

NEVADA SECRETARY OF STATE

2024 Election Security



Since the 2020 election, the Secretary of State's (SOS) Office has received a major increase in questions about election fraud, election integrity and investigations into elections. The number of Election Integrity Violation Reports (EIVR) we have received has grown exponentially. The office is releasing quarterly reports on elections investigations to bring transparency to the public into Nevada's secure elections.

Elections investigations are identified through a number of safeguards within the electoral system; through automatic security checks in the election systems on the county-level, post-election audits, reports from the public and collaborations among Nevada State agencies, trusted organizations and elections offices across the country.

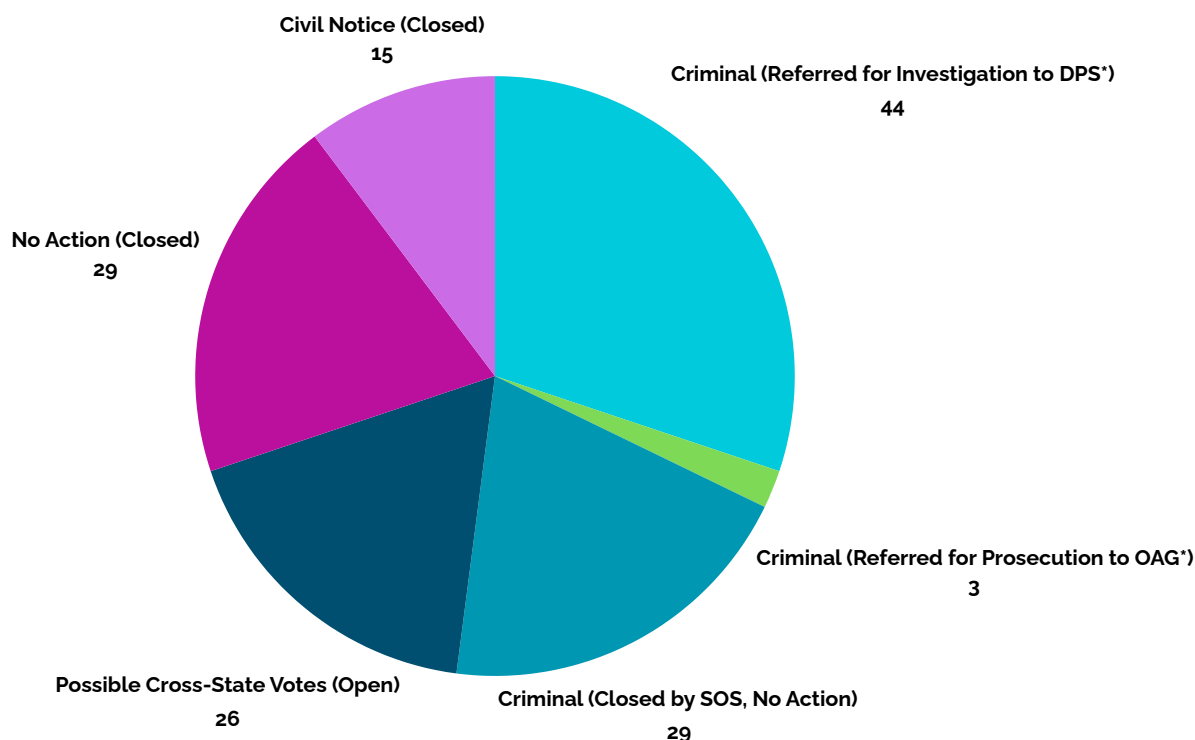
The Secretary of State's Office takes every allegation of election integrity violations very seriously and investigates them to the full extent of the law.

2024 Election Investigations Quarter 1 Report

2022 General Election "Double Vote" Investigations:

Voting twice, or attempting to vote twice, is a felony in Nevada (NRS 293.780). Voters attempting to vote twice are caught before the second vote is counted. The attempt is then reported and investigated. (ex. Voting in-person after sending in a mail ballot).

Status of 146 Double Vote Investigations:



*Criminal investigations referred to DPS: The Nevada Department of Public Safety's Investigation Division and OAG: The Nevada Office of the Attorney General

These 146 Double Vote cases represent 0.0001% of the 1,023,617 ballots cast in the 2022 General Election.

Examples of Double Vote Investigations:

- Civil Notices: A father and son with the same name who live in the same household both receive a ballot. The son votes in-person. The father mistakenly fills out his son's ballot and mails it to his County Clerk or Registrar's Office. The Clerk/Registrar notices a Double Vote for the son, does not count the second ballot, and alerts the SOS Office of a possible Double Vote. During the investigation, the SOS Office determines the father's mistake and sends a Civil Notice Letter. The letter details the situation and outcome of the investigation, with a warning that attempting to vote twice is illegal, however, no intent was found and no further action will be taken unless more information is revealed.
 - All civil notices are tracked by our office to monitor potential future irregularities.
- Cross-State Double Votes: Cross-State Double Vote investigations stem from collaboration with other states and verified agencies, including [ERIC, the Electronic Registration Information Center](#). Investigations begin when the SOS is notified of voters who may have voted in Nevada and another state during the same election.
 - Example: A Nevadan receives their general election ballot in the mail and votes in Nevada. Before election day, they move to Arizona and vote on election day. Citizens can register to vote, update their registration or cancel their existing registration on VOTE.NV.gov.

Total Cases Referred for Possible Prosecution since 2020:

- 2020 Election:
 - 9
- 2022 Election:
 - 5

Cases are referred to outside investigatory agencies, including the Office of the Attorney General and county District Attorney offices. The Secretary of State's Office cannot comment on referred cases.

Investigations Stemming from the 2024 Presidential Preference Primary:

- 6 total cases as of April 11th, 2024:
 - 2 investigations open in the SOS Office
 - 4 cases closed with no violation
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Election Integrity Violation Report (EIVR) Summary:

	Reports Received	Cases Still Open	Cases Closed (No Violation)	Cases Closed (With Violation)
2024	56	29	27	0
2023	44	4	40	0

As of April 11, 2024.

Of note, the Secretary of State's Office received 108 EIVRs related to vote history discrepancies on the VOTE.NV.gov voter registration portal following the Presidential Preference Primary. See the full report on this error and resolution [here](#).

Topics in 2023 and 2024 reports include:

~Issues related to ballots (Example: Voter didn't update mailing address, so ballot was delivered to incorrect address.) (Reminder: Update your voter registration today at VOTE.NV.gov!)

~Issues related to candidates (Example: Questions regarding campaign finance uses.)

~Voter registration/list maintenance

Filing an Election Complaint:

To file a formal complaint of Elections Law violations, please visit [NVSOS.gov](https://www.nvsos.gov) and complete the [Election Integrity Violation Report](#) form.

If you have questions regarding Nevada's Elections Law or the upcoming June Primary and November General Elections, please email nvelect@sos.nv.gov or call our office at (775) 684-5708.

Election Investigation Team:

The SOS Office created a dedicated team of investigators to address election concerns:

- Two civil investigators and one criminal investigator, with additional augmentation available from the Secretary of State's Securities team on an as-needed basis.
- The budget for the investigation team was approved in the 2023 legislative session, and investigators were hired in the following months.
- Additional investigators ensure speedier turnaround times for investigations and increase transparency for voters.

The SOS Office works very closely with the OAG through the investigative process. Once a determination is made regarding the validity of any allegations, the investigators prepare a report, and the cases are sent to the OAG for possible prosecution.

Reports regarding data related to elections investigations will be released on a quarterly basis. ***Neither the SOS or Attorney General's offices can provide comment on ongoing/open cases.***
