

# 2020 Election Recap and What Lies Ahead

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# 2020 Federal Election Results

Democrats captured the White House, gained three seats in the U.S. Senate. Republicans picked up seats in the U.S. House and in State Legislatures.



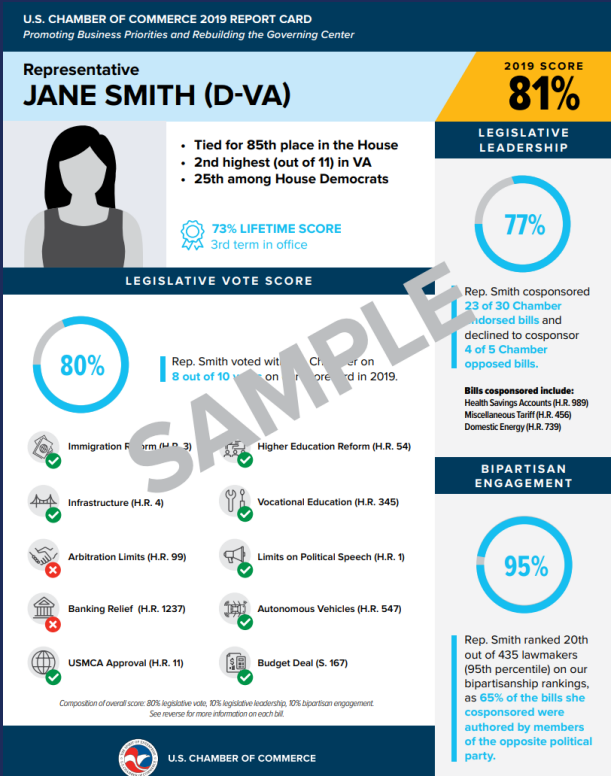
	White House	U.S. Senate	U.S. House	State Leg. Chambers	Governor
Pre-2020	Republican	53R - 47D	236D - 199R	59R - 39D	26R - 24D
2021-2022	Democratic	50R - 50D	222D - 211R*	61R - 37D	27R - 23D
Net Gain	<b>FLIP</b>	<b>D+3</b>	<b>R+10*</b>	<b>R+2</b>	<b>R+1</b>



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# Rebuilding the Middle

- Revamped How They Voted legislative scorecard
- Common Ground Series
- Center of Gravity in 2021:
  - Problem Solvers Caucus
  - New Gang of Eight



*“As we have been saying for years, we need responsible and resolved governing to lead our nation. We also must strengthen the structures of our democracy. The business community must and will play a critical role in supporting the rule of law, fortifying democratic norms, and restoring trust in our institutions.”*

- U.S. Chamber CEO, Tom Donohue



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# Who are the key players?

## Senate Leadership

- Majority Leader Chuck Schumer; Majority Whip Dick Durbin; Asst. Leader Patty Murray
- Minority Leader Mitch McConnell; Minority Whip John Thune; GOP Conference Chair John Barrasso

## House Leadership

- Speaker Nancy Pelosi; Majority Leader Steny Hoyer; Majority Whip Jim Clyburn
- Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy; Minority Whip Steve Scalise; GOP Conference Chair Liz Cheney

## 117<sup>th</sup> Congress Committee Chairs:

### Appropriations:

- Sen. Patrick Leahy (VT) – 34%
- Rep. Rosa DeLauro (CT-3) – 32%

### Judiciary:

- Sen. Dick Durbin (IL) – 36%
- Rep. Jerrold Nadler (NY-10) – 28%

### Finance / Ways & Means:

- Sen. Ron Wyden (OR) – 40%
- Rep. Richard Neal (MA-1) – 36%

### Budget:

- Sen. Bernie Sanders (VT) – 18%
- Rep. John Yarmuth (KY-3) – 42%

### Banking / Financial Services

- Sen. Sherrod Brown (OH) – 35%
- Rep. Maxine Waters (CA-43) – 28%

### Commerce:

- Sen. Maria Cantwell (WA) – 50%
- Rep. Frank Pallone (NJ-6) – 35%

### EPW / Transportation & Infrastructure:

- Sen. Tom Carper (DE) – 52%
- Rep. Peter DeFazio (OR-4) – 33%

### Education & Labor:
















- Sen. Patty Murray (WA) – 47%
- Rep. Bobby Scott (VA-3) – 35%

### Small Business:

- Sen. Ben Cardin (MD) – 37%
- Rep. Nydia Velazquez (NY-7) – 31%

## Biden's Cabinet Picks

Secretaries and administrators of government departments and other top roles

State  Tony Blinken	Treasury  Janet Yellen	Defense  Lloyd Austin	Attorney General  Merrick Garland	Interior  Deb Haaland	Agriculture  Tom Vilsack
Commerce  Gina Raimondo	Labor  Marty Walsh	Health and Human Services  Xavier Becerra	Housing and Urban Development  Marcia Fudge	Transportation  Pete Buttigieg	Energy  Jennifer Granholm
Education  Miguel Cardona	Veterans Affairs  Denis McDonough	Homeland Security  Alejandro Mayorkas	Council of Economic Advisers  Cecilia Rouse	U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations  Linda Thomas-Greenfield	Director of National Intelligence  Avril Haines
Environmental Protection Agency  Michael Regan	Small Business Administration  Isabel Guzman	Office of Management and Budget  Neera Tanden	U.S. Trade Representative  Katherine Tai		

# What Lies Ahead in 2021:

Pandemic likely to dominate first half of 2021

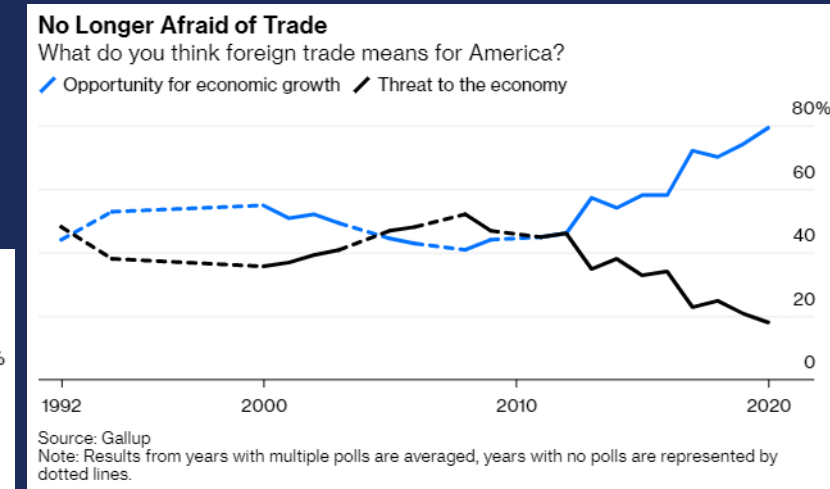
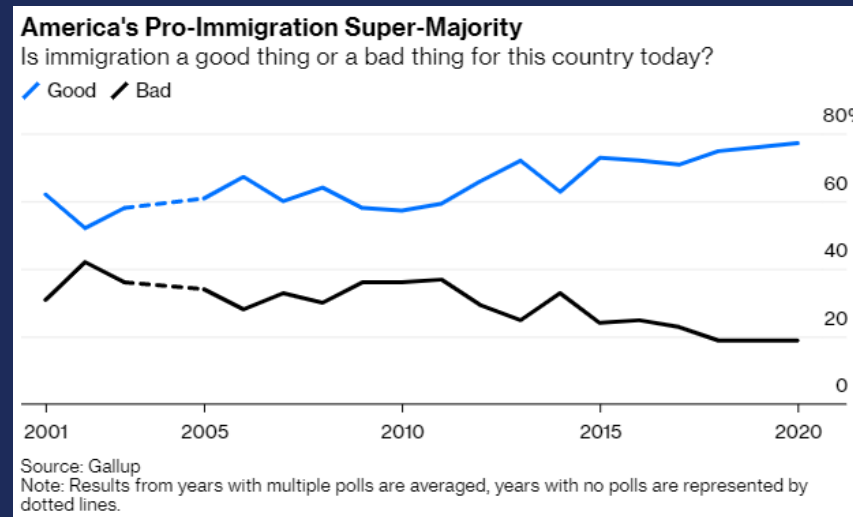
- Biden \$1.9 Trillion Stimulus Package
  - \$1,400 stimulus checks
  - \$350 billion for state & local funding
  - \$400 billion for vaccines, testing, and schools
  - \$400/week PUI through September 2021
  - \$15/hour minimum wage

Other issues:

- CRAs and Executive Actions
  - Gig Workers
  - Net Neutrality
  - Legal Immigration
  - Oil & Gas
- HR 1
- Minimum wage
- PRO Act
- Section 230 / Big Tech / Anti-Trust
- **Infrastructure**
- **Workforce**
- Repeal parts of TCJA
- Environment & Climate Change

Issues to keep an eye on:

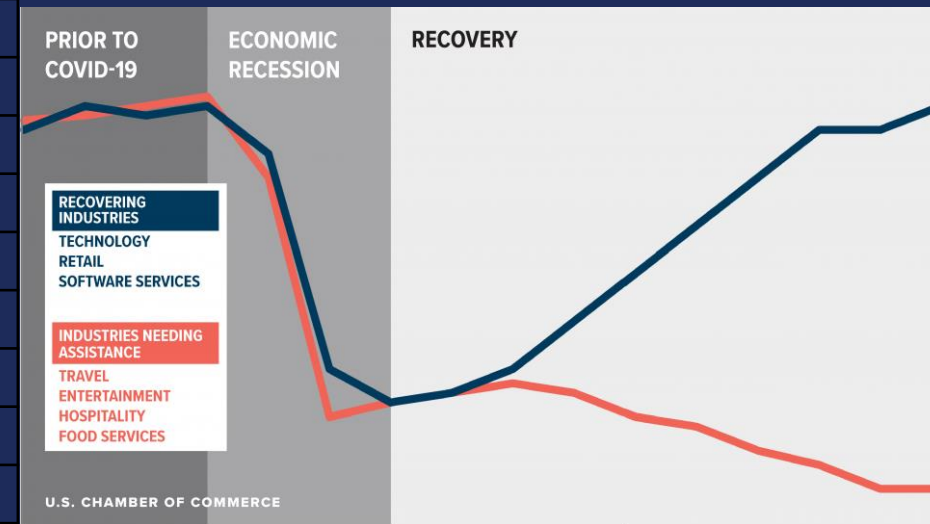
- Immigration
- Trade



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Bureau of Labor Statistics Sector	Change in Employment November Compared to February 2020
Motion picture and sound recording industries	-43.46%
Performing arts and spectator sports	-37.35%
Travel arrangement and reservation services	-31.87%
Accommodation	-30.94%
Scenic and sightseeing transportation	-30.25%
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	-25.77%
Support activities for mining, & oil/gas extraction	-25.69%
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	-24.94%
Transit and ground passenger transportation	-24.03%
Air transportation	-23.94%
Museums, historical sites, and similar institutions	-22.03%
Sporting goods, hobby, book, and music stores	-19.03%
Food services and drinking places	-17.16%
Rental and leasing services	-16.89%
Apparel	-16.76%
Child day care services	-16.66%
Personal and laundry services	-16.24%

# Small Businesses Are Struggling



HI Unemployment: 10.1%

U.S. Chamber Survey: 51% worse off than pre-pandemic; 41% better off



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# GUIDE TO PPP LOAN FORGIVENESS



Under the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) created by the CARES Act, loans may be forgiven if borrowers use the proceeds to maintain their payrolls and pay other specified expenses.

The Treasury Department and Small Business Administration recently released the application form and instructions for loan forgiveness. The forgiveness forms, instructions, and worksheets can be downloaded [here](#).

PPP borrowers must apply for loan forgiveness with the lender that processed the loan. This guide is designed to help borrowers understand the process by which their loan forgiveness amount will be calculated and the overall approach of the loan forgiveness process.

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All guides available at:  
[www.uschamber.com/coronavirus](http://www.uschamber.com/coronavirus)

- Guide to PPP Loan Forgiveness
- Coronavirus Emergency Loans Small Business Guide and Checklist (PPP)
- An Independent Contractor's Guide to CARES Act Relief
- Guide to SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL)
- Guide to the Employee Retention Tax Credit
- Coronavirus Paid Leave Programs Employer Guide
- Health Coverage: Options for individuals



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