



Money in Maine Politics Fact Sheet

Maine just experienced the most expensive election in our history, with over \$200 million spent to influence the outcome of our Senate race. To protect the right of Maine voters to make our own decisions for our state and our way of life, we must stand together to end the flood of money drowning out our voices in our own elections.

Maine has been a leader in the national movement for the next amendment to the U.S. Constitution to ensure political representation for all Americans, not only elite special interests. Now is the time for Mainers to use our votes to ensure whomever we elect stands with us, not outside interests, to advance this critical reform across the finish line.

STAND WITH MAINE

73%
of Maine
voters

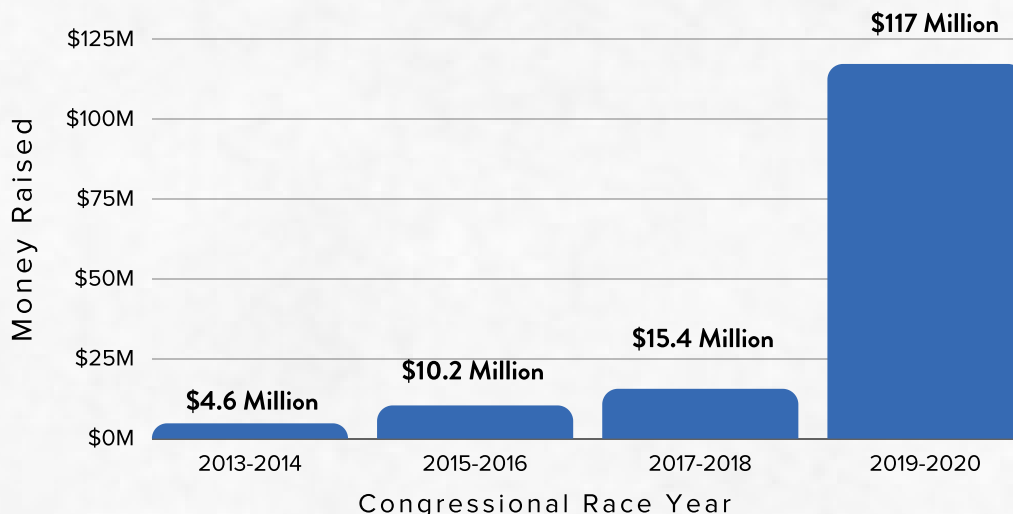
62%
of undecided
voters for the
U.S. Senate
race

Maine voters show strong, bi-partisan support for a **constitutional amendment** allowing reasonable limits on campaign spending — including a majority of undecided voters.



OUTSIDE INTERESTS INCREASINGLY OUTSPEND MAINERS WHEN SUPPORTING MAINE CANDIDATES.

Total Maine outside spending in congressional races¹



UNCHECKED SUPERPAC SPENDING IN MAINE IS ON THE RISE.

The top-spending Republican- and Democrat- aligned super PACs in the 2020 Senate race each...

1/10%

Received less than one-tenth of one percent of their funding from Mainers²

\$40 MILLION

Received donations over \$40 million dollars from untraceable dark money groups³

98%

Spent over 98% of their Maine advertising budgets on negative/attack ads⁴

RELIANCE ON OUTSIDE INTERESTS IS NOT A PROBLEM SPECIFIC TO ONE PARTY.

Final fundraising and in-state/out-of-state breakdown for candidates⁵

Senate Candidate	Money Raised	In-State Contributions
Susan Collins (R)	\$29,967,118	6.9%
Sara Gideon (D)	\$74,498,517	6.3%

¹ The Center for Responsive Politics

² FEC data on committee receipts

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⁴ The Center for Responsive Politics

⁵ The Center for Responsive Politics