

Guide to Politics, Media & Elections

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Campaign Politics

Resources with the most direct focus on it.

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Taegan Goddard's Political Wire & Political Insider for campaign news.	Ron Gunzburger's Politics1.com -- short news & "by the numbers."	Hotline & Wake-up Call provide daily briefings on politics from The National Journal \$.	CQWeekly 's CQPolitics covers top stories and hosts several campaign bloggers.
Daily Kos (the most visited lefty blog) has strong coverage of campaign politics.	ElectionCentral , from Josh Marshall's investigative (& liberal) Talking Points Memo .	Politico & Washington Independent exemplify independent media.	Conservative Real Clear Politics links to news & opinion from various viewpoints.
PoliticsHome & memeorandum auto-generate political news.	Crooks & Liars is best known for political video clips.	Arianna's Huffington Post for lefty news analysis.	Dem Swing State Project for congressional races.

Political News & Opinion from Main Stream Media

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(The interconnectedness of some can be viewed at [Big Ten Conglomerate](#))

<p>Newspapers & News Magazines:</p> <p>Washington Post: Politics & Columnists McClatchy: Hot off the Trail & Election2008 New York Times: Politics, Opinion Swamp (Tribune papers) WSJ (Washington Wire) USA Today: Politics Time\$: ThePage USN&WR\$: Washington Whispers The Economist\$ (Democracy In America) The Hill\$ Roll Call\$ Politics-Line [links to 150+ editorials] NewsLink</p>	<p>TV & Radio: NPR: Politics & Political Junkie Public NewsRoom, via WEOS and WSKG C-SPAN PRI: Politics & Society ABC News: Politics, The Note, Political Radar & Jake Tapper's Political Punch CBS: Politics MSNBC: Politics & FirstRead CNN: Politics & PoliticalTicker FoxNews Comedy Central's Indecision2008 Democracy Now, with Amy Goodman AirAmerica Christian Broadcasting Network's Brody File</p>
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<p>Online versions of some liberal mags: Washington Monthly's Political Animal; The Nations\$; American Prospects (blogs); The Progressive; Harper's\$; New Yorker (Hendrik Hertzberg), In These Times (ITT List) & MotherJones\$ (Kevin Drum & David Corn)</p>	<p>Online versions of some conservative & libertarian mags: National Review\$ (The Corner); American Conservative (blogs, Eunomia); Human Events\$ (Right Angle); Weekly Standard\$; Commentary\$ (Contentions) & Reason\$ (Hit and Run).</p>
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Online-only 'zines [Salon.com](#) & [Slate](#), include political features. [The Raw Story](#) & [OpEdNews](#) are alternative news compilers; the [Drudge Report](#) a right-wing news plugger.

Across the political spectrum: [Atlantic's](#) Voices ([Sullivan](#), [Ambinder](#), [Fallows](#), [Douthat](#), [McArdle](#), [Crook](#) & [Coates](#)) & [New Republic's](#) ([The Plank](#) & [The Stump](#))

Wire Services & Web News: [Reuters](#) | AP [Top Political News](#) (via TBO.com) | [UPI](#) | [EIN's US Politics](#) | [Stateline](#) | [Google News](#) | [Yahoo News](#)

Ornery Op-Ed Cartoonists: [Tom Toles](#), [Pat Oliphant](#), [Tom Tomorrow](#). [Ted Ralls](#) & [Daryl Cagle](#) (who also links to many more political cartoonists)

International coverage: [BBC News](#) | [The Guardian: America](#) & [US 2008 Election](#) | [The Independent: Americas](#) | [First Post](#) | [CBC News Indepth](#) | [Globe and Mail International](#) | [Agence France Presse \(AFP\)](#) | [Al-Jazeera](#) in English | [International Herald Tribune](#)

New York State news sites: [The Ithaca Journal](#) | [Ithaca Action Network](#) | [The Albany Project](#) | [Syracuse Post Standard](#) | [Finger Lakes Times](#) | [FingerLakes1](#) | [Rochester D & C](#) | [Albany Times-Union's Capital Confidential](#) | [DragonFlyEye](#) | [Leftyblogs: NY](#)

Political Blogs & Such

Collectives for alternative news & opinion include: [Democratic Underground](#), [ThinkProgress](#) ([Yglesias](#) & [WonkRoom](#)), [AlterNet](#), [Common Dreams](#), [TruthDig](#), [Consortium News](#), [CredoAction](#), [Perspectives](#), [TomPaine](#), [Progressive Review](#) & [TruthOut](#).

The leading online collectives for conservative news & opinion are [Pajama's Media](#), [TownHall.com](#) (a Heritage Foundation outlet), [Cato @ Liberty](#) & [Free Republic](#).

A few **progressive** blogs: [OpenLeft](#), [Hullabaloo](#), [Samefacts](#), [Democratic Strategist](#), [MyDD](#), [TalkLeft](#), [Eschaton](#) ([Atrios](#)), [AmericaBlog](#), [Newshoggers](#), [Skippy](#) & [FireDogLake](#).

"**Other**" blogs: [BalloonJuice](#), [Mudflats](#) [from Alaska], [BAGNewsNotes](#) [photoblogging], [Donklephant](#), [Moderate Voice](#) & [Centerfield](#). [Blogometer](#) tracks both sides.

Voting rights and wrongs news & blogs: [BradBlog](#), [VotersUnite](#), [Black Box Voting](#), [ElectionLine](#) & [VelvetRevolution](#)

Rightwing blogs: [TheNextRight](#), [Outside the Beltway](#), [Confabulum](#), [Dan Drezner](#), [Red State](#), [Hot Air](#), [Dean \[Esmay\]'s World](#), [Cold Hearted Truth](#) & [Patterico](#).

Polls & Statistics

Summary analyses of polls are available from [Pollster.com](#), CQ's [Polltracker](#), [Frontloading HQ](#) & the [Princeton Election Consortium](#).

[Polling Report](#) provides polling information compiled from multiple sources, including [Zogby](#), [Rasmussen](#), [Quinnipiac](#), [Gallup](#) & [American Research Group](#).

Electoral College maps are available from [VoteMaster](#), [538](#), [NPR](#), [EVStatus](#), [RCP](#), [Zogby](#), [Electoral Map](#), [Election Projection](#), [Cook Political Report](#), [CNN](#), [Washington Post](#) & even [Karl Rove](#).

Dr. [PollKatz's](#) Pool of Polls includes some surprising cross-tabulations, especially one linking Bush's popularity to gas prices.

Media Issues

Frequently outraged Bob Somerby's [The Daily Howler](#) has been called "the first major political blog." Media coverage is one of his particular concerns.

[Media Matters](#) monitors the U.S. press in an attempt to "correct conservative misinformation in the U.S. media." Also found here is Eric Alterman's [Altercation](#).

Fact Checkers: Annenberg Center's [FactCheck](#), Washington Post's [Fact Checker](#) & St. Petersburg Times/CQ's [PoliFact](#).

Stanford University collects all the presidential [campaign ads](#), while [techPresident](#) covers political use of the web.

[EandP](#), [CJRDaily](#) & [Romenesko](#) monitor news reporting and political commentary.

[Media Research Center \(CyberAlerts\)](#) & [Newsbusters](#) have the mission to expose the *liberal media bias*.

Voter Guides

[On The Issues](#) presents several approaches, including grids, profiles, quizzes, and quotations, on where the candidates stand on a wide range of topics. Covers Presidential, House, and Senate races.

[The League of Women Voters](#) provides voter resources and education packets and [SmartVoter](#) election information. [NYS](#) and [Tompkins County](#) LWV chapter both have their own websites.

A [list](#) of more than two dozen parties is available from [Project VoteSmart](#) with "objective facts detailing candidates' backgrounds and issue positions."

[ProCon.org](#), a nonpartisan citizenship/education organization, emphasizes issues, although some claim the questions posed so bias. It has a special section on the [2008 Presidential election](#).

[SmartVoter](#) provides nonpartisan voter information, including issues and ballot information.

[The Green Papers](#) provides facts and figures on state and local elections, with a handy chronological index.

[New York State Board of Elections](#): details about the election process from designating petitions to sample ballots. Included are links to county boards, such as [Tompkins](#) and [Seneca](#).

[Congress.org](#) covers issues, has a Presidential candidate guide, & provides congressional and state legislative race information and other voter information.

The Party Line

The official [Barack Obama](#) website, and the [Fight the Smears](#).

The official [John McCain](#) website.

The [Republican](#) National Committee, National Republican [Senatorial](#) Committee, National Republican [Congressional](#) Committee.

The [Democratic](#) National Committee, Democratic [Senatorial](#) Campaign Committee, Democratic [Congressional](#) Campaign Committee.

A Look at Campaign Finance

[Center for Public Integrity](#) & [Common Cause](#) frequently take up the cause of campaign finance issues.

[OpenSecrets](#), a guide to money in US Elections from the Center for Responsive Politics.



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