

# Simple guide to midterm elections

Americans head to the polls on November 6 to decide which party controls the two chambers of Congress and has the power to oversee President Donald Trump and his administration



**All 435 seats up for re-election**

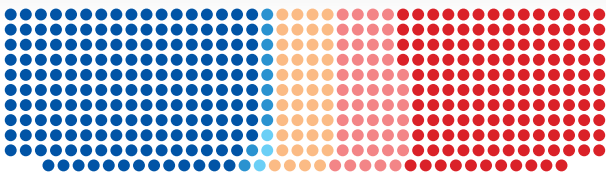
Democrats need 24 seats to flip House

**History suggests Republicans will struggle to maintain majority**

## HOUSE

## ELECTION RACE RATINGS

	<i>Solid</i>	<i>Likely/Lean</i>	<i>Toss up</i>
<i>Democrats</i>	<b>182</b> ●	<b>10</b> ●	<b>3</b> ●
<i>Republicans</i>	<b>145</b> ●	<b>51</b> ●	<b>44</b> ●



Majority: 218 seats

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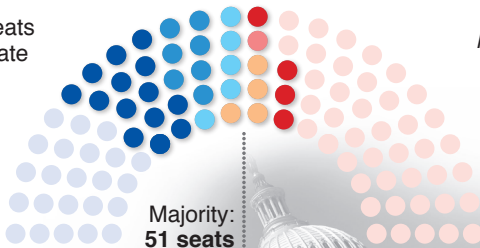
## SENATE

**35 of 100 seats up for grabs**

Democrats need two seats to take Senate

**Republicans have advantage over Democrats as they have only nine seats to defend to keep majority, compared to Democrats' 26\***

	<i>Solid</i>	<i>Likely/Lean</i>	<i>Toss up</i>	<i>Uncontested</i>
<i>D</i>	<b>14</b> ●	<b>7</b> ●	<b>5</b> ●	<b>23</b> ●
<i>R</i>	<b>4</b> ●	<b>1</b> ●	<b>4</b> ●	<b>42</b> ●



Majority: 51 seats

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## GUBERNATORIAL ELECTIONS

As well as elections for Congress, 36 out of 50 state governors are up for election. Of those 36, 26 are Republican

**Crop of new governors in midterms could have major effect on presidential campaigning in 2019 and 2020**

\*Includes two independents who usually vote with Democrats