

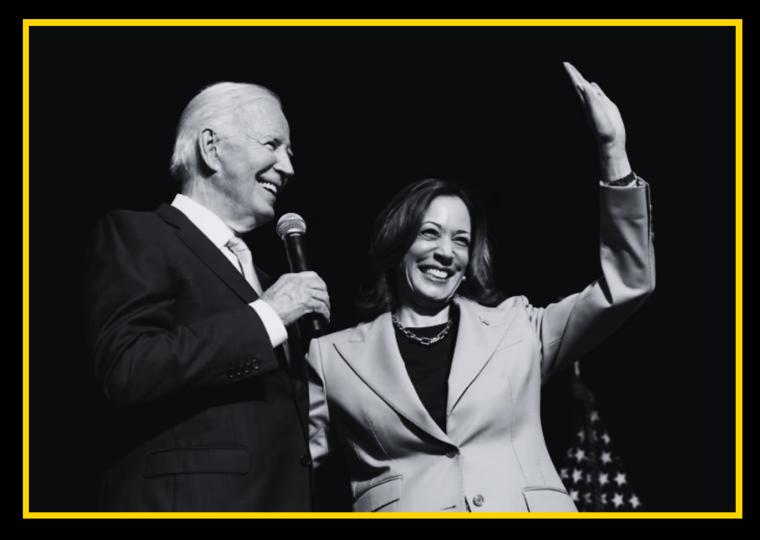
DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION (DNC)



SITUATIONAL REPORT

EVENT OVERVIEW

The Democratic National Convention (DNC) has commenced in Chicago, with key events scheduled through Thursday, August 22, 2024. This year's convention is hosted at two primary venues: the United Center, for evening speeches and events, and McCormick Place, for daytime party business.



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SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS



🖸 Democratic National Convention (DNC), Chicago - August 2024

- Opening Night: Keynote speeches began at 6:30 p.m. CT with President Joe Biden delivering the main address.
- Vice President Kamala Harris: Scheduled to accept the party's nomination on Thursday evening.
- Convention Duration: Each evening's programming is set to conclude around 11 p.m. ET (10 p.m. CT).

SECURITY AND PROTESTS



O Pro-Palestinian Protests
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- **Pro-Palestinian Delegates:** A group identifying as "Delegates Against Genocide" is advocating for changes to the Democratic platform to include an arms embargo on Israel. The group plans to demonstrate during high-profile speeches and is urging supporters to wear Palestinian keffiyehs and carry flags.
- **Pro-Israel Counter-Protesters:** Counter-protesters are present with Israeli flags and banners calling for the destruction of Hamas. They are separated from the pro-Palestinian protesters by a police line.
- Anti-Zionist and Leftist Demonstrations: There are also rallies organized by anti-Zionist Ultra-Orthodox Jews and members of the Freedom Road Socialist Organization (FRSO), aiming to "Shut Down DNC." These protests include significant opposition to the Biden-Harris administration's support for Israel.

SECURITY INCIDENTS



73 Protestors outside the Convention

- Protest Breaches: Some protesters managed to breach the outer security perimeter of the convention. A small group broke through a fence set up around the United Center, leading to a confrontation with police. Riot police responded, making several arrests and clearing the area between security barriers.
- Police Response: Chicago Police, including riot units, have been deployed extensively. Officers have formed lines to prevent further breaches and maintain order.

CURRENT STATUS



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- Convention Activities: The convention is proceeding with planned programming and speeches, although the atmosphere is tense due to ongoing protests.
- Police and Security Measures: Law enforcement is actively managing security and crowd control, with ongoing adjustments to respond to the dynamic situation.



