

2000-2016

**The  
2000s  
A Decade  
In Review**





*November 7, 2000*



# 2000 Election

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- ▶ Democrats nominate Vice President Al Gore
- ▶ Republicans choose Texas governor George W. Bush
- ▶ Green Party choose Ralph Nader
  - ▶ promote environment, liberal causes
- ▶ Closest race in history:
  - ▶ Florida's 25 electoral votes needed to win presidency
    - ▶ Television Networks call the race early...for Gore....
  - ▶ As votes counted, lead shifts repeatedly between Gore & Bush
    - ▶ At 2:18am, the Networks declare Bush the winner of Florida
    - ▶ Florida difference is less than a 1,000 votes
    - ▶ Three Week Recount follows...



▶ 7:48 pm



▶ Gore projected winner of Florida.

▶ 1:58 am



▶ Florida goes from Gore victory to “toss up”





▶ 2:18 am



▶ TV networks call Florida, George W. Bush elected President.

▶ 3:15 am



▶ Bush leads Gore by 11,000 votes with 99% counted.



▶ 3:26 am



▶ Bush leads by 629 votes

▶ 4:04 am



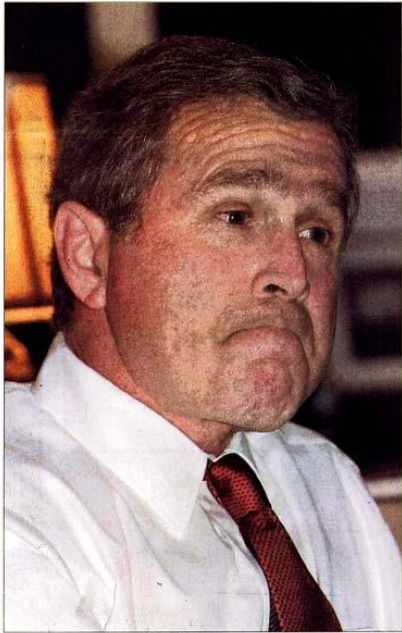
▶ Networks report Gore withdrawing his concession. Automatic recount begins.



WEDNESDAY, November 8, 2000

# RECOUNT

Gore concedes to Bush then retracts as national cliffhanger turns on final tally of Florida votes



AP photos

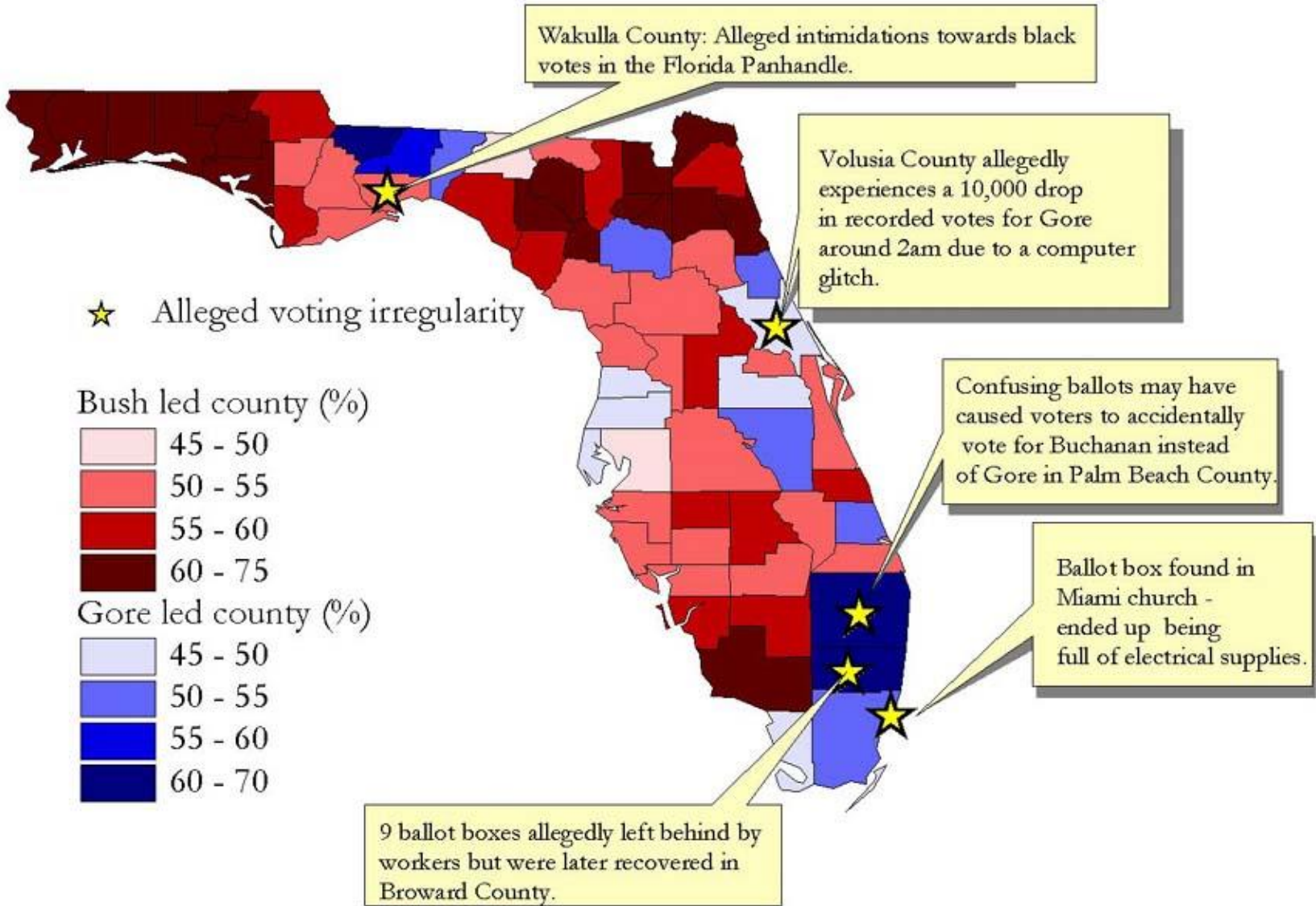
**ELECTORAL COLLEGE**  
**GORE 249**  
 Popular vote: 47,242,846  
**BUSH 246**  
 Popular vote: 47,101,968  
 At 4:49 a.m.

At 5 a.m., the campaigns called it a night. Bush led Gore in Florida by less than 600 votes. Gore appeared headed for a win in the national popular vote. A full day of recounting and bickering lies ahead. **Full coverage inside.**

**Note to readers**  
 This is an election special edition. Tasse and classified sections do not appear in this edition.











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PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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# Confusion at Palm Beach County polls

Some Al Gore supporters may have mistakenly voted for Pat Buchanan because of the ballot's design.

Although the Democrats are listed second in the column on the left, they are the third hole on the ballot.

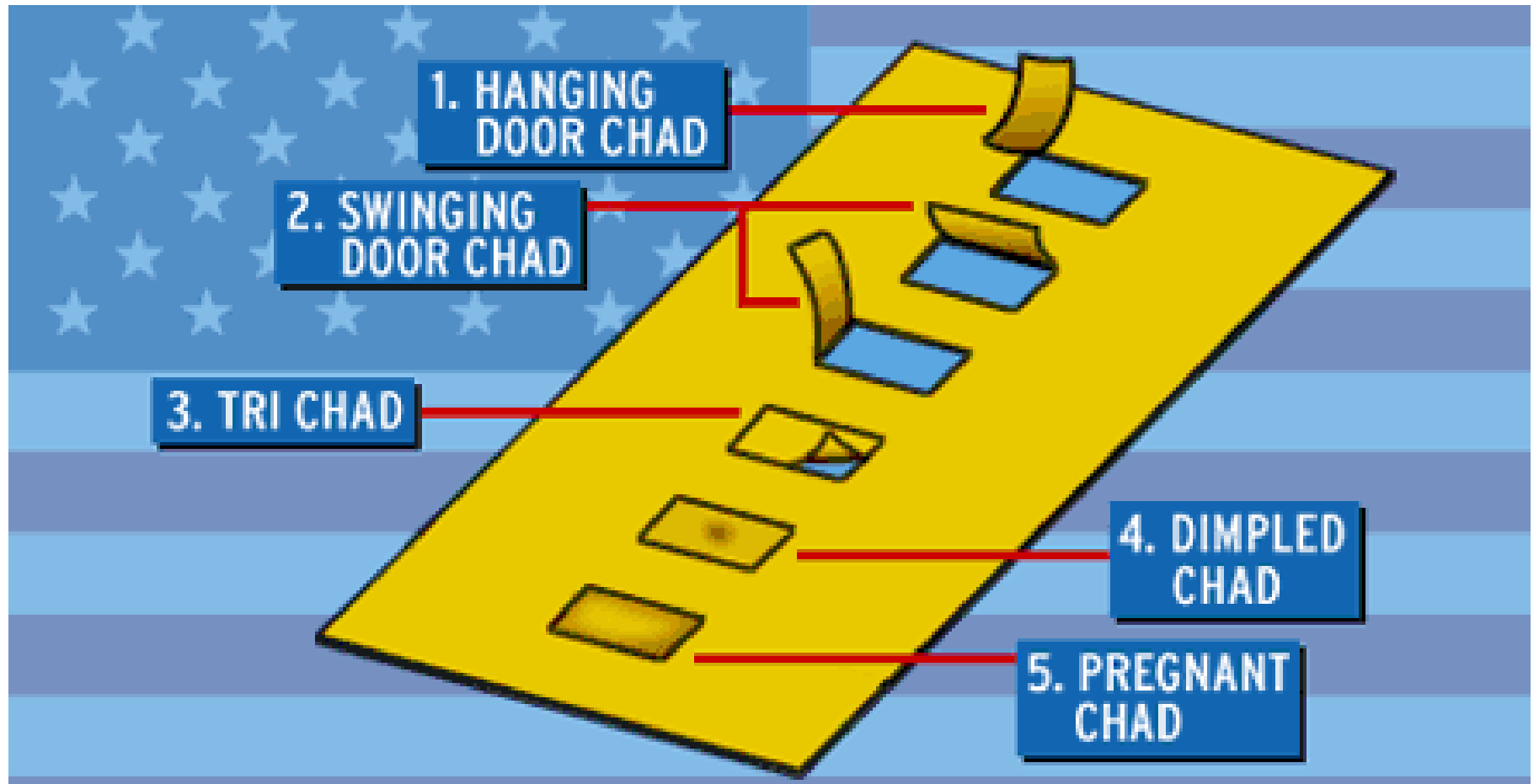
Punching the second hole casts a vote for the Reform party.

<p><b>ELECTORS FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT</b></p> <p>(A vote for the candidates will actually be a vote for their electors.)</p> <p>(Vote for Group)</p>	(REPUBLICAN)	3 →	○	
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Sun-Sentinel graphic





# Official Florida Presidential Ballot

Follow the arrow and Punch the appropriate dot.

Bush



Buchanan



Gore



Nader





IT'S MINE!

IS TOO!

IS TOO!

IS NOT!

IS NOT!

IS NOT!



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THE DESKMAN'S PROBLEMS

DAVE



Devonstators outside the Supreme Court. (Alex Mong, Newsweekers)



## XXI. *Bush v. Gore*

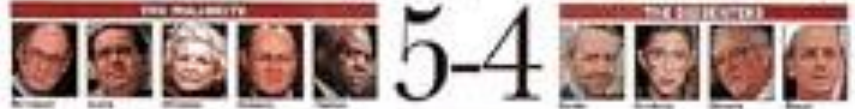
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- ▶ 5-4 Supreme Court decision ends weeks of Florida recounts.
- ▶ Bush officially wins Florida, becomes President
  - ▶ 3<sup>rd</sup> President to lose the popular vote, but win the Electoral College
- ▶ Court rules that the recount is a violation of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment due to there not being a set standard for all ballots to be recounted in Florida.
- ▶ Court also ruled that due to the unique circumstances of the case, the reasoning for their ruling can only be used once and doesn't set a precedent for future Supreme Court cases.



# DECISION: BUSH

## Supreme Court rules against recount; Gore reviews options, will speak today



### Recount unfair, high court says

The Supreme Court today ruled that Florida's recount process was unfair and unconstitutional, effectively ending the state's attempt to recount votes in the presidential election.

The court's 5-4 decision, announced at 2 p.m. Eastern time, was a surprise to many observers. The majority opinion, written by Chief Justice William Rehnquist, held that Florida's recount process violated the Equal Protection Clause of the U.S. Constitution.

The court ruled that Florida's attempt to recount votes in several counties was unconstitutional because the process was not uniform and did not follow the state's election laws. The court also ruled that Florida's attempt to recount votes in all counties was unconstitutional because it would require the state to create a new set of rules for the recount.

The court's decision was a major victory for George W. Bush, who had won the Florida election by a narrow margin. The court's ruling effectively ended the state's attempt to recount votes, and Bush was declared the winner of the Florida election.

### Gore must now be a uniter, not a divider

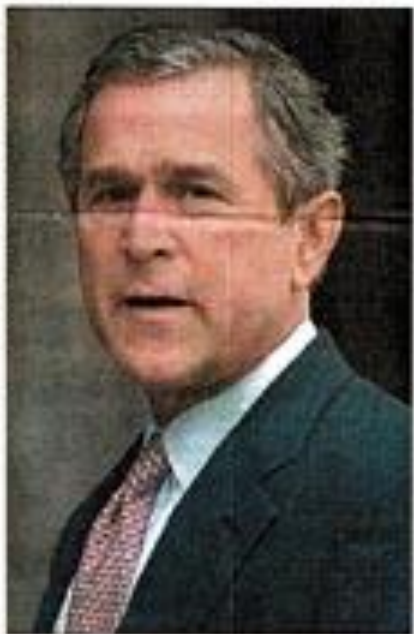
Al Gore, who lost the Florida election to George W. Bush, must now be a uniter, not a divider, as he prepares to address the nation.

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AL GORE



### Florida House approves Bush slate

Florida's House of Representatives today approved a slate of electors for George W. Bush, despite a strong effort by Democrats to block the move.

The House vote was 10-9, with Democrats opposing the slate. The House's action was a major victory for Bush, as it effectively ended the state's attempt to recount votes.

George W. Bush, center, is seen in a crowd of supporters in St. Petersburg, Fla., after the Supreme Court's decision.

### THE TIMES TODAY

**What you'll see in our headlines**

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**What it's all about**

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**What's going on in our region**

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**What's new for your holiday shopping**

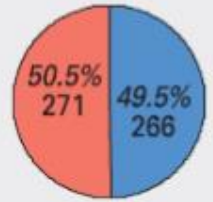
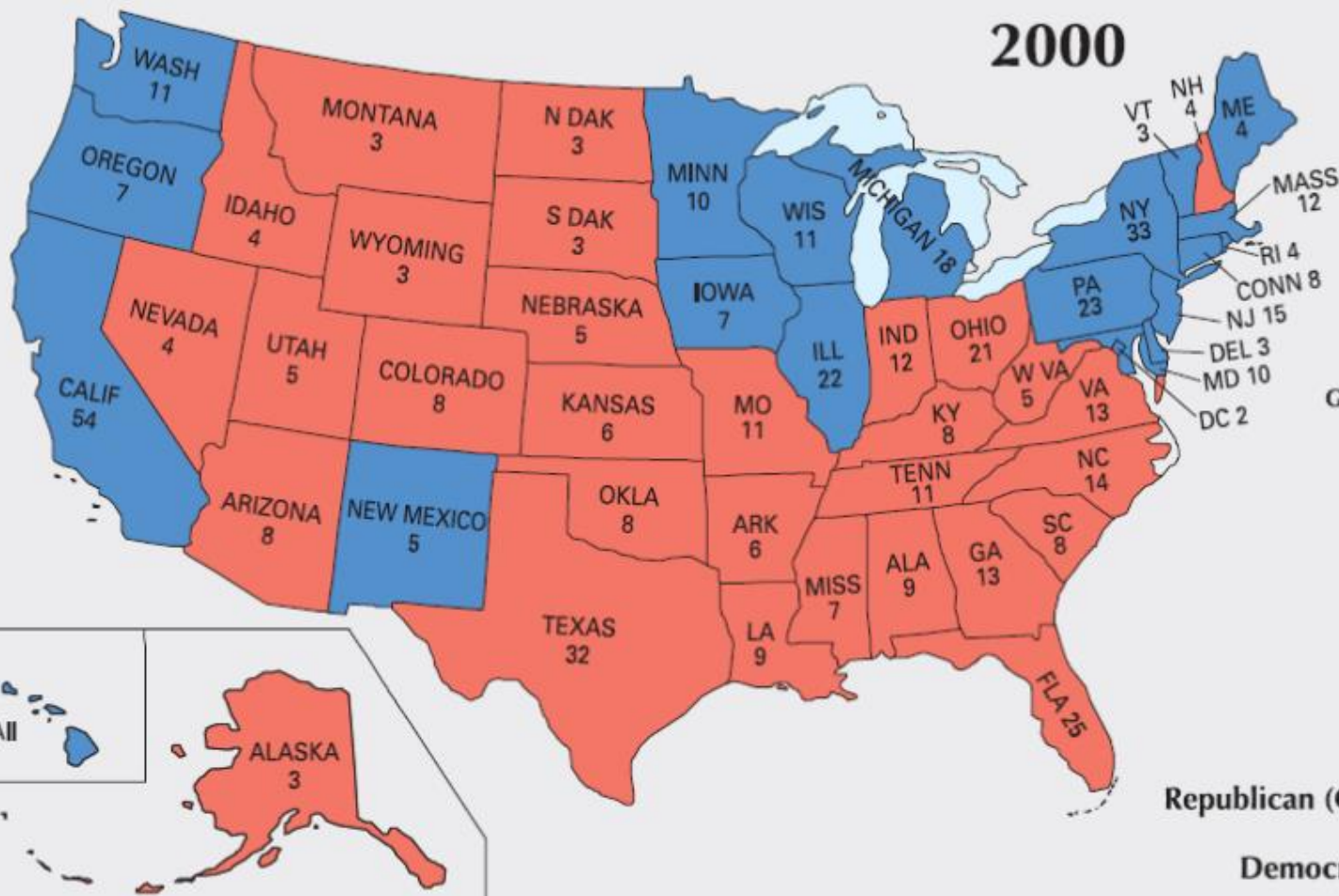
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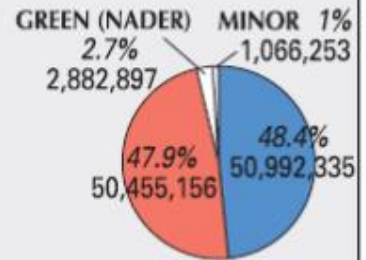
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# 2000



**ELECTORAL VOTE**  
**TOTAL: 537**  
**NOT VOTING: 1**

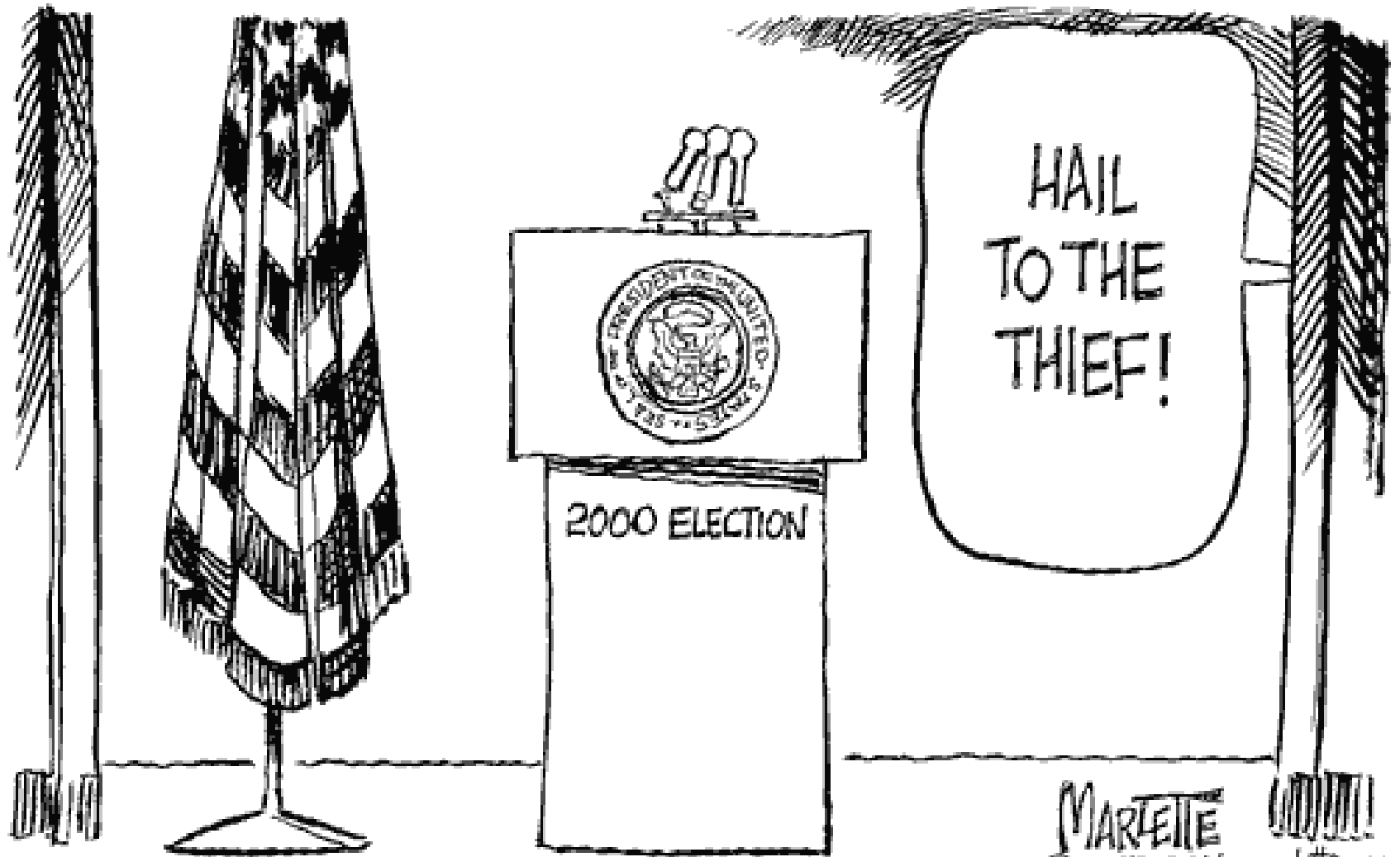


**POPULAR VOTE**  
**TOTAL: 105,396,641**

Republican (G. W. Bush) ■  
 Democratic (Gore) ■

Republican candidate G.W. Bush won the electoral vote but lost the popular vote to Democratic candidate Gore. One elector from the District of Columbia abstained from voting.





2000 ELECTION

HAIL  
TO THE  
THIEF!

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# W.

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- ▶ Reversal of Clinton's policies
- ▶ “Compassionate Conservatism”
- ▶ Major Laws:
  - ▶ No Child Left Behind
  - ▶ Patriot Act
  - ▶ Prescription Pill Bill (Medicare Part B)
- ▶ \$1.3 Trillion tax cut
  - ▶ 2002, 2003
- ▶ Two Supreme Court Judges:
  - ▶ Chief Justice John Roberts
  - ▶ Samuel Alito

















**BREAKING NEWS ATTACK ON AMERICA**

**PRESIDENT BUSH  
TALKS ABOUT TERROR ATTACKS**























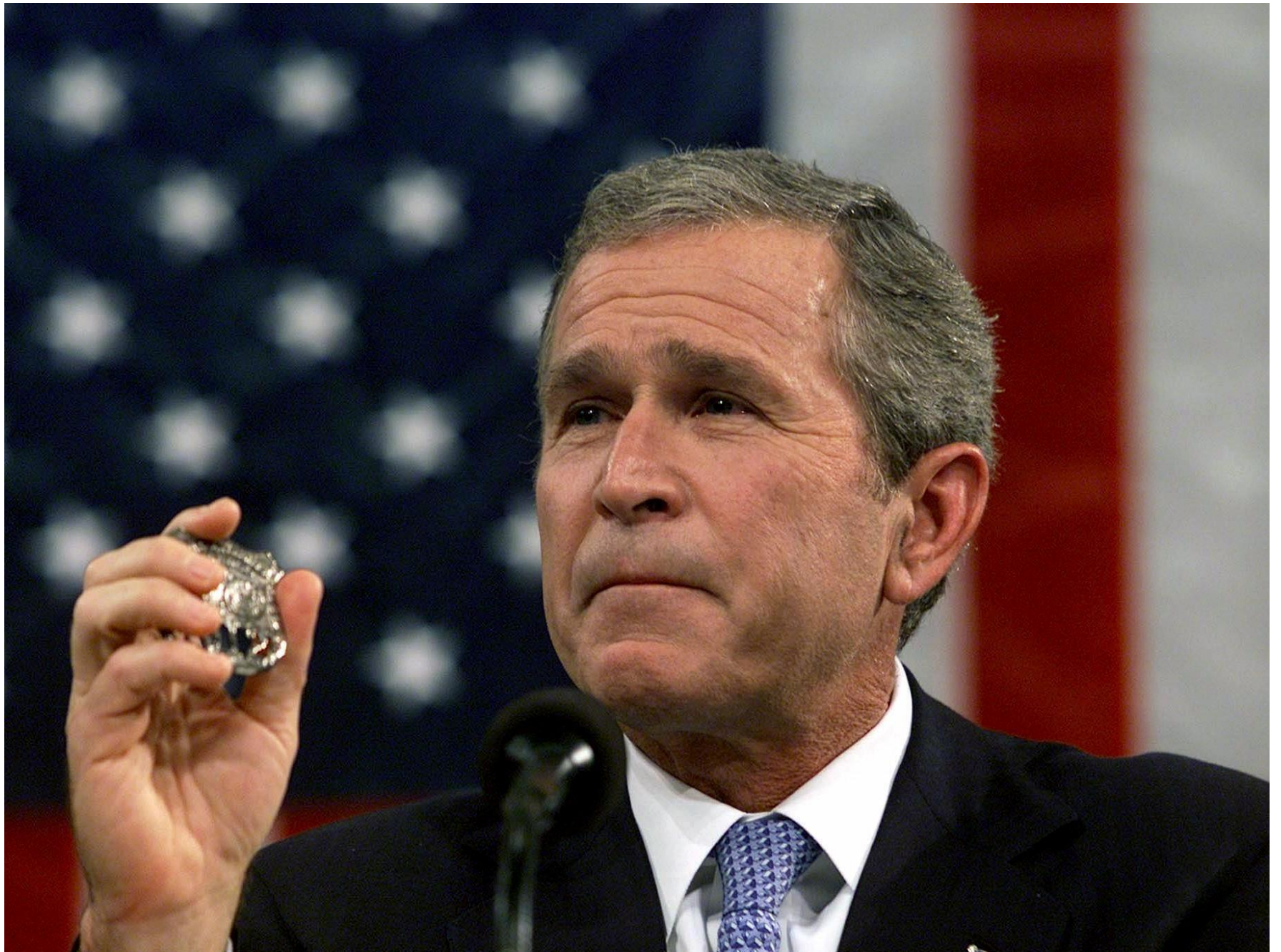


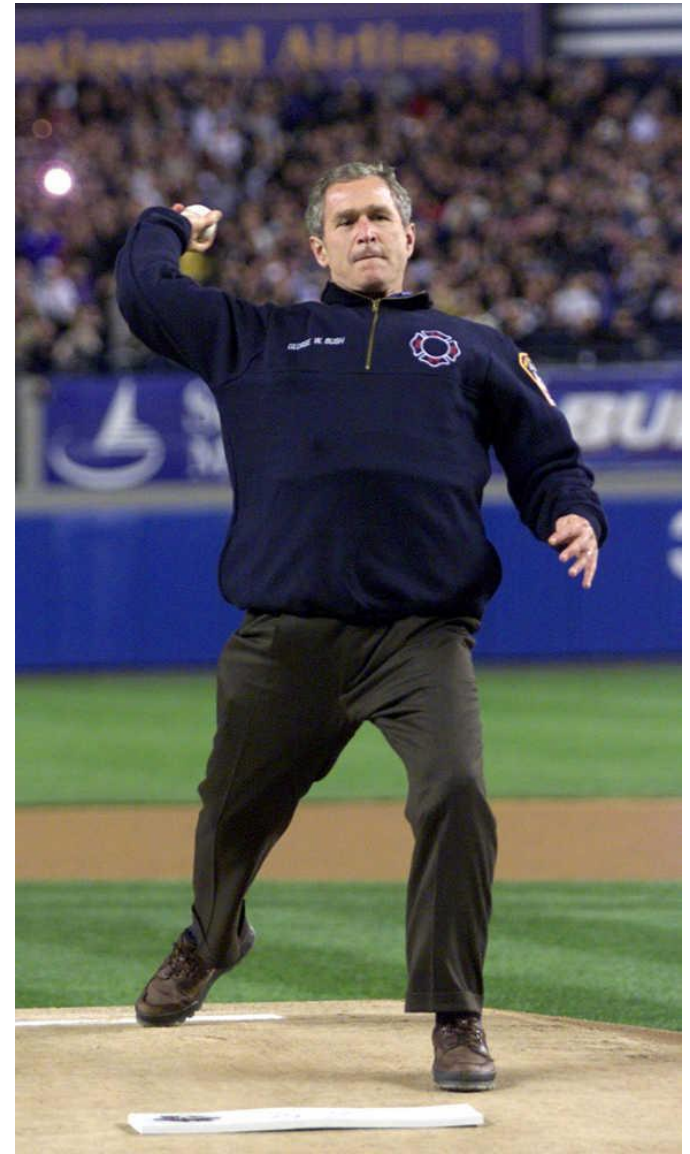


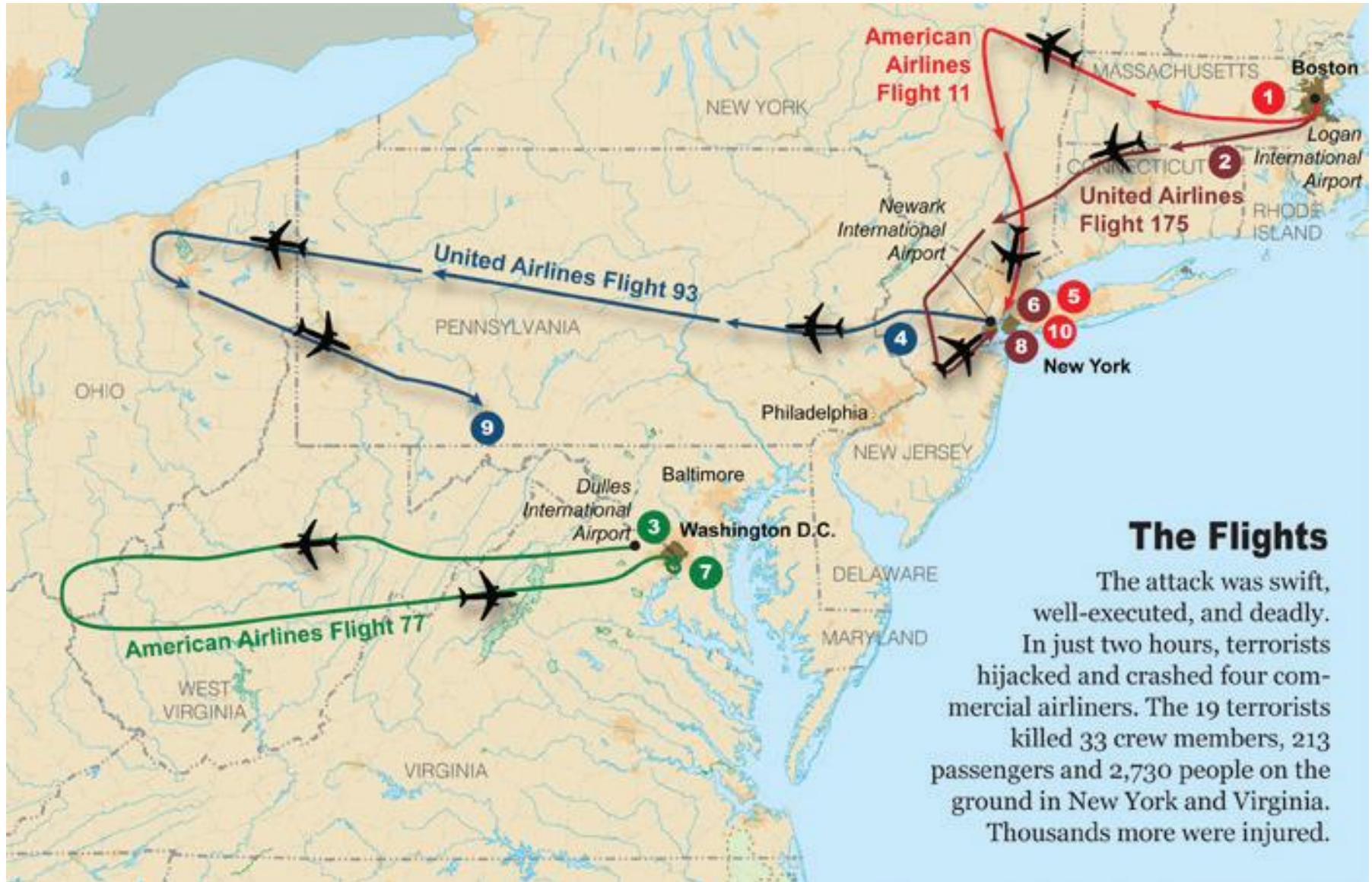












## The Flights

The attack was swift, well-executed, and deadly. In just two hours, terrorists hijacked and crashed four commercial airliners. The 19 terrorists killed 33 crew members, 213 passengers and 2,730 people on the ground in New York and Virginia. Thousands more were injured.



# Invasion of Afghanistan, 2001

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# AFGHANISTAN



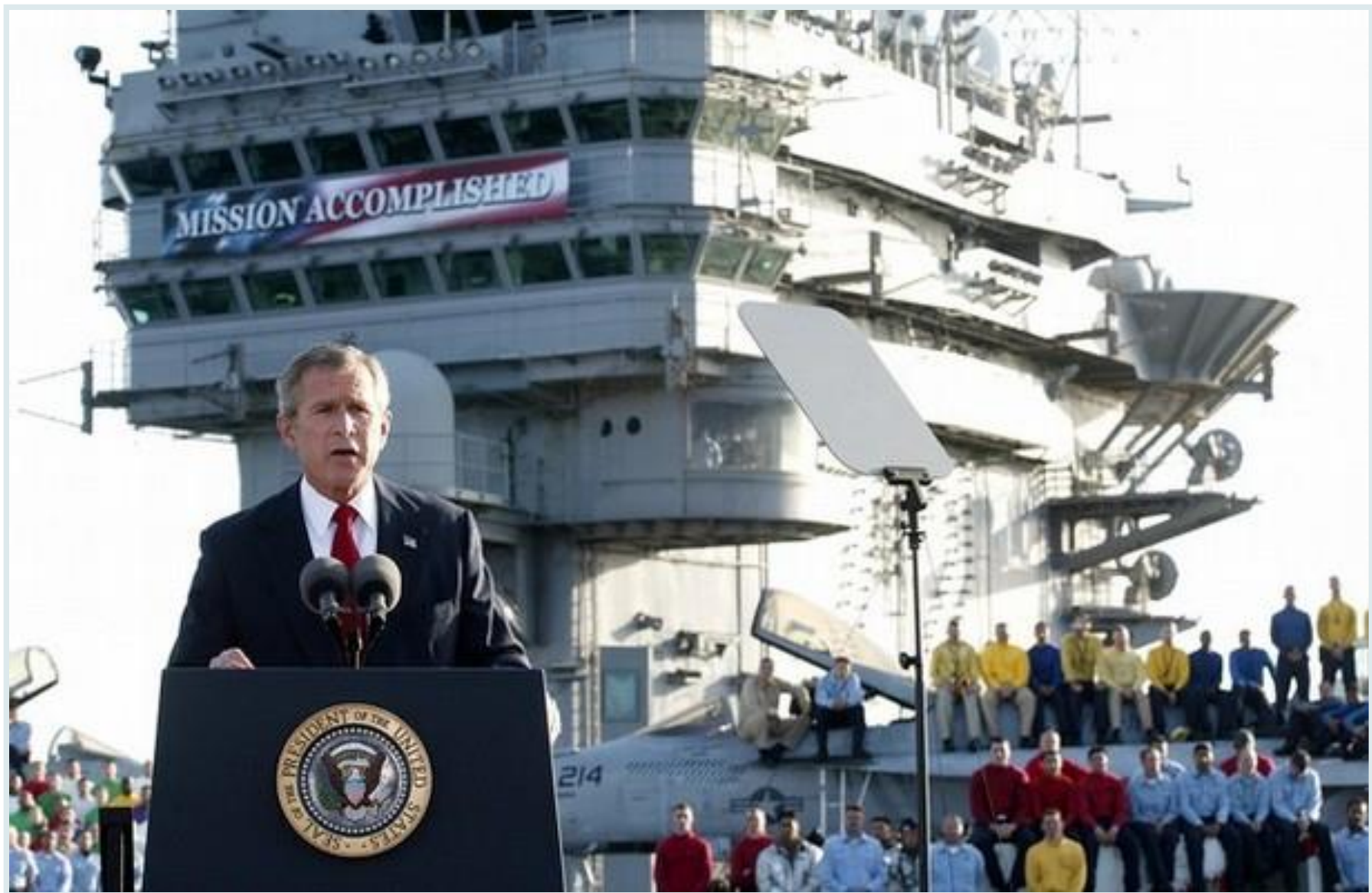
# Invasion of Iraq, 2003

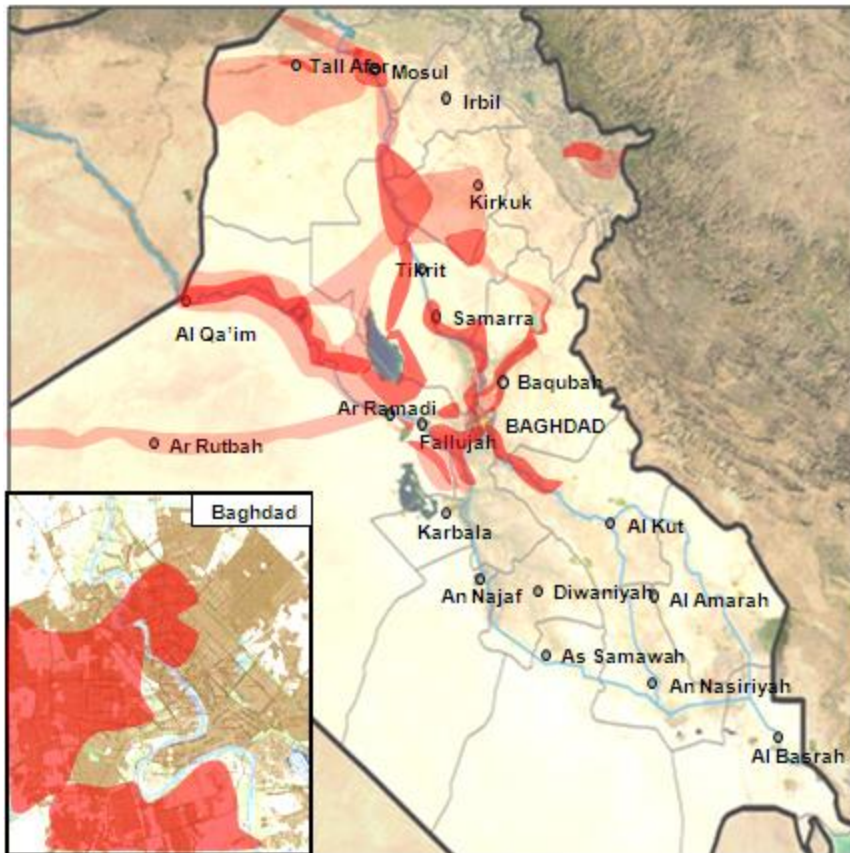
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- ▶ Bush administration tied 9/11 attacks, Bin Laden and Al Qaeda to Iraq and Saddam Hussein
- ▶ Global terrorist threat and “Axis of Evil”
- ▶ Remake the Middle East into pro-Western democracies favorable to the US
- ▶ Capture, trial, and execution of Saddam Hussein
- ▶ Surge of 2006
- ▶ 6,000 Casualties

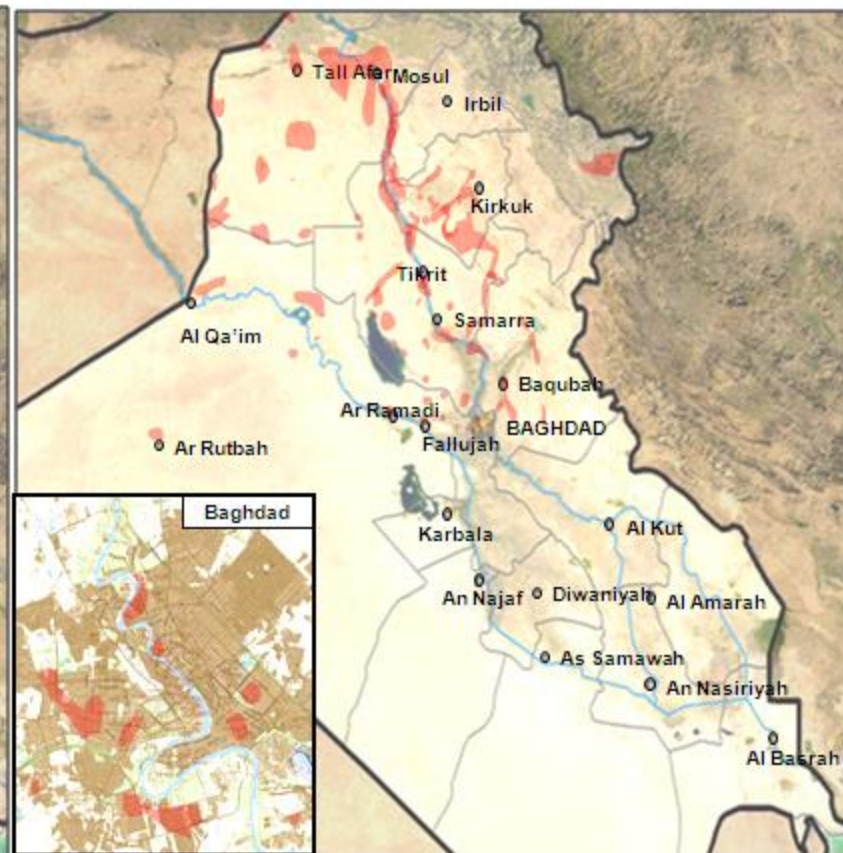








***Al Qaeda in Iraq  
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December 2006***



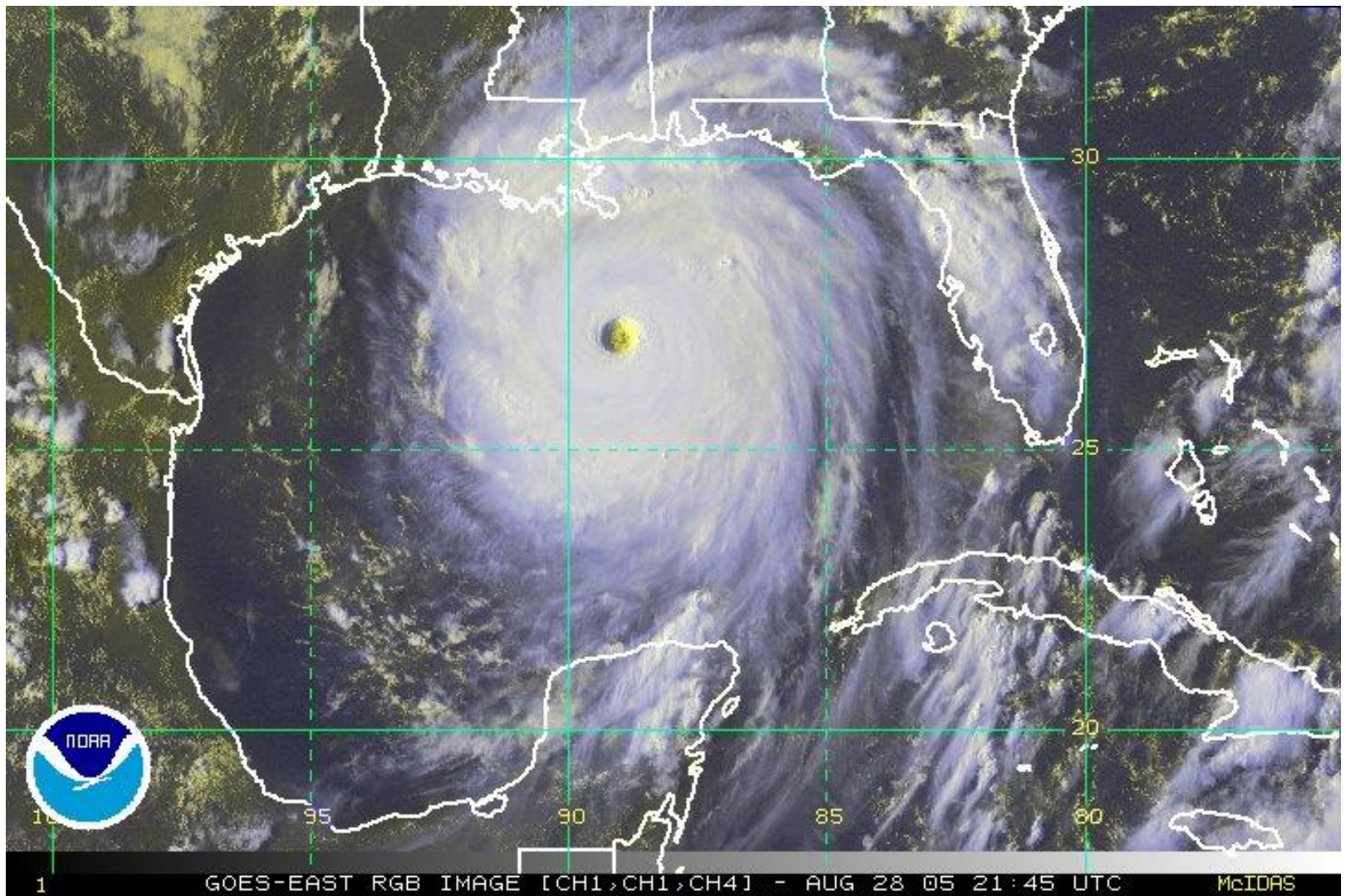
***Al Qaeda in Iraq  
And Sunni Insurgent Groups  
June 2008***

## W. (Cont).

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- ▶ Runs for Reelection in '04 against Senator John Kerry (D-MA)
  - ▶ Iraq war, National Defense and National security are major campaign issues
  - ▶ Bush narrowly defeats Kerry
- ▶ AIDS funding for Africa
- ▶ Polarizing presidency
- ▶ Democrats control Congress 2006-2010



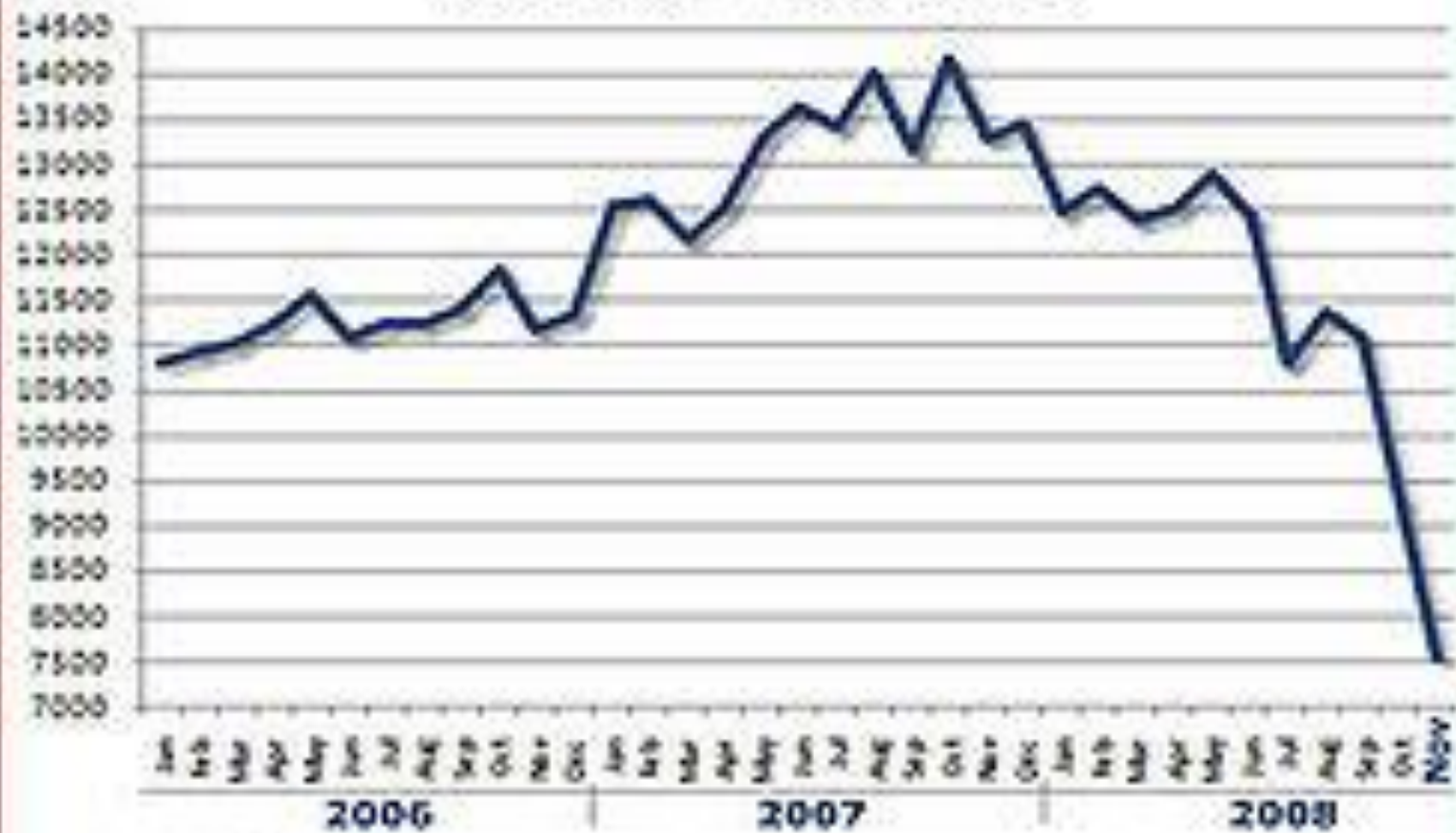








## Dow Jones Industrial Average Jan 2006 - Nov 2008



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WELL, THERE GOES  
THE NEIGHBORHOOD....

MIKE LUCKOVICH 9/12/07

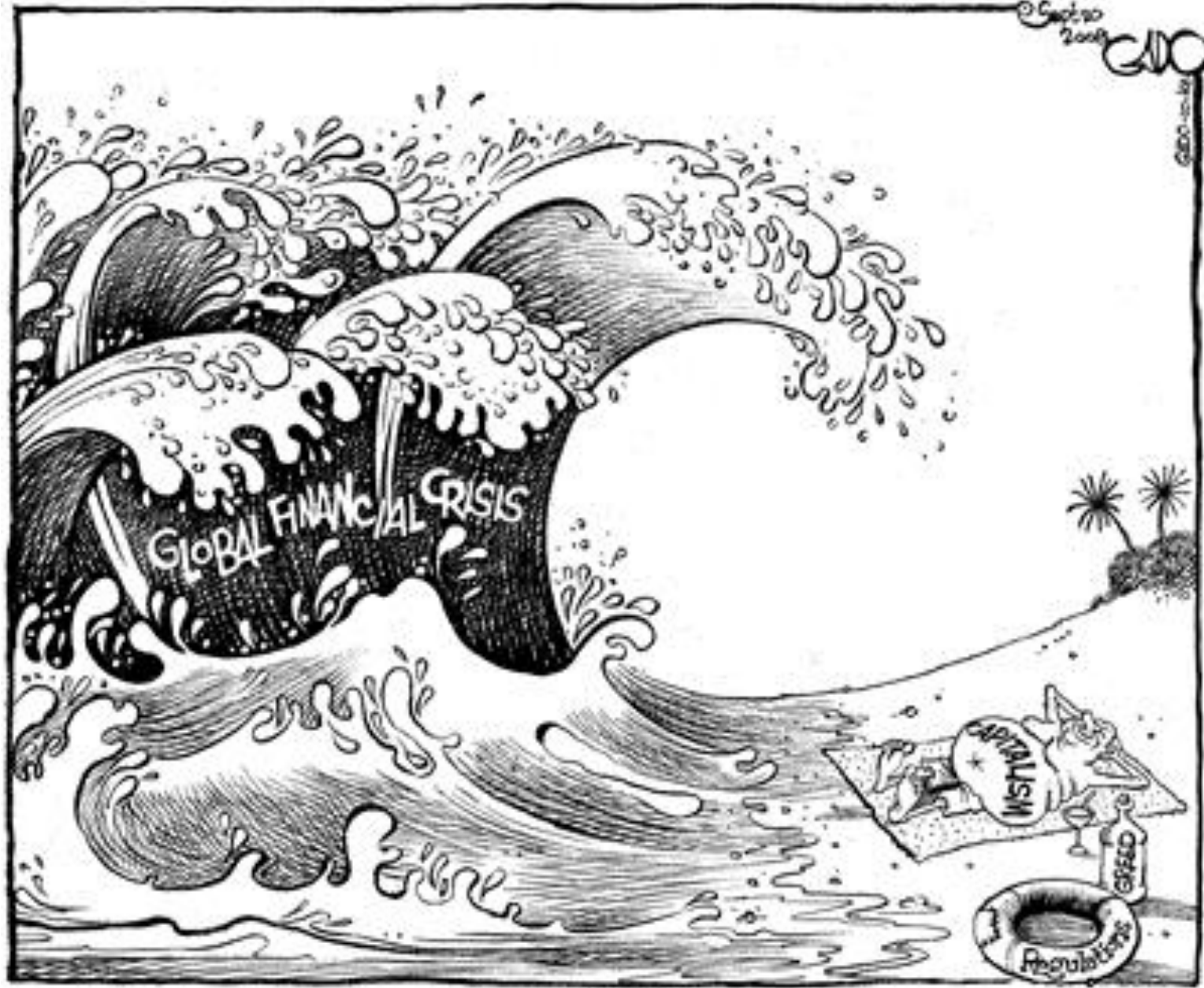
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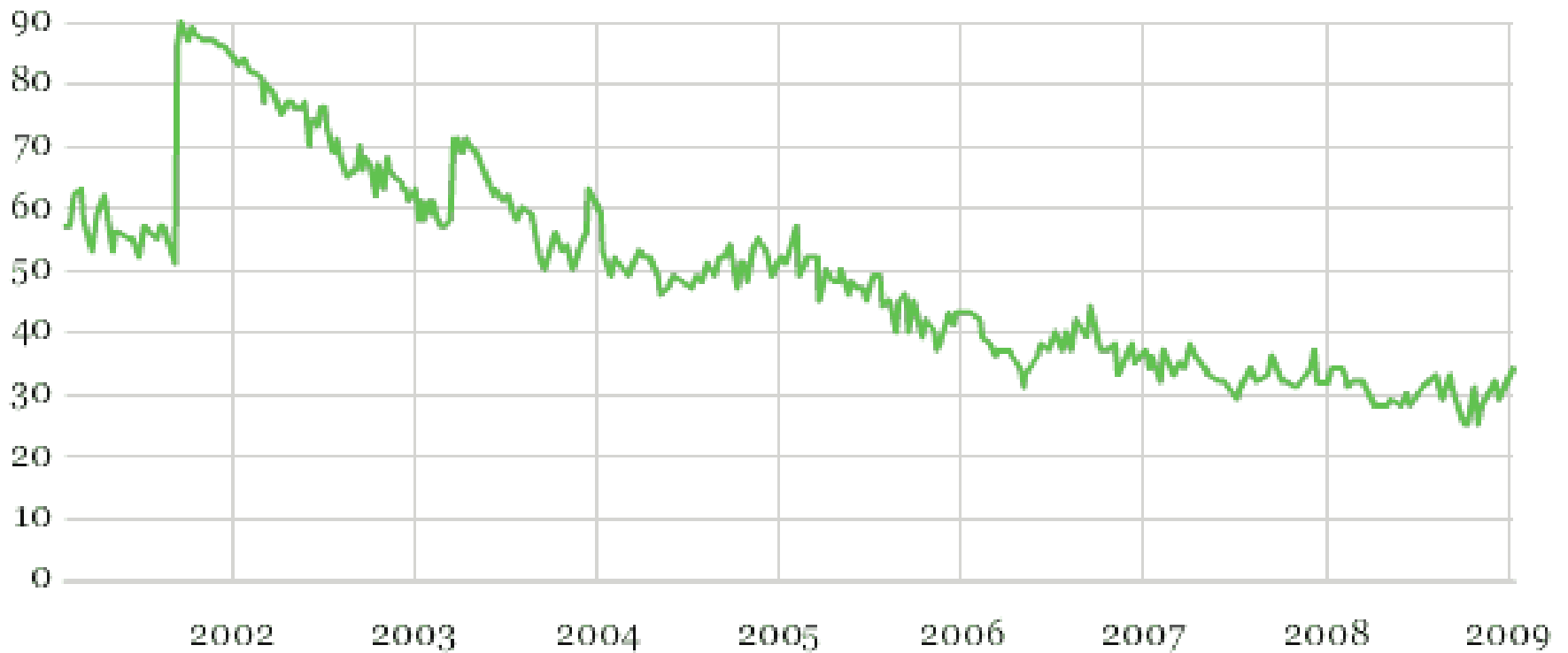
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## George W. Bush's Job Approval Ratings Trend

■ % Approve



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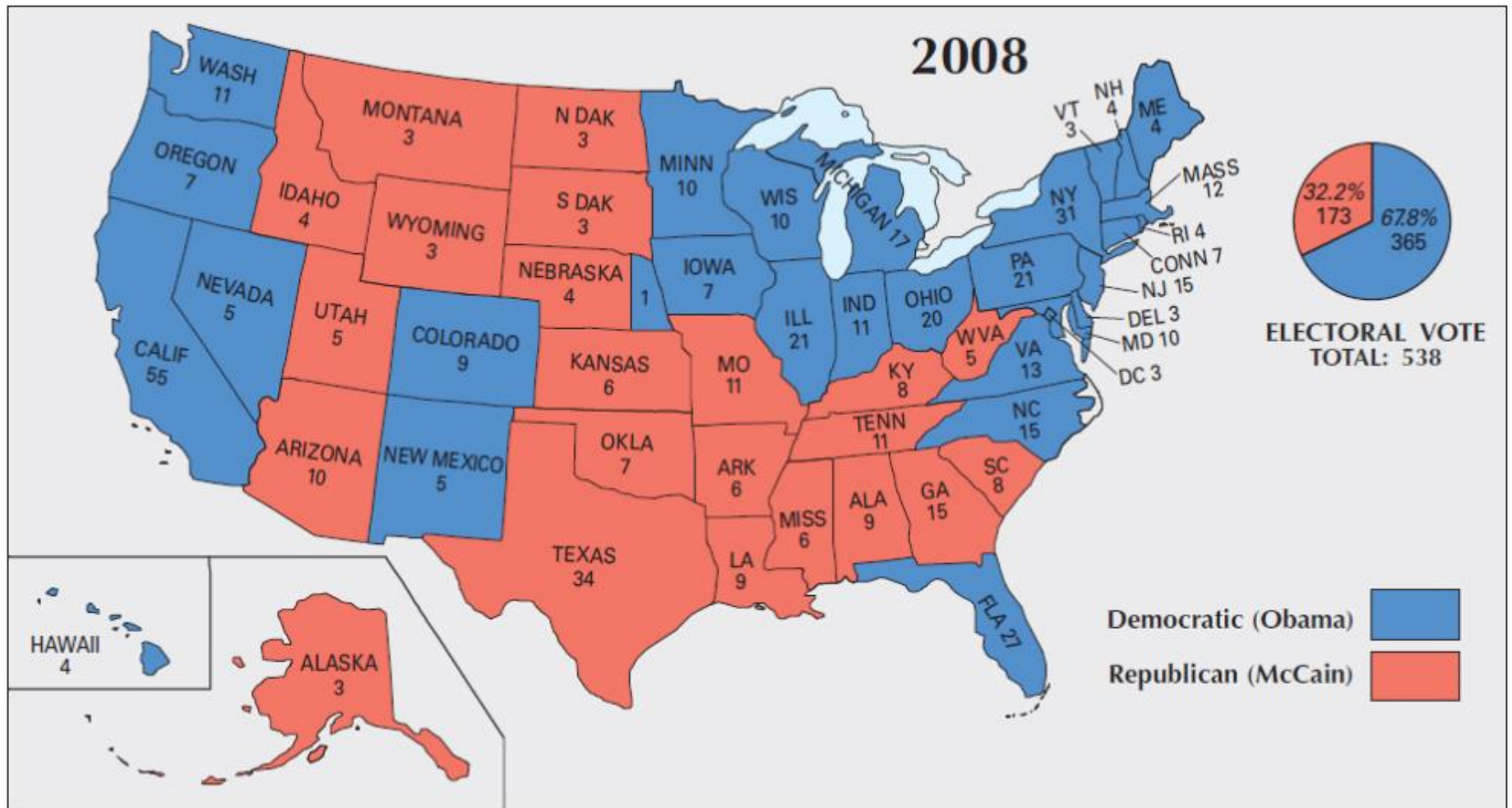


# Election of Barack Obama

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- ▶ Constitutional Lawyer, *Harvard Law Review*
- ▶ Very Liberal
- ▶ 2008 Election
  - ▶ Senator John McCain
  - ▶ 2008 Economic crisis
- ▶ Obama 1<sup>st</sup> term
  - ▶ TARP
    - ▶ Troubled Asset Relief Program
  - ▶ National debt
    - ▶ Grows to 17 Trillion
  - ▶ Stimulus Project
  - ▶ "ObamaCare"
  - ▶ Somali Pirates
  - ▶ BP Oil Spill
  - ▶ Killing of Osama Bin Laden





Nebraska's five electoral votes were split between the two major party tickets; McCain won overall and received four electoral votes, and the Obama ticket won one electoral vote.



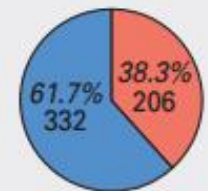
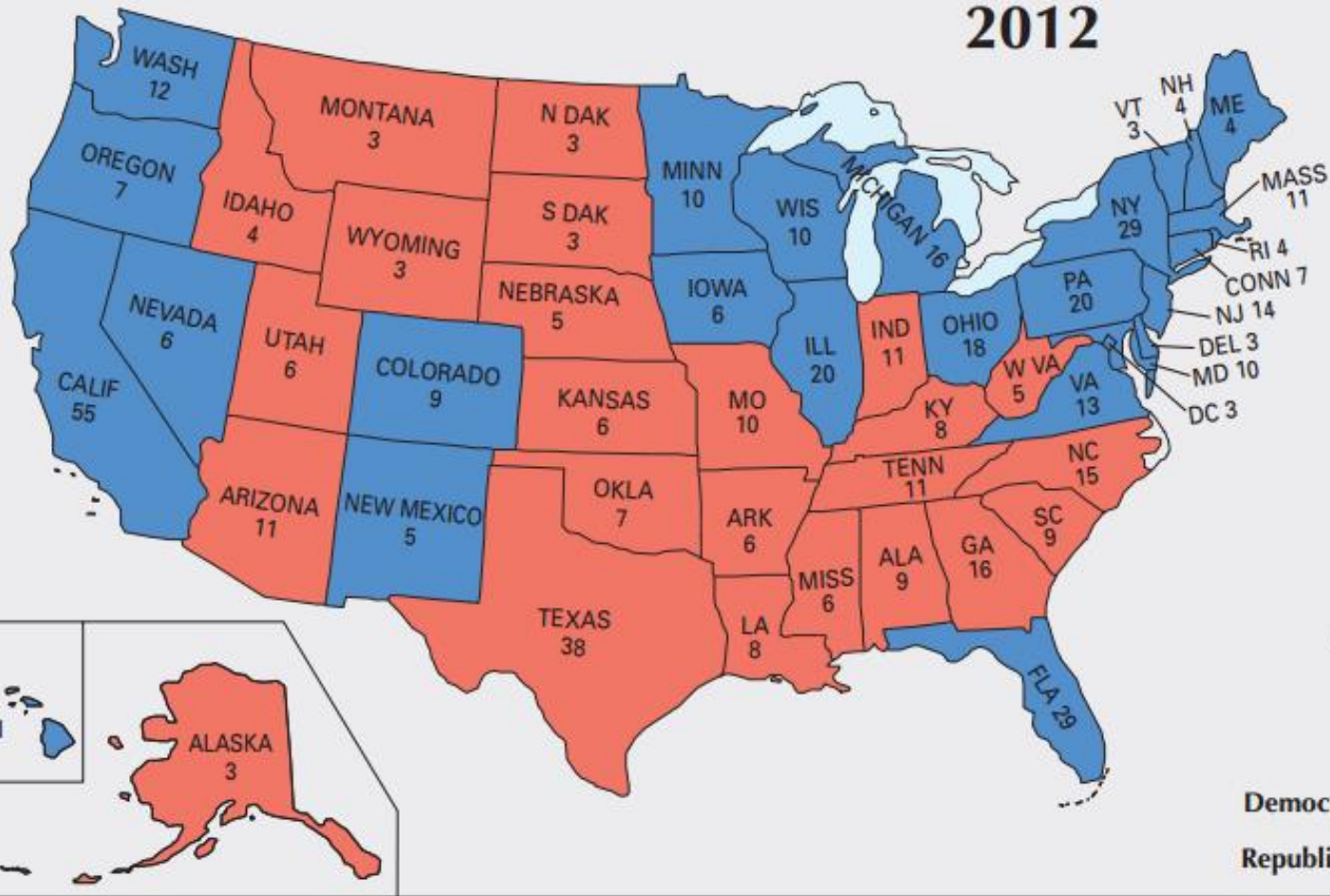
# Obama (Cont.)

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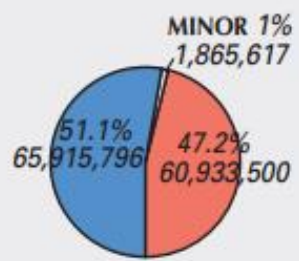
- ▶ Polarizing Presidency
- ▶ End of the Iraq War
- ▶ Continues many Bush Era policies
- ▶ 2012 Reelection
  - ▶ Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney
  - ▶ Economy is main campaign issue
  - ▶ Sept, 2012: Benghazi Attack
  - ▶ Oct, 2012: Hurricane Sandy
  - ▶ Changing dynamics of the electorate help Obama win





# 2012



**ELECTORAL VOTE  
TOTAL: 538**



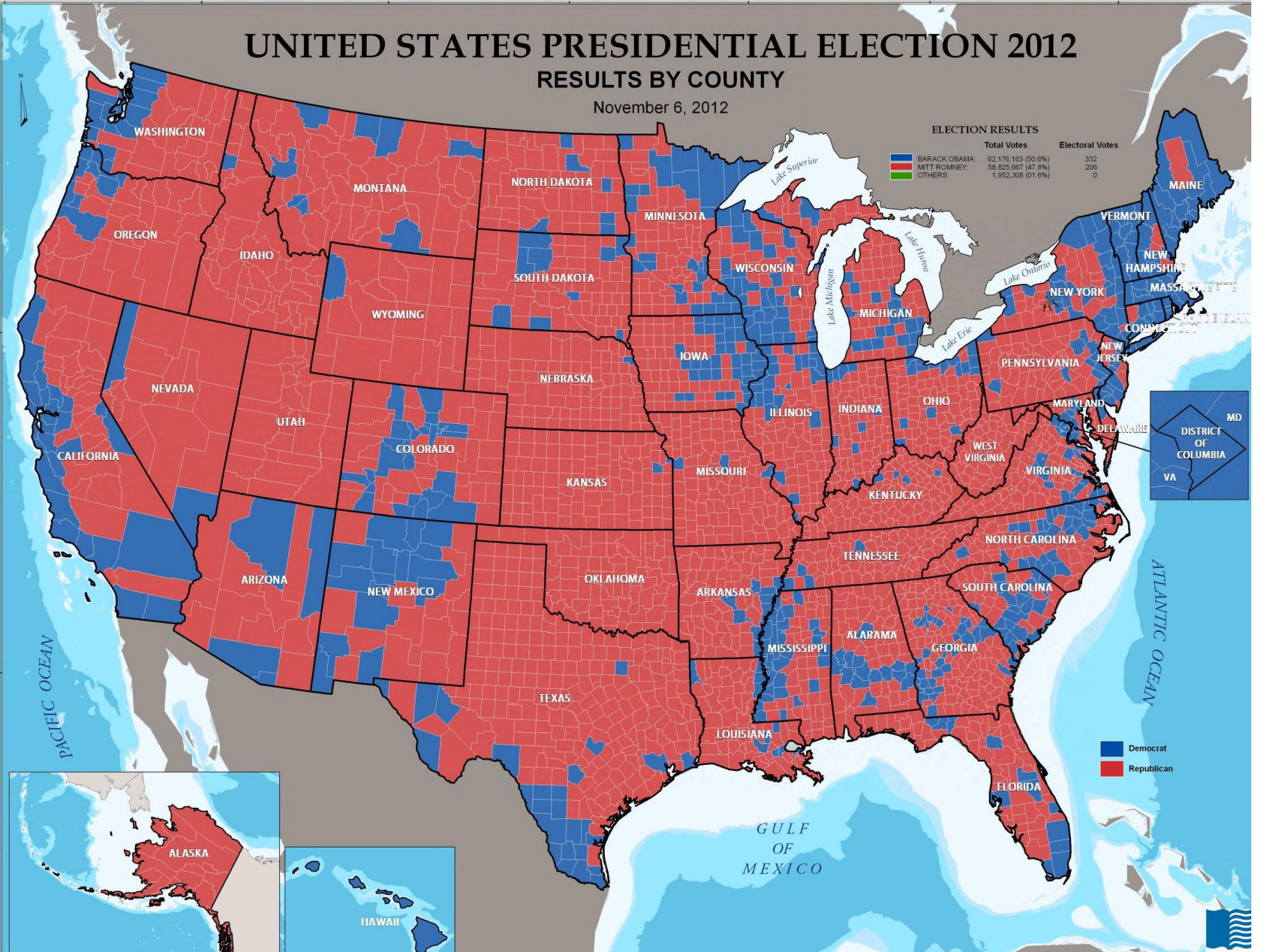
**POPULAR VOTE  
TOTAL: 129,085,403**

Democratic (Obama)   
Republican (Romney) 

# UNITED STATES PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION 2012

## RESULTS BY COUNTY

November 6, 2012



### ELECTION RESULTS

	Total Votes	Electoral Votes
BARACK OBAMA	62,178,163 (50.6%)	332
MITT ROMNEY	58,825,937 (47.8%)	206
OTHERS	1,952,308 (1.6%)	0

■ Democrat  
■ Republican



**144**

**largest counties**

population: 159,524,138

**50.03% of total population**

**2,998**

**smallest counties**

population: 159,332,918

**49.97% of total population**



Population Estimate, as of July 1, 2014

# Obama Second Term Scandals/Problems

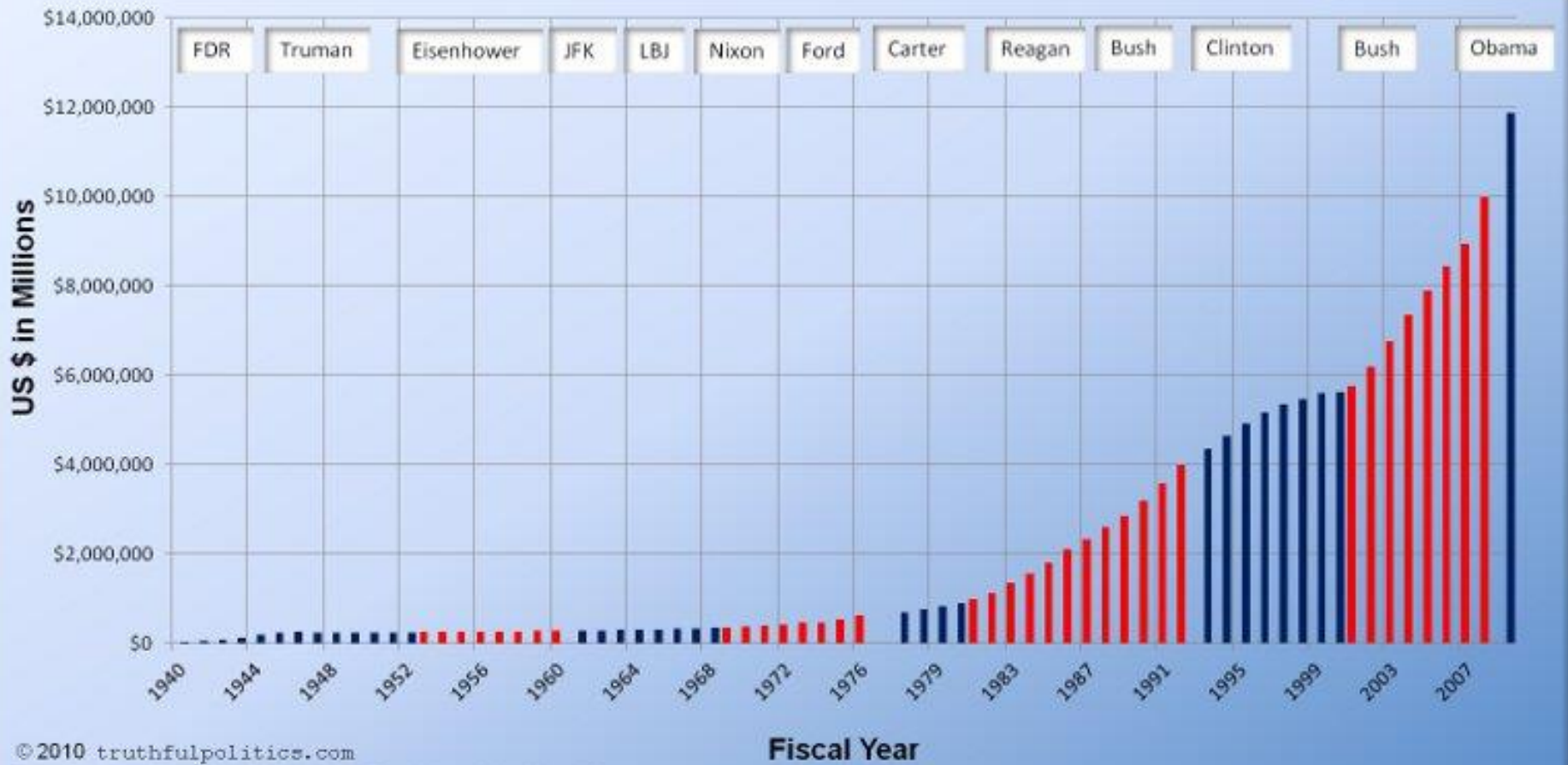
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- ▶ Fast and Furious
- ▶ Obamacare
- ▶ World Issues:
  - ▶ Benghazi Attack
  - ▶ Syria
  - ▶ Russia Invades Ukraine
  - ▶ Collapse of Iraq/Rise of Isis
  - ▶ Iran
- ▶ Journalist Wiretapping
- ▶ NSA Phone and Data Collection
- ▶ 18 Trillion Debt
- ▶ IRS Targeting
- ▶ Veterans Administration Scandal
- ▶ Terrorist/Prisoner Exchange deal scandal
- ▶ '10, '14 Midterm elections
- ▶ Use of Executive Orders
- ▶ Race Riots (Ferguson, Baltimore...)



# U.S. Federal Debt by President / Political Party

■ Republican President  
■ Democratic President

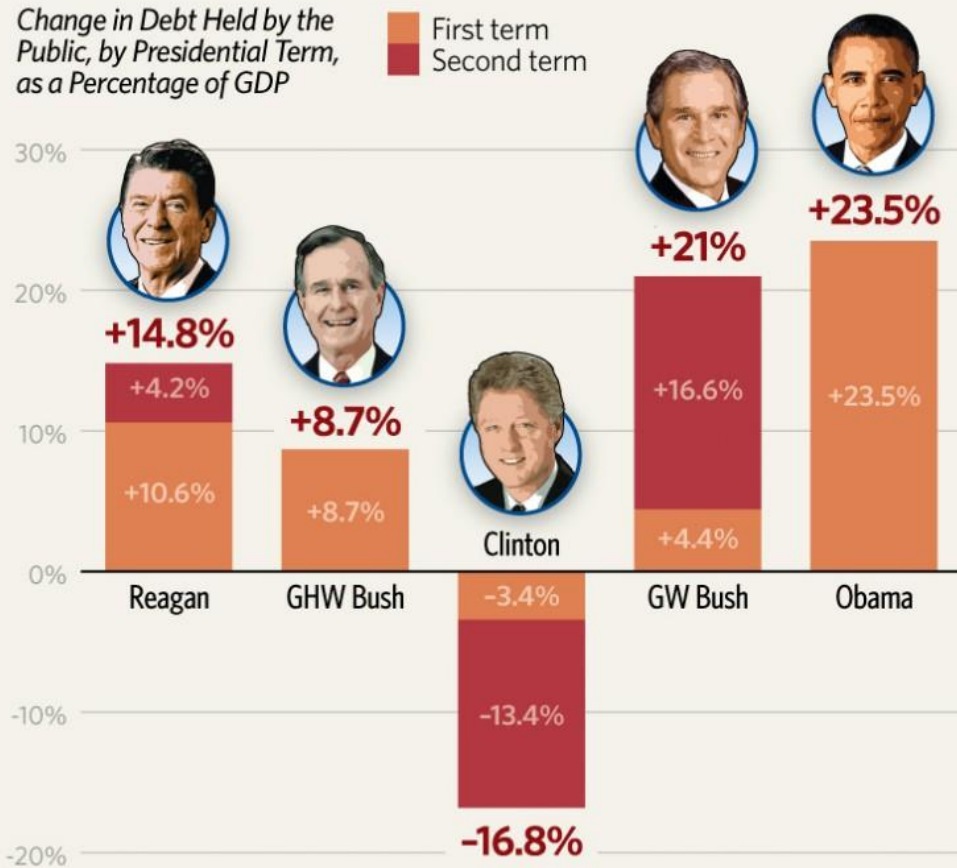


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Data Source: Executive Office of the President of the United States

# Delivering Debt

Through just one term, President Obama is projected to increase publicly held debt by 23.5%—more than that of his predecessor, George Bush, over two terms.

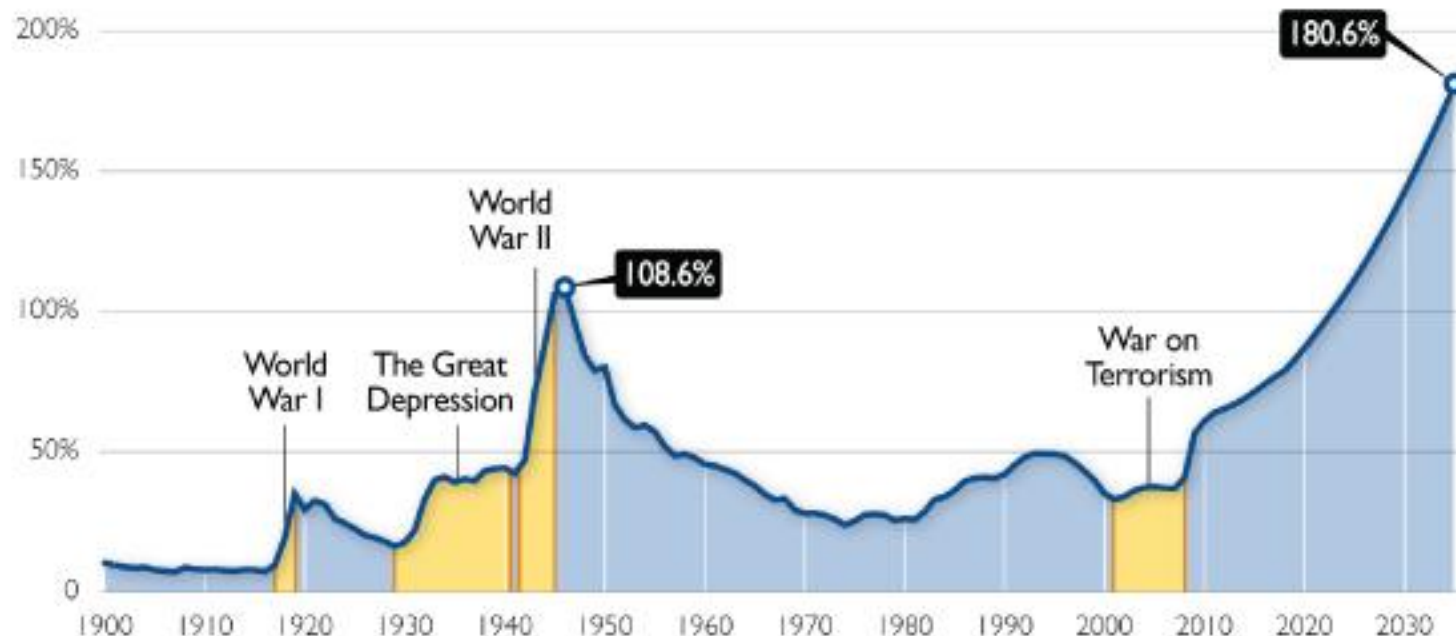


**Sources:** Heritage Foundation calculations based on data from Office of Management and Budget, *Historical Tables*, Table 7.1, and Congressional Budget Office, *Long-Term Budget Outlook*, June 2011, Alternative Fiscal Scenario.

## National Debt Set to Skyrocket

In the past, wars and the Great Depression contributed to rapid but temporary increases in the national debt. Over the next few decades, runaway spending on Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid will drive the debt to unsustainable levels.

### DEBT AS A PERCENTAGE OF GDP



**Source:** Heritage Foundation compilations of data from U.S. Department of the Treasury, Institute for the Measurement of Worth (Alternative Fiscal Scenario), Congressional Budget Office, and White House Office of Management and Budget.

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# Explaining “Trumpism”

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# 2016 Campaign Issues

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- ▶ Immigration
- ▶ Economy
- ▶ 2nd Amendment
- ▶ Foreign Policy Issues: Russia, Iran, North Korea, Syria, etc...
- ▶ Plan to defeat terrorism
- ▶ Healthcare (Obamacare)
- ▶ “Defining the Obama legacy”

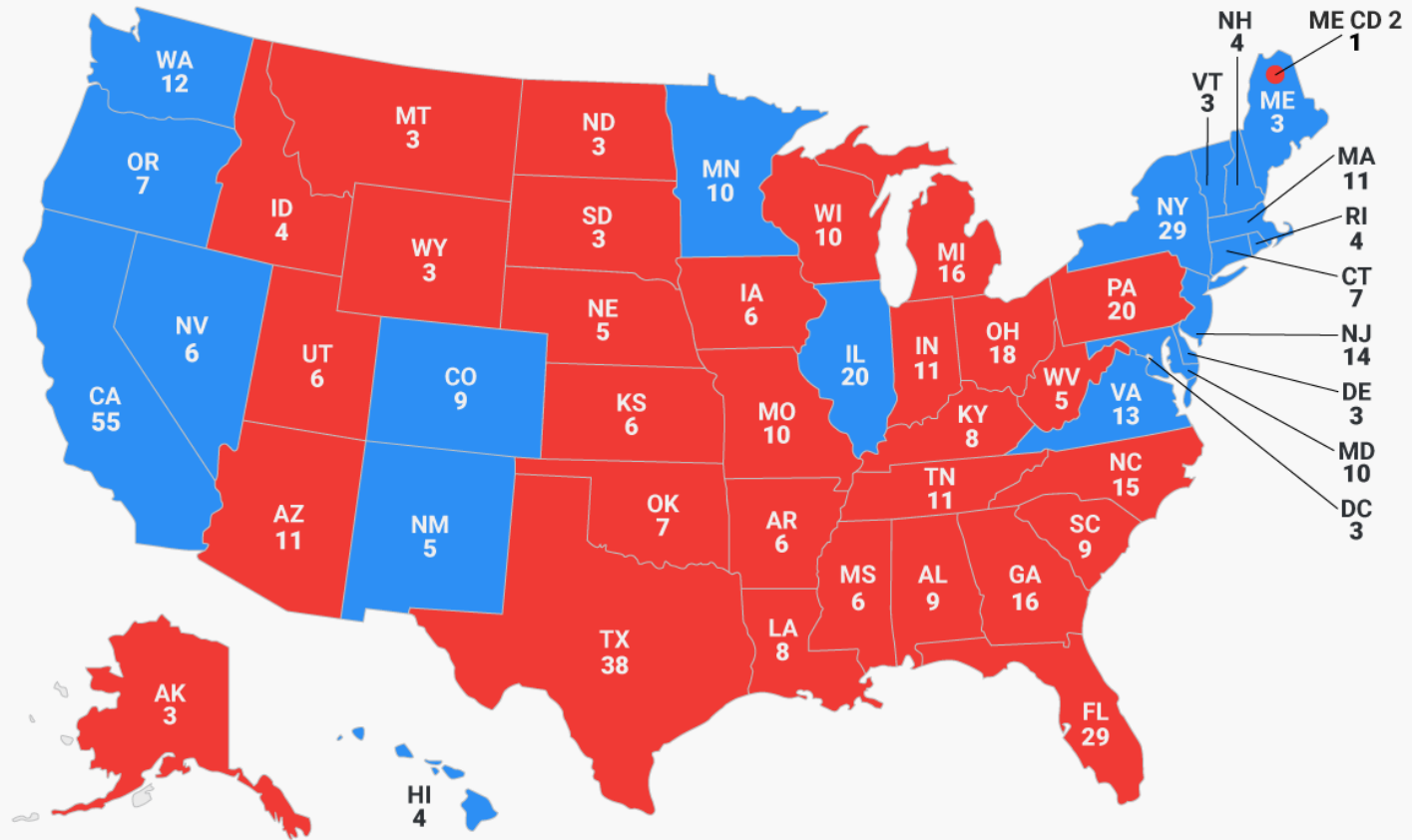


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ELECTION ★ 2016

CLINTON  
232

270 ELECTORAL  
VOTES TO WIN

TRUMP  
306



SOURCES: Associated Press, Fox News, CNN, NBC News, CBS News, ABC News



# Trump Inaugural

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- ▶ “For too long, a small group in our nation's Capital has reaped the rewards of government while the people have borne the cost. Washington flourished -- but the people did not share in its wealth...”
- ▶ “What truly matters is not which party controls our government, but whether our government is controlled by the people...The forgotten men and women of our country will be forgotten no longer...”
- ▶ “We will no longer accept politicians who are all talk and no action -- constantly complaining but never doing anything about it...The time for empty talk is over. Now arrives the hour of action...”



# Trump So Far...

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- ▶ Twitter...
- ▶ Comey Firing
- ▶ Russian Investigation
- ▶ Immigration Travel Ban
- ▶ Attack from the Media
- ▶ Supreme Court Justice
  - ▶ Neil Gorsuch
- ▶ Repeal of Obamacare?
- ▶ Tax Cuts?
- ▶ North Korea Threat?

