





## MEET THE CANDIDATES

In 2002, Texans elected 523 officers to state government. Of 1,044 candidates who ran, 337 Republicans and 186 Democrats won offices. The following table breaks down the candidates who ran for each of these offices. The rest of this report analyzes the money raised only by candidates for 196 statewide executive, statewide judicial (Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals), and legislative offices.

	Office	No. of Seats	Rep. Cands	Dem. Cands	3rd Party Cands	Rep Winners	Dem Winners
Statewide	Attorney General	1	1	1	2	1	0
	Agriculture Comm.	1	1	2	2	1	0
	Comptroller	1	1	1	2	1	0
	Governor	1	1	4	4	1	0
	Land Commissioner	1	2	2	2	1	0
	Lt. Governor	1	2	1	2	1	0
	Railroad Comm.	1	1	2	2	1	0
Legislative	House	150	185	141	41	88	62
	Senate	31	32	25	17	19	12
Courts	Supreme Court	5	9	5	3	5	0
	Court of Crim. Appeals	3	10	4	3	3	0
	Court of Appeals	26	28	13	0	21	5
	District Judge	237	209	157	2	159	78
	District Attorney	49	38	44	0	25	24
Other	State Board of Edu.	15	20	12	8	10	5
<b>Totals:</b>		<b>523</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>186</b>

Note: The 3rd Party category includes independents and write-ins.

## UNCONTESTED RACES

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While both of the major parties each fielded at least one candidate for every statewide race in Texas, the winners of most district-based offices around the state faced no partisan competition whatsoever.

### Winners Of District-based Offices Faced Little Partisan Competition In November

Office	Seats Available In 2002	No Opposition (Won 100% of Vote)	Token Opposition (80%-99% of Vote)	Weak Opposition (60%-79% of Vote)	Real Opposition (51%-59% of Vote)
Senate	31	29%	32%	26%	13%
House	150	41%	13%	28%	17%
Board of Education	15	47%	13%	20%	20%
Court of Appeals	26	65%	0%	4%	31%
District Judge	237	72%	0%	4%	23%
District Attorney	49	84%	0%	2%	14%
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>20%</b>