

OHIO

Voters in Ohio will elect a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Attorney General this cycle. All 99 House seats will be on the ballot, as well as 17 Senate seats. Republicans are likely to maintain control of the Governorship, the OAG, and the legislature.

Governor

Republican Nominee

[Governor Mike DeWine](#)

Governor Mike DeWine (R) is seeking a second term as head of state. DeWine has had a long career in politics previously serving as a State Senator, State Representative Lieutenant Governor, United States Senator, and Attorney General. He won his 2018 gubernatorial bid by only a 3.7 point margin. DeWine is popular in the state, and as of April, enjoyed a 60% approval rating.

DeWine is using his record over his last term on the campaign trail to entice voters to reelect him. He is focusing primarily on increasing jobs, infrastructure investment, and economic policy. His platform promotes expanding opportunities for trade workers through attracting tech companies to move to Ohio. Intel announced they would be building a semiconductor factory in the state and DeWine has been touting the 20,000 jobs it will create.

He is also campaigning on enacting \$2.2 billion in tax cuts and returning over \$9 billion to small businesses impacted by the pandemic through Bureau of Workers Compensation rebates.

Expanding high-speed internet across Ohio and other infrastructure investment is a high priority for DeWine. This pairs with his ambition to close the digital divide in order to modernize Ohio's workforce. Through investments in tech, he hopes to bring more jobs to rural communities across the state.

DeWine is also [promoting](#) his endorsements including Texas Governor Greg Abbott (R): An ad has been released that focuses on DeWine's decision to deploy the Ohio National Guard to the southern border and his commitment to building a border wall.

[Polls](#) taken in August show Governor DeWine with a solid lead. The [Cook Political Report](#) has rated this race as likely Republican while Larry Sabato's Crystal Ball has it [handicapped](#) as safe Republican.

Trivia: The DeWine family owns a minor league baseball team called the Asheville Tourists.