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## Maine U.S. Senate: Snowe 70%, Hay Bright 24%

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- Republican Olympia Snowe is expected to earn a new term as one of Maine's representatives to the United States Senate, according to the latest poll by Rasmussen Reports. 70 per cent of respondents would vote for the incumbent, while 24 per cent would support Democratic challenger Jean Hay Bright.

A laye July poll by Strategic Marketing Services gave Snowe a 58-point advantage over Hay Bright.

Snowe was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1994 and 2000. In the last contest, she defeated Democrat Mark Lawrence with 69 per cent of all cast ballots. Snowe served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1979 to 1995.

Hay Bright is a writer and organic farmer. In the Jun. 13 Democratic primary, she defeated lawyer Eric Mehnert with 51 per cent of the vote. Independent candidate Bill Slavick is also contending.

The election is scheduled for Nov. 7. No Maine Democrat has served in the U.S. Senate since George J. Mitchell in 1995.

### Polling Data

Election 2006 - Maine U.S. Senate

Incumbent: Olympia Snowe (R)

Challenger: Jean Hay Bright (D), Bill Slavick (I)

	<b>Snowe (R)</b>	<b>Hay Bright (D)</b>	<b>Slavick (I)</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Methodology</b>	<b>MofE</b>
Rasmussen Reports	70%	24%	--	Oct. 17	Phone, 500 LV	4.5
Rasmussen Reports	68%	20%	--	Aug. 17	Phone, 500 LV	4.5
Strategic Marketing	68%	10%	4%	Jul. 14-21	Phone, 401 LV	4.0

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Rasmussen Reports	69%	22%	--	Jul. 19	Phone, 500 LV	4.5
Rasmussen Reports	66%	26%	--	Jun. 15	Phone, 500 LV	4.5

*LV: Likely voters*

*RV: Registered voters*

*Ad: Adults*

*MofE: Margin of error*

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