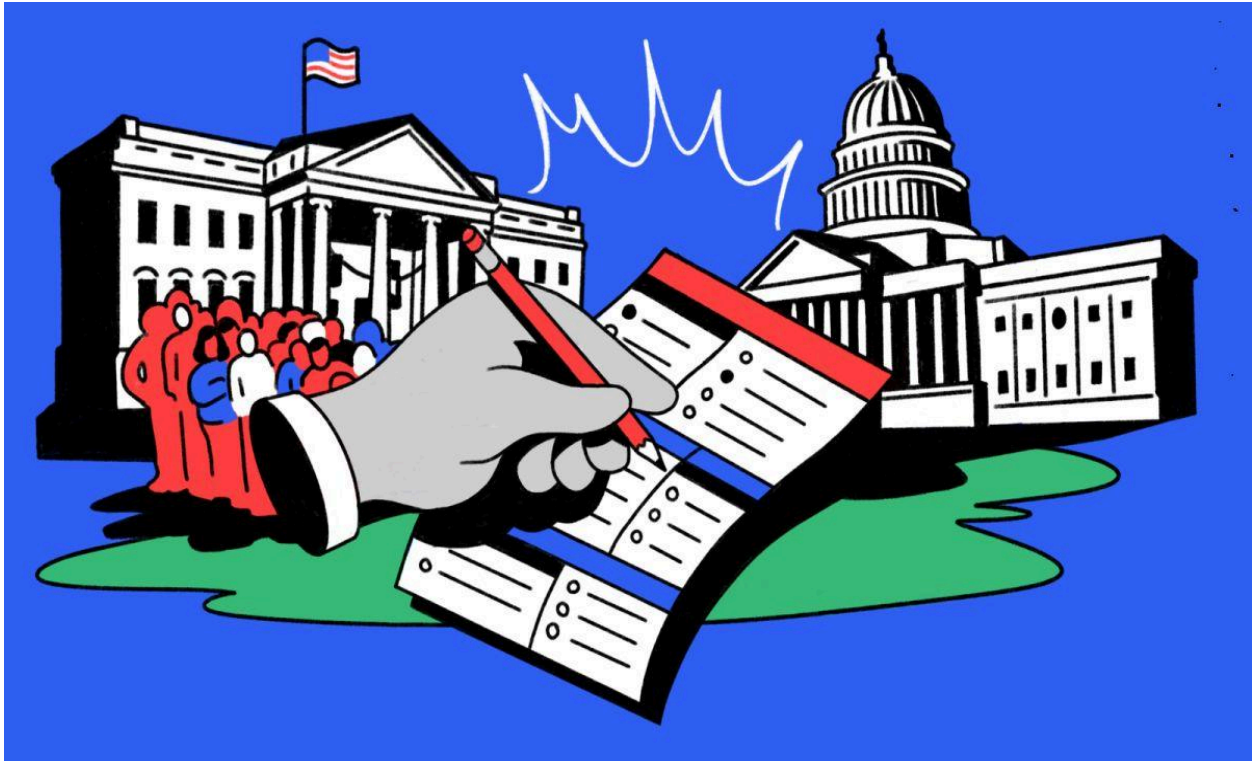


# A Coin Flip

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The final exit polls have proven that most of the races are still very contested in several different states

This election has been something of a shakeup. Nothing has been certain from the beginning. And now that the final exit polls<sup>1</sup> have been released, and with the final election in a day's time, I wanted to take a moment to take stock of a few of the Senate races in the United States of America. **The final election will be on October 1st, at 7pm Eastern, 6pm Central, 4pm Pacific time.**

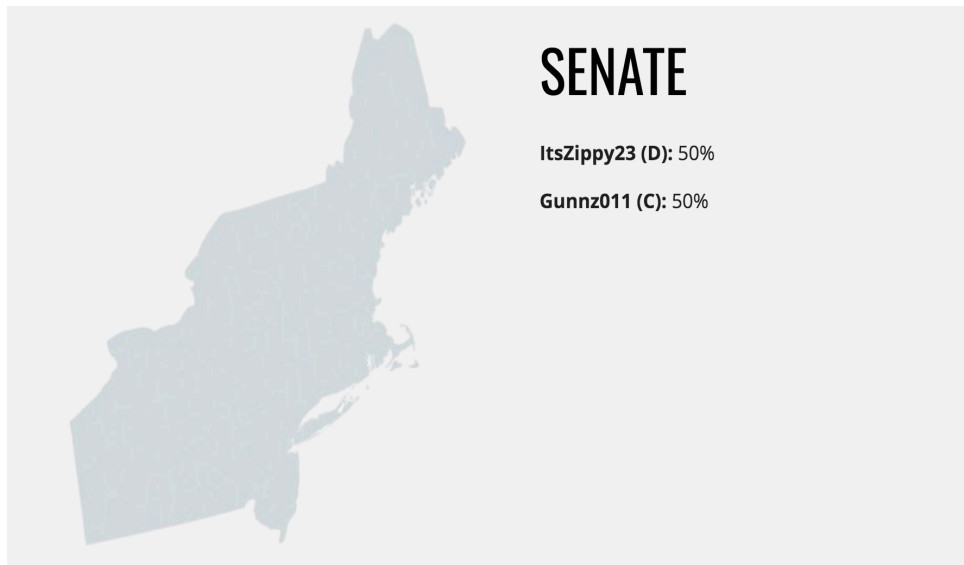
## Atlantic

So let's start with Atlantic. Currently, the incumbent Senator of AC, Senator u/JellyCow99 (D) is not running for reelection. Instead, the Democratic nominee for Senate is Representative u/ItsZippy23 (D-AC-3). He seems to be a candidate running on continuing the Democrat's left-leaning progressive agenda, including support for the Green New Deal, among other things. His opponent is the former President turned House Minority Leader, u/Gunnz011 (C-AC-2). A leading member

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<sup>1</sup><https://sites.google.com/view/musgov-elections-federal/polls/exit-polls>

of the Civic People's Party, Gunnz has staked his candidacy on ideas from both



sides of the aisle, including education reform.

*The exit polling released on Sep 28th, 2020*

The poll numbers in this race have been constantly in fluctuation. It started with Zippy (D) having

a lead of one point. 51-49, in favor of the Democrats. However, it was not to last, as the numbers have gone up and down in favor of both candidates over the course of the race, eventually settling down from exit polls with a 50-50 split. Of the six races in the US right now, this one has been called perhaps the closest race, as both sides have considerable advantages. The contests in Atlantic are undoubtedly a clash between the Democrats attempting to hold on to their many majorities, and the Civic's trying to gain a larger national foothold.

As well as the Senate race, there are three Representative races going on as well.

**In Atlantic 1,**

- BiGuy482 (D) - 43%
- SirSamuelSkywalker (C) 57%

**In Atlantic 2**

- SuperPacman04 (C) - 50%
- President\_Dewey (D) - 50 %

**In Atlantic 3**

- NapoleonHobbes (D) - 44%
- Aubrion (C) - 56%

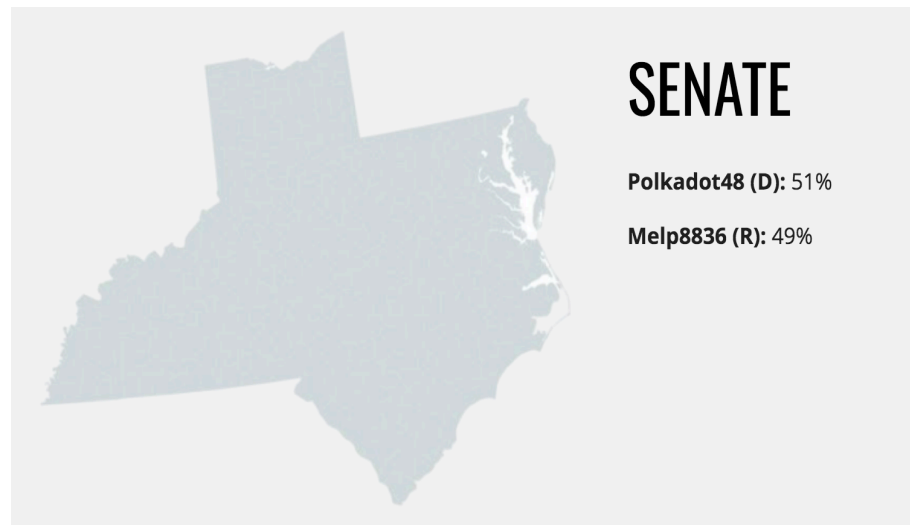
## Chesapeake

Now moving on to Chesapeake, where the race has suddenly become incredibly close and watched. The incumbent Senator is the former Republican turned Democrat u/polkadot48 (D-CH). With the slogan of “Progress for All”, the Senator has spoken in support of several different ideas, including advocacy for environmental issues and affordable housing. Her opponent is the House Representative u/Melp8836 (R-US), who has run a campaign on a more conservative basis, including support for school choice and fighting the Green New Deal.

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When the poll numbers first started coming out, it looked like an open and shut case. Polka had a twenty point lead on the first day, and actually managed to increase that lead by

three points by the next round. However, Melp did manage to gain some ground back, but not enough, many people thought, to come anywhere close to the Senate seat. It seemed to be a solid hold for the Democratic Party. But as usual in politics, it is never that simple. In the final round of polling, the race is the closest it's been the whole time. 51-49, in favor of Polka. What was once a sure shot is now a closely monitored race. The Republican Party has come close to winning in Chesapeake before, only to come up short. This, many people are calling, is the GOP's second chance to win.



There are also three House races going on in CH. They are as follows

In Chesapeake 1

- Cold\_brew\_coffee (D) 55%
- Supersonicsam619 (C) 45%

In Chesapeake 2

- Eobard\_Wright (D) 50%
- IcyHelicopter (R) 50%

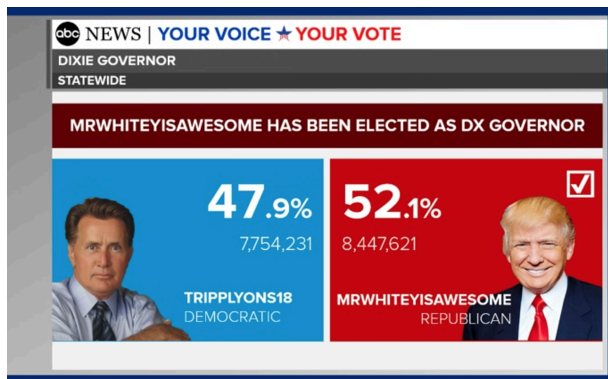
In Chesapeake 3

- Aph10 (D) 44%
- Iamdeareddittaccount5 (C) 56%

## Dixie and DX Special<sup>2</sup>

Now onto my home state, the State of Dixie. There are actually two Senate races occurring here this time around, both the standard planned race and special election. And while one race has proved to be one of the most contested Senate races in recent memory, the other may be the most decisive victory of this election.

I'll start with the standard Senate race. This particular race is between the newly elected Dixie Assemblyperson (DX-4) JacobinAusitn, of the Civic People's Party, and the incumbent Democratic Senator Tripplyons18. Both candidates have made a name for themselves in different ways, and some better than others.



*The final results of Senator Tripp's campaign for Governor.*

For example, this is not Senator Tripply's only election of this cycle. He also ran an unsuccessful attempt at the Governor's office, only to be defeated by Republican MrWhiteyisAwesome (R-DX). Since his defeat, Senator Tripply has been one of the Governor's most vocal

critics. This seems to be a spot for agreement in this election, for example, JacobinAustin is quoted to saying "[F\\*ck you Mr. Governor. F\\*ck you.](#)", despite the GOP-CPP coalition agreement. Furthermore, the Assemblyperson seems to be a maverick in their party when it comes to the issue of the DX Governor, as the CPP has made their support clear before the Assemblyperson's announcement of a Senate campaign.

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<sup>2</sup> The reason I wrote so much more for these section is because I know the most about the Dixie races

But onto the Senate issues, both candidates have been largely quiet for the majority of their race, with some notable exceptions. Senator Tripp ran a campaign to continue the progressive policies of the Democrats, with a special focus on minority communities. As for Assemblyperson Jacob, I have to confess



they haven't put out too many press pieces, and other than opposing Governor Whitey, I'm not completely sure where they stand on most issues.

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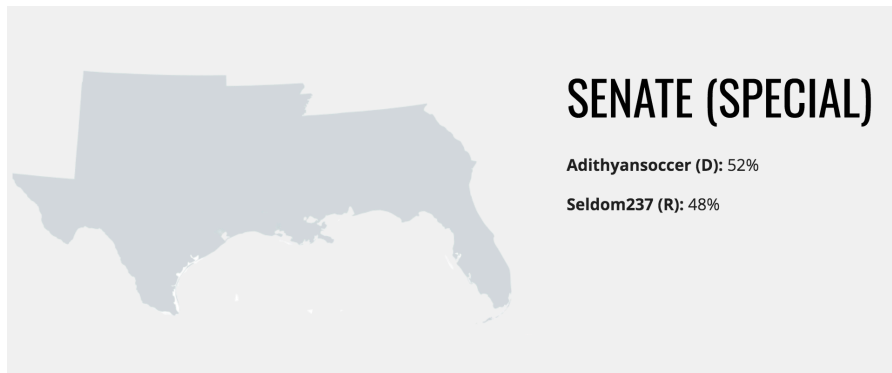
However, the most pivotal point of each race, the sanctioned debates, were perhaps the turning point for the race. Senator Tripp showed up with an incredibly strong performance. So how did Jacob respond? There's a common expression that goes "Don't bring a knife to a gun fight" but the problem is, Assemblyperson Jacob didn't even show up to the fight. The candidate from the CPP did not debate, and thus lost a critical chance to gain more points in the race.

Although throughout the race here, it appears that the incumbent has had the advantage from the very start. At the start of the polls, Senator Tripp had 61 percent, versus Assemblyperson Jacob's 39 percent. That has changed, but not in favor of the CPP. The race now stands at 65-35, in favor of Democrats, and with a margin of error of +/- 7 percent, I believe that this race is safe to call, as a Democratic Hold.

Now, onto the second race. My own race. The Dixie Special Senate election, between incumbent Senator and GOP Vice Chair SELDOM237 (R-DX) and Representative Adith (D-DX-4). This race saw an unprecedented amount of events, speeches, rallies, and livestreams, as both of us sought a foothold over the other.

After the retirement of former Senator PresentSale (D-DX), the new Governor of Dixie had an appointment to make. After some deliberation, the Governor selected the lone Republican member of the Dixie State Assembly to fill the seat. Not long

after, the Representative for Dixie's Fourth District, u/Adithyansoccer (D) announced their candidacy for the seat in the upcoming special election. The race quickly heated up after that, with two candidates with incredibly different political views. On the left, Representative Adith has been an advocate and defender of both the Green New Deal and the National Healthcare Act, while I have taken a much different approach, especially when I called for the repeal of both acts.



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This led to an incredibly contested and difficult race<sup>3</sup>, and now with it coming to a close,

we're no closer in seeing a winner, as both candidates agree it's "a coin flip".

The race started on an incredibly even footing, at the first polls both candidates were polling at 50 percent. After the hard race, including the longest debate of any state, the polls currently sit at 52-48, in favor of the Democrats. Although with a 7 point MoE, most agree that this race's polls mean little, and that anything is possible come election day.

In Dixie, there are four House races. Two of these races have unique variables, mainly, the emergence of the new independent grouping, the Nationalist Popular Front. Led by u/pik\_09 (I/NPF-DX), the right wing party has shown unexpected strength in their races, leading in one and tied in the other.

In Dixie 1

- BrexitBlaze (D) 42%
- Loldoesthings (R) 16%
- Pik\_09 (I/NPF) 42%

In Dixie 2

- 18cjlw (D) 36%
- ItsNotBrandon (R) 27%
- Kingsw1fty (I/NPF) 37%

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<sup>3</sup> I tried to count how many events Adith and I did, but I honestly lost count three times and just gave up

In Dixie 3

- Stormstopper (D) 67%
- Riley8583 (R) 33%

In Dixie 4

- Alpal2214 (D) 52%
- SWteve (C) 48%

Due to the timing of the election, this was all I could get in beforehand. And with it in less than twenty four hours, all we can do now is sit and wait.

Signed

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