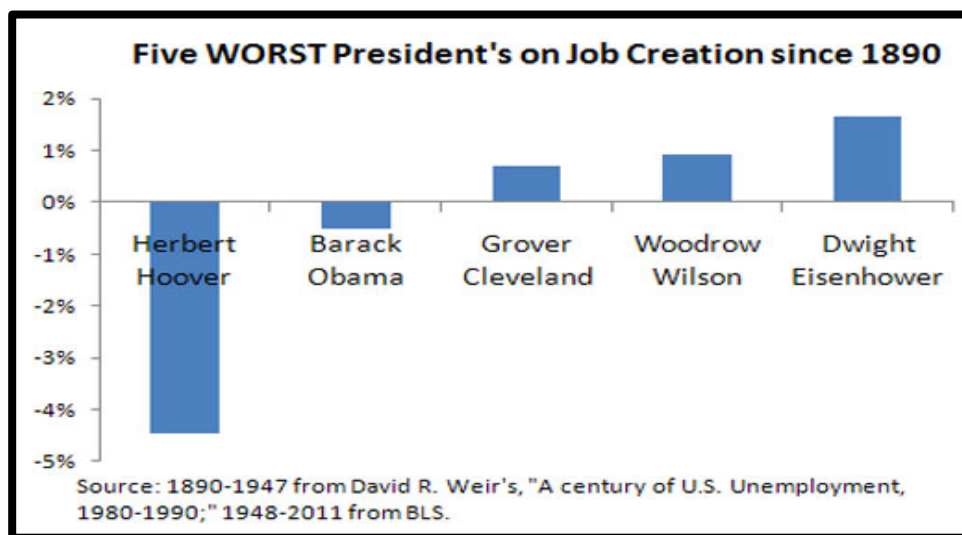


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**Obama Second Worst President on Job Creation:** Following the bipartisan debt agreement, President Obama and his fellow Democrats tried to pivot by [promising](#) to turn their attention to job-creation. In a Rose Garden press conference, the President vowed to “...continue...to fight for...new jobs, higher wages and faster economic growth.” House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi joined in, saying “Enough talks about the debt, we have to talk about jobs.” And Sen. Charles Schumer (NY) went a step further to claim that job-creation is in fact Democrats’ “strong suit.”

But as American Enterprise Institute’s Kevin Hassett [points out](#), it certainly is not Mr. Obama’s “strong suit.” The graph below compares the first two and a half years in office of the five worst presidents on job-creation since 1890. President Obama is the second worst, coming in behind President Herbert Hoover whose first two and a half years in office were during the Great Depression. Not very impressive for someone who has been saying since [2009](#) that his administration’s “overriding focus” is to “make sure that people are getting back to work.”



Rather than supporting his rhetoric with action, the president has spent the past two and a half years pushing a failed stimulus and ObamaCare. There are now 14 million unemployed Americans, and the jobs' report to be released tomorrow is unlikely to show much improvement, considering last month saw the largest number of job cuts in 16 months, according to [figures](#) released by Chicago-based Challenger, Gray & Christmas Inc. If Mr. Obama does not want to be counted as one of the unemployed come November 2012, he had better start delivering on his promises of plentiful jobs for Americans soon.