

STATE	Election Night?	Likely Called	What to expect	Why?
WI	Unlikely	Wed/Thu/Fri	Trump may appear to lead early in the process, due to counting of Election Day voting. However, expect large batches of votes favoring Harris as cities tabulate mail-in ballots.	Wisconsin does not allow election officials to process or count mail ballots until the morning of the election, which means there will likely be a delay in reporting the results. In addition, many of the state's largest cities transport mail ballots to a centralized location for processing and tabulating, leading to batches of votes getting reported all at once in the early morning after polls close.
MI	Maybe	Tues/Wed	New laws mean there is no track record of when to expect results. Harris may have an initial lead if early voting and mail-in ballots are tabulated and released early in the night. Expect Trump to gain ground as Election Day results are released.	Michigan instituted early in-person voting for the first time and allows jurisdictions with more than 5,000 people to begin processing and tabulating mail ballots eight days before Election Day.
PA	Unlikely	Thurs/Fri	Early results – based on in-person Election Day votes – will probably show Trump ahead. His lead will likely shrink as mail ballots are tabulated.	The state does not permit election workers to process or tabulate mail ballots until 7 a.m. on Election Day, which means it will likely take days before the final outcome is known.
NC	Maybe	Tues... Or later in the week if it is very close.	Harris may appear to lead early thanks to counting early and mail ballots early, while Trump could close the gap as Election Day votes are counted.	Election officials start processing & scanning mail ballots ahead of Election Day. After polls close, the first reported results will likely be mostly mail ballots as well as early in-person votes. Election Day votes will be counted and reported throughout the evening, with full results expected by midnight. HOWEVER: Absentee ballots that arrive on Nov. 5, as well as ballots from overseas and military voters, are tallied during the 10-day canvass period that follows Election Day.
GA	MIDNIGHT	Tues	Harris will likely show an early lead (due to early and mail-in ballots), while Trump's votes will increase as Election Day votes are tabulated and released.	All early votes – in-person and mail – must be counted and reported by 8 p.m. on election night, according to state law. Officials aim to have all votes, including those from Election Day, tallied by midnight.
AZ	Unlikely	Thurs/Fri	Harris will likely show an early lead (due to early and mail-in ballots), while Trump's votes will increase as Election Day votes are tabulated and released. They could move back toward Harris in the days to follow as late-arriving mail ballots are tabulated.	Any mail ballots dropped off on Election Day itself cannot be processed until the polls have closed. That is often a sizable number – in 2022, those "late early" votes comprised one-fifth of all ballots in Maricopa County, the state's largest – and can take days to count.
NV	Unlikely	Fri/Sat	Harris will likely have a lead among in-person and mail ballots. Trump will make up ground with Election Day votes. Late-arriving ballots will likely give a further bump to Harris, but those will not be counted until up to 4 days after Election Day.	Counties can begin processing and counting mail ballots on Oct. 21, and workers can start tabulating early in-person votes at 8 a.m. PT on Election Day, rather than waiting until polls close. But NV is the only battleground that accepts late-arriving mail ballots. Any ballot postmarked by Nov. 5 will still be counted if it arrives within four days. Those late ballots historically favor Democrats, so a shift toward Harris could occur as votes are counted after Election Day.