Trump Wins Iowa Caucuses, AP projects

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Former President Donald Trump easily won the Iowa caucuses Monday night in his first test at securing his party's presidential nomination in 2024. Less than an hour after the caucuses began, the Associated Press called the race for Trump. Trump had a commanding lead in Iowa polls for months, so the result does not come as a surprise.

Less than an hour after the caucuses got underway, it remained unclear which Republican would finish in second place. The next contest in the Republican race for president is the **New Hampshire primary on**

Jan. 23.

While Trump's victory in Iowa had been all but assured, former South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley and Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis have been in a heated battle for runner-up. Haley had been rising in the polls for months. DeSantis is hoping that a strong showing in Iowa can revive his campaign, which has struggled after a strong start last year. Haley, meanwhile, hoped that a second-place finish in Iowa can be a springboard into New Hampshire, where she has been polling within striking distance of Trump. While **Trump is still the clear favorite to win the Republican nomination**, a Haley or DeSantis victory next week has the chance to upend the contest.

