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New Record for Women Senate Candidates

A record 57 women have filed to run for U.S. Senate offices in the 2020 elections, according to data from the [Center for American Women and Politics](#) (CAWP), a unit of the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers University. The previous record of 53 women Senate candidates was set during the historic 2018 midterms. Democratic women have beaten their prior record of 31, with 35 women running in Senate races this year, and Republican women have tied their former high of 22; both of these previous party records were set in 2018. In six states, filing data has either not yet been reported or filing deadlines have yet to pass, so these record margins are likely to increase.

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](#).

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.