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THE BATTLE FOR CONTROL

HOUSE: Democrats currently hold a 255-178 advantage over Republicans, with two vacancies (one held by each party). Republicans must net 39 seats to gain control of the chamber. Both The Cook Political Report and The Rothenberg Political Report project the GOP to gain 40 to 50 seats. Overall, more than 100 Democratic-held seats and about 20 GOP-held seats are in play.

SENATE: Democrats currently hold a 57-41 advantage in this chamber, with both independents (Joe Lieberman and Bernie Sanders) caucusing with the Democrats. To win back a majority, Republicans must net 10 seats -- a difficult but doable challenge. For this to happen, the GOP must win its sure bets (North Dakota, Arkansas, Indiana); the two contests where it has the slight edge (Pennsylvania, Wisconsin); the pure Toss Ups (Illinois, Colorado, Nevada); two of these four races (California, Connecticut, Washington state, West Virginia); and then not lose a single GOP-held seat (like Florida, Kentucky, or Missouri). Cook projects Republicans gaining seven to nine seats, and Rothenberg has it six to eight.

GOVERNORS: Democrats currently hold a 26-24 advantage in governorships, but Republicans are poised to pick up anywhere between six and eight governor’s mansions, per both Cook and Rothenberg. While a party holding a majority of governorships is mostly symbolic, it will have a significant impact on the decennial congressional redistricting that will take place next year. The most competitive (and perhaps most significant) contests we are watching: California, Florida, Illinois, Massachusetts, Ohio, and Texas.

Why significant GOP gains are likely
All signs are pointing to significant GOP gains on Election Day. For starters, history is on Republicans’ side -- a president’s party almost always loses seats in midterm cycles (see page 5). But the political wave that has been building seems to be bigger than the historical average. According to our late September NBC/WSJ poll, 59% think the country is headed in the wrong direction; 73% disapprove of Congress’ job; 65% believe the economy will stay the same or get worse in the next 12 months; and Republicans have an advantage among likely and the most enthusiastic voters. Indeed, it appears that this country is headed for its third-consecutive change election (see page 6).

But it’s also possible that Democrats could limit their losses -- perhaps enough to hold on to one or both chambers of Congress. Unlike in 1994, the last time when Republicans won back congressional control, the wave that’s coming isn’t a surprise; Democrats have had plenty of time and resources to defend their seats. Also, due to fewer retirements than in ’94, they have fewer open seats to defend. Democrats’ best chance to blunt GOP gains, however, is to turn out their voters. As NBC/WSJ co-pollster Peter Hart (D) put it, “I don’t think [Democrats] can change the mood, but they can change the turnout.”

NOTE: What if Democrats hold the Senate, but Reid loses? It’s less likely Republicans take back the Senate than the House. If Democrats hold control of the Senate, but Harry Reid (D-NV) loses his tough race in Nevada, there will be a fight to replace him, likely between current Majority Whip Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL) and Sen. Chuck Schumer, vice chair of the conference.
MIDTERM ELECTIONS: A HISTORICAL LOOK

Historically, a president’s party loses seats in midterm elections — especially in a president’s first midterm.

A President’s First Midterm since WWII

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Notes: Gerald Ford’s first midterm came right after he succeeded Richard Nixon in 1974; LBJ’s came in 1966, three years after succeeding JFK; and Truman’s came in 1946 after succeeding FDR.


Midterms for the Party Controlling the White House since WWII

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A Third-Straight Change Election?
It is more than likely that this nation is headed for its third-straight change election. In 2006, Democrats won control of Congress. In 2008, Democrats won the White House. And in 2010, Republicans appear poised to take back control of Congress.

To put this into perspective, consider that only THREE times since World War I have either the Democrats or Republicans won 20 or more House seats in three-consecutive cycles -- after World I, during the Great Depression, and during and after World War II. It hasn’t happened since the period between 1942 and 1952.

If Republicans gain at least 20 House seats -- and that’s viewed as the floor of what is supposed to take place on Election Day -- it would be the FOURTH time since World War I that either Democrats or Republicans will have picked up 20 or more House seats in three-consecutive cycles.

In fact, our current times appear to have much in common with after World War I, the Great Depression, and during and after World War II -- economic downturn, war and its aftermath, and political/social unrest (Red Scare, labor strife, McCarthyism).

Gains reflect a party’s gains from one Congress to the next:

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SOURCE: Vital Statistics on Congress, 2008; House Clerk's Office
If Republicans take control, what would they do?

Legislative priorities
On Sept. 23 in Sterling, VA, House Republicans unveiled their “A Pledge to America,” a list of priorities if they win back control of Congress. The 21-page document contains five general plans:

On jobs and the economy: They would make the Bush tax cuts permanent (for even families making more than $250,000); give small business owners a tax deduction equal to 20% of their business income; and require congressional approval of new federal regulations costing $100 million or more.

On government spending: They would cut government spending to its 2008 level; cap new discretionary spending; cut Congress’ budget; freeze the hiring of non-security federal workers; and hold weekly votes on spending cuts.

On health care: They would repeal the health-care law; enact medical malpractice reform; and ensure access for patients with pre-existing conditions (though the law they want to repeal already does that).

On reforming Congress: They would post the text of any legislation online at least three days before it comes up for a vote; end the practice of attaching non-germane bills to must-pass legislation; and require each bill moving through Congress to include a clause justifying the legislation’s constitutional authority.

On national security: They would fully fund missile defense; require tough sanctions against Iran; and enforce the border.

Notable omissions: “The Pledge” makes no mention about what to do regarding the war in Afghanistan, and it also ignores Social Security and Medicare.
The potential House GOP leadership

By Luke Russert

**SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE: John Boehner (R-OH):** Members of the GOP Conference ultimately choose the GOP Leadership. The big prize is Speaker of the House. Boehner, the current minority leader, would likely win this hands down. However, do not rule out a challenge by Minority Whip Eric Cantor if ethical problems were to arise for Boehner as has been rumored on Capitol Hill for some time. Cantor has been adamant that he will not challenge Boehner, but it’s politics.

**MAJORITY LEADER:** Eric Cantor (R-VA)

**MAJORITY WHIP:** Kevin McCarthy (R-CA): There could be a battle for Whip. Rep. Pete Sessions (R-TX) is currently the chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee. He is near the end of a second year in what is traditionally a four-year term, therefore, it would seem likely that he’d stay on for another; however, it’s possible he may want to be whip. If that happens, there would be a tight battle of which McCarthy would probably advance.

**GOP CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN:** Mike Pence (R-IN)

**GOP CONFERENCE VICE-CHAIRMAN:** Cathy McMorris-Rodgers (R-WA): McMorris-Rodgers is pregnant and could step down from this role; it’s unknown at if she will continue post-pregnancy

**CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE:** Pete Sessions (R-TX): If Sessions doesn’t stay here and goes for Whip and wins, expect McCarthy to take this job.

The next potential committee chairmen

The GOP Steering Committee ultimately chooses committee Chairmen. The Steering Committee is comprised of Boehner, Cantor, the current ranking committee chairmen, five regional representatives and a representative from the sophomore and freshman classes. For one to obtain a committee chairmanship they must obtain 18 or more votes out of a total of 34. Boehner has five votes and Cantor has three votes. Everybody else has one. Unlike the Democrats, the House GOP applies a strict six-year term-limit to all committee chairmen. Under special circumstances a waiver may be issued by the Steering Committee, however, Boehner has been pushing for the current rule to extend to the 112th Congress.

There is a debate amongst Republicans right now about the rule. Some feel it should only apply when the GOP is in control and therefore time, as a “ranking member” should not count against the six-year term limits. Boehner and the GOP Leadership feel it should apply whether or not somebody was a ranking member or a chairman.

**AGRICULTURE:** Frank Lucas (R-OK) current and will continue

**APPROPRIATIONS:** Harold Rogers (R-KY) is considered by many the likely choice to chair this committee. Jerry Lewis (R-CA) is the current top Republican on the committee and a Boehner ally, but he must apply for a special waiver to bypass term limits. Many feel Lewis would not get it.

**ARMED SERVICES:** Buck McKeon (R-CA) current and will continue
**BUDGET:** Paul Ryan (R-WI) current and will continue: There have been rumors Ryan will use his rock-star status within the GOP to try and move to Ways and Means in order to write tax code. So far, Ryan has indicated he’d rather stay at Budget where he can further develop his GOP blueprint. However, if he wanted to go to Ways and Means, GOP Leadership would allow him to do so.

**EDUCATION AND LABOR:** John Kline (R-MN) current and will continue

**ENERGY AND COMMERCE:** Fred Upton (R-MI) or John Shimkus (R-IL) are the most likely replacements for Joe Barton (R-TX), who is the current ranking member, but is term-limited. Barton has been actively lobbying for a special waiver to stay on, as chairman; he has been the strongest advocate of drawing a distinction between ranking minority member and chairman. GOP leadership is not enamored with Barton for a variety of reasons, but none more significant than his apology to then-BP CEO Tony Hayward for the oil company setting up a $20 billion fund to cover clean up costs and lost wages. So, there is likely no chance he’ll keep his gavel.

**FINANCIAL SERVICES:** Spencer Bachus (R-AL) current and could be challenged: Bachus still has two years left on his term, but many members would support Jeb Hensarling (R-TX), a close Cantor ally. Another to keep an eye on is Ed Royce (R-CA), who could make a play.

**FOREIGN AFFAIRS:** Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL) current and will continue

**HOMELAND SECURITY:** Peter King (R-NY) current and will continue

**JUDICIARY:** Lamar Smith (R-TX) current and will continue

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Doc Hastings (R-WA) current and will continue

**OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM:** Darrell Issa (R-CA) current and will continue: Issa has promised if the GOP wins control, he will use his subpoena power to be a thorn in the side of the Obama administration. He has leveled charges of special deals for Rep. Joe Sestak and former Colorado House Speaker Andrew Romanoff to exit Senate races in Pennsylvania and Colorado.

**RULES:** David Dreier (R-CA) current and will continue.

**SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:** Ralph Hall (R-TX) current and will continue.

**SMALL BUSINESS:** Sam Graves (R-MO) current and will continue: Some GOP aides feel leadership may fold this committee, as they don’t see its value.

**STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT/ETHICS:** Jo Bonner (R-AL) current and will continue if he wants to. There is a lot of turnover on this committee, because of its long hours.

**TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE:** John Mica (R-FL) current and will continue

**VETERANS AFFAIRS:** Steve Buyer (R-IN) current and will continue

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Dave Camp (R-MI) current and will likely continue if Ryan doesn’t want it.

NOTE: GOP sources tell NBC News that the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming will most likely be disbanded if the GOP takes back the House.
The potential Senate GOP leadership

By Ken Strickland

If Republicans take control of the Senate, the GOP leadership team is expected to remain the same with Mitch McConnell taking the role of Senate Majority Leader. The full leadership team would be as follows:

**SENATE MAJORITY LEADER**: Mitch McConnell (R-KY)

**ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER (WHIP)**: Jon Kyl (R-AZ)

**CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN**: Lamar Alexander (R-TN)

**CONFERENCE VICE-CHAIR**: John Barrasso (R-WY)

**POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR**: John Thune (R-SD)

**NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**: John Cornyn (R-TX)

**PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE**: Dick Lugar (R-IN)

The next potential committee chairmen

Because the Senate GOP puts term limits on how long their members can serve as chairmen (or ranking member), the tops spots on the committee for Republicans will have several changes in the new Congress.

Since the following list is based on conversations with knowledgeable staffers and leadership aides, it is only a guide. Because the positions are based primarily on seniority, some members may be eligible for more than one chairmanship and will have to pick just one to serve.

Here’s a list of the likely chairmen on the top Senate committees.

**APPROPRIATIONS**: Thad Cochran (R-MS): Cochran is currently the committee’s top Republican.

**ARMED SERVICES**: John McCain (R-AZ): McCain is currently the committee’s top Republican.

**FINANCE**: Chuck Grassely (R-IA): Grassley is currently the committee’s top Republican

**BANKING**: Richard Shelby (R-AL): Shelby is currently the committee’s top Republican

**FOREIGN RELATIONS**: Dick Lugar (R-IN): Lugar is currently the committee’s top Republican

**JUDICIARY**: Jeff Sessions (R-AL): Sessions is currently the committee's top Republican.

**INTELLIGENCE**: Olympia Snowe (R-ME): Snowe would replace Kit Bond who is retiring. Snowe is also the most senior Republican on the Small Business Cmt and could elect to take that position
instead of the Intelligence Cmt. (This chairmanship is appointed by Mitch McConnell because it is one of the few “select committees,” who could decide to pick someone not based on seniority.

HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS: Susan Collins (R-ME): Collins is currently the committee’s top Republican.

BUDGET: Mike Crapo (R-ID): Crapo would replace Judd Gregg who is retiring.

COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX): Hutchison is currently the committee’s top Republican.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS (HELP) COMMITTEE: Mike Enzi (R-WY): Enzi is currently the committee’s top Republican.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES: Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) or Richard Burr (R-NC): Murkowski lost her GOP primary, but would likely maintain her spot if she wins her general election “write-in” campaign. If she loses, Burr is expected to succeed her.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC WORKS: Jim Inhofe (R-OK): Inhofe is currently the committee’s top Republican.

AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY: Saxby Chambliss (R-GA): Chambliss is currently the committee’s top Republican.
VOTER TURNOUT (1980-2008)

Historically, fewer people turn out to vote in midterm elections than presidential elections.

On average, since 1980, Americans turn out about 30% less for midterms than presidential elections.

Those who do turn out in midterms tend to generally older and whiter.

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SOURCE: George Mason University, United States Elections Project
KEY BALLOT MEASURES

MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION
CALIFORNIA, Prop. 19: Legalizes the personal use and possession of marijuana for individuals 21 years or older. Would permit local governments to regulate and tax the sale of marijuana but would prohibit possession in specific areas and from using it in public. [source: California Secretary of State]

REDISTRICTING
CALIFORNIA, Prop. 20: “Removes elected representatives from the process of establishing congressional districts and transfers that authority to the recently-authorized 14-member redistricting commission. Redistricting commission is comprised of five Democrats, five Republicans, and four voters registered with neither party. Requires that any newly-proposed district lines be approved by nine commissioners including three Democrats, three Republicans, and three from neither party.” [source: California Secretary of State]

CLIMATE CHANGE
CALIFORNIA, Prop. 23: “Suspends State laws requiring reduced greenhouse gas emissions that cause global warming, until California’s unemployment rate drops to 5.5 percent or less for four consecutive quarters. Requires State to abandon implementation of comprehensive greenhouse-gas-reduction program that includes increased renewable energy and cleaner fuel requirements, and mandatory emission reporting and fee requirements for major polluters such as power plants and oil refineries, until suspension is lifted.” [source: California Secretary of State]

ABORTION
COLORADO, Amend. 62: Defines a ‘person’ as beginning at conception. Term would be used relating to inalienable rights, equality of justice, and due process. [source: Colorado Secretary State]

HEALTH CARE
ARIZONA, Prop. 106: Prohibits mandatory participation in the health care system. A person, employer, or health care provider would decide with no fear of penalty. Allows for purchase of insurance in private health care systems. [source: Arizona Secretary of State]

TAXES
MASSACHUSETTS, Question 3: Cuts the state’s sales tax from 6.25% to 3% effective January 1, 2011. If this rate does not produce enough revenue, the rate of 6.25% would be reduced to the lowest level that does produce enough revenue. [source: Massachusetts Elections Division]

WASHINGTON, Init. No. 1098: Increases state income tax on the of high-earners (above $200,000) and married couples (above $400,000). Property taxes statewide would be reduced by 20% and the business and occupation tax credit would increase to $4,800. [source: Washington Secretary of State]

CAMPAIGN FINANCE
FLORIDA, Amend. Art. Vi, Sec. 7: Repeals requiring public financing of campaigns for statewide offices. [source: Florida Department of State]

ELECTED OFFICIALS
ILLINOIS, Amend. Sec. 7 to Art. III: Per approval of the voters, this will amend the state constitution to allow for recalling a governor by petition. Could petition to recall a governor and for a special election of a successor governor. [source: Illinois State Board of Elections]

MICHIGAN, Prop. 10-2: Prohibits those convicted of a felony while in office from serving in another elected position or being appointed to a policy-making position for 20 years, if: the felony charge was related to dishonesty, deceit, fraud, or a breach of the public trust; and the felony was related to the person's official capacity while holding any office. [source: Michigan Dept. of State]
A CHRONOLOGY: 2009-2010
A look back at the notable events that have shaped the first two years of the Obama presidency.

Jan. 20, 2009: Barack Obama is inaugurated, becoming the nation's 44th president.

Feb. 17, 2009: Obama signs the $787 billion economic stimulus into law.

Feb. 24, 2009: The president delivers his first address to Congress.

March 30, 2009: Obama fires GM's CEO.

April 28, 2009: Sen. Arlen Specter switches parties -- from Republican to Democrat -- giving Dems control of 59 Senate seats.

June 4, 2009: Obama delivers highly anticipated speech to the Muslim world in Cairo, Egypt.


July 7, 2009: After a never-ending recount, Al Franken is sworn in, giving Democrats a filibuster-proof majority in the Senate.


Aug. 6, 2009: Senate votes to confirm Sonia Sotomayor to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Sept. 9, 2009: Obama delivers second address to Congress (on health care), and GOP Rep. Joe Wilson yells, "You lie."

Oct. 9, 2009: President wins the Nobel Peace Prize.

Nov. 3, 2009: Republicans win gubernatorial elections in New Jersey and Virginia; Dems win special congressional election in New York.


Jan. 27, 2010: President delivers State of Union address.

March 21, 2010: House passes Senate health-care bill.

March 23, 2010: Obama signs that health bill.
April 20, 2010: Deepwater Horizon explodes off the Gulf Coast, causing a months-long oil spill.

April 29, 2010: Charlie Crist leaves Florida GOP Senate primary, announcing an independent bid for the Senate.

May 6, 2010: Greece riots, while Dow Jones plunges nearly 1,000 points before partially recovering.

May 8, 2010: Sen. Robert Bennett loses at the Utah GOP convention, becoming the first incumbent not to win a primary for re-election.

May 18, 2010: Joe Sestak beats Arlen Specter in the Pennsylvania primary; Rand Paul defeats Trey Grayson in Kentucky; and Democrats win contested special congressional election in Pennsylvania.

June 8, 2010: Sharron Angle wins Nevada GOP Senate primary; Blanche Lincoln upsets Bill Halter in Senate run-off in Arkansas.

June 15, 2010: Obama delivers his first Oval Office -- on the BP spill.

July 21, 2010: President signs financial reform legislation into law.

Aug. 5, 2010: Senate votes to confirm Elena Kagan to U.S. Supreme Court.

Aug. 10, 2010: In Colorado, Ken Buck wins GOP Senate primary, while incumbent Sen. Michael Bennet wins Dem Senate primary.

Aug. 31, 2010: In second Oval Office address, president announces the end of combat operations in Iraq.


Sept. 14, 2010: In a surprising upset, Christine O’Donnell defeats Mike Castle in Delaware’s GOP Senate primary.

Sept. 17, 2010: Murkowski announces she’s mounting a write-in bid for her Alaska Senate seat.

Sept. 19, 2010: The BP oil well is finally killed.

Sept. 23, 2010: House Republicans unveil their “Pledge to America.”

Oct. 1, 2010: White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel officially resigns to run for Chicago Mayor.
VIEWER’S GUIDE:
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The Hot Races Quick Guide

The following is an hour-by-hour, state-by-state, race-by-race, condensed guide of what to watch as the polls close and the votes roll in. With each race, we provide NBC’s rating -- Toss up, Lean D/R, Probable D/R.

POLL CLOSING TIMES
All times are ET. Some states have multiple time zones. NBC News will not call a race until all polls close in that state, even if the majority of polls close in an earlier time zone.

6:00 pm*: Most polls in Indiana close at 6:00 pm ET, so there will be partial returns to watch. But races will not be called by NBC News until 7:00 pm ET when all polls in the state close.

7:00 pm (6): Georgia, Indiana (full results), Kentucky, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia
7:30 pm (3): North Carolina, Ohio, West Virginia
8:00 pm (15): Alabama, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee
8:30 pm (1): Arkansas
9:00 pm (12): Colorado, New Mexico, New York, Rhode Island, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Texas, Wyoming
10:00 pm (6): Arizona, Iowa, Nevada, Kansas, Montana, Utah
11:00 pm (5): California, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, Washington
Midnight (1): Hawaii
1:00 am (1): Alaska

7:00 PM (6): Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia

GEORGIA
- **Governor:** Former Gov. Roy Barnes (D) is looking to get his old job back and faces off against former Rep. Nathan Deal (R), who left Congress under an ethics cloud. NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **Senate:** Sen. Johnny Isakson (R) is favored in his bid for reelection against Michael Thurmond (D), a state labor commissioner. NBC Rating: SOLID R (Not ranked); Sen. Saxby Chambliss (R) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 3 races to watch out of 13
  - **GA-2:** Incumbent Rep. Sanford Bishop (D) is in a tight race with State Rep. Mike Keown (R), because ethics allegations. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **GA-8:** Watch how Jim Marshall (D) does in this 34% African-American district. He won with just 51% in the ’06 Democratic wave year -- with Obama on the ballot in ’08, Marshall got 57%. A Marshall loss could signal GOP gains in the 50-plus range. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **GA-12:** If incumbent John Barrow (D) is in trouble, GOP gains could be astronomical. Barrow’s in a swing district that leans very slightly Democratic. Obama and Bush won it, and Barrow had a very tight race in 2006, though he won handily in ’08. Barrow faces a rematch with the ’08 GOP nominee Ray McKinney. NBC Rating: LEAN D

INDIANA
- **Governor:** No governor’s race. Gov. Mitch Daniels (R) is up in 2014.
- **Senate:** When Sen. Evan Bayh (D) announced his retirement, this seat automatically became one of the GOP’s best pick-up opportunities. Former Sen. Dan Coats (R) is running against Rep. Brad Ellsworth (D), a tough-talking former Sheriff. In any other year, this would likely be a very close race, given Coats’ lobbying past and not having held residence in Indiana for years. But in this tough climate for Democrats, it has been an uphill battle for Ellsworth. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R; Senior Sen. Richard Lugar is up in 2012.
Indiana (cont.), Kentucky, South Carolina

House: 3 races to watch out of 9

- **IN-2:** You wouldn’t be able to tell by Joe Donnelly’s ad which party he belongs to. (He’s a Democrat.) To insulate himself from the potential GOP wave, Donnelly, who was first elected in this swing district in 2006, has distanced himself from President Obama, party leadership and Washington. And he made sure to go negative early on the candidate he’s running against State Rep. Jackie Walorski (R). If he loses, it could signal a Republican wave in the range of 50 or more seats. NBC Rating: LEAN D

- **IN-8:** When Ellsworth decided to run for Senate, it opened up his seat as a top GOP target. If Republican Larry Bucshon, a cardiologist, struggles against state Rep. Trent VanHaaften (D), Republicans may come up short of control of the House. NBC Rating: LEAN R

- **IN-9:** This conservative-leaning swing district is always a close one. Baron Hill, a former high-school basketball star, was swept into office in 2006 after several close attempts at the seat. A Hill loss to Republican Todd Young, a Tea Party-backed attorney, could signal a GOP takeover of the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

Kentucky

- **Governor:** No race. Gov. Steve Beshear (D) is up in 2011.

- **Senate:** It’s Tea Party Republican Rand Paul vs. Jack Conway, the state attorney general, in this race to replace Jim Bunning (R) NBC Rating: LEAN R; Sen. Mitch McConnell is not up until 2014.

- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 6

  - **KY-3:** Watch the margins for Democratic incumbent John Yarmuth. Though he’s favored in this Louisville district, he won this seat in the Democratic wave year of 2006. Republicans did not get their preferred candidate. The nominee is Tea Partier Todd Lally, a pilot. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

  - **KY-6:** How incumbent Democrat Ben Chandler fares could signal control of the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

South Carolina

- **Governor:** Gov. Mark Sanford (R), who was embroiled in a sex/cheating scandal, is term-limited. Running on the Republican ticket is state Rep. Nikki Haley, who is close to the Sanfords, Haley benefitted from the endorsement of Sarah Palin during the primary, helping her overcome a crowded field of other well-known Republicans. She favored over state Sen. Vincent Sheheen (D), though the race has recently narrowed. NBC Rating: LEAN R

- **Senate:** Conservative king-maker and Tea Party favorite Sen. Jim DeMint is favored over Alvin Greene, the unlikely Democratic nominee who is an unemployed Army veteran and is charged with felony obscenity charges for showing pornography to a female college student. NBC Rating: SOLID R; Sen. Lindsey Graham is up in 2014.

- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 6

  - **SC-1:** Tim Scott (R), who’s heavily favored to win, would become the first black Republican House member since J.C. Watts left Congress in 2003. NBC Rating: SOLID R

  - **SC-2:** Watch the margins for Rep. Joe Wilson (R), who notoriously yelled, “You Lie” at President Obama during his address to Congress. He faces a rematch with 2008 Dem nominee Rob Miller. Wilson only got 54% in the 2008 election, but that was largely because 27% of his district is African American. His margins were higher in previous year; Miller needs black voters to come out for him in a year when President Obama is not on the ballot. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R

  - **SC-5:** House Budget Committee Chairman John Spratt (D) is in real trouble in this conservative district against state Sen. Mick Mulvaney (R). Spratt, who was elected in 1982, survived even the Republican wave year of 1994, when he won with just 52%. But Republicans think this is the year they finally flip this seat. They likely need to in order to wrest control of the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
VERMONT

- **Governor:** Despite the liberal leanings of this state, it has a popular Republican governor, Jim Douglas, who is not running for reelection. His lieutenant governor, the wonderfully named Brian Dubie (R), is running against state Sen. President Pro Temp Peter Shumlin (D), who eked out a primary victory. Note: If no candidate gets 50%, the winner will be decided by the state legislature. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

- **Senate:** Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy is favored to win reelection easily. NBC Rating: SOLID D (Not ranked); Junior Sen. Bernie Sanders (I) is up in 2012.

- **House:** 0 races to watch out of 1

VIRGINIA

- **Governor:** No race. Gov. Bob McDonnell (R) is up in 2013.

- **Senate:** No Senate race. Senior Sen. Jim Webb is up in 2012; Sen. Mark Warner is up in 2014.

- **House:** 4 races to watch out of 11
  - **VA-2:** Freshman Glenn Nye (D) is one of the most vulnerable incumbents in the country. He faces businessman Scott Rigell. This conservative-leaning seat is one Republicans must win to have a shot at taking back the House. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **VA-5:** Like VA-2, this is another seat Republicans must win. Freshman Tom Perriello (D), who won by just 727 votes in 2008, has not backed down from his support of the Obama agenda. He faces state Sen. Robert Hurt (R), but there’s a third-party candidate here who threatens to pull votes from Hurt. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **VA-9:** This conservative district in the Southwestern portion of the state is represented by a conservative, Rick Boucher (D), who was first elected two decades ago, in 1982. He was unopposed in 2008 and hasn’t had a competitive race since 1984. If he loses, or his margin is close against state Delegate Morgan Griffith, Republicans would likely be in for a huge night. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **VA-11:** This is another seat that could indicate a big night for Republicans if businessman Keith Fimian upends freshman Rep. Gerry Connolly (D) in what is a rematch of 2008. Connolly won in ’08 with just 55% of the vote and doesn’t have the benefit of President Obama’s coattails this time in this Northern Virginia seat. NBC Rating: LEAN D

7:30 PM (3): North Carolina, Ohio, West Virginia

NORTH CAROLINA

- **Governor:** No race. Gov. Bev Perdue (D) is up in 2012.

- **Senate:** Though Republican Sen. Richard Burr’s favorability ratings have been mediocre, the combination of an anti-Democratic national environment and Democrats not fielding a top-tier candidate means Burr is favored to win reelection. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R (Not ranked); Junior Sen. Kay Hagen (D) is up in 2014.

- **House:** 4 races to watch out of 13
  - **NC-2:** Watch the margins for incumbent Rep. Bob Etheridge (D) in this swing district against nurse Renee Ellmers. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - **NC-7:** In this conservative-leaning district, Rep. Mike McIntyre (D) is running against the controversial Sheriff deputy Ilario Pantano (R), a former Marine who was accused of murder in Iraq. If Pantano wins, the GOP is on its way to a very big night. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **NC-8:** Freshman Rep. Larry Kissell (D) is potentially vulnerable against Harold Johnson (R), a former TV sportscaster. A GOP win here could signal the GOP is in close to retaking control. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **NC-11:** Former NFL quarterback Heath Shuler (D) was swept into office during the 2006 Democratic wave. His opponent, Honor Air founder Jeff Miller, got off to a slow start, but Republicans think he has a real shot of unending Shuler. NBC Rating: LEAN D
Ohio, West Virginia

**Ohio**

- **Governor:** Incumbent Ted Strickland (D) is facing a tough reelection fight against former congressman John Kasich (R). President Obama and Vice President Biden have been to the Buckeye State to raise money and campaign for Strickland several times. At stake in this race is redistricting and momentum for the 2012 presidential election. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
- **Senate:** When George Voinovich (R) announced his retirement, Democrats counted this as one of their best pickup opportunities. But the changed national environment has tipped the race in favor of Rob Portman (R), a former congressman and George W. Bush budget director. The Democrat in the race is Lt. Gov. Lee Fisher. NBC Rating: LEAN R; Junior Sen. Sherrod Brown is up in 2012.
- **House:** 7 races to watch out of 18
  - **OH-1:** This is one of the most vulnerable seats in the country. Steve Driehaus (D) benefited from a strong African-American turnout with President Obama on the ticket in this Cincinnati-area district. But without Obama's coattails, it will likely be tough for this freshman to retain this seat in a rematch against former Rep. Steve Chabot (R). NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **OH-6:** Rep. Charlie Wilson (D) was first elected in the Democratic wave year of 2006 in this district that voted narrowly for both McCain and Bush. If he loses, Republicans likely take back the House. Watch the margins. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **OH-12:** Ohio Rep. Pat Tiberi (R) faces off with Franklin County Commissioner Paula Brooks. In another year, this swing district won by Obama and Bush would be a real Democratic target. This year, it's a further reach. Watch the margins. If this is too close to call, it could mean the GOP doesn't take back the House. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
  - **OH-13:** This union-heavy, Democratic-leaning Northern Ohio district pits Betty Sutton (D), who won election in the 2006 Democratic wave year, against millionaire car dealer Tom Ganley (R). This is a Majority Maker seat. If Republicans win, they likely win control and could have a big night, but Ganley, who is now facing a sex scandal seems unlikely to win this contest. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **OH-15:** Mary Jo Kilroy (D) underperformed President Obama by more than any Democrat in the country. She eked out a narrow victory, and is now one of the GOP's top targets. This is a must win for a GOP hoping to take back the House. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **OH-16:** Freshman John Boccieri (D) is vulnerable against businessman Jim Renacci (R) in this conservative-leaning district won narrowly by both McCain and Bush. If Republicans don't win this seat, it could signal the GOP might have a tough time winning control. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **OH-18:** Zack Space (D) was swept in during the Democratic wave of 2006 in this conservative-leaning district that voted both for McCain and Bush. Republicans hope Space's vote for the House energy bill will help put state Sen. Bob Gibbs (R) over the top. If this race is too close to call, Republicans might well be on their way to taking back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

**West Virginia**

- **Governor:** No race. Gov. Joe Manchin (D) is running for the Senate. Term expires 2013.
- **Senate:** Manchin is hoping to replace the late Sen. Robert Byrd (D). But John Raese (R) hasn’t made it easy. This is now one of the most competitive Senate contests in the country. NBC Rating: TOSS UP; Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 3
  - **WV-1:** In the Democratic primary Mike Oliverio defeated longtime incumbent Alan Mollohan, who had long faced ethics allegations. The race tips slightly toward Oliverio, who could also benefit from a down-ballot effect of Manchin's run for the Senate. If former state GOP chair David McKinley is closer than expected or winning in this race, the GOP could be on its way to House control. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **WV-3:** If longtime incumbent Nick Rahall (D) loses to former Supreme Court Justice “Spike” Maynard (R), the tidal wave will likely be huge. NBC Rating: LEAN D
ALABAMA

- **Governor:** Gov. Bob Riley (R) is term-limited. State Rep. Robert Bentley (R) is favored over Ron Sparks (D), a state agriculture commissioner. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
- **Senate:** Senior Sen. Richard Shelby (R) is favored to win reelection. NBC Rating: Solid R (Not ranked); Sen. Jeff Sessions is up in 2014.
- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 7
  - AL-2: Freshman incumbent Bobby Bright (D) was the first Democrat selected to represent this very conservative district since 1964. The conservative leanings of the district, which McCain and Bush won with more than 60%, has made this a main target for Republicans – and one they likely have to win if they are to take back the House. But Bright has been a conservative Democrat, voting against the stimulus, cap and trade, and health care. Montgomery City Councilwoman Martha Roby (R) is hoping to ride a wave to Congress. Note: Bright is one of a handful of House Democrats to announce he would not back Nancy Pelosi for Speaker next Congress. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - AL-5: This Northern Alabama district was held by freshman Rep. Parker Griffith, who switched from Democrat to Republican. Unfortunately for Griffith, he lost in a GOP primary. Before Griffith’s party switch, this district was held by Democrats for more than 100 years. Because of that, Democrats think they have shot at taking it back, but that may be difficult in this environment. NBC Rating: LEAN R

CONNECTICUT

- **Governor:** Gov. M. Jodi Rell (R) is retiring, opening this seat up as a Democratic target. Former Stamford Mayor Dan Malloy (D), who was the 2006 gubernatorial nominee, is up against former ambassador to Ireland businessman Tom Foley (R). NBC Rating: LEAN D
- **Senate:** Last year, Sen. Chris Dodd (D) announced he was retiring. In the contest to replace him, state Attorney General Richard Blumenthal (D) is favored over wrestling mogul Linda McMahon (R), wife of WWE founder Vince McMahon. McMahon has vowed to spend $50 million of her own money. Her stewardship of WWE (including wrestlers linked to steroids), as well as Blumental’s claims to have served in Vietnam when he did not, have become central issues. Sen. Joe Lieberman (I) is up in 2012. NBC Rating: LEAN D
- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 5
  - CT-4: This wealthy Metro New York district with a freshman Democrat has been a battlefield in the past, and Republicans hope it is again. If Rep. Jim Himes (D) goes down to state Sen. Dan Debicella (R), it will likely be a huge night for Republicans. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - CT-5: Watch the margins here. If Chris Murphy (D), who was swept in during the 2006 Democratic wave, struggles against state Sen. Sam Caligiuri (R), it could signal a big night for the GOP. NBC Rating: LEAN D

DELAWARE

- **Governor:** No race. Gov. Jack Markell (D) is up in 2012.
- **Senate:** Tea Party darling Christine O’Donnell’s surprise GOP primary victory over longtime moderate Rep. Mike Castle (R), has given Democrats the upper hand to hold onto this seat with New Castle County Executive Chris Coons (D). NBC Rating: Lean D; Sen. Tom Carper (D) is up in 2012.
- **House:** 1 race to watch out of 1
  - DE-AL: Castle vacating his seat to run for Senate opened up this congressional seat. It’s one of the best Dem pickup opportunities this cycle. Former Lt. Gov. John Carney (D) is favored over conservative land developer Glen Urquhart (R). If Democrats win here, Republicans’ magic number to take back the House goes up to 40. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
**FLORIDA**

- **Governor:** Wealthy former hospital executive Rick Scott (R) takes on Alex Sink (D), the state’s chief financial officer, in this open seat vacated by Gov. Charlie Crist (R), who is running for the Senate. Scott, a political novice, spent more than $50 million to win his primary bid over establishment pick Bill McCollum, the state’s attorney general. Scott led the charge against President Obama’s health-care reform bill with TV ads through the controversial Conservatives for Patients Rights with sometimes false or misleading ads. Scott also headed up the hospital group Columbia/HCA, which had to pay out $1.7 billion in Medicare fines and penalties, the largest fines and penalties in the history of Medicare. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

- **Senate:** This has been one of the most closely watched Senate races in the country. Crist was a prized recruit of national Republicans. But the conservative furor seen this cycle boosted former House Speaker Marco Rubio to the nomination. Reading the writing on the wall, Crist switched parties before the primary to unaffiliated, creating a three-way race in the general election between himself, Rubio, and Kendrick Meek (D). NBC Rating: LEAN R; Sen. Bill Nelson (D) is up in 2012.

- **House:** 6 races to watch of 25
  - **FL-2:** Seven-term Rep. Allen Boyd (D) has been a conservative Democrat in this Panhandle district. Because of that, he struggled in his primary, almost losing to African-American candidate. If he’s going to win this fall against funeral homes owner Scott Southsenderd (R), he needs black voters. The district is nearly a quarter black (22%). If the GOP is going to take over the House, they likely need to win this seat. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **FL-8:** Freshman Rep. Alan Grayson (D) is one of the most bombastic members of Congress, aggressively defending President Obama’s agenda and taking rhetorical shots at Republicans, including during the health-care debate saying the GOP wants you to “die quickly.” The wealthy congressman represents an Orlando-area swing district and that comment immediately made him one of the GOP’s biggest targets. He’s running against state Sen. Daniel Webster (R) and third-party candidate Peg Dunmire, who’s backed by the Tea Party. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **FL-12:** Adam Putnam (R) is running for agriculture commissioner, opening up this seat. There’s a Tea Party candidate here running on the independent line Randy Wilkinson, the Polk County commissioner. That could potentially give Democrats an outside chance of winning this race, which also pits former state Sen. Dennis Ross (R) and Lori Edwards (D), a county elections official. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **FL-22:** If incumbent Rep. Ron Klein (D) goes down, the GOP wave will be huge. He’s running against Allen West (R), who has had to defend his record in the Army because he was discharged after shooting over the head of an Iraqi during an interrogation. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **FL-24:** Freshman Suzanne Kosmas (D) is very vulnerable in a race Republicans likely need to win to get control of the House. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **FL-25:** This conservative-leaning, two-thirds Hispanic South Florida district won narrowly by McCain is one of the rare Democratic targets this cycle. Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart (R) is vacating this seat to run for a neighboring, more conservative district left open by his retiring brother, Lincoln. Democrats hope ‘08 nominee Joe Garcia has a good shot at beating state Rep. David Rivera (R), who they say has personal baggage. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

**ILLINOIS**

- **Governor:** Gov. Pat Quinn (D) hopes he can overcome the shadow of scandal-tarred/convicted former Gov. Rod Blagojevich (D). Quinn is running against former state Sen. Bill Brady (R) in what’s likely to be a very tight race. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

- **Senate:** President Barack Obama’s former Senate seat, currently held by Blagojevich-appointed Sen. Roland Burris (D), is up for grabs between Alexi Giannoulias (D), the state treasurer, and Rep. Mark Kirk (R). Democrats did not get their first choice to run here – state Attorney General Lisa Madigan – and had to settle for the young Giannoulias, whose family’s bank’s problems have hurt him in this
Illinois (cont.), Maine, Maryland

8:00 PM ET

race. Kirk, a moderate, has also landed in hot water for comments inflating his military service record. NBC Rating: TOSS UP; Senior Sen. Richard Durbin is up in 2014.

- **House:** 5 races to watch of 19
  - **IL-8:** Watch the margins in this swing district won by Obama and Bush. Incumbent Melissa Bean (D) should be safe against Tea Party-backed venture capitalist Joe Walsh. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - **IL-10:** This is one of Democrats’ best pick-up opportunities this cycle, and they believe they need to pick up a seat like this one to hold off a GOP takeover of the House. Dan Seals (D) is hoping the third time’s the charm for his run in this suburban Chicago seat won by both Kerry and Obama. He faces pest control business owner Robert Dold, a conservative who was not the establishment pick and ran to the right of his primary opponent. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **IL-11:** This is a seat Republicans likely need to win to takeover the House. Freshman Rep. Debbie Halvorson (D) is trying to hold off Iraq vet Adam Kinzinger in this suburban Chicago swing district that went for Obama and Bush. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **IL-14:** Like IL-11, another Democratic freshman is vulnerable here. Bill Foster (D) faces off against state Sen. Randy Hultgren (R) in a swing district won by both Obama and Bush. It remains to be seen how these candidates fair in this climate and without Obama on the ballot. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **IL-17:** Phil Hare (D) was swept in during the 2006 Democratic wave in this district bordering Iowa. His margins against restaurant owner Bobby Schilling (R) might indicate just how big a night Republicans might have. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

**MAINE**

- **Governor:** Gov. John Baldacci (D) is term-limited. The race to replace him pits state Sen. President Libby Mitchell (D) against Paul LePage (R), mayor of Waterville. If Mitchell wins, Maine would be the second state with women as governor and both senators. But Republicans hope LePage will win out. LePage gained national attention for saying that if he were elected there would be newspaper headlines that say he told President Obama to “go to hell.” NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **Senate:** No race. Sen. Olympia Snowe (R) is up in 2012; Sen. Susan Collins (R) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 2
  - **ME-1:** Watch the margins here for incumbent Rep. Chellie Pingree (D) against Tea Party-backed businessman Dean Scontras (R), who ran was a candidate for this seat in 2008, but lost in the primary. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **ME-2:** Again, watch the margins here for incumbent Rep. Mike Michaud (D) against down-the-line conservative Jason Levesque (R) (pronounced La-VECK). NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

**MARYLAND**

- **Governor:** State budget problems and a difficult national climate for Democrats sets the backdrop for this rematch between incumbent Gov. Martin O’Malley (D) and former Gov. Bob Ehrlich (R), whom O’Malley beat in 2006. NBC Rating: LEAN D
- **Senate:** Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D) is favored to win reelection against Queen Anne County Commissioner Eric Wargotz (R). NBC Rating: SOLID D; Junior Sen. Ben Cardin is up in 2012.
- **House:** 1 race to watch out of 8
  - **MD-1:** Freshman incumbent Frank Kratovil (D) is in a rematch with Andy Harris (R) in this conservative district that went for McCain in 2008 with 59%. Kratovil beat Harris just 49%-48%. A bloody 2008 GOP primary led to the ouster of longtime moderate Republican Rep. Wayne Gilchrest, giving Kratovil an opening to become the first Democrat in 18 years to represent this Eastern Shore district. If Republicans hope to take back the House, this is one seat they likely need to win. Rating: LEAN R
MASSACHUSETTS

- **Governor**: Gov. Deval Patrick, a friend of President Obama’s, is facing a tough race against Republicans’ preferred candidate, former health-care executive Charles Baker. Former Democrat-turned-Tea Party-independent Tim Cahill, the state treasurer, threatens to take votes, however, from Baker. The Republican Governors Association saw Cahill hurting their numbers and spent more than $1 million trying to discredit him. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

- **Senate**: No Senate race. Scott Brown up in 2012; John Kerry in 2014.

- **House**: 1 race to watch out of 10
  - MA-4: Rep. Barney Frank (D) is favored over Sean Bielat (R), a Marine reservist, but his stewardship of the House Financial Services Committee and his role in TARP have become an issue. He goes down, it’s a tsunami of grand proportions. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - MA-10: Congressman Bill Delahunt is retiring, opening up this seat as a longshot Republican opportunity. Norfolk County District Attorney William Keating (D) is favored over Scott Brown-backed state Rep. Jeffrey Perry (R). Despite all 10 House seats in the Bay State being held by Democrats, this is the least Democratic of those -- President Obama won it with just 55% in 2008. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

MISSISSIPPI

- **Governor**: No race. Gov. Haley Barbour, Republican Governors Association chairman, is up in 2011.

- **Senate**: No race. Sen. Roger Wicker (R) is up in 2012; Sen. Thad Cochran (R) is up in 2014

- **House**: 1 race out of 4 to watch
  - MS-1: Freshman incumbent Travis Childers (D) is a prime target for Republicans seeking to take back the House. This Northern Mississippi district voted overwhelmingly for McCain and Bush. But Childers is trying to localize the race, emphasizing his conservative votes – against the stimulus, cap and trade, and health care – rather than his party. He holds a 4-to-1 cash on hand advantage over state Sen. Alan Nunnelee (R). NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - MS-4: If Rep. Gene Taylor (D) loses to state Rep. Steven Palazzo (R), it’s a Category 5 storm for the Democrats. Take cover. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

MISSOURI

- **Governor**: No race. Gov. Jay Nixon (D) is up in 2012.

- **Senate**: When Sen. Kit Bond (R) announced his retirement, it set off a competitive race here between two entrenched Missouri names -- Robin Carnahan (D) and Roy Blunt (R). It's a seat Democrats hope to flip, and one Republicans need to hold to have a chance at taking back the Senate. NBC Rating: LEAN R

- **House**: 2 races out of 9 to watch
  - MO-3: There’s another Carnahan-Blunt (by proxy) race taking place. Incumbent Russ Carnahan (D) is favored over former Blunt Chief of Staff Ed Martin, but watch the margins here. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - MO-4: Longtime incumbent Ike Skelton’s (D) district is very conservative, making him a target for Republicans. But he hopes his conservative voting record and name recognition – he’s served in this seat since 1974 -- will insulate him against former state Rep. Vicky Hartzler (R). If Skelton’s in trouble, it likely means a GOP majority. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- **Governor**: Incumbent John Lynch (D) is the slight favorite to win reelection for a record fourth term. He faces Republican John Stephen (R), a former state health commissioner who ran for Congress in 2002 and 2008. NBC Rating: LEAN D

- **Senate**: In this environment Kelly Ayotte (R), the state attorney general, is favored over Rep. Paul Hodes (D). Hodes is one of the rare Democrats running for Senate this cycle who has not shied away from the Obama agenda. What’s remarkable about this race is after Election Day 2008, most analysts
New Hampshire (cont.), New Jersey, Okla., Pennsylvania 8:00 PM ET

pointed at New Hampshire as a top takeover for Democrats. NBC Rating: LEAN R; Jeanne Shaheen (D) is up in 2014.

- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 2
  - NH-1: Carol Shea-Porter’s win here during the 2006 Democratic wave was one of the biggest upsets of the cycle. Former DNC Chairman Howard Dean couldn’t remember her name at a post-Election Day news conference. This district, in the Eastern half of the state, is the more conservative of the two. But Shea-Porter has voted the Democratic line, supporting the stimulus, cap-and-trade, and health care. That’s made her vulnerable against former Manchester Mayor Frank Guinta (R). This is a seat Republicans likely need to win to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - NH-2: Hodes, who was also swept into office during the 2006 Democratic wave election, is running for the Senate, opening up the seat. Like NH-1, this is one Republicans likely need to win to take back the House. The GOP got its preferred candidate in former Rep. Charlie Bass. The Democratic nominee is attorney Ann McLane Kuster, who’s gained support from the progressive community. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

NEW JERSEY

- **Governor:** No race. Chris Christie (R) is up in 2013.
- **Senate:** No race. Sen. Bob Menendez (D) is up in 2012; Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 2 races out of 13 to watch
  - NJ-3: New Jersey always keeps it interesting. Jon Runyan, a former Philadelphia Eagles offensive tackle, is the GOP nominee. He’s trying to upend freshman Rep. John Adler (D) in this South Jersey swing district won by Obama and Bush. Adler narrowly won election in 2008, and this time around, he doesn’t have the benefit of Obama’s coattails. Plus, the gubernatorial victory by Chris Christie (R) gave national Democrats pause in this state. Adler has about four times the cash on hand – important in this Philadelphia media market district. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - NJ-12: Congress may have low approval ratings, but in this district, supporters of their congressman drive around with this bumper sticker: “My congressman IS a rocket scientist!” That’s because Rep. Rush Holt actually is one. He was assistant director of the Princeton Plasma Physics Lab. He’s favored against venture capitalist Scott Sipprelle (R), but watch the margins here. If he has a close race, it could be a huge night for Republicans. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

OKLAHOMA

- **Governor:** Gov. Brad Henry (D) is term-limited. Congresswoman Mary Fallin (R) is favored over Lt. Gov. Jari Askins (D). NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **Senate:** Sen. Tom Coburn is favored to win reelection against Democrat Jim Rogers, a former teacher and perennial candidate. NBC Rating: SOLID R; Sen. Jim Inhofe is up in 2014.
- **House:** 0 races to watch out of 5

Pennsylvania

- **Governor:** Ed Rendell (D) is term-limited, giving Republicans a good pick-up opportunity. State Attorney General Tom Corbett (R) is favored over Allegheny County Executive Dan Onorato (D). This could have down-ballot implications in the competitive Senate race and 10 House races in play. NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **Senate:** When Arlen Specter switched parties to become a Democrat in April of 2009, most thought that would lock up another term for the longtime senator, like it did for Democrat-turned-independent Joe Lieberman in Connecticut in 2006. Not so fast. Recalcitrant Rep. Joe Sestak (D), a hard-charging former admiral, defied the party establishment including President Obama and challenged Specter. Sestak pulled off a stunner after campaigning against Specter’s ties to the GOP. Waiting in the wings was former Rep. Pat Toomey (R), who led the fiscally conservative Club for Growth and who lost in the 2004 GOP Senate primary against Specter. Despite Democrats’ million-
registered-voter advantage in the Keystone State, Toomey is favored in this national environment—something that would have been nearly inconceivable after Election Day 2008. NBC Rating: TOSS UP; Sen. Robert Casey is up in 2012.

- **House:** 10 races to watch out of 19. That's the most races in play of any state.
  - **PA-3:** Freshman Rep. Kathy Dahlkemper is one of the most vulnerable Democrats in the country. She narrowly won this Western, PA, district in 2008, 51%-49%. McCain beat Obama here by just 17 votes. Bush won it by a slightly wider 53%-47% margin. The Republican in the race is car dealer Mike Kelly, who also played football at Notre Dame. Dahlkemper voted yes on the stimulus, no on cap and trade, and yes on health care. Dahlkemper has a 10-to-1 money advantage with more than $1 million on hand compared to Kelly's $100,000. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **PA-4:** If Jason Altmire, who was swept in with the Democratic wave in 2006, is in jeopardy against attorney Keith Rothfus (R), then Republicans are likely looking at gains of more than 50. He has a 12-to-1 money advantage, and outperformed President Obama, who lost this district, by 11 points. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - **PA-6:** In another year, this suburban Philadelphia seat would be a good Democratic target. Watch the margins here. If Jim Gerlach (R) is in trouble, that could mean Republicans won't take back the House. But despite Obama winning his district with 58%, Gerlach still won. And there won't be an Obama surge this time. The Democrat is physician and Iraq veteran Manan Trivedi. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
  - **PA-7:** This Philadelphia suburban seat opened up when Sestak decided to run for the Senate. It's shaped up to be one of the toughest seats for Democrats to hold in the state, and one Republicans need to win to take back the House. State Rep. Bryan Lentz (D) is faces off against former U.S. Attorney Pat Meehan (R), whose tough-on-crime persona gave him a head start over Lentz. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **PA-8:** Rep. Patrick Murphy (D), an Iraq war vet, has not shied away from the Obama agenda and has led the charge to repeal “Don't Ask, Don't Tell.” Murphy was swept into office in 2006 with the Democratic wave and could be vulnerable this time around in a 2006 rematch against former Rep. Mike Fitzpatrick (R), whom Murphy beat by only 1,500 votes then. If Republicans win this one, it could be an indicator they take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **PA-10:** Incumbent Rep. Chris Carney’s (D) health-care vote has become a big issue in this conservative Northeast, PA, district McCain won with 54% and Bush won with 60%. But his opponent, U.S. Attorney Tom Marino (R) is severely underfunded. Carney had nearly $800,000 cash on hand while Marino had just $11,000. A GOP win here likely means the GOP takes back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **PA-11:** Incumbent Paul Kanjorski (D) squeaked by Lou Barletta (R), the immigration hard-line Hazleton mayor, with just 52% in 2008 in this Democratic-leaning district. He also only grabbed 49% of the primary vote this cycle, meaning even Democrats have doubts about him. Barletta’s running for a third time, making this one of the GOP’s top targets. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **PA-12:** Rep. Mark Critz (D) faces off in a rematch from the special election with businessman Tim Burns (R) in this Southwest, PA, district formerly held by the late Sen. John Murtha (D). Critz and Democrats used superior organization and local issues to win the special, which Burns and Republicans tried to nationalize. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **PA-15:** Democrats continually believe that Charlie Dent (R) is vulnerable in this Eastern, PA district. But year after year, he wins this Allentown-area district. Watch the margins in his race against John Callahan (D), the Bethlehem mayor. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **PA-17:** Incumbent Rep. Tim Holden (D) is favored over state Sen. Dave Argall (R), despite the conservative leanings of this Harrisburg-area district because of Holden's conservative voting record. But watch the margins here. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
Tennessee, Arkansas, Colorado  
8:00/8:30/9:00 PM ET

TENNESSEE

- **Governor:** Gov. Phil Bredesen (D) is term-limited, opening up this seat. Knoxville Mayor Bill Haslam (R) has the edge over Mike McWherter (D), son of former Gov. Ned McWherter. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
- **Senate:** No race. Sen. Bob Corker (R) is up in 2012; Sen. Lamar Alexander (R) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 3 races to watch out of 9
  - **TN-4:** Republicans think incumbent Rep. Lincoln Davis (D) can be swept out by a wave in this conservative-leaning district. The Republican is physician Scott DesJarlais. Davis hopes his conservative voting record keeps him in office. Davis voted for the stimulus, against cap-and-trade, and against health care. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **TN-6:** When Rep. Bart Gordon (D) retired, this conservative district became Republicans’ best pick-up opportunity. State Sen. Diane Black (R) is favored over Brett Carter (D), an Iraq war vet. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
  - **TN-8:** Another Democratic retirement -- by John Tanner -- made this largely rural district, which stretches from the Northwestern border to the Memphis suburbs, a GOP pick up opportunity. This has turned into the most expensive House race in the country between State Sen. Roy Herron (D), and gospel-singing farmer Stephen Fincher (R). Republicans and outside groups spent more than $7 million just in the primary. NBC Rating: LEAN R

8:30 PM (1): Arkansas

ARKANSAS

- **Governor:** Gov. Mike Beebe (D) is favored to win reelection over Jim Keet (R), a restaurant owner and former state representative. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
- **Senate:** Sen. Blanche Lincoln (D) is the most vulnerable Senate incumbent in the country. The Agriculture Committee Chairwoman barely eked out a victory in a primary against Lt. Gov. Bill Halter, in which labor unions spent some $10 million to try and oust Lincoln. They were most upset with her opposition to health care’s “public option.” Seeing an opening in this difficult national environment for Democrats, Rep. John Boozman (pronounced BOZE-min) jumped in, won his primary, and is now favored to be the next senator from Arkansas. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R; Sen. Mark Pryor is up in 2014.
- **House:** 3 races to watch out of 4
  - **AR-1:** This district hasn't elected a Republican since Reconstruction, but the retirement of Rep. Marion Berry (D) has given the GOP a real shot here. Running in Berry's place is his chief of staff Chad Causey (D), who's facing off against farm broadcaster Rick Crawford (R). This is one Republicans likely have to win to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **AR-2:** Vic Snyder's (D) retirement has made this one of the GOP’s top pick-up opportunities. Tim Griffin (R), a former opposition researcher for the RNC and a Bush-appointed U.S. attorney, is favored over state Sen. Joyce Elliott (D). NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
  - **AR-4:** Incumbent Mike Ross (D) is favored in this the largest district by area in the state. But watch the margins here. Ross is up against Beth Ann Rankin, a former Huckabee aide and 1994 Miss Arkansas. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

9:00 PM (12): Colorado, New Mexico, New York, Rhode Island, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, Texas, Wisconsin, Wyoming

COLORADO

**Governor:** Gov. Bill Ritter (D) retired, opening up this seat, but Democrats are in good shape to retain it with popular Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper (D). The GOP nominee is fringe candidate businessman Dan Maes, who won the GOP primary narrowly after a plagiarism scandal rocked former Rep. Scott McInnis (R), the establishment favorite. Former Republican Rep. Tom Tancredo, an immigration hard-liner, launched a bid on the Constitution Party ticket and is running ads against
Colorado (cont.), Louisiana, Michigan

Maes. And the Republican Governors Association has pulled out its operation there and has vowed no funding for Maes, who claimed a Denver bicycling program was part of a “U.N. plot to enslave citizens” and move cities more toward Communism. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

- **Senate:** One of the most competitive Senate races in the country is here between incumbent Michael Bennet (D) and Tea Party-backed Republican Ken Buck. Bennet, a former Denver schools superintendent who grew up in Washington, is trying to distance himself from DC and party leaders. Buck is a former county prosecutor with a hard-line reputation on immigration. NBC Rating: TOSS UP; Sen. Mark Udall is up in 2014.

- **House:** 3 races to watch out of 7
  - CO-3: If Republicans win here, they likely take back the House. Incumbent John Salazar (D) hasn’t won here with less than 62% since he was first elected in 2004. The Western slope leans conservative, something that state Rep. Scott Tipton (R), the ’06 nominee, hopes gives him an opening. Salazar voted for the stimulus and health care, but against cap-and-trade. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - CO-4: Freshman Betsy Markey (D) is one of the most vulnerable incumbents in the country. Democrats hope state GOP problems have a down-ballot impact and help buoy Markey over state Rep. Cory Gardner (D), but it’s an uphill battle. Republicans likely need to win this seat to take back the House. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - CO-7: If Republicans win here, it will be a huge night for them. Ed Perlmutter (D), who was swept in during the Democratic wave election of 2006, has been on his toes and is favored in this Democratic-leaning district, which has seen a rising Hispanic population. But Republicans like their candidate, Aurora councilman Ryan Frazier, an African-American veteran. NBC Rating: LEAN D

**LOUISIANA**

- **Governor:** No race. Gov. Bobby Jindal (R) is up in 2011.
- **Senate:** Despite being linked to the DC Madam prostitution scandal, incumbent Sen. David Vitter (R) doesn’t appear endangered against Rep. Charlie Melancon, national Democrats’ preferred candidate. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
- **House:** 2 races to watch out of 7
  - LA-2: Ahn “Joseph” Cao’s (R) predominantly African-American New Orleans district provides Democrats with one of their best pick-up chances. Cao won in 2008 on the heels of William Jefferson’s corruption scandal. Democrats like their nominee, state Rep. Cedric Richmond. If the Vietnamese-American Cao has a stronger-than-expected finish or pulls off the win, it could be a very long night for Democrats. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - LA-3: Melancon’s decision to run for Senate has all but gift-wrapped this seat for GOP operative Jeff Landry (R). NBC Rating: PROBABLE R

**MICHIGAN**

- **Governor:** Gov. Jennifer Granholm (D) is term-limited. A bad statewide economy has given the edge to Rick Snyder (R), a former Gateway computer executive. He’s facing Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero (D). Snyder’s “One Tough Nerd” ad campaign catapulted him in the Republican primary. Snyder, who ran against several conservatives in the primary, appealed to moderate Republicans and Democrats in that contest. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
- **Senate:** No race. Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D) is up in 2012; Sen. Carl Levin (D) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 5 races to watch out of 15
  - **MI-1:** When Rep. Bart Stupak (D) announced his retirement, this Upper Peninsula seat became a prime GOP target. When Stupak announced he would vote for the health-care bill on the House floor, one Republican member shouted “Baby killer.” That was enough for Stupak. State Rep. Gary McDowell is the Democratic nominee; the Republican is surgeon Dan Benishek, who eked out a primary victory by just 15 votes. And he makes no bones about where he stands on health care. The top of his campaign Web site reads: “Read It... Reduce It... Repeal It... Reform It!” This is a race Republicans need to win to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
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- **MI-3**: Moderate Rep. Vern Ehlers (R) retired, and 29-year-old Justin Amash (R), who attacked Ehlers from the right surprisingly won the primary in this district that went for McCain by just 2,000 votes. In any other year, this would be a major Democratic target. But the national environment and the likelihood Snyder wins the governor's seat at the top of the ticket means Republicans likely hold on. But watch the margins. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R

- **MI-7**: Conservative former Rep. Tim Walberg (R) wants his seat back from freshman Rep. Mark Schauer (D), who beat him 49%-46% in 2008. This swing district that went for Obama and Bush is a prime target for Republicans, and likely a seat they need to flip to take back the House. But Schauer has an 8-to-1 cash on hand advantage. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

- **MI-9**: Freshman Rep. Gary Peters (D) won this seat with just 52% of the vote in 2008 and is a prime target. But Peters has a 9-to-1 cash on hand advantage over former state Rep. Rocky Raczkowski (R). Peters is favored, but if this race is too close to call, it could signal a big Republican night. NBC Rating: LEAN D

- **MI-15**: Watch the margins here. If longtime incumbent John Dingell (D) is having a tough time against physician Rob Steele (R), it will signal a huge night for Republicans. NBC Rating: LEAN D

**MINNESOTA**

- **Governor**: Likely 2012 presidential candidate Tim Pawlenty (R) is retiring from this seat, setting up a competitive race. Former Sen. Mark Dayton (D) squares off against state Rep. Tom Emmer (R). NBC Rating: TOSS UP

- **Senate**: No Senate race. Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D) is up in 2012; Sen. Al Franken (D) is up in 2014.

- **House**: 3 races to watch out of 8
  - **MN-1**: Incumbent Tim Walz (D) was swept in during the 2006 Democratic wave election. Watch his margins here as he runs against state Rep. Randy Demmer (R) and Tea Party activist and businessman Steve Wilson (I). NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **MN-6**: Rep. Michele Bachmann (R) has long been a Democratic target, but if she didn't lose last year after late controversial remarks, then it's hard to see her as vulnerable in this election cycle against state Rep. Rocky Raczkowski (R). NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
  - **MN-8**: Incumbent Jim Oberstar (D), first elected in 1974, should win, but a tight race against former Navy pilot Chip Cravaack (R) could spell a very big night for the GOP. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

**NEBRASKA**

- **Governor**: Gov. Dave Heineman (R) is favored in his bid for reelection against attorney Mike Meister (D), who was the Democratic nominee for attorney general in 2002. NBC Rating: SOLID R

- **Senate**: No Senate race. Sen. Ben Nelson (D) is up in 2012; Sen. Mike Johanns (R) is up in 2014.

- **House**: 1 race to watch out of 3
  - **NE-2**: Watch the margins here for Rep. Lee Terry (R), first elected in 1998. If the race is close with state Sen. Tom White (D), Republicans could have a tough time taking back the House. Obama won this district in 2008 50%-49%, grabbing one Electoral Vote here. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R

**NEW MEXICO**

- **Governor**: Gov. Bill Richardson (D) is term-limited, setting up a very competitive race between Lt. Gov. Diane Denish (D) and Susana Martinez (R), a district attorney from Dona Ana County. No matter who wins, they will be the state's first woman governor. If Martinez wins, she'll be the nation's first Latina governor. NBC Rating: LEAN R

- **Senate**: No race. Sen. Jeff Bingaman (D) is up in 2012; Sen. Tom Udall (D) is up in 2014.

- **House**: 3 races to watch out of 3
  - **NM-1**: If Republicans win here, it will likely be a big night for the GOP. Freshman Rep. Martin Heinrich (D) is trying to fend off Jon Barela (R), a businessman and former state party official. This district is nearly half Hispanic, but Barela disavows the national party's hard-
New Mexico (cont.), New York

- NM-2: This is one of the most competitive races in the country, and one Republicans likely have to win to take back the House. It pits freshman Harry Teague (D) against former Rep. Steve Pearce (R), who wants back this conservative-leaning district that borders Mexico. Pearce ran unsuccessfully for the Senate in 2008, opening up this seat. Teague voted yes on the stimulus and cap-and-trade, but not for health care. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

- NM-3: If freshman Ben Ray Lujan (D) is in trouble in this 38% Hispanic district that voted for Obama with 61% in 2008, it will be a huge night for Republicans. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

NEW YORK

- Governor: When Eliot Spitzer (D) resigned after a prostitution scandal, Lt. Gov. David Paterson was greeted as a bridge-builder. But state budget woes and chaos in Albany -- plus his own personal problems -- led to a collapse Paterson’s approval rating. Democrats turned to state Attorney General Andrew Cuomo, who is favored against Tea Party-backed Carl Paladino (R), who upset former congressman Rick Lazio. Paladino has made news because of his antics and braggadocio, including advocating for a program that would give the unemployed and welfare recipients job training and personal-hygiene lessons in unused prisons. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

- Senate: Both Charles Schumer (D) and Kirsten Gillibrand (D) are favored in their races. Schumer faces Jay Townsend (R), a political consultant. Gillibrand’s GOP opponent is former Rep. Joe DioGuardi (R). NBC Rating (Schumer): SOLID D; (Gillibrand): PROBABLE D

- House: 9 races to watch out of 29

  - NY-1: The Eastern reaches of Long Island (Suffolk County) have always been more conservative than New York City and Western Long Island (Nassau). Bush won this district by a couple-thousand votes, and Obama won it just 52%-48%. That has given Republicans a target in incumbent Tim Bishop (D), first elected in 2002. Bishop might not lose to businessman Randy Altschuler (R), but watch the margins. If Republicans do win here, it’s likely to be a very big night. NBC Rating: LEAN D

  - NY-4: Rep. Carolyn McCarthy’s (D) Western Long Island district is about 20% African-American. If black voters stay home, it could be closer than expected. Watch the margins against former Nassau County legislator Fran Becker (R). NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

  - NY-13: Republicans haven’t been able to take back the conservative-leaning Staten Island Vito Fosella’s affair ran him out of office. Freshman Michael McMahon (D) won by a big margin in 2008 and hopes to fend off FBI agent Michael Grimm (R), a Gulf War veteran. NBC Rating: LEAN D

  - NY-19: Rep. John Hall (D), a singer with the group Orleans (which produced the hit, “Still the One”) was swept into office during the 2006 Democratic wave. He’s in jeopardy this year against self-funder Nan Hayworth (R), an ophthalmologist. This is likely a seat Republicans need to win to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

  - NY-20: Rep. Scott Murphy (D) won in a special election in this Upstate district in 2009. Democrats hope he holds off Chris Gibson (R), a retired Army colonel -- if not, Republicans would have a very big night. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

  - NY-23: Before a three-way special election gave this seat to Bill Owens (D) in 2009, this district that borders Canada was, for a very long time, Republican country. But a three-way election this year appeared to give the advantage again to Owens, who voted for health care. But then third-party candidate Doug Hoffman dropped out of the race and endorsed businessman Matt Doheny (R). Hoffman still remains on the ballot on the Conservative Party line, which could help Owens and hurt Doheny. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
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- **NY-24:** Michael Arcuri (D) was another Upstate Democrat swept in during the 2006 wave. He held on with just 51% in 2008, and he’s facing a rematch with ’08 nominee Richard Hanna (R). Republicans likely need to win here to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
- **NY-25:** Freshman Dan Maffei (D) is favored in this Syracuse-area seat that is trending Democratic. The Republican nominee is Ann Marie Buerkle, an assistant New York attorney general and former nurse. Maffei voted for health care. NBC Rating: LEAN D
- **NY-29:** Eric Massa’s embarrassing departure from office has given Republicans their best pick-up opportunity in the state. Corning Mayor Tom Reed (R) is heavily favored over Afghan war veteran Matthew Zeller (D). NBC Rating: PROBABLE R

**RHODE ISLAND**
- **Governor:** Gov. Donald Carcieri (R) is term-limited. This is a comeback story of sorts, as former Republican Sen. Lincoln Chafee is running as an independent. The real race is between Chafee and state Treasurer Frank Caprio (D). John Robitaille, Carcieri’s communications director, is the GOP nominee. Rhode Island has the fourth-highest unemployment rate in the country at 11.9%. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
- **Senate:** No race. Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D) is up in 2012; Sen. Jack Reed (D) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 1 race to watch out of 2
  - **RI-1:** Sen. Patrick Kennedy’s retirement after his father Ted Kennedy’s death opened up this seat. Favored is Providence Mayor David Cicilline (D), who would become just the fourth openly gay member of Congress. He’s running against state Rep. John Loughlin (R). NBC Rating: LEAN D

**SOUTH DAKOTA**
- **Governor:** Gov. Mike Rounds (R) is term-limited. But this seat is favored to stay in Republican hands with Lt. Gov. Dennis Daugaard (R). He’s running against state Senate Minority Leader Scott Heidepriem (D). NBC Rating: SOLID R
- **Senate:** Rising GOP star Sen. John Thune (R), who upset former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle (D) in 2004, is running unchallenged in his bid for reelection. NBC Rating: SOLID R
- **House:** 1 race out of 1 to watch
  - **SD-AL:** Incumbent Stephanie Herseth Sandlin (D) is facing a tougher fight than she expected when this cycle began. If Republicans are going to take back the House, state Rep. Kristi Noem (R) likely has to pick up this at-large seat in a state that went just 53%-45% for McCain and 60%-38% for Bush. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

**TEXAS**
- **Governor:** Gov. Rick Perry (R) is up for reelection and in a competitive race with popular former Houston Mayor Bill White (D). NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **Senate:** No race. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R) is up in 2012; Sen. John Cornyn (R) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 2 districts to watch out of 32
  - **TX-17:** Congressman Chet Edwards (D), who was first elected in 1990, has survived election after election in this conservative district McCain won with 67% and Bush with 70%. Republicans think this is the year they finally win over this seat. Businessman Bill Flores is the GOP nominee, and Republican polls have shown him up double-digits. But Edwards is a tough, experienced campaigner and hopes his conservative voting record helps him win. He voted for the stimulus, but against cap-and-trade and health care. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **TX-23:** Incumbent Giro Rodriguez (D) is another who was swept into office in 2006. This is a 65% Hispanic district; Obama won it with 51%. But Democrats have doubts about Rodriguez as a campaigner, and this is a seat that could go in a wave year. The GOP is Quico Canseco, a businessman who ran in 2008, but lost the GOP primary. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **TX-27:** Incumbent Solomon Ortiz (D), who’s been in Congress 28 years, is favored over computer consultant/lawyer Blake Farenthold (R), but Republicans think they could have a shot in this district that leans slightly conservative. If the GOP wins here, it’s a tsunami. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
Wisconsin, Wyoming, Arizona

9:00/10:00 PM ET

WISCONSIN

- **Governor:** Gov. Jim Doyle (D) is retiring, and the race to replace him is between Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett (D) and Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker (R). NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **Senate:** Sen. Russ Feingold (D) is facing an unexpectedly tough race against businessman Ron Johnson (R). Recent polls have shown Johnson with the lead. That Feingold faces a tough race shouldn't be much of a surprise. He has never finished with more than 55% in three wins, and though Wisconsin voted overwhelmingly for Obama in 2008, it was the closest state of the 2004 presidential election. This is a race Republicans need to win to take back the Senate. NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **House:** 3 races to watch out of 8
  - **WI-3:** Democrat Ron Kind (D) is favored over state Sen. Dan Kapanke (R), but watch the margins here. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **WI-7:** Democrats think if they can't win this seat, they could lose control of the House. It was held by David Obey (D) since 1969 before he announced his retirement this year. The race pits state Sen. Julie Lassa (D) against Ashland County District Attorney Sean Duffy (R). Duffy has a quirky background: a former Real World cast member, and a world-record holder in the lumberjack sport of tree pole-climbing. That could be important in this Northern Wisconsin district, bordering Canada. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **WI-8:** Allergist Steve Kagen (D) was swept into Congress in the 2006 wave year in this conservative-leaning district. Businessman Reid Ribble (R) hopes Kagen's votes for the stimulus, cap-and-trade, and, especially health care are enough to flip this seat for the GOP. NBC Rating: LEAN R

WYOMING

- **Governor:** Gov. Dave Freudenthal (D) is term-limited, opening this up as a top GOP takeover opportunity. Former U.S. Attorney Matt Mead (R) is heavily favored over state party chairwoman Leslie Peterson (D). NBC Rating: SOLID R
- **Senate:** No race. Sen. John Barrasso (R) is up in 2012; Sen. Mike Enzi (R) is up in 2014.
- **House:** 0 races to watch out of 1

10:00 PM (6): Arizona, Iowa, Nevada, Kansas, Montana, Utah

ARIZONA

- **Governor:** Gov. Jan Brewer (R) is favored over state Attorney General Terry Goddard (D). It’s a remarkable shift, considering two years ago, Arizona was seen as a potential swing state with a Democratic governor. After Gov. Janet Napolitano (D) was appointed to become Homeland Security secretary, Brewer was elevated to the governorship. A Republican legislature passed the state's controversial immigration law, Brewer signed it, and Republicans have benefited politically -- at least in the short term. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
- **Senate:** John McCain (R) is the heavy favorite over former Tucson Vice Mayor Rodney Glassman (D). The real race for McCain was in the primary against former Rep. J.D. Hayworth. McCain tacked right, hit Hayworth hard, and spent $20 million to win the nomination. NBC Rating: SOLID R; Sen. Jon Kyl (R) is up in 2012.
- **House:** 5 races to watch out of 8
  - **AZ-1:** Republicans likely need to win this seat to take back the House. Freshman Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick (D) is hoping to hold off dentist Paul Gosar (R). But that could be easier said than done in this rural district in the Northern part of the state, where immigration is a salient issue. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **AZ-3:** John Shadegg's (R) retirement opened up this seat. Ben Quayle (R), son of Dan Quayle, is favored over attorney John Hulburd (D). Hulburd has won a crowded GOP primary and benefited from an ad in which he called President Obama, “The worst president in history.” Hulburd has hit Quayle for his posting to a sex-themed Web site and for using images of children that weren’t his in a mailer. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
Arizona (cont.), Iowa, Kansas, Montana, Nevada  10:00 PM ET

- **AZ-5**: Rep. Harry Mitchell (D) was swept in during the Democratic wave year of 2006, and he could very well be swept out in this rematch with David Schweikert (R). Mitchell beat Schweikert just 53%-47% in this Scottsdale/Tempe-area district. Republicans likely need to win it to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP.

- **AZ-7**: Rep. Raul Grijalva (D) is favored over Ruth McClung (R), but he could be in jeopardy in this district that borders Mexico, as immigration has been a hot-button issue and he has been a leading opponent of Arizona’s immigration law. Obama and Kerry won it with 57%. NBC Rating: TOSS UP.

- **AZ-8**: Republicans’ chances here took a serious hit when Tea Party favorite Jesse Kelly, an Iraq veteran won the GOP primary. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords (D) is another member who was swept in during the 2006 Democratic wave, and is still vulnerable. But it’s another seat Republicans likely have to win to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

**IOWA**

- **Governor**: The Hawkeye State is another with budget problems, and that’s endangered incumbent Chet Culver (D). Former Gov. Terry Branstad (R) is favored here. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R

- **Senate**: Sen. Chuck Grassley (R) is the heavy favorite over attorney Roxanne Conlin (D), who was the Democratic nominee for governor back in 1982. In an effort to appeal to younger voters (and to explain to older ones), Grassley, 77, has in a campaign ad touted his use of… Twitter. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R; Sen. Tom Harkin (D) is up in 2014.

- **House**: 3 races to watch out of 5
  - **IA-1**: Rep. Bruce Braley (D), who was swept in during the ’06 wave, is favored to win reelection against attorney Ben Lange (R) in this Eastern, IA, district, but watch the margins here. If Braley’s in trouble, it could be a long night for Democrats. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - **IA-2**: Fellow 2006 class member Rep. Dave Loebsack (D) is favored. But again, watch his margins in this rematch against Mariannette Miller-Meeks, whom Loebsack defeated 57%-39% in 2008. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **IA-3**: On paper, Rep. Leonard Boswell (D) should be highly endangered, but Republicans are not confident about state Sen. Brad Zaun’s (R) chances. Zaun, an underfunded hardware store owner, was not national Republicans’ preferred pick. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

**KANSAS**

- **Governor**: Gov. Mark Parkinson (D), who stepped into the governor’s role after Kathleen Sebelius (D) was named Health and Human Services secretary, is not running for reelection. Sen. Sam Brownback (R) is the heavy favorite to succeed him over state Sen. Tom Holland (D). NBC Rating: SOLID R

- **Senate**: Brownback running for governor opened up this seat. It triggered a nasty Republican primary, which Rep. Jerry Moran (R) won. He’s the heavy favorite over college administrator Lisa Johnston (D). NBC Rating: SOLID R; Sen. Pat Roberts (R) is up for reelection in 2014.

- **House**: 1 race out of 4
  - **KS-3**: Rep. Dennis Moore’s (D) retirement made this a top GOP pickup opportunity. Moore’s wife, Stephene, is running to succeed him, but state Rep. Kevin Yoder (R) is the favorite. It’s a seat Republicans likely have to win to take back the House. NBC Rating: LEAN R

**MONTANA**

- **Governor**: No race. Gov. Brian Schweitzer (R) is up in 2012.
- **Senate**: No race. Sen. John Tester (D) is up in 2012; Sen. Max Baucus (D) is up in 2014.
- **House**: 0 races to watch out of 1
NEVADA

**Governor:** Scandal-plagued Gov. Jim Gibbons (R) lost his GOP primary to Brian Sandoval, an Hispanic former federal judge, who gave up his lifetime appointment to run for governor. Sandoval has the edge over Rory Reid (D), Clark County Commissioner and son of Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid. NBC Rating: LEAN R

**Senate:** Harry Reid (D) hopes he doesn’t go the way of former Majority Leader Tom Daschle, who lost to current Sen. John Thune in 2004. Reid has had a big target on his back because of his shepherding of the Democratic agenda. But despite his vulnerability, he caught a break when Tea Party favorite Sharron Angle, a former state representative, won the GOP primary. Another potential factor in this race is that “None of the Above” is actually on the ballot in Nevada, meaning Reid doesn’t need to break 50% to win. Republicans likely need to win this seat to have any shot at taking back the Senate. NBC Rating: TOSS UP; Sen. John Ensign is up in 2012.

**House:** 1 race to watch out of 3
- NV-3: Freshman Rep. Dina Titus (D) is in a tough race against former state Rep. Joe Heck (R). Titus only got 47% in 2008, and Republicans see her as a prime target. Republicans likely need to win this seat in order to take back the House. NBC Rating: LEAN R

UTAH

**Governor:** Incumbent Gov. Gary Herbert (R) is the heavy favorite against Salt Lake County Mayor Peter Corroon (D). NBC Rating: PROBABLE R

**Senate:** The big news here was the defeat of longtime Sen. Robert Bennett at the GOP convention. Attorney Mike Lee (R), who later won the GOP primary, is favored over Sam Granato (D), the state Alcohol and Beverage Control Commission chairman. NBC Rating: SOLID R

**House:** 1 race to watch out of 3
- UT-2: Rep. Jim Matheson (D) is favored, but watch his margins against Morgan Philpot (R), the former state party vice chair. In this conservative district, Matheson voted against health care and cap-and-trade, but voted for the stimulus. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

11:00 PM (5): California, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, Washington

CALIFORNIA

**Governor:** Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger (R) is term-limited, setting up an expensive showdown between former eBay CEO Meg Whitman (R) and state Attorney General (and former Gov.) Jerry Brown (D). Budget problems are the big issue here. Whitman has broken campaign-finance records, pouring in more than $140 million of her own money into this race, more than the $109 million spent by billionaire Mike Bloomberg in his reelection bid for mayor of New York. NBC Rating: LEAN D

**Senate:** Sen. Barbara Boxer (D), first elected in 1992, is facing a stiff challenge from former Hewlett-Packard CEO Carly Fiorina (R) in another expensive race. This is a crucial seat for Democrats to hold in order to retain control of the Senate. NBC Rating: LEAN D

**House:** 7 races to watch out of 53
- CA-3: In any other year, Rep. Dan Lungren (R) would be a ripe target for Democrats. Still, Republicans have to defend here, and watch Lungren’s margins against physician Amerish “Ami” Bera (D). NBC Rating: LEAN R
- CA-11: Rep. Jerry McNerney (D) was swept into Congress during the 2006 Democratic wave election. Republicans think they have a very good shot to take back this seat with David Harmer, son of former Lt. Gov. John Harmer and former Senate Judiciary subcommittee lawyer, who ran and lost in a special election for CA-10 in 2009. Harmer rails against bailouts. In this district that Obama won with just 54%, McNerney voted for the stimulus, cap-and-trade and health care. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
- CA-18: Watch the margins for incumbent Rep. Dennis Cardoza (D) against farmer Mike Berryhill (R) in this district that went 59% for Obama. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
- CA-20: Rep. Jim Costa (D) is favored, but watch his margins against farmer Andy Vidak (R). NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
California (cont.), Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon  11:00 PM ET

- **CA-44**: Incumbent Ken Calvert (R) is favored over Bill Hedrick (D), the 2008 nominee, but watch the margins in this district won by both Obama and Bush. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
- **CA-45**: Democrats hope to give Rep. Mary Bono Mack (R) a run, though she is favored in this district Obama won slightly. Palm Springs Mayor Steve Pougnet (D) would be just the fourth openly gay member of Congress if he pulls off the upset. NBC Rating: PROBABLE R
- **CA-47**: Rep. Loretta Sanchez (D) is favored in this district with a mix of Hispanics and GOP-leaning Vietnamese immigrants, but watch her margins against state Assemblyman Van Tran (R). If Tran is close, it could be a big night for Republicans. NBC Rating: LEAN D

**IDAHO**
- **Governor**: Gov. Butch Otter (R) is the favorite over former Harvard professor Keith Allred (D). NBC Rating: SOLID R
- **Senate**: Sen. Mike Crapo (R) is the heavy favorite over businessman Tom Sullivan (D). NBC Rating: SOLID R; Sen. Jim Risch (R) is up in 2014.
- **House**: 1 race to watch out of 2
  - **ID-1**: Freshman Rep. Walt Minnick (D) was an early Republican target in this very conservative district, but his conservative voting record -- coupled with the GOP not getting their preferred candidate -- has moved Minnick seemingly out of danger against Raul Labrador (R). But watch the margins here. If it’s close, it could be a big night for Republicans. NBC Rating: LEAN D

**NORTH DAKOTA**
- **Governor**: No race. Gov. John Hoeven (R) is vacating the governorship to run for the Senate, where he’s the overwhelming favorite.
- **Senate**: Sen. Byron Dorgan’s (D) retirement gave Republicans their best pickup opportunity in the country, especially when Hoeven decided to run. The Democrat is state Sen. Tracy Potter. NBC Rating: SOLID R; Sen. Sen. Kent Conrad (D) is up in 2012.
- **House**: 1 race to watch out of 1
  - **ND-AL**: Incumbent Rep. Earl Pomeroy (D), who was first elected in 1992, is facing a stiff challenge from former state Rep. Rick Berg (R). Republicans likely need to win this seat to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

**OREGON**
- **Governor**: Gov. Ted Kulongoski (D) is term-limited. Former Gov. John Kitzhaber (D) is gunning for his old job, but Chris Dudley (R), the 7-foot-1 former Portland Trailblazers’ center, is up in many polls. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
- **Senate**: Incumbent Sen. Ron Wyden (D) is the heavy favorite over law professor Jim Huffman (R). NBC Rating: SOLID D; Sen. Jeff Merkley is up in 2014.
- **House**: 2 races to watch out of 5
  - **OR-1**: Rep. David Wu (D) is favored in this Portland-area seat, but watch his margins against Rob Cornilles, a sports business consultant. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - **OR-4**: Incumbent Rep. Peter DeFazio is favored against chemist Art Robinson, but watch the margins here in this district that only slightly leans Democratic. DeFazio has been critical of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi. If he loses, it’s a giant night for the GOP. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D
  - **OR-5**: Freshman Kurt Schrader (D) won with just 54% in 2008, mirroring President Obama’s margin in this district that Bush won narrowly in 2004. It’s one reason Republicans think state Rep. Scott Bruun (R) could make this race tight. NBC Rating: LEAN D.
WASHINGTON

- **Governor:** No race. Gov. Christine Gregoire's (D) term expires after 2012.
- **Senate:** Sen. Patty Murray (D) is facing a tough race against Dino Rossi (R), who ran unsuccessfully for governor twice previously in 2004 and 2008. In 2004, Rossi lost by just 129 votes out of more than 2.6 million. This is one of the seats Democrats likely need to hold in order to retain control of Congress; Sen. Maria Cantwell is up in 2012. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
- **House:** 4 races to watch out of 9
  - **WA-2:** Republicans think they can give Rep. Rick Larsen (D), first elected in 2000, a run for his money with Snohomish Co. councilor John Koster (R). This district leans slightly left – Kerry won it with just 51%, Obama with 56%. NBC Rating: LEAN D
  - **WA-3:** When Rep. Brian Baird (D) announced his retirement, this quintessential swing district was up for grabs. TV station owner Danny Heck (D) and state Rep. Jaime Herrera (R) are locked in a tight fight. Republicans likely need to win this seat to take back the House. NBC Rating: TOSS UP
  - **WA-8:** In another political year, perpetual target Dave Reichert (R) could be endangered. In this environment, it's a further reach, but watch the margins. NBC Rating: LEAN R
  - **WA-9:** Incumbent Rep. Adam Smith (D), first elected in 1996, is favored over Pierce County Councilor Dick Muri (R). But watch the margins. NBC Rating: PROBABLE D

MIDNIGHT (1): Hawaii

HAWAI'I

- **Governor:** Gov. Linda Lingle (R) is term-limited. Former Rep. Neil Abercrombie (D) is favored over Lt. Gov. Duke Aiona (R). NBC Rating: LEAN D
- **Senate:** Sen. Daniel Inouye (D), 86, the longest serving active senator, is the overwhelming favorite against former state Rep. Cam Cavasso (R), who was the GOP Senate nominee in 2004. NBC Rating: SOLID D; Sen. Daniel Akaka (D) is up in 2012.
- **House:** 1 race to watch out of 2
  - **HI-1:** Two Democrats split their votes in the 2010 special election to replace Abercrombie, giving a victory to Charles Djou (R) in this Honolulu district that went for Obama with 70% of the vote. Rep. Djou has proved to be a strong campaigner, and Democrats did not get their preferred candidate, settling for state Sen. Colleen Hanabusa (D). Democrats hope the liberal bent of this district can ultimately swing it their direction. NBC Rating: TOSS UP

1:00 AM (1): Alaska

ALASKA

- **Governor:** When Sarah Palin quit her job just a year and a half into her term, Lt. Gov. Sean Parnell (R) was elevated to the post. Parnell is the overwhelming favorite to win election against former state House Minority Leader Ethan Berkowitz (D), the 2008 nominee for the Alaska at-large House seat and the 2006 nominee for lieutenant governor. NBC Rating: SOLID R
- **Senate:** Sen. Lisa Murkowski's decision to run a write-in campaign has thrown what has already been a wild race into further confusion. Joe Miller (R), who upset Murkowski in the primary, is still the favorite over Murkowski and Sitka Mayor Scott McAdams (D). But both McAdams and Murkowski can make it a race. NBC Rating: LEAN R
- **House:** 0 races to watch out of 1

**FAST FACT...**

Murkowski's hoping to be the first to win a write-in bid for the Senate since Strom Thurmond in 1954.
Will the GOP take back the U.S. House? A breakdown of the seats both parties are targeting
HOUSE OVERVIEW

By the numbers: Current breakdown: **255 D, 178R, 2 vacancies (1D, 1R)**
- **435** up for reelection (all members face election every two years)
- **218** needed for control
- **39** is the number of seats Republicans need to net to take back the House, but the real magic number may, in fact, be closer to **42** to **44**, because Democrats are likely to pick up three to five seats of their own.

THE KILL LIST
The big question on this Election Night is whether Republicans will take back the House after being out of power since the Democrats’ 2006 wave election. The following list is a Political Unit ranking of each party’s best targets for takeover. The Democratic seats are grouped by severity of the potential storm headed their way. “Category 1 Hurricane” seats are ones the GOP most likely flips even in a low-end storm; “Category 3” are the next wave; and “Category 5” are the ones that could go if it’s a huge night for Republicans.

GOP TARGETS

**CATEGORY 1 Hurricane**
1. TN-6 (D-Open-Gordon) PROBABLE R
2. LA-3 (D-Open-Melancon) PROBABLE R
3. AR-2 (D-Open-Snyder) PROBABLE R
4. NY-29 (D-Open-Massa) PROBABLE R
5. OH-15 (D-Kilroy) LEAN R
6. OH-1 (D-Driehaus) LEAN R
7. KS-3 (D-Open-Moore) LEAN R
8. CO-4 (D-Markey) LEAN R
9. FL-24 (D-Kosmas) LEAN R
10. IN-8 (D-Open-Ellsworth) LEAN R
11. PA-3 (D-Dahlkemper) LEAN R
12. MD-1 (D-Kratovil) LEAN R
13. VA-2 (D-Nye) LEAN R
14. VA-5 (D-Perrinello) LEAN R
15. PA-7 (D-Sestak-Open) LEAN R
16. TX-17 (D-Edwards) LEAN R
17. TN-8 (D-Open-Tanner) LEAN R
18. NV-3 (D-Titus) LEAN R
19. WI-8 (D-Kagen) LEAN R
20. AZ-5 (D-Mitchell) TOSS UP
21. OH-16 (D-Boccieri) TOSS UP
22. NM-2 (D-Teague) TOSS UP
23. IL-11 (D-Halvorson) TOSS UP
24. AZ-1 (D-Kirkpatrick) TOSS UP
25. FL-2 (D-Boyd) TOSS UP
26. PA-11 (D-Kanjorski) TOSS UP
27. MI-1 (D-Open-Stupak) TOSS UP

**CATEGORY 3 Hurricane**
28. NH-1 (D-Shea-Porter) TOSS UP
29. AR-1 (D-Open-Berry) TOSS UP
30. FL-8 (D-Grayson) TOSS UP
31. IL-14 (D-Foster) TOSS UP
32. PA-8 (D-Murphy) TOSS UP
33. MI-AL (D-Pomeroy) TOSS UP
34. SC-5 (D-Spratt) TOSS UP
35. WA-3 (D-Open-Baird) TOSS UP

DEM TARGETS

1. LA-2 (R-Cao) PROBABLE D
2. DE-AL (R-Open-Castle) PROBABLE D
3. IL-10 (R-Open-Kirk) TOSS UP
4. HI-1 (R-Djou) TOSS UP
5. FL-25 (R-Diaz-Balart) TOSS UP
6. CA-3 (R-Lungren) LEAN R
7. FL-12 (R-Open-Putnam) LEAN R
8. PA-15 (R-Dent) LEAN R
9. WA-8 (R-Reichert) LEAN R
10. AL-5 (R-Open-Griffith) LEAN R
11. OH-12 (R-Tiberi) PROBABLE R
12. PA-6 (R-Gerlach) PROBABLE R
13. CA-45 (R-Bono-Mack) PROBABLE R
14. CA-44 (R-Calvert) PROBABLE R
15. MI-3 (R-Open-Ehlers) PROBABLE R
16. MN-6 (R-Bachmann) PROBABLE R
17. AZ-3 (R-Open-Shadegg) PROBABLE R
18. NE-2 (R-Terry) PROBABLE R
19. SC-2 (R-Wilson) PROBABLE R

**FAST FACT…**
There are **115** Democratic-held seats that are potentially competitive versus just **19** Republican seats.
36. MS-1 (D-Childers) TOSS UP
37. NH-2 (D-Open-Hodes) TOSS UP
38. SD-AL (D-Herseth-Sandlin) TOSS UP
39. MI-7 (D-Schauer) TOSS UP
40. NY-19 (D-Hall) TOSS UP
41. WI-7 (D-Open-Obey) TOSS UP
42. IN-9 (D-Hill) TOSS UP
43. AL-2 (D-Bright) TOSS UP
44. CA-11 (D-McNerney) TOSS UP
45. AZ-8 (D-Giffords) TOSS UP
46. CO-3 (D-Salazar) TOSS UP
47. NY-24 (D-Arcuri) TOSS UP
48. PA-10 (D-Carney) TOSS UP
49. NY-23 (D-Owens) TOSS UP
50. IL-17 (D-Hare) TOSS UP
51. FL-22 (D-Klein) TOSS UP
52. WV-1 (D-Open-Mollohan) TOSS UP

CATEGORY 5 Hurricane
53. GA-8 (D-Marshall) TOSS UP
54. GA-2 (D-Bishop) TOSS UP
55. OH-18 (D-Space) TOSS UP
56. TX-23 (D-Rodriguez) TOSS UP
57. KY-6 (D-Chandler) TOSS UP
58. NJ-3 (D-Adler) TOSS UP
59. MO-4 (D-Skelton) TOSS UP
60. IA-3 (D-Boswell) TOSS UP
61. NM-1 (D-Heinrich) TOSS UP
62. TN-4 (D-Davis) TOSS UP
63. NY-20 (D-Murphy) TOSS UP
64. MA-10 (D-Open-Delahunt) TOSS UP
65. OH-6 (D-Wilson) TOSS UP
66. AZ-7 (D-Grijalva) TOSS UP
67. MS-4 (D-Taylor) TOSS UP
68. ID-1 (D-Minnick) LEAN D
69. OR-5 (D-Schrader) LEAN D
70. NC-7 (D-McIntyre) LEAN D
71. IN-2 (D-Donnelly) LEAN D
72. NY-1 (D-Bishop) LEAN D
73. WA-2 (D-Larsen) LEAN D
74. OH-13 (D-Sutton) LEAN D
75. IA-2 (D-Loebsack) LEAN D
76. IA-1 (D-Braley) LEAN D
77. NC-8 (D-Kissell) LEAN D
78. NC-11 (D-Shuler) LEAN D
79. MI-9 (D-Peters) LEAN D
80. CO-7 (D-Perlmutter) LEAN D
81. WI-3 (D-Kind) LEAN D
82. PA-12 (D-Critz) LEAN D
83. MN-8 (D-Oberstar) LEAN D
84. RI-1 (D-Kennedy) LEAN D
85. VA-9 (D-Boucher) LEAN D
86. CA-47 (D-Lo.Sanchez) LEAN D
87. CT-4 (D-Himes) LEAN D
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89. MI-15 (D-Dingell) LEAN D
90. MA-4 (D-Frank) LEAN D
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95. WV-3 (D-Rahall) LEAN D
96. NY-13 (D-McMahon) LEAN D
97. PA-17 (D-Holden) PROBABLE D
98. AR-4 (D-Ross) PROBABLE D
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103. KY-3 (D-Yarmuth) PROBABLE D
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105. UT-2 (D-Matheson) PROBABLE D
106. WA-9 (D-Smith) PROBABLE D
107. ME-2 (D-Michaud) PROBABLE D
108. NJ-12 (D-Holt) PROBABLE D
109. MO-3 (D-Carnahan) PROBABLE D
110. NY-4 (D-McCarthy) PROBABLE D
111. TX-27 (D-Ortiz) PROBABLE D
112. MA-5 (D-Tsongas) PROBABLE D
113. NY-22 (D-Hinchey) PROBABLE D
114. CA-18 (D-Carloza) PROBABLE D
115. CA-20 (D-Costa) PROBABLE D
SENATE OVERVIEW

By the numbers:
Current breakdown: 57 D, 41 R, 2 Ind. (both caucus with the Democrats)
- 37 Senate races
- 15 open seats
- 6 appointed senators

The 37 Senate races is the most since 1962, because there are six appointed senators.

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TOP TAKEOVERS
(by likelihood of party switch)

1. North Dakota (D)
2. Arkansas (D)
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15. Alaska (R)
16. Florida (R)
17. New Hampshire (R)
18. Ohio (R)
19. Delaware (D)
20. North Carolina (R)
21. Louisiana (R)
Incumbent Sen. Richard Shelby (R) vs. attorney William Barnes (D)

Analysis: Shelby is the overwhelming favorite to win a fifth term.

Prior election result: Shelby 68%, Wayne Sowell (D) 32%. Presidential: McCain 60%-39%

Sen. Richard Shelby (R)

First elected 1986
Age: 76, b. May 6, 1934, Birmingham, AL
Home: Tuscaloosa, AL
Education: Univ. of Alabama (B.A. 1957, LL.B. 1963)
Religion: Presbyterian
Family: Married (Annette, two children)
Money: $4.7 million raised; $17.2 million cash on hand (as of 6/30/10)

William Barnes (D), attorney

Age: 61, b. Dec. 15, 1948, b. Lumberton, NC
Home: Clay, AL
Religion: Episcopalian
Family: Married (Tamea, two daughters: Stephanie, Katherine)
Money: Barnes had not reported any financial activity as of Sept. 20, 2010
Tea Party-backed businessman Joe Miller (R) vs. incumbent Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-write-in) vs. Sitka Mayor Scott McAdams (D)

Analysis: This is one of two fascinating three-way Senate contests this cycle. Miller, the Republican nominee, upset incumbent Sen. Murkowski in the GOP primary. The Democratic nominee is McAdams. The wild card here is Murkowski, who decided to mount a write-in campaign. But no one has won a write-in campaign for Senate since Strom Thurmond did it in 1954. Miller has wrapped himself in the flag of the Tea Party, while Murkowski has called him an “extremist” for wanting to phase out Social Security and for vowing not to pursue federal dollars for transportation and infrastructure. A story to watch: Do Miller and Murkowski splitting Republican votes end up benefiting McAdams, even in this solidly red state? Also, the race is a continuation of the feud between the Murkowski clan and Sarah Palin, who defeated Murkowski’s father in 2006 and who backed Miller in the primary.

It’s important to note, we will not know the winner of this race on election night because of the counting procedures in the state for a write-in candidate.

Prior election result: Murkowski 49% (R), Knowles (D) 47%. Presidential: McCain 60%-38%

Joe Miller (R), fmr Fairbanks city attorney

Age: 43, b. May 10, 1967, Osborne, KS
Home: Fairbanks, AK
Religion: Christian
Family: Married (Kathleen, eight children: Kelsey, Katy, Joseph, Jake, Josh, Kassia, James, Kristianna)
Money: $283,000 raised, $84,000 cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R, write-in)

Appointed Dec. 2002, elected in 2004
Age: 53, b. May 22, 1957, Ketchikan, AK
Home: Anchorage, AK
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Verne, two children)
Money: $2.9 million raised, $1.7 million cash on hand (through 8/4/10)
Scott McAdams (D), Mayor of Sitka

Age: 40, b. Oct. 10, 1960
Home: Sitka, AK
Education: BA, secondary education, Sheldon Jackson College, 2000
Religion: Methodist
Family: Married (Romee, three children)
Career: Mayor of Sitka 2008-present; Dir. of Community Schools, Sitka School District; Commercial Fishing Deckhand

Money: $17,000 raised, $6,000 cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

NOTABLE FACTS

- Adopted member of the Tlingit Dakl’aweidi Clan; his second name is Keet Yiyaagu or “boat-size killer whale”
- Was student body president at Sheldon Jackson College
- Worked as a commercial fishing deckhand
- Made a splash with a TV ad, using a Hulk tie – popular with the late-Sen. Ted Stevens.
- Played right tackle on his high school football team
ARIZONA (R-McCain)  

Incumbent Sen. John McCain (R) vs. former Tucson Vice Mayor Rodney Glassman (D)

**Analysis:** For McCain, the hard part was winning his GOP primary against J.D. Hayworth, whom he easily beat. McCain is expected to cruise to a fifth term.

**Prior election result:** McCain 77%, Stuart Starky 21%. **Presidential:** McCain 54%-45%

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**Sen. John McCain (R)**

First elected 1986  
Age: 74, b. Aug. 29, 1936, Panama Canal Zone  
Home: Phoenix, AZ  
Religion: Episcopalian  
Family: Married (Cindy, seven children: Doug, Sidney, Andy, Meghan, Jack, Jimmy, Bridget)  
Money: $18.2 million raised; $1.5 million cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

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**Rodney Glassman (D), fmr. Tucson vice mayor**

Age: 32, b. May 7, 1978, Westwood, CA  
Home: Tucson, AZ  
Education: B.S., Agricultural Economics, Univ. of Arizona, 1999; M.B.A., Univ. of Arizona, 2001; M.P.A., Univ. of Arizona, 2002; PhD., Arid Land Resource Sciences, University of Arizona, 2005; J.D., Univ. of Arizona, 2007  
Religion: Jewish  
Family: Married (Sasha, expecting child)  
Career: Founder, Glassman Foundation; First lieutenant, U.S. Air Force JAG Reserves Corps, 2009-present; Tucson City Council, Ward 2, 2007-10; Financial Advisor, Wells Fargo Advisors, 2008-09; Consultant to KB Home Tucson Division President, John Bremond, 2004-07; Show host, Consider This, 2006-07; Leg. Aide for Business and Agriculture, Office of Rep. Raul Grijalva, 2003-06; GM, Gateway Ice Center, 1997-04  
Money: $1.2 million raised, $578,000 cash on hand (through 8/4/10)
Incumbent Sen. Blanche Lincoln (D) vs. Rep. John Boozman (R)

**Analysis:** Lincoln survived one scare -- her Democratic primary against Lt. Gov. Bill Halter, which Lincoln won in a bit of an upset -- but faces an even steeper challenge in her general election race against Boozman, who enjoys a large lead in the polls. Lincoln’s troubles can probably be boiled down to this: Arkansas, Bill Clinton’s home state, is becoming increasingly Republican. In 2008, Obama won just 39% of the vote in the state.

**Prior election result:** Lincoln 56%, Jim Holt (R) 44%. **Presidential:** McCain 59%-39%

### Sen. Blanche Lincoln (D)

First elected 1998  
**Age:** 50, b. Sept. 30, 1960, Helena, AR  
**Home:** Little Rock, AR  
**Education:** Attended, Univ. of Arkansas; B.A., Randolph-Macon Woman's College, 1982  
**Religion:** Episcopalian  
**Family:** Married (Steve, two twin boys: Reece, Bennett)  
**Money:** $9.5 million raised, $1.9 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

### Rep. John Boozman (R)

**Age:** 59, b. Dec. 10, 1950, Shreveport, LA  
**Home:** Rogers, AR  
**Education:** Univ. of Arkansas, 1969-72, Southern College of Optometry, O.D. 1977.  
**Religion:** Baptist (evangelical Christian)  
**Family:** Married (Cathy, three children)  
**Career:** U.S. House of Reps., 2001-present; Optometrist, 1977-01; Rogers Public Schools Board of Education, 1994-01  
**Money:** $1.5 million raised, $484,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Youngest woman elected to Senate at age 38; first woman elected to Senate from Arkansas in 66 years
- Won election to the U.S. House at just 31; defeated her former boss
- Former lobbyist
- Chair, Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee
- Father and brother are sixth and seventh generation farmers

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Played football at the University of Arkansas as an offensive guard
- Optometrist
- Asst. Minority Whip of the House
- Sponsored a bill to display the Ten Commandments in the U.S. House and Senate
- Voted against Voting Rights Act
- Sponsored legislation making English the U.S.'s official language
- Favors weakening restrictions on churches' political activities
- Sponsored, then withdrew Wal-Mart-backed legislation upping truckers' maximum work hours from 14 to 16 hours, tagged "sweatshop on wheels by critics"
- Son of Master Sgt. in Air Force
Incumbent Sen. Barbara Boxer (D) vs. ex-Hewlett-Packard CEO Carly Fiorina (R)

Analysis: In what might be the nastiest Senate race of the cycle, incumbent Boxer is receiving a competitive challenge from Fiorina. Boxer has attacked her GOP opponent for laying off thousands of HP employees but then later landing with a golden parachute. Boxer also has blasted Fiorina’s opposition to abortion rights.

For her part, Fiorina has criticized Boxer’s long service in Washington, as well as her support for the health-care law and the economic stimulus. She also aired a TV ad highlighting Boxer dressing down a U.S. general for calling her “ma’am.” The race will come down to this: What is worse -- being a longtime senator in this anti-Democratic environment, or being a conservative Republican in the blue state of California?

Prior election result: Boxer (D) 58%, Bill Jones (R) 38%. Presidential: Obama 61%-37%

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D)
First elected 1992
Age: 69, b. Nov. 11, 1940, Brooklyn, NY
Home: Rancho Mirage, CA
Education: B.A., Economics, Brooklyn College, 1962
Religion: Jewish
Family: Married (Stewart, two children: Doug, Nicole)
Career: U.S. Senate, 1993-present; U.S. House of Reps., 1983-92; President, Marin County Board of Supervisors, 1977-83; Congressional Aide, 1974-76; Assoc. Editor, Pacific Sun Newspaper, 1972-74; Stockbroker, Wall Street Securities Firm, 1962-65
Money: $13 million raised, $11.3 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Carly Fiorina (R), fmr. HP CEO
Age: 56, b. Sept. 6, 1954, Austin, TX
Home: Los Altos Hills, CA
Education: B.A./B.S., Stanford University (medieval history and philosophy); M.B.A., Univ. of Maryland; M.S., Business, MIT Sloan Schol of Management
Religion: Protestant
Family: Married (Frank, two daughters)
Career: Chairman/CEO, Hewlett-Packard, 1999-05; AT&T and Lucent Technologies.
Money: $10.6 million raised, $953,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)
#6 COLORADO (D-Bennet)  

Incumbent Sen. Michael Bennet (D) vs. Weld County District Attorney Ken Buck (R)

Analysis: In the last few election cycles, there has been no state in the country where Democrats have enjoyed more success than in Colorado: In ’04, Dems won a competitive Senate seat; in ’06, they won the gubernatorial contest; and in ’08, they won the state in the presidential contest and picked up another Senate seat. But in November, Democrats face a serious test to hold on to this Senate seat.

Bennet, who was appointed to fill out the remainder of Ken Salazar’s term, survived a primary challenge from former Colorado House Speaker Andrew Romanoff. Buck, meanwhile, rode the Tea Party wave to defeat Lt. Gov. Jane Norton in the GOP primary. In Buck’s favor in this general-election contest is the national political environment; benefiting Bennet is a weak GOP gubernatorial nominee (Dan Maes) running on the top of the ticket. In the campaign back-and-forth, Buck and Republicans have blasted Bennet over being the “Washington candidate” and over his votes for the health-care law. Meanwhile, Bennet and the Democrats have hit Buck over his support for privatizing Social Security and his opposition to abortion rights.

Prior election result: Salazar 51%, Pete Coors (R) 47%. Presidential: Obama 54%-45%

Sen. Michael Bennet (D)

First appointed Jan. 2009  
Age: 45, b. Nov. 28, 1964, New Delhi, India  
Home: Denver, CO  
Religion: No affiliation; mother was Jewish  
Family: Married (Susan, three children: Caroline, Halina, and Anne)  
Career: U.S. Senate, 2009-present; Superintendent, Denver Public Schools, 2005-09; Chief of staff, Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper, 2003-05; Managing director, Anschultz Investment Co., 1997-03; Deputy attorney general; U.S. Department of Justice, 1995-97  
Money: $7.7 million raised, $1.8 million cash on hand (through 7/21/10)

Ken Buck (R), district atty

Age: 51, b. Feb. 16, 1959, Ossining, NY  
Home: Greenley, CO  
Education: B.A., Politics, Princeton, 1981; J.D., Univ. of Wyoming, 1985  
Religion: Christian  
Family: Married (Perry, two children)  
Money: $1.3 million raised, $438,000 cash on hand (through 7/21/10)

NOTABLE FACTS

- Father-Douglas, was aide to amb. to India, aide to VP Hubert Humphrey, asst. Sec. State under Carter, and later president of NPR
- Brother, James, is editor of The Atlantic Monthly
- Attended St. Albans school in DC
- Diagnosed with dyslexia as a child; left back in second grade
- Editor in Chief, Yale Law Journal
- Counsel to Dep. Atty Gen. in Clinton admin.
- Moved to Denver in 1997, wife worked as a lawyer for Sierra Legal Defense Fund; he worked for an investment firm headed by a political conservative

NOTABLE FACTS

- Worked as truck driver, HS football coach, ranch hand, school janitor, paper boy, furniture mover, law professor, prosecutor, and businessman
- Vowed to never vote for a tax increase if elected
- Caught on live mic, urging "those dumbasses at the Tea Party to stop asking questions about birth certificates while I’m on camera."
- During his GOP primary, controversially said, Republicans should vote for him because he doesn’t “wear high heels.”
Incumbent Sen. Chris Dodd (D) is retiring.

Attorney General Richard Blumenthal (D) vs. Fmr WWE CEO Linda McMahon (R)

Analysis: Let’s get ready to rumble. In the race to succeed retiring Sen. Chris Dodd (D), both Blumenthal and McMahon are flawed candidates. Earlier in the year, Blumenthal’s candidacy was dogged by a New York Times report on misstatements he made about his military record, while the violence and steroids associated with WWE have been problematic for McMahon in this Democratic-leaning state.

In their back-and-forth, McMahon has criticized Blumenthal’s support for the cap-and-trade energy legislation and for taking money from “special interests.” Blumenthal, meanwhile, has accused McMahon of laying off 10% of her workforce but making millions in profit (“Linda McMahon -- profits before people,” goes one of his TV ads).

Prior election result: Chris Dodd (D) 66%, Jack Orchulli (R) 32%. Presidential: Obama 61%-38%

Richard Blumenthal (D), state attorney gen.

Age: 64, b. Feb. 13, 1946, Brooklyn, NY
Home: Greenwich, CT
Religion: Jewish
Family: Married (Cynthia, four children)
Money: $3.5 million raised, $2.1 million on hand (through 6/30/2010)

Linda McMahon (R), fmr WWE CEO

Age: 62, b. Oct 4, 1948, New Bern, NC
Home: Greenwich, CT
Education: B.S./Teacher Certification, French, East Carolina Univ., 1969
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Vince, two children: Shane, Stephanie)
Career: Appointed, CT Board of Education, 2009; Fmr. CEO, World Wrestling Entertainment, 1997-09
Money: $22.1 million raised, $761,000 cash on hand (through 7/21/10)
Incumbent Ted Kaufman (D) retiring.

New Castle Cty Exec. Chris Coons (D) vs. Fmr marketing consultant/TV personality Christine O’Donnell (R)

Analysis: Republicans were in command of winning Joe Biden’s old Senate seat after the vice president’s son, Beau, declined to run, and after U.S. Rep. (and former Gov.) Mike Castle jumped into the race. Then the unexpected happened: O’Donnell, a perennial candidate, upset Castle in the GOP primary. Since then, the race has received national attention for controversial and odd comments O’Donnell has made in the past (like dabbling in witchcraft, condemning masturbation, saying that evolution is a myth), as well as for embellishments on her resume. And the Democratic nominee, Coons, is viewed as the front-runner.

Prior election result: Joe Biden (D) 65%, O’Donnell 35%. Presidential: Obama 62%-37%

Chris Coons (D), New Castle County exec.

Age: 47, b. Sept. 9, 1963, Greenwich, CT
Home: Wilmington, DE
Education: B.A., Chemistry/Political Science, Amherst College, 1985; Master’s, Ethics, Yale, 1992; J.D., Yale, 1992
Religion: Presbyterian
Family: Married (Annie, three children: Michael, Jack, Maggie)
Career: Cty Exec., New Castle County, 2005-present; President, New Castle Co. Council, 2000-04; Atty, W.L. Gore and Associates, 1996-05
Money: $1.6 million raised, $678,000 cash on hand (through 8/25/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Father was a food industry exec
- Family declared bankruptcy in the mid-1970s
- Two-time national debate champion at Yale
- Volunteered in 1980 for Reagan’s presidential campaign
- Helped found the Amherst College Republicans but later switched to the Democratic Party
- Political ideology shifted between jr and sr years at college after traveling to Kenya
- Questioned Reagan’s willingness to trade with then-segregated South Africa

Christine O’Donnell (R), marketing consultant

Age: 41, b. Aug. 27, 1969, Philadelphia, PA
Home: Wilmington, DE
Education: Fairleigh Dickinson Univ., 2010
Religion: Catholic
Family: Single
Career: Marketing/Media Consultant, Saviors Alliance for Lifting the Truth (SALT); Marketing Coordinator, RNC, 1990s; Political Consultant; conservative TV pundit
Money: $260,000 raised, $20,000 cash on hand (through 8/25/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Called evolution “a myth”
- Said scientists were creating mice with human brains
- Appeared regularly in the 1990s on “Politically Incorrect”
- First candidate ever to declare, “I'm not a witch” in a campaign ad after it was revealed she'd said she “dabbled in witchcraft.”
- Said one of her first dates was on Satanic altar
Incumbent George LeMieux (R) is retiring.

Former state House Speaker Marco Rubio (R) vs. Gov. Charlie Crist (I) vs. Rep. Kendrick Meek (D)

Analysis: This is the other great three-way Senate race, featuring Rubio (the GOP nominee), Meek (the Dem nominee), and Crist (who’s running as an independent). Crist and Rubio originally were competing in the GOP primary, but after Crist -- who openly supported President Obama’s stimulus -- concluded he couldn’t win the GOP contest, he decided to run as an independent.

This three-way contest comes down to who can get 38% to 40% of the vote. Can Rubio get there by winning an overwhelming majority of Republicans and a few independents? Can Meek win by owning the Democratic vote? Or can Crist win by patching together a coalition of Republicans, independents, and Democrats? In their TV ads, Meek has emphasized that he’s the true Democrat in the race; Rubio has portrayed himself as the Washington outsider; and Crist has highlighted his independence from both political parties: “As an independent, I will take the best ideas of Democrats and Republicans to get things done,” Crist says.

Prior election result: Martinez (R) 49%, Betty Castor (D) 48%. Presidential: Obama 51%-48%

**Marco Rubio (R), fmr. state House speaker**

Age: 39, b. May 28, 1971, Miami, FL  
Home: West Miami, FL  
Education: Attended Tarkio College in Missouri, Santa Fe Comm Coll; B.S. Univ. of Florida, 1993; J.D. Univ. of Miami (cum laude), 1996  
Religion: Baptist  
Family: Married (Jeannette, four children: Amanda Loren, Danielle, Anthony, Dominic)  
Career: Political Analyst, Univision, 2008; Speaker, FL House of Reps., 2006-08; FL House of Reps., 2000-08; attorney; visiting professor, Florida Int’l Univ.  
Money: $12.8 million raised, $4.5 million cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

**Gov. Charlie Crist (I)**

Age: 54, b. July 24, 1956, Altoona, PA  
Home: St. Petersburg, FL  
Religion: Methodist  
Family: Married (Carole)  
Money: $12.5 million raised, $8 million cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Son of Cuban immigrants who fled after Fidel Castro took power  
- Parents moved to Las Vegas in 1979 and back to Miami in 1985; father worked as a bartender and school crossing guard, mother a maid and Kmart stock clerk  
- Went to college on a football scholarship before transferring  
- Considers former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush his mentor  
- Started his political career in 1996 when hired for Bob Dole’s pres. campaign after suggesting a ticket including Jack Kemp

- Given the nickname “Chain Gang Charlie” in FL Senate for his tough stance on crime  
- In HS, was a starting quarterback and class president; played football at Wake Forest before transferring to Florida St.  
- Worked as general counsel for Minor League Baseball after three tries at the Florida bar  
- Father shortened family name from Christodoulos to Crist  
- Was on McCain’s VP short list  
- Claims to swim 20 laps, do 250 crunches a day, and eat just one meal a day. His favorite indulgence: wings, “kind of hot”
Rep. Kendrick Meek (D)

Age: 44, b. Sept. 6, 1966, Miami, FL
Home: Miami, FL
Education: B.S. Criminal Justice, Florida A&M, 1989
Religion: Baptist
Family: Married (Leslie, two children: Lauren, Kendrick Jr.)
Money: $7.3 million raised, $2.6 million cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

NOTABLE FACTS

- Won his mother's (Rep. Carrie P. Meek) seat in Congress when she retired
- Beat billionaire Jeff Greene in the Dem Senate primary
- First statewide candidate to qualify for the FL ballot by gathering signatures
- Strongly supported the controversial Israeli raid on a flotilla in 2010
Incumbent Sen. Johnny Isakson (R) vs. state labor committee member Michael Thurmond (D)

Analysis: Isakson is expected to easily win a second term.

Prior election result: Isakson 58%, Denise Majette (D) 40%. Presidential: McCain 52%-47%

**Sen. Johnny Isakson (R)**

First elected 2004  
Age: 65, b. Dec. 28, 1944, Atlanta, GA  
Home: Marietta, GA  
Education: B.B.A., Univ. of Georgia, 1966  
Religion: Methodist  
Family: Married (Dianne, three children: John, Kevin, Julie)  
Money: $122,000 raised, $101,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

**Michael Thurmond (D), state labor commis.**

Age: 57, b. January 5, 1953, Athens, GA  
Home: Decatur, GA  
Religion: Baptist  
Family: Married (Zola, one child: Mikaya)  
Career: Labor Commissioner, GA, 1998-present; practitioner/lecturer, Univ. of Georgia’s Carl Vinson Institute of Gov’t, 1997; atty, 1978-86; author  
Money: $4.8 million raised, $4.9 million cash on hand (through June 30, 2010)

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- An original author of No Child Left Behind Act while in the House
- Volunteered for Barry Goldwater’s 1964 presidential campaign and Nixon’s in 1972
- Taught sixth-grade Sunday school at his church for 30 years

- Author, “Freedom: Georgia’s Antislavery Heritage, 1733-1865”
- Serves on the Board of Curators of the Georgia Historical Society
- If elected, would be GA’s first black senator and the first African-American senator from the South since Reconstruction
Incumbent Sen. **Daniel Inouye** (D) vs. former state Rep. **Cam Cavasso** (R)

**Analysis:** Inouye is the favorite to win a ninth term.

**Prior election result:** Inouye 76%, Cavasso 21%. **Presidential:** Obama 72%-27%

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**Sen. Daniel Inouye (D)**

First elected 1962  
Age: 86, b. Sept. 7, 1924, Honolulu, HI  
Home: Honolulu, HI  
Religion: Methodist  
Family: Married (Irene, one child: Daniel)  
Money: $3.5 million raised, $2 million cash on hand (through 8/29/10)

**Cam Cavasso (R), fmr. state Rep.**

Home: Waimanalo, HI  
Education: Attended, Univ. of Colorado; Attend Waseda Univ.; Degree, Kailua High School  
Religion: Christian  
Family: Married (Tula, five children)  
Career: HI House of Reps., 1984-90; Owner, Hydrossed Hawaii; Agent, Mass Mutual  
Money: $219,000 raised, $3,000 cash on hand (through 8/29/10)
IDAHO (R-Crapo)  

Incumbent Sen. Mike Crapo (R) vs. businessman Tom Sullivan (D)

**Analysis:** Crapo is expected to cruise to a third term.

**Prior election result:** Crapo, 99%. **Presidential:** McCain 61%-36%

**Sen. Mike Crapo (R)**

- First elected 1998
- **Age:** 59, b. May 20, 1951, Idaho Falls, ID
- **Home:** Idaho Falls, ID
- **Education:** B.A., Political Science, Brigham Young, 1973; J.D., Harvard, 1977
- **Religion:** Mormon
- **Family:** Married (Susan, five children: Michelle, Brian, Stephanie, Lara, Paul)
- **Money:** $2.6 million raised, $3 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

**Tom Sullivan (D), owner, credit card processor**

- **Age:** 42, b. April 15, 1968, Des Moines, IA
- **Home:** Driggs, ID
- **Education:** GED
- **Religion:** Catholic
- **Family:** Married (Kelly, two children: Aidan, Liam)
- **Career:** Owner, Ivan Financial; partner, Valley Citizen newspaper
- **Money:** $37,000 raised, $0 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

**NOTABLE FACTS**
- Returns to Idaho Falls to be with his family every weekend
- Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions
- Prostate cancer survivor

**NOTABLE FACTS**
- Son of Korean War vet
- Has never run for political office
- He and his wife owe the IRS between $470,000 and $525,000 because of recent losses from his credit card processing business

Analysis: The story behind this Senate seat -- held by Barack Obama before he became president -- hasn't been boring. First, then-Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich (D) was indicted for allegedly trying to sell the seat to the highest bidder (though a jury didn’t convict him on that charge). Then Blagojevich controversially appointed Roland Burris to the seat, but Burris later decided not to run for election. In this Toss Up contest, both Giannoulias and Kirk have their flaws: Kirk and Republicans have attacked Giannoulias over his work at his family's failed bank, while Giannoulias and Democrats have highlighted numerous misstatements by Kirk about his military record and resume.

Prior election result: Obama (D) 70%, Alan Keyes (27%). Presidential: Obama 62%-37%

Rep. Mark Kirk (R)

Age: 51, b. Sept. 15, 1959, Champaign-Urbana, IL
Home: Highland Park, IL
Religion: Congregationalist
Family: Divorced
Money: $2.9 million raised, $3.9 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- First member of the House since 1942 to serve in an imminent danger zone, when he was deployed to Afghanistan
- Has done tours of duty in Turkey, Serbia, Bosnia, Haiti, and Panama with the Navy Reserves
- Member of the House Appropriations Committee

Alexi Giannoulias (D), state treasurer

Age: 34, b. March 16, 1976, Chicago, IL
Home: Chicago, IL
Education: B.S., Economics, Boston Univ., 1998; J.D., Tulane, 2002
Religion: Greek Orthodox
Family: Single
Career: Treasurer, IL, 2006-present; VP/Senior Loan Officer, Broadway Bank. 2002-06
Money: $5.7 million raised, $1 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Played professional basketball in Greece from 1998-99
- Met President Obama a decade ago while playing basketball
- Didn't cast his first ballot until Obama's 2004 Senate run
- His family's bank, Broadway Bank (where he was an officer), failed, and loans the bank made have been an issue
- Was youngest state treasurer in the nation
#3 INDIANA (D-Open-Bayh)               NBC Rating: Probable R

Incumbent Evan Bayh (D) is retiring. Rep. Brad Ellsworth (D) vs. former Sen. Dan Coats (R)

Analysis: Republicans caught a break when incumbent Bayh announced that he wouldn’t be running for re-election. That spurred Coats, who once held this very Senate seat, to jump into the race, and Coats won his party’s nomination in May. Despite Coats’ past work as a highly paid lobbyist, Republicans have the overwhelming advantage in this race due to the national environment -- even though Obama won Indiana in the 2008 presidential race. In their battle over the airwaves, Coats has whacked Ellsworth voting for the stimulus and the health-care law, while Ellsworth has highlighted his outsider status (as a former sheriff) while downplaying his two terms in Congress.

Prior election result: Evan Bayh 62%, Marvin Scott 37%. Presidential: Obama 50%-49%

Dan Coats (R), fmr. U.S. Senator

Age: 67, b. May 16, 1943, Jackson, MI
Home: Indianapolis, IN
Religion: Presbyterian
Family: Married (Marsha, three children)
Money: $2.1 million raised, $1.1 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Rep. Brad Ellsworth (D)

Age: 52, b. Sept 11, 1958, Huntingburg, IN
Home: Evansville, IN
Education: B.S., Sociology, Univ. of Southern Indiana, 1981; FBI National Academy; M.A., Criminology, Indiana State Univ.-Terra Haute
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Beth, one child)
Career: U.S. House of Reps., 2007-present; Sheriff, Vanderburgh Co. Sheriff’s Office, 1998-06; Vanderburgh Co. Sheriff’s Office, 1982-06; Founder/Officer, Drug Abuse Resistance Education program; Evansville/Vanderburgh School Corp.
Money: $1.7 million raised, $1.2 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)
IOWA (R-Grassley)  

Incumbent Sen. Charles Grassley (R) vs. attorney Roxanne Conlin (D)

**Analysis:** Grassley is heavily favored to win a sixth term.

**Prior election result:** Grassley 70%, Arthur Small (D) 28%. **Presidential:** Obama 54%-45%

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**Sen. Charles Grassley (R)**

- First elected 1980
- **Age:** 77, b. Sept. 17, 1933, New Hartford, IA
- **Home:** New Hartford, IA
- **Education:** B.A., Univ. of Northern Iowa, 1955; M.A., Political Science, Univ. of Northern Iowa, 1956; Doctoral Studies, Univ. of Iowa, 1957-58
- **Religion:** Baptist
- **Family:** Married (Barbara, five children: Lee, Wendy, Robin, Michele, Jay)

**Career:** U.S. Senate, 1981-present; U.S. House, 1975-80; IA House of Reps., 1959-74; assembly line Worker, 1961-71; sheet metal shearer, 1959-61

**Money:** $4.6 million raised, $5.7 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

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**Roxanne Conlin (D), fmr. state Atty Gen/U.S. Atty**

- **Age:** 66, b. June 30, 1944, Huron, SD
- **Home:** Des Moines, IA
- **Education:** B.A., Drake Univ., 1964, J.D., Drake Univ., 1966
- **Religion:** Catholic
- **Family:** Married (Jim, four children)

**Career:** President, Roxanne Conlin and Associates 1991-present; U.S. Atty for the Southern District of IA, 1977-81; Adj. Prof., University of Iowa Law School, 1977-79; Consultant, State Dept., Commission on Int'l Year of the Woman, 1976-77; Dir., IA Civil Rights Division, Dept. of Justice; Atty General, IA, 1969-76; Deputy, Industrial Commissioner, 1967-68

**Money:** $2.2 million raised; $851,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Ranking Republican, Finance Committee
- Parents switched to the Republican Party when FDR ran for a third term in 1940
- Has held meetings in each of the state’s 99 counties every year that he has served in the Senate
- Was only 25 when he was first elected to the state House

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Earned her law degree at 21
- As Iowa AG, wrote first of its kind law protecting rape victims
- First female president of the American Trial Lawyers Association
- Grew up poor; worked as a waitress at 14 to help support her family
KANSAS (R-Open-Brownback)  
NBC Rating: Solid R

Incumbent Sen. Sam Brownback (R) is running for governor.

Rep. Jerry Moran (R) vs. College administrator Lisa Johnston (D)

Analysis: Moran is the favorite in this race. The real action in this contest was during the GOP primary, in which Moran defeated fellow Rep. Todd Tiahrt (R).

Prior election result: Brownback (R) 69%, Lee Jones (D) 27%. Presidential: McCain 57%-42%

Rep. Jerry Moran (R)  
Age: 51, b. May 29, 1959, Great Bend, KS  
Home: Hays, KS  
Education: B.S., Economics, Univ. of Kansas, 1976; J.D., Kansas Univ., 1981  
Religion: Methodist  
Family: Married (Robba, two children: Kelsey, Alex)  
Money: $2.7 million raised, $795,000 cash on hand (through 7/14/10)

Lisa Johnston (D), college administrator  
Home: Overland Park, KS  
Education: B.A., Psychology, Univ. of Central Missouri; M.S., Psychology, Univ. of Kansas; PhD, Educational Policy and Leadership, Univ. of Kansas  
Religion: Christian  
Family: Married (Kyle)  
Career: Asst. Dean, Baker Univ., 2003-present; Assoc. Dean, DeVry Univ., 1999-03; fmr. financial manager; teacher  
Money: $11,000 raised, $6,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)
Incumbent Sen. Jim Bunning (R) is retiring.

Attorney Gen. Jack Conway (D) vs. Ophthalmologist Rand Paul (R)

Analysis: This race to succeed retiring GOP Sen. Jim Bunning first gained national attention when Paul became the first Tea Party-backed candidate to win a GOP Senate primary by defeating establishment-backed Trey Grayson. The contest received even more attention when Paul -- appearing on MSNBC's "Rachel Maddow Show" -- said he opposed a portion of the 1964 Civil Rights Act. Afterward, Paul canceled his appearance on "Meet the Press" to discuss his primary win.

Conway, Paul's Democratic opponent, narrowly defeated Lt. Gov. Dan Mongiardo in the Dem primary. Paul and Republican groups have attacked Conway for supporting the health-care law, while Conway has blasted the libertarian Paul for being soft on non-violent crimes. In fact, Paul received criticism for saying that drug problems in the eastern part of the state weren't a pressing issue. He later said that he was concerned about drug use, but that government spending to combat it hasn't worked.

Prior election result: Bunning (R) 51%, Daniel Mongiardo (D) 49%. Presidential: McCain 58%-41%

Rand Paul (R), ophthalmologist

Age: 47, Jan. 7, 1963, Pittsburgh, PA
Home: Bowling Green, KY
Education: Attended Baylor Univ., as an undergraduate, but did not graduate; M.D., Ophthalmology, Duke
Religion: Presbyterian
Family: Married (Kelley, three children: Will, Duncan, Robert)
Career: Ophthalmologist, private practice, 1993-present; resident, Ophthalmology, Duke Medical Center; intern, general surgery, GA Baptist Medical Center
Money: $3.5 million raised, $795,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Jack Conway (D), state attorney general

Age: 41, b. July 5, 1969, Louisville, KY
Home: Louisville, KY
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Elizabeth, one child: Eva)
Money: $4 million raised, $703,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Analysis: A surprising development of the 2010 cycle: Despite being linked to the DC Madam prostitution scandal, incumbent Sen. David Vitter (R) doesn’t appear endangered against Rep. Charlie Melancon (pronounced meh-LON-sahn), national Democrats’ preferred candidate. In September, Melancon attacked Vitter on the prostitution scandal in a two-minute ad. Vitter faced a primary challenge from a former Supreme Court justice who also hit him on the scandal, but Vitter easily won that contest.

Prior election result: Vitter 51%, Chris John (D) 20%, John Kennedy (D) 15%. President: McCain 58%-41%

Sen. David Vitter (R)

First elected 2004
Age: 49, b. May 3, 1961, New Orleans, LA
Home: Metairie, LA
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Wendy, four children: Sophie, Lise, Airey, Jack)
Money: $7.2 million raised, $5.4 million cash on hand (through 8/8/10)

Rep. Charlie Melancon (D)

Home: Napoleonville, LA
Education: B.A., Agri-business, Univ. of Southwestern Louisiana, 1971
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Peachy, two children: Charles, Claire)
Money: $3.2 million raised, $2.2 million cash on hand (through 8/8/10)
MARYLAND (D-Mikulski)  

Incumbent Sen. **Barbara Mikulski** (D) vs. Queen Anne County Commission President **Eric Wargotz** (R)

**Analysis:** Mikulski is the heavy favorite here.

**Prior election result:** Mikulski 65%, E.J. Pipkin (R) 34%. **Presidential:** Obama 62%-37%

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**Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D)**

First elected 1986  
**Age:** 74, b. July 20, 1936, Baltimore, MD  
**Home:** Baltimore, MD  
**Education:** B.A., Mount Saint Agnes College, 1958; MSW, Univ. of Maryland, 1965.  
**Religion:** Roman Catholic  
**Family:** Single  
**Career:** U.S. Senate, 1986-present; U.S. House of Reps., 1976-86; Member, Baltimore City Council, 1971-76; prof. of Sociology, Loyola College, 1971-76; Asst. Chief, Community Organizing, Baltimore Dept. of Social Services, 1966-70; Social Worker, Catholic Charities/Baltimore Dept. of Social Services, 1958-63  
**Money:** $3.3 million raised, $2.9 million cash on hand (through 8/25/10)

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**Eric Wargotz (R), doctor**

**Age:** 53, b. Dec. 28, 1956, Akron, OH  
**Home:** Queenstown, MD  
**Education:** B.S., Rutgers, 1978; M.D., Ohio State Univ., 1983  
**Religion:** Interfaith Judeo Christian  
**Family:** Married (Chervi, three children)  
**Career:** Commissioner/Pres., Queen Anne’s Co. Board of Co. Commissioners 2006-present; Medical Dir./Chief of Pathology, Doctors Comm. Hospital, 1989-97; clinical prof. of pathology, George Washington Univ. Medical Center, 1986-87; fellow/employee, Dept. of Gynecological and Breast Pathology, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology; laboratory medical dir.; medical consultant/contractor  
**Money:** $773,000 raised, $544,000 cash on hand (through 8/25/10)
#13 MISSOURI (R-Open-Bond)          NBC Rating: Lean R

Secretary of State Robin Carnahan (D) vs. Rep. Roy Blunt (R)

Analysis: When Sen. Kit Bond (R) announced his retirement, it set off a competitive race here between two entrenched Missouri names – Secretary of State Robin Carnahan (D) and Congressman Roy Blunt (R). It’s a seat Democrats hope to flip. But in this environment, it’s an uphill battle for Carnahan. Blunt has hit Carnahan for her ties to Obama in a state Obama lost, and Carnahan has tried to hit Blunt for his ties to Washington and his vote for TARP.

Prior election result: Christopher Bond (R) 56%, Nancy Farmer (D) 43%. Presidential: McCain 50%-49%

Rep. Roy Blunt (R)

Age: 60, b. Jan., 10, 1950, Niangua, MO
Home: Strafford, MO
Education: B.A. Southwest Baptist Univ., 1950; M.A. Southwest Missouri State Univ., 1972
Religion: Baptist
Family: Married (Abigail, four children)
Money: $8.2 million raised, $4 million cash on hand (through 7/14/10)

Robin Carnahan (D), Missouri secretary of state

Age: 49, b. Aug., 4, 1961, Rolla, MO
Home: St. Louis, MO
Education: Attended, Univ. of Southampton; B.A., Economics, William Jewell College; J.D., Univ. of Virginia, 1986
Religion: Baptist
Family: Married (Juan)
Career: MO Secy of State, 2004-present; business atty, Thompson and Mitchell; pilot; farm manager; executive, Export-Import Bank of the United States; National Democratic Institute, 1990
Money: $7.3 million raised, $3.6 million cash on hand (through 7/14/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Father was a two-term governor and posthumously elected to the Senate after he died in a plane crash campaigning for the seat
- Mother, Jean, served in that Senate seat until 2002, becoming the first female to serve in U.S. Senate from Missouri
- Brother, Russ, is a congressman
- Grandfather, A.S.J., was a congressman and amb. to Sierra Leone under President Kennedy
- Manages her family’s 900-acre angus cattle farm
- Is a breast cancer survivor

NOTABLE FACTS
- Volunteered for John Ashcroft’s (R) unsuccessful campaign for Congress
- Lost to John Boehner (R-OH) in a 2006 GOP vote for majority leader
- One of the 10 original members of then-Texas Gov. George W. Bush’s presidential exploratory committee
- He and his second wife adopted a child from Russia in 2006
#8 NEVADA (D-Reid)          NBC Rating: Toss Up

Incumbent Sen. Harry Reid (D) vs. former state Rep. Sharron Angle (R)

Analysis: Setting the backdrop for this race, Nevada has the highest unemployment (14.4%) and foreclosure rates in the nation. (One in 84 households have been foreclosed.) Reid has been a Republican target for shepherding the Democratic agenda, and he is trying to avoid the same fate as majority leader Tom Daschle, who lost in 2004 to current Sen. John Thune. Reid caught a break when Tea Party candidate Angle won the primary. Tea Party Express buoyed her bid with campaign ads, and establishment favorite Sue Lowden, the former state GOP chairwoman, saw her numbers tank after touting bartering chickens for health care.

Angle has largely shut out the media, except for Fox News and conservative talk radio. She began the general election with little organization and money and brashly declared that her only reason to speak to the media is to use them as a vehicle for her to raise money. Polls have shown this to be a dead heat. Another thing to keep in mind here: Voters in Nevada have the option of “None of the Above” on the ballot. So neither Reid nor Angle need to get above 50% to win.

Prior election result: Reid 61%, Ziser (R) 35%. Presidential: Obama 55%-43%

Sen. Harry Reid (D)

First elected 1986  
Age: 70, b. Dec. 2, 1939, Searchlight, NV  
Home: Las Vegas, NV  
Religion: Mormon  
Family: Married (Landra, five children)  
Money: $13.8 million raised, $8.9 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Sharron Angle (R), fmr. state Rep.

Age: 61, b. July 26, 1949, Klamath Falls, OR  
Home: Reno, NV  
Education: B.A., Fine Arts, Univ. of Nevada, Reno  
Religion: Southern Baptist  
Family: Married (Theodore, two children: Joye, Vincent)  
Career: Manager, small business, 1987-present; NV Assembly, 1998-06; sexual harassment investigator, 1996; juvenile probation tutor and community service supervisor, 1989-96; lead teacher, Word of Light Christian Academy, 1983-84; instructor, Western Nevada Comm. College, 1977-83  
Money: $3.5 million raised, $1.8 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Grew up in rural Searchlight, NV, and claims to have regularly hitchhiked 40 miles to high school in Henderson, NV
- Father was a hard-rock miner; an alcoholic who killed himself at 58
- Mother did laundry for a local bordello
- Grew up in a small house with no indoor plumbing
- Worked nights as a Capitol Police officer to pay for law school
- As a young man, Reid was a middleweight boxer of local renown

NOTABLE FACTS
- Believes her Senate candidacy is “a calling” on a path laid out by God
- Switched from registered Republican to Democrat in 1984 before switching back to the GOP four years later
- Twice voted worst state Assembly member by legislators, lobbyists, and members of the press
- Wants to abolish the Dept of Education, called for use of “Second Amendment remedies” to “cure” Reid’s problems, and once favored outlawing alcohol.
- Worked as a substitute teacher and Christian school teacher
Incumbent Judd Gregg (R) is retiring. U.S. Rep. Paul Hodes (D) vs. former Attorney General Kelly Ayotte (R)

Analysis: Ayotte [pronounced long A-yacht] is favored over Congressman Paul Hodes (D) in this open seat. When Hodes began his campaign, he unabashedly supported the Democratic agenda, in particular health care. But fiscal issues have dominated this race. And as polls showed Hodes trailing Ayotte in the summer of 2010, he began calling himself a “fiscal conservative,” who would cut the “pork,” in a TV ad. In another ad, he proposes 10% pay cuts for Congress and the president. Ayotte’s message has been anti-Washington, and declares in an ad: “Stop the bailouts, stop the $1 trillion takeover of health care, stop the out-of-control spending that gave us a $13 trillion debt. ... Washington must stop.”

Prior election result: Judd Gregg (R) 66%, Doris Haddock (D) 34%. Presidential: Obama 61%-38%

Kelly Ayotte (R), state attorney general

Age: 42, b. June 27, 1968, Nashua, NH
Home: Nashua, NH
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Joseph, two children: Katherine, Jacob)
Money: $2.9 million raised, $823,000 cash on hand (through 8/25/10)

Rep. Paul Hodes (D)

Age: 59, b. March 21, 1951, New York, NY
Home: Concord, NH
Education: B.A., Dartmouth College, 1972; J.D., Boston College, 1978
Religion: Jewish
Family: Married (Peggo, two children: Max, Ariana)
Money: $3.8 million raised, $1.2 million cash on hand (through 8/25/10)
NEW YORK (D-Schumer)              NBC Rating: Solid D

Incumbent Sen. Chuck Schumer (D) vs. political consultant Jay Townsend (R)

Analysis: Schumer, who many see as a possible replacement Senate leader if Harry Reid in Nevada loses, is the heavy favorite against Townsend.

Prior election result: Schumer 71%, Howard Mills 24%. Presidential: Obama 63%-36%

Sen. Chuck Schumer (D)
First elected 1998  
Age: 59, b. Nov. 23, 1950, Brooklyn, NY  
Home: Brooklyn, NY  
Religion: Jewish  
Family: Married (Iris, two children: Jessica, Alison)  
Money: $16.1 million raised, $23.2 million cash on hand (through 8/25/10)

Jay Townsend (R), political consultant  
Age: 56, b. July 24, 1954, Ft. Meade, MD  
Home: Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY  
Education: Purdue: B.S., Economics/Political Science, 1976; M.S., Economics/Statistics, 1982  
Religion: Protestant  
Family: Married (Rebecca, three children)  
Career: Guest lecturer, U.S. Military Academy; Marketing Research Association, Marist Institute for Public Opinion; Owner, The Townsend Group, Inc., 1993-present; Partner, Dresner, Sykes, Jordan, Townsend, 1987-93; legislative aide, U.S. Senate  
Money: $162,000 raised, $11,000 cash on hand (through 8/25/10)
New York (D-Gillibrand)    NBC Rating: Probable D

Incumbent Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D) vs. former Rep. Joe DioGuardi (R)

Analysis: Republicans failed to recruit a top-tier challenger to incumbent Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D), who was appointed to the position after Hillary Clinton became Secretary of State. Gillibrand is favored over former Republican congressman Joe DioGuardi.

Prior election result: Hillary Clinton (D) 67%, John Spencer (R) 31%. Presidential: Obama 63%-36%

Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D)

[Image of Kirsten Gillibrand]

Appointed Jan. 2009
Age: 43, b. Dec. 9, 1966, Albany, NY
Home: Hudson, NY
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Jonathan, two children: Theo, Henry)
Career: U.S. Senate, 2009-present; U.S. House of Reps., 2006-09; Attorney, Boies, Schiller & Flexner, 1991-06; Special Counsel, U.S. Secretary of HUD, 2000; Law Clerk, Second Circuit Court of Appeals
Money: $11.3 million raised, $4.5 cash on hand (through 8/25/10)


[Image of Joe DioGuardi]

Age: 70, b. Sept. 20, 1940, Bronx, NY
Home: Ossining, NY
Education: B.S., College of Business Administration, Fordham University, 1962.
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Shirley, two children)
Money: $1.5 million raised, $946,000 cash on hand (through 8/25/10)
Incumbent Sen. Richard Burr (R) vs. Secretary of State Elaine Marshall (D)

Analysis: Despite Sen. Richard Burr’s (R) lackluster approval ratings, Democrats failed to field a top-tier challenger. Secretary of State Elaine Marshall (D) won the Democratic primary, but the polls show Burr the heavy favorite, especially in this political environment.

Prior election result: Burr 52%, Erskine Bowles (D) 47%. Presidential: Obama 50%-49%

Sen. Richard Burr (R)
First elected 2004
Age: 54, b. Nov. 30, 1955, Charlottesville, VA
Home: Winston-Salem, NC
Education: B.A., Wake Forest Univ., 1978
Religion: Methodist
Family: Married (Brooke, two children: Tyler, William)
Money: $6.7 million raised, $6.3 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Elaine Marshall (D), NC secretary of state
Age: 64, b. Nov. 18, 1945, Lineboro, MD
Home: Buies Creek, NC
Education: B.S., Textiles and Clothing, Univ. of Maryland, 1968; J.D., Campbell Univ., 1981
Religion: Methodist
Family: Married (Bill, five stepchildren)
Money: $1.1 million raised, $188,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)
Incumbent Sen. Byron Dorgan (D) is retiring. State Sen. Tracy Potter (D) vs. Gov. John Hoeven (R)

Analysis: When Dorgan announced his retirement, this seat shot to the top of Republicans' Senate takeover targets. And when popular Gov. Hoeven jumped in the race, it became all but a lock for the GOP.

Prior election result: Dorgan (D) 68%, Mike Liffrig (R) 32%. Presidential: McCain 53%-45%

Gov. John Hoeven (R)

Age: 43, b. March 13, 1957, Bismarck, ND
Home: Bismarck, ND
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Mikey, two children: Marcela, Jack)
Career: Governor, ND, 2000-present; Chair, District 47 ND Rep. Party, 1998-00; President/CEO, Bank of North Dakota, 1993-00; Exec. VP, First Western Bank, 1986-93
Money: $2.6 million raised, $1.6 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

State Sen. Tracy Potter (D)

Age: 60, b. June 23, 1950, Bismarck, ND
Home: Bismarck, ND
Education: B.A. History, Univ. of North Dakota; M.A., History, Univ. of North Dakota
Religion: Presbetaryan
Family: Married (Laura, two children: Vaughn, Jenny)
Money: $80,000 raised, $62,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)
Incumbent Sen. George Voinovich (R) is retiring.

Lt. Gov. Lee Fisher (D) vs. former Bush budget director/former Rep. Rob Portman (R)

Analysis: For Democrats, there are few states that present bigger problems up and down the ballot than Ohio. And that’s especially true in the Senate race to replace Voinovich. When Voinovich announced his retirement, Democrats saw this as a top target and a chance to test the power of an anti-Bush message – given that Portman, with his ties to Bush, is the GOP nominee. But Fisher, saw his chances fade over the summer, as poll after poll showed him down double-digits.

Jobs has been the main issue here in this state hard hit by the economy. Portman is on air attacking Fisher for touting his role as Ohio’s “point person” for “saving or creating jobs.” An announcer in Portman’s ad says, “What jobs? Under Lee Fisher Ohio’s lost nearly 400,000 jobs with a record number going to other states.” Portman has also criticized the House-passed energy plan “cap-and-trade,” calling it a "job killer for Ohio,” that “could cost Ohio 100,000 jobs.” In the ad, Portman says, “We’re taxed turning on a light, using our computer, or even cooking dinner.”

Prior election result: Voinovich (R) 64%, Eric Fingerhut (D) 36%. Presidential: Obama 52%-47%

Lt. Gov. Lee Fisher (D)

Age: 59, b. Aug. 7, 1951, Ann Arbor, MI
Home: Shaker Heights, OH
Education: B.A., Oberlin College; M.A., nonprofit organization, Case Western Reserve Univ.; J.D., Oberlin College
Religion: Jewish
Family: Married (Peggy, two children: Jason, Jessica)
Money: $5 million raised, $1.3 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Rob Portman (R), fmr. Rep./Bush budget dir.

Age: 54, b. Dec. 19, 1955, Cincinnati, OH
Home: Terrace Park, OH
Education: B.A., Dartmouth College, 1979; J.D., Univ. of Michigan, 1984
Religion: Methodist
Family: Married (Jane, three children: Jed, Will, Sally)
Career: Lawyer, Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, 2007-10; Dir., Office of Management and Budget, 2006-07; U.S. Trade Rep., 2005-06; U.S. House of Reps., 1993-05; Dir., White House Leg. Affairs, 1989-91; Associate Counsel for President, 1989; White House aide; Congressional aide; Atty, Patton, Boggs and Blow
Money: $12.7 million raised, $8.9 million cash on hand (through 12/22/09)
OKLAHOMA (R-Coburn)  

Incumbent Sen. Tom Coburn (R) vs. Jim Rogers (D), who claims to be a retired professor

Analysis: Coburn, a member of the Republican class of 1994, has gained a reputation as an anti-earmark crusader. Despite being a first-term senator, who won election to this seat with just 53% of the vote, he is the heavy favorite against Rogers, a gadfly who claims to be a former professor, who waged losing bids for the Senate in 2002, 2004, and 2008, and also for lieutenant governor in 2006.

Prior election result: Coburn 53%, Brad Carson (D) 41%. Presidential: McCain 66%-34%

Sen. Tom Coburn (R)  
First elected 2004  
Age: 62, b. March 14, 1948, Casper, WY  
Home: Muskogee, OK  
Education: B.S., Accounting, Oklahoma State Univ., 1970; MD, Univ. of Oklahoma, 1983  
Religion: Protestant  
Family: Married (Carolyn, three children: Callie, Katie, Sarah)  
Career: U.S. Senate, 2005-Present; U.S. House of Reps., 1994-00; medical mission trips, Haiti and Iraq, 1985, 1992; manufacturing manager, ophthalmic division, Coburn Optical Industries, 1970-78; doctor, family practice/obstetrics; Chair, Obstetrics/Gynecology Dept, Muskogee Regional Medical Center  
Money: $1.5 million raised, $1.9 million cash on hand (through 7/7/10)

Jim Rogers (D), claims to be fmr. prof.  
Age: 75, b. March 25, 1935, Atoka County, OK  
Home: Midwest City, OK  
Education: B.A., Oklahoma Baptist Univ.; M.A., Univ. of Wyoming  
Religion: Southern Baptist  
Family: n/a  
Money: None reported

NOTABLE FACTS

- Member of the “Republican Revolution” Class of 1994; member of a group that tried to oust Newt Gingrich as speaker for being too accommodating to the Clinton White House
- Democrats refer to him as “Dr. No” because of his staunch anti-earmark position.
- Staunchly anti-abortion rights; became known for graphic slide shows to members of Congress showing the effects of STDs
- President Obama regards him as one of his friends when he was in the Senate
- Increased sales of the lens division of his father’s company from $100,000 to $40 million; in 1975, the company was sold to Revlon
- Enrolled in medical school after battling melanoma; Graduated at 35

NOTABLE FACTS

- Gadfly perennial candidate, who runs nearly every election
- Newspaper reports attributed Rogers’ win to the popularity of the last name Rogers in Oklahoma. It was made famous by Oklahoman Will Rogers. There’s no relation.
- Campaign T-shirts were iron-on
- Stood in intersections holding signs to get his message out
- Claims to be a retired professor, but refuses to say where he taught
- Has never raised more than $5,000 for any political race
OREGON (D-Wyden)           NBC Rating: Solid D

Incumbent Ron Wyden (D) vs. law professor Jim Huffman (R)

Analysis: Wyden is the heavy favorite over Huffman (R).

Prior election result: Wyden 63%, Al King (R) 32%. Presidential: Obama 57%-41%

Sen. Ron Wyden (D)

First elected 1996
Age: 61, b. May 3, 1949, Wichita, KS
Home: Portland, OR
Education: Attended, Univ. of California – Santa Barbara; B.A., Political Science, Stanford, 1971; JD, Univ. of Oregon, 1974
Religion: Jewish
Family: Married (Nancy, four children: Adam, Lilly, William, Ava)
Money: $4.6 million raised, $4.2 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Jim Huffman (R), law professor

Age: 65, b. March 25, 1945, Fort Benton, MT
Home: Portland, OR
Education: B.S, Montana State Univ., 1967; M.A., Tufts, 1969; J.D., Univ. of Chicago, 1972
Family: Married (Leslie, five children: Spencer, Claire, Meg, Kurt, Erica)
Career: Teacher, Lewis & Clark Law School, 1973-present; Dean, Lewis & Clarke Law School, 1994-06
Money: $748,000 raised, $527,000 cash on hand (6/30/10)

NOTABLE FACTS

- Played college basketball at UC-Santa Barbara for two seasons before transferring to Stanford
- Advocate for requiring senators to announce their opposition in the Congressional Record within three days of objecting to legislation or a nominee; Wyden-Grassley amendment passed in 2007

NOTABLE FACTS

- Authored more than 100 legal articles
- Growing up in Montana, he worked at a saw mill, was a bowling alley pin setter, built mountain trails, and worked construction
#5 PENNSYLVANIA (D-Open-Specter)  
NBC Rating: Toss Up


Analysis: This race has seen its share of drama. First, longtime Sen. Arlen Specter switched parties in April 2009, hoping to ensure his reelection after trailing in GOP primary polls against Toomey, a former congressman and president of the fiscally conservative Club for Growth. Specter was thought to be a lock to win the Democratic nomination and then be reelected. Despite the White House’s and Pennsylvania Democratic establishment’s backing, Sestak, a freshman congressman and former admiral, was undeterred and launched what was thought to be a longshot bid. But he defeated Specter, using the senator’s party switch against him. A damning line from one ad repurposed Specter talking about the switch: “My change in party will allow me to be reelected.” That coupled with Specter mistakenly saying he was a member of the Republican Party twice in the run up to Election Day and Specter’s lackluster handling of an August 2009 health care town hall on national television badly damaged him.

In the general election, continued dissatisfaction over the economy has given Toomey the edge despite Obama’s 10-point ‘08 victory and Democrats’ million-voter-registration advantage. Toomey, who lost to Specter in the ’04 GOP primary, has run on the message: “More jobs, less government.” Democrats have hit Toomey for ties to Wall Street, even following him around with a Wall St. sign. Toomey dismisses that in a TV ad, citing that he worked there “20 years ago” before moving to Allentown to start a small business. He turns the tables on Sestak for voting for TARP: “Way back then I learned that Wall Street’s the last place that should ever get a taxpayer bailout.” An announcer then points out that Sestak voted for TARP, “then took thousands from the same Wall St. banks he bailed out.”

Prior election result: Arlen Specter (R) 53%, Joe Hoeffel (D) 42%. Presidential: Obama 55%-44%

Rep. Joe Sestak (D)

Age: 58, b. Dec. 12, 1951, Secane, PA  
Home: Edgmont, PA  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Susan, one child: Alexandra)  
Money: $8.1 million raised, $2.1 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Pat Toomey (R), fmr. Rep./Club for Growth pres.

Age: 48, b. Nov. 17, 1961, Providence, RI  
Home: Zionsville, PA  
Education: B.A., Political Philosophy, Harvard, 1984  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Kris, three children)  
Money: $10.3 million raised, $4.7 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Highest ranking former military officer ever elected to Congress
- Son of a decorated World War II veteran
- Daughter underwent treatment for a brain tumor
- Member of House Armed Services, Education and Labor, Small Business Committees

NOTABLE FACTS
- Former president of the Club for Growth, which worked to nominate fiscally conservative candidates
- He and his brothers started a restaurant with several Pennsylvania locations
- Father was a lifelong Democrat who never voted for a Republican
SOUTH CAROLINA (R-DeMint)  

Incumbent Sen. Jim DeMint (R) vs. unemployed Army veteran Alvin Greene (D)

**Analysis:** DeMint is favored over Greene, who was the Democrats’ unlikely nominee. An unemployed Army veteran, Greene was battling felony obscenity charges for showing pornography to a female college student.

**Prior election result:** DeMint 54%, Inez Tenenbaum (D) 44%. **Presidential:** McCain 54%-45%

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**Sen. Jim DeMint (R)**

First elected 2004  
Age: 59, b. Sept. 2, 1951, Greenville, SC  
**Home:** Greenville, SC  
**Education:** B.S., Communications, Univ. of Tennessee, 1973; M.B.A., Clemson, 1981  
**Religion:** Presbyterian  
**Family:** Married (Debbie, four children)  
**Career:** U.S. Senate, 2004-present; U.S. House of Reps., 1998-04; Pres., The DeMint Group, Market Research Company, 1983-98; Strategy Team Member, Inglis for Congress, 1992-98; VP, Leslie Advertising, 1981-84  
**Money:** $3.1 million raised, $3.7 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

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**Alvin Greene (D), unemployed Army veteran**

Age: 33, b. Aug. 31, 1977, Florence, SC  
**Home:** Manning, SC  
**Education:** B.A., Political Science, Univ. of South Carolina, 2000  
**Religion:** Protestant  
**Family:** Single  
**Career:** Unemployed; Army Veteran, South Korea, 2007-08  
**Money:** None reported

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- His election in 2004 gave SC two GOP senators for the first time since 1877  
- When running in 1998, he pledged to serve only three House terms and take no PAC money  
- Was named the “most conservative Senator” by the Nat’l Journal for his first two years in the Senate

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Was indicted on two charges, including a felony obscenity charge of showing pornography to a college student  
- It’s still unclear how he was able to afford the $10,440 fee to get his name on the Democratic primary ballot; claims he saved for two years from his military pay  
- His nickname in high school was “turtle”
Incumbent Sen. John Thune (R) - unopposed

Analysis: Thune, considered a rising Republican star and potential 2012 presidential candidate, is running unopposed for a second term. In 2004, he defeated then-Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle (D).

Prior election result: Thune 51%, Tom Daschle (D) 49%. Presidential: McCain 53%-45%

Sen. John Thune (R)

First elected 2004
Home: Sioux Falls, SD
Education: B.S., Biola Univ. (an evangelical Christian college), 1983; M.B.A., Univ. of South Dakota, 1984
Religion: Protestant
Family: Married (Kimberley, two children: Brittany, Larissa)
Money: $5.6 million raised, $7.0 million cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

Frequently mentioned as a possible 2012 presidential candidate
Named the "Best Looking Senator" by The Hill newspaper
Won his Senate seat in 2004, defeating then-Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle. It was the first time a sitting Senate party leader lost in 52 years
In 1998, he was re-elected to the House 75%-25%, the largest vote margin ever for a statewide candidate in SD
After leaving his House post in 2003, Thune worked as a lobbyist for several companies, including a beef processor, an ethanol firm and a South Dakota railroad
Incumbent Sen. **Bob Bennett** (R) did not qualify for the primary.

Lawyer **Mike Lee** (R) vs. state Alcohol & Beverage Control Commission Chairman **Sam Granato** (D)

**Analysis:** The defeat of longtime GOP Sen. Bennett was the Tea Party's first big 2010 victory. Bennett did not gain enough votes during the Republican convention to qualify for the primary ballot. It was Salt Lake City lawyer Mike Lee, a counselor for former Gov. John Huntsman (R), who later emerged victorious in the primary. Lee is the heavy favorite over Sam Granato (D), a state Alcohol & Beverage Control Committee chairman.

**Prior election result:** Bennet 69%, Paul Van Dam (D) 28%. **Presidential:** McCain 63%-34%

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**Mike Lee (R), fmr. counsel to gov.**

- **Age:** 39, b. June 4, 1971, Mesa, AZ
- **Home:** Alpine, UT
- **Education:** B.A., Brigham Young, 1994; J.D., Brigham Young, 1997
- **Religion:** Mormon
- **Family:** Married (Sharon, three children)


**Money:** $962,000 raised, $83,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)

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**Sam Granato (D), chair, state Alcohol & Beverage Control Commission**

- **Age:** 60, b. May 24, 1950, Salt Lake City, UT
- **Home:** Salt Lake City, UT
- **Education:** B.A., Business Mgmt., Southern Utah Univ.
- **Religion:** Mormon
- **Family:** Married (Ann, four children)

**Career:** Pres., Frank Granato Importing Co., 1991-present; Chair, Dept. of Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission

**Money:** $139,000 raised, $24,000 cash on hand (through 6/30/10)
VERMONT (D-Leahy)                   NBC Rating: Solid D

Incumbent Sen. Pat Leahy (D) vs. lumber company owner Len Britton (R)

Analysis: Leahy, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and the second-longest serving current member of the Senate, is heavily favored to win a seventh term over Britton.

Prior election result: Leahy 71%, Jack McMullen (R) 25%. Presidential: Obama 68%-31%

Sen. Pat Leahy (D)

First elected 1974
Age: 70, b. March 30, 1940, Montpelier, VT
Home: Middlesex, VT
Education: B.A., Saint Michael’s College, 1961; J.D., Georgetown, 1964
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Marcelle, three children: Kevin, Alicia, Mark)
Career: U.S. Senate, 1974-present; States Atty, Chittenden Co., 1966-74
Money: $3.3 million raised, $3.2 million cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

Len Britton (R), lumber company owner

Age: 55, b. July 8, 1955, Windsor, VT
Home: Pomfret, VT
Education: Bachelor’s, history, political science, and communications, Univ. of Vermont; Bachelors, film studies, Dartmouth College
Religion: Protestant
Family: Married (Kathy, four children: Jett, Ana, Tea, and Jonah)
Career: Owner-operator, Britton’s Lumber, Landscape and Feed; fmr. writer
Money: $97,000 raised, $1,000 cash on hand (through 8/4/10)

NOTABLE FACTS

- In 2008, he made a cameo in "The Dark Knight"
- Vermont’s longest-serving U.S. Senator (36 years)
- In 2003, was the first member of Congress with a blog, titled “More From the Floor,” which he still updates regularly

NOTABLE FACTS

- Writes his own campaign ads
- Ninth-generation Vermont businessman who says his ancestors served as governors and in the U.S. Senate
- Served as head coach and program director for Suicide Six Ski Racing from 1981 to 2001
**#10 Washington (D-Murray)  
NBC Rating: Toss Up**

Incumbent Sen. **Patty Murray** (D) vs. businessman/fmr State Sen. **Dino Rossi** (R)

**Analysis:** Murray is facing a tough race against Rossi, who has run unsuccessfully for governor twice -- in 2004 and 2008 -- and lost by just 129 votes out of more than 2.6 million in 2004. This is one of the seats Democrats likely need to win in order to retain control of the Senate. The latest polls have shown this race very close or Murray with a slight edge.

Like in many other races across the country, fiscal issues have dominated this contest. Rossi has criticized Murray’s “18 years” in D.C.; blamed her for “massive debt,” “high unemployment,” and “record deficits;” and attacked her for her TARP vote. Murray, meanwhile, has tried to paint Rossi as in the pocket of big business and corporate lobbyists; as someone who is OK with outsourcing; and as someone who wants to repeal the new financial industry regulations. “It’s the middle class that needs help, not big businesses,” an announcer in a Murray ad says. She also touts her record on jobs, particularly for Boeing. Murray advertized that she “led the fight” to allow Washington State residents to deduct the state sales tax, helped pass “the largest middle-class tax cut in history,” and created “new job tax credits for college and job training.”

**Prior election result:** Murray 55%, George Nethercutt (R) 43%. **Presidential:** Obama 58%-41%

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**Sen. Patty Murray (D)**

First elected 1992  
Age: 60, b. Oct. 11, 1950, Bothell, WA  
Home: Seattle, WA  
Religion: Roman Catholic  
Family: Married (Rob, two children: Randy, Sara)  
Money: $7.4 million raised, $3.2 million cash on hand (through 7/28/10)

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**Dino Rossi (R), fmr. state Sen.**

Age: 51, b. Oct. 15, 1959, Seattle, WA  
Home: Sammamish, WA  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Terry, four children: Juliauna, Jake, Joseph, Jillian)  
Career: VP, Scott Real Estate Investments, 1996-present; apt. building owner/manager, 1983-present; WA Senate, 1996-03; founder/host, “Republican Perspective”, 1990-94; Coast Equity Partners; co-founder, Eastside Commercial Bank  
Money: $2 million raised, $1.8 million cash on hand (through 7/28/10)

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Worked in a psych ward at the Seattle VA hospital while in college
- Daughter of a disabled WWII veteran
- In 2006, was elected Democratic Conference Secretary, the fourth-ranking position in the leadership
- His 2004 gubernatorial loss was the closest in state history, just 129 votes out of about 2.7 million total votes cast
- Secretary for the Board of the Special Olympics for the WA
- Founded Forward Washington Foundation, “a nonprofit dedicated to improving Washington’s business climate”
- Has a dog named, “Dubya,” after President George W. Bush. He claims he told his daughter she could not get a dog, and only the president could tell him to get a dog. So, on a White House tour, the story goes that she slipped a note that got to the president and then came a letter telling Rossi to get a dog for his daughter.
#9 WEST VIRGINIA (D-Open-Goodwin)  

Incumbent Carte Goodwin (D) was appointed to the post after the death of Sen. Robert Byrd (D). Gov. Joe Manchin (D) vs. businessman John Raese (R)

Analysis: Byrd's death opened up this seat. When Manchin (D) jumped into the race, he became the front-runner. But he's proven that being a popular governor doesn't necessarily translate into being a shoo-in for the Senate. Raese (pronounced RAY-see), a wealthy businessman who has run for statewide office three times, has tried to tie Manchin to President Obama, who's not popular there. One ad implores West Virginians to keep Manchin in the Mountain State rather than sending him to DC, where he would be on the side of the Obama-Reid-Pelosi agenda.

Another sign the race has closed is Manchin's messaging. He made an apparent flop on his position on health care. He had said more than a year ago he was "totally behind health care reform," then in September 2010, said he would not have voted for it and would support a repeal of certain elements of the bill (though a bill cannot be repealed piecemeal). Manchin, on the other hand, had been focusing more locally -- on mine safety, for example, calling Raese "bad for mine workers," highlighting fines and safety violations of his company. Manchin got a boost with endorsements from the traditionally right-leaning National Rifle Association and U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Trying to show his independence from the national party, Manchin went up with a stark ad criticizing the administration on spending and then shows him firing a gun through the cap-and-trade bill. Raese has his problems: He was attacked for his residency (he has homes in West Virginia, Colorado, and Florida); his wife's voting status (she was registered in both Florida and West Virginia, and purged from the rolls in West Virginia); and the National Republican Senatorial Committee ran an ad for him, using actors from Philadelphia instead of West Virginia. Leaked details of a casting call showed the ad-maker wanted actors with a "hicky blue-collar look."

Prior election result: Byrd (D) 64%, Raese (R) 34%. Presidential: McCain 56%-43%

Gov. Joe Manchin (D)  

Age: 63, b. Aug. 24, 1947, Farmington, WV  
Home: Fairmont, WV  
Education: B.S., West Virginia Univ., 1970  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Gayle, three children: Heather, Joseph IV, Brooke)  
Career: Governor, WV, 2004-present; Secy of State, WV, 2000-04; owner, Enersystems, 1989-00; WV Senate, 1986-96; WV House of Delegate, 1982-84; owner, Enersystems Incorporated, 1968-82  
Money: $418,000 raised, $383,000 cash on hand (through 8/8/10)

John Raese (R), mining company owner  

Age: 60, b. April, 10, 1950  
Home: Morgantown, WV  
Education: B.S., West Virginia Univ., 1973  
Religion: Presbyterian  
Family: Married (Elizabeth, two children: Jane, Agnes)  
Career: CEO/Pres., Greer Steel Co., present; VP, Morgantown Dominion-Post, WV Newspaper Publishing Company, present; Chair, WV Radio Corp, present; Chairman, WV GOP, 1986-88  
Money: $162,000 raised, $9,000 cash on hand (through A8/8/10)
Incumbent Sen. Russ Feingold (D) vs. businessman Ron Johnson (R)

Analysis: Feingold (D) is facing an unexpectedly tough race against Johnson. Polls in recent weeks have showed Johnson with a consistent lead. But that Feingold faces a tough race shouldn’t be a surprise, since he has never won with more than 55% in three elections. Also, though Wisconsin voted overwhelmingly for Obama in 2008, it was the closest state of the 2004 presidential election with John Kerry winning it by just 0.38 percentage points. And with “Obama surge” voters (young voters and African Americans) appearing less enthusiastic about voting this election season, that leaves a big hole for Feingold to make up in Wisconsin, where Democrats rely on college-age voters and black voters in Milwaukee for votes.

Johnson is running as the outsider in the race, portraying Feingold as the longtime politician, while Feingold is highlighting his independence, including voting against financial regulatory reform. This is a race Republicans need to win to take back the Senate.

Prior election result: Feingold 55%, Tim Michels (R) 44%. Presidential: Obama 56%-43%

Sen. Russ Feingold (D)
First elected 1992
Age: 57, b. March 2, 1953, Janesville, WI
Home: Middleton, WI
Religion: Jewish.
Family: Divorced (two children: Jessica, Ellen)
Career: U.S. Senate, 1992-present; WI Senate, 1982-92; prof., Beloit College, 1985-93; practicing atty, 1979-83
Money: $6.8 million raised, $3.1 million cash on hand (through 8/25/10)

Ron Johnson (R), CEO, plastics export business
Age: 55, b. April 8, 1955, Mankato, WI
Home: Oshkosh, WI
Education: B.A., Univ. of Minnesota
Religion: Lutheran
Family: Married (Jane, three children: Carey, Jenna, Ben)
Career: CEO, PACUR LLC (exports plastics), accountant and machine operator, 1979;
Money: $6.2 million raised, $1.6 million cash on hand (through 8/25/10)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Refuses to accept his own pay raises in an attempt to ban adjustments to congressional pay
- The only Democrat to vote against WV Sen. Robert Byrd’s motion to dismiss impeachment charges against Clinton; only senator to vote against the Patriot Act
- Voted against the financial regulatory overhaul

NOTABLE FACTS
- Has called President Obama’s health-care reform measure the "greatest assault on our freedom in my lifetime"
- Has said that he doubts the scientific basis behind climate change
- Has been hit for holdings of BP stock, which he said he would not sell until the price came back up
GOVERNORS OVERVIEW

**By the numbers:** Current breakdown: 26D, 24R
- 37 Governors races
- 25 competitive races
- 24 open seats

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**FIRST READ’S TOP TAKEOVERS**
(by likelihood of party switch)

1. Wyoming
2. Kansas
3. Tennessee
4. Michigan
5. Iowa
6. Oklahoma
7. Rhode Island
8. Hawaii
9. Pennsylvania
10. Ohio

**FAST FACT...**
BLUE NEW ENGLAND?
Republicans are favored to pick up several governorships nationwide, but if Dems win the contested races in New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, and Vermont, it would be the first time in history Democrats would control all of the New England governorships.
**ALABAMA (R-Open-Riley)**  
**NBC Rating: Probable R**

Gov. Bob Riley (R) is term-limited.

State Rep./dermatologist Robert Bentley (R) vs. Commissioner of Agriculture & Industries Ron Sparks (D)

**Analysis:** Bentley is favored here. Sparks upset Rep. Artur Davis in the Democratic primary.

**Past election result:** Riley (R) 57%, Lucy Baxley (D), 42%; **Presidential:** McCain 60%-39%

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**State Rep. Robert Bentley (R), dermatologist**

![Robert Bentley](image1)

**Age:** 67, b. Feb. 3, 1943, Columbiana, AL  
**Home:** Tuscaloosa, AL  
**Education:** B.S., Chemistry/Biology, Univ. of Alabama, 1964; M.D., Univ. of Alabama, Birmingham, 1968  
**Religion:** Southern Baptist  
**Family:** Married (Dianne, four children: John Mark, Paul, Luke, Matthew)  
**Career:** AL House of Reps., 2002-present; Founding Partner/President, Alabama Dermatological Associates, 1974-present; Capt., U.S. Air Force Medical Corp, Vietnam, 1969-71

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**Ron Sparks (D), state agriculture commissioner**

![Ron Sparks](image2)

**Age:** 57, b. Oct. 29, 1952, Fort Payne, AL  
**Home:** Montgomery, AL  
**Education:** A.A., Northeast State Comm. College  
**Religion:** Baptist  
**Family:** Divorced (3 children: Misty, Sparky, Luke)  
**Career:** AL Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries, 2002-present; Asst. Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries, 1999; State President, Alabama 911, 1998; Director, 911 System, 1993; County Commissioner, 1978; U.S. Coast Guard

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Says he will not accept the governor's annual salary until Alabama reaches full employment
- Serves as a Deacon and Sunday School Teacher at his church

- Family worked in a sock mill in Fort Payne, the former "Sock Capital of the World"
- In U.S. Coast Guard, he received Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service in the Performance of Duty with Operational Distinguishing Device for saving passengers of an overturned sailboat
ALASKA (R-Parnell)  

Incumbent Gov. Sean Parnell (R) vs. former state House Minority Leader Ethan Berkowitz (D)

Analysis: When Sarah Palin quit her job just a year and a half into her term, Parnell was elevated to the post. Now he’s the overwhelming favorite to win election against Berkowitz, the 2008 nominee for the Alaska at-large House seat and 2006 nominee for lieutenant governor.

Past election result: Sarah Palin (R) 48%, Tony Knowles (D) 41%; Presidential: McCain 60%-38%

Gov. Sean Parnell (R)

Assumed office 2009  
Age: 47, b. Nov. 19, 1962, Hanford, CA  
Home: Juneau, AK  
Education: B.B.A., Business Administration, Pacific Lutheran Univ., 1984; J.D., Univ. of Puget Sound, 1987  
Religion: N/A  
Family: Married (Sandy, two children: Grace, Rachel)

Career: Governor, AK, 2009-present; Atty, Private Practice, 1987-present; Lt. Gov., AK, 2006-09; Atty and Lobbyist, ConocoPhillips; Dep. director, AK Division of Oil & Gas; AK House of Reps., 1992-96

Ethan Berkowitz (D), fmr. House minority leader

Age: 48, b. Feb. 4, 1962, San Francisco, CA  
Home: Anchorage, AK  
Religion: Jewish  
Family: Married (Mara, two children: Hannah, Noah)

Career: AK House of Reps., 1996-06; owner, Nunatak, 2001-present; private practice atty, 1994-present; Enforcement Officer, U.S. Antarctic Program, 1993-94; Asst. District Atty, Anchorage, 1991-93; Exporter, United Exporters Company; General Laborer, ITT Antarctic; law clerk, AK State Court of Appeals; Partner, EZR Company; Fmr. Owner, Snow City Café

NOTABLE FACTS

- On Palin’s resigned in 2009; On Palin’s resignation: “I believe history will look back on Sarah Palin as one of Alaska’s great gifts to all peoples.”
- Father served in the Anchorage Assembly and in Alaska’s House of Reps. as a Democrat
- Moved to Alaska when he was 10

NOTABLE FACTS

- Been working with a company to install submarine fiber optic cable to increase rural broadband access
- Graduated with honors from Harvard
- Has financial interests in two restaurants and a commercial real estate venture
- Fished commercially on Bristol Bay
- Spent three seasons in Antarctica, as an enforcement officer for the U.S. Antarctic Program
ARIZONA (R-Brewer)               NBC Rating: Probable R

Incumbent Gov. Jan Brewer (R) vs. Attorney General Terry Goddard (D)

Analysis: Brewer is favored here. The debate over Arizona's controversial immigration law has benefited Republicans in the short term, and has helped prop up Brewer in her bid for governor -- despite vulnerabilities as a candidate. Those were highlighted during a shaky debate performance, when she forgot her opening statement. Goddard had been considered a top recruit for Democrats. Brewer assumed the job in 2009, when then-Gov. Janet Napolitano, a Democrat, was appointed President Obama's secretary of Homeland Security.

Past election result: Napolitano (D) 63%, Len Munsil (R) 35%; Presidential: McCain 54%-45%

Gov. Jan Brewer (R)

- Assumed office 2009
- Age: 66, b. Sept. 26, 1944, Hollywood, CA
- Home: Glendale, AZ
- Education: Medical assistant certificate, practical radiological technician certificate, 1963, Valley College, Burbank, California; HHD, LA Chiropractic College, 1970
- Religion: Lutheran
- Family: Married (John, three children, one deceased)
- Career: Governor, AZ, 2009-present; Secy of State, AZ, 2003-09; AZ Senate, 1986-96; Maricopa County Supervisor, 1996-02; AZ House of Reps., 1982-86; businesswoman

Terry Goddard (D), state atty gen.

- Home: Phoenix, AZ
- Religion: Unitarian Universalist
- Family: Married (Monica, one child: Kevin)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Became governor when Gov. Janet Napolitano was appointed Homeland Security Secretary
- Signed the toughest law on immigration in the nation
- After her father died when she was 11, her mom moved the family to CA to open a dress shop
- Favorite book is "Reagan Diaries" by Ronald Reagan
- Had an embarrassing flub in a gubernatorial debate when she blanked on her opening statement

NOTABLE FACTS
- Son of former Gov. Sam Goddard
- Served as an officer in the Navy and Naval Reserve, retiring as a commander
- Named "Municipal Leader of the Year" by City and County Magazine
ARKANSAS (D-Beebe)  NBC Rating: Probable D

Incumbent Gov. Mike Beebe (D) vs. former State Rep./Wendy’s franchise owner Jim Keet (R)

Analysis: Despite this state’s trend toward Republicans in recent elections, Beebe is the heavy favorite to win reelection over Keet (R).

Past election result: Beebe (D) 56%, Asa Hutchinson (R) 41%; Presidential: McCain 59%-39%

Gov. Mike Beebe (D)

- First elected 2006
- **Age:** 63, b. Dec. 28, 1946, Amagon, AR
- **Home:** Searcy, AR
- **Education:** B.A., Political Science, Arkansas Univ., 1968; J.D., Univ. of Arkansas, 1972
- **Religion:** Episcopalian
- **Family:** Married (Ginger, three children: David, Tammy, Kyle)
- **Career:** Governor, AR, 2007-present; Atty General, AR, 2002-07; Senator/President Pro Tempore, AR Senate, 1982-02; atty, Lightle, Beebe, Raney, Bell, and Hudgins, Attorneys At Law; U.S. Army Reserves, 1968-74

Jim Keet (R), fmr. state Rep./Wendy’s franchise owner

- **Age:** 61, b. May 12, 1949, Springfield, MO
- **Home:** Little Rock, AR
- **Education:** B.B.A., Southern Methodist Univ., 1971
- **Religion:** Anglican
- **Family:** Married (Margaret, four children: Tommy, Chase, Jake, Cassie)
- **Career:** Owner, Taziki’s Restaurant, present; CEO/president, Guesthouse International, present; president, Keet Management, present; AR Senate, 1992-96; AR House of Reps., 1989-90; CEO, 27 Wendy’s franchises, 1975-86
Analysis: This has been an expensive showdown between Whitman and Brown. The state had a $20 billion budget shortfall and the unemployment rate is 12.4%, the third-highest in the country. Whitman, who has spent a record $141.5 million of her own money on this race, argues the state needs an outsider with business experience; Brown charges that Whitman wants to package giveaways for big business and is out of touch with the state’s left-leaning voters. Whitman’s personal contribution is the largest in an American political race ever. It broke billionaire Mike Bloomberg’s $105 million contribution to win a third term as New York City mayor in 2009. In the past month, this race has seen scandals on both sides, including Whitman having employed an illegal immigrant for nine years, and a Brown staffer was recorded having referred to Whitman as a “whore.”

Past election result: Schwarzenegger (R) 56%, Phil Angelides (D) 39%; Presidential: Obama 61%-37%

Meg Whitman (R), fmr. eBay CEO

- **Age:** 54, b. Aug. 4, 1956, Cold Spring Harbor, NY
- **Home:** Atherton, CA
- **Religion:** Presbyterian
- **Family:** Married (Griff, two children: Griff Jr., Will)
- **Career:** CEO, eBay, 1998-08; Head of Global Marketing and Management, Hasbro Inc., 1997-98; president and CEO, Florists’ Transworld Delivery, 1995-97; VP, Bain and Company; brand asst., Proctor and Gamble

Jerry Brown (D), state atty general/fmr gov.

- **Age:** 72, b. April 7, 1938, San Francisco, CA
- **Home:** Oakland, CA
- **Education:** Attended, Univ. of Santa Clara; Attended, Sacred Heart, Noviate; B.A., Classics, Univ. of Cali., Berkeley, 1961; J.D., Yale, 1964
- **Religion:** Catholic
- **Family:** Married (Anne)
- **Career:** Atty General, CA, 2007-present; Mayor, City of Oakland, 1998-06; Governor, CA, 1974-82; Atty, Tuttle and Taylor; Founder, Oakland School for the Arts; Founder, Oakland Military Institute; law clerk, California Supreme Court Justice Mathew Tobriner

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Contributed more than $140 million of her own money so far to her campaign, the most ever for a municipal election in U.S. history
- Friends with Mitt Romney from days of working together at Bain& Co. in 1981; he interviewed her for the job
- National Co-Chair, McCain-Palin 2008 Presidential Campaign
- Whitman College, one of Princeton’s residential colleges, is named after her
- Did not register to vote for decades

- Spent four years in a seminary studying to be a Catholic priest
- After losing a race for U.S. Senate, he traveled to Japan to study Zen Buddhism
- Married his wife, Anne, in 2005 in a ceremony officiated by Sen. Dianne Feinstein
- Has held every major statewide office in California, including governor
- Ran for president three times, including in 1992
Gov. Bill Ritter (D) is retiring.

Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper (D) vs. businessman Dan Maes (R) vs. former Rep. Tom Tancredo (third party)

Analysis: Democrats are in good shape to retain this seat with popular Mayor Hickenlooper. The Republican in the race is Tea Party fringe candidate Maes, who won the GOP primary narrowly after a plagiarism scandal rocked Rep. Scott McInnis, the establishment favorite. Former Republican Rep. Tom Tancredo, an anti-immigration hard-liner, launched a third-party bid and is running ads against Maes. The Republican Governors Association pulled its financial support from Maes, who claimed a Denver bicycling program was part of a “U.N. plot to enslave citizens” and move cities more toward Communism.

Past election result: Ritter (D) 57%, Bob Beauprez (R) 40%; Presidential: Obama 54%-45%

**Notable Facts**

- After being laid-off as a geologist in the 1980s, came up with the “crazy idea” to build Colorado’s first brewpub before running for mayor
- Made Denver history with his nearly two-to-one margin of victory in his first mayoral run
- Father died of alcoholism when he was 10
- Vowed to lay off at least 2,000 state workers immediately upon assuming office
- Kansas police department fired him over allegations of misconduct during an undercover investigation of bookmaking and drug dealing
- Played football at Wisconsin
- Columbine shootings were six blocks from his house
- Called Miami a “third-world country
- Said race-based groups, like the Cong. Black Caucus should be abolished
- Elected to the state House at 30
- In state legislature, was part of a group known as “the Crazies” for zeroing out various taxes
Gov. M. Jodi Rell (R) is retiring. Fmr. Stamford Mayor Dannel Malloy (D) vs. fmr Ireland amb. Tom Foley (R)

Analysis: Malloy, the 2006 gubernatorial nominee, is the slight favorite.

Past election result: Rell (R) 63%, John DeStefano (D) 25%; Presidential: Obama 61%-38%

Dan Malloy (D), fmr. Mayor of Stamford
Age: 55, b. July 21, 1955, Stamford, CT
Home: Stamford, CT
Religion: N/A
Family: Married (Cathy, three children: Dannel, Ben, and Sam)
Career: Mayor of Stamford, 1995-present; private practice atty; Asst. District Atty, Brooklyn, NY

Tom Foley (R), fmr. amb. to Ireland
Age: 58, b. Jan. 9, 1952, Evanston, IL
Home: Greenwich, CT
Religion: N/A
Family: Married (Leslie, one child: Tom Jr.)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Diagnosed with dyslexia as a child; had motor-control problems; with little known of learning disabilities in the 1960s, he recalled that teachers thought he was mentally retarded and even posted his failing spelling grades on a chalkboard
- Couldn’t button his clothes or tie his shoes until the end of fifth grade
- Met his wife freshman year in college; she helped transcribe his papers; he would talk, she would type
- Graduated with honors from Boston College
- Seventh of eight children
- Longest-serving Stamford mayor in history

NOTABLE FACTS
- Multimillionaire businessman who founded the investment firm NTC Group.
- Initially, was running for Senate, but dropped that bid against the even wealthier Linda McMahon to run for governor
- Was a Bush fundraiser
- Suffers from Bell’s Palsy, a condition that partly paralyzed the right side of his face, allowing him only to smile with the left side of his mouth. AP: “His right eye is partially closed and he occasionally has to rub the lid because his eye doesn't lubricate properly.”
- Took a year off of high school at 17, traveling to Alaska and Denver, CO, where he worked in construction and in an aluminum can plant.
FLORIDA (R-Open-Crist)  

Gov. Charlie Crist (I) is running for Senate.

Former hospital executive Rick Scott (R) vs. State Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink (D)

**Analysis:** The wealthy Scott, a political novice who led the charge with TV ads against Democrats’ health-care overhaul plan, spent more than $50 million to win his primary bid over establishment favorite Bill McCollum, the state’s attorney general. Scott also headed up the hospital group Columbia/HCA, which had to pay out $1.7 billion in Medicare fines and penalties, the largest in the history of Medicare. Some of Scott’s anti-health-care ads -- through the controversial Conservatives for Patients Rights -- were deemed false or misleading by independent fact checkers. Despite that, this race is up for grabs because Florida voters mostly get their political information from television ads. And Scott is running a lot of them, outspending Sink.

**Previous election result:** Crist (R) 52%, Jim Davis (D) 45%; **Presidential:** Obama 51%-48%

### Alex Sink (D), state chief financial officer

**Age:** 62, b. June 5, 1948, Mt. Airy, North Carolina  
**Home:** Thonotosassa, FL  
**Education:** B.A., Mathematics, Wake Forest Univ.  
**Religion:** Presbyterian  
**Family:** Married (Bill, two children: Bert, Lexi)

**Career:** Chief Financial Officer, FL, 2006-present; State Fire Marshal, FL, 2006-present; president, Bank of America; math teacher, West Africa

### Rick Scott (R), former hospital exec.

**Age:** 57, b. Dec. 1, 1952, Bloomington, IL  
**Home:** Naples, FL  
**Education:** B.A., Univ. of Missouri-Kansas City; J.D., Southern Methodist Univ.  
**Religion:** Christian (Naples Community Church)  
**Family:** Married (Ann, two children: Jordan, Allison)  
**Career:** Founder, Conservatives for Patients’ Rights, 2009; founder, Columbia Hospital Corporation, 1987-97; founder, Solantic Corporation, 2001; atty, Johnson & Swanson

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Her husband, lawyer Bill McBride, ran unsuccessfully for governor against Jeb Bush in 2002
- The first time she ran for office mail came addressed to "Mr. Sink"

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- The company he founded Columbia/HCA paid out the largest Medicare fraud settlement fines and penalties in history -- $1.7 billion; Scott resigned in the middle of the federal investigation
- Scott pleaded the Fifth 75 times in a deposition in a civil case, even to whether he was a current or former employee of Columbia/HCA
- Led the charge against the health care overhaul with the a massive funding of ads through “Conservatives for Patients Rights.”
- Moved to Florida in 2003
- Spent $50 million just on his primary bid for governor to defeat establishment favorite, state Atty Gen. Bill McCollum. (He has contributed about $55 million of his own money to the race so far
- One of his first purchases- two Kansas City donut shops for his mother to manage
GEORGIA (R-Open-Perdue)          NBC Rating: Lean R

Gov. Sonny Perdue (R) is term-limited. Former Rep. Nathan Deal (R) vs. Former Gov. Roy Barnes (D)

Analysis: Barnes is looking to get his old job back and faces off against Deal, who left Congress under an ethics cloud.

Past election result: Perdue (R) 58%, Mark Taylor (D) 38%; Presidential: McCain 52%-37%

Nathan Deal (R), former Rep.

Age: 68, b. Aug. 25, 1942, Millen, GA
Home: Gainesville, GA
Education: A.B., Mercer Univ., 1964; J.D., Mercer Univ., 1966
Religion: Baptist
Family: Married (Sandra, four children: Jason, Mary Emily, Carrie, Katie)

NOTABLE FACTS
- First elected to the House in 1992 as a Democrat but switched parties and became a Republican in April 1995
- Ranking Rep. on the House Health Subcommittee
- Resigned from the House before the Office of Congressional Ethics issued its findings into possible ethics violations

Roy Barnes (D), former governor

Age: 62, b. March 11, 1948, Mableton, GA
Home: Marietta, GA
Education: B.A., Univ. of Georgia, 1969; J.D., Univ. of Georgia, 1972
Religion: Methodist
Family: Married (Marie, three children: Harlan, Allison, Alyssa; six grandchildren)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Elected to the state Senate at 26
- Created a regional transportation authority to improve Atlanta’s traffic-laden streets, provided property tax relief, pushed education reforms
- Apologized in his 1998 run for governor for his vote against a Martin Luther King Jr holiday
- But he received a John F. Kennedy Library Foundation Profile in Courage Award in 2003 for removing the Confederate cross emblem on the Georgia state flag
- Lost reelection in 2002 to Sonny Perdue (R), who seized on the state flag issue. Rural white vote hit an all-time high
- Perdue portrayed Barnes as a rat, named “King Roy” for what opponents derided as an imperialistic style, in particular for his attempts at education reform.
Gov. Linda Lingle (R) is term-limited. Former Rep. Neil Abercrombie (D) vs. Lt. Gov. Duke Aiona (R)

Analysis: Abercrombie is favored here.

Past election result: Lingle (R) 63%, Randy Iwase (D) 35%; Presidential: Obama 72%-27%

Lt. Gov. Duke Aiona (R)

Age: 55, b. June 8, 1955, Pearl City, HI
Home: Honolulu, HI
Education: B.A., Political Science, Univ. of the Pacific, 1977; J.D., Univ. of Hawaii, 1981
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Vivian, four children: Makana, Ohulani, Kulia, Kaimilani)
Career: Lt. Gov., HI, 2002-present; Admin. Judge, HI Drug Court, 1996-98; Judge, Civil Division of the First Circuit Court on Oahu, 1993-96; Dist. Family Court Judge, 1990-93; Deputy Corporation Counsel, Litigation Branch, Honolulu; Deputy Prosecuting Atty, Dept. of the Prosecuting Attorney of Honolulu; Litigation Branch Chief, Honolulu; Legal Consultant


Age: 72, b. June 26, 1938, Buffalo, NY
Home: Honolulu, HI
Education: B.A., Sociology, Union College, 1959; M.A., Sociology, University of Hawaii, 1964; Ph.D., American Studies, Univ. of Hawaii, 1974
Religion: Episcopalian
Family: Married (Nancy)
Career: U.S. House of Reps., 1990-10; Honolulu City Council, 1988-90; U.S. House of Reps., 1986-87; HI Senate, 1979-86; HI House of Reps., 1975-79; Dir., Construction Apprentice Program; custodian; Special Asst., HI State Superintendent of Education; probation officer; professor; waiter

NOTABLE FACTS
- Named after Brooklyn Dodger great Duke Snyder
- Spearheaded the creation of the Hawaii Drug Court Program

NOTABLE FACTS
- College friends with President Obama's late parents
- Co-Author, "Blood of Patriots"
- When first starting out, worked as a waiter, locker desk clerk, preschool custodian, construction apprentice, elementary school teacher, and college lecturer
IDAHO (R-Otter)             NBC Rating: Solid R

Incumbent Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter (R) vs. former Harvard professor Keith Allred (D)

Analysis: Otter is the heavy favorite here.

Past election result: Otter (R) 53%, Jerry Brady (D) 44%; Presidential: McCain 61%-36%

Gov. Butch Otter (R)

First elected 2006
Age: 68, b. May 3, 1942, Caldwell, ID
Home: Star, ID
Education: Attended, Armored Intelligence and Reconnaissance School, 1968; Attended, Boise Junior College; B.A., Political Science, College of Idaho, 1967
Religion: Catholic
Family: Divorced; On second marriage (Lori). Four children from previous marriage: John, Carolyn, Kimberly Dawn, Corrine

Keith Allred (D), former Harvard professor

Age: 46, b. Sept. 6, 1964, Redondo Beach, CA
Home: Eagle, ID
Education: B.A., American History, Stanford, 1987; Ph.D., Conflict Resolution, Univ. of California LA, 1995
Religion: Mormon
Family: Married (Christine, three children: Anna, Dan, Cate)

NOTABLE FACTS
- First in his family to receive a college degree
- After high school, entered an abbey to pursue the priesthood, but later backed out
- Convicted in 1993 of drunk driving
- His ranch was charged three times by the EPA for violating the Clean Water Act; In 2001, he paid a fine of $50,000 for dredging and filling wetlands without a permit
- In 1992, won the “Mr. Tight Jeans” contest at the Rockin’ Rodeo Bar in Boise
- Wife is a former Miss Idaho; they married in 2006; Otter was previously married for 28 years from 1964-1992 before divorcing

NOTABLE FACTS
- GOP was surprised when he launched his bid for governor as a Democrat because he had been working for the past five years to develop credibility in the mostly Republican Idaho legislature
- Fifth-generation Idahoan
- Worked alone on his family’s 1,200 acre farm during the summer while in high school
ILLINOIS (D-Quinn)           NBC Rating: Toss Up

Incumbent Gov. Pat Quinn (D) vs. former state Sen. Bill Brady (R)

Analysis: Quinn, who assumed the governorship after disgraced ex-Gov. Rod Blagojevich resigned, is in a tight race with Brady.

Past election result: Blagojevich (D) 50%, Judy Baar Topinka (R) 39%; Presidential: Obama 62%-37%

Gov. Pat Quinn (D)
Assumed office 2009
Age: 61, b. Dec. 16, 1948, Hinsdale, IL
Home: Chicago, IL
Education: Degree, International Economics, Georgetown, 1971; J.D., Northwestern
Religion: Catholic
Family: Divorced (two children: Patrick, David)
Career: Governor, IL, 2009-present; Lt. Gov., IL, 2003-09; IL State Treas., 1991-95; Commissioner, Cook Co. Board of Tax Appeals, 1982-86; Chicago Revenue Director, 1986-87; practicing atty, 1994-02; author

Bill Brady (R), former state senator
Age: 49, b. May 15, 1961, Bloomington, IL
Home: Bloomington, IL
Education: B.S., Finance/Political Science and Economics, Illinois Wesleyan Univ, 1983
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Nancy, three children: Katie, William, Duncan)
Career: IL Senate, 2002-present; IL House of Reps., 1993-00; co-owner, Brady Homes, 1983-present

NOTABLE FACTS
- Became Gov. on Jan. 29, 2009, after the impeachment and removal of Rod Blagojevich
- Wrote “How to Appeal Your Property Taxes Without a Lawyer”
- Initially called for a special election to fill Obama’s Senate seat but backed down after it seemed like it might result in GOP victory

NOTABLE FACTS
- He and his brothers opened a Christmas tree farm while in college
- Only won the Republican nomination for governor by 193 votes
#5 IOWA (D-Culver)  
**Incumbent Gov. Chet Culver (D) vs. former Gov. Terry Branstad (R)**

**Analysis:** The Hawkeye State is another with budget problems, and that’s greatly endangered Culver, as Branstad is favored to win back the governorship.

**Past election result:** Culver (D) 54%, Jim Nussle (R) 44%; **Presidential:** Obama 54%-45%

### Gov. Chet Culver (D)
- **First elected 2006**
- **Age:** 43, b. Jan. 25, 1966, Washington, DC
- **Home:** West Des Moines, IA
- **Education:** B.A., Political Science, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, 1988; M.A., Teaching, Drake Univ., 1994
- **Religion:** Presbyterian
- **Family:** Married (Mariclare, two children: Clare, John)
- **Career:** Governor, IA, 2006-present; Secy of State, IA, 1998-06; fmr. teacher/football and basketball coach, Hoover High School; fmr. teacher/football and basketball coach, Roosevelt High School; fmr. environmental and consumer advocate, Office of the Atty General

### Terry Branstad (R), former governor
- **Age:** 63, b. Nov. 17, 1946, Leland, IA
- **Home:** Boone, IA
- **Education:** B.A., Univ. of Iowa, 1969; J.D., Drake Univ., 1974
- **Religion:** Roman Catholic
- **Family:** Married (Chris, three children: Eric, Allison, Marcus)
- **Career:** Practicing atty; Pres., Des Moines Univ., 1998-09; Governor, IA 1983-98; IA Lt. Gov., 1979-83; farmer, 1974-82; IA House of Reps., 1973-79; U.S. Army, 1969-71

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**NOTABLE FACTS**
- Won a scholarship to play football for Virginia Tech but a knee injury ended his career
- At age 32, was youngest secretary of state in the nation at the time
- Father John Culver (D) was a U.S. Senator, but, in 1980, lost his seat to current Sen. Charles Grassley (R)
- Coached high school football and basketball

**NOTABLE FACTS**
- Was Iowa's youngest and longest-serving governor, from 1983 to 1999
- Awarded the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service
Incumbent Gov. Mark Parkinson (D), who assumed the governorship after Kathleen Sebelius was named Health and Human Services secretary, is not running.

U.S. Sen. Sam Brownback (R) vs. State Sen. Tom Holland (D).

Analysis: Brownback is the heavy favorite.

Past election result: Sebelius (D) 58%, Jim Barnett (R) 40%; Presidential: McCain 57%-41%

State Sen. Tom Holland (D)

Age: 49, b. July 23, 1961, Indianapolis, IN
Home: Baldwin City, KS
Education: B.S., Business Administration, Indiana Univ., 1982; M.B.A., University of Minnesota, 1987
Religion: United Church of Christ
Family: Married (Barbara, four children: Thomas, Derek, Brandon, Louisa)
Career: KS Senate, 2008-present; owner, Holland Technologies, Incorporated, 1994-present; KS House of Reps., 2002-08; Information Technology Consultant

Sen. Sam Brownback (R)

Age: 54, b. Sept. 12, 1956, Garnett, KS
Home: Topeka, KS
Education: B.S., Agricultural Economics, Kansas State Univ., 1979; J.D., Univ. of Kansas, 1982
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Mary, five children: Abby, Andy, Elizabeth, Mark, Jenna)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Plays upright bass with the Plymouth Strings group at his church
- Coached youth baseball teams for several years and served as a Cub Scouts den leader

NOTABLE FACTS
- State president of Future Farmers of America in high school
- Student body president at KSU
- After the Janet Jackson “wardrobe malfunction” at the Super Bowl, the Senate passed his bill raising the maximum fine on broadcasters for indecency from $32,500 to $325,000
- Ran for president in the 2008 cycle
Gov. John Baldacci (R) is term-limited.

State Senate President Libby Mitchell (D) vs. Waterville Mayor Paul LePage (R) vs. attorney Eliot Cutler (I)

Analysis: LePage, Mitchell, and Cutler are in a tight race. If Mitchell wins, Maine would be the second state with women as governor and both senators. LePage gained national attention for saying that if he were elected there would be newspaper headlines saying he told President Obama to “go to hell.”

Past election result: Baldacci (D) 38%, Chandler Woodcook (R) 30%; Presidential: Obama 58%-40%

State Sen. Libby Mitchell (D)
Age: 70, b. June 22, 1940, South Carolina
Home: Vassalboro, ME
Religion: Baptist
Family: Married (Jim, four children: J. Elizabeth, Charles, Emily, Will)
Career: ME State Senate, 2004-present; atty, Mitchell and Davis, present; ME House of Reps., 1991-98, 1974-84; Director, ME State Housing Authority; Teacher

Waterville Mayor Paul LePage (R)
Age: 62, b. Oct. 9, 1948, Lewiston, ME
Home: Waterville, ME
Education: B.S., Business Administration, Husson Univ.; M.B.A., University of Maine
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Ann, five children)
Career: Mayor, Waterville 2003-present; CEO, LePage and Kasevich; manager, Marden’s Retail, 1996

Eliot Cutler (I), attorney
Age: 64, b. July 29, 1946, Bangor, ME
Home: Cape Elizabeth, ME
Education: B.A., Harvard; J.D., Georgetown
Religion: Jewish
Family: Married (Melanie, three children: Abby, Zack, Katherine)
Career: Chairman, Muskie School of Public Service, Univ. of Southern Maine, 2000-09; Founder, Cutler & Stanfield; Board member, Thornburg Mortgage; Webster Sheffield, 1980-89; Assoc. Dir. for Natural Resources, Energy and Science, OMB, 1977-80; staffer, U.S. Sen. Edmund Muskie, 1970s
MARYLAND (D-O'Malley)            NBC Rating: Lean D

Incumbent Gov. Martin O'Malley (D) vs. former Gov. Bob Ehrlich (R)

Analysis: O'Malley is the slight favorite in a rematch with Ehrlich, whom he defeated in 2006.

Past election result: O'Malley (D) 53%, Bob Ehrlich (R) 46%; Presidential: Obama 62%-37%

Gov. Martin O'Malley (D)
First elected 2006
Home: Baltimore, MD
Education: B.A., Catholic Univ., 1985; J.D., University of Maryland, 1988
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Katie, four children: Grace, Tara, William, Jack)

Bob Ehrlich (R), former governor
Age: 52, b. Nov. 25, 1957, Arbutus, MD
Home: Annapolis, MD
Religion: Methodist
Family: Married (Kendel, two children: Drew, Joshua)
Career: Consultant, Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, 2006-10; Governor, MD, 2002-06; U.S. House of Reps., 1994-02; MD House of Delegates, 1987-94; Atty, Ober, Kaler, Grimes & Shriver, 1983-84; football coach; law clerk
MASSACHUSETTS (D-Patrick)  

Incumbent Gov. Deval Patrick (D) vs. fmr health-care co. CEO Charles Baker (R) vs. Treasurer Tim Cahill (I)

Analysis: Patrick is trying to fend off Baker, a top Republican recruit. Baker, however, is threatened from the Tea Party wing by former Democrat-turned-independent Cahill. But Cahill’s campaign seemed to implode after his running mate quit.

Past election result: Patrick (D) 56%, Kerry Healey (R) 35%; Presidential: Obama 62%-36%

Gov. Deval Patrick (D)  
Age: 54, b. July 31, 1956, Chicago, IL  
Home: Milton, MA  
Religion: Presbyterian  
Family: Married (Diane, two children: Sarah, Katherine)  

Charles Baker (R), fmr. health care co. CEO  
Age: 53, b. Nov. 13, 1956, Needham, MA  
Home: Swampscott, MA  
Religion: N/A  
Family: Married (Lauren, three children: Charlie, AJ, Caroline)  

Tim Cahill (I), state treasurer  
Age: 51, b. Dec. 1, 1958, Norwood, MA  
Home: Quincy, MA  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Tina, four children: Makena, Nicole, Devin, Kendra)  
Career: MA Treasurer, 2002-present; Norfolk Co. Treas., 1997-03; City Councilor, Quincy, 1987-03; author; owner, Handshakes Café, 1982-92; teacher/wrestling coach, 1979-84

FAST FACT...  
Patrick was the first Democratic governor in Massachusetts after four-straight Republicans, since 1991

NOTABLE FACTS  
- Massachusetts' first black governor and only the nation's second  
- Friends with President Obama  
- Prior to law school, worked on a U.N. project in Sudan for a year  
- David Axelrod was a consultant on his 2006 campaign

NOTABLE FACTS  
- Played basketball at Harvard  
- Has offered a series of 13 reforms to cut $1 billion in state spending called "Baker's Dozen"  
- In 1998, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Governor's Association

NOTABLE FACTS  
- Changed political parties, from Democrat to Independent in 2009  
- Running mate, Paul Loscocco, withdrew defected, endorsed Baker  
- In 2007, traveled to India and Ireland to study urban growth  
- Wrestled in high school
Gov. Jennifer Granholm (D) is term-limited.

Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero vs. former Gateway computer executive Rick Snyder

Analysis: Michigan’s woeful economy has given an opening to Republicans. Snyder (R), a moderate who made a splash with his catchy, “One Tough Nerd” ad campaign, is favored over Bernero (D).

Past election result: Jennifer Granholm (D) 56%, Dick DeVos (R) 42%; Presidential: 57%-41%

Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero (D)

Age: 46, b. March 31, 1964, Pontiac, MI
Home: Lansing, MI
Education: B.A., Political Science, Adrian College, 1986
Religion: Non-denominational Christian
Family: Married (Teri, two children: Kelly, Virginia)

Rick Snyder (R), former Gateway executive

Age: 52, b. Aug. 19, 1958, Battle Creek, MI
Home: Ann Arbor, MI
Religion: Presbyterian
Family: Married (Sue, three children)
Career: Retired partner, Coopers and Lybrand; Interim CEO, Gateway, 2006; Pres./COO, Gateway, 1996-97, Ex. VP, Gateway, 1991-96; Creator, HealthMedia, Incorporated; investor
MINNESOTA (R-Open-Pawlenty)  

**NBC Rating: Toss Up**

Gov. Tim Pawlenty (R), likely 2012 presidential candidate is retiring.

State Rep. Tom Emmer (R) vs. former U.S. Sen. Mark Dayton (D)

**Analysis:** Dayton is the slight favorite here.

**Past election result:** Pawlenty (R) 47%, Mike Hatch (D) 46%;
**Presidential:** Obama 54%-44%

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**State Rep. Tom Emmer (R)**

- **Age:** 49, b. March 3, 1961, South Bend, IN
- **Home:** Delano, MN
- **Education:** Attended, Boston College; B.A., History/Political Science, Univ. of Alaska, 1984; J.D., William Mitchell, 1988
- **Religion:** Catholic
- **Family:** Married (Jacquie, seven children: Tripp, Jack, Bobby, Katie, Joey, Billy, Johnny)

**Career:** MN House of Reps., 2004-present; Councilman, City of Delano, 2003-04; Councilman, City of Independence, 1995-02; trial atty

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**Mark Dayton (D), fmr U.S. Senator**

- **Age:** 63, b. Jan. 26, 1947, Minneapolis, MN
- **Home:** Minneapolis, MN
- **Education:** B.A., Psychology, Yale, 1969
- **Religion:** Presbyterian
- **Family:** Divorced (two children: Eric, Andrew)


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**FAST FACT...**

Despite the liberal presidential leanings of this state, Minnesota hasn’t had a Democratic governor since 1991.

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Played hockey at the University of Alaska
- Once advocated for chemically castrating sex offenders

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Great-grandson of the man who founded Dayton Hudson Corp., which is now Target
- Protested Vietnam and now claims to have been the “only Minnesotan” on President Nixon’s “Enemies list”
- Considers his most important vote in the Senate was the one against the Iraq War Resolution
- Played college hockey at Yale
Incumbent Gov. **Dave Heineman** (R) vs. attorney **Mike Meister** (D), the ’02 Dem nominee for atty general

**Analysis:** Heineman is favored to win reelection.

**Past election result:** Heineman (R) 73%, David Hahn (D) 24%; **Presidential:** McCain 57%-42%

**Gov. Dave Heineman (R)**

- Assumed office in 2005, first elected 2006
- **Age:** 62, b. May 12, 1948, Falls City, NE
- **Home:** Lincoln, NE
- **Education:** B.S., Economics, United States Military Academy, West Point, 1970
- **Religion:** Methodist
- **Family:** Married (Sally, one child: Sam)
- **Career:** Governor, NE, 2005-present; Lt. Gov., NE, 2001-05; Treasurer, NE, 1994-01; Fremont Area Office Manager, NE Congressman Doug Bereuter; Chief of Staff, Nebraska Cong. Hal Daub; employee, Proctor and Gamble; Capt., U.S. Army

**Mike Meister (D), attorney**

- **Age:** 49, b. Jan. 17, 1961, Omaha, NE
- **Home:** Scottsbluff, NE
- **Education:** B.A., Political Science, Creighton Univ., 1983; J.D., Creighton Univ., 1986
- **Religion:** Roman Catholic
- **Family:** Divorced (three children)
- **Career:** Private practice, atty, 1992-present; atty, U.S. Army, 1986-92

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- If he wins, could leave office as the longest-serving governor in state history
- Became governor early in 2005, after then-Gov. Mike Johanns resigned to become U.S. agriculture secretary
- Served five years in the U.S. Army

- Attended Creighton University on an R.O.T.C scholarship and after graduation, was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army
- Ran unsuccessfully for Nebraska Attorney General in 2002 and Scotts Bluff Co. Atty in 2006
NEVADA (R-Open-Gibbons)  

NBC Rating: Lean R

Gov. Jim Gibbons (R) lost in the primary.

Former state Attorney General/judge Brian Sandoval (R) vs. Clark County Commissioner Rory Reid (D)

Analysis: The scandal-plagued Gibbons lost the primary to Sandoval, a former federal judge who gave up his lifetime appointment to run for governor. Harry Reid recommended his appointment to President George W. Bush -- and now Sandoval is running against Reid’s son, Rory. Sandoval is favored.

Past election result: Gibbons (R) 48%, Dina Titus (D) 44%; Presidential: Obama 55%-43%

Brian Sandoval (R), fmr Atty Gen./fed. judge

Age: 47, b. Aug. 5, 1963, Redding, CA  
Home: Reno, NV  
Education: B.A., Univ. of Nevada, 1986; J.D., Ohio State Univ., 1989  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Kathleen, three children)  

Rory Reid (D), Clark Co. Commission Chairman

Home: Henderson, NV  
Religion: Mormon  
Family: Married (Cindy, three children)  
Career: Chairman, Clark Co. Comm., 2005-present; Clark Co. Comm., 2002-present; NV Taxicab Authority, 1990s; fmr. chairman, Nevada Dem. Party; Partner, Lionel Sawyer & Collins, law firm

PAST FACT...  
Sandoval would be the state's first Hispanic governor. About one-in-four Nevadans are Latino.

NOTABLE FACTS

- First Hispanic elected to statewide office in Nevada
- Appointed to federal judgeship, a lifetime appointment, in 2005.

NOTABLE FACTS

- Son of Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV)
- Early on in his campaign, Rory dropped his last name on campaign materials
- Campaign focuses on rebuilding Nevada’s education system
NEW HAMPSHIRE (D-Lynch)  

Incumbent Gov. John Lynch (D) vs. former state health commissioner John Stephen (R)

Analysis: Lynch is seeking an unprecedented fourth term. He has the edge over Stephen, who ran as the GOP nominee for NH-1 in 2002 and 2008. He has attracted national attention and fundraising help from Republicans like Mitt Romney, Tim Pawlenty, Haley Barbour, Scott Brown, and Bobby Jindal.

Past election result: Lynch (D) 70%, Joe Kenney (R) 28%;  
Presidential: Obama 54%-45%

Gov. John Lynch (D)

First elected 2004  
Age: 57, b. Nov. 25, 1952, Waltham, MA  
Home: Hopkinton, NH  
Education: B.A., Univ. of New Hampshire, 1974; M.B.A., Harvard, 1979; J.D., Georgetown, 1984  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Susan, three children: Jacqueline, Julia, Hayden)  

John Stephen (R), fmr state health commissioner

Age: 48, b. October 21, 1962, Manchester, NH  
Home: Manchester, NH  
Education: B.S., Business, Univ. of New Hampshire; J.D., Detroit College  
Religion: Catholic  
Family: Married (Jenny, two children: Nicole, Hannah)  

Past Fact...
New Hampshire governors serve just two-year terms.

Notable Facts
- If he wins reelection, it will be for an unprecedented fourth term.  
- While Gov., NH was named both the "Most Livable State" in the nation and the "Safest State"  
- Wife is a pediatrician specializing in childhood obesity

Notable Facts
- Written six books on a variety of law enforcement topics  
- Calls himself a "Hockey Dad;" as he and his wife travel throughout New England to watch their daughter's hockey games  
- Managing editor of the Detroit College of Law Review

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Gov. Bill Richardson (D) is term-limited.

Lt. Gov. Diane Denish (D) vs. District Attorney Susana Martinez (R)

Analysis: Richardson has grown more unpopular, and that has hurt Denish, his lieutenant governor. Martinez, the Doña Ana County district attorney, is favored to be the state’s first female governor -- and nation’s first Latina governor.

Past election result: Richardson (D) 69%, John Dendahl (R) 31%; Presidential: Obama 57%-42%

Lt. Gov. Diane Denish (D)

Age: 61, b. March 7, 1949, Hobbs, NM
Home: Albuquerque, NM
Education: B.A., Political Science, Univ. of New Mexico, 1971
Religion: Episcopalian
Family: Married (Herb, three children: Spencer, Sara, Suzanne)
Career: Lt. Gov., NM, 2002-present; Pres., NM Senate, 2002-present; Chair, Dem. Party of New Mexico; Owner, The Target Group, 1990-02

Susana Martinez (R), district attorney

Age: 51, b. July 14, 1959, El Paso, TX
Home: Las Cruces, NM
Education: B.A., Univ. of Texas, 1981; J.D., Univ. of Oklahoma, 1986
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Chuck, one stepson: Carlo)
Career: District Atty, Dona Ana County, 1996-09

FAST FACT...
New Mexico will have its first female governor.

NOTABLE FACTS
- First woman elected lieutenant governor in New Mexico
- Has tried to distance herself from Gov. Richardson; her motto: “Diane Denish – A new way forward”

NOTABLE FACTS
- If elected, she would not only be New Mexico’s first female governor but also the nation’s first female Hispanic governor
- Named Heart magazine’s “Woman of the Year” in 2008
- Her husband is the Doña Ana County Undersheriff and her stepson is serving in the Navy
NEW YORK (D-Open-Paterson)                      NBC Rating: Probable D

Incumbent Gov. David Paterson (D) is retiring.

State Attorney General Andrew Cuomo (D) vs. developer Carl Paladino (R)

Analysis: Cuomo, son of former Gov. Mario Cuomo, is favored over longshot Tea Party candidate Paladino, a Buffalo developer.

Past election result: Eliot Spitzer (D) 70%, John Faso (R) 29%; Presidential: Obama 63%-36%

Andrew Cuomo (D), state attorney general
Age: 52, b. Dec. 17, 1957, Queens, NY
Home: New York, NY
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Divorced (three children: Mariah, Cara, Michaela)

NOTABLE FACTS
- Father is former Gov. Mario Cuomo
- Former Housing and Urban Development Secretary
- Worked his way through school by taking jobs as a security guard, landscaper, and an auto repair mechanic

Carl Paladino (R), Buffalo developer
Age: 64, b. August 14, 1946, Buffalo, NY
Home: Buffalo, NY
Education: B.A., St. Bonaventure Univ.; J.D., Syracuse, 1971
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Mary, four children, one deceased)
Career: Founder and CEO, Ellicott Development Company, 1973; partner, Paladino, Cavan, and Quinlivan; Capt., U.S. Army, 1971-81

NOTABLE FACTS
- Has an estimated personal worth of $150 million but has lived in the same house in Buffalo for the past 40 years
- Honored by the City of Buffalo in 1991 as “Buffalonian of the Year”
- His incendiary remarks about gays and the poor have landed him in the national spotlight.
- Fathered a daughter out of wedlock
#10 OHIO (D-Strickland)                NBC Rating: Toss Up

Incumbent Gov. Ted Strickland (D) vs. former Rep. John Kasich (R)

**Analysis:** Strickland is in a tight race with Kasich in this quintessential swing state. The economy and jobs have been front and center. Though polls show voters don’t think Strickland’s policies have helped the economy, they also don’t appear to have much confidence that Kasich can turn around the situation either. Strickland has hit Kasich for having been managing editor of the now-defunct Lehman Brothers after exiting Congress, but Kasich very well could ride the national climate into this seat, as some polls have shown him with an edge.

**Past election result:** Strickland (D) 61%, Kenneth Blackwell (R) 37%; **Presidential:** Obama 52%-47%

### Gov. Ted Strickland (D)

First elected 2006  
**Age:** 69, b. Aug. 4, 1941, Lucasville, OH  
**Home:** Bexley, OH  
**Education:** B.A., History, Asbury College, 1963; M.A., Guidance Counseling, Univ. of Kentucky, 1966; MDiv, Divinity, Asbury Theological Seminary, 1967; Ph.D., Counseling Psychology, Univ. of Kentucky, 1980  
**Religion:** Methodist  
**Family:** Married (Frances)  


**Age:** 58, b. May 13, 1952, McKees Rocks, PA  
**Home:** Westerville, OH  
**Education:** B.A., Political Science, Ohio State Univ., 1974  
**Religion:** Non-denominational evangelical  
**Family:** Married (Karen, two children: Emma, Reese)  
**Career:** Managing dir., Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc; Fox News commentator; Rep, U.S. House of Reps., 1982-; Sen., OH Senate, 1978-83; Administrative asst, Sen. Donald Lukens, 1975-77

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### NOTABLE FACTS

- Son of a steelworker  
- Eighth of nine children  
- Briefly lived in a chicken coop after his family's house burned down.  
- Has a Ph.D. in counseling psychology; worked as a prison psychologist and a professor.  
- Helped author the federal Children's Health Program Initiative, or CHIP  
- Was already swept out in one wave – in 1994 when he was a member of the U.S. House. Strickland, however, came back and one in a rematch two years later  
- Mentioned, at one point, as a potential VP candidate for Obama  
- Wife authored a widely used screening test for kindergartners

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### NOTABLE FACTS

- After leaving Congress, became managing director at the now-defunct Lehman Bros.  
- Two-time New York Times bestselling author of, “Stand for Something: The Battle for America's Soul” and “Courage is Contagious”  
- Hosted a national weekly news show called, “Heartland with John Kasich”  
- Both of his parents were killed in a 1987 car accident
Gov. Brad Henry (D) is term-limited.


Analysis: Fallin has the edge over Askins.

Past election result: Henry (D) 67%, Ernest Istook (R) 33%; Presidential: McCain 66%-34%

Lt. Gov. Jari Askins (D)

Age: 57, b. April 27, 1953, Duncan, OK
Home: Duncan, OK
Education: B.A., Journalism, Univ. of Oklahoma, 1975; J.D., Univ. of Oklahoma, 1980
Religion: Christian
Family: Single

Notable Facts
- First Democratic woman in Oklahoma to be elected Lt. Gov., Democratic Leader of the state House, and Chair of The Oklahoma Pardon and Parole Board
- Inducted into the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame and the Duncan Public Schools Foundation Hall of Fame
- Sings in the choir at her church

Rep. Mary Fallin (R)

Age: 55, b. Dec. 9, 1954, Warrensburg, MO
Home: Edmond, OK
Education: B.A., Oklahoma State Univ., 1977
Religion: Christian
Family: Re-married (Wade, six children)

Notable Facts
- Elected as Oklahoma's first Republican and first female Lt. Gov. in 1994
- Mother and father both served as mayor of Tecumseh, OK
- Considered one of the most conservative members of Congress
OREGON (D-Open-Kulongoski)  
NBC Rating: Toss Up

Gov. Ted Kulongoski (D) is term-limited. Fmr Gov. John Kitzhaber (D) vs. Fmr NBA player Chris Dudley (R)

**Analysis:** Kitzhaber is seeking his old job back, but Dudley, a former Portland Trailblazer, provides him with a tall hurdle -- literally and figuratively. Dudley is 7-feet, one-inch tall and is up in some polls.

**Past election result:** Ted Kulongoski (D) 51%, Ron Saxton (R) 43%; **Presidential:** Obama 57%-41%

**John Kitzhaber (D), former governor**

- **Age:** 63, b. March 5, 1947, Colfax, WA
- **Home:** Portland, OR
- **Education:** B.S., Dartmouth College, 1969; M.D., Oregon Health Sciences Univ., 1973
- **Religion:** Non-Denominational
- **Family:** Divorced (one child: Logan)
- **Career:** Governor, OR, 1994-02; prof., OR Health Sciences Univ., 1989-94; Health and Environment Consultant, 1988-93; OR Senate President, 1985-93; OR Senate, 1981-93; OR House, 1979-81; Emergency Physician, 1974-88

**Chris Dudley (R), former NBA player**

- **Age:** 45, b. Feb. 22, 1965, Stamford, CT
- **Home:** Lake Oswego, OR
- **Education:** B.A., Economics and Political Science, Yale, 1987
- **Religion:** Presbyterian
- **Family:** Married (Chris Love, three children: Charles, Emma, Sam)
- **Career:** Partner and Wealth Strategist, Filigree Advisors, 2008-present; Senior VP, M Financial, 2003-08; Co-founder, The Dudley Foundation, 1994; NBA center, 1987-03

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Two-term former governor
- Called “Dr. No” because during his time as Governor, he vetoed more bills than any governor in Oregon history
- Declared he would be a centrist governor, rather than be what he said he became: a partisan “superlegislator.”

- Played in the NBA despite the fact that no other professional basketball player in the history of the league had played while dealing with diabetes. He’s Type 1 diabetic
- Grandfather was the U.S. ambassador to Denmark from 1969 to 1971
- Dudley was just a 45.8% free-throw shooter in his professional career
Gov. Ed Rendell (D) is term-limited. Allegheny County Exec. Dan Onorato (D) vs. Atty Gen Tom Corbett (R)

Analysis: Republicans have a very good pick-up opportunity here. Corbett, who is known statewide, is the man to beat.

Past election result: Ed Rendell (D) 60%, Lynn Swann (R) 40%; Presidential: Obama 55%-44%

Dan Onorato (D), Allegheny County executive
Age: 49, b. Feb. 5, 1961, Pittsburgh, PA
Home: Pittsburgh, PA
Education: B.A., Accounting, Penn State, 1983; J.D., Univ. of Pittsburgh, 1989
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Shelly, three children: Kate, Emily, Danny)

Tom Corbett (R), state attorney general
Appointed in 1995; Elected 2004
Age: 61, b. June 17, 1949, Philadelphia, PA
Home: Shaler Township, PA
Education: B.A., Political Science, Lebanon Valley College, 1971; J.D., Saint Mary’s Univ., 1975
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Susan, two children: Tom, Katherine)
Gov. Donald Carcieri (R) is term-limited.

State Treasurer Frank Caprio (D) vs. former Republican Sen. Lincoln Chafee (I) vs. John Robitaille (R), Carcieri’s communications director

Analysis: This is really a race between Chafee and Caprio. Robitaille lags in the polls. Like in most other states, the economy sets the backdrop of this race -- Rhode Island has the fourth-highest unemployment rate in the country at 11.9%.

Past election result: Donald Carcieri (R) 51%, Charles Fogarty (D) 49%; Presidential: Obama 63%-35%

Frank Caprio (D), state treasurer
Age: 44, b. May 10, 1966, Providence, RI
Home: Providence, RI
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Gabriella, two children: Ashley, Frank II)

Lincoln Chafee (I), former U.S. Senator
Age: 57, b. March 26, 1953, Providence, RI
Home: Exeter, RI
Religion: Episcopalian
Family: Married (Stephanie, three children: Louisa, Caleb, Thea)

John Robitaille (R), aide to outgoing governor
Home: Portsmouth, RI
Education: B.S., Business Administration, Providence College, 1970; M.S., Human Resource Management, Univ. of Utah, 1976
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Lynda, three children: Kerry, Kelly, Kristen)
Career: Gov. Carcieri’s Comm. Dir., 2008-10; Owner/President, Perspective Communications Group, 1987-president; GM, Total Communications, 1986-87; Capt., Field Artillery/United States Special Forces Command, U.S. Army, 1970-75

Notable facts
- Played football, baseball at Harvard
- Elected to the state House while still in law school, traveling by train between classes and legislative sessions
- Oldest of five children;
- Father is a judge

Notable facts
- Appointed to Senate a week after father, Sen. John Chafee’s, death.
- Only Republican to vote against Iraq war resolution
- Jeb Bush was a schoolmate at Andover Academy
- Became a horse farrier after attending Montana St. University.
- Capt., Brown wrestling team

Notable facts
- Served as a paratrooper in the U.S. Army
- Spoken openly about having been molested as a child by the Rev. James Porter
- Never held elective office but did run unsuccessfully for the RI General Assembly in 2006, losing narrowly to state rep. Amy Rice
SOUTH CAROLINA (R-Open-Sanford)                     NBC Rating: Lean R

Gov. Mark Sanford (R) is term-limited. State Rep. Nikki Haley (R) vs. state Sen. Vincent Sheheen (D)

Analysis: Haley, who is close to the Sanfords, is favored, but recent polls have shown the race within single digits. Haley benefitted in the contentious and crowded GOP primary from Sarah Palin’s endorsement.

Past election result: Mark Sanford (R) 55%, Tommy Moore (D) 45%; Presidential: McCain 54%-45%

State Rep. Nikki Haley (R)

Age: 38, b. Jan. 20, 1972, Bamberg, SC
Home: Lexington County, SC
Education: B.S., Accounting, Clemson Univ.
Religion: Methodist
Family: Married (Michael, two children: Rena, Nalin)

Fast Fact...
Haley would be the state's first female governor. She’s already the only woman to win a major party's nomination for governor in South Carolina.

State Sen. Vincent Sheheen (D)

Age: 39, b. April 29, 1971, Camden, SC
Home: Camden, SC
Education: B.A., Political Science, Clemson Univ., 1993; J.D., University of South Carolina, 1996
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Amy, three children: Austin, Joseph, Anthony)

Fast Fact...
In 2000, he won the special election to fill the House seat of his retiring uncle, former Speaker Bob Sheheen
His drive to help improve education comes from having a father that served as SC’s Commissioner of Higher Education and a mother who was an elementary school teacher and principal

NOTABLE FACTS

- Beat the longest serving state legislator in 2004 when she won the Republican primary for the 87th District
- Raised as a Sikh faith, but had a Methodist wedding
- Daughter of Indian immigrants; kept books for her family's clothing store
- Served as Majority Whip in 2006 and 2007 in the SC House

SOUTH DAKOTA (R-Open-Rounds)                     NBC Rating: Solid R

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Gov. **Mike Rounds** (R) is term-limited.

Lt. Gov. **Dennis Daugaard** (R) vs. state Senate Minority Leader **Scott Heidepriem** (D)

**Analysis:** Daugaard is favored here.

**Past election result:** Mike Rounds (R) 62%, Jack Billion (D) 36%; **Presidential:** McCain 53%-45%

**Lt. Gov. Dennis Daugaard (R)**

| Age: 57, b. Jan. 11, 1953, Sioux Falls, SD |
| **Home:** Garretson, SD |
| **Education:** B.S., Political Science, Univ. of South Dakota, 1975; J.D. Northwestern, 1978 |
| **Religion:** Lutheran |
| **Family:** Married (Linda, three children: Laura, Sara, Christopher) |
| **Career:** Lt. Gov., SD, 2002-present; Pres. of the Senate, SD Senate, 2002-present; SD Senate, 1996-02; Ex. Dir., Children’s Home Society, 2003-present; Dir. of Development, Children's Home Foundation, 1990-02; VP/Trust Officer, Nat'l Bank of South Dakota, 1981-90; Claims Atty, Shand, Morahan and Company, 1980-81; Atty, Supena and Nyman, 1978-79 |

**State Sen. Scott Heidepriem (D)**

| Age: 54, b. June 25, 1956, Miller, SD |
| **Home:** Sioux Falls, SD |
| **Education:** B.A., Univ. of South Dakota; M.A., History, Univ. of South Dakota; M.P.A., Public Administration, Harvard; J.D., Univ. of South Dakota |
| **Religion:** Protestant |
| **Family:** Married (Susan, two children: Sam, Pete) |
| **Career:** SD Senate, 2006-present; Minority Leader, SD Senate; Founder / Atty, Johnson, Heidepriem, Miner, Marlow and Janklow, 1992-present; Special Asst. Atty Gen.; Republican Sen., SD Senate, 1990-92; Republican Rep., SD House of Reps., 1983-86 |

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Both of his parents were deaf; He is fluent in American Sign Language and has been certified as an interpreter for the deaf
- Jobs during school included washing dishes, waiting tables, welder, sandblasting and painting water towers, bus driver, law clerk, and security guard
- Four generations of Daugaard’s have lived on their family farm in SD (Dennis is the third)

**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Served as a Republican in the House and Senate until the early 1990s; switched parties to the Democratic Party, elected to the Senate in 2006
- Met his wife, Susan, on a blind date in 1985
Gov. Phil Bredesen (D) is term-limited.

Businessman/beer distributor Mike McWherter (D) vs. Knoxville Mayor Bill Haslam (R)


Past election result: Phil Bredesen (D) 69%, Jim Bryson (R) 30%; Presidential: McCain 57%-42%

Mike McWherter (D), beer distributor

Age: 54, b. Jan. 28, 1956, Union City, TN
Home: Jackson, TN
Education: Vanderbilt: B.A.; J.D., 1981
Religion: Presbyterian
Family: Married (Mary Jane, two children: Walker, Bess)
Career: Owner, Central Distributing, 1990-present; Chairman, Bank Board of First State Bank; Atty, Donelson, Stokes and Bartholomew, 1982-86

Knoxville Mayor Bill Haslam (R)

Age: 52, b. Aug. 23, 1958, Knoxville, TN
Home: Knoxville, TN
Education: B.A., History, Emory Univ.
Religion: Presbyterian
Family: Married (Crissy, three children: Annie, Leigh, Will)
Career: Mayor of Knoxville, 2003-present; Chief Ex. Officer of Saks Direct, 1999-01; President and Dir., Pilot Travel Centers, 1981-03

NOTABLE FACTS
- Son of former Tennessee Gov. Ned McWherter
- First run for elective office

NOTABLE FACTS
- An owner of the Tennessee Smokies East Tennessee AA Baseball Team
- Contributed more than $1.5 million of his own money to his campaign
Incumbent Gov. **Rick Perry** (R) vs. former Houston Mayor **Bill White** (D)

**Analysis:** Perry is Texas’ longest serving governor in history (and the second-longest current governor). And there are signs of Perry fatigue. That -- coupled with Democrats having nominated their strongest candidate probably since Ann Richards in 1990 -- makes this a competitive race. Polls show Perry has the edge over White, a popular former Houston mayor, but Democrats think White is within striking distance.

**Past election result:** Rick Perry (R) 39%, Chris Bell (D) 30%; **Presidential:** McCain 55%-44%

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**Gov. Rick Perry (R)**

![Perry](image)

- Assumed office 2000; first elected 2002
- **Age:** 60, b. March 4, 1950, Paint Creek, TX
- **Home:** Austin, TX
- **Education:** B.S., Animal Science, Texas A&M, 1972
- **Religion:** United Methodist
- **Family:** Married (Anita, two children: Griffin, Sydney)
- **Career:** Governor, TX, 2000-present; Lt. Gov., TX, 1999-99; Comm. of Ag., TX, 1990-98; TX House of Reps., 1985-90; U.S. Air Force, 1972-77

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**Bill White (D), former Houston mayor**

![White](image)

- **Age:** 56, b. June 16, 1954, San Antonio, TX
- **Home:** Houston, TX
- **Education:** B.A., Economics, Harvard; J.D., Univ. of Texas - Austin
- **Religion:** Methodist
- **Family:** Married (Andrea, three children)
- **Career:** Mayor of Houston, 2003-10; Pres. and CEO, WEDGE Group Inc.; Chairman, Texas Dem. Party; U.S. Deputy Secy of Energy, 1993-95; law practice of Susman Godfrey LLP, until 1993
UTAH (R-Herbert)               NBC Rating: Probable R

Incumbent Gov. Gary Herbert (R) vs. Salt Lake County Mayor Peter Corroon (D)

Analysis: Herbert is favored here.

Past election result: Jon Huntsman (R) 78%, Bob Springmeyer 20%; Presidential: McCain 63%-34%

Gov. Gary Herbert (R)
Assumed office 2009 when Jon Huntsman was appointed amb. to China
Age: 63, b. May 7, 1947, American Fork, UT
Home: Orem, UT
Education: Attended, Brigham Young
Religion: Mormon
Family: Married (Jeanette, six children)

Salt Lake County Mayor Peter Corroon (D)
Age: 46, b. July 16, 1964, New York, NY
Home: Salt Lake City, UT
Education: B.S., Civil Engineering, Carnegie Mellon; M.S., Real Estate Finance and Investment, NYU; J.D., Golden Gate Univ.
Religion: Catholic
Family: Married (Amy, three children: Sophie, Peter, James)
Career: Salt Lake County Mayor, 2004-present; Small claims judge, Utah’s Third District Court; Adj. Prof., Salt Lake Comm. College and Westminster College; Real Estate; Served on boards of Habitat for Humanity, United Way, Envision Utah, the Criminal Justice Advisory Council, and the Economic Development Corporation of Utah

NOTABLE FACTS
- Served a two-year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Eastern Atlantic States Mission after graduating from high school
- Served in the Utah National Guard for six years as a staff sergeant
- Studied engineering and accounting at Brigham Young University but left before graduation to found his company, Herbert & Associates Realtors
- Has a twin brother, Christopher, who lives in Salt Lake City, UT
- First cousin of Howard Dean
- Awarded the Pete Suazo Social Justice Award in 2008, Best Elected Official in the 2007 Best of State Awards, Public Official of the Year from the Utah Chamber of Commerce in 2006, the 2005 Everyday Hero Award from the American Red Cross, and the Tourism Achievement Award from the Salt Lake Convention and Visitors Bureau in 2005
VERMONT (R-Open-Douglas)  

Gov. Jim Douglas (R) is retiring. Lt. Gov. Brian Dubie (R) vs. state Sen. President Pro Tem Peter Shumlin (D)

**Analysis:** Yes, Dubie is his real name. He and Shumlin are in a tight race to replace popular outgoing Republican Gov. Douglas.

**Past election result:** Douglas (R) 53%, Gaye Symington (D) 22%, Anthony Pollina 22%;

**Presidential:** Obama 68%-31%

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**Lt. Gov. Brian Dubie (R)**

**Age:** 51, b. March 9, 1959, Burlington, VT  
**Home:** Essex Junction, VT  
**Education:** B.S., Mechanical Engineering, Univ. of Vermont, 1982  
**Religion:** Roman Catholic  
**Family:** Married (Penny, four children)  
**Career:** Lt. Gov., VT, 2003-present; President, VT Senate, 2003-present; VT Senate, 2000-present; School district moderator, 2000-present; Capt., American Airlines, 1998-present; Co-Owner, Dubie Family Sugarworks; Chair, Essex Junction School Board, 1996-00; Colonel, U.S. Air Force Reserve; Lieutenant Colonel, VT Air National Guard; Mechanical Engineer, Goodrich Aerospace

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**State Sen. Peter Shumlin (D)**

**Age:** 54, b. March 24, 1956, Brattleboro, VT  
**Home:** Putney, VT  
**Education:** B.A., Wesleyan Univ., 1979  
**Religion:** N/A  
**Family:** Separated (two children: Olivia, Rebecca)  
**Career:** VT Senate, 2006-present and 1992-02; VT House of Reps., 1990-92; chair, Board of Selectmen; Co-owner, Putney Student Travel

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Air Force fighter pilot
- In 2006, he founded the Vermont Aerospace and Aviation Association
- Helped following the Sept. 11 attacks and with Hurricane Katrina relief with the National Security Emergency Preparedness Agency. He procured radios for workers at Ground Zero.
- Wants lower taxes and less government regulation; cites that Forbes magazine named Vermont the fourth-worst state for business (even though he is the current Lt. Gov in a Republican administration

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**NOTABLE FACTS**

- Ran unsuccessfully for Lt. Gov. in ’02; finishing second to Dubie
- His student travel company helped 1,300 high school students participate in more than 50 programs around the world this year
Gov. Jim Doyle (D) is retiring.

Milwaukee Mayor/former U.S. Rep. Tom Barrett (D) vs. Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker (R)

Analysis: Walker is the slight favorite here.

Past election result: Doyle (D) 53%, Mark Green (R) 45%; Presidential: Obama (D) 56%-43%

Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett (D), fmr U.S. Rep.
Age: 56, b. Dec. 8, 1953, Milwaukee, WI
Home: Milwaukee, WI
Education: B.A., Univ. of Wisconsin, 1976; J.D., Univ. of Wisconsin, 1980
Religion: Roman Catholic
Family: Married (Kris, three children)
Career: Atty; Candidate, WI, 2002; Rep., U.S. Congress, 1992-02; WI Senate, 1989-92; WI State Assembly, 1984-89

Scott Walker (R), Milwaukee County executive
Home: Wauwatosa, WI
Education: attended Marquette Univ., 1986
Religion: Baptist
Family: Married (Tonette, two children: Matt, Alex)
Career: Co. Ex., Milwaukee Co., 2002-present; WI State Assembly, 1993-02; IBM; American Red Cross, 1990

- Worked on the assembly line at Harley-Davidson
- Lives in the same neighborhood he grew up in

- Touts that he drives a 1998 Saturn with 100,000 miles on it and packs two ham and cheese sandwiches on wheat with mayo each day for lunch
- Left Marquette University before graduation to work for the American Red Cross in 1990
- His birthday falls on Election Day this year
Gov. Dave Freudenthal (D) is term-limited. Dem. state party chair Leslie Petersen (D) vs. former U.S. Attorney Matt Mead (R)

Analysis: Mead is heavily favored here.

Past election result: Freudenthal (D) 70%, Ray Hunkins (R) 30%; Presidential: McCain(R) 65%-33%

Leslie Petersen (D), state party chair
Age: N/A b. Lovell, WY
Home: Jackson, WY
Education: Attended Univ. of Wyoming 1958-59
Religion: Episcopalian
Family: Married (Hank, two children: Travis, Monte)
Career: Chair, WY Dem. Party 2009-10; Candidate, WY House of Reps., 1990; licensed realtor/partner, Jackson Hole Realty, 1988-08; Commissioner, Teton County, 1983-88; candidate, Secy of State, WY, 1982; leg. liaison, Office of Gov. Herschler, 1981-82; Former Ex. Dir. of the Wyoming Environmental Institute

Matt Mead (R), former U.S. Attorney
Age: 48, b. March 11, 1962, Teton Cty, WY
Home: Cheyenne, WY
Education: B.S., Trinity Univ.; J.D., Univ. of Wyoming, 1987
Religion: Episcopalian
Family: Married (Carol, two children: Mary, Pete)

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NOTABLE FACTS
- Grew up working on the ranch her family acquired in Dubois, WY, CM Ranch, one of the oldest and best-known dude ranches in the West
- Was on the rodeo team at the University of Wyoming
- Became a real estate agent in 1988 and was a partner in Jackson Hole Realty

NOTABLE FACTS
- Spent close to $1 million of his family’s money to win the GOP primary over a Sarah Palin-backed opponent
- Fourth-generation Wyoming rancher; He and his wife still own and operate a ranching and farming business
- Served on the U.S. Attorney General’s Anti-terrorism Task Force and chaired a multi-state unit focusing on illicit drug trafficking as U.S. Attorney
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### THE SIDEBAR...

**Nickname:** Yellowhammer State  
**Capital:** Montgomery  
**Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

### Demographics

- **Population:** 4,585,900  
- **White:** 68.8%  
- **Black:** 26.2%  
- **Hispanic:** 2.5%

### Current Leadership

- **Governor:** Bob Riley (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Beth Chapman (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Richard Shelby (R)  
  - Jeff Sessions (R)

### Voting Data

- **2006 Turnout:** 1,250,401 (37.5%)  
- **Presidential:**  
  - 2004: Bush (R) 62%-37%  
  - 2008: McCain (R) 60%-39%
ALASKA

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THE SIDEBAR...

Nickname: The Last Frontier
Capital: Juneau
Poll Closing Time: 1 AM ET

Demographics
Population: 676,778
White: 66.1%
Black: 3.6%
Native American: 13.1%
Hispanic: 5.5%
Asian: 4.5%

Current Leadership
Governor: Sean Parnell (R)
Sec. of State: Craig Campbell (R)
U.S. Senators:
Lisa Murkowski (R)
Mark Begich (D)

Voting Data:
Party ID:

2010
I: 287,408 (59%)
R: 127,408 (26%)
D: 74,844 (15%)
Total: 489,960

2008
I: 260,224 (53%)
R: 125,053 (25%)
D: 75,763 (15%)
Total: 490,656

2006
I: 250,767 (54%)
R: 115,397 (25%)
D: 66,636 (14%)
Total: 466,887

2006 Turnout: 237,322 (51.0%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 61%-36%
2008: McCain (R) 59%-38%
**ARIZONA**

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**Key Ballot Measures**

**HEALTH CARE:** Prop. 106: Prohibits mandatory participation in the health care system. A person, employer, or health care provider would decide. [source: Arizona Secretary of State]

**THE SIDEBAR...**

**Nickname:** Grand Canyon State  
**Capital:** Phoenix  
**Poll Closing Time:** 10 PM ET

**Demographics**

- Population: 6,152,175  
- White: 59.6%  
- Hispanic: 29.0%  
- Native American: 4.1%  
- Black: 3.3%  
- Asian: 2.3%

**Current Leadership**

- Governor: Jan Brewer (R)  
- Sec. of State: Ken Bennett (R)  
- U.S. Senators:  
  - John McCain (R)  
  - Jon Kyl (R)

**Voting Data:**

- **2010**  
  - R: 1,119,389 (36%)  
  - D: 1,001,256 (32%)  
  - Total: 3,102,876

- **2008**  
  - D: 1,109,672 (37%)  
  - R: 1,220,478 (37%)  
  - Total: 3,294,370

- **2006**  
  - R: 1,014,690 (40%)  
  - D: 854,228 (33%)  
  - Total: 2,568,401

- **2006 Turnout:** 1,533,645 (38.9%)

**Presidential:**

- 2004: Bush (R) 55%-44%  
- 2008: McCain (R) 54%-45%
### ARKANSAS

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### THE SIDEBAR...

**Nickname:** The Natural State  
**Capital:** Little Rock  
**Poll Closing Time:** 8:30 PM ET

#### Demographics
- **Population:** 2,805,353  
- **White:** 76.3%  
- **Black:** 15.5%  
- **Hispanic:** 5.0%  
- **Asian:** 1.0%

#### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Mike Beebe (D)  
- **Sec. of State:** Charlie Daniels (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:** Blanche Lincoln (D)  
  Mark Pryor (D)

#### Voting Data: No Party ID

- **Total Registered voters:**  
  2010: 1,627,797  
  2008: 1,669,387  
  2006: 1,615,271

- **2006 Turnout:** 774,680 (38.7%)

#### Presidential:
- **2004:** Bush (R) 54%-45%  
- **2008:** McCain (R) 59%-39%
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## THE SIDEBAR...

### Demographics
- Population: 36,264,467
- White: 43.0%
- Black: 6.1%
- Hispanic: 35.7%
- Asian: 12.0%

### Current Leadership
- Governor: Arnold Schwarzenegger (R)
- Sec. of State: Debra Bowen (D)
- U.S. Senators: Dianne Feinstein (D) Barbara Boxer (D)

### Voting Data
#### Party ID:

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#### Turnout:
- 2006 Turnout: 8,679,416 (40.2%)  
- 2004: Kerry (D) 54%-44%  
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**Key Ballot Measures**

**MARIJUANA: Prop. 19:** Legalizes the personal use and possession of marijuana for individuals over 21 years old; Local governments could tax its sale. [source: California Secretary of State]

**REDISTRICTING: Prop. 20:** “Removes elected representatives from the process of establishing congressional districts and transfers that authority to the recently-authorized 14-member redistricting commission. Redistricting commission is comprised of five Democrats, five Republicans, and four voters registered with neither party. Requires that any newly-proposed district lines be approved by nine commissioners including three Democrats, three Republicans, and three from neither party.”  [source: California Secretary of State]

**CLIMATE CHANGE: Prop. 23:** “Suspends State laws requiring reduced greenhouse gas emissions that cause global warming, until California's unemployment rate drops to 5.5 percent or less for four consecutive quarters. Requires State to abandon implementation of comprehensive greenhouse-gas-reduction program that includes increased renewable energy and cleaner fuel requirements, and mandatory emission reporting and fee requirements for major polluters such as power plants and oil refineries, until suspension is lifted.”  [source: California Secretary of State]
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THE SIDE BAR...

Nickname: Centennial State
Capitol: Denver
Poll Closing Time: 9 PM ET

Demographics

Population: 4,767,161
White: 71.5%
Hispanic: 19.6%
Black: 3.7%
Asian: 2.6%

Current Leadership
Governor: Bill Ritter (D)
Sec. of State: Bernie Buescher (D)
U.S. Senators:
Mark Udall (D)
Michael Bennet (D)

Voting Data

Party ID:

2010:
I: 1,114,440 (34%)
R: 1,073,865 (33%)
D: 1,070,449 (33%)
Total: 3,258,754

2008:
R: 1,029,062 (34%)
I: 1,022,575 (34%)
D: 955,428 (32%)
Total: 3,002,052

2006:
R: 1,070,190 (36%)
I: 1,013,177 (34%)
D: 904,767 (30%)
Total: 3,000,836

2006 Turnout: 1,558,387 (47.3%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 52%-47%
2008: Obama (D) 54%-45%

Key Ballot Measures

ABORTION: Amend. 62: Defines a ‘person’ as beginning at conception in the state constitution.
[source: Colorado Secretary of State]
### On the Ballot

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### The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** The Constitution State  
**Capital:** Hartford  
**Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

#### Demographics

- **Population:** 3,494,851  
- **White:** 74.6%  
- **Hispanic:** 11.2%  
- **Black:** 9.1%  
- **Asian:** 3.2%

#### Current Leadership

- **Governor:** M. Jodi Rell (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Susan Bysiewicz (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Chris Dodd (D)  
  - Joe Lieberman (I)

#### Voting Data

- **Party ID:**
  - **2010:**
    - I: 831,962 (42%)
    - D: 743,580 (37%)
    - R: 413,854 (21%)
    - Total: 2,001,389
  - **2008:**
    - I: 820,268 (42%)
    - D: 728,177 (37%)
    - R: 412,675 (21%)
    - Total: 1,967,543
  - **2006:**
    - I: 905,766 (44%)
    - D: 663,517 (32%)
    - R: 411,800 (20%)
    - Total: 2,046,487
  - **2006 Turnout:** 1,134,780 (46.6%)

#### Presidential

- **2004:** Kerry (D) 54%-44%  
- **2008:** Obama (D) 61%-38%
**DELAWARE**

**On the Ballot**

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*incumbent
^open seat

**THE SIDEBAR...**

Nickname: The First State
Capital: Dover
Poll Closing Time: 8 PM ET

**Demographics**
Population: 852,689
White: 69.1%
Black: 20.0%
Hispanic: 6.3%
Asian: 2.7%

**Current Leadership**
Governor: Jack Markell (D)
Sec. of State: Jeffrey Bullock (D)
U.S. Senators:
Thomas Carper (D)
Ted Kaufman (D)

**Voting Data:**
Party ID:

**2010:**
D: 292,738 (47%)
R: 182,796 (29%)
Total: 621,746

**2008:**
D: 270,387 (46%)
R: 180,078 (31%)
Total: 588,052

**2006:**
D: 246,149 (44%)
R: 178,655 (32%)
Total: 557,736

**2006 Turnout:** 254,099 (42.3%)

**Presidential:**
2004: Kerry (D) 53%-46%
2008: Obama (D) 62%-37%
On the Ballot

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| FL-2  | Allen Boyd*     | Steve Southerland| Toss Up |
| FL-3  | Corrine Brown*  | Mike Yost        | Solid D |
| FL-4  | Unopposed       | Ander Crenshaw*  | Solid R |
| FL-5^ | Jim Piccillo    | Rich Nugent      | Solid R |
| FL-6  | Unopposed       | Cliff Stearns*   | Solid R |
| FL-7  | Heather Heaven  | John Mica*       | Solid R |
| FL-8  | Alan Grayson*   | Dan Webster      | Toss Up |
| FL-9  | Anita de Palma  | Gus Bilirakis*   | Solid R |
| FL-10 | Charlie Justice | Bill Young*      | Solid R |
| FL-11 | Kathy Castor*   | Mike Prendergast | Solid D |
| FL-12^| Lori Edwards    | Dennis Ross      | Lean R  |
| FL-13 | James Golden    | Vern Buchanan*   | Solid R |
| FL-14 | James Roach     | Connie Mack*     | Solid R |
| FL-15 | Shannon Roberts | Bill Posey*      | Solid R |
| FL-16 | Jim Horn        | Tom Rooney*      | Solid R |
| FL-17^| Frederica Wilson| Unopposed        | Solid D |
| FL-18 | Rolando Baniella| Ileana Ros-Lethinen* | Solid R |
| FL-19 | Ted Deutch*     | Joe Budd         | Solid D |
| FL-20 | Debbie Schultz* | Karen Harrington | Solid D |
| FL-21 | Unopposed       | Mario Diaz-Balart* | Solid R |
| FL-22 | Ron Klein*      | Allen West       | Toss Up |
| FL-23 | Alcee Hastings* | Bernard Sansaricq| Solid D |
| FL-24 | Suzanne Kosmas* | Sandy Adams      | Lean R  |
| FL-25^| Joe Garcia      | David Rivera     | Toss Up |

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^open seat

Key Ballot Measures

CAMPAIGN FINANCE: Amend. Art. Vi, Sec. 7: Repeals public financing for statewide offices.  
[source: Florida Department of State]

THE SIDE BAR...

Nickname: The Sunshine State  
Capital: Tallahassee  
Poll Closing Time: 8 PM ET

Demographics

Population: 18,014,927  
White: 61.2%  
Hispanic: 20.1%  
Black: 14.8%  
Asian: 2.1%

Current Leadership

Governor: Charlie Crist (I)  
Sec. of State: Dawn Roberts (R)  
U.S. Senators:  
Bill Nelson (D)  
George LeMieux (R)

Voting Data:

Party ID:

2010:  
D: 4,609,223 (41%)  
R: 3,997,348 (36%)  
I: 2,510,635 (23%)  
Total: 11,117,206

2008:  
D: 4,453,008 (41%)  
R: 3,954,884 (37%)  
I: 1,988,679 (19%)  
Total: 10,744,090

2006:  
D: 3,920,201 (38%)  
R: 4,196,608 (40%)  
I: N/A  
Total: 10,385,606

2006 Turnout: 4,829,270  
(39.6%)

Presidential:  
2004: Bush (R) 52%-47%  
2008: Obama (D) 51%-48%
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## THE SIDE BAR...

### Nickname: The Peach State
### Capital: Atlanta
### Poll Closing Time: 7 PM ET

### Demographics
- Population: 9,331,515
- White: 59.0%
- Black: 29.4%
- Hispanic: 7.4%
- Asian: 2.7%

### Current Leadership
- Governor: Sonny Perdue (R)
- Sec. of State: Brian Kemp (R)
- U.S. Senators:
  - Saxby Chambliss (R)
  - Johnny Isakson (R)

### Voting Data:
- No party ID
  - Registered Voters:
    - 2010: 5,790,599
    - 2008: 5,598,425
    - 2006: 5,132,032
  - 2006 Turnout: 2,122,258 (34.7%)

### Presidential:
- 2004: Bush (R) 58%-41%
- 2008: McCain (R) 52%-47%
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### THE SIDEBAR...

**Nickname:** The Aloha State  
**Capital:** Honolulu  
**Poll Closing Time:** 12 AM ET

**Demographics**  
Population: 1,276,534  
Asian: 38.8%  
White: 24.5%  
Hawaiian: 8.1%  
Hispanic: 8.1%  
Black: 2.3%

**Current Leadership**  
**Governor:** Linda Lingle (R)  
**Sec. of State:** Duke Aiona (R)  
**U.S. Senators:**  
Daniel Inouye (D)  
Daniel Akaka (D)

**Voting Data:** No party ID

- Registered voters:  
  2010: 684,481  
  2008: 691,356  
  2006: 662,728

- 2006 Turnout: 344,315 (37.9%)

**Presidential:**  
2004: Kerry (D) 56%-37%  
2008: Obama (D) 72%-27%
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THE SIDEBAR...

Nickname: Gem State
Capital: Boise
Poll Closing Time: 11 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 1,463,059
White: 86.0%
Hispanic: 9.5%
Asian: 1.1%
Native American: 1.0%

Current Leadership
Governor: Butch Otter (R)
Sec. of State: Ben Ysursa (R)
U.S. Senators:
Mike Crapo (R)
Jim Risch (R)

Voting Data: No Party ID

Registered voters:
2010: 748,856
2008: 733,784
2006: 764,880

2006 Turnout: 450,832 (45.4%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 68%-30%
2008: McCain (R) 62%-36%
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- **IL-01** Bobby Rush* Ray Wardingley Solid D
- **IL-02** Jesse Jackson* Isaac Hayes Solid D
- **IL-03** Daniel Lipinski* Mike Bendas Solid D
- **IL-04** Luis Gutierrez* Israel Vasquez Solid D
- **IL-05** Mike Quigley* David Ratowitz Solid D
- **IL-06** Ben Lowe Peter Roskam* Solid R
- **IL-07** Danny Davis* Mark Weiman Solid D
- **IL-08** Melissa Bean* Joe Walsh Probable D
- **IL-09** Jan Schakowsky* Joel Pollak Solid D
- **IL-10** Dan Seals Bob Dold Toss Up
- **IL-11** Debbie Halvorson* Adam Kinzinger Toss Up
- **IL-12** Jerry Costello* Teri Newman Solid D
- **IL-13** Scott Harper Judy Biggert* Solid R
- **IL-14** Bill Foster* Randy Hultgren Toss Up
- **IL-15** David Gill Tim Johnson* Solid R
- **IL-16** George Gaurapp Donald Manzullo* Solid R
- **IL-17** Phil Hare* Bobby Schilling Toss Up
- **IL-18** DK Hirner Aaron Schock* Solid R
- **IL-19** Tim Bagwell John Shimkus* Solid R

*incumbent
^open seat

### Key Ballot Measures

**RECALL A GOVERNOR: Amend. Sec. 7 to Art. III:** Allows for recalling a governor by petition.
[source: Illinois State Board of Elections]
## Indiana

### On the Ballot

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### The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** The Hoosier State  
**Capital:** Indianapolis  
**Poll Closing Time:** 7 PM ET

### Demographics

- Population: 6,301,687  
- White: 83.7%  
- Black: 8.6%  
- Hispanic: 4.7%  
- Asian: 1.3%

### Current Leadership

- Governor: Mitch Daniels (R)  
- Sec. of State: Todd Rokita (R)  
- U.S. Senators: Richard Lugar (R) and Evan Bayh (D)

### Voting Data: No Party ID:

- Registered Voters:  
  - 2010: 4,277,762  
  - 2008: 4,446,133  
  - 2006: 4,295,687

- 2006 Turnout: 1,666,922 (36.6%)

### Presidential:

- 2004: Bush (R) 60%-39%  
- 2008: Obama (D) 50-49%
On the Ballot

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THE SIDEBAR...

Nickname: The Hawkeye State
Capital: Des Moines
Poll Closing Time: 10 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 2,972,066
White: 90.9%
Hispanic: 3.8%
Black: 2.4%
Asian: 1.6%

Current Leadership
Governor: Chet Culver (D)
Sec. of State: Michael Mauro (D)
U.S. Senators:
Charles Grassley (R)  Tom Harkin (D)

Voting Data:
Party ID:

2010:
D: 700,111 (33%)
R: 645,887 (31%)
I: 760,833 (36%)
Total: 2,106,831

2008:
D: 724,535 (34%)
R: 620,779 (29%)
I: 765,947 (36%)
Total: 2,111,809

2006:
D: 607,672 (29%)
R: 589,477 (28%)
I: 807,822 (39%)
Total: 2,077,239

2006 Turnout: 1,053,255 (48.1%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 50%-49%
2008: Obama (D) 54%-44%
### KANSAS

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#### THE SIDEBAR...

- **Nickname:** The Sunflower State  
- **Capital:** Topeka  
- **Poll Closing Time:** 10 PM ET

#### Demographics
- **Population:** 2,757,827  
- **White:** 81.0%  
- **Hispanic:** 8.5%  
- **Black:** 5.6%  
- **Asian:** 2.1%

#### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Mark Parkinson (D)  
- **Sec. of State:** Chris Biggs (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Sam Brownback (R)  
  - Pat Roberts (R)

#### Voting Data:
- **Party ID:**
  - **2010:**  
    - D: 460,318 (27%)  
    - R: 744,975 (44%)  
    - I: 501,505 (29%)  
    - Total: 1,706,798
  - **2008:**  
    - D: 466,061 (27%)  
    - R: 759,202 (45%)  
    - I: 460,570 (27%)  
    - Total: 1,696,567
  - **2006:**  
    - D: 438,327 (27%)  
    - R: 760,745 (46%)  
    - I: 440,372 (27%)  
    - Total: 1,649,938
- **2006 Turnout:** 849,700 (43.6%)

#### Presidential:
- **2004:** Bush (R) 62%-37%  
- **2008:** McCain (R) 57%-42%
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THE SIDEBAR...

Nickname: The Bluegrass State
Capital: Frankfort
Poll Closing Time: 7 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 4,205,648
White: 88.1%
Black: 7.5%
Hispanic: 2.1%

Current Leadership
Governor: Steve Beshear (D)
Sec. of State: Trey Grayson (R)
U.S. Senators: Mitch McConnell (R) and Jim Bunning (R)

Voting Data:
Party ID:

2010:
D: 1,627,673 (56%)
R: 1,064,962 (37%)
Total: 2,885,433

2008:
D: 1,662,093 (57%)
R: 1,053,871 (36%)
Total: 2,906,809

2006:
D: 1,578,273 (57%)
R: 1,011,186 (37%)
Total: 2,766,288

2006 Turnout: 1,253,526 (40.4%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 60%-40%
2008: McCain (R) 57%-41%
## On the Ballot

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## The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** The Pelican State  
**Capital:** Baton Rouge  
**Poll Closing Time:** 9 PM ET

### Demographics
- **Population:** 4,344,053  
- **White:** 62.1%  
- **Black:** 31.8%  
- **Hispanic:** 3.0%  
- **Asian:** 1.4%

### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Bobby Jindal (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Jay Dardenne (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:** Mary Landrieu (D) and David Vitter (R)

### Voting Data:
- **Party ID:**
  - **2010:** D: 1,485,453 (51%) | R: 765,264 (26%) | Total: 2,926,925  
  - **2008:** D: 1,522,615 (52%) | R: 732,669 (25%) | Total: 2,901,588  
  - **2006:** D: 1,554,877 (54%) | R: 705,808 (24%) | Total: 2,890,891  
  - **2006 Turnout:** 902,498 (29.7%)  
  - **Presidential:**  
    - **2004:** Bush (R) 57%-42%  
    - **2008:** McCain (R) 59%-40%
MAINE

On the Ballot

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THE SIDEBAR...

Nickname: The Pine Tree State
Capital: Augusta
Poll Closing Time: 8 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 1,314,780
White: 94.8%
Hispanic: 1.1%
Black: 1.0%

Current Leadership
Governor: John Baldacci (D)
Sec. of State: Matthew Dunlap (D)
U.S. Senators:
Olympia Snowe (R)
Susan Collins (R)

Voting Data:
Party ID:

2010:
D: 324,630 (33%)
R: 273,305 (28%)
I: N/A
Total: 977,025

2008:
D: 299,664 (20%)
R: 253,469 (17%)
I: N/A
Total: 1,488,605

2006:
D: 309,525 (33%)
R: 279,641 (28%)
I: 375,235 (38%)
Total: 993,748

2006 Turnout: 550,865 (54.2%)

Presidential:
2004: Kerry (D) 54%-45%
2008: Obama (D) 58%-40%
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### THE SIDE BAR...

**Nickname:** Old Line State  **Capital:** Annapolis  **Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

**Demographics**
- Population: 5,597,843
- White: 58.5%
- Black: 28.6%
- Hispanic: 6.0%
- Asian: 4.8%

**Current Leadership**
- **Governor:** Martin O’Malley (D)  **Sec. of State:** John McDonough (D)
- **U.S. Senators:** Barbara Mikulski (D)  Ben Cardin (D)

**Voting Data:**

**2010:**
- D: 1,934,133 (57%)
- R: 905,208 (26%)
- I: 486,973 (14%)
- Total: 3,416,058

**2008:**
- D: 1,875,317 (56%)
- R: 915,351 (28%)
- I: N/A
- Total: 3,326,832

**2006:**
- D: 1,717,245 (55%)
- R: 911,003 (29%)
- I: 437,838 (14%)
- Total: 3,151,167

**2006 Turnout:** 1,788,316 (46.7%)

**Presidential:**
- **2004:** Kerry (D) 56%-43%  **2008:** Obama (D) 62%-36%
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- MA-2 Richard Neal* Tom Wesley Solid D
- MA-3 Jim McGovern* Marty Lamb Solid D
- MA-4 Barney Frank* Sean Bielat Lean D
- MA-5 Niki Tsongas* Jon Golnik Probable D
- MA-6 John Tierney* Bill Hudak Solid D
- MA-7 Ed Markey* Gerry Dembrowski Solid D
- MA-8 Mike Capuano* Unopposed Solid D
- MA-9 Stephen Lynch* Vernon Harrison Solid D
- MA-10^ Bill Keating* Jeff Perry Toss Up

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Key Ballot Measures

**TAXES: Question 3:** Cuts the state’s sales tax from 6.25% to 3%. [source: Massachusetts Elections Division]

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**THE SIDEBAR...**

**Nickname:** The Bay State

**Capital:** Boston

**Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

**Demographics**

- **Population:** 6,437,759
- **White:** 79.4%
- **Hispanic:** 8.0%
- **Black:** 5.7%
- **Asian:** 4.7%

**Current Leadership**

- **Governor:** Deval Patrick (D)
- **Sec. of State:** Bill Galvin (D)
- **U.S. Senators:**
  - John Kerry (D)
  - Scott Brown (R)

**Voting Data:**

**2010:**
- D: 1,521,487 (37%)
- R: 470,852 (11%)
- I: 2,135,446 (51%)
- **Total:** 4,151,075

**2008:**
- D: 1,503,307 (37%)
- R: 483,486 (12%)
- I: 2,078,056 (51%)
- **Total:** 4,093,503

**2006:**
- D: 1,472,707 (37%)
- R: 498,962 (13%)
- I: 1,987,053 (50%)
- **Total:** 3,990,505

**2006 Turnout:** 2,219,779 (48.8%)

**Presidential:**
- **2004:** Kerry (D) 62%-37%
- **2008:** Obama (D) 62%-36%
## On the Ballot

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## Key Ballot Measures

**PUBLIC SERVICE**: Prop. 10-2: Prohibits individuals convicted of a felony while in office from serving in another elected position or being appointed to a policy-making position for 20 years.

[source: Michigan Department of State]
# MINNESOTA

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### HOUSE

| MN-1 | Tim Walz*       | Randy Demmer     | Lean D  |
| MN-2 | Shelley Madore  | John Kline*      | Solid R |
| MN-3 | Jim Meffert     | Erik Paulsen*    | Solid R |
| MN-4 | Betty McCollum* | Teresa Collett    | Solid D |
| MN-5 | Keith Ellison*  | Joel Demos       | Solid D |
| MN-6 | Tarryl Clark    | Michele Bachmann*| Probable R |
| MN-7 | Collin Peterson*| Lee Byberg       | Solid D |
| MN-8 | Jim Oberstar*   | Chip Cravaack    | Probable D |

*incumbent  
^open seat

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## THE SIDE BAR...

**Nickname:** The North Star State  
**Capital:** St. Paul  
**Poll Closing Time:** 9 PM ET

### Demographics

- **Population:** 5,155,344  
- **White:** 85.9%  
- **Black:** 4.2%  
- **Hispanic:** 3.8%  
- **Asian:** 3.4%  
- **Native American:** 1.0%

### Current Leadership

- **Governor:** Tim Pawlenty (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Mark Ritchie (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Amy Klobuchar (D)  
  - Al Franken (D)

### Voting Data

- **No Party ID:**
- **Registered voters:**  
  - 2010: 3,126,782  
  - 2008: 3,178,058  
  - 2006: 3,410,683
- **2006 Turnout:** 2,202,937 (60.1%)
- **Presidential:**  
  - **2004:** Kerry (D) 51%-48%  
  - **2008:** Obama (D) 54%-44%
## MISSISSIPPI

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### THE SIDE BAR...

**Nickname:** The Magnolia State  
**Capital:** Jackson  
**Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

#### Demographics

- **Population:** 2,906,118  
- **White:** 59.2%  
- **Black:** 37.0%  
- **Hispanic:** 1.8%

#### Current Leadership

- **Governor:** Haley Barbour (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** C. Delbert Hosemann, Jr. (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:** Thad Cochran (R)  
  Roger Wicker (R)

#### Voting Data: No Party ID

- **Registered voters:**  
  - 2010: 1,794,042  
  - 2008: 1,851,266  
  - 2006: N/A

- **2006 Turnout:** 610,921 (29.4%)

#### Presidential

- **2004:** Bush (R) 59%-40%  
- **2008:** McCain (R) 56%-43%
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THE SIDE BAR...

Nickname: The Show Me State
Capital: Jefferson City
Poll Closing Time: 8 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 5,834,644
White: 82.4%
Black: 11.2%
Hispanic: 2.9%
Asian: 1.4%

Current Leadership
Governor: Jay Nixon (D)
Sec. of State: Robin Carnahan (D)
U.S. Senators:
Kit Bond (R)
Claire McCaskill (D)

Voting Data: No Party ID

Registered voters:
2010: 1,794,042
2008: 4,067,681
2006: 4,007,174

2006 Turnout: 2,128,459
(50.0%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 53%-46%
2008: McCain (R) 49%-49%
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THE SIDEBAR...

Nickname: The Treasure State
Capital: Helena
Poll Closing Time: 10 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 946,815
White: 88.3%
Native American: 5.9%
Hispanic: 2.5%

Current Leadership
Governor: Brian Schweitzer (D)
Sec. of State: Linda McCulloch (D)
U.S. Senators:
Max Baucus (D)
Jon Tester (D)

Voting Data: No Party ID

Registered voters:
2010: 645,557
2008: 668,085
2006: 649,436

2006 Turnout: 406,505 (56.4%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 59%-39%
2008: McCain (R) 50%-47%
On the Ballot

**RACE** | **DEMOCRAT** | **REPUBLICAN** | **RATING**
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GOV | Mike Meister | Dave Heineman* | Solid R

**HOUSE**

NE-1 | Ivy Harper | Jeff Fortenberry* | Solid R
NE-2 | Tom White | Lee Terry* | Probable R
NE-3 | Rebekah Davis | Adrian Smith* | Solid R

*incumbent
^open seat

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**THE SIDE BAR...**

**Nickname:** The Cornhusker State
**Capital:** Lincoln
**Poll Closing Time:** 9 PM ET

**Demographics**
Population: 1,764,131
White: 84.8%
Hispanic: 7.3%
Black: 4.0%
Asian: 1.6%

**Current Leadership**
Governor: Dave Heineman (R)
Sec. of State: John Gale (R)
U.S. Senators: Ben Nelson (D) and Mike Johanns (R)

**Voting Data:**
**Party ID:**

2010:
D: 380,596 (33%)
R: 547,869 (48%)
I: 211,978 (19%)
Total: 1,140,443

2008:
D: 386,534 (34%)
R: 555,164 (49%)
I: 192,022 (17%)
Total: 1,143,750

2006:
D: 370,600 (33%)
R: 572,869 (50%)
I: 187,004 (16%)
Total: 1,138,069

2006 Turnout: 596,087 (47.6%)

**Presidential:**
2004: Bush (R) 66%-33%
2008: McCain (R) 57%-42%
## NEVADA

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### The Sidebar...

#### Nickname: The Silver State

#### Capital: Carson City

#### Poll Closing Time: 10 PM ET

#### Demographics

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#### Current Leadership

- **Governor:** Jim Gibbons (R)
- **Sec. of State:** Ross Miller (D)
- **U.S. Senators:**
  - Harry Reid (D)
  - John Ensign (R)

#### Voting Data:

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#### 2006 Turnout: 582,572 (36.9%)

#### Presidential:

- **2004:** Bush (R) 50%-48%
- **2008:** Obama (D) 55%-43%
## New Hampshire

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### The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** The Granite State  
**Capital:** Concord  
**Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

#### Demographics
- **Population:** 1,310,254  
- **White:** 93.4%  
- **Hispanic:** 2.4%  
- **Asian:** 1.9%  
- **Black:** 1.0%

#### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** John Lynch (D)  
- **Sec. of State:** William Gardner (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Judd Gregg (R)  
  - Jeanne Shaheen (D)

#### Voting Data:
- **Party ID:**
  - **2010:**  
    - I: 383,072 (42%)  
    - R: 270,705 (29%)  
    - D: 266,908 (29%)  
    - Total: 920,685
  - **2008:**  
    - I: 332,684 (38%)  
    - R: 270,958 (32%)  
    - D: 265,026 (31%)  
    - Total: 868,668
  - **2006:**  
    - I: 372,934 (44%)  
    - D: 221,549 (26%)  
    - R: 256,353 (30%)  
    - Total: 850,836
- **2006 Turnout:** 403,679 (41.4%)

**Presidential:**
- **2004:** Kerry (D) 50%-49%  
- **2008:** Obama (D) 54%-45%
### On the Ballot

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### The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** The Garden State  
**Capital:** Trenton  
**Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

### Demographics
- **Population:** 8,669,815  
- **White:** 62.5%  
- **Hispanic:** 15.6%  
- **Black:** 13.2%  
- **Asian:** 7.2%

### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Chris Christie (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Kim Guadagno (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Frank Lautenberg (D)  
  - Robert Menendez (D)

### Voting Data
- **Party ID:**
  - **2010:**  
    - I: 2,441,291 (46%)  
    - D: 1,755,501 (33%)  
    - R: 1,074,364 (20%)  
    - Total: 5,274,093
  - **2008:**  
    - I: 2,344,485 (46%)  
    - D: 1,737,588 (34%)  
    - R: 1,043,672 (20%)  
    - Total: 5,127,790
  - **2006:**  
    - I: 2,819,398 (58%)  
    - D: 1,150,184 (24%)  
    - R: 890,118 (18%)  
    - Total: 4,861,279

- **2006 Turnout:** 2,290,099 (39.5%)

### Presidential
- **2004:** Kerry (D) 53%-46%
- **2008:** Obama (D) 57%-42%
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### THE SIDEBAR...

#### Nickname: Land of Enchantment  
#### Capital: Santa Fe  
#### Poll Closing Time: 9 PM ET

#### Demographics

- Population: 1,942,847  
- Hispanic: 44.1%  
- White: 42.4%  
- Native American: 8.7%  
- Black: 2.0%  
- Asian: 1.3%

#### Current Leadership

- **Governor:** Bill Richardson (D)  
- **Sec. of State:** Mary Herrera (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Jeff Bingaman (D)  
  - Tom Udall (D)

#### Voting Data:

**Party ID:**

- **2010:**
  - D: 567,103 (50%)  
  - R: 362,761 (32%)  
  - I: 210,107 (18%)  
  - Total: 1,139,971

- **2008:**
  - D: 582,099 (50%)  
  - R: 369,775 (32%)  
  - I: 177,100 (15%)  
  - Total: 1,160,395

- **2006:**
  - D: 538,471 (49%)  
  - R: 358,825 (33%)  
  - I: 164,642 (15%)  
  - Total: 1,088,977

- **2006 Turnout:** 561,084 (42.5%)

#### Presidential:

- **2004:** Bush (R) 50%-49%  
- **2008:** Obama (D) 57%-42%
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| NY-2  | Steve Israel*     | John Gomez       | Solid D |
| NY-3  | Howard Kudler     | Pete King*       | Solid D |
| NY-4  | Carolyn McCarthy* | Fran Becker      | Probable D |
| NY-5  | Gary Ackerman*    | James Milano     | Solid D |
| NY-6  | Gregory Meeks*    | Asher Taub       | Solid D |
| NY-7  | Joe Crowley*      | Ken Reynolds     | Solid D |
| NY-8  | Jerry Nadler*     | Susan Kone       | Solid D |
| NY-9  | Anthony Weiner    | Bob Turner       | Solid D |
| NY-10 | Ed Towns*         | Diana Muniz      | Solid D |
| NY-11 | Yvette Clarke*    | Hugh Carr        | Solid D |
| NY-12 | Nydia Velazquez*  | Alice Gaffney    | Solid D |
| NY-13 | Mike McMahon*     | Mike Grimm       | Lean D  |
| NY-14 | Carolyn Maloney*  | David Brumberg   | Solid D |
| NY-15 | Charles Rangel*   | Michel Faulkner  | Solid D |
| NY-16 | Jose Serrano*     | Frank Valle      | Solid D |
| NY-17 | Eliot Engel*      | York Kleinhandler| Solid D |
| NY-18 | Nita Lowey*       | Jim Russell      | Solid D |
| NY-19 | John Hall*        | Nan Hayworth     | Toss Up |
| NY-20^| Scott Murphy      | Chris Gibson     | Toss Up |
| NY-21 | Paul Tonko*       | Ted Danz         | Solid D |
| NY-22 | Maurice Hinchey*  | George Phillips  | Probable D |
| NY-23 | Bill Owens*       | Matt Doheny      | Toss Up |
| NY-24 | Mike Arcuri*      | Richard Hanna    | Toss Up |
| NY-25 | Dan Maffei*       | Ann Buerkle      | Lean D  |
| NY-26 | Philip Fedele     | Chris Lee*       | Solid R |
| NY-27 | Brian Higgins*    | Lenny Roberto    | Solid D |
| NY-28 | Louise Slaughter* | Jill Rowland     | Solid D |
| NY-29^| Matt Zeller       | Tom Reed         | Probable R |

*incumbent
^open seat

THE SIDE BAR...

Nickname: The Empire State
Capital: Albany
Poll Closing Time: 9 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 19,280,753
White: 60.3%
Hispanic: 16.2%
Black: 14.8%
Asian: 6.7%

Current Leadership
Governor: David Paterson (D)
Sec. of State: Ruth Colon (I)
U.S. Senators:
Charles Schumer (D)
Kristen Gilibrand (D)

Voting Data:
Party ID:

2010:
D: 5,789,432 (50%)
R: 2,906,393 (25%)
I: 2,962,519 (25%)
Total: 11,658,344

2008:
D: 5,438,800 (48%)
R: 2,995,982 (26%)
I: 2,356,128 (21%)
Total: 11,363,178

2006:
D: 5,507,928 (47%)
R: 3,130,122 (27%)
I: 2,350,073 (20%)
Total: 11,669,573

2006 Turnout: 4,490,053 (34.9%)

Presidential:
2004: Kerry (D) 58%-40%
2008: Obama (D) 63%-36%
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THE SIDEWABAR...

Nickname: The Tar Heel State
Capital: Raleigh
Poll Closing Time: 7:30 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 8,869,861
White: 67.8%
Black: 21.2%
Hispanic: 6.7%
Asian: 1.8%
Native American: 1.1%

Current Leadership
Governor: Bev Perdue (D)
Sec. of State: Elaine Marshall (D)
U.S. Senators:
Richard Burr (R)
Kay Hagan (D)

Voting Data:
Party ID:

2010:
D: 2,763,164 (45%)
R: 1,949,972 (32%)
I: 1,459,940 (24%)
Total: 6,173,076

2008:
D: 2,818,946 (46%)
R: 1,984,701 (32%)
I: 1,374,996 (22%)
Total: 6,181,557

2006:
D: 2,533,424 (46%)
R: 1,923,047 (35%)
I: 1,110,953 (20%)
Total: 5,567,424

2006 Turnout: 1,940,808 (31.0%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 56%-44%
2008: Obama (D) 50%-49%
On the Ballot

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THE SIDEBAR...

Nickname: Peace Garden State
Capital: Bismarck
Poll Closing Time: 11 PM ET

Demographics
Population: 637,709
White: 90.2%
Native American: 5.0%
Hispanic: 1.6%

Current Leadership
Governor: John Hoeven (R)
Sec. of State: Al Jaeger (R)
U.S. Senators:
Kent Conrad (D)
Byron Dorgan (D)

Voting Data:
No Party ID.
State does not keep voter registration records.

2006 Turnout: 218,152 (44.9%)

Presidential:
2004: Bush (R) 63%-35%
2008: McCain (R) 53%-45%
# Ohio

## On the Ballot

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## The Sidebar...

- **Nickname:** The Buckeye State
- **Capital:** Columbus
- **Poll Closing Time:** 7:30 PM ET

### Demographics
- **Population:** 11,463,403
- **White:** 82.8%
- **Black:** 11.7%
- **Hispanic:** 2.4%
- **Asian:** 1.5%

### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Ted Strickland (D)  Jennifer Brunner (D)
- **U.S. Senators:**
  - George Voinovich (R)
  - Sherrod Brown (D)

### Voting Data
- **No Party ID**
- **Registered voters:**
  - 2010: 8,021,344
  - 2008: 8,184,138
  - 2006: 7,860,052
- **2006 Turnout:** 4,022,754 (47.5%)  
- **Presidential:**
  - 2004: Bush (R) 51%-49%
  - 2008: Obama (D) 52%-47%
**On the Ballot**

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**THE SIDEBAR...**

**Nickname:** The Sooner State  
**Capital:** Oklahoma City  
**Poll Closing Time:** 8 PM ET

**Demographics**
- Population: 3,576,929
- White: 72.1%
- Black: 7.4%
- Hispanic: 6.9%
- Native American: 6.6%
- Asian: 1.6%

**Current Leadership**
- Governor: Brad Henry (D)  
- Sec. of State: M. Susan Savage (D)  
- U.S. Senators:  
  - James Inhofe (R)  
  - Tom Coburn (R)

**Voting Data:**
**Party ID:**

- **2010:**
  - D: 998,391 (48%)  
  - R: 834,556 (40%)  
  - I: 234,892 (11%)  
  - Total: 2,067,839

- **2008:**
  - D: 1,060,110 (50%)  
  - R: 841,398 (39%)  
  - I: 237,088 (11%)  
  - Total: 2,138,596

- **2006:**
  - D: 1,042,560 (50%)  
  - R: 802,539 (39%)  
  - I: 222,217 (11%)  
  - Total: 2,067,316

- **2006 Turnout:** 926,462 (36.4%)

**Presidential:**
- **2004:** Bush (R) 66%-34%  
- **2008:** McCain (R) 66%-34%
**On the Ballot**

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**THE SIDEBAR...**

Nickname: The Beaver State  
Capital: Salem  
Poll Closing Time: 11 PM ET

**Demographics**
- Population: 3,689,498  
- White: 80.8%  
- Hispanic: 10.2%  
- Asian: 3.5%  
- Black: 1.7%  
- Native American: 1.0%

**Current Leadership**
- Governor: Ted Kulongoski (D)  
- Sec. of State: Kate Brown (D)  
- U.S. Senators:  
  - Ron Wyden (D)  
  - Jeff Merkley (D)

**Voting Data:**
- Party ID:
  - **2010:**  
    - D: 863,491 (42%)  
    - R: 659,533 (32%)  
    - I: 528,384 (26%)  
    - Total: 2,051,408
  - **2008:**  
    - D: 923,529 (43%)  
    - R: 691,212 (32%)  
    - I: 428,566 (20%)  
    - Total: 2,135,568
  - **2006:**  
    - D: 763,301 (39%)  
    - R: 700,950 (36%)  
    - I: 434,270 (22%)  
    - Total: 1,965,580
  - 2006 Turnout: 1,379,475 (52.5%)

**Presidential:**
- **2004:** Kerry (D) 51%-47%  
- **2008:** Obama (D) 57%-40%
### Pennsylvania

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### Electoral Information

**Demographics**
- Population: 12,400,959
- White: 82.0%
- Black: 10.1%
- Hispanic: 4.3%
- Asian: 2.3%

**Current Leadership**
- Governor: Ed Rendell (D)
- Sec. of State: Basil Merenda (D)
- U.S. Senators: Arlen Specter (D), Robert Casey (D)

**Voting Data**
- **2010:**
  - D: 4,305,500 (51%)
  - R: 3,125,965 (37%)
  - I: 487,307 (6%)
  - Total: 8,461,797
- **2008:**
  - D: 4,424,022 (51%)
  - R: 3,229,806 (37%)
  - I: 444,387 (5%)
  - Total: 8,663,965
- **2006:**
  - D: 3,900,685 (48%)
  - R: 3,300,894 (40%)
  - I: N/A
  - Total: 8,182,876

**2006 Turnout:** 4,096,077 (44.1%)

**Presidential**
- **2004:** Kerry (D) 51%-48%
- **2008:** Obama (D) 54%-44%
### RHODE ISLAND

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#### THE SIDE BAR...

- **Nickname:** The Ocean State
- **Capital:** Providence
- **Poll Closing Time:** 9 PM ET

**Demographics**

- **Population:** 1,062,065
- **White:** 79.0%
- **Hispanic:** 10.9%
- **Black:** 4.7%
- **Asian:** 2.7%

**Current Leadership**

- **Governor:** Donald Carcieri (R)
- **Sec. of State:** A. Ralph Mollis (D)
- **U.S. Senators:**
  - Jack Reed (D)
  - Sheldon Whitehouse (D)

**Voting Data:**

- **Party ID:**
  - 2010:
    - I: 340,081 (49%)
    - D: 286,626 (41%)
    - R: 72,603 (10%)
    - Total: 699,626
  - 2008:
    - I: 402,280 (48%)
    - D: 349,809 (41%)
    - R: 92,058 (11%)
    - Total: 844,182
  - 2006:
    - *RI Secretary of State office unable to provide records for prior years.*
- **2006 Turnout:** 387,010 (51.0%)**

**Presidential:**

- **2004:** Kerry (D) 59%-39%
- **2008:** Obama (D) 63%-35%
## SOUTH CAROLINA

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### The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** The Palmetto State  
**Capital:** Columbia  
**Poll Closing Time:** 7 PM ET

#### Demographics
- **Governor:** Mark Sanford (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Mark Hammond (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Lindsey Graham (R)  
  - Jim DeMint (R)

#### Current Leadership
- **Population:** 4,330,933  
  - White: 65.3%  
  - Black: 28.5%  
  - Hispanic: 3.6%  
  - Asian: 1.1%

#### Voting Data: No Party ID

- **Registered voters:**  
  - 2010: 2,624,949  
  - 2008: 2,474,601  
  - 2006: 2,452,714

- **2006 Turnout:** 1,091,952  
  (34.6%)

#### Presidential
- **2004:** Bush (R) 58%-41%  
- **2008:** McCain (R) 54%-45%
### On the Ballot

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### THE SIDEBAR...

**Nickname:** Mt. Rushmore State  
**Capital:** Pierre  
**Poll Closing Time:** 9 PM ET

**Demographics**
- **Population:** 788,241
- **White:** 86.5%
- **Native American:** 8.0%
- **Hispanic:** 2.1%

**Current Leadership**
- **Governor:** Mike Rounds (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Chris Nelson (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:** Tim Johnson (D)  
  - John Thune (R)

**Voting Data:**
- **Party ID:**
  - **2010:**
    - D: 193,304 (34%)
    - R: 235,906 (41%)
    - I: 83,799 (15%)
    - Total: 571,228
  - **2008:**
    - D: 201,670 (39%)
    - R: 239,474 (46%)
    - I: 79,962 (14%)
    - Total: 568,971
  - **2006:**
    - D: 190,905 (34%)
    - R: 240,101 (43%)
    - I: N/A
    - Total: 554,038
- **2006 Turnout:** 335,508 (57.8%)
- **Presidential:**
  - **2004:** Bush (R) 60%-38%
  - **2008:** McCain (R) 53%-45%
**TENNESSEE**

**On the Ballot**

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**THE SIDEBAR...**

Nickname: The Volunteer State  
Capital: Nashville  
Poll Closing Time: 8 PM ET

**Demographics**

- Population: 6,073,646  
- White: 77.4%  
- Black: 16.6%  
- Hispanic: 3.3%  
- Asian: 1.3%

**Current Leadership**

- Governor: Phil Bredesen (D)  
- Sec. of State: Tre Hargett (R)  
- U.S. Senators:  
  - Lamar Alexander (R)  
  - Bob Corker (R)

**Voting Data:** No Party ID

- Registered voters:  
  - 2010: 3,547,745  
  - 2008: 3,960,022  
  - 2006: 3,773,847

- 2006 Turnout: 1,833,695 (41.4%)

**Presidential:**

- 2004: Bush (R) 57%-43%  
- 2008: McCain (R) 57%-42%
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## THE SIDEBAR...

**Nickname:** The Beehive State  
**Capital:** Salt Lake City  
**Poll Closing Time:** 10 PM ET

### Demographics
- **Population:** 2,576,626  
- **White:** 82.8%  
- **Hispanic:** 11.1%  
- **Asian:** 1.9%  
- **Native American:** 1.1%

### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Gary Herbert (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Gregory Bell (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Orrin Hatch (R)  
  - Robert Bennett (R)

### Voting Data: No Party ID

- **Registered voters:**  
  - 2010: 1,548,831  
  - 2008: 1,288,541  
  - 2006: 1,302,405

- **2006 Turnout:** 571,252 (34.3%)

### Presidential
- **2004:** Bush (R) 72%-26%  
- **2008:** McCain (R) 63%-34%
# VERMONT

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## The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** Green Mountain State  
**Capital:** Montpelier  
**Poll Closing Time:** 7 PM ET

### Demographics
- **Population:** 620,589
- **White:** 95.4%
- **Hispanic:** 1.3%
- **Asian:** 1.1%

### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Jim Douglas (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Deb Markowitz (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Patrick Leahy (D)  
  - Bernie Sanders (I)

### Voting Data: No Party ID:

- **Registered voters:**
  - 2010: 442,783  
  - 2008: 439,214  
  - 2006: 433,569

- **2006 Turnout:** 262,726 (54.9%)  

### Presidential:
- **2004:** Kerry (D) 59%-39%  
- **2008:** Obama (D) 67%-30%
## Virginia

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**The Sidebar...**

**Nickname:** Old Dominion State  
**Capital:** Richmond  
**Poll Closing Time:** 7 PM ET

**Demographics**
- **Population:** 7,636,644
- **White:** 67.5%
- **Black:** 19.4%
- **Hispanic:** 6.3%
- **Asian:** 4.7%

**Current Leadership**
- **Governor:** Bob McDonnell (R)  
- **Sec. of State:** Janet Polarek (R)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Jim Webb (D)  
  - Mark Warner (D)

**Voting Data:** No Party ID

**Registered voters:**
- **2010:** 5,007,935  
- **2008:** 5,021,993  
- **2006:** 4,554,683

**2006 Turnout:** 2,370,445 (44.0%)  
**Presidential:**
- **2004:** Bush (R) 54%-45%  
- **2008:** Obama (D) 53%-46%
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Key Ballot Measures

**TAXES: Init. No. 1098:** Increases the state income tax on high-earning individuals and married couples. [source: Washington Secretary of State]
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### The Sidebar...

**Nickname:** The Mountain State  
**Capital:** Charleston  
**Poll Closing Time:** 7:30 PM ET

#### Demographics
- **Population:** 1,808,787  
- **White:** 93.7%  
- **Black:** 3.4%  
- **Hispanic:** 1.0%

#### Current Leadership
- **Governor:** Joe Manchin (D)  
- **Sec. of State:** Natalie Tennant (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Jay Rockefeller (D)  
  - Carte Goodwin (D)

#### Voting Data:
**Party ID:**

#### 2010:
- **D:** 656,244 (54%)  
- **R:** 348,901 (29%)  
- **I:** 187,400 (15%)  
- **Total:** 1,211,722

#### 2008:
- **D:** 671,378 (56%)  
- **R:** 351,100 (29%)  
- **I:** 164,418 (14%)  
- **Total:** 1,202,771

#### 2006:
- **D:** 648,889 (57%)  
- **R:** 342,970 (30%)  
- **I:** 133,555 (12%)  
- **Total:** 1,137,371

#### 2006 Turnout: 459,884 (32.8%)

#### Presidential:
- **2004:** Bush (R) 56%-43%  
- **2008:** McCain (R) 56%-43%
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### HOUSE

- **WI-1** John Heckenlively | Paul Ryan* | Solid R
- **WI-2** Tammy Baldwin* | Chad Lee    | Solid D
- **WI-3** Ron Kind*       | Dan Kapanke | Lean D
- **WI-4** Gwen Moore*     | Dan Sebring | Solid D
- **WI-5** Todd Kolosso    | Jim Sensenbrenner* | Solid R
- **WI-6** Joe Kallas      | Tom Petri*   | Solid R
- **WI-7^** Julie Lassa    | Sean Duffy   | Toss Up
- **WI-8** Steve Kagen*    | Reid Ribble  | Lean R

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### THE SIDEBOARD...

- **Nickname:** The Badger State  
- **Capital:** Madison  
- **Poll Closing Time:** 9 PM ET

### Demographics

- **Population:** 5,571,593  
- **White:** 85.6%  
- **Black:** 5.9%  
- **Hispanic:** 4.7%  
- **Asian:** 2.0%

### Current Leadership

- **Governor:** James Doyle (D)  
- **Sec. of State:** Doug La Follette (D)  
- **U.S. Senators:**  
  - Herb Kohl (D)  
  - Russ Feingold (D)

### Voting Data

- **No Party ID**

- **Registered voters:**  
  - 2010: 3,419,127  
  - 2008: 3,386,156  
  - 2006: 3,379,678

- **2006 Turnout:** 2,161,700  
  (53.2%)  

### Presidential

- 2004: Kerry (D) 50%-49%  
- 2008: Obama (D) 56%-42%
**On the Ballot**

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**THE SIDE BAR...**

**Nickname:** The Equality State  
**Capital:** Cheyenne  
**Poll Closing Time:** 9 PM ET

**Demographics**
- Population: 514,044
- White: 87.7%
- Hispanic: 7.2%
- Native American: 2.0%

**Current Leadership**
- Governor: Dave Freudenthal (D)  
- Sec. of State: Max Maxfield (R)  
- U.S. Senators:  
  - Michael Enzi (R)  
  - John Barrasso (R)

**Voting Data:**

- **Party ID:**
  - Registered voters:
    - 2010: D: 63,411 (24%)  
      R: 170,305 (63%)  
      I: 35,347 (13%)  
      Total: 269,063
    - 2008: D: 62,954 (27%)  
      R: 145,267 (62%)  
      I: 24,121 (10%)  
      Total: 233,141
    - 2006: D: 67,246 (26%)  
      R: 162,952 (62%)  
      I: N/A  
      Total: 263,083

- 2006 Turnout: 193,892 (51.1%)

**Presidential:**
- 2004: Bush (R) 69%-29%
- 2008: McCain (R) 65%-33%

**SOURCES:** Secretaries of State and Boards of Elections for each state, The Almanac of American Politics 2010, The Green Papers, National Association of Secretaries of State, George Mason University Turnout project
EARLY AND ABSENTEE VOTING

September 3
Hawaii: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 19 to Oct. 30

September 13
Idaho: mailed absentee, early voting ballots available Oct. 29
Kentucky: mailed absentee only

September 17
Minnesota: mailed absentee only

September 18
Delaware: mailed absentee only
Florida: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 18 to Oct. 31
Georgia: mailed absentee, early voting varies by county
Louisiana: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 19 to Oct. 26
Maine: mailed absentee, early voting ballots available Nov. 2
Michigan: mailed absentee only
Oklahoma: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 29 to Nov. 1
South Carolina: mailed absentee only
South Dakota: mailed absentee, early voting Sept. 21 to Nov. 1
Texas: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 18 to Oct. 29
Utah: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 19 to Oct. 29
Vermont: mailed absentee, early voting Sept 20. to Nov. 1
Virginia: mailed absentee only

September 20
Mississippi: mailed absentee only
New Jersey: mailed absentee, early voting ballots available Nov. 1

September 21
Missouri: mailed absentee only
West Virginia: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 13 to Oct. 30

September 23
Alabama: mailed absentee only
Illinois: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 11 to Oct. 28
Indiana: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 4 to Nov. 2
Iowa: mailed absentee, early voting Sept. 23 to Oct. 30
North Dakota: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 18 to Nov. 1
Wyoming: mailed absentee, early voting Sept. 23 to Nov. 1

September 27
Nebraska: mailed absentee, early voting Sept. 27 to Nov. 1

September 28
Arkansas: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 18 to Nov. 1
DC: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 23 to Nov. 1
Ohio: mailed absentee, early voting Sept. 28 to Nov. 1
October 1
Connecticut: mailed absentee only

October 3
New Hampshire: mailed absentee only
New York: mailed absentee only
Tennessee: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 13 to Oct. 28
Wisconsin: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 3 to Nov. 1

October 4
California: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 4 to Nov. 2
Montana: mailed absentee, early voting ballots available Nov. 2

October 5
New Mexico: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 16 to Oct. 30

October 7
Arizona: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 7 to Oct. 29

October 12
Alaska: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 18 to Nov. 2
Colorado: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 18 to Oct. 29
Maryland: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 22 to Oct. 28
Massachusetts: mailed absentee only

October 13
Kansas: mailed absentee, early voting Oct. 13 to Nov. 1
Nevada: absentee, early voting Oct. 16 to Oct. 29
Washington: mailed absentee, early voting ballots mailed by Oct. 15

October 15
Oregon: mailed absentee, early voting ballots mailed Oct. 15-19
Rhode Island: mailed absentee only

October 19
Pennsylvania: mailed absentee only
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