In order for the Democrats to win, Prof. Christopher Parker and colleagues Christopher Frederico and Rafael Aguilera find that any gains for the Democrats will need to come from both Democrat voters and independents.

While many on the Democrat side want to emphasize economic issues, some independent political groups go for warning about the Trump administration's assault on democratic norms and threats to democracy.

Prof. Parker and colleagues conducted a survey, half reading a passage about economics and the Trump administration and half about the threat to democracy.

For the results, see [link](https://www.polisci.washington.edu/news/2018/11/27/prof-christopher-parker-washington-posts-monkey-cage-blog-which-motivates) here to the article.