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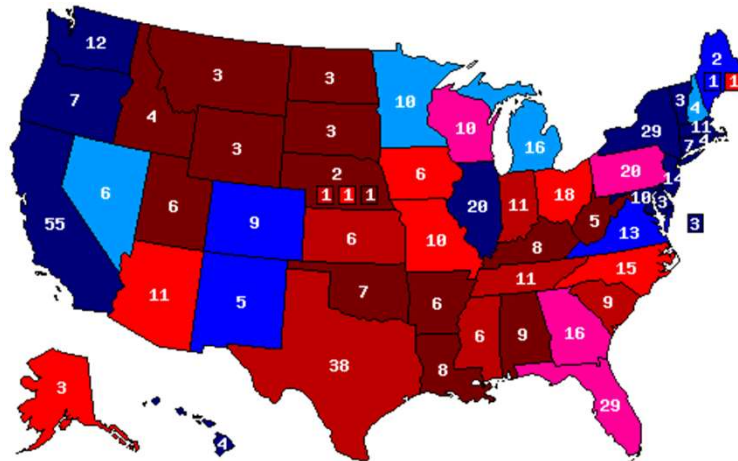
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- Overall House Projections
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Oct 2020 Week 3 Presidential Polling

President Donald Trump vs former VP Joe Biden: 306/232

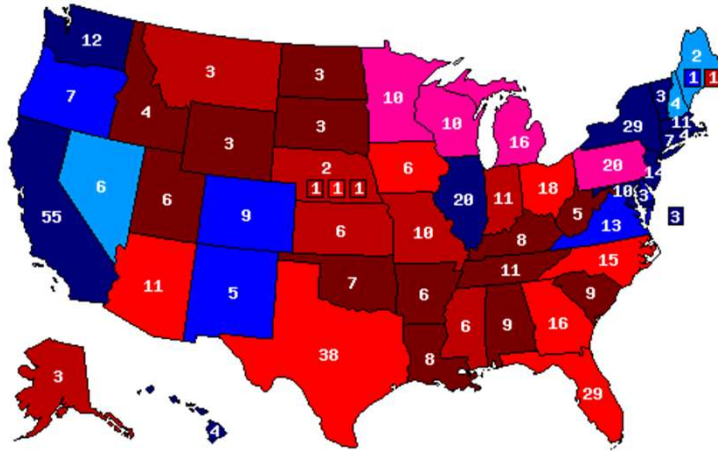


- NH – still trends towards Biden, but around 50/50 Trump / Biden
- PA – Biden has small chance here; 200,000 new Republican voters registered; likely to go for Trump
- WI – pretty safe & early voting looking good
- MI – getting closer in the polls; Benny thought this would be safe for Biden but polls are swinging towards Trump
- MN – Trump has a good chance
- NV – Benny thinks this will still stay blue due to Dems stealing it
- 4 Major indications:
 - Enthusiasm is on Trump's side (30-40% enthusiasm gap)
 - In every swing state, GOP voter registration is up 'through the roof':
 - 200,000 new registrants each in PA, AZ, FL
 - 150,000 in NC
 - Look where candidates are campaigning – Biden would not be going to 'safe' states if they were really 'safe'
 - In Gallup poll, 56% of respondents said they were better off now than 4 years ago, despite COVID
- 60% of Dems usually vote early while only 30% of GOP usually votes early
- MI – Trump needs to win independents here by 15% in order to win
- Oregon will likely stay blue, but Trump lost by 12% in 2016 and likely to only lose by 5-10%
- Bellwether states are Pennsylvania and Wisconsin
- Shy Trump voters are real



Oct 2020 Week 4 Presidential Polling

President Donald Trump vs former VP Joe Biden: 316/222
Not discussed during our meeting – updated in the RIGHT direction!



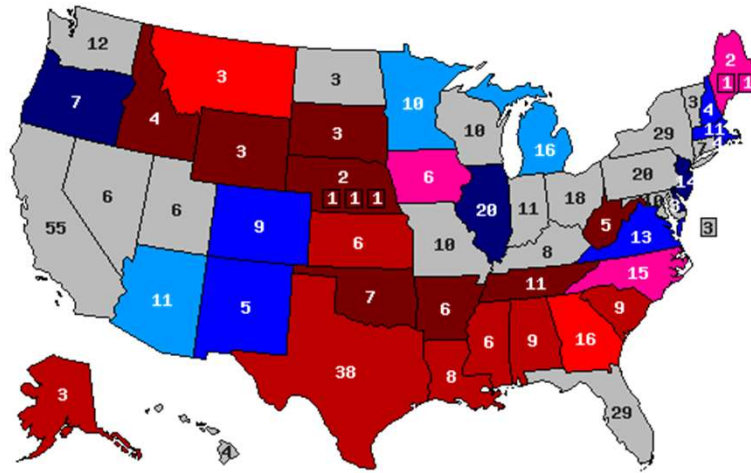
Benny's electoral college map improved by 10 EV!



How to read the polling numbers

- **AZ: Kelly/McSally in a dead heat; President Trump has a solid lead by YouGov**
- Arizona Senate race 2020: Senator Martha McSally vs. Democrat Mark Kelly:
DEM: 04/96
GOP: 90/07/03
IND: 40/47/04

Overall: 47.6/46.6/ 02.5 Mark Kelly



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Key Senate Races

- Expected GOP pick up AL; DEM pick up AZ/CO
- 2020: GOP: 52 DEM: 46 IND: 02
- **Updated Senate prediction: GOP: 55 DEM: 43 IND: 02**
- Alabama – Doug Jones (D) - flip D ->R
- Arizona – Martha McSally (R) – tossup
- Colorado – Cory Gardner (R) – flip R -> D
- Maine – Susan Collins (R) - tossup
- Michigan – Gary Peters (D) – lean D but could flip D->R
- Montana – Steve Daines (R) – should stay R by small %
- North Carolina – Thom Tillis (R) - lean R



Key Gubernatorial Races

- Montana – Steve Bullock (D) – tossup or flip R
- North Carolina – Roy Cooper (D) – lean D but maybe tossup

- Montana will flip red
- North Carolina likely to remain in Dem control



House Races

- General expectations

Questions?
