

# VEST NV 2016

## Election Results Validation Report

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**State:** Nevada  
**Organization:** Voting and Election Science Team (VEST)  
**Summary of Races included:** Presidential, U.S Senate [General]  
**Date File Updated:** 02/17/2020  
**Date Report Updated:** 11/03/2021  
**RDH Validation Code (Github):** <https://github.com/nonpartisan-redistricting-datahub/pdv-nv>

RDH Criteria	Explanation
<p>Is all raw data available?</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p><b><u>Accessible files:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Nevada Precinct Level Election Results               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Date accessed: 10/18/2021, Source: Secretary of State</li> <li>○ <a href="https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/election-information/precinct-level-results">https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/election-information/precinct-level-results</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● VEST NV 2016 Data File               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Date accessed: 10/18/2021 Source: VEST on the Harvard Dataverse</li> <li>○ <a href="https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DVN/NH5S2I/I2A9FG&amp;version=71.0">https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DVN/NH5S2I/I2A9FG&amp;version=71.0</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● VEST NV 2016 Documentation               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Date accessed: 10/18/2021 Source: VEST on the Harvard Dataverse</li> <li>○ <a href="https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?fileId=5259464&amp;version=71.0">https://dataverse.harvard.edu/file.xhtml?fileId=5259464&amp;version=71.0</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● Census Redistricting Data Program Precincts               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accessed: 10/11/2021, Source: Census Bureau</li> <li>○ <a href="https://www.census.gov/geo/partnerships/pvs/partnership19v2/st32-nv.html">https://www.census.gov/geo/partnerships/pvs/partnership19v2/st32-nv.html</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● Clark County Precincts               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accessed: 10/18/2021, Source: Clark County</li> <li>○ <a href="https://gis.clark.wa.gov/maponline/index.cfm?site=AdminBoundaries&amp;onLayers=Election%20Precinct&amp;onBasemap=Clark%20County&amp;offBasemap=World%20Street%20Map">https://gis.clark.wa.gov/maponline/index.cfm?site=AdminBoundaries&amp;onLayers=Election%20Precinct&amp;onBasemap=Clark%20County&amp;offBasemap=World%20Street%20Map</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● Douglas County Precincts</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Election results validated for every candidate statewide?</b></p> <p><b>Yes</b></p>	<p>At the statewide total level, the election results matched VEST's. The totals also matched those of Nevada's election summary report (<a href="https://www.nvsos.gov/silverstate2016gen/">https://www.nvsos.gov/silverstate2016gen/</a>).</p>
<p><b>Election results validated for every candidate by county?</b></p> <p><b>Yes</b></p>	<p>At the county total level, the election results matched VEST's. The county totals also matched those of Nevada's election summary report (<a href="https://www.nvsos.gov/silverstate2016gen/county-results/">https://www.nvsos.gov/silverstate2016gen/county-results/</a>).</p>

**Election results validated for every candidate by precinct?**

**Yes**

At the precinct level, the election results did not match VEST's (1179 out of 1962 precincts matched).

783 precincts did not match due to "Countywide-reported federal ballots for the U.S. Senate races in Clark, Douglas, Elko, Humboldt, Lyon, Nye, and Washoe were distributed by candidate based on the precinct-level reported vote." which were reallocated to precincts in the script. RDH attempted to fill in obfuscated votes because the state election results by precinct do not include precinct votes by candidate for precincts with less than 10 total votes cast.

- For Douglas and Washoe, these were transferred from the county precinct reports.
- For Churchill, Elko, Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lyon, Mineral, Nye, Pershing, Storey, and White Pine these were inferred from the countywide totals.
- Clark County was also inferred from countywide totals, but we did not use the additional party registration data that VEST mentions.

For these 783 precincts, the average difference is 1.07 votes, so the differences are likely due to rounding from allocations or differences in Clark County due to not incorporating the additional party registration data. The largest difference was 6 votes in a precinct in Clark County.