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LOUISIANA'S 2026 SENATE RACE

Who's in, who's out, who's considering

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Louisiana's 2026 U.S. Senate race, which promises to be one of the most watched campaigns in the country,

looks like it will have more candidates than a gumbo has ingredients, especially in the Republican lineup.

Though incumbent Sen. Bill Cassidy traditionally would have a smooth path to re-election, other Republicans believe he's vulnerable because of Cassidy's 2021 vote to convict President Trump during his second impeachment trial.

It also will be Louisiana's first closed primary election in decades, which means all of the Republicans chasing Cassidy will try to out-MAGA each other to emerge as Cassidy's main challenger.

No Democrat has yet announced a campaign for the Democratic primary election, although national Democrats are said to have recruited former Gov.

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An empty Bourbon Street is seen in the evening in 2021. JON CHERRY/GETTY IMAGES FILE

10 most dangerous cities in Louisiana

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The state of Louisiana has a relatively high crime rate, particularly for violent crime, with the state ranking fifth for violent crime rates.

Louisiana has a violent crime rate of approximately 548 offenses occurring for every 100,000 people, according to USA Facts.

Louisiana's combined crime rate is 3,389 per 100,000 residents, and the violent crime rate is 66.5% higher than the national average, according to Omega Law Group.

Top 10 most dangerous cities in Louisiana for 2025 according to Reolink

In order to find out the ten most dangerous cities in Louisiana, Reolink has

compared and ranked areas based on the violent crime rate per 100,000 residents.

1. Marksville

Marksville is considered the most dangerous city in Louisiana, as statistics exceed the statewide average four times, with violent crime occurring at

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LOUISIANA

U.S. News lists top hospitals

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If you have a serious medical condition, or need to undergo a specific procedure, choosing the right hospital is a crucial decision.

Different hospitals may specialize in different areas of medicine, and some may have higher ratings for quality of care or skill level when compared to other hospitals.

In order to help patients find the best hospitals, and ones that meet their medical needs, U.S. News & World Report releases annual "Best Hospital" rankings.

5 best hospitals in Louisiana ranked by U.S. News & World Report

U.S. News & World Report has evaluated 198 hospitals in Louisiana, with five meeting high U.S. News standards and being recognized as Best Regional Hospitals.

1. Ochsner Medical Center

Ochsner Medical Center, located at Ochsner Medical Center 1514 Jefferson Highway in New Orleans, is ranked regionally in Southeastern Louisiana as the number one hospital in the state, and is ranked nationally as the number one hospital for adult specialty and number three for children's specialties.

s. The hospital is high performing in

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