

# Polarization

**This is the key to the future of the United States as a political entity.**

**The polarization is geographical.**

**Americans with different politics are moving farther away from each other physically as well as ideologically. The separation feeds back into the political system.**

**More states become single-party states, like California and Texas.**

**Ideological unity replaces open debates.**

**The geography of the national government, and the way it apportions power, becomes distorted. Huge geographical inequalities are baked into the system of government, which is, after all, nearly 250 years old. Sixty-two senators represent one quarter of the American population.**

**Six senators represent another quarter.**

**Stephen Marche, *The Next Civil War* [2022]**