



THIRD WAY



NORTH CAROLINA



Election Day: November 8 | Early Voting until November 8
Elections for U.S. Senate, U.S. House, and other local elections

The November 8th midterm election marks the first time people across the United States have an opportunity to stand up for reproductive freedom following the landmark Supreme Court decision overturning the 50-year abortion rights precedent set by Roe v. Wade. Abortion is quite literally on the ballot and this fact sheet aims to inform voters about what is at stake in North Carolina.

North Carolina Government Make Up



Governor

Roy Cooper (D)
Elected in 2016



Attorney General

Josh Stein (D)
Elected in 2016



Legislature

State Senate
28 Republicans | 22 Democrats
State Assembly
69 Republicans | 51 Democrats

Current State of Abortion in North Carolina

Abortion in North Carolina is currently illegal after 20-weeks of pregnancy. After the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Org. decision, the state's 20-week law was reinstated by the U.S. district court judge who issued an injunction on the ban in 2019. North Carolina's Gov. Cooper issued an executive order prohibiting state officials from cooperating with out-of-state investigations of reproductive health care that is legal in North Carolina. While Gov. Cooper is protective of North Carolinian's right to choose, abortion remains a national issue that is threatened by the United States Congress.

North Carolina Senate Candidates on Reproductive Rights

Democrats this election cycle are talking about protecting a person's reproductive rights, and Republicans want to criminalize reproductive choice and prevent access to care.

"Abortion is supported by the majority of North Carolinians and the majority of Americans, and we need to be responsive and respect that constitutional right, and the Senate really must codify

Roe v. Wade."
- Democratic Senate Nominee
Cheri Beasley



"I'm pro-life, and I have been long before politics, and I've always been about supporting life."

- Republican Senate Nominee
Rep. Ted Budd

Pro-Choice Candidates

U.S. House:

- Ross (NC-02)
- Foushee (NC-04)
- Manning (NC-06)
- Beach-Ferrara (NC-11)
- Adams (NC-12)
- Nickel (NC-13)
- Jackson (NC-14)

U.S. Senate

- Cheri Beasley

These candidates have been endorsed by reproductive rights groups such as NARAL and Planned Parenthood. This list is not inclusive of all pro-choice candidates in the state.

Sources: "2022 Planned Parenthood Action Fund Endorsed Candidates."

<https://www.plannedparenthoodaction.org/issues/act/2022-endorsements>. | "NARAL's Election Endorsements." NARAL Pro-Choice America. <https://www.prochoiceamerica.org/elections/endorsements-2/>. | "State legislation tracker." (2021, October 4). Guttmacher Institute. <https://www.guttmacher.org/state-policy>. | @CheriBeasleyNC. "My opponent Ted Budd will champion a nationwide abortion ban if he's elected to the Senate. We cannot let that happen." Twitter, 14 Sept. 2022, <https://twitter.com/CheriBeasleyNC/status/1570153654015131648>. | Duncan, Charles. "Beasley-Budd debate: Senate candidates tackle inflation, abortion, immigration." Spectrum News 1, 8 Oct. 2022, <https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nc/charlotte/politics/2022/10/08/beasley-budd-debate--senate-candidates-tackle-inflation--abortion--immigration>.