

If millennials had been the only ones voting on November 8th, and those who said they were going to vote in fact did so, Clinton would likely have won the Electoral College 496 to 39, says [Survey Monkey](#).¹ [Other websites](#)² call it 504 to 23 (which doesn't add up to 538, so I don't know what's going on there). In any case, if our fate were in the hands of the Millennials, a different half of the country would be celebrating rightly now.

Now, this second map is a little misleading because a whole bunch of those millennials apparently stayed home, perhaps out of laziness or perhaps falsely thinking Clinton "had it in the bag."

Regardless, the lesson to be drawn from this is that an entirely new cadre of voters is already active in the polity. Soon they will dominate the voting, and unless something drastic happens, they will ensure the Democrat Party's dominance for many, many years.

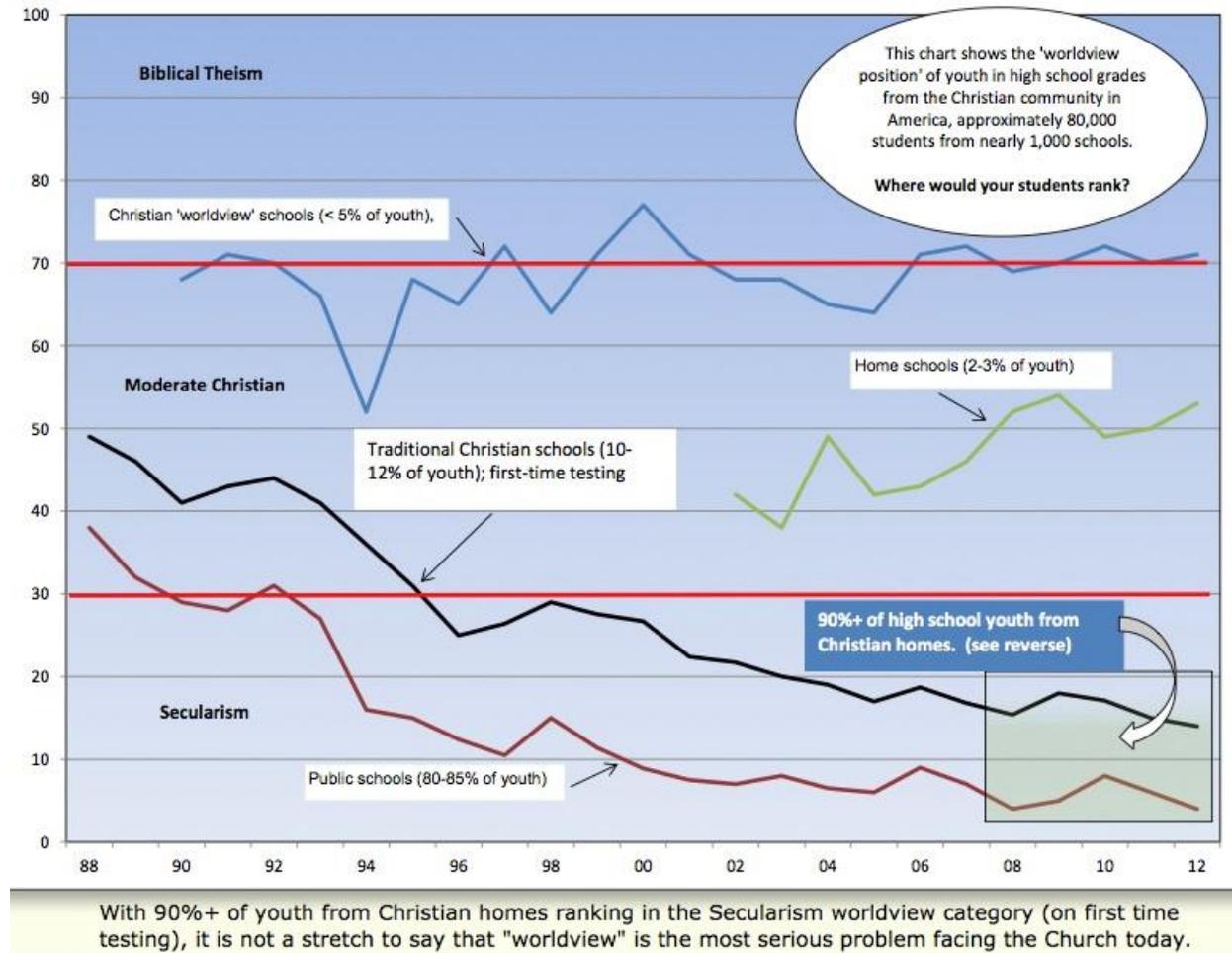
Why are millennials across the nation so uniformly progressive? Simple: they've been taught to be so. The overwhelming majority of these young adults were educated in the public school system. There they were taught the values of progressivism: secular humanism, socialism, historicism, statism, environmentalism, evolution and social contract theory. They've been taught a purposefully distorted

¹ <https://www.surveymonkey.com/elections/map/2016/us?poll=sm-exit-millennials-cps>

² <http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/world-news/map-suggests-hillary-clinton-would-9230565>

worldview: one steeped in racism, conquest, colonialism, exploitation of resources, “evil” capitalism, you get the picture.

If you doubt the effect of public education on the worldview of today’s youth, please consider the result of 30 years of data collection by the [Nehemiah Institute](http://www.nehemiahinstitute.com/).³ Through an instrument called the PEERS⁴ Test, they have been measuring the worldview of Christian children since the 1980s. Christian children attending public schools have increasingly shown a socialist worldview. Alarming, Christian children attending Christian schools are also trending towards a socialist worldview as well. This suggests there is a cultural component to this as well, but the effect of public schools is unmistakable, and the trend is not good.



While progressive values might have been only tepidly taught in grades 1-12, the kids get the “firehose treatment” when they enter college. Hence: the “snowflakes.”

We may dismiss the snowflake phenomenon as nothing more than delayed adolescence, but it appears the phenomenon has staying power. And unless there is some group out there that has taken it upon

³ www.nehemiahinstitute.com/

⁴ The PEERS test measures a person’s worldview as it relates to: Politics, Economics, Education, Religion, and Social Issues.

themselves to grab these kids by the shoulders and shake them into the real world, the “snowflake’s” worldview is unlikely to change much. Their values are pretty set. We may see only minor adjustments as they encounter opinions in the “real world” that diverge from their own. Right now, they believe that the way they see the world reflects reality because their peers and teachers affirm that view.

While [some analysis](#)⁵ of the views of millennials has been conducted, the findings are very superficial, they don’t dig very deep into specific policy positions or why the millennials hold to those views. The most comprehensive report I’ve encountered was conducted by the Pew Research Center and can be downloaded [here](#).⁶

While [seventy-seven percent of millennials](#)⁷ can’t name even one of their state’s two senators, this doesn’t keep them from voting. They support same-sex marriage, marijuana legalization, abortion on demand, relaxed immigration controls, greater gun control, and activist government. Do they understand the principles upon which this country was founded, the principles imbedded in the Declaration of Independence, the contending positions expressed at the Constitutional Convention? While I don’t find any studies that have assessed this, my personal experience says: no.

We simply must find a way to engage the millennials in reasoned discussion and debate before it is too late. If we don’t set this as a priority over the next 4-8 years, progressive policies will become firmly entrenched in the American polity. Once the Boomers have passed on, America will be in new hands. That should worry you.

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⁵ <http://bigthink.com/daylight-atheism/the-millennials-americas-secular-future>

⁶ <http://www.pewsocialtrends.org/2014/03/07/millennials-in-adulthood/>

⁷ <http://www.politico.com/story/2015/02/poll-millennials-state-senators-114867>