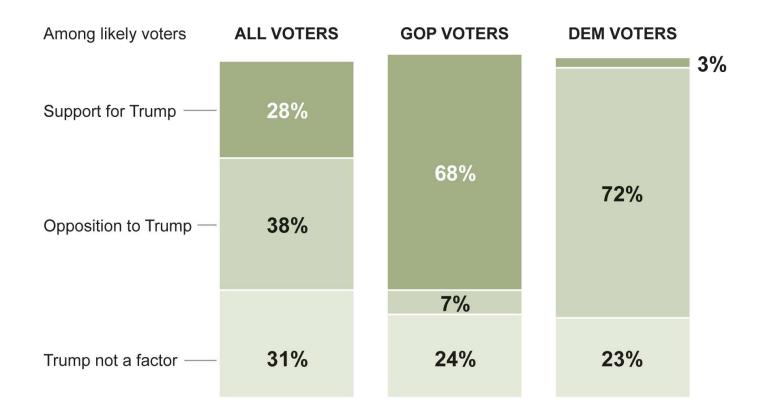


### Americans See Midterm Vote as Referendum on Trump

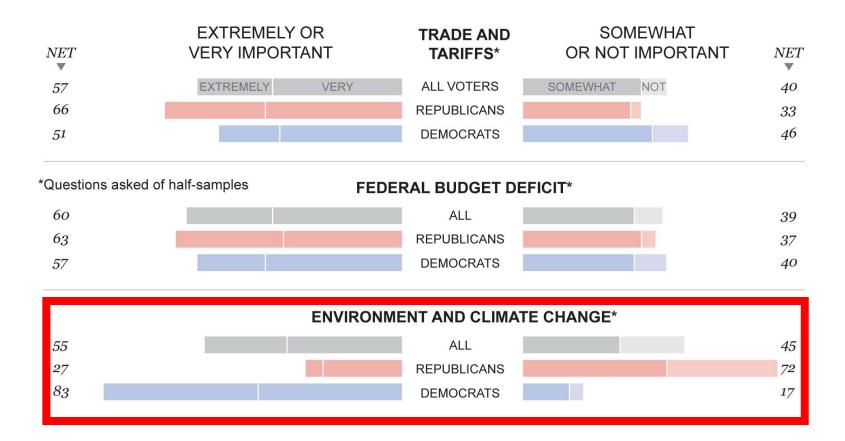
#### ON PRESIDENT TRUMP'S INFLUENCE ON LIKELINESS TO VOTE IN MIDTERMS

Will one reason for your vote for Congress be to express support for Donald Trump, to express opposition to him, or is Trump not a factor in your choice?



POLITICO-Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health poll of 1,200 likely midterm voters.

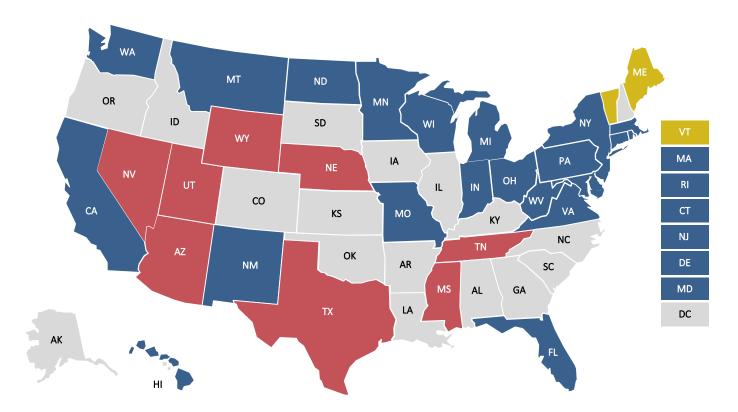
### Environment and Climate Change Not a Priority Election Issue....for Republicans



#### 26 seats up for election in 2018 are held by Democrats and Independents out of a total of 35

#### States with U.S. Senate seats up for election

Democratic-held seat Republican held seat Independent held seat



Sources: Charlie Cook, "Will History Hold in 2018 Midterms?" The Cook Political Report, January 9, 2017, National Journal Research, 2017.

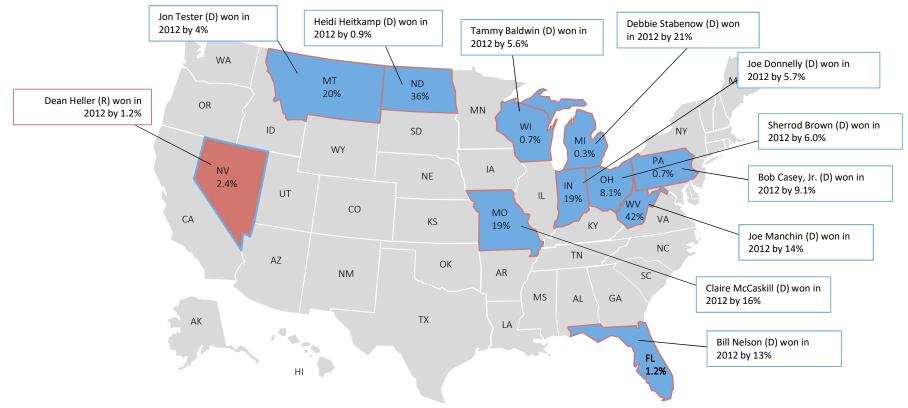
### Of the 26 Democratic senators up for re-election, Trump won 10 of their states – and five by double digits

Senators up for re-election in states won by the opposing party's 2016 presidential candidate

PERCENTS INSIDE THE STATE REPRESENT BY HOW MUCH THE OTHER PARTY'S PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE WON IN 2016

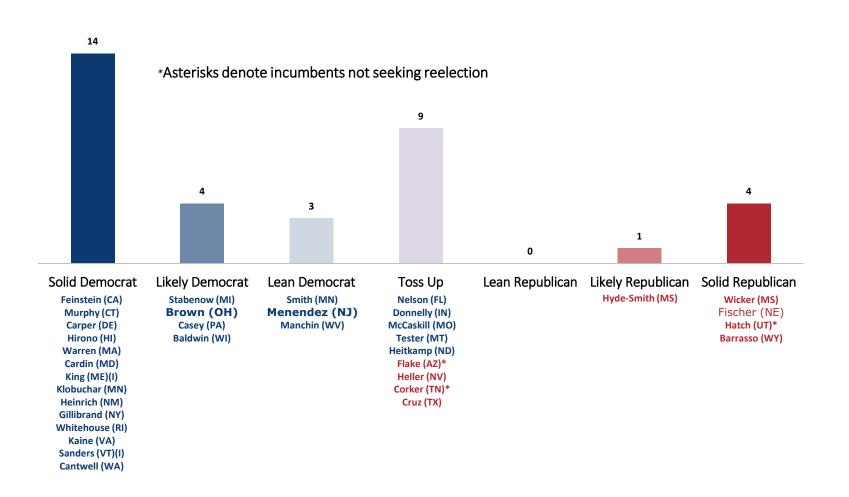


Clinton victory Trump victory Democratic senator up for re-election Republican senator up for re-election



Sources: National Journal Research, 2017.

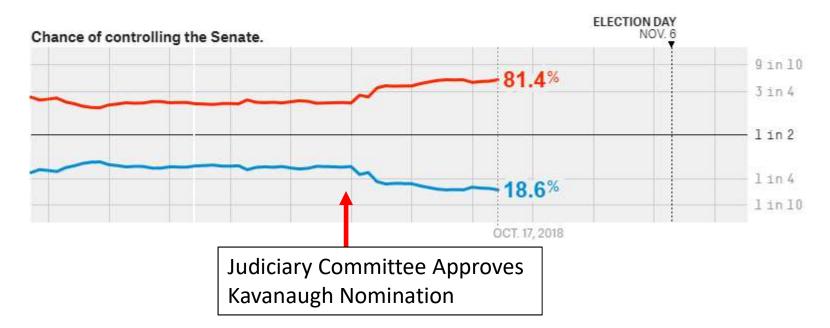
# Control of the Senate will depend on the nine "Toss Up" seats



### Control of the Senate Trending Towards Republican Control

#### How the forecast has changed

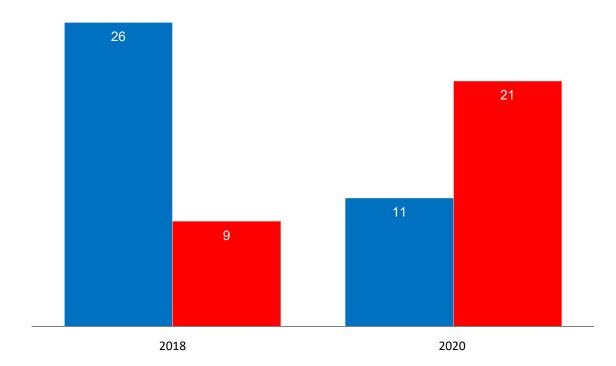
We'll be updating our forecasts every time new data is available, every day through Nov. 6



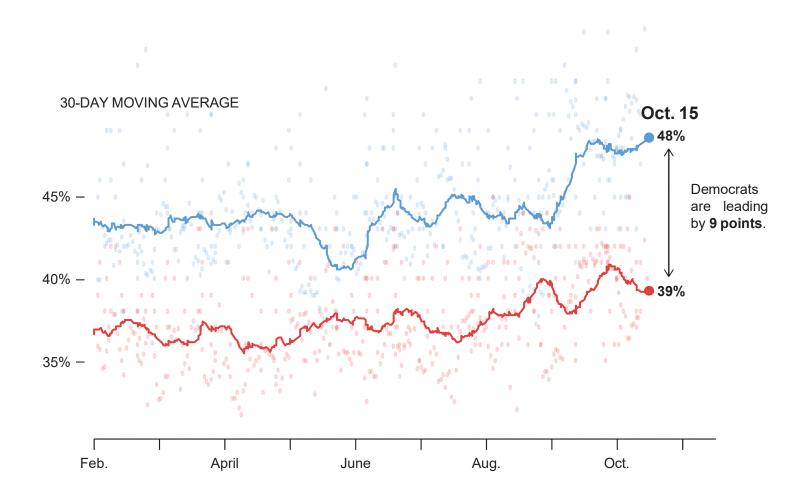
# Democrats, Republicans will take turns playing defense in upcoming elections

#### Senate seats in play, by election year

Republican seats

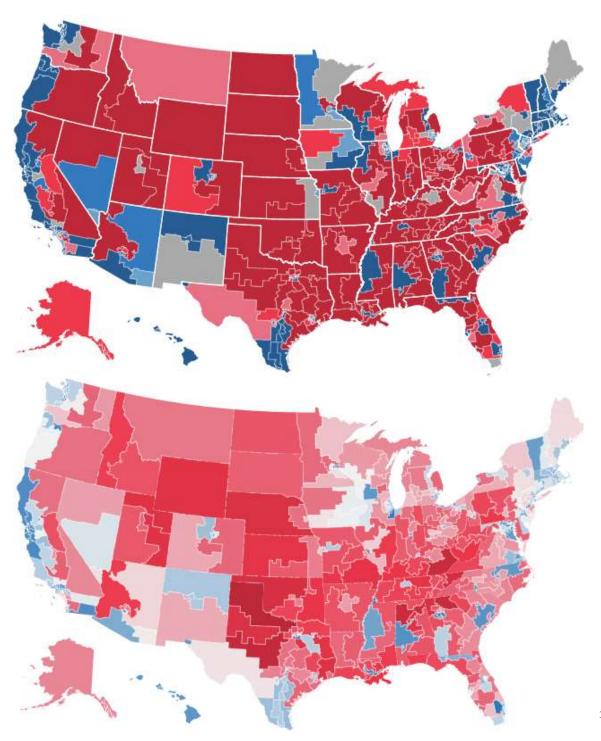


### **Generic congressional ballot polling**



Current House Ratings

Partisan Voter Index (PVI)



Source: Cook Political Report

#### **House Poised to Change Control**

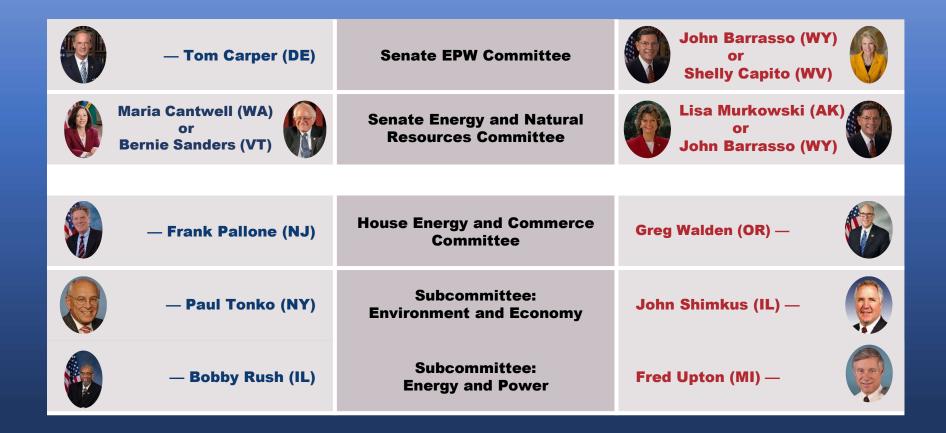
"Democrats appear poised to gain between 20 and 40 [House] seats with 25 to 35 the likeliest outcome" – Charlie Cook

*"Most likely outcome: Democratic gain of* **25-35** *seats, with larger gains possible" – Nathan Gonzales* 

*"5 in 6 Chance (83.6%) Democrats Win Control of the House" – Nate Silver, FiveThirtyEight* 

	Democrats F	Republicans
Solid Democrat	182 (	)
Likely Democrat	8	3
Lean Democrat	2	7
Toss Up	2	28
Lean Republican	0	27
Likely Republican	1	25
Solid Republican	0	150

### **Potential committee chairs: Energy and Environment**





OVERSIGHT, OVERSIGHT, OVERSIGHT

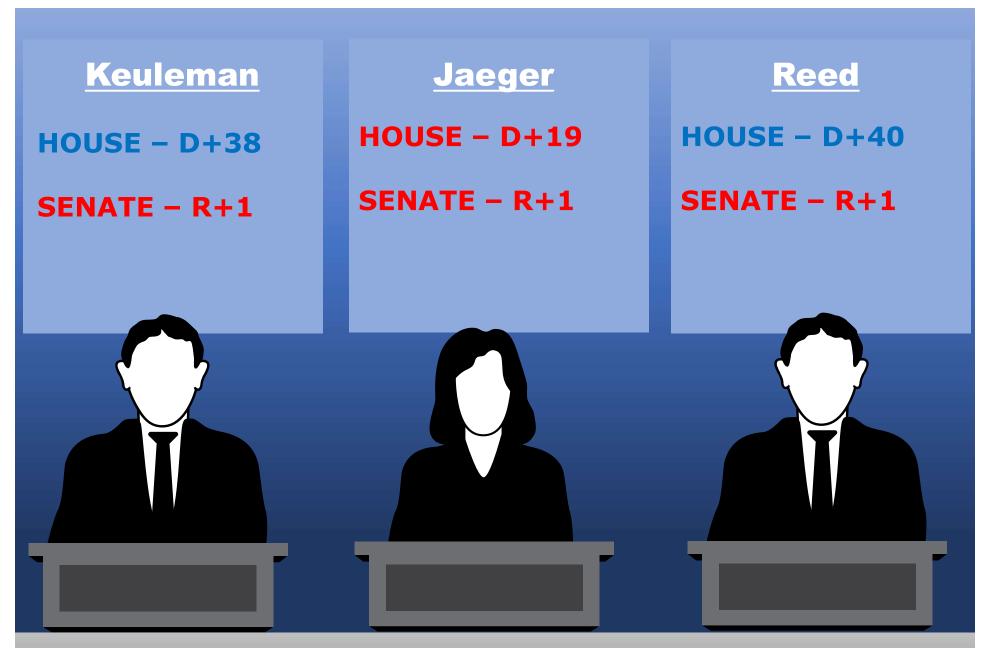
#### **Control Nominations / Agenda**

**Rollback of Senate Rules?** 

**More Gridlock?** 

Impeachment?

## **If Democrats Take the House or Senate**



# **2018 PREDICTIONS**

# **TRUMP EPA**

Position	Principal	Deputy		
Administrator	Andrew Wheeler (Acting)	Henry Darwin, Assoc Dep Admin, COO		
Chief of Staff	Ryan Jackson	Helena Wooden-Aguilar, Acting		
AA, Policy	Brittany Bolen, Assoc Adm	Robin Kime, Acting Dep Assoc		
AA, OECA	Susan Bodine	Patrick Traylor		
AA, Air & Radiation	Bill Wehrum	Deputy Mandy Gunasekara	Counsel David Harlow	Assoc. Clint Woods
AA, Water	David Ross	Dennis Lee Forsgren, Jr.		
AA, OCSPP	Charlotte Bertrand Acting Alexandra Dapolito Dunn (nom)	Nancy Beck		
AA, OLEM	Barry Breen, Acting Peter C. Wright (nom)	Steven Cook		
General Counsel	Matthew Leopold	David Fotouhi Principal Deputy		

# **Trump administration**

Regulatory Reform / Streamlining

Pres EO: reducing regs and controlling costs (Two-for-One)

Public Citizen v. Trump (DC Dist. 1:17-CV-00253)

scientists & profs, OR/CA intervenors

Motions pending, at issue:

- Do Plaintiffs have standing?
- Does US have authority to impose cost limits on regulatory actions?

# **Trump Administration**

Regulatory Reform / Streamlining

Pres: One Federal Decision / major infrastructure projects

- CEQ Actions
- OMB CEQ Memo: federal agencies revise process
- Agencies MOU to implement revisions

CEQ NEPA Reform ANPR 6.20.18 (83 FR 28591)

20 questions and request for recommendations

## Regulatory Reform / Streamlining

Pres EO: permit streamlining / reducing regulatory burdens

EPA Office of the Administrator

Office of Policy

- Office of Reg Policy & Management
  - EPA Deregulatory Actions
- Smart Sectors Program

Regulatory Reform Task Force

• COO, Office of Policy, Asst Administrators

CWA NDPES, CAA NAAQS streamlining, State outreach

**Regulatory Reform / Streamlining** 

# **EPA Deregulatory Actions**

Executive Order (EO) 13771, (82 FR 9339, February 2, 2017), "Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs," directs agencies to repeal at least two existing regulations for each new regulation issued in FY 2017 and thereafter. It further directs agencies the "total incremental costs of all regulations should be no greater than zero" in FY 2017.

- Table 1: EPA Deregulatory Actions under Development
- Table 2: Completed EPA Deregulatory Actions

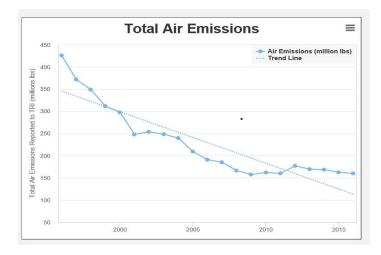
Regulatory Reform / Streamlining

**Smart Sectors Program** 

- partnership program...platform to collaborate with regulated sectors... sensible approaches.... better protect environment, public health
- Manufacturing Sectors Chemical Utilities Iron/Steel Agriculture Automotive Aerospace Cement Concrete Construction Electronics Forestry Mining Ports/Maritime Oil gas

## **Regulatory Reform / Streamlining**

Sector Snapshots interactive, web-based tool environmental/economic 20-year snapshot



#### Chemical manufacturing

#### Environmental Performance Indicators

- Air emissions
- Criteria air pollutants
- Energy use
- Greenhouse gases
- Hazardous waste generation
- Production-related waste managed
- Recycling of waste chemicals
- Releases to land
- Water discharges
- eration

#### **Economic Benchmarks**

- Dollar value of gross output Employment
- Show recessions Show events

Announcement re Science Advisor Conflicts

CASAC, SAB, BOSC Appointments

No CASAC Panels for PM and Ozone standards

Proposed Rule "Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science" (83 FR 18768; Apr 30, 2018)

ANPR "Increasing Consistency and Transparency in Considering Costs and Benefits in the Rulemaking Process" (83 FR 27,524; June 13, 2018)