COVERAGE ANALYSIS REPORT

Coverage Analysis: how the 2026 midterm elections were covered

A structural reading of 16 articles from 12 outlets.

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At a glance

16 articles from 12 outlets, read by Frametra's on-device engine across six structural signals.

76
average structural score, range 61 to 85

11 of 16
articles with one charged word or none

20–80
range in source attribution scores

12 of 16
articles with full claim restraint

WHAT THE NUMBERS SHOW

1. **The tone stayed measured.** Neutral language averaged 95 out of 100, and the lowest article scored 85. 5 articles used none of the engine's charged words and 11 used one or none.
2. **Sourcing varied from article to article.** Source attribution ran from 20 to 80, averaging 49. 1 article scored 80 or above and 8 scored below 50. Those below 50 are the pieces where a named source or a link is hardest to find.
3. **Length and sourcing.** The 10 articles of 600 words or more averaged 47 on sourcing, against 52 for the 6 shorter ones (lower for the longer pieces). The engine measures attribution relative to length, so part of any gap reflects how the measure works.
4. **Source attribution was the weakest signal.** It averaged 49, against 99 for active voice, the strongest. Claim restraint averaged 95; 12 articles reached full restraint. The engine counts words such as "claims" and "alleges" against claim restraint, which is expected when articles report on allegations or court records.
5. **Outlets with more than one article.** npr.org averaged the highest structural score (78 across 2 articles) and axios.com the lowest (63 across 2). Small groups, so read these as a pattern in this set, not a verdict on the outlet.

> **How to read these scores.** They describe how an article is built: its sourcing, wording and evidence. They do not say whether an article is accurate, fair or well-intentioned, and they are not a grade.

The six signals, across all 16 articles

Average score for each signal, out of 100. Weights show how much each signal counts toward the structural score.



BY ARTICLE LENGTH

	ARTICLES	AVG WORDS	SCORE	SOURCING	CLAIM RESTRAINT	EVIDENCE	CHARGED WORDS
Under 600 words	6	337	72	52	91	68	1.3
600 words or more	10	1356	78	47	97	78	1.4

Sourcing = source attribution. Evidence = figures and direct quotations. Charged words = average per article.

Article by article

All 16 articles, grouped by outlet. Scores out of 100; values below 50 are shown in amber.

OUTLET	HEADLINE	WORDS	SCORE	SRC	LANG	CLM	HDG	EVD	ACT
aljazeera.com	‘Seismic shift’: World reacts to US midterm election results	946	81	58	100	88	89	68	100
axios.com	Blue tsunami breaks MAGA: 5 takeaways from a blowout midterm …	206	65	61	88	45	76	71	100
axios.com	House Republicans torch each other over "brutal" midterms los…	154	61	20	100	100	40	47	98
cnn.com	A historic blue wave, a stunning rejection of Trump and other…	2204	75	36	95	96	53	100	99
cnn.com	Trump reacts to Republican losses and declines to take blame …	570	71	35	91	100	50	68	99
cronkitenews.azpbs.org	Trump’s veto, Democratic subpoenas loom as divided government…	1235	80	39	94	100	83	100	100
foxnews.com	Democrats seize House control in stunning blue tsunami, vow r…	583	78	63	87	100	40	73	100
foxnews.com	Fox News Voter Poll: 2026 midterm elections usher in a blue w…	3058	73	35	99	100	40	71	99
hollywoodreporter.com	Trump Crashes Out After Democrats Flip House and Senate, Slam…	338	85	80	93	100	40	86	98
newsweek.com	Trump Defiant After Midterm Election Wipeout: 'Still Your Pre…	623	79	57	96	100	49	71	100
npr.org	6 takeaways from Democrats' big wave on election night	1250	82	54	100	100	66	81	99
npr.org	Trump casts blame on others after Democrats sweep midterms	974	74	37	97	100	73	50	99
theconversation.com	Young people turned out in near-record numbers for the 2026 m…	705	85	72	100	100	59	71	99
thehill.com	How Democrats plan to use their majorities to constrain Trump	1022	76	38	90	90	79	98	99
thenationaldesk.com	Senate Majority Leader Thune gets blamed for massive GOP midt…	170	70	50	85	100	65	63	100
usnews.com	International Politicians React to Democrats Winning US Midte…	1542	79	47	100	100	68	74	99

Src = source attribution. Lang = neutral language. Clm = claim restraint. Hdg = calibrated hedging. Evd = evidence signals. Act = active voice.

What this report does not cover

This report uses Frametra's free on-device engine, which reads each article's wording. It cannot say **who was quoted**, whether sources were **anonymous**, which voices were missing (for example the people involved), or whether a claim is true. Those need a closer read of the individual articles.

METHOD AND LIMITS

Each article was read from its public web page by Frametra's engine, on the reader's own device, and scored on six signals: source attribution (28% of the structural score), neutral language (25%), claim restraint (20%), calibrated hedging (10%), evidence signals (10%) and active voice (7%). Structural scores run from 22 to 95. Scores depend on the page text the engine could read; paywalled, very short or heavily formatted pages may be read only in part. Article formats such as features, analysis and opinion score differently from wire news by design, and the engine counts words such as "claims" and "alleges" against claim restraint. The set of articles was chosen by the preparer and is not a random sample, so results describe this set only. All sentences in this report are generated from the numbers by fixed rules.