

Here are the top 10 most liberal positions that Harris has held:

### **1. Black Lives Matter rioters and criminal justice**

Following the death of George Floyd, [Harris shared](#) on social media the Minnesota Freedom Fund in June 2020 amid the Black Lives Matter riots. The [fund gave hundreds of thousands of dollars](#) to free a twice convicted rapist and a woman charged with stabbing her friend to death. Of the more than \$41 million raised by the fund, only a fraction of it was used to free rioters.

Harris called for [ending the cash bail system](#) during her 2020 presidential campaign.

### **2. Healthcare**

Harris was an [original co-sponsor](#) of Sen. Bernie Sanders' (I-Vt.) "Medicare for All" legislation in 2019. She echoed claims that Sanders' bill allowed "supplemental" plans and therefore [didn't eliminate private insurance](#). Then Harris released her own [Medicare for All plan](#) where there would be a 10-year transition period to Medicare for All while allowing private insurance plans to continue.

### **3. Energy and The Green New Deal**

Harris introduced the Green New Deal legislation with Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) in 2020. The measure could have [cost up to \\$93 trillion](#), according to the American Action Forum. [The Heritage Foundation estimated](#) that the Green New Deal would wipe out more than 5.2 million jobs by 2040 at a peak employment shortfall.

She also co-sponsored a [ban on offshore drilling](#) in 2017.

During the 2020 presidential race, Harris said she supported [banning plastic straws](#) and [reducing the consumption of red meat](#) nationwide.

She also said in 2019 that she [supported banning fracking](#). However, since joining Biden's campaign in 2020, she has reversed that stance, and in an about-face, [Harris's campaign said](#) last week that she doesn't support bans on fracking.

### **4. Gun control**

In 2019, Harris said that in her first 100 days as president, she would take executive action to [ban imports of AR-15 rifles](#). [The Washington Post reported](#) that in fact, soon after Obama's election, domestic production of semiautomatic rifles surpassed the previous year by nearly 60 percent. [According to Statistica](#), most of the more than 20 million AR-15 rifles in the U.S. have been made domestically.

During the 2020 presidential race, she also [supported a ban](#) on new sales of assault weapons and a mandatory buyback program for confiscating Americans' assault weapons.

In the 2008 District of Columbia v. Heller case, Harris [filed an amicus brief](#) as the San Francisco district attorney, arguing that there is not a broad constitutional right to gun ownership.

## 5. Immigration and open borders

During a [2018 Senate confirmation hearing](#) for Ronald Vitiello to lead Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), after asking Vitiello about the Ku Klux Klan, Harris asked whether there were parallels between perceptions of ICE and the KKK. Vitiello said he didn't see any parallels.

In 2018, [Harris said](#), "I think there's no question that we've got to critically re-examine ICE, and its role, and the way that it is being administered, and the work it is doing. And we need to probably think about starting from scratch." However, [Harris's spokesperson](#) later said that the then-senator was considering "a complete overhaul of the agency, mission, culture, operations."

Harris was named – albeit euphemistically – as Biden's border czar in March 2021. Nomenclature aside, she was assigned the task of resolving root causes of the border crisis. Last week, the GOP-led House, [including six Democrats](#), passed a resolution "strongly condemning" Harris for her [performance as the "border czar."](#) The House resolution noted that there have been 9.7 million illegal immigrant encounters nationwide since January 2021.

## 6. Abortion

When she ran in the 2020 presidential race, Harris criticized Biden's campaign's position [supporting the Hyde Amendment](#), which prevents most federal funding of abortion. However, Biden had said he changed his mind and no longer supported the amendment.

Harris is believed to be the first sitting VP to [visit an abortion clinic](#), which she did in Minnesota in March. As a senator, [Harris, along with more than two dozen other senators co-sponsored](#) the Women's Health Protection Act, which would have created a national right to abortion.

## 7. Student loan forgiveness

While running for president in the 2020 race, Harris promoted a [student-debt forgiveness plan](#) in 2019 as part of investing in Historically Black Colleges and Universities and black entrepreneurs. Her plan allowed up to \$20,000 of student loans to be forgiven for borrowers who received a Pell Grant if they started and operated a business for a minimum of three years in a disadvantaged community.

Later, Harris endorsed Biden's plan that canceled up to \$10,000 of federal student loan debt per borrower.

## 8. Supreme Court packing

In 2019, Harris said that if she was elected president, she would be open to [increasing the number of justices](#) on the U.S. Supreme Court.

"We are on the verge of a crisis of confidence in the Supreme Court," [Harris said](#) at the time. "We have to take this challenge head on, and everything is on the table to do that."

On Monday, Biden [released details](#) of his [proposal for changes to the Supreme Court](#), which called for Congress to establish term limits and an ethics code for the court's nine justices. [Harris endorsed](#) the proposal, which didn't recommend adding justices to the high court.

## 9. LGBTQ+ rights

Harris's 2020 presidential election [campaign's website](#) said that, as president, she would "[r]educ[e] incarceration of LGBTQ+ individuals."

The website added that she would "[e]stablish a Chief Advocate for LGBTQ+ Affairs in the White House." When Harris was California attorney general, she [refused to defend Proposition 8](#), which was a ballot initiative outlawing gay marriage that Californians passed with over 52% of the vote.

Earlier this month, the White House came under fire from transgender activists after a spokesperson said that the Biden-Harris administration opposes gender transition surgeries for children. After backlash from LGBTQ+ community demanding affirmation of gender transitions for children, the administration backpedaled and clarified that it did, in fact, support the invasive surgeries for children, [according to The Advocate](#).

## 10. Inflation

Harris [cast the tie-breaking vote](#) in the Senate for the first COVID-19 stimulus package in 2021 which led to rampant inflation. The \$1.9 trillion stimulus package resulted in the [U.S. inflation rate](#) jumping from 1.4% in 2020 to 7% in 2021.

She also echoed Biden's State of the Union address in 2022, saying that the [record-high gas prices](#) are the "price to pay for democracy" as the U.S. continued to provide billions of dollars in military support for Ukraine following Russia's invasion. The U.S. State Department estimates that U.S. taxpayers have provided [more than \\$57 billion](#) in military aid since to Ukraine since 2022.