	15.96%✓	Under \$7,001
Jon Mutchler (R)*	9,383	15.16%✓	\$3,218
Rod Stump (R)	8,117	13.11%✓	Under \$7,001
Teresa N. Taylor (D)	6,193	10.00%	Under \$7,001
Charlene Waters (D)	5,996	9.69%	Under \$7,001
Andrew Hansen (D)	5,722	9.24%	Under \$7,001
Janice Holmes	4,460	7.20%	Under \$7,001
Jackie Dexter	2,938	4.75%	Under \$7,001
Douglas Taylor	2,898	4.68%	Under \$7,001
Colleen Goertz	2,028	3.28%	Under \$7,001
Freddie Lane	2,020	3.26%	No registration form in file
Lisa M. Pantalia	1,845	2.98%	No registration form in file
Write-in	425	0.69%	
<b>Total Votes</b>	<b>61,903</b>		

## Drop Box Return Rate

	General	Primary	Drop Boxes
2024	77%*	73%*	23
2023	71%*	66%*	21
2022	70%*	69%*	20
2021	70%*	62%*	21
2020	80%*	65%*	22
2019	63%*	56%*	18
2018	59%*	55%*	18
2017	73%	66%	15
2016	78%	67%	15
2015	66%	52%	14
2014	55%	47%	9
2013	50%	39%	8

\*Elections with prepaid return envelopes.

## Ranked Choice Voting

See ranked choice voting articles on page 8 and 9 of this issue.

### Alaska (Ballot Measure 2) statewide

Yes 160,230 ..... 49.88% No 160,973 ..... 50.12% ✓  
 In 2020, an initiative was approved adopting ranked choice voting in the state of Alaska. It was used in the 2023 and 2024 elections. This attempt to repeal ranked choice voting failed by 644 votes.

### Colorado (Proposition 121) statewide

Yes 1,385,060 ..... 46.47% No 1,595,256 ..... 53.53% ✓

### Idaho (Proposition 1) statewide

Yes 269,960 ..... 30.38% No 618,753 ..... 69.62% ✓

### Missouri (Amendment 7) statewide

Yes 1,966,852 .. 68.44% ✓ No 906,851 ..... 31.56%  
 This was a multi-question measure — one question prevents any city in the state from adopting ranked choice voting. This is a proactive measure; no city in the state currently uses ranked choice voting.

### Nevada (Question 3) statewide

Yes 664,011 ..... 47.04% No 747,719 ..... 52.96% ✓  
 Ranked choice voting passed in 2022 with 52.94 voting yes. The second yes vote was needed for it to be added to the state constitutional failed.

### Oregon (Measure 117) statewide

Yes 884,945 ..... 42.26% No 1,208,981 ..... 57.74% ✓

### Bloomington, Minnesota (Population 87,398)

Yes 23,360 ..... 48.71% No 24,596 ..... 51.29% ✓  
 This vote to repeal ranked choice voting failed.

### Oak Park, Illinois (Population 54,318)

Yes 22,347 .. 79.52% ✓ No 5,756 ..... 20.48%

### Peoria, Illinois (Population 113,150)

Yes 23,027 .. 67.13% ✓ No 11,277 ..... 32.87%

### Richmond, California (Population 114,106)

Two voting measures were on the ballot. Ranked choice voting came in second so it was not chosen.  
 Yes 19,070 ..... 54.29% No 16,053 ..... 45.71%

### Washington, D.C. (Population 678,972)

Yes 212,332 .. 72.89% ✓ No 78,961 ..... 27.11%

# General Election Results—2024

## Political Committees

The below information is through November 30, 2024.

### Let's Go Washington

This committee placed initiatives 2066, 2109, 2117 and 2124 on the ballot.  
**Contributions: \$10,088,153 Expenditures: \$10,068,833**

### No on 2066 (Repeal Certain Laws Regulating Natural Gas)

Committee Supported Initiative 2066

**Contributions: \$314,814 Expenditures: \$309,823**

### No on 2109 (Repeal an Excise Tax on Capital Gains)

Committee opposed to Initiative 2109

**Contributions: \$4,483,108 Expenditures: \$4,469,744**

### No on 2117 (Prohibit Any Type of Carbon Tax Credit Rating)

Committee opposed to Initiative 2117

**Contributions: \$16,681,670 Expenditures: \$16,476,519**

### Clean and Prosperous America No on 2117

Committee opposed to Initiative 2117

**Contributions: \$683,000 Expenditures: \$683,000**

### No on 2124 (Decrease Funding for Long-Term Care)

Committee opposed to Initiative 2124

**Contributions: \$13,329,154 Expenditures: \$13,264,756**

### AARP No on I 2124

Committee opposed to Initiative 2124

**Contributions: \$506,549 Expenditures: \$506,549**

## Independent Expenditures

Independent expenditures are made by third parties without the candidate's approval or collaboration.

The for and against expenditures on this page are independent of the receipts and expenditures reported on page 14.

### 42nd District Representative — Position 1

Alicia Rule (D) ..... **FOR: \$37,978 ..... AGAINST: \$0**

Raymond Pelletti (R) .... **FOR: \$0 ..... AGAINST: \$0**

### 42nd District Representative — Position 2

Joe Timmons (D) ..... **FOR: \$210,620 ..... AGAINST: \$200,967**

Kamal Bhachu (R) .... **FOR: \$34,183 ..... AGAINST: \$0**

## Return Envelopes Challenged

Below are the reasons ballots were rejected and the number of rejections for the last five general elections. The most common reason for rejection, by far, was no signatree match. The statistics are from the Canvassing Board Reconciliation Report. The statistics represent the difference between envelopes received and ballots counted.

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Empty envelope.....	77.....	8.....	17.....	9.....	12
ID required.....	9.....	1.....	2.....	1.....	9
Late postmark/deposit.....	155.....	430.....	246.....	365.....	66
No signature on envelope.....	204.....	79.....	57.....	64.....	173
No signature match.....	770.....	385.....	247.....	271.....	463
Other.....	10.....	0.....	0.....	0.....	1
<b>Envelopes Challenged.....</b>	<b>1,225.....</b>	<b>903.....</b>	<b>569.....</b>	<b>710.....</b>	<b>724</b>
Undeliverable.....	1,735.....	1,752.....	1,431.....	1,968.....	2,593
<b>Total Challenged.....</b>	<b>2,960.....</b>	<b>2,655.....</b>	<b>2,000.....</b>	<b>2,678.....</b>	<b>3,317</b>

## How Envelopes Are Returned to the Auditor

Bellingham drop boxes

Courthouse (parking lot).....	17,073.....	15.73%
Barkley Village.....	12,436.....	11.46%
Sehome Village.....	10,641.....	9.81%
Courthouse (rotunda/lobby).....	6,734.....	6.21%
Whatcom Community College.....	4,773.....	4.40%
WWU — Red Square.....	2,164.....	1.99%
WWU — Wade King.....	1,294.....	1.19%
WWU — HUB.....	389.....	0.36%
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>55,504.....</b>	<b>51.15%</b>
Lynden drop box (library).....	13,103.....	12.08%
Ferndale drop box (city hall).....	12,784.....	11.78%
Blaine drop box (library).....	6,454.....	5.95%
Birch Bay drop box (fire and rescue station).....	4,232.....	3.90%
Everson drop box (Whatcom Educational Credit Union).....	3,766.....	3.47%
Sudden Valley drop box (Gate 1).....	2,796.....	2.58%
Meridian drop box (Laurel Grange).....	2,048.....	1.89%
Deming drop box (library).....	1,572.....	1.45%
Kendall drop box (North Fork library).....	1,384.....	1.28%
Custer drop box (elementary school).....	1,320.....	1.22%
Sumas drop box (behind post office).....	1,088.....	1.00%
Lummi Nation drop box (administration building).....	1,015.....	0.94%
Point Roberts drop box (Marketplace grocery store).....	622.....	0.57%
Maple Falls drop box (post office).....	466.....	0.43%
Acme drop box (elementary school).....	352.....	0.32%
<b>*Drop box total.....</b>	<b>108,506.....</b>	<b>77.34%</b>
U.S. Postal Service.....	30,103.....	21.46%
Email.....	1,653.....	1.18%
**Confidential.....	54.....	0.00%
Fax.....	42.....	0.03%
<b>Total ballots returned.....</b>	<b>140,304</b>	

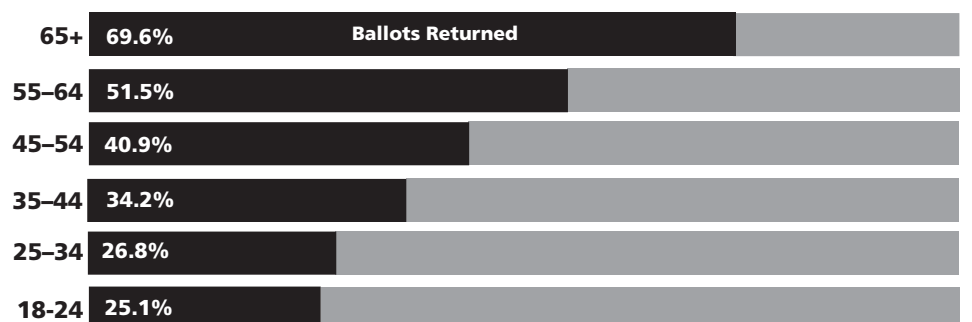
\*Drop box percentages are based on this total.

\*\*Not included in total ballots returned.

## Whatcom County

### Primary Election

#### Ballots Returned by Age Range



## General Election

#### Ballots Returned by Age Range

