

**MyDD 2006 House Forecast**  
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**Curnet Projection: Narrow Democratic Majority of 218 to 228 seats**

**Key**

*Seats are listed alphabetically by tier. The order of seats within a tier does not imply a ranking within the tier*  
*Districts in italics are receiving DCCC ad buy support*  
*PVI = Partisan Voting Index. Negative numbers indicate a Republican advantage. R's indicate that redistricting has taken place since 2004*  
*Dem Cash % = The percentage of cash the Democrat has relative to the Republican in the race*  
*In the polls column, the letter next to the numbers indicates which party is ahead. The letter next to "Internal": indicates which party commissioned the poll.*  
*If a poll does not have "internal" next to it, then it was an independent poll*  
*Open = this seat is an open seat*  
*Freshman = This seat is held by a freshman*  
*2nd run = the challenger has run for this seat before*  
*????? = A contested primary has not yet taken place*  
*If a seat is not listed, I see no chance that it could change hands*

Overall	Projected Gain: 16-25 Status	DEMOCRATIC TARGETS					2004 Open	Freshman	2nd run	Notes
		Republican	Democrat	PVI	Dem Cash %	Polls				
<b>Tier 0</b>	<b>Projected Gain: 7</b>									
CT-02	Lean Dem	Simmons	Courtney	7.6	77%		8.4%			Seat is just way too Dem for 2006
CT-04	Lean Dem	Shays	Farrell	5.4	91%		4.8%			Huge Dem turnout will swamp Simmons and Shays
IN-09	Lean Dem	Sodrel	Hill	-7.1	85% 48-38 D, Internal D		0.5%	X	X	Former incumbent Hill lost by 0.5 in 2004
IA-01	Lean Dem	Whalen	Braley	4.8	61%		11.9% X			Huge Dem PVI for an open seat in a Dem year
NV-24	Lean Dem	Meier	Acuri	-0.6	80% 40-36 D, Internal D		23.0% X			50-50 seat trending Dem in a Dem year
PA-06	Lean Dem	Gerlach	Murphy	2.2	108% 42-41 D, Internal D		2.0%		X	Close race in '02 and '04, but '06 is a Dem year
TX-22	Lean Dem	?????	Lampson	-15	7000%		14.0% X		X	Ha-ha
<b>Tier 1</b>	<b>Projected Gain: 8-12</b>									
AZ-08	Toss-up	?????	?????	-1.4	?????		24.0% X			Likely Dem nominee has huge cash edge
CO-07	Toss-up	O'Donnell	Perimutter	2.3	25%		11.9% X			Major cash deficit makes this competitive
CT-05	Toss-up	Johnson	Murphy	3.7	39% 49-44 R, Internal D		22.0%			Johnson has mondo cash; Dem turnout key
FL-22	Toss-up	Shaw	Klein	3.6	70% 56-37 R, Internal R		28.0%			2004 Dem candidate withdrew
IL-06	Toss-up	Roskam	Duckworth	-2.9	67% 40-40, Internal D		11.6% X			Bad establishment campaign--will Cegalis people help?
IN-08	Toss-up	Hostettler	Ellsworth	-8.5	347% 44-41 D, Internal D		8.4%			Huge Dem money edge
KY-04	Toss-up	Davis	Lucas	-12	39% 46-44 R, 50-41 D		10.5%	X	X	Cash problems, new polls move this race down
MN-06	Toss-up	Bachmann	Wetterling	-5.1	147% 49-38 D, ancient internal D		8.0% X		X	The poll is old, but everything looks good for Wetterling
NM-01	Toss-up	Wilson	Madrid	2.4	61% 46-44 R, Internal D		8.9%			I love Madrid's commercials
NC-11	Toss-up	Taylor	Schuler	-7.1	281% 45-43 D, Internal D		9.8%			Good name ID, lots of cash, and corruption
OH-01	Toss-up	Chabot	Cranley	-0.5	56% 45-45 internal D		20.0%			Cranley at exactly 50% approval
OH-18	Toss-up	?????	Space	-6.1	Infinite		32.0% X			No Rep yet. Space is no punk. Ohio is ripe
PA-07	Toss-up	Weldon	Sestak	3.6	86% 51-41 R		18.4%			Weldon over 50%, but the mo' is the other way
PA-08	Toss-up	Fitzpatrick	Murphy	3.4	44% 44-38 R, Internal D		11.0%	X		I love Murphy's campaign. Bring it on.
WI-08	Toss-up	Gard	?????	-3.7	88% 46-36 Kagen, internal Kagen		40.0% X			Self-financing Kagen with big poll lead
WA-08	Toss-up	Reichert	Burner	2.3	69% 54-41 R		4.8%	X		Should be ripe, but poor first add and poll
<b>Tier 2</b>	<b>Projected Gain: 1-6</b>									
AZ-05	Lean Rep	Hayworth	Mitchell	-3.7	63% 50-45 R		22.0%			I don't know much about this race. It looks close.
CA-11	Lean Rep	Pombo	McNerney	-3	16% 46-42 D		22.0%		X	Movement candidate, little cash
CO-04	Lean Rep	Musgrave	Paccione	-8.5	35% 37-36-4- R, Internal D		6.2%			Col. Dems strong; Musgrave weak campaigner
FL-09	Lean Rep	Bilirakis	Bustansky	-4.3	52%		100.0% X			Dems left unopposed in 2004
FL-13	Lean Rep	?????	?????	-4.1	?????		10.6% X			Late primary, R's have cash lead
IN-02	Lean Rep	Choccola	Donnelly	-4.3	28% 46-41 D		9.7%		X	Major cash disadvantage
IA-02	Lean Rep	Leach	Loeb sack	6.9	30%		19.7%			Huge Dem PVI, incumbent only has 200K
KY-03	Lean Rep	Northrup	Yarmuth	2.4	23% 47-46 R, Internal D		22.0%			Northrup's a survivor
NV-03	Lean Rep	Porter	Hafen	1.0	37%		14.0%			Hafen is an an of Harry Reid
NH-02	Lean Rep	Bass	Hodes	2.7	98% 53-25 R, 43-42 R--Internal D		20.0%			Indy poll is a real worry
NJ-07	Lean Rep	Ferguson	Stender	-0.6	43% 46-33 R, Internal D		15.3%			Stender is in this
NV-20	Lean Rep	Sweeney	Gillibrand	-2.5	75% 51-27 R, Internal R		32.0%			Gillibrand running hard
OH-02	Lean Rep	Schmidt	Wulsin	-13	140% 44-44, Internal D		4.0%	X		2005 work has paid off, but a tough district
OH-15	Lean Rep	Pryce	Kilroy	-1.1	43% 44-41 R, internal D		20.0%			Pryce 3rd ranking House member
PA-10	Lean Rep	Sherwood	Carney	-8	63% 49-43 R, Internal D		100.0%			Sherwood is an ass, but unopposed in 2002 and 2004
VA-02	Lean Rep	Drake	Kellam	-5.9	73% 45-42 D, internal D		10.3%	X		Could be a big year in Virginia
<b>Tier 3</b>	<b>Projected Gain: 0</b>									
AZ-01	Likely Rep	Renzi	Simon	-2.2	47%		23.0%			Napolitano's coat-tails?
CA-50	Likely Rep	Bilbray	Busby	-4.6	144% 51-40 R		4.5%			Missed our best chance here
FL-16	Likely Rep	Foley	Mahoney	-2.4	19%		36.0%			% can be deceiving--the Dem has 600K cash!
ID-01	Likely Rep	Sali	Grant	-19	81%		40.0% X			Major 3rd party candidate, Reps scrambling to defend
IL-10	Likely Rep	Kirk	Seals	3.6	27% 45-25 R, ancient internal D		28.0%			Could catch a national D wave
MN-01	Likely Rep	Gutknecht	Walz	-0.9	30%		25.0%			Walz short on cash, no leaked polls
NV-02	Likely Rep	Heller	Derby	-8.2	99%		40.0% X			Seat is red, but open
NV-19	Likely Rep	Kelly	?????	-1.5	?????		34.0%			Bruising, late D primary in a winnable seat
NV-25	Likely Rep	Walsh	Maffei	3.4	34%		100.0%			D seat, but Walsh already on air and unopposed in 2004
NV-29	Likely Rep	Kuhl	Massa	-5.2	34%		9.9%			No 3rd party challenger this year
TX-23	Likely Rep	Bonilla	Cuellar	R	3500%		NA			It is a brand new district with a good Dem challenger
WV-AL	Likely Rep	Cubin	Trauner	-19	108% 47-43 R		13.5%			Lots of signs point to Trauner strength, but seat is uber-red
<b>Overall</b>	<b>Projected Gain: 0-1</b> <b>Status</b>	<b>REPUBLICAN TARGETS</b>					<b>2004 Open</b>	<b>Freshman</b>	<b>2nd run</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Tier 2</b>	<b>Projected Gains: 0-1</b>									
GA-12	Lean Dem	Burns	Barrow	R	183% 44-43 D, Internal R		NA	X	X	Burns won this lean-Dem district as an open seat in 2004
VT-AL	Lean Dem	Rainville	Welch	9.1	241% 42-41 R		NA	X		Shockingly good poll for Rainville
WV-01	Lean Dem	Wakim	Mollohan	-5.7	212%		36.0%			Mollohan is scandal-ridden
<b>Tier 3</b>	<b>Projected Gains: 0</b>									
GA-08	Likely Dem	Collins	Marshall	R	152%		NA			After redistricting, Marshall switched from GA-03 to GA-08
IL-08	Likely Dem	McSweeney	Bean	-5.2	459%		3.4%	X		Bean can swamp opponent with cash
IA-03	Likely Dem	Lamberti	Boswell	1.4	133%		10.5%			DCCC just pulled out, citing huge poll edge
LA-03	Likely Dem	Romero	Melancon	-4.8	188% 58-22 D, Internal D		0.4%	X		Could "Katrina redistricting" sink Melancon?
OH-06	Likely Dem	Blasdel	Wilson	0.4	105%		100.0% X			Wilson used great ground game to win primary as write-in
TX-17	Likely Dem	Taylor	Edwards	-17.7	347%		3.6%			Edwards survived a much stiffer challenge in 2004

Average PVI for all seats: -2.5  
DCCC Cash on Hand: \$31.86M  
NRCC Cash on Hand: \$26.49M