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New Zealand 2017 General Election - Official Results

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The Electoral Commission has declared the official results for the 2017 General Election.

Main points:

- The number of seats in Parliament will be 120.
- The National Party has 56 seats compared with 58 on election night.
- The Labour Party has 46 seats compared with 45 on election night.
- The Green Party has 8 seats compared with 7 on election night.
- There are no changes to the number of seats held by New Zealand First and ACT New Zealand which remain at 9 and 1 respectively.
- All electorate candidates leading on election night have been confirmed as winning their seats.
- The total number of votes cast is 2,630,173. 47% of votes were cast in advance.
- The turnout as a percentage of enrolled electors is 79.8% (2014 – 77.9%). This is the highest turnout since 2005 (80.9%).

- The final enrolment rate is 92.4% (2014 – 92.6%).

Details of the official results are available from www.electionresults.govt.nz 

<http://www.electionresults.govt.nz/>

(from 2.00pm).

Background

The official results for the General Election held on 23 September 2017 have been determined in accordance with the requirements of the electoral legislation.

The scrutiny of the rolls has been completed and the master roll for each electorate has been prepared.

All votes counted on election night have been recounted and balanced and special votes have been checked for eligibility before being counted. This has been done in the presence of Justices of the Peace and any scrutineers appointed by candidates.

Comprehensive audit checks have also been completed at the national level to ensure the results are accurate.

The results are subject to any applications for judicial recounts.

Overall Results – 2017 General Election

	Total votes cast 2,630,173*				
	Party Votes	% of Votes	Electorate Seats	List Seats	Total seats
National Party	1,152,075	44.4	41	15	56
Labour Party	956,184	36.9	29	17	46

New Zealand First Party	186,706	7.2	-	9	9
Green Party	162,443	6.3	-	8	8
ACT New Zealand	13,075	0.5	1	-	1
The Opportunities Party (TOP)	63,261	2.4	-	-	-
Māori Party	30,580	1.2	-	-	-
Aotearoa Legalise Cannabis Party	8,075	0.3	-	-	-
Conservative	6,253	0.2	-	-	-
MANA	3,642	0.1	-	-	-
Ban1080	3,005	0.1	-	-	-
New Zealand People's Party	1,890	0.1	-	-	-

United Future	1,782	0.1	-	-	-
NZ Outdoors Party	1,620	0.1	-	-	-
Democrats for Social Credit	806	0.0	-	-	-
Internet Party	499	0.0	-	-	-
Total	2,591,896		71	49	120


*includes 10,793 party informal votes and 27,484 disallowed votes. The results are calculated using the Sainte-Laguë formula.

Successful Candidates (electorate and list)

The names of the 120 successful candidates (electorate and list) are shown in alphabetical order under their parties in Attachment A.

The winning electorate candidates and their majorities are shown in Attachment B.

Detailed Results for each Electorate

Detailed results for each electorate are available from www.electionresults.govt.nz 
<http://www.electionresults.govt.nz>

Turnout and Special Votes

The number of voters as a percentage of enrolled voters was 79.8%. Turnout for each electorate is shown in Attachment B.

Special votes cast totalled 446,287 or 17% of total votes cast. That includes 61,524 overseas votes.

Declaration and Judicial Recounts


The official results were declared by Gazette Notice today. Any applications for a judicial recount must be filed with a District Court no later than Wednesday 11 October 2017.

Next Steps for the Parliamentary Election

If there are no applications for recounts, on Thursday 12 October 2017 the Electoral Commission will return the writ to the Clerk of the House of Representatives, allocate list seats in the presence of party scrutineers and declare by Gazette Notice the election of list members of Parliament.

If there are applications for judicial recounts the return of the writ and the election of list members will be delayed until any recounts are complete.

Further Statistics

Detailed information including allocation of list seats, voting place information and special vote statistics, is expected to be available, subject to recounts, by Friday 20 October 2017 at www.electionresults.org.nz 

<http://www.electionresults.org.nz>

