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***Political Trends and Public Policy  
Implications of the National Partisan Divide***

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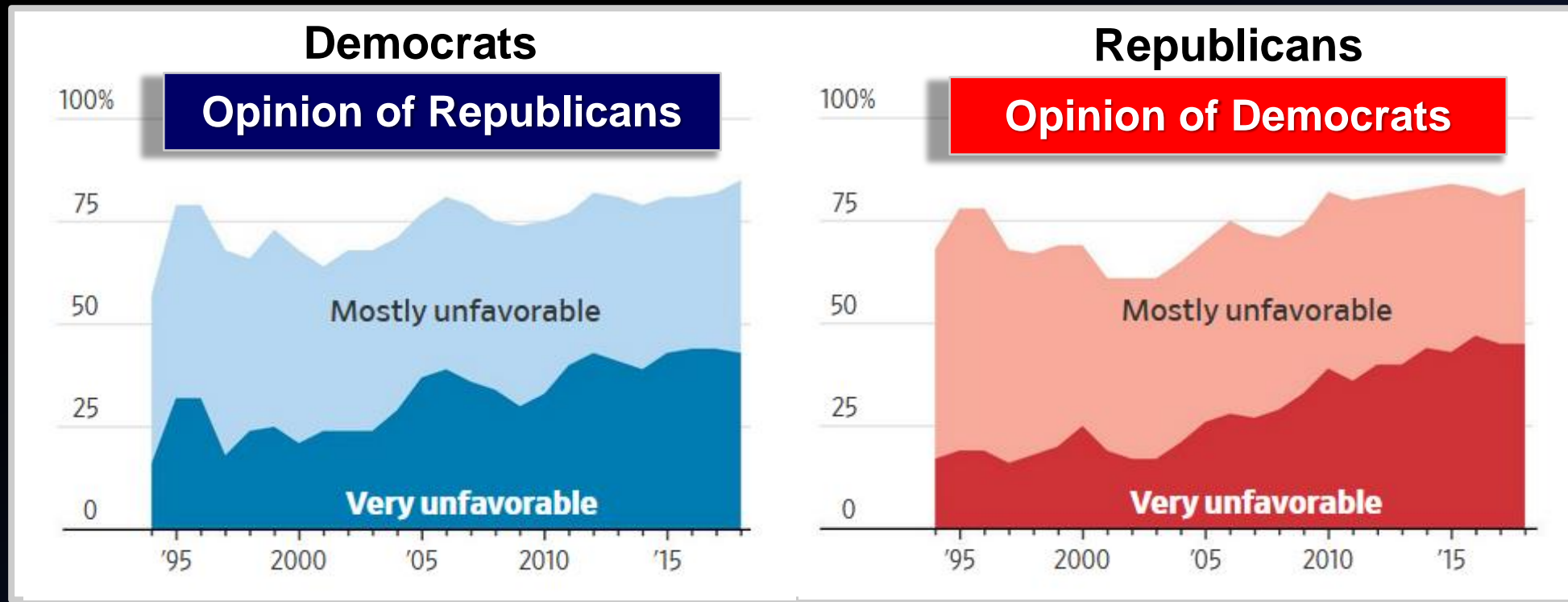
# *PARTISAN DIVIDE*

**Democrats/GOP Opinions of Each Other**

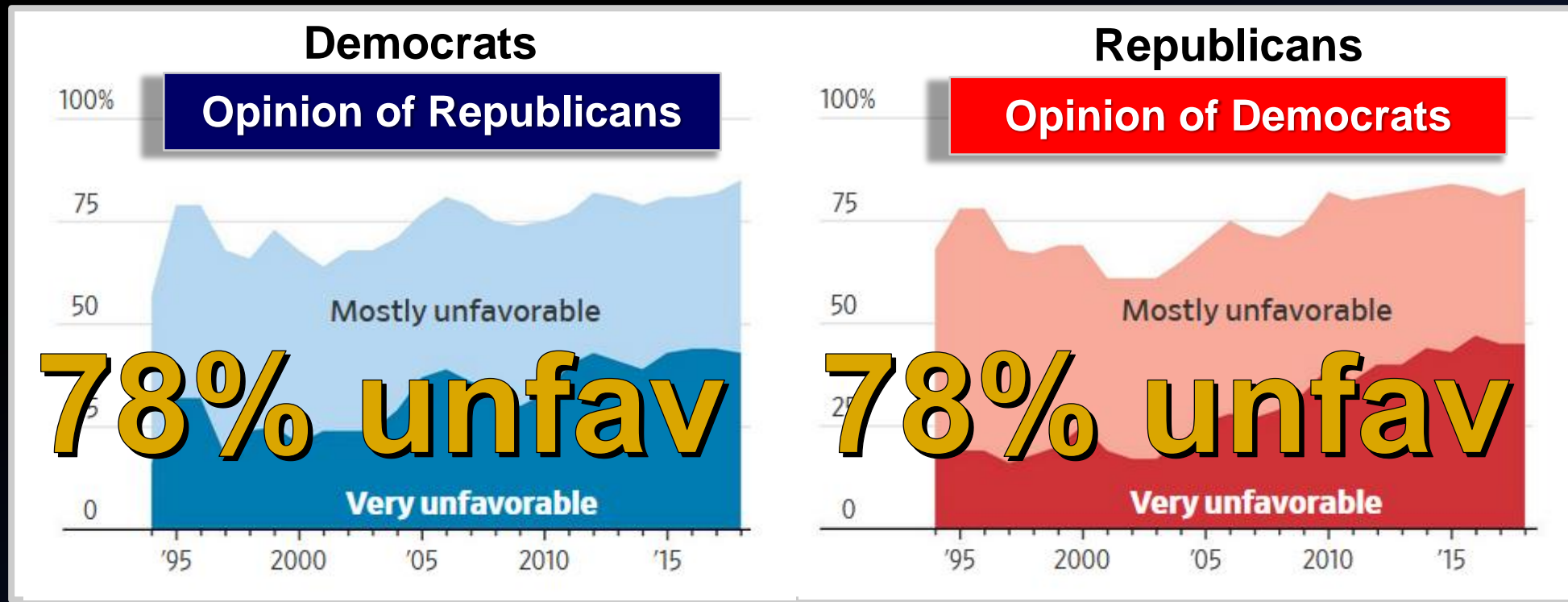
**Diversification of Population**

**Urban/Suburban vs. Exurban/Rural**

# Democrats/Republicans Opinions of Each Other



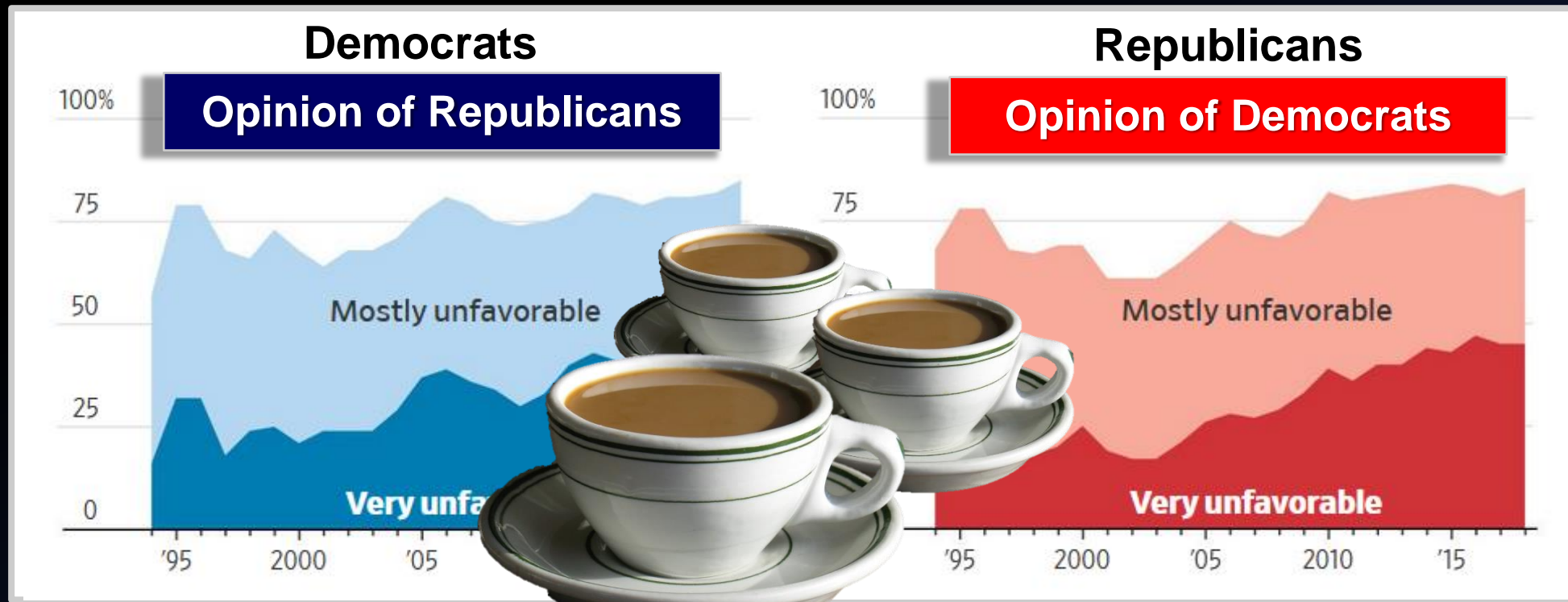
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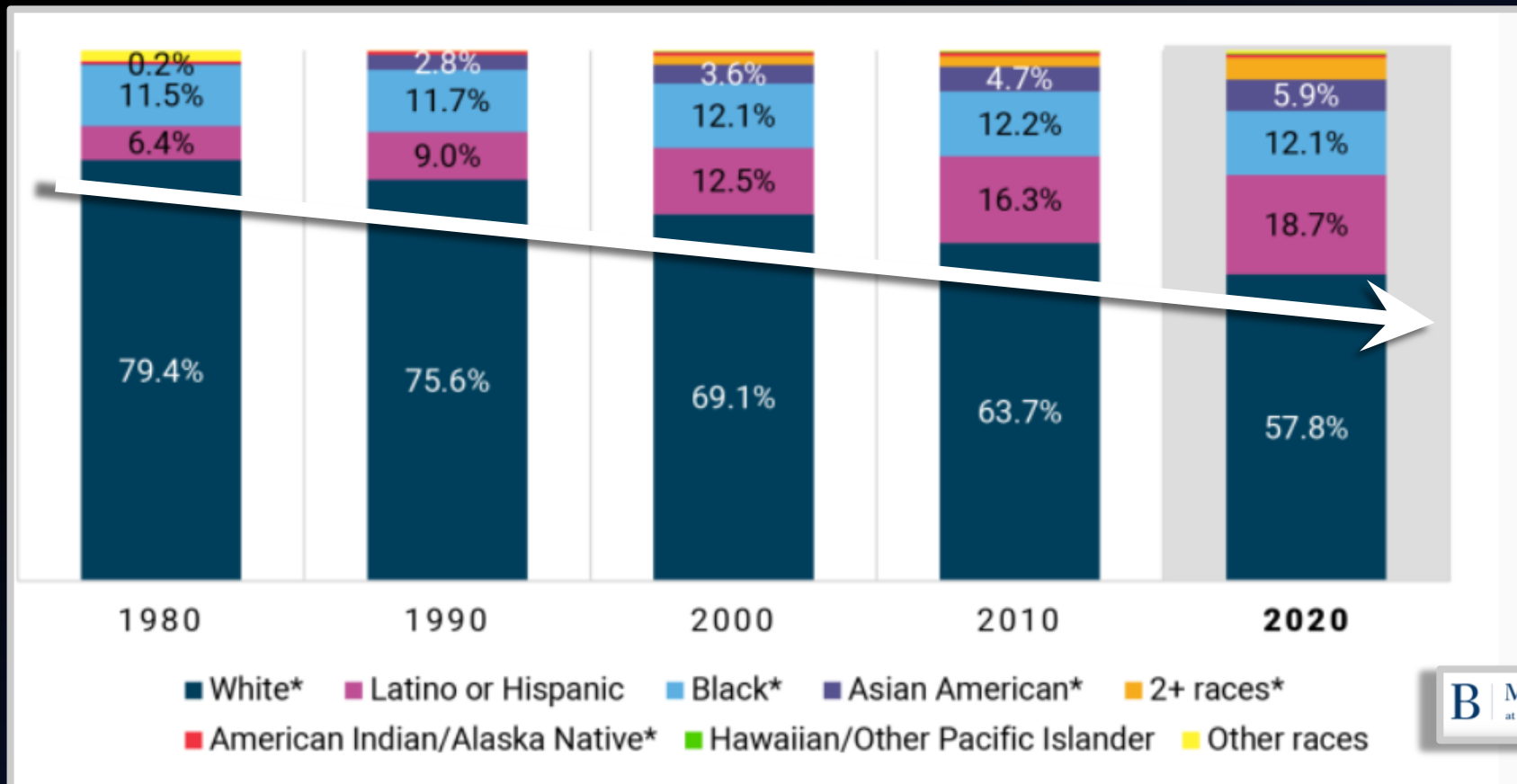
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## Racial/Ethnic Diversification of US



## **Racial/Ethnic Diversification of US and NC**

- **White residents 57.8%; NC 60.5% (was 70.2% in 2000)**
- **Hispanic/Latino residents 18.7%; NC 10.7%**
- **Black residents 12.1%; NC 20.2%**
- **Asian American residents 5.9%; NC 3.3%**
- **Two races 4.1%; NC 3.9%**



## **NC Registered Voters: Party/Race/Ethnicity/Gender**

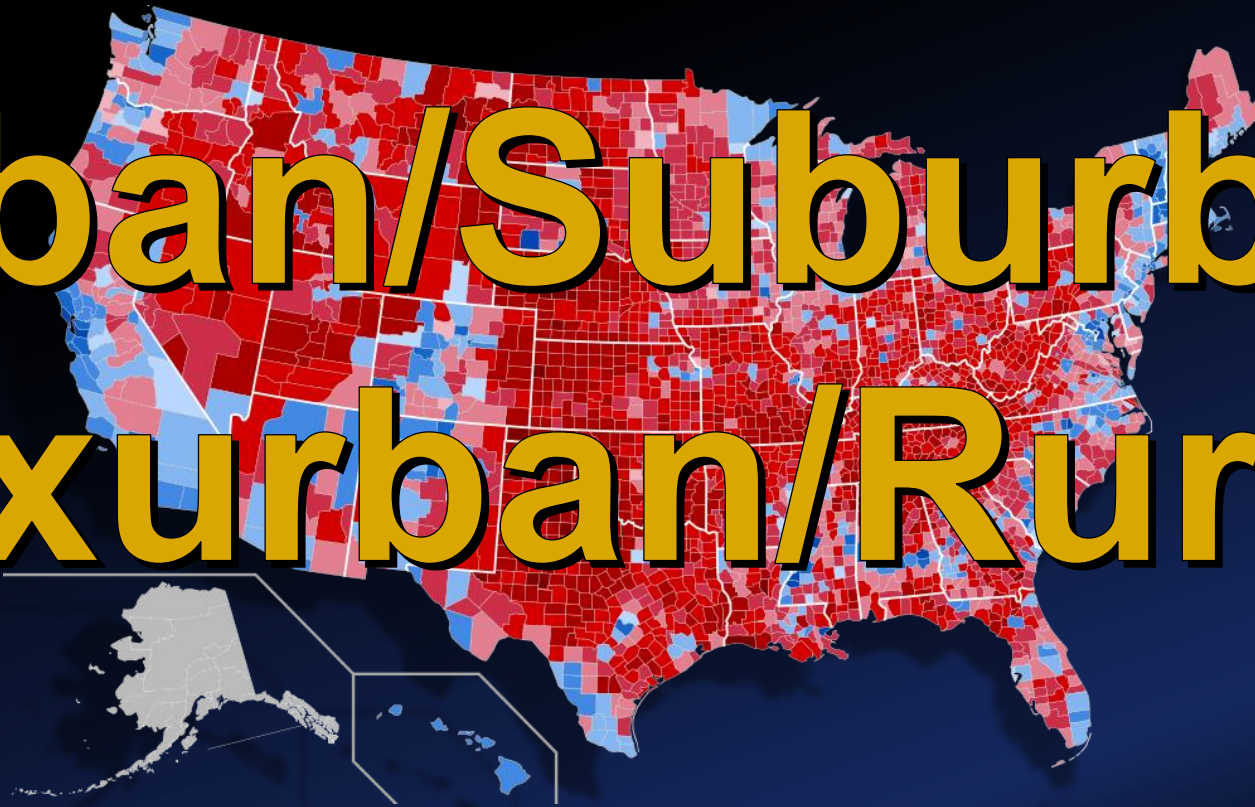
- Democrats 2.5 mil (35%); Republicans 2.2 mil (31%)
- Unaffiliated 2.4 mil (34%) ..... *“Tribalism” shuns Indeps*
- White 4.7 mil (66%); Black 1.5 mil (21%); Am Indian 53,000 (.7%); Other 13.3%. Hispanic 3.3%
- Female 3.6 mil (54%); Male 3.1 mil (46%)

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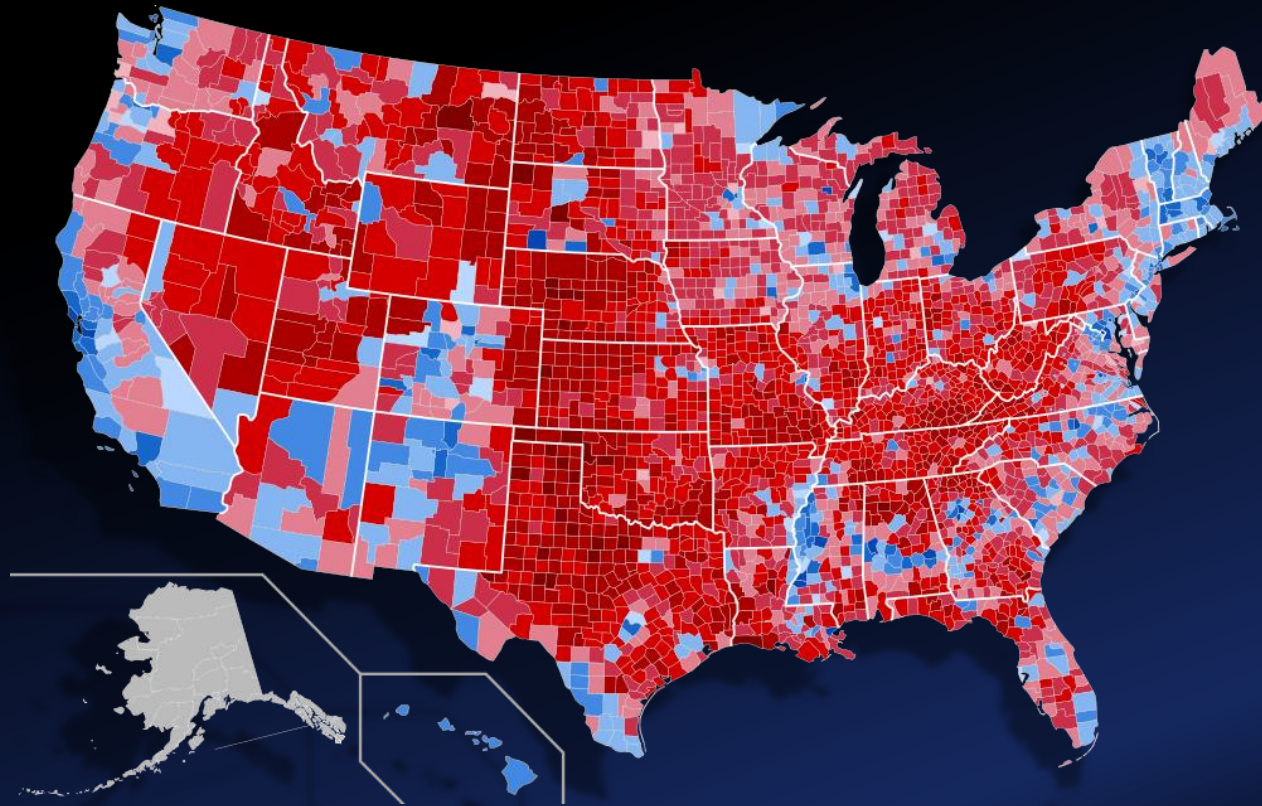
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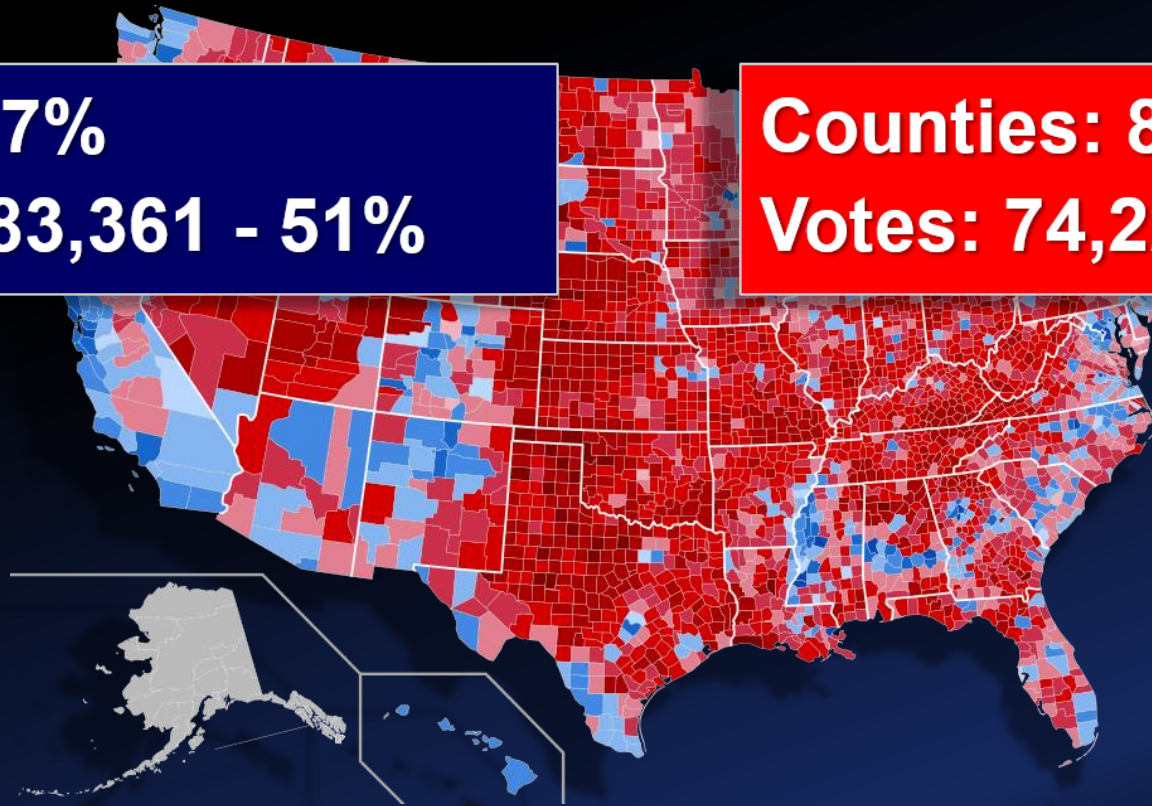
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**Counties: 17%**  
**Votes: 81,283,361 - 51%**

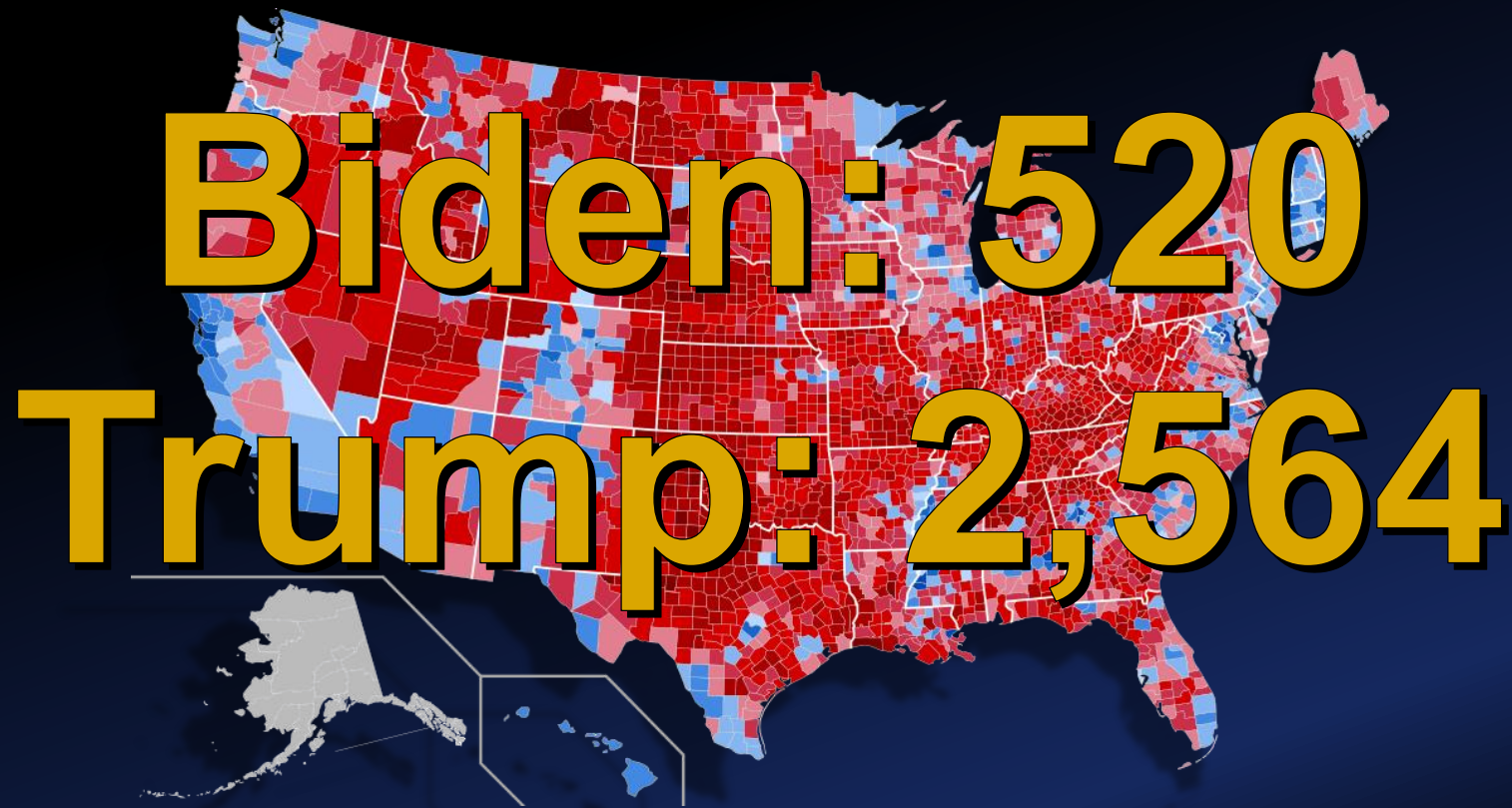
**Counties: 83%**  
**Votes: 74,222,960 - 47%**



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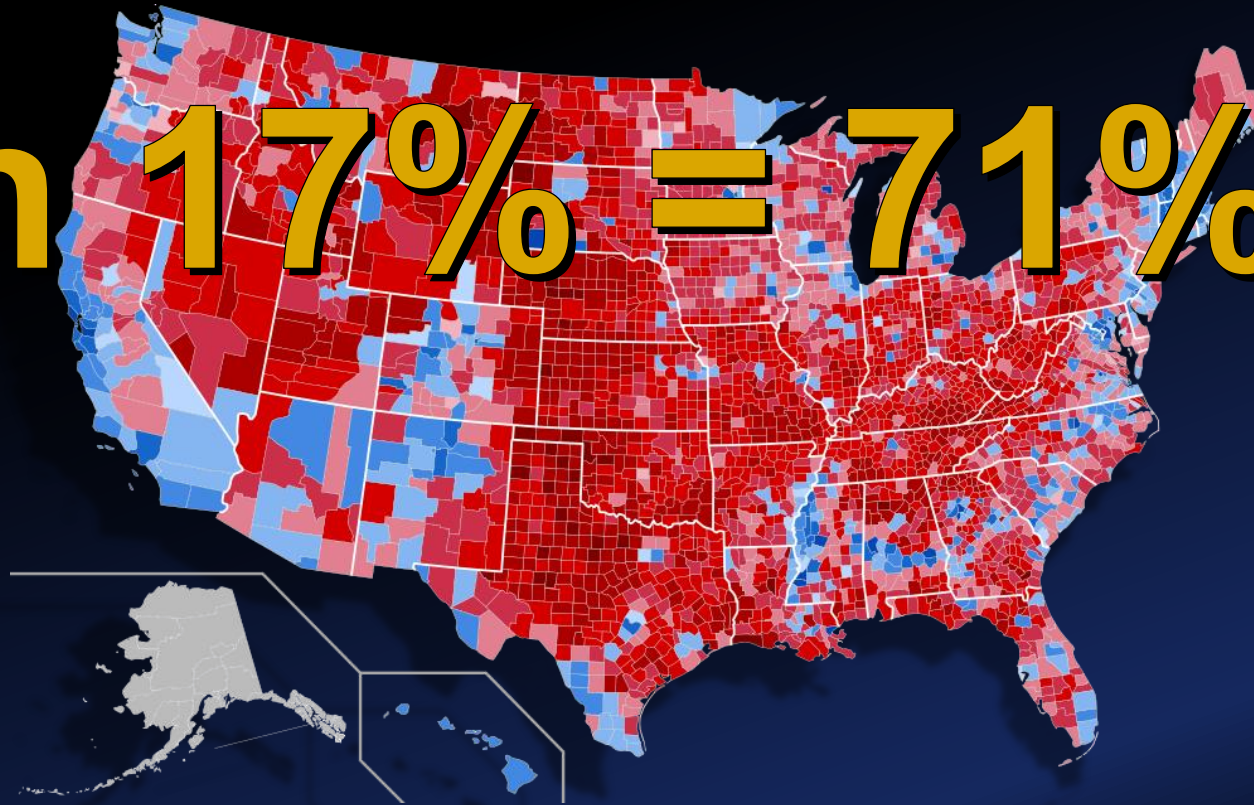


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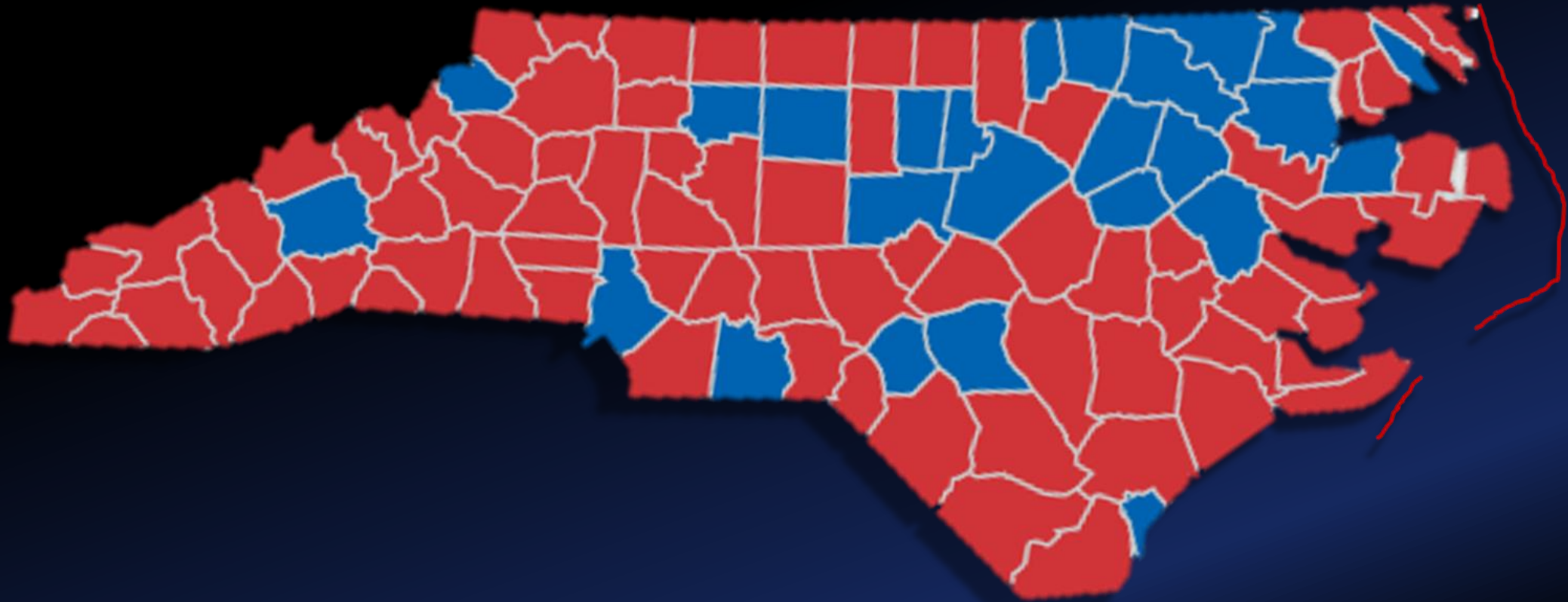
**Biden 17% = 71% GDP**



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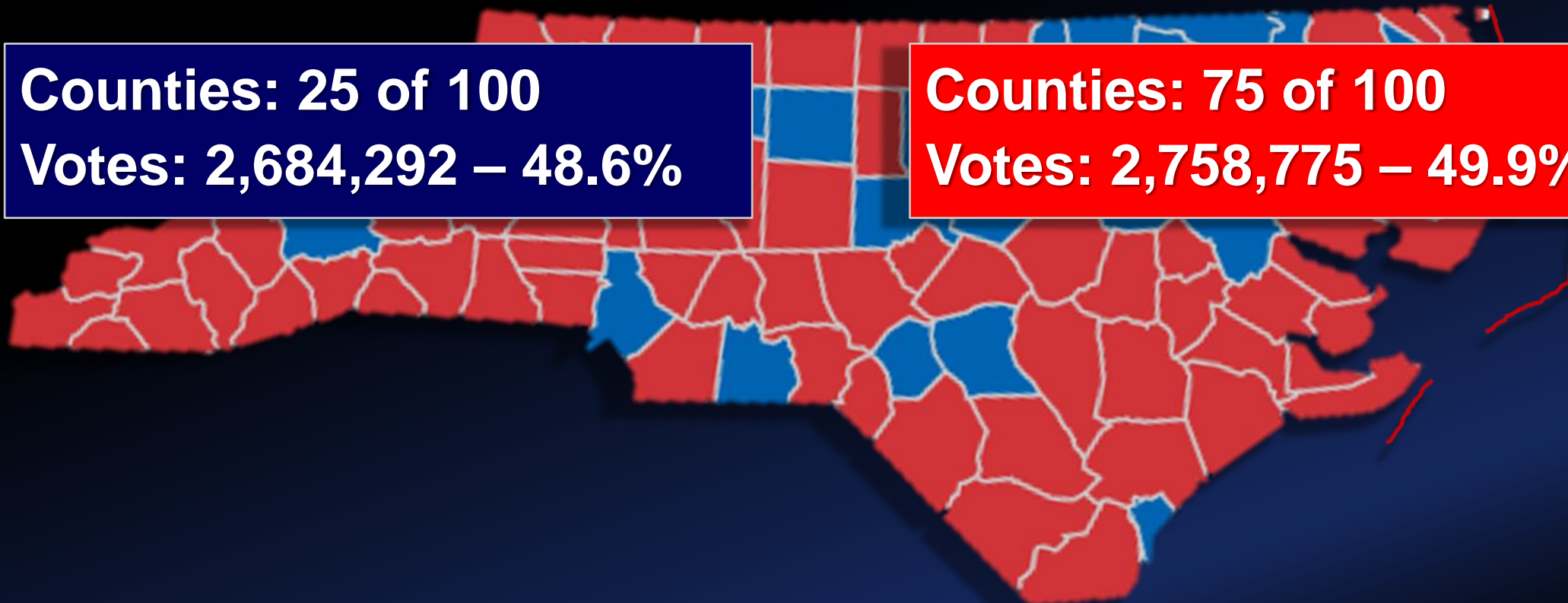
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Counties: 25 of 100  
Votes: 2,684,292 – 48.6%

Counties: 75 of 100  
Votes: 2,758,775 – 49.9%





**Biden 48.6% (25 Counties); Trump 49.9% (75 Counties)**

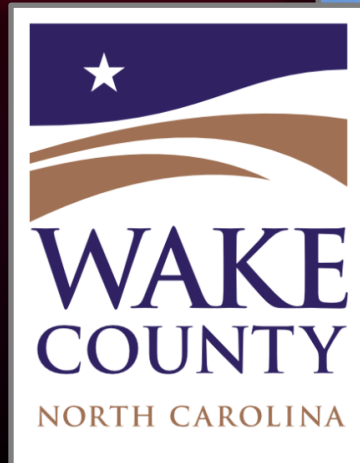
- **Half NC voters 12 of 100 counties** (*Wake, Mecklenburg, Guilford, Forsyth, Durham, Buncombe, Cumberland, New Hanover, Union, Cabarrus, Gaston, Johnston*) **Votes: Biden 1,632,475; Trump 1,101,005**
- **50 of Trump's 75 NC counties were "landslide" counties** (won by 20 pts+); 68 of Trump's 75 were won by 10 pts+
- **Biden "landslide" counties 12 of 25 +20 pts; 17 of 25 +10**
- **Only 7 of NC's 100 counties were decided by < 5%**

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**17 NCGA MBRS**



**18 NCGA MBRS**



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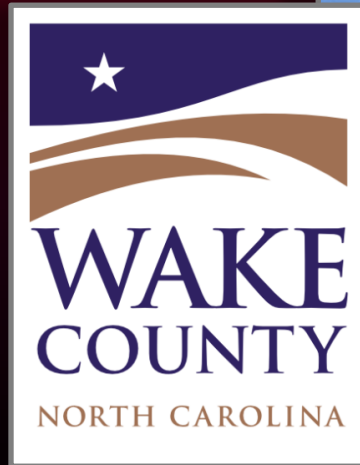
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**17 NCGA MBRS**

**18 NCGA MBRS**

**TOTAL REPUBLICANS: 1**



Rep. Erin Pare, R-Wake

# Shrinking Rural Counties: Political Implications

- Biden won 5
- Trump won 4
- 53% of all US
- Trump won 9
- Only 19% of

**Vast Stretches of America Are Shrinking. Almost All of Them Voted for Trump.**



A barn for Trump. Scott Olson/Getty Images

SLATE

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## **Shrinking Rural Counties: Political Implications**

- **Biden won 51% (81 million) with 17% of US counties**
- **Trump won 47% (74 million) with 83% of US counties**
- **53% of all US counties lost pop (1,636 counties)**
- **Trump won 90% of 1,636 counties that shrank**
- **Only 19% of Trump's votes from shrinking counties**

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### **North Carolina's Democratic Islands are Surrounded by a Sea of Republican Precincts in Exurban Counties**

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#### **Democratic islands in a sea of Republican precincts**

So, how is it that Republicans won 13 of the 17 statewide races in North Carolina in 2020? The 2020 US Census results show the biggest population gains were in Democratic-friendly urban counties and most of the population losses were in Republican-friendly rural counties. The reason is that exurbia, the regions just beyond the big city suburbs, are Republican-friendly areas that grew exponentially too!

As to the population losses in Republican-friendly rural counties, they have so few voters that their political impact is minimal. Those losses are offset by Republican gains in exurbia.

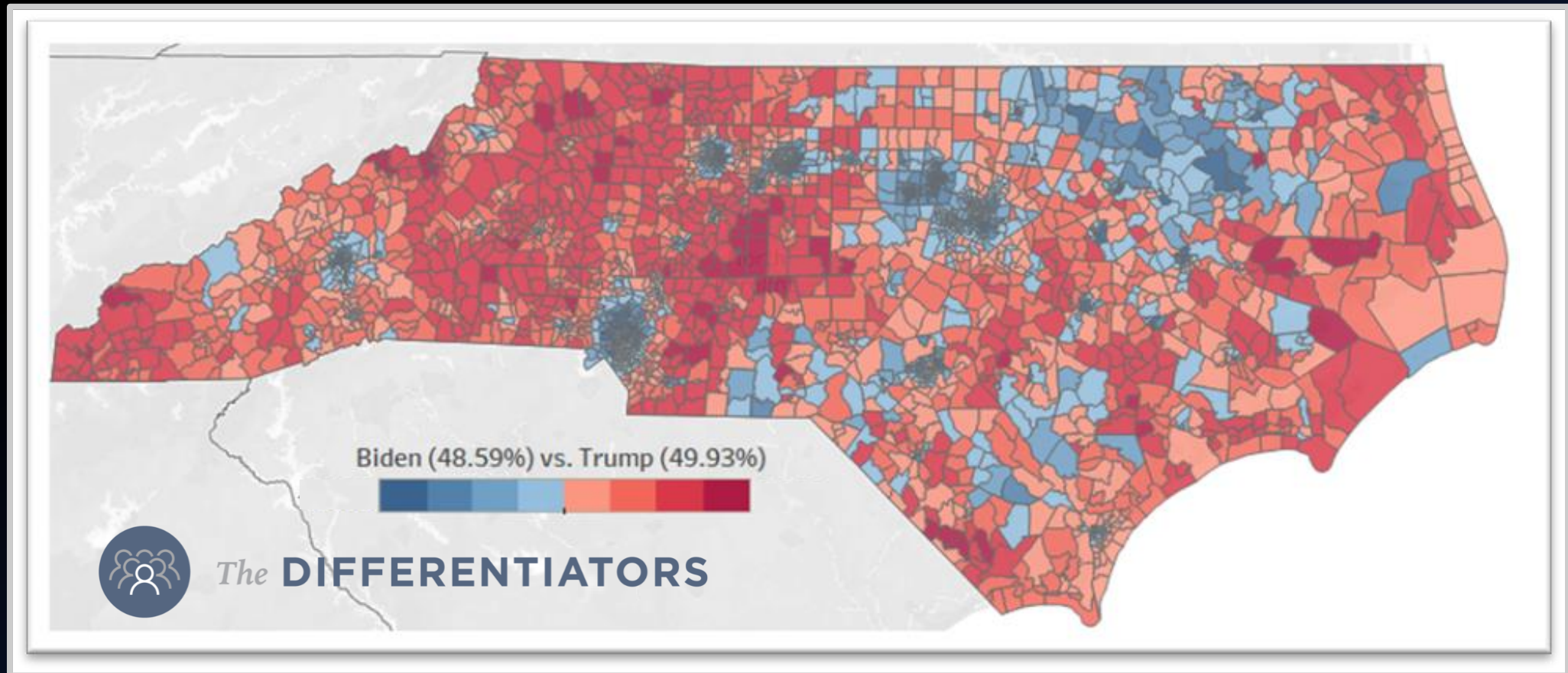
The only four statewide races won by Democrats in 2020 were Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State and Auditor. Republicans won 6 of 10 Council of State races, including Lt. Governor, Treasurer, Public Instruction, Agriculture, Insurance and Labor.

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**Democratic-friendly Mecklenburg County added 195,853 people to its population during the past 10 years. Surrounding Republican-friendly counties, like Gaston, Union, Stanly, Rowan, Cabarrus, Lincoln, Iredell and Catawba, grew by a combined 159,044. They all went for Trump, giving him a total of 451,346 votes. Mecklenburg County gave Biden 378,107 votes.**

# Democratic Islands in Sea of GOP Exurban Precincts





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*At Stake in 2022?*

**Federal & State Legislative Branches**

**Agendas of Fed & State Executives**

**County Elected Leaders**

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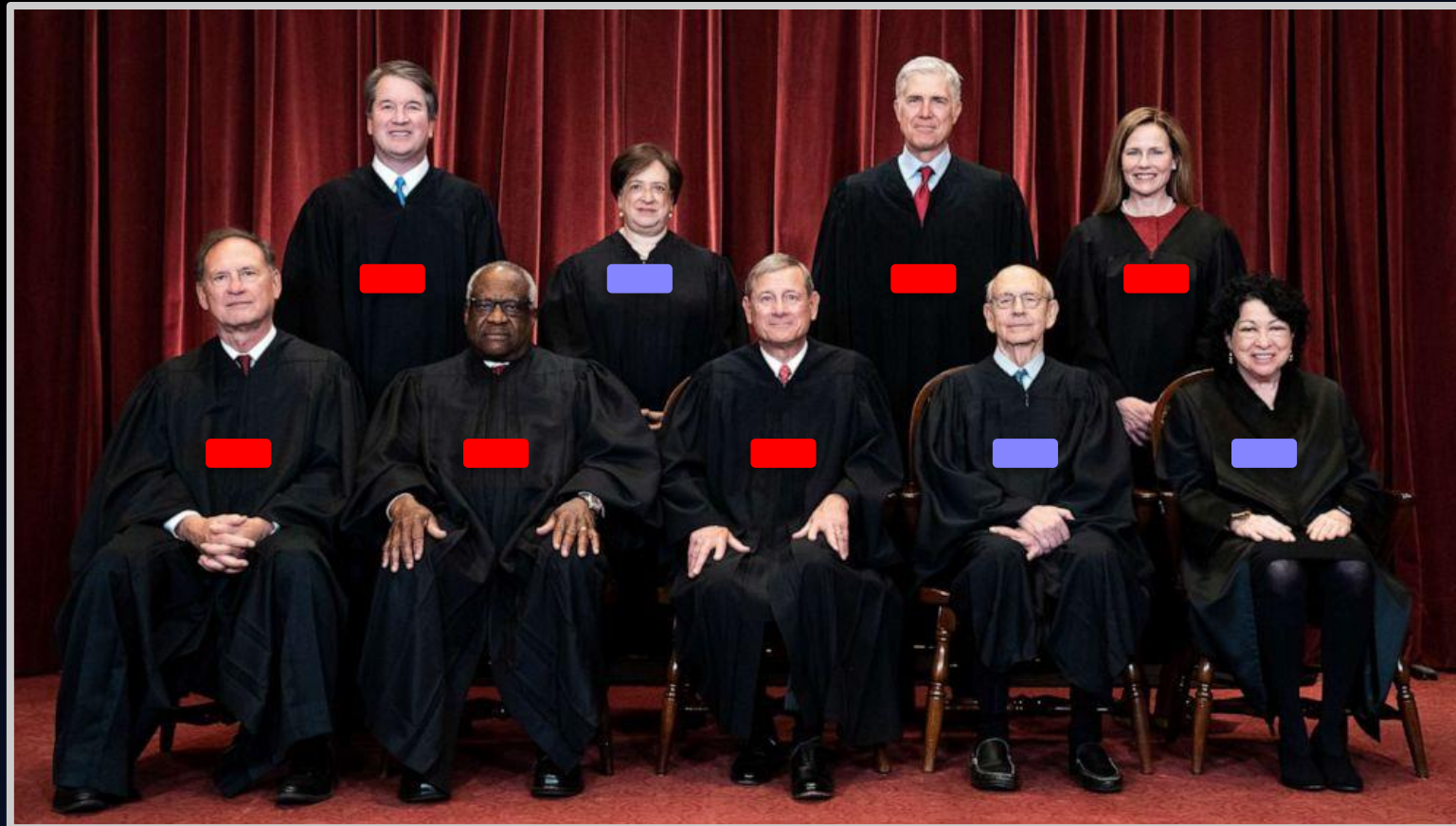
### **At Stake in 2022?**

- **NCGA and Congressional Majorities/Priorities**
- **Pres Biden's and Gov Cooper's Agendas**
- **NC County Elected Officials (Sheriffs, DAs, Commissions)**
- **NC Supreme Court (Currently 4-3 Democratic Justices)**
- **US Supreme Court (Currently 6-3 Republican Justices)**

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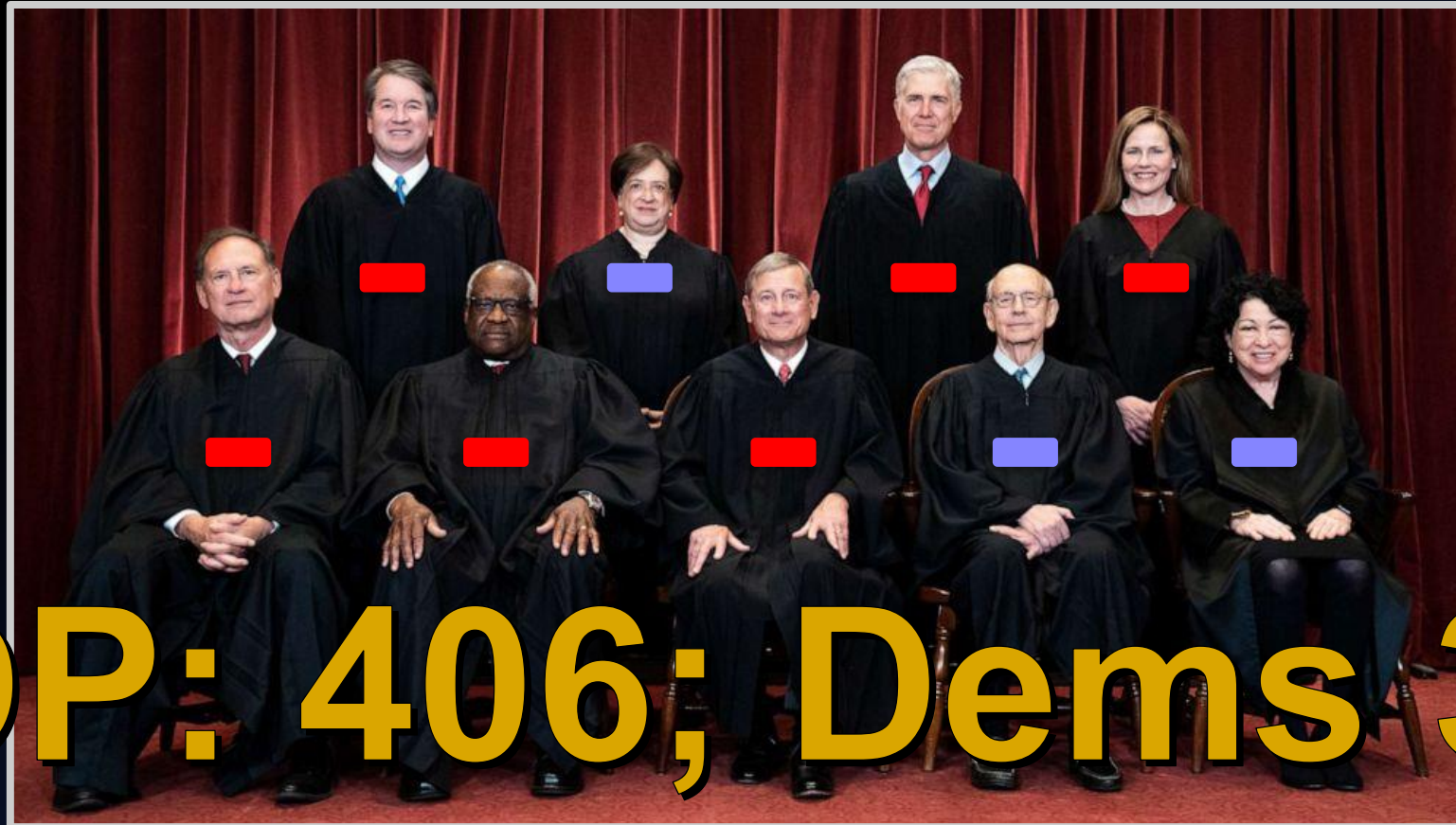
## Historic 6-3 Conservative U.S. Supreme Court



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**Historic 6-3 Conservative U.S. Supreme Court**



**GOP: 406; Dems 375**

# Historic 6-3 Conservative U.S. Supreme Court

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## **Historic 6-3 Conservative U.S. Supreme Court**

**Abortion, Religious Freedom, LGBTQ+ Rights, Immigration, Healthcare, Police Restraint Tactics, Environmental laws, Citizens United (unlimited indep \$ in politics), Women's Equality, Affirmative Action, Freedom of Speech, Gun Rights, Racial Justice, Education Policy, ~~Gerrymandering~~, Labor Unions, 2020 Presidential Campaign Fraud**

# Justice Breyer Likely to Retire While Dems in Charge



**Breyer CNN July 21, recalling Scalia:  
“I don’t want somebody appointed who  
will reverse everything I’ve done.”**

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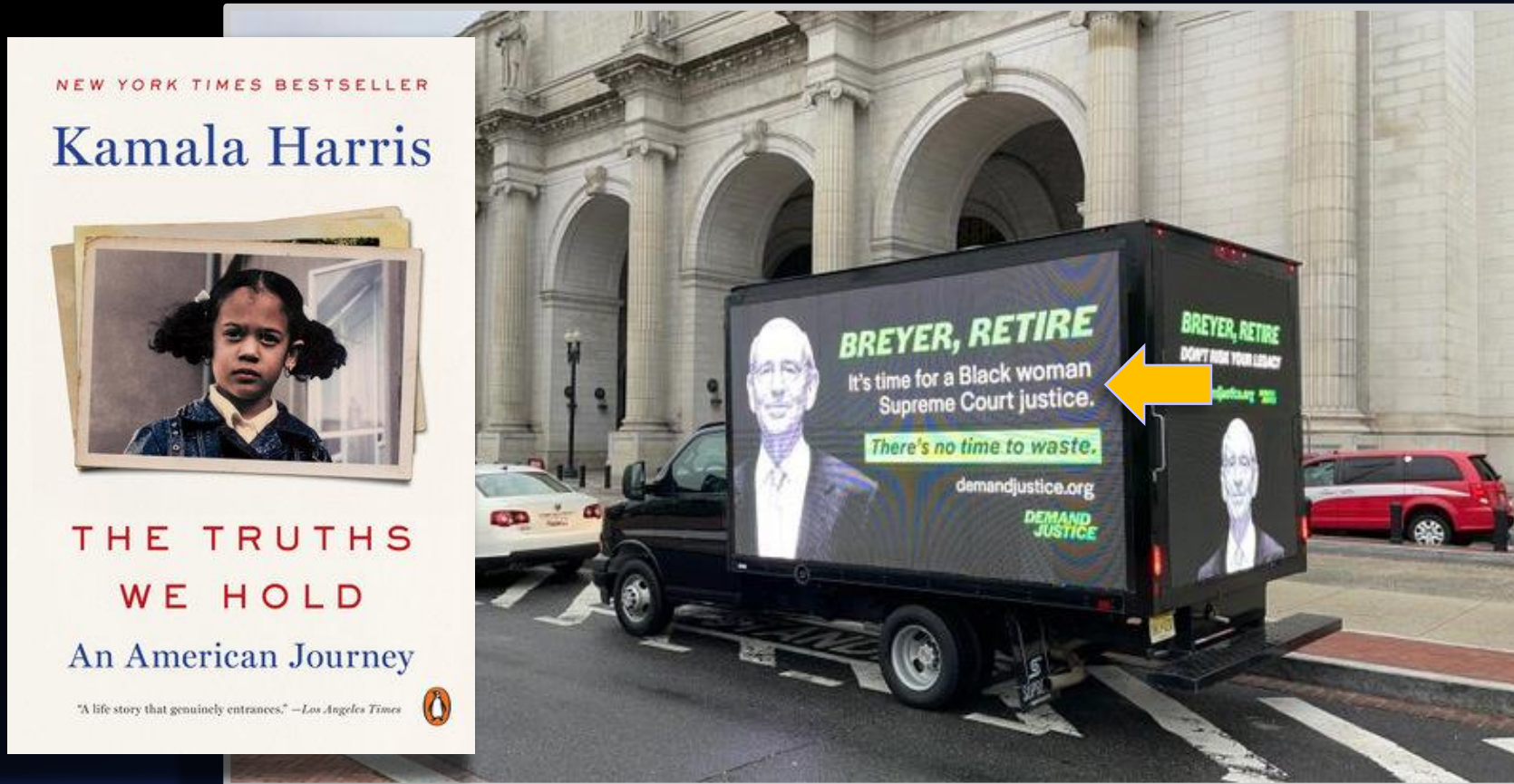
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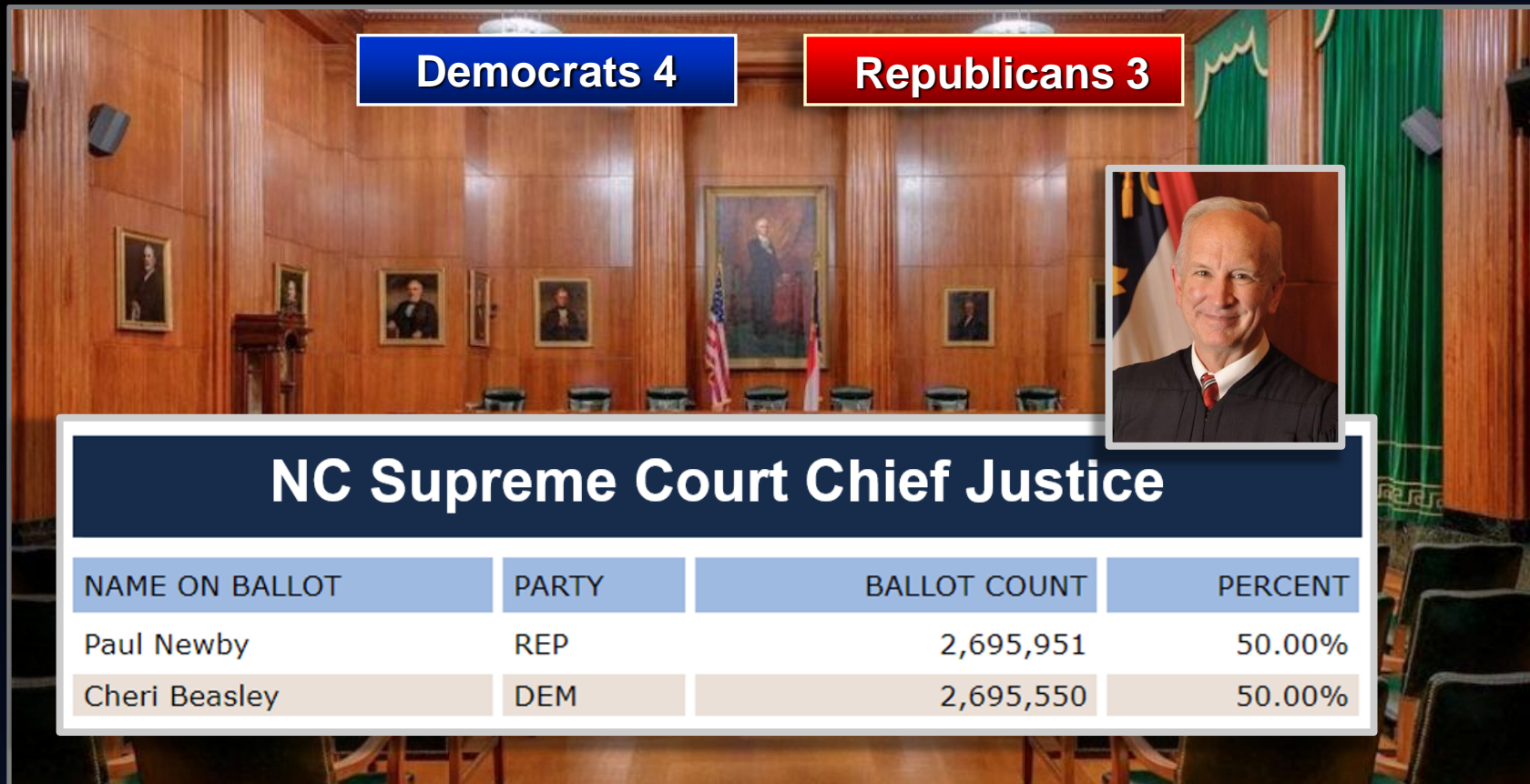
## North Carolina Supreme Court BEFORE 2020 Races



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## North Carolina Supreme Court AFTER 2020 Races



# North Carolina Supreme Court AFTER 2020 Races

401 votes of 5,391,501

Democrats 4

Republicans 3



| NC Supreme Court Chief Justice |       |              |         |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------------|---------|
| NAME ON BALLOT                 | PARTY | BALLOT COUNT | PERCENT |
| Paul Newby                     | REP   | 2,695,951    | 50.00%  |
| Cheri Beasley                  | DEM   | 2,695,550    | 50.00%  |

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## North Carolina Supreme Court AFTER 2020 Races



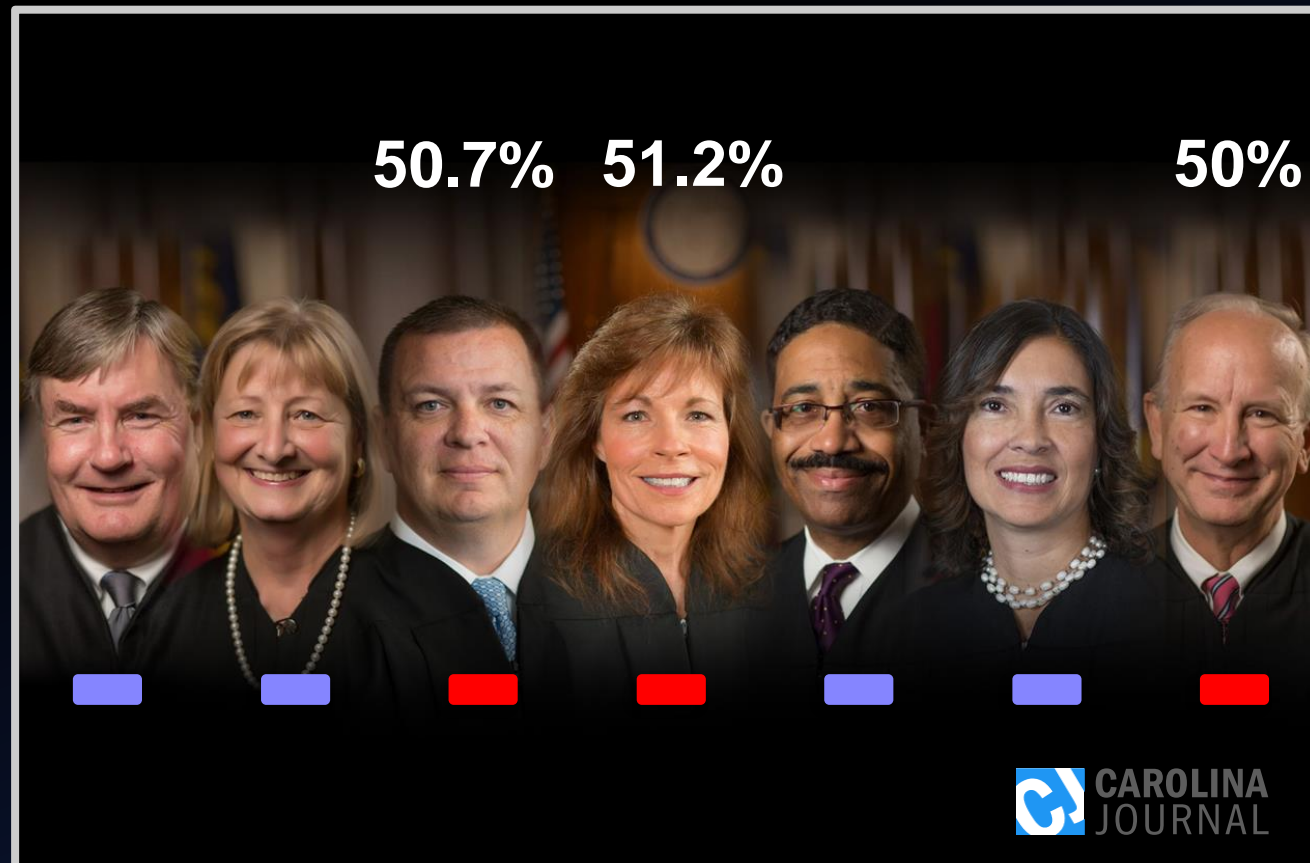
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# REDISTRICTING

**“Extreme” Gerrymandering New Test  
Will Dec 6 Filing Deadline Hold?  
Implications for Midterm Elections**



## **Will NC's New Maps Meet Dec 6 Filing Date?**

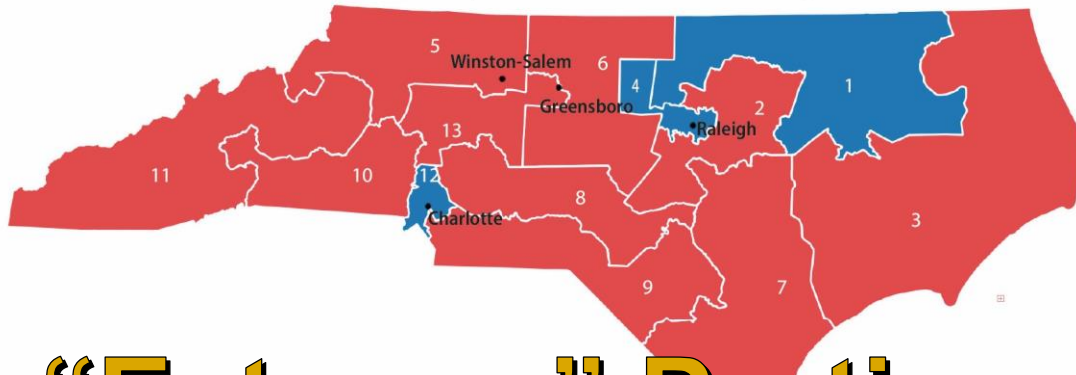
- **Monday, Dec 6, 2021**      **Candidate Filing Begins**
- **Friday, Dec 17, 2021**      **Candidate Filing Ends**
- **Thurs, Feb 17, 2022**      **Early Voting Begins**
- **Primary Election Day Mar 8, 2022**
- **Thursday, Oct 20, 2022**      **Early Voting Begins**
- **General Election Day Nov 8, 2022**

# US House Districts After Last Two Censuses

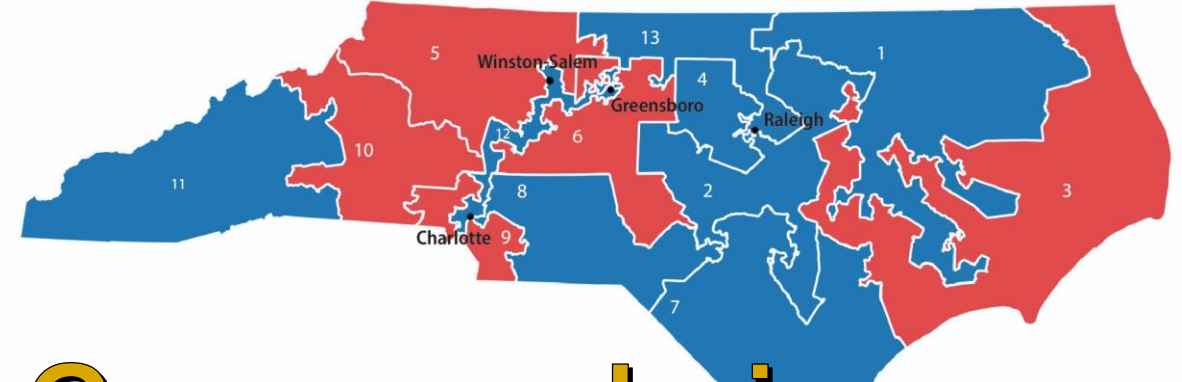
Republican-Drawn Map After 2010 Census

Democrat-Drawn Maps After 2000 Census

2016 Map: 3 Democrats, 10 Republicans



2008 Map: 8 Democrats, 5 Republicans

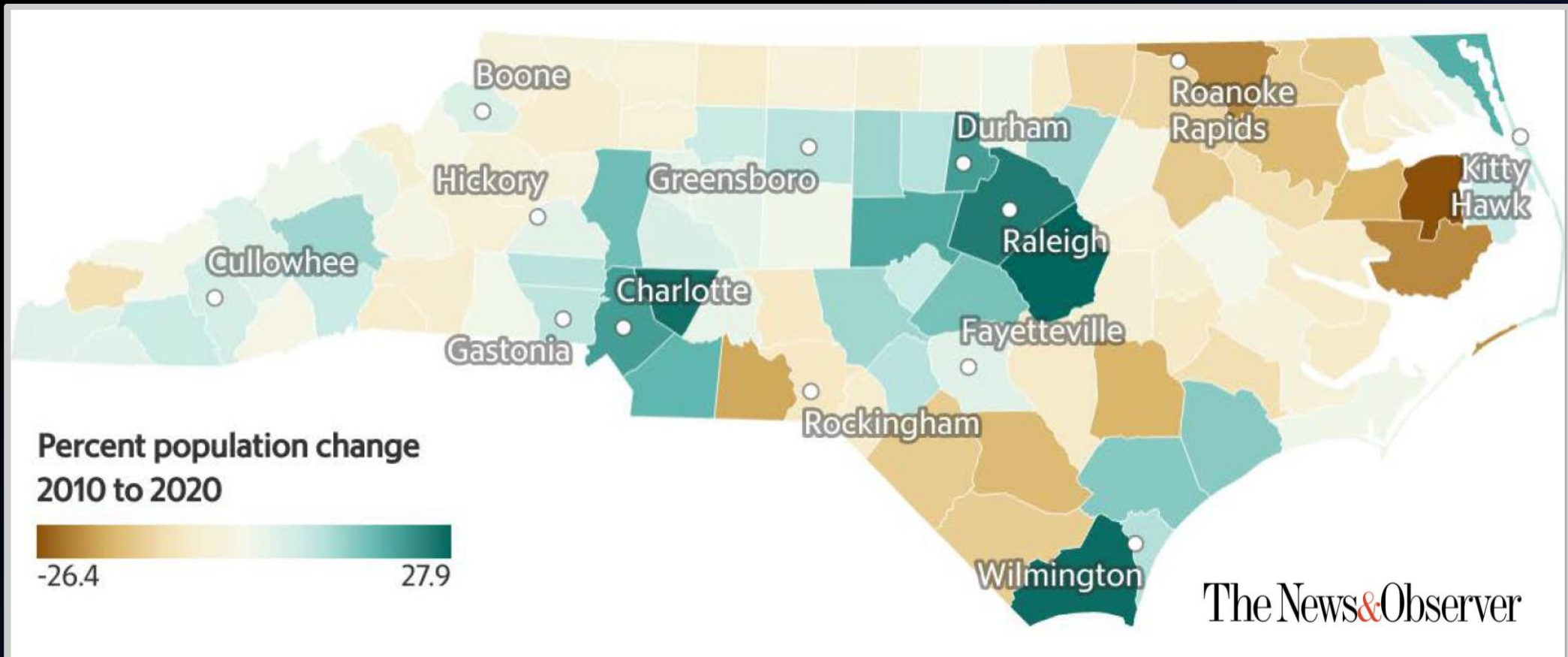


**“Extreme” Partisan Gerrymandering**

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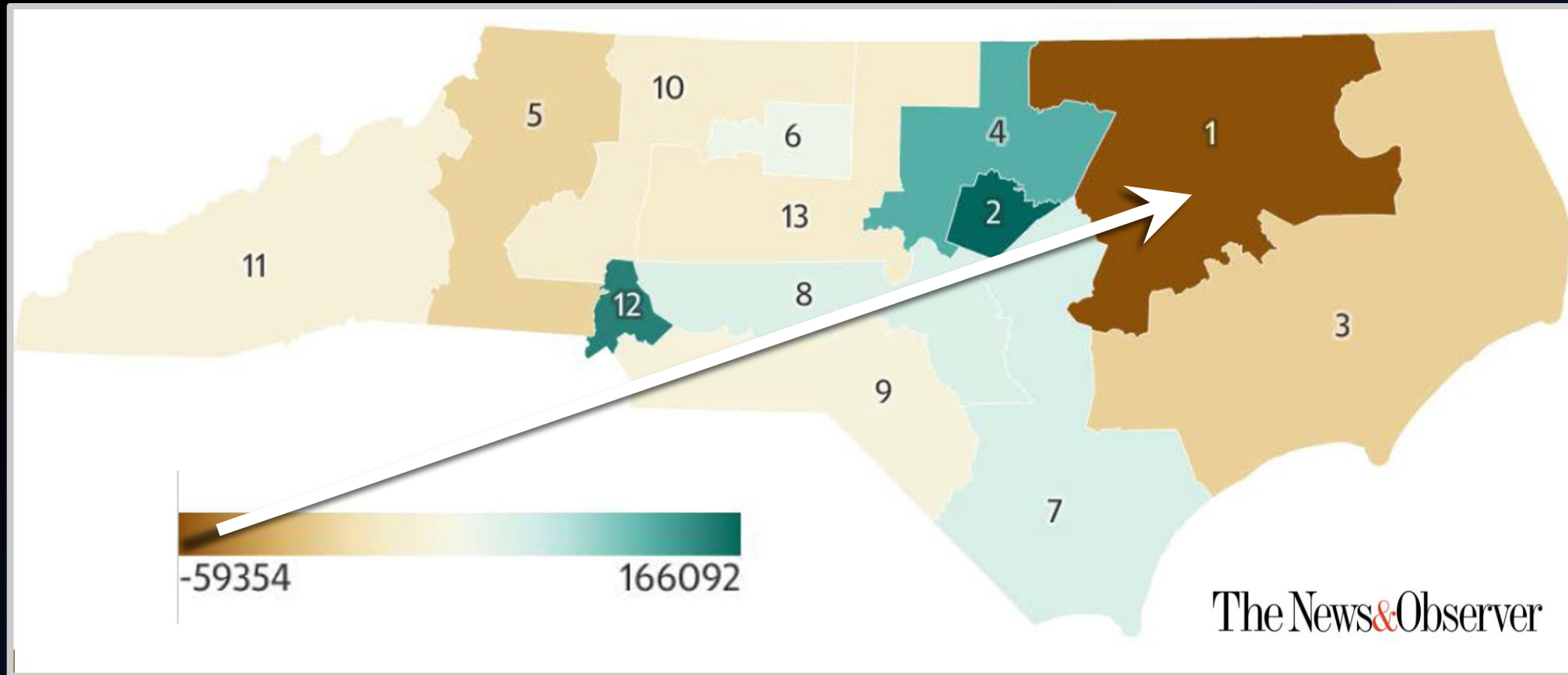
## NC County Population Change 2010-2020



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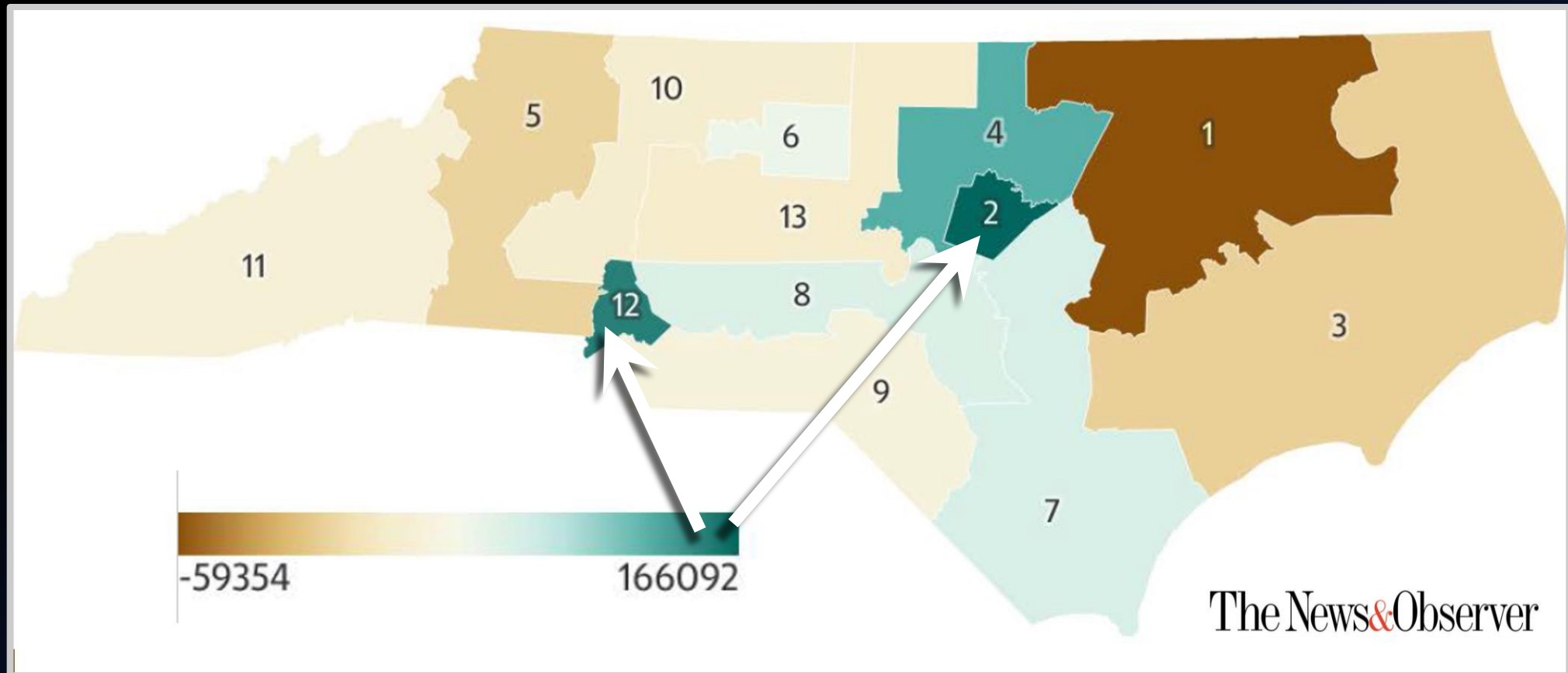
# Deviation from Ideal District Population 746,000



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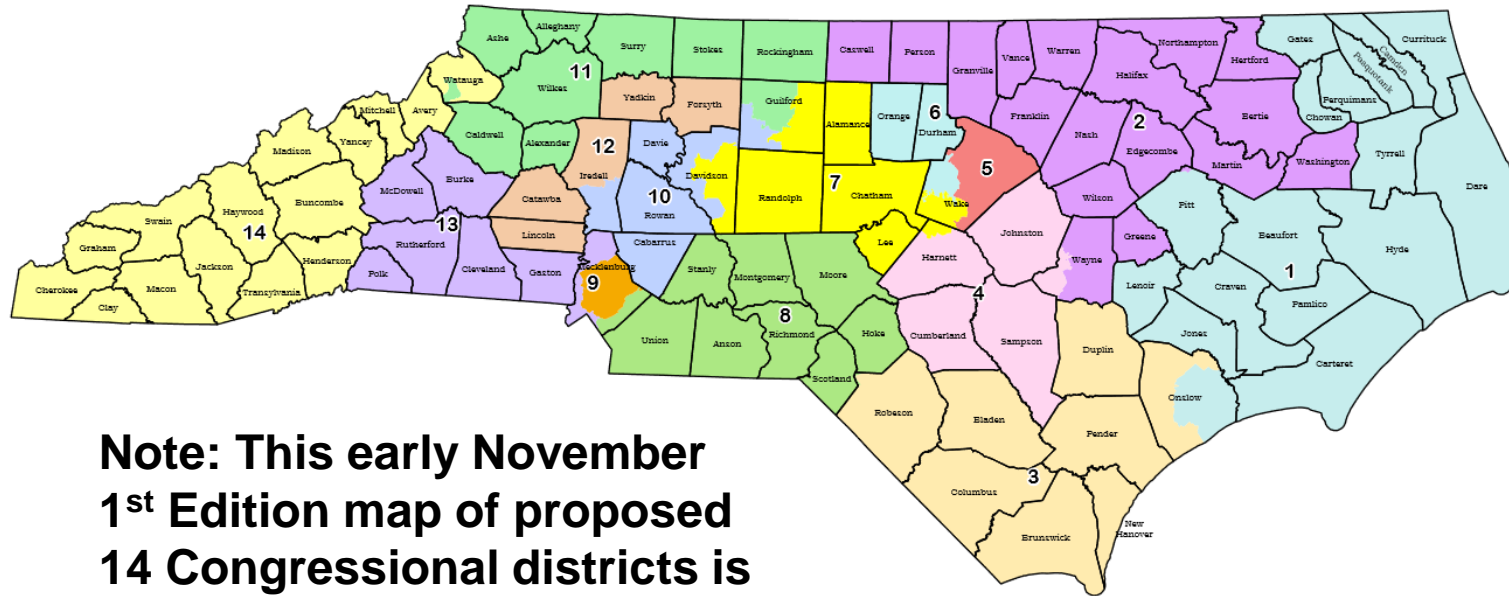


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## North Carolina's 14 Congressional Districts



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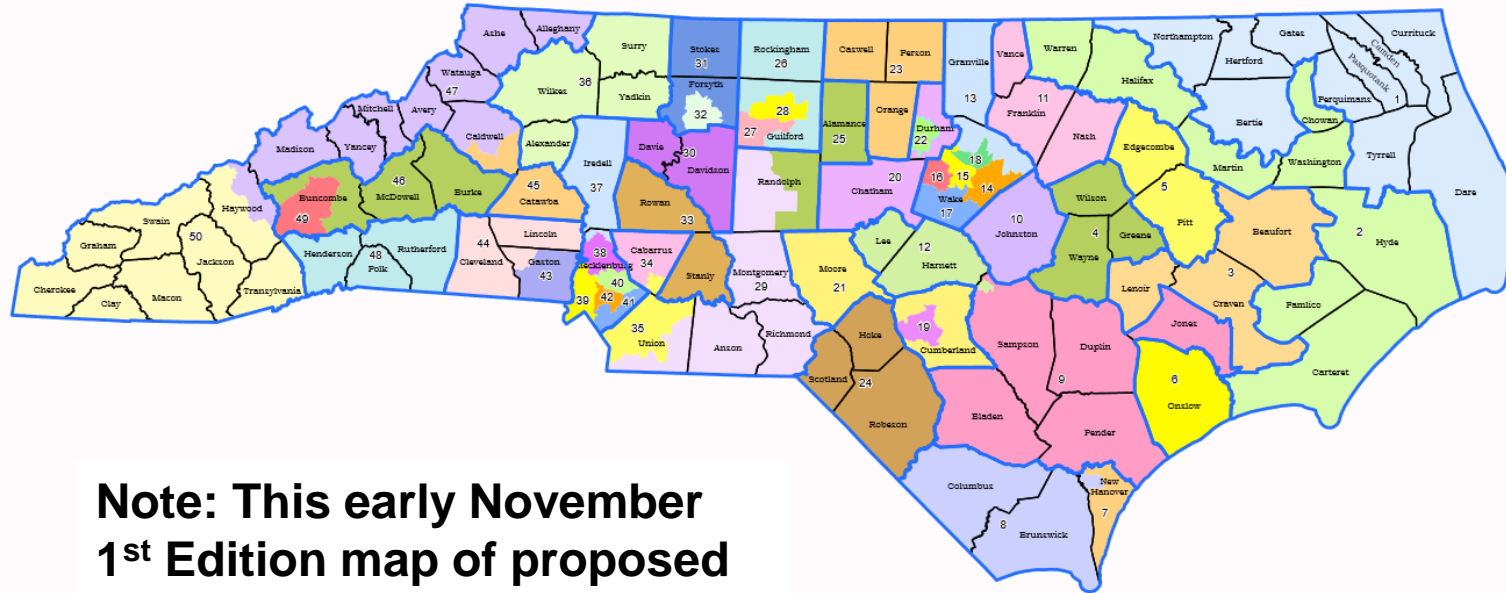


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## North Carolina's 50 State Senate Districts



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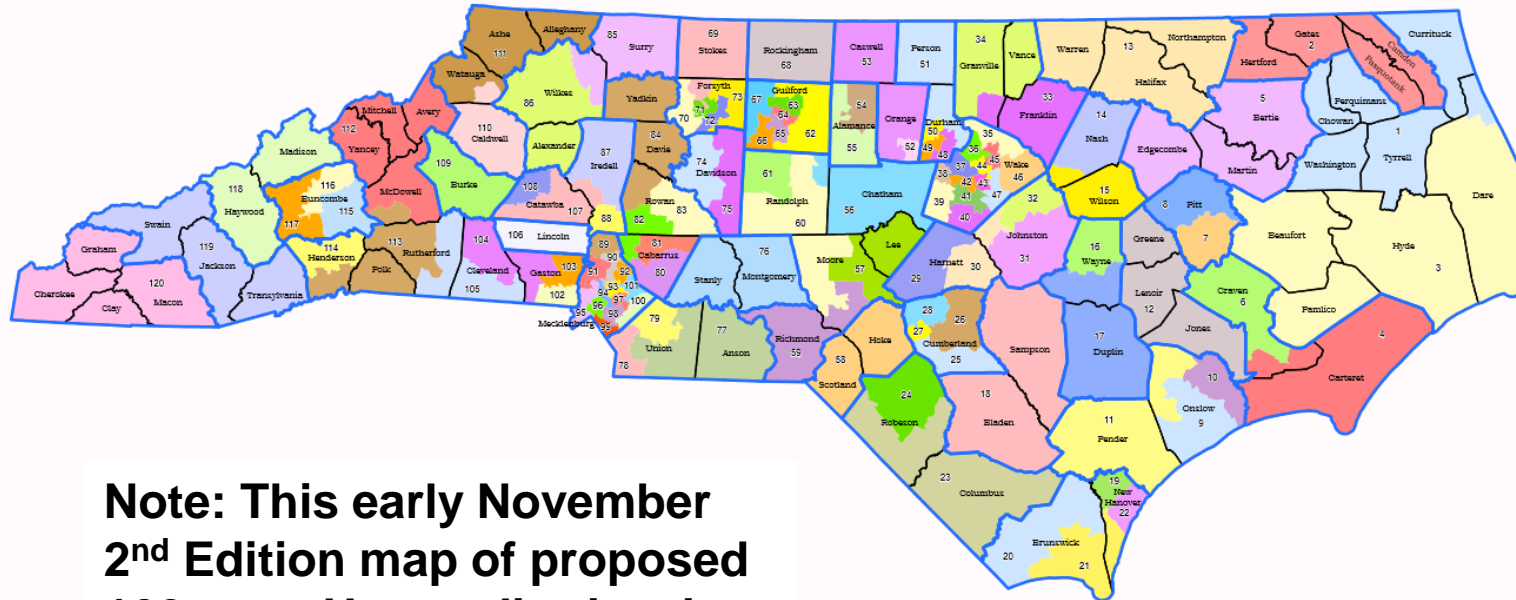
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## North Carolina's 120 State House Districts



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150 200 Miles





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# *2022 Midterm Races*

**Referendum on Biden White House**

**Biden's Job Approval**

**Without Trump, Who Will Drive Turnout**

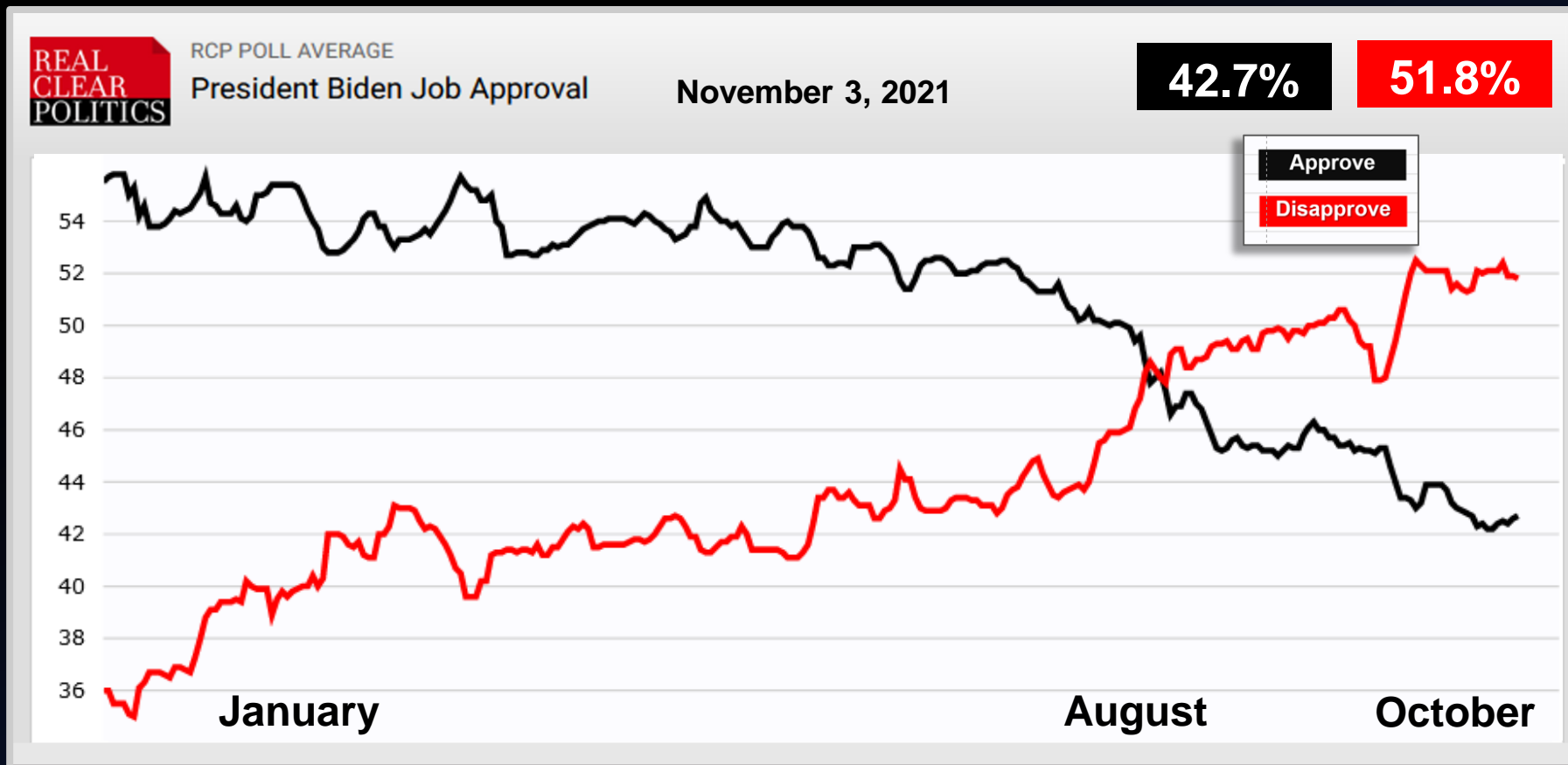
## **2022 Midterm Elections a Referendum on Biden**

- **Midterm elections are a referendum on the White House**
- **Since World War II, the average midterm election losses of the party holding White House: 1 Senate; 23 House seats**
- **A net gain of 1 Republican shifts Senate majority to GOP**
- **A net gain of 5 Republicans shifts House to GOP (222/213)**

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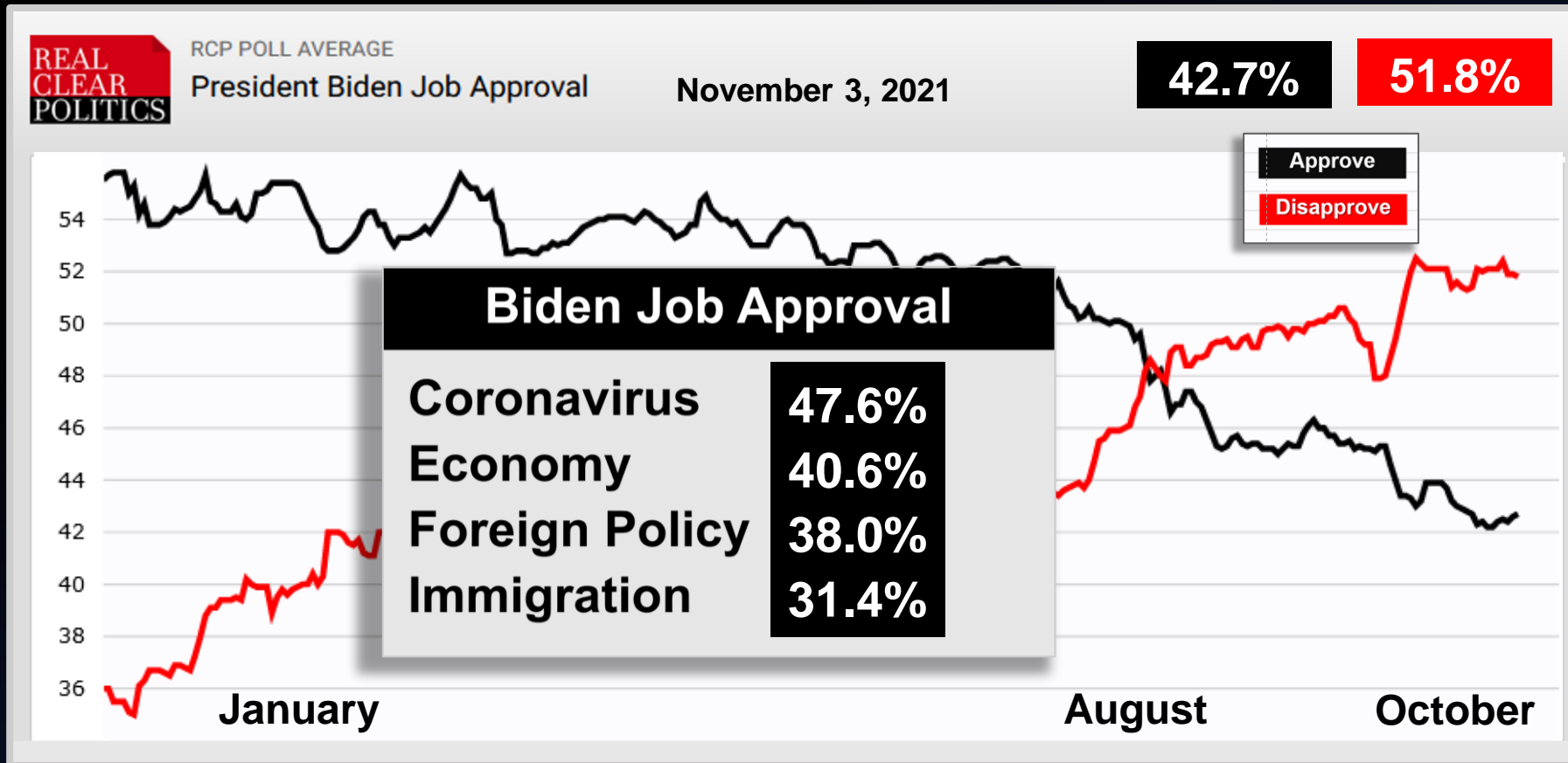
## President Biden Job Approval 2021 Trends



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**VIRGINIA**

**1<sup>ST</sup> GOP Governor Since 2009**

**It's Not About Trump Anymore**

***Yes Virginia, there are conservative women***

## Takeaways from Virginia 2021 Elections

- A referendum on the White House Afghanistan withdrawal, immigration, supply chain, infrastructure and social issues which contributed to Pro-Trump
- It's not about Trump anymore
- Education became a sleeper issue for suburban white women



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## **Takeaways from Virginia 2021 Elections**

- **A referendum on the White House on issues like the Afghanistan withdrawal, economy, inflation, gas prices, immigration, supply chain crisis, failure to pass bills on infrastructure and social spending, big-city crime ... all of which contributed to President Bidens low job approval**
- **It's not about Trump anymore**
- **Education became a sleeper issue that drew the ire of suburban white women voters**

## **Takeaways from Virginia 2021 Elections**

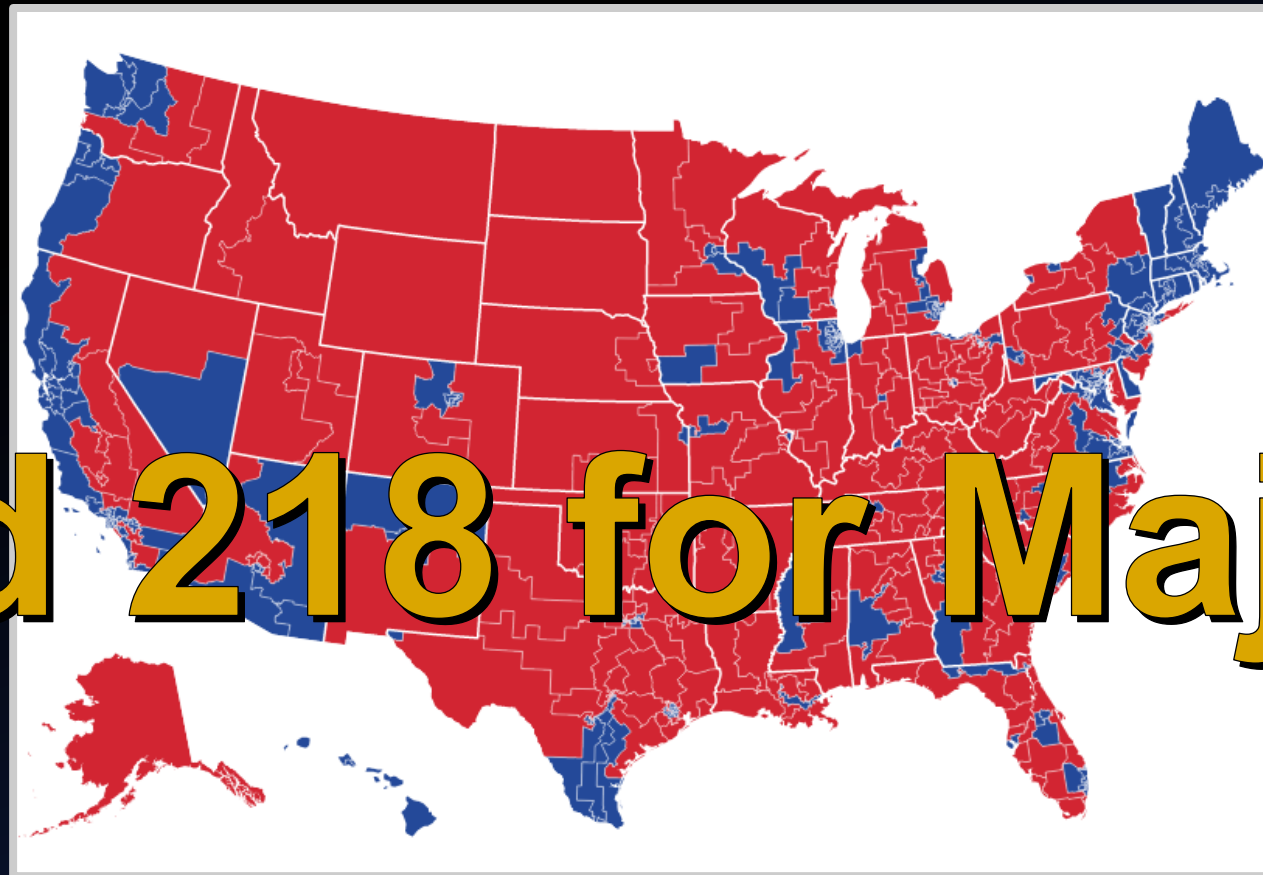
- **Democrat McAuliffe said in a debate that parents should not have a say in their children's education (Oooops)!**
- **Exit polls: GOP candidate Youngkin won white women by 57% - 43% (Biden won white women 50% - 49% in 2020)**
- **Democrats lost Independent voters and failed to generate enthusiasm for McAuliffe in the suburbs**



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**US House 2021: 222 Democrats; 213 Republicans**

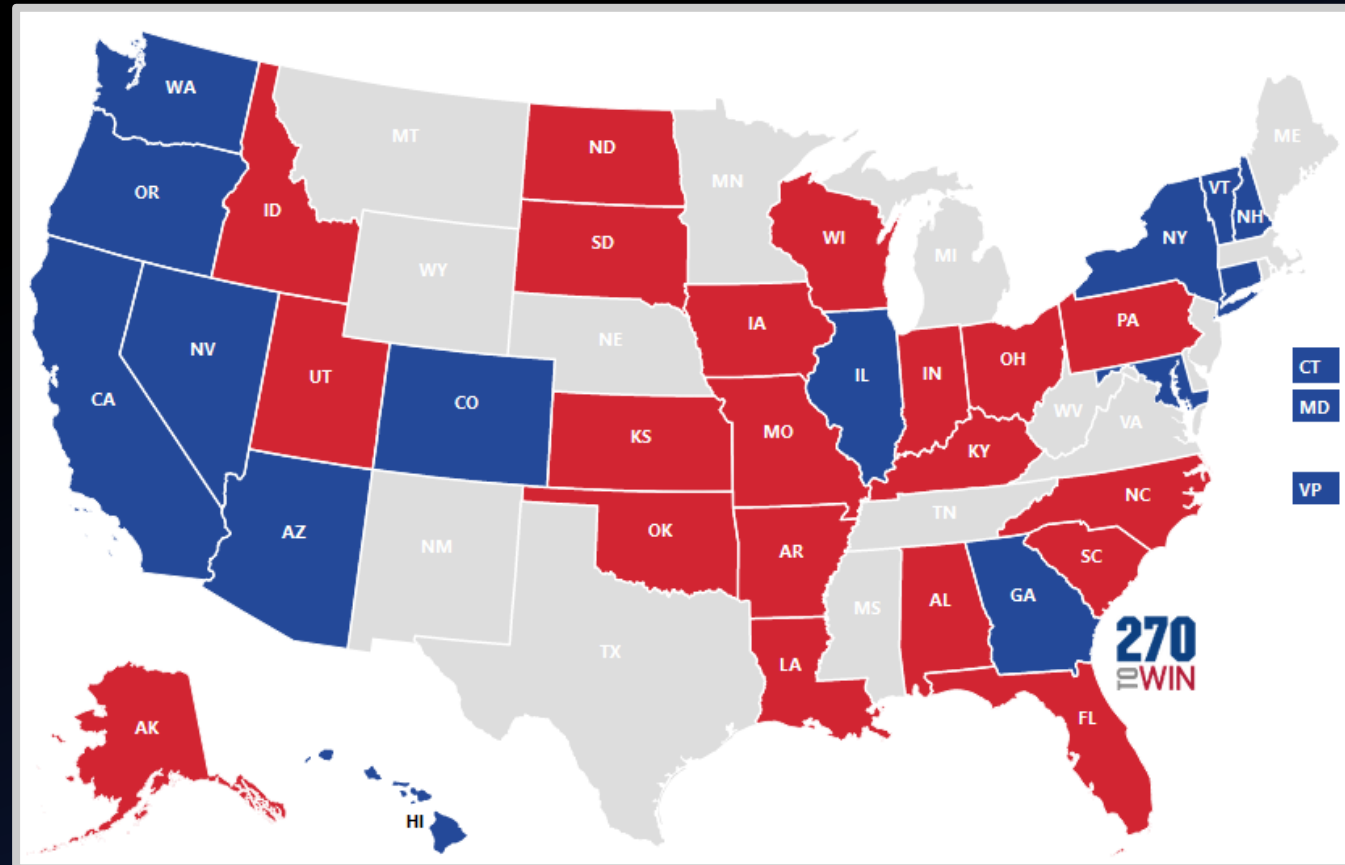


**Need 218 for Majority**

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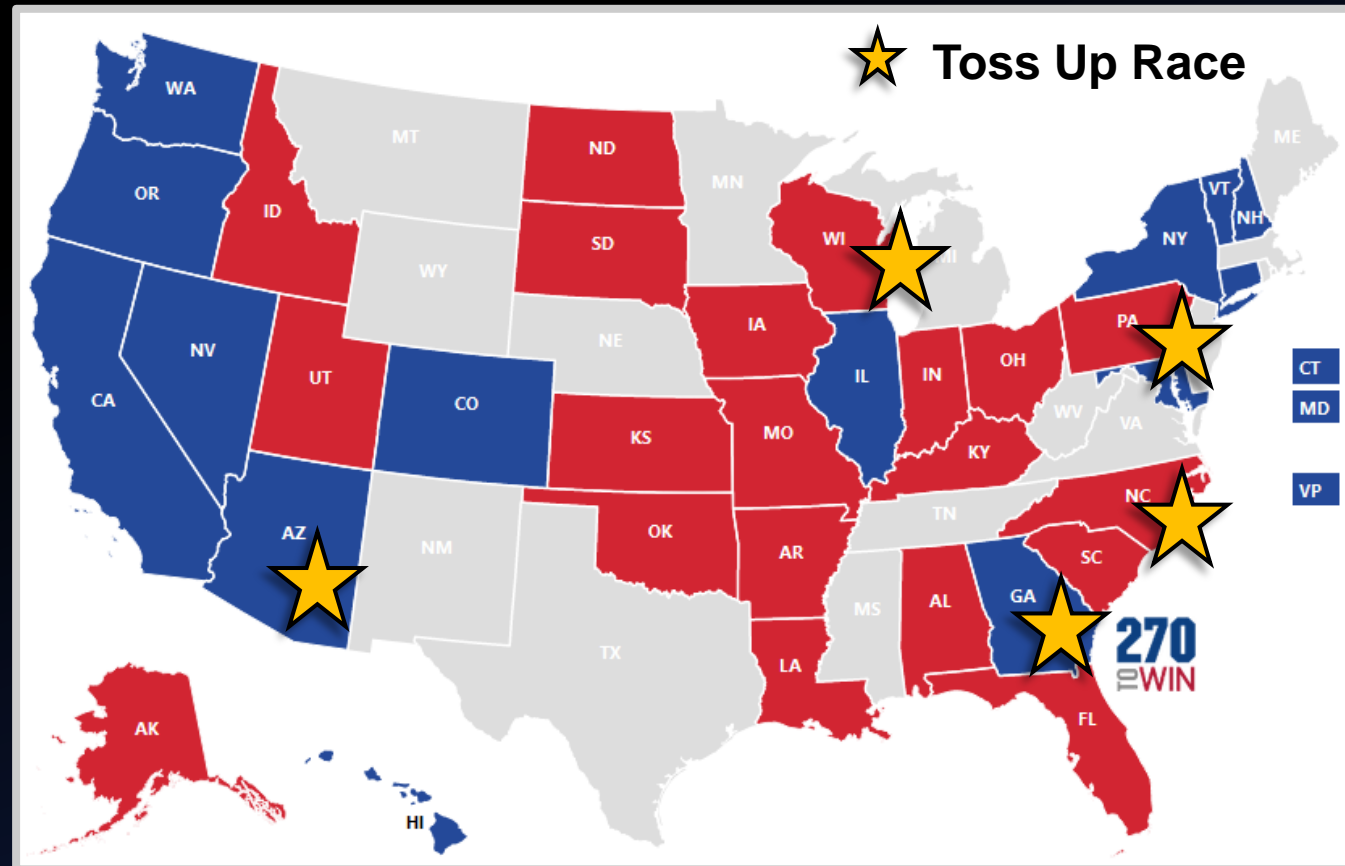
## US Senate Races 2022: Dems 14; GOP 20



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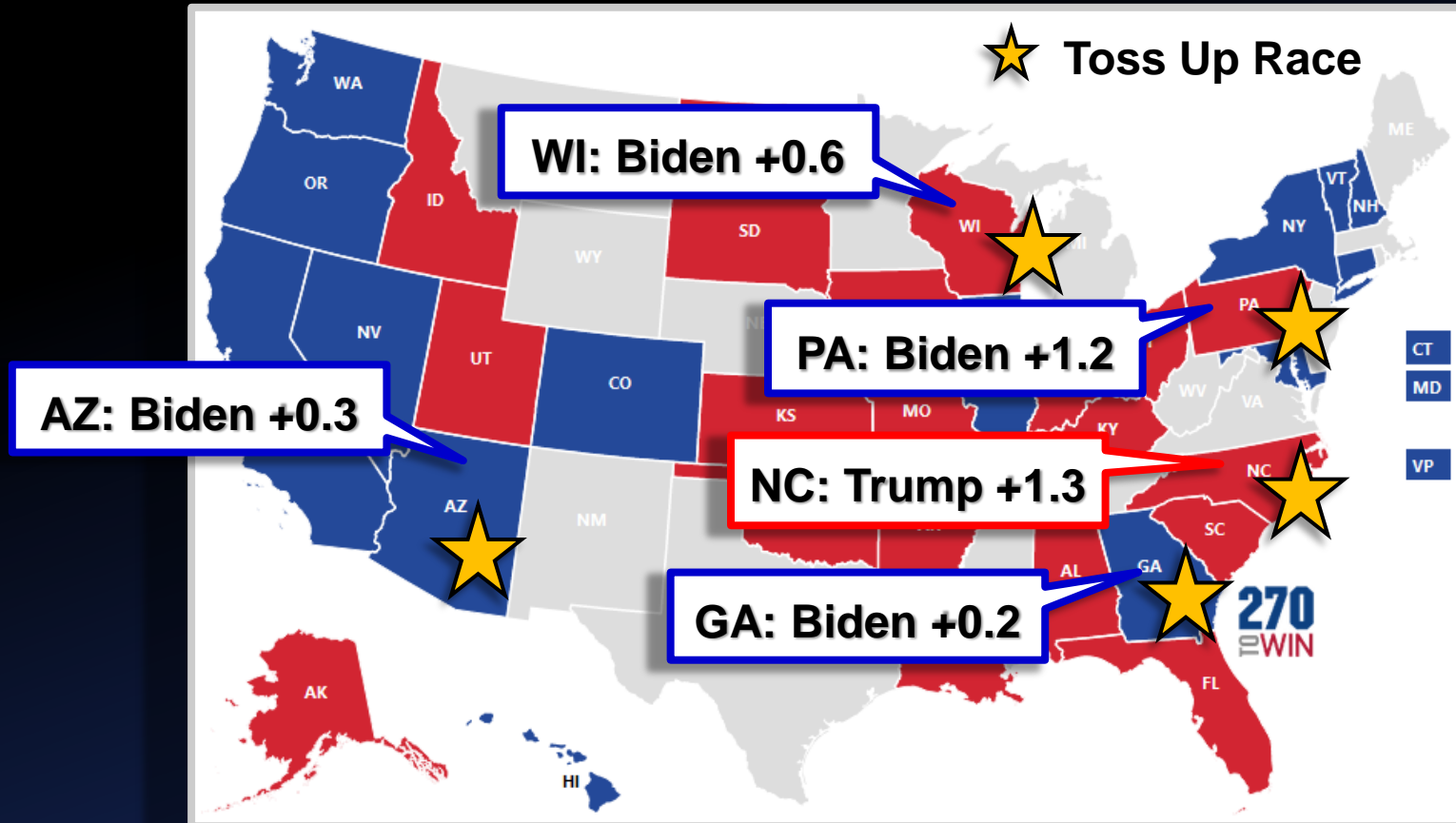
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## US Senate Races 2022: Dems 14; GOP 20



# Who is Running for US Sen. Burr's Seat?

Sen J Jackson ✓

US Rep T Budd ✓

Fmr Gov P McCrory ✓

Fmr Rep M Walker ✓

Justice A Earls ✗

Fmr C Justice C Beasley ✓

Fmr Rep Meadows ✗

L Trump ✗

Fmr Sen E Smith ✓

Speaker T Moore ✗

## Fundraising Results for 3<sup>rd</sup> Q

- Pat McCrory raised \$2.3 million (Establishment GOP)
- Tedd Budd raised \$2.1 million (Trump followers)
- Mark Walker raised \$504,226
- Jeff Jackson raised \$2.9 million
- Cheri Beasley raised \$2.8 million
- Erica Smith raised \$384,815

## Fundraising Results for 3<sup>rd</sup> Q

- Pat McCrory raised \$100,000
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**Trump endorses Ted Budd in North Carolina's Senate race as Lara Trump declines to run**

Trump endorses Ted Budd in North Carolina's Senate race

The News & Observer



## **Historic Trump-Driven Turnout in NC in 2020**

- **7.36 million registered NC voters (most in NC history)**
- **5.55 million ballots cast (most in NC history)**
- **75.4% turnout (highest in modern NC history)**
- **57,017 poll workers at 2,662 precincts on Election Day**



## **Historic Trump-Driven Turnout in NC in 2020**

- **471 Early Voting sites (most in NC history)**
- **3.63 million In-Person Early Votes (most in NC history)**
- **1,001,717 Absentee By-Mail ballots (most in NC history)**
- **896,815 ballots cast on Election Day (November 3)**

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**WOMEN**

**Biden Cabinet**

**Women Winning/Contributing Record #s**

**Why VP Kamala Harris Will Be President**

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## **Women Winning in Record Numbers**

- **First woman to hold office of Vice President**
- **11 women in Biden Cabinet**
- **3 women on US Supreme Court**
- **96 statewide elected officials**
- **32 mayors top-100 largest cities (Char; Ral; G'boro)**
- **873,032 women municipal office holders (10,000+ cities)**

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***“Madame Vice President; Madame Speaker”***



State of the Union Address, April 28, 2021

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*“Madame Vice President; Madame Speaker”*



**“It’s about time.”**

State of the Union Address, April 28, 2021

## Women Donating in Record Numbers

- In 2020, women 45% of federal donors; 36% of total \$
- In state races, women 31% of donors (24% in 2016)
- In 2020, women gave 46% of their \$ to women candidates; men donors gave 24% to women (up from 13% in 2012)
- Women gave \$338M to Democrats and \$167M to GOP candidates in federal races in 2020



# CONCLUSIONS

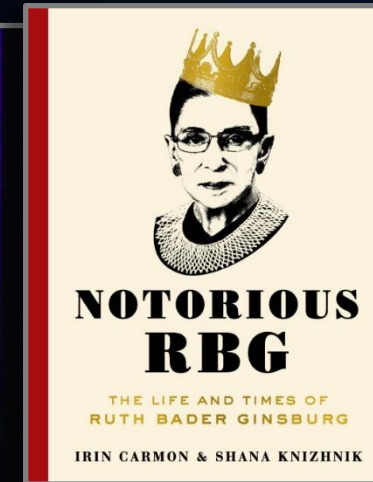
**Exponential Diversification of America**  
**SCOTUS will push power back to states**  
**How do we heal the national partisan divide?**



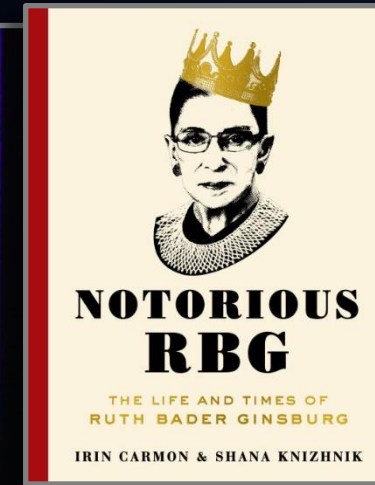
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## The Odd Couple: Justices Scalia and Ginsberg

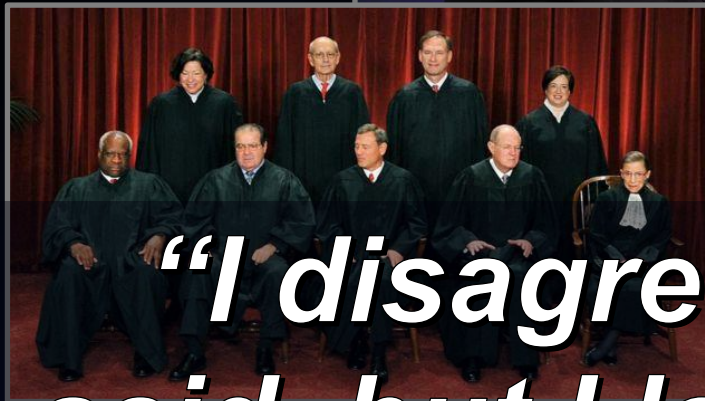
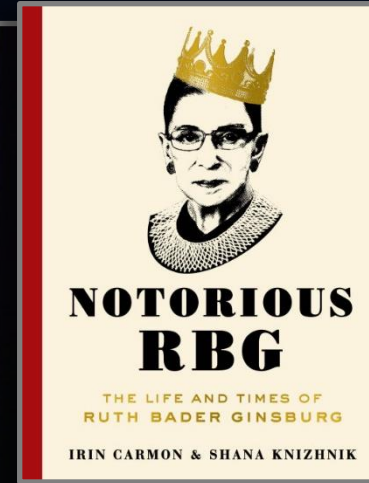


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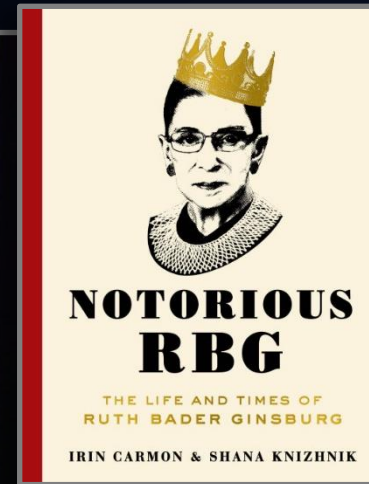
*“What’s not to like – except her views on the law, of course.”*

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*“I disagreed with most of what he said, but I loved the way he said it.”*

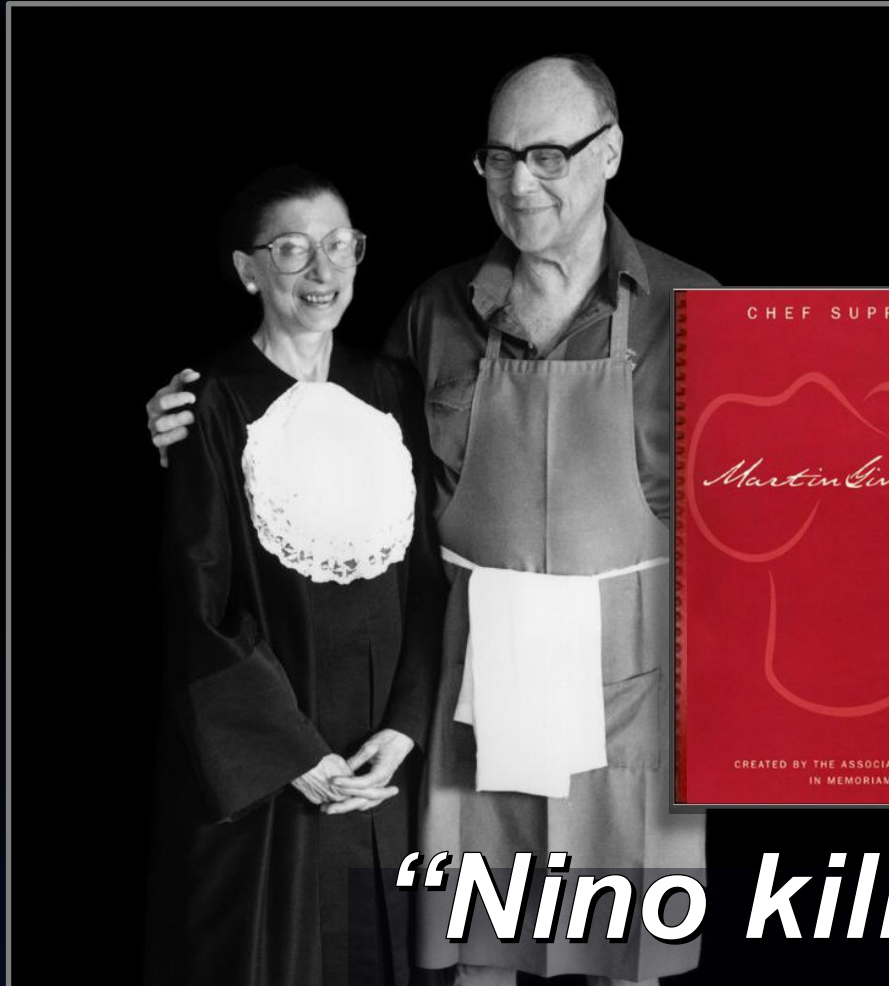
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**Lowest agreement rate of any two justices; only 7% on 5-4 decisions**

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***“Nino kills it. Marty cooks it.”***

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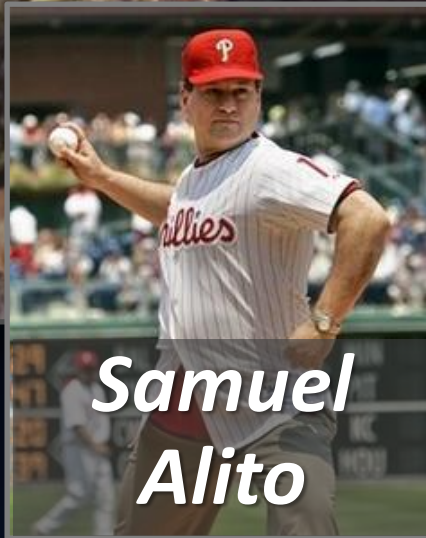
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***“I can say that my two newest colleagues are very decent and very smart individuals,” said Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.***



***Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg***



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***“And with [Kavanaugh’s] four women law clerks, it’s the first time in the history of the United States that there have been more women clerking at the court than men.”***



***Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg***

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*“When you’re charged with working together for most of the remainder of your life, you have to create a relationship,” Sotomayor said. “The nine of us are now a family.”*

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*“And we’re a family with each of us our own burdens and our own obligations to others. But this is our work family, and it’s just as important as our personal family.”*

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*“And we’re a family with each of us our own burdens and our own obligations to our community. But this is our work far more important than any family.”*



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***Thank You!***

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