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Net worth of United States Senators and Representatives

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This page was last updated in 2014. The figures below reflect net worth information up to 2011 for members of the 109th (2005-2007) through the 113th (2013-2014) Congresses. The figures were based on data calculated by OpenSecrets.org in 2012.

How much are your **senators** *and* **representatives** *worth?* After heated budget debates, threats of government shutdowns and multiple votes to raise the debt ceiling, Congress has been dealing with fiscal issues on a regular basis. It is no wonder, then, that when the average citizen has the means to take a peek at each members ability to handle his or her personal finance, intrigue abounds.

The latest data calculated by OpenSecrets.org reports on disclosed information from 2012. The latest batch of numbers shows that the 113th Congress had a median net worth of $1,008,767. This is the first time in history that the majority of members are millionaires.[1]

For information on which members saw the highest change during their tenure, please see Ballotpedia's page on the **Changes in Net Worth of U.S. Senators and Representatives (Personal Gain Index).**

Summary

The data outlined on this page comes from OpenSecrets.org. They obtained the data from personal financial disclosure data that each senator and representative is required to provide for public record. The Center for Responsive Politics, the organization that runs OpenSecrets.org, calculated each net worth by adding all disclosed assets (corporate bonds, stocks, etc.) and subtracted major liabilities (loans, credit card debt, etc.).[2]

Analysis provided on this page includes:

- The ten wealthiest (and poorest) members of both the House and Senate
- The net worth of new members of Congress
- How members' net worth has changed from previous years
- How much the congressional delegations of each state are worth
- Breakdown of net worth between House and Senate
- A complete list of the net worth averages for congressional members since 2004

Average worth

U.S. Congress

Year	# of Reports	Total Net Worth	Average
2011	627	$4,946,090,771	$7,888,502
2010	641	$4,680,278,853	$7,301,527
2009	652	$4,271,710,652	$6,551,703
2008	600	$3,834,468,090	$6,390,780
2007	603	$4,633,904,377	$7,684,750
2006	594	$3,979,189,252	$6,698,972
2005	542	$3,459,576,717	$6,382,983
2004	580	$3,533,674,470	$6,092,542

Note: Report numbers may reflect incoming and outgoing members of congress.

U.S. Senate

Year	# of Senate Reports	Senate Average
2011	112	$14,013,596
2010	116	$13,224,333
2009	116	$13,229,651
2008	110	$13,835,333
2007	106	$17,170,451
2006	107	$14,106,027
2005	101	$14,553,612
2004	105	$14,455,289

U.S. House of Representatives

Year	# of House Reports	House Average
2011	512	$6,594,859
2010	525	$5,992,869
2009	536	$5,106,476
2008	490	$4,719,355
2007	497	$5,661,643
2006	487	$5,071,549
2005	441	$4,511,705
2004	475	$4,243,935

Note: Report numbers may reflect incoming and outgoing members of congress.

Democrats

U.S. Senate Democrats

Year	# of Senate Reports	Senate Average
2012	53	$13,566,333
2011	59	$20,795,450
2010	59	$19,383,524
2009	62	$18,937,920
2008	58	$19,758,117
2007	53	$26,454,480
2006	50	$22,523,538
2005	44	$24,796,538
2004	50	$21,624,612

U.S. House of Representatives Democrats

Year	# of House Reports	House Average
2012	202	$5,700,168
2011	241	$5,107,874
2010	266	$4,465,875
2009	273	$4,399,028
2008	271	$3,754,728
2007	275	$4,666,911
2006	244	$3,639,139
2005	206	$2,938,156
2004	225	$2,583,214

Note: Report numbers may reflect incoming and outgoing members of congress.

Republicans

U.S. Senate Republicans

Year	# of Senate Reports	Senate Average
2012	45	$6,956,438
2011	51	$6,358,668
2010	55	$7,054,258
2009	53	$6,799,690
2008	50	$7,472,817
2007	51	$8,155,252
2006	56	$6,834,723
2005	55	$6,858,820
2004	54	$8,080,791

U.S. House of Representatives Republicans

Year	# of House Reports	House Average
2012	230	$7,614,097
2011	273	$7,859,232
2010	259	$7,561,133
2009	263	$5,840,823
2008	219	$5,913,470
2007	222	$6,893,857
2006	242	$6,535,975
2005	234	$5,915,700
2004	249	$5,761,167

Note: Report numbers may reflect incoming and outgoing members of congress.

Independents

U.S. Senate Independents

Year	# of Senate Reports	Senate Average
2012	2	$8,096,792
2011	3	$6,099,707
2010	2	$1,205,273
2009	1	$105,003
2008	2	$1,137,522
2007	2	$1,031,270
2006	1	$423,504
2005	2	$816,019
2004	1	$212,006

U.S. House of Representatives Independents

Year	# of House Reports	House Average
2012	0	N/A
2011	0	N/A
2010	0	N/A
2009	0	N/A
2008	0	N/A
2007	0	N/A
2006	1	$188,504
2005	1	$128,001
2004	1	$115,501

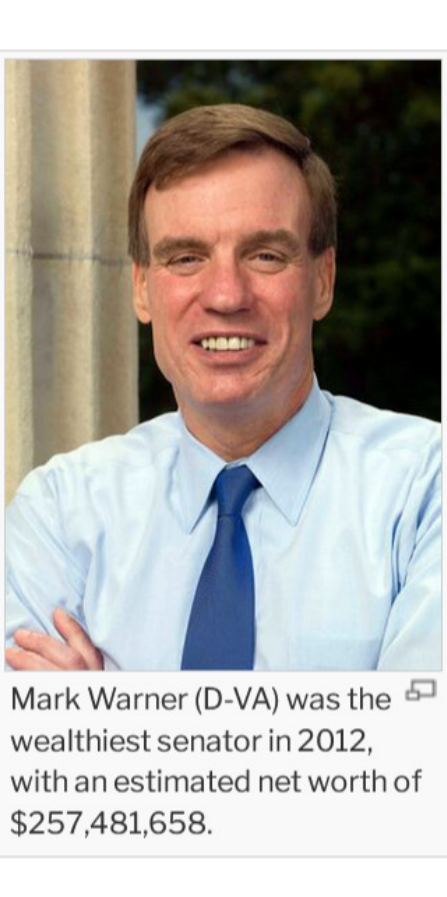
Note: Report numbers may reflect incoming and outgoing members of congress.

Top and bottom

Senators

Top 10 Senators in 2012 [hide]

Senator	Average Net Worth
Mark Warner	$257,481,658
(((Richard Blumenthal)))	$103,803,192
Jay Rockefeller	$101,290,514
(((Dianne Feinstein)))	$68,446,578
James Risch	$53,517,527
Bob Corker	$49,114,509
John Hoeven	$37,115,538
Ron Johnson	$24,442,007
Kay Hagan	$24,069,791
Mitch McConnell	$22,841,026



Mark Warner (D-VA) was the wealthiest senator in 2012, with an estimated net worth of $257,481,658.

Bottom 10 Senators in 2012 [hide]

Senator	Average Net Worth
Kirsten Gillibrand	$291,002
Deb Fischer	$248,001
Saxby Chambliss	$243,504
Martin Heinrich	$171,007
Patrick Leahy	$129,503
Mike Lee	$111,002
Jeff Flake	$83,001
Christopher Murphy	$82,502
Debbie Stabenow	$32,500
Mark Pryor	$8,500

Mark Pryor (D-AR) was the least wealthy senator in 2012, with an estimated net worth of $8,500

Top 10 Senators in 2011 [hide]

Senator	Average Net Worth
(((John Kerry)))	$235,976,804
Mark Warner	$228,129,609
(((Herb Kohl)))	$171,257,008
Jay Rockefeller	$102,706,012
(((Richard Blumenthal)))	$100,190,174
Frank R. Lautenberg	$87,557,109
(((Dianne Feinstein)))	$70,725,124
(((Ron Wyden)))	$38,370,525
Claire McCaskill	$21,837,606
Kay R. Hagan	$17,833,270

Bottom 10 Senators in 2011 [hide]

Senator	Average Net Worth
Saxby Chambliss	$402,006
John Thune	$345,008
Deb Fischer	$323,501
Roger Wicker	$299,508
Susan Collins	$205,002
Mike Lee	$111,002
Jeff Flake	$32,500
Mark Kirk	$17,501
Jim DeMint	$16,001
Marco Rubio	-$45,494

Representatives

Top 10 Representatives in 2012 [hide]

Representative	Average Net Worth
Darrell Issa	$464,115,018
(((Jared Polis)))	$197,945,705
John K. Delaney	$154,601,580
Michael McCaul	$143,153,910
Scott Peters	$112,467,040
Vernon Buchanan	$88,802,066
Nancy Pelosi	$87,997,030
Diane Black	$69,569,042
Tom Rooney	$64,314,955
Chris Collins	$59,104,518

Darrell Issa (R-CA) was the wealthiest representative in 2012, with an estimated net worth of $464,115,018

Bottom 10 Representatives in 2012 [hide]

Representative	Average Net Worth
Sean Duffy	-$99,999
Renee Ellmers	-$101,498
Bobby Scott	-$129,973
Louie Gohmert	-$162,501
Rick Crawford	-$175,001
Steve Fincher	-$472,502
Nydia Velazquez	-$510,000
Ruben Hinojosa Sr.	-$2,303,473
Alcee Hastings	-$4,732,002
David Valadao	-$12,167,002

David Valadao (R-CA) was the least wealthy representative in 2012, with an estimated net worth of -$12,167,002

Wealthiest 10 Representatives in 2011 [hide]

Representative	Average Net Worth
Michael McCaul	$500,624,461
Darrell Issa	$480,325,019
(((Jared Polis)))	$214,946,679
John K. Delaney	$139,025,569
Vernon Buchanan	$95,327,629
Nancy Pelosi	$94,162,532
Scott Peters	$90,349,050
Chellie Pingree	$85,844,032
Diane Black	$64,744,035
Chris Collins	$60,351,517

Bottom 10 Representatives in 2011 [hide]

Representative	Average Net Worth
Louis Gohmert	-$87,500
(((Debbie Wasserman Schultz)))	-$118,494
Douglas L. Lamborn	-$118,997
John Conyers, Jr.	-$129,001
Nydia Velazquez	-$146,999
Renee Ellmers	-$168,498
Steve Fincher	-$472,502
Ruben Hinojosa Sr.	-$2,190,476
Alcee Hastings	-$4,732,002
David Valadao	-$19,000,002

Previous years

Top 10 Senators in 2010 [show] Bottom 10 Senators in 2010 [show]

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Congressional freshmen

Below are average net worth numbers for first year freshman members for each recent session of Congress.

109th Congress

January 3, 2005 to January 3, 2007

Year[3]	Number of Freshmen Reports[4]	Average Net Worth	Change from previous year
2004	44	$3,133,813	--
2005	45	$3,219,896	2.75%
2006	45	$3,233,137	0.41%
2007	40	$4,209,184	30.19%
2008	40	$3,854,689	-8.42%
2009	39	$6,047,795	56.89%
2010	38	$12,939,172	113.95%

110th Congress

January 3, 2007 to January 3, 2009

Year[3]	Number of Freshmen Reports[4]	Average Net Worth	Change from previous year
2006	58	$5,386,525	--
2007	75	$5,840,167	8.42%
2008	75	$4,719,385	-19.19%
2009	69	$5,058,388	7.18%
2010	68	$5,192,922	2.66%

111th Congress

January 3, 2009 to January 3, 2011

Year[3]	Number of Freshmen Reports[4]	Average Net Worth	Change from previous year
2007	59	$12,876,803	--
2008	72	$10,209,940	-20.71%
2009	81	$9,666,020	-5.33%
2010	79	$8,913,200	-7.79%

113th Congress

January 3, 2013 to January 3, 2015

Year[3]	Number of Freshmen Reports[4]	Average Net Worth	Change from previous year
2011	90	$7,835,242	----

State averages

2011

Estimate Congressional Averages by State (2011) [hide]

State	Senate Average	Senate Rank	Senate Report Count	House Average	House Rank	House Report Count	Congressional Average	Congressional Rank
AK	$1,045,021	44	2	$872,504	43	1	$987,515	47
AL	$7,360,029	19	2	$1,649,225	36	7	$2,918,292	32
AR	$1,489,503	41	2	$267,505	49	2	$878,504	48
AZ	$3,301,081	29	3	$4,710,291	20	9	$4,357,988	25
CA	$36,994,314	6	2	$13,487,344	7	60	$14,245,633	11
CT	$34,055,238	7	3	$4,810,621	19	5	$15,777,353	10
CO	$6,791,773	20	2	$44,918,951	2	5	$34,025,472	1
DE	$4,476,637	24	2	$485,015	46	1	$3,146,096	31
FL	$1,693,505	37	2	$6,831,237	12	27	$6,476,910	18
GA	$6,193,537	21	2	$2,763,447	29	13	$3,220,793	30
HI	$2,113,843	34	3	$1,334,757	40	2	$1,802,208	40
IA	$9,288,549	16	2	$1,434,839	38	5	$3,678,756	29
ID	$27,139,022	8	2	$1,895,563	35	1	$18,724,536	7
IL	$671,783	46	2	$2,968,056	28	21	$2,768,380	36
IN	$2,451,176	31	3	$1,252,584	41	8	$1,579,473	42
KS	$1,285,264	42	2	$367,342	47	3	$734,511	49
KY	$14,085,268	11	2	$5,351,390	17	6	$7,534,860	17
LA	$1,734,519	36	2	$3,212,840	27	6	$2,843,260	35
MA	$82,250,150	1	3	$4,985,001	18	11	$21,541,819	5
MD	$1,543,023	39	2	$16,629,790	6	9	$13,886,741	12
ME	$10,133,703	13	3	$44,480,020	3	2	$23,872,230	4
MI	$826,103	45	2	$2,335,343	32	17	$2,176,476	39
MN	$4,555,271	23	2	$613,395	45	9	$1,330,100	44
MO	$12,465,308	12	2	$1,995,109	34	10	$3,740,142	27
MS	$1,135,519	43	2	$1,602,177	37	3	$1,415,514	43
MT	$661,502	47	2	$9,230,505	9	2	$4,946,003	23
NB	$4,643,352	22	3	$327,009	48	2	$2,916,815	33
NC	$9,992,394	14	2	$4,602,323	22	15	$5,236,449	22
ND	$9,348,198	15	3	$46,438,414	1	1	$18,620,752	8
NH	$2,115,688	33	2	$2,354,059	31	4	$2,274,602	38
NJ	$44,027,806	5	2	$6,250,476	14	11	$12,062,373	14
NM	$4,397,869	26	3	$6,993,337	11	3	$5,695,603	21
NV	$3,775,436	27	2	$5,377,818	16	4	$4,843,691	24
NY	$368,506	49	2	$6,182,855	15	32	$5,840,834	20
OH	$7,409,025	18	2	$3,339,310	26	20	$3,709,284	28
OK	$7,571,041	17	2	$2,139,021	33	4	$3,949,694	26
OR	$20,135,518	10	2	$3,910,103	25	6	$7,966,457	16
PA	$1,806,771	35	2	$2,491,321	30	18	$2,422,866	37
RI	$4,440,568	25	2	$1,363,505	39	2	$2,902,036	34
SC	$1,506,330	40	3	$667,639	44	4	$1,027,078	46
SD	$575,012	48	2	N/A	N/A	0	$627,513	50
TN	$26,977,516	9	2	$10,169,035	8	8	$13,530,731	13
TX	$2,872,526	30	3	$17,855,000	5	36	$16,702,502	9
UT	$1,578,767	38	2	$906,841	42	3	$1,175,611	45
VA	$78,455,068	2	3	$4,419,740	23	10	$21,504,816	6
VT	$218,754	50	2	$4,602,548	21	1	$1,680,019	41
WA	$2,444,007	32	2	$6,579,204	13	10	$5,890,005	19
WI	$65,256,839	3	3	$7,579,123	10	7	$24,882,438	2
WV	$55,178,031	4	2	$4,223,358	24	3	$24,605,227	3
WY	$3,533,020	28	2	$18,918,517	4	1	$8,661,519	15

2010

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2009

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Data and methodology

Data

Every year members of congress are required by law to disclose certain financial information regarding personal assets and liabilities. OpenSecrets.org (The Center for Responsive Politics), a self-proclaimed "nonpartisan guide to money's influence on U.S. elections and public policy," tracks the financial information, and posts it publicly under a Creative Commons Attribution-Noncommercial-Share Alike 3.0 United States License. That data, currently available for the years 2004 to 2010, is listed in part below in the section Individual data.

Congressional financial disclosure forms use value ranges, rather than precise amounts, when reporting assets and liabilities. OpenSecrets gathers this information to build a range of potential values. For instance, if three assets are listed at a value range of $1,001-$15,000, the total range of assets would be listed as a minimum of $3,003 (3 X $1,001) and a maximum value would be $45,000 (3 X $15,000). OpenSecrets combines all assets and liability to form a total potential range of values, and then provides an average value as the best guess of each individual's net worth.[5]

Analysis

Ballotpedia staff took OpenSecrets predicted net worth averages for all reported members of congress and using statistical software calculated yearly averages and changes for various congressional subsets.

Limitations

OpenSecrets notes some important limitations to the data:[5]

- Data is not available for a limited number of congressional members.
- The top range for item valuation is listed as "Over $50 million" on forms. When possible OpenSecrets tried to determine a more accurate figure.
- The top range for Senate spousal assets is listed as Over $1 million." When possible OpenSecrets tried to determine a more accurate figure.
- Property (such as personal residences) and non-income producing investments are not required to be reported under ethics laws. However, all mortgages are required to be disclosed.

Individual data

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Former congressional members in the Executive Branch

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- United States Senate
- United States House of Representatives

External links

- OpenSecrets.org
- Information on financial disclosure forms from the Office of the Clerk of the House of Representatives
- Older congressional financial disclosure forms available on Archive.org (1978 - 2007)
- Investigation: Capitol Assets at the *Washington Post*
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Footnotes

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