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### **New Record for Women U.S. House Nominees**

As of today, 243 women have secured nominations for U.S. House seats in the 2020 election, a new record high, according to the [Center for American Women and Politics](#), a division of the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers University. The previous record of 234 was set in 2018. Primary contests have yet to be held in 13 states, so this number is expected to rise.

A record 74 Republican women have already won nominations for U.S. House seats in 2020. Their previous record of 53 was set in 2004. Thus far, 169 Democratic women have won nominations for House seats in 2020, still short of their record of 182 set during the 2018 midterms.

For more information and data visualizations about the women running this year, visit CAWP's [2020 Candidate Summary](#). Full context about the 2020 elections, including candidate lists, results from previous primaries, and historical comparisons, is available via CAWP's [Election Watch](#).

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#### **About CAWP**

The [Center for American Women and Politics](#) (CAWP), a unit of the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, is nationally recognized as the leading source of scholarly research and current data about women's political participation in the United States. Its mission is to promote greater knowledge and understanding about the role of women in American politics, enhance women's influence in public life, and expand the diversity of women in politics and government. CAWP's education and outreach programs translate research findings into action, addressing women's underrepresentation in political leadership with effective, intersectional, and imaginative programs serving a variety of audiences. As the world has watched Americans considering female candidates for the nation's highest offices, CAWP's five decades of analyzing and interpreting women's participation in American politics have provided a foundation and context for the discussion.