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## Super Tuesday Cements November Match-Up

### Trump Leads Biden Nationally, Who May Be Trump's VP?

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**With Super Tuesday in the rearview, Trump has nearly clinched the needed delegates and will do so by mid-March, with Nikki Haley officially exiting.** Biden and Trump both prevailed and proved that the election is likely to be a duel between the two men over 75 (Biden, 81, Trump 77). Who voted: Alabama, Alaska (R), Arkansas, California, Colorado, Iowa (D), Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, and American Samoa (D).

### »» Key Points

**Nikki Haley won her first primary in DC earlier this week, and even won Vermont last night, but this was not enough for her to steady on.** If the SCOTUS had kept Trump off the ballot, she may have hung around longer. Haley does well with educated and moderates/independents. She trailed Trump all along, but was determined to stay in the race and said that Republicans deserve an option other than Trump ([here](#)). We have said that we believe that Haley would beat Biden in a general election.

**Trump received 722 delegates (1/3 of total GOP delegates were up for grabs Tuesday) winning 14 of 15 states yesterday.** Primaries continue until June and finish by the start of party conventions (July 15-18: Republican National Convention, August 19-22: Democratic National Convention). Running mates are announced in late spring/early summer.

**Trump and Biden both have had physical and cognitive issues of late.** In a recent rally, Trump confused Biden with Obama, couldn't clearly say Venezuela, had slurred speech, and facial/focus issues. It is well known that Biden has been unsteady on his feet, misremembering names, dates and events. It's not a great situation. We recommend watching Trump's speech from Saturday ([here](#)). We would be shocked if Trump agreed to a debate.

**Trump running mate?** Names in the mix are Tim Scott, Elise Stefanik, Kristi Noem, Vivek Ramaswamy, Doug Burgum, Sarah Huckabee Sanders, and Ben Carson (read more [here](#)). Tim Scott and Kristi Noem, two possible VP

picks, are profiled below.

- Kristi Noem (R-SD) -- Noem never tossed her hat in the ring for President, however, has been a loyal aide to Trump for some time now. She currently serves as the Governor of South Dakota
- Tim Scott (R-SC) -- Scott initially ran against Trump, but when he dropped out of the race, he immediately endorsed him, hoping to secure a position in his cabinet. Currently, Scott serves as a South Carolina Senator.

**Upcoming Key Dates:**

- Spring/Summer: Running mate announced
- July 15-18: Republican National Convention (*Milwaukee*)
- August 19-22: Democratic National Convention (*Chicago*)
- September 16/25: First Presidential & VP Debate
- October 1/9: Second and Third Presidential Debates
- November 5: Election Day 2024

**Healthcare has proven to be low profile in this election as Ukraine, Inflation, Guns, Immigration, and the Middle East are key, center-stage topics for voters.** No candidates from either party have mentioned much of anything concerning healthcare, apart from healthcare transparency, mental health, with Repeal & Replace a Trump mantra (that won't happen).

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