

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS  
1979

GENERAL ELECTION  
November 6, 1979

MEMBERS  
OF THE  
SENATE OF VIRGINIA  
and  
HOUSE OF DELEGATES



PRIMARY ELECTIONS  
June 12, 1979

MEMBERS  
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SPECIAL ELECTIONS  
November 6, 1979

HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
THIRTY-FIRST AND THIRTY-NINTH  
LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS



Compiled From Official Records By

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<b>13th Senatorial District</b>	<b>*Willard J. Moody (D)</b>			<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Portsmouth . . . . .	8,128			451
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 8,128</b>			<b>451</b>
<b>14th Senatorial District</b>	<b>William T. Parker (D)</b>	<b>Carlton E. Smith (R)</b>		<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Chesapeake . . . . .	10,425	5,144		4
Suffolk (part of) . . . . .	695	389		
Virginia Beach (part of) . . . . .	1,622	1,078		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 12,742</b>	<b>6,611</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>15th Senatorial District</b>	<b>Richard J. Holland (D)</b>			<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Dinwiddie . . . . .	3,770			
Greensville . . . . .	1,015			
Isle of Wight . . . . .	4,127			
Southampton . . . . .	3,324			
Emporia . . . . .	669			
Franklin . . . . .	712			4
Petersburg (part of) . . . . .	141			
Suffolk (part of) . . . . .	1,915			4
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 15,673</b>			<b>8</b>
<b>16th Senatorial District</b>	<b>* Elmon T. Gray (D)</b>			<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Prince George . . . . .	2,067			1
Surry . . . . .	1,936			
Sussex . . . . .	2,437			4
Colonial Heights. . . . .	766			
Hopewell. . . . .	853			6
Petersburg (part of) . . . . .	3,417			11
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 11,476</b>			<b>22</b>

\* Denotes incumbent

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<b>17th Senatorial District</b>	<b>* James T. Edmunds (D)</b>	<b>Eva F. Scott (R)</b>		<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Amelia . . . . .	1,621	1,577		
Brunswick . . . . .	3,106	1,677		
Chesterfield (part of) . . . . .	2,530	6,160		1
Cumberland . . . . .	1,097	937		
Lunenburg . . . . .	1,944	1,632		
Mecklenburg . . . . .	3,389	2,382		
Nottoway . . . . .	2,298	2,036		
Powhatan . . . . .	1,760	1,930		
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>17,745</b>	<b>† 18,331</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>18th Senatorial District</b>	<b>* Howard P. Anderson (D)</b>			<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Appomattox . . . . .	1,206			
Buckingham . . . . .	1,589			
Campbell (part of) . . . . .	2,993			
Charlotte . . . . .	1,884			
Halifax . . . . .	4,623			1
Prince Edward . . . . .	2,132			
Lynchburg (part of) . . . . .	953			1
South Boston . . . . .	1,432			3
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>† 16,812</b>			<b>5</b>
<b>19th Senatorial District</b>	<b>* Coleman B. Yeatts (D)</b>	<b>W. Onico Barker (R)</b>		<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Campbell (part of) . . . . .	1,536	849		
Pittsylvania . . . . .	6,898	6,584		
Danville . . . . .	4,081	7,848		2
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>12,515</b>	<b>† 15,281</b>		<b>2</b>
<b>20th Senatorial District</b>	<b>* Virgil H. Goode, Jr. (D)</b>			<b>Write-In Votes</b>
Franklin . . . . .	6,647			
Henry . . . . .	9,313			3
Patrick . . . . .	3,916			
Martinsville . . . . .	2,903			
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>† 22,779</b>			<b>3</b>

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<b>21st Senatorial District</b>	* William B. Hopkins (D)	Ray L. Garland (R)		Write-In Votes
Roanoke County (part of) . . . .	2,871	4,016		1
Roanoke City (part of) . . . . .	8,480	9,799		1
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>11,351</b>	<b>† 13,815</b>		<b>2</b>
<b>22nd Senatorial District</b>	* Dudley J. "Buzz" Emick, Jr. (D)	Brad E. Mullins (R)		Write-In Votes
Alleghany . . . . .	2,592	824		
Bath . . . . .	963	626		
Botetourt . . . . .	4,008	1,258		
Roanoke County (part of) . . . .	6,197	2,876		1
Clifton Forge . . . . .	583	227		
Covington . . . . .	1,358	526		
Roanoke City (part of) . . . . .	1,647	683		
Salem . . . . .	2,979	1,889		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 20,327</b>	<b>8,909</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>23rd Senatorial District</b>	* Elliot S. Schewel (D)			Write-In Votes
Amherst . . . . .	4,772			
Bedford County . . . . .	3,961			1
Bedford City . . . . .	725			2
Lynchburg (part of) . . . . .	6,585			14
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 16,043</b>			<b>17</b>
<b>24th Senatorial District</b>	* Frank W. Nolen (D)	Lois J. Kindt (R)		Write-In Votes
Augusta . . . . .	6,926	4,339		5
Highland . . . . .	823	366		
Rockbridge . . . . .	2,400	1,045		
Buena Vista . . . . .	812	410		
Lexington . . . . .	747	484		
Staunton . . . . .	2,369	1,782		2
Waynesboro . . . . .	1,774	1,845		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 15,851</b>	<b>10,271</b>		<b>7</b>

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<b>25th Senatorial District</b>	* J. Harry Michael, Jr. (D)		Robert Lynwood Coffman (I)	Write-In Votes
Albemarle . . . . .	8,046		2,074	6
Fluvanna . . . . .	1,414		474	
Greene . . . . .	868		304	
Nelson . . . . .	2,434		482	
Orange . . . . .	2,756		786	
Charlottesville . . . . .	6,123		880	8
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	† 21,641		5,000	14
<b>26th Senatorial District</b>	W. E. "Ernie" Schlabach (D)	* Nathan H. Miller (R)		Write-In Votes
Culpeper . . . . .	752	2,535		
Madison . . . . .	842	1,325		
Page . . . . .	2,972	2,823		
Rappahannock . . . . .	622	1,184		
Rockingham . . . . .	5,786	5,969		
Harrisonburg . . . . .	1,478	1,766		
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	12,452	† 15,602		0
<b>27th Senatorial District</b>	Donald W. Patterson, Jr. (D)	* William A. Truban (R)		Write-In Votes
Clarke . . . . .	1,029	1,041		
Fauquier . . . . .	4,689	2,696		
Frederick . . . . .	2,738	4,425		
Shenandoah . . . . .	2,701	6,590		
Warren . . . . .	2,030	2,286		
Winchester . . . . .	1,470	2,326		
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	14,657	† 19,364		0

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<b>28th Senatorial District</b>	Robert W. Ackerman (D)	* John H. Chichester (R)		Write-In Votes
Caroline . . . . .	1,801	1,498		
Essex . . . . .	559	1,426		
King George . . . . .	612	1,825		
Lancaster . . . . .	799	2,457		
Northumberland . . . . .	550	2,363		
Richmond . . . . .	297	884		
Spotsylvania . . . . .	4,077	2,725		
Stafford . . . . .	2,434	5,108		1
Westmoreland . . . . .	979	2,310		
Fredericksburg . . . . .	942	2,044		6
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>13,050</b>	<b>† 22,640</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>29th Senatorial District</b>	*Charles J. Colgan (D)			Write-In Votes
Prince William . . . . .	13,570			48
Manassas . . . . .	1,534			9
Manassas Park . . . . .	469			
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 15,573</b>			<b>57</b>
<b>30th Senatorial District</b>		* Wiley F. Mitchell, Jr. (R)		Write-In Votes
Alexandria . . . . .		9,171		23
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>		<b>† 9,171</b>		<b>23</b>
<b>31st Senatorial District</b>	* Edward M. Holland (D)	Allen H. Harrison, Jr. (R)	Richard E. Gardiner (I)	Write-In Votes
Arlington (part of) . . . . .	8,871	5,161	1,265	2
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 8,871</b>	<b>5,161</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>32nd Senatorial District</b>	* Clive L. DuVal 2d (D)	Stephen B. "Steve" Grey (R)		Write-In Votes
Arlington (part of) . . . . .	8,889	5,177		
Fairfax County (part of) . . . . .	6,330	3,747		
Falls Church . . . . .	1,248	629		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	<b>† 16,467</b>	<b>9,553</b>		<b>0</b>

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<b>33rd Senatorial District</b>	* Charles L. Waddell (D)	Thomas D. Rust (R)		Write-In Votes
Fairfax County (part of) . . . . .	11,488	12,883		
Loudoun . . . . .	7,392	4,971		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 18,880	17,854		0
<b>34th Senatorial District</b>	* Adelard L. Brault (D)	John M. Thoburn (R)		Write-In Votes
Fairfax County (part of) . . . . .	9,289	7,578		
Fairfax City . . . . .	1,915	1,324		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 11,204	8,902		0
<b>35th Senatorial District</b>	Richard L. Saslaw (D)	James R. Tate (R)		Write-In Votes
Fairfax County (part of) . . . . .	15,735	14,060		3
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 15,735	14,060		3
<b>36th Senatorial District</b>	* Joseph V. Gartlan, Jr. (D)	John B. Watkins, IV (R)		Write-In Votes
Fairfax County (part of) . . . . .	10,156	7,843		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 10,156	7,843		0
<b>37th Senatorial District</b> * (Recount)	* Madison E. Marye (D)	Edwin C. Stone (R)		Write-In Votes
Carroll . . . . .	3,685	4,053		
Floyd . . . . .	1,746	1,563		
Grayson . . . . .	3,034	2,810		
Montgomery . . . . .	4,819	4,434		
Galax . . . . .	905	720		
Radford . . . . .	1,190	1,790		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 15,379	15,370		0

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\* Results of recount held on December 28, 1979 in Montgomery County Circuit Court upon the appeal of Mr. Stone ( §24.1-249 of the Code).

<b>38th Senatorial District</b>	* Daniel W. (Danny) Bird, Jr. (D)	Charles L. Tyer (R)		Write- In Votes
Bland . . . . .	1,846	454		1
Craig . . . . .	1,442	338		
Giles . . . . .	4,663	1,201		
Pulaski . . . . .	6,177	1,850		1
Tazewell . . . . .	6,680	3,108		
Wythe . . . . .	5,485	1,620		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 26,293	8,571		2
<b>39th Senatorial District</b>	* Frederick C. "Rick" Boucher (D)	Charles David Counts (R)		Write- In Votes
Russell (part of) . . . . .	2,477	1,779		
Scott . . . . .	4,413	2,682		
Smyth . . . . .	6,174	3,139		
Washington . . . . .	5,745	3,851		
Bristol . . . . .	721	348		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 19,530	11,799		0
<b>40th Senatorial District</b>	* John Chalkley Buchanan (D)	H. Ronnie Montgomery (R)		Write- In Votes
Buchanan . . . . .	4,525	3,758		1
Dickenson . . . . .	3,866	3,607		
Lee . . . . .	3,011	5,732		
Russell (part of) . . . . .	2,633	2,068		
Wise . . . . .	5,978	3,885		
Norton . . . . .	527	330		
<b>TOTAL. . . . .</b>	† 20,540	19,380		1

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**OFFICIAL RESULTS**  
**GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 6, 1979**  
**MEMBERS, HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF VIRGINIA**

<b>1st Legislative District</b> (2 Members)										Write- In Votes
Dickenson . . . . .	*Orby L. Cantrell (D)	*Ford C. Quillen (D)								5
Lee . . . . .	3,992	3,459								
Scott . . . . .	3,956	4,071								
Wise . . . . .	3,545	4,894								3
Norton . . . . .	6,399	5,868								6
	604	582								
TOTAL . . . . .	† 18,496	† 18,874								14
<b>2nd Legislative District</b> (2 Members)										Write- In Votes
Smyth . . . . .	*Joseph A. Johnson (D)	* W. L. "Bill" Lemmon (D)								
Washington . . . . .	6,413	7,770								
Bristol . . . . .	6,554	5,993								
	817	806								
TOTAL . . . . .	† 13,784	† 14,569								0
<b>3rd Legislative District</b> (2 Members)										Write- In Votes
Buchanan . . . . .	William F. (Bill) Green (D)	* Donald A. (Don) McGlothlin, Sr. (D)							Ralph W. Hess (R)	
Russell . . . . .	4,147	4,761							3,578	
Tazewell . . . . .	5,230	4,736							3,280	
	5,370	5,435							2,932	
TOTAL . . . . .	† 14,747	† 14,932							11,873	9,790

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<b>7th Legislative District (2 Members)</b>																				
Roanoke City (part of) . . . . .			* A. Victor "Vic" Thomas (D)	Clifton A. "Chip" Woodrum (D)			Elizabeth T. Bowles (R)	Mary F. (Beth) Brooks (R)			Write- In Votes									1
TOTAL. . . . .			† 11,658	10,130			7,397	3,911												1
<b>8th Legislative District (2 Members)</b>																				
Roanoke County . . . . .			* C. Richard Cranwell (D)	Bob L. Johnson (D)			Ronkeith Adkins (R)	*Raymond R. Robrecht (R)			Write- In Votes									
Roanoke City (part of) . . . . .			10,466	5,682			3,434	11,193												
Salem. . . . .			1,892	1,178			645	1,836												
TOTAL. . . . .			† 15,341	8,994			1,000	3,468												0
<b>9th Legislative District (2 Members)</b>																				
			James A. (Jim) Davis (D)	Wilford P. Ramsey (D)							Write- In Votes									
Bedford County . . . . .			2,600	1,543																1
Franklin County . . . . .			5,471	2,446																3,576
Rockbridge . . . . .			2,190	1,583																2,373
Bedford City. . . . .			650	356																1,117
Buena Vista . . . . .			672	869																855
Lexington . . . . .			781	560																836
Lynchburg (part of) . . . . .			88	50																209
TOTAL. . . . .			† 12,452	7,407																† 13,746

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<b>10th Legislative District</b> (1 Member)										Robert E. (Bob) Thomas, Jr. (R)	Write- In Votes
Allegheny . . . . .										913	
Botetourt . . . . .										2,127	
Clifton Forge . . . . .										249	
Covington . . . . .										566	
TOTAL . . . . .										3,855	0
<b>11th Legislative District</b> (2 Members)											Write- In Votes
Amherst . . . . .									Virgil A. Coleman (R)	4,059	1
Nelson . . . . .										1,945	3
Lynchburg (part of) . . . . .										4,330	
TOTAL . . . . .										† 10,334	4
<b>12th Legislative District</b> (1 Member)											Write- In Votes
Campbell . . . . .										* Joseph P. (Joe) Crouch (R)	2
Lynchburg (part of) . . . . .										5,708	
TOTAL . . . . .										† 6,811	2

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13th Legislative District (3 Members)	* A. L. Philpott (D)	* Claude V. Swanson (D)	* Mary Sue Terry (D)	Charles R. Hawkins (R)	J. Randolph Smith, Jr. (R)	Write- In Votes
Henry . . . . .	8,065	6,862	8,330	3,510	3,874	5
Patrick . . . . .	3,712	3,441	4,570	1,459	1,255	1
Pittsylvania . . . . .	7,385	7,262	7,843	5,577	2,455	
Martinsville . . . . .	2,848	2,255	2,987	1,484	1,754	
TOTAL. . . . .	† 22,010	† 19,820	† 23,730	12,030	9,338	6
14th Legislative District (1 Member)			* Calvin W. Fowler (D)			Write- In Votes
Danville . . . . .			7,417			2
TOTAL. . . . .			† 7,417			2
15th Legislative District (2 Members)			* Erwin S. “Shad” Solomon (D)		* A. R. “Pete” Giesen, Jr. (R)	Write- In Votes
Augusta . . . . .			6,199		6,481	6
Bath . . . . .			1,418		690	3
Highland . . . . .			800		715	4
Staunton . . . . .			2,514		2,583	
Waynesboro . . . . .			1,872		2,217	1
TOTAL. . . . .			† 12,803		† 12,686	14

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16th Legislative District (2 Members)				Roger A. Ritchie (D)		* I. Clinton Miller (R)	Kevin G. Miller (R)	Write- In Votes
Page . . . . .				2,537		3,404	2,595	2
Rockingham . . . . .				6,718		6,821	5,259	1
Shenandoah . . . . .				3,129		7,390	5,422	2
Harrisonburg . . . . .				1,776		1,825	1,546	
TOTAL . . . . .				14,160		† 19,440	† 14,822	5
<b>17th Legislative District</b> (2 Members)				* Alson H. "Al" Smith, Jr. (D)		*Raymond R. "Andy" Guest, Jr. (R)	Kenneth Y. Stiles (R)	Write- In Votes
Clarke . . . . .				1,414		1,431	685	
Fauquier . . . . .				3,782		4,423	2,622	
Frederick . . . . .				5,210		4,108	2,437	
Warren . . . . .				2,328		3,189	1,357	2
Winchester . . . . .				2,918		2,438	1,197	
TOTAL . . . . .				† 15,652		† 15,589	8,298	2
<b>18th Legislative District</b> (See Page 30)								
<b>19th Legislative District</b> (See Page 30)								

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<b>26th Legislative District (2 Members)</b>												Write-In Votes
Albemarle . . . . .												
Fluvanna . . . . .	5,767	* James B. Murray (D)				George F. Allen (R)					Virginia D. Hahn (R)	2
Greene . . . . .	987	5,234				5,004					4,594	
Charlottesville . . . . .	602	703				1,114					1,009	
	5,105	589				911					844	4
		4,877				2,498					2,381	
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>† 12,461</b>	<b>† 11,403</b>				<b>9,527</b>					<b>8,828</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>27th Legislative District (1 Member)</b>												Write-In Votes
Amelia . . . . .												
Appomattox . . . . .		* Claude W. Anderson (D)										
Buckingham . . . . .		1,815										
Cumberland . . . . .		1,262										
Prince Edward . . . . .		1,974										
		1,249										
		2,407										
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>		<b>† 8,707</b>										<b>0</b>
<b>28th Legislative District (1 Member)</b>												Write-In Votes
Charlotte . . . . .												
Halifax . . . . .		* Franklin M. Slayton (D)										
South Boston . . . . .		1,897										
		5,128										
		1,460										
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>		<b>† 8,485</b>										<b>3</b>

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