Presidential Election Analysis 2016:

The Electoral College and the "Winner Take All" System

Refer to CNN.com/ELECTION for data used to complete chart

	Clinton	Trump
Total Electoral Votes	232	290
Total Popular Votes	63,515,588	61,917,320
% of Popular Votes	47.9% votes	46.7% votes

If the chart above doesn't make sense, consider the results of the 5 states with the greatest number of Electoral College votes (below) and remember that this represents only 5 out of 50 states!

State	Clinton Popular Votes	Clinton Electoral Votes	Trump Popular Votes	Trump Electoral Votes
California – CA	7,230,699 (+3,389,565)	55	3,841,134	0
Texas – TX	3,867,816	0	4,681,590 (+813,774)	38
Florida – FL	4,485,745	0	4,605,515 (+119,770)	29
New York - NY	4,143,874 (+1,503,304)	29	2,640,570	0
Pennsylvania - PA	2,844,705	0	2,912,941 (+68,236)	20
Total	22,572,839 (+3,891,089)	84	18,681,750	87

- In summary, some of the states that supported Clinton did so with very large margins+.
- In comparison, some of the states that supported Trump did so with smaller margins+.
- Because it's a "Winner Take All" system, **all** Electoral College votes in those states went to Trump which gave him the total needed to win the election.