

## Andrew Jackson:

1767 - 1845

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### **Essential Question:**



Champion of the "Common Man"?

OR

"King"
Andrew?



# What were the democratic trends in the 19c?

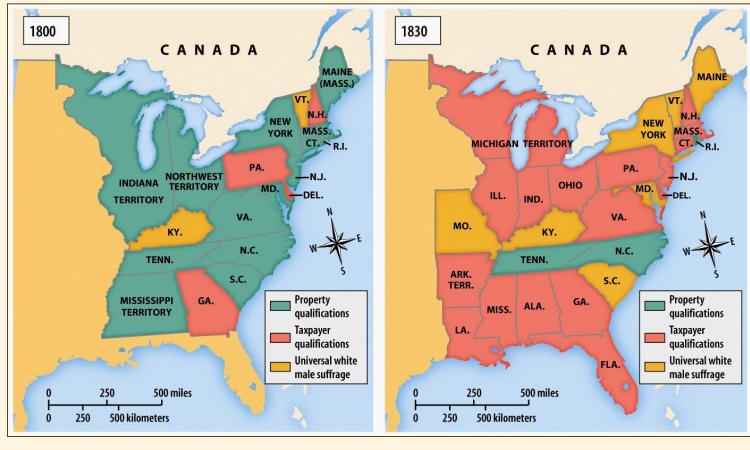


# The Center of Population



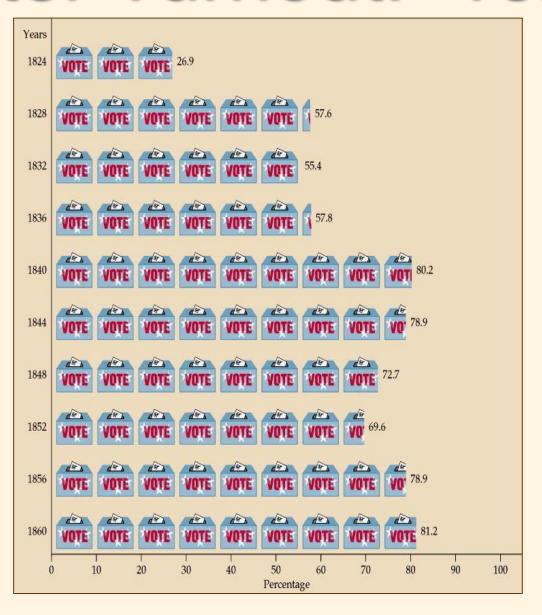


# Voting Requirements in the Early 19c





### Voter Turnout: 1820





## Why Increased Voting?

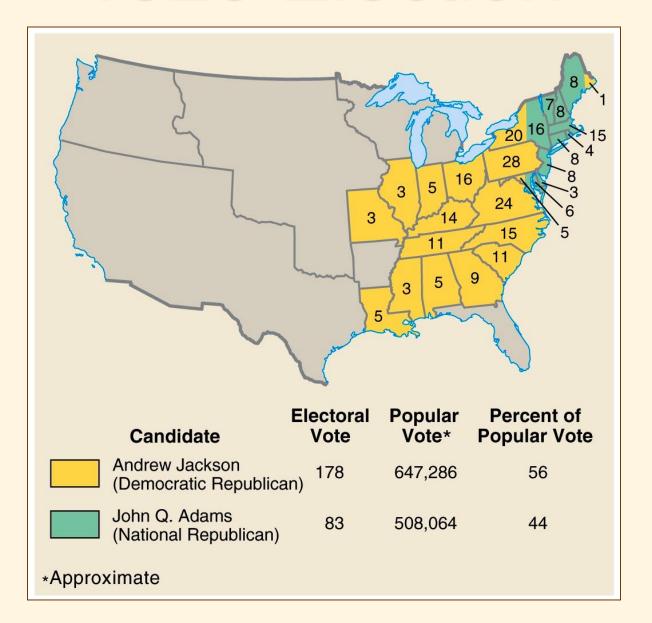
- White male suffrage increased
- Voters chose their state's slate of Presidential electors.
- Spoils system.
- Popular campaigning (parades, rallies, floats, etc.)
- Two-party system returns:
  - Natl. Reps.(1825) → Whigs
     (1834) → Republicans (1854)
  - Dem-Reps → Democrats (1828)



# Election of

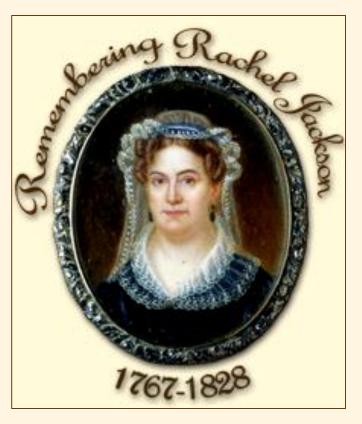


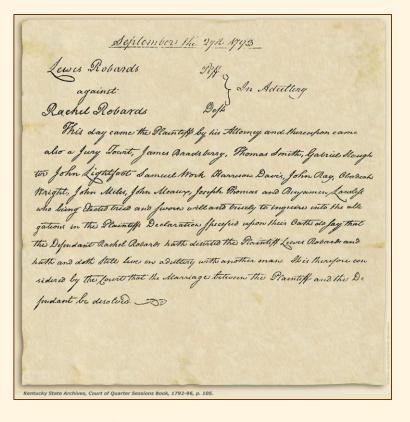
### 1828 Election





### Rachel Jackson

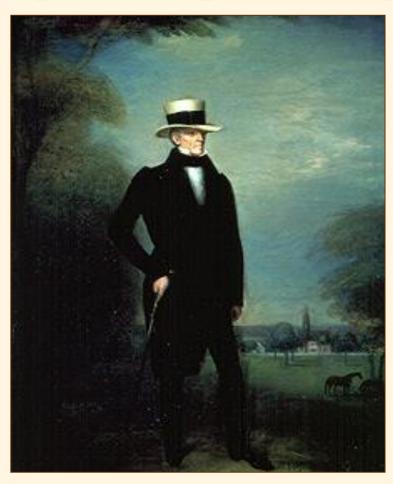




Final Divorce Decree



# Jackson in Mourning for His Wife





# The New "Jackson Coalition" The Planter Elite in the

- The Planter Elite in the South
- People on the Frontier
- State Politicians spoils system
- Immigrants in the cities.

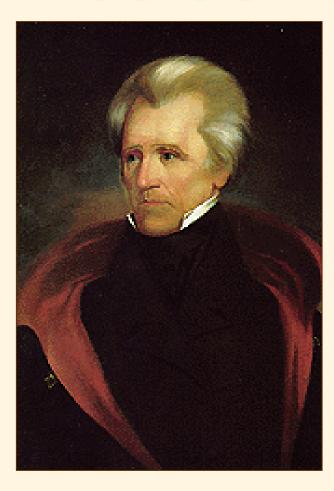


# Jackson's Faith in the "Common Man"

- Intense distrust of Eastern "establishment," monopolies, & special privilege.
- His heart & soul was with the "plain folk."
- Belief that the common man was capable of uncommon achievements.



# Andrew Jackson as President





### Spoils System

Rewarding political supporters with public office

What is the benefit of this system?

What is the negative aspect of this system?



#### Tariff Issue

Tariff of 1828-placed even higher taxes on imported goods

Inherited by Jackson from Congress

Who benefits from high tariffs? Why?

Who is hurt by high tariffs? Why?



### South Responds

Many in the South call these "tariffs of abomination"

They begin a group known as **Nullies** due to their goal of getting states to nullify or void these tariffs John C. Calhoun led them (VP)

Congress Passes Tariff of 1832-less protective, but not enough for nullies

S.C threatens to secede, Jackson prepares military as does S.C.



#### Outcome

Henry Clay of Kentucky saves the day by proposing a new tariff law.

Compromise Tariff of 1833-reduce the tariff over 8 year period

Force Bill/Bloody Bill-President has the power to use military to collect federal tariff duties



# Jacksons Native-American Policy

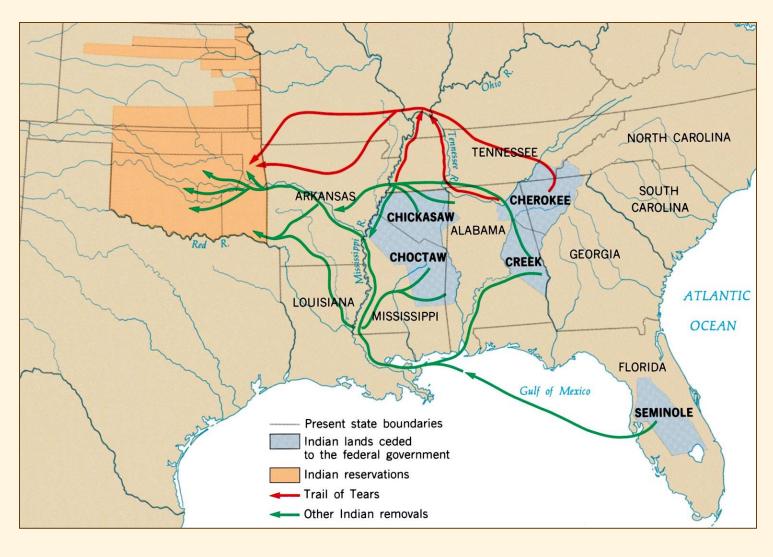


#### Indian Removal

- Jackson's Goal-Open the West for Settlement. 5 Civilized tribes hurt the most.
- 1830 → Indian Removal Act-"humane" way of getting the "barbarians" out of the way.
- Worcester v. GA -GA has no power over Cherokee land since it was created in a treaty signed with the U.S.(1832)
- Jackson: John Marshall has made his decision, now let him enforce it"



### Indian Removal





### Trail of Tears (1838-39)



- •In 1835 Cherokee have no choice but to sign a treaty.
- •They agree to give up their land in SE in exchange for barren land in OK, \$5 mil and travel expenses
- In 1838 17,000 Cherokee and 2000 enslaved African Americans set out on a 116 day journey in the bitter cold
- •4,000 died along the "Trail of Tears"



## Renewing the Charter of the 1st National Bank



#### lews on the National Bank

Read 268-270

Supporters of the National Bank would say?

Opponents of the National Bank would Argue?

Why did Clay and Daniel Webster propose to extend the banks Charter in 1832?

What was Jackson's response?

What was controversial about his response?



# The "Monster" Is Destroyed!

- $\stackrel{\bullet}{\longrightarrow}$  1836  $\rightarrow$  the charter expired.
- 1841 → the bank went bankrupt!



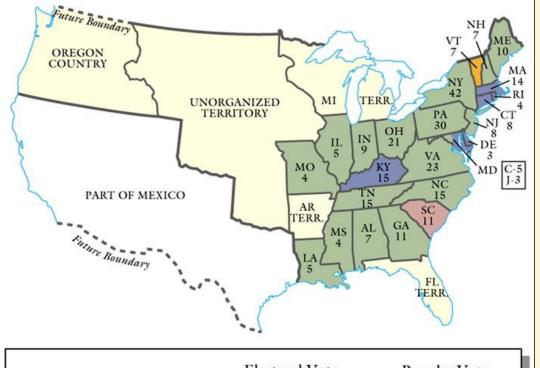
An 1832 Cartoon:

"King Andrew"





### 1832 Election



## Main Issue?

	Electoral Vote		Popular Vote	
	Number	%	Number	%
Jackson (Democratic)	219	76	701,780	54
Clay (National Republican)	49	17	484,205	38
Wirt (Anti-Masonic)	7	2.4	100,715	8
Floyd (Independent Democrat)	11	3.8		

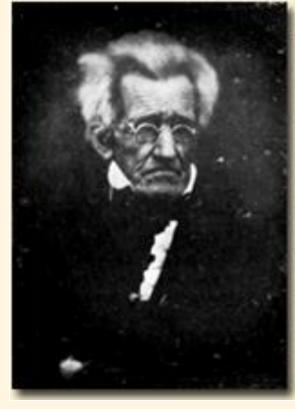


#### Jackson's Second Term

- Jackson's Goal was to bury Nicholas Biddle and the National Bank
- He stops depositing money in the National Bank
- He starts putting money in "pet banks" and even smaller "wildcat" banks
- These banks began to issue paper money due to surplus from government funds. Most of the money was given to buy land.
- Leads to a false sense of security
- Biddle responds by calling in the loans given by National bank. Many pet banks went under, others printed more paper money to pay off the debt.
- Jackson issues Specie Circular-all public land must be purchased with gold or silver coins
- People who needed credit to purchase land could not get it, real estate business in big trouble
- Leads to Panic of 1837



# Photo of Andrew Jackson in 1844 (one year before his death)

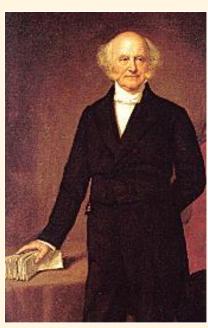


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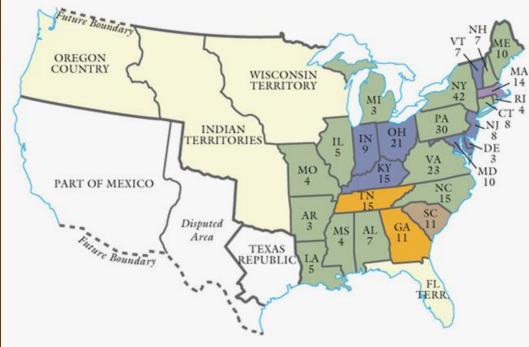
### The 1836 Election

Result



Martin Van Buren

"Old Kinderhook"
[O. K.]



Electoral Vote		Popular Vote	
Number	%	Number	%
170	57.8	764,176	51
73	24.8	550,816	36
26	8.8	146,107	10
14	4.8	41,201	3
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#### Van Buren's Mediocrity

He followed a legend in Jackson

He inherited an economic crisis with the Panic of 1837

Economic downturn in Europe begins to further stress the American Economy with fewer customers to by our products

Banks continue to fail unable to collect on loans

Unemployment skyrocketed

Whigs proposed the government step in and help, Van Buren refused