

# Legislative and Political Update

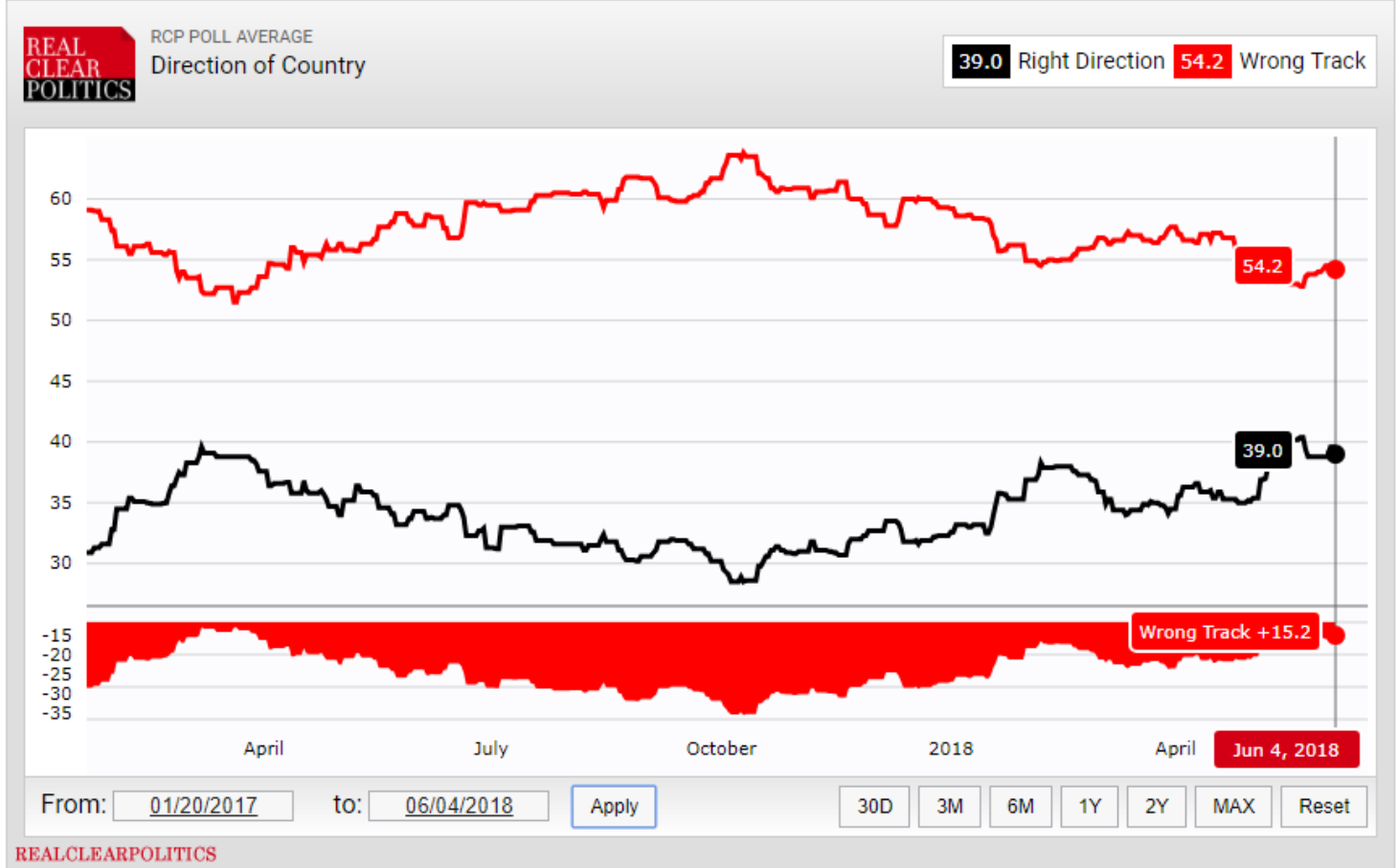
**Matt Turkstra, AGC of America**



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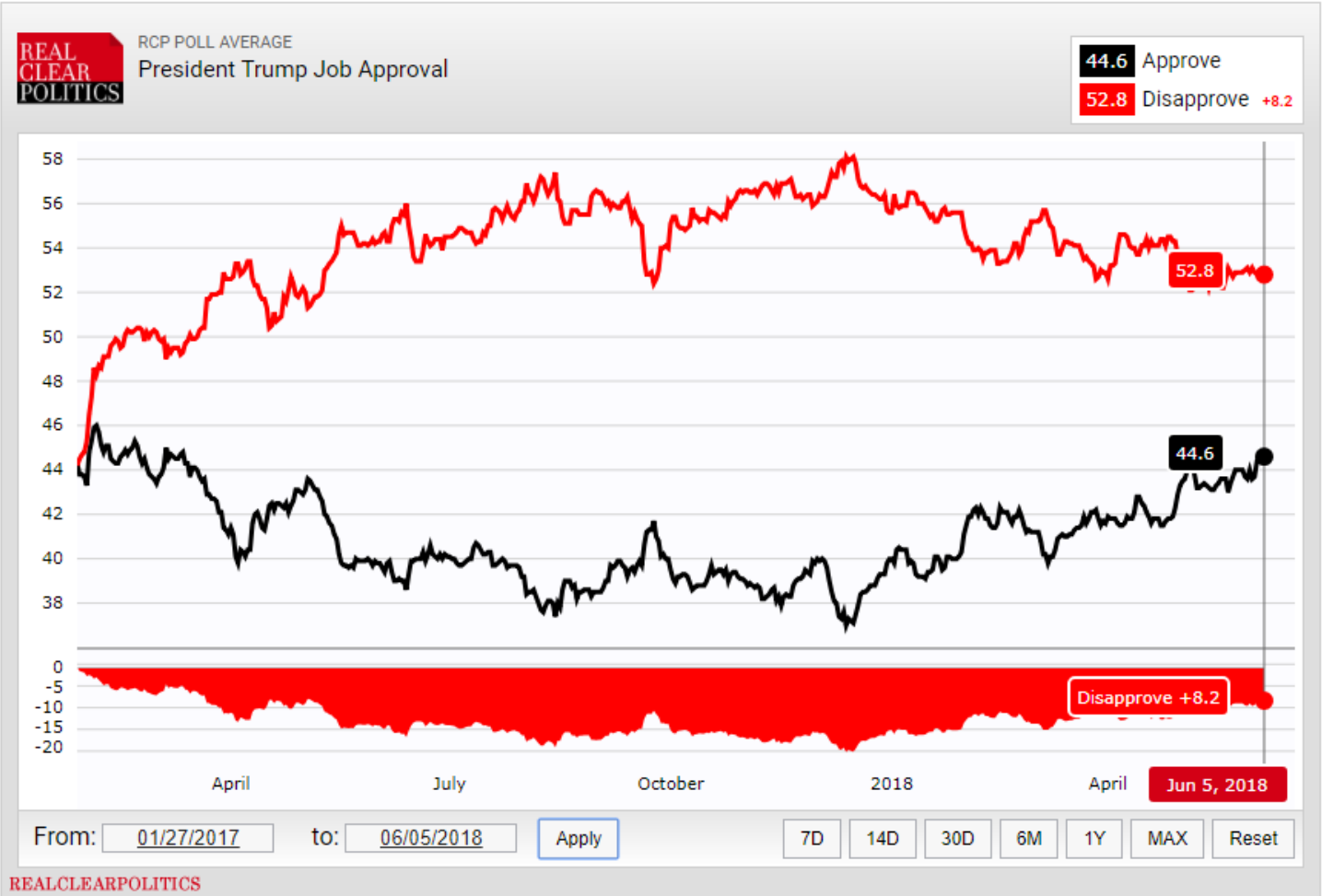
**Right Track – 39.0%**  
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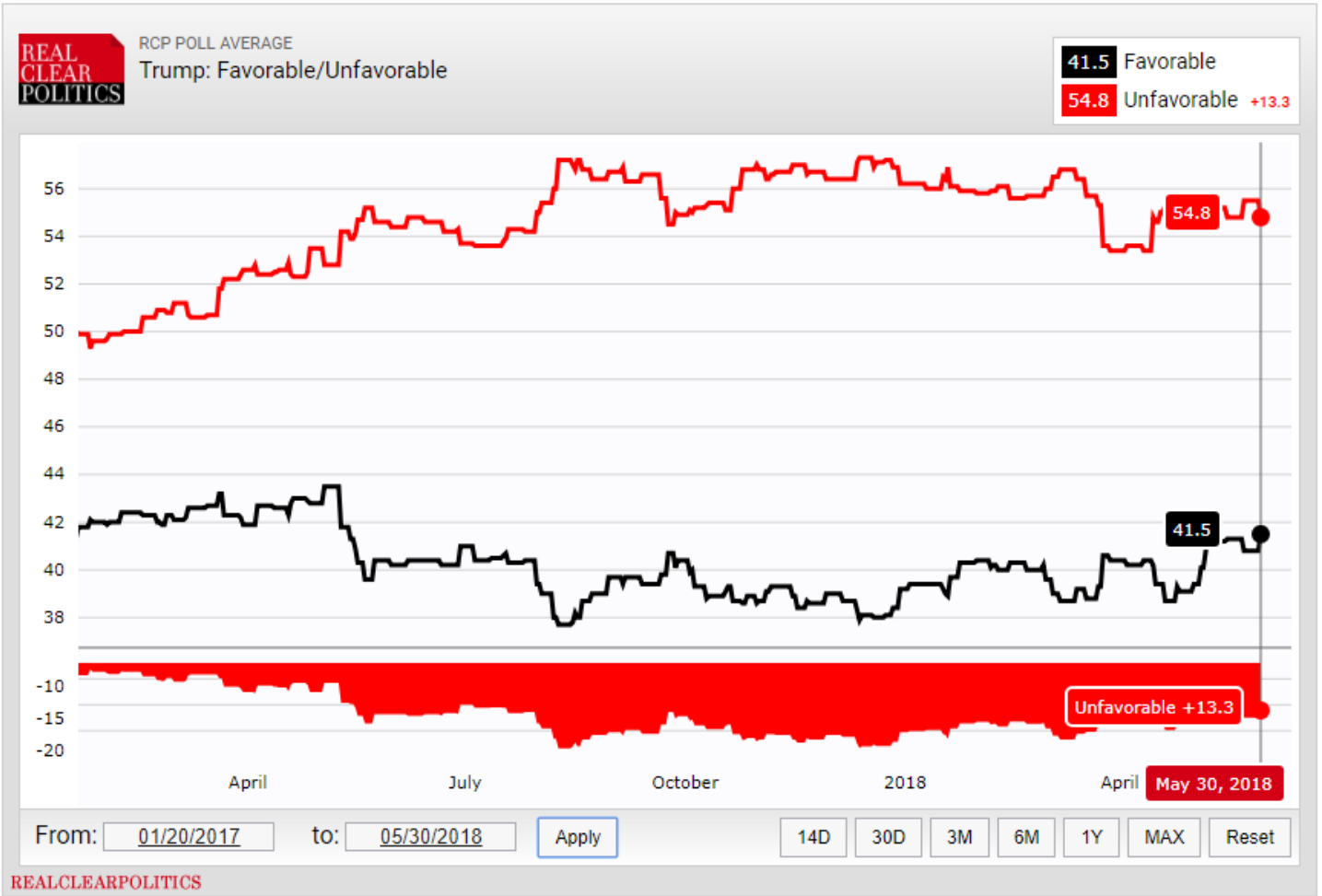
**Approve – 44.6%**  
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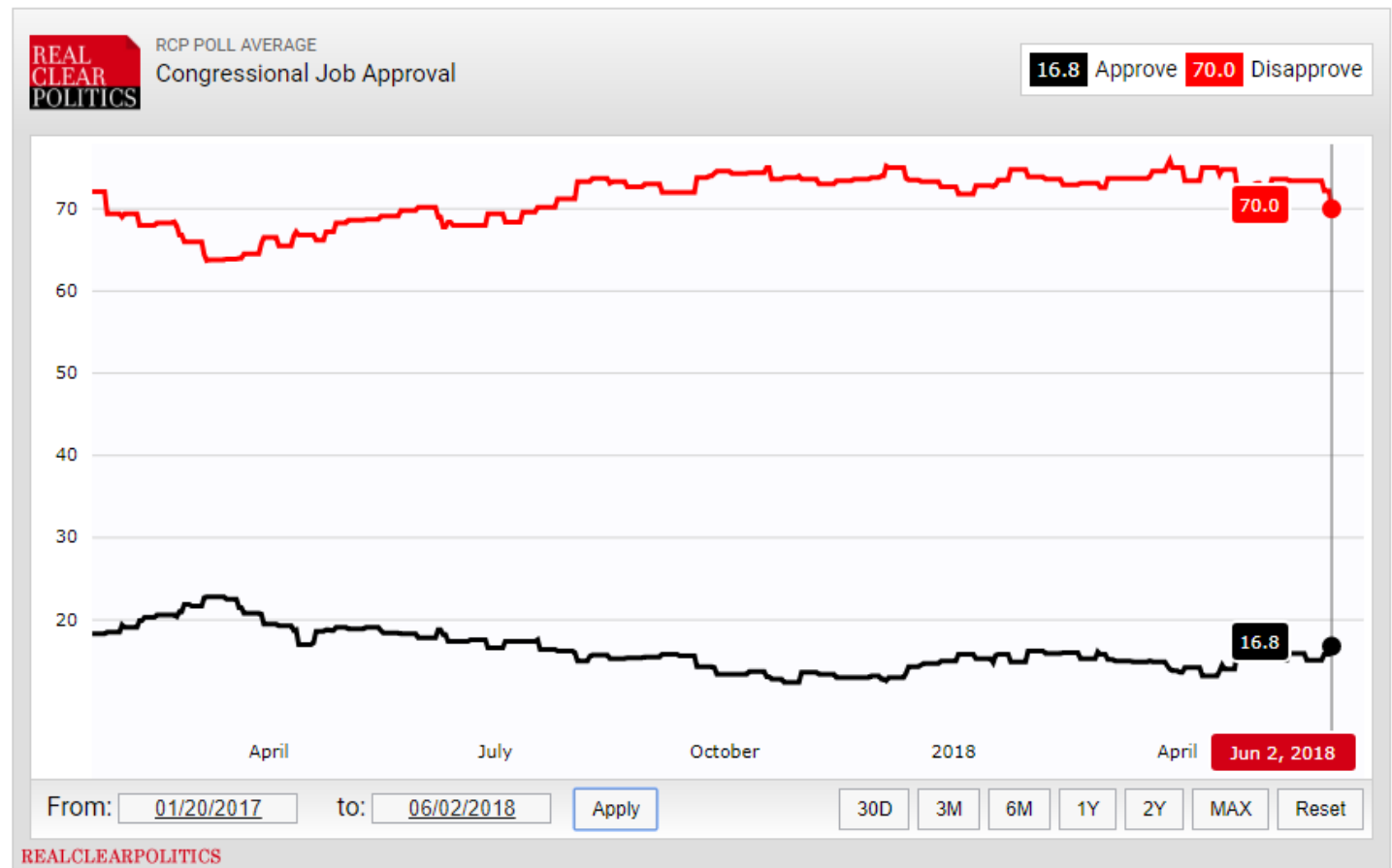
**Favorable – 41.5%**  
**Unfavorable – 54.8%**



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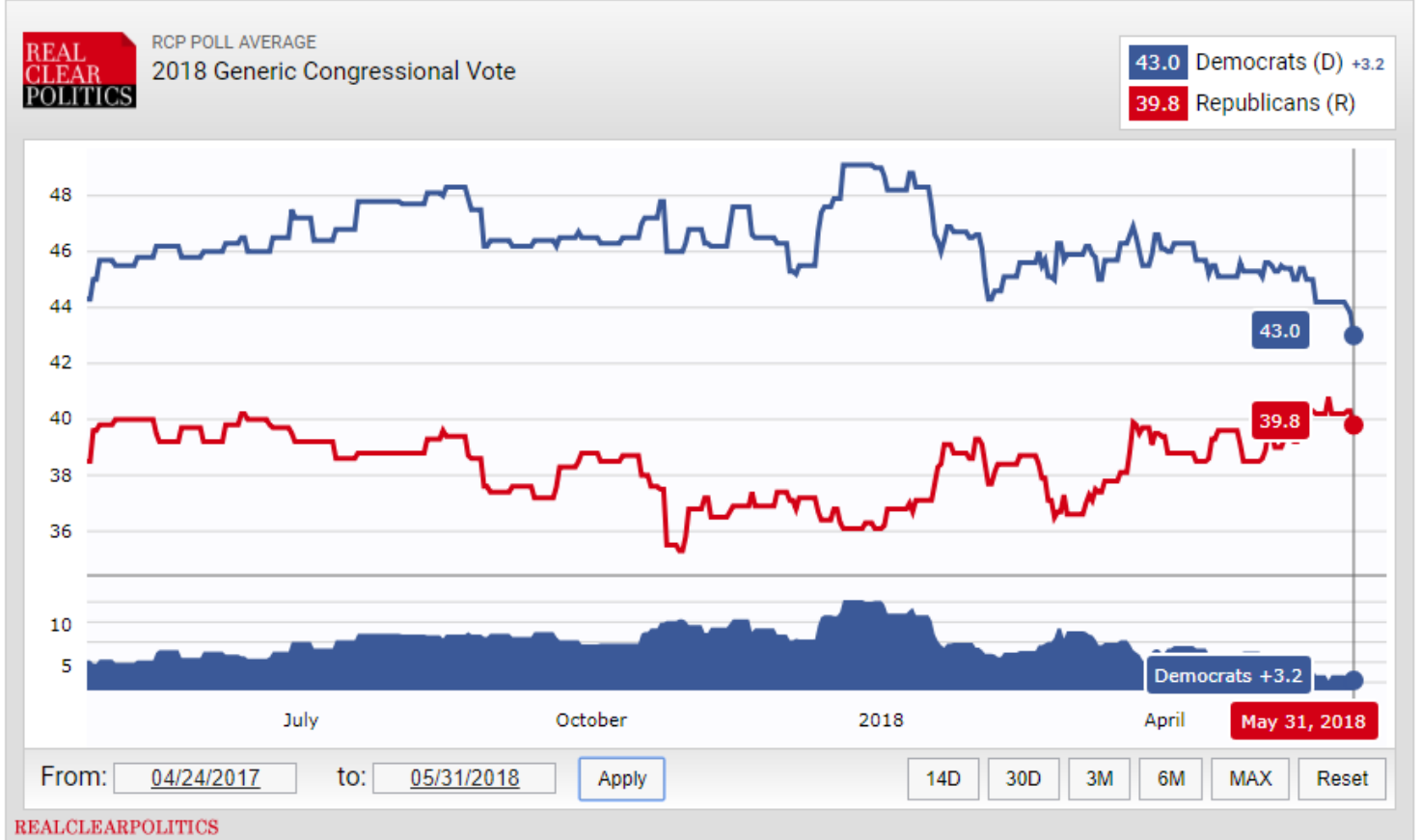
**Approve – 16.8%**  
**Disapprove – 70.0%**



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**Democrat – 43.0%**  
**Republican – 39.8%**



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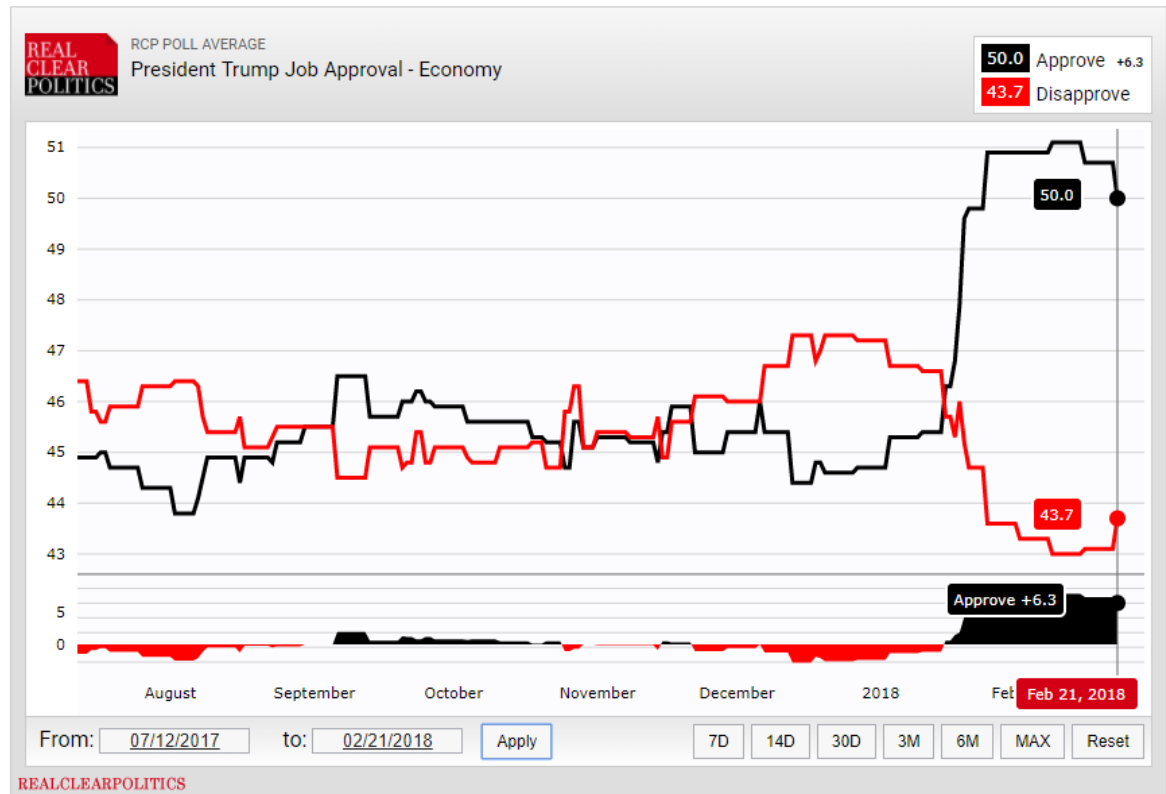
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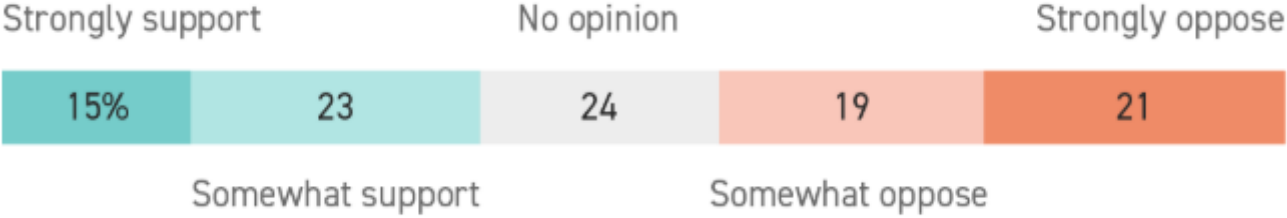
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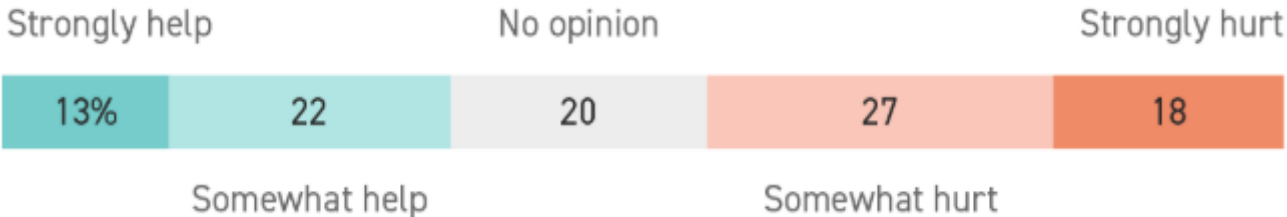
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## Do you support or oppose raising tariffs on aluminum and steel?



## Do you think that raising tariffs on aluminum and steel will help or hurt the U.S. economy?



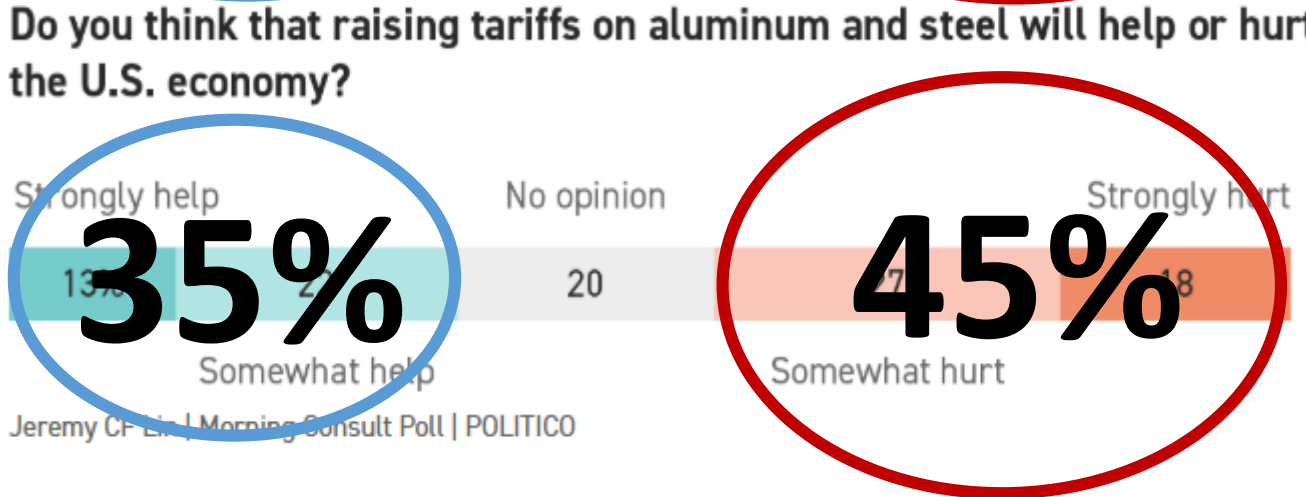
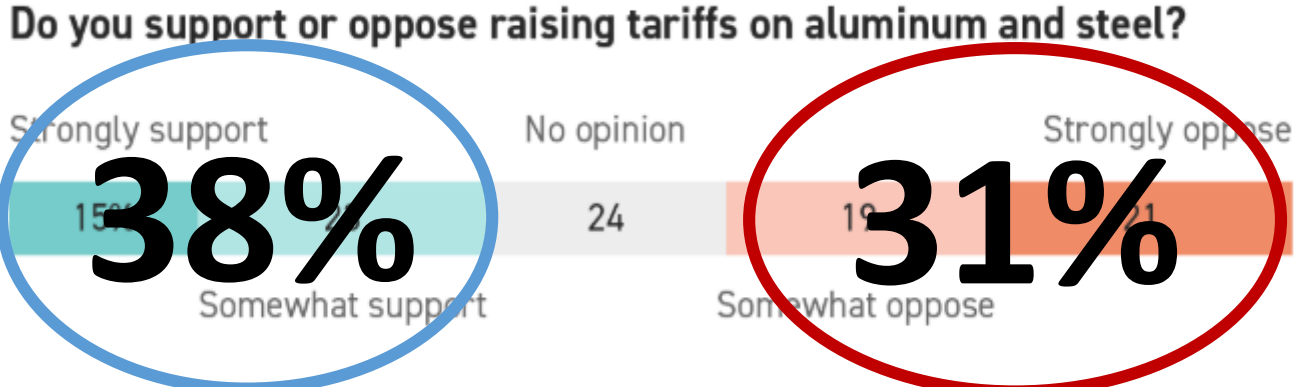
Jeremy CF Lin | Morning Consult Poll | POLITICO

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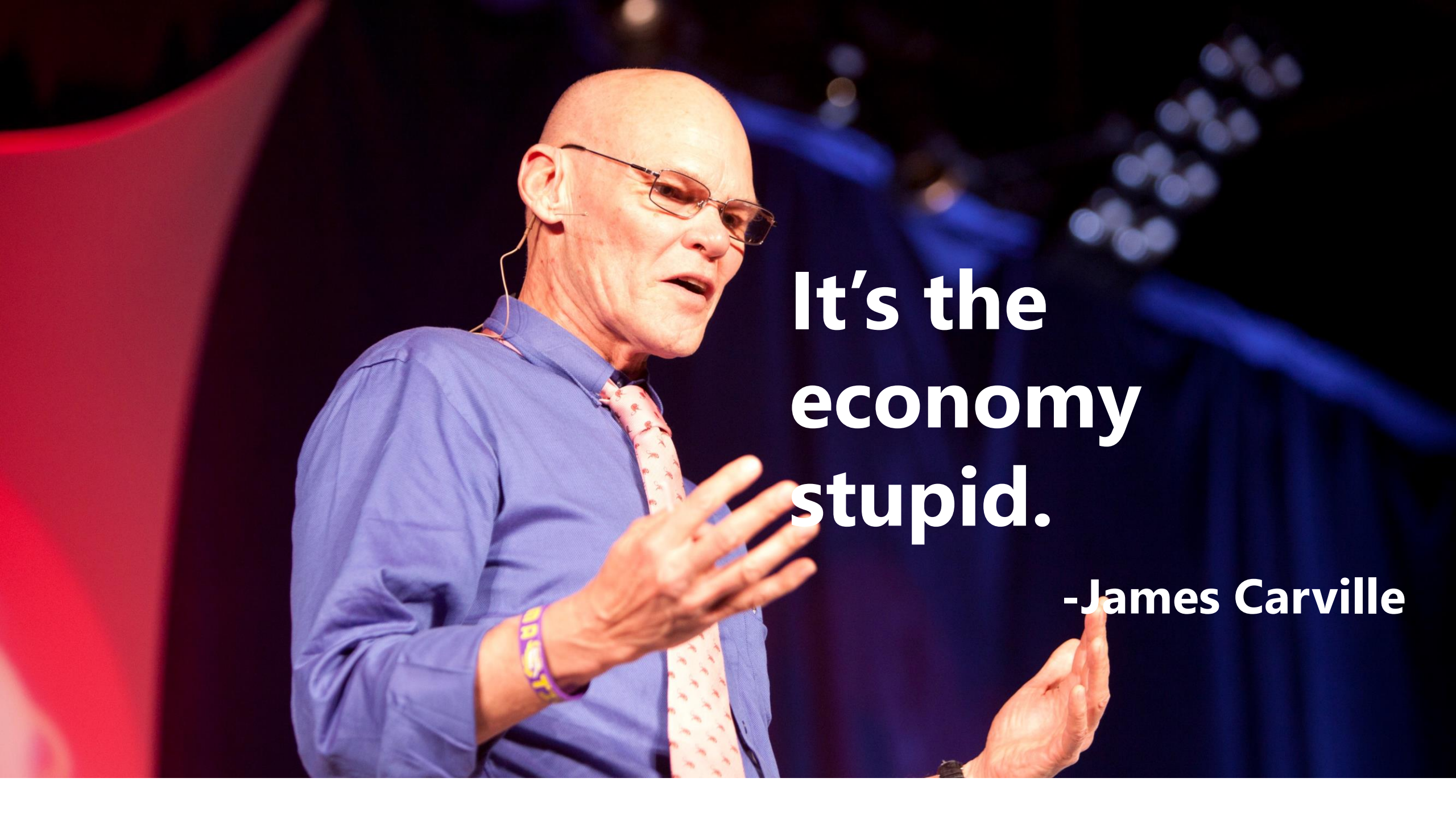
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Current RCP Average, Trump Approval Rating—Economy

Approve: 49.2%

Disapprove: 44.8%

Spread: +4.4%

A photograph of James Carville, a bald man with glasses, wearing a blue shirt and a patterned tie. He is speaking and gesturing with his hands. The background is dark with blue and red lighting.

**It's the  
economy  
stupid.**

**-James Carville**

## US SENATE

35 seats are up in November – 25 Democratic (including two independent) and nine Republican.

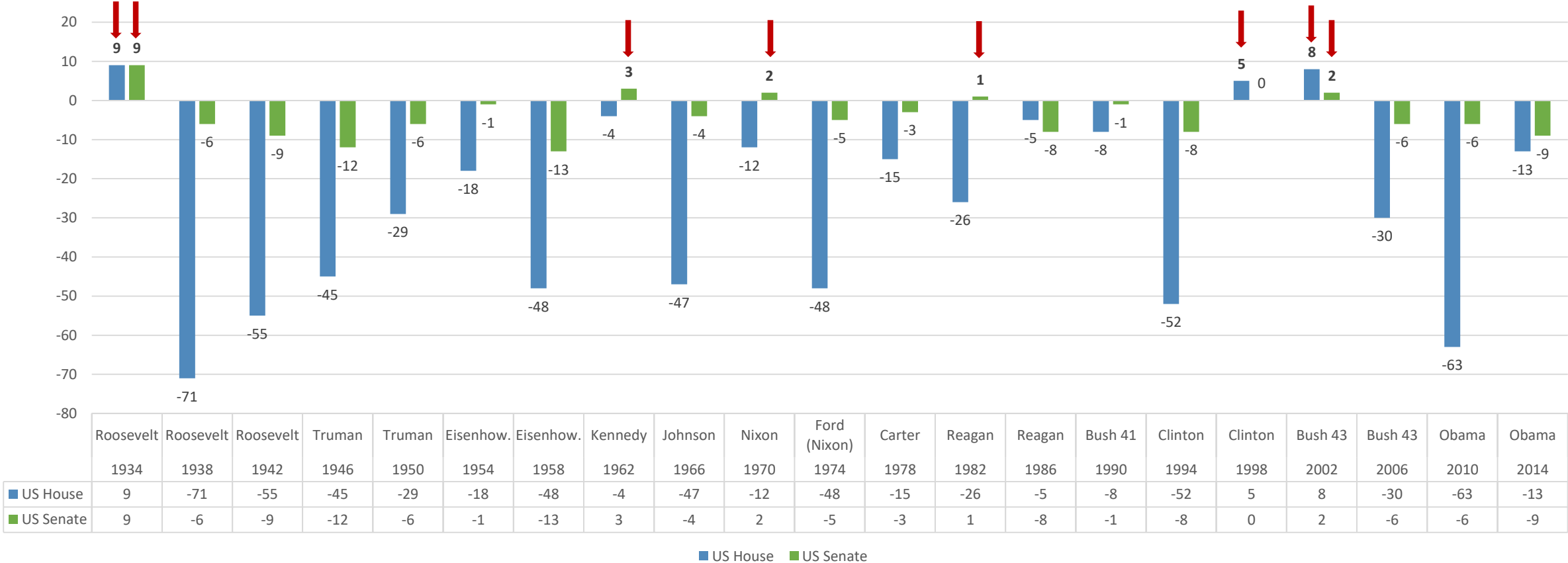
## US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

All 435 seats are up for election. Currently, 90 are competitive races.



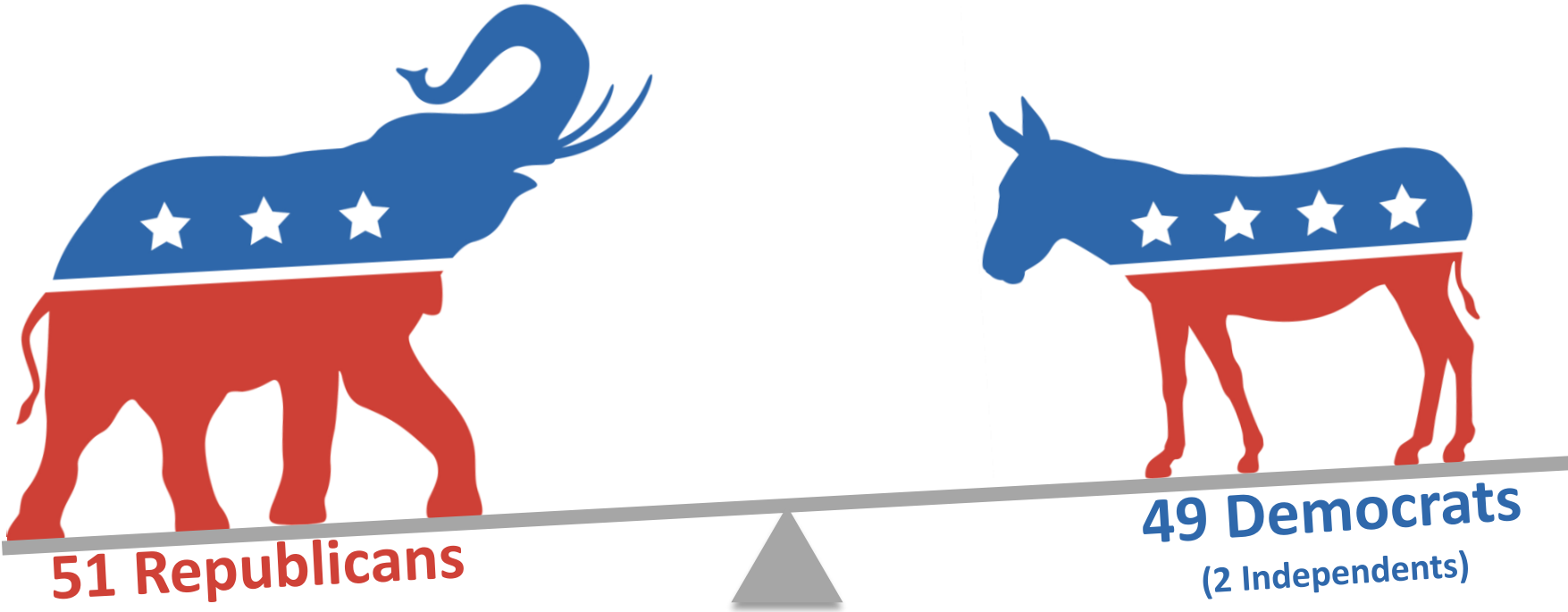
# Historical Results Not Pretty

Congressional Midterm Results



■ US House ■ US Senate

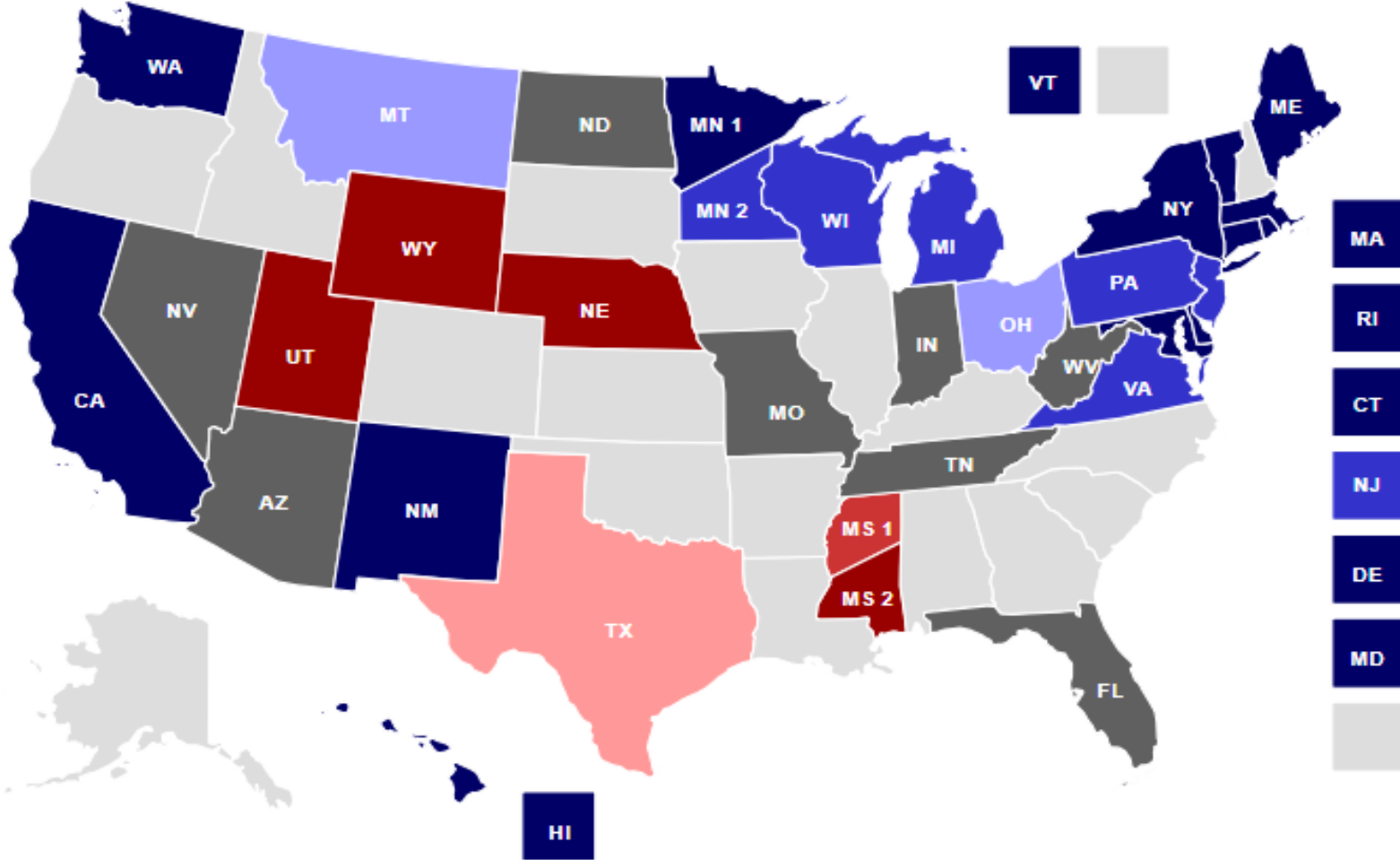
# Balance of Power - Senate



Democrats need a net pick up of two seats for control



# 2018 US Senate Races



**Toss Up Republican Seats**

- AZ – Open
- NV – Dean Heller
- TN – Open

**Toss Up Democratic Seats**

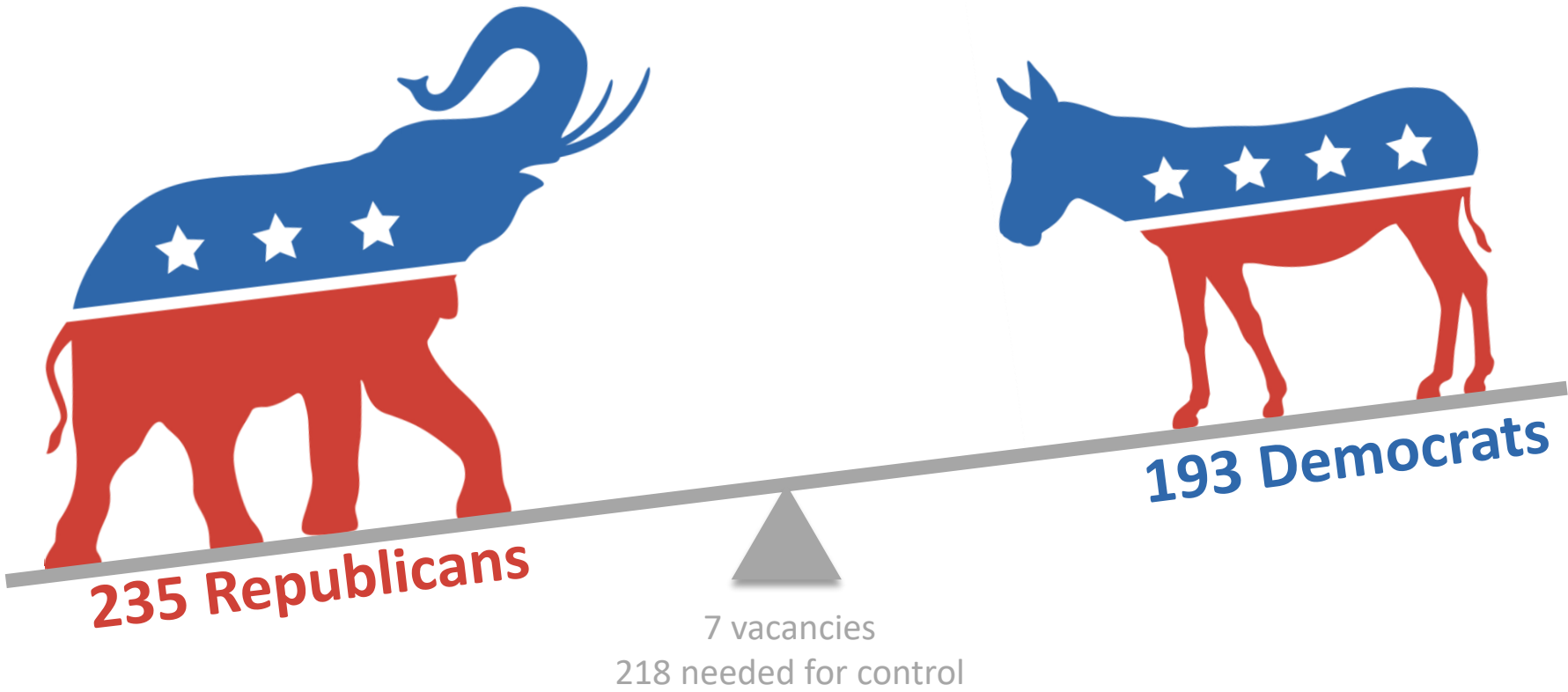
- IN – Joe Donnelly
- MO – Claire McCaskill
- ND – Heidi Heitkamp
- WV – Joe Manchin
- FL – Bill Nelson

**Lean Democratic Seats**

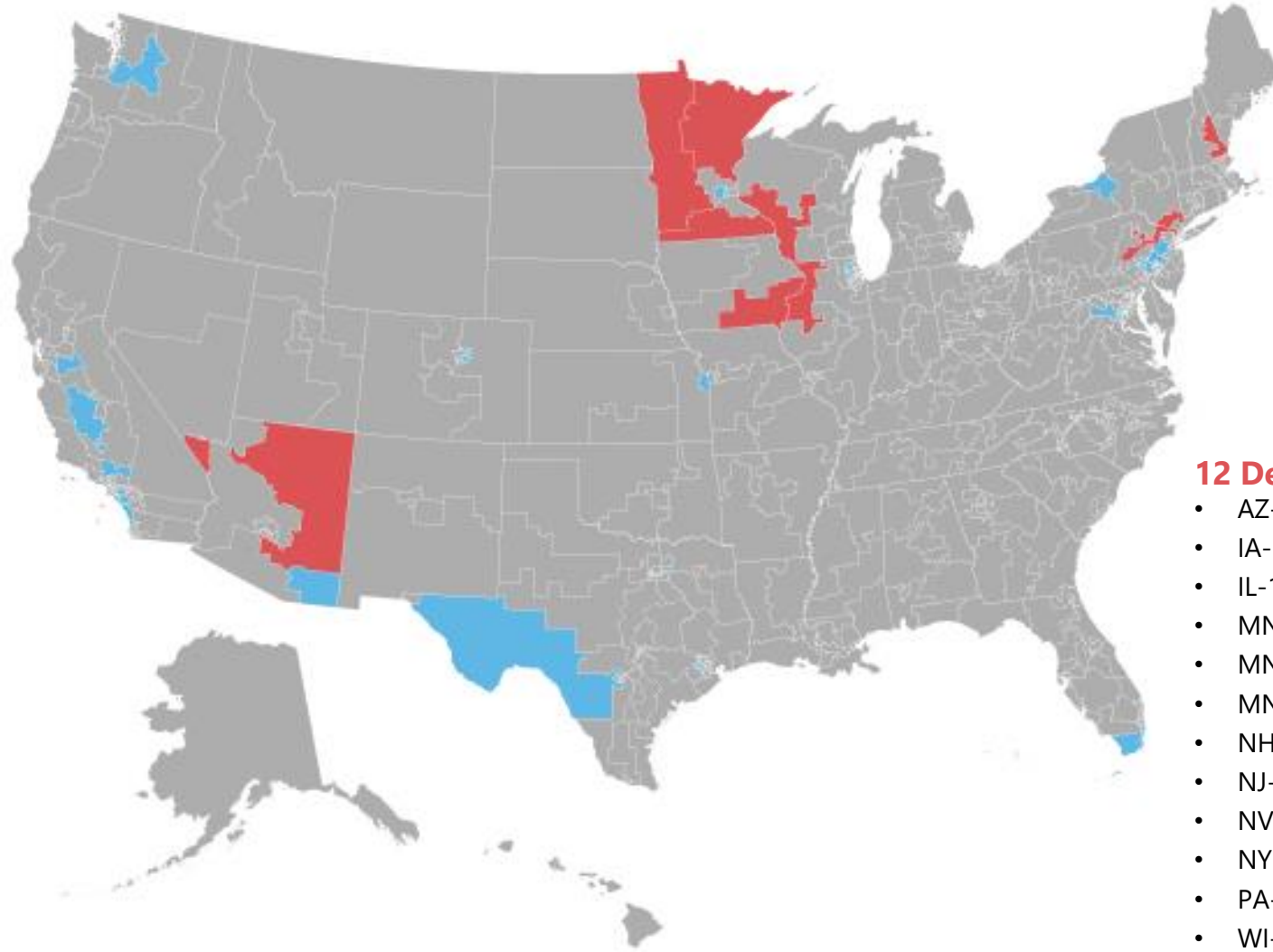
- OH – Sherrod Brown
- MT – Jon Tester

DEMOCRATS		REPUBLICANS	
Safe	Likely	Safe	Likely
Leans	Toss up	Leans	Toss up
Pick-ups		Pick-ups	

# Balance of Power - House



# Split-Ticket House Districts



## 12 Democratic CDs for Trump

- AZ-1: Rep. O'Halleran (**Lean D**)
- IA-2: Rep. Loebsack
- IL-17: Rep. Bustos
- MN-1: Open-Walz (**Toss Up**)
- MN-7: Rep. Peterson
- MN-8: Open-Nolan (**Toss Up**)
- NH-1: Open-Porter (**Lean D**)
- NJ-5: Rep. Gottheimer (**Lean D**)
- NV-3: Open-Rosen (**Toss Up**)
- NY-18: Rep. Maloney
- PA-17: Rep. Cartwright
- WI-3: Rep. Kind

## 23 Republican CDs for Clinton

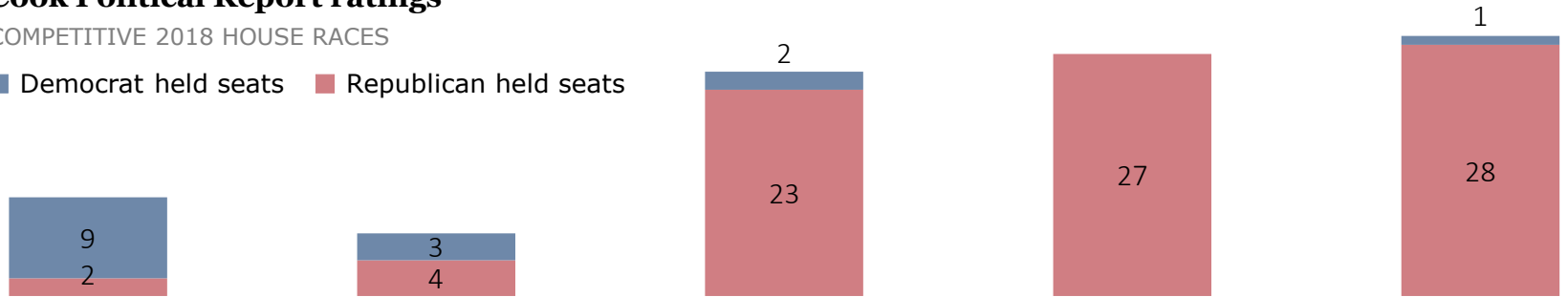
- AZ-2: Open-McSally (**Lean D**)
- CA-10: Rep. Denham (**Toss Up**)
- CA-21: Rep. Valadao
- CA-25: Rep. Knight (**Toss Up**)
- CA-39: Open-Royce (**Lean D**)
- CA-45: Rep. Walters (**Lean R**)
- CA-48: Rep. Rohrabacher (**Toss Up**)
- CA-49: Open-Issa (**Lean D**)
- CO-6: Rep. Coffman (**Toss Up**)
- FL-26: Rep. Curbelo (**Toss Up**)
- FL-27: Open-Ros-Lehtinen (**Lean D**)
- KS-3: Rep. Yoder (**Lean R**)
- IL-6: Rep. Roskam (**Toss Up**)
- MN-3: Rep. Paulsen (**Toss Up**)
- NJ-7: Rep. Lance (**Lean R**)
- NY-24: Rep. Katko
- PA-6: Rep. Costello (**Toss Up**)
- PA-7: Open-Meehan (**Likely D**)
- TX-7: Rep. Culberson (**Toss Up**)
- TX-23: Rep. Hurd (**Lean R**)
- TX-32: Rep. Sessions (**Lean R**)
- VA-10: Rep. Comstock (**Toss Up**)
- WA-8: Open-Reichert (**Toss Up**)

# House Republicans are defending many more vulnerable seats

## Cook Political Report ratings

COMPETITIVE 2018 HOUSE RACES

■ Democrat held seats ■ Republican held seats



### Likely Democrat

AZ-9  
 CA-7  
 CT-5  
 FL-7  
 MN-7  
 NH-2  
 NJ-5  
 r  
 NV-4  
 PA-8  
 PA-5  
 (Meehan)  
 PA-6

Sinema\*  
 Bera  
 Esty\*  
 Murphy  
 Peterson  
 Kuster  
 Gottheime  
 Kihuen\*  
 Cartwright  
 VACANT  
 Costello\*

### Lean Democrat

AZ-1  
 NH-1  
 Porter\*  
 NV-3  
 AZ-2  
 FL-27  
 Lehtinen\*  
 NJ-2  
 \*  
 PA-7  
 (Dent)  
 VACANT

O'Halleran  
 Shea-  
 Rosen\*  
 McSally\*  
 Ros-  
 LoBiondo

### Toss Up

MN-1  
 MN-8  
 CA-10  
 CA-25  
 CA-39  
 CA-48  
 CA-49  
 CO-6  
 FL-26  
 IA-1  
 IL-6  
 IL-12  
 MI-11  
 MN-2  
 MN-3  
 NJ-7  
 NJ-11  
 n\*  
 NY-19  
 NY-22  
 OH-12  
 (Tiberi)  
 PA-1  
 PA-17

Walz\*  
 Nolan\*  
 Denham  
 Knight  
 Royce\*  
 Rohrabacher  
 Issa\*  
 Coffman  
 Curbelo  
 Blum  
 Roskam  
 Bost  
 Trott\*  
 Lewis  
 Paulsen  
 Lance  
 Frelinghuysen  
 Faso  
 Tenney  
 VACANT  
 Fitzpatrick  
 Rothfus/Lam  
 Culberson  
 Comstock

### Lean Republican

AR-2  
 CA-21  
 CA-45  
 FL-18  
 GA-6  
 IA-3  
 IL-14  
 KS-2  
 KS-3  
 KY-6  
 ME-2  
 MI-8  
 NC-9  
 NC-13  
 NE-2  
 NJ-3  
 NM-2  
 NY-11  
 OH-1  
 TX-23  
 TX-32  
 UT-4  
 VA-2  
 VA-5  
 VA-7  
 WA-5  
 WI-1

Hill  
 Valadao  
 Walters  
 Mast  
 Handel  
 Young  
 Jenkins\*  
 Yoder  
 Barr  
 Poliquin  
 Bishop  
 Pittenger\*  
 Budd  
 Bacon  
 MacArthur  
 Pearce\*  
 Donovan  
 Chabot  
 Hurd  
 Sessions  
 Love  
 Taylor  
 Garrett\*  
 Brat  
 McMorris  
 Rodgers  
 WI-1  
 Ryan\*

### Likely Republican

PA-14  
 OPEN (Lamb)  
 AZ-6  
 CA-4  
 CA-50  
 FL-15  
 FL-16  
 FL-25  
 GA-7  
 IL-13  
 IN-2  
 MI-1  
 MI-6  
 MI-7  
 MO-2  
 MT-AL  
 NC-2  
 NC-8  
 NY-1  
 NY-24  
 OH-10  
 OH-14  
 OH-15  
 PA-10  
 PA-16  
 SC-1  
 TX-21  
 WA-3  
 WI-6  
 WV-3

Holding  
 Hudson  
 Zeldin  
 Katko  
 Turner  
 Joyce  
 Stivers  
 Perry  
 Kelly  
 Sanford  
 Smith\*  
 Beutler  
 Grothman  
 Jenkins\*

\*Incumbent not seeking reelection, seeking other office, or lost primary election

Source: Cook Political Report.

June 7, 2018 | Daniel Stublen

# 2020 Primary Already Underway



# Legislative Outlook for 2018

# SENATE CALENDAR

JUNE

DO NOTHING

JULY

DO NOTHING

AUGUST

WORK?

SEPTEMBER

DO NOTHING

OCTOBER

DO NOTHING

NOVEMBER

DO NOTHING

# Possible Legislative Tax Vehicles

- FAA Reauthorization
- Appropriations Measures
- Tax Extenders
- Technical Corrections
- Tax Cuts 2.0



# Regulatory Action

- Treasury mostly focused on international provisions so far...
- 199A Guidance –Supposedly coming in June/July
- SALT Limitation Guidance – Soon
- New MOU between Treasury and OMB for tax regulations

# QUESTIONS

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