

# **OVERVIEW OF 2026-2028 FEDERAL & STATE ELECTIONS**

## **A. United States 2026 Senate Election**

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*For related races, see [2026 United States election](#)*

The 2026 United States Senate elections are scheduled to be held on November 3, 2026, with 33 of the 100 seats in the Senate being contested in regular elections, the winners of which will serve 6-year terms in the United States Congress from January 3, 2027, to January 3, 2033, plus a special election in Ohio will be held to fill the remaining 2 years of JD Vance's term following his election to the vice presidency and a special election in Florida to fill the remaining 2 years of Marco Rubio's term pending his resignation to become Donald Trump's Secretary of State. Senators are divided into 3 groups, or classes, whose terms are staggered so that a different class is elected every 2 years. Class 2 senators were last elected in 2020, and will be up for election in 2032. This will be the first since 2006 where Mitch McConnell will not be the Republican Senate leader.

### **Partisan composition**

All 33 Class 2 Senate seats and two Class 3 seats are up for election in 2026; Class 2 currently consists of 20 Republicans and 13 Democrats. If vacancies occur in Class 1 or other Class 3 Senate seats, that state might require a special election to take place during the 119th Congress, possibly concurrently with the other 2026 Senate elections.

There are two seats being defended by Democrats in states won by Donald Trump in 2024 (in both cases, by less than three percentage points): Michigan, where the incumbent is Gary Peters, and Georgia, where the incumbent is Jon Ossoff. There is one seat in a state won by Democrats (by six percentage points) that was being defended by Republicans: Maine, where the incumbent is Susan Collins. Six Democrats represent states won by Kamala Harris by single-digit margins in 2024, while only one other Republican represents a state won by Trump by a single-digit margin in 2024.

**Source:** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2026\\_United\\_States\\_Senate\\_elections](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2026_United_States_Senate_elections)

## **B. United States 2026 Gubernatorial Election**

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United States gubernatorial elections are scheduled to be held on November 3, 2026, in 36 states and three territories. The previous gubernatorial elections for this group of states took place in 2022, except in New Hampshire and Vermont, where governors serve two-

year terms and will elect their governors in 2024. Many of the states with elections in this cycle have incumbents who are officially term-limited.

Source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2026\\_United\\_States\\_gubernatorial\\_elections](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2026_United_States_gubernatorial_elections)

## C. United States 2028 Senate Election

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*For related races, see [2028 United States elections](#).*

The 2028 United States Senate elections will be held on November 7, 2028, with 34 of the 100 seats in the [Senate](#) being contested in regular elections, the winners of which will serve 6-year terms in the [United States Congress](#) from January 3, 2029, to January 3, 2035. Senators are divided into 3 groups or [classes](#) whose terms are staggered so that a different class is elected every 2 years. Class 3 senators were last elected in [2022](#) and will be up for election again in 2028. These elections will run concurrently with the [2028 United States presidential election](#).

### Partisan composition

All 34 [Class 3](#) Senate seats are up for election in 2028; Class 3 currently consists of 19 Republicans and 15 Democrats. If vacancies occur in Class 1 or Class 2 Senate seats, that state might require a [special election](#) to take place during the [120th Congress](#), possibly concurrently with the other 2028 Senate elections.

Source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2028\\_United\\_States\\_Senate\\_elections](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2028_United_States_Senate_elections)

## D. United States 2026-2028 Federal & State Elections

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*For the previous elections, see [2023 United States elections](#).*

In the [politics of the United States](#), [elections](#) are held for [government officials](#) at the [federal](#), [state](#), and [local](#) levels. At the federal level, the nation's [head of state](#), the [president](#), is elected indirectly by the people of each [state](#), through an [Electoral College](#). Today, these electors almost always vote with the popular vote of their state. All members of the federal legislature, the [Congress](#), are directly elected by the people of each state. There are many elected offices at state level, each state having at least an elective [governor](#) and [legislature](#). There are also elected offices at the local level, in [counties](#), cities, towns, townships, boroughs, and villages; as well as for [special districts](#) and [school districts](#) which may transcend county and municipal boundaries.

The country's election system is highly decentralized. While the [U.S. Constitution](#) does set parameters for the election of federal officials, state law, not federal, regulates most aspects of elections in the U.S., including [primary elections](#), the eligibility of voters (beyond the basic constitutional definition), the method of choosing presidential electors,

as well as the running of state and local elections. All elections—federal, state, and local—are administered by the individual states, with many aspects of the system's operations delegated to the county or local level.

Under federal law, the general elections of the president and Congress occur on Election Day, the Tuesday after the first Monday of November. These federal general elections are held in even-numbered years, with presidential elections occurring every four years, and congressional elections occurring every two years. The general elections that are held two years after the presidential ones are referred to as the midterm elections. General elections for state and local offices are held at the discretion of the individual state and local governments, with many of these races coinciding with either presidential or midterm elections as a matter of convenience and cost-saving, while other state and local races may occur during odd-numbered "off years". The date when primary elections for federal, state, and local races occur is also at the discretion of the individual state and local governments; presidential primaries, in particular, have historically been staggered between the states, beginning sometime in January or February, and ending about mid-June before the November general election.

**Source:** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elections\\_in\\_the\\_United\\_States](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elections_in_the_United_States)