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## Getting the Facts

*do you know your party?*

### JOBS

Mitt Romney's **5 Step Plan**: 1. **Energy independence** by 2020 by taking advantage of our natural resources, nuclear and renewables. 2. Provide every parent and child with a **choice** when it comes to the school they will attend. 3. Forge new **trade agreements** and enact **consequences** when nations cheat in trade. 4. **Cut the deficit** and get on track to a balanced budget. 5. Champion small businesses by **reducing taxes on business**, simplifying and modernizing harmful regulations and reining in the cost of healthcare. (2012 Republican National Convention Speech)

### DEMOCRATS

U.S. manufacturing has added **459,000 jobs since January 2010**—the most growth in a decade. President Obama has a plan to bring jobs back to the U.S. by **eliminating tax breaks** for companies that ship jobs overseas, and creating incentives for businesses to bring jobs **back to America**. Further, he saved more than 1 million jobs in the **U.S. auto industry**. Unemployment dropped **below 8%** for the first time in four years last month. ([www.barackobama.com](http://www.barackobama.com))

### FOREIGN POLICY

President Obama made the bold decision to order a **raid on Osama bin Laden's compound** in Pakistan, eliminating the man responsible for the 9/11 attacks.

Additionally Obama succeeded in **pulling U.S. troops out of Iraq**. His administration is currently drawing down our troops in Afghanistan as we **transition security responsibility to the Afghan people**, and is on track to responsibly end the war there in 2014. ([www.barackobama.com](http://www.barackobama.com))

### REPUBLICANS

Romney will review our transition to the Afghan military and order an assessment of our presence in Afghanistan to determine the level required to **secure our gains** and to **train Afghan forces** to the point where they can **protect their sovereignty from the Taliban**. Withdrawal of U.S. forces from Afghanistan under a Romney administration will be based on conditions on the ground with the goal of completing the **transition of combat operations to the Afghan Army** by the end of 2014. ([www.mittromney.com](http://www.mittromney.com))

### IMMIGRATION

Romney will work to grow **legal immigration** to bolster our economy by attracting highly skilled immigrants and making the **temporary worker visa system** functional. As governor he opposed magnets such as driver's licenses and job opportunities for illegal immigrants. By working with Congress to give **legal permanent residents the same priority as citizens** when applying to bring husbands, wives, and minor children to the U.S., as well as **reallocating green cards to family of citizens and legal permanent residents**, he will work to keep nuclear families together. ([www.mittromney.com](http://www.mittromney.com))

Obama's position has been to **send back criminals and recent arrivals** rather than minors and families who are settled in the U.S. He urged Congress to pass **the Dream Act**, which would have given young illegal immigrants who were brought to the United States as children a **path to citizenship**. The Senate blocked the bill in 2010. At the same time, the president has pursued an aggressive policy of deporting those who break U.S. laws, with **more deportations having occurred than under George W. Bush**. (The Washington Post)

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