



Mexico Post-Election Update: July 25, 2006

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The **next steps in declaring a presidential winner** lie with Mexico's seven member electoral court, the Superior Chamber of the Federal Electoral Tribunal of the Judiciary (TEPJF). Once district-level counting was completed, political parties had four days, or until July 10, to contest electoral results. In total, TEPJF received 364 legal challenges, with the Alliance for the Good of All, a Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD)-led coalition including the Convergence for Democracy Party (Convergencia) and the Labour Party (PT), filing 231 challenges. The National Action Party (PAN) lodged 133 complaints and the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) filed one challenge but the PRI grievance was related to the Deputy election in Chiapas. Leonel Castillo González, TEPJF President, distributed the challenges to the respective Superior Chamber judges, and, according to the law, each judge will then issue draft decisions to be reported and discussed among the entire Chamber. The TEPJF has until August 31 to resolve legal challenges.

The López Obrador campaign (PRD) is demanding a full, hand recount of all 41,791,322 ballots cast, citing evidence of widespread ballot box manipulation and possible vote counting discrepancies at up to one-third of the 130,488 polling stations. The PRD campaign is also claiming that President Fox (PAN) used the Presidential office to support his party's candidate, Felipe Calderón. PAN complaints cite incorrect polling station locations and lack of notification to citizen electoral administrators regarding polling location changes.

Final Results: Congress

Senate: Number of seats won/party (Total seats – 128)

Party/ Term	National Action Party (PAN)	Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD)	Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI)	Green Ecological Party of Mexico (PVEM)	New Alliance
2006-2009	52	36 ¹	39 ²	--	1
2003-2006	47	15	58	5	3

Sources: 2003-3006 term - Senate of the Republic (www.senado.gob.mx); 2006-2009 term - *Revista Cambio*, July 9-15 (www.revistacambio.com.mx) 1-This number is the total for the PRD-led coalition, Alliance for the Good of All, which includes the Convergence for Democracy Party and the Labour Party. 2- This number is the total for the PRI-led coalition, Alliance for Mexico, which includes PVEM. IFE reported vote totals by coalition. Seats totals have yet to be formally allocated.

Chamber of Deputies: Number of seats won/party (Total seats – 500)

Party/ Term	National Action Party (PAN)	Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD)	Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI)	Green Ecological Party of Mexico (PVEM)	Other / Independent
2006-2009	206	160 ¹	121 ²	--	13
2003-2006	148	97	203	17	35

Sources: 2003-3006 term - Chamber of Deputies (www.diputados.gob.mx); 2006-2009 term - Federal Electoral Institute (www.ife.org.mx) and El Universal (www.eluniversal.com.mx). 1-This number is the total for the PRD-led coalition, Alliance for the Good of All, which includes the Convergence for Democracy Party and the Labour Party. 2- This number is the total for the PRI-led coalition, Alliance for Mexico, which includes the Green Ecological Party of Mexico. IFE reported vote totals by coalition. Seats totals have yet to be formally allocated. Seats totals have yet to be formally allocated.

Final Results: Around the country

Voters chose new heads of government in the capital city and three states – Guanajuato, Morelos and Jalisco. No party picked up ground in these elections as the PRD retained control over Mexico City and the PAN won the gubernatorial races in each of the states.

Mexico City Mayor

Candidate	Marcelo Ebrard (PRD)	Demetrio Sodi (PAN)	Beatriz Paredes (PRI)
Percentage	47.05%	27.66%	21.91%
Total votes	2,215,147	1,302,097	1,031,334

Final results will be published by the Federal District Electoral Institute (IEDF) the week of July 31. Source: *Revista Cambio*, July 9-15 (www.revistacambio.com.mx)

State Governor Elections

State	Guanajuato	Jalisco	Morelos
Election winner	Juan Manuel Oliva (PAN)	Emilio González (PAN)	Marco Adame (PAN)

State Governors: Number of governorships held/party

Party/ Pre & post 2006 election	PRI	PAN	PRD
Post-election	17	10	5
Pre-election	17	10	5

Key upcoming dates

2006 Political Calendar	
Aug. 31	Presidential electoral challenges resolved by TEPJF
Sep. 6	TEPJF declares validity of election and recognizes candidate with the highest number of votes. Chamber of Deputies publishes the TEPJF's decision.
Sep. 1	New Congress begins (2006-2009). President Fox's Final State of the Union address
Sep. 15-28	Congress approves nomination of the President-elect
Sep. – Nov.	Transition period and new cabinet to be announced
Dec. 1	President-elect assumes office

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