

Libertarian Party of California

Free Minds, Free Markets

Liberals say: don't legislate personal morality.
 Conservatives say: don't legislate economic equality.
 Economists say: protect the Earth by taxing pollution.



If you agree, you're a **Libertarian**.

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Pocket Constitution

Measure the actions of federal politicians against their legal power and your legal rights

Federal Powers

Art I Sec 8: The Congress shall have power to

- collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises;
- borrow money;
- regulate interstate commerce and foreign trade;
- regulate naturalization and bankruptcy;
- coin money;
- define weights and measures;
- regulate patents and copyright;
- establish post offices and roads;
- declare war, raise armies, and maintain a navy.

Your Rights

- Freedom of religion, speech, press, assembly, petition
- Right to keep and bear arms
- No peacetime quartering of troops
- No unreasonable searches and seizures
- No double jeopardy or self-incrimination.
- No depriving of life, liberty, or property without due process of law. No private property taken without just compensation.
- Right to speedy public trial by impartial jury, to confront and subpoena witnesses, and to assistance of counsel.
- Right to jury trial in lawsuits
- No cruel and unusual punishments, no excessive bail or fines
- The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.**
- No slavery or involuntary servitude
- No depriving of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law: all persons enjoy the equal protection of the laws.
- Right to vote regardless of race
- Right to vote regardless of sex
- Right to vote without paying poll tax
- Right to vote at age 18

10. The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.

Pocket Economist – measure the actions of government against the textbook economic theory of what goods and services should be produced or regulated by government and not markets. The Nobel-Prize-winning theory was formalized only in the 1950s, and says government should manage only three special kinds of goods:

Can multiple consumers consume the same good?
 No (Rival) | Yes (Non-Rival)

Private Goods	Natural Monopoly
Efficiently produced by markets	High fixed / low marginal costs => undercompetition
• Manufactured goods; services	• Networks of roads, pipes or wires
• Food, minerals	• Police & courts; fire protection
<i>Govt should not produce</i>	<i>Govt should regulate natural monopolies</i>
Natural Resources	Public Goods
Tragedy of the commons, negative externalities => overconsumption	Free riders, positive externalities => underproduction
• atmosphere, water, fish, game	• National defense, scientific research
• airspace, spectrum	• Prevention of contagion, flood
<i>Govt should police over-consumption via taxes, auctions</i>	• Anti-poverty safety net <i>Govt should finance pure public goods</i>

Measure Your Political Position

Grade ten political issues on a scale from 0-20.

Less Government = 20 Undecided/Mixed: 10 More Government: 0

PERSONAL ISSUES

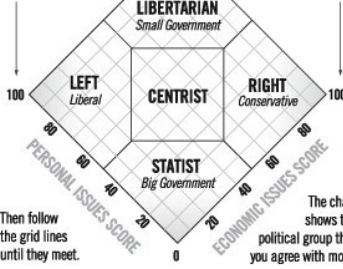
- Media/Internet Censorship
- Military Draft
- Drug Laws
- Consenting Adult Sex Laws
- Privacy and Civil Liberties

ECONOMIC ISSUES

- Corporate Welfare
- Government Welfare
- Social Security
- Taxes and Spending
- Free Trade

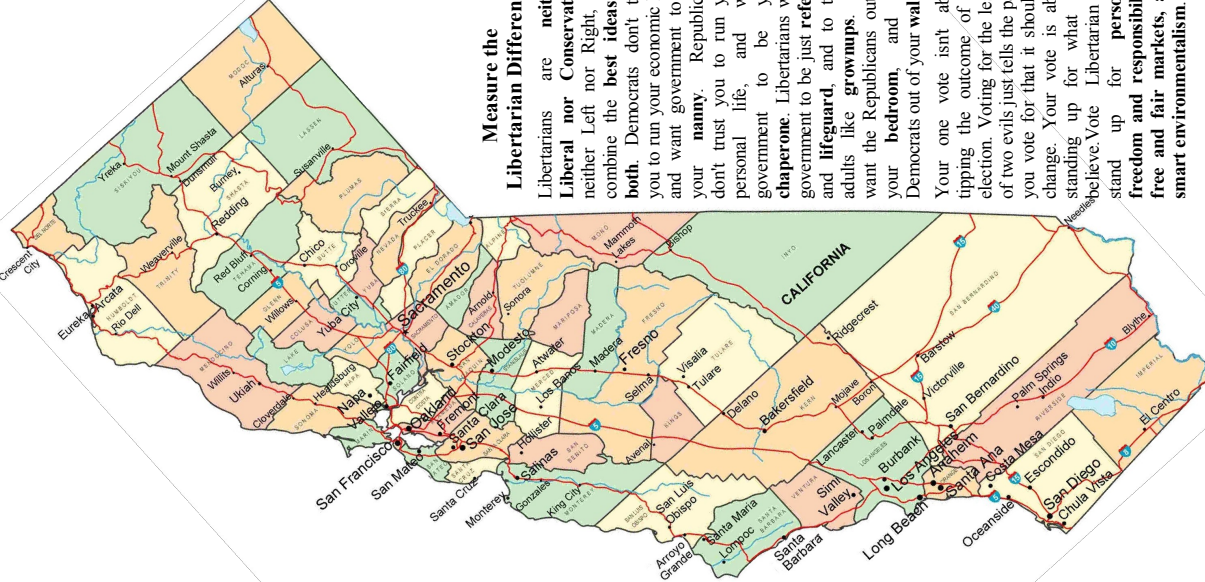
Mark your **TOTAL PERSONAL** score on the lower left scale.

Mark your **TOTAL ECONOMIC** score on the lower right scale.



Then follow the grid lines until they meet.

The chart shows the political group that you agree with most.



Measure the Libertarian Difference

Libertarians are **neither Liberal nor Conservative**, but combine the **best ideas of both**. Democrats don't trust you to run your economic life, and want government to be your **nanny**. Republicans don't trust you to run your personal life, and want government to be your **chaperone**. Libertarians want government to be just **referee and lifeguard**, and treat adults like **grownups**. We want the Republicans out of your **bedroom**, and the Democrats out of your **wallet**.
 Your one vote isn't about tipping the outcome of the election. Voting for the lesser of two evils just tells the party you vote for that it shouldn't change. Your vote is about standing up for what you believe. Vote Libertarian to stand up for **personal freedom and responsibility, free and fair markets, and smart environmentalism**.