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2010 Elections Results Webinar

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Midterm Election Stakes

- **National:**
 - 37 Senate seats
 - 435 Congressional seats
- **State:**
 - 37 Gubernatorial seats
 - 160 statewide ballot measures in 37 states
 - 6,000+ General Assembly seats



Midterm Elections: Voter Participation

"We in America
do not have
government by
the majority,
we have
government by
the majority
who participateE."

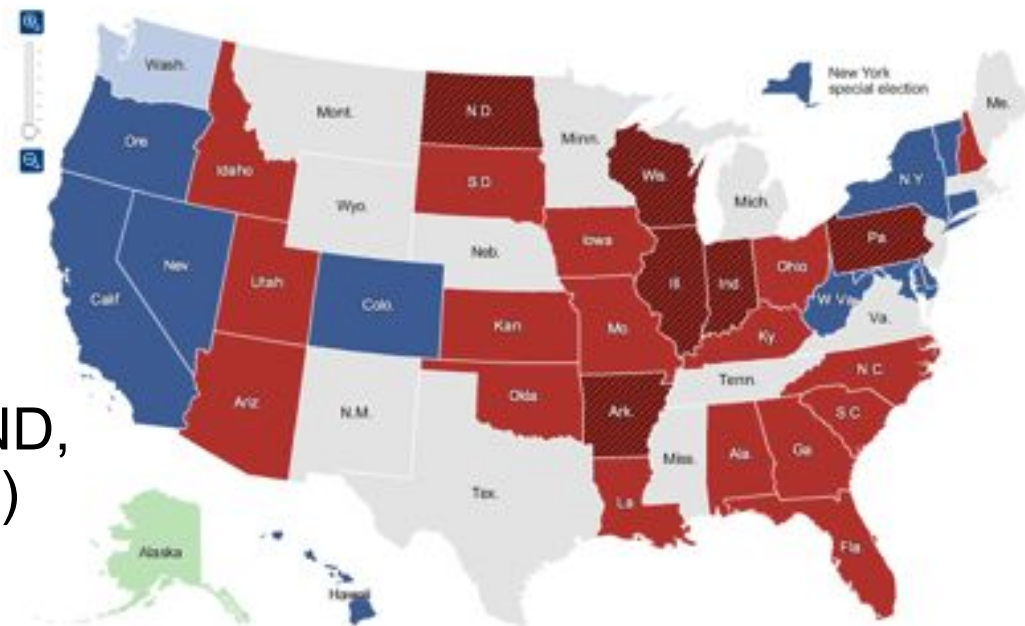
Thomas Jefferson, 1787

- **~42% in 2010**
- 63% in 2008
(highest since 1960)
- 37% in 2006
- 55% in 2004
- 36% in 2002



Midterm Elections: US Senate

- **Democrats**
 - 52 seats
- **Republicans**
 - 46 seats
 - **6 pick-ups:** AR, IL, IN, ND, PA & WI (none in the SE)
- **Independents**
 - (2 w/in Dem total)
 - Murkowski (AK) may prevail and caucus with Reps
- *2 seats still undecided: WA & AK*



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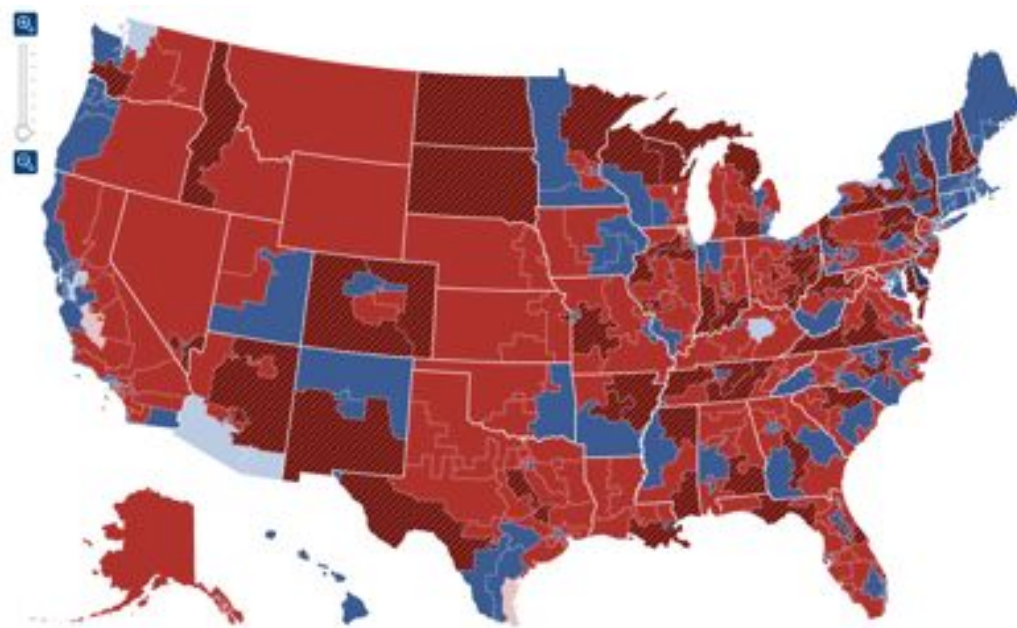
Midterm Elections: US House

- **Republicans**

- 239 seats - +60 seats
- **SE pick-ups**: 1 in AL; 4 in FL; 1 in GA; 2 in MS; 1 in NC*; 1 in SC; 3 in TN; 2 in VA;

- **Democrats**

- 186 seats
- **0 SE pick-ups** – loss of 21 Blue Dog seats
- *10 seats still undecided*
 - *7 leaning Dem*
 - *3 leaning Rep*



* NC-02 may recount as margin is > 1%

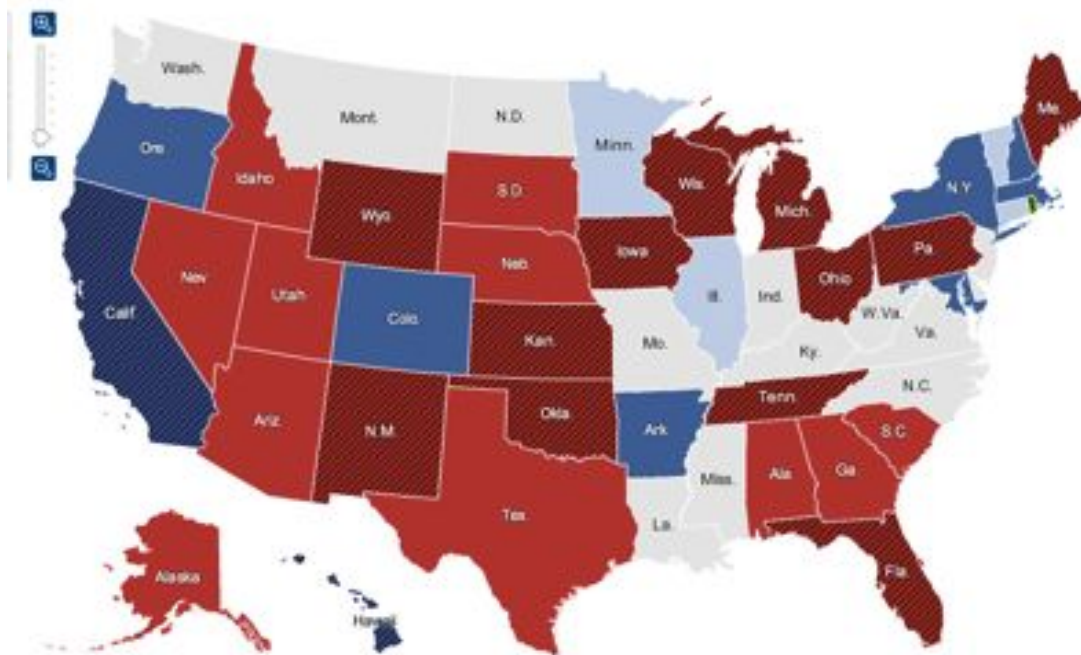


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Midterm Elections: Governorships

- **Republicans**
 - 29 governor seats
 - **SE pick-up**: TN, FL*
- **Democrats**
 - 16 governor seats
 - **No SE pick-ups**
- **Independents**
 - 1 seat pick up in RI
- *4 still undecided*
 - CT, IL MN, and VT



* FL was counted as Independent



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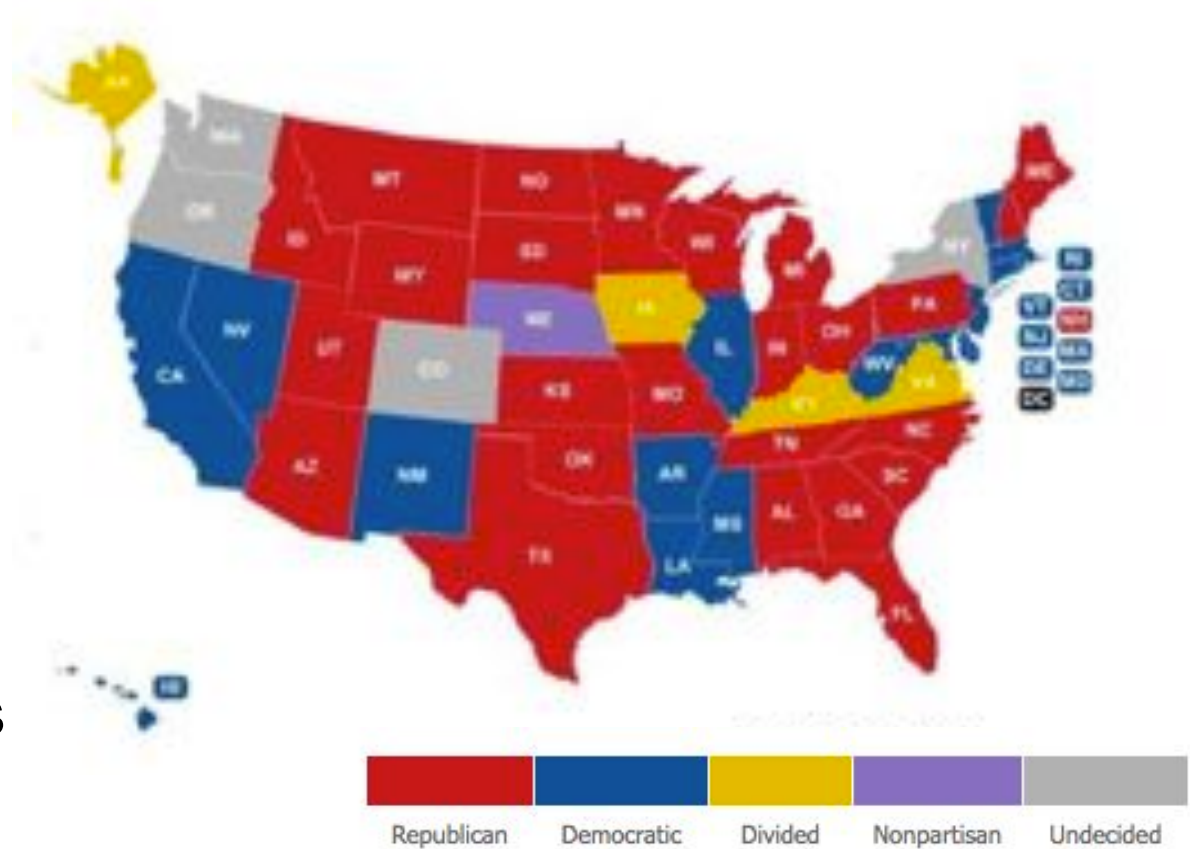
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Midterm Elections: State General Assemblies

- 19 Chambers changed control
- **In the SE:**
 - AL, NC
 - GOP controls 18/28 Chambers



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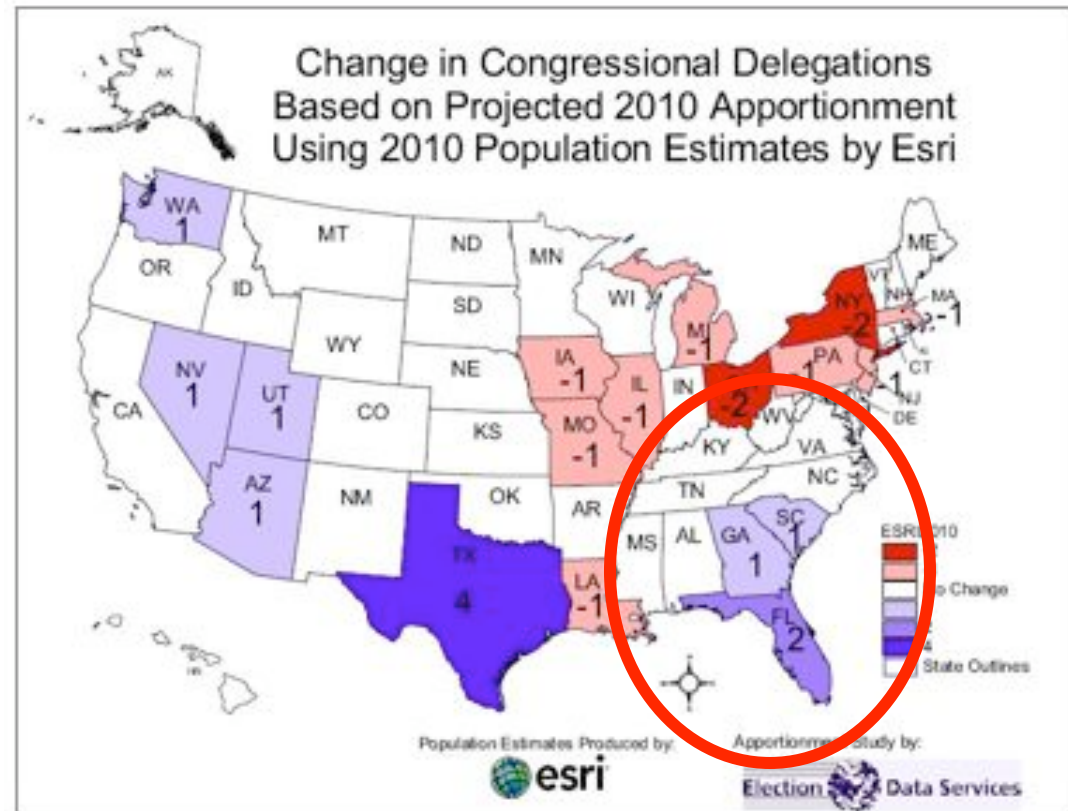
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Midterm Elections: Redistricting

- Implications for redistricting in 2011
 - FL (+2)
 - GA (+1)
 - SC (+1)



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Alabama Results*

- **Gov-elect Bentley - R**
- Sen. Shelby – R
- Sen. Sessions – R
- Rep. Bonner (R-1)
- **Rep-elect Roby (R-2)**
- Rep. Rogers (R-3)
- Rep. Alderholt (R-4)
- **Rep-elect Brooks (R-5)**
- Rep. Bachus (R-6)
- **Rep-elect Sewell (D-7)**



Change in party

* AL is not a SACE-priority state



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Florida Results

- **Gov-elect Scott - R**
- Sen. Nelson – D
- **Sen-elect Rubio – R**
- Rep. Miller (R-1)
- **Rep-elect Southerland (R-2)**
- Rep. Brown (D-3)
- Rep. Crenshaw (R-4)
- **Rep-elect Nugent (R-5)**
- Rep. Stearns (R-6)
- Rep. Mica (R-7)
- **Rep-elect Webster (R-8)**
- Rep. Bilirakis (R-9)
- Rep. Young (R-10)
- Rep. Castor (D-11)
- **Rep-elect Ross (R-12)**
- Rep. Buchanan (R-13)
- Rep Mack (R-14)
- Rep. Posey (R-15)
- Rep. Rooney (R-16)
- **Rep-elect Wilson (D-17)**
- Rep. Ros-Lehtinen (R-18)
- Rep. Deutch (D-19)
- Rep. W-Schultz (D-20)
- Rep. Diaz-Balart (R-21)
- **Rep-elect West (R-22)**
- Rep. Hastings (D-23)
- **Rep-elect Adams (R-24)**
- **Rep-elect Rivera (R-25)**



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Georgia Results

- ***Gov-elect Deal - R***
- Sen. Chambliss - R
- Sen. Isakson – R
- Rep. Kingston (R-1)
- Rep. Bishop (D-2)
- Rep. Westmoreland (R-3)
- Rep. Johnson (D-4)
- Rep. Lewis (D-5)
- Rep. Price (R-6)
- Rep. Linder (R-7)
- ***Rep-elect Scott (R-8)***
- Rep. Graves (R-9)
- Rep. Broun (R-10)
- Rep. Gingrey (R-11)
- Rep. Barrow (D-12)
- Rep. Scott (D-13)

Change in party



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Kentucky Results*

- Sen. McConnell – R
- ***Sen-elect Paul – R***
- Rep. Whitfield (R-1)
- Rep. Guthrie (R-2)
- Rep. Yarmuth (D-3)
- Rep. Davis (R-4)
- Rep. Rogers (R-5)
- Rep. Chandler (D-6)



* *KY is not a SACE-priority state*



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Mississippi Results*



- Sen. Cochran – R
- Sen. Wicker – R
- *Rep-elect Nunnelee (R-1)*
- Rep. Thompson (D-2)
- Rep. Harper (R-3)
- *Rep-elect Pallazo (R-4)*

Change in party

• *MS is not a SACE-priority state*



North Carolina Results

- Sen. Burr – R
- Sen. Hagan – D
- Rep. Butterfield (D-1)
- **Rep-elect Ellmers* (R-2)**
- Rep. Jones (R-3)
- Rep. Price (D-4)
- Rep. Foxx (R-5)
- Rep. Coble (R-6)
- Rep. McIntyre (D-7)
- Rep. Kissell (D-8)
- Rep. Myrick (R-9)
- Rep. McHenry (R-10)
- Rep. Shuler (D-11)
- Rep. Watt (D-12)
- Rep. Miller (D-13)

Change in party

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South Carolina Results



Near Ashepoo River, Ace Basin, SC

- **Gov-elect Haley - R**
- Sen. Graham – R
- Sen. DeMint – R
- **Rep-elect Scott (R-1)**
- Rep. Wilson (R-2)
- **Rep-elect Duncan (R-3)**
- **Rep-elect Gowdy (R-4)**
- **Rep-elect Mulvaney (R-5)**
- Rep. Clyburn (D-6)

Change in party



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Tennessee Results

- *Gov-elect Haslam – R*
- Sen. Alexander – R
- Sen. Corker – R
- Rep. Roe (R-1)
- Rep. Duncan (R-2)
- **Rep-elect Fleischman (R-3)**
- *Rep-elect DesJaris (R-4)*
- Rep. Cooper (D-5)
- *Rep-elect Black (R-6)*
- Rep. Blackburn (R-7)
- *Rep-elect Fincher (R-8)*
- Rep. Cohen (D-9)



Change in party



Virginia Results*

- Sen. Webb – D
- Sen. Warner – D
- Rep. Wittman (R-1)
- *Rep-elect Rigell (R-2)*
- Rep. Scott (D-3)
- Rep. Forbes (R-4)
- *Rep-elect Hurt (R-5)*
- Rep. Goodlatte (R-6)
- Rep. Cantor (R-7)
- Rep. Moran (D-8)
- *Rep-elect Griffith (R-9)*
- Rep. Wolf (R-10)
- Rep. Connolly (D-11)

Change in party

•VA is not a SACE-priority state



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112th Congress Overview

Senate

- Republicans – 46
 - *In the SE – 13*
- Democrats – 51
 - *In the SE - 4*
- Independents – 3
 - *None in the SE*
 - *2 caucus with Ds*



House of Representatives

- Republicans – 243
 - *In the SE – 63**
- Democrats – 192
 - *In the SE - 27*



** 2 of these new members would be permitted to join the progressive-leaning Congressional Black Caucus based on African ancestry*



Midterm Elections: By the Numbers

- **80%** of Dems who supported the climate bill won races
- **75%** of GOP who supported the climate bill won races or were promoted
- **62%** of Dems who voted against the climate bill lost races or saw retiring seats flip to the GOP
- **9%** of all voters were age 18 to 29, compared with **19%** in 2008
- **25%** of the Dem caucus was defeated which equaled **60%** of the land area they represented

Midterm Elections: By the Numbers (cntd)

- **0** African-Americans will serve in the Senate
- **\$454 million** spent on U.S. House & Senate races
- **5 times** more was spent by outside groups in 2010 than in 2006
- **~2 in 3** voters rejected an attempt to roll back California's global warming law



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Midterm Elections: Implications for 112th

- **Climate and Energy Legislation**
 - “Find broad areas of agreement”
 - Natural Gas, Energy Efficiency, Electric Vehicles and Renewable Technologies
 - American Energy Act from Speaker-elect Boehner?
 - Conflict? Tea Party fiscal goals vs. \$\$ energy subsidies to coal, oil and nuclear



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Midterm Elections: Implications for 112th

- **Climate and Energy-related Committees**
 - Leadership changes
 - House Energy Chair – Barton or Upton?
 - House Select Committee to continue?
 - Senate Energy RMM depends on AK race
 - Committee investigations

Midterm Elections: Implications for 112th

- **Climate and Energy Regulation**

- EPA has a legal obligation to regulate carbon pollution → human health impacts
- Legislative threats to EPA are likely
 - “Dirty Air Act”
- Coal ash regulatory decision expected in 2011-12



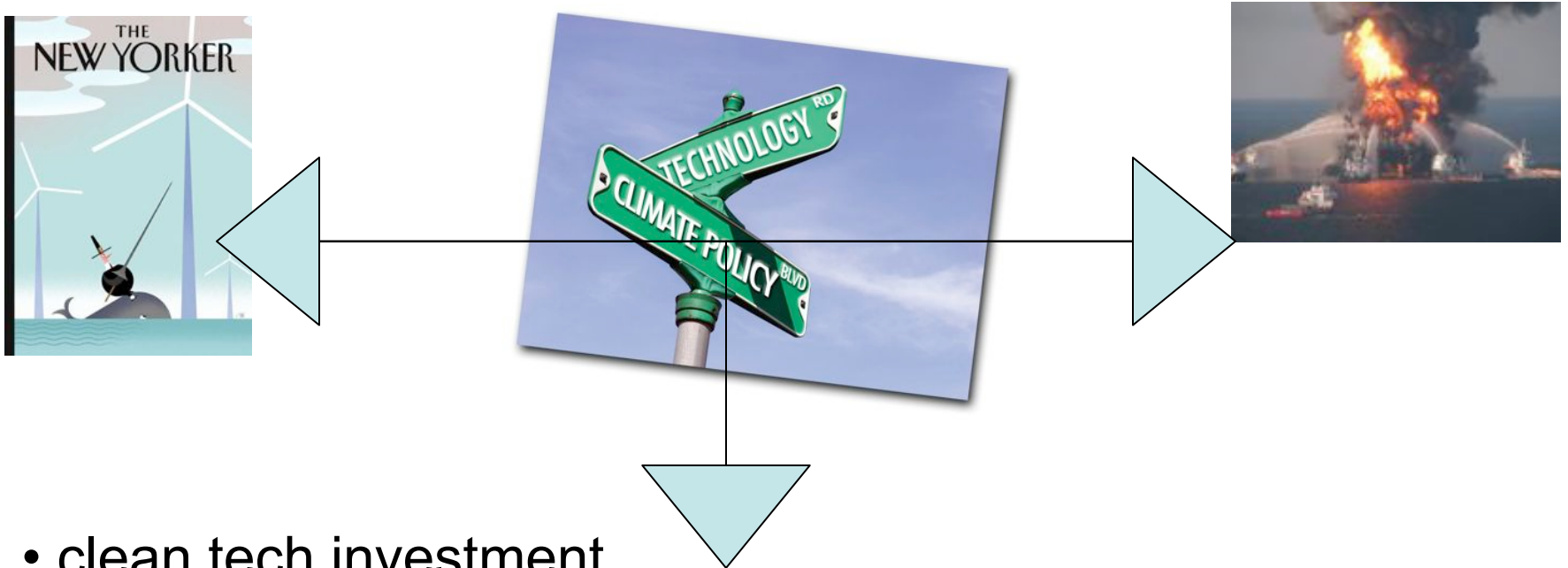
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Energy Crossroads



- clean tech investment
- further improvements in fuel economy standards
- energy efficiency improvements
- national renewable/clean energy standard
- electric vehicle deployment
- transition to lower carbon fuels



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