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PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION FACT SHEET

Needed to Elect: 270 Electoral Votes

11 largest states: (270) California (55) Texas (38) New York (29) Florida (29) Pennsylvania (20)

Michigan (16) New Jersey (14) Georgia (16) North Carolina (15)

3 Most Democratic States in 2016: District of Columbia (3)

Hawaii (4) California (55)

Illinois (20)

Ohio (18)

3 Most Republican States in 2016:

Wyoming (3)

West Virginia (5) Oklahoma (7)

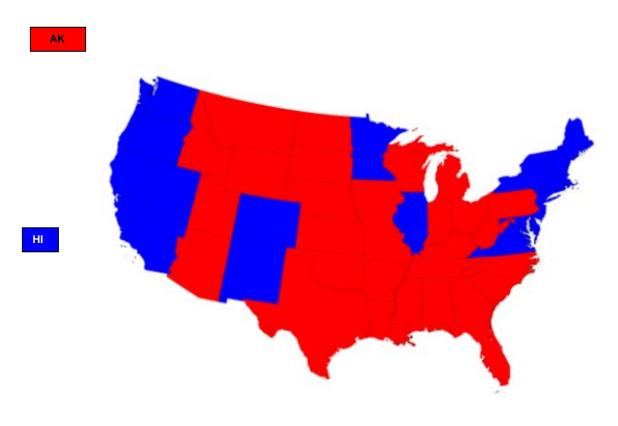
Presidential Election Year Results

<u>2016</u>	Clinton (D)**	232			
	Trump (R)	306	<u>1984</u>	Mondale (D)	13
				Reagan (R)	525
<u>2012</u>	Obama (D)	332			
	Romney (R)	206	<u>1980</u>	Carter (D)	49
				Reagan (R)	489
<u>2008</u>	Obama (D)	365		Anderson (I)	0
	McCain (R)	173			
			<u>1976</u>	Carter (D)	297
<u>2004*</u>	Kerry (D)	252		Ford (R)	241
	Bush (R)	286			
			<u>1972*</u>	McGovern (D)	17
<u>2000*</u>	Gore (D)	267		Nixon (R)	521
	Bush (R)	271			
			<u>1968*</u>	Humphrey (D)	191
<u>1996</u>	Clinton (D)	379		Nixon (R)	302
	Dole (R)	159		Wallace (AI)	45
	Perot (I)	0			100
4000		070	<u>1964</u>	Johnson (D)	486
<u>1992</u>	Clinton (D)	370		Goldwater (R)	52
	Bush (R)	168			
	Perot (I)	0			
1988	Dukakis (D)	112			
1300	Bush (R)	426			

*In each of these elections, one elector defected so that the actual totals were: 1968: 191-301-46; 1972: 17-520-1; 2000: 266-271-1; and in 2004: 251-286-1. ** In 2016, seven electors defected so that the result was 227 - 304 - 7.



2016 Election Map



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2016 Election Map – 48 States

Colored to reflect party percentages in each county



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2016 Election Map – 48 States

Colored to reflect results by county



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			Presidential Races Northeast										
State	<u>68</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>16</u>
Connecticut (7)	D	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
D.C. (3)	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Delaware (3)	R	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Maine (4)	D	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D (3) R (1)
Maryland (10)	D	R	D	D	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Mass. (11)	D	D	D	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
N. Hampshire (4)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	R	D	D	D	D
New Jersey (14)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
New York (29)	D	R	D	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Penn. (20)	D	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	R
Rhode Island (4)	D	R	D	D	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Vermont (3)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D

Northeast: 112 Electoral Votes

				Presidential Races Midwest									
State	<u>68</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>16</u>
Illinois (20)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Indiana (11)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	R	R
lowa (6)	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	R	D	D	R
Kansas (6)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Michigan (16)	D	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	R
Minnesota (10)	D	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Missouri (10)	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	R
Nebraska (5)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
North Dakota (3)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Ohio (18)	R	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	R	R	D	D	R
Oklahoma (7)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
South Dakota (3)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Wisconsin (10)	R	R	D	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	R

Midwest: 125 Electoral Votes

				Presidential Races South									
<u>State</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>16</u>
Alabama (9)	AI	R	D	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Arkansas (6)	AI	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	R	R	R	R	R
Florida (29)	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	D	R	R	D	D	R
Georgia (16)	AI	R	D	D	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	R	R
Kentucky (8)	R	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	R	R	R	R	R
Louisiana (8)	AI	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	R	R	R	R	R
Mississippi (6)	AI	R	D	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
N. Carolina (15)	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	R	R
S. Carolina (9)	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Tennessee (11)	R	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	R	R	R	R	R
Texas (38)	D	R	D	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Virginia (13)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D
W. Virginia (5)	D	R	D	D	R	R	D	D	R	R	R	R	R

South: 173 Electoral Votes

				Presidential Races West									
State	<u>68</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>16</u>
Alaska (3)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Arizona (11)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	R
California (55)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Colorado (9)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	R	R	R	D	D	D
Hawaii (4)	D	R	D	D	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Idaho (4)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Montana (3)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	R	R	R	R	R	R
Nevada (6)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	R	R	D	D	D
New Mexico (5)	R	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	R	D	D	D
Oregon (7)	R	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Utah (6)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Washington (12)	D	R	R	R	R	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Wyoming (3)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R

West: 128 Electoral Votes

2018 FACT SHEET

CURRENT PARTY STRENGTHS



	-			
	<u>D</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>Ind</u>	<u>Vacancies</u>
U.S. Senate	47	51	2*	0
U.S. House	193	235	0	7
Governors	16	33	1	0

(*Vote with the Democrats)

Recent "WAVE" Elections for the U.S. House and U.S. Senate



Losses for Party Holding White House

Year	Party in White House	House <u>Result</u>	Senate <u>Result</u>	<u>Type</u>
1974	Republicans	- 49	- 4	STMT
1980	Democrats	- 34	- 12*	PRES
1994	Democrats	- 52*	- 8*	FTMT
2006	Republicans	- 31*	- 6*	STMT
2010	Democrats	- 63*	- 6	FTMT
2014	Democrats	- 13	- 9*	STMT

PRES = Presidential Election Year FTMT = First Term, Mid-term Election STMT = Second Term, Mid-term Election

*control shift

2018 Election Analysis

As of November 1, 2018, the midterm elections appear to be headed toward the Republican retention of the U.S. Senate and a possible Democratic takeover of the U.S. House, with the Democrats making substantial gains in the governorship races.

Democrats had hoped for a "Blue Wave" because the party out of power often makes significant gains in the midterm elections and because of the polarization of the electorate ignited by President Trump. Based on current polling, the wave has not materialized, as the Republican base appears as incentivized as the Democratic base. In effect, the trend seen in 2016 is continuing in 2018—namely, a contest not just between the two major parties but also between two sub parties within the major parties. The Tea Party/Trump Republicans are now flanked by the so-called "progressive" wing of the Democratic party, led by senators Sanders and Warren, among others. It is not clear where the less ideological Democrats Republicans and independents fit into this political uncivil war, but what they do will probably determine the election results.

As noted, it appears at this point that the U.S. Congress could be divided with a Republican Senate and a Democratic House. Neither result is inevitable, however, and large opinion shifts over the last weekend before the election could yield some surprises on election day. This is one election in which watching the election returns could be very entertaining.

SENATE, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND GOVERNOR RACES

<u>Senate</u>

The current lineup in the U.S. Senate is 49 Democrats (including two independents who vote with the Democrats) and 51 Republicans. Twenty-three Democrats and 42 Republicans are not up for election this year.

There are 35 seats up for election, 26 held by Democrats and 9 held by Republicans. Fifteen Democratic seats and four Republican seats are considered by most analysts to be "safe." If that is true, then the analysis of which party will control the Senate in the next Congress begins with 38 Democratic seats and 46 Republican seats.

There seems to be general agreement that the Republicans will take a seat from the Democrats in North Dakota. This brings the total to 38 Democrats and 47 Republicans. Moreover, the Republican candidate is leading in Texas and Mississippi and the Democrat in Minnesota, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and Wisconsin. If this holds true, it would bring the total for Democrats to 44 and for Republicans, 49.

The remaining seven races are close.

The battle for the Senate comes down to Arizona, Florida, Indiana, Missouri, Montana, Nevada and Tennessee. Four are Democratic seats, and three are Republican.

The Democrats need to win all seven seats to reach 51 and Senate control. Best guess: the Republicans hold the Senate and perhaps gain one-to-three seats.

Watch New Jersey, Texas and Tennessee for possible upsets.

U.S. House of Representatives

The House elected in 2016 yielded 241 Republicans and 194 Democrats. Most commentators seem to think that the Democrats will "flip" the House. At this point, however, it is a stalemate with an edge to the Democrats.

Governor

This cycle offers 36 races for governor. The current lineup nationally is 33 Republicans, 16 Democrats and one independent.

Seven Democrats and seven Republicans are not up for election this year. Thus, the Democrats are defending 11 and the Republicans 25 chairs.

Eight Republican chairs and three Democratic chairs are considered "safe." If this proves to be the case, then the 50-state count, including chairs not up this year, begins at 10 Democrats and 15 Republicans.

Democrats appear to be ahead in 10 races and the Republicans in seven. If this holds true, the count goes to 20 Democratic chairs and 22 Republican chairs.

That leaves eight close races: Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon and Wisconsin. Seven are Republican Chairs and one Democratic.

Best guess: the parties end up with a 25-25 split, with no independents.

Watch Connecticut, Florida and Oregon.

2018 U.S. SENATE RACES (NORTHEAST)

<u>State</u>	Incumbent Party	(<u>D</u>)	(<u>R</u>)	(I)
Connecticut	(D)	Murphy*	Corey	
Delaware	(D)	Carper*	Arlett	
Maine	(I)	N/A	Brakey	King*
Maryland	(D)	Cardin*	Campbell	Simon
Massachusetts	(D)	Warren*	Diehl	
New Jersey	(D)	Menendez*	Hugin	
New York	(D)	Gillibrand*	Farley	
Pennsylvania	(D)	Casey*	Barletta	
Rhode Island	(D)	Whitehouse*	Flauders	
Vermont	(I)	N/A	Zupan	Sanders*

Total seats: 10 (D-8; R-0; I-2)

*Incumbent

(MIDWEST)

<u>State</u>	Incumbent Party	(<u>D</u>)	(<u>R</u>)	<u>(I)</u>
Indiana	(D)	Donnelly*	Braun	Brenton
Michigan	(D)	Stabenow*	James	
Minnesota -1	(D)	Klobuchar*	Newberger	
Minnesota -2**	(D)	Smith*	Housley	
Missouri	(D)	McCaskill*	Hawley	
Nebraska	(R)	Raybould	Fisher*	
North Dakota	(D)	Heitkamp*	Cramer	
Ohio	(D)	Brown*	Renacci	
Wisconsin	(D)	Baldwin*	Vukmir	

Total seats: 9 (D-8; R-1)

*Incumbent

**Special election to fill the seat vacated by Al Franken.



2018 U.S. SENATE RACES

(SOUTH)

<u>State</u>	Incumbent Party	(<u>D</u>)	(<u>R</u>)	(<u>R</u>)
Florida	(D)	Nelson*	Scott	
Mississippi -1	(R)	Baria	Wicker*	
Mississippi -2**	(R)	Espy	Hyde-Smith*	McDaniel
Tennessee	(R)	Bredesen	Blackburn	
Texas	(R)	O'Rourke	Cruz*	
Virginia	(D)	Kaine*	Stewart	
West Virginia	(D)	Manchin*	Morrisey	

Total seats: 7 (D-3; R-4)

*Incumbent

** open primary to fill seat vacated by Thad Cochran

<u>(WEST)</u>

State	Incumbent Party	(<u>D</u>)	(<u>R</u>)
Arizona	(R)	Sinema	McSally
California	(D)	Feinstein*	de Leon (D)
Hawaii	(D)	Hirono*	Curtis
Montana	(D)	Tester*	Rosendale
Nevada	(R)	Rosen	Heller*
New Mexico	(D)	Heinrich*	Rich Johnson
Utah	(R)	Wilson	Romney
Washington	(D)	Cantwell*	Hutchison
Wyoming	(R)	Trauner	Barrasso*
	Total seats:	9 (D-5; R-4)	

*Incumbent

State	Incumbent Party	<u>(D)</u>	<u>(R)</u>	<u>(I)</u>
Connecticut	(D)	Lamont*	Stefanowski	
Maine	(R)	Mills	Moody	
Maryland	(R)	Jealous	Hogan*	
Massachusetts	(R)	Gonzalez	Baker*	
New Hampshire	(R)	Kelley	Sununu*	
New York	(D)	Cuomo*	Molinaro	
Pennsylvania	(D)	Wolf*	Wagner	
Rhode Island	(D)	Raimondo*	Fung	
Vermont	(D)	Hallquist	Scott*	

NORTHEAST

Total seats: 9 (D-5; R-4)

*Incumbent

<u>State</u>	Incumbent Party	<u>(D)</u>	<u>(R)</u> (I)
Illinois	(R)	Pritzker	Rauner*
Iowa	(R)	Hubbell	Reynolds*
Kansas	(R)	Kelly	Kobach Orman
Michigan	(R)	Whitmer	Schuette
Minnesota	(D)	Waltz	Johnson
Nebraska	(R)	Krist	Ricketts*
Ohio	(R)	Cordray	DeWine
Oklahoma	(R)	Edmondson	Stitt
South Dakota	(R)	Sutton	Noem
Wisconsin	(R)	Evers	Walker*

MIDWEST

Total seats: 10 (D-1; R-9)

*Incumbent

<u>SOUTH</u>

<u>State</u>	Incumbent Party	<u>(D)</u>	<u>(R)</u>	<u>(I)</u>
Alabama	(R)	Maddox	lvey*	
Arkansas	(R)	Henderson	Hutchinson*	
Florida	(R)	Gillum	DeSantis	
Georgia	(R)	Abrams	Kemp	
South Carolina	(R)	Smith	McMaster*	
Tennessee	(R)	Dean	Lee	
Texas	(R)	Valdez	Abbott*	

(Total seats: 7 (D-0; R-7)

*Incumbent

<u>WEST</u>

<u>State</u>	Incumbent Party	<u>(D)</u>	<u>(R)</u>	<u>(I)</u>
Alaska	(I)	Begich	Dunleavy	
Arizona	(R)	Garcia	Ducey*	
California	(D)	Newsom	Cox	
Colorado	(D)	Polis	Stapleton	
Hawaii	(D)	lge*	Tupola	
Idaho	(R)	Jordan	Little	
Nevada	(R)	Sisolak	Laxalt	Lord
New Mexico	(R)	Grisham	Pearce	
Oregon	(D)	Brown*	Buehler	
Wyoming	(R)	Throne	Gordon	

Total seats: 10 (D-4; R-5; I-1)

*Incumbent

CALIFORNIA

2018 CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICE RACES

Office	Incumbent Party	<u>(D)</u>	<u>(R)</u>	<u>(I)</u>
Governor	(D)	Newsom	Cox	
Lt. Governor	(D)	Hernandez	Kounalkis (D)	
Attorney General	(D)	Becerra*	Bailey	
Treasurer	(D)	Ма	Conlon	
Controller	(D)	Yee*	Roditis	
Secretary of State	(D)	Padilla*	Mueser	
Insurance Commissioner	(D)	Lara	N/A	Poizner
Superintendent of Public Instruction	(NP)	Thurmond (D)	Tuck (D)	

Total seats: 7 (D-7; R-0)

*Incumbent

The Republicans are poised to do much worse in California than in the rest of the country, with the Democrats expected to win most of the statewide offices. Newsom leads Cox. Poizner, Tuck ahead. Few changes are expected in the Legislature and the State's Congressional delegation may add some Democrats.