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Hillary Clinton just can't win: Democrats need to accept that only Bernie Sanders can defeat the GOP

Bernie Sanders will become our next president and it should come as no surprise to people actually paying attention

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Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders (Credit: Reuters/Brian Snyder/Jim Young/Photo montage by Salon)

In one major poll, Bernie Sanders is now [leading](#) Hillary Clinton nationally. In most others, he's not far behind from the former Secretary of State. Vermont's Senator already has an ["edge over Clinton in matchups with GOP opponents."](#) dispelling Clinton's electability myth. In an average of national polls, Bernie Sanders is less [than eight points](#) from Hillary Clinton, after being over 50 points behind in 2015. In addition, there's only one person capable of challenging a Republican in 2016 without [James Comey](#) declaring national security was jeopardized by a private server.

Bernie Sanders is the *only* Democratic candidate capable of winning the White House in 2016. Please name the last person to win the presidency alongside an ongoing FBI investigation, negative favorability ratings, questions about character linked to continual flip-flops, a dubious [money trail of donors](#), and the genuine contempt of the rival political party. In reality, Clinton is a liability to Democrats, and certainly not the person capable of ensuring liberal Supreme Court nominees and President Obama's legacy. The precious and all-knowing polls already show Bernie Sanders defeating Republicans in a general election and Robert Reich has already explained why Sanders can easily win the presidency. In a Huffington Post [piece](#) titled "6 Responses to Bernie Skeptic," Reich debunks the trusted myth of Clinton supporters and Republicans:

"He'd never beat Trump or Cruz in a general election."

Wrong. According to the latest polls, Bernie is the strongest Democratic candidate in the general election, defeating both Donald Trump and Ted Cruz in hypothetical matchups. (The latest RealClear Politics averages of all polls shows Bernie beating Trump by a larger margin than Hillary beats Trump, and Bernie beating Cruz while Hillary loses to Cruz.)

"America would never elect a socialist."

P-l-e-a-s-e. America's most successful and beloved government programs are social insurance – Social Security and Medicare. A highway is a shared social expenditure, as is the military and public parks and schools. The problem is we now have excessive socialism for the rich (bailouts of Wall Street, subsidies for Big Ag and Big Pharma, monopolization by cable companies and giant health insurers, giant tax-deductible CEO pay packages) – all of which Bernie wants to end or prevent.

As Reich points out in his article, America is already a nation of Democratic-Socialists, but many of us (Democrats and Republicans) simply uphold "excessive socialism for the rich." Bernie Sanders, unlike Clinton, defeats Donald Trump in a landslide of ["epic proportions"](#) in a general election and is the antithesis of a Republican. If you don't believe me, then watch my friend Brian Hanley's [animated rap videos](#) about Bernie Sanders demolishing Donald Trump.

Most importantly, and something the naysayers should learn, is that Bernie Sanders [does better](#) than Clinton against the GOP in a general election.

In addition, American voters don't trust Hillary Clinton. At what point will critics of Bernie Sanders realize that American voters will never vote for a candidate they don't trust and don't like? In October of 2015, I explained in the following [YouTube segment](#) why Clinton is unelectable, and in another [segment](#) why Clinton must always evolve on key issues.

[53.8%](#) of all American voters have an "unfavorable" view of Hillary Clinton.

[67%](#) of American voters find Hillary Clinton "not honest and trustworthy," compared with [59%](#) for Donald Trump. Yes, more people trust Donald Trump.

After all, it's difficult to trust a politician who [completely fabricated](#) a story about being fired upon by snipers. Like [POLITIFACT](#) states, "it's hard to understand how she could err on something so significant as whether she did or didn't dodge sniper bullets."

[71% of men and 64% of women](#) find Clinton "not honest and trustworthy."

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[74% of independent voters](#) find Clinton "not honest and trustworthy."

[35% of Democrats](#) find Clinton "not honest and trustworthy." Yes, even Democrats.

In contrast, Kathy Frankovic of YouGov.com [states](#) "Bernie Sanders is the most widely trusted presidential candidate of either party."

[Quinnipiac's](#) Feb. 18 report states "Sanders has the highest favorability rating of any candidate and the highest scores for honesty and integrity, for caring about voters' needs and problems and for sharing voters' values." Sanders also ties Clinton on "having strong leadership qualities."

In terms of Clinton's leadership qualities, they haven't translated to good judgement. If the Clinton campaign expects to build upon President Obama's accomplishments, then it should first discuss things with a former Obama intelligence official. Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn explains his view of Hillary Clinton's email scandal in a CNN [article](#) titled "Former Obama Intel Official: Hillary Clinton Should Drop Out":

President Barack Obama's former top military intelligence official said Hillary Clinton should pull out of the presidential race while the FBI investigate her use of a private email server for official government communication while secretary of state.

"If it were me, I would have been out the door and probably in jail," said Flynn, who decried what he said was a "lack of accountability, frankly, in a person who should have been much more responsible in her actions as the secretary of state of the United States of America."

"This over-classification excuse is not an excuse," Flynn said Friday. "If it's classified, it's classified."

Flynn, who headed the Defense Intelligence Agency from July 2012 to August 2014, told Tapper that Clinton **"knew better..."**

No, Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn isn't part of the GOP. He actually worked for President Obama. If you think [the FBI](#), a former Obama intelligence official, the State Department's own "[internal watchdog](#)," and all the other elements of this expanded investigation make for a great presidency, then you're certainly ready for Hillary in 2016.

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Yes, a former Obama intelligence official suggests Clinton "drop out" of the presidential race. The FBI's investigation of Clinton's emails is "[not letting up](#)" and there is no end in sight. Good luck with nationally televised debates against a ruthless opponent like Trump (who will certainly make the email scandal a primary issue of every discussion), if you fear the loss of Supreme Court nominees and the future of our country. It's doubtful any GOP challenger would gracefully declare, "[Enough of the emails](#)." Even if you believe Clinton would win a general election, remember that the FBI, or even the State Department, could uncover yet another group of "[Top Secret](#)" emails well into Clinton's first term. The FBI could also urge the Justice Department to take action; even if Clinton wins the presidency. We've already seen one Clinton White House defend against scandal. By the way, can anyone at The Daily Beast, The Daily Banter, or The Daily Hillary Clinton Inevitability Press please explain why Hillary Clinton felt the need to own a private server? Vermont's senator will become our next president and it should come as no surprise to people actually paying attention, and not repeating establishment talking points. I've been saying this since [June 25, 2015](#), when 730,000 people on Facebook liked my article titled "It's Official — Bernie Sanders Has Overtaken Hillary Clinton In the Hearts and Minds of Democrats." True, I was wrong about Iowa, but at least I got the [winner](#) right, and I'll be right about my [greatest prediction](#): On Jan. 20, 2017 Bernie Sanders Will Be Sworn In as America's 45th President.

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