



General Election Highlights - November 6, 2018

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Gov. Andrew Cuomo, Comptroller Tom DiNapoli and Attorney General candidate Letitia “Tish” James all won convincing — and in some cases historic — victories. With 99 percent of the vote counted, Gillibrand led Chele Farley, 66.6 percent to 33.4 percent, Cuomo led Marc Molinaro, 59 percent to 36.8 percent, DiNapoli led Jonathan Trichter, 66.6 percent to 31.7 percent, and James led Keith Wofford, 61.9 percent to 35.7 percent.

Democrats picked up three formerly Republican-held congressional seats on Staten Island, with Max Rose winning, in the Hudson Valley with Antonio Delgado winning, and in Central New York with former State Assembly Majority Leader Anthony Brindisi winning. All three of these districts chose Trump in 2016. Democrats flipped the House of Representatives giving them power in Washington, eliminating one-party control. Republicans held their majority in the United States Senate.

State Legislature

Albany is now under one-party control with Democrats controlling the all three branches of government. Democrats took decisive control of the State Senate for only the second time in the last half century.

State Senate

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DEM SENATE MAJORITY BIGGEST SINCE 1912 — POLITICO's Bill Mahoney: "Democrats took control of the state Senate in a convincing fashion on Tuesday night, flipping as many as eight Republican seats and losing no members in a year in which they needed a net gain of just one seat. Democrats Monica Martinez, Jim Gaughran, Anna Kaplan and Kevin Thomas all seem to have flipped districts on Long Island, and Pete Harckham won a seat in Westchester. James Skoufis and Jen Metzger had modest leads in Hudson Valley seats that Democrats are confident will hold. And Andrew Gounardes had a roughly 1,000-vote lead over Sen. Marty Golden in Brooklyn that will likely make him a favorite in any recounts in the coming weeks. The victory also means a long-standing glass ceiling in New York has been shattered. There have been 165 people who have been among the 'three men in a room' — the fabled triumvirate of the governor and legislative leaders that has an outsized influence on state government. The presumptive elevation of Minority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins means that a woman will hold one of the state's top posts for the first time, and the cliché about the three men will have to be revised or shelved. Democrats are confident their numerical majority will translate into a governing majority. That hasn't always been the case. Democrats technically won majorities in 2012 and 2016, but the IDC and Sen. Simcha Felder of Brooklyn formed coalitions with the GOP on both occasions. After the 1964 and 2008 elections, the only other occasions in which Democrats have won a majority since World War II, their advantage was too small to maintain control. But if the current Democratic seats hold, Democrats will have 39 members in a chamber in which 32 is needed for a majority. A 39-24 edge would be the biggest majority the party has enjoyed in the chamber since they won 16 more seats than Republicans in 1912. And it might grow even larger, should Felder decide to join the new majority. That leaves them with plenty of breathing room to deal with possible dissenters. And Democrats believe that the incoming crop will be more cohesive than

in years past. 'The quality of the membership in our conference is decidedly better than it was in 2008,' said Sen. Neil Breslin of suburban Albany."

Here's a roundup of the Senate Districts that changed control of the Chamber, according to a City & State story: <https://tinyurl.com/y7qmhehk>

Dist. 3: (Crocì)

- Dean Murray (R): 47.48%
- Monica Martinez (D) 50.22%
206 of 206 districts reporting

Dist. 5:

- Carl Marcellino (R): 43.61%
- James Gaughran (D): 54.32%
256 of 295 districts reporting

Dist. 6: (to close to call)

- Kemp Hannon (R): 47.64%
- Kevin Thomas (D): 49.58%
260 of 267 districts reporting

Dist. 7:

- Elaine Phillips (R): 44.51%
- Anna Kaplan (D): 53.70%
291 of 292 districts reporting

Dist. 22: (to close to call)

- Martin Golden (R): 47.97%
- Andrew Gounardes (D): 49.81%
202 of 202 districts reporting

Dist 39: (Larkin)

- Tom Basile (R): 43.23%
- James Skoufis (D): 53.75%
230 of 249 districts reporting

Dist. 40: (to close to call)

- Terrance Murphy (R) 48.01%
- Peter Harckham (D) 49.86%
276 of 277 districts reporting

Dist. 41 (Serino declared victory, Smythe did not concede)

- Sue Serino (R): 49.91%
- Karen Smythe (D): 48.02%
238 of 238 districts reporting

Dist. 42: (Bonacic)

- Annie Rabbit (R): 47.53%
- Jen Metzger (D): 50.02%
259 of 263 districts reporting