

Political Intelligence and Analysis

MOScout's First Look House 2022 Battleground Districts

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Overview

This report is my first attempt to collect information on the 27 House districts which appear most competitive based for the upcoming election cycle. The safest of these districts for Republicans is House 10 which has a Republican voting index of 52.7%. Similarly, the safest Democratic district is House 93 with a Democratic voting index of 52.6%. Several of these districts in these reports are true 50-50 districts, but all could flip depending on the candidate, campaign, and political environment.

I have written an early forecast for each district ("the early line"). These will certainly change as more information becomes available and with the rollout of candidates and campaigns.

The early line is based on three factors: historic voting index, bias for incumbents, and a bias for Republicans (due to it being a midterm election with a Democrat being in the White House).

My early forecast has Republicans winning 15 of these 27 districts. That give me an overall 2022 forecast starting with Dems +1 in the House.

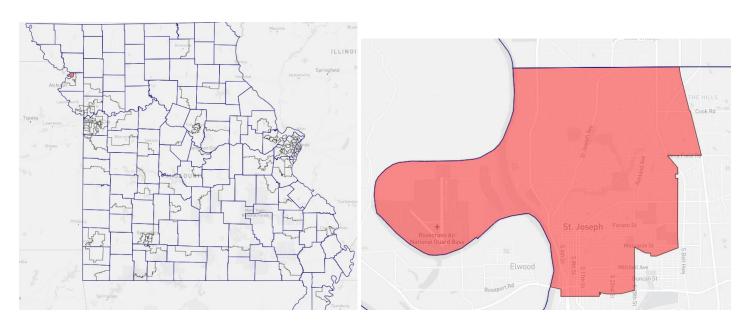
Later this month, when candidate filing opens, we'll have a better idea how some of these races are shaping up. So while this report is a bit skeletal right now, but I expect to do periodic revisions and additions to this document as the cycle continues.

As always, your feedback is very welcome (<u>dave@moscout.com</u> or 314-255-5210) Thanks!

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All the information contained in this reference guide has been obtained by sources believed to be reliable, but there is no guarantee of such, and you are urged to verify the information for yourself. Forecasts of races will change. Please consult Daily Updates for most current information.

County: Buchanan. Cities: St. Joseph.



Voting Age Pop 2020	
White	80.1%
Black	8.3%
Hispanic	6.5%
Other	5%

Partisan Vote % Democratic 43.1% Republican 52.7% Other 4.2%

<u>Incumbent</u>

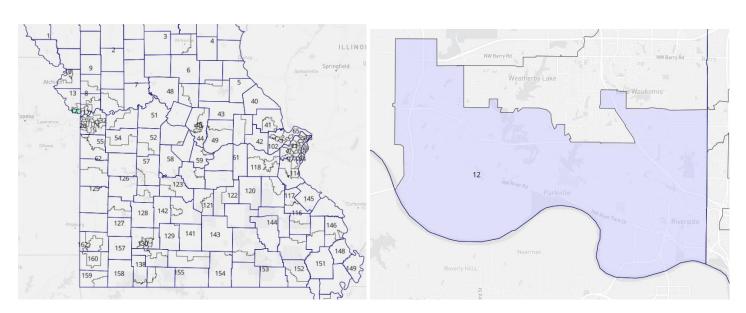
Republican Rep. Mike Falkner.



<u>House bio</u>: "Previously, he owned and operated Falkner Plumbing for more than 30 years. He served as the mayor of St. Joseph for 8 years from 2010 - 2018."

Early Line: **Republican Hold.** May be more competitive after Falkner is term-limited in four years.

County: Platte.
Cities: Parkville.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	76.6%
Black	9.8%
Hispanic	6.1%
Asian	3.5%
Other	4%

Partisan Vote %

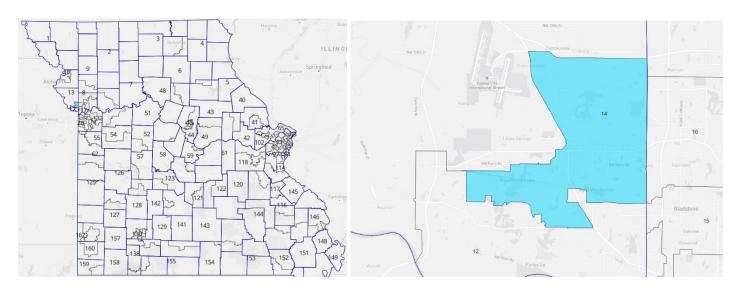
Democratic	48.9%
Republican	47.6%
Other	3.5%

<u>Incumbent</u>

This is an open seat.

Early Line: **Toss-up district.** But I'll put it in the R column as a starter based on the political environment favoring Republicans this year.

County: Platte.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	76.0%
Black	9.8%
Hispanic	6.5%
Asian	4.0%
Other	3.7%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic	50.4%
Republican	46.4%
Other	3.3%

<u>Incumbent</u>

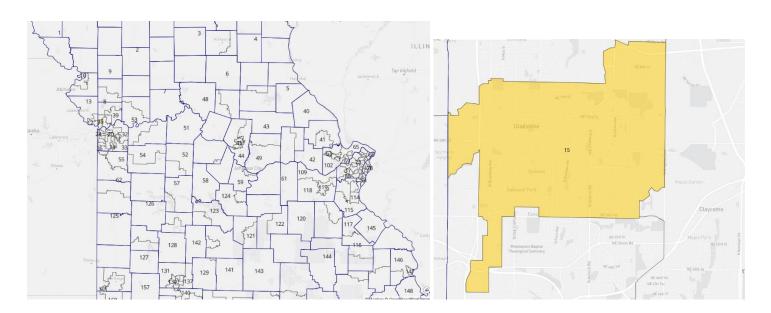
Democratic Rep. Ashley Aune.



<u>House bio</u>: "In addition to her legislative duties, Aune is the owner of Propel Creative Studio – a marketing agency in Kansas City."

Early Line: **Democratic hold.**

County: Clay. Cities: Gladstone.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	75.4%
Black	9.7%
Hispanic	7.4%
Asian	3.4%
Other	4.1%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic	51.6%
Republican	44.6%
Other	3.8%

<u>Incumbent</u>

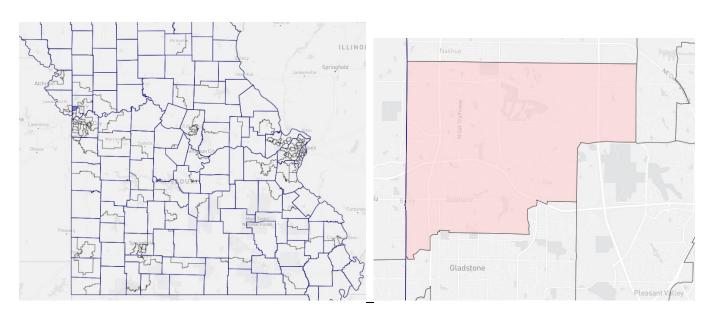
Democratic Rep. Maggie Nurrenberg



<u>House bio</u>: "Prior to her legislative duties, Nurrenbern taught at North Kansas City High School and at University Academy."

Early Line: Democratic Hold.

County: Clay. Cities: Gashland.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	77.4%
Black	9.0%
Hispanic	6.9%
Asian	3.5%
Other	3.2%

Partisan Vote %

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Incumbent

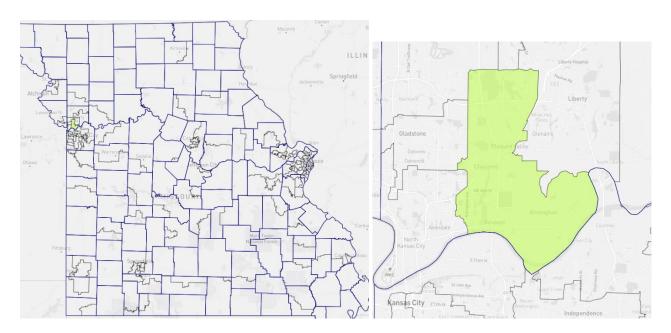
Republican Rep. Chris Brown.



<u>House bio</u>: "Prior to serving in the legislature, Brown taught Advanced Placement Government, Politics and United States History for 32 years in the North Kansas City School District."

Early Line: Republican Hold.

County: Clay. Cities: Claycomo.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	74.3%
Black	10.3%
Hispanic	8.1%
Asian	3.5%
Other	3.8%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic	50.0%
Republican	46.1%
Other	3.9%

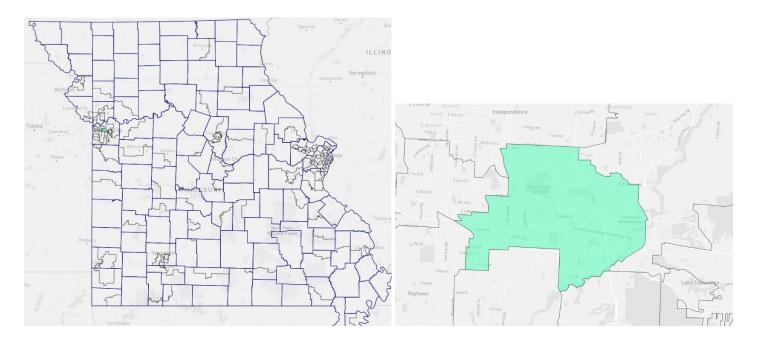
Incumbent

No incumbent, open seat.

Early Line: Democrats favored.

County: Jackson.

Cities:.



Voting Age Pop 2020		
White	75.3%	
Black	9.7%	
Hispanic	8.9%	
Other	5.4%	

Partisan Vote %		
Democratic	48.0%	
Republican	48.1%	

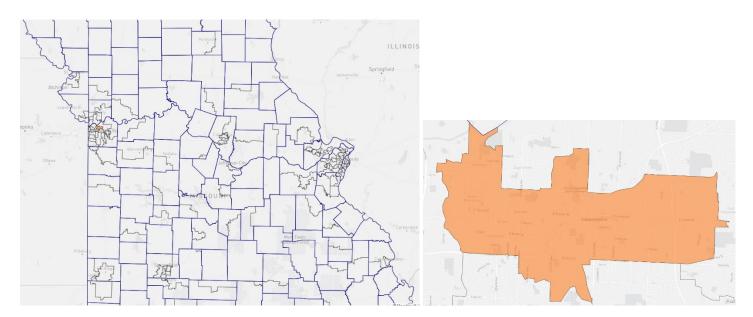
Other 4.0%

Incumbent

No incumbent, open seat.

Early Line: **Republicans favored.** Trump did well in this district, giving confidence that Republicans can hold with the right candidate.

County: Jackson. Cities: Independence.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White 71.5% Hispanic 11.9% Black 9.8% Other 5.8%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic 48.2% Republican 46.4% Other 5.3%

<u>Incumbent</u>

Democratic candidate: Rep. Robert Sauls.

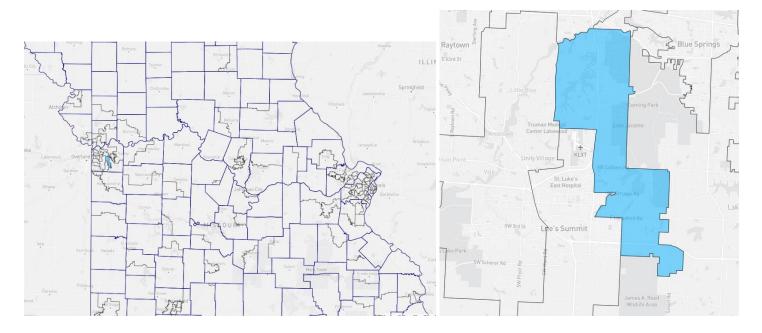


<u>House bio</u>: "Prior to his legislative duties, Sauls was a Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney and a public defender."

Early Line: **Democratic Hold.**

County: Jackson.

Cities:



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	81.4%
Black	8.3%
Hispanic	4.1%
Asian	3.3%
Other	2.9%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic	45.5%
Republican	51.5%
Other	3.0%

<u>Incumbent</u>

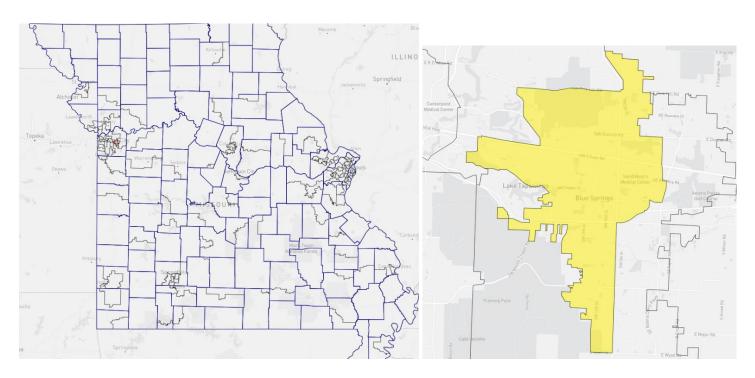
Republican Rep. Jonathan Patterson.



House bio: "He is currently a private practice general surgeon with United Surgical Associates of Kansas City."

Early Line: Republican Hold.

County: Jackson. Cities: Blue Springs.



Voting	Age	Pop	2020
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Partisan Vote %

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Incumbent

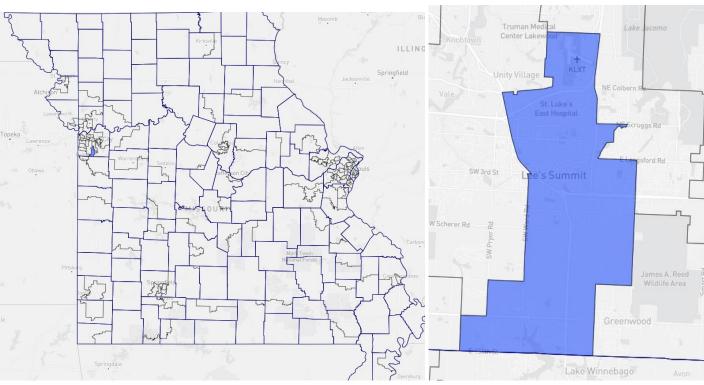
Republican candidate Rep. Dan Stacy



House bio: "In addition to his legislative duties, Rep. Stacy is a Legalshield Independent Associate."

Early Line: Solid **Republican hold** for now, but could be interesting in a different year and after Stacy is termed.

County: Jackson. Cities: Lee's Summit.



Voting	Age Po	p 2020

White	77.3%
Black	11.1%
Hispanic	5.2%
Native	3.1%
Other	3.3%

Partisan Vote %

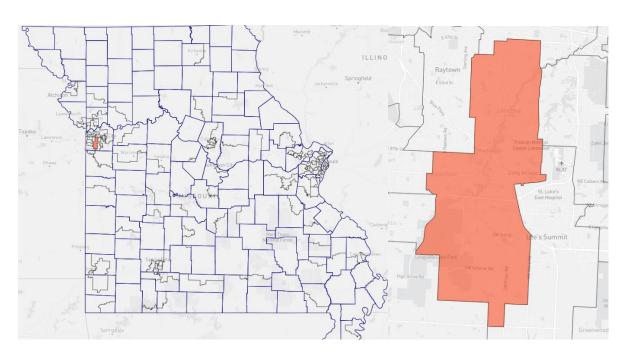
Democratic 48.0% Republican 48.7% Other 3.4%

<u>Incumbent</u>

No incumbent, open seat.

Early Line: **Toss-up district.** This is the suburban type district that Dems have been trying to win over in past cycles. I'll start as a Republican slight favor.

County: Jackson. Cities: Lee's Summit



Voting Age	e Pop 2020
White	71.6%
Black	19.1%
Hispanic	4.0%
Other	5.3%

Partisan Vote %
Democratic 52.5%
Republican 44.8%
Other 2.7%

<u>Incumbent</u> Democratic Rep. Keri Ingle

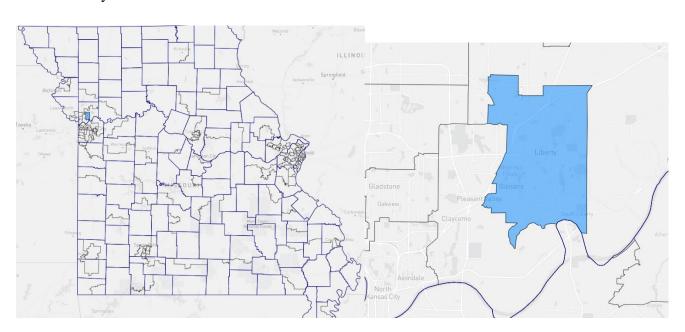


<u>House bio</u>: "Rep. Ingle has worked in child welfare as the adoption specialist for the Jackson County Children's Division, as well as in schools, hospitals, and mental health facilities."

Republican candidate:

Early Line: **Democratic Hold.**

County: Clay. Cities: Liberty.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	84.8%
Black	5.3%
Hispanic	4.5%
Other	5.4%

Partisan Vote %

44.9%
51.5%
3.6%

<u>Incumbent</u>

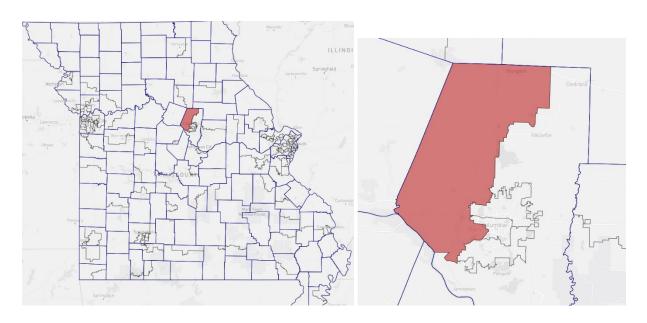
Democratic Rep. Mark Ellebracht.



House bio: "Rep. Ellebracht is an attorney."

Early Line: **Democratic Hold.** This is based on Ellebracht being an incumbent and a good fundraiser. Rs will make a run at this seat.

County: Boone Cities: Harrisburg



Voting Age Pop 2020

White 84.0%
Black 5.6%
Asian 4.4%
Other 6%

Partisan Vote %

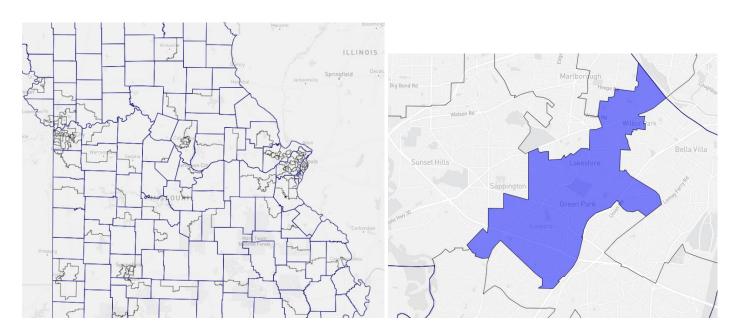
Democratic 49.9% Republican 46.8% Other 3.3%

<u>Incumbent</u>

Open seat, Chuck Basye termed.

Early Line: **Democratic pick-up.**

County: St. Louis. Cities: Green Park.



Voting	Age	Pop	2020
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White	88.9%
Asian	3.7%
Black	2.5%
Other	4.9%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic	50.2%
Republican	46.8%
Other	3.0%

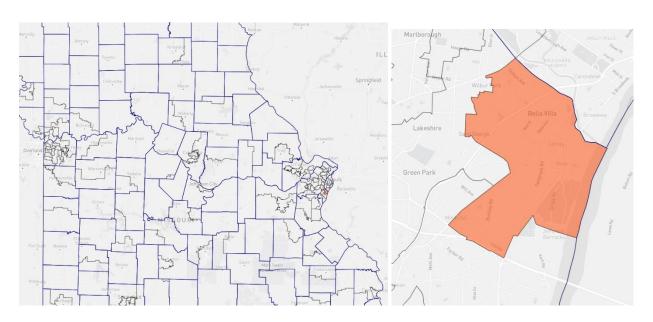
Incumbent

Democratic Rep. Michael Burton.



Early Line: Democratic Hold. But one to watch depending on the Republican recruit.

County: St. Louis. Cities: Bella Villa.



voting	Age Pop 2020
White	83.4%

Asian 5.6% Black 4.4% Hispanic 3.6% Other

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Partisan Vote %

Democratic 52.6% Republican 43.7% Other 3.7%

Incumbent

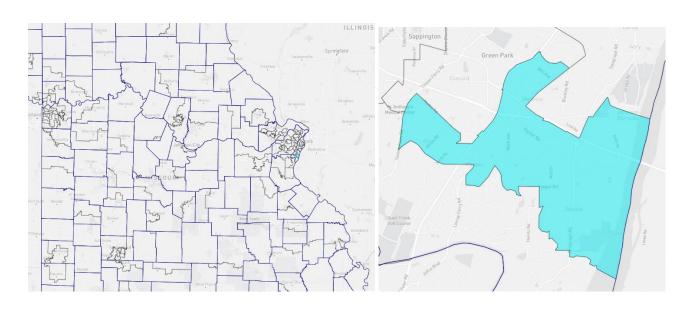
Democratic Rep. Bridget Walsh Moore.



House bio: "Moore worked in a manufacturing and customs brokerage, and she is a founding member of the North Broadway Business Development Association."

Early Line: **Democratic Hold.**

County: St. Louis Cities: Oakville



Voting Ag	e Pop 2020
White	88.5%
Black	3.7%
Asian	2.8%
Other	5%

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45.2%
52.0%
2.7%

Candidates

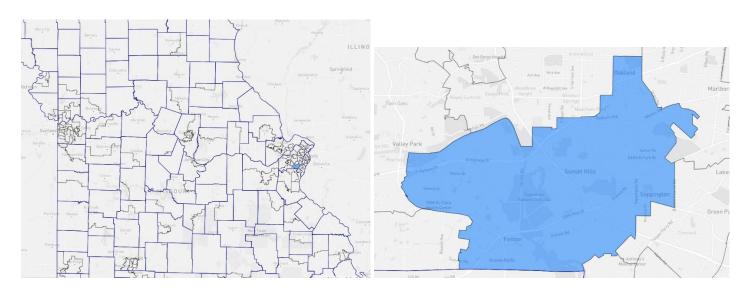
Republican Rep. Jim Murphy.



House bio: "In addition to his legislative duties, Murphy is the owner and operator of Shoppers Rule, Inc."

Early Line: Republican Hold. Murphy has proven hard to beat, and this district tilts GOP.

County: St. Louis. Cities: Sunset Hills.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	90.5%
Asian	3.2%
Hispanic	2.1%
Other	4.2%

Partisan Vote %

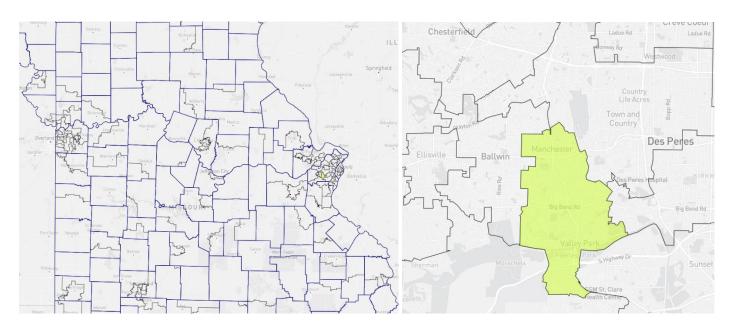
Democratic	47.3%
Republican	50.0%
Other	2.6%

<u>Incumbent</u>

No incumbent. David Gregory running for Auditor.

Early Line: Republican Hold. Republican candidate Brad Crist has a big fundraising start.

County: St. Louis Cities: Valley Park



Voting Age Pop 2020		
White	82.0%	
Asian	8.2%	
Black	3.9%	
Hispanic	3.5%	
Other	2.4%	

Partisan Vote %

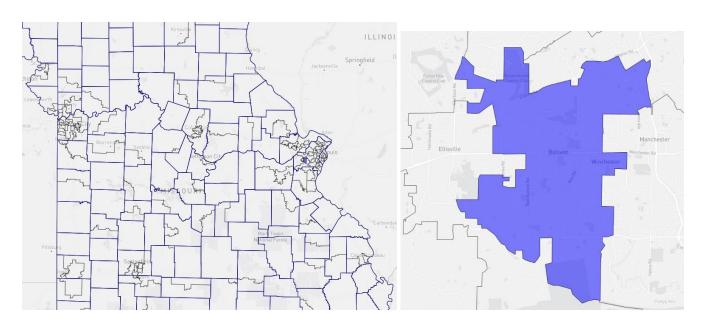
Democratic	49.0%
Republican	48.0%
Other	3.0%

<u>Incumbent</u>

No incumbent, Rep. Trish Gunby is running for Congress

Early Line: **Toss-up**, but I'd guess that Dems will hold. Especially if a scenario would unfold where Gunby pivots back to running for House and defending this district.

County: St. Louis. Cities: Ballwin.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	82.5%
Asian	9.2%
Black	3.3%
Other	5%

Partisan Vote %

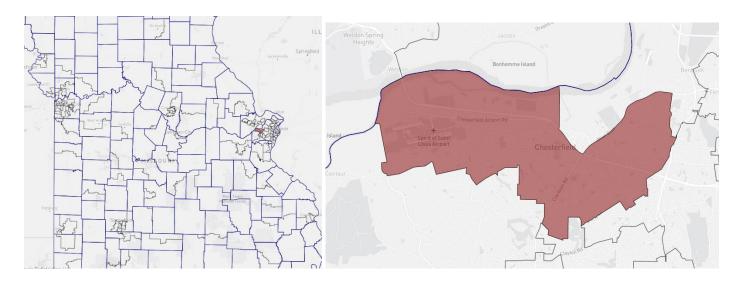
Democratic	45.9%
Republican	51.3%
Other	2.7%

Candidates

No incumbent. Shamed Dogan termed and running for County Executive.

Early Line: Republican Hold.

County: St. Louis. Cities: Chesterfield.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	78.7%
Asian	13.7%
Hispanic	3.0%
Other	4.6%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic	45.7%
Republican	52.4%
Other	1.9%

Incumbent

Republican Rep. Derek Grier.

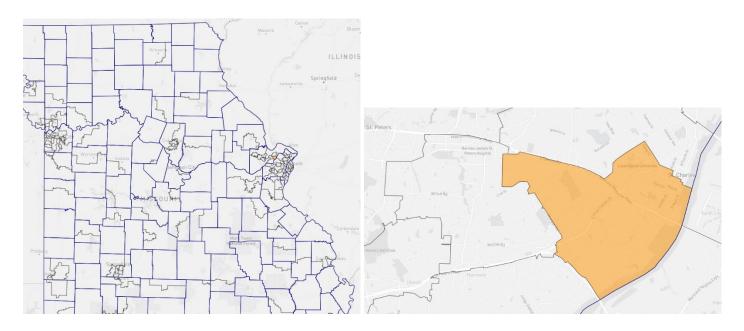


<u>House bio</u>: "In addition to his legislative responsibilities, Rep. Grier owns and operates a small business in the St. Louis region, Grier Realty Group, which focused on commercial and residential brokerage, property management and consulting."

Early Line: **Republican Hold.** This was teed up as a potential GOP death match between Grier and Bruce DeGroot, but I understand that DeGroot is moving to a different district.

County: St. Charles.

Cities:



Voting	Age	Pop	2020

White 76.1%
Black 9.9%
Hispanic 6.1%
Asian 5.1%
Other 2.8%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic 47.8% Republican 48.5% Other 3.7%

<u>Incumbent</u>

Republican Rep. Adam Schwadron

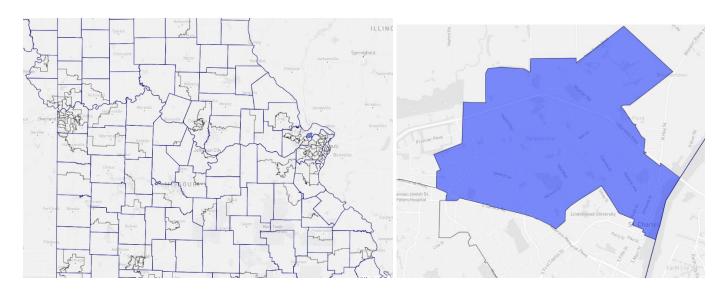


House bio: "In addition to his legislative duties, Schwadron is the owner/operator of Clean Carpet Company."

Early Line: Republican Hold.

County: St. Charles

Cities:



Voting	Age	Pon	2020
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White 85.2% Black 6.3% Hispanic 3.7% Other 4.8%

Partisan Vote %

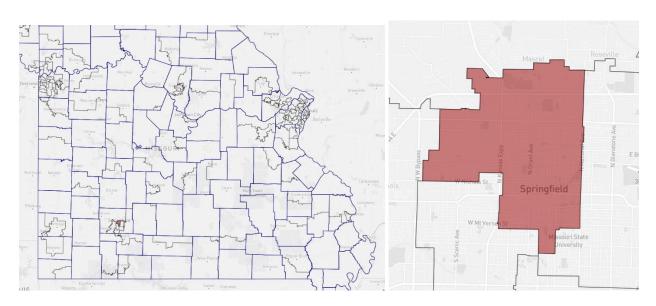
Democratic 46.0% Republican 50.6% Other 3.3%

<u>Incumbent</u>

Open seat. This district was occupied by the late Tom Hannegan.

Early Line: Republican hold. But it will matter who the candidates are.

County: Greene Cities: Springfield.



Voting Age Pop 2020

White	79.0%
Black	8.3%
Hispanic	4.9%
Native	4.6%
Other	3.2%

Partisan Vote %

Democratic	49.8%
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Other	4.7%

Incumbent

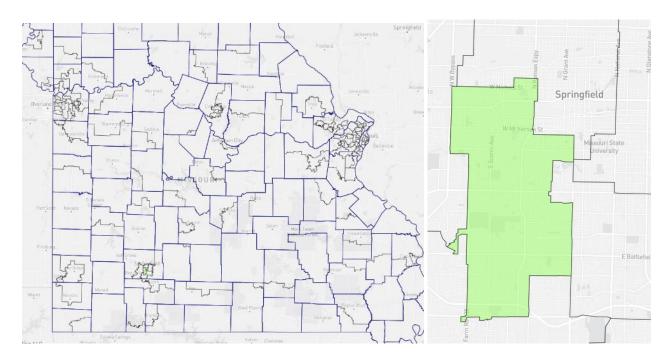
Democratic Rep. Crystal Quade.



<u>House bio</u>: "Quade currently serves as a Board Member for Better Life in Recovery and is a member of the League of Women Voters of Southwest Missouri. She also works with the Springfield, MO Community Focus Report, Civic Engagement Team."

Early Line: **Democratic hold.**

County: Greene Cities: Springfield.



Voting Age Pop 2020		
White	79.5%	
Hispanic	6.6%	
Black	6.3%	
Native	4.2%	

Partisan Vote %
Democratic 46.1%
Republican 49.1%
Other 4.8%

<u>Incumbent</u> Republican Rep. Alex Riley

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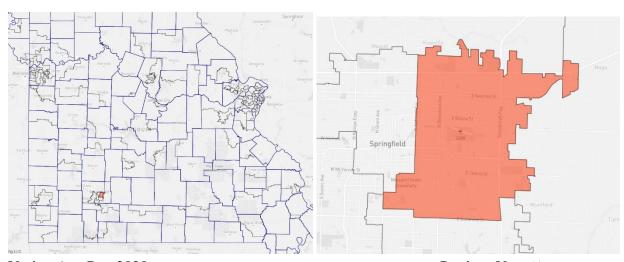


Other

House bio: In addition to his legislative duties, Riley is an attorney with McAfee & Taft, P.C.

Early Line: Republican hold.

County: Greene. Cities: Springfield.



Voting Age	<u>e Pop 2020</u>
White	81.2%
Black	6.5%
Hispanic	5.1%
Native	4.0%
Other	3.2%

Partisan Vote	<u>%</u>
Democratic	49.4%
Republican	46.0%
Other	4.6%

Incumbent

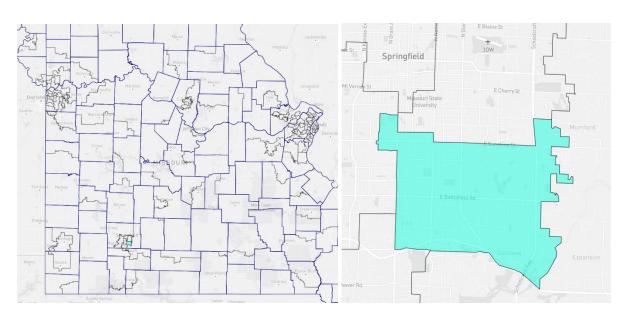
Democratic Rep. Betsy Fogle.



<u>House bio</u>: Prior to serving in the legislature, Fogle spent her career in public health while serving as the Director of Program Advancement for Jordan Valley Community Health Center.

Early Line: **Democratic hold.**

County: Greene. Cities: Springfield.



Voting Age	Pop 2020
White	84.5%
Hispanic	4.3%
Black	3.8%
Asian	3.6%
Other	3.8%

Partisan Vote %Democratic45.7%Republican50.4%Other3.9%

Incumbent

Republican Rep. Craig Fishel.



<u>House bio</u>: "In addition to his legislative duties, Fishel is a small business owner. He has owned and operated Fishel Pools for more than 42 years."

Early Line: Republican hold.