



### Biden vs. Trump: Where They Stand on the Issues

ISSUE	Biden and the Democrats	Trump and the MAGA Republicans
1. Healthcare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduced the cost of health insurance.</li> <li>• Ensured more people have healthcare coverage than ever before.</li> <li>• Reducing prescription drug prices for seniors.</li> <li>• Capped insulin for seniors at \$35/month.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under Trump, 3 million fewer people than before had health insurance.</li> <li>• Tried to overturn the Affordable Care Act, which would have caused 21 million people to lose their health insurance.</li> <li>• Took no meaningful action to lower prescription drug prices.</li> </ul>
2. Jobs and Labor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Created tens of thousands of good jobs through investments in wind, solar, electric batteries, infrastructure, and semiconductors.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Until pandemic, continued strong economy inherited from Obama Administration, in part, through tax cuts that overwhelmingly benefited corporations and the wealthy.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Real wages (adjusted for inflation) are rising.</li> <li>• Made more workers eligible for overtime pay.</li> <li>• Made it easier to unionize.</li> <li>• Oversaw a record number of new small businesses.</li> <li>• Corporations no longer allowed to pay zero federal taxes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mismanaged Covid-19, crashing the economy and surging unemployment.</li> <li>• Took anti-union actions including making it more difficult to enforce collective bargaining agreements, silencing workers, and restricting the freedom to join unions.</li> <li>• Failed to achieve his own goals of reducing the trade deficit with China, controlling the national debt, or strengthening the American manufacturing sector.</li> <li>• Promising big corporate backers even more tax cuts if elected.</li> </ul>
3. Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rebuilding our roads and bridges.</li> <li>• Building first ever national network of EV charging stations.</li> <li>• Investing in public transit.</li> <li>• Providing affordable, high-speed internet for every American.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched several abortive “Infrastructure Weeks” that resulted in few improvements but many “Groundhog Day”-style jokes.</li> <li>• If implemented, infrastructure approach would have enriched Wall Street investors with tax credits while passing the bill to middle-class Americans in the form of high tolls and other user fees.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building a more resilient power grid that can handle new clean energy technologies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Withheld available infrastructure funding from cities to punish them for progressive values.</li> </ul>
4. Gun violence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biden signed bipartisan legislation (supported by 29 Republicans) that strengthens gun safety. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Requires enhanced background check for young people ages 18 to 21.</li> <li>○ Narrows the "boyfriend loophole" to keep guns out of the hands of convicted dating partners.</li> <li>○ Funds crisis interventions including "red flag" laws.</li> <li>○ Makes significant investments to address the mental health crisis in America.</li> <li>○ Makes gun trafficking and straw purchases distinct federal crimes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trump and Republicans have worked to loosen gun restrictions and expand access to guns. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Made it easier for those with mental illnesses to buy guns.</li> <li>○ Halted a proposal to require gun makers and dealers to sell child safety devices in stores where guns are sold.</li> <li>○ Made it easier for fugitives to purchase guns.</li> <li>○ Opposed most gun safety measures.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
5. Climate and environmental justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positioned U.S. to achieve ambitious climate goals of cutting emissions in half by 2030 and net-zero emissions by 2050.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Put the interests of wealthy donors and the fossil fuel industry above the interests of the American people.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achieved record private investments in clean power and job growth in clean energy.</li> <li>• Accelerating the adoption of electric vehicles.</li> <li>• Reducing pollution that endangers overburdened communities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Claim climate change is a hoax created by the Chinese.</li> <li>• Attempted to bolster fossil fuel use.</li> <li>• Dismantled major climate policies.</li> <li>• Rolled back rules governing clean air, water, wildlife, and toxic chemicals.</li> <li>• Worked to open up more land for oil and gas leasing by limiting wildlife protections and weakening environmental requirements for projects.</li> <li>• Loosened efficiency standards for a wide range of products.</li> </ul>
<p>6. Protecting the rights of LGBTQI+ people</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biden took historic steps to advance full equality for LGBTQI+ Americans including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reversing the discriminatory ban on transgender servicemembers in the military.</li> <li>○ Strengthening non-discrimination protections in health care, housing, education, and employment.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inciting hate and violence against LGBTQ+ people for political advantage.</li> <li>• Attempting to weaken discrimination protections for same-sex couples.</li> <li>• Restricting gender-affirming care for LGBTQI+ people.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ensuring transgender Americans can access government support and services.</li> </ul>	
7. Protecting reproductive rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Democrats support the freedom of women to make decisions about their own bodies, healthcare, and doctors.</li> <li>• Since the Supreme Court gutted abortion rights, the President signed Executive Orders to protect access to reproductive health care, including abortion and contraception, and to safeguard patient privacy and sensitive health information.</li> <li>• Committed to fighting any attack by a state or local official who attempts to interfere with women exercising their constitutional right to travel out of state for medical care.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Push abortion restrictions that endanger women's health and lives and the wellbeing of their current and future children.</li> <li>• Packed the Supreme Court with extremist anti-choice judges.</li> <li>• Trump stated that women who undergo abortions should be punished if the procedure is made illegal.</li> <li>• Deny that <i>abortion</i> is an essential component of women's <i>health care</i>.</li> <li>• Believe women and girls as young as 10 years old should be forced to carry their rapists' babies.</li> </ul>
8. Advancing equity and racial justice, including historic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Took action to narrow the racial wealth gap by increasing access to homeownership and rooting out discrimination in the housing market.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraged the use of excessive police force on peaceful Black Lives Matter protestors.</li> </ul>

<p>criminal justice reform</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invested in communities facing persistent poverty.</li> <li>• Delivering racial justice through criminal justice reforms to improve prison conditions and help people get back on their feet after incarceration.</li> <li>• Promoting safe, effective, and accountable policing by banning chokeholds, restricting no-knock entries, creating a national police accountability database, and restricting the transfer of military equipment to local police departments.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restarted federal executions after a 17-year informal moratorium on federal capital punishment.</li> <li>• Secretly altered documentation to reduce the number of federally incarcerated people eligible to be released to stem the spread of Covid-19.</li> <li>• Reinstated DOJ contracts with private prisons despite record of violence and atrocious conditions.</li> <li>• Disbanded a program to create federal prison education systems.</li> <li>• Closed halfway houses that help those incarcerated transition back to the community.</li> <li>• Prohibited federal investigations of patterns of unconstitutional policing.</li> <li>• Stopped assistance to police departments that voluntarily wanted reform.</li> </ul>
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