



# POLITY WATCH '96

## THE NOVEMBER 1995 OFF-YEAR ELECTIONS: FEW STRAWS IN THE WIND

*The Democrats elect a governor in Kentucky and hold on, just barely, in the Virginia Assembly.*

*The Republicans hold on easily to their New Jersey legislative majority, and elect governors in Mississippi and Louisiana.*

New Jersey State Legislature	Lower House only (80 seats)	
	Democrats (# of seats)	Republicans (# of seats)
1995	30	50
1993	27	53

Virginia State Legislature	Upper House (40 seats)		Lower House (100 seats)	
	Democrats (# of seats)	Republicans (# of seats)	Democrats (# of seats)	Republicans (# of seats)
1995	20	20	52	47
1993	22	18	52	47

Kentucky Governor's Race 1995	Votes	Percent	Last Kentucky Governor's Race 1991		
			Votes	Percent	
Lt. Gov. Paul Patton (D)	500,522	51%	Bereton C. Jones (D)	540,468	65%
Larry Forgy (R)	478,644	49%	Larry J. Hopkins (R)	294,452	35%

  

Mississippi Governor's Race 1995	Votes	Percent	Last Mississippi Governor's Race 1991		
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Kirk Fordice (R)	448,830	56%	Kirk Fordice (R)	361,500	51%
Dick Molpus (D)	357,352	44%	Ray Mabus (D)	338,435	47%
			Shawn O'Hara (I)	11,253	2%

  

Louisiana Governor's Race 1995	First Ballot		Run-off Election 1995	Votes	Percent
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Mike Foster (R)	383,301	26%	Mike Foster (R)	983,690	63%
Cleo Fields (D)	279,219	19%	Cleo Fields (D)	566,200	37%
Mary Landrieu (D)	271,774	18%			
Buddy Roemer (R)	262,026	18%			
All Others	276,663	19%			

  

Last Louisiana Governor's Race 1991	First Ballot		Run-off Election 1991	Votes	Percent
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Edwin W. Edwards (D)	520,010	34%	Edwin W. Edwards (D)	1,057,088	61%
David Duke (R)	489,776	32%	David Duke (R)	666,393	39%
Buddy Roemer (R)	412,083	27%			
All Others	125,440	8%			