



California 2016 General Election Results (Key Senate Race as of November 9)

The 2016 election was held on November 8, 2016. The presidential race grabbed the headlines locally and nationwide, as Republican Donald Trump defeated Democrat Hilary Clinton. In addition, there were numerous important state races that will impact activity in Sacramento.

All 80 State Assembly seats and half (20) of the State Senate seats were up for grabs, as were all U.S. House of Representative seats and one California Senate post. There were also 17 statewide propositions before the voters. Final certified results are due to the Secretary of State for presidential electors on December 6, 2016, and all other state contests on December 9, 2016. The Secretary of State will then certify the statewide results by December 16, 2016.

Complete details are provided below, but the major takeaways are as follows. California voted for many progressive causes, namely legalizing marijuana, taxing tobacco, and extending a tax on the highest earners in the state, but bucked the trend for the death penalty, voting to expedite rather than repeal it.

In the district races, results were not as Democratic as anticipated. **In the Senate, Democrats appear to have been unable to pick up the one seat needed to achieve a 2/3 majority (assuming Republican Ling Ling Chang's slight 50.9 percent edge over Democrat Josh Newman holds when all ballots are counted, included absentee ballots received on election day and provisional ballots). If Chang's win holds, Republicans will maintain 14 seats in the Senate.**

In the Assembly, however, Democrats were able to pick up 3 Republican seats to gain a supermajority. This is still not necessarily being heralded as a great success, as many felt more Republican seats were vulnerable. **Still, the Assembly will have a 2/3 majority Democrats with 55 seats, potentially making rule waivers and procedural votes easier.**

Statewide Races

California Propositions

#	Title/(General Description)	Yes	No
51	Funding for K-12 School & Community College Facilities (<i>School Bond</i>)	53.9%	46.1%
52	Medi-Cal Hospital Fee Program (<i>Hospital Fees</i>)	69.6%	30.4%
53	Revenue Bonds, Statewide Voter Approval (<i>Revenue Bonds</i>)	48.6%	51.14%
54	Legislature, Legislation & Proceedings (<i>Last-Minute Law Making</i>)	64.3%	35.7%
55	Tax Extension to Fund Education & Healthcare (<i>High-Earner Tax</i>)	62.1%	37.6%
56	Cigarette Tax to Fund Healthcare, Tobacco Use Prevention, Research, and Law Enforcement (<i>Tobacco Tax</i>)	62.9%	37.1%
57	Criminal Sentences, Parole, Juvenile Criminal Proceedings and Sentencing (<i>Criminal Sentencing</i>)	63.6%	36.4%
58	English Proficiency, Multilingual Education (<i>Bilingual Education</i>)	72.4%	27.6%
59	Corporations, Political Spending, Federal Constitutional Protections, Legislative Advisory Question (<i>Campaign Money</i>)	52.3%	47.7%
60	Adult Films, Condoms, Health Requirements (<i>Condoms in Films</i>)	46.1%	53.9%
61	State Prescription Drug Purchases, Pricing Standards (<i>Prescription Drug Prices</i>)	46.2%	53.8%
62	Death Penalty (<i>Repeal Death Penalty</i>)	46.0%	54.0%
63	Firearms, Ammunition Sales (<i>Gun Control</i>)	62.6%	37.4%
64	Marijuana Legalization (<i>Adult Use of Marijuana Act</i>)	56.0%	44.0%
65	Carry-Out Bags, Charges (<i>Plastic Bags</i>)	44.6%	55.4%
66	Death Penalty, Procedures (<i>Streamlines Death Penalty</i>)	50.9%	49.1%
67	Ban on Single-Use Plastic Bags (<i>Plastic Bags</i>)	51.9%	48.1%

Races of Note

CA State Assembly

There were several interesting results last night in a handful of Assembly, Senate, and Congressional races. As the Democrats in the State fought to gain back a 2/3 supermajority, Republicans were unable to hold enough seats.

These races include:

AD 16 – Incumbent Catharine Baker (R) was busy in 2016 defending the lone Republican seat in the Bay Area against challenger Cheryl Cook-Kallio (D). Baker ended up defeating Cook-Kallio 55.8% to 44.2% protecting one Republican seat.

AD 35 – The race to replace termed-out Katcho Achadjian (R) was between Jordan Cunningham (R) and Dawn Ortiz-Legg (D). Cunningham won AD 35 by almost 9%, protecting a Republican seat.

AD 36 – Once again, former legislator Steve Fox (D) took on now incumbent Tom Lackey (R), who defeated Fox in 2014. Lackey held the seat with 56% of the vote, and this marked another seat being held by Republicans.

AD 40 – Incumbent Marc Steinorth (R), who took office in 2014, faced a very tough race against challenger Abigail Medina (D). In the San Bernardino area, Steinorth ultimately held the AD 40 seat with 52% of the vote.

AD 60 – Sabrina Cervantes (D) challenged incumbent Eric Linder (R). Cervantes pulled away a close race with 52% of the vote and defeated Linder for the AD 60 seat.

AD 65 – Former Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva (D) was defeated by current incumbent Young Kim (R) in 2014. 2016 saw Round Two of this battle. In an extremely close race, Quirk-Silva won with 50.8% of the vote.

AD 66 – Former Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi (D) suffered perhaps the biggest surprise upset for California Democrats in 2014 to David Hadley (R). Like AD 65 above, 2016 brought us a repeat race as the two faced off again. The Republicans lost this seat, as Muratsuchi defeated Hadley with 53% of the overall vote.

CA State Senate

SD 21 – Current Assemblymember Scott Wilk (R) looked to jump to the Senate, competing with Johnathon Ervin (D) for the vacant seat. Wilk was able to protect his lead from the primary and win with 55% of the vote.

SD 25 – Longtime county supervisor and former Assemblymember Michael Antonovich (R) and former Assemblymember Anthony Portantino (D) waged a very intense and closely fought race to replace termed-out Carol Liu (D). In the end Portantino won by a fairly comfortable margin with 57% of the vote.

SD 27 – Henry Stern (D), a former Capitol staffer to termed-out Senator Fran Pavley (D), looked to replace his boss in the Senate against Steve Fazio (R). Stern maintained a lead throughout the election and was able to pull out a win with 55% of the vote.

SD 29 – Current Assemblymember Ling Ling Chang (R) hoped to maintain Republican control of SD 29 as Senator Bob Huff (R) termed out. Josh Newman (D) was the Democrats' best hope of picking up a Senate seat and gaining a super majority. However, Chang eeked out a victory with the narrowest margin of this year's Senate races: 50.9%.

U.S. Congress

CD 07 – In the Sacramento area, Congressman Ami Bera (D) defeated Sacramento Sheriff Scott Jones (R) for the 7th Congressional District seat. Bera won re-election for his third congressional term. Since redistricting, this has been a very competitive district for the last few cycles. Bera ultimately won the seat with 50.6% of the vote.

CD 10 – Jeff Denham (R) and Michael Eggman (D) competed to be the 10th Congressional District Representative. Denham, the incumbent, has served in the House since 2010, while Eggman ran for the same seat unsuccessfully in 2014. The race was extremely close, but Denham won with 52.4% of the vote.

CD 17 – Ro Khanna (R) defeated Mike Honda (D) for this Bay Area Congressional seat. Khanna ran for the same seat in 2014 but was unsuccessful. Khanna garnered more votes in the primary election but faced Honda again in the general election due to Top 2. The final vote was 59.8% supporting Khanna.

CD 31 – Paul Chabot (R) faced Pete Aguilar (D) in this Congressional District race. Incumbent Aguilar has held this post since 2015, and he defeated Chabot in 2014 to win the 31st Congressional seat. Ultimately, Aguilar won again CD 31 with 54.9% of the overall vote.

Numbers

Winners are **highlighted** with their total percentage of votes listed.

ASSEMBLY

District	First Name	Last Name	Party	Percent
AD01	Brian	Dahle	R	74.5%
	Donn	Coenen	L	
AD02	Ken	Anton	L	
	Jim	Wood	D	73.7%
AD03	James	Gallagher	R	62.8%
	Edward	Ritchie	D	
AD04	Cecilia M.	Aguilar-Curry	D	63.6%
	Charlie	Schaupp	R	
AD05	Frank	Bigelow	R	64.3%
	Robert	Carabas	D	
AD06	Brian	Caples	D	
	Kevin	Kiley	R	63.9%
AD07	Kevin	McCarty	D	69.5%
	Ryan K.	Brown	R	
AD08	Ken	Cooley	D	56.6%
	Nick	Bloise	R	
AD09	Jim	Cooper	D	65.6%
	Tim	Gorsulowsky	R	
AD10	Veronica “Roni	Jacobi	D	

	Marc	Levine	D	69.5%
AD11	Jim	Frazier	D	63.4%
	Dave	Miller	R	
AD12	Heath	Flora	R	52.2%
	Ken	Vogel	R	
AD13	Susan	Eggman	D	64.4%
	Kevin J.	Lincoln II	R	
AD14	Tim	Grayson	D	62.1%
	Mae	Cendana Torlakson	D	
AD15	Claire	Chiara	R	
	Tony	Thurmond	D	88.9%
AD16	Catharine	Baker	R	55.8%
	Cheryl	Cook-Kallio	D	
AD17	Matthew	Del Carlo	R	
	David	Chiu	D	86.3%
AD18	Rob	Bonta	D	86.6%
	Roseann	Slonsky-Breault	R	
AD19	Carlos "Chuck"	Taylor	R	
	Phil	Ting	D	80.1%
AD20	Luis A.	Wong	R	
	Bill	Quirk	D	74.1%
AD21	Adam	Gray	D	68.4%
	Greg	Opinski	R	
AD22	Art	Kiesel	R	
	Kevin	Mullin	D	74.5%
AD23	Jim	Patterson	R	76.8%
	Gwen L.	Morris	R	
AD24	Vicki	Veenker	D	
	Marc	Berman	D	54.0%
AD25	Bob	Brunton	R	
	Kansen	Chu	D	72.3%
AD26	Devon	Mathis	R	66.3%
	Ruben	Macareno	D	
AD27	Ash	Kalra	D	51.8%
	Madison	Nguyen	D	
AD28	Evan	Low	D	70.1%

	Nicholas	Sclavos	R	
AD29	Sierra	Roberts	R	
	Mark	Stone	D	72.6%
AD30	Karina	Cervantez Alejo	D	
	Anna	Caballero	D	63.5%
AD31	Joaquin	Arambula	D	61.8%
	Clint	Olivier	R	
AD32	Manuel	Ramirez	R	
	Rudy	Salas	D	62.4%
AD33	Scott	Markovich	D	
	Jay	Obernolte	R	61.5%
AD34	Perrin	Swanlund	D	
	Vince	Fong	R	74.2%
AD35	Dawn	Ortiz-Legg	D	
	Jordan	Cunningham	R	54.6%
AD36	Steve	Fox	D	
	Tom	Lackey	R	56.1%
AD37	S. Monique	Limon	D	63.9%
	Edward	Fuller	NPP	
AD38	Christy	Smith	D	
	Dante	Acosta	R	53.1%
AD39	Raul	Bocanegra	D	61.1%
	Patty	Lopez	D	
AD40	Abigail	Medina	D	
	Marc	Steinorth	R	52.3%
AD41	Chris	Holden	D	60.4%
	Casey C.	Higgins	R	
AD42	Greg	Rodriguez	D	
	Chad	Mayes	R	58.2%
AD43	Laura	Friedman	D	65.2%
	Ardy	Kassakhian	D	
AD44	Jacqui	Irwin	D	57.9%
	Kerry J.	Nelson	R	
AD45	Matt	Dababneh	D	65.8%
	Jerry	Kowal	R	
AD46	Adrin	Nazarian	D	57.1%

	Angela	Rupert	D	
AD47	Cheryl	Brown	D	
	Eloise	Reyes	D	53.3%
AD48	Blanca E.	Rubio	D	63.6%
	Cory	Ellenson	R	
AD49	Edwin	Chau	D	68.7%
	Peter	Amundson	R	
AD50	Richard	Bloom	D	75.3%
	Matthew	Gene Craffey	R	
AD51	Jimmy	Gomez	D	86.4%
	Mike	Everling	L	
AD52	Paul	Vincent Avila	D	
	Freddie	Rodriguez	D	59.4%
AD53	Sandra	Mendoza	D	
	Miguel	Santiago	D	59.7%
AD54	Glen	Ratcliff	R	
	Sebastian	Ridley-Thomas	D	81.9%
AD55	Phillip	Chen	R	57.7%
	Gregg D.	Fritchle	D	
AD56	Eduardo	Garcia	D	100.0%
AD57	Ian	Calderon	D	62.4%
	Rita	Topalian	R	
AD58	Cristina	Garcia	D	74.8%
	Ramiro	Alvarado	R	
AD59	Reggie	Jones-Sawyer	D	100.0%
AD60	Eric	Linder	R	
	Sabrina	Cervantes	D	52.2%
AD61	Hector	Diaz	R	
	Jose	Medina	D	63.6%
AD62	Autumn	Burke	D	77.5%
	Marco Antonio "Tony"	Leal	R	17.4%
	Baron	Bruno	L	5.1%
AD63	Adam	Miller	R	
	Anthony	Rendon	D	76.7%
AD64	Mike A.	Gipson	D	73.9%
	Theresa	Sanford	R	

AD65	Young	Kim	R	
	Sharon	Quirk-Silva	D	50.8%
AD66	David	Hadley	R	
	Al	Muratsuchi	D	53.0%
AD67	Melissa	Melendez	R	64.8%
	Jorge	Lopez	D	
AD68	Sean	Panahi	D	
	Steven S.	Choi	R	60.9%
AD69	Tom	Daly	D	68.2%
	Ofelia	Velarde-Garcia	R	
AD70	Martha E.	Flores-Gipson	R	
	Patrick	O'Donnell	D	66.6%
AD71	Leo	Hammel	R	
	Randy	Voepel	R	65.6%
AD72	Travis	Allen	R	59.0%
	Lenore	Albert-Sheridan	D	
AD73	William (Bill)	Brough	R	68.6%
	Mesbah	Islam	D	
AD74	Karina	Onofre	D	
	Matthew	Harper	R	56.7%
AD75	Marie	Waldron	R	63.6%
	Andrew	Masiel Sr.	D	36.4%
AD76	Rocky	Chavez	R	60.3%
	Thomas	Krouse	R	39.7%
AD77	Melinda K.	Vasquez	D	42.1%
	Brian	Maienschein	R	57.9%
AD78	Todd	Gloria	D	68.8%
	Kevin D.	Melton	R	31.2%
AD79	Shirley N.	Weber	D	64.0%
	John	Moore	R	36.0%
AD80	Lorena	Gonzalez	D	75.6%
	Lincoln	Pickard	R	24.4%

SENATE

District	First	Last	Party	Percent
SD01	Rob	Rowen	D	
	Ted	Gaines	R	64%
SD03	Bill	Dodd	D	60%
	Mariko	Yamada	D	
SD05	Cathleen	Galgiani	D	55%
	Alan	Nakanishi	R	
SD07	Steve	Glazer	R	66%
	Joseph	Rubay	R	
SD09	Nancy	Skinner	D	63%
	Sandre	Swanson	D	
SD11	Jane	Kim	D	
	Scott	Wiener	D	52%
SD13	Jerry	Hill	D	76%
	Rick	Ciardella	R	
SD15	Jim	Beall	D	64%
	Nora	Campos	D	
SD17	Bill	Monning	D	65%
	Palmer	Kain	R	
SD19	Hannah-Beth	Jackson	D	62%
	Colin	Patrick Walch	R	
SD21	Johnathon	Ervin	D	
	Scott	Wilk	R	55%
SD23	Ronald	O'Donnell	D	
	Mike	Morrell	R	58%
SD25	Anthony	Portantino	D	57%
	Michael	Antonovich	R	
SD27	Henry	Stern	D	55%
	Steve	Fazio	R	
SD29	Josh	Newman	D	
	Ling Ling	Chang	R	50.9%
SD31	Richard	Roth	D	49.1%
	Richard	Reed	R	
SD33	Ricardo	Lara	D	79%

	Honor	Robson	L	
SD35	Steve	Bradford	D	54%
	Warren	Furutani	D	
SD37	Ari	Grayson	D	
	John	Moorlach	R	58%
SD39	Toni	Atkins	D	62%
	John	Renison	R	