

What A Difference A President Makes

<p style="text-align: center;">Trump & His Administration In 4 Years</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Biden & His Administration In Less Than 2 Years</p>
<p>Appointed three anti-choice Supreme Court justices who overturned <i>Roe v. Wade</i>. Blocked access to reproductive healthcare and insurance coverage. Supported state abortion access restrictions and denial of contraception based on religious exemptions.</p>	<p>Abortion & Reproductive Health</p>	<p>Appointed 83 pro-choice federal judges. Protected access to abortions, reproductive care and contraceptives.</p>
<p>Entered into a “peace agreement” with the Taliban to withdraw US troops. There were no enforcement mechanisms and it allowed the Taliban to rebuild its military strength and prepare for the scheduled US withdrawal.</p>	<p>Afghanistan</p>	<p>Ended the 20 year war in Afghanistan that was never once authorized by Congress, lost over 172K lives and cost \$6.5T. Oversaw the largest and most successful airlift in US military history on a single runaway at an airport under constant attack from the Taliban.</p>
<p>Built a \$15B border wall that is ineffective and in severe disrepair. Separated 5K children from their parents. And still had a 40%+ increase in successful illegal border crossings in 2019-2020 compared to 2016.</p>	<p>Border Security</p>	<p>Got Mexico to pay \$1.5B for border security. 66 terror suspects have been caught at the border in 2022 - more than the previous 5 years combined. 2x as much fentanyl has been seized at the border than under Trump. Responsible for 6 of the 7 highest monthly border apprehension totals and the two highest fiscal year totals. On track to break last year’s record of 1.7M arrests at the border with 2.3M arrests at the border in 2022.</p>

<p>Never passed an infrastructure bill despite many promises. Gutted phone and internet service program for people of color, low-income people, seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities.</p>	<p>Broadband & Infrastructure</p>	<p>Passed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act . Launched a program to lower high-speed internet costs for 40% of American households.</p>
<p>Reversed more than 100 environmental rules, withdrew from the Paris Agreement, boosted fossil fuel production, repealed the Clean Water Rule, and increased new vehicle emissions standards.</p>	<p>Climate Action</p>	<p>Passed the Inflation Reduction Act - the single largest investment in climate change action ever. Passed the American Rescue Plan, Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act and the CHIPS Act - all of which provide significant investments in clean energy. Implemented hundreds of climate action executive orders and agency actions. Appointed the first-ever National Climate Advisor and head of the White House Climate Policy.</p>
<p>Mismanaged the pandemic response. Misrepresented the risks of COVID. Advocated for scientifically unsound treatments. Declined repeated offers from Pfizer to lock in hundreds of millions of additional vaccines for Americans.</p>	<p>COVID</p>	<p>Got 70% of Americans vaccinated. Reopened 99% of American public schools for in-person learning up from 46%. Reduced the number of COVID-19 deaths by 86%. Provided free N95 masks, testing and home tests.</p>
<p>Rescinded rule that made it harder for people with mental illnesses to purchase a gun. Appointed anti-gun control judges. Encouraged divisiveness and hate. (Hate crimes rose 20% - the highest in 28 years - with the largest number committed by white supremacists. Murders also</p>	<p>Crime Prevention & Criminal Justice Reform</p>	<p>Passed the Safer Communities Act - the first gun control bill in 30 years. Funded community violence intervention programs, training and hiring of police, and for victims of crime. Passed legislation to improve federal hate crime data, the Emmett Till Anti-Lynching Act and the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization. Supported the</p>

<p>increased 30% in 2020; 8 of the 10 states with the highest murder rates in 2020 voting for Trump.)</p>		<p>passage of the George Floyd Policing Act in the House. Required officers to intervene in situations of excessive force by another officer. Banned the use of chokeholds and limited the circumstances for no-knock raids by federal law enforcement agencies. Created a national database of police misconduct. Mandated the adoption of body-cameras in federal law enforcement agencies. Re-established DOJ consent decrees. Launched DOJ investigations into abuses by police departments. Updated recruiting, hiring, promotion, and retention policies for federal law enforcement officers. Banned new contracts with private prisons and directed improvement of prison conditions. Directed US Attorney offices around the country to increase state and local resources to address violent crime.</p>
<p>Reversed a nearly two-decade moratorium to resume the federal death penalty. In a 6 month period during the pandemic, Trump oversaw 13 federal executions - the first in 17 years and the most of any president in 120 years. 3 of the executions occurred in his final week in office.</p>	<p>Death Penalty</p>	<p>Halted federal executions.</p>
<p>Increased the deficit 40% (\$7.8T). Even before the pandemic, he added an unprecedented \$3.3T - \$2T from the \$2.2T tax cuts for the ultra-wealthy.</p>	<p>Deficit</p>	<p>On track to reduce the deficit by a record \$1.7T by year end despite social spending - the largest deficit reduction of any president in history in one year.</p>

<p>Subpoenaed and threatened elections officials before the 2018 election and before/after the 2020 election. Ordered poll workers to stop counting ballots. Blocked funding to USPS to block mail-in-voting. Used the USPS and lawsuits to delay and reject mail-in-ballots. Refused to enforce voter protections and dropped DOJ lawsuits challenging state voter suppression laws. Opposed voting rights legislation. Spread the Big Lie. Filed 62 lawsuits challenging the 2020 election results and lost 61. Conspired to overturn the 2020 elections results and incited an angry mob to storm the Capitol to stop the certification of the 2020 election results.</p>	<p>Democracy & Voting Rights</p>	<p>Increased accessibility of voter registration services. Provided voter education for more than 67M students and their families. Improved online voter information. Issued guidance to transit systems to provide free and reduced fare public transit to help get voters to the polls. Increased voter outreach in public housing, job centers and federal workforces. Enforced voting rights through DOJ enforcement actions. Supported the House passage of the For the People Act and the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.</p>
<p>Left the economy in the worst recession since the 1930s. In 2020, food prices rose 4.6% due to supply chain issues. 22M people reported having insufficient food for their household. The GDP was its lowest since the 1930s and averaged only 2.5% before the pandemic.</p>	<p>Economy - General</p>	<p>Rebuilt the economy and delivered record economic growth. Created nearly 10M jobs and restored every job lost in the pandemic. Wages increased by 5.2% since last year. GDP grew by 6.9% in 2021 - the highest since 1984.</p>
<p>Weakened the National Labor Relations Board. Reversed workers' rights to form unions and engage in collective bargaining with their employers. Issued new rules overturning existing worker protections. Repealed the Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces Executive Order. Eliminated collective bargaining rights for federal employees.</p>	<p>Economy - Labor</p>	<p>Appointed a pro-labor Secretary of Labor and pro-labor Supreme Court Justice. Restored collective bargaining rights for federal employees. Supported record union organizing - union activity in the US is skyrocketing - up 58%. Delivered 660K manufacturing jobs since 2021 - the largest recovery in over 70 years. U.S. companies are</p>

<p>Promised to bring manufacturing back, but instead nearly 1,800 factories closed between 2016-2018 and in 2020 alone, the US lost 740K manufacturing jobs.</p>		<p>bringing workforces and supply chains home at a historic pace. (August 2022 - WSJ) Championed American manufacturing by creating first-ever Made In America Office. Strengthened the Buy America rules. Protected workers' pension plans through 2051, including vulnerable union pension plans, from failing by passing the Butch Lewis Emergency Pension Plan Relief Act of 2021.</p>
<p>Cut SNAP benefits (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - food stamps), causing 755K Americans to lose access to food aid. Proposed cuts to Medicaid and Social Security benefits for people with disabilities including 1.1M children. Proposed cuts to housing assistance for people with disabilities. Gave a \$2.2T tax cut to the ultra-wealthy that wasn't paid for and added \$2T to the deficit. Implemented an overtime rule which resulted in 8.2M workers losing overtime pay. Repealed the Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces Executive Order. Rolled back protections for tipped workers. Shut down the government for 35 days - the longest government shutdown in U.S. history which harmed federal workers, contractors, their families, and the communities.</p>	<p>Economy - Working Class and Middle Class Americans</p>	<p>Revoked 3 Trump executive orders that eliminated collective bargaining, due process, and workplace representation rights for federal employees. Repealed Trump's executive order allowing the hiring and firing of federal employees for political reasons. Reversed Trump's ban on the use of federal funds for diversity and inclusion training programs for federal employees and contractors. Implemented \$15 minimum wage for federal workers. Cut child poverty in half in 2021. Protected workers' pension plans through 2051, including vulnerable union pension plans, from failing by passing the Butch Lewis Emergency Pension Plan Relief Act of 2021. Improved finances of Black and Hispanic households with the American Rescue Plan which delivered the highest real income growth ever in the past 2 years. For the first time in a generation, working class Americans had greater financial stability and wealth with the strongest financial</p>

		<p>position in a generation. Working class Americans also saw their collective net worth of \$3.73T almost double in 2 years. Home equity surged more than \$1T in 2 years for the bottom 50% of income earners. Families have more in their checking accounts than pre-pandemic, including the bottom 25% of households who ended 2021 with 65% more in the bank than in 2019. Drafting a proposal to be released in October 2022 to expand worker eligibility for overtime.</p>
<p>Rescinded over 670 guidance documents on education, the rights of students with disabilities and protections for students of color from discriminatory discipline. Advocated for taxpayer-funded charter schools and vouchers for private and religious schools. Blocked students seeking loan forgiveness.</p>	<p>Education & Student Loans</p>	<p>Ensured the safe return to schools with 99% of schools reopening (up from 46%). Forgave over \$330B in student loans. Passed the largest funding increase for schools in low-income communities. Protected high-poverty districts and schools from facing funding cuts. Funded mentors, tutors and mental health support in schools. Provided \$7B in funding for historically Black colleges. Invested \$40B in higher education.</p>
<p>Created a “religious liberty task force” within the DOJ. Encouraged broad religious exemptions for federal contractors objecting to complying with non-discriminatory hiring requirements. Appointed rabidly pro-religion Supreme Court Justices who have issued numerous decisions, ignoring the separation of church and state.</p>	<p>Extremism</p>	<p>Pro-science. Pro-separation between church and state. Pro-democracy. Pro-choice. Pro-LGBTQI+ rights. Legislative agenda is widely supported by Americans including by Independents and Republicans.</p>

<p>Repeatedly blocked the dissemination of information previously available to the public.</p>		
<p>Withdrew the US from the Paris Agreement, U.N. Human Rights Council and the World Health Organization. Blocked funding to the United Nation in violation of multiple treaties. Planned to withdraw the US from NATO if reelected. Embraced authoritarian leaders and alienated democratic allies and NATO. Entered into a “peace agreement” with the Taliban to withdraw US troops that allowed the Taliban to rebuild its military strength. Abandoned US-allied Kurd forces. Withdrew from the landmark 2015 nuclear treaty with Iran. Refused to investigate Russia’s interference in the 2016 election. Appointed unqualified family members to top administration positions. Pressured other countries into spreading conspiracy theories to help Trump win the 2020 election. Stole classified documents from the White House.</p>	<p>Foreign Policy & National Security</p>	<p>Rejoined the Paris Agreement, the UN Human Rights Council and the World Health Organization. Strengthened and expanded NATO. United the West against Putin and his war on Ukraine. Provided critical support to Ukraine. Repaired the US’ global reputation and restored diplomacy with US allies. Ended the 20 year war in Afghanistan and oversaw the largest and most successful airlift in history. Conducted successful counter-terrorism operations with the assassination of a high-ranking official of the Islamic State militant group and top al-Qaeda leader Ayman al-Zawahri. Initiated efforts to restore the 2015 nuclear treaty with Iran.</p>
<p>Permitted company to publish online blueprints for 3-D printed guns. Rescinded rule that made it harder for people with mental illnesses to purchase a gun. Threatened to veto gun control legislation passed by the House requiring background checks. Declared gun stores essential businesses during the pandemic. Appointed anti-gun control judges. Advocated giving teachers guns to stop active shooters.</p>	<p>Gun Control</p>	<p>Passed the Safer Communities Act - the first gun control law signed into law in 30 years. Issued ghost gun regulations which require serial numbers and background checks for homemade guns. Required federally licensed gun dealers to maintain permanent records and transfer them to the ATF once they close sales. Launched 5 new law enforcement strike teams to address firearm trafficking, opening over 540 investigations and taking into</p>

		<p>custody thousands of illegal firearms. Established zero-tolerance policies for federally-licensed gun dealers that willfully violate the law. Helped states enact “red flag” legislation by publishing model legislation to make it easier for states to adopt red flag laws. Launched youth intervention programs.</p>
<p>Repealed Obama-era regulations causing 2.3M to lose their health insurance before the pandemic and after the pandemic began, 5.4M laid-off workers lost their health insurance. Called on Congress to repeal the ACA and made repeated efforts through agencies and in litigation to repeal the ACA. Approved state waivers to limit ACA coverage.</p>	<p>Healthcare</p>	<p>Issued an executive order directing the FDA to make hearing aids available over the counter. Passed the Inflation Reduction Act which reduces healthcare costs and allows Medicare to negotiate for lower Rx drug prices for the first time ever which will significantly lower Rx drug prices. Expanded access to affordable healthcare through the American Rescue Plan and reduced premiums. Expanded Medicare and Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) postpartum care from 60 days to 12 months postpartum. Eliminated \$100B in medical debts from credit reports. Enacted the No Surprises Act of 2022 banning surprise medical billing for emergency and out-of-network costs. Funded Black youth mental health programs. Invested \$300M for mental health support in schools, hiring of more social workers and counselors and launched a national suicide hotline (988). The US now has the highest healthcare insurance coverage rate in history - 92% of Americans are insured.</p>

<p>Implemented the “Muslim ban.” Separated over 5K migrant children from their families under his “zero tolerance” policy. Removed protections for immigrant children which prohibited the children from being held indefinitely and in prison-like conditions. Reduced the number of refugees allowed, terminated temporary protection status for hundreds of thousands living in the US. Spent \$15B on a border wall that cost 2X as much as estimated; was sawed through by drug smuggling gangs over 3K times between 2019 and 2022; is falling apart; and Mexico never paid a penny. Increased ICE raids and arrests, and gave ICE broad authority to detain unauthorized immigrants, including those without criminal records. Rescinded the DACA program. Detained 2x as many people as the highs under Obama. Used private prisons with inhumane conditions.</p>	<p>Immigration</p>	<p>Reversed Trump’s Muslim ban policy and family separation policy. Reunited 97% of children separated from their parents at the border. Issued 296 executive actions on immigration to reverse the damage done by Trump and to improve the immigration process. Reinstated DACA. Introduced the US Citizenship Act, an ambitious bill that would provide a roadmap to citizenship and provide protections to immigrants. Limited ICE enforcement and ended ICE raids. Ended long-term family detention. Increased refugee caps to 125k refugees - the highest in 30 years. Expanded eligibility for non-citizens qualifying for legal protections such as deferred action, parole, Temporary Protected Status (TPS), asylum, or refugee status. Reduced human trafficking and drug smuggling. Partnered with Mexico and Northern Triangle countries to reduce the root causes of migration.</p>
<p>Appointed 226 right-wing federal judges, 54 appeals court judges and 3 extremist Supreme Court justices. Only 24% of the appointees were women, and 16% were non-white.</p>	<p>Judiciary</p>	<p>Appointed and confirmed Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson -- the first Black woman -- to the Supreme Court in June 2022. Appointed and confirmed a record-breaking 83 of the most diverse and qualified federal judges in 20 months. 67% are BIPOC and 70% are women.</p>

<p>Rescinded Title IX guidance clarifying protections under the law for transgender students. Refused to continue Obama-era challenges to discriminatory laws. Banned transgender people from serving in the military. Blocked family visas to same-sex domestic partners of foreign diplomats or employees of international organizations who work in the US. Supported anti-LGBTQI+ litigation. Issued a rule that permitted social service providers that receive government funding to discriminate based on sexual orientation and gender identity.</p>	<p>LGBTQI+</p>	<p>Supported the passage of the Equality Act in the House which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, gender identity, and sexual orientation and would expressly add LGBTQI+ people to the Civil Rights Act. Supported the passage of the Respect for Marriage Act in the House which protects gay and interracial marriages. Overturned the Trump ban on transgender members of the military. Prohibited discrimination in housing, lending, and education. Prohibited discrimination in healthcare. Provided mental health resources for transgender youth. Extended birthright citizenship to children of same-sex couples. Expanded LGBTQI+ representation in government with over 14% of Administration appointees identify as LGBTQI+. Appointed the first openly gay cabinet secretary - Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of Transportation - and Rachel Levine, first openly transgender federal official. Expanded medical and legal support to LGBTQI+ families in the U.S. Armed Forces.</p>
<p>Reversed hundreds of rules preventing racial discrimination in housing, lending, policing and employment. Changed definitions to prevent enforcement of anti-discrimination laws. Approved the Keystone Pipeline XL despite the harm to Indigenous communities and land. Deployed law enforcement to use force against peaceful protesters after George Floyd was murdered. Barred federal agencies and</p>	<p>Racial Equity</p>	<p>Rescinded Trump EOs and agency actions allowing racial discrimination in housing, lending, policing and employment. Implemented legislation and agency actions to address systemic racism. Revoked the presidential permit granted to the controversial Keystone XL Pipeline. Provided \$6.6B to historically Black colleges and students. Forgave over \$330B in student loans which will cut</p>

<p>contractors from providing employees with critical training on racial and sex discrimination. Widely supported by white supremacist organizations.</p>		<p>student loan debt nearly in half for most Black borrowers and more than one in four Black borrowers will have their entire balance forgiven. About half of Latino borrowers will have their entire federal loan debt forgiven. Black and Hispanic households had the highest real income growth the past 2 years. Worked to improve safety and justice for Native American & Indigenous women. Implemented policies to reduce maternal mortality among Black and Native American women. Directed federal agencies to address and improve public safety for Native American and Indigenous communities.</p>
<p>After promising he would not be like “every other Republican” who wants to cut Social Security, Trump proposed cutting payroll taxes which fund Social Security and would have left it depleted within three years. Proposed cutting Social Security disability benefits – impacting 2.6M people with disabilities, including 1.1M children with severe disabilities.</p>	<p>Social Security & Medicare</p>	<p>Passed the Inflation Reduction Act which will significantly reduce Medicare Rx drugs for 46M Americans bc Medicare will be able to negotiate lower Rx drug costs for the first time ever. Insulin payments will be capped at \$35 per month for Medicare recipients beginning in 2023. Out of pocket expenses for Medicare Rx drugs will be capped at \$2K per year. Working with Democrats to pass legislation to save Social Security and Medicare, expand and improve benefits for senior citizens and ensure that it will be fully funded for the next 75+ years.</p>
<p>Implemented rules that made it more difficult for students to get student loan relief, even for those who were defrauded. Reversed Obama-era protections against for-profit colleges.</p>	<p>Student Loans</p>	<p>Paused student loan payments from March 2020 to December 31, 2022. No one has had to pay student loans for 34 months. Waived over \$50B in student loan interest while loans have been paused. Made tax-free all student</p>

		<p>loans forgiven until 2025. Forgave \$32B in student loans were for veterans with permanent disabilities, people with permanent disabilities, healthcare workers in underserved communities, defrauded college students, and public servants (including firefighters, teachers, nurses, and other public employees). Forgave \$300B in student loans for all borrowers earning less than \$125K. This will benefit over 43M borrowers - 90% of whom make less than \$75K. At least 20M will see their entire debt eliminated.</p>
<p>Gave a \$2.2T tax cut to the ultra-wealthy that wasn't paid for and added \$2T to the deficit. Cut the corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, but with the loopholes, the effective tax rate fell from 17.2% to 8.8%. Corporate tax-revenue dropped significantly in 2018. 20% of Fortune 500 companies in 2018 reported profits to shareholders but paid <u>no</u> taxes including Chevron, Amazon, Starbucks and FedEx. The top 1% received 78M in tax cuts in 2020 - the same as the bottom 80%. The Trump family benefited enormously from the tax cuts.</p>	<p>Taxes</p>	<p>Required the wealthiest of Americans and largest corporations to pay their fair share under the Inflation Reduction Act. In contrast, anyone earning less than \$400,000 a year will not see their taxes go up. (98.2% of Americans make less than \$400K.) Some Americans may also pay less in taxes due to the tax credits available under the IRA. Households making less than \$100K will actually pay less through 2025 due to an extension of subsidies for Affordable Care Act premiums. After 2025, taxes for middle- and low-income households will remain the same. IRA also provides some tax incentives for electric cars and home-energy efficiency which can also lower taxes.</p>
<p>Withheld Congressionally approved security funding for Ukraine in an effort to pressure President Zelensky into</p>	<p>Ukraine</p>	<p>Delivered intelligence and \$10.6B in military support to Ukraine. This support was provided months before Ukraine</p>

<p>providing information that Trump could use against Democratic challenger Joe Biden.</p>		<p>was even aware that Russia intended to invade. When Russia invaded, many experts predicted Ukraine would not last even a week. Instead, nearly seven months later, the war continues but Ukraine still stands while Russia continues to experience massive losses and worldwide sanctions.</p>
<p>Took no action against Russia when he learned that Russia paid bounties to Taliban-linked Afghan militants to kill US troops. Belittled veterans and members of the military repeatedly. Signed several bipartisan veteran bills (one 1/5/21), but the impact was undermined by the hiring and firing of three Veteran Affairs secretaries, the withholding of information by the VA Office of Public Affairs and infighting among senior leadership.</p>	<p>Veterans & Military</p>	<p>Passed the PACT Act which provides more than 5M vets with healthcare benefits for diseases caused by toxic exposure. Ended the 20 year war in Afghanistan that was never once authorized by Congress, lost over 172K lives and cost \$6.5T. Christmas 2021 was the first Christmas in 20 years that there were no American soldiers at war. Forgave \$1B in medical debt and eliminated all out of pocket costs through the American Rescue Plan. Provided healthcare, financial, and job training assistance through the American Rescue Plan. Simplified the process for claiming medical debt forgiveness. Provided compensation for exposure to harmful chemicals and established a presumption for rare respiratory cancers. Expedited the restoration of VA benefits. Provided job transitioning for service members through DOD's Skill Bridge. Supported and signed 9 bills for vets. Assisting 123,983 military veterans who are not U.S. citizens become citizens. Provided 100% student loan forgiveness to vets with a</p>

		<p>permanent disability. Provided legal and health support to LGBTQ+ military families.</p>
<p>Weakened equal pay efforts by blocking the collection of pay data. Implemented an overtime rule which resulted in 8.2M workers - including 4.2M women - losing overtime pay. Revoked an Obama-era regulation that required businesses to publicly disclose any sexual harassment or labor law violations over the previous three years whenever they bid on large federal contracts. Changed the definition of both domestic violence and sexual assault to significantly limit claims to be enforced by the DOJ.</p>	<p>Women</p>	<p>Forgave over \$300B in student loans which will significantly benefit women who hold 2/3 of all student loan debt and women of color who hold more debt than white women. Supported the passage of a bill to codify <i>Roe v. Wade</i> in the House. Supported the passage of a bill to protect the right to interstate travel by people seeking an lawful abortion. Taken extensive action to protect the right to abortion and reproductive care. Passed the American Rescue Plan and supported the passage of Build Back Better (in the House) - both of which expanded (and would further expand) economic opportunities and support for women in the workforce. Passed the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization. Raised the federal minimum wage for federal contractors and workers through Biden's executive order which significantly benefits women and women of color who make up a significant percentage of the federal workforce. Increased funding for domestic violence and sexual assault services. Provided 70K housing vouchers for victims of domestic violence or sexual assault. Reformed policies for investigating and prosecuting sexual assault and harassment in military courts. Instructed the government to develop policies and</p>

		<p>procedures to increase pay equity among federal contractors. Worked to improve safety and justice for Native American & Indigenous women. Implemented policies to reduce maternal mortality. Expanded Medicare and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) postpartum care from 60 days to 12 months postpartum. Established the Gender Policy Council (GPC) to advance gender equity domestically and internationally - the first free-standing policy council focused on gender equity and equality within the Executive Office of the President.</p>
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