

Election 2020

New Yorker Radio Hour
Election Matrix Game





Matrix game procedures

1. Current player announces an **ACTION** and its intended **EFFECT**.
2. All players discuss whether the **ACTION** would be successful, and why or why not.
3. After discussion, all participants are polled as to the probability of success.
4. The outcome of the **ACTION** is determined by rolling a ten-sided die. Very low or high results may indicate spectacular success or failure.



Polling

A **Zoom poll** will be used to ask you to assess the chances that an action will succeed.

- None (0%)
- Very unlikely (10%)
- Unlikely (30%)
- Even chance (50%)
- Likely (70%)
- Very Likely (90%)
- Certainly (100%)



Sequence of play

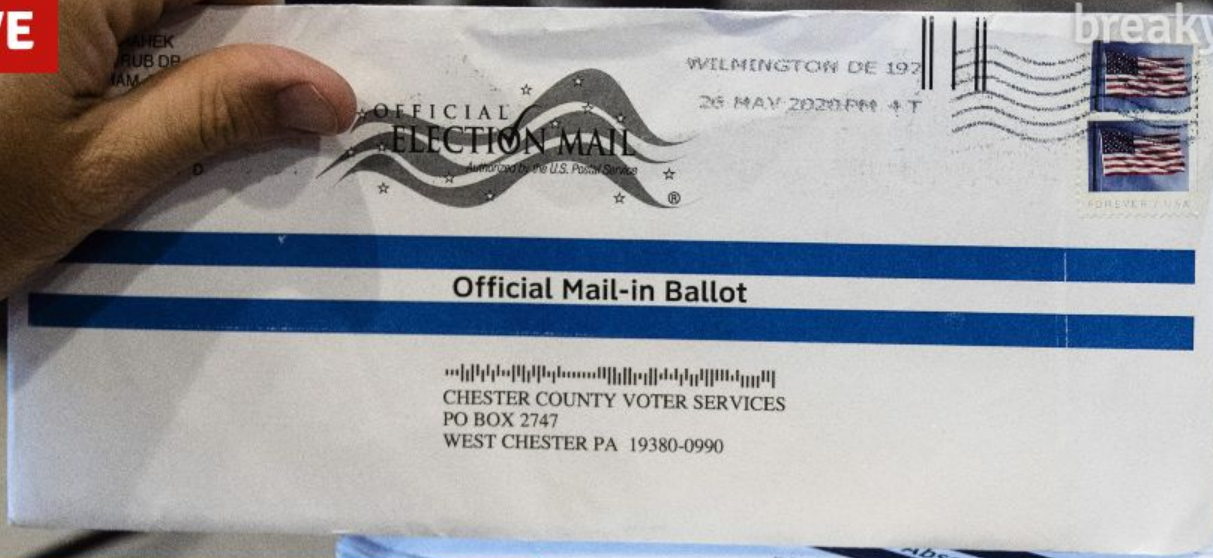
1. Trump Campaign
2. Biden Campaign
3. Extra-Establishment Right
4. Extra-Establishment Left
5. Establishment Republicans
6. Establishment Democrats
7. Other actors (courts, military - optional)



Players may freely communicate and swap turn sequences if they wish.

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US ELECTION TOO CLOSE TO CALL

11:14

PENNSYLVANIA HANGS IN THE BALANCE AS ABSENTEE BALLOTS COUNTED

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MISSING MAIL

11:26

INVESTIGATION FAILS TO DAMPEN RUMOURS

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HEADED TO THE COURTS?

16:53

INTENSE LEGAL BATTLES EXPECTED OVER VOTE COUNT

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STAND BY YOUR MAN?

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SUPPORTERS SAY "WE'RE READY FOR WHATEVER THE PRESIDENT ASKS"



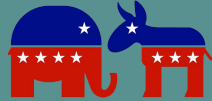


Wednesday

November 4



Vote Tracker: November 4



Pennsylvania

**TRUMP
PENCE**
MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!
2020

2,380,733

**BIDEN
HARRIS**

2,340,456

To be counted

1,747,000

Pennsylvania

National

**TRUMP
PENCE**
MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!
2020

45,984,828

**BIDEN
HARRIS**

45,853,514

To be counted

22,000,561

National

Biden 259

259 Trump

183

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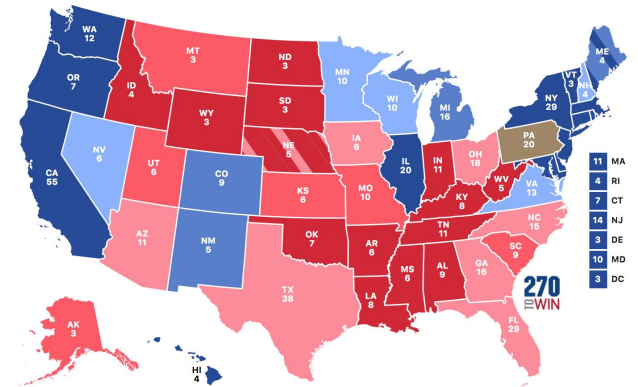
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134

37

88





Headlines: November 4



Light a candle for Democracy

Post office rallies continue for fourth night



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Democrats Could Use “Fake Ballots” to Challenge the President’s Win.



@RealDonaldTrump REELECTED! America LOVES A WINNER!

@JackPosobiec Has anybody asked Hunter Biden where the mail trucks are?

@JoyAnnReid Armed “poll watchers” reported in Allegheny, Bucks and Chester Counties. All three went for Hillary in 2016. Do we think this is a coincidence?

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December 14: Electoral College votes

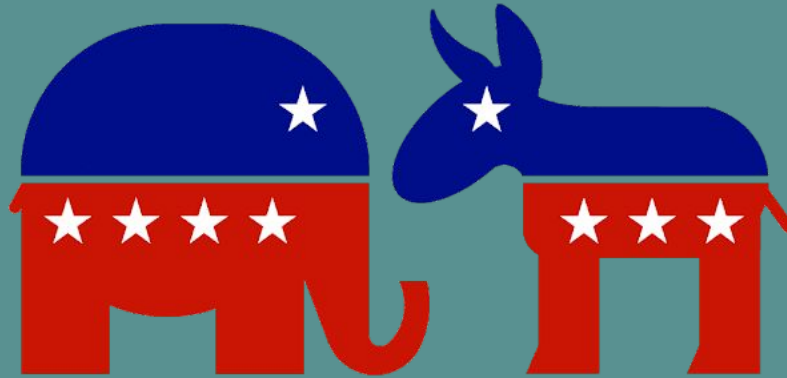
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January 21: Inauguration day



Strategy Break



Move to the **RED** or **BLUE** breakout rooms
(or the neutral FOYER) for 10 minutes.



Monday

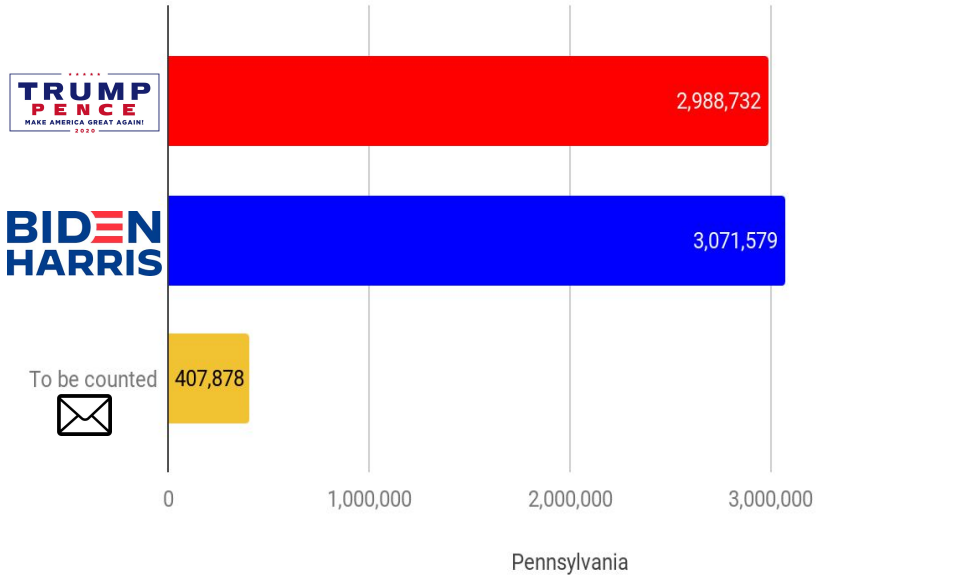
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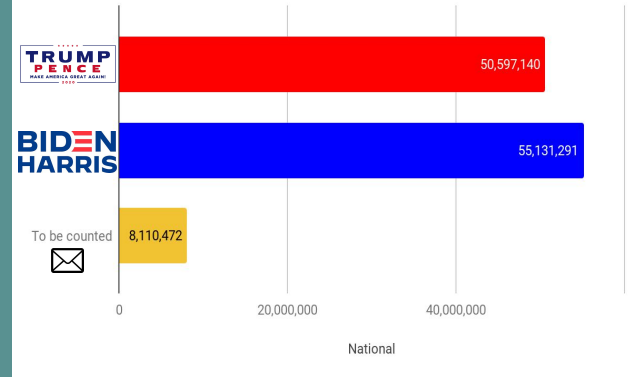
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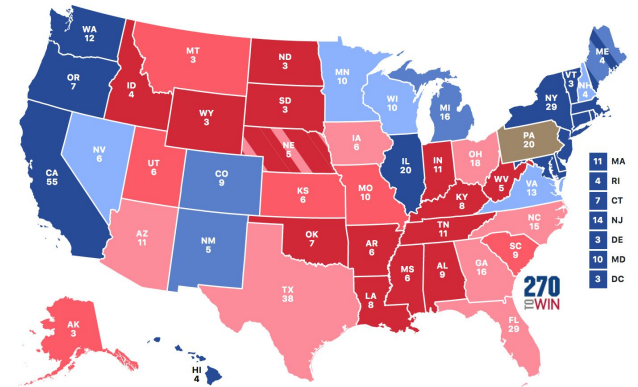
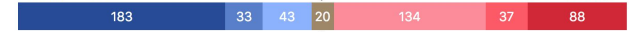


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The Washington Post

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Democrats pull ahead as disputed mail-in ballots counted



“The will of the people is being subverted” says Mitch McConnell



@RealDonaldTrump DON'T LET THEM STEAL OUR DEMOCRACY!

@CBCNews PM Trudeau refuses to comment on US election.

@CNN FBI arrests five in connection with missing PA mail trucks.

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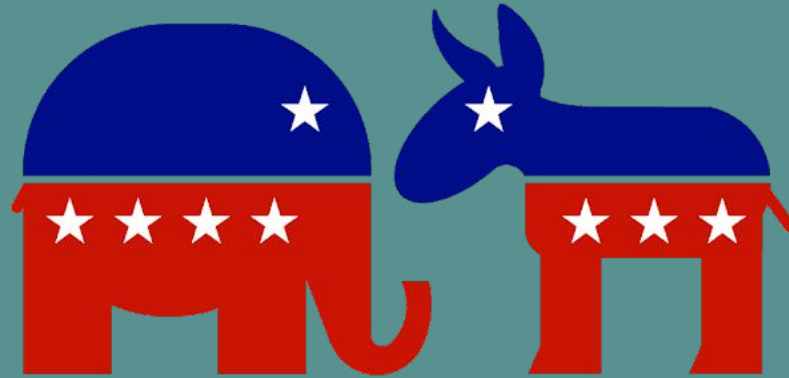
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End of Day 1



See you tomorrow!



Monday

November 16

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DEMOCRATS TAKE CONGRESS

13:42

GARDNER, MCSALLY, COLLINS, GRAHAM AND LOEFFLER DEFEATED

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AWAITING PENNSYLVANIA RESULTS

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BOOCKVAR SEES "NO OBSTACLE" TO CERTIFYING RESULTS



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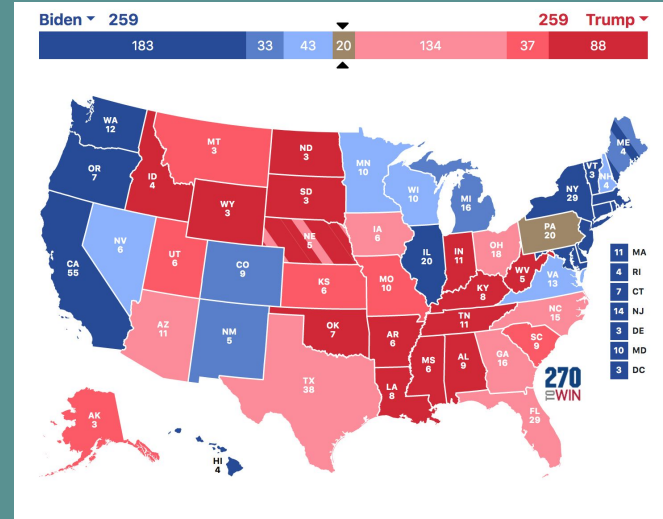
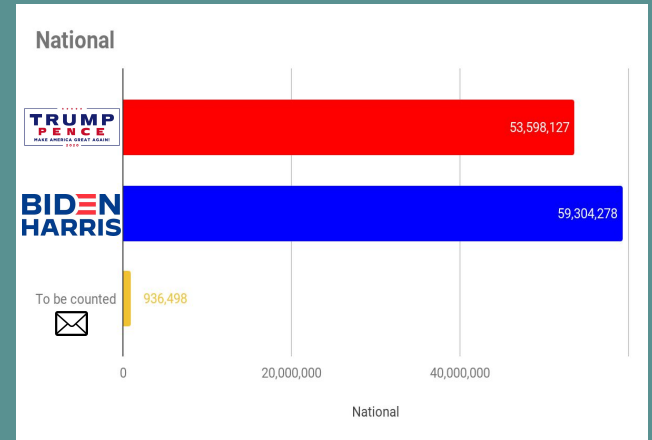
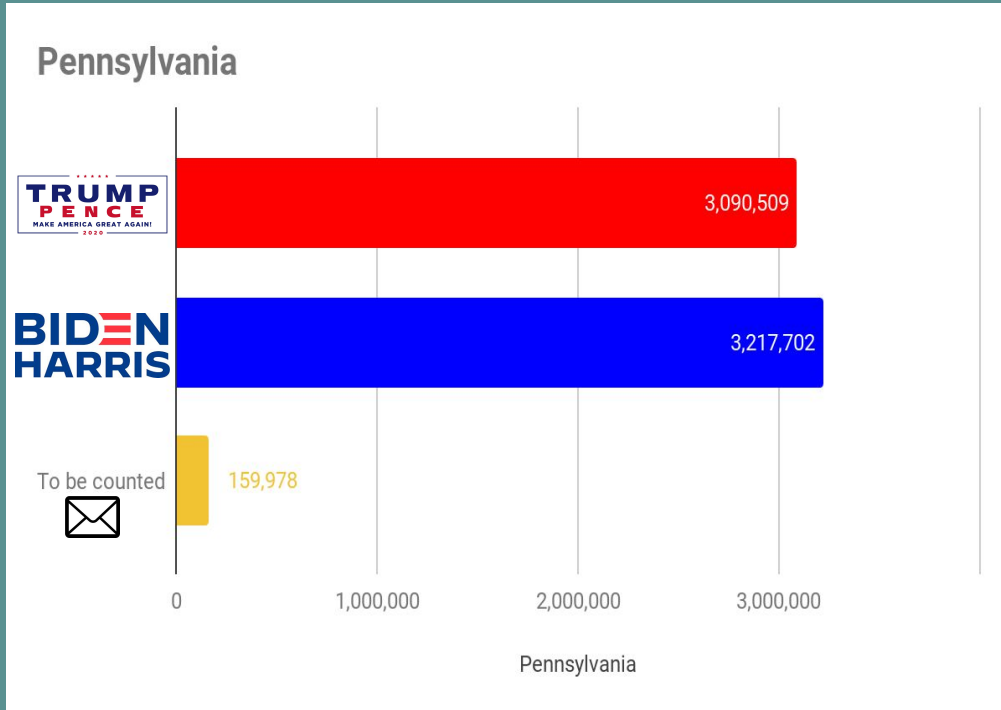
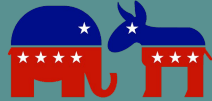
VIGILS CONTINUE

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PENNSYLVANIA NEARS COMPLETION OF ABSENTEE BALLOT COUNT



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Headlines: November 16



All Eyes on Pennsylvania as Deadlines Loom

State faces “safe harbour” deadline of December 8 ahead of December 14 Electoral College vote.

The Washington Post

Democrats to control new Senate

In conference call with campaign team, Susan Collins blames President Trump for her electoral defeat as recriminations grow inside the GOP.

“Fraud, What Fraud?”



Pennsylvania Secretary of the Commonwealth Kathy Boockvar (D) vows to certify election results by December 8 despite widespread reports of irregularities.

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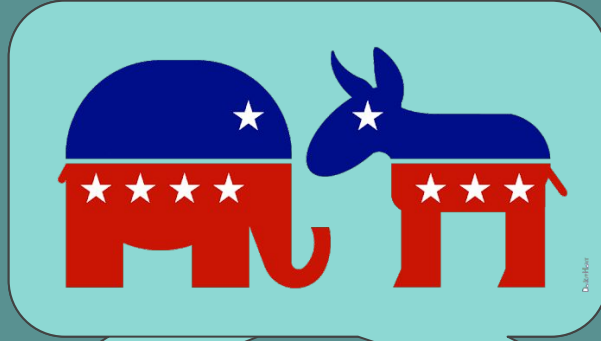
@MAGAmilitarypatriot: Governor should send West Virginia National Guard to protect our President!

@NancyPelosi: There will be a peaceful transition of power. I pray for the President.

@realDonaldTrump: I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE!!!!!!



Discussion





Game Administration

Break Your Own Meme: <https://breakyourownnews.com>

3 US Code Chapter 1 - [Presidential Elections And Vacancies](#)