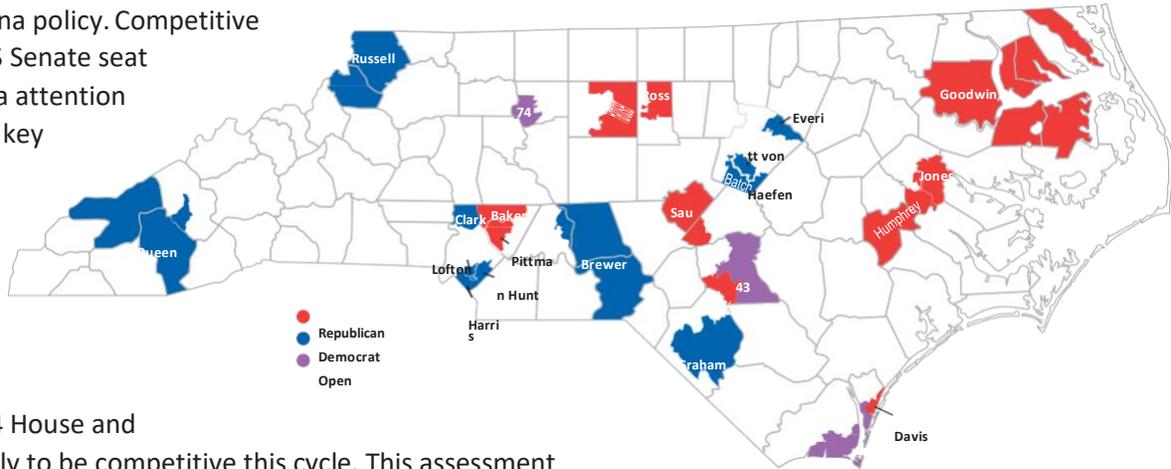


NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2020 is shaping up to be one of the most pivotal legislative elections in North Carolina history. Democrats have a clear path to win majorities in both chambers of the legislature after historic pickups last cycle broke Republican supermajorities. With a decennial census and subsequent redistricting coming up, control of the legislature will impact not only the next two years, but also the

next decade of North Carolina policy. Competitive races for Governor and a US Senate seat are gaining significant media attention and the state is becoming a key presidential battleground. In totality, these races

represent major change from last cycle's blue moon election with no top of the ticket races.



This report highlights the 24 House and 14 Senate districts most likely to be competitive this cycle. This assessment incorporates candidate fundraising information where available, detailed analysis of new legislative districts (including past Democratic performance and demographic information), and other qualitative data about each candidate.

These are analyses, not endorsements: these are the seats we think could be likely to change parties after the election, but this report shouldn't be taken as an indication of support of any one candidate over another.

Below, take a closer look at the 24 House races to watch, 11 of which would be Democratic pickups and 11 of which would be Republican pickups. Democrats need to pick up a net 6 seats to win a majority in the House.

NOTE: Campaign finance information in this report includes election-to-date totals through June 30, 2020. Candidates missing campaign finance information below had not reported to NCSBE at the time this report was published. We will update this report when new campaign finance data becomes available this summer. Visit our website at realfactsnc.com for regular updates.

COMPETITIVE DISTRICTS

Amount Raised
 Cash on Hand

HOUSE DISTRICT 1

Incumbent Ed Goodwin, former state ferry director and Chowan County Commissioner, will have an uphill climb to hold onto his seat in 2020. **Democrat Emily Bunch Nicholson** will challenge Goodwin.

<p>Nicholson</p> <p> \$136,149.32</p> <p> \$108,876.98</p>	<p>Goodwin </p> <p> \$23,222.40</p> <p> \$22,637.55</p>
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HOUSE DISTRICT 9

Republican Perrin Jones, a doctor, was appointed to replace Greg Murphy in September following his election to Congress. He'll face **Democrat Brian Farkas**, a Pitt County native who works at a local architecture firm.

<p>Farkas</p> <p> \$208,139.77</p> <p> \$140,053.68</p>	<p>Jones</p> <p> \$215,872.26</p> <p> \$176,122.71</p>
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Amount Raised



Cash on Hand

HOUSE DISTRICT 12

Democrat Virginia Cox-Daugherty, a retired educator and eastern North Carolina native, is seeking to unseat one-term **Incumbent Republican Chris Humphrey** in this redrawn district.

Cox-Daugherty	Humphrey
\$115,968.86	\$59,645
\$109,876.24	\$47,741.77

HOUSE DISTRICT 19

This seat, which covers parts of Brunswick and New Hanover counties, is now open following the court mandated redraw. **Democrat Marcia Morgan**, a retired U.S. Army Colonel, educator, and former Head Start teacher, is seeking election in this district. She will face **Republican Charlie Miller**, a sheriff's deputy and Brunswick County school board member.

Morgan	Miller
\$143,907.17	\$61,425
\$91,397.18	\$12,758.01

HOUSE DISTRICT 20

Incumbent Republican Ted Davis now lives in this redrawn New Hanover county district. He is double-bunked with Republican Holly Grange, who is running for governor and won't be seeking re-election to the House. He faces **Democrat Adam Ericson**, a public school teacher and coach.

Ericson	Davis
\$138,150.40	\$66,137.58
\$103,263.84	\$33,304.04

HOUSE DISTRICT 35

Incumbent Democrat Terence Everitt, an attorney, will seek reelection to this Wake county seat. Everitt defeated Republican Chris Malone in a competitive 2018 race and this year **Republican Fred Von Canon** will compete to try to take this seat back for the GOP. A Libertarian candidate has also filed for this seat.

Everitt	Von Canon
\$153,344.94	\$33,526.18
\$96,786.40	\$20,644.50

HOUSE DISTRICT 36

Incumbent Democrat Julie von Haefen, former Wake County PTA Council President, will seek another term representing this Wake county district. Von Haefen defeated powerful Republican Nelson Dollar in 2018. **Republican Kim Coley**, a small businesswoman, will attempt to take this seat back for the GOP. A Libertarian also filed for this seat.

von Haefen	Coley
\$136,517.90	\$25,561.18
\$108,842.88	\$20,644.50

HOUSE DISTRICT 37

Incumbent Democrat Sydney Batch is seeking another term in the House after defeating Republican John Adcock in 2018 in a close, highly contested race. **Republican Erin Paré**, a military spouse and local business owner, wants to take this seat once held by Republican leader Skip Stam back for the GOP. A Libertarian candidate is also seeking this seat.

Batch	Paré
\$377,852.55	\$113,051.88
\$307,493	\$66,817.36

HOUSE DISTRICT 43

Democrat Dr. Kimberly Hardy, a social work professor at Fayetteville State University, defeated incumbent Elmer Floyd in the primary. She faces **Republican Diane Wheatley**, who also emerged from a primary, in a tough race in this redrawn Cumberland county district.

	
Hardy	Wheatley
\$142,345.33	\$67,100.41
\$119,881.22	\$2,346.21

HOUSE DISTRICT 45

Incumbent Republican John Szoka, a mortgage lender who has risen through Republican ranks in the House, is seeking another term representing this Cumberland county district. He faces a challenge from **Democrat Frances Vinell Jackson**, a Fayetteville native, long-time public servant, and local magistrate.

	
Jackson	Szoka
\$169,746.40	\$263,213.91
\$133,172.42	\$211,238.66

HOUSE DISTRICT 47

Incumbent Democrat Charles Graham will seek another term in this redrawn House district in Robeson county. He faces a strong challenge from **Republican Olivia Oxendine**, a former member of the NC Board of Education and Robeson County Board of Elections.

	
Graham	Oxendine
\$6,200	\$1,595.50
\$6,332	\$860.57

HOUSE DISTRICT 51

Incumbent Republican John Sauls returned to the House in 2016 after a previous stint from 2003 to 2007 when he joined the coalition of rebel Republicans who voted for Democrat Jim Black for the co-speakership. Black was later indicted for corruption. He'll seek another term representing Harnett and Lee counties. **Democrat Jason Cain**, a ten-year Army veteran, public servant and adjunct professor at Wake Tech Community College, will challenge Sauls in this competitive district.

	
Cain	Sauls
\$128,103.02	\$55,950.14
\$100,763.66	\$65,178.31

HOUSE DISTRICT 59

Incumbent Republican Jon Hardister, a Guilford county native known for "caving when it counts," will seek another term representing eastern Guilford county. He faces a challenge from **Democrat Nicole Quick**, a North Carolina native with years of business management experience. Inspired by her son, Quick now leads teacher instruction and workshops on inclusive classrooms for children with autism.

	
Quick	Hardister
\$209,712.52	\$129,956.66
\$168,256.04	\$123,940.21

HOUSE DISTRICT 63

Incumbent Republican Steve Ross, a former Wells Fargo exec, will seek another term in this redrawn Alamance county district. Ross won by a narrow margin in 2018 and faces **Democrat Ricky Hurtado** in 2020. Hurtado is a first-generation college graduate and Morehead-Cain Scholar who is now a professor at UNC-Chapel Hill.

	
Hurtado	Ross
\$242,174.30	\$39,590.87
\$143,423.45	\$28,263.86

HOUSE DISTRICT 66

Democrat Scott Brewer was appointed to replace Ken Goodman earlier in 2018 following Goodman’s appointment to a statewide commission. **Republican Ben Moss** is challenging Brewer. Moss, the first Republican elected to the Richmond County Commission, is a second generation railroad engineer and 12-year local chair of the United Transportation Union.

	
Brewer	Moss
\$51,070.60	\$12,567.34
\$40,667.42	\$2,641.91

HOUSE DISTRICT 74

This seat is open following the retirement of Republican Debra Conrad. Conrad endorsed Lewisville Town Councilman **Republican Jeff Zenger**. He faces Winston-Salem City Council member **Democrat Dan Besse**.

	
Besse	Zenger
\$211,363.40	\$21,750
\$155,546.78	\$17,357.58

HOUSE DISTRICT 82

Democrat Aimy Steele, a former school principal faces **Republican Kristin Baker**, a physician who has practiced psychiatry in various settings including as a hospice medical director. Baker was appointed to replace the late Rep. Linda Johnson in March.

	
Steele	Baker
\$255,056.27	\$125,189
\$193,752.14	\$10,615.72

HOUSE DISTRICT 83

Incumbent Republican Larry Pittman is mostly known for making controversial statements, including comments that mass school shootings are a conspiracy by “Socialist Democrats” on a post misidentifying the Parkland shooting suspect. Last year he compared President Abraham Lincoln to Hitler. Pittman faces a rematch with **Democrat Gail Young**, a longtime county government employee.

	
Young	Pittman
\$173,854.04	\$36,371.77
\$155,150.23	\$19,285.82

HOUSE DISTRICT 93

Incumbent Democrat Ray Russell, a college professor who runs the popular weather blog “Ray’s Weather” that was named “Business of the Year” by the Boone Chamber in 2016, is seeking another term representing this Ashe and Watauga county district. **Republican Ray Pickett** is challenging Russell in this Ray v Ray matchup.

	
Russell	Pickett
\$169,391.11	\$11,260
\$108,437.19	\$10,275.83

HOUSE DISTRICT 98

Incumbent Democrat Christy Clark is a small business owner who is an active community leader, serving as the North Carolina Chapter Leader of Moms Demand Action. She’ll face a rematch with **Republican John Bradford** who lost to Clark in 2018.

	
Clark	Bradford
\$249,789.82	\$136,899.84
\$199,360.16	\$134,700.55

HOUSE DISTRICT 103

Incumbent Democrat Rachel Hunt, an education advocate, lawyer, and community leader who is the daughter of former four-term Governor Jim Hunt, is seeking reelection to this redrawn Mecklenburg county district. Hunt beat **Republican Bill Brawley** by fewer than 100 votes in 2018 and faces a rematch with him in 2020.

HOUSE DISTRICT 104

Incumbent Democrat Brandon Lofton is a local attorney who began his legal career at the Ferguson, Stein, Chambers law firm, the first integrated law firm in North Carolina. Lofton is seeking reelection in this Mecklenburg county district against **Republican Don Pomeroy**, a Republican fundraiser who most recently supported Dan Bishop's congressional campaign.

HOUSE DISTRICT 105

Economist and **Incumbent Democrat Wesley Harris** will seek reelection in this Mecklenburg county district. He faces **Republican Amy Bynum**, an active Mecklenburg County GOP member.

HOUSE DISTRICT 119

Incumbent Democrat Joe Sam Queen will face a fifth rematch with **Republican Mike Clampitt** in this mountain district.

 <p>Hunt</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$393,956.64</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$335,570.39</p>	 <p>Brawley</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$56,365.26</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$26,092.01</p>
 <p>Lofton</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$136,821.61</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$117,944.45</p>	 <p>Pomeroy</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$98,440.62</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$82,506.93</p>
 <p>Harris</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$91,393.66</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$45,206.13</p>	 <p>Bynum</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$21,306.63</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$6,261.54</p>
 <p>Queen</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$150,756.79</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$116,645.25</p>	 <p>Clampitt</p> <p>Amount Raised: \$8,807.63</p> <p>Cash on Hand: \$5,652.53</p>