

# The Fascist Trump/Pence Regime Has Dismissed the Very Concept of Truth

## RefuseFascism.org FACT SHEET #5:

***“The Trump/Pence Regime is a Fascist Regime. Not insult or exaggeration, this is what it is. For the future of humanity and the planet, we, the people, must drive this regime out.”***  
– from the Refuse Fascism Call to Action

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In order for people to play a role in shaping the world, they must understand it as it actually is. This means being able to find out what the evidence shows to be true – in the natural world as well as in politics and society. **The Trump/Pence fascist regime not only spews forth LIE after LIE, they are waging war on critical thinking and on the ability of people to recognize and expose their lies.** This not only makes it easier for them to hide the devastating impact of their fascist program and to discredit those who challenge them, this also feeds a mindless and obedient lynch-mob social base eager to do the regime's bidding at great cost to humanity.

- Trump repeatedly insists that his inauguration had the biggest crowds in years – a blatant LIE.
- When the National Park Service re-tweeted photos that disproved this LIE, Trump's White House muzzled and (temporarily) shut down the National Park Service's Twitter feed.
- At his first press conference, press secretary Sean Spicer repeated this LIE, saying, “This was the largest audience ever to witness an inauguration, period.” When further challenged, he responded, “These attempts to lessen the enthusiasm of the inauguration are shameful and wrong.”
- When media outlets challenged this LIE, Trump advisor Kellyanne Conway insisted that these LIES were just “alternative facts.” No. They were LIES.
- On February 6<sup>th</sup>, Donald Trump tweeted, “Any negative polls are fake news, just like the CNN, ABC, NBC polls in the election. Sorry, people want border security and extreme vetting.” This is not true. While polls are often biased by how questions are framed, many different polls show approval ratings for Trump around 44%. The Rasmussen poll Trump has cited to “prove” his popularity is flawed; it only surveyed “likely voters” as opposed to the general population.
- Trump has often cited the media's pre-election predictions to “prove” how “fake” they are. This, too, is wrong. Polls by TV networks during the election were not “fake news.” In fact, most national polls were not far off the mark. The polls correctly showed Hillary Clinton winning the popular vote by a relatively small margin – in fact, she won the popular vote by *nearly three million*.

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