



**Quick Facts:
Called "Liberals"**
Party Color is Blue
Donkey is the Mascot
Thought of as strong-willed
stubborn, and has strength

Where did the mascots come from?

Donkey: First used by opponent of Democrat Andrew Jackson in 1828. His strong opinions helped label him a "jackass" and was show as such in political cartoons.
Elephant: First used in 1874 by a cartoonist who thought that it showed how big the new party was becoming. The opinion was that "you can not ignore the growing" popularity of the New Republicans.



POLITICAL BELIEFS

- ↑ Increase Taxes Gov't help lower and middle class
Raise taxes on upper class
Reduce taxes for lower class
- ↑ Increase Spending More programs for people, government
decides where money is needed
Good programs can make better
standard of living
- ↑ Increase Size of Government More government due to more programs for people
- ↓ Decrease Military Strength Build relationships with other countries, protect through making friends not building weapons

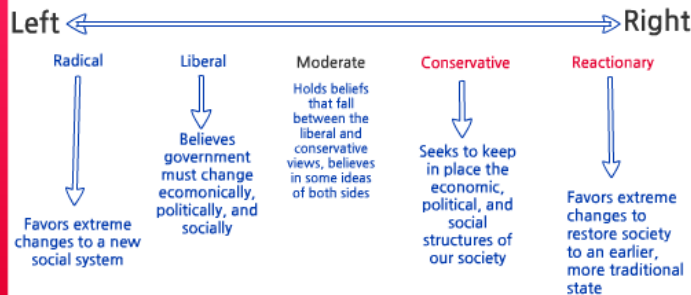
Major Differences

- Republicans:** Pro-Life
For Death Penalty
Pro - Gun
- Democrats:** Pro - Choice
Against Death Penalty
Anti - Gun

Two Party System



POLITICAL SPECTRUM



POLITICAL BELIEFS

- ↓ Decrease Taxes Let people spend their own money the government should not be telling you how to spend it
- ↓ Decrease Spending Don't give "handouts", have people spend their own money. Government should not spend money on private sector issues.
- ↓ Decrease Size of Government Everyone is not the same, each state has different needs, power should be in the peoples hands, not the government
- ↑ Increase Military Strength Always have a strong military, this is where security comes. We need to be friendly to other countries but only trust ourselves

Quick Facts:
Party Color is Red
Called "Conservatives"
Elephant is the Party Mascot
Thought of as big, strong,
unmoveable, and unstoppable

