

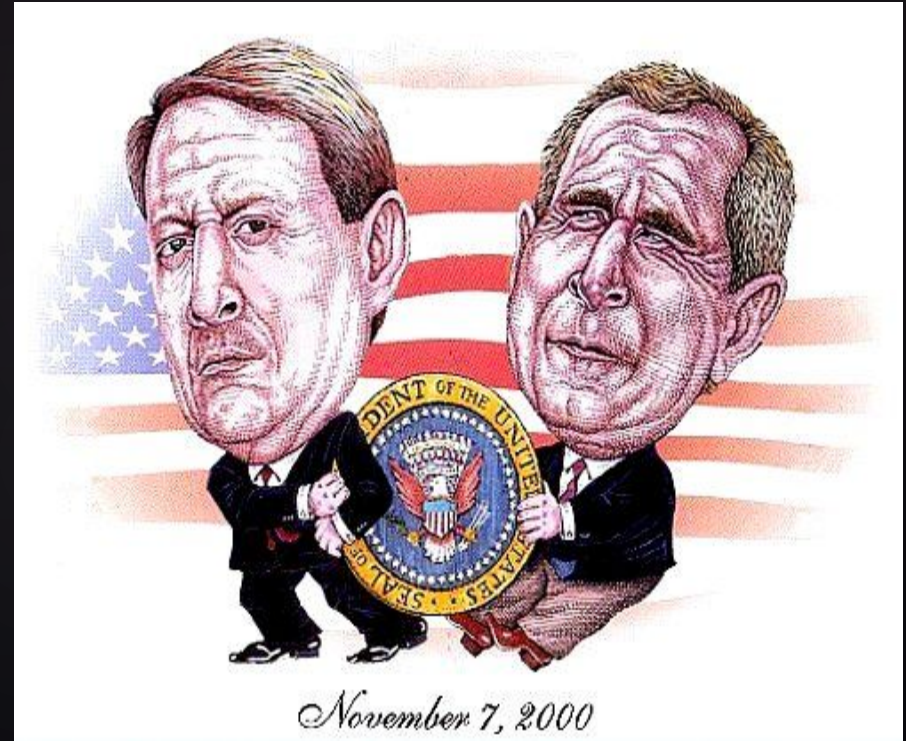
George W. Bush

2001-2009

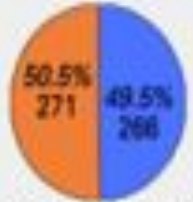
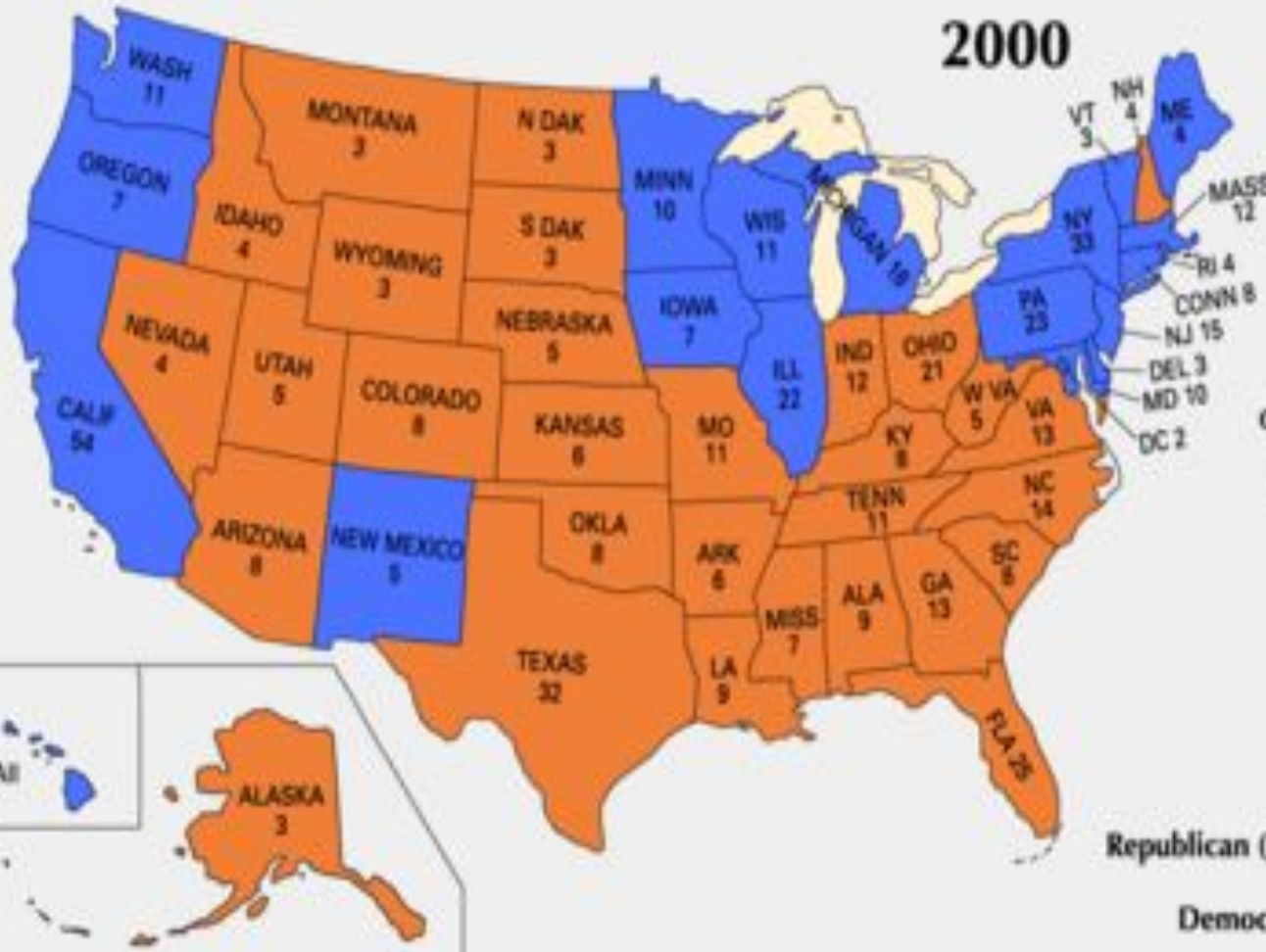


Election of 2000

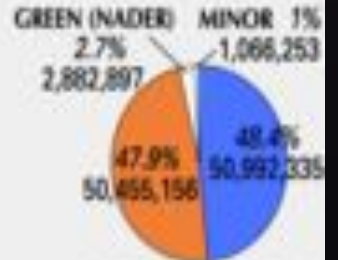
- Bush v. Gore
- Both candidates needed Florida's electoral votes to win
- Difference between Bush and Gore in Florida was approximately 1,000 votes





2000



ELECTORAL VOTE
TOTAL: 537
NOT VOTING: 1



POPULAR VOTE
TOTAL: 105,396,641

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

Confusion over Palm Beach County ballot

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.

The diagram shows a vertical ballot card with 13 punch holes. A yellow vertical bar highlights the punch holes. Arrows point from the hole numbers to the corresponding candidate lists on either side of the card.

(REPUBLICAN) GEORGE W. BUSH - PRESIDENT DICK CHENEY - VICE PRESIDENT	3 →		
(DEMOCRATIC) AL GORE - PRESIDENT JOE LIEBERMAN - VICE PRESIDENT	5 →	← 4	(REFORM) PAT BUCHANAN - PRESIDENT EZOLA FOSTER - VICE PRESIDENT
(LIBERTARIAN) HARRY BROWNE - PRESIDENT ART OLIVIER - VICE PRESIDENT	7 →	← 6	(SOCIALIST) DAVID McREYNOLDS - PRESIDENT MARY CAL HOLLIS - VICE PRESIDENT
(GREEN) RALPH NADER - PRESIDENT WINDA LaDUKE - VICE PRESIDENT	9 →	← 8	(CONSTITUTION) HOWARD PHILLIPS - PRESIDENT J. CURTIS FRAZIER - VICE PRESIDENT
(SOCIALIST WORKERS) JAMES HARRIS - PRESIDENT MARGARET TROWE - VICE PRESIDENT	11 →	← 10	(WORKERS WORLD) MONICA MOOREHEAD - PRESIDENT GLORIA La RIVA - VICE PRESIDENT
(NATURAL LAW) JOHN HAGELIN - PRESIDENT NAT GOLDHABER - VICE PRESIDENT	13 →		WRITE-IN CANDIDATE To vote for a write-in candidate, follow the directions on the long stub of your ballot card.

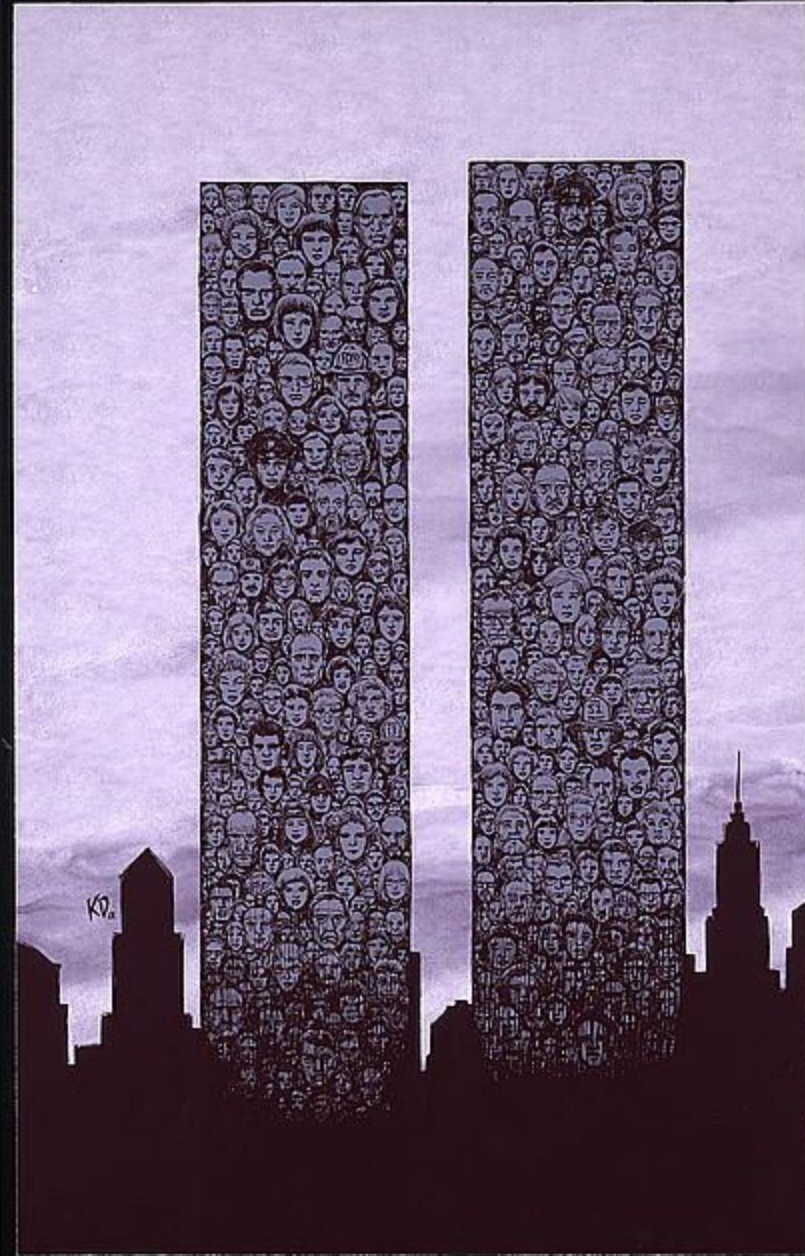
Recount

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GyKlcQ_HiD4

- Four counties began a recount
- Republicans seek injunction
- Florida Supreme Court rules manual recounts can continue for certified total
- US Supreme Court rules that the recounts violated the Equal Protection Clause

September 11, 2001

- Four planes hijacked leaving East Coast airports
- Hijackers threatened death to gain access to the cockpit
- The terrorists included trained pilots



Pennsylvania



Pentagon



New York City



Impact at Home



- Transportation Security Agency
- Department of Homeland Security (2003)
- Patriot Act

Impact Abroad



- President Bush declares “War on Terror”
- Invasion of Afghanistan – October 7, 2001
- Operation Iraqi Freedom - March 2003

Legacy of 9/11

- Led to biggest increase in government spending since LBJ
- Airline and Travel industries took huge hit
- Post 9/11 wars estimated economic cost of \$4 Trillion
 - Not including veterans' medicare or state and local veterans spending, promised aid to the Middle East, and future interest payments on loans taken to pay for the war
- Continued occupation of the Middle East

Hurricane Katrina

- Category 5 storm hit New Orleans and the Gulf Coast



Levy System

- Designed to keep ocean water out of the city
- Allows people to live below sea level

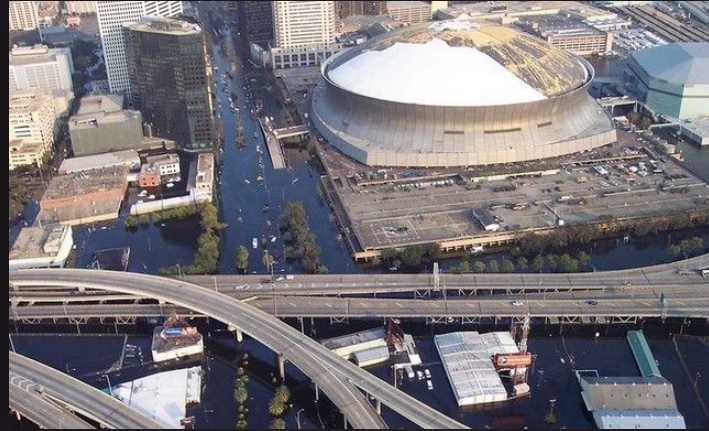


Hurricane Katrina

- The levees didn't hold and added to the flooding of New Orleans
- 80% of the city was flooded
- prompted a lawsuit against the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), the designers and builders of the levee system



Superdome



20,000 people were trapped in the Superdome until the water levels went down



Aftermath

- Local government unprepared for storm
- Had a temporary coalition to deal with Hurricane Katrina
 - led to ineffective, temporary and inefficient evacuation and provision of resources.
 - failure to cooperate led to instability and misunderstanding between governmental and non-governmental agencies

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ShF3aMjJYA>

Criticism

- Mismanagement and lack of leadership in the relief efforts
 - Delayed response to the flooding of New Orleans and subsequent state of chaos
- Investigation launched
 - Leads to resignations of key government officials



Barack Obama

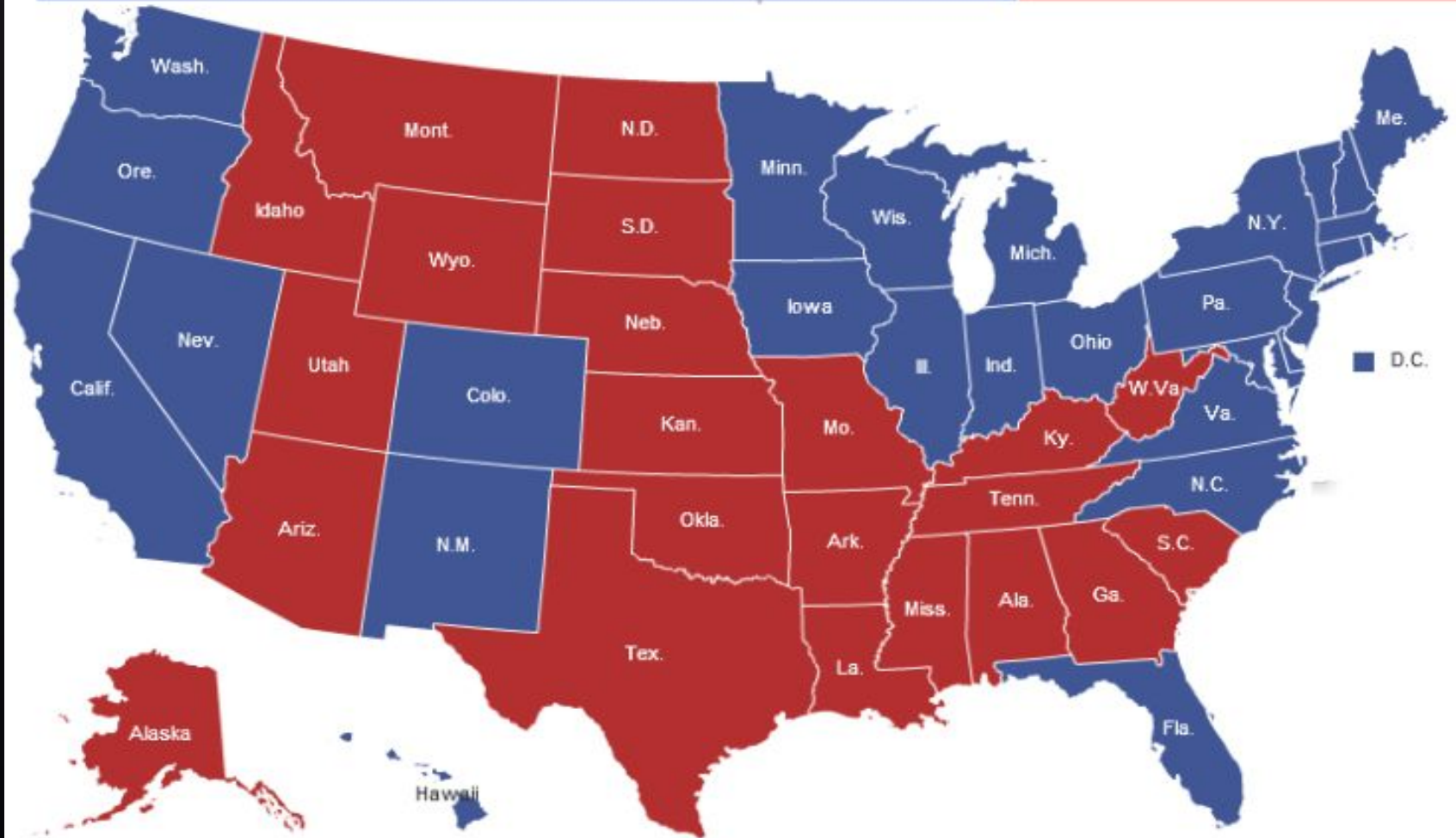
2008-2016



365 **Obama**
Electoral Votes
Projected Winner

0
undecided

173 **McCain**
Electoral Votes





- First African American President
- Inherits 2 major wars and a recession
- Unemployment at 10.2%



- Sonia Sotomayor - first Hispanic on the Court
- Elena Kagan - one of three women (most ever to serve at the same time)
- Will nominate Merrick Garland



Supreme Court Appointments

- October, 2009: Wins Nobel Peace Prize
- March, 2010: Signs Affordable Care Act into law
- December, 2010: Arab Spring begins (uprisings throughout the Middle East)
- May, 2011: Osama bin Laden killed by Navy Seals
- June 2012: DACA - executive action to halt deportations of the undocumented who entered as children

