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Election History Webinar
July 10, 2012

Presenters

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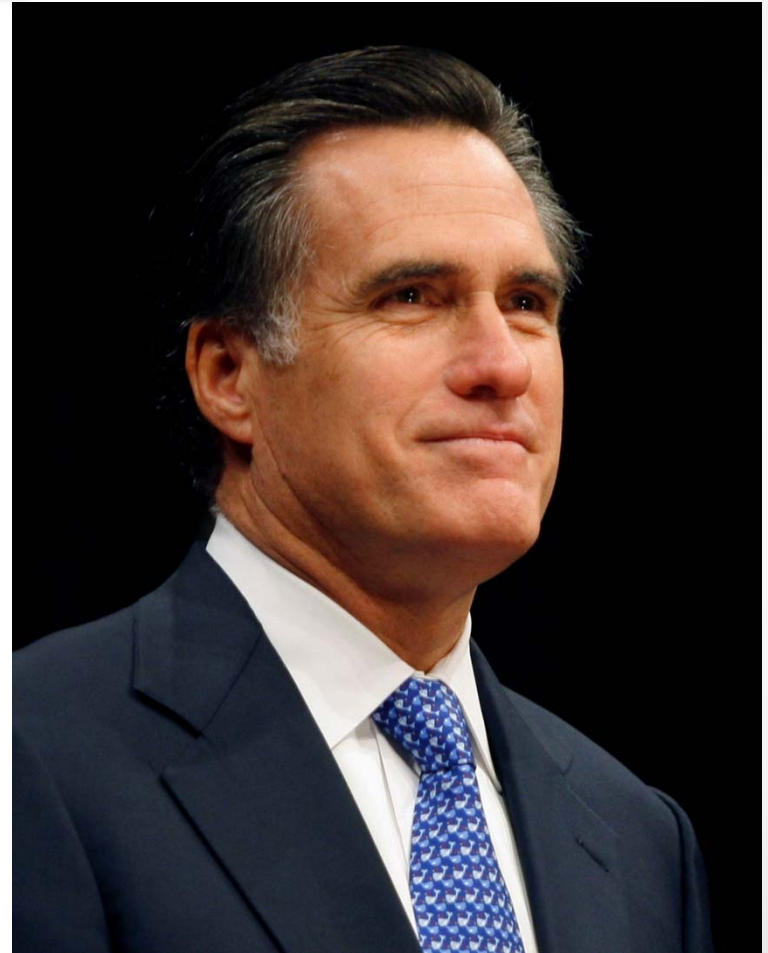
Eliot Waxman



Agenda

- Incumbency
- Electoral college, swing states & voter history
- *Break for Q & A*
- Voter turnout
- Peggy Reeves (SOTS) re: HAVA
- Connecticut's U.S. Senate Race
- *Break for Q & A*
- Andrew Cascudo (SEEC) re: Money in CT elections
- Money in federal elections
- Secretary Denise Merrill re: Women in CT elections
- *Break for Q & A*
- Next steps
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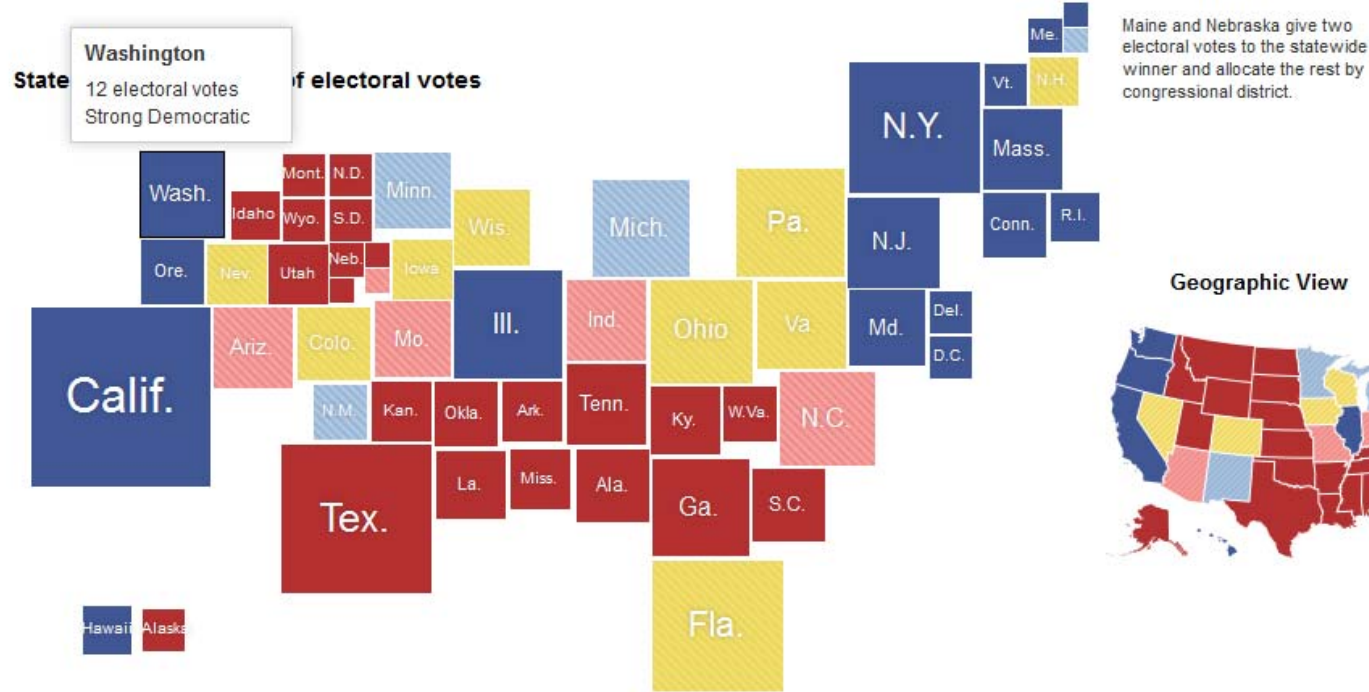
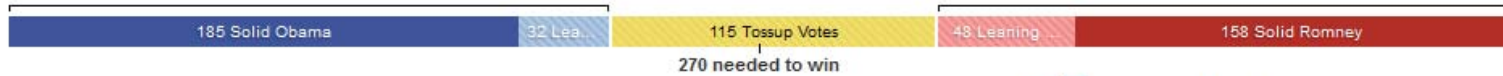
Competing Visions



Swing States

Obama **217** ELECTORAL VOTES
Needs 53 to win

Needs 64 to win **206** Romney ELECTORAL VOTES



Predicted Electoral College Map as of 7/4/12

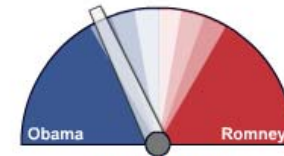
Connecticut Voter History

ELECTORAL VOTES

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2012 ELECTION

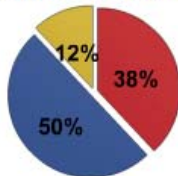


Likely Obama

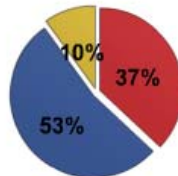


Available on the App Store

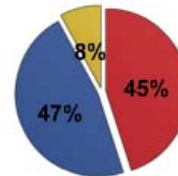
2012 POLLS (Obama vs. Romney)



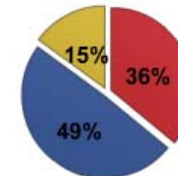
Quinnipiac
6/06/2012
1,408 RV +/- 2.6%



Quinnipiac
3/22/2012
1,622 RV +/- 2.4%



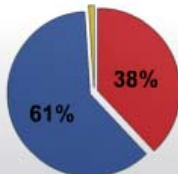
Public Policy
9/30/2011
592



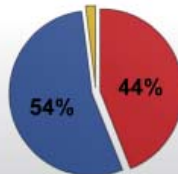
Quinnipiac
9/16/2011
1,230

[All 2012 Connecticut Polls >>](#)

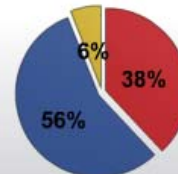
POPULAR VOTE



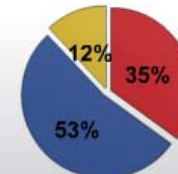
2008 Actual
11/4/2008



2004 Actual
11/2/2004



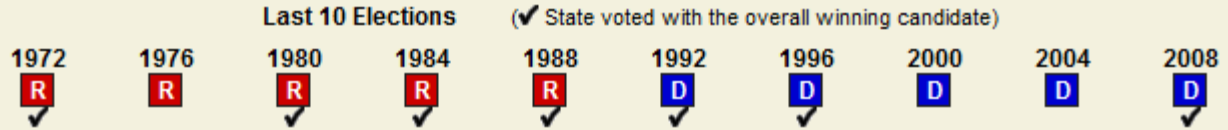
2000 Actual
11/7/2000



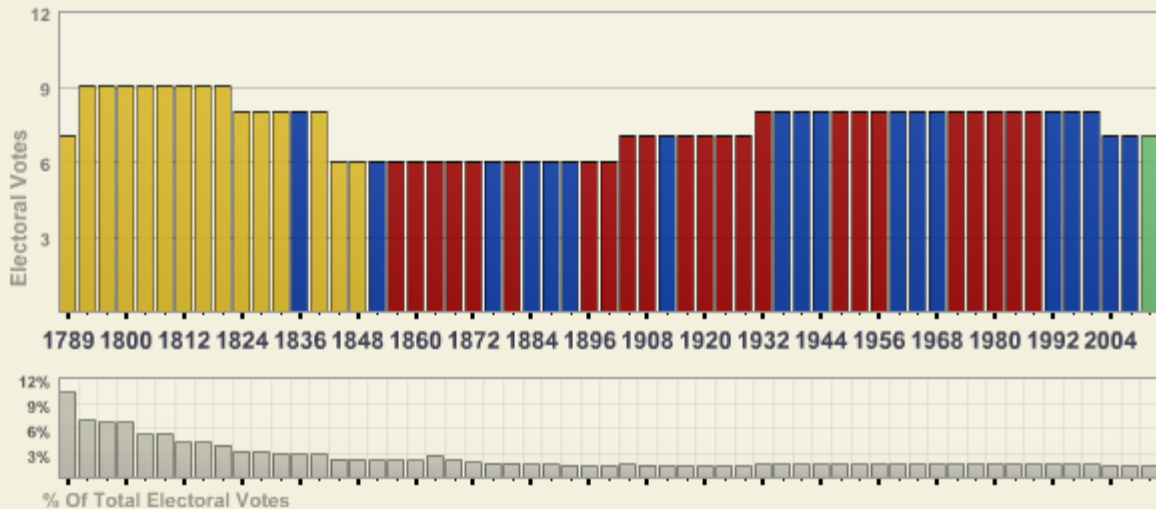
1996 Actual
11/5/1996

Connecticut Voter History

CONNECTICUT VOTING HISTORY



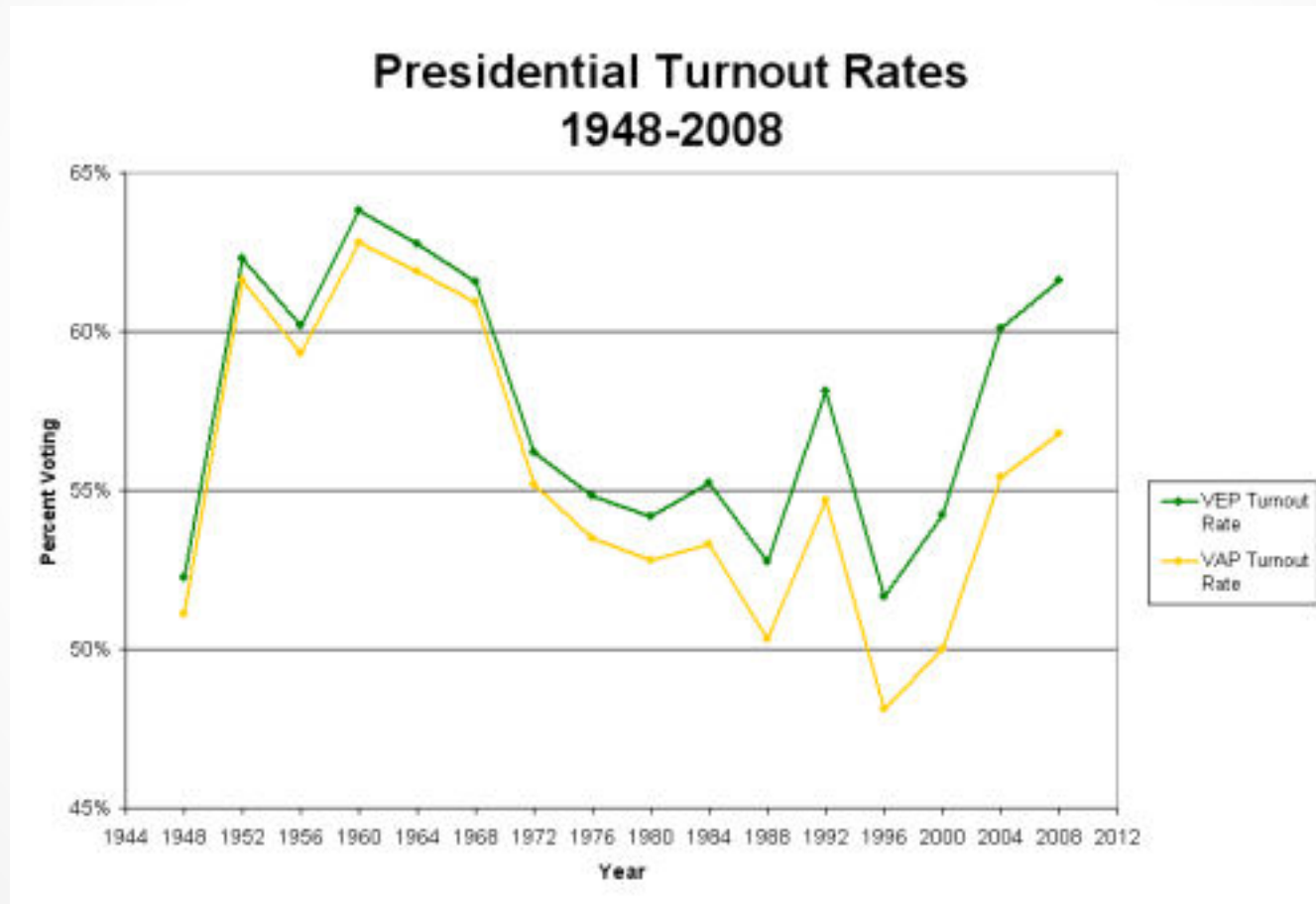
CONNECTICUT ELECTORAL COLLEGE VOTES



Colored bars represent the winning candidate's party. For parties other than Democratic or Republican, yellow is used. 2012 is colored green until after the election.



Voter Turnout



Connecticut Voter Turnout

Percent of eligible citizens who cast a vote:

2008 Presidential Election

Average in EDR states = 69%

Average in other states = 62%

Connecticut = 66%

EDR = Election Day Registration

Technological Advances

Obama

Romney

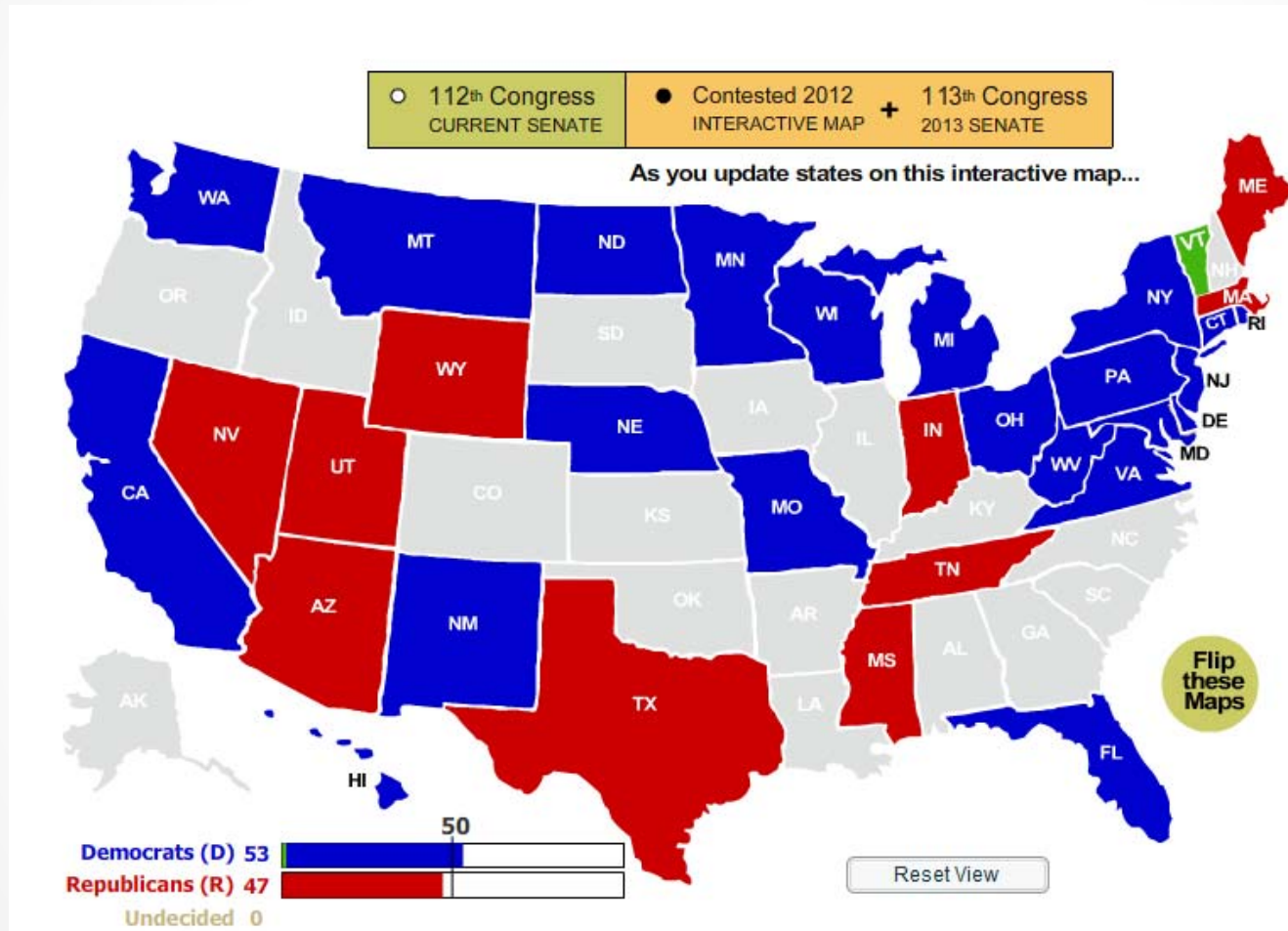
The screenshot shows the Obama/Biden campaign website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with social media links for Facebook and Twitter, and the text "OBAMA BIDEN". Below this is a secondary navigation bar with links for "STATE", "ABOUT", "ISSUES", "GROUPS", "BLOG", "VIDEOS", "VOLUNTEER", "STORE", and a red "DONATE" button. The main content area features a large banner with a photo of Barack Obama and the text "FORWARD. TWO CHOICES PRESIDENT OBAMA'S VISION for THE ECONOMY". Below the banner are several smaller sections: "OBAMACARE is UPHELD" with a "QUICK DONATE \$5" button, "VOLUNTEER" with a "Register to" button, "OBAMA'S RECORD IN BRIEF" with a "Reforming Wall Street" article, and "TRUTH TEAM" with a "GET THE FACTS" button. At the bottom, there are buttons for "THE VERY LATEST" and "TAKE ACTION".

<http://www.barackobama.com/?source=action-bar>

The screenshot shows the Romney campaign website. The main banner features a large photo of Mitt Romney and the text "DAY ON THE ROAD with MITT Win the Chance to Meet Mitt". A red banner across the photo says "DEADLINE EXTENDED!". Below the banner is an "ENTER HERE >" button. The bottom section contains four smaller promotional tiles: "DAY ON THE ROAD with MITT" with a "CLICK TO ENTER" button, "GET YOUR OFFICIAL TUMBLER." with a "SHOP NOW >" button, "READY TO JOIN THE CAMPAIGN?" with a "SIGN UP HERE >" button, and "GET CAMPAIGN UPDATES" with an email and zip code input form and a "SIGN UP" button.

<http://www.mittromney.com/>

US Senate: National

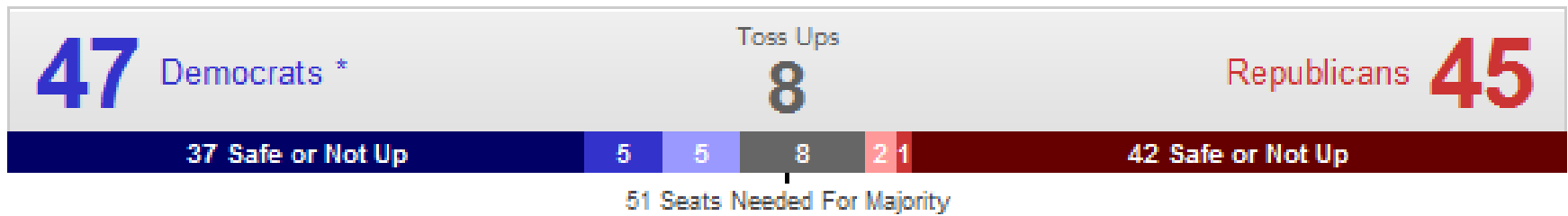


US Senate: National

BATTLE FOR THE SENATE

Current Senate: 53* Democrats | 47 Republicans

RCP ELECTORAL MAP • NO TOSS UP STATES • CREATE YOUR OWN MAP • **RCP SENATE MAP**



Likely Dem	Leans Dem	Toss Up	Leans GOP	Likely GOP
*ME: Open (R)	CT: Open (D)	FL: Nelson (D)	AZ: Open (R)	NE: Open (D)
NJ: Menendez (D)	HI: Open (D)	MA: Brown (R)	IN: Open (R)	Safe GOP Seats
PA: Casey (D)	MI: Stabenow (D)	MO: McCaskill (D)		
WA: Cantwell (D)	NM: Open (D)	MT: Tester (D)		
WV: Manchin (D)	OH: Brown (D)	NV: Heller (R)		
Safe Dem Seats		ND: Open (D)		
		VA: Open (D)		
		WI: Open (D)		

US Senate: Connecticut

2012 Connecticut Senate Race

Connecticut Senate - McMahon vs. Murphy					
Poll	Date	Sample	Murphy (D)	McMahon (R)	Spread
Quinnipiac	5/29 - 6/3	1408 RV	46	43	Murphy +3
Quinnipiac	3/14 - 3/19	1622 RV	52	37	Murphy +15
PPP (D)	9/22 - 9/25	592 RV	50	43	Murphy +7
Quinnipiac	9/8 - 9/13	1230 RV	49	38	Murphy +11
Daily Kos/PPP (D)	3/17 - 3/20	822 RV	54	38	Murphy +16

[More Polling Data](#) | [News](#)

Note: Linda McMahon and Christopher Murphy are the frontrunners in the August 2012 Republican and Democrat primaries as of 7/4/12.



Money in Politics: Connecticut Experience



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Office of Governmental Accountability, State Elections Enforcement Commission. The header features the state seal and the organization's name. A navigation bar includes links for Home, About Us, Press Releases, Publications, Forms, and Contact Us. A banner image of a hand holding a document is overlaid with the text 'Welcome to the State Elections Enforcement Commission'. A sidebar on the left lists various services and includes a 'Calendar' for January 2012 and an 'FAQs' section for the Internship Program. The main content area highlights 'CEP Candidates: Grant Application Checklist' and lists 'What's New' and 'Programs and Services'.

**OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION**

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CEP Candidates: Grant Application Checklist [more..](#)

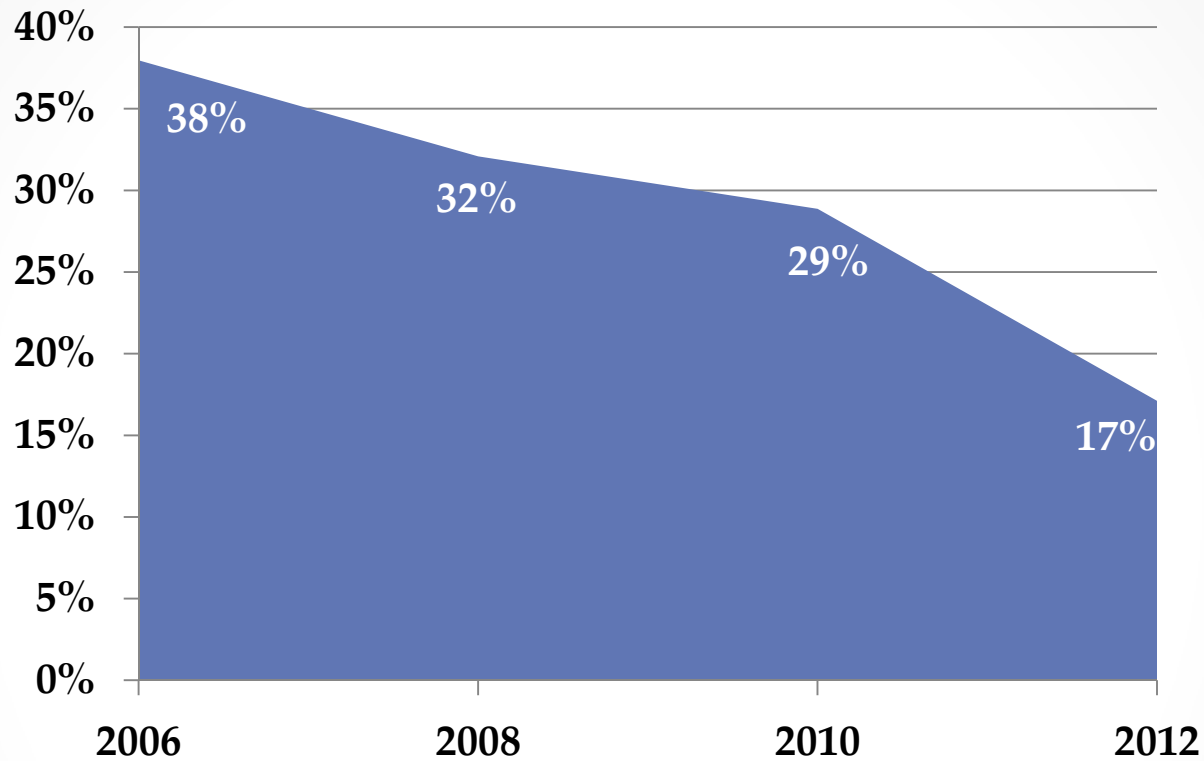
What's New

- » [Lobbyist Contributions During 2012 Special Session](#)
- [REMINDER: Quarterly Filing due July 10, 2012](#)
- [2012 Organizational Expenditure Report](#)
- [Center for Public Integrity Report](#)
- [2012 Citizens' Election Program Overview](#)
- [January 2012 Changes in the Law](#)
- [Important Filing Changes Begin January 2012](#)

Programs and Services

- [Commission Minutes and Agendas](#)
- [Candidate and Political Committee Lists](#)
- [Filing Calendars](#)
- [Treasurer's Corner](#)
- [Forms](#)
- [Training *New!*](#)
- [Employment Opportunities](#)

CGA Uncontested Races



	2006	2008	2010	2012
House (out of 151)	62	53	48	27
Senate (out of 36)	9	7	6	5

Money in Politics: Presidential Election

Barack Obama
\$260,926,200

Mr. Obama ended March with 10 times the cash on hand as Mr. Romney.

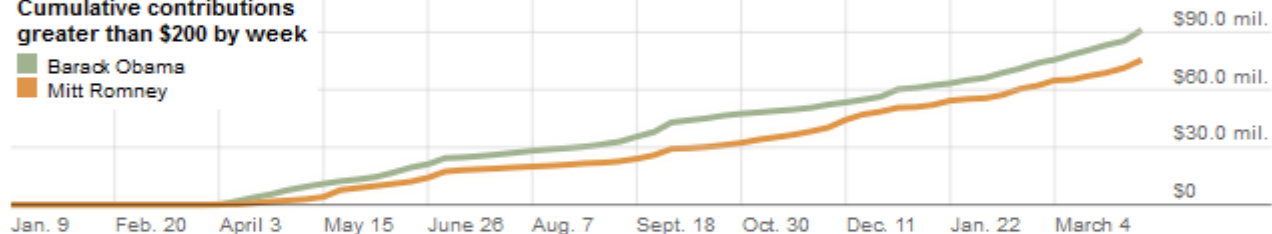
Mitt Romney
\$122,024,185

1st of 9 Republican Candidates* as of May 31, 2012

The presumptive nominee, Mr. Romney ended March with \$10 million in cash.

Cumulative contributions
greater than \$200 by week

Barack Obama
Mitt Romney



	AMOUNT	RANK
Spent	\$231,597,735	—
CASH ON HAND		
Total	\$109,718,115	—
Available for primary	\$84,318,399	—

	AMOUNT	RANK
Spent	\$106,826,177	1st of 9
CASH ON HAND		
Total	\$16,999,666	1st of 9
Available for primary	\$14,381,364	1st of 9

Money in Politics: U.S. House & Senate Elections

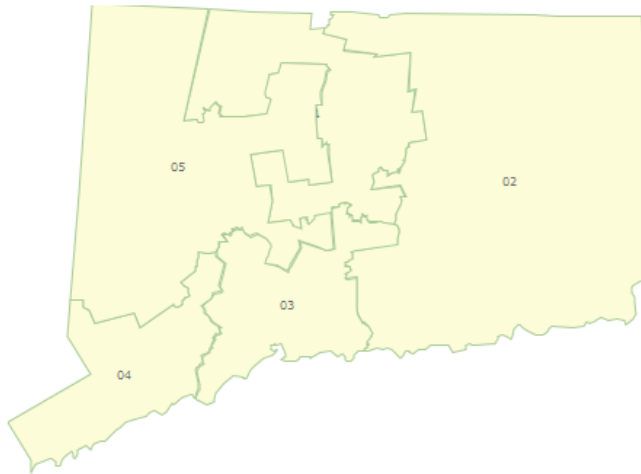
2012 House and Senate Campaign Finance for Connecticut

Election Cycle: 2011-2012 2009-2010 2007-2008

Choose a District ▼

Choose a House Candidate ▼

Choose a Senate Candidate ▼



House Campaign Finance Map

Candidate	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash On Hand	Debt
Total	\$13,409,294	\$6,849,572	\$7,191,303	\$2,445,534
Democrat	\$8,030,942	\$4,117,925	\$4,543,712	\$303,961
Republican	\$4,837,726	\$2,702,745	\$2,135,866	\$1,611,573
Other	\$540,626	\$28,901	\$511,725	\$530,000



Senate Campaign Finance Map

Candidate	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash On Hand	Debt
Total	\$12,540,656	\$7,893,675	\$4,803,819	\$2,850,165
Democrat	\$7,368,829	\$3,177,282	\$4,244,041	\$35,165
Republican	\$5,171,827	\$4,716,393	\$559,778	\$2,815,000
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Connecticut Pioneers

Clare Boothe Luce



<http://nocountryforyoungwomen.com/2010/06/quotes-clare-boothe-luce/>

Ella Grasso



<http://connecticuthistory.org/the-education-of-ella-grasso/>





What next?

- Visit www.ct.gov/sots for supplemental materials
 - Lesson plans
 - Resources
 - Helpful links
- Participate in upcoming teacher webinars:
 - Election Literacy Tues. 7/17/12 @ 10:30 a.m.
 - Election Math Tues. 7/24/12 @ 10:30 a.m.
 - Elementary level Tues. 7/31/12 @ 10:30 a.m.
- Email CTelectionproject@ct.gov
- Call 860.509.6212



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