

Bluegrass Stakes: GOP Stronghold in the 2nd District?

Democrats hope to pick up retiring Rep. Ron Lewis' (R) seat in Kentucky, but the district remains a Republican stronghold. Even though the Democratic candidate, state Sen. David Boswell, is close to the Republican, state Sen. Brett Guthrie, the district's conservative fundamentals may be too tough for him — or any Democrat — to crack.

Congressional election	All	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Brett Guthrie (R)	53%	78%	38%	20%
David Boswell (D)	43	18	58	79
Undecided	4	4	4	2
Presidential election	All	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.)	62%	87%	47%	19%
Sen. Barack Obama (D-Ill.)	35	12	48	78
Other	2	1	2	2
Undecided	2	1	3	1
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Neutral	No Opinion
Retiring Rep. Ron Lewis (R)	60%	20%	17%	3%

Source: SurveyUSA poll of 587 likely voters conducted Oct. 27-28 for Roll Call and WHAS-TV in Louisville. It had a 4-point error margin. Numbers have been rounded.