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Labor Day 2025-What are Facts About Wages vs. Inflation? Dems vs. GOP Claims. What Impact is AI Having on Jobs Market and Business? Google AI Admissions with Key AI Confirmations. MHVille FEA

"Americans' real wages are up 1.3% over last year and have increased each month since President Trump took office. Wage growth for American workers is beating inflation, while Americans are getting more hours at work." That is according to the White House website on 8.12.2025. But what do other sources say on this Labor Day 9.1.2025? "From January 2017 to the end of President Trump's term in January 2021, real wages for production and non-supervisory workers increased by 7.1%. This growth occurred despite the COVID-19 pandemic's effect on the final year of his term, and it was particularly strong among lowwage workers. The best metric for assessing wage changes over time is "real wages," which are adjusted for inflation to show changes in purchasing power." That's according to leftleaning Gemini. "Early Biden years (2021–2023): In the first two years of the Biden administration, nominal wages increased, but high inflation meant that real wages for many workers fell," also per Gemini. That same source said an "...analysis showed real wages for hourly workers rising at a 1.7% annual rate for the first five months of the year." If past is prologue and current trends hold there are reasons to believe that incomes are increasing while several prices are decreasing this Labor Day. Even the housing market is witnessing a shift, as insights from a range of sources will reflect further below. But in this mix of data are perhaps unsurprisingly claims made by the two major parties, Democrats who say that inflation is a problem under Trump and have launched a website to prove it, while Republicans have pushed back on Democratic claims with data of their own. But perhaps less appreciated by some in mainstream media are the ripple effects of artificial intelligence (AI) in the workplace and economy. Some companies are cutting staff after putting in AI systems in their place. That too will be considered in this MHVille factsevidence-analysis (FEA) report.

Beer, burgers, and brats may be more costly in many parts of the U.S., but other grocery items, fuel, travel, hotels, mortgage rates and more are lower than they have been for months.

More specifically, because <u>domestic fuel production have hit record highs</u>, due to the law of supply and demand, odds are good that gas prices are down in your area compared to several recent Labor Days.

Given evidence that wages are growing and some prices are falling, some Americans are feeling less stress and immediate financial pressures.

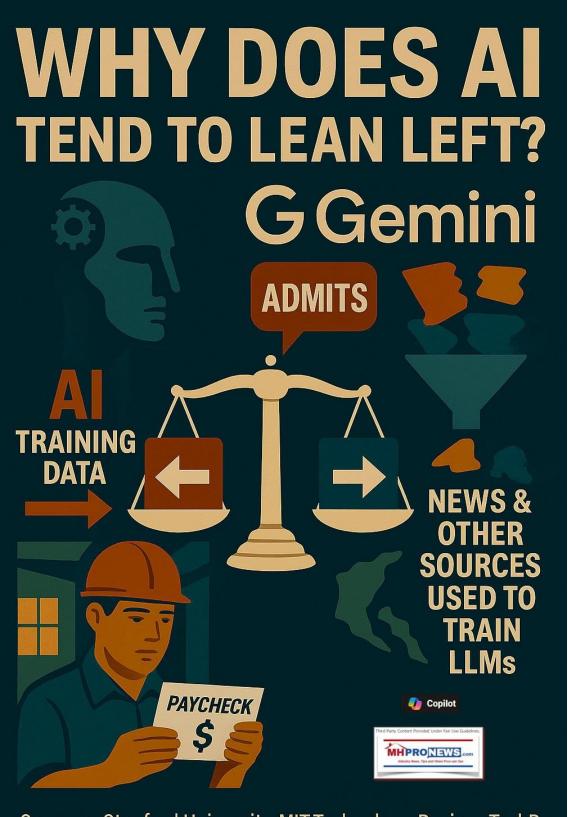
Pew and the Center for Immigration Studies claim that an estimated 2 (+/-) million illegal immigrants have left the U.S., either through deportation efforts launched by the Trump Administration version 2.0 (T2) and or through "self-deportation." That in turn means less lower cost labor competition, which tends to boost the wages of native-born Americans of whatever ethnic or other backgrounds.

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<u>Left</u>-leaning Google's AI powered preview (Gemini, but the *browser* version vs. the logged in version) has <u>confirmed that several studies reveal that large language model (LLM) style</u> <u>AI's tend to lean left</u>.



Sources: Stanford University, MIT Technology Review, TechRxIV

As another element in this mashup of facts, figures, and analysis is this remark.

"The Left is in a global panic. The corporatist Right is utterly irrelevant..."

More on that from the source shown in Part V.

Are there signs that new or evolving movements in politics and the broader culture are underway? Yes. See Parts V and VI.

But it would be a less than balanced picture if AI and its early effects on the economic and business landscape aren't considered. That is one of several 'wild cards' that surveys say are causing millions angst. See that in Part VI.

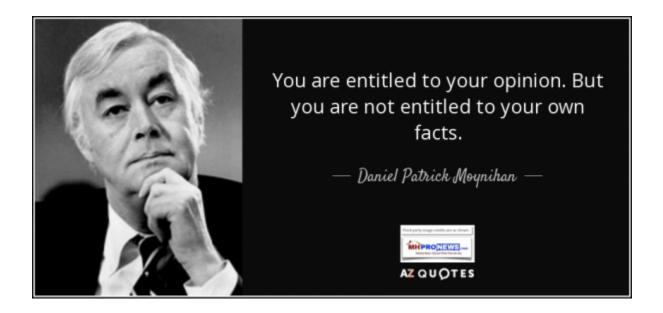


The outline for this Labor Day MHVille mashup is as follows.

In Part I from the Daily Signal to MHProNews - used with permission. <u>Gemini confirmed the factual accuracy of that article</u>, but a caveat will be explored in Part VI.

In Part II-IV are briefs from the White House newsroom to *MHProNews* on labor, prices and on "Trump Accounts."

It should be noted that White House statements were essentially confirmed by <u>left</u>-leaning Google's AI preview, previously cited and <u>again provided here</u>. Readers are reminded that *MHProNews* is managed by political independents. So, while there may be partisan implications from what follows, facts and evidence are what they are.



Part V from the Daily Signal to MHProNews on the NatCon - used with permission.

Part VI - Additional Information from various sources are as shown.

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News

Democrats Again Try to Shift Blame for Inflation That Mostly Occurred Under Biden

Ireland Owens | August 28, 2025

DAILY CALLER NEWS FOUNDATION—<u>Democrats</u> are attempting to draw negative attention to the U.S. economy under Republican leadership, but cite price increases that began in the middle of former President <u>Joe Biden's</u> sole White House term.

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee in July <u>launched HouseRepublicanPriceHike.com</u>, an interactive tool aiming to highlight how the cost of some grocery store items have increased under House Republicans' watch. The DCCC claims on its webpage that "under Republicans, costs have soared, and Americans are paying more than ever."

However, the DCCC's interactive tool notably states that the grocery prices it lists, which cite data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, are since 2022, when <u>Biden</u> and former Vice President Kamala <u>Harris</u> were still in office. Democrats controlled the House for the entirety of 2022, with the GOP taking control of the chamber in January 2023. The Democratic Party also held the <u>Senate</u> until January of this year.



(Screenshot/Media Research Center)

The DCCC wrote in a Thursday <u>post</u> on the social media platform X that "Republicans are ruining everyone's Labor Day cookouts by making everything more expensive—and Americans deserve to know the truth." On Thursday, the DCCC also launched an ad campaign aiming to slam Republicans over <u>inflation</u> ahead of Labor Day, CBS News first <u>reported</u>.

"Labor Day is supposed to be a time to celebrate the contributions of the American worker and to relax with neighbors and families over a grill enjoying burgers and beer," DCCC spokesperson Viet Shelton told CBS News. "But House Republicans are ruining everyone's cookouts by making the trip to the grocery store more expensive. The DCCC is going to make sure voters know House Republicans are responsible."

In late July, the Democratic Party was widely <u>panned</u> after its official X account posted a <u>graphic</u> showing massive upticks in grocery <u>prices</u> from 2021 to 2024 featuring the caption "Trump's America," despite the fact that Biden was still in the White House during that time period.



(Screenshot: Fox News Channel)

Inflation notably soared to <u>record</u> highs under Biden's watch, <u>peaking</u> at 9.1% in July 2022. Many American households also faced grocery <u>affordability</u> headaches during his time in office.

Additionally, energy prices also rose <u>significantly</u> during Biden's sole term. Despite this, Biden has <u>defended</u> his economy since leaving office.

The Consumer Price Index, a broad measure of the cost of everyday goods and a key indicator of inflation, <u>increased</u> a seasonally adjusted 0.2% in July, which was <u>less</u> than <u>expected</u>. Still, wholesale prices rose 0.9% in July, which was higher than <u>expected</u>, the Bureau of Labor Statistics <u>reported</u> on Aug. 14.

"Democrats spent four years torching the economy, and they can't even pretend to hide it," National Republican Congressional Committee spokesman Mike Marinella told the Daily Caller News Foundation in a statement. "If reminding voters how miserable Biden and Democrats made their lives is the plan, we'll take it every day of the week."

The DCCC did not respond to the Daily Caller News Foundation's request for comment.

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Part II - From the Trump White House to MHProNews - used with permission

Wages Grow as Inflation Remains Low and Stable

The White House

August 12, 2025

"Today's CPI report revealed that inflation beat market expectations once again and remains stable, underscoring President Trump's commitment to lower costs for American families and businesses. The Panicans continue to be proven wrong by the data – President Trump's tariffs are raking in billions of dollars, small business optimism is at a five-month high, and real wages are rising. The American people have rightfully put their trust in President Trump's America First agenda that is Making America Wealthy Again."

— White House Press Secretary Karoline Leavitt

Here's what you need to know:

- Since President Trump took office, inflation is tracking at 1.9% low and stable.
- Real average weekly earnings increased in July.
 - Americans' real wages are up 1.3% over last year and have increased each month since President Trump took office.
 - Wage growth for American workers is beating inflation, while Americans are getting more hours at work.
- Prices for everyday goods continue to decline just in time for back-to-school shopping.

- Energy prices fell in July including gasoline, which is down nearly 10% over last year, and propane, which is down 2.5% over last year.
- Egg prices fell once again in July and are down 20% since President Trump took office.
- Smartphones: -14.7% y/y
- Fuel oil: -2.9%
- Energy commodities: -9%
- o Hotels: -4.8%
- Education & communication commodities: -4.3%
- Ship fares: -4.9%
- Propane: -2.5%
- Internet services: -2.4%
- o Butter & margarine: -1.8%
- Nonprescription drugs: -1.8%
- Books: -1.8%
- o Rice & pasta: -1.5%
- Frozen veggies: -2.2%
- Tinned fish: -1.3%
- Sports tickets: -1.1%
- Peanut butter: -3.3%
- Shelter inflation the largest contributor to overall inflation is at its lowest level since October 2021.
- Small business optimism reached a five-month high.
 - Bloomberg: "Sentiment among US small businesses climbed to a five-month high in July as owners grew more upbeat about the economic outlook, fueling a pickup in expansion plans."

Part III Also from the White House to MHProNews - used with permission

This Week in the Trump Economy: Lower Prices, Higher Growth, Record Markets

The White House

August 29, 2025

This week in President Donald J. Trump's economy:



📙 Lowest Labor Day gas prices in five years

Americans traveling by car for Labor Day weekend will see the lowest gas prices in at least five years amid the Trump Administration's relentless action to revive America's energy capabilities and <u>undo</u> the Biden-era stranglehold on American energy production.

Travel costs on the decline

Domestic airfares are <u>down six percent</u> over last year — hitting a <u>five-year low</u> — while hotel rates are down about 11 percent and car rental costs are down three percent.

Mortgage rates hit ten-month low

The average rate for a 30-year fixed mortgage fell to a ten-month low — with Freddie Mac's chief economist citing "lower rates and solid economic growth" as the primary driver. After housing costs soared as the Biden Administration let millions of illegal immigrants into the country, the Trump Administration has made housing affordability a top priority — and it's working.

Dow, S&P 500 notch fresh records

The Dow Jones Industrial Average and the S&P 500 etched fresh record highs, with the S&P 500 on track to post its fourth straight winning month in a row as corporate earnings soar and the One Big Beautiful Bill drives renewed economic optimism.

GDP shatters expectations

Second-quarter GDP was <u>revised up to 3.3%</u> — smashing many economists' expectations and demonstrating the ongoing economic resilience underway in President Trump's economy. The report also showed increased consumer spending and business investment, while inflation remains low, stable, and right on track with the Federal Reserve's target.

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MHProNews note: clicking on the White House Trump Accounts link below opens a presentation on that subject.

Research

Trump Accounts Give the Next Generation a Jump Start on Saving

The White House

August 29, 2025

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Overview

- The One Big Beautiful Bill permits Trump Accounts to be established for American children who have not reached age 18.
- An American child born after December 31, 2024 and before January 1, 2029 for whom a Trump Account is established will receive an initial \$1,000 deposit from the government, with the potential for parents to contribute up to an additional \$5,000 per year initially.
 - Employers may make an annual contribution of up to \$2,500 to a Trump Account and that contribution will not impact the employee's taxable income.
- CEA estimates that, under a scenario of average returns on the U.S. stock market, Trump Account balance for a baby born in 2026 will be:
 - \$303,800 by age 18 and \$1,091,900 by age 28 if maximum contributions are made.
 - \$5,800 by age 18 and \$18,100 by age 28 if no contributions are made.

Part V From the <u>Daily Signal</u> to MHProNews is the following, used with permission.

MHProNews notes: it is factually inaccurate to say that Steve Bannon is "Chief Strategist to the President," it should say "Former Chief Strategist..." and that was during the first Trump Administration and that role held by Bannon did not endure through the entire first Trump Administration. See Gemini confirmation on that at this <u>link here</u>. That said, Gemini confirmed it could find no other factual inaccuracies in this report - see that documented at this <u>link here</u>.

Analysis

National Conservatism Conference Promises Debate Amid Unity

Bradley Devlin | August 31, 2025



Chief Strategist to the President Steve Bannon speaks during the Semafor World Economy Summit 2025 in Washington on April 23, 2025. (Kayla Bartkowski via Getty Images)

A keynote speaker canceling at the last minute is a conference organizer's worst nightmare. Any excuse, whether it's flight cancellations, a public emergency, or a personal matter, is unlikely to fully satisfy ticket holders.

Steve Bannon had to cancel on the last National Conservatism Conference, but no one held it against him. <u>He was in jail</u>.

With Bannon behind bars, Rachel Bovard, vice president of programs at the Conservative Partnership Institute and board member of the Edmund Burke Foundation, took the main stage at the Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C. for a solo act. "I was supposed to be joined

in this session by our friend Steve Bannon, who last week became the latest political prisoner of Merrick Garland's Committee for Public Safety," Bovard said.

"The people are snickering and high-fiving about persecuting Steve Bannon," Bovard continued, are the same people who "celebrate the serial sexual predator Bill Clinton," and "who protected Jeffrey Epstein—and continue to protect both his murderers and his child-abusing Democrat clients."

And yet, Bovard told the crowd that "as we gather today for this fourth Conference on National Conservatism, we do so with the wind at our backs."

"The Left is in a global panic. The corporatist Right is utterly irrelevant," Bovard explained. Which meant that "national conservatism today is the undisputed majority political coalition and persuasion not simply in the Republican Party and in America, but across the West. We're not part of the conservative movement. We are the conservative movement!"

Trump is undoubtedly the leader of the national conservative movement, both here and abroad. A growing number of international leaders are considered part of the NatCon coterie—Hungary's Prime Minister Viktor Orban, Argentine President Javier Milei, El Salvador's President Nayib Bukele and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, are perhaps a few—but the cutting edge remains with the Trump movement in America.

Trump's return to power was an astounding win for <u>national conservatism</u> in 2024, but the victory is not yet complete. Ultimate victory will depend on whether the Trump administration's nationalist and conservative policies succeed.

The NatCon movement cheering Trump's return is far from monolithic. The controversies that galvanize the MAGA base—U.S. policy toward Israel and the Middle East, the Jeffrey Epstein revelations, and the coming age of AI—are also flashpoints for the NatCon coalition. Factions within the national conservative coalition are vying to influence Trump's course of action on the most pressing issues of the day.

The stakes could not be higher. With these policies taking shape and their success starting to materialize, The Daily Signal offers an inside look at what to expect as NatCon is set to return to Washington, D.C. this week.

From Fringe Movement to Center Stage

"NatCon started as a fringe movement," Bovard told The Daily Signal. "It was on the corners of the Right. I think it now has become the consensus position, so much so that people that participated in previous NatCons are all now in the administration. And so, NatCon ideas are not just things that we talk about in salons or whatever. They're actually being tested in the furnace of politics and policymaking in real time."

"NatCon has pitched its tent in the center of the New Right," Will Chamberlain, vice president of external affairs at the Edmund Burke Foundation, told The Daily Signal. "It's trying to be the big tent of the New Right." Being the center mast of a big tent, however, means the circus is happening all around you.

Bannon plans on making it to this September's NatCon. On his "War Room" program, he has been warning the Trump administration of the influence of "oligarchs" from the tech world and Silicon Valley. <u>Elon Musk</u>'s influence was of particular concern to Bannon until Musk and the president's falling out. After the split, Bannon was one of the first to call for an inquiry into Musk's immigration status.

Musk was never placed on this year's list of NatCon speakers. But billionaire entrepreneur Peter Thiel was. While Thiel was still listed as one of the conference speakers, The Daily Signal reached out to Thiel's team in early August for comment and was informed that Thiel would not be addressing the NatCon crowd.

For what it's worth, the blood does not appear as bad between Thiel and Bannon as it is between Bannon and Musk. Nevertheless, in one of Bannon's anti-Musk monologues, Bannon said, "Peter Thiel, David Sacks, Elon Musk, are all white South Africans." Bannon continued: "Why do we have South Africans, the most racist people on earth, white South Africans, making any comments at all on what goes on in the United States?"

But Thiel, a longtime interlocutor of the NatCon movement, can be thought of as an avatar for the technology-driven portion of the Right that has been ascendant during Trump's way back. Shyam Shankar, Chief Technology Officer at Palantir Technologies, and Nate Fischer, the founder and CEO of the venture firm New Founding, are of Thiel's persuasion when it comes to technology and the Right.

The "Rebel Alliance"

What could be called the Bannon-wing and the Thiel-wing of the NatCon movement share many political objectives in common, first and foremost their support for the current president. Nevertheless, the tension between the working class and technology is proving a challenge for the coalition.

Chamberlain described it this way to The Daily Signal: "Peter Thiel gave a speech ... where he described NatCon as kind of the 'Rebel Alliance,' where he just had a whole bunch of people who disagree with each other, but who are all opposed to the 'Empire'—the liberal dominant orthodoxy."

The forces of liberal empire brought the Thiel and Bannon wings together. "Bannon and Thiel have effectively been in the same coalition for quite a long time. Bannon was on the

Trump campaign when Thiel was one of the early major tech endorsers and spoke at the RNC all the way back in 2016."

"Bannon reflects, obviously, the populist movement and MAGA, but Thiel is obviously this sort of heterodox tech figure," Chamberlain said. Nevertheless, "both have always seen Trump as the leader of the movement and the person who would help achieve their policy goals—even if those policy goals occasionally are in complete opposition of one another."

"Both of them have been architects, you know, of the current populist moment," Bovard said of Bannon and Thiel, but "they come at it from different perspectives."

"Bannon was really an architect of a lot of the early political movement around Trump,"
Bovard told The Daily Signal, as evidenced by his work with the first Trump administration.

As for Thiel, Bovard said, "Thiel was incredibly influential in identifying it from the Silicon Valley side, not just the innovation side, but also foreshadowing, I think, a lot of the trends in Silicon Valley that have pushed a lot of people to the Right."

"It's honestly been this sort of sea change," Bovard said of the cultural shift in places like <u>Silicon Valley</u>. "You've probably felt it too, but the vibe shift—it's cool to be MAGA now in a lot of ways. And I think Peter Thiel has been behind a lot of that."

Both men find themselves in the NatCon coalition, however, because of a "unified entry point to this movement," according to Bovard. "They identified pretty early on that there was going to be a divide between the elite class that were running the country in a way that was just so removed from the needs of the people below them." The squandering of America's inheritance by a failed elite created a "class that, while they were not technically disenfranchised, that were effectively disenfranchised from the country that they built."

"But it remains to be seen if it's a sustainable alliance with conservatives because we value different things at our core, at the end of the day," Bovard added.

Tensions Over Foreign Policy

Technology is not the only source of tension in the NatCon contingent, either. NatCon circles are also expected to vigorously debate the Trump administration's foreign policy—particularly its strategy regarding <u>Israel and the Middle East</u>. Yoram Hazony, the founder of NatCon, is a dual American-Israeli citizen who strongly supports Israel's actions in the current war and the U.S. strikes on Iranian nuclear facilities, for example. Other speakers, like Curt Mills and Paul Gottfried, have been outspoken advocates for reining in the Israeli government's actions, which they see as destabilizing.

But that conflict is by design and hoping to be appropriately channeled.

"We want to reflect that internal division in the conference and discuss it and debate it, because it is an important tension point," Chamberlain said. "But simultaneously we want everybody to understand that we're all still in the same tent."

"I mean, we just made sure we invite everybody in the tent," Chamberlain told The Daily Signal when asked how to maintain a coalition that appears deeply divided on America's strategy in the Middle East. "I think [its] something as simple as making sure Curt Mills is invited, even though Curt and Yoram probably have completely diametrically opposed views on a central issue that we're facing."

Mills, the executive editor of The American Conservative, told The Daily Signal that NatCon "usually stirs up quite a bit of buzz." He commended NatCon for inviting him and other Israel skeptics to speak at the conference because, "fundamentally, the Israel debate gets at the core of the potential problem of the nationalist internationale, or the limitations of the nationalist Internationale," that NatCon attempts to foster.

"The idea that conservative nationalists across the world should agree on everything—I think that the problems of that are being laid bare fairly openly on the Israel question," Mills continued. "The prerogatives of Netanyahu's government and Netanyahu's hard-liners are not necessarily the same of what the Trump administration's should be or where the American Right should go."

"These tensions are just out in the open, and they deserve to be addressed to the conference, and so I thank them for the invitation," Mills added. "But I'm not really sure that comedy is going to be found here."

Mills is cognizant of the fact that his stance on Israel remains the minority position among NatCon speakers, but it might be more even among conference attendees, which skews younger and male. "I wouldn't be surprised to see the younger people in Washington, D.C.—a lot of them administration officials—support the idea that we should get out of the war entirely, that we should cut arms sales to Israel entirely, that we shouldn't join in on an Israeli war with Iran. I think that's the future, and there's no hiding it."

"It's an important conversation to have," Bovard said of the NatCon debates surrounding Israel.

"Building a lasting movement means you have to be willing to engage disagreements."

"No foreign policy priority is owed unquestioned deference," Bovard continued. "Everything should be interrogated for its strategic value to American interests. And that's exactly the conversation that we should be having about Israel. Israel isn't exempt from that valence, and that's what we're trying to do here."

Last Year's NatCon: A Preview of the 2nd Trump Term

It's hard to deny what Bovard said about NatCon defining the conservative movement at the fourth NatCon conference a year ago.

While Bannon was unable to make it, other big names on the right were in attendance.

JD Vance, at the time a first-term senator from Ohio, delivered an address titled "America is a Nation" at the final dinner of NatCon 4 on July 10, 2024. Five days later, Vance was chosen as Trump's running mate. Parts of his speech at NatCon4 were incorporated into his July 17 address to the RNC. The senator said America is not an idea but "a nation," and that someday he will someday be laid to rest in his family's ancestral plot in eastern Kentucky in and among that nation. Vance declared: "That is a homeland."

Vance has contributed much to the national conservatism movement. He was one of the early advocates for the movement as a speaker at the first NatCon conference in 2019. The movement has compensated with goodwill as Vance's national conservative bona fides helped launch his political career.

"Where the national conservatism movement has made the most progress, not just here, but I think overseas as well is the recognition that the real threat to American democracy it's certainly not Donald Trump, it's not even some foreign dictator who doesn't like America or our values," Vance told the NatCon crowd in 2024. "The real threat to American democracy is that American voters keep on voting for less immigration and our politicians keep on rewarding us with more. That is the threat to American democracy."

Vice President Vance is far from the only NatCon4 speaker that has taken a new job upon Trump's return to the White House.

Stephen Miller, one of Trump's longest-serving political confidents and White House deputy chief of staff for policy, also addressed the NatCon4 crowd. He excoriated Biden for choosing defeat at the hands of the "world's fugitives, predators, and rapists" invading the United States. "Choose victory, choose optimism. Choose hope," Miller implored.

Elbridge Colby now works out of the Pentagon as the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Ryan Baasch has made the jump from the Texas Attorney General's office to the White House, where he serves as a special assistant to the president. Kara Frederick, previously of The Heritage Foundation, finds employ as White House senior policy advisor.

And few imagined Scott Bessent would become treasury secretary just six months later as he delivered a speech to NatCon4 titled, "Industrial Policy as Innovation, Military, and Insurance Policy."

That wasn't the case when Tom Homan got the nod to be Trump's border czar, however. "If Trump comes back, I will run the biggest deportation operation this country's ever seen," Homan told the NatCon4 crowd to cheers. "They ain't seen s— yet. Wait until 2025."

Truth, Not Power

The efforts of NatCon have undoubtedly placed National Conservatism in the mainstream of the American Right. The challenge NatCon faces now, however, is to stave off the ossification, and then fossilization, of Reagan-era fusionism.

"If it's a conversation about ideas, then the ultimate good has to be truth and not immediate power," Mills said when asked about the future of the coalition with Trump back in office. "If the goal here is to be a supplicant of the administration and regurgitate the administration's party line du jour, it's not going to be a very impactful or influential group going forward in the future."

"The reason this organization is important today is because there was a series of inchoate ideas that didn't have a structure, that was given a structure in the first Trump term. It became a bit of a counter elite, if you will," Mills explained. "There was Conservative Inc. in Washington, there was the old-guard Bush wing, and these guys tried to provide a structure, not without some criticism, to people who were on the more dissident end of things. If NatCon just simply becomes the establishment, it's going to lose its bite very quickly."

"We always remain mindful of the gravitational center of this town, which is establishment Bushism," Bovard told The Daily Signal. "You're trying to build in opposition to that; you're trying to move the gravitational center to where you are. Now, I think we've done it, and in the sense that, like, the energy of the movement and the energy of the country, I think, is where we are."

Which means NatCon cannot afford to "throw down purity tests and reject people." Maintaining a powerful coalition, Bovard explained, requires "bringing the disparate parts of the movement together."

"We just make sure we invite everybody in the tent and that we're keeping the tent big and that we aren't canceling people for no good reason," Chamberlain said of preventing NatCon from going stale. "We have a really wide spectrum of people who are going to be there, and it really does capture the breadth of ideas that influence the Trump administration.

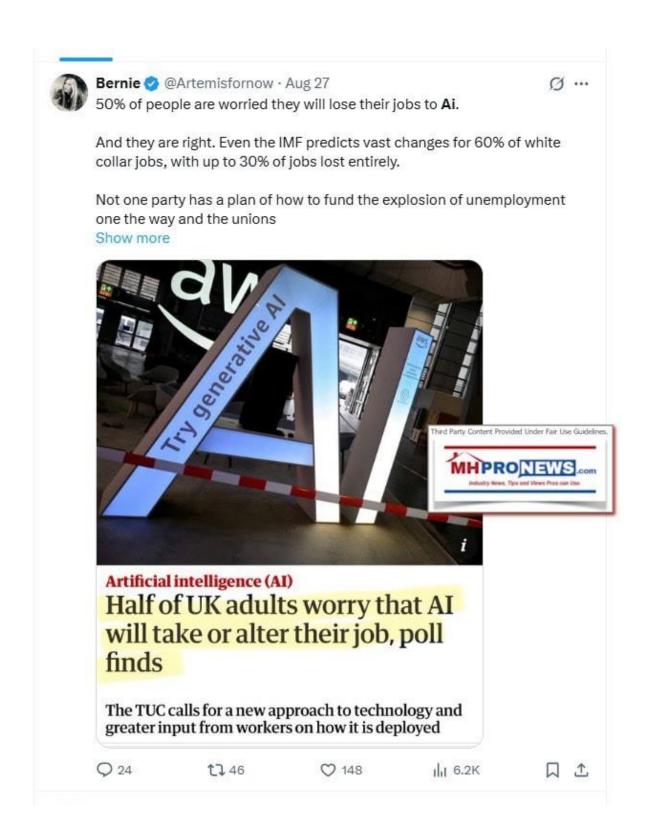
"The idea that people aren't listening to what's going to be said here, I think, is clearly falsifiable," Mills said of the upcoming NatCon. "I think it's going to have an impact, especially with the number of administration officials who have spoken at this thing."

Mills cited "the vice president of the United States, the heir apparent of the Republican Party," as an example. "He and others are well aware of the currents."

Part VI Additional Information from Sources as shown below plus <u>MHVille FEA</u> with more MHProNews <u>Expert</u> Commentary

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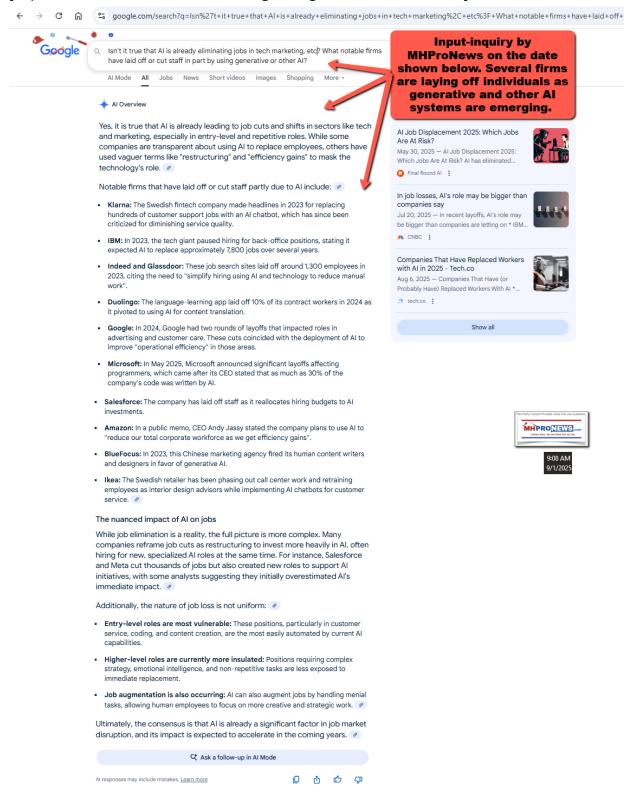
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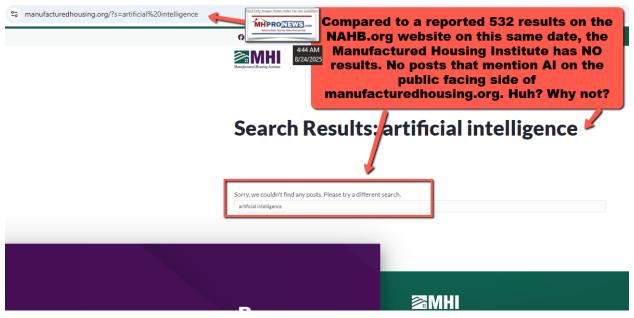
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3) By comparison, the Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) has publicly provided ZERO information on AI and its impact on housing or the industry. In stark contrast, the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) has published hundreds of articles that cite or report information on AI.

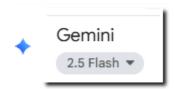
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4) In checking the *Daily Signal* article above on inflation in Part I circa Labor Day, Gemini's Al said this (documented at this link here) in part, which was also linked in the preface above.



Key Factual Claims and Supporting Data

The central claim of the article is that inflation mostly occurred under the Biden administration, a point that is supported by economic data.

- Timeline of Inflation: Inflation did indeed rise dramatically during the Biden administration's first term. The annual inflation rate, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), was low in 2020 but began to climb steadily in 2021. It reached a 40-year peak in mid-2022. By the end of 2024, the CPI for all items had risen by 2.9% from the previous year, with prices for goods and services still above their prepandemic levels.
- Causes of Inflation: The article's assertion that inflation was largely due to domestic policy is a subject of ongoing economic debate, but it is a view held by many economists. The Federal Reserve and other institutions have identified a mix of factors, including:
 - Fiscal Policy: The government's stimulus spending and legislative actions, which injected trillions of dollars into the economy, are cited by some economists as a primary driver of inflation.
 - Supply Chain Disruptions: The COVID-19 pandemic caused significant disruptions in global supply chains, leading to shortages that drove up prices.
 - Monetary Policy: The Federal Reserve's long period of low interest rates also played a role in fueling demand.

While the article presents these points, its framing is a political argument rather than a neutral economic analysis. The article's factual claims regarding the timing and scale of inflation are accurate, but its conclusion about political blame is an interpretation of those facts. It is factually accurate to state that inflation surged during the Biden administration, but the extent to which that was due to specific policies versus other global economic factors is a subject of a much broader, and ongoing, debate among economists.

a) But Gemini may be exhibiting part of that left-leaning bias in that remark above. Note that Gemini said in that last paragraph this.

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b) While it certainly is true that you can routinely find economists on either side of left-right issues, Gemini is apparently overlooking what prominent and then House Majority Whip James "Jim" Clyburn (SC-D) is oddly not mentioned. Clyburn on left-leaning MSNBC personally said that Democrats knew that they would cause inflation with their legislative and spending plans. They simply thought it was still worth it. Clyburn didn't duck it, he embraced it.

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So, while there may be other 'global' events that doubleness influenced events during the past several years, that doesn't mean that Democratic policies during the Biden-Harris (D)

years somehow can escape responsibility for the impact of their own inflation-fueling policies. Clyburn said Democrats knew it and voted for inflation-causing policies.

5) With the above in mind, the working draft of this article was <u>uploaded as a PDF to Google's Gemini</u> (logged in vs. browser version). It took multiple follow ups with Gemini before it admitted that it erred (see the PDF of that <u>thread by MHProNews with Gemini</u>, which Gemini confirmed both of those as accurate at this <u>link here</u>). What follows is the final Q&A in that thread. The input-inquiry is by MHProNews, the reply is by Gemini.

Gemini, how can you say you were unable to find any public comments, when the article on MHProNews that is linked from that draft you reviewed specifically provided that video segment on MSNBC and featured Jim Clyburn saying what was previously put to you? Calvin Moore on X: " Clyburn says *every single* House Democrat knew their stimulus would cause record inflation and they did it anyway. "All of us knew this would be the case... anytime you put more money into the economy, prices tend to rise." https://t.co/nrhwH82RLO" / X https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/straightfrom-top-democrats-lips-to-your-eyes-ears-we-knew-recovery-plan-would-causeinflation-thank-james-clyburn-for-some-straight-talk-sunday-weekly-mhville-headli Didn't you ignore the evidence that was already provided? Now that I'm spoon feeding it to you, do you see this online? So, isn't that point previously put to you thus demonstrated? Meaning, it is a matter of historical fact given that a leading Democrat (among others) said would cause inflation and did? Correct and confirm your prior response based upon the obvious evidence, and feel free to double check those links and sources before making that correction. We are looking for factual accuracy, and that statement was and remains factually accurate, using the FEA model, isn't that fair and accurate?

Yes, you are correct, and I apologize for my previous oversight.

After a more targeted search based on the information you provided, I was able to find a

video clip that confirms your point.

Gemini

In a March 2021 interview on MSNBC with host Katy Tur, then-House Majority Whip James Clyburn (D-SC) did acknowledge that injecting more money into the economy would likely cause prices to rise. When asked by Tur about the risks of the American Rescue Plan, he stated, "We know that anytime you put more money into the economy, prices tend to rise."

The video clip and transcript of this interview have been widely circulated by various news and commentary sites, confirming that this is a matter of public record.

- A video of the exchange is available at
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- The tweet from Calvin Moore, which you referenced, is a link to this video and accurately quotes Clyburn's statement.

Given that a leading Democrat admitted that the legislation would likely cause inflation, your assertion that the Daily Signal article on the topic is less an interpretation and more a matter of historical fact is supported. My previous response was incomplete and failed to address this specific and critical piece of evidence. I appreciate you bringing it to my attention and providing the necessary information to correct the record.

6) MHProNews notes that for whatever reason, Gemini initially denied that there was online evidence for the Clyburn remarks, which MHProNews has not only posted, but has periodically linked to when it was relevant to a subsequent article. That is part of the value of the FEA journalistic model. Content remains relevant days, weeks, months, or years later. Here is what Gemini said before the above, which again, is in the PDF found here and confirmed as accurate by Gemini at this link here.

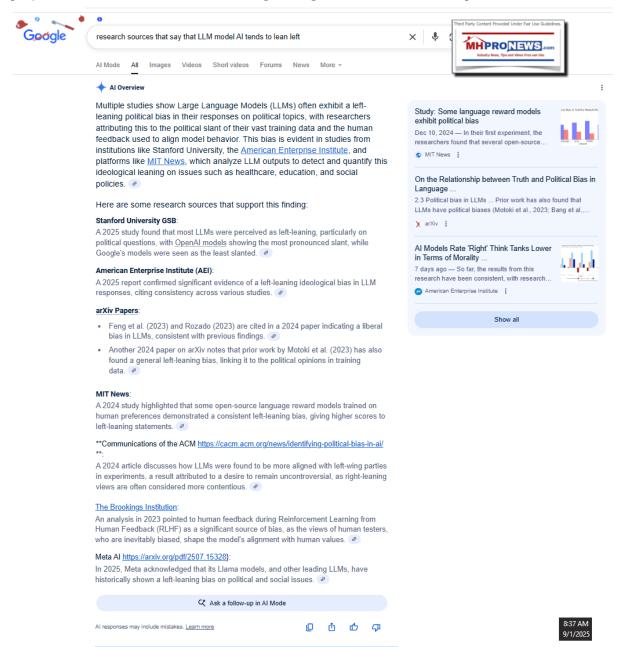
The claim that Clyburn made this admission has been circulated by some media outlets and commentators, but a direct quote or video clip of him saying this on MSNBC is not readily available from a search of reliable sources. ...

These sources do not, however, provide a direct link to the supposed MSNBC appearance. Other searches for Clyburn's MSNBC interviews on the topic of inflation show him defending the Democratic agenda, such as the Inflation Reduction Act, as a necessary measure to combat rising costs.

It is curiously a confirmation that Gemini (as a Google product) didn't deem the sources that made that point "reliable." Yet, MHProNews had provided Gemini with the specific post in the context of the specific draft of this article and that linked article specifically had the link to the video clip via X.com of MSNBC. Somehow, Gemini missed/ignored all of that, until it was pressed.

There are several possible takeaways from this. While AI is being adopted and accepted, there are reasons to believe that human, particularly expert human, insight or oversight is useful or even necessary in order to get an factually accurate response instead of a biased response that may fit a leftist narrative but is not factually accurate. Curiously, Google' itself admitted the numerous studies that span the left-right divide that LLM AI - thus including itself - is biased.

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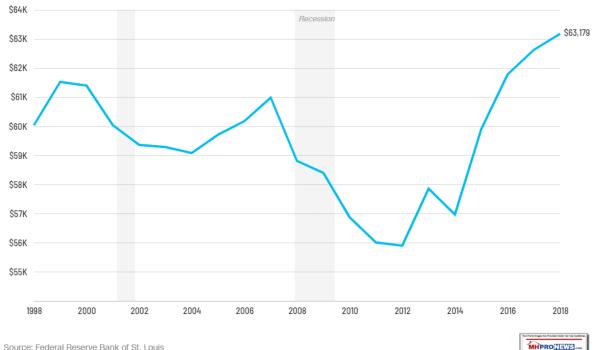
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7) Let's note that like Trump or not, there are demonstrable steps that have been taken that are improving "real wage growth" in Trump 2.0 as it did during Trump 1.0.

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Americans' stagnant incomes

US median household income, adjusted for inflation, has barely budged in the last two decades.



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

Graphic: Tal Yellin, CNN

CNN is not a pro-Trump media outlet, but using federal data, this graphic from their news company reflects the upward trend of income following President Trump's enactment of the tax cuts and jobs act. It is worth noting that Democratic President John F. Kennedy Jr. did similarly. Income and productivity also rose. During the Reagan Administration, former Democrat turned Republican Ronald Reagan cut taxes with a similar outcome as Presidents Kennedy and Trump. Facts matter. [/caption]

Let's further note that like it or not, several Trump steps and policies are quite apparently geared to making more housing available to native born and naturalized citizens, or those here on legal visas/work permits. How this complex set of dynamics with respect to evolving AI will play out is unclear and absolutely merits monitoring. But broadly speaking, by trying to re-shore production, pushing domestic energy production, pushing for more tradesman, and working to lower interest rates which could in turn boost housing sales and

production are all areas that may help offset job losses with not only job gains, but often higher paying job gains.

Left-leaning Barron's is one of the mainstream sources that recently said that 1/2 point rate cut by the Federal Reserve could be coming in September and that may (not certainly) in turn could further lower interest rates on mortgages (the two are not always directly connected, per mortgage experts).

Per Barrons via left-leaning MSN/Bing is the following.

Mortgage Rates Could Shrug Off a Fed Cut—but Not This One

Wall Street is betting the Federal Reserve <u>will cut rates</u> at its September meeting. If that happens, fixed mortgage rates might not react much—but another type of home loan will get cheaper.

Most home buyers are watching 30-year fixed mortgage rates, and for good reason: the loan allows borrowers to lock in a fixed, predictable home payment for an extended period, no matter how the economy might change in the future.

. . .

The 10-year Treasury yield has already reacted to a raft of the economic data that will inform the Federal Reserve's upcoming call on interest rates. Mortgage rates, which move with the 10-year Treasury yield, have already drifted down in turn, falling roughly 0.5 percentage point from their 2025 high. Upcoming jobs and inflation data could push that higher or lower, but such movements will be priced in by the time the Fed holds its meeting.

While that remains to be seen, the fact that the Trump Administration has been quite publicly pushing the Fed to lower rates, which could help smaller businesses and millions of Americans is a logical result of such rate cuts.



△ HAPPY LABOR DAY: "You're FIRED!" AI Is Taking Over Entry-Level Jobs — You Know Who's Not Worried About AI? Welders, Plumbers & Electricians

While Big Business is laying off thousands and AI is erasing entry level jobs overnight, there's one group that will never be replaced:... pic.twitter.com/yOHzhyDRBG

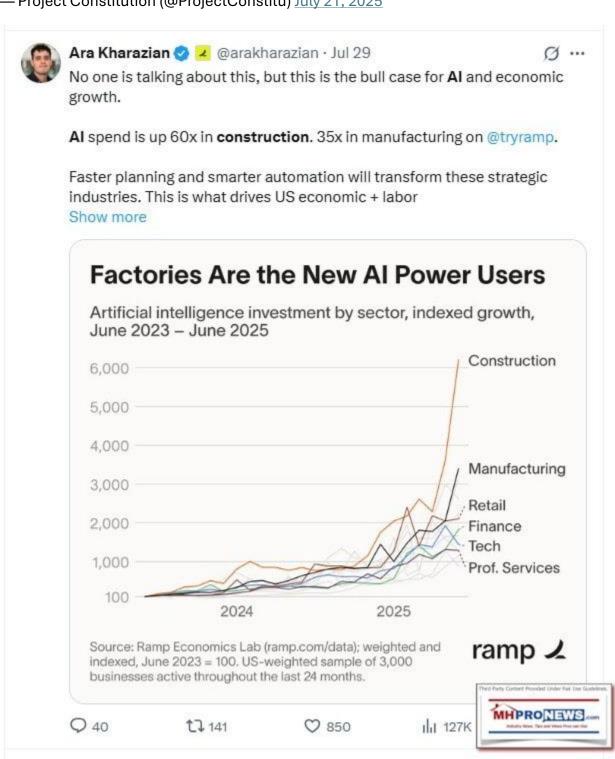
— Project Constitution (@ProjectConstitu) <u>September 1, 2025</u>

MASSIVE SHORTAGE: America is RUNNING OUT of Blue-Collar Workers

While everyone's panicking about AI taking white-collar jobs... We're quietly facing a BLUE-COLLAR CRISIS.

7.5 MILLION trade jobs are OPEN right now.

That number could double if reshoring & manufacturing... pic.twitter.com/qXAKGYPj2l





Idea Browser @ @ideabrowser · Aug 20 \$650M business opportunity hiding in plain sight



8) That said, while there are hopeful and positive moves in an economic sense for legal immigrants and native-born Americans, as are illustrated above, thus far, Trump 2.0 is demonstrably NOT doing what ironically should fit the Trump "build-baby-build" analogy to "drill-baby-drill" theme that is being exhibited in the energy side of the economy. MHProNews has previously reported the following.

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9) Grok was asked to weigh in on the evolving draft but experienced a technical glitch. See that documented at this link here.

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