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US Elections 2020

	CA	TX	NC	VA	MA
Bernie Sanders 	33.7%	29.7%	23.4%	25%	24.7%
Joe Biden 	15.3%	20.8%	25.6%	18.5%	10.7%
Michael Bloomberg 	13.3%	18%	16%	19.5%	11.7%
Elizabeth Warren 	14.7%	12.7%	11%	11%	20.7%
Pete Buttigieg 	7.7%	7.5%	6.8%	11.5%	13.3%
Amy Klobuchar 	5%	3.8%	5%	7%	6%
Tulsi Gabbard 	1.7%	0.7%	1%	1%	2%

Source: Real Clear Politics

Latest Election Polls – March 5

Race/Topic (Click to Sort)	Poll	Results	Spread
Florida Democratic Presidential Primary	St. Pete Polls	Biden 61, Sanders 12, Bloomberg 14, Warren 5, Klobuchar 1, Buttigieg 1, Steyer 0, Gabbard	Biden +47
2020 Democratic Presidential Nomination	Reuters/Ipsos	Biden 45, Sanders 32, Bloomberg, Warren 11, Gabbard 1	Biden +13
Arizona: Trump vs. Biden	PPP (D)	Biden 48, Trump 47	Biden +1
Arizona: Trump vs. Sanders	PPP (D)	Trump 47, Sanders 46	Trump +1
Maine: Trump vs. Biden	PPP (D)	Biden 52, Trump 42	Biden +10
Maine: Trump vs. Sanders	PPP (D)	Sanders 52, Trump 42	Sanders +10
Mississippi: Trump vs. Biden	Mason-Dixon	Trump 56, Biden 41	Trump +15
Mississippi: Trump vs. Sanders	Mason-Dixon	Trump 59, Sanders 36	Trump +23
Arizona Senate - McSally vs. Kelly	PPP (D)	Kelly 47, McSally 42	Kelly +5
Maine Senate - Collins vs. Gideon	PPP (D)	Gideon 47, Collins 43	Gideon +4
Mississippi Senate - Hyde-Smith vs. Espy	Mason-Dixon	Hyde-Smith 53, Espy 43	Hyde-Smith +10

Source: Real Clear Politics



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Elizabeth Warren quitting 2020 Democratic presidential race

Elizabeth Warren, the liberal Massachusetts senator whose sweeping economic plans shaped the Democratic policy debate, dropped out of the presidential race on Thursday after struggling to regain the momentum that briefly made her a frontrunner for the nomination.

In what began as the most diverse field in history, Warren was the last major female Democratic presidential candidate in the race. Her departure sets up what is effectively a contest between two white men in their 70s – Joe Biden and Bernie Sanders.

Warren informed staff of her decision during a meeting on Thursday morning. "I want to start with the news," she told the campaign staff on a conference call. "I want all of you to hear it first and I want you to hear it straight from me: today, I'm suspending our campaign for president."

In recent weeks, Warren has come under pressure from progressives backing Sanders to drop out and endorse him, in the way moderate contenders Pete Buttigieg and Amy Klobuchar aligned behind Biden after losing South Carolina. But Warren remained defiant, sharpening her attacks on Sanders, who she said was too polarizing, and Biden, whose vision she criticized as "small".

The scale of her loss, and comparisons to Clinton, confirmed for some that the nation was not ready to elect a woman president.



Foto: The Denver Post

Democratic Donors are Rallying Behind Joe Biden. And Bernie Sanders is Weaponizing That

After months of internal handwringing, the Democratic Party's biggest financial backers have flocked to former Vice President Joe Biden. And Bernie Sanders, the Vermont Senator running as the scourge of the elite, is trying to turn it against him.

"The political establishment of this country is frantically trying to stop us," the Sanders campaign wrote in a fundraising e-mail Thursday morning, one of several circulated since Biden's big wins on Super Tuesday. "They're now fully behind their candidate, Joe Biden, and their super PACs are spending big on advertising against us. So we need a lot of donations today in order to take them on and win."

As the Democratic presidential race shifts into a two-person contest, two campaigns with two very different funding models are now being put to the test: Biden's bid backed by longtime Democratic donors and bundlers who have now united behind him, and the massive grassroots movement of small-dollar donations that has fueled Sanders.

In a sense, the dueling models are a microcosm of the competing visions for the Democratic Party itself: whether it will continue operating under the status quo, or shift towards the grassroots-led model the progressive wing has been pushing for years. Whoever prevails will not just get the party's nomination, but could possibly determine its future financial model.



Foto: politico.com

Pelosi cites 'element of misogyny' after Warren drops out

Speaker Nancy Pelosi on Thursday said there is an "element of misogyny" that undermines women like Sen. Elizabeth Warren in their bid for the White House.

"Every time I get introduced as the most powerful woman, I almost cry, because I wish that were not true," Pelosi told reporters, just few hours after Warren ended her presidential run and extinguished the possibility of the first woman president being elected in 2020.

The California Democrat, who became the first female speaker of the House after 2006 elections, said some of the bias against female presidential candidates isn't "mean spirited" and reflects more deep-seated gender divisions in society.

Warren dropped out of the presidential race on Thursday after a disappointing finish on Super Tuesday, turning the 2020 race into a faceoff between Sen. Bernie Sanders and former Vice President Joe Biden.

Warren is one of a half-dozen female candidates who ran for president in 2020, the most women ever seeking a major party's nomination. Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.) dropped out of the race earlier this week, months after the exits of Sens. Kamala Harris (D-Calif.) and Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.), and self-help author Marianne Williamson.



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Bernie Sanders Might Have a Michigan Problem

It seems clear that Bernie Sanders needs to change the fundamental trajectory of the Democratic primary over the coming 12 days. And at first glance, the next contests — the states voting Tuesday — would seem to offer a promising set of opportunities. Among them is Michigan, where he posted the signature victory of his 2016 bid.

But an analysis of the primary results so far suggests that Michigan might not be as favorable to him as it was four years ago. Instead of giving him a chance to reclaim his momentum, Michigan could wind up dealing him a stinging and symbolic defeat.

Of course, Super Tuesday demonstrates that a lot can change in just a few days. Perhaps Elizabeth Warren's departure will provide a needed boost. Maybe Mr. Sanders will succeed in blunting Joe Biden's support in Michigan by attacking his record on trade, or perhaps Mr. Biden will come under scrutiny and lose momentum, just as Mr. Sanders did after his big victory in Nevada.

Michigan will also be the first state in the industrial Midwest to vote; it is possible that the trends evident elsewhere won't materialize there.