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If there is one thing we all can agree on, it's that Americans with strong political opinions can't seem to agree with anyone on the other side of the partisan divide. Polarization runs deep.

Republican or Democrat, right or left, or some variation thereof — strong partisans of various stripes hold a [distressingly dark view of their political opponents](#), see them as idiotic, and would prefer not to interact with them, thank you very much. While not everyone or every issue is so riven, there's little question that relations between the two major political sides have grown more rancorous.

Who's to blame for this state of affairs?

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