

South Dakota Gubernatorial Elections, 1889-2006

Source: South Dakota Secretary of State; South Dakota Legislative Manual

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 2006		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Mike Rounds	206,990	61.7	25.6	Republican
Democrat	Jack Billion	121,226	36.1		
Constitution	Steven J. Willis	4,010	1.2		
Libertarian	Tom Gerber	3,282	1.0		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 2002		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Mike Rounds	189,920	56.8	14.9	Republican
Democrat	Jim Abbott	140,263	41.9		
Independent	James P. Carlson	2,393	0.7		
Libertarian	Nathan A. Barton	1,983	0.6		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1998		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	William J. Janklow	166,621	64.0	31.1	Republican
Democrat	Bernie Hunhoff	85,473	32.9		
Libertarian	Bob Newland	4,389	1.7		
Independent	Ronald Wieczorek	3,704	1.4		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1994		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	William J. Janklow	172,515	55.4	14.9	Republican
Democrat	Jim Beddow	126,273	40.5		
Libertarian	Nathan A. Barton	12,825	4.1		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1990		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	George S. Mickelson	151,198	58.9	17.8	Republican
Democrat	Bob L. Samuelson	105,525	41.1		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1986		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	George S. Mickelson	152,543	51.8	3.6	Republican
Democrat	R. Lars Herseth	141,898	48.2		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1982		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	William J. Janklow	197,426	70.9	41.8	Republican
Democrat	Michael J. O'Connor	81,136	29.1		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1978		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	William J. Janklow	147,116	56.6	13.2	Republican
Democrat	Roger McKellips	112,679	43.4		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1974		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Democrat	Richard F. Kneip	149,151	53.6	7.2	Democrat
Republican	John E. Olson	129,077	46.4		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1972		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Democrat	Richard F. Kneip	185,012	60.0	20.0	Democrat
Republican	Carveth Thompson	123,165	40.0		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1970		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Democrat	Richard F. Kneip	131,616	54.8	9.6	Democrat
Republican	Frank L. Farrar	108,347	45.2		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1968		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Frank L. Farrar	159,646	57.7	15.4	Republican
Democrat	Robert Chamberlin	117,260	42.3		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1966		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Nils A. Boe	131,710	57.7	15.4	Republican
Democrat	Robert Chamberlin	96,504	42.3		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1964		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Nils A. Boe	150,151	51.7	3.4	Republican
Democrat	John F. Lindley	140,419	48.3		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1962		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Archie M. Gubbrud	143,682	56.1	12.2	Republican
Democrat	Ralph Herseth	112,438	43.9		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1960		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Archie M. Gubbrud	154,530	50.7	1.4	Republican
Democrat	Ralph Herseth	150,095	49.3		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1958		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Democrat	Ralph Herseth	132,761	51.4	2.8	Democrat
Republican	Phil Saunders	125,520	48.6		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1956		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Joe Foss	158,819	54.4	8.8	Republican
Democrat	Ralph Herseth	133,198	45.6		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1954		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Joe J. Foss	133,878	56.7	13.4	Republican
Democrat	Ed C. Martin	102,377	43.3		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1952		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Sigurd Anderson	203,102	70.2	40.4	Republican
Democrat	Sherman A. Iverson	86,413	29.8		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1950		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Sigurd Anderson	154,254	60.9	21.8	Republican
Democrat	Joe Robbie	99,062	39.1		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1948		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	George T. Mickelson	149,883	61.1	22.2	Republican
Democrat	Harold J. Volz	95,489	38.9		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1946		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	George T. Mickelson	108,998	67.2	34.4	Republican
Democrat	Richard Haeder	53,294	32.8		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1944		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Merrell Q. Sharpe	148,646	65.5	31.0	Republican
Democrat	Lynn Fellows	78,276	34.5		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1942		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Merrell Q. Sharpe	109,786	61.5	23.0	Republican
Democrat	Lewis B. Bicknell	68,706	38.5		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1940		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Harlan J. Bushfield	167,686	55.1	10.2	Republican
Democrat	Lewis W. Bicknell	136,428	44.9		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1938		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Harlan J. Bushfield	149,362	54.0	8.0	Republican
Democrat	Oscar Fosheim	127,485	46.0		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1936		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Leslie Jensen	151,659	51.6	3.2	Republican
Democrat	Tom Berry	142,255	48.4		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1934		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Democrat	Tom Berry	172,228	58.6	17.9	Democrat
Republican	William C. Allen	119,477	40.7		
Independent	Knute Walstad	2,190	0.7		
• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1932		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Democrat	Tom Berry	158,058	55.6	13.2	Democrat
Republican	Warren E. Green	120,473	42.4		
Liberal	H. O. Stevens	4,965	1.7		
Independent	Helge Tangen	619	0.2		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1930** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Warren E. Green	107,643	53.0	6.8	Republican
Democrat	D. A. McCullough	93,954	46.2		
Independent	Helge Tangen	1,620	0.8		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1928** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Democrat	William J. Bulow	136,016	52.5	5.6	Democrat
Republican	Buell F. Jones	121,643	46.9		
Farmer-Labor	John G. Sumption	1,509	0.6		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1926** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Democrat	William J. Bulow	87,136	47.4	7.1	Democrat
Republican	Carl Gunderson	74,101	40.3		
Farmer-Labor	Tom Ayres	11,958	6.5		
Independent	John E. Hipple	10,637	5.8		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1924** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Carl Gunderson	109,894	53.9	31.0	Republican
Democrat	William J. Bulow	46,663	22.9		
Farmer-Labor	A. L. Putnam	27,027	13.3		
Independent	Richard O. Richards	20,359	10.0		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1922** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	William H. McMaster	78,984	45.0	16.3	Republican
Democrat	Louis N. Crill	50,409	28.7		
Non Partisan	Alice Lorraine Daly	46,033	26.2		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1920** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	William H. McMaster	103,592	56.3	30.0	Republican
Non Partisan	Mark P. Bates	48,426	26.3		
Democrat	W. W. Howes	31,870	17.3		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1918** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Peter Norbeck	51,175	53.2	27.1	Republican
Independent	Mark P. Bates	25,118	26.1		
Democrat	James E. Bird	17,858	18.6		
Independent	Knute Lewis	1,268	1.3		
Socialist	Anderson	741	0.8		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1916		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Peter Norbeck	72,789	56.6	17.3	Republican
Democrat	Orville E. Rinehart	50,545	39.3		
Socialist	Fred L. Fairchild	3,556	2.8		
Prohibition	C. K. Thompson	1,630	1.3		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1914		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Frank M. Byrne	49,138	50.1	14.9	Republican
Democrat	James W. McCarter	34,542	35.2		
Independent	Richard O. Richards	9,725	9.9		
Socialist	John C. Knapp	2,664	2.7		
Prohibition	C. K. Thompson	2,072	2.1		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1912		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Frank M. Byrne	57,161	48.5	2.8	Republican
Democrat	Edwin S. Johnson	53,850	45.7		
Socialist	Samuel Lovett	3,479	3.0		
Prohibition	O. W. Butterfield	3,339	2.8		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1910		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Robert S. Vessey	61,744	58.4	22.5	Republican
Democrat	Chauncey L. Wood	37,983	35.9		
Prohibition	O. W. Butterfield	4,506	4.3		
Independent	M. G. Opsahl	1,579	1.5		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1908		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Robert S. Vessey	62,989	55.3	15.9	Republican
Democrat	Andrew E. Lee	44,837	39.4		
Prohibition	G. F. Knappen	3,536	3.1		
Socialist	John C. Knapp	2,542	2.2		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1906		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Coe I. Crawford	48,709	65.3	38.6	Republican
Democrat	John A. Stransky	19,923	26.7		
Prohibition	Knute Lewis	3,398	4.6		
Socialist	Freeman Knowles	2,542	3.4		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1904** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Samuel H. Elrod	68,561	68.3	43.6	Republican
Democrat	Louis N. Crill	24,772	24.7		
Socialist	Freeman Knowles	3,028	3.0		
Prohibition	W. J. Edgar	2,916	2.9		
People's	R. C. Warne	1,114	1.1		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1902** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Charles N. Herreid	48,196	64.7	36.0	Republican
Democrat	John W. Martin	21,396	28.7		
Socialist	John C. Crawford	2,620	3.5		
Prohibition	H. H. Curtis	2,245	3.0		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1900** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Charles N. Herried	53,803	56.3	14.3	Republican
Fusion	Burre H. Lien	40,091	42.0		
Prohibition	F. J. Carlisle	1,331	1.4		
Populist	L. E. Stair	316	0.3		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1898** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Fusion	Andrew E. Lee	37,319	49.7	0.5	Fusion
Republican	Kirk G. Phillips	36,949	49.2		
Prohibition	Knute Lewis	891	1.2		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1896** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

People's	Andrew E. Lee	41,187	49.8	0.4	People's
Republican	Amund O. Ringsrud	40,868	49.4		
Prohibition	J. F. Hanson	722	0.9		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1894** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Charles H. Sheldon	40,381	52.6	18.0	Republican
Populist	Isaac Howe	26,568	34.6		
Democrat	James A. Ward	8,756	11.4		
Prohibition	M. D. Alexander	1,011	1.3		

• **SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1892** **Votes** **Percent** **MoV** **Winning Party**

Republican	Charles H. Sheldon	33,414	47.5	15.5	Republican
Independent	A. L. Van Osdel	22,524	32.0		
Democrat	Peter Couchman	14,472	20.6		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1890		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Arthur C. Mellette	34,487	44.5	12.8	Republican
Independent	H. L. Loucks	24,591	31.7		
Democrat	Maris Taylor	18,484	23.8		

• SOUTH DAKOTA VOTE FOR GOVERNOR 1889		Votes	Percent	MoV	Winning Party
Republican	Arthur C. Mellette	53,964	69.4	38.8	Republican
Democrat	P. F. McClure	23,840	30.6		