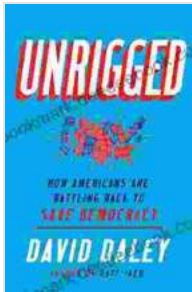


# How Americans Are Battling Back To Save Democracy



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In the face of rising authoritarianism, Americans are fighting back to protect their democracy. From grassroots movements to legal challenges, citizens are taking action to ensure that their voices are heard and their rights are protected.

## Grassroots Movements

One of the most important ways that Americans are fighting back against authoritarianism is through grassroots movements. These movements are often led by ordinary citizens who are concerned about the state of their democracy and are willing to take action to protect it.

One example of a grassroots movement is the Indivisible movement. Indivisible was founded in 2016 in response to the election of Donald

Trump. The movement is made up of local groups that work to resist Trump's agenda and promote progressive values.

Indivisible has been credited with playing a role in the Democratic Party's victory in the 2018 midterm elections. The movement has also been successful in pressuring members of Congress to support progressive legislation, such as the Green New Deal.

## **Legal Challenges**

Another way that Americans are fighting back against authoritarianism is through legal challenges. A number of lawsuits have been filed in recent years challenging various laws and policies that have been seen as threats to democracy.

One example of a successful legal challenge is the case of *Shelby County v. Holder*. In 2013, the Supreme Court struck down a key provision of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. The provision required certain states with a history of racial discrimination to get federal approval before making changes to their voting laws.

The Supreme Court's decision in *Shelby County v. Holder* has been seen as a major setback for voting rights. However, a number of lawsuits have been filed since then challenging new voting restrictions that have been enacted in many states.



## Voting Rights

Voting rights are one of the most important aspects of democracy. Without the right to vote, citizens have no say in who represents them or how their government is run.

In recent years, there have been a number of efforts to restrict voting rights, particularly in states with Republican-controlled legislatures. These efforts include measures such as voter ID laws, cuts to early voting, and the purging of voter rolls.

Voting rights advocates have been fighting back against these efforts. They have filed lawsuits, organized protests, and lobbied lawmakers to protect the right to vote.



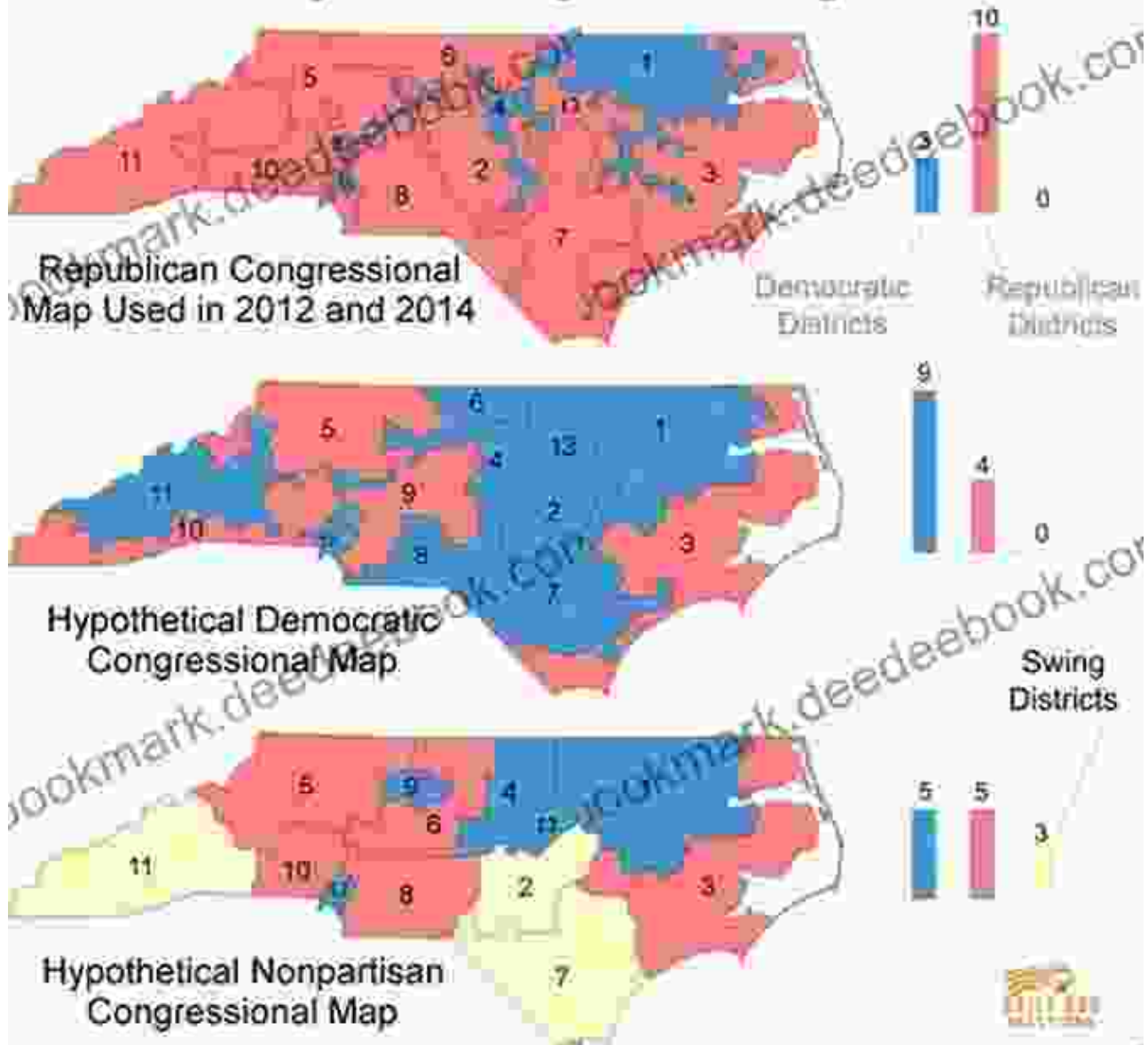
Voting is one of the most important ways that citizens can participate in democracy.

## **Gerrymandering**

Gerrymandering is the practice of drawing electoral districts in a way that gives one party an unfair advantage. Gerrymandering can be used to dilute the votes of minority groups or to create safe seats for incumbents.

Gerrymandering is a serious threat to democracy. It can lead to elections that are not fair or representative. A number of lawsuits have been filed in recent years challenging gerrymandered districts.

# How Gerrymandering Can Swing Elections



## Voter Suppression

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## **Civil Rights**

Civil rights are the rights guaranteed to all citizens by the Constitution and federal law. These rights include the right to free speech, assembly, religion, and the press.

Civil rights are under attack in the United States. In recent years, there have been a number of efforts to restrict free speech, assembly, and religion.



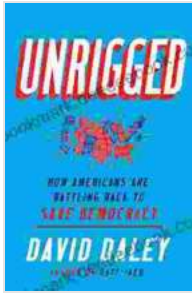
Civil rights advocates are fighting back against these efforts. They have filed lawsuits, organized protests, and lobbied lawmakers to protect civil rights.



The battle for democracy is not over. Americans are facing a number of challenges to their democracy, but they are fighting back. From grassroots movements to legal challenges, citizens are taking action to protect their rights and ensure that their voices are heard.

The future of democracy in America is uncertain, but one thing is for sure: Americans are not going to give up without a fight.

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