

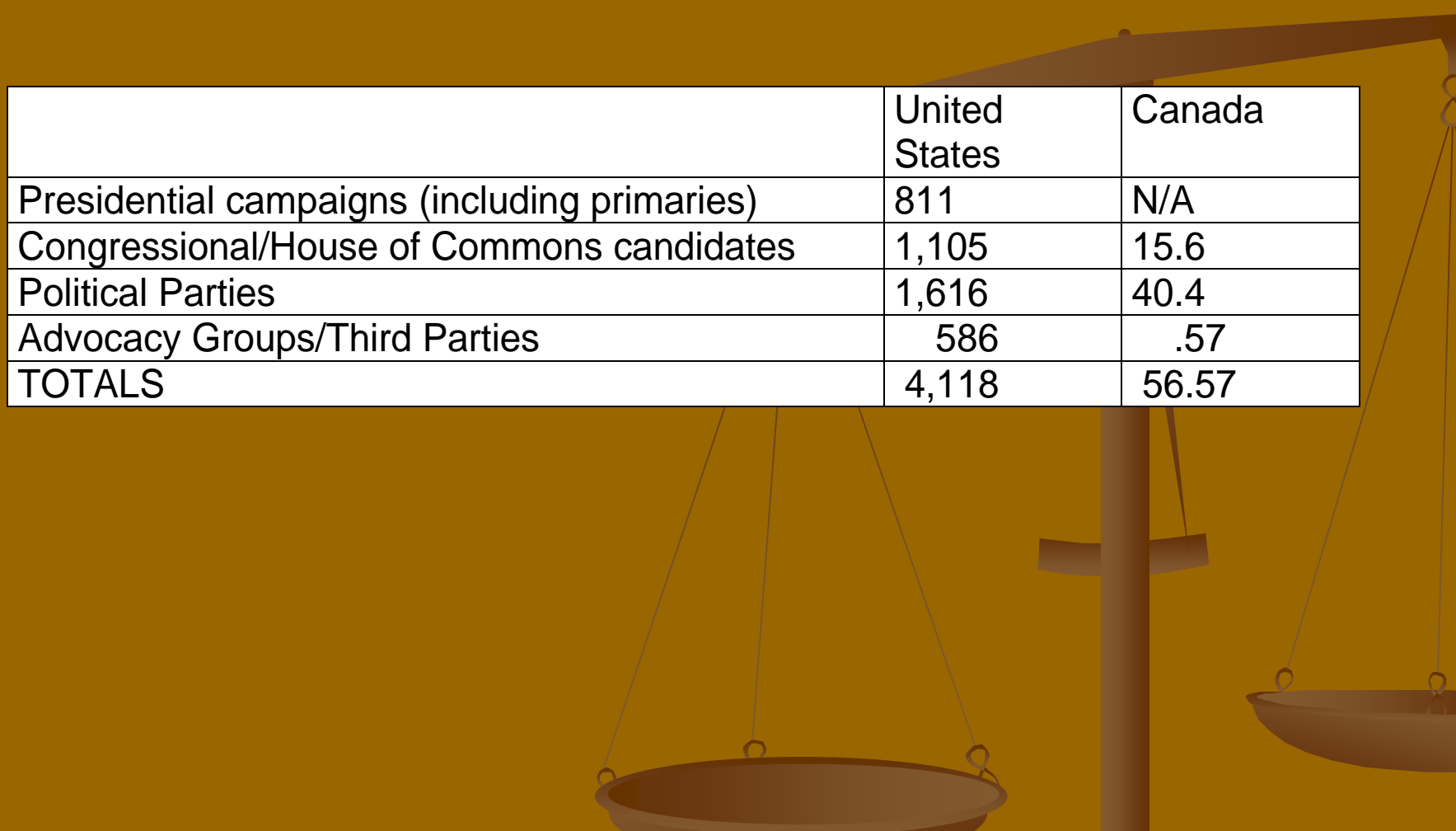


Political party and campaign financing in the Americas

EU/UNDP/IDEA

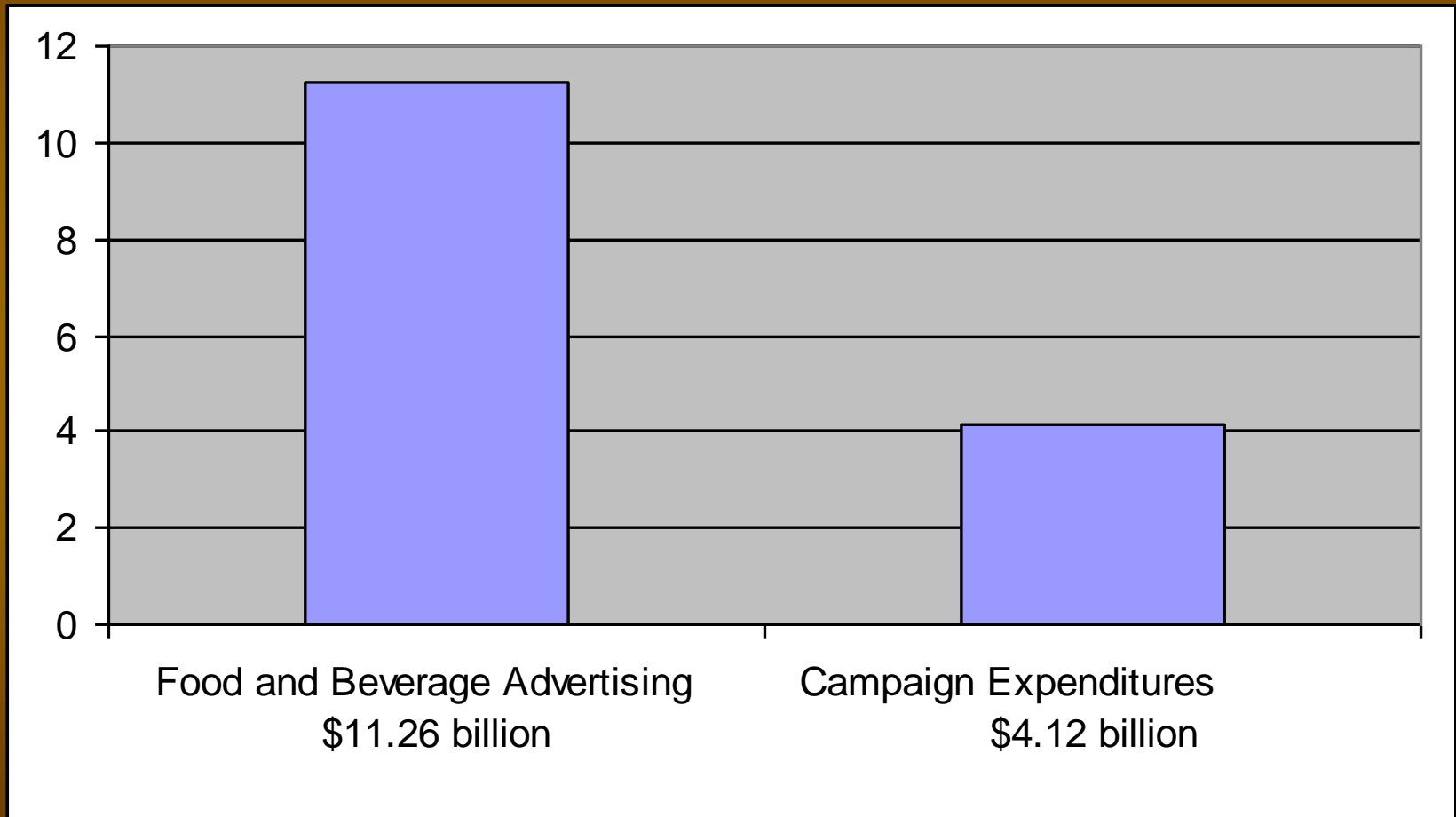
Joint Training on Effective Electoral
Assistance

Do elections cost too much? (2004)



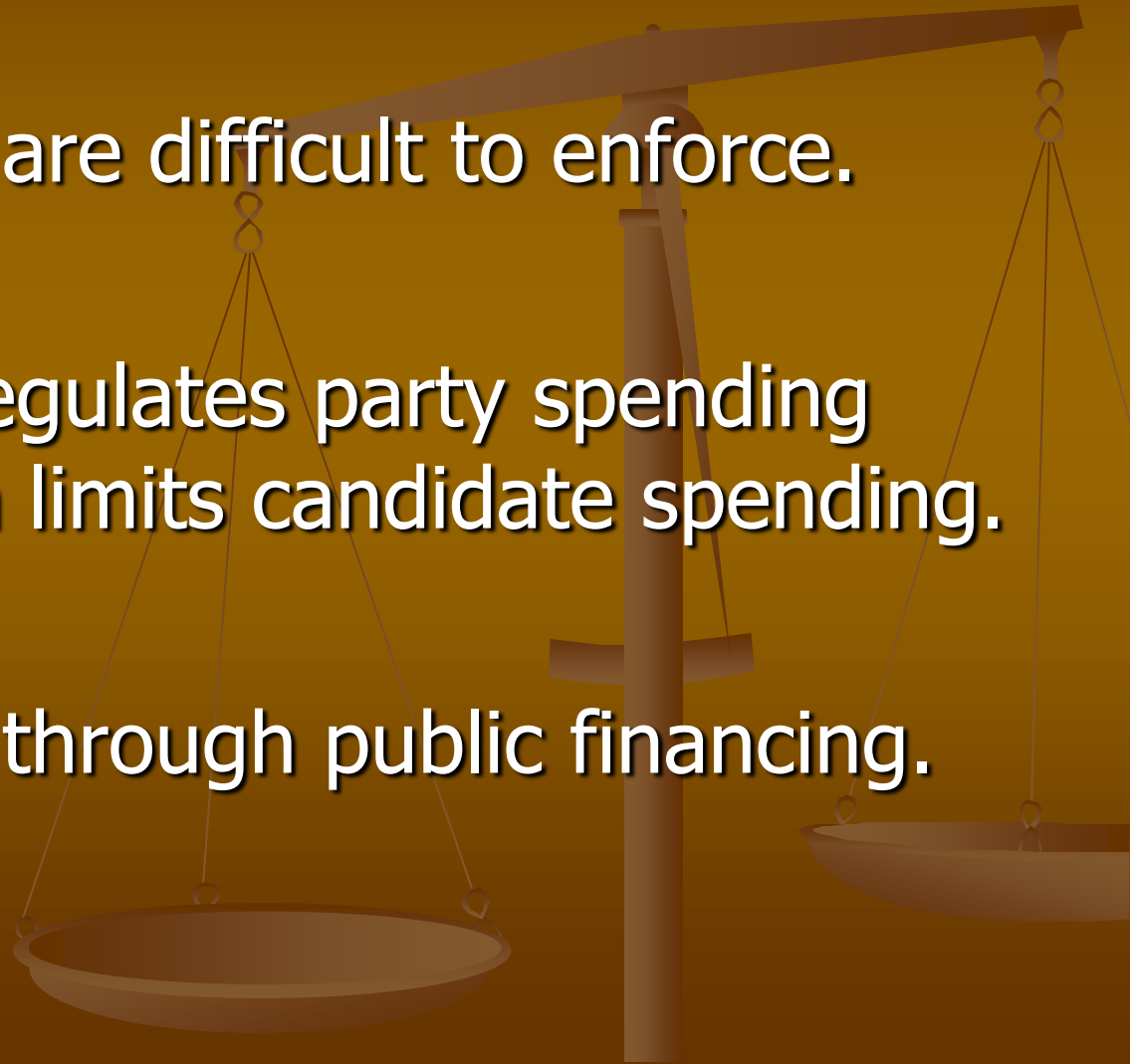
| | United States | Canada |
|--|---------------|--------|
| Presidential campaigns (including primaries) | 811 | N/A |
| Congressional/House of Commons candidates | 1,105 | 15.6 |
| Political Parties | 1,616 | 40.4 |
| Advocacy Groups/Third Parties | 586 | .57 |
| TOTALS | 4,118 | 56.57 |

Marketing Expenditures in the United States (2004)

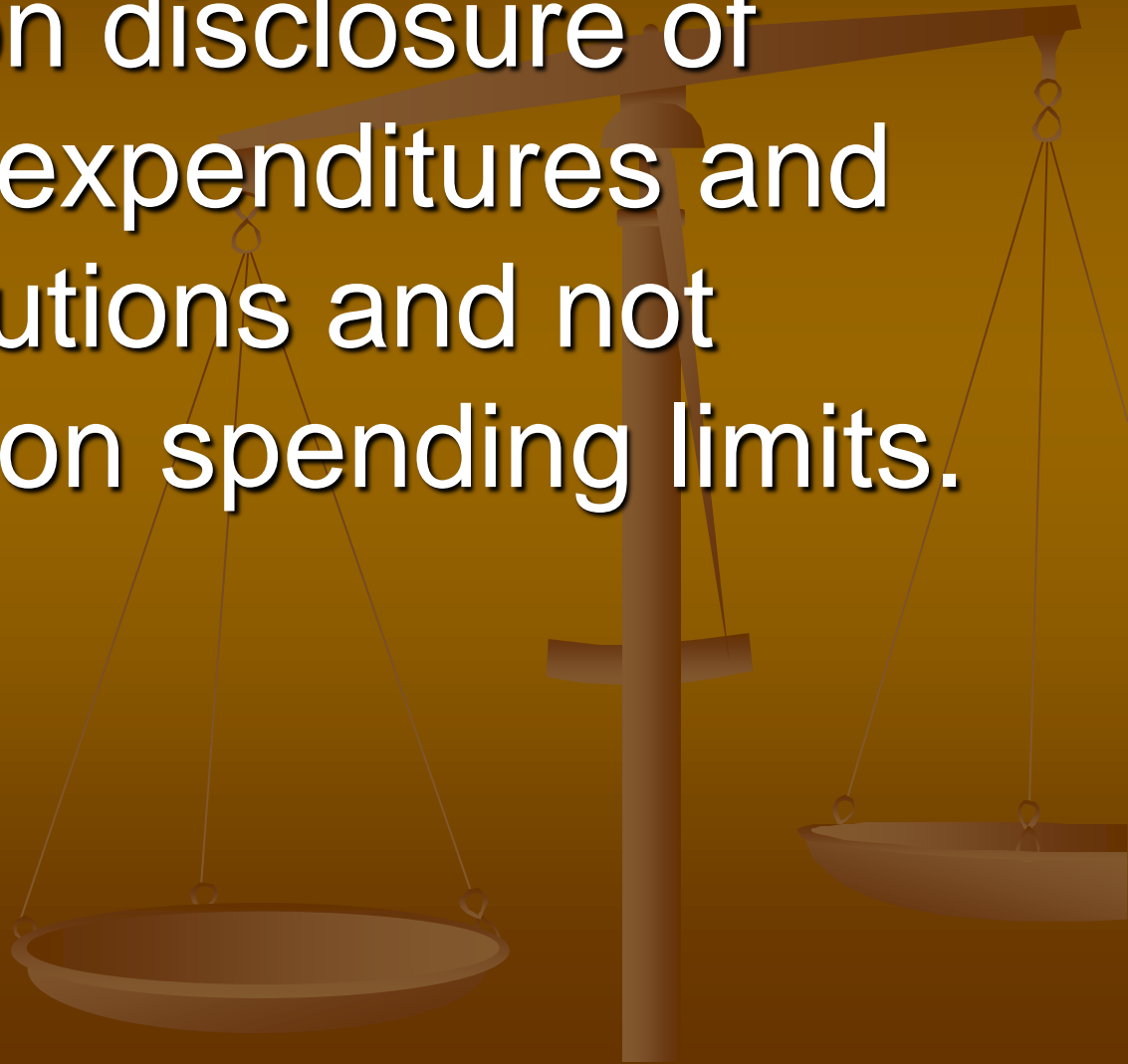


Do campaign spending limits make electoral competition more fair?

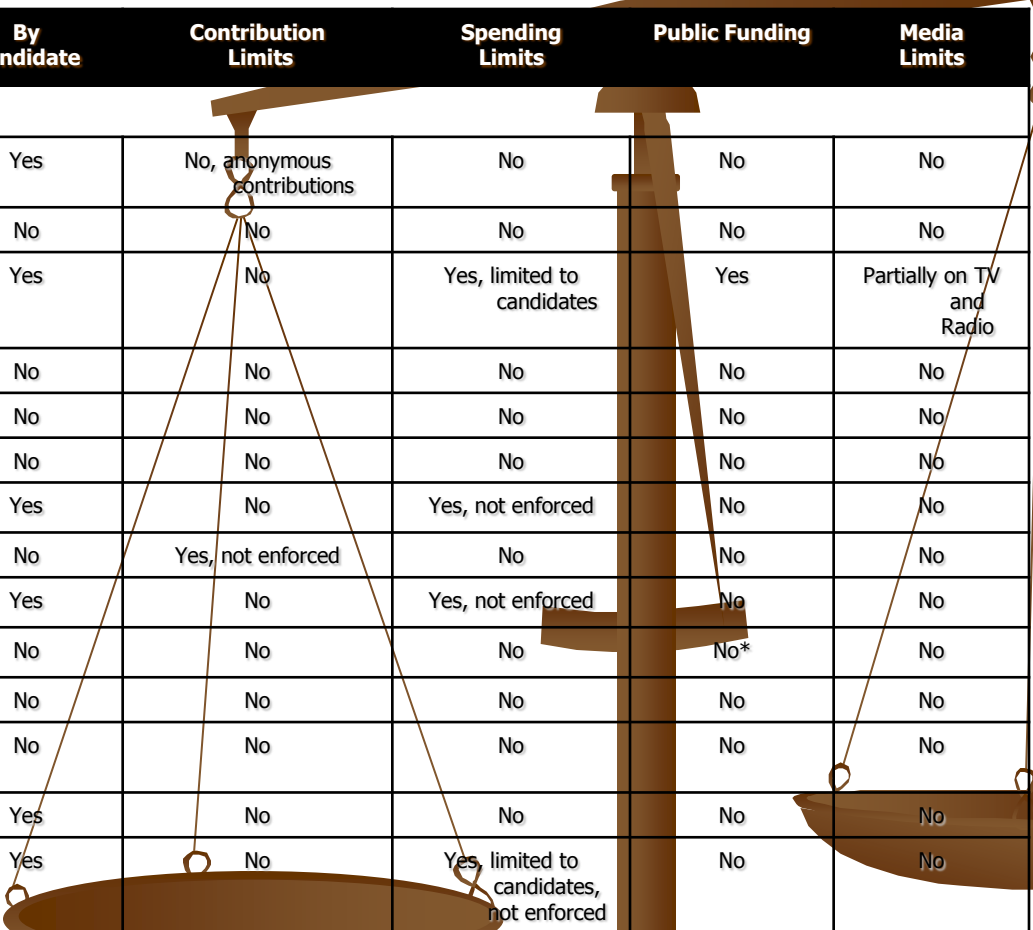
- Spending limits are difficult to enforce.
- Latin America regulates party spending while Caribbean limits candidate spending.
- Spending limits through public financing.



Focus on disclosure of
campaign expenditures and
contributions and not
necessarily on spending limits.



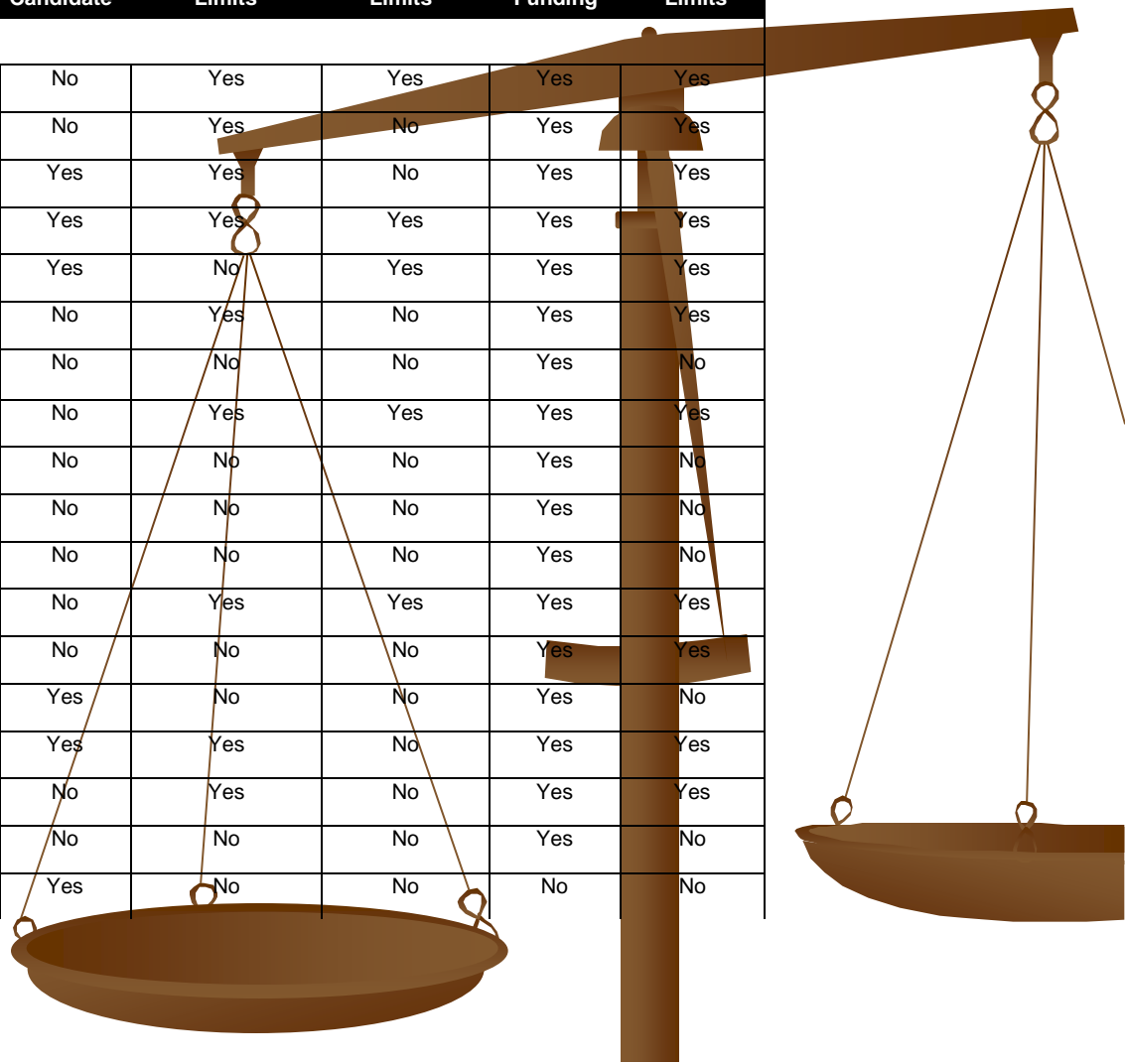
Disclosure and Limits Caribbean




| Country | Disclosure | By Party | By Candidate | Contribution Limits | Spending Limits | Public Funding | Media Limits |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--|----------------|---------------------------|
| Caribbean | | | | | | | |
| Antigua and Barbuda | Yes, not enforced | No | Yes | No, anonymous contributions | No | No | No |
| Bahamas | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Barbados | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes, limited to candidates | Yes | Partially on TV and Radio |
| Belize | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Dominica | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Grenada | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Guyana | Yes, not enforced | No | Yes | No | Yes, not enforced | No | No |
| Haiti | No | No | No | Yes, not enforced | No | No | No |
| Jamaica | Yes, not enforced | No | Yes | No | Yes, not enforced | No | No |
| St. Kitts and Nevis | No | No | No | No | No | No* | No |
| St. Lucia | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| St. Vincent and the Grenadines | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Suriname | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| Trinidad and Tobago | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes, limited to candidates, not enforced | No | No |

Disclosure and Limits Latin America

| Country | Disclosure | By Party | By Candidate | Contribution Limits | Spending Limits | Public Funding | Media Limits |
|----------------------|------------|----------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Latin America | | | | | | | |
| Argentina | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Bolivia | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Brazil | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Chile | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Colombia | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Costa Rica | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Dominican Republic | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| Ecuador | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| El Salvador | No | No | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| Guatemala | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| Honduras | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| Mexico | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Nicaragua | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Panama | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | No |
| Paraguay | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Peru | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Uruguay | No | No | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| Venezuela | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | No |



Disclosure and Limits North America



| Country | Disclosure | By Party | By Candidate | Contribution Limits | Spending Limits | Public Funding | Media Limits |
|----------------------|------------|----------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| North America | | | | | | | |
| Canada | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| United States | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |

Essential Elements of Political Party and Campaign Financing

- Realistic and Attainable Disclosure Requirements
- Effective Enforcement
- Access to the Media

