

## Maine

Voters in Maine will elect a Governor and Lt. Governor, and state legislators in the 2018 election cycle. All 151 seats in the State House are up as well as all 35 seats in the State Senate. Maine is a battleground state this cycle with Republicans on high-alert trying to defend a one seat majority in the Senate and Democrats hoping to maintain their four seat advantage in the House.

## Governor

### Democratic Nominee

#### [Attorney General Janet Mills](#)

Attorney General Janet Mills has twice been elected by the state Legislature to serve as Attorney General. Previously, Attorney General Mills served in the Maine House of Representatives from 2002 to 2008.

Attorney General Mills is a supporter of the state's Medicaid expansion and will work to ensure its implementation. She is also making the opioid epidemic a focus of her campaign. She is campaigning on expansion of drug courts and medication-assisted treatment and supportive services. She wants to rein in prescribing practices and provide treatment and supportive therapy across the state.

Attorney General Mills is also campaigning on economic development. She is in favor of "dig once" policies to lay fiber during road construction to bring comprehensive broadband to all of the state. She would like to create an initiative that allows schools to partner with local businesses to place Maine students in the workforce before graduation.

She is in favor of funding more research and development particularly in the area of material sciences and clean energy.

Attorney General Mills is also campaigning on ending childhood hunger in Maine. She advocates for programs like Maine Harvest Bucks, which allow SNAP receipts to get doubles their monies worth of fresh, local produce at farmers' markets, retail stores, co-ops, and farm stands. She is also in favor of repealing the asset test that penalizes families for saving.

*Trivia: Attorney General Mills was the first female District Attorney in New England.*