CHAPTER 1: ROOTS & FUNCTIONS OF GOVERNMENT



DEMOCRACY EVOLVED DURING ENLIGHTEMENT

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- 1- Locke 2- Hobbes 3- Rousseau 4- Montesquieu



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4 KEY TYPES OF GOVERNMENTS

- 1. Monarchy
- 2. Totalitarianism
- 3. Oligarchy
- 4. Democracy {two types}
 - A) Direct Democracy
 - B) Indirect Democracy (aka Republic)



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The Mayflower

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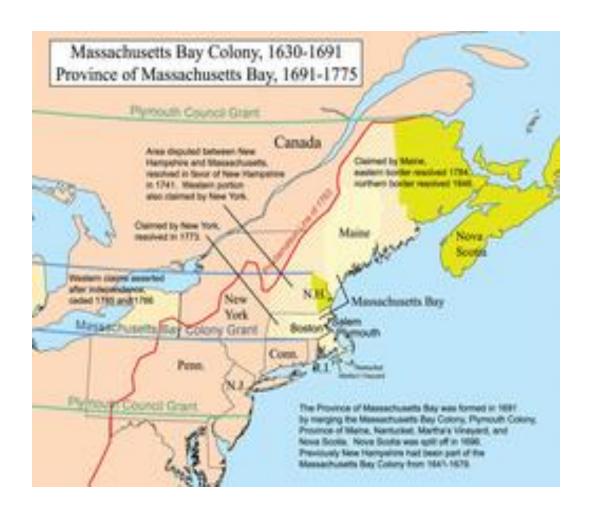
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KEY TERMS IN A DEMOCRACY

- Political Culture
- Popular Consent
- Popular Sovereignty
- Civil Society
- Political Ideology
- Conservative
- Liberals
- Libertarians

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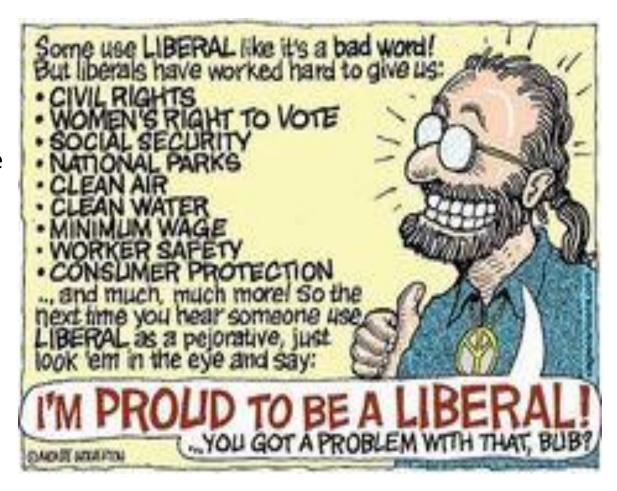
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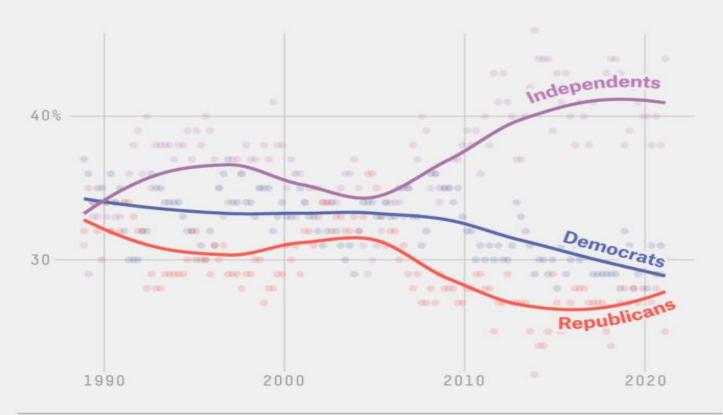
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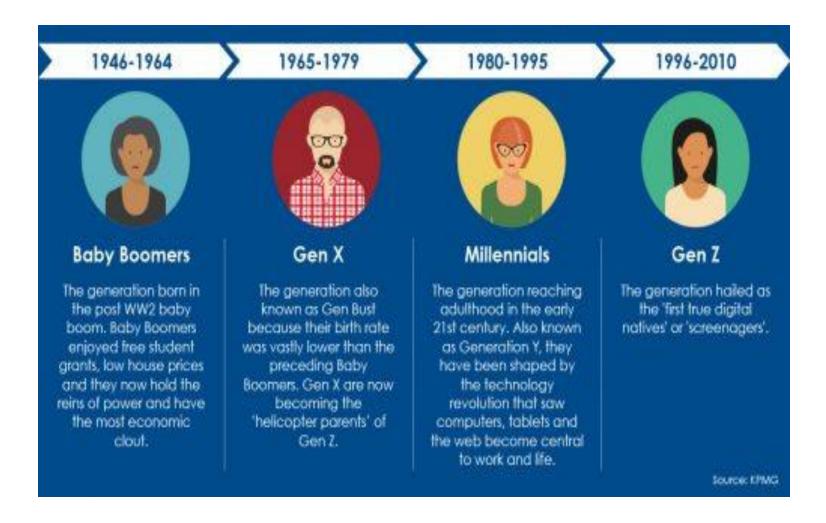
More Americans are identifying as independent

Smoothed average share of how respondents identify politically each quarter, from 1988 to 2021

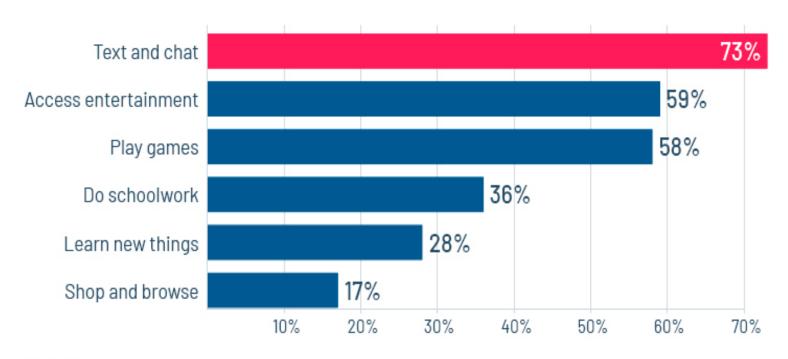


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The Generations



What Do Gen Z Use Their Internet-Connected Devices For

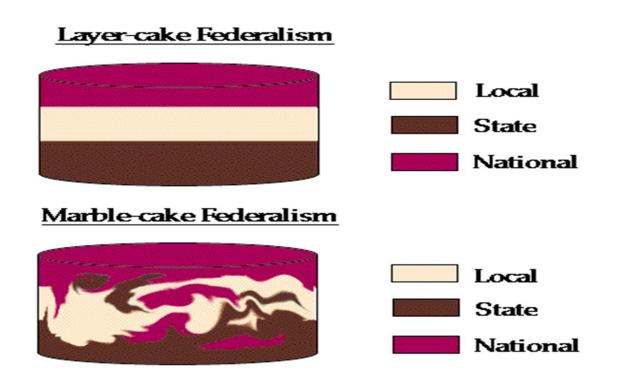




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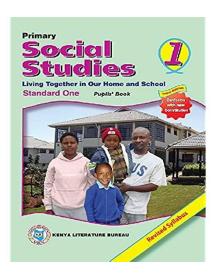
THE CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT SINCE THE DEPRESSION

- Since FDR America has moved towards <u>COOPERATIVE FEDERALISM</u> which has reduced the power of the states while increasing the power of the Federal Government.
- {Federal government \$\$ changes everything}



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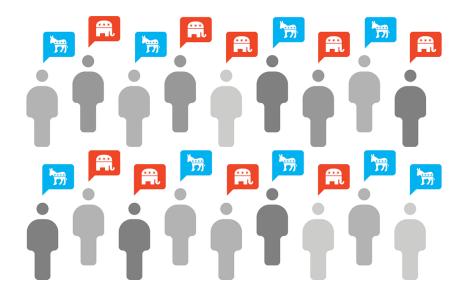
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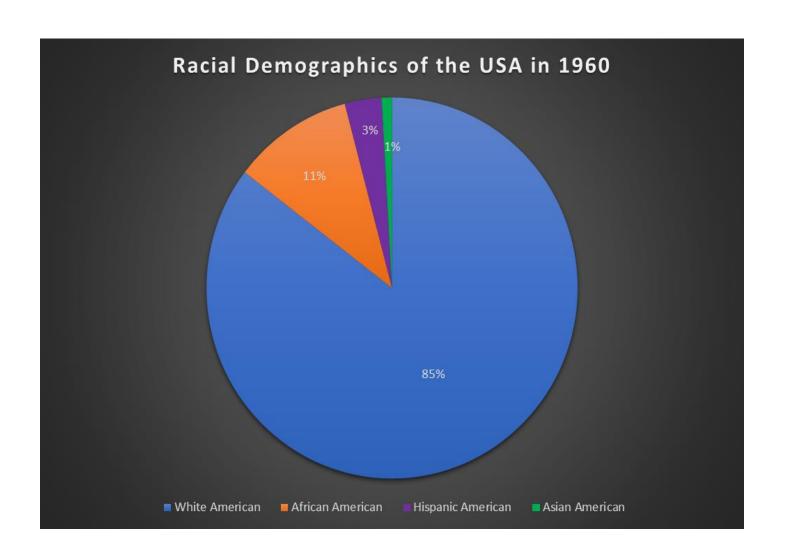


Americans' views of the federal government

Percentage of respondents; Survey of 2,301 U.S. adults from Oct. 18 - 24, 2021

Trust in the federal government to do what is right 40% A lot/somewhat Not much/not at all 56 Impact of the federal government on the U.S. Positive 38 53 Negative The government helps people like them Agree 37 55 Disagree

Racial Breakdown of America's Population 1960



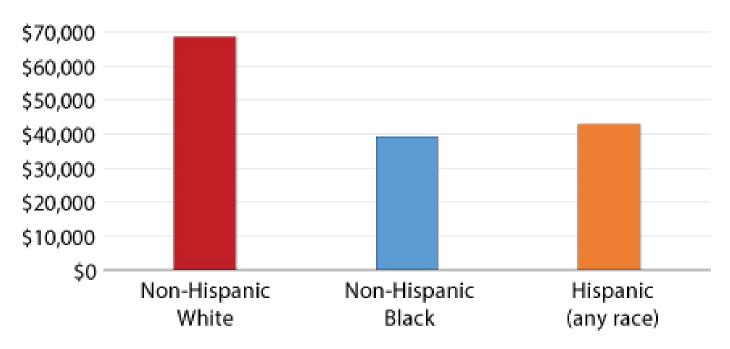
This is America's Current Demographic Population

Current distribution of the U.S. population by race and ethnicity:

- White: 60.1% (Non-Hispanic)
- •Hispanic: 18.5%
- •Black: 12.2%
- •Asian: 5.6%

Figure 1

Median Family Income by Race and Ethnicity, 2019



NOTE: Incomes based on self-reporting of the "reference person" who answered the survey for the family during the year 2019.

SOURCE: 2019 Survey of Consumer Finances.

America getting older: Estimates for Future

