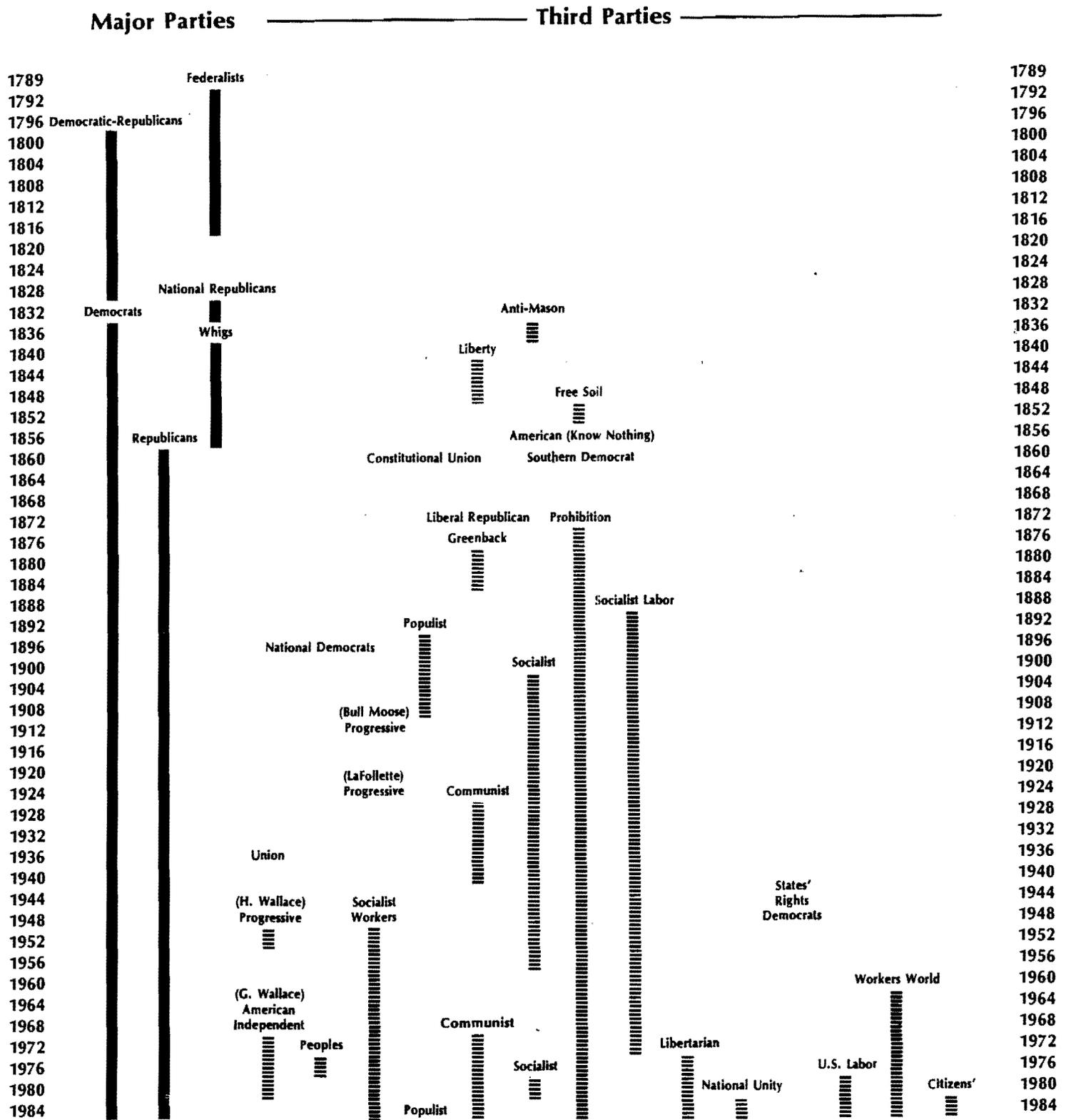


# American Political Parties Since 1789



The chart indicates the years parties either ran presidential candidates or held national conventions. The lifespan for many political parties can only be approximated because parties existed

at the state or local level before they ran candidates in presidential elections, and parties continued to exist at local levels long after they ceased running presidential candidates.

## **PARTY NAMES AND IDENTIFYING LABELS FOR 2008 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES**

The following is a list of the abbreviations used to identify the party labels appearing on the various state ballots for the U.S. Presidential candidates in the 2008 general election. The party label listed may not necessarily represent a political party organization.

AIF	=	America's Independent Party of Florida	LTX	=	Louisiana Taxpayers Party
AIP	=	American Independent	LU	=	Liberty Union
AKI	=	Alaskan Independence	MTP	=	Mountain Party
AMI	=	America's Independent	NA	=	No Affiliation
BP	=	By Petition	NB	=	Nebraska Party
BTP	=	Boston Tea Party	NEW	=	New
C	=	Conservative	NLP	=	Natural Law Party
CON	=	Constitution	NMI	=	New Mexico Independent Party
CPF	=	Constitution Party of Florida	OFB	=	Objectivist Party of Florida
CPI	=	Constitution Party of Illinois	OBJ	=	Objectivist Party
D	=	Democratic	P	=	Prohibition Party
DCG	=	D.C. Statehood Green	PE	=	Peace
DFL	=	Democratic-Farmer Labor	PET	=	Petition
DNL	=	Democratic-Nonpartisan League	PFP	=	Peace And Freedom
ECO	=	Ecology Party of Florida	PG	=	Pacific Green
FSL	=	Party for Socialism and Liberation-Florida	POP	=	Populist
FSW	=	Florida Socialist Workers	PSL	=	Party for Socialism and Liberation
GI	=	Green Independent	R	=	Republican
GPF	=	Green Party of Florida	REF	=	Reform
GR	=	Green-Rainbow	SFL	=	Socialist Party Of Florida
GRC	=	Green Party of Colorado	SLP	=	Socialism and Liberation Party
GRN	=	Green	SOC	=	Socialist Party USA
HQK	=	HeartQuake '08	SWP	=	Socialist Workers Party
I	=	Independent	UN	=	Unaffiliated
IAP	=	Independent American Party	USP	=	U.S. Pacificist Party
IDE	=	Independent Party of Delaware	UST	=	U.S. Taxpayers
IDP	=	Independence	VH	=	Vote Here
IGR	=	Independent Green Party	WF	=	Working Families
LBC	=	Libertarian Party of Colorado	WG	=	Wisconsin Greens
LBF	=	Libertarian Party of Florida			
LBT	=	Libertarian			

Source: State Elections Offices, "Presidential Candidates on the 2008 General Election Ballots of Each State and the District of Columbia," November 4, 2008.

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