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## Women Candidates 1992-2020:

## A Summary of Major Party Primary Candidates for U.S. Senate, U.S. House <br> U.S. Senate

Total Lost Won Primary Winners

Filed Primary Primary Incum. Chall. Open

| $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ |
| :--- |
| Total |
| Dem. |
| Rep. |
|  |
| $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ |
| Total |
| Dem. |
| Rep. |
|  |
| 2016 |


| Total | 40 | 25 | 15 |  | 3 | 8 | 4 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dem. | 27 | 16 | 11 |  | 1 | 7 | 3 |
| Rep. | 13 | 9 | 4 |  | 2 | 1 | 1 |


| 2014 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 33 | 18 | 15 |  | 4 | 4 | 7 |
| Dem. | 16 | 6 | 10 |  | 3 | 4 |  |
| Rep. | 17 | 12 | 5 |  | 1 | 1 | 3 |


| 2012 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 36 | 18 | 18 |  | 6 | 4 | 8 |
| Dem. | 20 | 8 | 12 |  | 6 | 2 | 4 |
| Rep. | 16 | 10 | 6 |  | 0 | 2 | 4 |

2010

| Total | 37 | 22 | $14^{* *}$ |  | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Dem. | 19 | 9 | 9 |  | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| Rep. | 18 | 13 | 5 |  | 0 | 2 | 3 |

2008

| Total | 13 | 6 | 7 |  | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Dem. | 7 | 3 | 4 |  | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Rep. | 6 | 3 | 3 |  | 2 | 1 | 0 |

2006

| Total | 24 | 12 | 12 |  | 6 | 5 | 1 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dem. | 16 | 8 | 8 |  | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| Rep. | 8 | 4 | 4 |  | 2 | 2 | 0 |

Total Lost Won
Filed Primary Primary Incumb Chall. Open

|  | $583^{1}$ | 286 | 297 |  | 96 | 161 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 356 | 152 | 203 |  | 85 | 91 | 27 |
| 227 | 134 | 94 |  | 11 | 70 | 13 |


| $476 * *$ | 237 | $234^{* *}$ |  | 71 | 117 | 46 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 356 | 169 | 183 |  | 54 | 95 |
| 120 | 68 | 51 |  | 17 | 22 | 13 |


| $273^{*}$ | 105 | 167 |  | 73 | 74 | 19 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 178 | 57 | 120 |  | 54 | 51 |
| 95 | 48 | 47 |  | 19 | 23 | 5 |


| 253 | 91 | 161 | 73 | 71 | 17 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 159 | 47 | 110 | 56 | 44 | 11 |
| 94 | 44 | 51 | 17 | 27 | 6 |


| 299 | 133 | 166** | 66 | 74 | 25 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 191 | 73 | 118 | 45 | 53 | 19 |
| 108 | 60 | 48 | 21 | 21 | 6 |


| $265^{*}$ | 126 | 138 |  | 70 | 54 | 14 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 135 | 44 | 91 |  | 55 | 26 |
| 130 | 82 | 47 |  | 15 | 28 | 4 |


| 219 | 84 | 134 |  | 67 | 54 | 11 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 153 | 55 | 98 |  | 50 | 37 |
| 66 | 29 | 36 |  | 17 | 17 | 2 |


| 212* | 75 | 136 | 65 | 51 | 19 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 142 | 47 | 95 | 42 | 39 | 13 |
| 70 | 28 | 41 | 23 | 12 | 6 |

## Women Candidates 1992-2020

| Total | 24 | 14 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 200 | 60 | 140 | 57 | 64 | 18 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dem. | 15 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 122 | 35 | 87 | 37 | 40 | 9 |
| Rep. | 9 | 8 | 1 | 1 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 78 | 25 | 53 | 20 | 24 | 9 |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 20 | 9 | 11 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 185 | 62 | 122 | 55 | 49 | 18 |
| Dem. | 12 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 112 | 32 | 78 | 38 | 30 | 10 |
| Rep. | 8 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 73 | 30 | 44 | 17 | 19 | 8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 14 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 169 | 46 | 123 | 52 | 55 | 16 |
| Dem. | 11 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 104 | 23 | 81 | 37 | 33 | 11 |
| Rep. | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 65 | 23 | 42 | 15 | 22 | 5 |
| 1998 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 16 | 6 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 170 | 48 | 122 | 50 | 55 | 16 |
| Dem. | 11 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 103 | 28 | 75 | 34 | 29 | 12 |
| Rep. | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 67 | 20 | 47 | 16 | 26 | 4 |
| 1996 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 22 | 13 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 216 | 97 | 121 | 40 | 65 | 15 |
| Dem. | 12 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 136 | 58 | 78 | 26 | 41 | 11 |
| Rep. | 10 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 80 | 39 | 42 | 14 | 24 | 4 |
| Ind. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | O | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1994 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 27 | 18 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 204 | 90 | 113 | 44 | 51 | 18 |
| Dem. | 14 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 115 | 41 | 73 | 34 | 29 | 10 |
| Rep. | 13 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 89 | 49 | 40 | 10 | 22 | 8 |
| 1992 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 27 | 16 | 11 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 219 | 113 | 106 | 27 | 41 | 38 |
| Dem. | 20 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 142 | 72 | 70 | 18 | 27 | 25 |
| Rep. | 7 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 77 | 41 | 36 | 9 | 14 | 13 |

*One candidate filed to run for the House in MI , but withdrew before the primary. Because her name still appeared on the ballot, she's included in the filed number but not in the winner/loser numbers.
**In 2018, 5 candidates withdrew before the primary. 2018 winner numbers include Aja Brown in CA who unofficially withdrew before the primary but won the nomination and appeared on the general election ballot and April Freeman who died after winning the primary but does not include Brenda Jones in MI who won a special election that coincided with the regular primary for a partial term (November-January) or Anya Tynio who lost the primary but was later appointed as the nominee. In 2012, 3 (2D, 1R) won primaries but then dropped put; thus there were 166 primary winners but only 163 nominees running in the general. In 2010, 1D withdrew after filing. In 2010, Lisa Murkowski is not included in primary winners because she lost the primary and won the general as a write in candidate. In $20062(1 \mathrm{D}, 1 \mathrm{R})$ women withdrew after filing.
${ }^{1}$ Filed numbers Include Nikema Williams (D) who replaced John Lewis on the General Election ballot. Because she replaced a nominee and never won a primary she is not included in the winner numbers. Filed numbers include Allison Gailbraith (D). Because her name still appeared on the ballot, she's included in the filed number but not in the winner/loser numbers.

