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North Carolina Election Day Recap

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Tuesday, November 3rd was Election Day, and the results have brought significant changes to North Carolina's political landscape. Voters across the state turned out in record numbers, reflecting many of the trends seen all over the country. All 170 North Carolina General Assembly seats, a US Senate seat, all 14 US House seats, and a North Carolina Supreme Court seat were on the ballot.

First looking at statewide races, former Governor Roy Cooper won his US Senate race by nearly 20 percentage points and Justice Anita Earls won her reelection by almost 18 percentage points. The North Carolina Congressional seats had a big shakeup with now 10 Democrats out of 14 total with incumbents, former Speaker of the NC House Tim Moore, Virginia Foxx, Addison McDowell, Richard Hudson, and Brad Knott losing their seats. Democrat Jamie Ager won against Jennifer Balkcom for incumbent Chuck Edwards seat by more than 15 percentage points.

In the North Carolina General Assembly, Republicans appear to have lost 27 seats, meaning 26 flipped from Republican to Democrat and one Republican to Unaffiliated. In the Senate, three incumbents lost their seats, and five new members will soon join the chamber. Republicans also lost their veto-proof supermajority in the Senate, appearing to have 26 seats, four short of the 30 needed to maintain it.

On the House side, there was a larger turnover compared to the Senate with 18 incumbents losing their seats and 33 new members. Democrats took control of the House, with 71 of 120 seats, meaning they hold a House majority for the first time since the 2010 election.

Below is a breakdown of the key races and results from across North Carolina.

U.S. Senate Race:

Roy Cooper (D), Michael Whatley (R), Shannon Bray (LIB)

NC Supreme Court Race:

Anita Earls (D), Sarah Stevens (R)

U.S. House Races:

U.S. House District 1: Don Davis (D, incumbent), Laurie Buckhout (R), Tom Bailey (Libertarian)

U.S. House District 2: Deborah K. Ross (D, incumbent), Eugene F. Douglass (R), Matthew Laszacs (Libertarian)

U.S. House District 3: Daniel Cavender (Libertarian), Greg Murphy (R, incumbent), Raymond Smith (D)

U.S. House District 4: Guy Meilleur (Libertarian), Mahesh (Max) Ganorkar (R), Valerie P. Foushee (D, incumbent)

U.S. House District 5: Chuck Hubbard (D), Robert B. Luffman (Libertarian), Virginia Foxx (R, incumbent)

U.S. House District 6: Addison McDowell (R, incumbent), Cyril Jefferson (D)

U.S. House District 7: David Rouzer (R, incumbent), Kimberly Hardy (D), Maad Abu-Ghazalah (Libertarian)

U.S. House District 8: Bo Whitehead (Green), Colby Watson (D), Mark Harris (R, incumbent)

U.S. House District 9: Richard Hudson (R, incumbent), Richard N. Ojeda II (D)

U.S. House District 10: Ashley Bell (D), Pat Harrigan (R, incumbent), Steven Feldman (Libertarian)

U.S. House District 11: Jamie Ager (D), Jennifer Capps Balkcom (R), Travis Groo (Libertarian)

U.S. House District 12: Alma S. Adams (D, incumbent), Jack Codiga (R)

U.S. House District 13: Brad Knott (R, incumbent), Paul Barringer (D), Steven Swinton (Libertarian)

U.S. House District 14: Lakesha Womack (D), Tim Moore (R, incumbent)

North Carolina State Senate Races:

NC Senate District 1: Jerry Tillett (R, incumbent), Melissa Zehner (D)

NC Senate District 2: Norman Sanderson (R, incumbent), Roy Surrett (D)

NC Senate District 3: Bob Brinson (R, incumbent), Charles Dudley (D)

NC Senate District 4: Buck Newton (R, incumbent), Jessica (Jess) Rivera (D)

NC Senate District 5: Henry Hostetler (R), Kandie D. Smith (D, incumbent)

NC Senate District 6: Andi Morrow (D), Michael Anthony Lazzara (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 7: Jessica Bichler (D), Michael Lee (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 8: Bill Rabon (R, incumbent), Richard (Rick) Combes (D), Tim White (Libertarian)

NC Senate District 9: Brent Jackson (R, incumbent). Unopposed

NC Senate District 10: Benton Sawrey (R, incumbent), Kevin Terrett (Libertarian), Pat LeGrand (D)

NC Senate District 11: Gavin Bell (Libertarian), James D. Gailliard (D), Lisa Stone Barnes (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 12: Jim Burgin (R, incumbent), Tanya White Anderson (D)

NC Senate District 13: Lisa Grafstein (D, incumbent), Robert van Brederode (R)

NC Senate District 14: Angela B. McCarty (R), Dan Blue (D, incumbent)

NC Senate District 15: David Bankert (R), Jay J. Chaudhuri (D, incumbent)

NC Senate District 16: Gale Adcock (D, incumbent), Jonathan D. Miller (Libertarian), Philip Hensley (R)

NC Senate District 17: Mrs. Sydney Batch (D, incumbent), Patrick J. Bowersox (Libertarian), Shirley Johnson (R)

NC Senate District 18: Brad Hessel (Libertarian), Chris Stock (R), Haseeb Fatmi (D, incumbent)

NC Senate District 19: Val Applewhite (D, incumbent), Venus de la Cruz (R)

NC Senate District 20: Natalie S. Murdock (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC Senate District 21: Paul Taylor (D), Tom McInnis (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 22: LaKeshia M. Alston (R), Sophia Chitlik (D, incumbent)

NC Senate District 23: Jonah Garson (D, incumbent), Laura Pichardo (R)

NC Senate District 24: Catina Hamm (D), Danny Earl Britt, Jr. (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 25: Amy Scott Galey (R, incumbent), Southey Blanton (D)

NC Senate District 26: Sam Page (R), Steve Luking (D)

NC Senate District 27: Michael K. Garrett (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC Senate District 28: Gladys A. Robinson (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC Senate District 29: Dave Craven (R, incumbent), Judy Little (D)

NC Senate District 30: Pamela D. McAfee (D), Steve Jarvis (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 31: Andy Bowline (D), Dana Caudill Jones (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 32: Keenen Altic (Green), Paul Lowe, Jr. (D, incumbent), Peter Antinozzi (R)

NC Senate District 33: Carl Ford (R, incumbent), Gary R. Weart (D)

NC Senate District 34: April Cook (D), Kevin Crutchfield (R)

NC Senate District 35: Christine E. Winward (D), Todd Johnson (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 36: Eddie Settle (R, incumbent), Trevor Cole Hardwick (D)

NC Senate District 37: Raygan J. Angel (D), Vickie Sawyer (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 38: Mujtaba A. Mohammed (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC Senate District 39: DeAndrea Salvador (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC Senate District 40: Bobbie Shields (R), Joyce Waddell (D, incumbent)

NC Senate District 41: Caleb Theodros (D, incumbent), Kevin Gray (R)

NC Senate District 42: Mrs. Woodson Bradley (D, incumbent), Stacie McGinn (R)

NC Senate District 43: Brad Overcash (R, incumbent), Steve Rutherford (D)

NC Senate District 44: Rod Powell (D), Ted Alexander (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 45: Greg Cranford (D), Mark Hollo (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 46: Kyle Whisnant (D), Warren Daniel (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 47: Frank Patton Hughes III (D), Ralph Hise (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 48: Doyle G. Brown, Jr. (D), Tim Moffitt (R, incumbent)

NC Senate District 49: CJ Domingo (R), Julie Mayfield (D, incumbent)

NC Senate District 50: Kevin Corbin (R, incumbent), Tom Downing (D)

North Carolina State House Races:

NC House District 1: Edward C. Goodwin (R, incumbent), Miriam Rollin (D)

NC House District 2: Ray Jeffers (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 3: Angela Humphries (Libertarian), Diannia Bright (D), Steve Tyson (R, incumbent)

NC House District 4: Jimmy Dixon (R, incumbent), Vernon Moore (D)

NC House District 5: Bill Ward (R, incumbent), Sam Davis III (D)

NC House District 6: Joe Pike (R, incumbent), Tony Spears (D)

NC House District 7: Cory Thornton (R), Mark Speed (D)

NC House District 8: Cathy Thorne Bynum (R), Gloristine Brown (D, incumbent)

NC House District 9: Claire Kempner (D), Timothy Reeder (R, incumbent)

NC House District 10: John Bell (R, incumbent), Zyaire Webb (D)

NC House District 11: Allison A. Dahle (D, incumbent), Matthew Kordon (Libertarian)

NC House District 12: Chris Humphrey (R, incumbent), Don Hardy (D)

NC House District 13: Celeste Cairns (R, incumbent), Jason Moore (D)

NC House District 14: Wyatt Gable (R, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 15: Christopher Schulte (D), Phillip Shepard (R, incumbent)

NC House District 16: Carson Smith (R, incumbent), Jim Harris (D)

NC House District 17: Dennis A. Breen (D), Frank Iler (R, incumbent)

NC House District 18: Deb Butler (D, incumbent), Latisha Grady (R)

NC House District 19: Charlie Miller (R, incumbent), Scott Nasiff (D)

NC House District 20: Dane Scalise (R), Tim Merrick (D)

NC House District 21: Bryson Johnson (R), Ya Liu (D, incumbent)

NC House District 22: Wellie Jackson (R). Unopposed

NC House District 23: Brent Roberson (R), Patricia Smith (D)

NC House District 24: Blake Boykin (R), Dante Pittman (D, incumbent)

NC House District 25: Allen Chesser (R, incumbent), Lorenza M. Wilkins (D), Nick Taylor (Libertarian)

NC House District 26: Donna McDowell White (R, incumbent), L'Bertrice Solomon (D)

NC House District 27: David Woodson (R), Rodney D. Pierce (D, incumbent)

NC House District 28: D. Matthew Bailey (D), Larry C. Strickland (R, incumbent)

NC House District 29: Vernetta Alston (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 30: Marcia Morey (D, incumbent), Ray Ubinger (Libertarian)

NC House District 31: Zack Hawkins (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 32: Bryan K. Cohn (D, incumbent), Frank Sossamon (R)

NC House District 33: Matthew Orr (R), Monika Johnson-Hostler (D, incumbent)

NC House District 34: Ed George (Libertarian), Tim Longest (D, incumbent)

NC House District 35: Evonne S. Hopkins (D), Mike Schietzelt (R, incumbent)

NC House District 36: Julie von Haefen (D, incumbent), Mary Insprucker (R)

NC House District 37: Erin Pare (R, incumbent), Winn Decker (D)

NC House District 38: Abe Jones (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 39: James A. Roberson (D, incumbent), Jorge Cordova (R), Wayne Cockrell (Libertarian)

NC House District 40: Lucas Everett Jones (Libertarian), Phil Rubin (D, incumbent)

NC House District 41: Bruce Forster (R), Maria Cervania (D, incumbent)

NC House District 42: Mike Colvin (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 43: Diane Wheatley (R, incumbent), Janene Ackles (D)

NC House District 44: Charles Smith (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 45: Frances Jackson (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 46: Brenden H. Jones (R, incumbent), Brittany Newton (D)

NC House District 47: Eshonda Hooper (D), John L. Lowery (R, incumbent)

NC House District 48: Garland E. Pierce (D, incumbent), Ralph Carter (R)

NC House District 49: Cynthia Ball (D, incumbent), Daran Thomas (R)

NC House District 50: Renee A. Price (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 51: April Montgomery (Unaffiliated), Charles M. Taylor (R)

NC House District 52: Ben Moss (R, incumbent), Joe Parfitt (D)

NC House District 53: Christopher Sessions (Libertarian), Howard L. Penny, Jr. (R, incumbent), Kevin G. Thurman (D)

NC House District 54: Robert T. Reives II (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 55: Clancy Baucom (R), John J. Kirkpatrick IV (D)

NC House District 56: Allen Buansi (D, incumbent), Matthew P. Clements (Libertarian)

NC House District 57: Tracy Clark (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 58: Amos Quick (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 59: Alan Branson (R, incumbent), Elma Hairston (D)

NC House District 60: Amanda Cook (D, incumbent), Joseph Perrotta (R)

NC House District 61: Mary Price (Pricey) Harrison (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 62: John M. Blust (R, incumbent), Shelly Headen (D)

NC House District 63: Ian Baltutis (D), Ryan Moffitt (R)

NC House District 64: Dennis Riddell (R, incumbent), LeVon Barnes (D)

NC House District 65: Gavin McGaughey (D), Seth Woodall (R)

NC House District 66: Sarah Crawford (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 67: Cody Huneycutt (R, incumbent), Jocelyn Torres (D)

NC House District 68: David Willis (R, incumbent), Derek Warriner (D)

NC House District 69: Dean Arp (R, incumbent), Heidi Sinsley (D)

NC House District 70: Brian Biggs (R, incumbent), William (Bill) McCaskill (D)

NC House District 71: Kanika Brown (D, incumbent), Mathew Mena (Green)

NC House District 72: Amber M. Baker (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 73: Jonathan Almond (R, incumbent), Thomas J. Monks (D)

NC House District 74: Amy Taylor North (D), Jeff Zenger (R, incumbent)

NC House District 75: Donny C. Lambeth (R, incumbent), Jen Wiles (D)

NC House District 76: Greg Edds (R), Scott Huffman (D)

NC House District 77: Julia Howard (R, incumbent), Sabrina Harris (D)

NC House District 78: Matt Holway (D), Neal Jackson (R, incumbent)

NC House District 79: Darren Armstrong (R). Unopposed

NC House District 80: JacQuez Johnson (D), Sam Watford (R, incumbent)

NC House District 81: Dylan R. Tucker (D), Larry W. Potts (R, incumbent)

NC House District 82: Brian Echevarria (R, incumbent), Chris Bishopp (D)

NC House District 83: Grant Campbell (R, incumbent), Johnnie Jones (D)

NC House District 84: Jeffrey C. McNeely (R, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 85: Dudley Greene (R, incumbent), Suzanne Gavenus (D)

NC House District 86: Hugh Blackwell (R, incumbent), Wesley E. Hendrix (D)

NC House District 87: Destin Hall (R, incumbent), Iris Bender (D)

NC House District 88: Mary Belk (D, incumbent), Ray Craig (R)

NC House District 89: Mitchell Smith Setzer (R, incumbent), Robert (Spider) Thompson (D)

NC House District 90: Dan Kiger (R, incumbent), Ken Badgett (D)

NC House District 91: Kyle Hall (R, incumbent), Lucille Puckett (D)

NC House District 92: Terry Brown (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 93: Charlie Wallin (D), Ray Pickett (R, incumbent)

NC House District 94: Andy Warren (D), Blair Eddins (R, incumbent)

NC House District 95: Michael Robinson (D), Richard (Todd) Carver (R, incumbent)

NC House District 96: Jay Adams (R, incumbent), Park Inglefield (D)

NC House District 97: Greg McBryde (D), Heather Rhyne (R, incumbent)

NC House District 98: Beth Helfrich (D, incumbent), John Rhodes (R)

NC House District 99: Veleria M. Levy (D). Unopposed

NC House District 100: Julia Greenfield (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 101: Carolyn G. Logan (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 102: Becky Carney (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 103: Laura Budd (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 104: Brandon Lofton (D, incumbent), Trina Boyd (R)

NC House District 105: Ken McCool (D), Tricia Ann Cotham (R, incumbent)

NC House District 106: Rodney Sadler (D). Unopposed

NC House District 107: Aisha O. Dew (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 108: John A. Torbett (R, incumbent), Sydnie Hutchinson (D)

NC House District 109: Donnie Loftis (R, incumbent), Mark D. Carver (D)

NC House District 110: Caroline Eason (R), Mary Silver (D)

NC House District 111: Jerry Blake (D), Paul Scott (R, incumbent)

NC House District 112: Jordan Lopez (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 113: Jake Johnson (R, incumbent), John Morgan (D)

NC House District 114: Eric Ager (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 115: Anthony J. Penland (R), Lindsey Prather (D, incumbent)

NC House District 116: Brian Turner (D, incumbent). Unopposed

NC House District 117: Chelsea Walsh (R), Lynne Russo (D)

NC House District 118: Danny E. Davis (D), James M. (Jimmy) Rogers (R)

NC House District 119: Anna Ferguson (R, incumbent), Mark Burrows (D)

NC House District 120: Caleb Brown (D), Karl Gillespie (R, incumbent)

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