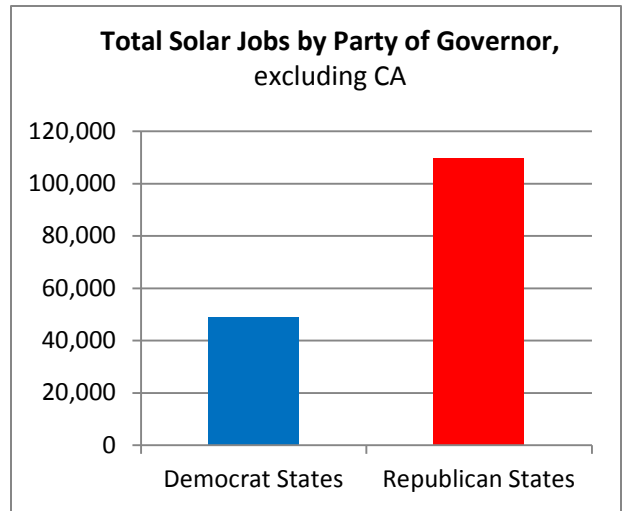
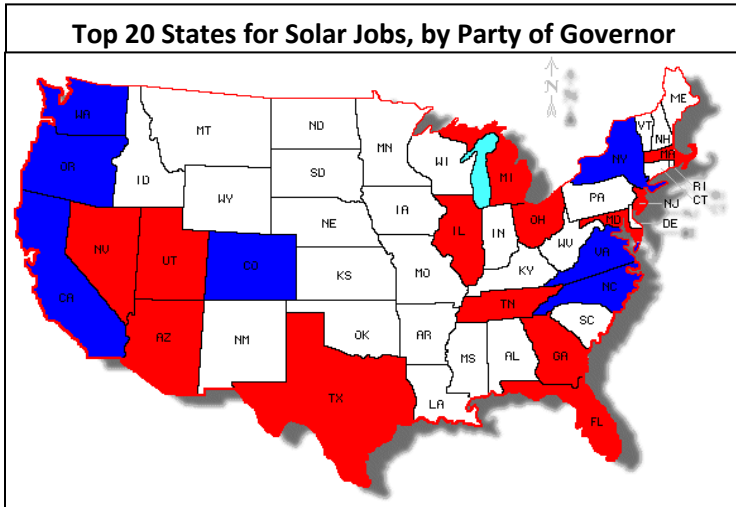
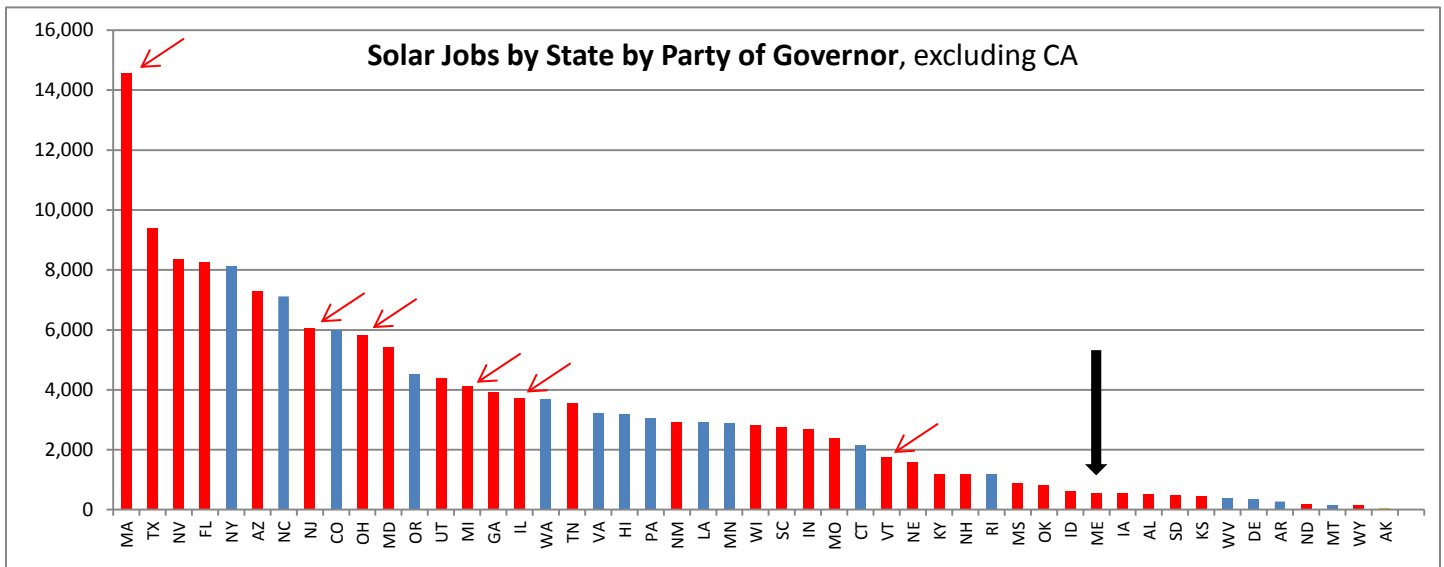


Republican Governors across U.S. see Solar Power Creating Jobs

Ten out of the top 15 states for solar jobs have Republican governors, including four out of the top five. Job creation is a bipartisan priority, and solar jobs have been increasing nationally at **more than 20% year** – in places where solar businesses are welcomed and energy policies take advantage of this rapidly emerging technology. Outside of California, more than 2/3 of the solar jobs are in states led by Republicans.



Republican governors in the Northeast like **Scott Baker, Phil Scott & Chris Christie** have actively supported solar policies as economic drivers. All of the five the Republican-led states in the Northeast have at least twice the solar jobs per capita as Maine, some have eight times more. Outside the Northeast, leading solar job states include manufacturing-intensive states like **Ohio, Michigan** and **Illinois**.



Maine ranks 26th out of 33 Republican-led states for total solar jobs, and 27th out of all states for solar jobs per capita.

The solar bill LD 1504 was **sponsored by a Senate Republican**. The compromise Majority Report was largely **drafted by House Republicans**. The bill protects ratepayers from increased costs and supports solar job creation.

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