#### investigation-US-election-2016

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library(conflicted)
    conflicts_prefer(dplyr::filter, dplyr::lag)
library(tidyverse)
library(R6)
library(formatR)
library(lubridate)
library(rmarkdown)
allstates = polls$state |>
    unique() |>
    sort()
polls = polls |>
    mutate(
        interval = startdate %--% enddate,
        middate = ymd(startdate + (enddate - startdate)/2),
        .keep = "unused",
        .after = "state"
    ) |>
    mutate(
        grade = grade |>
            factor(
                levels = c(
                    "A+",
                    "A",
                    "A-".
                    "B",
                    "B-".
                    "C+",
                     "C",
                    "C-",
                    "D+",
                    "D",
                    "D-",
                )
            ),
        .keep = "unused",
        .before = "samplesize"
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finalresults = tibble(
    state = allstates,
    clinton = c(34.36, 36.55, 45.13, 33.65, 61.73, 48.16, 54.57, 53.09, 90.86, 47.82, 45.64, 62.22, 27.
    trump = c(62.08, 51.28, 48.67, 60.57, 31.62, 43.25, 40.93, 41.71, 4.09, 49.02, 50.77, 30.04, 59.26,
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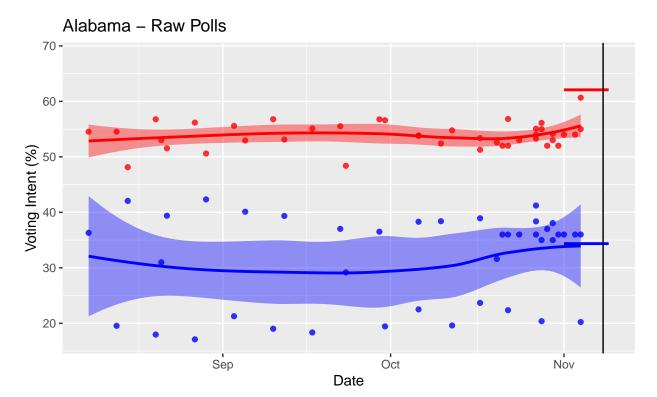
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johnson = c(2.09, 5.88, 4.13, 2.65, 3.37, 5.18, 2.96, 3.33, 1.58, 2.20, 3.05, 3.72, 4.10, 3.79, 4.9
    mcmullin = c(NA, NA, 0.68, 1.17, 0.28, 1.04, 0.13, 0.16, NA, NA, 0.32, NA, 6.73, 0.21, NA, 0.79, 0.
# helps filter for candidate name in results
candidatenames = c("clinton", "trump", "johnson", "mcmullin")
candidate = R6Class(
    classname = "candidate",
    public = list(
       name = "character",
       opponents = "character",
       colour = "character",
       polls = "tbl_df",
       finalresults = "tbl_df",
       initialize = function(name, colour){
            self$name = name
            self$colour = colour
            self$opponents = candidatenames[candidatenames != self$name] # the list of other candidates
            self$polls = polls |>
                select(!contains(self$opponents)) |> # filter polls to only this candidate
                rename(
                    rawpolls = starts_with("rawpoll"),
                    adjpolls = starts_with("adjpoll")
                ) # rename columns for use in candidateplot functions
            self$finalresults = finalresults |>
                select(!contains(self$opponents))
        } # end of initialize
    ) # end of list
clinton = candidate$new(name = "clinton", colour = "blue")
trump = candidate$new(name = "trump", colour = "red")
johnson = candidate$new(name = "johnson", colour = "orange")
mcmullin = candidate$new(name = "mcmullin", colour = "purple")
candidates = list(clinton, trump, johnson, mcmullin)
rm(candidatenames) # only needed for candidate construction
densepollsbegin = function(thestate, thedate) { # for graphing purposes
    # calculate the earliest date after thedate (inclusive) where there are three
    # consecutive polls in short succession (within two months)
    statepolls = polls |>
        filter(state == thestate, middate >= thedate) |>
        arrange(middate)
    earlydate = statepolls$middate |>
    while (nrow(statepolls) > 2) {
       statepolls = statepolls[-1,]
       mos = interval(
           start = earlydate,
            end = earlydate %m+% months(2, abbreviate = FALSE)
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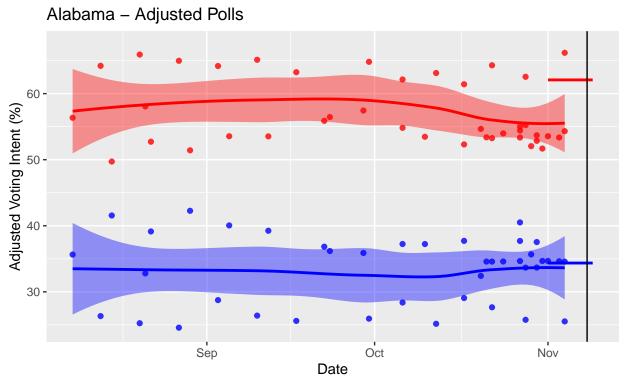
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if (
            mos |>
            int_overlaps(
                statepolls$interval[which.min(sapply(statepolls$interval, int_start))]
        ) {
            temppolls = statepolls [-1,]
            if (
                mos |>
                int_overlaps(
                    temppolls$interval[which.min(sapply(temppolls$interval, int_start))]
            ) {
                return(earlydate)
        earlydate = statepolls$middate |>
            min()
   }
   return(earliestdate) # failed to find three such polls; just graph all polls
}
earliestdate = ymd("2016-08-01")
finaldate = ymd("2016-11-08")
dayafter = finaldate + days(1) # used just for technical graphing purposes
candidateplotraw = function(thestate, thecandidate, thefirstdate) {
    statepolls = thecandidate$polls |>
        filter(state == thestate)
    # methods to avoid plotting Johnson's numbers where his polls are insignificant
    # check whether Johnson obtained more than 13% raw in any poll conducted after Sep. 1st
    if (thecandidate$name == "johnson" && !(thestate %in% congdistricts)) {
        statepolls = statepolls |>
            filter(middate >= ymd("2016-09-01"))
        if (max(statepolls$rawpolls, na.rm = TRUE)<=13.0) {</pre>
            return(last plot())
       }
   }
   if ( # in this state, not all polls for this candidate are NA
        any(!is.na(statepolls$rawpolls))
   ) {
        datevsraw = aes(
            x = statepolls$middate,
            y = statepolls$rawpolls
        voteresult = filter(thecandidate$finalresults, state == thestate)[1,2] |>
            as.numeric()
       return(
            last_plot() + geom_point(
                mapping = datevsraw,
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colour = thecandidate$colour,
                alpha = 0.8,
                na.rm = TRUE
            ) + geom smooth(
                mapping = datevsraw,
                colour = thecandidate$colour,
                fill = thecandidate$colour,
                alpha = 0.4,
               na.rm = TRUE
            ) + geom segment(
               mapping = aes(
                x = ymd("2016-11-01"),
                y = voteresult,
                xend = dayafter,
                yend = voteresult
                ),
                colour = thecandidate$colour,
                linewidth = 1.0
            )
        ) # end of return
   } # end of if
    else return(last_plot()) # catch the case where the candidate was not polled in the given state
}
candidateplotadj = function(thestate, thecandidate, thefirstdate) {
    statepolls = thecandidate$polls |>
        filter(state == thestate) # candidate's polling numbers in the given state
    # methods to avoid plotting Johnson's numbers where his polls are insignificant
    # check whether Johnson obtained more than 13% (raw! for comparison to plots of raw polls) in any p
    if (thecandidate$name == "johnson") {
        statepolls = statepolls |>
            filter(middate >= ymd("2016-09-01"))
        if (max(statepolls$rawpolls, na.rm = TRUE)<=13.0) {</pre>
            return(last_plot())
        }
   }
    if ( # in this state, not all polls for this candidate are NA
        any(!is.na(statepolls$adjpolls))
    ) { # so we can display this candidate's polls here
        datevsadj = aes(
            x = statepolls$middate,
            y = statepolls$adjpolls
        voteresult = filter(thecandidate$finalresults, state == thestate)[1,2] |>
            as.numeric()
       return(
            last_plot() + geom_point(
                mapping = datevsadj,
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                alpha = 0.8,
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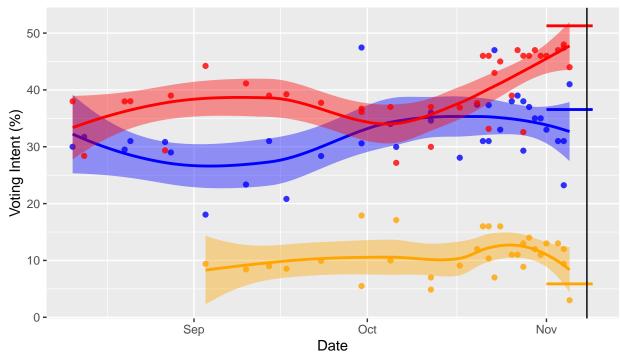
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na.rm = TRUE
            ) + geom_smooth(
                mapping = datevsadj,
                colour = thecandidate$colour,
                fill = thecandidate$colour,
                alpha = 0.4,
                na.rm = TRUE
            ) + geom_segment(
                mapping = aes(
                x = ymd("2016-11-01"),
                y = voteresult,
                xend = dayafter,
                yend = voteresult
                ),
                colour = thecandidate$colour,
                linewidth = 1.0
            )
        ) # end of return
    } # end of if
    else return(last_plot()) # catch the case where the candidate was not polled in the given state
}
stateplotraw = function(thestate, firstdatetoplot) {
    plot = ggplot()
    for (cand in candidates){
        # Mcmullin was not a factor outside of Utah
        # don't attempt to plot his polls in other states
        if(cand$name != "mcmullin" || thestate == "Utah"){
            plot = candidateplotraw(thestate, cand, firstdatetoplot)
        }
    } # end of for
    stateraw = thestate |>
        paste("Raw Polls", sep = " - ")
    return(
        plot + geom_vline(xintercept = finaldate) + labs(
           title = stateraw,
            x = "Date",
            y = "Voting Intent (%)"
        ) + xlim(firstdatetoplot, dayafter)
    )
}
stateplotadj = function(thestate, firstdatetoplot) {
    plot = ggplot()
    for (cand in candidates){
        plot = candidateplotadj(thestate, cand, firstdatetoplot)
    stateadj = thestate |>
        paste("Adjusted Polls", sep = " - ")
    return(
        plot + geom_vline(xintercept = finaldate) + labs(
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title = stateadj,
    x = "Date",
    y = "Adjusted Voting Intent (%)"
    ) + xlim(firstdatetoplot, dayafter)
)
}
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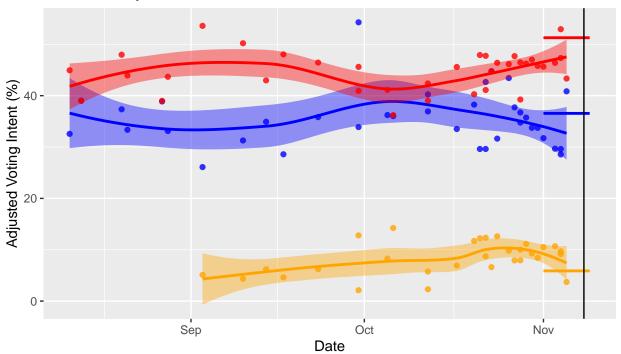


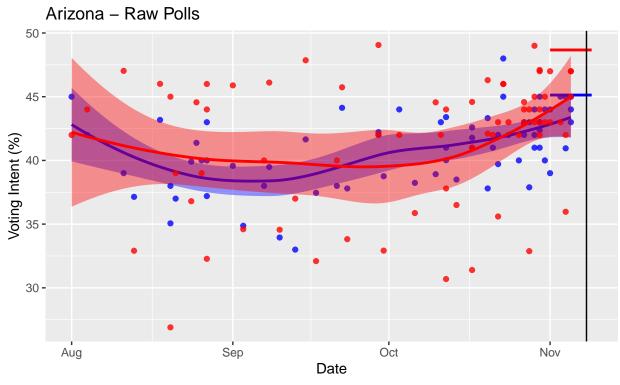


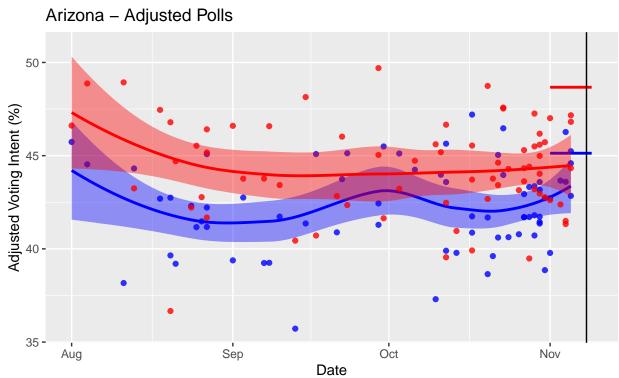




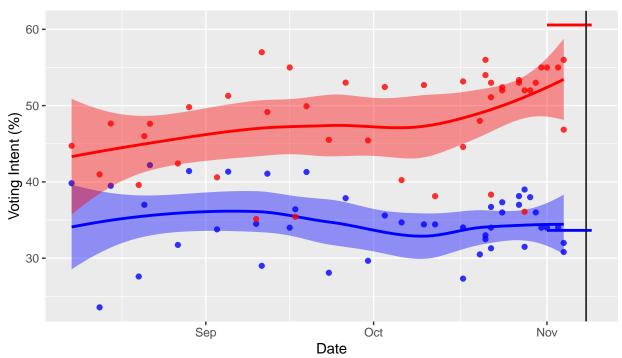
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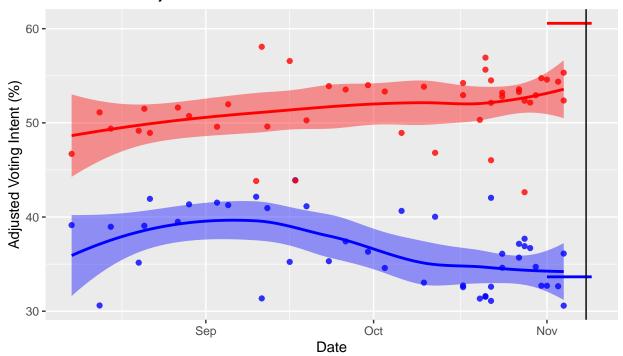




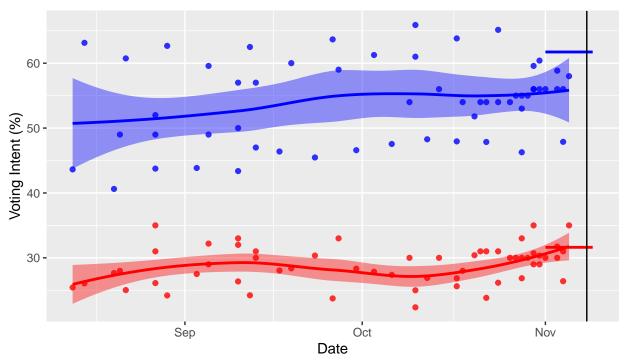
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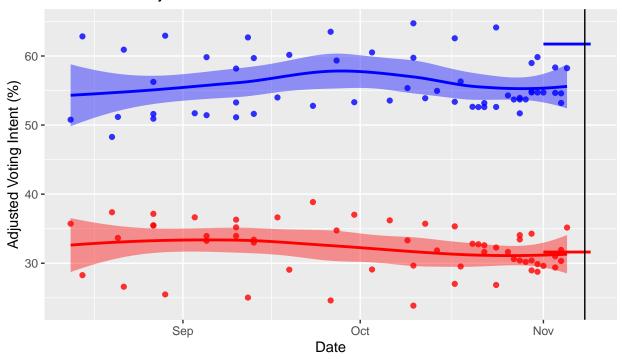
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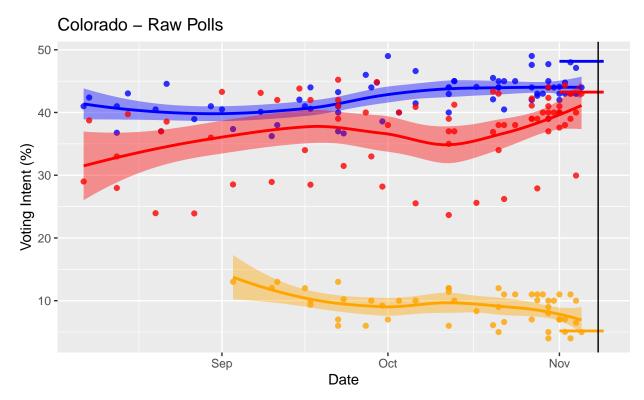


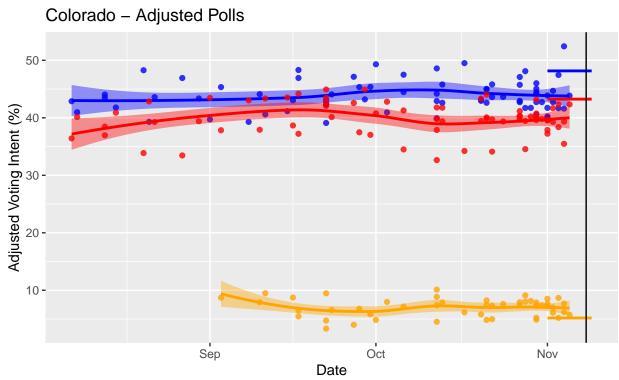
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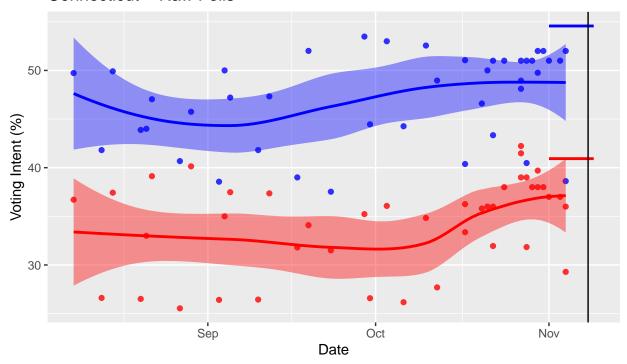
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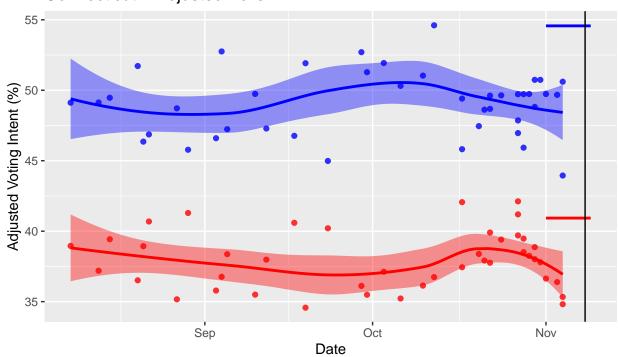




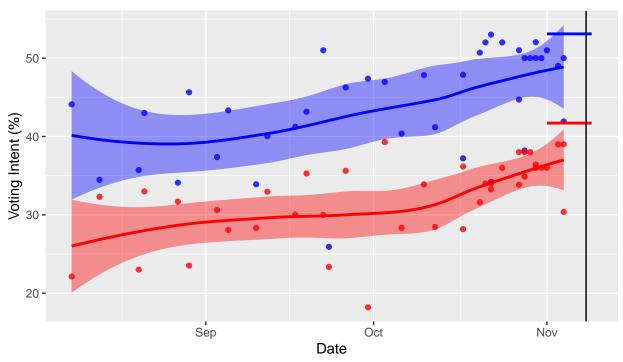
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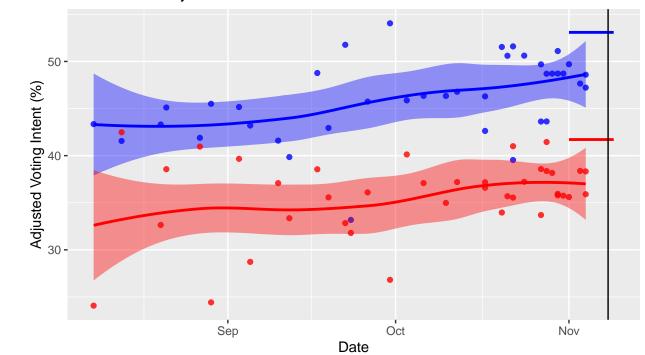
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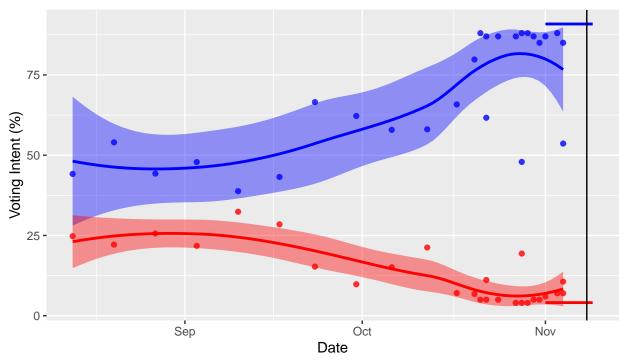
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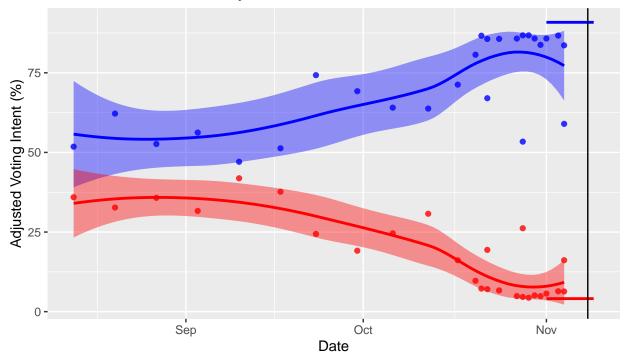
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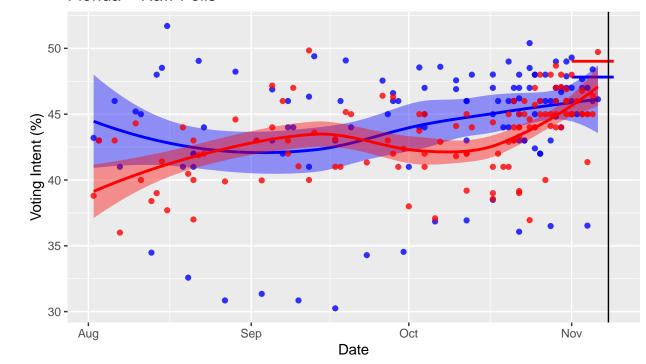
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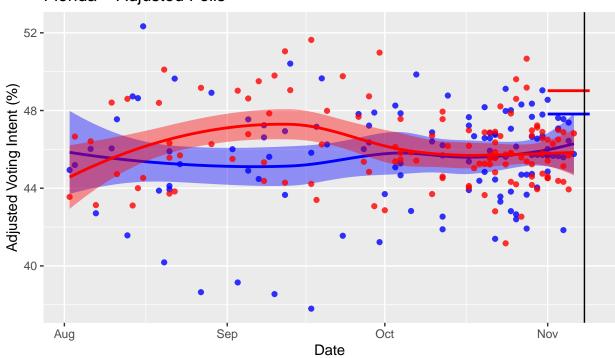
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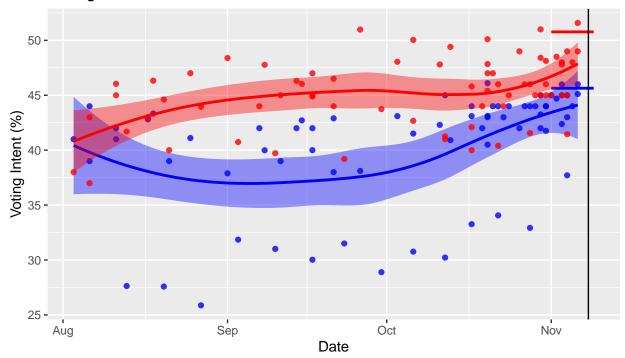
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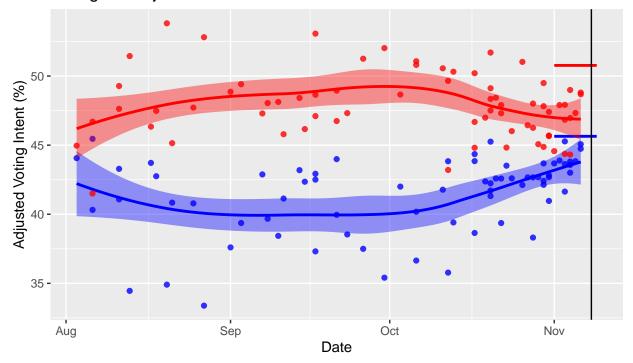
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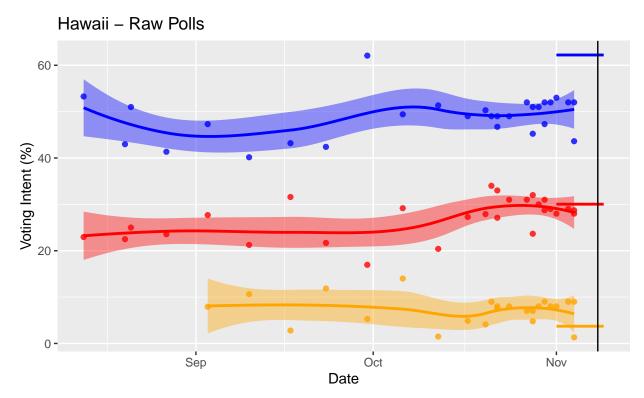


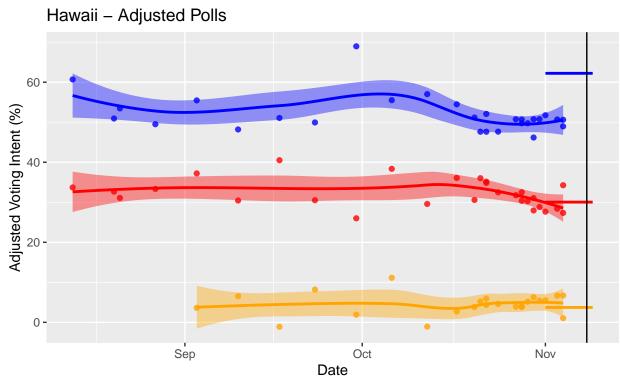
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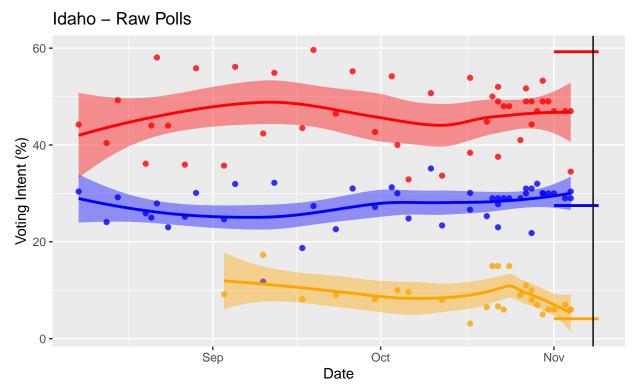


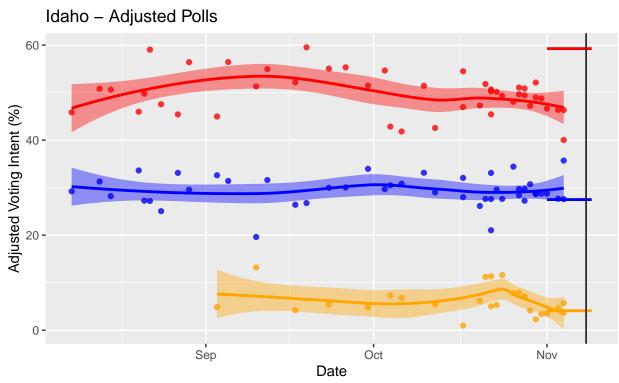
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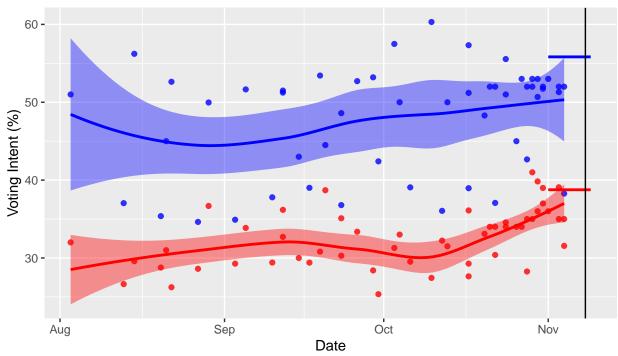




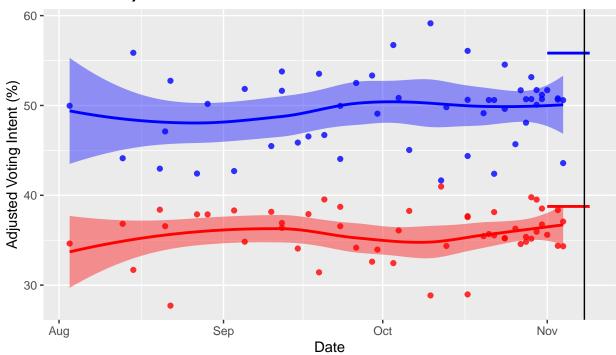




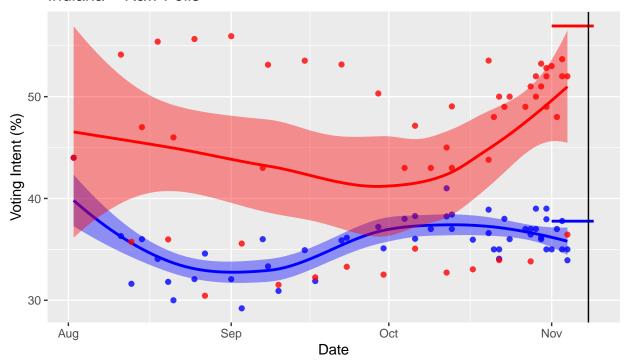




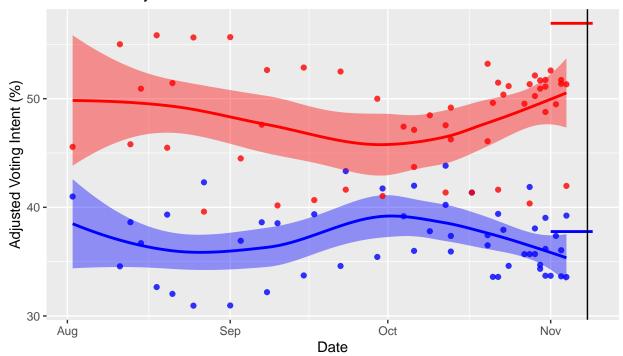
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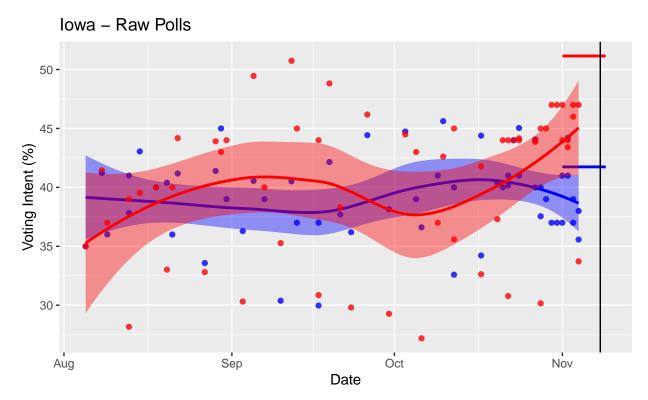


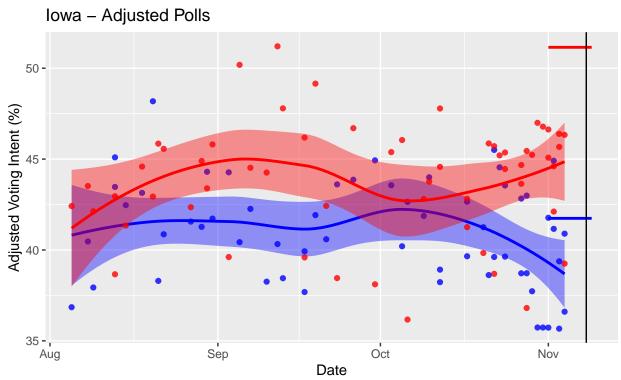
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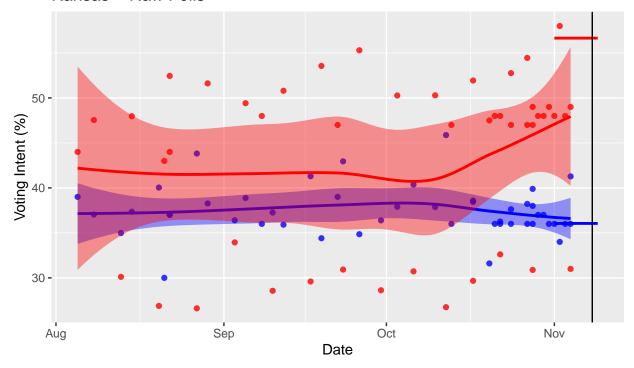
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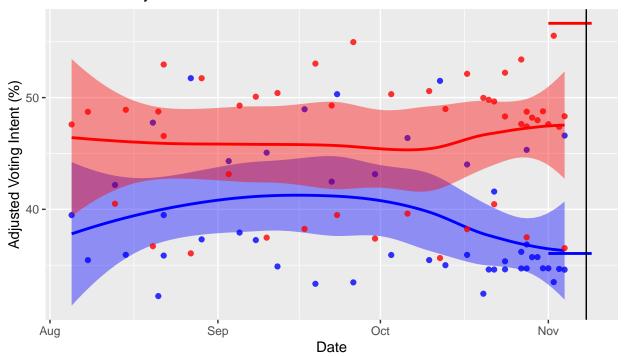




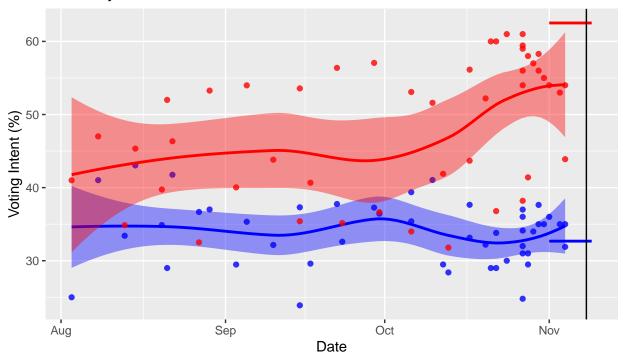
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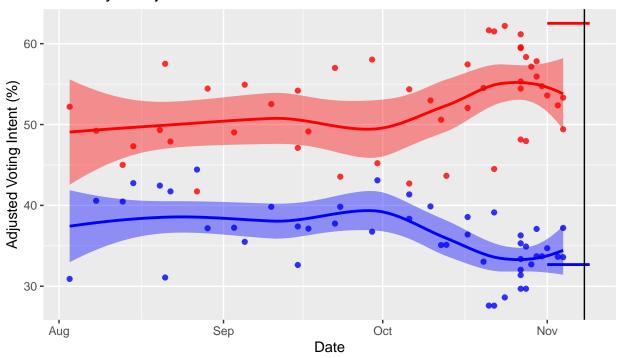
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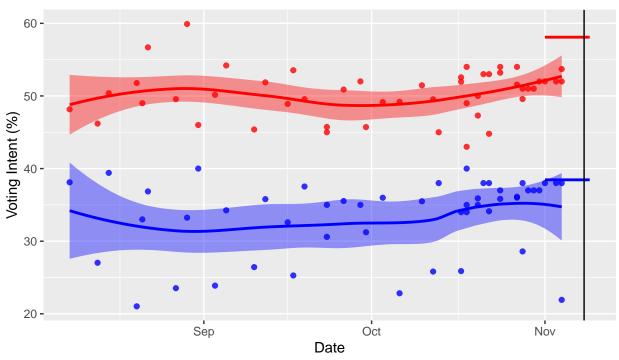
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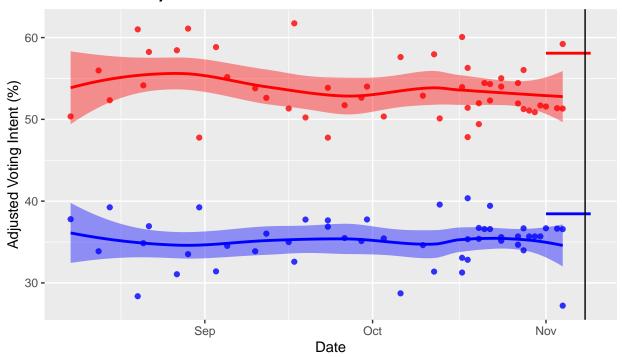
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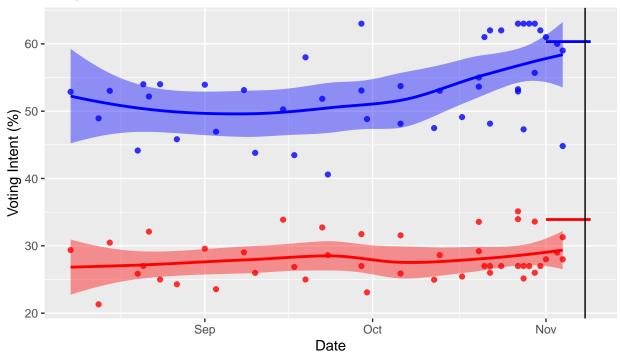




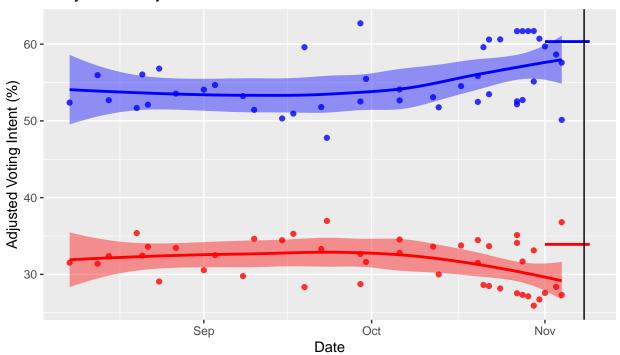
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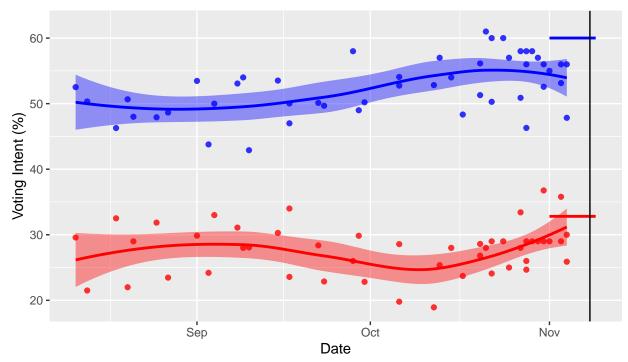
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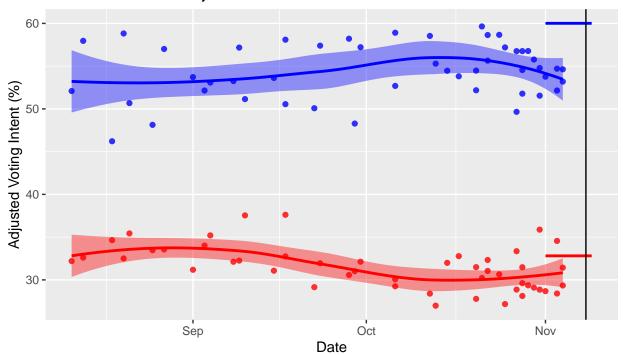
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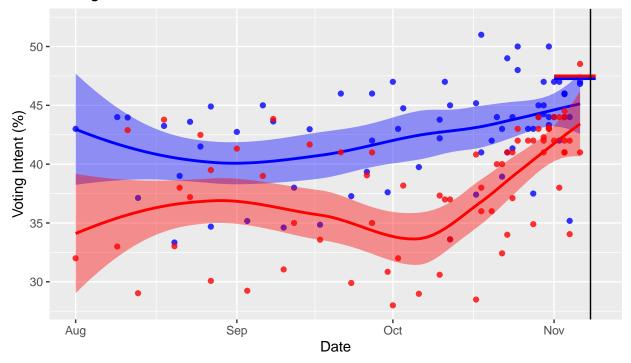
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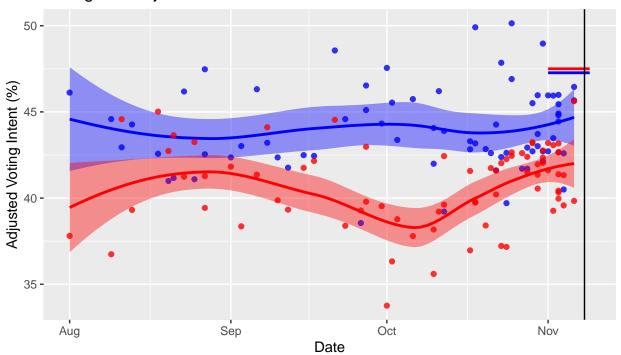
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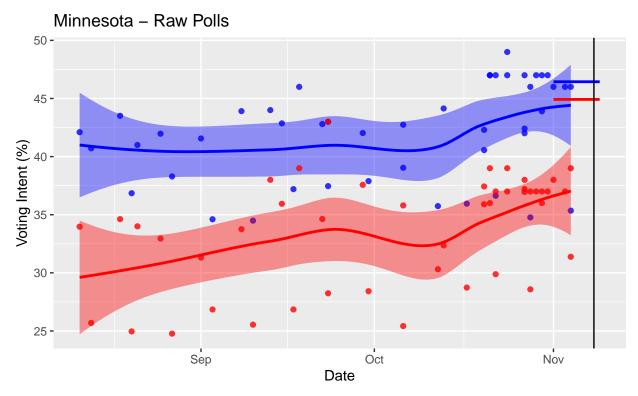


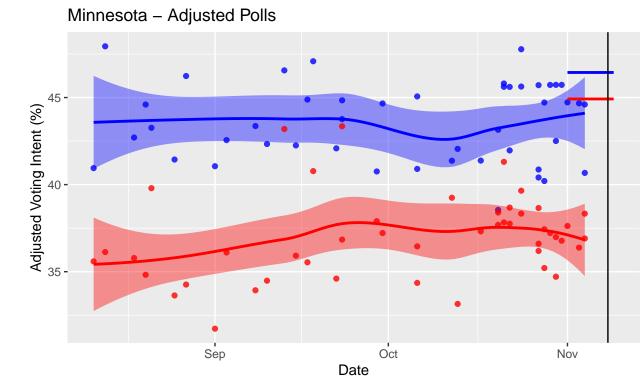
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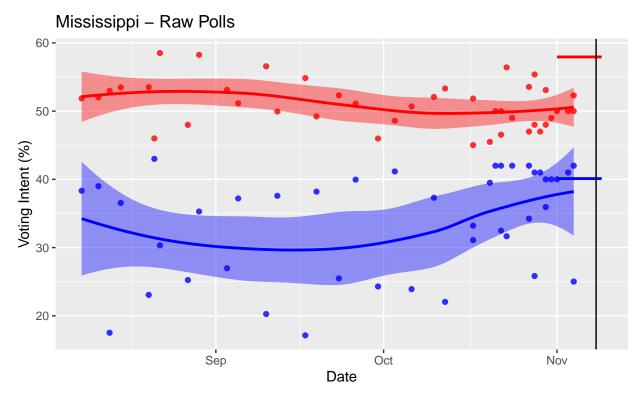


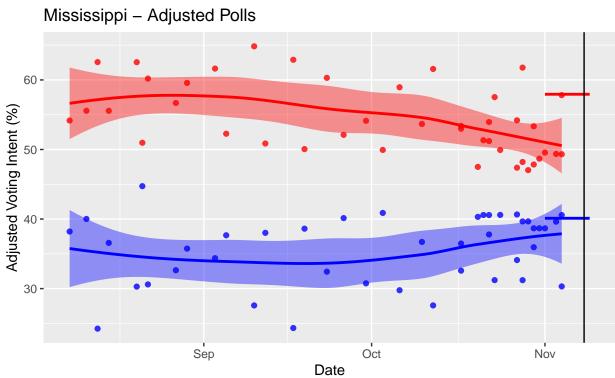
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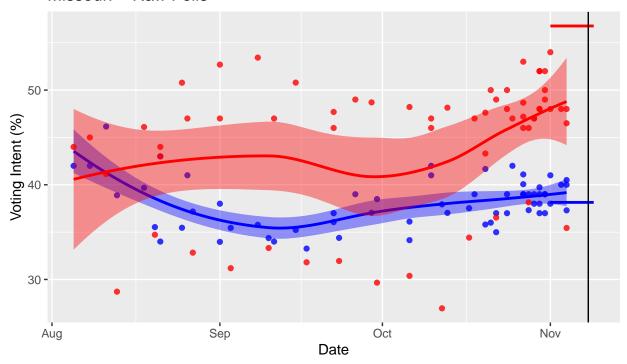




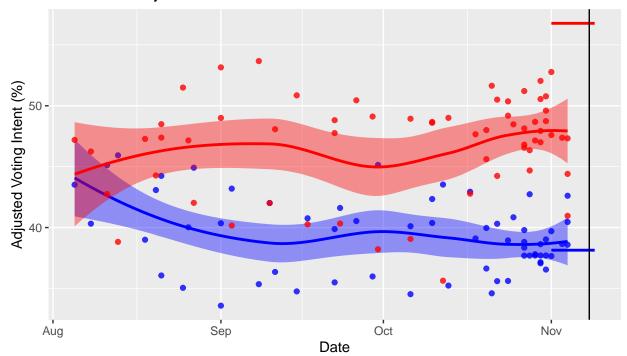


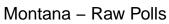


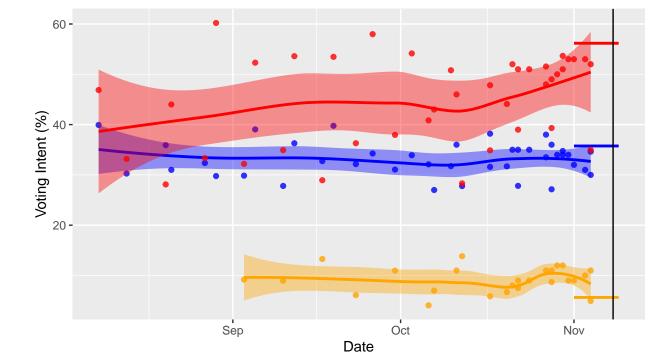
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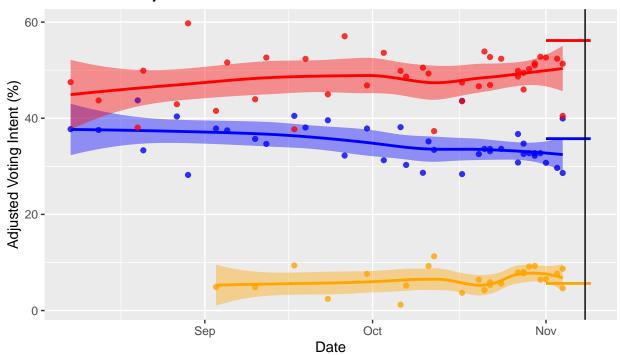
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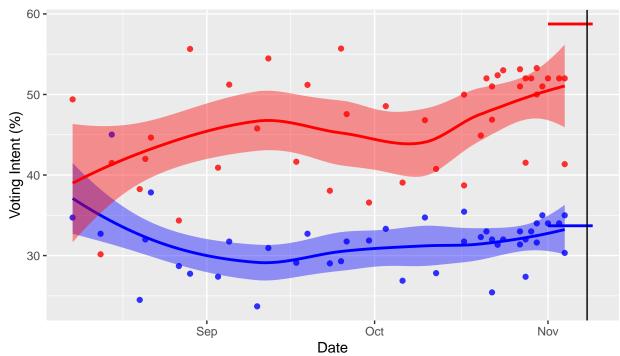




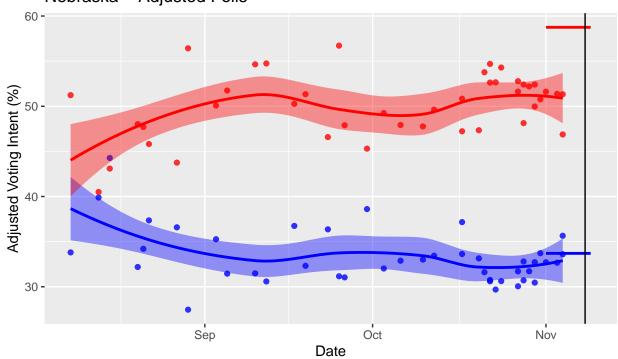
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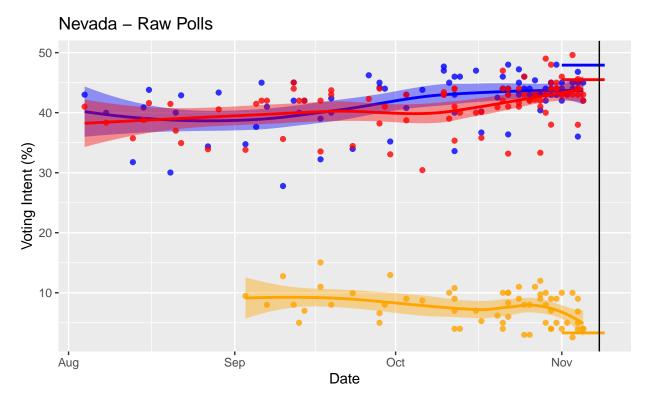


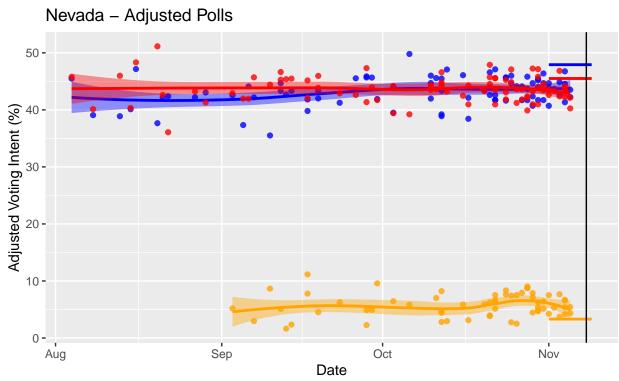
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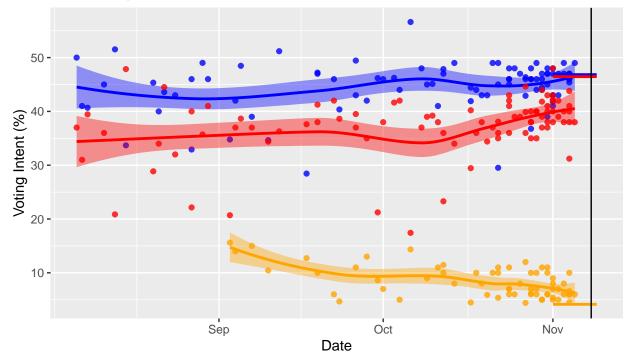
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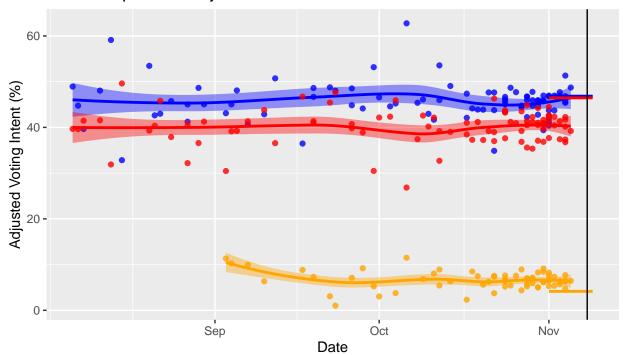




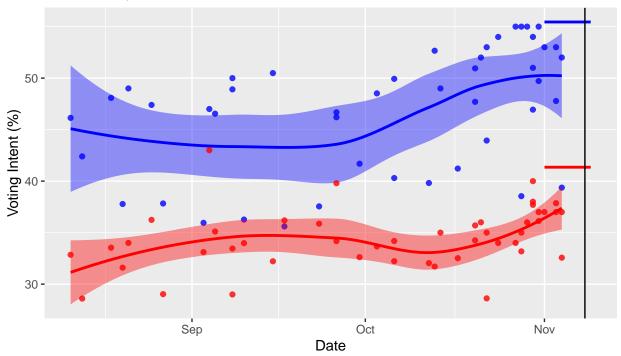
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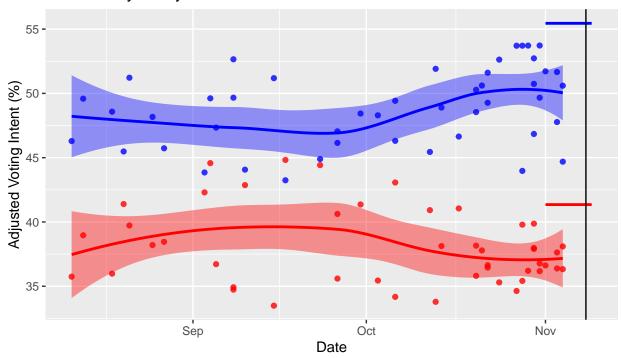
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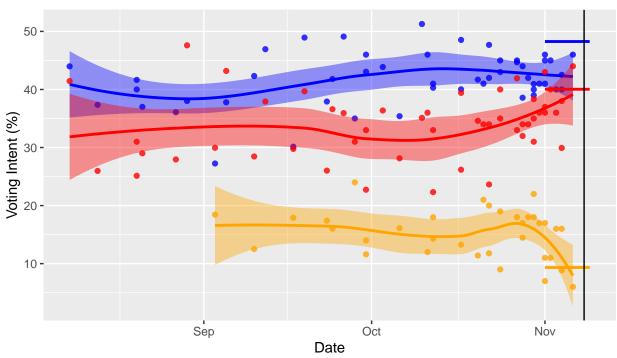
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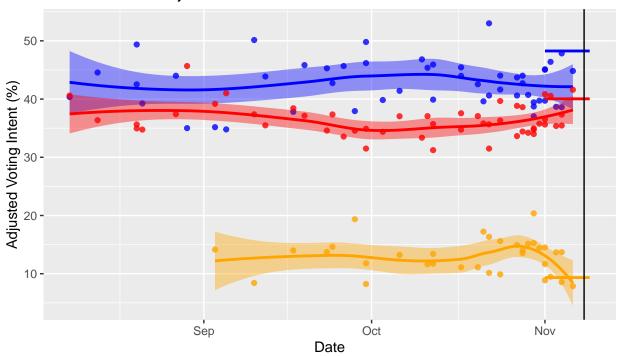
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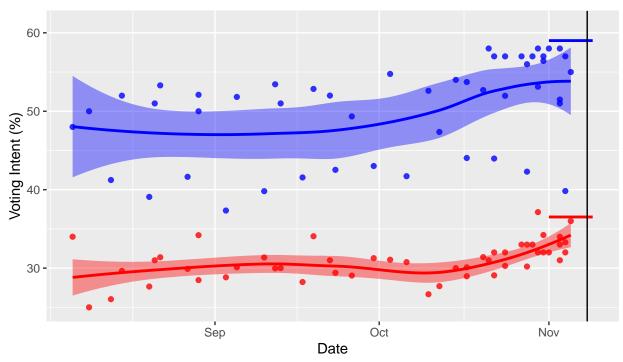
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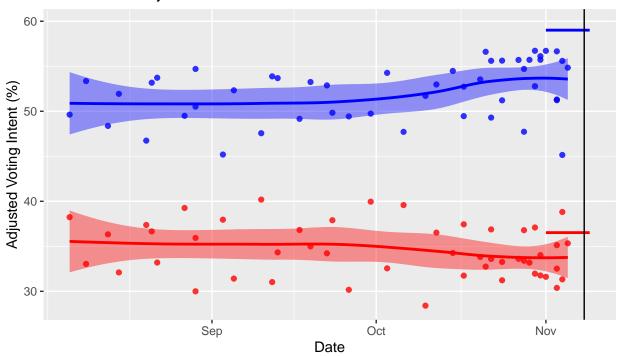
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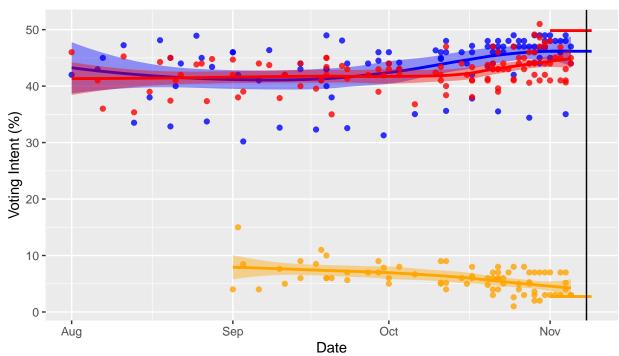
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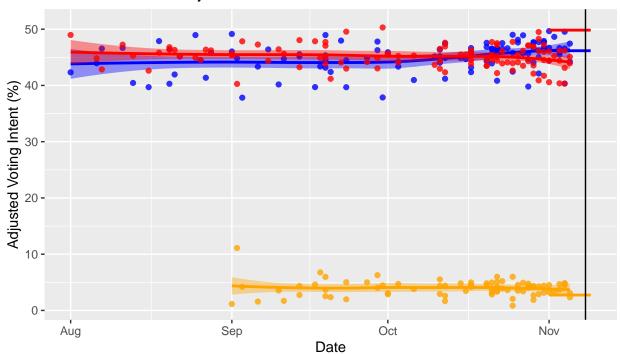
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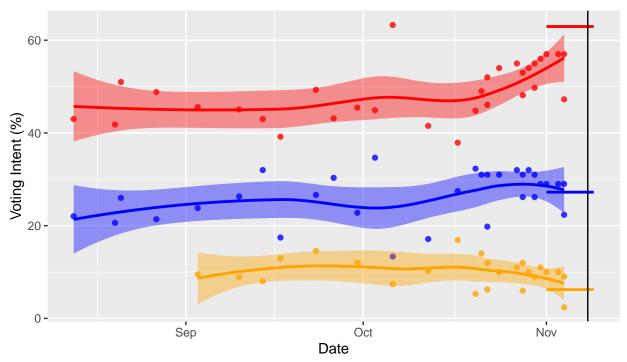
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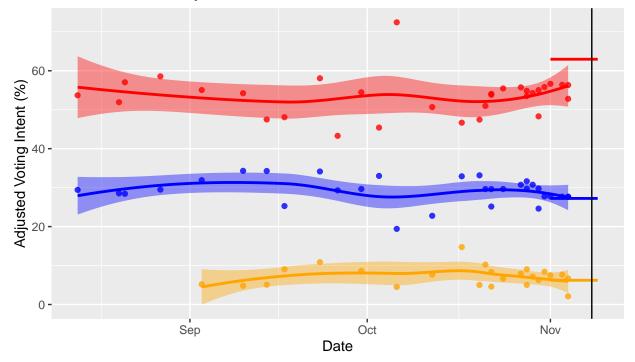
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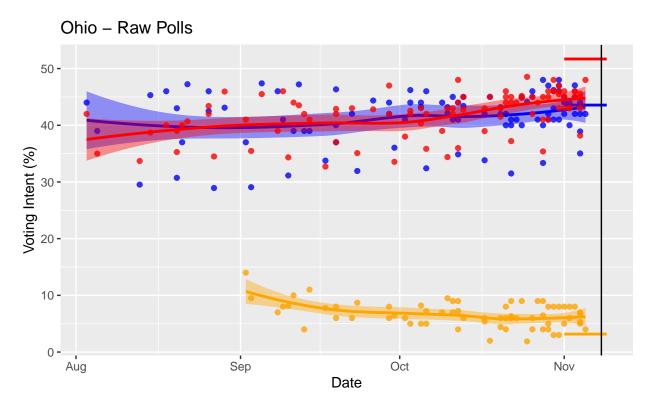


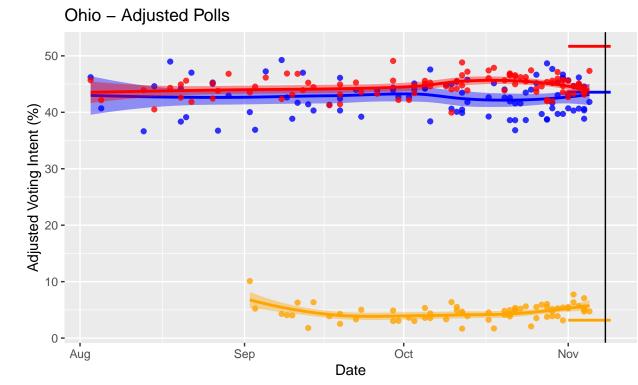
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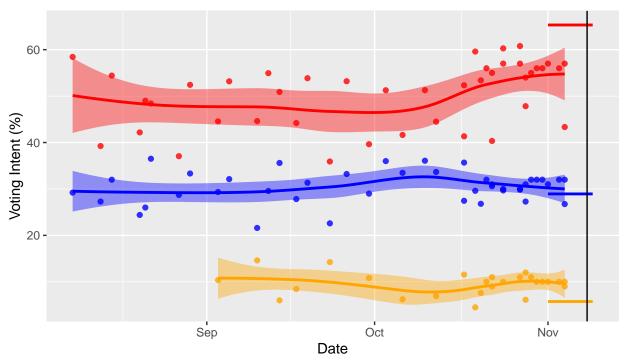
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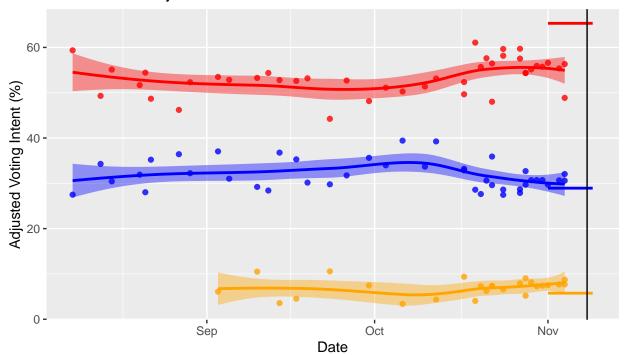




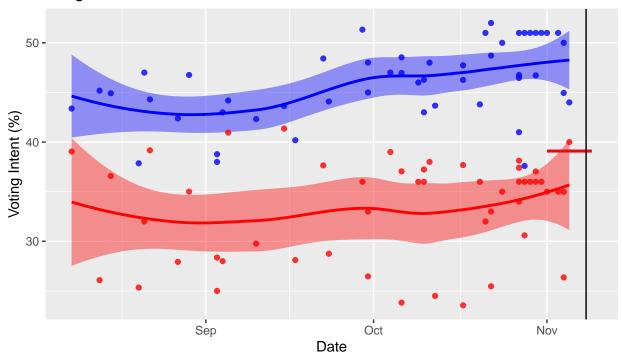
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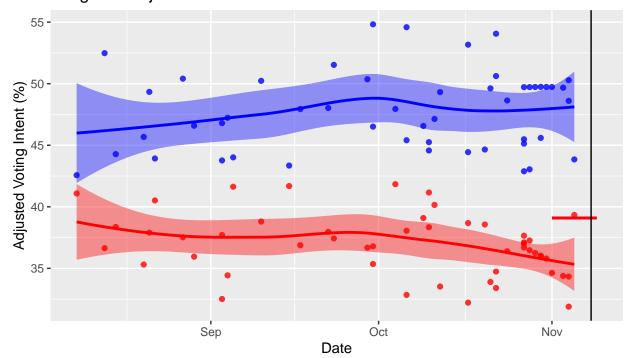
## Oklahoma - Adjusted Polls



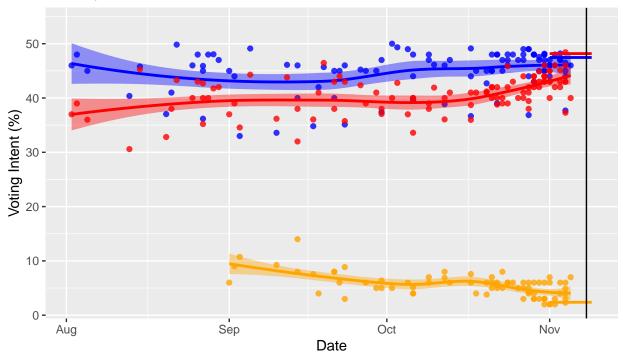
## Oregon – Raw Polls



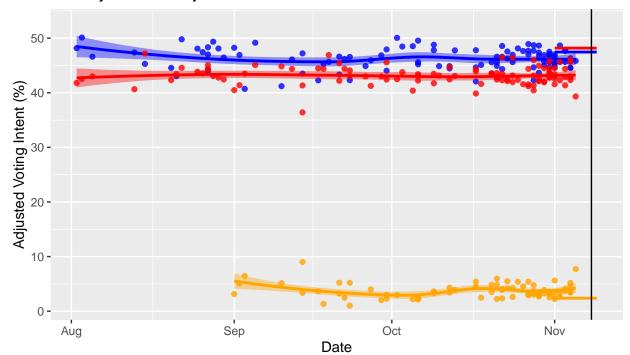
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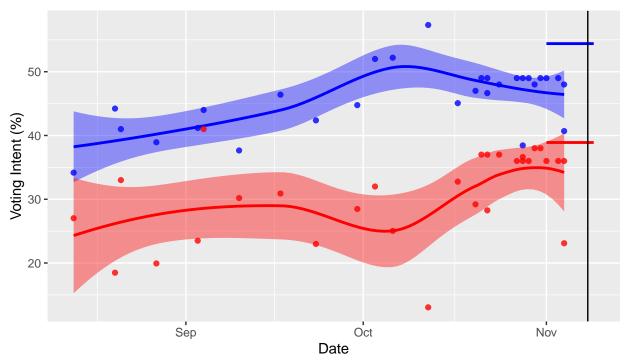
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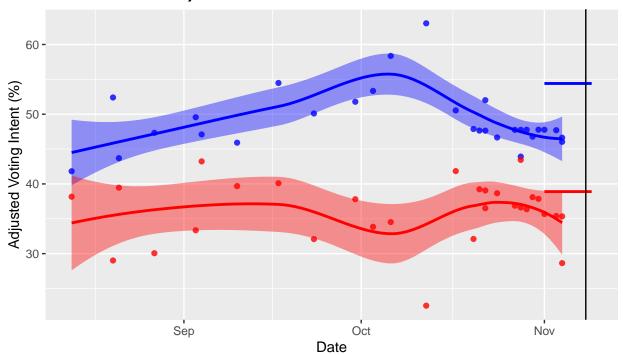
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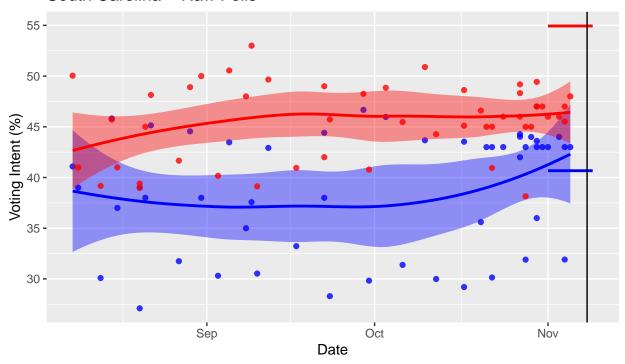
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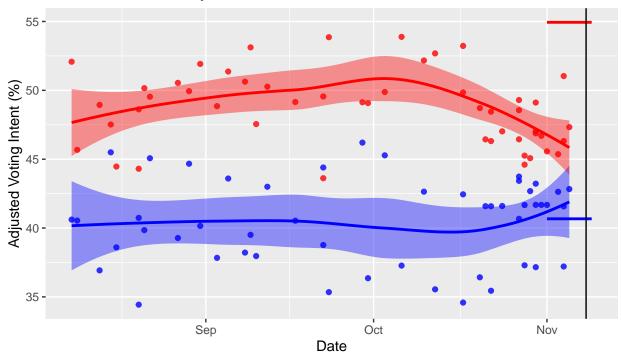
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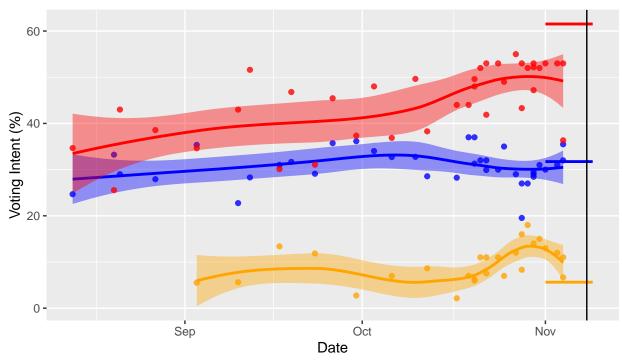
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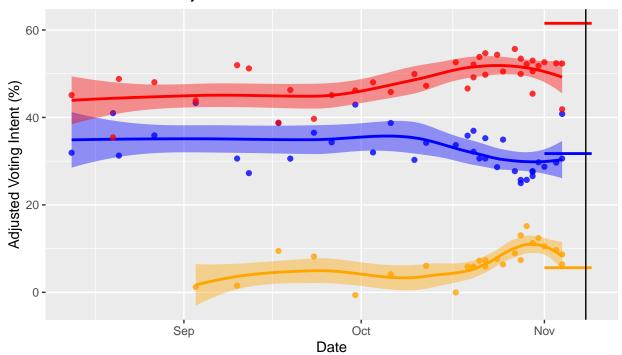
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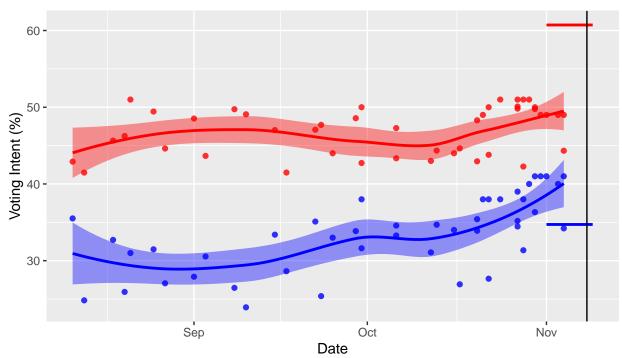
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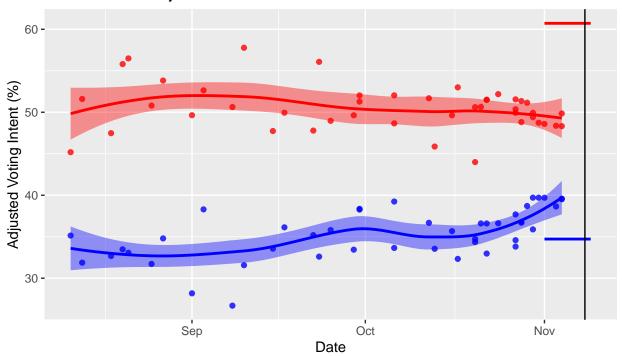
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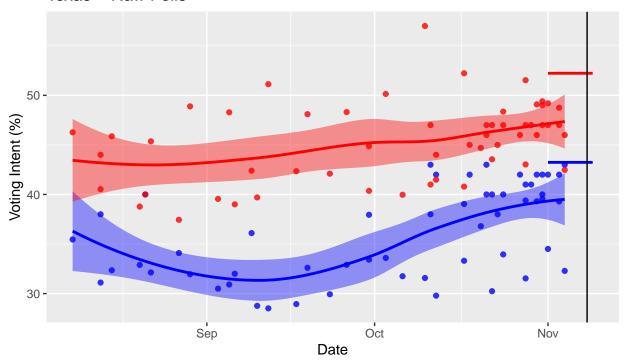
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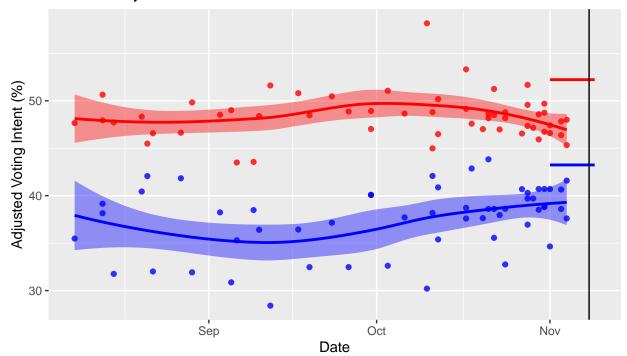
# Tennessee – Adjusted Polls



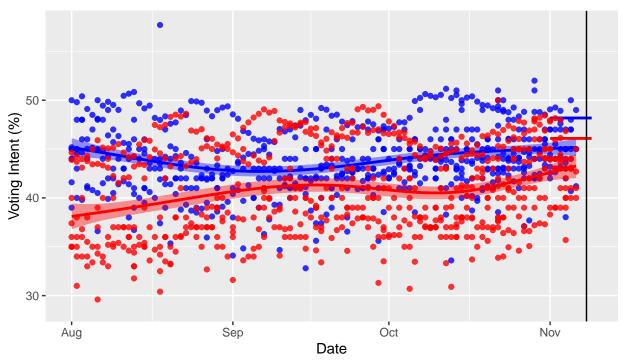
Texas - Raw Polls



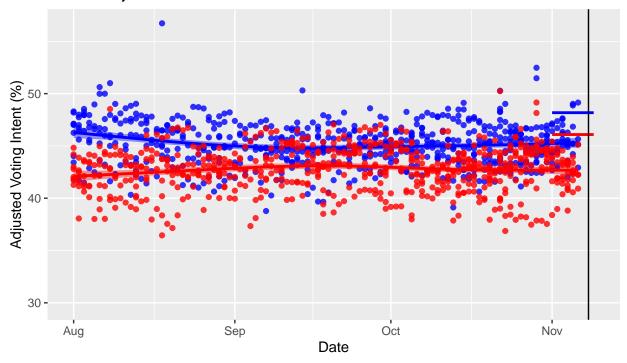
Texas – Adjusted Polls

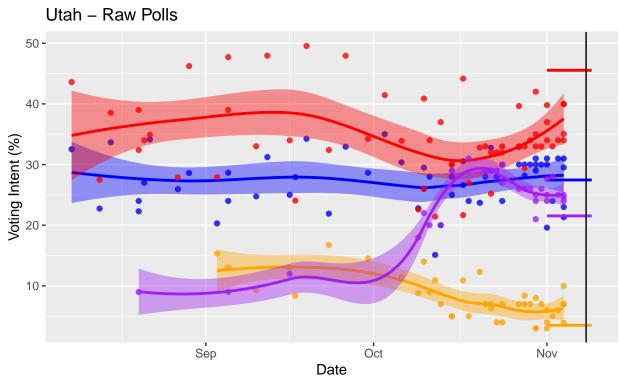


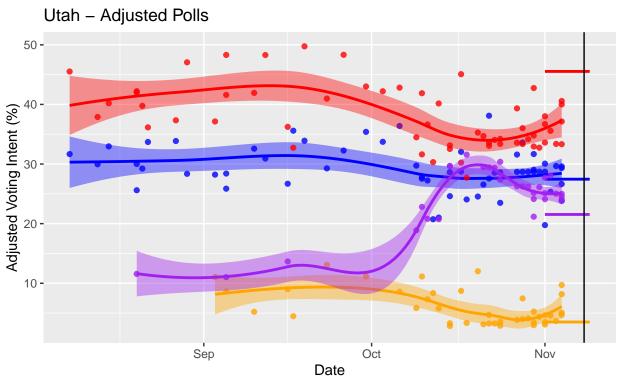
U.S. - Raw Polls



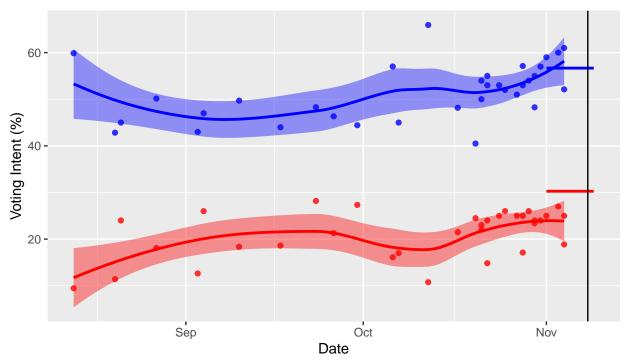
U.S. – Adjusted Polls



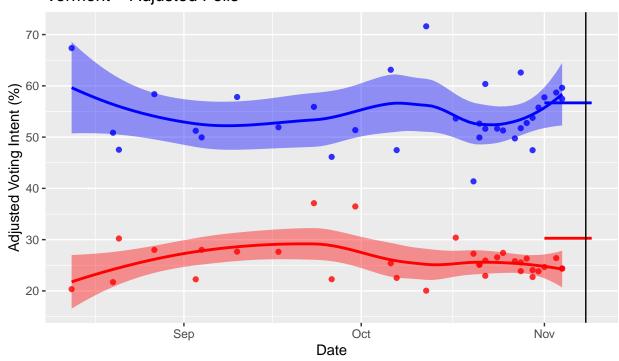




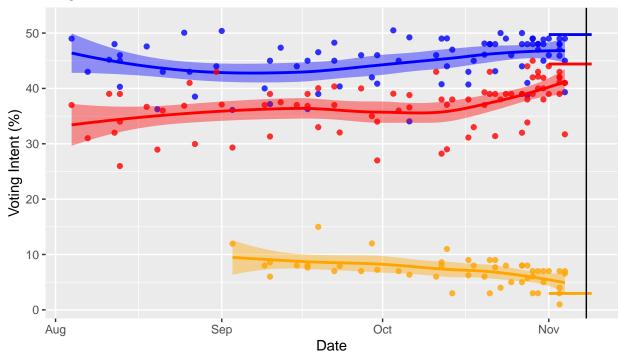
### Vermont - Raw Polls



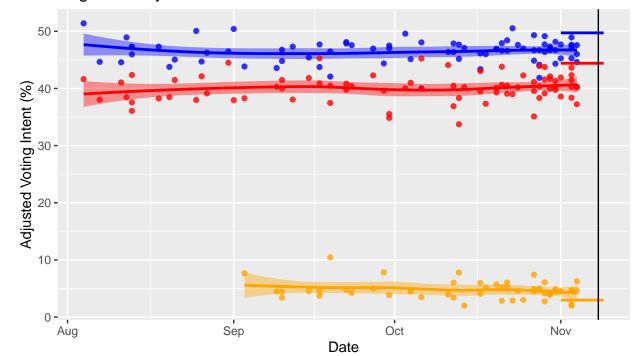
# Vermont – Adjusted Polls



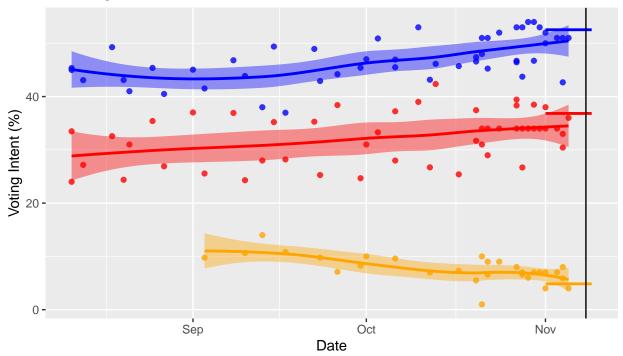




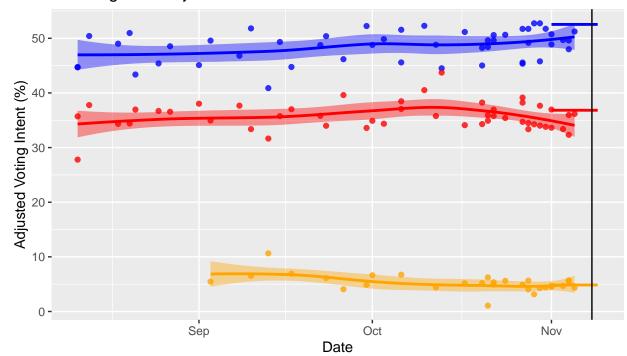
## Virginia – Adjusted Polls



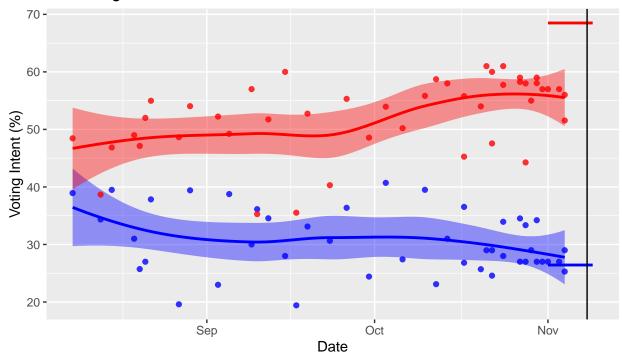
# Washington – Raw Polls



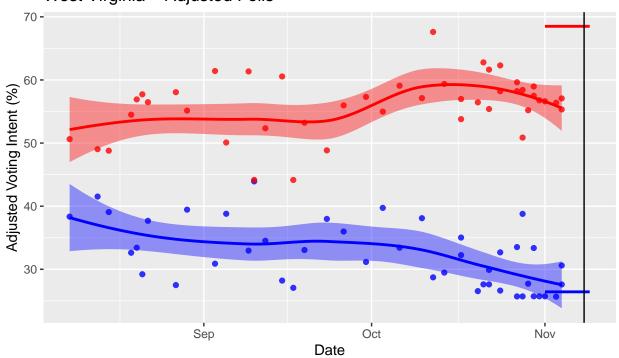
## Washington - Adjusted Polls



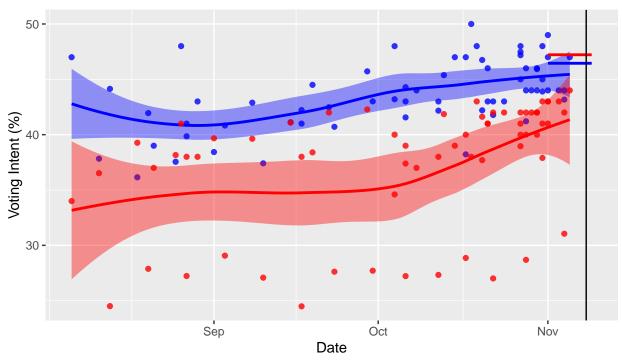
## West Virginia - Raw Polls



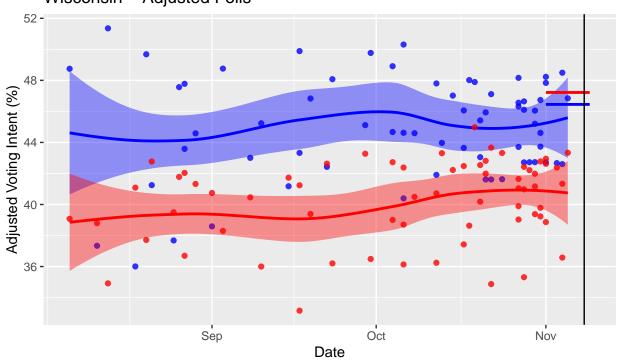
# West Virginia – Adjusted Polls

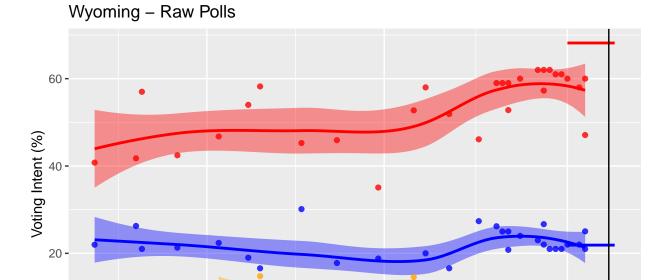


### Wisconsin - Raw Polls



# Wisconsin – Adjusted Polls

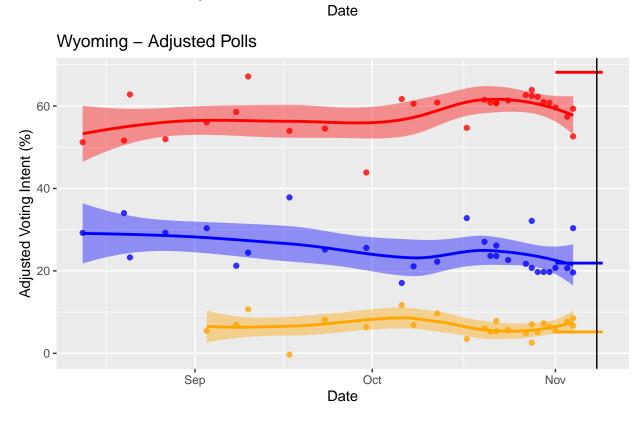




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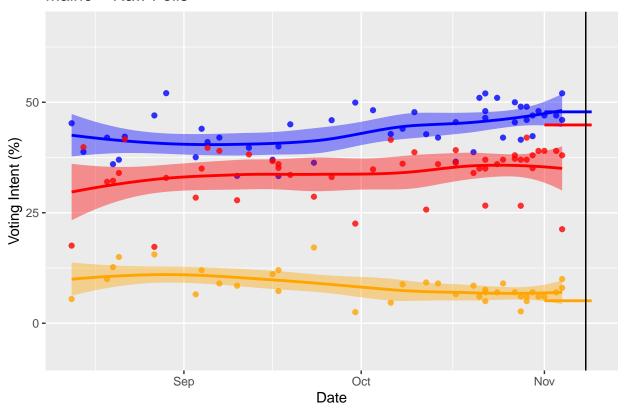
Maine has two congressional districts; as such, from the data of one congressional district and of the state as a whole, we can expect to reconstruct the data for the other congressional district (as long as the poll dates are relatively close together).

```
yaxes = c(0, 30)
   for (cand in c(clinton, trump, johnson)) { # get common y-limits to use on axes
        for (dist in c("Maine", "Maine CD-1", "Maine CD-2")){
            voteresult = filter(cand$finalresults, state == dist)[1,2] |>
                as.numeric()
            candpolls = cand$polls |>
                filter(state == dist)
            datevsraw = aes(
                x = candpolls$middate,
                y = candpolls$rawpolls
            plot = ggplot() + geom_point(
                mapping = datevsraw,
                colour = cand$colour,
                alpha = 0.8,
                na.rm = TRUE
            ) + geom_smooth(
                mapping = datevsraw,
                colour = cand$colour,
                fill = cand$colour,
                alpha = 0.4,
                na.rm = TRUE
            ) + geom segment(
                mapping = aes(
                x = ymd("2016-11-01"),
                y = voteresult,
                xend = dayafter,
                yend = voteresult
                colour = cand$colour,
                linewidth = 1.0
            )
        yaxes = c(min(yaxes[1], layer_scales(plot)$y$range$range[1]), max(yaxes[2], layer_scales(plot)$
   }
```

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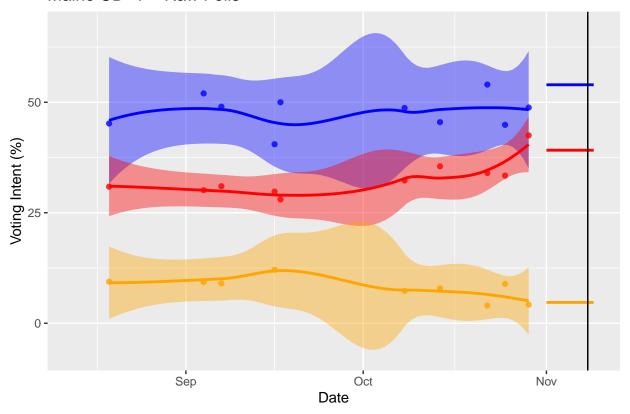
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## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula = 'y ~ x'
for (state in c("Maine", "Maine CD-1", "Maine CD-2")){
   plot = stateplotraw(state, begindate)
    stateraw = state |>
       paste("Raw Polls", sep = " - ")
   plot = plot + geom_vline(xintercept = finaldate) + labs(
       title = stateraw,
       x = "Date",
       y = "Voting Intent (%)"
   ) + xlim(begindate, dayafter)+ ylim(yaxes+c(0,2))
   print(plot)
}
## Scale for x is already present.
## Adding another scale for x, which will replace the existing scale.
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## Scale for x is already present.
## Adding another scale for x, which will replace the existing scale.
```

#### Maine - Raw Polls



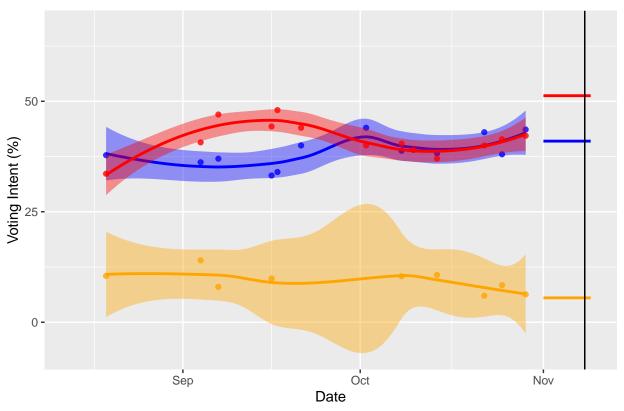
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## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula = 'y ~ x'
## Scale for x is already present.
## Adding another scale for x, which will replace the existing scale.
```

#### Maine CD-1 - Raw Polls



```
## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula = 'y ~ x'
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```

#### Maine CD-2 - Raw Polls



Seeing as the polls for the Nebraskan congressional districts are so sparse, it's difficult to supplement the data with data from pan-Nebraskan polls – the CD polls are so few in number that they can't serve to support or refute any supplemental data. Although Clinton and Trump polled comparably in the 2nd Nebraskan congressional district, it makes the most sense (for the sake of electoral simulation) to consider Nebraska's electoral votes as a whole, rather than allocating electoral votes by district.

If we were to eliminate some of the polls from lower-graded pollsters, in some states we would run the risk of only keeping polls from one or two sources. Given that each pollster has their own bias, there is reason to avoid overly relying on a single source for polls.

We supplement Maine congressional district data with Maine polls from higher-rated pollsters.

```
suppstates = c("District of Columbia", "Maine", "Maine CD-1", "Maine CD-2", "North Dakota", "Rhode Isla
gpolls = polls |>
    filter(state %in% suppstates) |>
    mutate(middate = round_date(middate, unit = "week"))
mainepolls = gpolls |>
    filter(state == "Maine", grade %in% c("B", "B+", "A-", "A", "A+")) |>
    select(middate, rawpoll_clinton, rawpoll_trump)
dipolls = gpolls |>
    filter(state == "Maine CD-1")
dlpolls2 = gpolls |>
    filter(state == "Maine CD-1") |>
    mutate(rawpoll_clinton_dist1 = rawpoll_clinton, rawpoll_trump_dist1 = rawpoll_trump) |>
    select(middate, rawpoll_clinton_dist1, rawpoll_trump_dist1)
```

```
x = merge(mainepolls, d1polls2) |>
    as_tibble()
regc = lm(rawpoll_clinton_dist1 ~ rawpoll_clinton, data = x)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = rawpoll_clinton_dist1 ~ rawpoll_clinton, data = x)
## Coefficients:
##
       (Intercept) rawpoll_clinton
##
          41.6753
                             0.1558
anova(regc) # pretty lousy. May be due to repeated X-values with different Y-values;
## Analysis of Variance Table
## Response: rawpoll_clinton_dist1
                   Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## rawpoll_clinton 1 12.17 12.171 0.9035 0.3494
## Residuals
                   30 404.13 13.471
# low number of datapoints
regt = lm(rawpoll_trump_dist1 ~ rawpoll_trump, data = x)
regt
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = rawpoll_trump_dist1 ~ rawpoll_trump, data = x)
## Coefficients:
##
     (Intercept) rawpoll_trump
       33.177205
                     -0.008009
##
anova(regt)
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: rawpoll_trump_dist1
                 Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## rawpoll_trump 1 0.04 0.0422 0.0023 0.9618
## Residuals
                 30 542.25 18.0749
newdata = mainepolls |>
    mutate(rawpoll_clinton = regc$coefficients["(Intercept)"] + regc$coefficients["rawpoll_clinton"]*ra
    mutate(rawpoll_trump = regt$coefficients["(Intercept)"] + regt$coefficients["rawpoll_trump"]*rawpol
    bind_rows(d1polls)
newclinton = aes(
   x = newdata middate,
  y = newdata$rawpoll_clinton
```

```
newtrump = aes(
    x = newdata middate,
    y = newdata$rawpoll_trump
clintonresult = filter(clinton$finalresults, state == "Maine CD-1")[1,2] >>
    as.numeric()
trumpresult = filter(trump$finalresults, state == "Maine CD-1")[1,2] |>
    as.numeric()
plot = ggplot() + geom_point(
    mapping = newclinton,
    colour = clinton$colour,
    alpha = 0.8,
    na.rm = TRUE
) + geom_point(
    mapping = newtrump,
    colour = trump$colour,
    alpha = 0.8,
    na.rm = TRUE
) + geom_smooth(
    mapping = newclinton,
    colour = clinton$colour,
    fill = clinton$colour,
    alpha = 0.4,
    na.rm = TRUE
) + geom_segment(
    mapping = aes(
        x = ymd("2016-11-01"),
        y = clintonresult,
        xend = dayafter,
        yend = clintonresult
        ),
    colour = clinton$colour,
    linewidth = 1.0
)+ geom_smooth(
    mapping = newtrump,
    colour = trump$colour,
    fill = trump$colour,
    alpha = 0.4,
    na.rm = TRUE
) + geom_segment(
    mapping = aes(
        x = ymd("2016-11-01"),
        y = trumpresult,
        xend = dayafter,
        yend = trumpresult
        ),
    colour = trump$colour,
    linewidth = 1.0
) + geom_vline(xintercept = finaldate) + labs(
```

```
title = "Maine CD-1 raw polls (supplemented)",
    x = "Date",
    y = "Voting Intent (%)"
    ) + xlim(begindate, dayafter)+ ylim(yaxes+c(0,2))
print(plot)

## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula = 'y ~ x'
```

#### Maine CD-1 raw polls (supplemented)

## 'geom\_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula = 'y ~ x'

