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SEE Keith's comments below.

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Hey Joe-

I went ahead and ran the regression models for 2006, 2008, and 2010 to generate open seat estimates on all of the precincts. They expected GOP open seat assembly vote using the equations correlates at .96 with the 2004-2010 composite, and at a .93 level with the 2006-2010 state constitutional office composite. Both of them are running a little strong relative to one cluster of precincts -- I'll look and see if they are up north.

But, at this point, if you asked me, the power of the relationships indicates that the partisanship proxy you are using (all races) is an almost perfect proxy for the open seat vote, and the best proxy you'll come up with.

This seems to pretty much wraps up the partisanship measure debate.

Have Jim call me if he needs anything. Otherwise, I'll be tweaking the polarization analysis.

Best,
Keith

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We looked at the different combos today.



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The 2006 and 2010 races combined tilt too much to the GOP. I thought 06 and 10 would balance but they don't. The northern seats were especially out of whack.

So I had Tad do a composite with the 2006 and 2010 state races and all the federal races from 04 to 2010 (in other words, all statewide races from 04 to 2010). This seems to work well both in absolute terms as well as seats in relation to each other.

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Good. I am close to having a partisan baselining for you.

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