

# Trump and Clinton on the issues

## GLOBALISATION

**Donald Trump:** Scrap **NAFTA** – trade deal with Canada and Mexico – to stop jobs moving overseas. Impose 45% tariff on imports from China to protect U.S. industry. Hire experts, not “political hacks,” to negotiate trade deals. Oppose 12-nation **Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP)**

**Hillary Clinton:** As secretary of state Clinton touted TPP as “**gold standard... covering 40% of the world’s total trade**” – now opposes proposed trade deal because it does not provide enough protection for U.S. workers on wages, jobs and America’s national security

## IMMIGRATION

**Clinton:** Expand refugee programme from accepting 10,000 to about 65,000 Syrian refugees annually. Vet backgrounds of immigrants and refugees. Create pathway to citizenship for some 11 million immigrants living in country illegally

**Trump:** Signature issue is to combat illegal immigration and reduce legal migration. Stance includes wall between U.S. and Mexico, complete ban on foreign Muslims entering U.S. and ideological tests for would-be immigrants

## HEALTHCARE

**Trump:** Repeal **Affordable Care Act (ACA)** – better known as **Obamacare**. Renegotiate runaway costs of healthcare provision.

Appoint Supreme Court justices to challenge **Roe v. Wade** – landmark 1973 decision that legalised abortion in U.S.

**Clinton:** Expand Obamacare by creating government-run health plan, known as “**public option**,” to compete with private insurers that offer ACA policies. Defend planned parenthood and Roe v. Wade

## ISLAMIC STATE

**Clinton:** Will not send U.S. ground troops to Syria or Iraq – in addition to some 5,500 already there – instead intensify air strikes. Backs no-fly zone and safe zones on ground to protect civilians. Drive so-called Islamic State out of Mosul in Iraq and Raqqa in Syria

**Trump:** Repeatedly says “**bomb the hell**” out of IS. Suggests he has secret plan to defeat IS but does not want to reveal it. **Generals will have 30 days to submit plan for defeating Islamic State**

## GUN CONTROL

**Clinton:** Supports gun control legislation, including increased background checks on gun purchases. Called for ban on assault weapons after Orlando massacre in June



AR-15 assault rifle

**Trump:** Opposes limits on gun ownership, wants gun-free zones in schools and elsewhere eliminated.

Opposes banning assault weapons – believes mass shootings can be prevented if more people carry guns

## INFRASTRUCTURE

Both candidates have pledged to invest in infrastructure as a way to kickstart economic growth, taking advantage of historically low interest rates

**Trump:** “**Trillion-dollar rebuilding programme**” to patch up roads, airports, bridges, water systems and power grid

**Clinton:** Send \$275 billion infrastructure plan to Congress during her first 100 days in office. Use revenue from

tax overhauls to pay for new projects, create \$25 billion **infrastructure bank** to attract private funds

## TAXES, MINIMUM WAGE

**Trump:** Reduce number of income brackets from seven to three, with rates of 22%, 25% and 33% – down from 40%. Lower corporate tax from 35% to 15%. Abolish estate tax, also known as “death tax.”

**Raise federal minimum wage from \$7.25 an hour to \$10, but let states set minimum**

**Clinton:** Tax rate of 30% for individuals earning \$1 million or more, and impose 4% surcharge on taxpayers making more than \$5m per year. Tighten business-tax rules to stop companies moving profits abroad. Increase death tax rates on estates to as much as 65%. **Raise federal minimum wage to \$12**

