



C-SPAN ELECTION NIGHT 2026

20 HOURS STRAIGHT.

RESULTS FROM ACROSS AMERICA.

VICTORY AND CONCESSION SPEECHES.

NO COMMERCIALS.

NO PARTISAN PUNDITS ON C-SPAN's FLAGSHIP COVERAGE.

DEMOCRACY UNFILTERED.

WASHINGTON, DC (October 19, 2026) — When Americans go to the polls on November 3, C-SPAN will be there to bring viewers the election results, the candidates' reactions, analysis, and the voices of voters across the country — live, uninterrupted, and without partisan commentary.

Beginning at 4 p.m. ET on Election Night, C-SPAN will deliver at least 20 continuous hours of live, commercial-free coverage, following the races that will determine control of Congress and governorships across the country.

While other networks turn to partisan panels, predictions, and political debate, C-SPAN's original programming will focus on the election itself: comprehensive election results, victory and concession speeches, LIVE coverage from more than 30 locations across the country, and firsthand accounts from the battleground states where the balance of power will be decided.

No commercials. No partisan pundits during the flagship C-SPAN production. Just democracy, unfiltered.

ELECTION NIGHT HIGHLIGHTS

- 20+ hours of continuous, live, commercial-free coverage, beginning Tuesday, November 3, at 4 p.m. ET and continuing into Wednesday.
- Victory and concession speeches from candidates in the nation's most consequential Senate, House, and gubernatorial races — from Maine to Alaska.
- Comprehensive election results from competitive races nationwide, with live updates on C-SPAN's Democracy Dashboard.
- LIVE coverage and reports from more than 30 locations, featuring C-SPAN cameras across the country plus cameras from our Spectrum News partners.
- Expert, nonpartisan election analysis in C-SPAN original production explaining the results, key races, and what they mean for the balance of power in Washington.
- Two YouTube Creators, two political perspectives, with progressive and conservative creators bringing their election-night livestreams to C-SPAN2 and C-SPAN3.
- No commercials and no partisan pundits on C-SPAN's flagship election-night coverage, allowing viewers to follow the results and speeches.
- C-SPAN's Election Night coverage will also be available on C-SPAN.org, featuring live video, complete speeches, and interactive election results and maps powered by the Associated Press.

THE RESULTS. THE SPEECHES. THE WHOLE STORY.

At the center of C-SPAN's Election Night coverage will be its Democracy Dashboard, delivering real-time election returns, detailed race-by-race results, and an ongoing picture of the battle for control of Congress.

Jacob Rubashkin, deputy editor of the nonpartisan *Inside Elections*, and C-SPAN's veteran congressional expert John McArdle will guide viewers through the returns, explaining key developments and shifts in the balance of power.

They'll be joined throughout the night by leading political journalists, including Kirk Bado, Nicholas Anastácio, Erika Filter, and Abby Turner of *National Journal's Hotline*, and Erin Covey and Jessica Taylor of *The Cook Political Report*.

C-SPAN hosts Greta Brawner, Pedro Echevarria, Mimi Geerges, and Peter Slen will anchor the 20 hours of coverage, connecting viewers with election experts, reporters, and live events across the country.

Unlike traditional election-night broadcasts, C-SPAN will bring viewers directly to the most important speeches and moments as they unfold, giving Americans the opportunity to hear from the candidates themselves, unfiltered and without unnecessary interruption.

LIVE FROM AMERICA'S BATTLEGROUND

The coverage will feature journalists from C-SPAN's groundbreaking *Road to the Capitol: Candidate Coverage from the Trail* initiative, which has embedded multimedia journalists in key battleground regions throughout the 2026 campaign.

For months, these reporters have followed the candidates, covered their campaigns, and brought Americans direct access to the races shaping the future of Congress and state governments. On Election Night, they'll be there as those campaigns reach their conclusion.

The initiative was made possible through generous support from national philanthropic foundations.

Also, deploying C-SPAN's own cameras and working with our partners at Spectrum News, the network will provide LIVE coverage and reports from more than 30 locations across the country, spanning nearly every U.S. time zone.

From closely contested Senate races to pivotal House districts and governors' contests, viewers will see developments firsthand from campaign headquarters, election-night gatherings, and communities where the balance of power is being decided.

TWO YOUTUBE CREATORS. TWO PERSPECTIVES. ONE ELECTION NIGHT.

In an exciting new collaboration, C-SPAN will bring the energy, insights, and perspectives of two prominent YouTube Creators to its television audiences on Election Night.

C-SPAN Networks will simulcast the election-night YouTube livestreams of TYT featuring The Young Turks Cenk Uygur, Ana Kasparian, and John Iadarola (LIVE on C-SPAN2); and of Patrick Bet-David, host of the PBD Podcast and founder of the Valuetainment Streaming Network (LIVE on C-SPAN3). Representing different ends of the political spectrum, these programs will offer their own takes on the results, reactions, and developments throughout the night, bringing fresh perspectives to C-SPAN's election coverage.

The simultaneous broadcasts will give viewers a unique opportunity to experience Election Night through different political lenses, while C-SPAN's flagship network continues its traditional nonpartisan, unfiltered coverage of results and candidate speeches.

The collaboration also reflects C-SPAN's growing engagement with YouTube Creators and its commitment to reaching new audiences and presenting a broad range of political viewpoints.

About C-SPAN

C-SPAN, the private nonprofit public affairs media organization providing Americans with unfiltered access to government proceedings, was created in 1979 as a public service by the cable television industry. C-SPAN receives no government funding and is supported primarily through license fees paid by the cable, satellite and streaming companies that distribute the C-SPAN Networks, complemented by a growing program of philanthropic support from foundations, individual donors and others committed to sustaining C-SPAN's public-service mission for the future. C-SPAN connects with millions of Americans through its three commercial-free TV networks, C-SPAN Radio, C-SPAN podcasts, the C-SPAN Now app, a connected-TV streaming app C-SPAN Select, C-SPAN.org and various social media platforms. The C-SPAN Networks' video-rich website contains over 300,000 hours of searchable and shareable content. Engage with C-SPAN on X, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Threads, and YouTube, and stay connected through weekly and daily newsletters.