2018 Midterm Results: Was 2018 a “Year of the Woman?”
Depends on Where You Look

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US SENATE

Record number of women ran in primaries:
53 (beat old record of 40 in 2016)

Record number of women won primaries:
23 (beat old record of 18 in 2016)

Record number of women who won the general:
12 (10 D, 2 R)

Record number of women serving in Senate:
25 (17 D, 8R, with 4 women of color)

Net gain of 3 (average increase is 1 each cycle)

Source: Center for American Women and Politics

First Hispanic Woman:
Catherine Cortez-Masto (D-NV)

First Multi-Racial Woman:
Kamala Harris (D-CA)

Two Asian-Pacific Islanders:
Tammy Duckworth (D-IL)
Mazie Hirono (D-HI)
Record number of women ran in primaries:
476 (old record of 298 in 2012)

Record number of women won primaries:
235 (old record of 167 in 2016)

Record number of women who won the general (out of 435):
102 (89D, 13R) (old record of 85 in 2016) (36 new women)

Net gain of 17 (average increase is 2 – 3 each cycle)

Source: Center for American Women and Politics
WOMEN WINNERS FOR U.S. HOUSE SEATS: 1976-2018

NUMBER OF WINNERS BY MAJOR PARTY

Source: http://www.cawp.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/resources/congwin_byparty.pdf
New female House members (darker colors) are more liberal than the female incumbents.

Ohio’s Congressional Delegation

US Senate: 1 woman ran in Republican primary (came in 3rd).
Ohio one of 18 states that have never sent a woman to the US Senate.

US House (16 seats):
Record number of women ran in primaries: 17 (old record of 16 in 2006)
Record number of women won primaries: 11 (10 D, 1 R) (old record of 9 in 2006)
No gain in the number of women who won the general: 3 = 3 Democratic female incumbents (same as 2016)

Source: Center for Women and Politics of Ohio
Ohio will have no women in state-wide office in 2019.
(Mary Taylor had held the position of Lt. Gov)
Only 9 women have served in state-wide office in the state’s history.

Governor & Lt Gov: 4 women initially announced they were running
  The 3 Democrats dropped out (Betty Sutton became Lt Gov with Richard Cordray)
  Mary Taylor (R) lost the Republican primary

Other 4 state-wide offices (AG, Sec of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer):
  1 woman ran in the general election for Sec of State (Kathlene Clyde, D)
  She lost.

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<td><strong>Total women in state senate = 7</strong></td>
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<td><strong>STATE HOUSE (99 districts)</strong></td>
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https://www.bw.edu/centers/women-and-politics-of-ohio/