

2002 – 2006 General Election Comparison

	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
# General Election Candidates	369	391	389
# Clean Election Candidates (CEC)	230	309	314
% Using Clean Elections	62%	79%	81%
# of CE Legislators	111	145	156
% of legislature CE	60%	78%	84%

House and Senate Candidates	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
# Senate Candidates	71	73	77
# Senate CEC	51	58	66
% Using Clean Elections	72%	79%	86%
# CE Senate Winners	27	29	29
% of Senate CE	77%	83%	83%
# House Candidates	298	318	312
# House CEC	179	249	248
% Using Clean Elections	60%	78%	79%
# CE House Winners	84	116	127
% of House CE	56%	77%	84%

By Party ¹	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
# Republicans	168	182	180
# Republican CEC	91	130	131
% Republicans Using CE	54%	71%	72%
# Republican CEC Winners	35	60	58
% Republican CEC who won	38%	46%	44%
# Democrats	173	180	185
# Democrat CEC	122	155	171
% Democrats Using CE	70.5%	86%	92%
# Democrat CEC Winners	72	83	99
% Democrat CEC who won	60%	53.5%	58%
# Greens	11	20	11
# Green CEC	8	16	7
% Greens Using CE	73%	80%	64%
# Green CEC Winners	1	1	0
# Un-enrolled/Other Party	n/a	9	13
# Un-enrolled/Other Party CEC	n/a	6	5
% Other Using CE	n/a	67%	38%
# Un-enrolled/Other Party Winners	n/a	1	2

¹ Senator Art Mayo ran and won his race in 2004 as a Republican, however he switched parties to become a Democrat shortly after the election. For this analysis, he is considered a Republican.

Further Breakdown by Party	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
# Republican House Candidates	133	148	145
# Republican House CEC	66	103	101
% Using CE	50%	70%	69%
# Republican House Members	67	73	60
# Republican CE House Members	22	46	41
% Republican CE House Members	33%	63%	68%
# Republican Senate Candidates	35	34	35
# Republican Senate CEC	25	27	30
% Using CE	71%	79%	86%
# Republican Senators	17	17	17
# Republican CE Senators	13	14	14
% Republican CE Senators	77%	82%	82%
# Democrat House Candidates	142	146	150
# Democrat House CEC	98	127	139
% Using CE	69%	87%	93%
# Democrat House Members	80	76	89
# Democrat CE House Members	58	68	84
% Democrat CE House Members	73%	89%	94%
# Democrat Senate Candidates	31	34	35
# Democrat Senate CEC	24	28	32
% Using CE	78%	82%	91%
# Democrat Senators	18	18	18
# Democrat CE Senators	14	15	15
% Democrat CE Senators	78%	83%	83%

There were 2 Unenrolled/Independent candidates who won who used Clean Elections.

Incumbents	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
Total # of Incumbents	122	125	140
# CEC Incumbents	62	95	115
% Using Clean Elections	51%	76%	82%
# Incumbents Re-elected	107	115	127
% Incumbents Re-elected	88%	92%	91%
# CEC Incumbents Re-elected	57	87	106
% CEC Incumbents Re-elected	92%	92%	92%
# Incumbents in House	95	105	112
# House CEC Incumbents	41	77	92
% Using Clean Elections	43%	73%	82%
# House Incumbents Re-elected			100
# House CEC Incumbents Re-elect			84
# Incumbents in Senate	27	21	28
# Senate CEC Incumbents	21	18	23
% Using Clean Elections	78%	86%	82%
# Senate Incumbents Re-elected			27
# Senate CEC Incumbents Re-elect			22

Challengers (137 races* in 2004)	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
Total # of Challengers	125	133	152
# CEC Challengers	83	103	122
% Using Clean Elections	66%	78%	80%
# Challengers Elected	23	13	13
% Challengers Elected	18%	10%	9%
# CEC Challengers Elected	14	11	12
% CEC Challengers Elected	17%	11%	10%
# Challengers in House	101	112	117
# House CEC Challengers	66	85	93
% Using Clean Elections	65%	76%	79%
# Challengers in Senate	24	21	35
# Senate CEC Challengers	17	17	29
% Using Clean Elections	71%	81%	83%

* Three races were uncontested in the general election. For two of those, the candidates were not incumbents. One had been an open seat, the other had seen a primary challenger defeat the incumbent.

Open Seats	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
Total # of Open Seats	56	63	46
Total # of Open Seat Candidates	122	132	97
# Open Seat CEC	85	109	76
% Using Clean Elections	70%	83%	78%
# Open Seat CEC Elected	40	51	38
# Open Seat Traditional Elected	16	12	8
Success rate for Open Seat CEC	47%	47%	50%
Success rate for Traditional	43%	50%	38%
% Open Seats won by CEC	71%	81%	83%
# Open Seat Candidates in House	102	101	83
# House Open Seat CEC	72	86	63
% Using Clean Elections	70%	85%	76%
# Open Seat Candidates in Senate	20	31	14
# Senate Open Seat CEC	13	23	13
% Using Clean Elections	65%	74%	93%

Women and Men	'02 General	'04 General	'06 General
# Women in General	98	101	120
# CEC Women	68	86	100
% Women in General	26.5%	26%	31%
% Women using Clean Elections	70%	85%	83%
# Women Elected	50	44	57
% Women Elected	51%	43%	47.5%
# CEC Women Elected	36	36	49
% CEC Women Elected	53%	42%	49%
% of all Women Elected who used Clean Elections	72%	82%	86%
# Men in General	271	290	269
# CEC Men	162	221	214
% Men in General	73.5%	74%	69%
% Men using Clean Elections	60%	76%	79%
# Men Elected	136	142	129
% Men Elected	50%	49%	48%
# CEC Men Elected	61	109	107
% CEC Men Elected	38%	49%	50%
% of all Men Elected who used Clean Elections	55%	77%	83%

Clean Election v. Traditional Candidates	'04 General	'06 General
# of Races with Traditional v. CEC	55	65
# of Candidates	129	144
# of CEC	68	75
Races won by CEC	29	38
Races won by Traditional	26	27
# Open Seats	17	19
# Open Seats won by CEC	8	11
# Seats with Incumbents	38	47
# Seats won by Incumbent CEC	18	23
# Seats won by Challenger CEC	3	4
HOUSE		
# of House Races with Traditional v. CEC	46	55
# of Candidates	107	121
# of CEC	54	62
Races won by CEC	23	34
Races won by Traditional	23	21
# Open Seats	11	18
# Open Seats won by CEC	5	11
# Seats with Incumbents	35	37
# Seats won by Incumbent CEC	16	19
# Seats won by Challenger CEC	2	4*
* All 4 of these were races where a Clean Election Democrat defeated an incumbent Republican running traditionally		
SENATE		
# of Senate Races with Traditional v. CEC	9	10
# of Candidates	22	24
# of CEC	14	13
Races won by CEC	6	4
Races won by Traditional	3	6
# Open Seats	6	1
# Open Seats won by CEC	3	0
# Seats with Incumbents	3	9
# Seats won by Incumbent CEC	2	4
# Seats won by Challenger CEC (Traditional Incumbent lost)	1	0