



PRIME-ARY PERSPECTIVE

We have reached the last of week of primaries for November's mid-term elections!

In addition to this coverage of New Hampshire's primary, we will also cover Rhode Island - which is currently in progress, and New York's gubernatorial primary scheduled for Thursday.

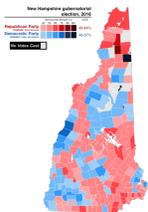
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NEW HAMPSHIRE



New Hampshire is one of the few states in New England that has a consistent history of electing Republicans at both the state and federal levels. With no Senate race this year, much of the attention will focus on the gubernatorial contest. Interestingly, before last night's primary, both House races were considered relatively competitive. As a result, NH-02 was moved from "Likely Democratic" to "Solid Democratic," so it is not covered in this report.

GUBERNATORIAL



Like its New England cousin, Vermont, New Hampshire's gubernatorial races occur every two years. Gov. Chris Sununu (R) is running for a second term, and he is viewed as the favorite heading into November. It polling, he is consistently one of the most popular governors in the country. The race is rated by the Cook Political Report as "Likely Republican."



Molly Kelly (D)

Beating out Steve Marchand to win the Democratic primary nomination, Kelly will have an uphill battle in November. Kelly spent ten years in the New Hampshire state Senate. During the primary campaign, she emphasized college affordability and preserving women's reproductive freedoms. However, she also said that she would work with the White House to benefit New Hampshire.

NH-01



New Hampshire's 1st District is one of the swingiest in the country, flipping between parties - and the same two candidates - for the last five cycles. When currently Rep. Carol Shea-Porter announced that she would not run for reelection, it virtually guaranteed that there would be close race in November.

The district covers the southeast portion of the state, including the city of Manchester. It as a PVI of R+2 but was rated as "Leans Democratic" by the Cook Political Report before the results were announced last night at which point is was changed to "Likely Democratic."



Chris Pappas (D)

Pappas won handily - securing 42.3% of the vote - in a crowded field of eleven candidates. Although he referred to himself as a "progressive," Pappas was far from being the most liberal candidate in the field. He has not endorsed "Medicare for All," though he says he supports universal healthcare and he has not glommed onto the progressive rallying cry of abolishing ICE. Should he win, Pappas will be the first openly gay representative from New Hampshire.

Eddie Edwards (R)

Winning 48% of the vote, Edwards defeated five our candidates in the Republican primary. Should he win, Edwards would become the first African American from New Hampshire to serve in Congress. Edwards is a veteran of the U.S. Navy and served as the chief of police for the town of South Hampton. Additionally, he served as Chief of New Hampshire State Division of Liquor Enforcement.



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