

Dear President Trump: What is your definition of “great”? *Based on your Twitter feed, speeches and business dealings, I have inferred you think these American facts are great. I hope I am mistaken; so, it is with an open ear, mind and heart I ask you to point out exactly what is great and what you want us to go back to. Thanks, Jess.*

MAKE AMERICA * GREAT AGAIN



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| 1775 | 1 in 4 people were slaves in the Southern colonies at the start of the American Revolutionary War |
| 1830-1838 | ~100,000 Native Americans were forced into “Indian Territory” (Oklahoma), resulting in 4,000 Cherokee deaths along the Trail of Tears |
| 1850-1924 | California gold rush ushered in “Expeditions against the Indians” under the California Constitution, making Native Americans and Native American children “apprenticed” or indentured, and “vagrant Indians” punishable by local officials |
| 1942-1946 | ~120,000 people of Japanese ancestry relocated and incarcerated in “relocation centers,” which often were stables at racetracks (62% were US citizens, 2 out of 3 were born in the US) |
| 1783-1965 | 182 years: the time between the right of white property-owning males and all US citizens--regardless of literacy, race or gender--to legally vote. (1870: ratification of the 15th Amendment; 1920: passing of the 19th Amendment; 1924: passing of Indian Citizenship Act; 1965: passing of the Voting Rights Act) |
| 2016 | Relative to white men, black and Hispanic women workers are paid 65 cents and 58 cents on the dollar, respectively, compared with 81 cents for white women workers and 90 cents for Asian women |