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'Racist' Trump ad pulled from air as campaigns rush to uncertain end

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - NBC, Fox News and Facebook pulled a controversial ad by President Donald Trump's campaign that critics had labeled racist as a bitter election fight for control of the U.S. Congress headed on Monday for an unpredictable finish.

Tuesday's elections, widely seen as a referendum on Trump, have been portrayed by both Republicans and Democrats as critical for the future of the country. At stake is control of both chambers of Congress, and with it the ability to block or promote Trump's agenda, as well as 36 governor's

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A surge in early voting, fueled by a focus on Trump's pugilistic, norms-breaking presidency by supporters of both parties, could signal the highest turnout in 50 years for a midterm U.S. election, when the White House is not on the line.

The 30-second ad, which was sponsored by Trump's 2020 re-election campaign and which debuted online last week, featured courtroom video of an illegal immigrant from Mexico convicted in the 2014 killings of two police officers, juxtaposed with scenes of migrants headed through Mexico.

Critics, including members of Trump's own party, had condemned the spot as racially divisive.

CNN had refused to run the ad, saying it was "racist." NBC, owned by Comcast Corp, said on Monday it was no longer running the ad, which it called "insensitive."

Fox News Channel, which Trump has repeatedly named his favorite broadcaster and is highly supportive of his nationalist policies, also said it would no longer run the spot. Fox News, a unit of Twenty-First Century Fox Inc, said it had made the decision after a review but did not elaborate. Facebook Inc said it would no longer allow paid promotions of the ad although it would allow users to share the ad on their own pages.



U.S. President Trump gives thumbs up during campaign rally in Cleveland, Ohio

Trump batted away reporters' questions about the networks' decision to drop the ad.

"You're telling me something I don't know about. We have a lot of ads, and they certainly are effective based on the numbers we're seeing," Trump said as he departed Joint Base Andrews in Maryland for a rally in Cleveland, Ohio. Asked about concerns that the ad was offensive, he replied, "A lot of things are offensive. Your questions are offensive." After Ohio, Trump was headed to campaign against vulnerable Democratic

U.S. senators in Indiana and Missouri at the end of a six-day pre-election sweep. Opinion polls and election forecasters favor Democrats to pick up the minimum of 23 seats they need on Tuesday to capture a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives, which would enable them to stymie Trump's legislative agenda and investigate his administration.

### Trump close to naming U.N. envoy, sees more Cabinet changes

WASHINGTON (Reuters) -President Donald Trump said on Monday he would nominate a new U.S. ambassador to the United Nations by the end of the week and that more changes in his Cabinet may be coming.

Trump said last week he was seriously considering naming U.S. State Department spokeswoman Heather Nauert to the post to succeed Nikki Haley, who said on Oct. 9 she would resign at the end of the year.

"I'll announce before the end of the week the U.N. ambassador," Trump told reporters before leaving Washington for another series of campaign rallies a day before the congressional midterm elections

"Administrations make changes usually after midterms, and probably we'll be right in that category, too," Trump added. "I think it's very customary. No timeline. For the most part I love my Cabinet. We have some really talented people.

Haley was the latest in a string of senior Trump administration figures to quit, although she made her announcement in the Oval Office sitting next to Trump, who praised her for doing "an incredible job."

White House counsel Don Mc-Gahn's departure was announced in August and he has left. Scott Pruitt, the Environmental Protection Agency chief, resigned on July 5 under fire over ethics controversies.

In response to reporters' questions as he left for a rally in Cleveland, Trump said he was not planning to replace Defense Secretary Jim Mattis. Last month, Trump said Mattis "may leave" and that he regarded him as "sort

of a Democrat.".

He also said Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke was doing a "good job." Zinke has been under at least three probes by the Interior Department's inspector general over ethics questions. Last month, the inspector general sent one of the probes to the Justice Department, increasing the chances that Zinke could face a criminal investigation.

Trump did not answer when asked about Attorney General Jeff Sessions, whom he has frequently criticized.



President Trump departs Washington to hold campaign rallies in three states



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# LOCAL NEWS

# How Ted Cruz and Beto O'Rourke got to this point

The tight race between GOP incumbent Ted Cruz and Democratic challenger Beto O'Rourke will be decided tomorrow.

The tight race between GOP incumbent Ted Cruz and Democratic challenger Beto O'Rourke will be decided tomorrow.

The two candidates for U.S. Senate from Texas have several things in common: They both grew up in Texas. They both graduated from Ivy League universities. They've both become well-known relatively early in their

political careers.

point.

But ideologically, Republican Ted Cruz and Democrat Beto O'Rourke couldn't be more different. Cruz was elected to the Senate in a wave of Tea Party voting. O'Rourke leans to the progressive, liberal side of the spectrum.

Tuesday, Texas will choose one of them to represent them in the Senate in what has become a surprisingly close election in a historically dark-red state.

Take a look at the two candidates through the years in the following slide-

shows and learn how they got to this





# Gas prices plunge to lowest since April

Average gasoline prices had the biggest weekly drop all year, falling to the lowest level since April, according GasBuddy, which tracks gasoline prices nationwide.

The plunge has followed the recent rout in oil markets that has pushed crude prices down to about \$63 a barrel from a recent peak of \$76 -- a 17 percent decline. In Houston, gasoline prices fell 8 cents over the week to \$2.43 a gallon on Sunday, GasBuddy said. Nationally, the average price fall to 7 cents a gallon to \$2.73.

Average prices in both Houston and nationally are down about 18 cents a gallon from a month ago, but more than 20 cents a gallon higher than a year ago. Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy, said that part of the decline was seasonal as scheduled shutdowns of refineries had led to higher crude inventories, which turn have spurred declines in oil prices. But other factors, such as

concerns over the pace of economic growth, have contributed.

"Jitters over the economy and stock market have helped to push values down," he said. " We should see prices move lower yet againbut this behavior is par for the course every autumn."





Gasoline prices had the biggest price drop of the year over the past week.

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## Editor's Choice



A commuter walks past U.S. political party symbols at Metro station in Reston, Virginia



Donald Trump, Jr. and Kimberly Guilfoyle campaign for Republican candidates ahead of the 2018 midterm elections, in Beckley, West Virginia



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Republican senate nominee Patrick Morrisey greets supporters at a blacksmith's forge ahead of the 2018 midterm elections in Falling Water, West Virginia Four Realms' movie in London, Britain, November 1, 2018. REUTERS/Simon Dawson



Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) takes part in a motorcycle ride around the state ahead of the 2018 midterm elections in Charlestown, West Virginia



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Ojeda speaks to supporters ahead of the 2018 midterm elections in Peach Creek



Bell of West Logan awaits the arrival of Senator Manchin in Peach Creek



# COMMUNITY

On Nov. 6, Texas voters will decide who will hold several statewide, legislative and congressional seats. To help Texans navigate Election Day, we've compiled an overview of everything you need to know about casting a ballot in the 2018 midterms. (And no, you still can't take a selfie at the polls.)

If you share your address below, we'll personalize this piece for you, showing the races you get to participate in and which county you need to work with. (Don't worry! We're not storing this information — just determining which districts and county you live in.)

#### Whom do I get to vote for?

#### Your representatives

Aside from statewide races decided by all Texans, who you get to vote for depends on where you live. On the federal level, Texans are divided among 36 U.S. House districts. On the state level, your address determines your district—and who represents you—in the Texas House, the Texas Senate and on the State Board of Education. All U.S. House and Texas House districts are up for election this year, but only half of Texas Senate and State Board of Education.



If you share your address above, we can show you the 2018 general election candidates for each of your districts. Otherwise, you can view our roundup of all the candidates here.

#### Your statewide candidates

Fourteen of the races on all Texans' general election ballots this year will be for statewide positions. This includes the race to decide who — in addition to John Cornyn — will represent the state in the U.S. Senate. Seven statewide races include executive positions such as governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general, and six are for the state's two highest courts — the Su-

The U.S. Midterm Elections - The Texas Perspective



# What Texas Voters Should Know For The 2018 Midterm Elections

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

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#### CANDIDATES

- D Beto O'Rourke
- L Neal Dikeman
- R Ted CruzIncumbent U.S. Senate

#### **CANDIDATES**

- D Lupe Valdez
- L Mark Tippetts
- R Greg AbbottIncumbent Governor

#### **CANDIDATES**

- D Mike Collier
- L Kerry McKennon
- R Dan PatrickIncumbent
- Lieutenant Governor CANDIDATES
- **D** Justin Nelson
- L Michael Ray Harris
- R Ken PaxtonIncumbent

#### Attorney General CANDIDATES

- D Joi Chevalier
- D Joi Chevano
- L Ben Sanders
  R Glenn Hegar
- R Glenn HegarIncumbent Comptroller
- CANDIDATES
- D Miguel Suazo
- I Mott Disc
- L Matt Piña R George P. BushIncumbent
- **Land Commissioner**
- CANDIDATES
  D Kim Olson
- L Richard Carpenter

R Sid MillerIncumbent Agriculture Commissioner CANDIDATES

- D Roman McAllen
- L Mike Wright
- R Christi CraddickIncumbent Railroad Commissioner

#### CANDIDATES

- D Steven Kirkland
- R Jimmy BlacklockIncumbent Texas Supreme Court, Place 2 CANDIDATES
- D R.K. Sandill
- R John DevineIncumbent Texas Supreme Court, Place 4
- CANDIDATES
- D Kathy Cheng
- R Jeff BrownIncumbent
- Texas Supreme Court, Place 6 CANDIDATES
- D Maria T. (Terri) Jackson
- L William Bryan Strange III
- R Sharon KellerIncumbent Texas Court of Criminal Appeals,

Place 1

#### **CANDIDATES**

- D Ramona Franklin
- R Barbara Parker HerveyIncumbent
- Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 7

#### CANDIDATES

- L Mark Ash
- R Michelle Slaughter

Texas Court of Criminal Appeals,

#### Place 8



### Where can I cast my ballot, and how can I find which polling places are near me?

Using the same website that allows you to check whether you're registered, you can also find polling location options on Election Day and during the early voting period. During the early voting period, voters can cast ballots at any location in the county they are registered to vote in.

#### Can I wear my "Beto for Senate" or "Cruz for Senate" shirt to the polls? No. Doing so constitutes electioneering,

which is illegal in Texas. Voters who are caught wearing cam-

paign gear to the polls may get asked to turn their shirts inside out or to put on a jacket. Refusal to do so could result in being turned away from the polls.

Under Texas law, a person "may not electioneer for or against any candidate, measure, political party" within 100 feet

of the voting site during early voting or on Election Day.

#### What form of ID do I need to bring?

You can see more details about the acceptable forms of ID in this Texplainer, but here's a summary.

Voting in Texas requires a valid photo ID. Polling places accept seven types of photo ID:

- •A state driver's license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- •A Texas election identification certificate (issued by the Texas Department of
- Public Safety)
  •A Texas personal identification card
- (issued by DPS)
  •A Texas license to carry a handgun (is-
- sued by DPS)
  •A U.S. military ID card that includes a personal photo
- •A U.S. citizenship certificate that includes a personal photo
- •A U.S. passport



#### What if I don't have a valid photo ID?

Voters who do not have any of those documents and cannot "reasonably obtain" them can still cast a vote if they sign a form in which they swear that they have a "reasonable impediment" from obtaining appropriate identification. Those voters will also have to present one of the following types of ID:

- •A valid voter registration certificate
- •A certified birth certificate
- •A copy or original of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other document that shows the voter's name and address (any government document that contains a voter's photo must be an original). (Courtesy The TexasTribune.com)





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# BUSINESS

What's at stake in the midterms? Both sides warn the future of our democracy is at risk

Democrats warn that the midterm elections on Tuesday will undermine the future of America's democracy unless President Trump's authoritarian instincts are curtailed. Republicans argue that the nation's sovereignty is at risk if Democrats prevail.

That's particularly remarkable because the economy is strong and the nation doesn't face an instant foreign policy crisis, although there are trouble spots around the world. Instead of a sense of peace and prosperity, though, the final weeks of the campaign have been dominated by violence and conflict: the mass murder of worshipers at a Pittsburgh synagogue, the mailing of improvised explosive devices to more than a dozen leading Democrats, the images of a caravan of Central American asylum-seekers making their way across southern Mexico

The campaign has crystallized clashing visions of what defines the nation: America First, or an increasingly diverse melting pot?

"The character of our country is on the ballot," declared former president Barack Obama, back on the stump in Miami.

President Trump's message is dark. "If you don't want America to be overrun by masses of illegal aliens and giant caravans," he warned at a rally in Missouri, "vou better vote Republican."



speaking in Montana before the 2018 midterm elections.

Most combustible midterm in a generation Calamitous language isn't exactly new to

American politics, and the assertion that just about every election is crucial has become a political trope. But the 2018 midterms have been the most combustible of any in more than a generation. The arguments are fiercer and the lines more sharply drawn than even those marked by clashes over war (Vietnam in 1966, Iraq in 2006) and scandal (Watergate in 1974, impeachment in 1998). "One electorate has its hair on fire and thinks that Donald Trump is a threat to the republic," Lawrence Jacobs, director of the Center for the Study of Politics and Governance at the University of Minnesota, said of Democrats. "For Republicans, there's an ominous warning about chaos, that the resistance movement will be the breakdown of law and order."

Both sides see "cataclsmic scenarios," Ja-

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Early Voter Turnout Has Been Heavy

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People lined up to vote early at the **Cuyahoga County Board of Elec**tions in Cleveland on Sunday.

cobs said.

One sign of this year's high passions is the rise in early voting in states from Arizona to Wisconsin. By early Sunday, political scientist Michael McDonald of the University of Florida had counted a record 34.3 million people who already had voted by absentee or mail ballot, or at early voting stations. In the last midterm election, in 2014, only 20.5 million voted early; this year's total may be close to double that.



In an incendiary closing argument, Trump spotlighted a web video created by his campaign that as-

serted, without evidence, that Democrats were complicit in the deaths of two California sheriff's deputies who were killed by an illegal Mexican immigrant. A menacing figure, he is shown mocking police in court. "Who else would Democrats let in?" the ad demands. (In fact, court records show his case was handled primarily by Republicans.)

The election returns will direct but won't dissipate the nation's political heat. If Democrats win a majority in the House, as nonpartisan analysts and strategists on both sides now predict, they will gain the authority to launch vigorous congressional oversight of the Trump administration in general and the president in particular.



**US Midterm Elections 2018:** Over 20 Million **Cast Early Votes Before Election** Day.

Democrats also are hopeful they will win governorships now held by Republicans in Rust Belt states that were key in electing Trump — Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. A half-dozen other states that now have GOP governors have competitive contests as well, from swing states like Florida and Iowa to traditional Republican strongholds in Georgia and

Victories in state capitols will have repercussions for congressional redistricting after the 2020 Census and during the 2020 campaign, when presidential nominees could benefit from friendly governors' statewide standing and their political organizations.

SENATE LANDSCAPE FOR 2018 ith Republicans holding a narrow 5 ajority in the Senate, all eyes are or

A difference in battlegrounds Trump and other

Republicans are increasingly optimistic that the GOP will maintain control of the Senate, perhaps even bolstering their current 51-seat majority. "I know

we're doing well in the Senate," Trump boasted to reporters, though on Friday he acknowledged for the first time that they could lose the House. "It could happen," he said at a rally in Huntington, W.V.

That disparity reflects an accident of the map: Ten Democratic-held Senate seats on the ballot are in states that Trump carried in 2016, some by double-digit margins. That has put Democrats on the defensive in Indiana, Missouri, Montana and North Dakota, and it has made winning Senate control an uphill struggle.

The split decision, if that happens -Democrats flipping the House while Republicans hold the Senate — would give each side bragging rights. GOP partisans would focus on the Senate outcome as "a huge validation" of Trump, Charlie Cook of the nonpartisan Cook Political Report predicted, while Democratic partisans would argue that the House takeover was "a huge repudiation" of him.

"Everybody wakes up the next morning happy because they heard what they wanted to hear," Cook said.

Up for election Tuesday are all 435 House

seats and 35 of the 100 Senate seats. Governors will be elected in 36 states and three territories, as will state legislators across the country. Mayoral contests are being held in 27 of the nation's 100 biggest cities, among them Louisville, Nashville, Newark, Phoenix, Reno, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. What's at



stake for both parties? The power to probe. Democrats will get

more than a gavel if they win control of the House. They gain the ability to set the agenda and the authority to convene hearings, call witnesses and issue subpoenas. Many of the prospective new chairmen already are making plans. At the Judiciary Committee, Rep. Jerry Nadler of New York says he will investigate corruption accusations against Trump and allegations of sexual misconduct and perjury against newly confirmed Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh. Rep. Elijah Cummings of Maryland, now the ranking Democrat on the Oversight and Government Reform Committee, says he will pursue alleged fraud and abuse at the White House and in agencies, including the EPA.

Rep. Adam Schiff of California, in line to chair the Intelligence Committee, says he will revive the investigation into whether the Trump campaign colluded with Russians who interfered in the 2016 election. A Senate safety net. Maintaining Republican control of the Senate would make it easier for the White House to win confirmation of judicial nominees and of officials in the Cabinet, where turnover is expected. It would make it harder for Democrats, even if they rule the House, to pass legislation that Republicans don't also support or that puts the White House on the spot.

In the most cataclysmic scenario for Trump, if the House considered articles of impeachment against the president, a GOP-controlled Senate could be a backstop in a trial over whether to remove him from office.

The demography of democracy. The midterms already have broken new ground in the gender, race, religion and

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sexual orientation of candidates, mostly Democrats. Among the competitive races, Georgia could become the first state to elect an African American woman as governor. Kansas and New Mexico could send the first Native American women to serve in Congress. Michigan and Minnesota are poised to elect the first Muslim women to Congress.

The democratic bargain

For some, this year's midterms have raised fundamental questions about the way our democracy works, or doesn't work.



Leon Panetta has a long perspective. He was elected to the House from California in 1976: served as President Clinton's chief of staff through the Democrats' catastrophic midterm election in 1994; and joined President Obama's Cabinet in 2009, heading the CIA and then the Pentagon. But the debate in the country today feels ominous to him, in his view a test of the need to restore checks and balances on the president.

"In the past, while there's been a lot of the politics and the ugliness we see today. I always felt it was in the end about the future of the country and what needed to happen," Panetta said. "This one lacks that sense of where this country needs to go in the future, and it's more about trying to tear down the institutions that are there. It gives you the feeling that this country in many ways is at a real turning point." And there's this: One-third of Democrats



and of Republicans say they believe that members of the opposing party are a "yery serious threat "very serious threat to the United States and its people."

While some of the findings simply reflect the current state of hyper-partisanship, political scientist Joshua Tucker of New York University says the risk is that "common touchstones" are being eroded and the basic bargain of democracy — that it's acceptable and to be expected that the other side will sometimes prevail — is being challenged. "The percentage who think the other party never has the interests of the country at heart at all?" he said. "That is going to translate to making it harder to govern.'

That would be after Election Day. (Courtesy usatoday.com)

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