Political movements

President George Bush made 141 visits to foreign countries during his two presidential terms. So far, President Barack Obama has made 88.

Their Secretaries of State took the worst part: more than 200 trips during their four year terms. Do these trips reflect the U.S. geopolitical foreign policy?

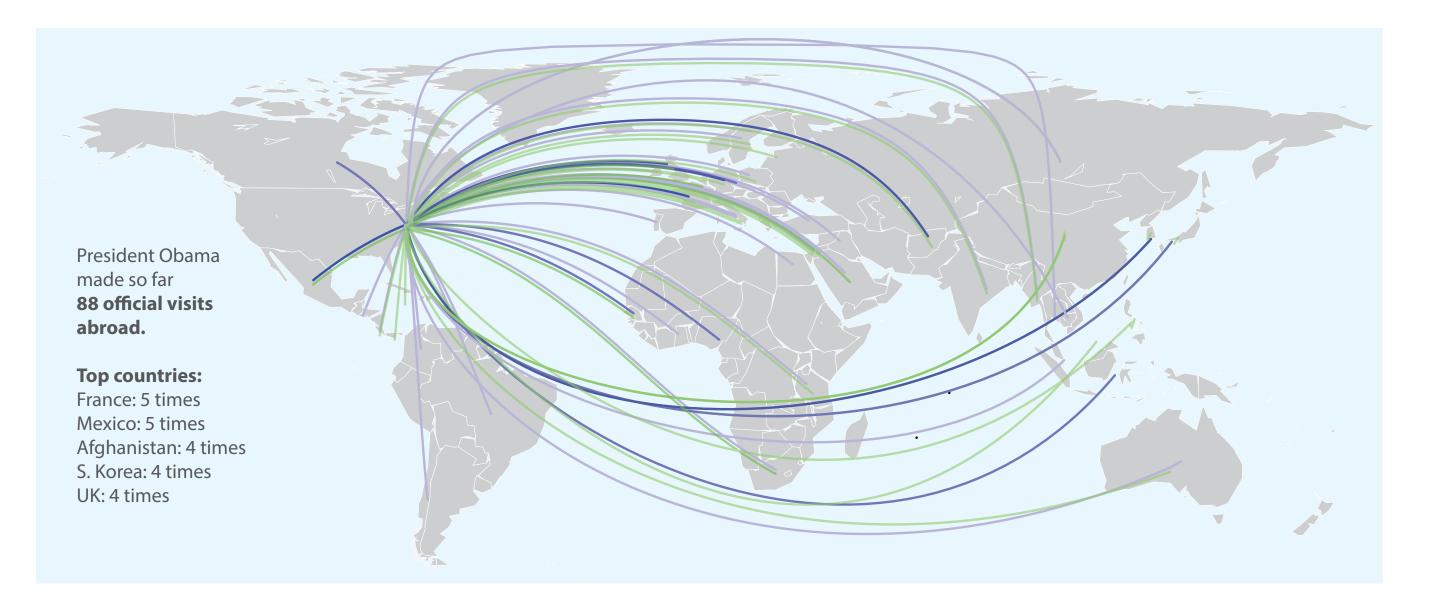
PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH (2001-2008)

Red lines show travels made during the first presidential term. The green ones, those made during the second term

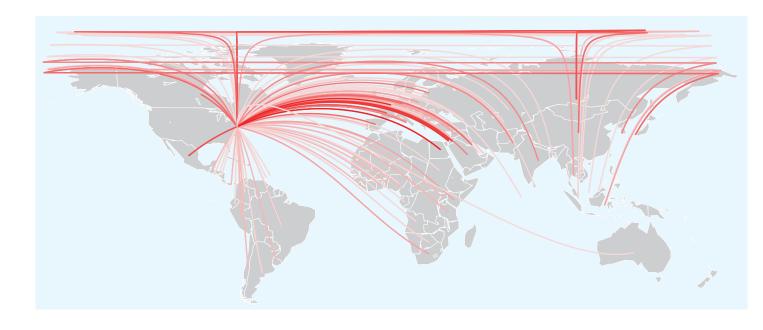


PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA (2009-2015)

Blue lines show travels made during the first presidential term. The green ones, the trips durings the second term



COLIN POWELL (2001-2004)



Secretary of State Colin Powell made **215 official visits abroad**.

Top countries: Egypt: 9 times Belgium: 8 times Israel: 7 times Jordan: 7 times Palestine: 7 times

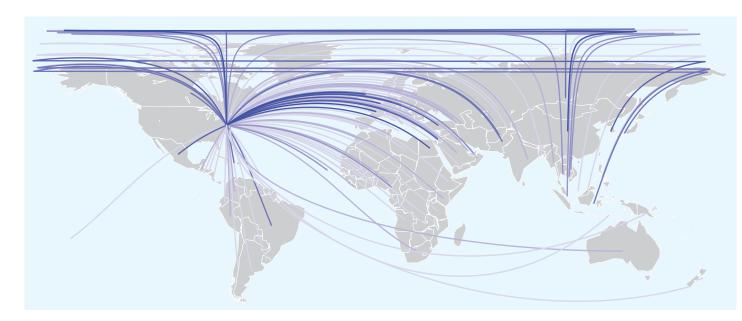
CONDOLEEZZA RICE (2005-2008)



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice made **275 official visits abroad**.

Top countries: Israel: 25 times Palestine: 21 times Egypt: 11 times Germany: 10 times Iraq: 10 times

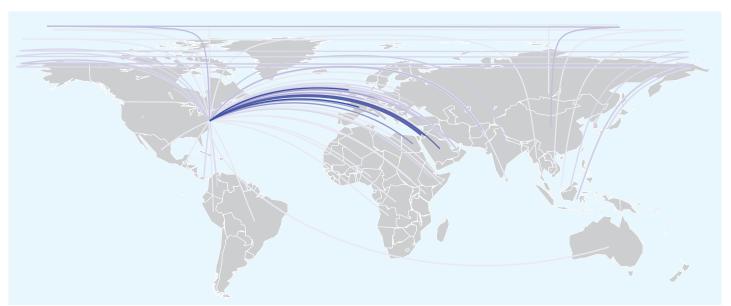
HILLARY CLINTON (2009-2012)



Secretary of state Hillary Clinton made **240 visits abroad**.

Top countries:
France: 8 times
UK: 8 times
China: 7 times
Belgium: 6 times
Egypt: 6 times

JOHN KERRY (2013-2015)



Secretary of state John Kerry made so far **202 visits abroad**.

Top countries:
France: 19 times
UK: 17 times
Jordan: 13 times
Israel: 12 times
Switzerland: 12 times

HOW TO READ THIS MAP

These maps display all the

countries where presi-

dents and secretaries of State made official visits, according to the U.S. Department of State's website. They don't reflect the exactly itinerary of those trips. The original ones were broken up and Washington was stablished as the origin. The goal was to show the number of times they visited a country, in order to see if there's a pattern than can reflect U.S. foreign policy. The darker the color of a path is, the more times a person visited a country. These maps include the visits to Palestinian Authority as a separate trip. The reason: in the DS' website, trips to Palestine are separated from the

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trips to Israel under the

country tab.