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**2012 Election Results:**  
*Implications for climate and energy  
work the SE*

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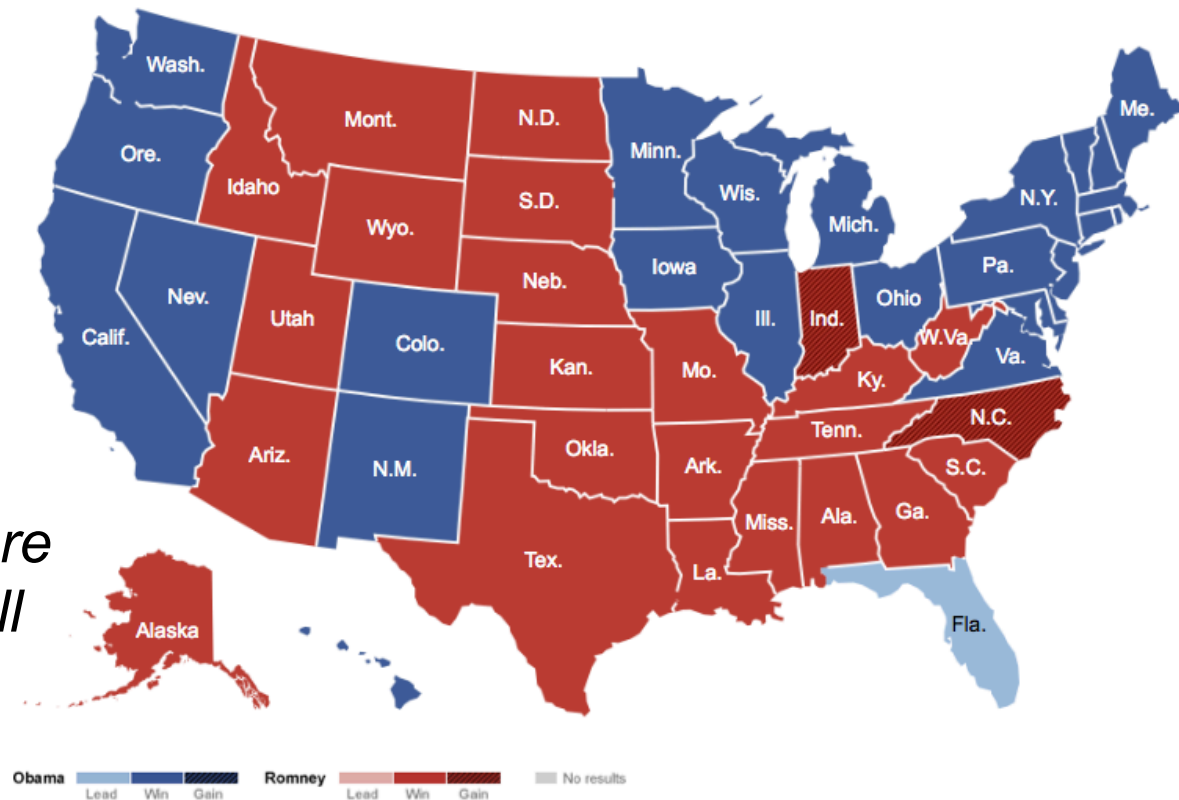
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# President – the Electoral Map

- **Obama**
  - 303
- **Romney**
  - 206

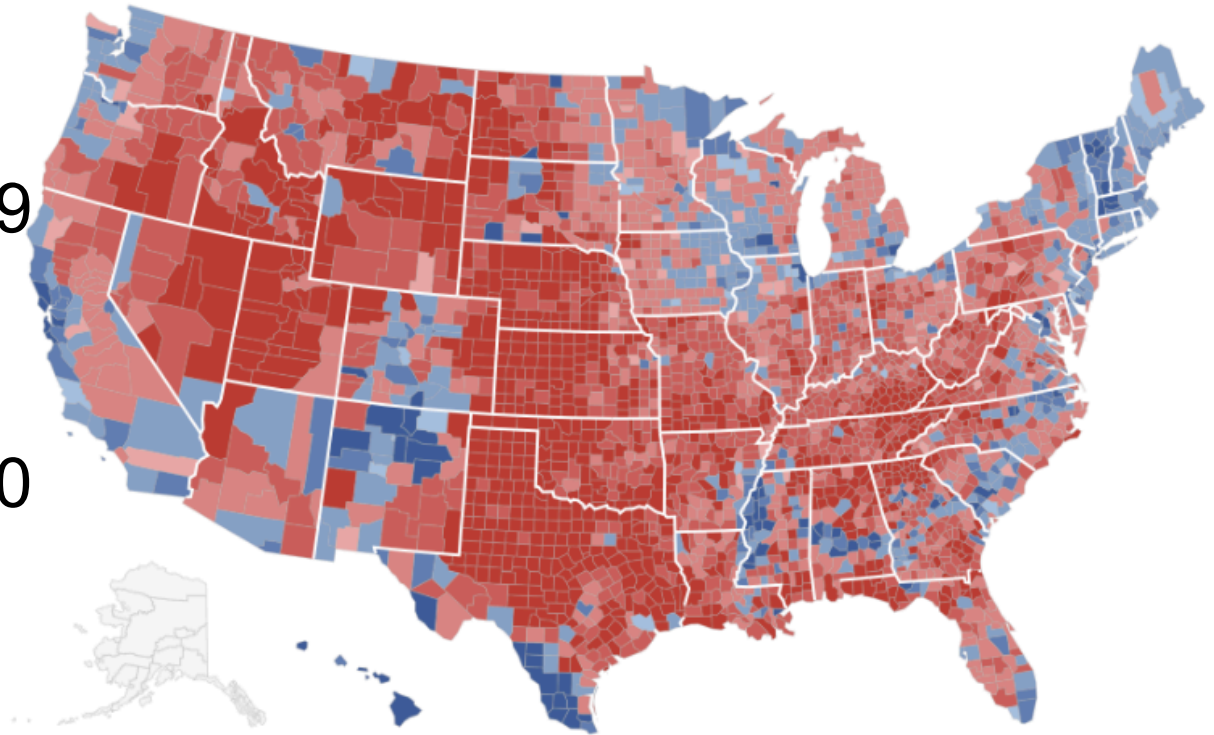
*(FL's 29 EV votes are still too close to call)*



Map courtesy of the New York Times: <http://elections.nytimes.com/2012/results/president>

# President – the Counties Map

- **Obama**
  - 60,652,149  
(50.4%)
- **Romney**
  - 57,810,390  
(48%)



Map courtesy of the New York Times: <http://elections.nytimes.com/2012/results/president>

# US Senate

- **Democrats**

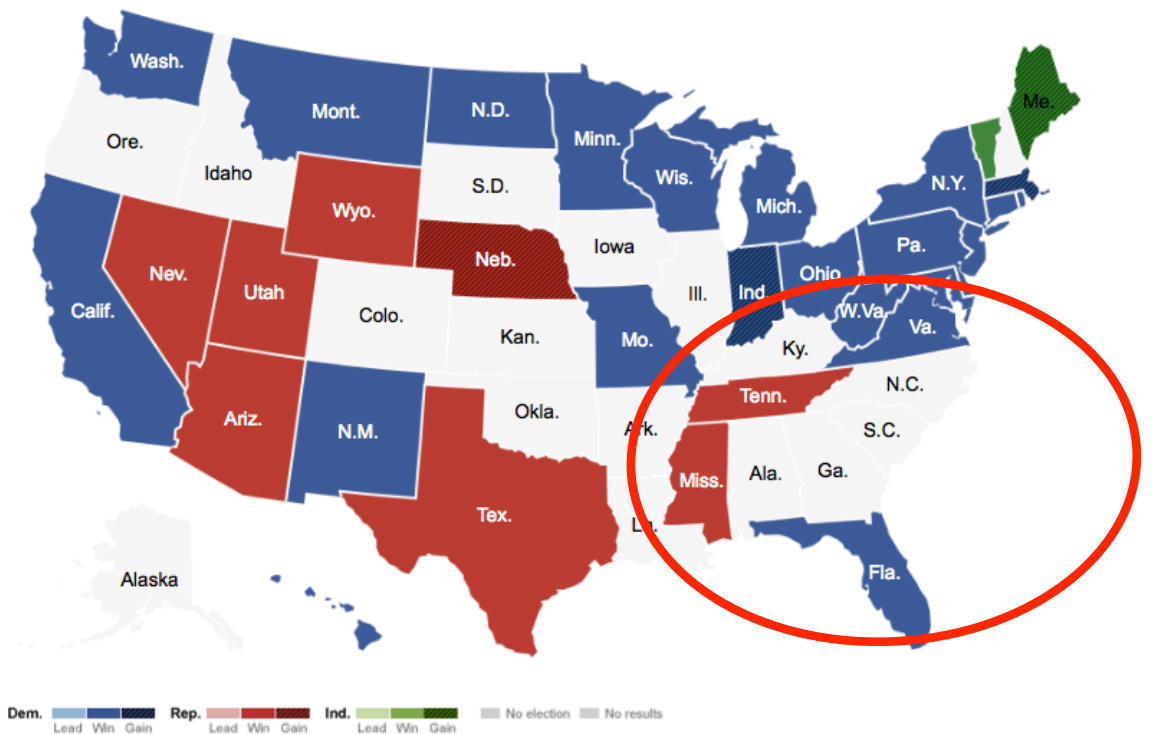
- 54 seats (including 1 independent who already caucuses w/ the Dems)
- 1 pick-up; none in the SE

- **Republicans**

- 45 seats – 2 losses

- **Independent**

- 1 seat & no indication for caucusing



# US House of Representatives

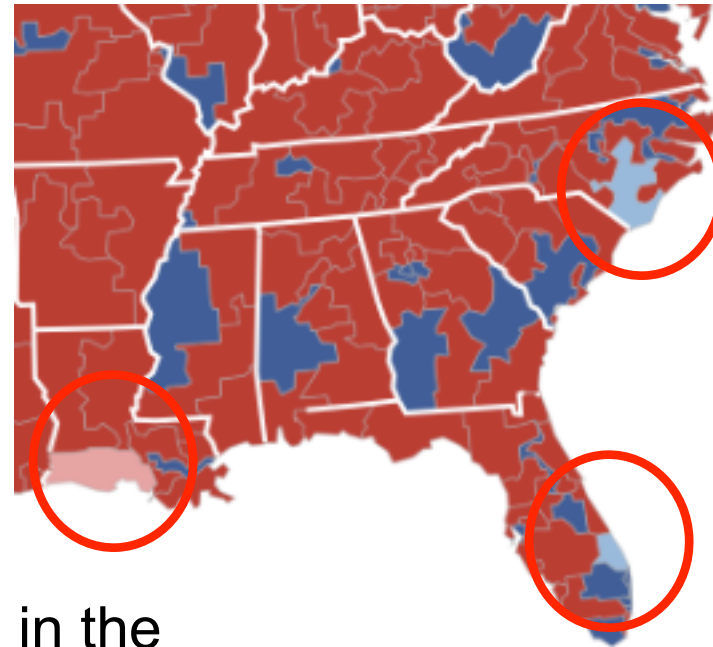
- **Republicans**

- 233 seats –
- ***SE pick-ups:*** 1 in FL, 1 in GA, 1 in KY, 3 in NC, 1 in SC

- **Democrats**

- 193 seats –
- ***SE pick-ups:*** 3 in FL

*9 races still pending*



4 new Congressional seats in the SE through re-apportionment:  
2 in FL and 1 each in GA & SC

# 113<sup>th</sup> Congress

## Senate

- Democrats – 54
  - *In the SE - 5*
- Republicans – 45
  - *In the SE - 15*
- Independent – 1



## House of Representatives

- Republicans – 233
  - *In the SE - 75*
- Democrats – 193
  - *In the SE - 28*



# AL Delegation

- [Sen. Shelby – R]
- [Sen. Sessions – R]
- Rep. Bonner (R-1)
- Rep. Roby (R-2)
- Rep. Rogers (R-3)
- Rep. Alderholt (R-4)
- Rep. Brooks (R-5)
- Rep. Bachus (R-6)
- Rep. Sewell (D-7)



*[sitting Senator not up for reelection]*

# FL Delegation

- **Sen. Nelson – D**
- [Sen. Rubio – R]
- Rep. Miller (R-1)
- Rep. Sutherland (R-2)
- Rep-elect Yoho (R-3)^
- Rep. Crenshaw (R-4)
- Rep. Brown (D-5)
- Rep-elect DeSantis (R-6)
- Rep. Mica (R-7)
- Rep. Posey (R-8)
- Rep-elect Grayson (D-9)^
- Rep. Webster (R-10)
- Rep. Nugent (R-11)
- Rep. Bilirakis (R-12)
- Rep. Young (R-13)
- Rep. Castor (D-14)
- Rep. Ross (R-15)
- Rep. Buchanan (R-16)
- Rep. Rooney (R-17)
- **Rep-elect Murphy (D-18)**
- Rep. Radel (R-19)
- Rep. Hastings (D-20)
- Rep. Deutch (D-21)
- Rep. Frankel (D-22)
- Rep. W-Schultz (D-23)
- Rep. Wilson (D-24)
- Rep. Diaz-Balart (R-25)
- **Rep-elect Garcia (D-26)**
- Rep. Ros-Lehtinen (R-27)

**Change in party**^ New seat - Census Re-apportionment



# GA Delegation

- [Sen. Chambliss – R]
- [Sen. Isakson – R]
- Rep. Kingston (R-1)
- Rep. Bishop (D-2)
- Rep. Westmoreland (R-3)
- Rep. Johnson (D-4)
- Rep. Lewis (D-5)
- Rep. Price (R-6)
- Rep. Woodall (R-7)
- Rep. Scott (R-8)
- Rep-elect Collins (R-9)^
- Rep. Broun (R-10)
- Rep. Gingrey (R-11)
- Rep. Barrow (D-12)
- Rep. Scott (D-13)
- Rep. Graves (R-14)

*^ New seat - Census Re-apportionment*

# GA Public Service Commission

- Commissioner Chuck Eaton (District 3)
- Commissioner Stan Wise (District 5)



# KY Delegation\*

- [Sen. McConnell – R]
- [Sen. Paul – R]
- Rep. Whitfield (R-1)
- Rep. Guthrie (R-2)
- Rep. Yarmuth (D-3)
- Rep-elect Massie (R-4)
- Rep. Rogers (R-5)
- *Rep-elect Barr (R-6)*



*Change in party*

\* *KY is not a SACE-priority state*

# LA Delegation\*

- [Sen. Landrieu – D]
- [Sen. Vitter – R]
- Rep. Scalise (R-1)
- Rep. Richmond (D-2)
- Run off: Landry & Boustany (R-3)^
- Rep. Fleming (R-4)
- Rep. Alexander (R-5)
- Rep. Cassidy (R-6)



\* *LA is not a SACE-priority state*

^ *Louisiana lost seat through the Census Re-apportionment*

# MS Delegation



- [Sen. Cochran – R]
- **Sen. Wicker – R**
- Rep. Nunnelee (R-1)
- Rep. Thompson (D-2)
- Rep. Harper (R-3)
- Rep. Palazzo (R-4)

# NC Delegation

- [Sen. Burr – R]
- [Sen. Hagan – D]
- Rep. Butterfield (D-1)
- Rep. Ellmers (R-2)
- Rep. Jones (R-3)
- Rep. Price (D-4)
- Rep. Foxx (R-5)
- Rep. Coble (R-6)
- Final results pending – NC7\*
- *Rep.-elect Hudson (R-8)*
- Rep.-elect Pittenger (R-9)
- Rep. McHenry (R-10)
- *Rep.-elect Meadows (R-11)*
- Rep. Watt (D-12)
- *Rep.-elect Holding (R-13)*

*Gov.-elect Pat McCrory*

## *Change in party*

*The incumbent, Mike McIntyre (D) clings to a 378-vote lead*

# SC Delegation



- [Sen. Graham – R]
- [Sen. DeMint – R]
- Rep. Scott (R-1)
- Rep. Wilson (R-2)
- Rep. Duncan (R-3)
- Rep. Gowdy (R-4)
- Rep. Mulvaney (R-5)
- Rep. Clyburn (D-6)
- Rep.-elect Rice (R-7)^

*^ New seat - Census Re-apportionment*

# TN Delegation

- [Sen. Alexander – R]
- **Sen. Corker – R**
- Rep. Roe (R-1)
- Rep. Duncan (R-2)
- Rep. Fleischmann (R-3)
- Rep. DesJarlais (R-4)
- Rep. Cooper (D-5)
- Rep. Black (R-6)
- Rep. Blackburn (R-7)
- Rep. Fincher (R-8)
- Rep. Cohen (D-9)





# VA Delegation\*

- [Sen. Warner – D]
- **Sen.-elect Kaine – D**
- Rep. Wittman (R-1)
- Rep. Rigell (R-2)
- Rep. Scott (D-3)
- Rep. Forbes (R-4)
- Rep. Hurt (R-5)
- Rep. Goodlatte (R-6)
- Rep. Cantor (R-7)
- Rep. Moran (D-8)
- Rep. Griffith (R-9)
- Rep. Wolf (R-10)
- Rep. Connolly (D-11)

•VA is not a SACE-priority state

# 2012 Re-election Implications

- **EPA's ability to enforce Clean Air Act remains intact**
- **Rules and standards to reduce greenhouse gas emissions likely to move forward**
  - Carbon Pollution Standard – *pending*
  - Coal Ash Standards – *pending*
  - National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) – *pending*
  - Revised Ozone Rule in 2014 - *possible*
- **Direct climate action?**
- **Lessen dependence on foreign oil**



# 2012 Re-election Implications

- **Key positions that may open**
  - Secretary of Energy
  - Secretary of the Interior
  - Secretary of Transportation
  - Secretary of Agriculture
  - EPA Administrator
- **Energy/Climate Team?**
  - Formerly headed by Former EPA Administrator Carol Browner
  - Unclear if formal administrative actions will follow



# Looking Ahead > 113<sup>th</sup> Congress

- Dem Senate & Rep House – no change in committee chairs
- Re-visit climate policy – carbon tax is gaining some support?
  - Especially to avoid ‘fiscal cliff’
- Nelson’s win in FL = staunch opponent of offshore drilling returns



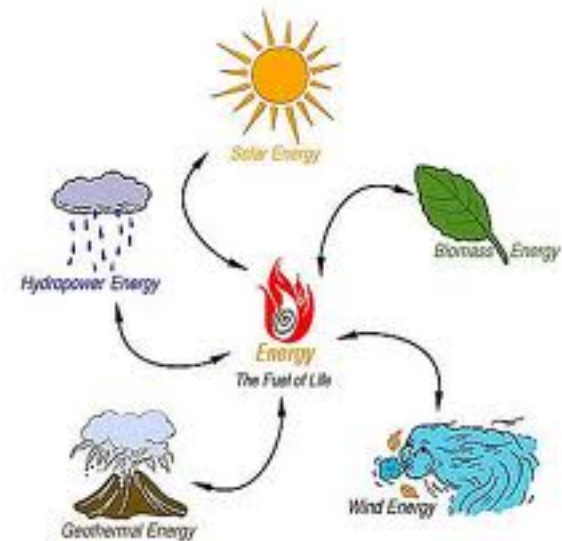
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- Dem majority in Senate: Yucca not likely to advance – nuclear expansion questionable
- ‘Clean’ Energy Standard (CES)
  - SACE webinar on January 15 to cover this topic in-depth
- **Wind Energy PTC/ITC**
  - *hopefully extended before Dec 31 expiration to retain jobs from manufacturing & generation*



# Energy Policy in NC

- Threats to REPS? Very hard to say
  - There will be 51 new legislators out of 170 – difficult to predict anything
  - Possible bill(s) introduced to rollback the Southeast's only renewable energy standard
  - Hopefully it will - once again - fail to gain traction



# Thank You - Questions?

Southern Alliance for Clean Energy continues to advocate at the federal level for clean energy solutions to global warming. For more information or to get involved, contact us:

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