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# Victorian election live updates: Daniel Andrews claims victory for Labor as election results roll in

By Joseph Dunstan, Ashleigh Barraclough and staff

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Premier Daniel Andrews has pledged to deliver on his government's "positive and optimistic plan" after his party's election win.

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#### 62.1% counted, updated Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 1:02pm

10 Seats in doubt 45 to win

50

L/NP 23

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## **Key events**

Sat 26 Nov Samantha Ratnam declares election a 'greenslide' 2022 at

10:27am

Sat 26 Nov Labor wins third term of majority government in Victoria

2022 at 10:00am

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## 'Absolute vindication for Andrews'



3m ago
Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 1:02pm
By Ashleigh Barraclough

Some analysis from ABC journalists Richard Willingham and Raf Epstein, as we wrap up our coverage.

#### Read about what the election means for the Greens



17m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:47pm By Ashleigh Barraclough

A major development from today's results was the success of the **Greens**.

You can read about it in this article by Yara Murray-Atfield.

'Greenslide' declared in Victoria as party set to expand lower house presence ☑



## ABC's TV coverage wraps up for the night



26m ago
Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:38pm
By Ashleigh Barraclough

ABC's television coverage of the election has now finished.

For a recap of the night's events, my colleague **Yara Murray-Atfield** has put together a handy wrap.

## Labor faithful celebrate as party gears up for third term in Victoria ☐



## Premier 'absolutely intends to serve the next four years'



29m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:36pm By Joseph Dunstan

Deputy Premier Jacinta Allan rebuffs the idea of succeeding Premier Daniel Andrews before his fouryear term is up.





the caucus will be very pleased with that," she says.

"This is an historic night for Labor.

"To win a third term on a fixed four-year election cycle has never been done before."

## Liberal Party needs to connect with 'core values', strategist says



## 33m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:32pm By Joseph Dunstan

Former Labor campaigner Kos Samaras says the Liberal Party needs to have a deep moment of reflection after tonight's result.

"They are possibly a political movement that no longer talks to a significant number of Victorians, full stop," he says.

"Political parties come and go, it's a historical fact, and I think the Liberal Party has been pitching to a particular constituency that doesn't really live in Victoria all that much."

Ms Samaras says the outcome in Polwarth showed the Liberal Party was in trouble when younger, educated people became dominant in seats.

#### Polwarth vic

LIB RETAIN Richard Riordan elected



#### Preference count

73.1% counted, updated Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:07pm

47.4%

17,678

**52.6%** 

19.618 MP

Labor

Liberal

50% **Hutch Hussein** Richard Riordan Former Liberal campaigner **Tony Barry** says values are more important than policies and it's a lesson the party needs to learn.

"We need to get back to those core values and communicate those shared values and they have to be the shared values of the community," he says.

"We need to be representative of the community, we need a better cross-section of the community in our partyroom and I think that will go a long way to connecting those values to the community."

## Daniel Andrews's entrance in pictures



36m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:29pm By Ashleigh Barraclough

Some more pictures are coming in from Premier Daniel Andrews's entrance to Labor HQ, with his family.



(ABC News: Danielle Bonica)



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Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:26pm

By Joseph Dunstan

Another seat Labor is threatening to scoop up from the Liberals is **Croydon**, in Melbourne's east.

## Croydon VIC

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Sorina Grasso leads by 501 votes.



#### Preference count

51.3%

63.7% counted, updated Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:33pm

9,846 ,▼ 50% **48.7%** 9,345 M

Liberal

Labor

Sorina Grasso

**David Hodgett** 

If it comes to pass, it would be another blow to the Liberal Party, as it would leave another senior MP, **David Hodgett**, without a spot in parliament.

The party is already set to lose Ripon MP Louise Staley.

## Premier's speech swiped anti-vaccination politics



41m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:23pm

By Joseph Dunstan

State political reporter **Richard Willingham** says it's interesting the Premier opened his speech by underscoring that vaccinations work.

"I think there was a bit of a backhander there to people who have been campaigning against him directly who may have the anti-vax slant," he says.

"And I think there's probably also a bit of a backhander there I think to the Coalition, who in Labor's view, probably coseyed up to those anti-vaxxers, not everyone in the Liberal Party, but some people."

## 'We will govern for all Victorians'



47m ago
Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:18pm
By Joseph Dunstan



(ABC News: Danielle Bonica)

"We will govern for all Victorians," Premier Daniel Andrews says at the end of his speech.

"No matter how you voted, no matter what your views or opinions, that's what our job is.

"We take our job seriously, because Labor does what matters."

#### Premier thanks union, staff



47m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:17pm

By Joseph Dunstan

Premier Daniel Andrews thanks the trade union movement for its support and offers personal thanks to staffers Lissie Ratcliff and Jessie McCrone and campaign director Chris Ford.

After more thanks to individuals, Mr Andrews thanks the people in his electorate of Mulgrave and campaign chairman and outgoing senior Labor MP James Merlino.

"Community-based campaigning matters, I'm looking at it right now," he says, prompting more cheers from the room.

Mr Andrews then thanks "the strongest person I know".

"My wife and my best friend Catherine," he says.

### Premier outlines the promises for third term



52m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:13pm

By Joseph Dunstan

Daniel Andrews says his government put forward a "positive and optimistic plan".

He talks up the government's pledges around free kinder, expanded free TAFE courses, and recruiting nurses and paramedics.

He adds school and hospital builds, before announcing that most importantly, it involves "bringing back the SEC [State Electricity Commission]".

The crowd erupts into chants of "S-E-C, S-E-C!"

"These big companies have told us they are leaving, and goodbye to them," Andrews says.

## 'We were united' during pandemic, Andrews says

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Turning to the pandemic, Mr Andrews suggests the state was not, as some commentators have suggested, "divided".

"We were instead united in our faith in science and in our faith and care for and in each other," he says.

"That too, that sense of kindness, that sense of connection ... has been confirmed today as well.

"Friends, hope always defeats hate."

## 'Leadership is about doing what's right'

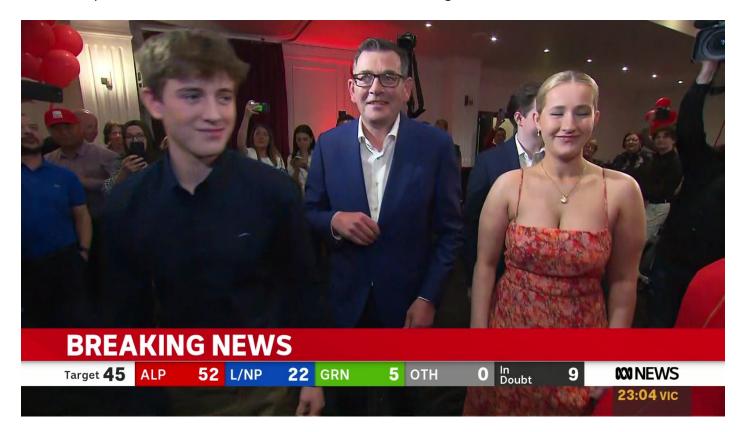


56m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:09pm By Joseph Dunstan

Daniel Andrews opens by quoting Paul Keating, who he says told him:

"Son, leadership isn't about doing what's popular. Leadership is about doing what's right."

Cheers erupt as Mr Andrews declares the state has endorsed a government that does "what matters".



## Daniel Andrews is about to speak at Labor HQ



59m ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:05pm By Joseph Dunstan

We'll bring you his speech once it begins, or you can stream live in the video at the top of the blog.

## Pakenham too close to call tonight



1h ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:05pm By Ashleigh Barraclough

ABC reporter Iskhandar Razak says Pakenham likely won't be called tonight, so Labor volunteers are heading home.



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Emma Vulin leads by 486 votes.



Liberal

#### Preference count

34.2% counted, updated Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 11:47am

48.4% 51.6% 7,394 7,880

Labor 50% Emma Vulin **David Farrelly** 

## Matthew Guy's leadership almost certainly over



Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:00pm By Joseph Dunstan

Matthew Guy made no comment about his future as leader during his brief speech.

State political reporter Richard Willingham says it's a raw moment for Matthew Guy, but he would know his political career is essentially over.

"He would know, as we all know, that he's no longer going to be the leader, I mean if he is that's going to be remarkable," he says.

Mr Guy's colleague David Davis says he wants to put on record his thanks to Mr Guy for his work.

"Clearly this is not the result that any of us would have wanted, I do feel incredibly sad that Matthew and [his wife] Renae have put so much in without the return that we wanted," he says.

## Guy tells Coalition 'our time in the sun will come again'



1h ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 11:54am

By Joseph Dunstan

After thanking party officials and his family, Opposition Leader Matthew Guy says the party has "a lot of work to do".



Matthew Guy made no comment on the future of his leadership. (ABC News)

"We know that, but we also know that our time in the sun will come again," he says.

It's just a very brief speech and Mr Guy then waves goodbye and is applauded as he leaves the podium.

## **Opposition Leader 'immensely proud' of candidates**



1h ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 11:52am

By Joseph Dunstan

Matthew Guy says he hopes the third term of the Labor government does more to unite and not divide the community.

Mr Guy acknowledges the "immense work" of Shadow Health Minister Georgie Crozier.

He says she's one of the reasons why the Coalition has attained a swing is due to her work.

He goes on to say he respects the right of every Victorian to choose their government and the opposition would continue to hold government to account.

He says he's "immensely proud" of all candidates.

## Matthew Guy has conceded defeat



1h ago Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 11:49am

By Joseph Dunstan

Liberal leader Matthew Guy says he has rung Premier Daniel Andrews and offered the Coalition's congratulations on Labor's re-election.

"A short time ago I did ring Premier Daniel Andrews and offered the Liberal and National parties' congratulations to him and the Labor party's re-election to government tonight," he says.

"On behalf of all Victorians I think it's important now that post-election we come together as Victorians."

He says it's been a "disappointing night" but notes there are pre-poll votes to come and predicts they will finish with more seats in the lower and upper house.

"There have been some truly tremendous swings to our side of politics in Melbourne's north and west," he says.

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