

# Trump impeachment trials compared

The second impeachment trial of former President Donald Trump bears similarities to last year's, with the crucial difference that he is the first to be tried by the Senate after leaving office



**John Roberts**  
Chief Justice,  
U.S. Supreme Court

FIRST TRIAL  
**2020**

**PRESIDING OFFICER**

SECOND TRIAL  
**2021**



**Patrick Leahy**  
Longest-serving  
Democrat senator

## **CHARGES**

**Abuse of power and Obstruction of Congress** arising from Trump's attempt to pressure Ukraine to investigate **Joe Biden**

Pretrial brief  
**111**  
pages

Pretrial brief  
**80**  
pages

## **CHARGES**

**Incitement of insurrection** after violent mob of Trump's supporters stormed U.S. Capitol on January 6

Trump's response  
**7**  
pages



Trump's response  
**14**  
pages



**Prosecution:** 7 House impeachment managers

**Defence:** 10 attorneys

**Prosecution:** 9 House impeachment managers

**Defence:** 2 attorneys

**2020**

**SENATE CONTROL**

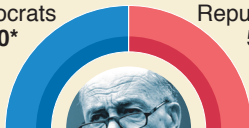
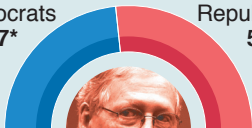
**2021**

Democrats  
**47\***

Republicans  
**53**

Democrats  
**50\***

Republicans  
**50**



Majority leader  
**Mitch McConnell**



Majority leader  
**Charles Schumer**

## **VERDICT**

Senate voted **52-48** to acquit Trump on charge of Abuse of power and **53-47** on Obstruction of Congress

Conviction requires two-thirds majority – votes of **17** Republicans needed as well as all **50** Democrats

\*Includes two independents who vote with Democrats

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