



NC Senate Scoreboard & Forecasts

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DEMOCRATS

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REPUBLICANS

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Candidates	Democrats	Republicans
Winners <i>No Opponent</i>	7	11
Likely Winners <i>Decided Advantage</i>	9	18
Favored <i>Advantage</i>	2	2
Toss Up <i>No Advantage</i>	1	1

Trends & Terms

In 2012, Republicans will win the Senate majority because they have seized the decided advantage jealously guarded by Democrats since the 19th Century. First, the state GOP is united behind savvy political warfare leaders at a time when the Democratic Party is divided by scandal and weak leadership. Second, Republicans have the favorable district maps and fundraising advantages historically reserved for Democrats. These political advantages ... money, maps, unity and savvy leaders ... have allowed Democrats to maintain their iron-fisted grip on the state budget for a hundred years. Now, with great deference to the fundamentals for winning campaigns and the standards for political fairness established by the North Carolina Democratic Party, the GOP is setting itself on a sure course for a Republican majority in the Senate for many elections to come. John N. Davis, 9/26/12

Winner: *Has no further opposition.*
Likely Winner: *Has a decided advantage (highly partisan district and major financial edge).*
Favored: *Has an advantage but also has a competitive opponent and/or district.*
Toss-up: *Competitive district with two equally competitive contenders.*
Civitas Partisan Index: *Represents the partisan advantage greater/less than statewide average.*
Yellow Highlight: *Recent change in status of race.*

WINNERS: Republicans with No Opponent

District	Forecast	Candidate		Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
6	Winner	Harry	Brown	(R)	Leans R	R+5	39%	60%	51%	45%
7	Winner	Louis	Pate	(R)	Strong R	R+7	39%	60%	49%	49%
10	Winner	Brent	Jackson	(R)	Leans R	R+4	41%	58%	49%	49%
29	Winner	Jerry	Tillman	(R)	Strong R	R+16	34%	65%	36%	61%
33	Winner	Stan	Bingham	(R)	Strong R	R+13	34%	65%	40%	56%
34	Winner	Andrew	Brock	(R)	Strong R	R+11	37%	62%	37%	60%
35	Winner	Tommy	Tucker	(R)	Strong R	R+14	37%	62%	30%	68%
36	Winner	Fletcher	Hartsell	(R)	Strong R	R+11	39%	60%	34%	64%
41	Winner	Jeff	Tarte	(R)	Strong R	R+8	47%	52%	33%	65%
43	Winner	Kathy	Harrington	(R)	Strong R	R+11	37%	62%	35%	63%
48	Winner	Tom	Apodaca	(R)	Strong R	R+9	42%	57%	44%	52%

WINNERS: Democrats with No Opponent

District	Forecast	Candidate		Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
3	Winner	Clark	Jenkins	(D)	Strong D	D+18	62%	37%	72%	27%
5	Winner	Don	Davis	(D)	Strong D	D+14	62%	37%	68%	30%
14	Winner	Dan	Blue	(D)	Strong D	D+23	76%	23%	72%	25%
16	Winner	Josh	Stein	(D)	Leans D	D+7	63%	36%	55%	40%
20	Winner	Floyd	McKissick	(D)	Strong D	D+24	76%	24%	74%	24%
21	Winner	Ben	Clark	(D)	Strong D	D+18	68%	32%	70%	28%
28	Winner	Gladys	Robinson	(D)	Strong D	D+29	82%	18%	79%	18%

LIKELY WINNERS: Republicans with Decided Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate		Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
2	Likely Winner	Norman	Sanderson	(R)	Strong R	R+7	39%	60%	53%	45%
2	Opponent	Greg	Muse	(D)						
8	Likely Winner	Bill	Rabon	(R)	Swing	R+2	44%	55%	50%	46%
8	Opponent	Danny	Hefner	(D)						
9	Likely Winner	Thom	Goolsby	(R)	Leans R	R+4	48%	51%	48%	47%
9	Opponent	Deb	Butler	(D)						
11	Likely Winner	Buck	Newton	(R)	Leans R	R+6	41%	59%	46%	52%
11	Opponent	Clarence	Bender	(D)						
15	Likely Winner	Neal	Hunt	(R)	Leans R	R+6	49%	50%	43%	54%
15	Opponent	Sig	Hutchinson	(D)						
19	Likely Winner	Wesley	Meredith	(R)	Swing	D+2	50%	50%	55%	43%
19	Opponent	George	Tatum	(D)						
24	Likely Winner	Rick	Gunn	(R)	Strong R	R+8	42%	57%	45%	51%
24	Opponent	Brandon	Black	(L)						
25	Likely Winner	Gene	McIntyre	(R)	Swing	R+2	42%	57%	45%	53%
25	Opponent	Gene	McLaurin	(D)						
26	Likely Winner	Philip	Berger	(R)	Strong R	R+7	43%	56%	45%	51%
26	Opponent	Bobby	Stanley	(D)						
27	Likely Winner	Trudy	Wade	(R)	Leans R	R+6	46%	53%	46%	51%
27	Opponent	Myra	Slone	(D)						
30	Likely Winner	Don	East	(R)	Strong R	R+13	32%	66%	42%	55%
30	Opponent	Ric	Marshall	(D)						
31	Likely Winner	Pete	Brunstetter	(R)	Strong R	R+13	39%	61%	41%	56%
31	Opponent	Delmas	Parker	(D)						
39	Likely Winner	Bob	Rucho	(R)	Strong R	R+12	44%	55%	27%	71%
39	Opponent	Jack	Flynn	(D)						
42	Likely Winner	Austin	Allran	(R)	Strong R	R+13	36%	63%	33%	65%

42	Opponent	Joseph	Inglefield	(D)						
44	Likely Winner	David	Curtis	(R)	Strong R	R+13	36%	63%	32%	66%
44	Opponent	Ross	Bulla	(D)						
45	Likely Winner	Dan	Soucek	(R)	Strong R	R+8	40%	59%	40%	56%
45	Opponent	Roy	Carter	(D)						
46	Likely Winner	Warren	Daniel	(R)	Leans R	R+4	40%	59%	42%	56%
46	Opponent	John	McDevitt	(D)						
46	Opponent	Richard	Avery	(L)						
47	Likely Winner	Ralph	Hise	(R)	Leans R	R+6	38%	61%	45%	51%
47	Opponent	Phil	Feagan	(D)						

LIKELY WINNERS: Democrats with Decided Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
4	Likely Winner	Ed Jones	(D)	Strong D	D+18	66%	34%	70%	28%
4	Opponent	Scott Nail	(R)						
13	Likely Winner	Michael Walters	(D)	Strong D	D+15	52%	47%	68%	30%
13	Opponent	Bernard White	(R)						
22	Likely Winner	Mike Woodard	(D)	Strong D	D+11	62%	37%	60%	36%
22	Opponent	Milton Holmes	(R)						
23	Likely Winner	Ellie Kinnaird	(D)	Strong D	D+13	66%	32%	61%	34%
23	Opponent	Dave Carter	(R)						
32	Likely Winner	Earline Parmon	(D)	Strong D	D+17	69%	30%	69%	28%
32	Opponent	Reginald Reid	(R)						
37	Likely Winner	Daniel Clodfelter	(D)	Leans D	D+7	66%	33%	51%	46%
37	Opponent	Michael Vadini	(R)						
38	Likely Winner	Joel Ford	(D)	Strong D	D+24	78%	21%	70%	28%
38	Opponent	Richard Rivette	(R)						
40	Likely Winner	Malcolm Graham	(D)	Strong D	D+25	80%	19%	72%	26%
40	Opponent	Earl Phillip	(R)						
49	Likely Winner	Martin Nesbitt	(D)	Leans D	D+7	58%	40%	59%	37%
49	Opponent	R.L. Clark	(R)						

Favored: Republican with Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
17	Favored	Tamara Barringer	(R)	Strong R	R+7	49%	50%	43%	53%
17	Opponent	Erv Portman	(D)						
18	Favored	Chad Barefoot	(R)	Leans R	R+3	48%	51%	48%	49%
18	Opponent	Doug Berger	(D)						

Favored: Democrat with Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
1	Favored	Stan White	(D)	Swing	R+0	45%	54%	55%	43%
1	Opponent	Bill Cook	(R)						
12	Favored	Brad Salmon	(D)	Leans R	R+4	41%	58%	46%	51%
12	Opponent	Ronald Rabin	(R)						

Toss Up: Equal Advantages/Disadvantages

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
50	Toss Up	Jim Davis	(R)	Leans R	R+4	42%	57%	50%	46%
50	Toss Up	John Snow	(D)	Leans R	R+4	42%	57%	50%	46%