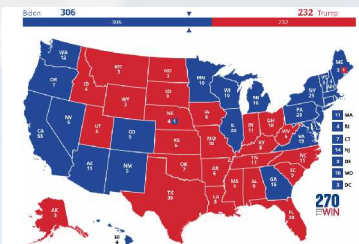


CIVICS IN REAL LIFE

Midterm Election Day 2022

Civics is all around us. There is a lot to know about the government and how "We the People" interact with the government and each other. Let's help each other expand our civic literacy.



On November 8, 2022 the United States holds a **midterm election**. Every two years, all 435 seats in the **U.S. House of Representatives** and one-third of the 100 seats in the **U.S. Senate** are up for election. Because this election happens in the middle of a presidential term, it is called a midterm election. While midterm elections often receive less attention from voters than presidential contests, they can influence national politics. The outcome of the midterm election is often considered a reflection of how well voters think the president is doing their job. **Historically**, the results of the midterm election often sees the political party of the sitting president losing seats in Congress. With President Biden's **low approval rating**, and the country struggling with **high inflation**, the Democratic Party may struggle to hold their **slim majorities** in both the U.S. House and U.S. Senate. If the Republican Party takes control of one or both houses, it will make it tougher for President Biden to advance his domestic and foreign policy agenda.

To Think and To Do: While you watch the election results, keep an eye out for updates from these key states below. For each state, read the background information and answer the questions.

Questions to Consider

- What are the 2022 election results for each state?
- If the race has not been called, what information do you know?
- Is the result different from the latest polling data?
- Was the voter turnout higher or lower than expected?
- Are there any notable voting or ballot issues?
- Are there any trends across the states?
- Does anything stand out to you?



Quick Facts: 4,143,929 registered voters

Recent Elections: **2020** - Biden (D) won AZ; **2016** - Trump (R) won AZ

Congressional Races to Watch:

***U.S. Senate** - Mark Kelly (D-incumbent) vs. Blake Masters (R)

***U.S. House** - AZ-06: Kirsten Engel (D) vs. Juan Ciscomani (R)

Latest Poll: Average polls as of November 4 from **FiveThirtyEight**: Kelly 48.1% Masters 46%

Latest Poll: Average polls as of August 21 from **FiveThirtyEight**: Engel 49% Ciscomani 47%

Number of Early Voters: 1,105,177 as of November



Quick Facts: 14,461,755 registered voters

Recent Elections: **2020** - Trump (R) won FL; **2016** - Trump (R) won FL

Congressional Races to Watch:

***U.S. Senate** - Marco Rubio (R-incumbent) vs. Val Demings (D)

Latest Poll: Average polls as of November 4 from **FiveThirtyEight**: Rubio 50.9% Demings 43.8%

Number of Early Voters: 3,863,423 as of November 4



Quick Facts: 8,872,968 registered voters

Recent Elections: **2020** - Biden (D) won PA; **2016** - Trump (R) won PA

Congressional Races to Watch:

***U.S. Senate** - Mehmet Oz (R) vs. John Fetterman (D)

***U.S. House** - PA-08: Matthew Cartwright (D-incumbent) vs. Jim Bognet (R) [PA-07 & PA-17 will be close as well]

Latest Poll: Average polls as of November 4 from **FiveThirtyEight**: Oz 46.3% Fetterman 46.9%

Latest Poll: Average polls as of October 31 from **FiveThirtyEight**: Cartwright 48% Bognet 45%

Number of Early Voters: 1,017,019 as of November 3



Quick Facts: 7,839,394 registered voters

Recent Elections: **2020** - Biden (D) won GA; **2016** - Trump (R) won GA

Congressional Races to Watch:

***U.S. Senate** - Ralph Warnock (D-incumbent) vs. Herschel Walker (R)

Latest Poll: Average polls as of November 4 from **FiveThirtyEight**: Warnock 46.5% Walker 46.5%

Number of Early Voters: 2,261,094 as of November 4

**Tracking Election Results?
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