

HISPANIC LEADERSHIP

COALITION


HISPANICS AND THE AMERICA FIRST MOVEMENT

INTRODUCTION

The Hispanic community in the United States is a tapestry of diverse backgrounds, ethnic cultures, and economic circumstances. As the nation approaches a pivotal presidential election, it is crucial to evaluate how different administrations uphold the core American values – faith, family, freedom, work, and security – that resonate deeply within the Hispanic community. This analysis contrasts the America First policies of former President Donald Trump with the current administration's policies under Vice President Kamala Harris, highlighting their respective impacts on Hispanic Americans. Supported by key economic indicators, this comparison underscores why America First policies align more closely with Hispanic values and why electing Donald Trump represents a path toward prosperity and security for this vital community.

ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE: AMERICA LAST vs. AMERICA FIRST

A stark contrast emerges when examining economic indicators during the Trump Administration (2017-2019) compared to the Biden-Harris administration (2021-2023). These numbers reveal the tangible effects of differing policy approaches on the economic well-being of Hispanic families.

AMERICA LAST		AMERICA FIRST
2021-2023		2017-2019
5.30%	ANNUAL INFLATION	2.12%
-\$4,200	REAL WAGES	+\$4,000
\$3.49 Per Gallon	GAS	\$2.58 Per Gallon
7.51%	ELECTRICITY INFLATION	-0.25%
TODAY		JANUARY 2021
2.8%	ECONOMIC GROWTH	5.20%
\$1.072 Trillion	CREDIT CARD DEBT	\$763 Billion
6.32%	30-YEAR FIXED MORTGAGE	2.77%
\$1,318.80	MONTHLY FOOD COSTS	\$1,108.90

ANALYSIS

- Inflation and Cost of Living: The Biden-Harris Administration witnessed an annual inflation rate of 5.30%, significantly higher than the 2.12% during the Donald Trump Administration. Higher inflation erodes purchasing power, making it harder for Hispanic families to afford essentials.

- **Real Wages:** Under the Biden-Harris Administration, real wages declined by \$4,200, compared to an increase of \$4,000 during the Trump Administration. Increasing real wages are crucial for improving the standard of living within the Hispanic community.
- **Gas and Food Costs:** Gas prices rose to \$3.49 per gallon under the current administration compared to \$2.58 during Trump's term. Similarly, monthly food costs increased by over \$200, placing additional financial strain on Hispanic households.
- **Economic Growth:** A robust economic growth rate of 5.20% under Trump contrasts sharply with the sluggish 2.8% growth under Biden-Harris, indicating a more vibrant economy that fosters job creation and business opportunities for Hispanics.
- **Debt Levels:** Credit card debt surged to \$1.072 trillion under the Biden-Harris administration, up from \$763 billion during Trump's years. High debt levels can lead to financial instability for Hispanic families striving for economic security.
- **Mortgage Rates:** The 30-year fixed mortgage rate remains at a staggering 6.32% under the current administration, nearly tripling the 2.77% rate seen during Trump's presidency. Lower mortgage rates under Trump facilitated homeownership, a cornerstone of the American Dream for many Hispanic families.

POLICY AREAS IMPACTING THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY

Faith: The Foundation of Our Communities

Trump Administration: Supported religious freedom by opposing policies that could limit faith-based organizations, allowing Hispanic communities to maintain their religious practices without governmental interference.

Biden-Harris Administration: Overreaching policies have raised concerns about restrictions on religious expressions within community programs and institutions.

Family: The Cornerstone of Society

Trump Administration: Promoted family unity through lawful immigration policies that aimed to secure borders while allowing legal immigration that supports the nuclear family and economic contributions.

Biden-Harris Administration: Open border policies have led to increased illegal border crossings, which strain Border Patrol and community resources and disrupt family structures.

Freedom: The Promise of America

Trump Administration: Emphasized the protection of free speech and the Second Amendment, aligning with the values of many Hispanic Americans who value personal and economic freedoms.

Biden-Harris Administration: Initiatives that impose regulatory constraints and infringe on gun rights have been criticized for limiting personal freedoms.

Work: The Path to Prosperity

Trump Administration: Implemented policies that reduced barriers to entrepreneurship, supported small businesses, and incentivized economic activities that provided job opportunities for Hispanics.

Biden-Harris Administration: Increased regulations and higher taxes have significantly affected business growth and job creation within Hispanic communities.

Safety and Security

Trump Administration: Focused on stringent border security measures to combat illegal immigration, end human trafficking, defeat the drug cartels, and ensure safe and secure communities.

Biden-Harris Administration: Open border policies border security have resulted in the highest levels of illegal immigration, record-level of deadly fentanyl coming into the country, a dramatic increase in human trafficking, and other rising illegal activities that adversely affect Hispanic neighborhoods.

WHY AMERICA FIRST BENEFITS THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY

- **Economic Stability:** Lower inflation, increased real wages, and reduced cost of living create a more stable economic environment for Hispanic families.
- **Homeownership:** Lower mortgage rates facilitate home purchases, allowing Hispanics to invest in property and build generational wealth.
- **Job Opportunities:** Strong economic growth under America First policies leads to more job creation, benefiting Hispanics who contribute significantly to the workforce.
- **Security:** Enhanced border security ensures safer communities, reducing the incidence of crimes associated with illegal activities.
- **Protecting our Values:** Emphasizing faith, family, freedom, and meaningful work aligns with the cultural and social values cherished by the Hispanic community, fostering a sense of belonging and respect for their heritage.

CONCLUSION

The comparative analysis of America First policies under Donald Trump versus the Biden-Harris administration highlights significant differences in economic performance and the impact of policies on the Hispanic community. The data underscores that America First policies have historically fostered economic growth, increased real wages, and maintained lower living costs, all of which are essential for the prosperity and security of Hispanic families. As the Hispanic community continues to be an integral part of America's future, electing leaders who prioritize these values—embodied by Donald Trump's America First agenda—ensures that the American Dream remains attainable for all. By aligning with policies that uphold faith, family, freedom, work, and security, the America First movement champions the well-being of Hispanic Americans and, by extension, the entire nation. As we move towards the upcoming election, it is imperative to choose leadership that reflects these core values and commits to policies that prioritize America and its people first.