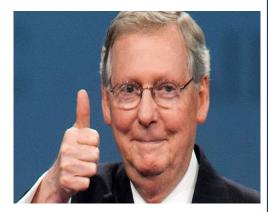
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How the West Wing Was Won, 2016





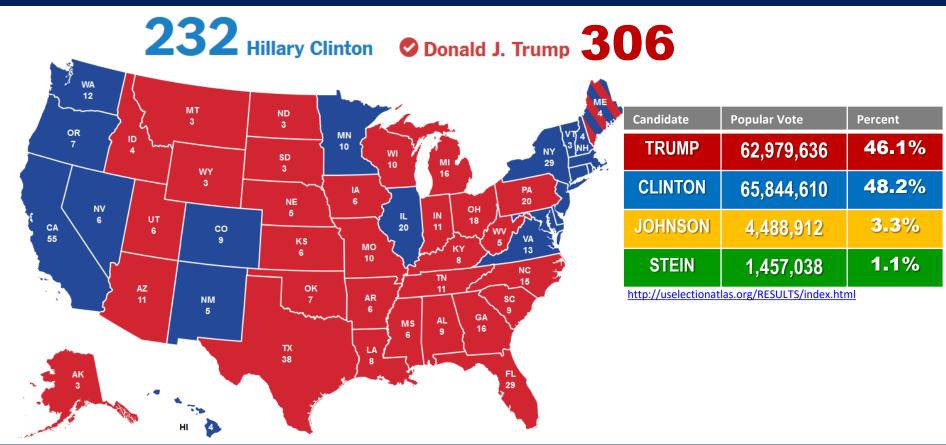


Outcomes & Implications



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RESULTS: Big Night for the GOP



<u>HOUSE: D+7</u>					
114 th 115 th					
GOP	247	241			
DEM	188	194			

SENATE: D+2					
114 th 115 th					
GOP	54	52			
DEM / IND	46	48			

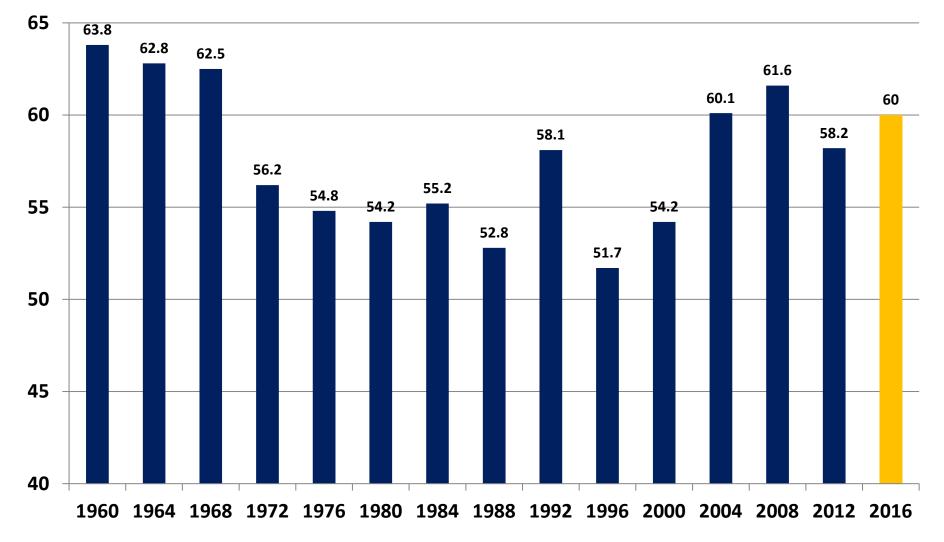
GOVERNORS: R+2

	2016	2017
GOP	31	33
DEM	18	16
IND	1	1

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TURNOUT: Above 2012, Below '08 & '04

U.S. Voter Turnout as % of Eligible Voters



ELECTORATE: Younger, Better Educated, Less White

Demographics Were Not Destiny

	SHARE OF THE ELECTORATE						
	2004 2008 2012 2016						
White	77%	74%	72%	70%			
African Americans	11%	13%	13%	12%			
Hispanics	8%	9%	10%	11%			
Asian Americans	2%	2%	3%	4%			
18-29	17%	18%	19%	19%			
65+	24%	23%	16%	15%			
Not College Grad	58%	55%	53%	50%			
College Grad	42%	45%	47%	50%			
Male	46%	47%	47%	48%			
Female	54%	53%	53%	52%			



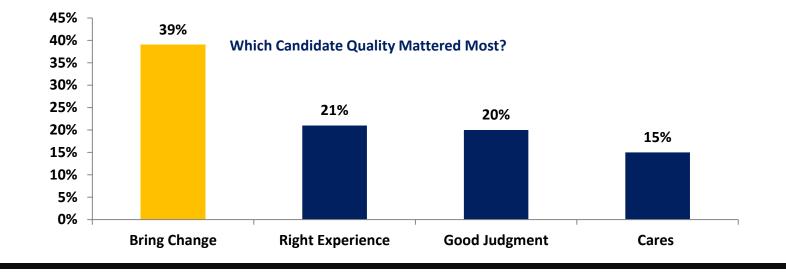
HOW TRUMP WON 5 Reasons



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#1. Americans Want Change

Change Mattered Most



TRUMP Dominated Change Voters

Can Bring	Right	Good	Cares About
Needed Change	Experience	Judgment	People Like Me
T+69	C+82	C+40	C+23

#2. Trump Favored on Key Issues

Trump Did Best on Issues That Mattered to Voters, According to 25K-Voter Exit Poll

ECONOMIC ISSUES

Who will do more to grow the economy? Who will do more to create jobs?



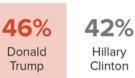
SECURITY ISSUES

Who do you trust more on defense? V

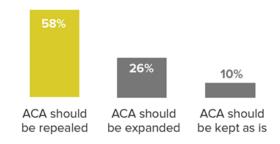




44% Hillary Clinton



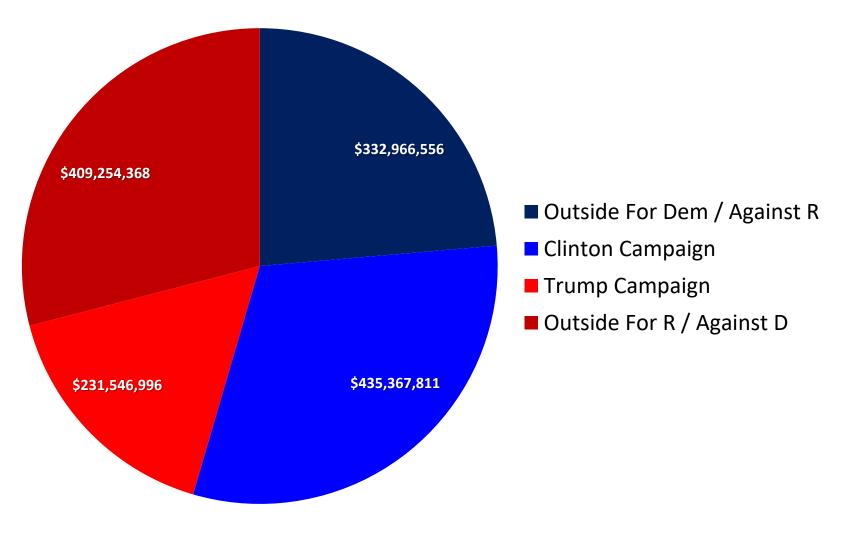
DISCONTENT WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT



Why Trump Won

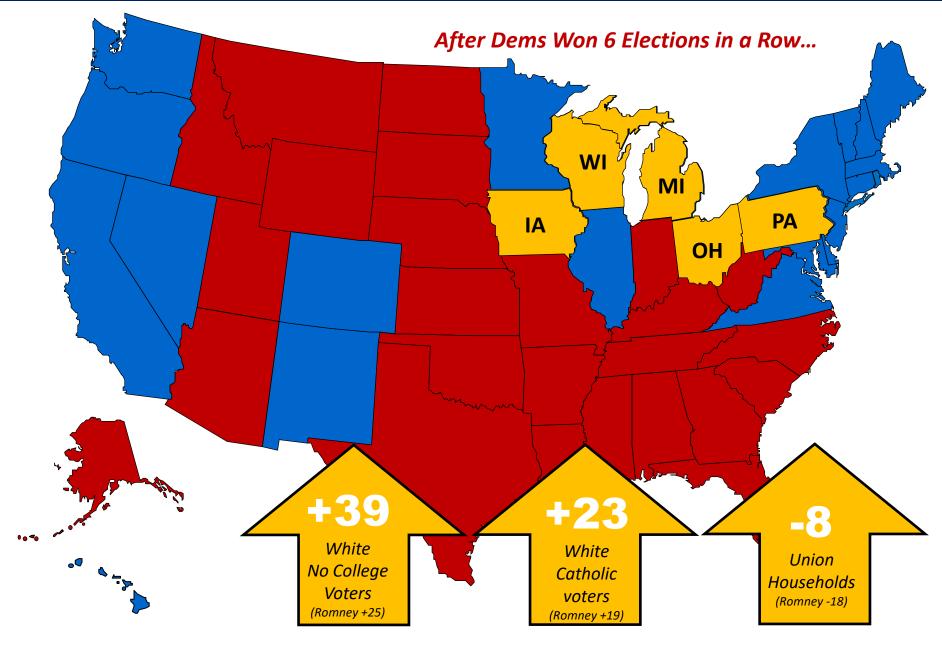
#3. More Outside \$\$ Offset Less Campaign \$\$

Share of Disclosed Outside Spending (Presidential)



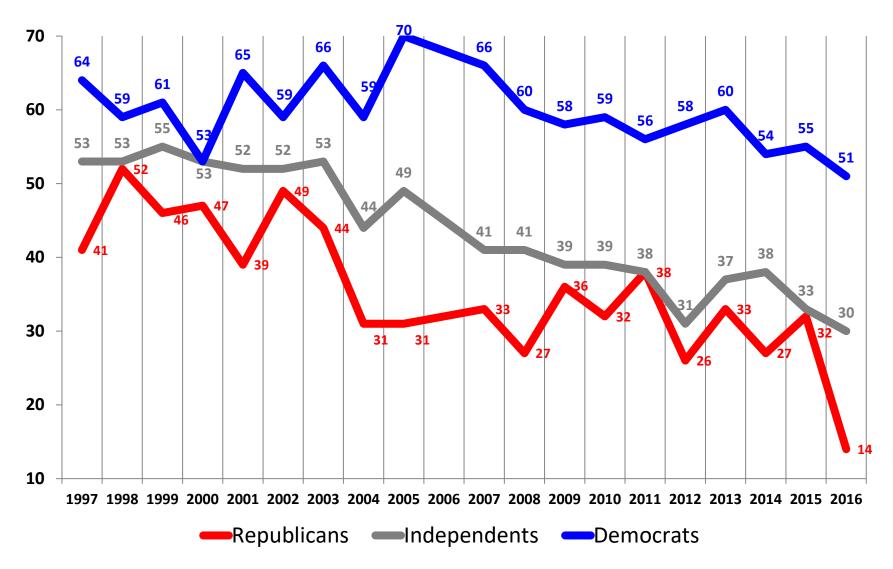
Why Trump Won

#4. Trump Coalition Breached "Big Blue Wall"



#5. Ran Against the Media Establishment

Great Deal/Fair Amount of Trust in Mass Media by Party





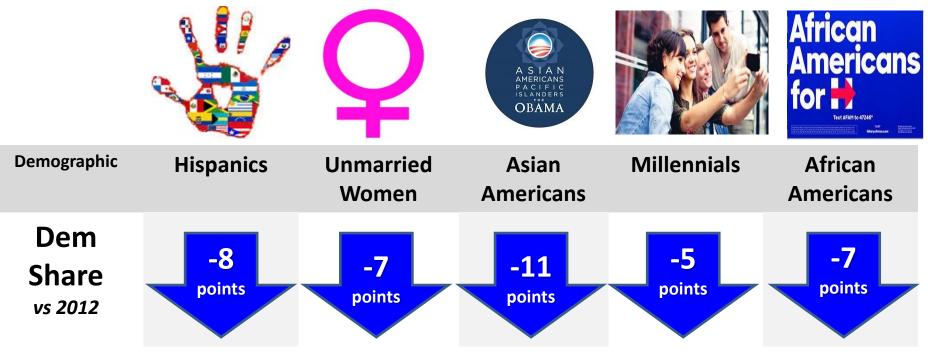


WHY CLINTON LOST 5 Reasons



#1. "Obama Coalition" Less Committed

Weaker Support for Clinton '16 than Obama '12



Drop-Off in Pro-Dem Turnout

Obama 2008	69.5M
Obama 2012	65.9M
Clinton 2016	65.8M

#2. Too Much Baggage



(though Trump was 63%)

#3. Americans Don't Like "Third Terms"

After 8 Years Americans Usually Seek a Rebalancing

Incumbent President	Year	Election Eve Incumbent Approval	Intended Successor's Fate
Truman	1952	32%	Lost
Eisenhower	1960	58%	Lost
Johnson	1968	42%	Lost
Reagan	1988	51%	Won
Clinton	2000	57%	Lost
George W Bush	2008	25%	Lost
Obama	2016	56%	Lost

#4. Trump Message Clearer





In the campaign's closing weeks of ads...



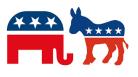
of Trump ads featured Clinton 100%

of Clinton ads featured Trump

#5. Third Parties Absorbed Critical Votes

Spoiler Alert!

STATE	CLINTON DEFICIT / LEAD	JOHNSON	STEIN
MI (16)	-10,704	172,136	51,463
WI (10)	-22,748	106,674	31,072
PA (20)	-44,292	146,715	49,941
FL (29)	-112,911	207,043	64,399
AZ (11)	-91,234	106,327	34,345
	3 rd party impact cut b	ooth ways	
NH (4)	+2,736	30,694	6,465
CO (9)	+136,448	144,083	38,418
NV (6)	+27,202	37,384	N/A







CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS OUTCOMES & ANALYSIS



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No States Split WH-Senate Vote (1st time ever)

State	Trump 2016	Senate Outcome
IL	-16	DEM Pick Up
WI	+1	GOP Hold
NV	-2	DEM Hold
PA	+1	GOP Hold
СО	-2	DEM Hold
NH	-1	DEM Pick Up
ΙΑ	+10	GOP Hold
ОН	+8	GOP Hold
FL	+1	GOP Hold
NC	+4	GOP Hold
IN	+19	GOP Hold
MO	+19	GOP Hold
GA	+5	GOP Hold
AZ	+5	GOP Hold

Contested States Where Senate Republican Ran Ahead of Trump

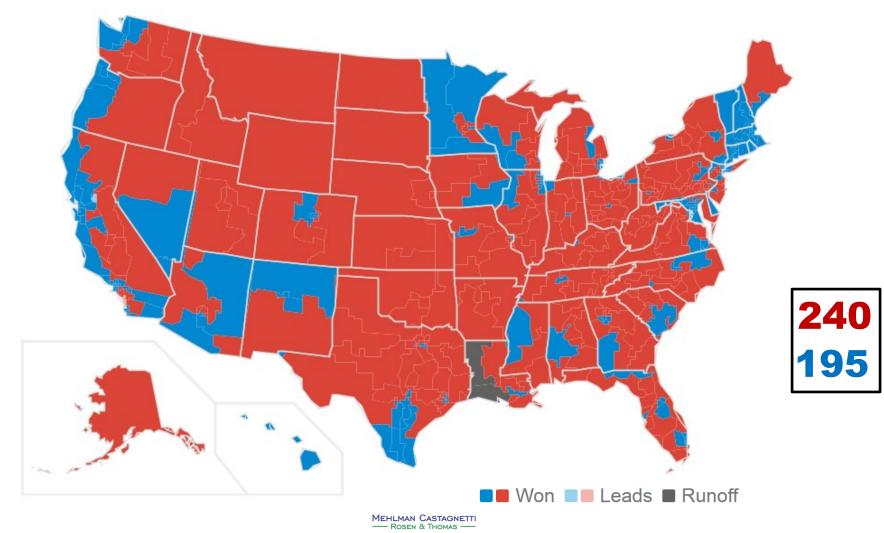
Senate Margin	State	Trump Margin
+24.5	IA	+9.6
+21.4	ОН	+8.6
+14.2	GA	+5.7
+12.3	AZ	+4.1
+7.7	FL	+1.3
+5.8	NC	+3.8
+3.4	WI	+1.0
+1.7	PA	+1.2
-0.1	NH	-0.4
-14.2	IL	-16.0

Contested States Where Senate Republican Ran Behind / Tied Trump

Senate Margin	State	Trump Margin
+9.7	IN	+19.3
+3.2	MO	+18.6
-2.4	NV	-2.4

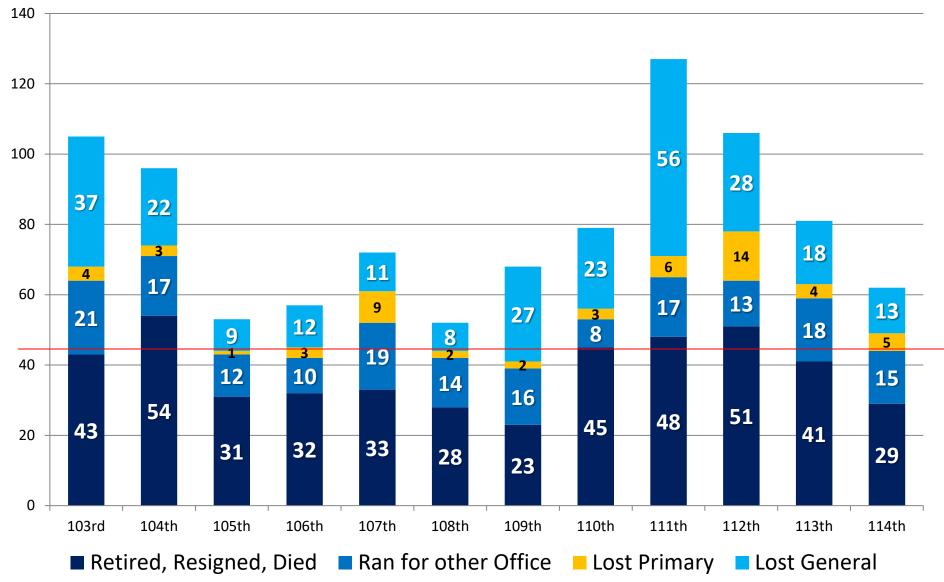
GOP Retained Control of House, Lost Net 7

GOP Ran Uncontested	GOP Incumbent Won Reelection	GOP Open Seat Held	GOP Captured Dem Seat	DEM Captured GOP Seat		DEM Incumbent Won Reelection	
29	206	25	3	10	15	136	35



House GOP Helped by Fewer Retirements

Fewest Voluntary House Departures Since 2006





7 ELECTION CONCLUSIONS



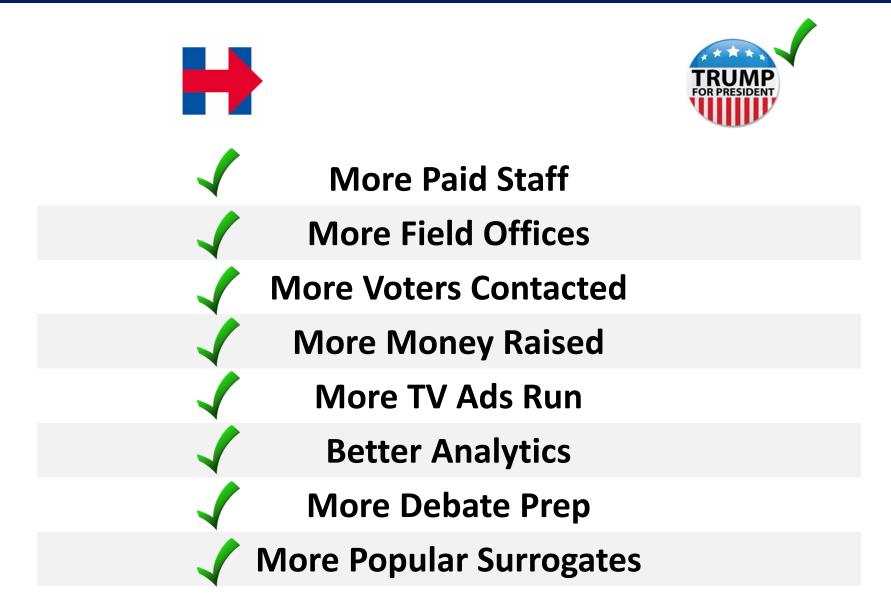
#1. Education is the New Cultural Divide

States Where More Voters Have Advanced Degrees Go Dem, Fewer GOP

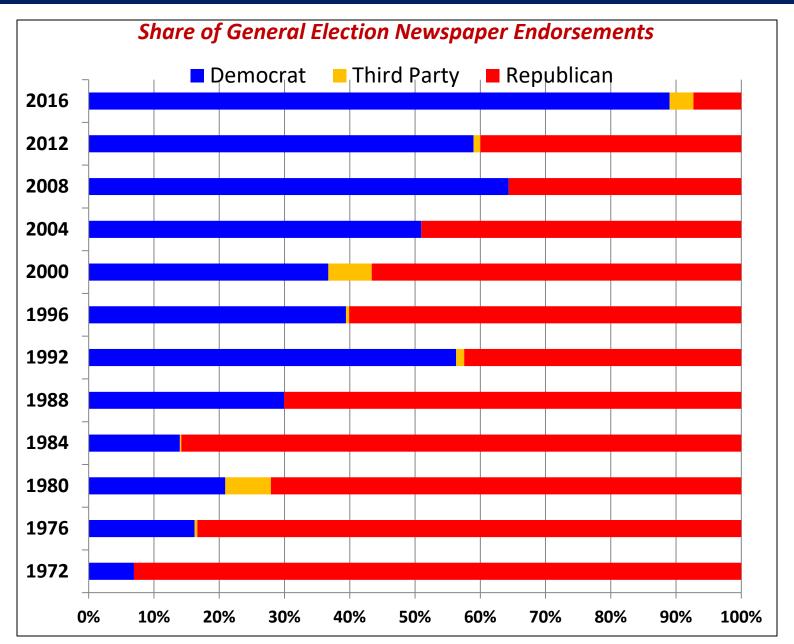
State	% Advanced degree	Rank
District of Columbia	28.00%	
Massachusetts	16.40%	1
Maryland	16.00%	2
Connecticut	15.50%	3
Virginia	14.10%	4
New York	14.00%	5
Vermont	13.30%	6
New Jersey	12.90%	7
Colorado	12.70%	8
Illinois	11.70%	9
Rhode Island	11.70%	9
Delaware	11.40%	11
New Hampshire	11.20%	12
Washington	11.10%	14
California	10.70%	15
Oregon	10.40%	16
New Mexico	10.40%	16
Minnesota	10.30%	18
United States average	10.30%	
Kansas	10.20%	19
Pennsylvania	10.20%	19
Hawaii	9.90%	21
Georgia	9.90%	21
Maine	9.60%	/23//
Missouri	9.50%	24
Michigan	9.40%	25

State	% Advanced degree	Rank
Arizona	9.30%	26
Utah	9.10%	27
Alaska	9.00%	28
Florida	9.00%	28
Nebraska	8.80%	30
North Carolina	8.80%	31
Ohio	8.80%	32
Texas	8.50%	33
Kentucky	8.50%	33
Wisconsin	8.40%	35
South Carolina	8.40%	35
Montana	8.30%	37
Indiana	8.10%	38
Wyoming	7.90%	39
Tennessee	7.90%	39
Alabama	7.70%	40
Nevada	7.60%	41
Idaho	7.50%	42
lowa	7.40%	43
Oklahoma	7.40%	43
South Dakota	7.30%	45
Mississippi	7.10%	46
Louisiana	6.90%	47
North Dakota	6.70%	48
West Virginia	6.70%	48
Arkansas	6.10%	50

#2. Everything We Thought We Knew About Campaigns...



3. Newspaper Endorsements Don't Matter



#4. This Ain't Your Father's GOP

Trump Changing the GOP Agenda

Leftward

within GOP mainstream

Rightward

Oppose Trade Deals



Punish Wall Street



Reject Entitlement Reforms



Broad Tax Cuts



Unfettered 2nd Amendment



Muscular Military



Crack Down on Immigration



Reject Refugees					
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Resist Criminal Justice Reforms



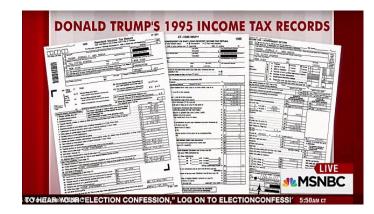
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#5. Populism Is the New Normal

Skepticism Towards "Big Business"	Globalization "Re-Think"	Push for Systemic "Reforms"
More aggressive oversight	More aggressive trade enforcement	Alternative media empowered
Tougher Antitrust Oversight Image: Comparison of the second sec	Tougher reviews of in-bound M&A	"Tax-the-rich" / Fair Share
Anti-Crony Capitalism Meets Too Big To Fail	Existing Relationships at Risk	Restrict Lobbying by ex- Members
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#6. Everything is On the Record









#7. Why This Election Will Leave a Mark

Annus Horriblis, By the Numbers

62% have unfavorable view of incoming President, highest in history (Gallup)

8 in 10 voters say campaign left them repulsed rather than excited. (NYT/CBS)

81% of Evangelicals embraced a candidate who committed each of the "seven deadly sins" (greed, lust, gluttony, hubris, wrath, vainglory & sloth) during the campaign. (Exit poll)

84% of Liberals championed a candidate who intentionally frustrated transparency in government & made millions from Wall Street, multinationals and foreign entities weak on human rights. (Exit poll)

A majority of elected officials in both political parties believes the **FB** inappropriately politicized its investigations.

82% of voters believe the Mainstream Media was biased in its coverage (Suffolk)

75 ongoing lawsuits involve President-Elect Trump (Media Matters)



The Road Ahead





Key Periods Between Elections

Nov. 8 – Dec. 9 *Lame Duck Session Fund government into 2017; Defense;*

rest TBD

"First 100 Days"

Roll out Cabinet & SCOTUS nominations; Undo Obama Executive Orders & Regulations; Introduce signature legislative initiatives

695 Days Until the 2018 Midterm Elections

(from 11/30/16)

115th Congress

Major early actions include March 15th Debt Ceiling & Budget Reconciliation process

Lame Duck: What Gets Done?

16 Legislative Days scheduled post-election

(Nov. 14-17; Nov. 29-Dec. 8; Dec. 13-16 tbd)

Must Do	Strong Chance	Possible	
FY17 funding (CR into Q1 2017)	Pick Committee chairs & member assignments	Water Resources Development Act + Flint	Mine workers' pension reform
Leadership elections	National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)	Energy Bill (+CA wild fire relief)	Veterans Administration reform
	Defense supplemental / Emergency spending	Fix JASTA (passed over veto)	"Orphaned" tax extenders
		Mental Health	School Nutrition
		Cures / Innovation health research	Post Office reauthorization
		Privacy: Block Rule 41 change; ECPA & ECTR	Medicare reforms (HOPD, Pt. B)



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First Two Years Are Critical



Crime Bill; Brady Bill; Assault Weapons Ban; 100,000 cops

NAFTA; GATT

Reinventing Gov't Initiative

Deficit Reduction Bill (tax hike)

AmeriCorps

Family & Medical Leave Act

No Child Left Behind 2001 Tax Cuts (10-year cuts)

Patriot Act; DHS Bill

US-Russia Nuclear Arms deal

FTAs launched/concluded: Singapore, Chile, Australia, Morocco, CAFTA

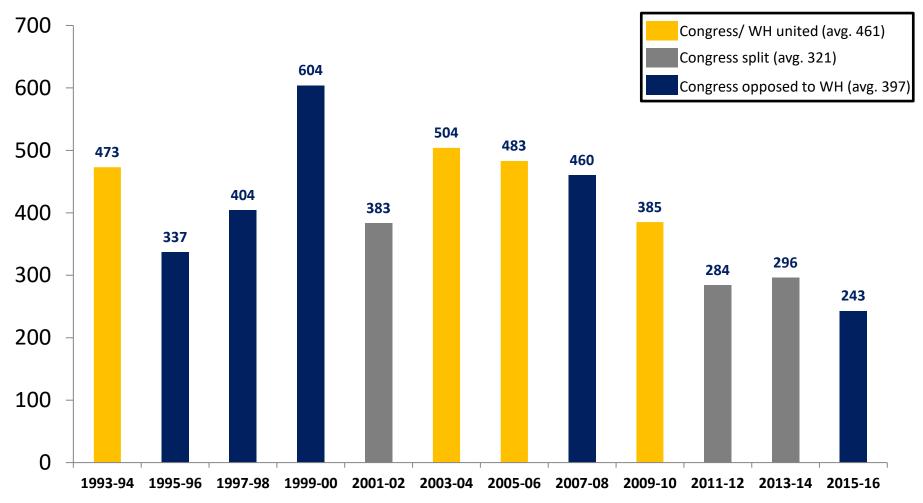


\$787B Stimulus package Affordable Care Act Dodd-Frank

2010 Tax Deal

Lily Ledbetter Fair Pay Act

Unified Control Usually Means More Legislation



Number of Laws Made by Congress

Areas Ripe for Significant Legislation in 2017



Tax Reform (repatriation) + Infrastructure



Securing the Borders / Legal Immigration



Trade Enforcement

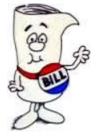
Dodd-Frank Reform



Repeal & Replace ACA

Domestic Energy Production







Telecom Act Modernization & Cyber



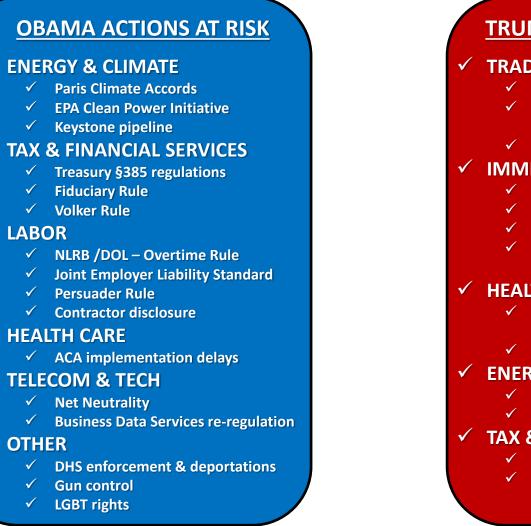
Debt Ceiling / Sequestration Relief



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Trump Regulatory Agenda = Reversing Obama Regs+

Live by the Phone & Pen, Die by the Phone & Pen



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TRUMP ACTIONS EXPECTED

✓ TRADE

- Import tariffs
- New thresholds for countervailing & anti-dumping duties via
- Declare currency manipulation

IMMIGRATION

- ✓ Accelerate deportations ~2x (to 500k)
- ✓ Cut-off fed'l grants to sanctuary cities
- ✓ Slow pace of legal visas
- ✓ Increase prevailing wage via new formula

✓ HEALTH CARE

- Move towards premium support model, possibly thru CMMI authority
- **Expedite state Medicaid wavers**

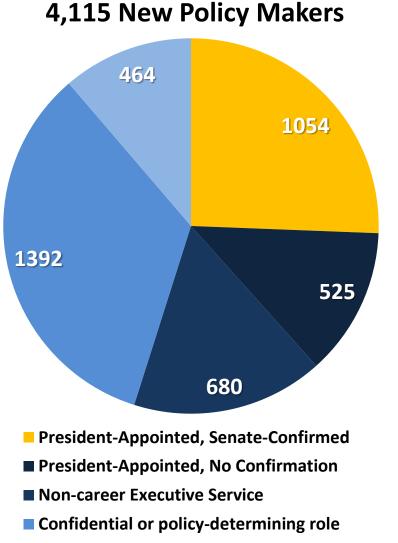
ENERGY & CLIMATE

- Expedite leasing on fed'l lands
- **Reform RFS**

TAX & FINANCIAL SERVICES

- ✓ Overturn Estate Tax regulations
 - **Replace CFPB director; change in** enforcement

New Players Guarantee Energetic Action



Non-competitive positions by law

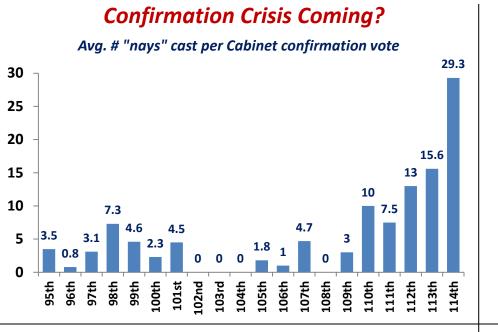
Key Changes in the House of Representatives

- ~60 Freshman Members
- New GOP Chairs: Appropriations, Ed & Workforce, Energy & Commerce, Veterans Affairs Committees
- New DEM Ranking Members: Budget & Veterans Affairs

Key Changes in U.S. Senate

- 6 Freshman Senators
- New GOP Chairs: Banking, EPW, (more as Senators join Administration)
- New DEM Ranking Sens: Appropriations, Budget, EPW, HELP, Homeland Security

Key Congressional Dynamics in 2017



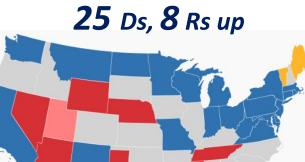
2018 Battlefield Favors GOP

GOP Civil War Resolved (for now)





Dem Civil War Commencing







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