# OpenSecrets & FactCheck

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## OpenSecrets.org

- Run by Center for Responsive Politics (CRP)
- Non-profit, non-partisan research group
- Allows Web users to track federal campaign contributions and lobbying activities

### OpenSecrets.org

#### **Useful Links**

- www.OpenSecrets.org
- http://www.fec.gov/
- <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Center\_for\_Responsive\_Politics">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Center\_for\_Responsive\_Politics</a>
- <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Political\_action\_committee">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Political\_action\_committee</a>
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/527\_organization

## FactCheck.org

- Project of Annenberg Public Policy Center of the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania
- Primarily funded by the Annenberg Foundation
- Non-partisan, non-profit
- An advocate for voters to reduce deception and confusion in US politics
- Mostly rebuttals to "inaccurate, misleading, or false" claims by politicians

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#### Discussions

- OpenSecrets is more data centric
  - Queries
  - Visualization
- Templates for automated analysis?
- Possibility of crowdsourcing for FactCheck?