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Trump's Triumph

I found John Hodgkins letter of the 12.11.24 rather optimistic about president-elect Donald Trump's forthcoming term as USA president. He believes that Trump will build a rainbow coalition across America's many ethnic groups. The fact is 8 out of 10 Trump voters were white. This was relatively unchanged from the 2020 election which he narrowly lost. It's true that the vote amongst young black men for Trump did double, from 2020, to 3 in 10. The vote share for Trump amongst Hispanic men also went up slightly.

Even though Trump has won convincingly, the number of people who actually voted for him this election went down. However, the Democrats vote went down by over 10 million with a lot more of the electorate staying at home and not bothering to vote at all. It was the Democrats' failure rather than Trump's success.

Like the UK, the dominant two-party system doesn't represent a lot of the population. Voters were not given much choice. Issues such as the cost of living, forever wars and misrepresentation in the media all played their part. As well nearly every incumbent leader during the pandemic lost at their country's subsequent elections.

I think that the only coalition that Trump will be building will be amongst the rich and powerful. Elon Musk seems to have become Trump's right-hand man after being appointed in charge of the Department of Efficiency. His Tesla shares have risen by 12% since the victory of his friend. This raised his bank balance by a cool 15 billion dollars. Bitcoins and crypto-currencies have also surged by 30% since the Trump election. Does the market anticipate a relaxed regulatory framework? Hedge-funds will likely be the biggest winners. Of course, Elon Musk and Donald Trump are big investors.



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Trump has chosen Chris Wright, a climate-change denier from the fracking industry for Energy and Robert Kennedy Jnr, an anti-vaxxer for Health. Trump will certainly make history but I don't believe, somehow, that his presidency will benefit the poor, sick, the working classes, blacks, Hispanics and other ethnic groups as Mr Hodgkins thinks he will.

Sincerely,

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