

A photograph of the White House at night, illuminated with warm white lights. The building's facade, including the portico with its columns and the balcony, is brightly lit. A tall flagpole with the American flag stands in front of the building. The sky is a deep blue. In the foreground, there are some trees and a fountain with water spraying upwards.

ELECTION NIGHT VIEWERS' GUIDE

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Listed below are the closing time for polls in each state, adjusted to Eastern Standard Time. States that span multiple time zones, where polls close at local time, are listed twice with the local time zone indicated. This table should not be used to determine when to vote.

Bold denotes battleground states. The closing time for each state are adjusted to Eastern Standard Time. States that span multiple time zones, along with the associated time zones. [(E)astern Time Zone, (C)entral, (M)ountain, (P)acific, (A)laska, (H)awaii-Aleutian]

6 PM ET—Partial State Closings

- Indiana (E)
- Kentucky (E)

7 PM ET—First Full Closings

- **Florida (E)**
- **Georgia**
- Indiana (C)
- Kentucky (C)
- South Carolina
- Virginia
- Vermont

7:30 PM ET—Two Battlegrounds

- **North Carolina**
- **Ohio**
- West Virginia

8 PM ET—East Coast Polls Close

- Alabama
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- **Florida (C)**
- Illinois
- Kansas (C)
- **Maine**
- Massachusetts
- Michigan (E)
- Maryland
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- **New Hampshire**
- New Jersey
- North Dakota (C)
- Oklahoma
- **Pennsylvania**
- Rhode Island
- South Dakota (C)
- Tennessee
- Texas (C)
- Washington, D.C.

8:30 PM ET

- Arkansas

9 PM ET—Rust Belt Reports

- **Arizona**
- **Colorado**
- Kansas (M)
- Louisiana
- **Michigan (C)**
- **Minnesota**
- **Nebraska**
- New Mexico
- New York
- North Dakota (M)
- South Dakota (M)
- **Texas (M)**
- **Wisconsin**
- Wyoming

10 PM ET—Two More Toss-Ups

- Idaho (M)
- **Iowa**
- Montana
- **Nevada**
- Oregon (M)
- Utah

11 PM ET—West Coast Polls Close

- California
- Idaho (P)
- Oregon (P)
- Washington

12 AM

- Alaska (A)
- Hawaii

1 AM ET

- Alaska (H)

GEORGIA

16 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 5.1% in 2016.


- Trump carried Georgia by 5% in 2016; the last time that a Democrat carried the state was in 1992. However, the increase in younger, non-white educated voters is rapidly moving the state toward the Democratic Party and toward becoming a “majority-minority state.”
- The heavily suburban Atlanta metro area, which contains a high percentage of educated voters, now makes up nearly half of the voters in the state. The emerging success of the Democratic party in the state can partially be attributed to these demographic trends.
- Georgia also has two Senate races on the ballot this year; both are considered toss-ups.
- Due to state law, it is possible that the outcome of these races will determine control of the Senate in the next Congress. If none of the candidates are able to get 50% of the vote in an open primary, which is considered the likely outcome, there will be a runoff between the two highest vote getters on January 5th, 2021.

What to Watch

- There is a 30/30 rule for Democrats in Georgia. Democrats need to get statewide voter turnout to 30% for African American and 30% of the white vote.

Early Voting: 3,880,984 votes cast. Voters already cast 93.7% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Georgia has some of the most restrictive voting laws in the country. The state requires photo identification to vote, is aggressive in purging voter rolls, and was at the center of the most contentious voting rights fight in 2018. Georgia will likely be at the center of any legal battle following the election. The early voting is processed before Election Day but the tabulations do not begin until the polls have closed. We should know who wins the state on election night.

 **Election Day Forecast:** Atlanta: 64°F High, 41°F Low; Plenty of sunshine, 0% chance of rain.

SOUTH CAROLINA

9 Electoral Votes




Trump carried the state by 14.2% in 2016.

- Republican Lindsay Graham has faced a surprisingly difficult reelection campaign, with recent polling showing Graham slightly ahead.
- His opponent, Jamie Harrison has raised a record setting \$87 million, compared to only \$58 million that Graham has raised.
- If Graham were to lose, it would be an early warning of a Democratic landslide.

Early Voting: 1,250,452 votes cast. Voters already cast 58.9% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Early voting ballots are processed before Election Day but are not tabulated until after the polls close.

 **Election Day Forecast:** Columbia: 67°F High, 39°F Low; Plenty of sunshine, 3% chance of rain.

7 PM ET

NORTH CAROLINA

15 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 3.6% in 2016.

- Obama's victory in 2008 is the only time that a Democrat has carried the state in a Presidential election since 1976. However, demographic trends continue to favor Democrats as the growth in this highly suburban state has disproportionately come from non-whites and college-educated voters.
- Democrats have momentum in the state after picking up 10 state house seats and six state senate seats in the 2018 midterm elections.
- Control of the U.S. Senate could come down to the outcome of the incumbent Republican Thom Tillis's reelection campaign in the state, where he has been consistently trailing Democratic challenger Cal Cunningham. Cunningham's recent sex scandal has significantly narrowed his lead in the race.

What to Watch

- Wake County (Raleigh) is one of the fastest growing counties in the country; Clinton won by 20 points.
- Democratic turnout in Charlotte, the largest city in the state.
- Trump carried Union County, a Charlotte suburb, by 30 points in 2016, but Democrats made large gains in the 2018 midterms.
- Robeson County is a former Democratic stronghold that Trump carried by 4 points in 2016.

Early Voting: 4,345,427 votes cast. Voters already cast 91.1% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: North Carolina was the first state to send out absentee ballots and began tabulating votes in late September. The early voting either in person or by absentee will be reported first. Expect to know the outcome of the race by 11 p.m. ET

Election Day Forecast:

Raleigh: 64°F High, 37°F Low; Plenty of sunshine, 2% chance of rain.

Charlotte: 66°F High, 38°F Low; Plenty of sunshine, 1% chance of rain.

OHIO

18 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 8.1% in 2016.

- Trump's eight-point 2016 win in Ohio was a larger margin than any Republican candidate for President since 1988. And Hillary Clinton's vote total was the lowest for any Democratic nominee since Walter Mondale in 1984.
- Trump's win in 2016 was due to his large margins in small towns, rural areas and former Democratic strongholds.
- The fact that the state is considered a toss-up is one of the most unexpected surprises in this Presidential campaign. The stakes are high for Trump since no Republican has ever won the presidency without carrying Ohio.

What to Watch

- Biden will need to increase Democratic turnout in Cleveland and Columbus, as well as in the suburbs, to win the state.
- Trump had huge margins in small towns and rural areas, many of which had supported Democrats in the past.

Early Voting: 2,854,258 votes cast. Voters already cast 50.9% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Ohio begins tabulating returned absentee ballots in early October. Absentee ballots are often the first votes tabulated after the polls close.

Election Day Forecast:

 Cleveland: 53°F High, 45°F Low; Mostly sunny and cool, 4% chance of rain.

Columbus weather: 55°F High, 39°F Low; Mostly sunny, 3% chance of rain.

7:30 PM ET

FLORIDA

29 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 1.2% in 2016.

- With the exception of 1992, Florida has voted for the winning candidate for President in every election since 1964. This is a must win state for Trump.
- The state has been particularly hard hit by the coronavirus, and Trump has seen a significant decline in his support amongst seniors. In 2016, seniors represented 21% of the total vote, with Trump carrying them by 17%. Polling data over the last week shows that Biden has significantly cut into that margin.
- Polling shows Trump improved his standing with Hispanics in Miami-Dade County among Cuban and Venezuelan voters.

What to Watch

- Trump needs to replicate his huge 2016 turnout in northern Florida and the southwest part of the state and try to cut his losses in South Florida by increasing his share of the Hispanic vote.
- African American turnout in Miami-Dade, Broward, Duval, Leon, and Gadsden counties will also be important for Biden, in addition to building on the 2018 Democratic gains in suburban areas across the state.
- Pinellas County (St. Pete) where Trump won by +1, Osceola County (Orlando) where Clinton won by +24, Hillsborough County (Tampa) where Clinton won by +7 will be key counties for both candidates.

Early Voting: 8,294,115 votes already cast. Early votes split 39.5% Democrats, 38.1% Republicans. Voters already cast 86.6% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Florida processes votes prior to Election Day. No results will be released until all the polls have closed at 8 p.m. Results should be available election night unless the margins are razor thin.

Election Day Forecast:

Miami: 77°F High, 73°F Low; Breezy with intervals of clouds and sun, 3% chance of rain.

Tampa: 78°F High, 59°F Low; Sunny to partly cloudy, 0% chance of rain.

MAINE

4 Electoral Votes




Trump lost the state by less than 2.9% in 2016, but carried the 2nd Congressional district.

- Maine is one of only two states that determines Electoral College votes by congressional district. While Trump carried the 2nd congressional district in 2016, he is currently trailing Biden in the district.
- The state currently has one of the most closely watched and expensive U.S. Senate races in the country. Republican incumbent Susan Collins is locked in a tight reelection campaign against Democratic challenger Sara Gideon. This race could possibly determine Senate control.
- There are four candidates on the ballot for the Senate, with the minor parties currently getting 7% of the vote. If this support holds up, the Democratic challenger is expected to benefit from the Rank Choice Voting process as the Green Party candidate has instructed her supporters to vote for Gideon as their second choice.
- Voters will rank the candidates on their ballot in order of preference. If no candidate is able to get 50% of the popular vote, the last place finisher is eliminated, and the voters' second choice comes into play. This process continues until a candidate is able to hit 50% of the vote.

Early Voting: 475,051 votes cast. Early votes split 48.1% Democrats, 23.7% Republicans. Voters already cast 61.5% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Absentee ballots are processed before Election Day. Due to the rank choice voting system of voting, if no Senate candidate gets 50% of the vote, it could take up to a week to determine the winner of the Senate race.

 **Election Day Forecast:** Augusta: 37°F High, 23°F Low; Cold with intervals of clouds and sunshine, 0% chance of rain.

8 PM ET

NEW HAMPSHIRE

4 Electoral Votes




Trump lost the state by .3% in 2016.

- Trump lost New Hampshire by less than 3,000 votes in 2016. He has targeted it as one of the three states Clinton carried, which he could pick up this year.
- The state has been shifting toward the Democratic Party, and Trump has consistently trailed in the state's polls.
- If Trump were to win this state early on Election Day, it would signal he has a better chance of getting reelected than polls or pundits suggest.

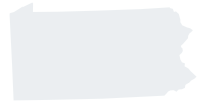
Early Voting: 181,577 votes cast. Voters already cast 24% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: The polls close in most of the state at 7 p.m., with 8 p.m. being an exception in some places.

 **Election Day Forecast:** Concord: 39°F High, 21°F Low; Breezy in the morning with a couple of snow showers; cold with more clouds than sun, 0% chance of rain.

PENNSYLVANIA

20 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 0.7% in 2016.

- Trump carried Pennsylvania by 44,000 votes in 2016, and this is considered a must win state for his re-election campaign. While Clinton racked up large margins over Trump in Philadelphia as well as in Pittsburgh, her margins were significantly behind Obama's totals in 2008 and 2012.
- The remainder of the vote in 2016, which overwhelmingly favored Trump, was spread out through Scranton, Johnston, Altoona, and Harrisburg.
- The state has been hit particularly hard by the coronavirus. The daily rate of new infections is the highest since the start of the pandemic. The state's unemployment rate is down to 8.1% which is a significant improvement from the 10.4% rate in August.

What to Watch

- Turnout in the city of Philadelphia.
- Early indicators about how the state is voting include Bucks County, a suburb of Philadelphia that Clinton won by 1 point; Chester County that Clinton won by 9 points; Erie County that Trump won by 2 points; and Westmoreland County, outside of Pittsburgh, that Trump carried by 30 points.

Early Voting: 2,370,510 votes cast. Early votes split 66.4% Democrats, 22.9% Republicans. Voters already cast 38.4% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: The state does not begin processing ballots until the morning of the election. There are seven counties that have announced that they will not begin counting early voting until the day after the election. If there are disputes about the election outcome, Pennsylvania is the most likely state in the country to have a protracted legal fight.

Election Day Forecast:

Philadelphia: 54°F High, 36°F Low; Partly sunny, 0% chance of rain.

Pittsburgh: 52°F High, 38°F Low; Mostly sunny, 1% chance of rain.

8 PM ET

ARIZONA

11 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 3.5% in 2016.

- Arizona has voted for the Republican Presidential candidate in every election but one since 1952. In 2016, Trump carried the state by 91,000 votes, which is less than half the margin of Romney's 208,000 vote victory in 2012.
- Arizona is one of the fastest growing states in the country and is now second only to Texas in terms of migration from California. The state's growth has largely come from the demographic groups most opposed to Trump— younger, non-white, and college educated voters who are increasingly making up a higher percentage of the electorate.
- Despite the influx of younger voters, seniors remain a potent political force in a state, having cast 25% of the ballots cast in 2016. Trump support from seniors is lagging in the state as it has been hard hit by the coronavirus. Trump carried seniors by 13 points in 2016, but in a CNN poll released yesterday, he is trailing Biden by 6 points.
- Democratic challenger Mark Kelly is favored to defeat Republican appointed incumbent Martha McSally. Kelly has raised over \$89,000,000 compared to \$56,000,000 for McSally and will likely give Biden reverse coattails in the state.

What to Watch

- Maricopa County, which makes up nearly 60% of the statewide vote. Trump only won it by 3 points in 2016, compared to Romney's 11-point margin in 2012. The most recent New York Times poll has Biden up +6 in Maricopa County.
- Pimas County, suburban Tucson, where Clinton won by +13 in 2016.
- Pinal County, a rural county, where Trump won by +19 in 2016.
- The same New York Times poll found Biden up by +40 with Hispanic voters in Arizona, 10 points above Clinton's 30-point margin in 2016.

Early Voting: 2,302,756 votes cast. Early votes split 38.2% Democrats, 36.3% Republicans. Voters already cast 86.5% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: The state begins processing completed ballots when they are returned to the clerk's office using a signature verification system, with the tabulation beginning 14 days before the election.

Election Day Forecast:

Phoenix: 92°F High, 63°F Low; Partly sunny and hot, 0% chance of rain.
Tucson: 91°F High, 63°F Low; Mostly sunny and very warm, 1% chance of rain.

COLORADO

9 Electoral Votes



Clinton won the state by 4.9% in 2016.

- Former Governor John Hickenlooper is favored to defeat Republican incumbent Cory Gardner for his U.S. Senate seat, the only Republican statewide official left in this increasingly blue state.

Early Voting: 2,479,228 votes cast. Early votes split 34% Democrats, 28% Republicans. Voters already cast 86.7% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Colorado is a vote by mail state so final results should be available on election night.



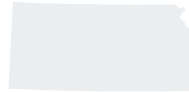
Election Day Forecast:

Denver: 72°F High, 45°F Low; Partly sunny and warm, 1% chance of rain.

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KANSAS

6 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 20.5% in 2016.

- Trump carried the state in 2016 by the lowest margin of any Republican in over 20 years.
- Polling in the open seat race for the U.S. Senate, previously held by a Republican, shows a very close race between Republican Congressman Roger Marshall and former Republican-turned-Democrat Barbara Bolier. There has not been a Democratic senator from Kansas since FDR's Presidency.

Early Voting: 711,664 votes cast. Early votes split 36.7% Democrats, 46% Republicans. Voters already cast 58.1% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Polls close at 8 p.m. in the Central time zone in the state. The remainder of the state, in the Mountain time zone, closes at 9 p.m.

 **Election Day Forecast:** Topeka: 73°F High, 50°F Low; Warm with plenty of sun, 2% chance of rain.

MICHIGAN

16 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 0.3% in 2016.

- Trump's 11,000 vote victory in Michigan was critical to his 2016 win. He won with only 47.3% of the vote, and his victory was due in large part to the 280,000 votes that went to minor party candidates.
- Clinton vastly underperformed in the city of Detroit while Trump wracked up record numbers in the rural and more conservative western and northern parts of the state.
- The state has been particularly hard hit from a health and economic standpoint due to the coronavirus. Cases in the state are surging in the final days of the election. Michigan set a new daily record yesterday, with 3,792 new cases and set a new one-week record last week with over 20,000 new positive tests. The unemployment rate in the state is 8.5%.

What to Watch

- Macomb County, a northern Detroit suburb, where the winner of the last 7 elections for President and governor carried the county. Trump carried this county by +7.
- Oakland County, another Detroit suburb, that Clinton won by 8 points and Governor Whitmer racked up the biggest win for a Democrat in 20 years in 2018.
- Kent County, outside of Grand Rapids, which Trump carried by 3 points in 2016.

Early Voting: 2,571,492 votes cast. Voters already cast 52.8% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Michigan does not begin processing ballots until the day before the election. The Secretary of State has said that the public should view Michigan's tabulations as "Election Week" rather than "Election Day."

Election Day Forecast:

Lansing: 54°F High, 43°F Low; Milder with sunshine and patchy clouds, 1% chance of rain.

Detroit: 54°F High, 44°F Low; Milder with sunshine and patchy clouds, 0% chance of rain.

9 PM ET

MINNESOTA

10 Electoral Votes



Clinton won the state by 1.5% in 2016.

- After losing the state by less than 2% in 2016, Trump has made Minnesota a priority state in his reelection campaign. He has traveled there extensively and bought television ads throughout the general election.
- The state is at the center of the recent surge of coronavirus cases. In the past 2 days over 3000 new cases have been reported, which is a record for the state.
- If Trump were to win the state, it would signal that he will likely do better than expected in Michigan, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania, which all have similar demographics.

Early Voting: 1,581,193 votes cast. Voters already cast 53.3% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: The state was the first to begin early in-person voting 46 days before the election with ballots processed before election day but not tabulated until the polls have closed.

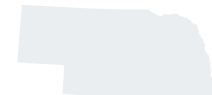
Election Day Forecast:

Saint Paul: 64°F High, 44°F Low; Mild with plenty of sun, 1% chance of rain.

Minneapolis: 64°F High, 42°F Low; Mild with plenty of sun, 1% chance of rain.

NEBRASKA

5 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the second congressional district by 2 percentage points in 2016.

- Nebraska is one of only two states that determines electoral voting by congressional district. The second congressional district has been a battleground in the campaign, with both sides buying extensive media in the Omaha media market.
- Obama carried this suburban district in 2008, and Biden has been ahead in the polls throughout the campaign.

Early Voting: 454,885 votes cast. Early votes split 37.9% Democrats, 44.4% Republicans. Voters already cast 52.9% of the 2016 election vote total.

Election Day Forecast:

Lincoln: 75°F High, 46°F Low; Record-setting warm temperatures, 1% chance of rain.

Omaha: 73°F High, 48°F Low; Mild with plenty of sun, 2% chance of rain.

TEXAS

38 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 9% in 2016.

- One of the biggest surprises in the 2020 election is how competitive the Presidential race is in Texas.
- Since 2016, over 2 million people have moved into Texas from other Blue states, especially from California. These demographic changes are impacting the political makeup of the state.
- Almost 70% of Texans now live in the triangle of Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio and Austin. This triangle area is full of suburban voters who are increasingly abandoning Trump and the Republican Party.
- Democrats picked up 2 Republican U.S. House seats in 2018 and have a chance of knocking off 4 more GOP held seats on Tuesday.

Early Voting: 9,676,422 votes cast. Voters already cast 107.8% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Since the state has already begun to process ballots, there should be a clear sense of the winner on election night.

Election Day Forecast:

Austin: 79°F High, 52°F Low; Partly sunny and nice, 1% chance of rain.

San Antonio: 76°F High, 51°F Low; Mostly sunny, 2% chance of rain.

El Paso: 76°F High, 50°F Low; Mostly sunny, 0% chance of rain.

WISCONSIN

10 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 0.7% in 2016.

- Trump was the first Republican to carry Wisconsin since 1984, with 47% of the vote in 2016.
- Trump racked up huge margins with non-college whites in one of the most rural states in the country, and won 26 counties that went to Obama in 2012.
- Clinton underperformed in Milwaukee, carrying it by 40,000 fewer votes than Obama's total in 2012.
- Wisconsin is currently one the largest coronavirus hotspots in the country. It set a new record Saturday with 5,262 new cases and set an all-time high of a 36% positive rate, a key metric indicating the spread of the virus. In a CNN poll released yesterday, Biden had a 9-point advantage over Trump on who would do a better job of managing the virus.

What to Watch

- Turnout in Milwaukee
- Brown County (Green Bay) - Trump won by 11 points in 2016, but in 2018 voters split the ticket, voting Baldwin for Senate and Walker for Governor.
- Waukesha County, Milwaukee suburbs, Trump carried by 27 points, which is down from Romney's 35-point margin in 2012.
- Dane County (Madison) ,where Clinton won by 37 points.
- Grant County, the southwest part of the state, went from Obama winning by 14 points in 2012 to Trump winning by a 10-point margin in 2016.

Early Voting: 1,853,054 votes cast. Voters already cast 62.3% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Wisconsin does not begin processing ballots until election day and there is no statewide reporting system. If it is a close election, Wisconsin will also likely be one of the states at the center of any legal fights.

Election Day Forecast:

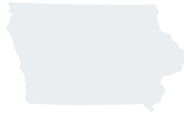
Milwaukee: 57°F High, 46°F Low; Plenty of sunshine, 2% chance of rain.

Madison weather: 63°F High, 46°F Low; Partly of sun, 2% chance of rain.

9 PM ET

IOWA

6 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 9.4% in 2016.

- Iowa was not expected to be a battleground state in the 2020 election. While the race has been close, this weekend's Des Moines Register Poll showed Trump with a 7-point lead.
- Trump carried Iowa by 9% in 2016, and he won 31 counties, which had gone to Obama in 2012, most of which were in the eastern part of the state.
- Iowa's U.S. Senate race is one of the most hotly contested in the country, with the Republican incumbent Joni Ernst now leading her Democratic challenger Theresa Greenfield by 4 points.

Early Voting: 924,533 votes cast. Early votes split 46.4% Democrats, 33% Republicans. Voters already cast 58.5% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Early voting ballots will begin getting processed prior to election day. There is no signature validation process with absentee ballots the first to be reported on election night.

 **Election Day Forecast:** Des Moines: 68°F High, 48°F Low; Plenty of sun, 3% chance of rain.

MONTANA

3 Electoral Votes



Trump carried the state by 20.2% in 2016.

- The most recent New York Times poll had Trump leading by 6%, which is far below his 20-point margin of victory in 2016.
- The Senate race between Republican incumbent Steve Daines and the current Democratic Governor Steve Bullock is considered one of the closest in the country. Daines will benefit from Trump's coattails at the top of the ticket, and he currently has a narrow lead.
- The open seat governor's race is considered the only toss-up gubernatorial race in the country, with Republican Congressman Greg Gianforte maintaining a narrow lead over Democrat Mike Cooney.

Early Voting: 495,038 votes cast. Voters already cast 95.8% of the 2016 election vote total.

 **Election Day Forecast:** Helena: 64°F High, 40°F Low; Mild with plenty of sun, 1% chance of rain.

NEVADA

6 Electoral Votes




Trump won the state by 2.4% in 2016.

- Of the 20 states that Clinton carried in 2016, Nevada represents Trump's best chance for a pickup. No Republican candidate for President has won the state since 2004.
- The share of the white vote in the state has dropped almost 20% in the past two decades, with Hispanics now a critical voting bloc in the state. Polling data has shown Trump running particularly well with Hispanic men.
- However, Nevada's 12.6% unemployment rate in September is one of the highest in the country and could be a drag on Trump's chances to carry the state. Biden will also benefit from the on-the-ground support of the 60,000-member Culinary Union.
- Democrats enjoyed success in 2018, picking the two seats in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Governorship. Democrats now control all elected branches of the state government.
- Biden has maintained a consistent but rather narrow lead over Trump. In order for Trump to win the state, he will need to build up his numbers in the areas outside of Las Vegas and Reno, remain competitive in suburban areas like Henderson, and cut into Biden's support with Hispanics.

Early Voting: 1,026,318 votes cast. Early votes split 39.6% Democrats, 36.4% Republicans. Voters already cast 91.2% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: Absentee ballots can be counted before Election Day, but all ballots postmarked by November 3rd must be counted if they are received by November 10th, opening up the possibility of delayed final results in a close election.

 **Election Day Forecast:**
Las Vegas: 84°F High, 61°F Low; Very warm with plenty of sunshine, 2% chance of rain; Reno weather: 74°F High, 38°F Low; Mostly sunny and warm, 0% chance of rain. Carson city: 74°F High, 34°F Low; Mostly sunny and warm, 0% chance of rain.

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ALASKA

3 Electoral Votes





Trump won the state by 14.7% in 2016.

- Trump maintains a relatively safe lead in the state, even though he only got 51% of the vote in 2016 in a five-person race.
- In an under the radar Senate race, Republican incumbent Dan Sullivan has maintained a narrow lead over Independent self-proclaimed Democrat Al Gross.

Early Voting: 139,095 votes cast. Voters already cast 43.3% of the 2016 election vote total.

State Tabulation: The polls close in most of the state at midnight Eastern Time.

-  **Election Day Forecast:**
Juneau: 32°F High, 18°F Low; Clouds and sun with a couple of sun showers; chilly, 61% chance of rain.
-  Anchorage: 20°F High, 9°F Low; Plenty of sunshine, but cold; chilly, 5% chance of rain.

1 AM ET