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High Plains Blue Swing

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A Blue Swing on the High Plains

By Miles Ridge. News article, DRAFT v0.6, November 11, 2026. Target: wyovote.com. Companion to A005 v0.6 High Plains Blue Swing.docx. Voice rewrite of v0.5 into the wyovote.com voice in M15 News Article Standard v1.06 §2, at the owner's request (see Appendix A). The plain, simple reading level and the single argument are kept. All figures are unchanged from v0.4 and v0.5. All 2026 figures are from the Wyoming Secretary of State's official, certified results (State Canvassing Board, Nov. 10, 2026).

1. Summary and angle

v0.6 is a voice rewrite of v0.5 for publication on wyovote.com. It follows the wyovote.com voice in M15 v1.06 §2: light Western flavor (ranch and range words, local Wyoming touches, and sparing frontier humor) in the lead, transitions, closer, and headline. Flavor is not used inside data statements. No number or claim is changed. The Word article keeps the plain, simple style of v0.5, written so a grade-school reader can follow it. It uses short sentences, everyday words, and few numbers. It explains "margin" and "swing" in simple terms before using them. There are no bullets or tables in the Word article. The supporting numbers, methods, and tables below are unchanged from v0.4 and v0.5.

The article target is wyovote.com. It is not written for the Open Range Record.

The article's one main idea is that Wyoming voters moved toward Democrats from 2024 to 2026, everywhere, but Republicans still won the big races. Three supporting points carry that idea:

- **Federal margin shift.** About 20.6 points toward Democrats between 2024 and 2026 (U.S. House 25.4, U.S. Senate 15.7). Republicans still won by 20.9 points (House) and 30.5 points (Senate).
- **Same-district legislative shift.** 7.5 points toward Democrats across the 10 House districts that had both a Republican and a Democrat on the ballot in 2024 and 2026. Seven districts moved toward Democrats; three (41, 28, 46) moved toward Republicans.

- **Party flip.** One seat changed party: House District 11, from Republican +9.0 to Democratic +2.5 (53 votes).

The Word article rounds in plain words where it helps (about 21 points; about 46; a little more than 20; a little more than 30; about 16 to about 8; all 23 counties; 53 votes; 55 Republicans and 7 Democrats). It notes that most of the ten same-district House races moved toward Democrats and that three moved the other way, without naming Districts 28, 41 and 46 in the article text.

Detail kept in this research file but left out of the v0.5 and v0.6 Word articles, to keep the argument simple: the WyoFile / Williamson 15-point figure; the all-races legislative averages that hide the swing; the Senate stagger and the lack of a same-district Senate comparison; exact federal vote totals and share changes; named-candidate versus ballot-share method notes; district-by-district shifts for Districts 13, 45, 28, 41 and 46; House District 11 candidate totals and the 11.5-point shift; and pooled two-party shares. The election-night 54-vote count from the earlier article on this site (A002) is now mentioned in the v0.6 Word article, next to the certified 53-vote margin, because the piece is written for this site.

Type: News (M15 v1.06). The piece reports calculated results from public records and does not argue a policy view. No private data, and no draft or unreviewed internal reports are used. Because the article will be published on wyovote.com, the v0.6 Word article refers to A002 as an earlier article on this site, not as an outside independent source. It does not say or imply any tie to the Open Range Record or to David Iverson. The same A002 page was cited in the v0.4 Word article as an independent source; that wording was dropped from v0.5 to keep the story simple, and is not used in v0.6.

2. Canvass check (Nov. 10, 2026)

Result: certified totals are posted and were used for every 2026 figure. The Secretary of State's 2026 general election results page (https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2026/2026GeneralResults.aspx) was read on Nov. 10, 2026 at about 11:30 AM MT. It is headed "2026 Official General Election Results" (election night: "Unofficial") and links the State Canvassing Board minutes and certification. The minutes (6 pages) record the board meeting at 10:00 AM on Nov. 10, 2026, review of the statewide abstract, and the board's certification of it as the official state canvass. The certification page is signed by Chuck Gray, Mark Gordon, Kristi Racines and Curtis E. Meier, Jr., dated Nov. 10, 2026. The minutes report 191,713 ballots cast and "no mandatory recounts" or candidate-requested recounts for races before the board.

What changed from election night.

Item	Election night (unofficial)	Certified	Change
Ballots cast	191,688	191,713	+25
U.S. House: Gray (R)	99,891	99,906	+15
U.S. House: Kinney (D)	61,684	61,689	+5
U.S. House: Johnson (L)	13,665	13,667	+2
U.S. House: Haggit (C)	7,960	7,961	+1
U.S. Senate: Hageman (R)	122,157	122,174	+17
U.S. Senate: Byrd (D)	65,097	65,105	+8
House District 11: McIntosh (R)	1,026	1,027	+1
House District 11: Tennant (D)	1,080	1,080	0
House District 11 margin	54 votes (D+2.6)	53 votes (D+2.5)	-1 vote

Legislative races, all 79: 23 candidate totals in 21 districts changed, by 1 to 4 votes each (32 votes in all). No winner changed. The 2026 legislative inputs in the prior memo were OCR reads of the election-night summaries; the certified PDFs were parsed directly and compared. The 2024 legislative and presidential inputs were re-parsed from the Secretary of State's 2024 official PDFs; all 77 legislative districts match the MTR Research 2024 race file.

Numbers that moved from the earlier memo (v0.1 analysis).

Number	Memo	v0.4	Why
Federal average margin shift	21.4	20.6	Basis made consistent: percentages of votes for named candidates in both years (see section 4); certified counts
U.S. House margin shift	26.3	25.4	Same
U.S. Senate margin shift	16.4	15.7	Same
U.S. House Republican lead	R+19.9	R+20.9	Named-candidate basis (memo used share of all ballots)
U.S. Senate Republican lead	R+29.8	R+30.5	Same
Average Republican share change	-14.4	-12.4	Same
Average Democratic share change	+7.0	+8.1	Same
House District 11 margin	D+2.6	D+2.5	Certified count (+1 for Republican)
District 13 shift	+26.7	+26.8	Certified count (+1)
District 14 shift	+19.7	+19.6	Certified count (+1)
District 28 shift	-8.9	-9.0	Certified count (+1)
District 46 shift	-8.9	-8.8	Certified count (+1)

Number	Memo	v0.4	Why
Average same-district shift	7.55	7.54	Rounds to 7.5 either way

Unchanged: 7 of 10 districts toward Democrats (3 toward Republicans: 28, 41, 46); average leads R+15.6 to R+8.1; median shift 8.6; pooled Democratic two-party share 40.9% to 43.9%; 17 and 27 both-party races; averages R+26.4 and R+27.3.

3. Key numbers used in the article

Figure	Value	Where it comes from
2024 president, Wyoming	Trump 192,633 (72.3%), Harris 69,527 (26.1%); lead R+46.2	SOS 2024 official statewide summary
2026 U.S. House	Gray 99,906 (54.5%); Kinney 61,689 (33.7%); lead R+20.9; shift 25.4	SOS 2026 official; MTR Research calculation
2026 U.S. Senate	Hageman 122,174 (65.2%); Byrd 65,105 (34.8%); lead R+30.5; shift 15.7	SOS 2026 official; MTR Research calculation
Average federal shift	20.6 (share: Republican -12.4, Democratic +8.1)	MTR Research calculation
Counties	All 23 moved toward Democrats in both races; range 10.1 (Goshen) to 25.4 (Sweetwater)	SOS county totals; MTR Research calculation
Same-district shift	R+15.6 to R+8.1; 7.5 points; median 8.6; pooled D share 40.9% to 43.9%	SOS district summaries; MTR Research calculation
Districts	Toward D: 7, 11, 13, 14, 33, 42, 45. Toward R: 41 (12.2), 28 (9.0), 46 (8.8)	Same
House District 11	Tennant 1,080; McIntosh 1,027; Shollenberger (L) 152; 2024: Wasserburger 1,774, Burlingame 1,482	SOS 2026 and 2024 official
House seats	56 R and 6 D (2024 winners) to 55 R and 7 D (2026 winners)	Counted from SOS official district summaries
All both-party races	17 (2024) and 27 (2026); average R+26.4 and R+27.3; pooled D share 35.8% and 36.1%	Same
Races with both parties only in 2026	17; Republicans won 16; 15 by more than 25 points	Same
Senate	S08, S10, S12 had both parties in 2024; S05, S07, S11, S31 in 2026; none overlap	Same

4. Methods: what each measure means

Lead (margin). Republican votes minus Democratic votes, divided by the base, in percentage points. R+ means the Republican led; D+ means the Democrat led.

Measure 1: federal margin shift. Lead in 2024 minus lead in 2026. The 2024 lead is Trump's lead over Harris statewide (R+46.2); the same 2024 baseline is

used for both 2026 races, because there was no U.S. House or Senate race to compare directly in one common frame. Base: votes cast for named candidates in each year (write-ins, over-votes and under-votes excluded). The Secretary of State's own 2024 percentages use this base (Trump 72.32%, Harris 26.10% of 266,353 named votes). A margin shift is about twice a change in either party's share: the average share changes (Republican -12.4, Democratic +8.1) add to the 20.6-point shift.

Sensitivity to the base (average of House and Senate; House / Senate):

Basis	Average	House	Senate
Named-candidate votes, both years (used)	20.6	25.4	15.7
Share of all ballots cast, both years	20.6	25.5	15.6
2026 share of all ballots vs 2024 share of named votes (election-night memo method)	21.4	26.3	16.5
Two-party share only	19.9	23.3	16.5

Averages range from 19.9 to 21.4 across bases. The article uses the first row, because the Secretary of State's 2024 percentages are on that basis; 20.6 is rounded to "about 21".

Measure 2: same-district legislative shift. For districts with exactly one Republican and one Democrat on the general election ballot in both 2024 and 2026, the lead is computed on Republican plus Democratic votes only (third-party and write-in votes excluded). The shift is the 2024 lead minus the 2026 lead, averaged across districts (unweighted). The median and a vote-pooled version (6.0 points) are also shown. Only House districts qualify. Senate districts staggered: S08, S10 and S12 had both parties in 2024; S05, S07, S11 and S31 in 2026; no overlap. Candidates and incumbency often differ between years, and parties choose where to run, so the 10 districts are not a sample of the state.

Measure 3: party flip. The winner's party in 2026 differs from the winner's party in 2024 in the same district. Counted from the official summaries: one House seat (District 11).

Why the all-races averages barely moved. In 2024, 17 races had both parties (average R+26.4); in 2026, 27 did (R+27.3). The 17 races contested by both parties only in 2026 averaged R+38.5; Republicans won 16 of them, 15 by more than 25 points. The seven contested only in 2024 averaged R+41.9. The averages mix different districts and do not measure a swing. Pooled over all votes the two-party Democratic share was 35.8% in 2024 and 36.1% in 2026 (the same figures appear on wyovote.com).

The editor's 37-point question. The editor reasoned that a 2024 average margin of victory (about 16) plus the 21.3 average swing gives 37. The 21.3 already is a change from the 2024 Trump-Harris result, so it contains the 2024

level; adding 2024's lead counts 2024 twice. Had the lead been R+16 and moved 21.3 points, the result would be D+5; a 37-point move would give about D+21. Republicans won the federal races by 20.9 and 30.5. The 16 could not be reproduced for all 2024 legislative races (17 races averaged R+26.4); the closest match is R+15.6, the average 2024 lead in the 10 same-district House seats, where the shift is 7.5. Both numbers are in the article, each measured on one basis.

5. District table (both parties on the ballot in 2024 and 2026)

Lead is Republican minus Democratic on two-party votes; "D+" means the Democrat led. Shift is toward Democrats (negative = toward Republicans). 2026 figures are certified.

District	2024 lead	2026 lead	Shift to D (pts)	D share 2024	D share 2026	2026 winner
H07	R+31.4	R+25.8	+5.7	34.3%	37.1%	R
H11	R+9.0	D+2.5	+11.5	45.5%	51.3%	D
H13	D+6.1	D+32.9	+26.8	53.0%	66.4%	D
H14	D+4.1	D+23.7	+19.6	52.0%	61.9%	D
H28	R+64.6	R+73.6	-9.0	17.7%	13.2%	R
H33	D+16.1	D+30.2	+14.1	58.1%	65.1%	D
H41	R+4.8	R+17.0	-12.2	47.6%	41.5%	R
H42	R+58.6	R+54.7	+3.9	20.7%	22.6%	R
H45	D+25.6	D+49.4	+23.8	62.8%	74.7%	D
H46	R+39.5	R+48.3	-8.8	30.3%	25.9%	R
Average (10)	**R+15.6**	**R+8.1**	**+7.5**	**42.2%**	**46.0%**	

Districts with both parties on the ballot in one of the two years only (not comparable year over year):

District	Year both parties ran	Lead	D share	Winner
H04	2024 only	R+55.2	22.4%	R
H08	2026 only	R+54.2	22.9%	R
H09	2026 only	R+26.0	37.0%	R
H17	2026 only	R+34.7	32.7%	R
H23	2026 only	D+34.4	67.2%	D
H26	2026 only	R+63.5	18.2%	R
H27	2026 only	R+69.3	15.4%	R
H29	2024 only	R+38.9	30.6%	R
H36	2026 only	R+32.1	33.9%	R
H37	2026 only	R+45.4	27.3%	R
H38	2026 only	R+49.5	25.2%	R

District	Year both parties ran	Lead	D share	Winner
H47	2024 only	R+67.9	16.0%	R
H48	2026 only	R+42.1	28.9%	R
H57	2026 only	R+45.4	27.3%	R
H58	2026 only	R+42.1	29.0%	R
H59	2026 only	R+33.4	33.3%	R
H60	2024 only	R+44.6	27.7%	R
S05	2026 only	R+41.5	29.3%	R
S07	2026 only	R+18.4	40.8%	R
S08	2024 only	R+16.6	41.7%	R
S10	2024 only	R+30.1	35.0%	R
S11	2026 only	R+55.6	22.2%	R
S12	2024 only	R+39.9	30.1%	R
S31	2026 only	R+36.4	31.8%	R

6. County table (all 23 counties moved toward Democrats)

Shift is the 2024 Trump-Harris lead minus the average of the 2026 U.S. House and Senate leads, county by county, in points, using votes for named candidates (House: all four candidates; Senate: two candidates). The unweighted county mean is 17.5; the statewide figure is 20.6 because larger counties moved more.

County	Margin shift to D (pts)	U.S. House	U.S. Senate
Sweetwater	25.4	29.1	21.6
Natrona	23.9	29.0	18.7
Laramie	23.2	28.5	18.0
Albany	23.1	26.0	20.1
Sheridan	20.2	24.5	16.0
Converse	19.3	26.3	12.3
Sublette	19.2	23.1	15.4
Fremont	18.7	23.7	13.8
Carbon	18.7	23.4	14.1
Campbell	18.3	23.5	13.2
Uinta	17.6	22.4	12.7
Johnson	17.2	25.5	8.9
Weston	17.1	25.3	9.0
Niobrara	16.9	25.7	8.0
Park	16.4	20.4	12.5
Big Horn	15.9	20.0	11.7
Hot Springs	15.9	22.3	9.4
Lincoln	15.9	21.9	9.8

County	Margin shift to D (pts)	U.S. House	U.S. Senate
Platte	13.5	20.2	6.8
Washakie	13.4	18.9	7.9
Crook	12.1	18.6	5.7
Teton	11.3	11.2	11.4
Goshen	10.1	16.3	3.8

7. Sources and what each supports

All pages were opened and checked on Nov. 10, 2026 (America/Denver) unless noted.

1. Wyoming Secretary of State, 2026 General Election Official Results

Page: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2026/2026GeneralResults.aspx . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026.

Statewide Candidates Official Summary: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2026/Results/General/2026_General_Statewide_Candidates_Summary.pdf . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports: U.S. House and Senate county and statewide totals; ballots cast.

House Districts: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2026/Results/General/2026_General_Statewide_House_Candidates_Summary.pdf and Senate Districts: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2026/Results/General/2026_General_Statewide_Senate_Candidates_Summary.pdf . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports: all legislative district totals, House District 11 counts, seat counts.

Total Ballots Cast: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2026/Results/General/2026_General_Statewide_Total_Ballots_Cast_Summary.pdf . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports: 191,713.

2. Wyoming State Canvassing Board minutes and certification, Nov. 10, 2026

Link: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2026/Results/General/2026_General_State_Canvassing_Board_Minutes.pdf . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports: certification; 191,713 ballots; no recounts triggered or requested for races before the board.

Canvass notice: https://sos.wyo.gov/Media/2026/SoS_Release_2026-11-06.pdf . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026.

3. Wyoming Secretary of State, 2024 General Election Official Results

Statewide Candidates: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2024/Results/General/2024_General_Statewide_Candidates_Summary.pdf . House: https://sos.wy

o.gov/Elections/Docs/2024/Results/General/2024_General_Statewide_House_Candidates_Summary.pdf . Senate: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2024/Results/General/2024_General_Statewide_Senate_Candidates_Summary.pdf . Results page: https://sos.wyo.gov/Elections/Docs/2024/2024GeneralResults.aspx . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports: 2024 presidential totals (Trump 192,633; Harris 69,527; 271,123 ballots), 2024 district totals.

4. MTR Research calculations

Margin shifts, medians, pooled shares and county shifts, computed from sources 1 and 3 (certified 2026; official 2024). Method in section 4. Scripts and tables are kept in the analysis folder.

5. WyoFile, Maggie Mullen, Nov. 6, 2026

Link: https://wyofile.com/republicans-swept-wyoming-but-voters-here-swung-left-compared-to-2024/ . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports only: Ryan Williamson (University of Wyoming) said Wyoming swung about 15 points toward Democrats relative to Trump's 2024 margin, approximately the national swing; and said what the shift means is still open. Paraphrased; no quotation. The story does not define the 15, so the article says it is not directly comparable. Parallel check: not needed for a named expert comment.

6. Earlier article on this site, "Wyoming's 2026 Legislative Election: One Party Flip, 38 Open Seats," Nov. 9, 2026 (A002)

Link: https://wyovote.com/articles/a002-2026-legislature-election-results.html . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports: an earlier article on this site reported the same House District 11 flip using election-night returns (54-vote margin). The v0.6 Word article, whose target is wyovote.com, refers to it as an earlier article on this site, not as an outside source. It does not say or imply any tie to the Open Range Record or to David Iverson. Its election-night figures differ from certified totals by one vote in District 11.

7. Wyoming Constitution, Article 3, Section 2

Link: https://statutes.wyoleg.gov/NXT/gateway.dll/Statutes/2021%20Constitution/2/6?f=templates&fn=document-frameset.htm . Accessed Nov. 10, 2026. Supports: senators serve four-year terms in two classes (staggered).

8. Claims considered and dropped or limited

- Cowboy State Daily's county average (21.3) and rankings: not used; the county shifts here are recomputed from Secretary of State totals (mean 17.5, unweighted; the three leading counties are the same). Cowboy State Daily is no longer a source (M15 v1.04 competitor rule).

- Cowboy State Daily and v0.3 reasons for the shift (midterm backlash, turnout, party organization): not used. The data do not show why, and the article says so.
- Tribune Eagle vote totals and governor's race totals: dropped; the SOS official totals replace them. The governor's race is outside this angle.
- County-level legislative comparisons and swing by presidential vote in each district: no data for 2024 presidential results by legislative district were available.
- Senate same-district comparison: not possible (no overlap); the 2022-2026 pair has only S05 and S07 and was not used.
- The 2027 Senate (29 R, 2 D) and open-seat counts on wyovote.com: not repeated.

9. Overlap check against sources

The article text was compared with the Cowboy State Daily story text and the WyoFile story text by script (shared runs of five or more words). Cowboy State Daily: 1 shared five-word run ("the U.S. House race"); WyoFile: none. No quotations are used from either story. v0.3 had about 58% of its body credited only to Cowboy State Daily.

10. Photograph

- File: The state capitol in Cheyenne, Wyoming (July 24, 2015). Same photograph as v0.2 and v0.3.
- Photographer: Carol M. Highsmith. Gates Frontiers Fund Wyoming Collection, Carol M. Highsmith Archive, Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division (LCCN 2017884408; LC-DIG-highsm-47777).
- License: public domain. The Library of Congress lists no known restrictions on publication, and Highsmith has stipulated that her photographs are in the public domain.
- Item page: https://www.loc.gov/item/2017884408/ . Display width in Word: 6.5 in.

11. Publishing checks (tools/check.py, v0.6)

Body word count 624, excluding title, deck, caption and credits. Longest sentence 17 words. Checked with credit markers removed. The owner asked, in v0.5, for a shorter, simpler draft (about 500 to 700 words, more prose, a simpler argument, written for a grade-school reader). That length and reading level are kept in v0.6, so the usual 800-1,500 word check fails on purpose. The Open Range Record length check is for ORR-bound pieces (M15 v1.06 §2); this article's target is wyovote.com.

Check	Result	Measured
Word count 800-1,500	FAIL (expected)	624 (plain, short draft kept from v0.5)
No sentence of 20+ words	PASS	longest 17
Paragraphs of no more than 4 sentences	PASS	21 paragraphs; 0 over 4; 4 short (allowed)
Keyword "swing" 5-6 times in body	PASS	6
3+ links	PASS	5
Keyword in title and description	PASS	title and description

Flesch-Kincaid grade level of the Word body: 3.1 (average sentence 9.5 words; same syllable method as v0.5). M15 §2 voice and target check: target wyovote.com; voice matches from this draft; Western color sits in the headline, lead, one transition ("county by county"), and closer, not inside data statements; no number or claim was changed; no first person, no opinion markers, no sarcasm, no mocking slang or stereotypes; byline Miles Ridge; no private data. A002 is referred to as an earlier article on this site.

Appendix A. Version log and change log

Version	Date	Change
v0.1 DRAFT	2026-11-09	First draft from M07 idea I0029 under M15 v0.1 DRAFT. Sources: Cowboy State Daily and WyoFile (Nov. 6), Wyoming Tribune Eagle vote totals, Secretary of State unofficial page and canvass notice.
v0.2 DRAFT	2026-11-09	Ordered pair (Word article plus Research PDF). Replaced the CC BY-SA lead photo with a public-domain Highsmith / Library of Congress photograph. Text unchanged.
v0.3 DRAFT	2026-11-09	Article TYPE added to footers (M15 v1.03). Text unchanged. Sent to the editor Nov. 9.
v0.4 DRAFT	2026-11-10	Rewrite on editor feedback (David Iverson). (1) Overlap: "Much of this one is a recitation of the CSD piece. Some sections are almost word for word." A script check confirmed about 58% of v0.3 rested on one Cowboy State Daily story; v0.4 is rebuilt on Secretary of State primary data and MTR Research calculations, with no Cowboy State Daily source. (2) The 37-point question: the editor proposed adding the 2024 average margin of about 16 to the 21.3 average shift. The 21.3 is already a change from 2024, so adding 2024's level counts 2024 twice (section 4); the 16 could not be reproduced and the closest match is R+15.6 in 10 same-district House seats. (3) New angle "Wyoming's Blue Swing, Measured Three Ways": federal margin shift (about 21), same-district legislative shift (7.5), and the one flip (House District 11). All 2026 figures recomputed from the certified Nov. 10 canvass (section 2). New short title Blue Swing Three Ways.
v0.5 DRAFT	2026-11-10	Plain-language rewrite at the owner's request: more prose; one main idea with three supporting points; short sentences and everyday words, written for a grade-school reader; "margin" and "swing" explained in simple terms; few numbers, rounded in plain words; no bullets or tables in the Word article. Headline: Wyoming Had a Blue Swing. Short title: Wyoming Blue Swing. Figures unchanged from v0.4 (certified Nov. 10 canvass). Some v0.4 supporting detail was left in this research file only, to keep the article simple (see section 1).
v0.6 DRAFT	2026-11-11	wyovote.com voice per M15 v1.06 §2 at the owner's request, Nov 11, 2026. Target: wyovote.com. Light Western flavor in the headline, lead, transitions, and closer; data statements and figures unchanged from v0.4 and v0.5 (certified Nov. 10 canvass). Plain, simple, grade-school reading level kept. Headline: A Blue Swing on the High Plains. Short title: High Plains Blue Swing. A002 is referred to in the Word article as an earlier article on this site, not as an outside source. Pair built; v0.5 files kept.