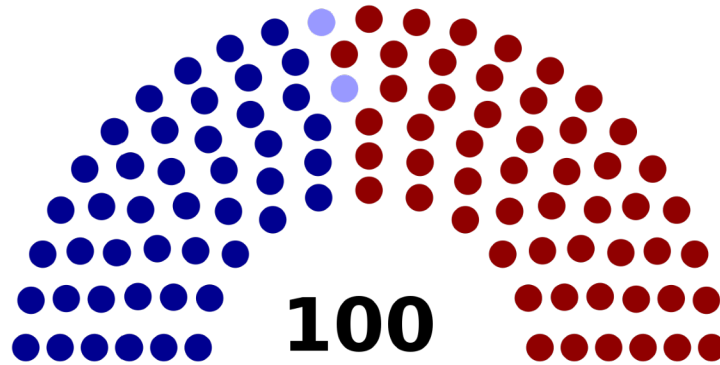


Senate 2020: Competitive Senate Races



*Because regardless of who wins the White House,
the Senate will be key to enabling or checking
what that person can and cannot do*

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Executive Summary

- *There is reason to be cautiously optimistic that Democrats can win the Senate this year.*
- Of the 12 Democratic Senate seats up for re-election, only one is in real danger: Doug Jones (D-AL).
- In the worst case – Joe Biden loses and Doug Jones loses – Democrats need a net gain of five seats to win the Senate.
- In the best case, both Joe Biden and Doug Jones win, Democrats need a net gain of three seats.
- The middle case – probably the most likely – Joe Biden wins the White House and Doug Jones loses Alabama, Democrats need a net gain four seats to win the Senate.
- Republicans have 23 seats to hold, and at this point eight are competitive to varying degrees.
- Of the eight potentially competitive seats Republicans have to hold:
 - Arizona and Colorado are highly competitive at this point
 - Montana, Maine, and North Carolina are slightly competitive
 - Iowa offers a glimmer of hope
 - Kansas could be competitive, depending on who wins the GOP primary
 - And unbelievably, Mitch McConnell is having some real problems in Kentucky that will almost certainly funnel money from places it could be used elsewhere
- There are several other states that bear watching. Specifically, Alaska, Georgia, and South Carolina may come into play. These will be included later if they come into play.
- So again, there is reason to be cautiously optimistic, but it's not a given. There is a lot of work to be done between now and November.

Recommended Donations

Theresa Greenfield (D), in Iowa, is probably the best race to support financially right now. She is polling competitively with Joni Ernst (R), but is lagging financially. Please give her some love (i.e., money!)

Arizona: Mark Kelly (D) is doing fine in fundraising and in polling.

Colorado: John Hickenlooper (D) is behind Corey Gardner (R) in fundraising, but Hickenlooper is a popular former Governor and he is doing fine in polling and name recognition.

Kansas: Barbara Bollier (D) is doing fine in fundraising, but until the 04 August primary her GOP candidate is unknown.

Kentucky: Amy McGrath (D) is very competitive with Mitch McConnell (R) in fundraising. There has only been one recent poll, and she lags badly in that.

Maine: Sarah Gideon (D) is tied with Susan Collins (R) in fundraising, but now that she's won the primary she inherits a \$4+ million PAC. And she's doing very well in polling.

Montana: Steve Bullock (D) is tied with Steve Daines (R) in fundraising, and he's competitive in polling. He's a popular current Governor and does not need name recognition.

North Carolina: Cal Cunningham (D) is competitive with Thom Tillis (R) in fundraising. He is also competitive in the polls.

Aggregate Data

- Pundit Forecasts
- Fundraising
- Polls

Pundit Forecasts

Arizona

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Kansas

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Kentucky

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Fundraising

Arizona

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M. Kelly	\$44,029,440	\$20,090,847	\$23,938,593	6/30
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Iowa

Candidate	Raised	Spent	On Hand	Date
T. Greenfield	\$11,608,199	\$5,956,918	\$5,651,281	6/30
J. Ernst	\$14,595,516	\$5,714,754	\$9,106,970	6/30

Kansas

Candidate	Raised	Spent	On Hand	Date
B. Bollier	\$7,179,622	\$2,807,716	\$4,371,906	6/30
TBD				

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Polls

This page will maintain the last five polls. At this point, some races have not had five polls, but the template will remain.

Arizona

Date	Organization	Kelly	McSally
07 Jul	OH Pred. Insights	52	43
10 Jul	YouGov	46	42
17 Jun	Various	49	38
15 Jun	Civiqs	51	42
02 Jun	Fox News	50	37

Colorado

Date	Organization	Hickenlooper	Gardner
30 Jun	PPP	51	40
19 Apr	Montana State U.	48	31

Iowa

Date	Organization	Greenfield	Ernst
10 Jun	Civiq + PPP	46	44
01 May	PPP	42	43

Kansas

Date	Organization	Bollier	?

Kentucky

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North Carolina

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25 Jun	East Carolina U	41	41
23 Jun	Fox News	42	39
23 Jun	PPP	44	40
03 Jun	PPP	40	40

Individual State Races

State	Primary	Candidate
Arizona	04 August	TBD
Colorado		John Hickenlooper
Iowa		Theresa Greenfield
Kansas	04 August	TBD
Kentucky		Amy McGrath
Maine		Sarah Gideon
Montana		Steve Bullock
North Carolina		Cal Cunningham

Arizona

Dem: Mark Kelly (assured the primary win on 04 August)

GOP: Martha McSally – Incumbent

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Dem: John Hickenlooper – Former Governor
 GOP: Cory Gardner – Incumbent

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GOP: Joni Ernst – Incumbent

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