

WHAT DID TRUMP DO?

THE FIRST-100-DAYS, **#STAYWOKE** LIST



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Message from the Chairman

As a result of Black Lives Matter and other grassroots movements launched and led by young people, the phrase “stay woke” has recently experienced a rebirth in the American lexicon. In general, “stay woke” or “stay awake” means to stay focused on what is *really* being said and done to and around you, especially as it relates to police brutality and other elements of African-Americans’ years-long struggle to fully achieve the American Dream.

However, as a result of the election of the 45th President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, the phrase has taken on new meaning. In this new political climate, “stay woke” means to stay informed about the policies and programs of this Administration and how they will affect our communities (e.g. children, women, people of color, LGBT, immigrants, poor, middle-class and others) and the country. Unfortunately, staying informed about these policies and programs often means wading through the waters of “alternative facts” about them from President Trump and his Administration.

At the beginning of the 115th Congress, the Congressional Black Caucus launched “What Did Trump Do?”, a rapid response messaging document we use to inform our external stakeholders about recent actions taken by President Trump and his Administration. This “What Did Trump Do?” is a special #StayWoke edition that includes a list of 100 actions President Trump and his Administration have taken over the last 100 days, and was developed for the 78 million Americans the CBC collectively represents, including 17 million African Americans, as well as the millions of Americans we do not represent.

During the presidential campaign, President Trump promised to “make America great again.” However, all of the actions on this list will not, in our view, make America great. They will do the very opposite of that. While it is troubling that the actions on this list have occurred and, in addition, that they have occurred in only 100 days of President Trump’s term, what is really troubling is that this new leader of the free world has hundreds of more days left in his term.

The actions on this list are informative, but not exhaustive, and are our contribution to the #StayWoke conversation started by young people. We hope that they will help you #StayWoke.

Sincerely,

Congressman Cedric L. Richmond
Chair of the CBC

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#StayWoke List of 100 Actions

Cabinet and Judicial Appointments

1. President Trump and Congressional Republicans rushed the nomination process for President Trump's cabinet nominees, which meant Congress and the public did not have time to properly vet many of them before they were confirmed.
2. Newly confirmed Supreme Court Justice, Neil Gorsuch, President Trump's Supreme Court nominee, has an extremely conservative judicial record of hostility to the rights of minorities, women, people with disabilities, and workers. For example, in *Hwang v. Kansas State University*, Judge Gorsuch ruled that "showing up" for work is an essential job function and that the Rehabilitation Act should not be used as a safety net for employees who cannot work. This case focused on a professor employed by Kansas State University who was diagnosed with cancer, and, after treatments that weakened her immune system, requested an extension due to a flu outbreak on the campus. Then Judge Gorsuch denied her request and sided with the university, compromising her health and recovery.
3. Although a 60-vote threshold has been required for the Senate to confirm Supreme Court nominees for years, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell decided to lower the threshold to 51 in order to confirm Justice Gorsuch. This decision, often called the "nuclear option," overturned a years of Senate precedent. On April 7, Justice Gorsuch was confirmed to the Supreme Court in a 52/48 vote. All of the Democratic and liberal-leaning Senators voted against him. [Source](#)
 - a. Although Senate Democrats used the nuclear option to confirm lower court and executive branch nominees in 2013, they did so in response to years of Republican intransigence and they left the 60-vote threshold for Supreme Court nominees unchanged.
 - b. Senate Republicans refused to hold nomination hearings and votes on Obama's Supreme Court nominee Judge Merrick Garland.
4. Secretary of Labor nominee Andrew Puzder withdrew his nomination on February 15 after ethics concerns and repeated violations of workplace laws resulted in Senate Republicans not having enough votes to confirm him. [Source 1](#) and [Source 2](#)
5. Although Secretary of Health and Human Services, Tom Price, was confirmed on February 10, many remain concerned about reports that he has made investments and then worked to support or stifle legislative efforts that would help or hurt those investments respectively, sometimes within days of making the investments. [Source 1](#)

Crime, Justice, and Reform

6. Attorney General Sessions announced that the Department of Justice was ending the National Commission on Forensic Science, a commission designed to bring higher scientific standards to forensic techniques to ensure that the people who actually committed the crime are convicted.
7. On February 28, in his first public speech as Attorney General, Sessions said that DOJ will “pull back” from using its legal authority to monitor police departments responsible for repeated instances of police misconduct and abuses. By backing away from that legal commitment, first enacted into law by Rep. John Conyers as part of the 1994 crime reform legislation, Sessions sent a signal to the African-American community that the police misconduct laws will not be equally and fully enforced.
8. On February 28, President Trump signed a bill that rolls back a regulation restricting gun purchases by the mentally ill through the use of background checks. [Source](#)
9. On March 8, Attorney General Sessions indicated, in a memo, that he will issue additional guidance to federal prosecutors concerning charging for all criminal cases. This is concerning because it may indicate a departure from Obama-era Department of Justice policies that were: (i) designed to give greater latitude to prosecutors in making charging decisions that are appropriate under the circumstances of each case; and (ii) set forth a series of policies concerning charging, plea agreements, sentencing advocacy, and recidivist enhancements which are designed to limit application of unfair, one-size-fits-all mandatory minimum penalties.
10. On March 31, Attorney General Sessions directed the Deputy Attorney General and Associate Attorney General to immediately review all Department of Justice activities relating to state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies. This includes 19 current Civil Rights Division consent agreements with troubled police departments nationwide, throwing into question whether they will remain in place.
11. Despite bipartisan support for revamping the nation’s drug laws, Attorney General Sessions indicated that he intends to double down on the War on Drugs.
12. Attorney General Sessions rescinded an Obama-era order to reduce the use of privately-operated prisons. The use of privately-operated prisons creates a financial incentive to lock people up, usually African-American, Latino, and poor people. In addition, in comparison to government-operated prisons, privately-operated prisons are less safe and secure for both staff and inmates, don’t provide the same level of rehabilitative services, like

educational programs and job training, which increases the likelihood that those who are released from prison will return to a life of crime. Finally, although privately-operated prisons are said to be more cost-effective than government-operated prisons, they aren't. [Source](#)

Divisive and Tone-Deaf Rhetoric

13. On his second day in office, January 22, President Trump delivered a speech at the CIA headquarters in front of wall of stars memorializing fallen officers. Since the wall is sacred, those who speak in front of it choose their words carefully. President Trump didn't do this. Although he praised the CIA and other members of the intelligence community during the speech, President Trump blasted the news media and bragged about himself and the size of his inaugural crowds. The speech offended several CIA officers, including former CIA Director John Brennan. [Source](#)
14. On January 27, in a statement remembering the Holocaust, the White House did not include mention of Jews. After the White House received criticism for this, the White House stated that they didn't mention Jews because other groups of people were killed during the Holocaust. [Source](#)
15. In February, which is Black History Month, both President Trump and White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer implied at a Black History Month event and White House press conference respectively that prominent abolitionist, author, and orator Frederick Douglass, who was born a slave, was alive even though he died in 1895. [Source](#)
16. During a call with the President of Mexico in February, President Trump said he was ready to send federal troops to the border because of "bad hombres down there." [Source](#)
17. On February 16, after veteran White House reporter April Ryan asked President Trump during a press conference if he would meet with the CBC, he said, "Who?" When Ryan, who is African-American, clarified her question by saying the "Congressional Black Caucus" instead of "CBC," President Trump said, "Tell you what, do you want to set up the meeting? Do you want to set up the meeting? Are they friends of yours? Set up a meeting." The CBC responded to the exchange with a [tweet](#) that went viral. "Hi, [@realDonaldTrump](#). We're the CBC. We sent you a letter on January 19, but you never wrote us back. Sad! Letter: <http://bit.ly/2kD6FhQ>," the CBC tweeted.

18. On March 6, in his first speech to Department of Housing and Urban Development employees, Secretary Carson called slaves “immigrants” even though they came to America involuntarily. [Source](#)
19. President Trump has said many hurtful things about President Obama, including accusing the first Black president of a felony. On March 4, President Trump [tweeted](#) that President Obama wiretapped Trump Tower during the 2016 election. President Trump has provided no evidence that President Obama wiretapped Trump Tower even though he could easily provide it. In addition, on March 20, FBI Director James Comey told the House Intelligence Committee during a public hearing that the agency has “no information” about the alleged wiretaps. [Source](#)
20. After several sexual assault allegations and related legal settlements came to light about former veteran *Fox News* anchor Bill O’Reilly, President Trump defended the journalist. “I think he’s a person I know well — he is a good person,” said President Trump on April 5 during an interview with the *New York Times* in the Oval Office. “I think he shouldn’t have settled; personally I think he shouldn’t have settled. Because you should have taken it all the way. I don’t think Bill did anything wrong.” Days later *Fox News* canceled O’Reilly’s show and announced that he would not be returning to the network. [Source](#)
21. On April 6, aboard Air Force One, President Trump told reporters: “I think we’ve had one of the most successful 13 weeks in the history of the presidency.” According to a Gallup poll released on April 22, President Trump’s approval rating among Americans is 40 percent which is the lowest rating of “any president at this point in his first term in the history of Gallup tracking presidential approval – which dates back to President Harry S. Truman’s administration.” [Source](#)
22. During a White House press conference on April 11, Press Secretary Sean Spicer suggested that the President of Syria, Bashar al-Assad, is guilty of war crimes that are worse than those committed by Nazi Germany leader Adolf Hitler during the Holocaust. Spicer said that Hitler did not use chemical weapons like al-Assad even though gas chambers were regularly used to kill Jews and others at concentration camps during the Holocaust. [Source](#)

Economic Development

23. President Trump’s proposed budget would eliminate the Economic Development Agency (EDA) at the Department of Commerce. In 2015, EDA invested 38% of its funds in highly distressed areas, including communities with high minority populations.
24. President Trump’s proposed budget would eliminate federal funding for the NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) program. Each MEP center

- is a partnership between the federal government and a variety of public or private entities, including state, university, and nonprofit organizations. This network, has staff to serve as business advisors and technical experts to assist small and mid-sized manufacturing companies, including minority-owned businesses.
25. President Trump's proposed budget would eliminate the Minority Business Development Agency, "which funds a nationwide network of business centers to help minority-owned business stay competitive and create jobs."
 26. President Trump's proposed budget would eliminate the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, which channels investments into communities in need of capital for housing, small business and community facilities. He said that the private sector already did a good job making investments in these communities which demonstrates how out-of-touch and ill-informed he and his administration are about economic development.
 27. President Trump's one-page tax "proposal" would provide, like the Republican health care proposal, a tax cut for the wealthy at a time of historic wage and wealth inequality. Also, since President Trump hasn't released his tax returns like all other presidents in modern history— including President Nixon — taxpayers are unable to determine how he would benefit from the plan.

Education

28. Secretary DeVos and President Trump pledged support to private school choice programs through the redirection of federal dollars and an emphasis on private school choice in reviewing state plans submitted through the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), despite a lack of support from Congress. Private school choice programs such as vouchers, education savings accounts, and tax credits do not improve student academic achievement; are subject to waste, fraud, and abuse of public taxpayer dollars; and allow for discrimination based on race, disability, gender identity, and religion.
29. On February 27, after meeting with more than 70 HBCU presidents, Secretary DeVos called Historically Black Colleges and Universities "pioneers" for school choice even though these institutions were founded because white colleges and university refused to admit Black students.
30. President Trump appointed Candice E. Jackson as acting assistant secretary for civil rights at the Department of Education. Ms. Jackson once said affirmative action "promotes racial discrimination," and claimed she was discriminated against for being white. [Source](#)
31. Secretary DeVos hired Robert Eitel, an official with deep ties to the for-profit-college industry, to be a special assistant at the Department of Education.

This hire presents a serious conflict of interest, and raises questions about whether Eitel can put students' needs above the interests of his former colleagues. [Source](#)

32. President Trump's proposed budget for the Department of Education hurts low-income students from pre-k through college by undermining public education through the elimination of after school and teacher support programs and diverting federal funds to private school vouchers, eliminating supports for college students, gutting federal-work study, and slashing critical funding for Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants and Pell Grants. All of these cuts would have severe consequences for our nation's African-American students.
33. Secretary DeVos recently decided to terminate the Obama Administration's \$12 million Opening Doors, Expanding Opportunities grant program. This program was designed to support local education agencies and communities in planning and implementing locally driven strategies to increase diversity in schools and improve student achievement in the lowest-performing schools.
34. Secretary DeVos threw out the requirement that the Department of Education consider a student loan servicer's track record when selecting a vendor to manage loan payment and processing, meaning companies with "histories of shoddy service or other problems" can now qualify.
35. After meeting with 70 HBCU presidents and the White House stating the he wanted to give HBCUs "the proper respect," President Trump has proposed in his budget to give these institutions the same amount of money they received last year even though their operational costs are increasing. President Trump has also proposed to cut programs that support students served by HBCUs including federal work study, Pell, and campus-based aid.

Environment and Environmental Justice

36. President Trump's proposed budget would cut Environmental Protection Agency grant programs that help states monitor public water systems, even though Flint, Michigan. is still dealing with a water crisis.
37. President Trump's proposed budget would eliminate programs that help limit children's exposure to lead paint. According to the CDC, African-American children are three times more likely to have elevated blood-lead levels.
38. President Trump's proposed budget would cut Environmental Protection Agency environmental justice programs that work to ensure "the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies."

39. President Trump signed an Executive Order to undo environmental protections and roll back previous initiatives to reduce the impacts of climate change. Minority communities are disproportionately impacted by pollution.
40. President Trump's proposed budget would cut National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration coastal programs, which will affect populations, including minorities, living along the Gulf Coast and other coastal areas.
41. President Trump signed a bill that rolls back a rule that protects streams from pollution caused by mines.
42. EPA Administrator Pruitt decided to reverse course on the proposed Obama-era ban on chlorpyrifos, a pesticide that EPA experts and others have found to cause health risks such as brain damage in children. Although the pesticide was banned in 2000 for use in most household settings, it is still widely used on farms. [Source](#)
43. On March 9, EPA Administrator Pruitt said that he did not think that carbon dioxide was the primary driver of global warming even though that's the public position of EPA, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and NASA. [Source](#)

Ethics, Credibility, Transparency, and Russia

44. During his first remarks to the press, White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer stated that President Trump's inauguration crowd was the largest in history and that it was the first time floor coverings and magnetometers were used for such an event on the National Mall. He also claimed that more DC metro trips were taken for President Trump's inauguration than for President Obama's 2013 inauguration. All of these statements are false. [Source](#)
45. President Trump won the electoral vote but lost the popular vote. President Trump has insisted that he would have won the popular vote if there would not have been millions of illegal votes but hasn't provided evidence to support this claim. The truth is that voter fraud is essentially a non-issue. The real issue is voter suppression which Republicans don't like talking about. [Source](#)
46. During an interview with ABC news in January, President Trump stated that two people were killed in Chicago while President Obama was delivering his farewell speech in the Windy City. However, based on police records, the statement is false. [Source](#)
47. On February 2, while defending President Trump's Muslim Ban in an interview with *MSNBC's* Chris Matthews, White House adviser Kellyanne

Conway stated that two Iraqis refugee carried out a massacre in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The massacre never happened. [Source](#)

48. The FBI is investigating whether President Trump and his campaign colluded with Russia to influence the 2016 election.
49. On February 13, National Security Adviser Michael Flynn resigned from his position after it was revealed that he misled the Vice President and other top White House advisers about conversations he had with Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak during the 2016 election.
50. During his nomination hearing on January 10, Attorney General Sessions testified that he didn't communicate with Russian officials during the presidential campaign. In March, it was revealed that Sessions spoke twice with Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak during the 2016 election. In response to calls for him to resign, Attorney General Sessions said he would recuse himself from any investigation related to the 2016 election.
51. White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer announced that White House visitor logs would not be made public even though the Obama Administration, beginning on September 15, 2009 in an unprecedented move, made most of these logs public three to four months after a visit occurred. The only meetings that were excluded from this Obama-era policy were meetings that were sensitive because they related to national security or important nominations (e.g. Supreme Court Nominees) and those that were personal (e.g. visits by friends of the Obama Children). [Source](#)
52. As a candidate, President Trump promised time and time again to "drain the swamp." However, in his first 100 days, he has done the opposite. He filled his administration with lobbyists and Wall Street alumni.
53. President Trump put forth a "lobbying ban" that doesn't actually prevent lobbying. He is also issuing waivers to his so-called lobbying ban in secret.
54. President Trump has been making surprise concessions to foreign powers where his family or the Trump Organization have pending business concerns.
55. President Trump has made it possible to take money from his "blind" trust controlled by his sons at any time, and hired his daughter and son-in-law, who maintain Trump business ties, to work in the White House.
56. President Trump has continually refused to release his tax returns, so it is impossible to know the extent of his potential conflicts, including any possible ties to Russia.

57. Although he criticized President Obama for playing too much golf while in office, President Trump has played 16 rounds of golf on courses he owns in his first 100 days whereas Obama did not play his first round of golf during his first term until April 26, 2009. [Source](#)
58. According to the *Associated Press*, on the same day that Ivanka Trump and her husband Jared Kushner dined next to the President of China and his wife at a state dinner on President Trump's Mar-a-Lago property, China approved three Ivanka Trump Marks LLC. trademarks which give Ivanka Trump rights to sell products and services in the country. Ivanka Trump Marks LLC. has reported record sales since President Trump's inauguration. [Source](#)

Financial Disclosure

59. One of President Trump's first executive orders ordered the Treasury Department to lay the groundwork for dismantling the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, a law created to protect consumers and to prevent another financial crisis.
60. One of the first pieces of legislation signed into law by President Trump allows mining and oil companies to pay off foreign governments without disclosing these payments to the public, which will encourage corruption.

Healthcare

61. President Trump endorsed the failed Republican-sponsored American Health Care Act or "TrumpCare," a bill that would have cut Medicaid, a family health program, by \$880 billion, and rolled back the Medicaid expansion under the Affordable Care Act ("Obamacare"). About 15 million of the nation's nearly 40 million African Americans get coverage through Medicaid and about 1.5 million African Americans are covered through the ACA's Medicaid expansion. In addition, the would have made coverage through Obamacare marketplaces more expensive, and kicked 24 million Americans off their health insurance over the next 10 years. It is important to note that the African-American uninsured rate has decreased significantly as a result of Obamacare.
62. President Trump endorsed the failed Republican-sponsored ACHA or "TrumpCare," which included an "age tax" for Americans age 50-64. The tax would have resulted in older Americans paying health insurance premiums that were five times higher than what others pay.
63. President Trump's budget proposal would cut the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) budget by \$12.6 billion, a 16.2% cut. HHS is responsible for the health of all Americans.

64. President Trump has proposed to cut the National Institutes of Health (NIH) budget by \$5.8 billion, a nearly 20% cut. NIH is responsible for conducting and funding groundbreaking medical research that helps Americans live “longer and healthier” lives.
65. President Trump has proposed to eliminate the National Institutes of Health’s Fogarty International Center, which funds about 400 global health research and training projects.
66. President Trump’s budget proposal would slash more than \$400 million in training programs for nurses and other health professionals
67. President Trump proposed a one-time \$15 billion investment in behavioral health treatment, maternity coverage, and newborn care without programmatic spending guidance. However, these monies would not offset the tremendous loss of \$880 billion in cuts to many Medicaid programs, which bolster the nation’s mental health and the health of new mothers and infants.

Homeland Security

68. One of President Trump’s first actions was to appoint White House Adviser Steve Bannon to the National Security Council (NSC). Many politicians and pundits, including the CBC, called for Bannon to be removed not only from the NSC but from the White House entirely because of his white nationalist views. Bannon is the former chairman of the white nationalist news organization *Breitbart News*.
69. President Trump has said little on the threat of domestic terrorism even though religious institutions and people of color have been targeted here at home in the wake of the 2016 election. For example, in Wellsville, N.Y., someone painted “Make America White Again” on a dugout wall, a statement based on President Trump’s campaign slogan “Make America Great Again”. [Source](#) In addition, Jewish community centers and cemeteries have received threats or been vandalized. In short, the threat of domestic terrorism is real but it is not prioritized by this Administration. [Source](#)
70. President Trump has proposed to cut national security and counterterrorism programs which could leave large and small cities more vulnerable.
71. President Trump’s Muslim ban makes Americans less safe because it harms U.S. relations with countries in the Middle East, discourages Muslims at home and abroad from assisting the U.S. with anti-terrorism efforts, supports the belief that the U.S. is at war with Islam, which could put American troops in danger, and encourages countries in the Middle East to retaliate against the U.S.

72. President Trump intends to overhaul the government program designed to counter violent ideologies in a way that would target one religion, Islam. This change would have damaging effects to our national security by perpetuating the propaganda created by terrorist groups. It could also further alienate and create distrust in Muslim-American communities.

Housing and Homeownership

73. On the first day of his administration, President Trump suspended a reduction to Federal Housing Administration mortgage insurance premiums, which would have saved homeowners \$500 a year.
74. President Trump's proposed budget would cut the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) budget by \$6 billion. HUD is responsible for providing housing assistance to extremely low-income families and the homeless, and reinvesting in America's cities and counties.
75. President Trump's proposed budget would raise rates on National Flood Insurance Program policyholders in order to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border.
76. President Trump's proposed budget would eliminate the \$3 billion Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, one of HUD's longest running programs. CDBG allocates funding to over 1,100 local and state governments to fund local community development programs related to affordable housing development and maintenance, public facilities and infrastructure development, and anti-poverty programs. Overall, the Administration is seeking to reduce HUD's budget by \$6.2 billion, a reduction of 13.2%.
77. President Trump's proposed budget would end the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, which assists families with energy costs including home energy bills, energy crises, and weatherization and energy-related minor home repairs.

Immigration

78. Since taking office, President Trump has devoted more time implementing policies to boost deportation numbers and destroy families than addressing the real border and national security challenges facing our Nation.
79. President Trump's Muslim ban affects refugees, immigrants, and travelers from seven Middle East and African countries by preventing them from fleeing danger and reuniting with family in the United States.
80. President Trump has created a program within the Department of Homeland Security called the Victims of Immigrant Crime and Engagement for people

who have been victimized by undocumented immigrants. The program encourages racial profiling and scapegoating and is not supported by research. Research suggests that violent crime has been decreasing since the 1990s and that immigrants are not more violent than those born in the United States. [Source](#)

81. The Department of Homeland Security considered mobilizing 100,000 National Guard troops to round up undocumented immigrants. [Source](#)

Increasing STEM Diversity

82. President Trump has proposed to eliminate NASA's Office of Education, including the Minority University Research and Education Project (MUREP). An example of a MUREP program is the Aerospace Academy, "designed to increase participation and retention of historically underserved and underrepresented K-12 youth in the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics."

International Affairs

83. President Trump has proposed to eliminate funding for the African Development Foundation, which funds grassroots development projects in 30 African countries.
84. More than 20 million people are facing famine in Somalia, South Sudan, Nigeria, and Yemen and President Trump's budget proposal would make the situation worse by cutting funding for humanitarian food aid and United Nations peacekeeping. [Source](#)

LGBT

85. On February 22, Attorney General Sessions and Secretary DeVos rescinded landmark Obama-era joint guidance to public schools stressing that they should allow transgender students to use bathrooms of their choice.

Retirement

86. The Trump Administration delayed the Department of Labor's fiduciary rule, which would have saved American retirees and savers \$17 billion a year by banning financial advisers from giving them self-serving financial advice.
87. The Obama Administration put forward common sense rules allowing cities to expand workers' access to retirement programs, but President Trump will sign legislation that would reverse these rules and undermine cities' and states' ability to create opportunities for people to save for retirement.

Voting Rights

88. On January 25, the White House announced that it would launch a major investigation into voter fraud even though it is essentially a non-issue. The White House decided to launch the investigation in response to President Trump's false claims that 3 to 5 million illegal voters cost him the popular vote.
89. On February 27, the Department of Justice, under the leadership of Attorney General Sessions, withdrew its longstanding claim that Texas enacted its 2011 voter ID law with the intent to discriminate. A few months later a federal judge ruled that the law was enacted with the intent to discriminate against Black and Latino voters. [Source](#)

Women, Children, and Seniors

90. President Trump signed a bill that rolls back a rule protecting federal funding for family planning clinics.
91. President Trump's proposed budget would cut the Women, Infants and Children program, which provides federal grants to states for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk.
92. On March 16, during a White House press conference about President Trump's proposed budget, Mick Mulvaney, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, argued that cutting Meals on Wheels, a program that provides home-bound people with nutritious meals, is compassionate to the taxpayer even though the program has successfully helped many elderly Americans for years. [Source](#)

Workers and Trade

93. President Trump's proposed budget would cut the Department of Labor's funding by 21 percent, a total of \$2.5 billion. This means less support for federal job training and employment services. These deep cuts also mean the end of the Senior Community Service and Employment Program, a community service and work-based job training program for older Americans, as well as the elimination of funding to fight some of the worst forms of child labor. These cuts fundamentally undermine the Department's mission to support working people and help them secure safe, good-paying jobs, and protect wages.

94. President Trump has taken actions to hurt the federal workforce. African Americans make up 17.4 percent of the federal workforce, as compared to 10.1 percent of the civilian labor force.
95. President Trump signed legislation dismantling an Obama-era rule that ensures accurate reporting when workers are hurt or get sick on the job and imposed no new costs to employers. This simple rule allowed the Department of Labor the tools it needs to protect workers and enforce an employer's obligation to record injuries and illnesses. Eliminating this rule means that those employers who want to cook their books and underreport injuries will face no sanctions if the injuries go back more than six months.
96. President Trump signed legislation dismantling the rule implementing an Obama-era executive order that puts federal contract workers at greater risk of wage theft and unsafe working conditions. Now law-abiding companies will be forced to compete with lawbreakers and corner cutters, because fewer labor violations will be reported. It also puts workers at greater risk of working for contractors with repeated labor law violations, unsafe working conditions, and discrimination.
97. President Trump has done nothing to stop companies from outsourcing jobs.
98. President Trump has failed to buy American as he promised on the Keystone XL pipeline.
99. President Trump has proposed drastic cuts to job training programs.
100. President Trump has refused to hold China accountable for unfair trade practices and currency manipulation.



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