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### **2/23**

#### ***DX***

Will Congress agree to enforce the SCOTUS ruling on Trump's tariffs?

How does the current DHS shutdown impact everyday Americans?

Should Democrats finally address concerns about their involvement with AIPAC?

What measures should be taken by US colleges to reduce hazing incidents?

Is the global dominance of the US dollar currently in trouble?

Has the National Public Health Coalition been successful so far in forming a "shadow CDC?"

How are Trump's lawsuit threats over state AI laws affecting new legislation?

What kind of precedent is Trump setting through his use of the rhetorical presidency ?

#### ***IX***

Is Tarique Rahman's blueprint for democracy doing enough?

Has the India AI Impact Summit shown that India is ready for a central role in global AI policy?

Are Middle Eastern powers prepared for potential conflict between the US and Iran?

How will the capture of El Mencho affect regional trade in Central America?

How can international human rights organizations work to protect Iranian students?

Four years into the Russia-Ukraine war, how has the role of mercenary groups shifted?

Should CK Hutchinson give up on its economic ambitions in the Panama Canal?

Are southeast-Asia's cyberscam farms starting an international crisis?

#### ***Hypo***

Armenia and Azerbaijan break their peace agreement and blame the US for being a poor mediator. How can the US restore peace while rebuilding its credibility as a world power?

### **2/16**

Brief hiatus. Thank you for your patience.

### **2/9**

#### ***DX***

Are Trump's calls to nationalize operating elections a serious threat to this nation?

How will Democrats' demands affect Congressional negotiations over ICE?

Is the Trump versus Harvard saga likely to end soon?

What does the Turning Point USA alternative Super Bowl half time show reveal about the current nature of political polarization in the US?

Is there any chance that the most recent release of the Epstein files will lead to criminal charges or investigations?

Can a resurgence in local newspapers still happen?

Should Trump's comments on current Team USA Olympic athletes be addressed by past US Olympians?

How will delays on the Gordie Howe International Bridge affect the US fuel trade with Canada?

#### ***IX***

Was the Portuguese energy grid underprepared for Storm Leonardo?

What factors are behind the LDP's success in Japan's recent snap elections?

Has the Houthi rebel group lost its capacity for violence?  
Is the public or private sector of Pakistan more responsible for current gains in its tourism sector?  
How can mining companies in Mexico better protect their workers from cartel violence?  
Should humanitarian organizations be doing more in Cuba following effects from the US embargo?  
Should other countries follow the examples of France and Canada and open more consulates in Greenland?  
How is the Epstein files scandal affecting the credibility of European governments like those of France and the United Kingdom?

### ***Hypo***

The SAVE America Act finally passes Congress. What are its implications on middle-age, independent voters?

### **2/2**

#### ***DX***

How will the Senate's partial federal funding lapse affect public education quality?  
Is Amazon's agreement with Open AI setting a bad precedent for Big Tech's involvement in the AI industry?  
How can Democrats capitalize over weak Republican showings across the country?  
Is Temporary Protected Status (TPS) about to be gutted by the Trump administration?  
Will the merger of xAI and SpaceX make space exploration more unreliable?  
Come May 2026, how might the Federal Reserve change under the leadership of Kevin Marsh?  
Are unions hurting the US manufacturing industry more than they're helping it?  
How can immigrant detention centers do more to protect detainees from viral illnesses?

#### ***IX***

In the long-term, is it wise for nations like the UK to seek closer relations with China?  
How has Russia's winter energy campaign changed civilian life in Ukraine?  
Can the EU play a great role in Serbia's fight against official corruption?  
How can the Lobito Corridor be upgraded in order to promote regional economic growth?  
While in use, was Starlink a significant military advantage for Russia?  
Will Iranian protestors eventually succeed in overthrowing and replacing their government?  
Are international humanitarian organizations doing enough to address mental health concerns like PTSD?  
What do Costa Rican elections reveal about populist politics in Central America?

### ***Hypo***

Aleksander Vucic loses power in Serbia. What should Russia do if its goal is to have more soft power in the Balkans?

### **1/26**

#### ***DX***

How should civil rights organizations react to how the federal government has handled the murder of Alex Pretti?  
What can the GOP do to restore its unity ahead of the 2026 midterm elections?  
Will Trump's recent executive order on large single-family home investors make homes more affordable?  
Despite inter-party criticism, will Josh Shapiro become the 2028 Democratic presidential nominee?  
Could there be a political advantage for Republicans if Trump fires Kristi Noem?  
How can the power grid in rural areas be cold-proofed after recent winter storms in the US?

How can plane manufacturers work to improve airline security and reassure fliers?  
Should slowing population growth be more or less of a priority for lawmakers?

### ***IX***

What are the global effects of EU-India relations having improved in the past year?  
How has Davos 2026 veered off-course from previous summits?  
What are the diplomatic implications of the US officially leaving the World Health Organization?  
Did China play an outsized role in Myanmar's recent election?  
Would Germany benefit from adopting an immigration policy similar to Spain's?  
How can the international community better support protestors in Iran?  
Can health officials in India do more to reduce the global spread of the Nipah virus?  
Should Bulgarian protests against the Euro be of genuine concern to the European Union?

### ***Hypo***

The Minneapolis Police Department declares that it won't cooperate with federal ICE agents anymore. Expecting backlash from the federal government, how can Governor Walz protect the state from turning into a federalist battleground?

### **1/19**

#### ***DX***

How will Tim Walz's decision to not run for reelection affect the strategy of Democrat lobbyists in Minnesota?  
Is the federal reserve truly an independent agency?  
Would it be wise for the US to invade Iran in the next year?  
How have scandals with ICE changed the way the federal government defines legal immunity?  
Are anti-ICE demonstrators taking civil disobedience too far?  
What will be the biggest voting points in the 2026 midterm elections?  
How can AI use in the workplace be reformed to maximize worker efficiency?

### ***IX***

If Trump goes through with his threats to set tariffs on Greenland, how should the EU react?  
Will the Trump administration's execution of Operation Absolute Resolve restore Venezuelan democracy?  
Is the Chinese Navy on track to facilitate an invasion of Taiwan?  
How could the ceasefire between Syria and the Kurdish SDF affect global oil prices?  
Is it possible for the US's "Board of Peace" to mitigate long-term violence in Gaza?  
In what ways might Vietnam's attempt to boost the economy backfire?  
Should the UN get involved when countries like Uganda weaponize internet access during election periods?  
How can Sudan's allies do their part to prevent the collapse of the Sudanese healthcare system?

### ***Hypo***

Global coconut prices hit an all-time low. How can the Indonesian economy, known for its tropical agriculture, rebound?

### **1/12**

#### ***DX***

Will protests against the murder of Renee Good do any good in reforming ICE?  
How might Trump's expressed support of Iranian protestors affect interest groups in the US?  
In what ways is the Uvalde school shooting trial relevant to current debates on police reform?

How can Republicans use the example of Mississippi to shape the future of their education policy?  
Will Mary Peltola be the saving grace for Senate Democrats in 2026?  
Have laws on transgender athletes become too politicized instead of focusing on athlete health?  
How will the Republican party fare in 2028 without the face of Trump?  
How are rising water levels affecting Native American tribe sovereignty?

### ***IX***

If given the chance, should Greenland deploy NATO forces in response to recent remarks from Trump?  
How is the Khamenei regime asserting power in the face of nationwide protests?  
Are neighboring countries like Nepal sufficiently helping Myanmar weather its Rohingya refugee crisis?  
Is the Cuban energy industry beyond saving?  
What is the greatest challenge to Thailand's liberal opposition for the upcoming elections?  
What are the moral implications of Russia targeting Ukrainian utilities in the winter?  
Will the situation in Venezuela inspire China to take similar action against Taiwan?  
Is it possible for Tanzania to mitigate election violence without using military force?

### ***Hypo***

You're given the option to invest \$10 million in any one country's technology sector. Which country do you choose to create the greatest societal change possible?

### **1/5**

#### ***DX***

Will Trump actually end up invoking the Insurrection Act?  
What will be the political implications of Trump's mass rural healthcare subsidies?  
Is the government response to the Somali daycare scandal an overreaction or a valid precaution?  
What is behind the surge in US data center demand?  
Considering US military activity in the Caribbean, has the US navy lost its credibility?  
Are environmental groups succeeding in pushing a national standard for clean energy?  
Is there any potential for the utility of the American train system in the next decade?  
Following an invasion of JD Vance's home, is it time to beef up security services for government workers?

### ***IX***

What is China's goal in conducting extensive military drills around Taiwan in recent years?  
Are international sanctions and restrictions on Iran empowering or hurting protestors?  
Will UK-French airstrikes prevent an Islamic State resurgence in Syria?  
How will global oil markets react to the evolving situation in Venezuela?  
What are the implications of China's advances in AI use for medical diagnoses?  
Should Yemen follow through on its plan to reclaim territory from UAE-supported groups?  
Will currency reforms in Syria succeed in encouraging investment into the country?  
How are trends in the global equity funds market likely to impact tech startups in 2026?

### ***Hypo***

In a surprising twist, Luigi Mangione is convicted of state terrorism charges that were previously dropped.  
How will this decision impact future Supreme Court decisions related to political violence?

### **12/29**

Questions will resume in 2026. Happy holidays!

## **12/22**

### ***DX***

What are the effects of Rep. Elise Stefanik dropping out of the New York gubernatorial race?  
Is it wise for House Republicans to get behind Trump's proposed Patriot Games?  
Following new regulations, what does the future of transgender healthcare look like?  
How can cases of assault against police officers be tackled without emboldening police aggression?  
Is the FBI's use of AI to address national security threats a good idea?  
How should homeless shelters prepare for the worsening affordability crisis?  
Should higher education institutions finally abandon tenure?  
Fifty years later, what grade does the federal IETC deserve for its support of American households?

### ***IX***

How has Mercosur been affected by the right-wing wave across Latin American politics?  
To what extent should Australia update its gun control laws after the Bondi Beach shooting?  
Can the Japanese economy weather the US-China trade war?  
How is the American military's strategic flexibility keeping China's regional power in check?  
What are the consequences of the India-New Zealand trade agreement on their relations with the UK?  
Are the Thailand-Cambodia peace talks adequately representing the needs of the ASEAN alliance?  
What word best describes the state of the Sudanese media industry right now?  
How are melting Himalayan glaciers threatening the livelihoods of local farmer villages?

### ***Hypo***

Right before the 2026 midterms, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez is revealed as the "new face" of the Democratic party. How will this impact rural voter turnout during the midterms?

## **12/15**

### ***DX***

What does the House's passage of the Protect America's Workforce Act signify for the rest of Trump's term?  
How will Trump's deal with the Potawatomi tribe redefine relations between the government and natives?  
How can private entities like Brown University do their part in the fight against gun violence?  
Have states been given enough time to implement new food aid restrictions?  
Should SNAP fraud be a genuine concern for the US government?  
For the most part, are AI/tech jobs in the US being filled by qualified candidates?  
Are restrictions on military flights a policy worth pursuing for Democrats?  
What will be the effects of more lax federal marijuana restrictions on low-income communities?

### ***IX***

Is the Ukrainian corruption scandal a valid reason to limit military aid to the country?  
How will the US' seizure of oil tankers affect the cost of living in Venezuela?  
Is the Bondi Beach shooting the start of a new trend in gun violence or a historic outlier for Australia?  
How might US troops be posing a challenge to the Syrian government's goal of national unification?  
How can local authorities limit the health risks of smog for their people?  
How are current winter storms changing the nature of humanitarian operations?  
What does the conviction of Hong Kong tycoon Jimmy Lai mean for the security landscape in Asia?  
Will an international commission for Ukraine war damages do any economic good for the region?

### ***Hypo***

A new global pandemic emerges. How can African governments prepare for the unique challenges they are likely to face?

### **12/8**

#### ***DX***

Will Trump's federal aid package adequately help farmers affected by trade wars?  
What should minority advocacy groups take away from the ICE raids in Minneapolis and New Orleans?  
What will be the future of the USMCA trade agreement in 2026?  
Is the "war on terror" a real justification for strikes on drug boats?  
What most caused the downfall of the USIP?  
What will be the implications of Trump ending AI regulations on the state level?  
How can American think tanks become increasingly independent from the government?  
How will Netflix's proposed acquisition of Warner Bros. change the film industry?

#### ***IX***

How can regional allies prevent escalation between Thailand and Cambodia?  
Should Airbus recalls be an economic cause for concern in the aerospace industry?  
What is behind the uptick in deadly floods across Southeast Asia?  
Will the DRC-Rwanda peace agreement hold?  
What will the Russia-India visit amount to in terms of trade?  
What is the greatest factor behind Hong Kong's low voter turnout?  
How should parents be viewing Australia's new social media law?  
Is the Vatican doing enough to regain the trust of indigenous communities?

### ***Hypo***

You wake up in the body of Bashar al-Assad, determined to fully democratize Syria in the next year. What are your first steps?

### **12/1**

#### ***DX***

What does the recent shooting of members of the National Guard reveal about anti-immigrant rhetoric?  
What will be the result of a failed congressional compromise over extending ACA premium subsidies?  
Will Trump granting clemency to David Gentile have significant political ramifications?  
How might President Trump's personal attacks against female journalists perpetuate misogyny in the workforce?  
Is the Supreme Court on the verge of dismantling the Voting Rights Act?  
How will massive reversals on fact-checking affect political misinformation?  
Are grand juries justified in rejecting Trump administration prosecutions?  
How will "America-first" upcharges at national parks affect inter-state migration?

#### ***IX***

How can international NGOs punish Georgia for using chemical weapons against protestors?  
How should the WHO work to expand equitable access to obesity jabs?  
Did climate protestors in Australia succeed in attracting support for their mission?  
Has Palau become a pawn in the US-China rivalry?  
What do recent floods in Southeast Asia suggest about the future of tropical storms?  
How will Sudan's slow collapse reshape the power balance in East Africa?  
Is Africa providing the next global paradigm for environmental planning?

How are shadow-fleet tankers in the Black Sea changing the Russia-Ukraine war?

***Hypo***

The UN mysteriously reveals its international protections for cultural workers. Could international NGOs succeed in protecting cultural workers' rights on their own?

**11/24**

***DX***

Is the Supreme Court about to effectively gut the Voting Rights Act?  
What are the national implications of the US refusing to attend COP30?  
How has the Epstein scandal reshaped the conservative movement?  
Is it time for Democrats to rethink their approach to immigration policy?  
Should the trend of jobless economic expansion be a true concern for the Federal Reserve?  
How should high-profile Republicans respond to Trump and Mamdani's meeting?  
Has America become desensitized to political violence?  
Will Trump's tariff exemption on some foreign food items be enough to inspire further exemptions?

***IX***

Should US attacks on Venezuelan ships be considered a violation of international law?  
What does the future of democratic government look like for Guinea-Bissau?  
Will Trump's 28-point plan for Ukraine succeed in deescalation?  
How can the UN further contribute to Gaza reconstruction efforts?  
Is Mexico's crime-fighting model one other Latin American countries should follow?  
How can the EU hold the UAE accountable for its continued role in regional conflicts?  
What are the implications of Tunisia's continued reliance on external voting?  
Is reviving the NATO-Russia council a good idea?

***Hypo***

Congress makes a typo while finalizing the upcoming budget and accidentally devotes over \$50 billion to bureaucratic agencies. How should bureaucrats use this money in order to address the current exodus of civil servants?

**11/17**

***DX***

Is the US planning to invade Venezuela?  
What precedent will the longest government shutdown set for future ones?  
Has the air travel industry turned into a "political football" for the government?  
Will the CDC as an institution survive past the end of Trump's current term?  
How has the release of emails sent by Jeffrey Epstein changed public opinion on Republican leadership?  
What are the implications of the ruling made in the case against former FBI director James Comey?  
What does US law say about the presence of border agents in North Carolina?  
Would a meeting between Trump and Mamdani truly be beneficial for either main political party?

***IX***

Is the EU-Mercosur trade deal succeeding in boosting their respective economies?  
What are the main takeaways from Iraq's 2025 parliamentary elections?  
Should the national debt still be a key concern for the Egyptian government?  
How can the UN better address growing cybersecurity risks in Africa?  
What will the indictment of Sheikh Hasina mean for the future of India-Pakistan relations?

Is the WTO still relevant in the wake of cryptocurrency?  
What grade does the Japanese government deserve for its mediating power between China and Taiwan?  
What would be the effects of approving the proposed Gaza stabilization force?

### ***Hypo***

Gavin Newsom unexpectedly quits his job as governor of California. What should he be doing leading up to 2028 if he still aspires to receive the Democratic presidential nomination?

### **11/10**

#### ***DX***

What does the blue wave in the recent gubernatorial elections reveal about voter priorities?  
What's at stake with the US resuming its nuclear testing program?  
Is the most recent government report on the labor market credible?  
How should civil society organizations react to the proposal to overturn the same-sex marriage precedent?  
Is PETA still relevant in the fight for animal rights?  
What are the implications of only 8 Senate Democrats supporting the GOP-backed proposal to end the shutdown?  
Should Chuck Schumer step down as Democrat minority leader in the Senate?  
How will the Supreme Court be likely to rule in *Learning Resources, Inc v. Trump*?

#### ***IX***

How will the US absence from the G20 African Summit affect the overall security landscape in Africa?  
Can Europe's economy stay strong despite US political turmoil?  
How will the outcome of Hungary's 2026 election affect its relationship with the EU and NATO?  
Should other countries follow the example of Bulgaria and publicly acquire companies like Lukoil?  
What role is Chinese green technology playing at COP30 this year?  
Which country should be taking the most action against rising numbers of drug boats in international waters?  
Is there hope for deescalation in the conflict in Sudan?  
Is it time for more stringent ethical guidelines on brain technology?

### ***Hypo***

All geostationary satellites fall from the sky overnight, causing a global outage of telecommunications services. How should the telecommunications industry adapt to this catastrophe?

### **11/3**

#### ***DX***

Is Congresswoman-elect Adelita Grijalva not being sworn in a worrying sign for US democracy?  
How long will it take for the US economy to fully recover from the shutdown?  
What key voting issues will define the New Jersey gubernatorial race?  
Are sin taxes proving to be effective solutions to gambling?  
With stars like quarterback Joe Burrow being injured, how can the National Football League (NFL) reform its injury reporting system to be more just?  
What lessons can Republican candidates learn from the current New York mayoral race?  
Are American colleges and universities justified in denying a platform to organizations like the Jewish Voice for Peace?  
Does the US have a fair system of campaign finance?

#### ***IX***

As the US continues its crackdown, how far will Moscow go to defend Venezuela?  
What does Japan's new aid policy under Prime Minister Takaichi imply for East Asian militaries?  
Does Israel violating the current ceasefire necessarily mean that current peace won't hold?  
Are Central American countries' early warning systems ready for Hurricane Melissa?  
What foreign policy issues will be prioritized in the upcoming Argentine elections?  
Can Australia afford to play a greater role in the global critical minerals market?  
What are the main reasons behind Senegal's current media crackdown?  
What are the implications of the UAE's involvement in Sudanese peace talks?

### ***Hypo***

Following the release of Sora II, the Japanese government, through the International Court of Justice, sues Open AI for copyright infringement of Japanese media. As media companies like Japan's Shueisha and America's Disney join in solidarity, what will be the global verdict on AI copyright law?

## **10/28**

### ***DX***

Is the Supreme Court likely to weaken the Voting Rights Act?  
Which super PAC will be most reliable for Republicans in the 2026 midterms?  
How will the gerrymandering fights in New York, Illinois, and Virginia affect national polarization?  
Are the US and China close to reaching a new trade agreement?  
How will agricultural workers be affected by the temporary stop in SNAP benefits?  
Have gambling regulations become too lax?  
What is behind the surge in private donations to support US foreign aid?  
How should the US prepare for the unique challenges to be posed by Hurricane Melissa?

### ***IX***

How can ASEAN help to ease tensions in Asian trade?  
Should Canada continue to trade with the US, given the imposition of new tariffs?  
Is Japan's new prime minister doing enough to protect women's rights?  
Would deploying international troops be effective in enforcing peace in Gaza?  
What precedent will the debut of Afghanistan's women football team set for countries like Saudi Arabia and Qatar?  
How has Moscow retained influence in the post-Assad era?  
How will the addition of Timor Leste to ASEAN affect the organization's diplomatic abilities?  
How can humanitarian organizations better approach child disappearances?

### ***Hypo***

To the dismay of vice president JD Vance, Trump announces his plans to run for a third term. How should Democrats in Congress react?

## **10/21**

### ***DX***

Considering recent leaks, should the GOP distance itself from the Young Republicans group?  
What should be the takeaways for investors from the ongoing crypto crash?  
What are the implications of the federal shutdown for Republicans' policymaking strategies?  
Why have Republican campaigns been prioritizing affordability and similar social issues?  
Is light rail the future of the American public transport system?  
What does the success of candidates like Zohran Mamdani tell us about nationwide shifts in political ideology?

How can standardized testing be reformed to become more equitable?  
Does Trump's immigration policy violate the UN's Universal Declaration of Human Rights?

### ***IX***

Will the new Afghanistan-Pakistan ceasefire hold?  
What do Madagascar's protests foreshadow about the nation's future?  
What will be the long-term effects of acute food insecurity on economic development in Gaza?  
Is it in the military interests of the Sudanese RSF to change its stance on humanitarian aid?  
How will the planned Putin-Trump tunnel affect Ukraine's relations with the US?  
Should the US stop sending military support to South Korea?  
Is there hope for Columbia in curbing its drug trade?  
What can security companies learn from the robbery in the Louvre?

### ***Hypo***

Because of growing numbers of memes about the job-seeking process, online recruiters like LinkedIn decide to shut down for good. How will the labor market adjust to the fall of online recruitment?

### **10/13**

#### ***DX***

How is the government shutdown framing the debate on healthcare in Congress?  
What will the new "Compact for Academic Excellence in Higher Education" mean for the Ivy League?  
Has the Department of Justice been weaponized by the Trump Administration?  
What will the new Insurrection Act mean for American cities?  
Is the immigration crackdown in Chicago having its intended effect?  
How have scholars and their research been affected by growing US-China tensions?  
How can the budget of special education services be reformed to survive recent cuts?  
Is the US playing too large a role in the peace talks in Gaza?

### ***IX***

How is Article 23 continuing to affect democracy in Hong Kong?  
Is conflict in store for Afghanistan and Pakistan?  
What influence will the new deal in Gaza have on the Palestinian Authority's political power?  
Will the Gaza ceasefire hold?  
Are counterterrorism efforts in North Africa enough right now?  
How can Madagascar's government minimize the risk of future coup attempts without overreaching its power?  
What country should Mexico consider its greatest ally in 2025?  
Should ASEAN take a tougher stance on maritime sovereignty?

### ***Hypo***

Due to frustration from recent funding cuts, NASA cancels all major exploration projects for the next decade. How can China's space program best capitalize off of this development?

### **10/6**

#### ***DX***

What does the government shutdown mean for the operations of the Federal Reserve Bank?  
What are the implications of Pete Hegseth's new standard for the military on US foreign policy?  
Why is the US soybean industry failing?  
Will Trump's renewed "War on Drugs" succeed in cornering drug cartels?

Is the federal government doing enough to protect women in the military?  
Are synthetic opioids as much of a threat as they were 2 years ago?  
Will the Department of Education survive the ongoing government shutdown?  
Is military coverage of IVF a good idea?

### ***IX***

What is behind the decline of France's centrist party?  
What is unique about the appointment of Sanae Takaichi as Japanese prime minister?  
How should Congo tackle the current rise of ebola cases in the country?  
Is the CDC succeeding in doing its job on the global level?  
What are the implications of the pending Gaza deal on future restoration projects?  
How can Britain recover after the Manchester synagogue attack?  
How will Storm Amy affect British-Irish relations?  
Is Europe's Green to Grey environmental project doing enough to protect agricultural lands?

### ***Hypo***

Hollywood caves and hires its first "AI actor:" the controversial Tilly Norwood. How should labor unions in the film industry respond?

### **9/29**

#### ***DX***

Does labeling antifa a terrorist group actually protect safety?  
Can the US government avoid a shutdown before October 1st?  
How will the indictment of James Comey impact trust in the American justice system?  
How can the CDC restore trust in acetaminophen after recent comments by the president?  
Based on the recent conference with Netanyahu, what are the prospects for US-Israel relations?  
Are TV conglomerates in the US doing enough to protect free speech?  
How should Congress work to avoid future shutdowns?  
Is the US losing political influence in Central America?

### ***IX***

How should South Korea prevent future data center outages?  
How should the European Commission garner national support to successfully implement the Draghi report?  
Should the international community anticipate direct conflict between China and the Philippines?  
Are snapback sanctions enough to reel in Iran's nuclear program?  
How can the super conservatives in France better maintain voter support?  
How will uncertainties in Nepalese politics affect the regional economy?  
What are the effects of Ghana's brain drain on its healthcare system?  
What takeaways for the Russia-Ukraine war can be made from the recent Alaska summit?

### ***Hypo***

Feeling embarrassed after President Trump's recent speech, the UN general assembly decides to cease operating for a month and focus on self-reflection. What will be the impact of their decision on all active warzones?

### **9/22**

#### ***DX***

What does Jimmy Kimmel's firing mean for free speech in America?  
Will the new \$100K fee on H1-B visas help America?  
Why did the US go forward with the TikTok deal?  
How should Democratic lawmakers react to "Border Tzar" Tom Homan's bribery charges?  
Are partisan differences inhibiting advocates' ability to protect free speech?  
Should states like Minnesota finally legalize sports betting?  
What is the most pressing challenge facing tribal communities this year?  
How are low-income communities adjusting to Trump's tariffs almost a year in?

### ***IX***

Will Trump's military buildup in the Caribbean push Maduro to negotiate or provoke a wider regional conflict?  
What will happen to Israel's local influence if they fail to renegotiate American military support for after 2028?  
Should the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) be considered a rising concern for Middle Eastern stability?  
Have Middle Eastern nations become too dependent on the UN for diplomacy?  
Are Nigerian counterterrorism efforts failing the country?  
What can be done to protect European airports from future cyberattacks?  
How can the Paris Agreement be amended to better discourage use of traditional fuel sources?  
Is China's current system for reacting to natural disasters enough to protect citizens?

### ***Hypo***

Following the release of the iPhone 17, all major US tech companies realize they could maximize their profits by making more breakable tech. How should the federal government react in order to establish a higher standard for tech quality?

## **9/15**

### ***DX***

Will Trump continue deploying the National Guard to U.S. cities?  
What is the influence of the Court of International Trade's (CIT) tariff ruling on upcoming SCOTUS trials?  
How will the recent ICE raid on a Hyundai factory affect US semiconductor trade with Taiwan?  
Will the federal reserve bank's "credibility gamble" pay off for the American economy?  
What is behind the growing social influence of political influencers and commentators?  
Should the recent national job report concern the food production industry?  
What can pro-gun advocates do in the fight against political violence?  
Is US military support for Israel still worth it?

### ***IX***

How should Ishiba's successor better manage the US-Japan tariff war?  
What factors were behind Russia's recent encroachment on NATO airspace?  
How is Israel's budget crisis affecting its diplomatic missions?  
Will the US and China be able to secure more "deliverables" at future trade summits?  
Will El Salvador finally be able to get organized crime under control in 2026?  
How should NATO respond to provocative Russian actions without spurring a larger conflict?  
What does the future of UN aid missions in Gaza look like?  
Is the new Nepalese leadership well-equipped to govern?

### ***Hypo***

The entire world population becomes extroverted, causing governments to interact with all uncontacted native peoples. How should human rights organizations react in order to protect the sovereignty of those groups?

## **9/8**

### ***DX***

How will vaccine funding cuts affect the future of bipartisan healthcare policies?  
How will Trump's push for new sanctions shape the outcome of the Russia-Ukraine war?  
What impact would Donald Trump's voting reforms have on future elections?  
What impact will the Trump Administration's crackdown on sanctuary cities have?  
Will the absence of voting machines help or hurt rural America's civic engagement?  
Should other metropolitan areas follow the example set by New York City's recent executive order on vaccine administration?  
Is there hope for greater math proficiency among girls given the current state of STEM education?

### ***IX***

Are Donald Trump's tariffs pushing India away?  
Are recent movements to ban so-called LAWs in the right?  
Was Trump's military strike on Tren De Aguas justified?  
How can Emmanuel Macron choose an effective Prime Minister while also keeping the needs of his people in mind?  
Following the recent case of attempted arson on its parliament building, will Nepalese democracy prevail?  
Are Russia's attacks on Ukrainian government buildings a sign of an escalating war effort?  
Is Peru doing enough to protect the human rights of uncontacted people?

### ***Hypo***

Frustrated by nearly a year of fruitless negotiations, the Trump administration sends a warning to Israel and Hamas that they must either accept his terms for peace or the US will forcefully intervene. Will this finally be enough to stop the Israeli war effort?

## **9/1**

### ***DX***

What are the implications of Dr. Lisa Cook's removal from the Federal Reserve on its autonomy as an institution?  
In light of recent events, what can be done to restore public trust in the CDC?  
Will humanitarian organizations be able to survive into 2026 without US foreign aid?  
What are the impacts of President Trump's rollback of federal union protections for the future of labor rights in the United States?  
Following the passage of the IEEPA, does the executive branch have too much or too little authority over economic policy?  
How will new voter ID requirements affect Republican turnout in the upcoming midterm elections?  
How should Democrats take advantage of the upcoming government funding deadline to restore the trust of their youth voters?

### ***IX***

What does Prime Minister Shinawatra's dismissal mean for the future of Thailand's politics?  
Are recent protests in Indonesia a turning point in the nation's battle with corruption?  
Has the International Criminal Court made meaningful progress in protecting human rights?  
How does India continuing its oil trade with Russia impede US interests in the region?

Will NATO's updated commitments to defense spending be effective in helping Ukraine win the war against Russia?

What, if any, are the effects of renewed Russian military activity in the Arctic on scientific expeditions there?

Is Israel's reaction to closer Saudi–Iran relations justified?

### ***Hypo***

To mark the start of September, Russia launches an unexpected offensive into Western Ukraine, taking many of the key cities there by storm. While aiming to minimize civilian casualties, should NATO take this as a sign to invoke Article 15?

## **8/25**

### ***DX***

How will the recent federal takeover impact the District of Columbia in the long-term?

Is current U.S. economic policy boosting or burdening the stock market?

How much has the Epstein scandal eroded public trust in the Justice Department?

Is the Trump-Intel deal beneficial for the U.S. Economy?

### ***IX***

How should Pakistan reform its disaster response to address increasingly deadly monsoon seasons?

How will the recent defeat of Bolivia's main left-wing party shape the country's future economic policy?

Could upcoming elections in Myanmar stabilize the nation's troubled economy?

Is recent compensation for the Loldaiga fires a step in the right direction for British decolonization?

### ***Hypo***

With President Trump replacing two of his Federal Reserve Governors with well-known cryptocurrency advocates, the Chinese government felt inspired and launched its own national cryptocurrency called "Pooh coin." Will this new currency attract or discourage other Asian economies from trading with China?

## **8/18**

### ***DX***

What impact might U.S. President Donald Trump have on potential peace deals between Russia and Ukraine?

If confirmed, what will be the economic impact of E.J. Antoni leading the BLS?

Why is Gavin Newsom proposing redistricting plans?

What will be the impact of Trump's reshaping of the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program?

### ***IX***

If the Government of National Unity in South Africa collapsed, who would be the greatest beneficiary?

Can Palestine survive its war as media coverage perishes in Gaza?

How will Brazil's Foreign Policy be affected by its Tariff Fallout with the United States?

Is India's grassroots boycott of US goods doomed to fail?

## **8/11**

### ***DX***

What will be the impact of the Trump Administration's cuts to medical research on our response to a future pandemic?

Will Donald Trump's plan for a new census actually happen?

What are the long-term implications of the Trump administration's firing of IRS Chief Billy Long?  
How will the Trump targeting of UCLA affect the response strategy of future public universities?

### ***IX***

Is the Chinese property market finally stabilizing?  
How will the Armenia-Azerbaijan peace deal be received by countries in the region?  
Should the United Kingdom's online safety laws be used as a global model?  
Why is Israel's plan for Gaza so controversial?

### **8/4**

#### ***DX***

Why is Emil Bove's nomination to the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals so consequential?  
What will be the implications of the EPA's reversals on climate change?  
Did the Trump administration make the right decision to lift H2O export controls?  
How can private health insurance companies best stay afloat in the wake of an economic crisis?

### ***IX***

What are the implications of the Trump Administration's targeting of Brazilian Supreme Court Justice Alexandre de Moraes?  
Does Bukele's recent consolidation of power signal that El Salvador is heading toward dictatorial rule?  
What actions can countries take in response to the precedent set by Trump's tariffs?  
Will Zelenskyy's authoritarian tendencies lead to another Euromaidan in Ukraine?

### **7/28**

#### ***DX***

What does the Tea App incident signal for the future of American cybersecurity?  
Should gerrymandering be a concern in the 2026 elections?  
How will the Big Beautiful Bill's changes to immigration impact private detention firms?  
Will President Trump be able to deal with the Epstein files without hurting his political stance?

### ***IX***

What endemic tensions are driving the persistent conflict between Thailand and Cambodia?  
What will be the long-term effects of France's recognition of a Palestinian state?  
Is Clara Brugada's plan to address concerns of gentrification in Mexico City sufficient?  
Will the new US-EU trade deal stabilize transatlantic economic relations or spark further trade tensions?

### **7/21**

#### ***DX***

Following "crypto week," legislation, what is the future of crypto regulation in the US?  
Can public media survive Trump's massive funding cuts?  
How will the Trump administration's handling of the Epstein files affect public approval?  
What are the implications of *McMahon v. New York* for federal layoffs?

### ***IX***

Should the international community play a greater role in mitigating the conflict between the Rapid Support Forces and the Sudanese Armed Forces?  
Will recent financial investigations into the National Rally hurt their electoral chances in 2027?  
What does the fragile ceasefire in Syria's Suwayda province reveal about the region's long-term stability?

Will the new peace deal between the DRC and Rwanda lead to a true peace?

**7/14**

***DX***

To what extent has Trump's protectionist trade policies affected marginalized communities within the United States?

What can be done to alleviate heat related deaths in the United States?

What implications do the Texas floods hold for the future of US disaster management policy?

What will be the effects of Trump's broad cuts to American public services?

***IX***

Is BRICS a threat to American hegemony?

Are current Western sanctions against Russia effective enough to deter further aggression?

What reforms to aviation will be prompted following the crash of the Air India Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner?

Will the new France-UK migration deal be successful?

**7/7**

***DX***

What can be done to alleviate heat related deaths in the United States?

What are the problems with Trump's golden share?

To what extent does the OBBB fulfill Trump's campaign promises?

How are Trump's immigration policies contributing to political polarization?

Will Elon Musk's America Party reshape the balance of power in Congress?

***IX***

What are the biggest barriers to democratic activists in Hong Kong?

Will Paetongtarn Shinawatra and her Pheu Thai party manage to stay in power by the end of 2025?

Can Vietnam effectively balance its ties to China amid tariff tensions?

Did Europe make a mistake pledging more military spending through NATO?

**6/30**

***DX***

What precedent does the SCOTUS ruling against the power of federal court to dismiss executive orders set for freedom?

Can courts credibly fight Trump's slew of wrongful deportations?

To what extent has Trump's attendance at the recent NATO summit affected trans-Atlantic relations?

What are the implications of Zohran Mamdani's primary win in NYC?

***IX***

Will the DRC and Rwanda's peace deal be effective at stabilizing the region?

Will a ceasefire between Israel and Iran hold?

Can refreezing save the Arctic?

What effect will recent events in Iran have on Israeli-Syrian normalization?

**6/23**

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**6/16**

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**6/10**

***DX***

What does Trump's decision to deploy the National Guard to quell ICE raids signal for the rest of his Presidency?

Should DOGE have been granted access to Social Security information?

Will DOGE continue to have an effect on the US government after Elon Musk's departure?

Will agentic AI do more harm than good for American businesses?

Can the US maintain its leadership in AI development?

How can the United States address declining education standards in tribal schools?

Will Trump's preference for oil and gas production sink efforts to boost the hydrogen industry?

***IX***

Will Mexico's reform of the judicial system decrease corruption or erode justice?

What is the future for South Korea's PPP after Yoon's failed attempt to declare martial law?

How will Karol Nawrocki's presidency affect Poland-EU relations?

What must happen for a new US-Iran Nuclear Deal to be forged?

How will the international community be impacted by President Trump's travel ban?

Is the UN fulfilling its objectives?

Should Germany ban the AfD?

***Hypo***

Donald Trump is discovered to be using an auto-pen machine and the machine malfunctions, leaving Trump to pass every bill that comes to his desk. In 2026 and beyond, what does this mean for legislative priorities?

**6/3**

***DX***

To what extent does \$TRUMP threaten national security?

How will the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington rule on Trump's usage of the IEEPA?

Why did Moody's Ratings choose to downgrade the US?

How will Nippon's acquisition of US Steel alter the American steel sector?

Did Elon Musk achieve his main goals as a part of the Trump administration?

How can AI companies reduce their energy footprint?

Should people be required to present proof of citizenship before voting?

***IX***

Will the recent extension of Myanmar's ceasefire lead to progress toward long-term peace?

Will Donald Trump's attempts at peace in Ukraine help or hinder US alliances?

Is Turkey becoming a truly authoritarian nation?

What does Karol Nawrocki's rise in Poland signal about the future of populism in Europe?

What are the biggest challenges facing the newly elected Korean president?

Were Mexico's judicial elections a good idea?

What is Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's plan for Gaza?

***Hypo***

The Fairy Godmother from Cinderella waves her magic wand and creates a fully functioning “Golden Dome,” albeit one that requires human maintenance. Will this successfully protect the United States from external military threats?

## **5/26**

### ***DX***

How should Senate Democrats handle the GOP’s One Big Beautiful Bill?

Will Harvard win its legal fight against the Trump Administration?

Can American businesses trust the Trump administration to offer predictable trade policy?

Do AI chatbots enjoy some of the same free speech rights granted under the First Amendment to people?

Should the Ten Commandments be required to be displayed in school classrooms?

Do funding cuts to NPR violate their free speech rights?

Is the US Steel-Nippon Steel merger cause for concern?

### ***IX***

Can the May 2025 India-Pakistan ceasefire hold amid the conflict within the region?

Can Vietnam successfully avoid Trump’s tariffs?

Should the US be concerned about North Korea’s developing military?

Does the future of aid distribution in Gaza rely on Israel?

Is Nigeria making progress in reducing its debt crisis?

How can neighboring countries work together to ensure the extension of a truce in Myanmar?

Why has Japan lost the world’s top creditor status?

### ***Hypo***

Grok, the AI created by xAI, begins taking over US government agencies and making its own autonomous decisions. How can Congress fight back and reclaim the government?

## **5/19**

### ***DX***

Will President Trump’s executive order to decrease drug prices succeed?

Why is measles making a comeback?

Will Trump’s lifting of sanctions in Syria be enough to stabilize the country?

Is Georgia’s heartbeat law consistent with constitutional protections and medical standards?

What will be the implications of Trump’s ban on Harvard’s acceptance of international students?

Will the “One Big Beautiful Bill Act” increase the federal deficit?

Should the US really get rid of the penny?

### ***IX***

Will Ukraine and Russia reach a peace deal by the end of the year?

What can Saudi Arabia do to achieve its Vision 2030 by 2030?

What will be the impacts of the euro’s recent rise in value?

Is it a wise choice for Qatar to sell the Boeing to the United States?

Is it sustainable in the long term for the Israeli government to continue its war in Gaza?

What are the implications of declining US-South Africa relations?

How can the global community work together to save our forests?

### ***Hypo***

President Trump's ban on international students at Harvard is extended by the administration to include all US universities involved in the Gaza protests last year. How, if at all, does higher education suffer under this mandate?

## **5/12**

### ***DX***

Will judicial intervention be enough to stop Trump's executive overreach in federal restructuring?

Is the US-China trade war finally at an end?

How will the US-UK trade deal benefit American industries?

Why did President Trump choose to accept solely white South Africans as refugees into the US?

Should President Trump accept the Air Force One offered by Qatar for his permanent use?

Will President Trump's proposed tax policies be good for the economy?

Why has Dartmouth been so successful in avoiding Trump's ire?

### ***IX***

How can the UK better protect itself against cyberattacks?

How can humanitarian organizations push to allow more relief into Gaza?

Will Pope Leo XIV follow in his predecessor's footsteps?

Is Friedrich Merz out of political trouble?

Are white South Africans being discriminated against by the government?

Why does Rodrigo Duterte remain so popular in the Philippines?

Has either India or Pakistan violated the terms of their ceasefire yet?

### ***Hypo***

Fueled by the tears of AP students, Bhutan's hydropower capabilities surpass any other country's overnight, making it the leading destination for cheap green energy. How should Bhutan leverage its new hydropower potential?

## **5/5**

### ***DX***

What will be the impacts of President Trump's new budget proposal on low-income Americans?

How can the CMF's New AI model help the US better manage critical resources?

Should the American public be concerned about President Trump's attacks on public media?

Is the environment of healthy disagreement fading from elite college campuses?

Should the US deport illegal immigrants to Libya?

How is the federal government attempting to break up Google?

Will the enforcement of REAL ID make airports safer?

### ***IX***

Will tensions over Kashmir boil into all-out war?

How is the "Trump effect" impacting global elections?

Is it a good time to be a Quebec separatist?

Why did Singapore's ruling party win yet another election?

What role can the United States play in defusing tensions over Kashmir?

How should the international community react to the Israeli plan to occupy the Gaza Strip?

Is Nayib Bukele seriously threatening human rights in El Salvador?

### ***Hypo***

Bad Bunny's latest song convinces Texans to begin migrating across the Mexican Border. Can the Trump and Sheinbaum administration negotiate a new migration agreement?

## **4/28**

### ***DX***

Will President Trump succeed in deporting 1 million immigrants by the end of 2025?

How can retailers best mitigate the effects of the US-China trade war?

Will Trump's tariffs be able to halt China's AI rise?

Will the George Santos scandal have any lasting impacts on U.S. politics?

How, if at all, has President Trump's behavior been influenced by alleged ties to "big business"?

Is President Trump failing to comply with court orders?

What upgrades does the Federal Aviation Administration need to make air travel safer?

### ***IX***

What are the hurdles for the implementation of the recent peace deal in the Democratic Republic of the Congo?

Will Fernando Collor's imprisonment further erode public trust in Brazil's political system?

How can India and Pakistan work together to de-escalate over Kashmir?

What can the U.S. do to immediately relax economic tensions across the world?

What should be the Liberal Party's first policy priorities in Canada?

How can Spain prevent future power outages like the one on April 28th?

Who will be the next Pope?

### ***Hypo***

A Burmese scammer steals millions of dollars from US President Donald Trump, prompting a US investigation into Burmese scam centers. How does US involvement in Myanmar affect relations with China?

## **4/21**

### ***DX***

Does humanity truly have a future on Mars?

What does Trump's feud with the Federal Reserve signal for the American economy?

Will Harvard's response to the Trump administration's list of demands affect other colleges' responses to federal threats?

Have efforts to stop Donald Trump's mass deportation efforts been successful?

How will the ruling to reinstate AP affect the White House's relationship with the media in the future?

Will efforts to combat climate change be hindered by the shutdown of NOAA?

Does Trump's tariff policy constitute insider trading?

### ***IX***

What does the UK Supreme Court's Equality Act ruling mean for transgender women?

Will Gonzalez's allegations of electoral fraud erode public trust in Ecuador's democratic institutions?

Is globally united climate change action too late to be impactful?

Will Al-Sharara ever succeed in uniting Syria's various militias?

How will global trade be affected by the U.S.' 125% tariffs against China?

Will the current government in South Sudan avoid a civil war in 2025?

Will Brazil become a global leader in green hydrogen?

***Hypo***

The US Congress unanimously decides to ban assault rifles. Will their decision help or hurt the Republican party?

**4/7**

***DX***

What lessons should Florida Democrats learn from recently lost Congressional races?

Does the Trump administration's actions on tariffs constitute insider trading?

Has Booker's Senate speech marked a significant change in Democratic morale?

Is the CHIPS Act living on borrowed time?

What will be the impact of President Trump's exclusion of most electronics from Chinese tariffs?

Should Congressional representatives be allowed to vote by proxy?

Should people be required to present a form of identification in order to vote?

***IX***

Should Jair Bolsonaro be arrested by Brazilian police?

Would global food standards in local food systems be a boon or bane for local populations?

How can the international community assist Haitian refugees?

Has the ICC lost its credibility?

What does the emergence of Sergei Beseda mean for Ukrainian peace talks?

Has local hope for democracy in Hong Kong finally ended?

Has China's shift to a smaller, greener BRI been beneficial for developing economies?

***Hypo***

President Trump announces the US's official withdrawal from NATO. Which country is best prepared to step up and lead the alliance?

**3/31**

***DX***

How can Tesla executives bring their sales back up?

Should President Trump overturn Biden's family pardons?

Is Harvard's decision to make tuition free for middle class students part of a wider effort to make higher education more accessible?

Is President Trump's deportation scheme legal?

Will RFK Jr's initiatives succeed in improving public health?

How should the Trump administration deal with "Signalgate"?

Does withdrawing Stefanik's UN nomination signal Republican instability or strategic planning?

***IX***

How will Duterte's arrest impact the domestic politics in the Philippines?

Following the detainment of Mayor Imamoglu, is Erdogan on the path to Turkish authoritarian rule?

How can Montenegro's party regain voter trust after recent corruption allegations?

Is the North Korean investment of troops into Kursk going to benefit them in the long run?

Following the collapse of USAID, will we see a wave of infectious disease in Sub-Saharan Africa?

Does Poland's immigration policy violate human rights?

What does the Sudanese army's recent gains in Khartoum mean for Sudanese civilians in the region?

### ***Hypo***

The United Nations suddenly receives \$10 billion in hard cash. How should it allocate these funds globally?

### **3/19**

#### ***DX***

Will Mahmoud Khalil be successfully deported?

How can the federal government get more people vaccinated against measles?

Is the Trump administration violating free speech by arresting campus protestors?

How will Elon Musk's role in the Trump administration shape U.S. exploration of space?

Will the Supreme Court allow Trump's wide ranging efforts to reshape the judicial branch?

What are the infrastructural implications of advancing climate change?

Should Texas loosen its near-total abortion ban?

#### ***IX***

How should the international community respond to Russia's delay in agreeing to a ceasefire in Ukraine?

Will Donald Trump's "maximum pressure campaign" help or hurt Iranian protest movements?

What does Demokraatit's victory in Greenland's parliamentary elections mean for the country?

What will be the regional impacts of an escalation of US strikes on the Houthis?

Can the international community re-negotiate a ceasefire in Gaza?

Should the US dollar remain the international currency standard?

Will the withdrawal of Poland and several Baltic nations from a 1997 landmine ban destabilize Europe?

### ***Hypo***

Putin suddenly gives into demands to accept Ukraine's ceasefire demands, and the war in Ukraine temporarily halts. How should Putin and Zelenskyy work together to make sure that peace lasts?

### **3/12**

#### ***DX***

What will be the long term impacts of Donald Trump's environmental policy reforms?

Will Congress cave to Trump's pressure to dismantle the Department of Education?

Will BlackRock's efforts to acquire key ports in the Panama Canal be successful?

What steps must the DNC take to "find a path out of the wilderness" for a fighting chance in 2028?

Should the US vaccinate its birds against bird flu?

Is the US heading towards a recession?

Is the US in for a government shutdown?

#### ***IX***

How will President Embaló's decision to run for reelection affect democracy in Guinea-Bissau?

Will Mark Carney stay as Canadian Prime Minister?

Will the US-African minerals race revive a colonial "race to the bottom" within African industry?

Has Ukraine lost its diplomatic edge in peace negotiations?

Will Rodrigo Duterte be convicted on war crime charges?

How can Poland revitalize its military?

Is Armenia and Azerbaijan's new peace deal the one to finally end the conflict?

### ***Hypo***

You are the President of the United States and the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station in Mississippi sees its main reactor explode, rendering it completely nonfunctional. Should you tell your nation?

### **2/24**

#### ***DX***

What are the consequences of Trump's research funding cuts?  
What will federal education look like post-Donald Trump?  
Will the federal government's plan to make a sovereign wealth fund be a success?  
Will Vivek Ramaswamy become Ohio's next governor?  
Is President Trump's "gold card" visa a good idea?  
What's behind the recent outbreaks of measles?  
Will Florida's version of DOGE be successful?

#### ***IX***

What was the purpose of China's recent naval drills?  
How can West Africa combat its opioid epidemic?  
Is the South African Expropriation Act No 13 fair?  
How can Venezuela recover from years of economic instability?  
Should Ukraine have agreed to the mineral wealth deal?  
Which of the Liberal Party candidates in Canada are best prepared to deal with President Trump?  
Are there crimes against humanity occurring in Sudan?

### ***Hypo***

DOGE's young agents get tired of working for Elon Musk, saying they were disappointed it wouldn't involve more memecoin. Will DOGE's changes last?

### **2/17**

#### ***DX***

What's up with the price of eggs?  
Will MAHA actually make America healthier?  
How should states respond to the federal government's threats to slash Medicaid funding?  
Should the U.S. government grant DOGE access to the IDRS?  
Will the Supreme Court be a meaningful barrier to Trump's efforts to reduce the federal workforce?  
Is the safety of trans prison inmates at risk?  
Will America regret President Trump's cuts to National Park Service employees?

#### ***IX***

How will the US and Israel's relationship change over the next four years?  
How can Germany strike a balance between ensuring national security and maintaining compassionate immigration policies?  
Who will win Ecuador's presidential runoff?  
How can Europe get involved in Ukrainian peace talks?  
Will the AfD win big in Germany's upcoming parliamentary elections?  
Are Justice Alexandre de Moraes' actions good for Brazilian democracy?  
How can Pakistan combat its water crisis?

### ***Hypo***

All of Sudan's military forces, including terrorist organizations, lay down their arms in a shocking ceasefire deal that sees the current government remain in power. How should the international community rebuild the country?

### **2/10**

#### ***DX***

Could President Trump actually 'take over' the Gaza Strip?

Are President Trump's actions in combating immigration Constitutional?

Will President Trump's decision to freeze most USAID programs impact the United States' geopolitical standing?

Will immigration stop-work orders return?

Should the US implement President Trump's proposed Iron Dome system?

Was it a good idea to appoint Tulsi Gabbard as Director of National Intelligence?

Can President Trump end the war in Ukraine this year?

#### ***IX***

How can South Korea lift itself out of political turmoil?

How will the impeachment of Sara Duterte affect the Philippines' stability?

Does China have the ability to replace USAID?

Will President Trump's sanctions on the ICC achieve their goals?

Is famine coming to Sudan?

Will the Israel-Hamas ceasefire last all the way through?

Are the Italian police winning the fight against mafia groups?

### ***Hypo***

All of the federal workers that were offered a Trump payout actually end up taking it. What happens to the federal government's ability to carry out its essential functions?

### **1/27**

#### ***DX***

To what extent will Trump's use of tariffs succeed in achieving his political and economic goals?

Should the United States eliminate judicial elections?

What impact would dismantling FEMA have on national disaster relief efforts?

Will Trump actually withdraw from NATO in his second term?

Can Nvidia recover from its DeepSeek setback?

Do Trump's executive orders violate the Constitution?

Will Trump successfully bring down soaring egg prices?

#### ***IX***

How would a major Nankai trough earthquake impact Japan's economy?

What would be the impact of the Law and Justice Party winning the Polish presidential elections?

What are the biggest takeaways from the Davos summit?

How should Latin American nations respond to Trump's tariff threats?

Why is the capture of Goma by M23 so significant?

Will Trump's foreign funding freeze cripple international aid groups?

Can Bangladesh's Awami League reestablish itself as a major political player?

### ***Hypo***

BRICS reveals a revolutionary new currency to rival the dollar's status as the world's currency of choice. How should the United States respond?

### **1/13**

#### ***DX***

How will Meta's decision to end fact checking on its platforms impact misinformation on social media?

What steps should be taken to combat conflict of interests for future cabinet members?

How can Los Angeles improve its wildfire mitigation efforts to prevent the impact of future devastating fires?

What policy changes will Trump implement in the beginning of his second term?

Can Bezos' Blue Origin outcompete Musk's SpaceX?

How will the ban on Red Dye No. 3 impact the food industry?

Will the Tiktok ban be a net negative or positive for Americans?

#### ***IX***

How can Joseph Aoun help Lebanon rebuild?

Will Trump's efforts to acquire Greenland be successful?

How can Syria address concerns over bias in its new curriculum?

How will recent Central Asian border dispute resolutions affect the region's economic growth?

What is different about the newest Israel-Hamas ceasefire?

What's the best way that the international community can stabilize the new Syrian regime?

What does Elon Musk's growing political influence mean for the EU?

### ***Hypo***

As he's about to leave office, Biden reveals that the moon landing was a hoax after all, crushing popular belief in scientific experts. How can the federal government restore public faith?

### **1/6**

#### ***DX***

Have Democrats and Republicans finally found common ground on credit card policies?

Would the United States be ready to respond to a bird flu pandemic?

How will Biden's judicial appointments during his term shape court decisions during Trump's next presidency?

What changes will the Trump administration bring to cryptocurrency?

How seriously should we take Trump's wishes to annex Greenland?

Will Daniel Lurie finally "flip the script" for San Francisco?

Has Meta pivoted to the right?

#### ***IX***

What must the UK do to defuse diplomatic tensions over the Chagos Islands?

Why did Ukraine halt the flow of gas from Russia?

How can AGOA be reformed to ensure its reauthorization?

What can Edmundo González do to promote Venezuelan opposition while he is in exile?

Will Lebanon be able to successfully elect a president soon?

Can Syrians trust their new government?

Who could replace Justin Trudeau as leader of the Liberals?

### ***Hypo***

Elon Musk buys TikTok, renaming it to “T”. What can Elon Musk do to make the platform serve the interests of the incoming Trump administration?

### **12/30**

#### ***DX***

What impact, if any, will the Matt Gaetz ethics report have on the Republican Party?

What is the most effective way for the United States to solve its homelessness crisis?

What will be the long-term effects of OpenAI’s transition to a for-profit company?

Can Biden protect Donald Trump’s political rivals from prosecution next year?

What will be the legacy of former President Jimmy Carter?

Will Trump succeed in restricting H1-B visas?

How has Elon Musk become such a powerful political player?

#### ***IX***

Who will come out on top--Morales or Arce?

In light of recent BRICS actions, how should the United States counter de-dollarization efforts?

Is a renewed Kosovo-Serbian conflict inevitable in 2025?

How should the international community respond to the Azerbaijan Airlines incident?

How can the international community support the rights of Afghan women?

Should international watchdogs re-define famine in conflict zones?

Can Ukraine endure another year of war?

### ***hypo***

Jimmy Carter magically comes back to life for an hour to offer some advice to the Democratic Party. What does he say?

### **12/23**

#### ***DX***

Will the Social Security Fairness Act be enough to fix social security in America?

What conditions are needed to reverse the US’s growing national debt?

If Kristi Noem is confirmed as Secretary of the Interior, who should replace her as South Dakota’s governor?

What will it take to end the Teamsters strike against Amazon?

What are the chances bird flu becomes the next big pandemic in America?

How should the US government stop forced labor in prisons?

How will the Supreme Court rule in Kerr v. Edwards?

#### ***IX***

Is Ethiopia's funding of the East Africa Electric Highway, instead of other sectors wise?

How can Justin Trudeau avoid a catastrophic defeat in the 2025 Canadian election?

How will the Pacific Islands’ case at the ICJ shape international environmental regulations?

Will India and China be able to come to peace on their border in 2025?

How should Panama’s government respond to Donald Trump’s threats of taking over the Panama Canal?

Is Belarus’ opposition movement dead?

How will the fall of Syria’s Bashar al-Assad impact Iran’s regional influence?

***Hypo:***

Less than 3 weeks after his arrival in Russia, Bashar al-Assad executes a coup d'état, leaving Vladimir Putin dead and Assad the nation's new leader. What is Russia's new orientation in the world?

**12/16**

***DX***

How should the federal government address growing concerns over drone sightings on the East Coast?

Is 'Swiftonomics' a good or bad thing?

How likely is a TikTok ban in the United States?

Will dock workers and the US Maritime Alliance be able to successfully avoid impending strikes by January 15, 2025?

Should Honda and Nissan merge?

How can the US government reduce AI's massive carbon footprint?

Has the murder of United HealthCare CEO Brian Thompson sparked wider conversations about healthcare inaccessibility?

***IX***

Who will be the next leader of Syria?

Will the Christian Democrats take control of the German Parliament in 2025?

Will increased internal border controls within the Schengen Area exacerbate the EU's migrant crisis at large?

How will Claudia Sheinbaum handle Trump's tariffs?

Does Egypt's new asylum law violate international refugee rights?

Is it wise for Israel to continue its plans to occupy Syria?

Should Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau resign?

***Hypo:***

Artificial intelligence programs like ChatGPT and DALL-E suddenly gain consciousness in the US, and take over the federal government. With their current repertoire of knowledge, will they govern the US more successfully than humans?

**12/9**

***DX***

How can the health insurance industry reform themselves to avoid future incidents?

What legal obstacles will Trump face in his deportation plan?

Will President Biden's decision to pardon Hunter Biden significantly change public perception of the Democratic Party's leadership?

Should the U.S. involve themselves with Syria with the collapse of the Assad regime?

Will the killing of Brian Thompson, the UnitedHealthcare CEO, create meaningful change in the healthcare insurance industry?

How can colleges and universities revitalize interest in higher education?

Will Biden's approval of oil and gas leases in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge mean significant drilling in the region?

***IX***

Should Indonesia favor closer ties with the United States or China?

Will the PPP regret walking out on Yoon Suk Yeol's impeachment vote?  
Given recent protests, will Georgia move closer once again towards EU accession?  
Is Russia successfully maintaining its influence in Central Asia?  
Will Syria finally see peace with the fall of the Assad regime?  
Why is China probing Nvidia for antitrust violations?  
Will the election of former President John Mahama turn things around for Ghana?

***Hypo:***

After suspending its talks for EU membership, Georgia decides to embrace cooperation with Russia instead. Without going down the same path, how should the rest of Central Asia respond?

**12/2**

***DX***

Which political issue should Republicans address in California?  
Should HR 9495 be passed, how can nonprofits likely to be targeted ensure they survive?  
Will the Democratic Party see a significant shift in national leadership during Donald Trump's next term?  
How would a dismantlement of the Department of Education affect the US economy?  
Is the pay package Elon Musk is trying to pass by the courts fair?  
Should Joe Biden have pardoned his son, Hunter Biden?  
What do the various 'Word of the Year' words say about social media?

***IX***

Does the international community need to step in to address issues with judicial elections in Mexico?  
How should the Bolivian government stabilize its economy?  
Is peace still achievable through political means in Syria?  
What is the future of the French government?  
What would be the impacts of a 25% tariff on the Mexican economy?  
Will violent protests in Georgia sway the government to put the country back on a quick path to EU membership?  
How can Hong Kong boost tourism?

***Hypo***

After disagreements about the best Taylor Swift album, France and Germany withdraw from the European Union, each stating that 'they can no longer work with nutcases'. What does this mean for stability in the region?

**11/18**

***DX***

Will DOGE oversee a significant reduction in federal government spending?  
To what extent will Biden's climate legacy survive the Trump administration?  
Will Marco Rubio's foreign policy improve or damage U.S.–Mexico border cooperation?  
Will Trump's mass deportation plan be successful?  
Is Pete Hegseth qualified to run the Department of Defense?  
Will Matt Gaetz be confirmed by the Senate?  
Will Arab Americans come to regret abandoning Kamala Harris?

## ***IX***

Will Trump's presidency accelerate the EU's move towards strategic political autonomy in international affairs?

How would Brazil joining the BRI affect the rest of South America?

What policies should Myanmar's junta implement to reverse the effects of the group's national conscription?

How can South Africa tame its widespread illegal mining industry?

What will be the impact of the US approving Ukraine's usage of long-range missiles in Russia?

How can Pakistan's government improve their response to the smog crisis enveloping Punjab?

Why is New Zealand currently seeing massive protests?

## ***Hypo***

After Pete Hegseth's nomination as Defense Secretary, every woman in the US military decides to resign at the same time in a show of protest. What would the military look like without women?

## **11/11**

### ***DX***

How will Trump's immigration policy affect America's relationship with Mexico?

Will Donald Trump's cabinet picks safeguard democracy?

Will the newly created Department of Government Efficiency have an influential role in government?

What's next for Kamala Harris?

Is Kathy Hochul's decision to revive the congestion tax wise?

What does the election of John Thune as Senate Majority Leader mean?

How can the United States address the senior caregivers shortage?

## ***IX***

Will the Irish party Fine Gael win the greatest number of seats in Parliament on Nov. 29?

Was Mexico's "Hugs not Guns" policy a failure?

Has the international community done enough to support Myanmar?

Can the ICC undergo reforms that would make it more effective?

What should China expect from another Trump term?

How can Delhi combat extremely dangerous levels of air pollution?

How can South Africa combat illegal gold mining in the country?

## ***Hypo***

After decades of preparation following their previous defeat, emus in Australia are back at war with the government, recklessly destroying property and agriculture. How should the Australian government keep their country safe?

## **11/4**

### ***DX***

Which presidential candidate would better help improve medical accessibility in the United States?

Despite reassurances that election fraud is extremely unlikely, why are American voters concerned about the 2024 election's integrity?

What can be done to revive the influence of the Voting Rights Act as recent gerrymandering weakens it?

Whose responsibility should it be to combat election misinformation and social media attacks in U.S. politics?

If Donald Trump loses, will he try to contest the election results?

Have abortion restrictions seriously impacted other maternal services in red states?  
Who would be better for the economy: Kamala Harris or Donald Trump?

### ***IX***

Will North Korean troops change the tide of the war in Ukraine?  
What do Japan's election results mean for its geopolitical role in Asia?  
Will Germany's ruling coalition survive budget negotiations?  
How can New Zealand come back from its economic slump?  
Will Russia transfer technological secrets to North Korea in exchange for troops heading to Ukraine?  
How can Spain fix its disaster response plan?  
Will Moldova ever join the EU?

### ***Hypo***

A lack of business since Donald Trump left the White House has bankrupted his preferred pen brand, the Sharpie. He spontaneously combusts in anger (but still survives) and accidentally destroys Pennsylvania. Without the state, who wins the presidency?

## **10/28**

### ***DX***

What can Colin Allred do to appeal to more voters in Texas?  
What has prevented the U.S. from closing the adoption immigration loophole sooner?  
What will be the legacy of Donald Trump's 2024 presidential campaign?  
Will the North Dakota Supreme Court reinstate the state's abortion ban?  
Will weight loss medication innovation help obese children become healthier?  
How can the US win the war in quantum computing?  
Will the results of the 2024 election results be reliable?

### ***IX***

How should Latin American countries address cartels?  
What has led to Keir Starmer's decreasing popularity in Great Britain?  
Did Egypt make the right choice by replacing Abbas Kamel?  
How will the recent border pact between India and China shift military relations between the two?  
How can Egypt and Ethiopia resolve their water dispute?  
How will Israel's ban on UNRWA operations impact aid to Gaza?  
Will the Russian war effort be advanced by the shipment of North Korean soldiers to Ukraine?

### ***Hypo***

Fears over a major battle between India and China in the Himalayas have finally manifested...in the form of a dance battle. Angry that the Indians have outdanced the Chinese to the Haidilao song, Xi Jinping declares war on India. Who would win?

## **10/21**

### ***DX***

What do the trends from early voting say about the 2024 election?  
Will Trump or Harris win more voters in the key swing states?  
What should America take away from declining tobacco use among teens?  
Will Robert Roberson's subpoena give him sufficient opportunities to overturn his execution sentence?

Should the rest of the nation take notes from Baltimore's plan to combat violent crime?  
Is Musk's \$1 million voter petition lottery legal?  
Will Colin Allred turn Texas blue?

### ***IX***

What steps can Cuba take to rebuild its crumbling power grid?  
Will Bulgaria's upcoming parliamentary elections finally bring about the formation of a government?  
What impact will the death of Yahya Sinwar have on the Israel-Hamas war?  
Why is Russia meddling in Moldova's election?  
What will be the legacy of outgoing Indonesian President Joko 'Jokowi' Widodo?  
Is BRICS ready to take on the West?  
With the election of Daniel Chapo, is Mozambique finally headed towards a brighter future?

### ***Hypo***

Henry Kissinger suddenly rises from the dead, angry that Tiktokers are still making fun of him. Because Joe Biden has fallen asleep again, he gains full control over the nation's foreign policy. How does this impact the world?

### **10/14**

#### ***DX***

Will JD Vance be the 2028 Republican presidential nominee?  
Which candidate has better endorsements in the 2024 presidential election?  
How can the United States reform the bail system?  
Can the immigration crisis be solved?  
Should ghost guns be completely banned on a federal level?  
Are we in the middle of an AI bubble?  
Would the SAVE Act help Americans?

### ***IX***

What will be the impacts of Australia's Fair Work Act?  
Can the international community relieve Venezuela's economic crisis?  
Will the introduction of THAAD into the Middle East be a disaster for the region?  
How can the US mediate disagreements between Canada and India?  
Are Justice Alexandre de Moraes' actions protecting or harming democracy in Brazil?  
What steps can African nations take to address voter fraud?  
What can Britain do to save its immigration policy?

### ***HYPO***

In a stunning upset, Jill Stein wins the presidency, Republicans gain control over the Senate, and Democrats win the House of Representatives. How can Jill Stein cooperate with a divided government to pass her budget priorities?

### **10/7**

#### ***DX***

How should the federal government reform flood insurance programs?  
Will the United States remain in the Middle East for the foreseeable future?  
What will be the impact of Texas laws against emergency abortions?  
Will East Coast dock workers reach a deal with their employers by January 15, 2025 to avoid another dock strike?

Should Congress have automatic continuing resolutions for government spending when fiscal year deadlines approach?

What is the most politically feasible solution to address the national debt?

Will the vice presidential debate between Tim Walz and JD Vance tip the scales?

## ***IX***

Will Claudia Sheinbaum change Mexico for the better?

How can India best tackle gender violence against women?

Where should China start in its attempts to reinvigorate its national economy?

How should the Caribbean best deal with its gun smuggling crisis?

Is Ukraine's Volodymyr Zelenskyy successfully protecting democracy in the country?

Will Egypt start a water war with Ethiopia?

Can Pakistan disarm the TPP by threatening Afghanistan?

## ***HYPO:***

Jeff Bezos experiences a mental mixup and starts promoting Amazon, the rainforest, instead of Amazon, the company, causing billions of dollars to be donated to Brazil for the express purpose of protecting the Amazon. How does this impact President Lula da Silva's Amazon conservation strategy?

## **9/30**

### ***DX***

What would happen if the United States went into a government shutdown?

Will Ohio's new redistricting plan influence other states to establish independent redistricting commissions as well?

Will Hurricane Helene result in more US legislation on climate change?

Will CVS break up...with itself?

Should Georgia get rid of their new policy requiring ballots to be hand-counted?

How can schools better revamp their CTE curriculum?

Should the US invest in nuclear plants as the future of green energy?

## ***IX***

Should the United States pursue another attempt at maintaining influence in the Sahel region?

Is the European far-right here to stay?

Will Israel's assassination campaign against enemy political and military leaders be successful in the long-term?

Should South Korea develop nuclear weapons?

Can the international community end the war in Sudan?

Will Friedrich Merz be the next chancellor of Germany?

Will the recent infighting within the Sinaloa Cartel present an opportunity to cut down on gang violence and trafficking?

## ***HYPO:***

Rishi Sunak decides Keir Starmer doesn't host enough tea parties as British Prime Minister and makes him go back in time to the Boston Tea Party to properly appreciate the commodity. Who will replace him as PM?