

2016 Stronger Together Talking Points and FAQ on Job Creation

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Core Message

Democratic values and policies support all working families and result in a stronger and more equitable economy.

Massachusetts recently topped the list for the strongest state economy in the nation. Our Democratic leaders are a big reason why. Under Democratic leadership, Massachusetts continues to make a commitment to traditional and emerging industries. By investing in education and training, along with fighting for small businesses, a liveable wage, and pay equity, Massachusetts Democrats continue to put the hard working families of the Commonwealth first.

Hillary believes that we are stronger when we build an economy that works for everyone – not just those at the top – with good jobs and a good education available in every zip code.

Donald Trump has made a career out of enriching himself at the expense of hardworking Americans – including manufacturing his products overseas – so it's no surprise that his economic plans dramatically favor the wealthy, Wall Street and large corporations.

Massachusetts' Jobs Would Continue to Grow with Hillary Clinton

- In the most recent economic development bill, Democrats stood up for Massachusetts workers, ensuring their ability to compete in today's economy. The bill includes funding for Workforce Skills Capital Grants, Manufacturing Innovation Funding, and the Advanced Manufacturing Technology and Hospitality Training Trust Fund.
- In 2014, Massachusetts Democrats raised the minimum wage and continue to fight for a livable wage.
- In August 2016, Massachusetts Democratic leaders made equal pay the law with the strongest pay equity bill in the nation.
- As a result of all of these efforts, Massachusetts has the strongest economy in the United States, according to an analysis of federal economic statistics by Governing magazine (August, 2016).

Hillary's Plan to Build an Economy that Works for Everyone

- Under Hillary Clinton, Massachusetts could add 220,000 new jobs.
- Clinton will break through the dysfunction in Washington and make the biggest investment in new, good paying jobs since World War II.
- She will rewrite the rules so more companies share profits with their employees, instead of shipping profits and jobs overseas.
- Clinton will make the boldest investments in American infrastructure since Eisenhower built the interstate highway system.
- She'll invest in American manufacturing and crack down on trade abuses.
- Clinton will create good paying jobs by making America the clean energy superpower of the 21st century.
- Clinton will cut taxes, reduce red tape, and support innovation so that small businesses can grow and hire.

- Clinton will raise the federal minimum wage to \$12, and support state and local efforts to go even higher - including the "Fight for \$15."
- She will guarantee up to 12 weeks of paid family and medical leave.

Trump Would be a Disaster for the Economy and Working Families

- Trump's economic plan would result in a "lengthy recession," a loss of 71,000 jobs in Massachusetts, and a loss of nearly 3.5 million jobs around the country.
- Trump likes to talk about putting "America first," but didn't do that as a businessman: his products have been manufactured in at least 12 countries, other than the United States.
- Trump has said "wages are too high" and that we should abolish the federal minimum wage.
- Trump opposes paid family leave and ensuring equal pay for women.