

Mayor Mamdani

The 2025 NYC Mayoral Election




Polling

WINNER ✓




Zohran Mamdani, a Democrat, wins the New York City mayoral race.

Race called by The Associated Press.

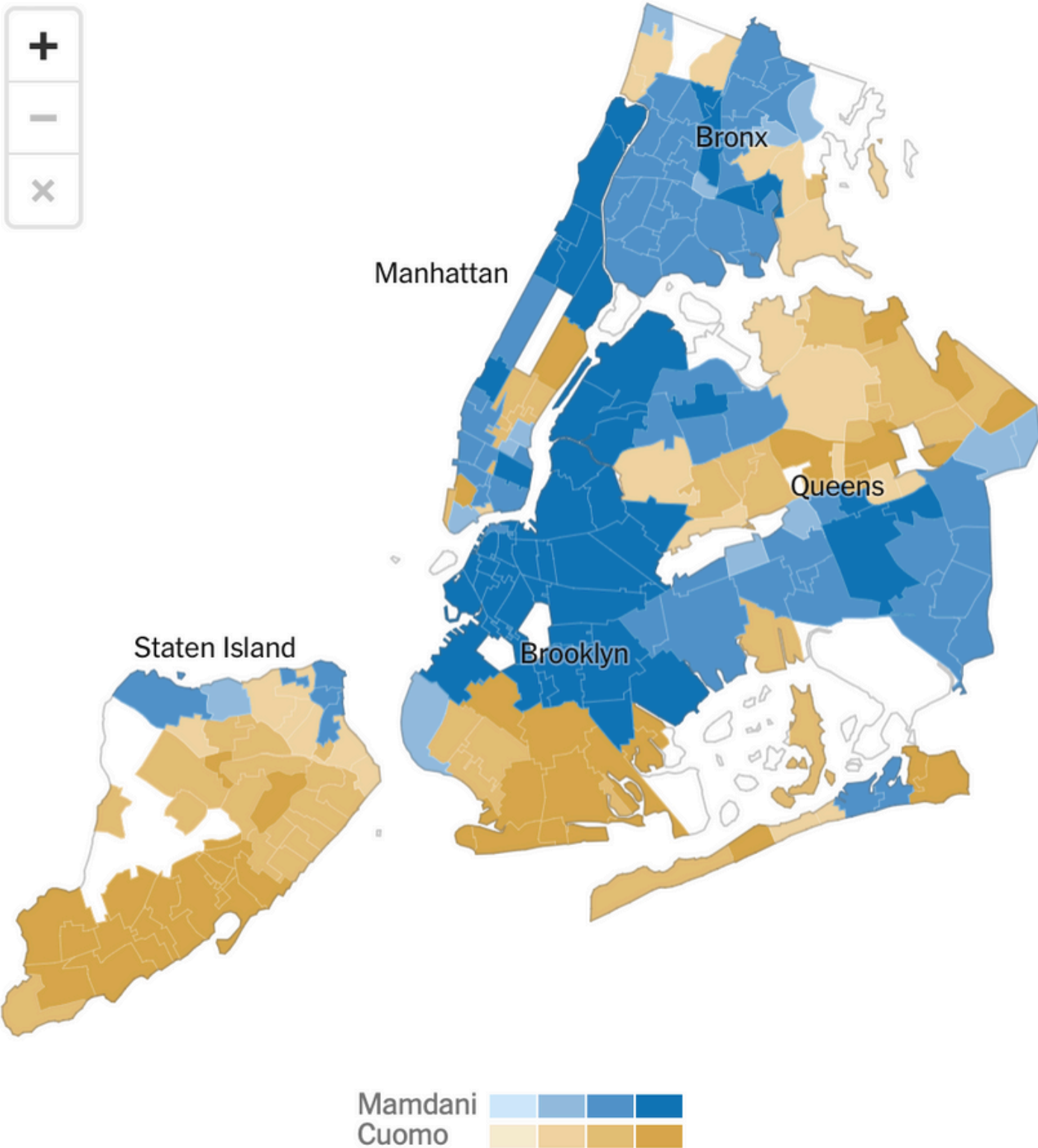


Latest results from Nov. 5

93% OF VOTES IN AP

Candidate	Party	Votes	Pct.
 Zohran Mamdani ✓	Democrat	1,036,051	50.4% <div></div>
 Andrew M. Cuomo	Independent	854,995	41.6 <div></div>
 Curtis Sliwa	Republican	146,137	7.1 <div></div>
Total reported		2,055,921	
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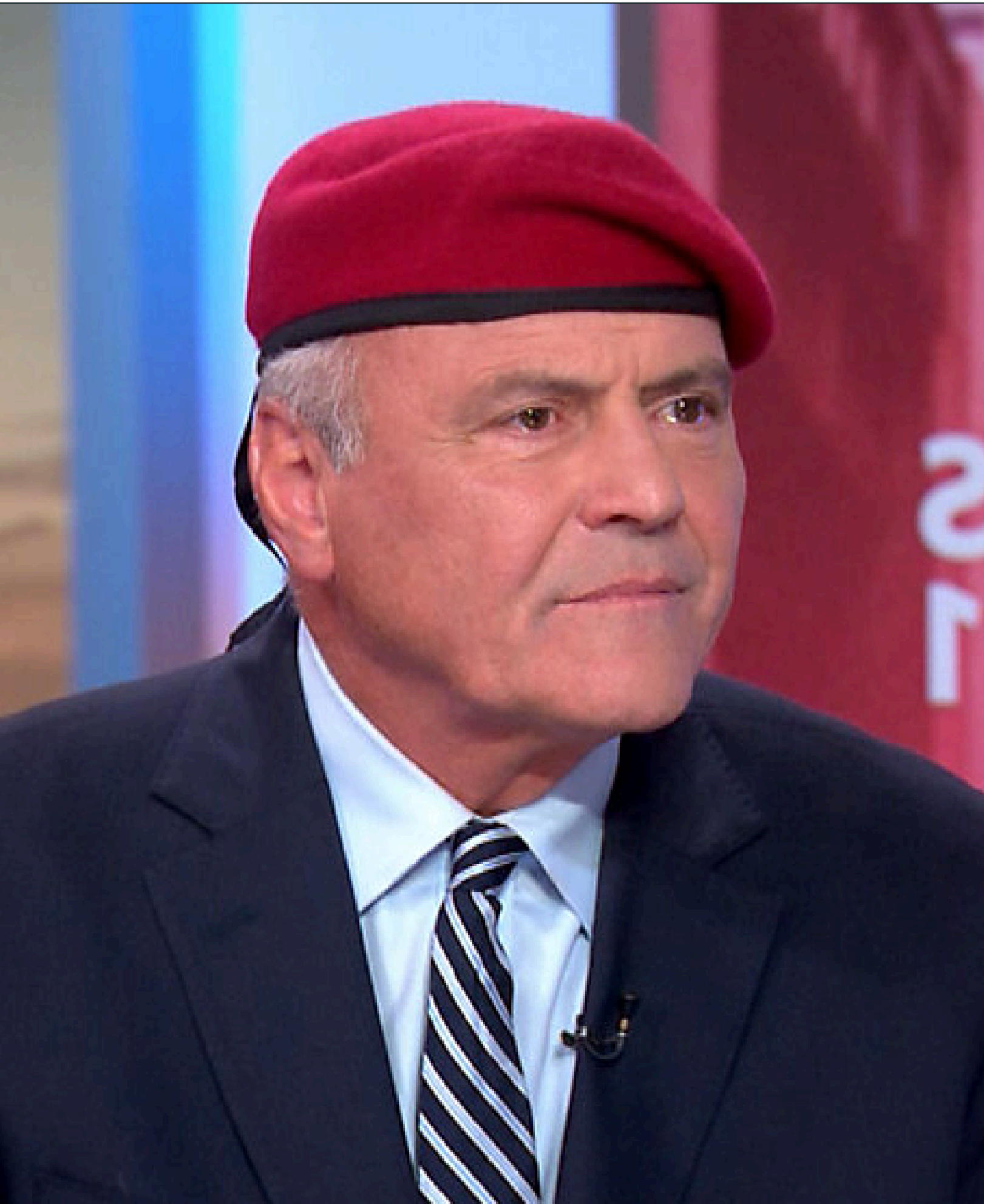
*Incumbent



Andrew Cuomo

- Former Governor of New York State
 - Resigned in disgrace in 2021 after a Sexual Assault Scandal, of which he was never indicted
- Ran on issues of Public Safety, Affordable Housing, and Experience
 - He pledged to increase the number of police officers to take on homelessness and to build many new affordable housing units.
- Struggled to inspire New Yorkers who saw him as the same as the status quo, and he had to counter accusations of sexual assault and his resignation.





Curtis Sliwa

- Sliwa's second time running for New York City Mayor
- The founder of the Guardian Angels, a group of citizens who fought crime on the Subways in the late 1900s.
- A very recognizable figure in New York City, who became the Republican Candidate
- Ran a campaign that focused on public safety, taking the narrative away from the affordability crisis.
- Mainly focused on the outer boroughs (besides Manhattan)
- Was polling low and was pressured into dropping out to support Cuomo, but never did

Zohran Mamdani

- Former Assemblyman in New York State
- Won the Democratic Primary, but is also a member of the Democratic Socialist Party of America
- Ran his campaign against the affordability crisis, vowing to freeze NYC rent, raise taxes on the rich, open city grocery stores, and make buses fast and free.
- Ran a populist style campaign, leading some to call him “the Democrat’s Trump”
- Ugandan; cannot run for POTUS
- The next mayor of New York City



The Policies of Zohran Mamdani Broken Down



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- How should the Republican Party respond?
- Does this reflect a broader issue for the Republicans nationally?
- What do we think of Mamdani? Are we optimistic, pessimistic?
- Are we reentering a Jacksonian era of populist politics? Is that necessarily a bad thing?
- Are populist politics good or bad for the people?
- Do we think Mamdani's policies are realistic? What do you think we can actually expect from him over the next few years?

Topic Suggestions

