

National Journal

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Access: National Journal is accessible through the library web page; click on databases under research tools, click the letter "n" and then chose National Journal and Hotline Weekly.

Steps to Research: National Journal provides access to current articles and issue, current information on the House races, and Hotline Weekly. At the bottom of the first page users may explore the comprehensive article index. The index is divided into six month segments to make searching easier.

On the right side of the page users will find links to Ads Spotlight, Almanac, Buzz Columns, Campaigns, Daybook, Early Bird, Markup Reports, News Archives and Poll Track. By placing the cursor over any of the above mentioned items pop-up menus appear providing access to additional information. For example by placing the cursor over Ads Spotlight access is provided to latest advertisements and advertisements for Governor, Senate and House races.

Poll Track provides access to recent polls on the Governor, House, Senate and White House races. Other polls include key issues, national figures, and national polls. Clicking on White House leads the user to polls dealing with general polls on the election, polls on the Bush re-election, and polls on the various democrats running for the office of president in 2004. Any of the polls may be accessed by a mouse click.

Campaigns provide access to current information of the 2004 elections and to archival campaign information from 1997 to 2003. The archive for 2003 tells who won the gubernatorial races in California, Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi. In addition information on the two House races is provided under Campaigns. At the bottom of the page you may click on the newly elected of 2002. New Governors, Senators and House Members are listed with party affiliation and state they represent.

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