

# The Ballpark podcast Episode 2.7 The Rural-Urban Divide

The distance between America's rural and urban communities have become a pivotal element of politics and elections. Professor Kathy Cramer has spent the last decade investigating the attitudes and identities that have contributed to this divide, and in this episode, we dive into that work with her and PhD candidate Tory Mallett.

This episode features Kathy Kramer, Director of the Morgridge Center for Public Service and Professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; and Tory Mallett, PhD Student in LSE's Department of Sociology.

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### Further reading:

- [The Politics of Resentment in the 2016 US Presidential Election](#) – Kathy Cramer's talk at the LSE, May 2017
- [The Politics of Resentment: Rural Consciousness in Wisconsin and the Rise of Scott Walker](#) – Katherine J. Cramer
- [Trump and the Revolt of the Rust Belt](#) – 11 November 2016, LSE USAPP Blog
- [Demographic and economic change is helping to grow support for the Democratic Party in rural America](#) – 5 August 2015, LSE USAPP Blog
- [Clinton Performed Very Well in Most Urban Areas Relative to Obama, Despite Losing the Rustbelt—and the Presidency with It](#) – 22 November 2016, LSE USAPP Blog

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