



## Nevada Election Administration: Key Findings 2024

Below is a summary of key findings from our [Nevada 2024 Vote Counting and Election Certification report](#). In the full report, you can find more details about [counting and certification processes](#) and the [officials and offices](#) who oversee them.

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### Key Dates for Counting + Certification

- **Preprocessing of Mail Ballots Begins:** October 21, 2024
- **County Canvass and Certification Deadline:** November 15, 2024
- **State Canvass and Certification Deadline:** November 26, 2024

[See a full timeline of the counting and certification step here.](#)

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### Potential Vulnerabilities

Nevada law includes protections to safeguard its election processes. However, we have identified [potential vulnerabilities](#) in the state's processes that are important for the pro-democracy community to be aware of:

- **Hand-Counting Ballots:** Counties in the state have the discretion to choose to hand-count ballots instead of using tabulation equipment. This can only be done, however, if a hand-count plan is filed at least 90 days before the election and approved by the the Secretary of State.
- **Threats to Certification:** Though certification is non-discretionary, a number of county officials have attempted to undermine the certification process.
- **Delay Tactics:** Minimal requirements for requesting a recount or contest of an election create the potential for these processes to be misused as delay tactics.
- **Audit Standards:** Counties that do not use ballot machines with a VVPAT attachment are not subject to uniform standards of post-election auditing. Instead, these counties create their own parameters for their audits.

For a deeper dive into potential vulnerabilities, request access to our full findings [here](#).

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### Key Findings on Election Officials

We conducted vets of Nevada's 91 county commissioners and county clerks. Of those researched, 30 officials (33%) expressed some form of election skepticism.

- Seven officials publicly denied or questioned the 2020 election results
- Six officials opposed election certification
- One official served as a fake elector in 2020
- Six officials pursued extralegal hand counts
- 16 officials expressed skepticism about election fairness

See our [full analysis here](#) and our [Election Official Research Library here](#).