

Two major political parties

- American political parties date back to the creation of the U.S. Constitution (1787)
- The original two: Federalists and Anti-Federalists
- Federalists wanted a strong central government
- Anti-Federalists wanted more state powers and rights





Party Evolution

These parties changed their names:

→ Federalists

Eventually became "Whigs," "Free Soil Party," and then the <u>**Republicans!</u> (1854)**</u>

→ Anti-Federalists

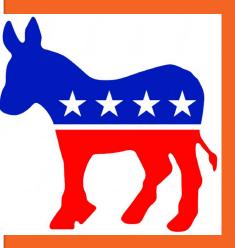
Eventually became the "Democratic-Republicans," dropped the "Republican" name and became just the **Democrats!** (1828)

Democrats' mission (in 1828): Oppose centralized govt.

Republicans' mission (in 1854): Oppose expanded slavery



- Democrats Conservative/Liberal: Liberal
- Government Involvement: Lots of involvement (programs)
- → Main Idea: Equality for all!
- → Taxes/Reason: Higher Taxes for programs to help people





John F. Kennedy





Democrats Social Issues: Liberal

- Economics: More government involvement
- → Examples of Presidents: John F. Kennedy, Bill Clinton, Barack Obama



Bill Clinton

Barack Obama

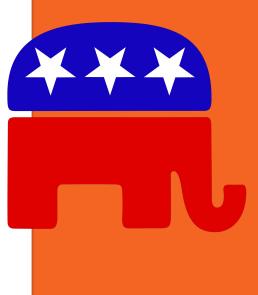


Democrats Presidential Candidate (2016): Hillary Clinton





- Republicans
 Conservative/Liberal:
 Conservative
- Government Involvement: Very little involvement
- → Main Idea: Self-Responsibility!
- Taxes/Reason: Lower taxes to encourage businesses to hire more people







Abraham Lincoln



Ronald Reagan

Political Parties Today!

- Republicans
 Social issues: Conservative
- Economics: Less government involvement
- Examples of former presidents: Abraham Lincoln, Teddy Roosevelt, Ronald Reagan



Teddy Roosevelt



Republicans
 Presidential
 Candidate
 (2016): Donald
 Trump



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