

**GEORGE
W.
BUSH**



**PRESIDENTS' FIRST TERMS
BY THE NUMBERS**
(all dollars adjusted for inflation to 2012)

**BARACK
H.
OBAMA**

\$ **1.92**



average cost of gasoline

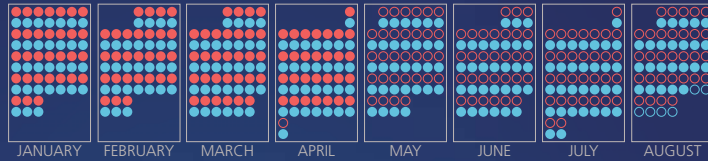


\$ **3.15**

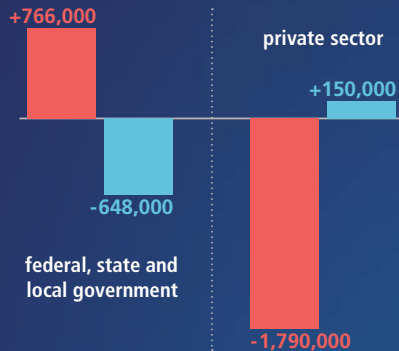
average unemployment rate

5.5%
9.3%

17 weeks average length of unemployment **33.7 weeks**



job creation and loss



average per capita income



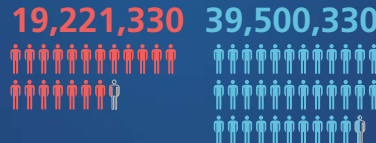
change in inflation (CPI)

8.2% **9.1%**

three year average of people employed by the federal government

2,759,000
2,878,900

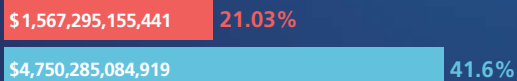
average number of Americans on food stamps



private health insurance premiums per enrollee

\$3,151
\$4,224

increase in the national debt



total number of tax audits for first three years

2,570,811 **5,038,255**

4.22%

change in real GDP

4.1%

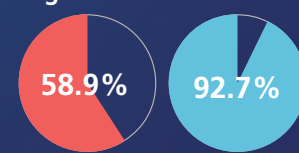
three year total of executive orders

126
96

change in the S&P 500



three year average national debt as percentage of GDP



63.7%
48.9%

average presidential approval rating (Gallup)

Alabama Policy Institute (API) Presidents' First Term *By the Numbers* infographics reflect data from each president's first term. Note: Because President Obama's first term was not complete at the time this infographic was released (Oct. 2012), API did not pair statistics of his incomplete term with those of President Bush's full term. If data was only available for the first three years of President Obama's administration for a particular statistic, API compared that figure to the same information from the first three years of the Bush administration. If daily or monthly numbers could be identified for a statistic, these data were used to calculate the statistic up to the day or month the same data were available for President Obama.