

# The White House Embattled: The U.S. Election 2024

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## The 2024 U.S. Election Seen from Down Under: What's at Stake for Australia?

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Most prominently at stake for Australia in the 2024 US election is the direction of Australian conservative politics. Trump engages an idiom and symbolism that is internationally shared and unites various right-wing agendas, particularly in Australia, where the English language and Murdoch-owned media outlets make Trump a focal point for the Australian right. His victory, Dr. Smith argues in his lecture, would embolden a populist, far-right ascendancy on the conservative side of Australian politics at the expense of more moderate and liberal tendencies within the conservative coalition. A defeat of Trump is likely to have the opposite effect.

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