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Voters in Indiana will elect a governor and attorney general this cycle. All 100 house seats are on the ballot as well as 25 out of the 50 senate seats. Republicans are expected to maintain their Republican trifecta, controlling the office of governor and both chambers of the state legislature.

Governor

Republican Nominee

U.S. Senator Mike Braun

U.S. Senator Mike Braun (R) is the Republican candidate for governor looking to replace term limited incumbent Governor Eric Holcomb (R). Braun was first elected to the U.S. Senate in 2018 and previously served in the Indiana House of Representatives from 2014 to 2017.

Although formerly a registered member of the Democratic Party, Braun has traditional conservative views on many issues. However, he is one of few Republicans in Congress who has been vocal about taking steps to mitigate **climate change**.

His campaign platform is highlighting <u>policies</u> to address economic growth, education, healthcare affordability, clean and affordable energy, law enforcement support, election integrity, and the agriculture sector.

Braun released his <u>Public Safety Plan</u> in February 2024, promoting initiatives to increase support for law enforcement, address the fentanyl crisis, and enhance measures to protect schools and children.

The campaign has also published a <u>Property Tax Relief Plan</u>, focused on capping property tax increases, increasing transparency, and reforming the referendum process.

At the end of June, Braun's campaign had <u>raised</u> \$6.1 million during the reporting period, with \$1.8 million cash on hand going into the summer.

The candidates for Indiana Governor have agreed to a televised debate on October 24 organized by the Indiana Debate Commission. The debate will be among Senator Braun, Democratic candidate Jennifer McCormick, and Donald Rainwater, the Libertarian candidate.

Republicans have controlled the governor's office since 2005. The <u>Cook Political Report</u> has rated this race as Solid Republican and <u>Sabato's Crystal Ball</u> has rated it Safe Republican.

Trivia: Braun is an avid outdoorsman and enthusiastic morel mushroom hunter every spring.