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Older, White, Male Voters Keep Handel Afloat In Georgia-06

Handel leads Ossoff by 1 point, 49-48.

Atlanta, United States – June 18, 2017 – With only two days until the special election to replace President Donald Trump’s pick to run HHS, establishment Republican Karen Handel leads Democratic challenger Jon Ossoff by 1 point, 49-48, according to the latest poll by CSP Polling.

Handel’s one point lead can be attributed to opening up a larger gap among male voters (58-37) than Ossoff has opened among female voters (58-40). Although Ossoff has a whopping 37-point lead among voters 18-24, it is offset by Handel’s 30-point lead with voters 65+, which also happen to be a much larger share of the electorate. While Ossoff does well with 25-34 voters (20 points), and 35-44 voters (4 points), he isn’t doing well enough with older voters beyond that; he leads by 1 point with voters aged 45-54 and trails Handel by 4 points with voters aged 55-64.

Handel has opened a 13-point lead among White voters, 55-42, that prevents Ossoff from overcoming her with his 72-point lead among Black voters (84-12), his 15-point lead with Hispanic voters (56-41), or his 8-point lead with Asian voters (48-40). Asian voters, more than any other subgroup, express uncertainty about their final choice; 12% of them are undecided. Absorbing the full 12% of undecided Asian voters into his column would not, however, erase Handel’s polling lead.

As Georgia-06 heads closer to June 20th, traditional Republican constituencies have consolidated enough for Handel to put her into the lead. The final outcome depends on how large an early vote Ossoff has banked and whether Handel can expect a surge of GOP-leaning vote come election day.

	Karen Handel	Jon Ossoff	Undecided
Men	58	37	5
Women	40	58	2
18-24	31	67	2
25-34	38	58	4
35-44	44	48	7
45-54	48	49	3
55-64	51	47	3
65+	64	34	2
White	55	42	3
Black	12	84	4
Hispanic	41	56	3
Asian	40	48	12

Table 1: Results per subgroup.

Polling Methodology

CSP Polling conducted this poll online with residents that live in the state of Georgia from June 15-17. The poll targeted 2,000 voters, and excluded responses from voters that did not live in Georgia's 6th CD or one of the three target counties: Cobb, DeKalb, and Fulton. The poll was composed of 571 likely voters after excluding respondents that did not intend to vote or did not live in the district. Respondents were asked to supply their race, gender, age, and choice for the election on June 20th, 2017. Results are reported after post-stratification using age, race, and gender. This poll has a MoE of $\pm 4.0\%$.

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