

The Delray Democrat

“These Lies Are Like Their Father that Begets Them,
Gross as a Mountain, Open, Palpable”¹

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Henry IV, Part 1, Act 2, Scene 4

For years, and dozens of times, Donald Trump has bragged that he presided over “the greatest economy in history.” This is actually a double lie. The economy about which Trump bragged was never his to begin with. It was the one he inherited from Barack Obama, after Obama rebuilt the economy from the ashes left by George W. Bush. And Biden’s economy has been even better.

This lie accounts for only a tiny percentage of the tens of thousands of lies that have been documented, but it’s proven potent. Below are the facts.

	Obama Final 36 months	Trump First 36 months	Biden To date (40 months)
Job growth total	7,847,000	6,146,000	15,621,000
Average monthly job increase	224,200	175,600	390,525
Unemployment drop	-2%	-1.2%	-1.9%
GDP growth	11.0%	11.7%	22.9%

¹ [The Delray Democrat](#), August 2024, page 16.