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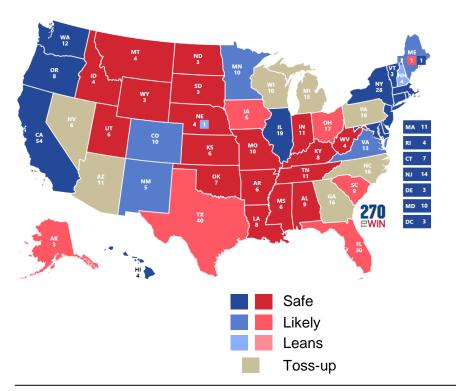


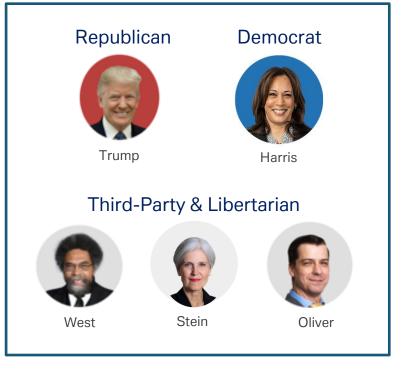
## **Presidential Election**

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### Presidential Election: Current Candidates







### Presidential Election: Key Dates

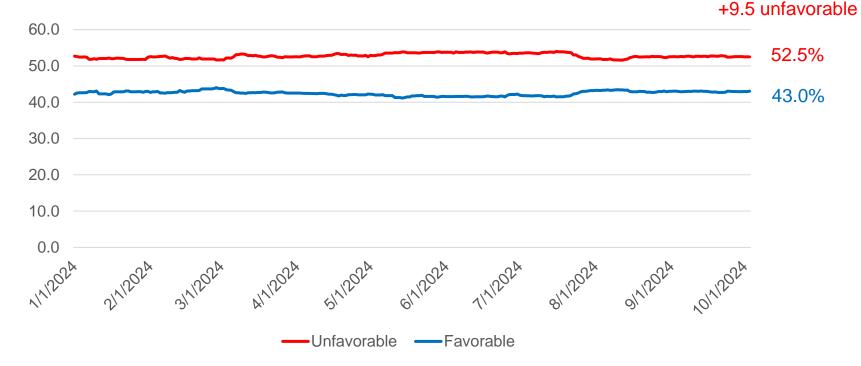
Date	Event
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	First Presidential Candidate Debate
July 15 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	RNC Milwaukee, WI
August 19 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	DNC Chicago, IL
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	ABC Presidential Candidate Debate
September 16 <sup>th</sup>	Early Voting Begins
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Vice Presidential Debate
November 5 <sup>th</sup>	Election Day
November 26 <sup>th</sup>	Trump's NY Case Sentencing
December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Electors cast vote



#### Harris maintains a slight lead in national polling **OCT. 4, 2024 LEADER** Harris 60%-+2.6 • Harris 48.4% 50 Trump 45.9% • 8 • 40 8. 30 20 10 . ... •••• . . ... ... AUG. 1, 2024 SEPT. 1 OCT. 1 Source: FiveThirtyEight, Approval rating as of October 4 2024

### Trump's favorability rating has remained consistent

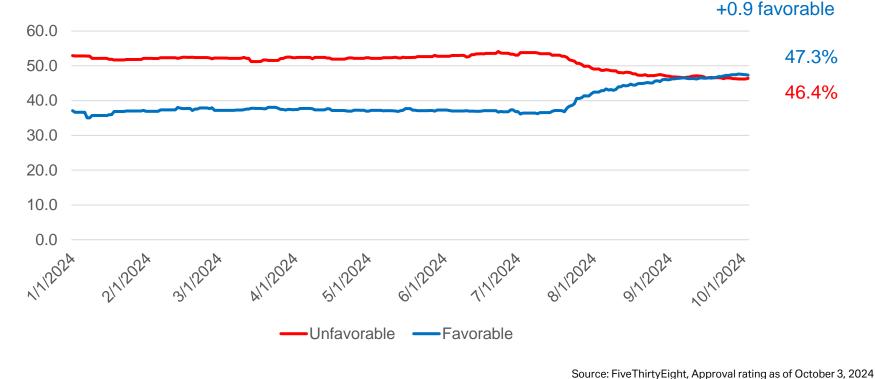




Source: FiveThirtyEight, Approval rating as of October 3, 2024

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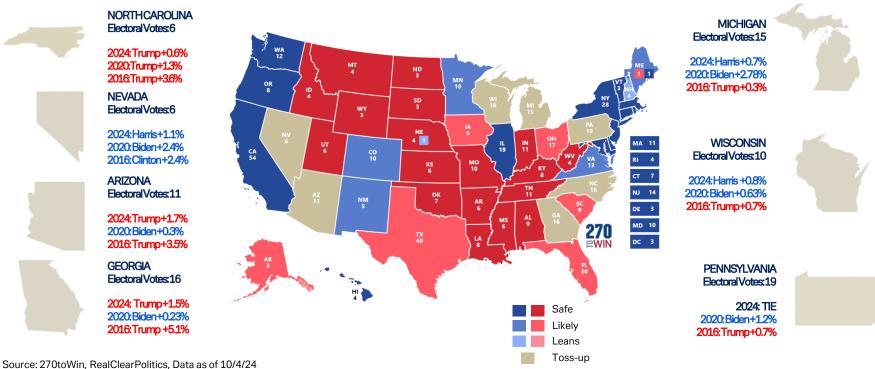
### Harris's favorability rating continues to rise after declaring her candidacy for President



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### The seven states that will decide the U.S. presidential race

U.S. Electoral College



### Public sentiment and how candidates are handling issues



#### The key issues in the minds of U.S. voters

Issues	% Breakdown	Issues	Trust
The Economy	22.0%	The Economy	Trump +13
Abortion	15.0%	The Economy	Hump +13
Immigration	12.0%	Abortion	Harris +15
The state of Democracy/corruption	8.0%	Abortion	
Inflation and the cost of living	6.0%	Immigration	Trump +10
Character/competence of candidate	6.0%		
Foreign policy	3.0%	Democracy	Harris +5
The Middle East/Israel/Palestinians	2.0%	Democracy	Hamis to

Source: Based on New York Times / Siena College polls of 1,695 likely voters from Sept. 3 – 6, 2024.

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#### Responses to the question "Do you trust Kamala Harris or Donald Trump to do a better job on the following:"

### Harris and Trump on the issues

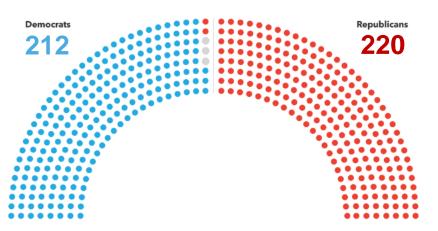


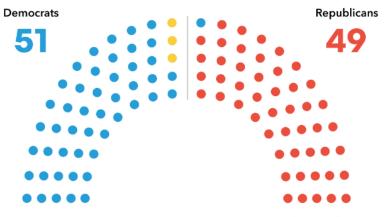
Issue	Harris Policies	Trump Policies
Image: Taxes	<ul> <li>Moderate extension of Tax Cuts and Jobs Act individual provisions.</li> <li>Expand child tax credit to \$3,600, provide \$6k newborn tax credit.</li> <li>Raise taxes on corporations and individuals making over \$400k.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Full extension of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.</li> <li>Lower Corporate rate to 15% for companies that make their products in the U.S.</li> <li>Repeal the SALT deduction cap.</li> </ul>
Cost of Living	<ul> <li>Provide \$25k downpayment assistance for first time homebuyers.</li> <li>Construct three million new starter homes in four years.</li> <li>Repurpose federal land and create tax incentives for home builders and local governments.</li> <li>Impose a federal ban on "price gouging" within the food industry.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Repeal IRA provisions and "unleash American energy".</li> <li>Repurpose federal land and cut regulations to help with housing construction.</li> <li>Strengthen immigration enforcement and border security and enact "mass deportations".</li> </ul>
Foreign Policy	<ul> <li>Supports Ukraine for as long as it takes.</li> <li>Supports Israel's right to defend itself but is more vocal on calling for de-escalation, a proposed hostage for cease-fire deal, and a two-state solution.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Claims he will end the war in Ukraine within 24 hours through a negotiated settlement with Russia.</li> <li>Supports giving Ukraine aid in the form of a loan.</li> <li>Trump has argued that President Biden needs to let Israel "finish the job" but they need to do so quickly.</li> <li>He believes a two-state solution may not be possible anymore.</li> </ul>
<b>Trade</b>	<ul> <li>No across-the-board tariffs.</li> <li>Maintain targeted approach of tariffs to certain sectors for national security purposes, such as steel and aluminum from China.</li> <li>Avoid new free trade agreements and promote labor rights and environmental protections.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10% tariff on all imported goods.</li> <li>60% tariff on Chinese imported goods.</li> <li>Critical of multilateral trade deals, pivot to bilateral deals.</li> <li>Support imposing reciprocal tariffs.</li> </ul>
Healthcare	<ul> <li>Supports capping prescription drug and insulin costs and allowing Medicare to negotiate.</li> <li>Supports eliminating the Senate filibuster to reinstate abortion protections under Roe v. Wade.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Will not renew attempts to repeal ACA.</li> <li>Leave abortion restrictions to the states to decide.</li> <li>Support funding of IVF treatment for women.</li> </ul>



# **Congressional Races**

### What's at Stake: Congressional Balance of Power





Yellow indicates independents who caucus with Democrats.

Bloomberg Government

### U.S. Senate

**34** Senate seats are contested in 2024

Races to Watch: MT, AZ, PA, OH, WV, NV, WI, MI

Map includes 3 Independents who participate in the Democratic caucus VP Harris serves as tiebreaking 51st vote

#### House of Representatives

All 435 House seats are contested in 2024

Democrats must flip **6** seats currently held by Republicans to gain a majority

Three vacancies: NJ-10, WI-8, TX-18

Source: House Clerk, Bloomberg Government, Data as of August 2024

### The race for Senate majority favors republicans



#### 2024 Senate Projections

14	Solid Democrat*
1	Likely Democrat
5	Lean Democrat (AZ, MI, NV, WI, PA)
1	Toss-Up (OH)
1	Lean Republican (MT)
2	Likely Republican (FL, TX)
10	Solid Republican

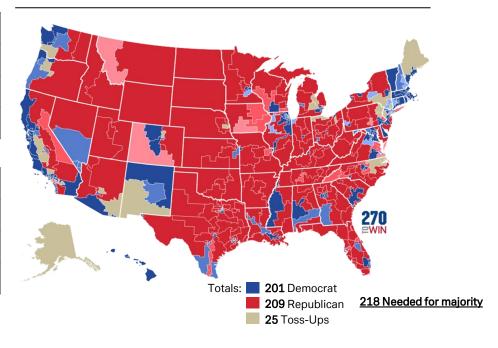
Source: 270toWin, Data as of September 2024.

### The race for the House majority will be closely contested



168	Solid Democrat
24	Likely Democrat
9	Lean Democrat
13	Democrat Toss-Up

183	Solid Republican
19	Likely Republican
7	Lean Republican
12	Republican Toss-Up



Source: 270toWin, Data as of September 2024.





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