



Democrat Party Presidential Candidate Positions on Climate Change

	Net-zero CO2 emissions date	Supports a carbon tax/fee	Rejoin Paris Climate Accord?	Financial and/or legal penalties for corporations and executives?	Estimated Cost of Candidate's Climate Plan	Endorses or Supports the Green New Deal	Supports a ban on domestic oil and gas drilling on federal lands	Supports a ban on fossil fuel exports
Joe Biden	2050	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1.7 trillion	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cory Booker	2045	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$3 trillion?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pete Buttigieg	2050	Yes	Yes		\$1.5-\$2 trillion	Yes	Yes	
Julian Castro	2045	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$10 trillion	Yes	Yes	
Kamala Harris	2045	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$10 trillion	Yes	Yes	
Amy Klobuchar	2050	Yes	Yes		\$3 trillion	Yes	Mostly	
Beto O'Rourke	2050	No*	Yes	Yes	\$5 trillion	Yes	Yes	
Bernie Sanders	2050	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$16.3 trillion	Yes	Yes	Yes
Elizabeth Warren	2050	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$3 trillion	Yes	Yes	
Andrew Yang	2050	Yes	Yes		\$4.9 trillion	Yes	Yes	No

* Beto O'Rourke supports a cap and trade system of CO2 control

** Unfilled cells indicate no expressed candidate position

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	Notable Policy Quotes from the September 4, 2019 Democrat Climate Debate
Joe Biden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “No one is going to build another coal-burning [power plant] -- we've got to shut down the ones down we have, but no one is going to build a new one.” “We have to take the -- take combustion engine vehicles off the road as rapidly as we can, but that also can create a significant number of jobs and opportunities for people.”
Cory Booker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Climate is not a separate issue. It is the issue, the lens, through we must do everything that we do. It is an every day mission. That means everyone of my departments, every one of my agencies, everyone of my cabinet members from the Secretary of Defense to the Secretary of Agriculture has to be coming up with an aggressive climate plan. I'm going to use the power of my pen to write away.”
Pete Buttigieg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “This is going to require action at every level of government and beyond government.” “[Climate change reform] is not only a question of generational justice. It is a question of social, racial, and gender justice.”
Julian Castro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “We would ensure that we're able to implement a carbon pollution fee and then use that revenue to make investments that we need to make to get to net zero. And we wouldn't be afraid of taking these folks to court and enforcing these laws. I believe that by doing those things we can hold these corporations accountable and ensure that we set a standard of compliance unlike never before in our country.”
Kamala Harris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “So, again, back to the United States Congress, here's my point. If they fail to act, as president of the United States, I am prepared to get rid of the filibuster to pass a Green New Deal.” “It's a question of taking on powerful interests, taking on the polluters, understanding that they have a profit motive to pollute. And so let's take them to court. And let's require that, if they don't change their behaviors, they will pay those fines and there will be accountability and consequences.”
Amy Klobuchar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “No, I wouldn't allow for building of new coal plants.”
Beto O'Rourke	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Because the clock is running, we have a little more than 10 years left. We don't have time to experiment. So I think that is the best possible path to ensure that there's a price for carbon and pollution in our economy.”
Bernie Sanders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “If you are in the fossil fuel industry, you're going to be paying more in taxes, that's for sure.”
Elizabeth Warren	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “I'm perfectly willing to take on giant corporations. I think I've been known to do that once or twice. But for me, I think the way we get there is we just say, sorry, guys, but by 2035, you're done. You're not going to be using anymore carbon-based fuels, that that gets us to the right place.” “But I just want to be clear. We've got to have tough rules that we're willing to enforce.”
Andrew Yang	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “The Paris accords, the only issue I have with them is that they didn't go far enough, because a lot of the enforcement mechanisms really aren't there.” “So, working with businesses. First, a carbon fee is going to go a long way, because all of a sudden they have to pay when they pollute. So that's going to be immediate.”