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Yuma County
Hand Count/ Early Ballot Audit Report

Synopsis

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-602(B), Yuma County conducted the official hand count audit for the November 3, 2026 General Election. As required by statute, two vote centers out of ten were counted: Main Library and Wellton.

The hand count began on November 4, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. when the Yuma County Chairs of the Democratic and Republican Parties met to select the races, vote centers and early ballot batches to be counted. All ballots were accounted for in the central counting center before the selection process began. The selection order was chosen by lot and the Democratic Party was chosen to go first, followed by the Republican Party.

With the order established, the specific vote centers to be counted were selected with the County Party Chairs alternating the selection. Once the vote centers were chosen, the races to be counted were selected.
Four contested races were chosen, as required by law. A Statewide Contest, a Statewide Ballot Measure, one Federal contest and one State Legislative race were counted. Specifically, the following list displays the contested races that were counted:

- Statewide Contest – Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Statewide Ballot Measure – Proposition 319
- Federal Contest – Representative in Congress, District 7
- State Legislative Race – State Representative, District 23

The master precinct and race selection list is attached for review. The physical hand count started at 9:00 a.m. on November 7, 2026 and was concluded at 4:10 p.m. on November 7, 2026. The stacking method was used to tabulate hand count votes. The hand count was conducted by four boards made up of three members each. This hand count included votes cast on optical scan devices from the selected vote centers.

Early Ballot Audit

Pursuant to the Arizona Revised Statutes, one percent of early ballots were audited. The early ballot audit consisted of nine batches, each containing approximately 50 early ballots. There was a total of 40,746 early ballots cast in Yuma County for the 2026 General Election.

Comments

The early ballot audit found zero discrepancies. The vote center audit found one discrepancy with one contest for the Main Library. The Hand Count Board chose not to continue investigating the discrepancy. Please find the following vote center and early ballot reports for your review.

Sincerely,

Desiree Philipps
Yuma County Clerk of the Board

YUMA COUNTY, ARIZONA
HAND COUNT
November 3, 2026 General Election

Hand count process to begin at **2:00 p.m. on November 4, 2026** at the Yuma County Elections Department – 197 S. Main Street, Yuma, AZ 85364.

The physical hand count will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2026 at the Yuma County Elections Department with each Party providing four members.

Party order to draw by lot:
Draw First DEM Draw Second REP Draw Third X

Official Vote Center Count Draw (1-10 Vote Centers)

2% of Vote Centers or 2 minimum

Vote Center draw MAIN LIB Vote Center draw WELTON

Number of Races to Count per Category (up to 4 contested races)

Statewide Contest Superintendent of Public Instruction
Statewide Ballot Measure Prop 319
Federal Contest Representative in Congress, Distnct 7
State Legislature State Representative, Distnct 23

Official Early Ballot Count Draw

1% of Early Ballots cast (1 % or 5000) 40,746 voted
Batches are an average of 47 ballots each. Draw consists of 2 random batches (at least 408 ballots).

Early Batch draw 2089 (50) - A
Early Batch draw 1074 (49) - B
Early Batch draw 3266 (48) - C
Early Batch draw 1003 (46) - B
Early Batch draw 3170 (50) - B
Early Batch draw 1000 BOS PAPER 1 (18) - A
Early Batch draw 2063 (50) - B
Early Batch draw 2311 (50) - B
Early Batch draw 2374 (50) - C
Early Batch draw

Xanthe Bullard, Democratic Party Chair

Bill Regenhardt, Republican Party Chair

John Manning, Libertarian Party Chair

Election Official: Desiree Philipps
Yuma County Clerk of the Board

AGGREGATE - EARLY BALLOT AUDIT HAND COUNT REPORT

Election: **2026 GENERAL ELECTION**

Race Category: FEDERAL CONTEST

Race: REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 7

Candidate	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2089	0	0	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1074	13	13	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3266	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1003	1	1	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3170	16	16	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 10/08 BOS PAPER 1	2	2	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2063	10	10	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2311	12	12	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2374	15	15	0
Totals:	**55**	**55**	**0**

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**0.00%**

Race Category: STATE LEGISLATURE

Race: STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 23

Candidate	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2089	0	0	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1074	28	28	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3266	43	43	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1003	2	2	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3170	28	28	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 10/08 BOS PAPER 1	3	3	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2063	17	17	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2311	20	20	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2374	26	26	0
Totals:	**63**	**63**	**0**

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**0.00%**

Race Category: STATEWIDE CONTEST

Race: SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Candidate	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2089	25	25	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1074	25	25	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3266	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1003	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3170	25	25	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 10/08 BOS PAPER 1	23	23	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2063	23	23	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2311	23	23	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2374	25	25	0
Totals:	**71**	**71**	**0**

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**0.00%**

Race Category: STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURE

Ballot Measure: PROPOSITION 319

Candidate	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2089	25	25	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1074	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3266	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 1003	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 3170	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 10/08 BOS PAPER 1	9	9	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2063	24	24	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2311	25	25	0
EARLY BALLOT BATCH # 2374	25	25	0
Totals:	**74**	**74**	**0**

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**0.00%**

Additional Comments:

AGGREGATE - VOTE CENTER HAND COUNT REPORT

Election: **2026 GENERAL ELECTION**

Race Category: FEDERAL CONTEST — Race: REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 7

Precinct	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MAIN LIBRARY	710	710	0
AWC - WELLTON	4	4	0
Totals:	714	714	0

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**0.00%**

Race Category: STATE LEGISLATURE — Race: STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 23

Precinct	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MAIN LIBRARY	1180	1180	0
AWC - WELLTON	5	5	0
Totals:	1185	1185	0

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**0.00%**

Race Category: STATEWIDE CONTEST — Race: SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Precinct	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MAIN LIBRARY	988	989	-1
AWC - WELLTON	404	404	0
Totals:	1392	1393	-1

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**-0.07%**

Race Category: STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURE — Ballot Measure: PROPOSITION 319

Precinct	Hand Count Total	Machine Count Total	Absolute Difference
MAIN LIBRARY	972	972	0
AWC - WELLTON	380	380	0
Totals:	1352	1352	0

	Aggregated Margin
Margin=Absolute Difference / Machine Count x 100%	**0.00%**

Additional Comments:

The Hand Count Board chose not to continue investigating the discrepancy from the Main Library