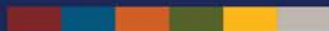


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Sen. Dan Sullivan (R-AK)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/13/1964

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center (DC), M.S., 1993; Georgetown University Law Center (DC), J.D., 1993; Harvard University (MA), B.A., 1987

FAMILY

3 children

Background

An attorney and economic policy expert, Sullivan has emphasized federal deregulation and Alaska's importance to US national security

Originally from Ohio, where his grandfather started a large paint manufacturing company, Sullivan enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1993 and was in active duty for four years before moving to Alaska and joining the Marine Corps Reserve

Serves as a colonel in the reserves and has been called back to active duty three times since enlisting; clerked for the US Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court of Alaska prior to practicing as an attorney

Entering politics after the September 11, 2001 attacks, he served in the George W. Bush administration as a trade official fellow and participated in international economic summits like the G8; Sullivan was called back to active duty from 2004 to 2006 and in 2009

From 2006 to 2009, Sullivan worked for the State Department under Secretary Condoleezza Rice, where he worked to strengthen intellectual property rights, cut off funding to terrorist networks, and advance global energy security

Appointed as Alaska's attorney general in 2009, where he challenged the National Park Service for federal overreach on state-owned waterways, and expanded prosecution of sexual offenders

As Alaska's commissioner of natural resources from 2010 to 2013; he focused on the state's regulatory and permit systems and energy security; in 2013, he completed a six-week tour of duty in Afghanistan

In 2014, Sullivan unseated Sen. Mike Begich (D-AK); as a senator, Sullivan has advocated for the federal deregulation of natural resources, advanced Arctic inclusion into national security strategy, and emphasized the centrality of the region due to threats from Russia, China, and North Korea

Won re-election to the Senate in 2020, defeating independent candidate Al Gross in the general election

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Environment and Public Works
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

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R+8 Sen. Lisa Murkowski

Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/22/1957

EDUCATION

Willamette University College of Law (OR), J.D., 1985; Georgetown University (DC), B.A., 1980; Willamette University (OR), Att., 1977

FAMILY

Husband; 2 children

Background

Attorney turned career politician who followed her father's footsteps to become the first Alaska-born Senator

Alaska native who grew up in Wrangell, the state's timber capital; moved back to Alaska after law school to be an attorney
 Successfully ran for state House in 1998 on a platform of preserving the state's oil and timber industries; ascended to majority leader despite breaking conservative ranks by raising taxes on alcohol

Appointed by her father, a US Senator for two decades, to fill his Senate seat after he was elected governor of Alaska in 2002

Won a historic reelection in 2010 as a write-in candidate after losing a primary challenge to a well-funded challenger from her own party

Moderate who notably voted against a 2017 bid to repeal the Affordable Care Act and supported the hearing of Merrick Garland's nomination to the Supreme Court; she is one of the Senate's key swing votes due to her penchant for compromise and bipartisan track record

Chaired the Energy and Natural Resources Committee from 2015 to 2021; won a decades-long political battle for Alaska in 2017 when she secured oil drilling rights in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR), which have since been rescinded by the Biden administration

In addition to advocating for Alaska's oil sector, she also focuses on health care access, rights and opportunities for indigenous communities, and women's rights

In the 117th Congress, Murkowski has sought out common ground with Democrats and President Biden on issues from infrastructure to Electoral Count Act reform; she is also one of her party's more outspoken critics of former President Trump, who she voted to convict following the January 6 attack on the US Capitol

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Energy and Natural Resources
- HELP
- Indian Affairs, Vice Chairman

Social Media

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- @senisamurkowski
- @LisaMurkowski

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+8 Sen. Dan Sullivan

Sen. Tommy Tuberville (R-AL)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

9/18/1954

EDUCATION

Southern Arkansas University, B.A.E., 1976; Harmony Grove High School, Benton, AR, 1972

FAMILY

Wife: Suzanne
2 Children: Tucker, Troy

Background

A retired college football coach well-known in Alabama for his time at Auburn University; sticking closely to former President Trump, he defeated former Attorney General Jeff Sessions and Sen. Doug Jones to represent Alabama in the Senate

Born and raised in Camden, AR, Tuberville is the youngest of three children and the son of a decorated World War II veteran; played college football at Southern Arkansas University

Started coaching high school football after graduating, working his way up to college football, eventually becoming head coach at the University of Mississippi; supported a push to bar the Confederate flag from home games and worked to attract Black recruits and make them feel more welcome

Best known for his head coaching tenure at Auburn University where he finished with an 85-40 record and the university's longest winning streak against rival University of Alabama; was known for being a mild-mannered coach and a strong recruiter

Moved to Alabama from Florida in 2018 with the idea of eventually running for political office and considered a run for governor; said he decided to run for Senate following former Sen. Doug Jones' (D-AL) victory over former chief justice of the Supreme Court of Alabama Roy Moore (R)

During his primary campaign, Tuberville was an ardent supporter of President Trump, whose endorsement helped him secure the nomination in a runoff election over former Alabama Senator and US Attorney General Jeff Sessions

Running on a conservative platform closely tied to President Trump, he successfully unseated incumbent Doug Jones by 22 points

Voted in Congress on January 6, 2021 to object to the certification of Electoral College results from Arizona and Pennsylvania affirming President Joe Biden's victory

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Armed Services
- HELP
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
- @SenTuberville

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
R+15 Sen. Katie Britt

Sen. Katie Britt (R-AL)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/2/1982

EDUCATION

University of Alabama School of Law, J.D., 2013; University of Alabama, B.S., 2004; Enterprise High School, 2000

FAMILY

Husband; 2 children

Background

Former CEO of the Business Council of Alabama and congressional chief of staff ran to replace her previous boss in the US Senate; campaigned on a platform of conservative and business values

Born and raised in Alabama, Britt is a daughter of small business owners in the Wiregrass region of Alabama

After serving as the youngest press secretary on Capitol Hill at the time, Britt rose through the ranks of Sen. Richard Shelby (R-AL)'s office; notably, while working for Shelby as chief of staff, she led efforts during the selections of Alabama court judges and Supreme Court justice confirmation hearings of Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh

A lawyer and CEO of the Business Council of Alabama (BCA), a nonpartisan business association, Britt has experience communicating business interests with elected officials; propelled the state's businesses through the COVID-19 pandemic, advocating for Alabama to reopen and to learn about federal stimulus funding

Prioritizes centering Alabama in state, federal, and international policies, especially in foreign trade, national security, broadband access, and low-cost energy sources

In 2021, Britt stepped announced her bid to be the next Senator for Alabama with the endorsement of Sen. Shelby and emerged as a top contender for the nomination--ahead of the primary she lead the field in fundraising, received financial support from Senate Republicans, and won key state-level endorsements

In May 2022, Britt won the largest share of votes in the primary, but failed to capture a majority; prior to the June runoff against Rep. Mo Brooks (R-AL5), Britt received former President Trump's endorsement

Defeated Brooks in the runoff and then won the general election in November 2022 against Will Boyd (D)

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

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Sen. Tom Cotton (R-AR)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/13/1977

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School (MA), J.D., 2002;
 Harvard University (MA), A.B., 1999;
 Claremont Graduate University, Att.,
 1999; Dardanelle High School (AR),
 1995

FAMILY

Wife, Anna Peckham; 2 children

Background

Harvard-educated lawyer who served in Iraq and Afghanistan as an Army officer; since 2013, he has risen through the GOP ranks to become a leading spokesman for the party's immigration and foreign policy agenda

Raised in Arkansas on a cattle farm, Cotton earned undergraduate and law degrees from Harvard before deciding to join the Army after 9/11

While serving in Iraq as a platoon leader, Cotton attracted significant attention from conservative thought leaders after penning a strongly-worded letter to the New York Times following the paper's publication of sensitive national security information

Left active duty in 2010 and spent two years as a management consultant at McKinsey, before running for the open Arkansas 4th District seat in 2012; won the general election by comfortable margins in a traditionally blue district that was trending red

Joined forces with anti-establishment conservatives against party leadership, breaking with party leadership on issues like the 2013 bipartisan immigration reform proposal, which he characterized as "amnesty"

Defeated then-incumbent Sen. Mark Pryor (D-AR) by double-digit margins in 2014, capitalizing on Arkansas' increasing tilt towards the GOP; received strong support from Republican Senate-affiliated PACs and outside groups like the Club for Growth

In the Senate, Cotton's profile has continued to rise through his outspokenness on issues including immigration, criminal justice, and foreign policy; notably spearheaded Senate GOP opposition to the Obama administration's nuclear negotiations with Iran, and is a leading voice on the right for developing policies to compete with China

Remains a strong supporter of former President Trump, who he aligns with on immigration, economic, and foreign policy, but declined to join Republicans who voted against certifying the 2020 election on January 6

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Intelligence
- Joint Economic
- Judiciary

Social Media

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- TBD
- @SenTomCotton

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
 PVI
 R+16 Sen. John Boozman

Sen. John Boozman (R-AR)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/10/1950

EDUCATION

Southern College of Optometry (TN), O.D., 1977; University of Arkansas, 1972; North Side High School (AR)

FAMILY

3 children; 2 grandchildren

Background

Former optometrist and cattle rancher who advocates for Arkansas' agricultural sector, veterans, and rural communities

Fifth-generation Arkansan who played football at the University of Arkansas; later attended the Southern College of Optometry, where he graduated with his optometry degree

Practiced optometry in Arkansas, co-founding a clinic with his brother and volunteering his services to low-income families; helped establish the low-vision program at the Arkansas School for the Blind

Entered politics by successfully running for school board in 1994, eventually working on his brother's unsuccessful campaign for the US Senate four years later

Ran for the House of Representatives unopposed in a special election in 2001 after fmr. Rep. and current Governor Asa Hutchinson (R-AR) resigned to head the Drug Enforcement Agency; Boozman served in the House for a decade before decisively beating incumbent Sen. Blanche Lincoln (D-AR) in 2010

Focuses on the agricultural sector, veterans' services, and accessible public health services, particularly through funding government programs

Became ranking member of the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee in February 2021; this leadership position allows Boozman to set the policy agenda regarding trade and overseas markets for farmers and financial security in the face of emergencies like COVID-19

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, Ranking Member
- Appropriations
- Environment and Public Works
- Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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- @johnboozman
- @JohnBoozman

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+16 Sen. Tom Cotton

Sen. Kyrsten Sinema (I-AZ)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/12/1976

EDUCATION

Arizona State University, Ph.D., 2012; Harvard University Kennedy School of Government (MA), Att., 2008; Arizona State University Law School, J.D., 2004; Arizona State University, M.S., 1999; Brigham Young University (UT), Bach. Deg., 1995

FAMILY

Marital Status: Single

Background

Former social worker whose personal experiences with poverty motivated her to become a leading progressive in State government; has since pivoted to a centrist platform in her first statewide role as Arizona's senator

Her family lived in poverty for part of her childhood, often relying on support from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and government aid, and she became a social worker to help others in similar circumstances

Entered politics as a spokesperson for the Green Party, and in her early political career campaigned on a progressive platform; background in social work and personal experiences with poverty drove Sinema to seek solutions to poverty and systemic oppression

Shifted to a significantly more centrist platform as she progressed in Arizona politics, adjusting her stances on immigration and social policy to gain traction with independent voters and moderate Republicans, who previously supported Sen. John McCain's (R-AZ) bipartisan approach to legislating

Elected to the Senate in 2018, Sinema became the first openly bisexual member of the US Senate, the first woman to be elected from Arizona, and was the first Democratic senator from Arizona in two decades

Considered to be one of the most moderate members of Congress, sponsoring many of her bills with Republicans; favors legislating on veterans' affairs, national security, and health care, frequently taking centrist positions and favoring incremental reform

A pivotal legislator in the 117th Congress, Sinema shaped Democrats' legislative agenda, such as the 2021 bipartisan infrastructure deal; committed to keeping the Senate filibuster, advocating for the 60-vote threshold to be restored for "all elements of the Senate's work"

Announced in December 2022 that she will switch her party affiliation to independent but told Politico that she anticipates "nothing will change about my values or behavior"

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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- @repsinema
- @SenatorSinema

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+2 Sen. Mark Kelly

Sen. Mark Kelly (D-AZ)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/21/1964

EDUCATION

U.S. Naval Postgraduate School (CA), M.S., 1994; U.S. Naval Test Pilot School, 1994; U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (NY), B.S., 1986; Mountain High School (NJ), 1982

FAMILY

Wife, Gabby Giffords, former Representative for Arizona's 8th district and gun control activist; 2 children from a previous marriage

Background

A retired US Navy Captain, astronaut, and engineer, Kelly served his country for over thirty years prior to joining the Senate; successfully won Arizona's 2020 special Senate election on a campaign of responsible gun control and health care reform

Began his career as a Naval aviator, flying 39 combat missions in Operation Desert Storm

Selected as a NASA space shuttle pilot in 1996; served as a pilot for two missions and commanded two missions, visiting the Space Station a total of four times

Identical twin brother, Scott, is also an astronaut, making them the only twins who have traveled to space; the pair are subjects of the NASA Twin Study, which researched the physiological, molecular, and cognitive changes that could occur from living in space and found changes in gene expression

Retired as a Navy Captain and astronaut in 2011, after his wife, former Rep. Gabby Giffords (D-AZ8), was shot in the head and faced a difficult recovery; this experience sparked his passion for gun control advocacy and he co-founded Giffords, a PAC and advocacy, research, and lobbying firm that recognizes Second Amendment rights while seeking to curb gun violence

Advocates for affordable, accessible health care that prevents individuals with pre-existing conditions from losing their insurance; campaign platform called for introducing a public option to increase competition and reduce costs

In the 2020 election, Kelly flipped former Sen. Martha McSally's (R-AZ) seat after winning 51 percent of the vote, and was sworn in on December 2, 2020

In the 117th Congress, he has worked with Democrats and Republicans on education, infrastructure, and technology policy; Kelly's bipartisan bill expanding the Barry Goldwater Scholarship program for students in STEM fields passed as part of the 2022 National Defense Authorization Act

118th Committees

- Aging
- Armed Services
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Environment and Public Works
- Joint Economic

Social Media

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- TBD
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State Profile

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R+2	Sen. Kyrsten Sinema

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

6/22/1933

EDUCATION

Stanford University (CA), Bach. Deg., 1955

FAMILY

Husband (deceased); 1 child; 3 stepchildren

Background

Moderate Democrat and longest-tenured woman in the US Senate; leverages six decades of political experience to shape national security policy and lead party's gun control reform

California native with a career marked by "firsts," serving as the first woman president of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, first woman mayor of San Francisco, and first woman Senator for California

Was president of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors when Harvey Milk and Mayor George Moscone were murdered; Feinstein found Milk's body and announced the murders, citing this experience as shaping her views on gun control

Works to protect California's natural resources, including the Mojave Desert and Redwood Forest, through restoration and fuel efficiency

As chair of the Senate Intelligence Committee, oversaw the review of the CIA's rendition, detention, and interrogation (RDI) program and has been a leader in NSA transparency and reform initiatives, advocating for some data collection to protect national security while building in civil liberties protections

Has clashed with California progressives for what they see as her moderate views; failed to gain the California Democratic Party's endorsement in 2018 but still won by a wide margin with support from prominent national-level Democrats

After some Democrats criticized her management of confirmation hearings for Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney, Feinstein decided to step down as the top Democrat in on the Senate Judiciary Committee in 2020 and was replaced by Dick Durbin (D-IL) in the 117th Congress

The oldest member of the Senate, Feinstein has indicated that she will finish her current term, which runs through 2024

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Intelligence
- Judiciary
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

- @senatorfeinstein
- TBD
- @SenFeinstein

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+13 Sen. Alex Padilla

Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/22/1973

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), B.S., 1994; San Fernando Senior High School

FAMILY

Wife, Angela; 3 sons

Background

Pioneering Latino politician who ascended through the ranks of California politics, shaping the state's climate policy, public health regulations, and elections; has emerged as a progressive voice on COVID-19 relief, labor, and immigration in his first term

Earned a degree in mechanical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and briefly worked for the aerospace company Hughes Aircraft before transitioning to a career in Democratic politics

Spent his early political career as a campaign manager for several successful "dark horse" Democratic state assembly candidates, including Rep. Tony Cardenas (D-CA29) and former state Sen. Richard Alarcon (D-20), in addition to serving as a staffer for Sen. Diane Feinstein (D-CA)

Mounted a successful campaign for the Los Angeles City Council at the age of 26 to represent his east San Fernando Valley neighborhood and became the youngest council president in city history; tenure was marked by the passage of an infrastructure project to modernize Los Angeles International Airport and a brief stint as acting mayor after 9/11

In the state Senate, he chaired the Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Communications and authored over 70 bills signed into law; focused on climate-related infrastructure improvements, enacting safety and testing standards for driverless cars, and public health measures to address obesity and tobacco sales to minors

Elected twice as California's secretary of state, becoming the first Latino to hold the office; implemented measures intended to increase voter participation, including a program to register voters at the DMV

Appointed by Gov. Gavin Newsom (D) to serve out Vice President Kamala Harris' Senate term, making him California's first Latino Senator; intends to run for re-election when his term expires in 2022

118th Committees

- Budget
- Environment and Public Works
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Judiciary
- Printing
- Rules and Administration

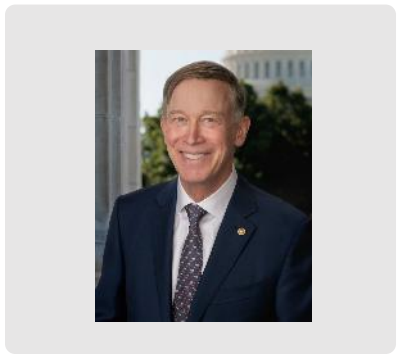
Social Media

- TBD
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State Profile

2022 COOK PVI **SERVING WITH**
D+13 Sen. Dianne Feinstein

Sen. John Hickenlooper (D-CO)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/7/1952

EDUCATION

Wesleyan University (CT), Mast. Deg., 1980; Wesleyan University (CT), B.A., 1974; The Haverford School, Haverford, PA, 1970

FAMILY

Wife, Robin Pringle
One son

Background

Former governor, mayor, and brewpub entrepreneur known for practical approach to health, environmental issues, and economic growth

Grew up in a middle-class family in a suburb of Philadelphia

After being laid off as a geologist, opened the first brewpub in CO, which helped spark the revitalization of Denver's Lower Downtown

While running his brewery, led a grassroots campaign to keep the name of the Denver Mile High stadium, raising his public profile and serving as a primer for his mayoral run

Two-term mayor of Denver, where he eliminated a \$70 million budget deficit and attracted the 2008 Democratic National Convention to Denver

As governor, helped to spur job creation, oversaw the legalization of recreational marijuana, and signed three major gun control proposals into law

Supports adding a public health care option and has been vocal on the need to lower prescription drug costs, including through allowing Medicare to negotiate drug prices

Advocates for a transition to a 100% renewable energy economy, but has opposed bans on fracking

Briefly ran for the Democratic nomination for president in 2020, running as a coalition-building centrist Democrat, before dropping out and enter the US Senate race; successfully unseated incumbent Cory Gardner (R-CO)

118th Committees

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Energy and Natural Resources
- HELP
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
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D+4 Sen. Michael Bennet

Sen. Michael Bennet (D-CO)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/28/1964

EDUCATION

Yale University Law School (CT), J.D., 1993; Wesleyan University (CT), B.A., 1987

FAMILY

Married; 3 children

Background

Former superintendent of Denver public schools with rich political pedigree; draws on diverse professional background to advance educational outcomes and address immigration reform

Son of a diplomat and born in India; father held prominent positions in the Carter and Clinton administrations, and was serving as an aide to the US ambassador to India when Bennet was born

After graduating from Wesleyan University, Bennet worked for Ohio Gov. Richard Celeste (D), a family friend, before attending law school

Worked at the Department of Justice before pivoting to the private sector, where he managed Anschutz Investment Company and oversaw the consolidation of theater chains

Launched into Colorado policy circles by an appointment to superintendent of Denver's public schools, where he focused on boosting performance standards

Among Barack Obama's education advisers during his presidential campaign and was vetted to be Obama's secretary of education, though the position was eventually filled by Arne Duncan

Appointed by Gov. Bill Ritter (D) in 2009 to replace former Sen. Ken Salazar, who left the Senate to serve as the Secretary of the Interior; subsequently won reelection in 2010 and 2016

In the Senate, Bennet has pushed for evidence-based educational reform, including a 2015 overhaul of No Child Left Behind; he is also vocal on immigration reform and environmental issues, particularly balancing national climate emissions goals with support for his state's natural gas development

Announced a longshot presidential bid in the spring of 2019 but failed to gain traction, ultimately suspending his campaign in February 2020; won re-election to the Senate in 2022

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Finance
- Intelligence
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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- @SenBennetCO
- @SenatorBennet

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+4 Sen. John Hickenlooper

Sen. Christopher Murphy (D-CT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/3/1973

EDUCATION

University of Connecticut School of Law, J.D., 2002; Williams College (MA), B.A., 1996; Oxford University Exeter College (England), Att., 1995; Wethersfield High School (CT)

FAMILY

2 children

Background

As a young progressive, rose rapidly through Connecticut and national politics to become a Democratic leader on guns and foreign policy

Connecticut native who became student body president and founded the Young Democrats at his high school; graduated from Williams College, where he studied abroad at Oxford University as part of an exchange program

After graduating from college, he entered politics through managing the unsuccessful 1996 US House campaign for Democrat Charlotte Koskoff against Rep. Nancy Johnson (R-CT6); Murphy successfully ran for state House in 1998 at the age of 25

After serving four years in the state House and four years in the state Senate, Murphy defeated Rep. Johnson in the 2006 election; while serving in the House, he pushed for a public health care option, federal "Buy America" requirements, and Congressional ethics reform

Positioned himself as the best combination of liberal views and electability in Connecticut's 2012 Senate primary; defeated former WWE executive Linda McMahon (R) in the general election, becoming the youngest Senator at the time at the age of 39

Vocal proponent of increased spending on foreign aid and diplomacy to promote stability and prevent conflict; skeptical of military intervention, which he argues does not address the causes of instability and exacerbates anti-Americanism

In the 117th Congress, Murphy has focused mainly on foreign policy issues, particularly Ukraine, Afghanistan, and the Middle East, as well as health care and mental health access

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Foreign Relations
- HELP

Social Media

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- TBD
- @SenMurphyOffice

State Profile

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D+7	Sen. Richard Blumenthal

Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-CT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/13/1946

EDUCATION

Yale University Law School (CT), J.D., 1973; Cambridge University (England), Att., 1968; Harvard College (MA), A.B., 1967

FAMILY

4 children

Background

After an early career spanning multiple DC institutions, Blumenthal gained national attention with high-profile lawsuits as Connecticut's attorney general; in the Senate, he is a strong advocate for consumer protection laws

Spent his early career in Washington, where he worked as a Washington Post reporter, served as an aide to then-White House advisor Daniel Patrick Moynihan, and clerked for a Supreme Court Justice; also served in the US Marine Corps Reserve

Moved to Connecticut in 1977 for a position as a US attorney; entered state politics in 1984, winning a seat in the state house, and then served one term in the state Senate

Elected state attorney general in 1990, and held the position for 20 years until his election to the Senate; partnered with 46 State attorneys general in a lawsuit against tobacco companies that resulted in a \$246 billion settlement

Since joining the US Senate in 2011, Blumenthal has focused his legislative efforts on bolstering consumer protection laws, including those related to data privacy; also sponsored successful bills related to veterans' affairs, and legal issues such as child exploitation and human trafficking

One of the more liberal members of the Senate Democratic Caucus, Blumenthal backed a Medicare for All bill introduced by Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-VT) in 2019, breaking with fellow state Democrat Sen. Chris Murphy (D-CT)

A staunch critic of former President Trump, he led a lawsuit backed by 200 Democrats charging Trump with violating the emoluments clause of the Constitution

In the 117th Congress, Blumenthal continues to pursue wins on consumer safety, veterans affairs, and transportation issues; in addition, his Jabara-Heyer No Hate Act, which creates grants for state and local governments to combat hate crimes, was signed into law as part of the 2021 COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act

118th Committees

- Aging
- Armed Services
- Caucus on International Narcotics Control
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Judiciary
- Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

- @SenBlumenthal
- TBD
- @SenBlumenthal

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
D+7 Sen. Chris Murphy

Sen. Thomas Carper (D-DE)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

1/23/1947

EDUCATION

University of Delaware, Newark, M.B.A., 1975; Ohio State University, B.A., 1968

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Navy veteran with over forty years of involvement in Delaware politics; moderate policy views have led to notable knack for bipartisanship, particularly regarding health care and corporate benefits

Born in West Virginia, Carper joined the Navy through the ROTC program at the Ohio State University; served three tours in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War, and continued to serve in the Naval Reserve as a P-3 aircraft mission commander until retiring in 1991

Moved to Delaware to earn his MBA, and began his political career in 1976 through being elected to state treasurer; after his treasurer role, Carper spent ten years serving as the US Representative for Delaware, followed by two terms as the governor of Delaware

Elected to the US Senate in 2000, where he developed a reputation for bipartisanship and collaboration

Known for his centrist, moderate policy viewpoints that combine progressive desires for environmental protection and accessible health care with business-friendly policies like financial incentives for private companies

Pursues policies such as health care and environmental protection through benefits to the private sector, like rebates and tax credits

Uses position of leadership on the Environment and Public Works Committee to push for clean energy and revitalized infrastructure; played a leading role in facilitating bipartisan cooperation on the Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Act and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021

118th Committees

- Environment and Public Works, Chairman
- Finance
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Social Media

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- TBD
- @SenatorCarper

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
D+7 Sen. Christopher A.
 Coons

Sen. Christopher Coons (D-DE)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

9/9/1963

EDUCATION

Yale University Divinity School (CT), Mast. Deg., 1992; Yale University Law School (CT), J.D., 1992; Amherst College (MA), B.A., 1985; Tower Hill School (DE); University of Nairobi (Kenya)

FAMILY

3 children

Background

Moderate Senator working to maintain Delaware's legacy of bipartisanship in the Senate; close ally of President Biden on domestic policy and key leader on development issues

Connecticut native raised in Delaware; showed an early interest in African politics, studying abroad and volunteering in Kenya during college, and working on the South Africa divestment movement in the early 1990s

Returned to Delaware in 1996 as house counsel for a manufacturing company

In 2000, Coons campaigned for county government in New Castle, Delaware, after nearly two decades of working on other campaigns; quickly became a fiscal policy leader, and implemented policies to cut spending and raise taxes, leading to a budget surplus in 2010

Elected to the Senate in special election after Joe Biden became Vice President; works to fill Biden's role of fostering meaningful relationships across the aisle

Strong focus on bipartisanship; makes headlines by cutting deals with Republicans such as working with Thom Tillis (R-NC) to craft a bill to protect the special counsel during the Russia Investigation

Committed to maintaining U.S. global engagement efforts and supporting effective international development

Early advocate for Biden's 2020 candidacy and was under consideration to be Secretary of State in the administration

Notably resistant to progressive initiatives in the Senate; joined seven other Democratic caucus members in rejecting a \$15 minimum wage and has clashed with progressive advocates on climate and healthcare policy

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Ethics, Chairman
- Foreign Relations
- Judiciary
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

- @senatorchriscoons
- @senatorchriscoons
- @ChrisCoons

State Profile

2022 COOK PVI SERVING WITH
D+7 Sen. Rick Scott

Sen. Rick Scott (R-FL)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/1/1952

EDUCATION

Southern Methodist University Law School (TX), J.D., 1978; University of Missouri, Kansas City, B.S., 1975

FAMILY

2 children ; 6 grandchildren

Background

Self-made hospital executive who upended the Florida political establishment by winning the governorship in 2010; as chair of the NRSC, Scott is promoting an agenda he believes will propel Republicans into the Senate majority

Originally from Kansas City, Missouri, from a working class background; after serving in the Navy, Scott financed his undergraduate education by buying doughnut shops for his mom to run

After earning his law degree, he became a practicing attorney at a large firm, where he specialized in health care mergers and acquisitions

Launched Columbia Hospital Corporation with billionaire Richard Rainwater in 1988, later merging Columbia with the Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) into Columbia/HCA; resigned in 1997 after Columbia/HCA faced federal fraud charges

Entered politics in 2009, during the national health care debate surrounding the Affordable Care Act (ACA); spent \$5 million on ads against Democrats' health insurance reform proposals, and launched his Florida gubernatorial bid a month after the ACA was enacted in 2010

Leveraged outsider status and momentum from the Tea Party movement to win the governor's race by a close margin of 1.1%; as governor, he expanded school voucher programs, coordinated disaster relief efforts for Hurricane Irma, and enacted a controversial law requiring individuals receiving government assistance to be tested for drugs

Successfully ran against incumbent Sen. Bill Nelson (D-FL) in 2018; ran on a platform that touted Scott's accomplishments as governor and accused Nelson of being a socialist

Voted in Congress on January 6, 2021 to object to the certification of Electoral College results affirming President Joe Biden's election

As chair of the National Republican Senatorial Committee, Scott released an 11-point plan to regain a Republican majority in March 2022 that included promoting family values, strengthening border security, and shrinking the federal government

118th Committees

- Aging
- Armed Services
- Budget
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Social Media

- @RickScottSenOffice
- TBD
- @SenRickScott

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+3 Sen. Marco Rubio

Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/28/1971

EDUCATION

University of Miami School of Law (FL), J.D., 1996; University of Florida, B.S., 1993; Santa Fe College (NM), Att., 1991; South Miami Senior High School (FL), 1989; Tarkio College (MO), Att., 1990

FAMILY

4 children

Background

Raised in South Florida by Cuban American immigrants, Rubio was mentored by the GOP establishment in Florida and found success early in his career; aims to position himself as leader in the Trump-era GOP

Raised in West Miami, where his parents worked in the hotel industry after immigrating from Cuba prior to Fidel Castro's ascent to power

Became interested in politics while in college; interned for Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL27), volunteered on Rep. Lincoln Diaz-Balart's (R-FL21) campaign, ran the Dade County operation for Sen. Bob Dole's (R-KS) 1996 presidential campaign, and received mentorship from future Gov. Jeb Bush (R)

Successfully ran for the state House in a 1999 special election, where he pushed for aggressive tax cuts and worked on climate change policy like carbon emission caps; elected as speaker of the state House in 2005, becoming the youngest person and first Hispanic American to achieve the position

After reaching his term limits in the state House, Rubio rode the Tea Party wave into the Senate in 2010; defeated then-Gov. Charlie Crist (later elected to Congress as a Democrat) in the Republican primary and the general election

Gained national media attention in 2012 after being on Mitt Romney's shortlist for vice president; helped craft Romney's immigration policy and introduced Romney at the RNC Convention

Leadership positions on the Small Business and Intelligence Committees have enabled Rubio to focus on crafting small business-friendly policy and developing a tough foreign policy towards US adversaries

Aggressively campaigned against Trump during the 2016 primaries, but subsequently supported most of the Trump administration's policies and became a strong ally of the former president; Trump endorsed Rubio's 2022 Senate re-election campaign

118th Committees

- Aging
- Appropriations
- Foreign Relations
- Intelligence, Vice Chairman
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

- @SenatorMarcoRubio
- TBD
- @SenRubioPress

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+3 Sen. Rick Scott

Sen. Jon Ossoff (D-GA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/16/1987

EDUCATION

London School of Economics (UK), M.S., 2013; Georgetown University School of Foreign Service (DC), B.S., 2009; Paideia School, Atlanta, GA, 2005

FAMILY

Wife, Dr. Alisha Kramer, an Atlanta-based OB-GYN

Background

Former investigative journalist and effective fundraiser whose political career has centered around underdog campaigns in the once-red-leaning Georgia; liberal platform is focused on benefits for Georgia workers through health care and infrastructure

Born and raised in Atlantia, Ossoff began his career in politics as an intern in the office of late Rep. John Lewis (D-GA5), whom he considered a mentor and "spiritual guide"

Worked on Rep. Hank Johnson's (D-GA4) first campaign and then joined his congressional office, rising to the role of senior legislative assistant; handled issues related to foreign policy, national security, and the economy

Most recently served as CEO of investigative journalism outlet Insight TWI, where he produced documentaries for the BBC on topics such as ISIS, human trafficking, and corruption in African soccer

First ran for office in 2017, when he lost a competitive special election against Fmr. Rep. Karen Handel (R-GA6) in a traditionally red, suburban Atlanta district despite a large advantage in fundraising; Ossoff's campaign raised \$29 million compared to \$7 million for Handel

Easily won the 2020 Democratic primary to challenge Fmr. Sen. David Perdue (R-GA) and went on to win the general runoff election in a race that drew significant national attention and spending to Georgia as it created a narrow Democratic majority in the US Senate

Has not yet published or spoken extensively on his detailed policy proposals but general priorities include investment in infrastructure, equitable COVID-19 relief, improved access to health care through the introduction of a public option and Medicaid expansion, efforts to combat climate change, and government accountability

118th Committees

- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Intelligence
- Judiciary
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
- @SenOssoff

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+3 Sen. Raphael Warnock

Sen. Raphael Warnock (D-GA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/23/1969

EDUCATION

Morehouse College (GA), B.A., 1991; Sol C. Johnson High School (GA), 1987; Union Theological Seminary (NY), Ph.D.; Union Theological Seminary (NY), M.Phil; Union Theological Seminary (NY), M.Div.

FAMILY

2 children

Background

The leader of a historic Atlanta church, Warnock is a progressive advocate for health care access, voting rights, and criminal justice reform; defeated a Republican incumbent to become the first Black senator to represent Georgia

Grew up in Savannah public housing as one of 12 children, the son of a small business owner and preacher; attended Morehouse College in Atlanta with the help of Pell Grants and low-interest student loans before obtaining a master's degree and PhD from Union Theological Seminary in New York City

As the Senior Pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, the position held by Martin Luther King Jr. from 1960 to 1968, Warnock has an elevated stature as a civil rights and religious leader; gave the sermon at the 2016 White House Prayer Breakfast at the invitation of President Obama, and has condemned the "virus of racism" in his speeches and sermons

After a long history of political activism and rumors of a 2015 run for former Sen. Johnny Isakson's (R-GA) seat, Warnock became a favorite to run for the seat in 2020; after announcing his campaign, he received endorsements from top state and national Democratic figures, including Stacey Abrams, now-Sen. Jon Ossoff (D-GA), Vice President Kamala Harris, Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-NY), and Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA)

Supports investments in broadband for underserved urban and rural areas, education from pre-K to workforce training, and infrastructure to make the state more resilient to climate change while transitioning to a greener economy; strongly advocates for health care reforms to protect underserved communities

Won Isakson's seat in the 2020 election, defeating incumbent Sen. Kelly Loeffler (R-GA) in both the general election and the runoff; Warnock defended his Senate seat in a December 2022 runoff against Hershel Walker (R)

118th Committees

- Aging
- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
- @SenatorWarnock

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+3 Sen. Jon Ossoff

Sen. Mazie Hirono (D-HI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/3/1947

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center (DC), J.D., 1978; University of Hawaii - Manoa, B.A., 1970; Kaimuki High School (HI)

FAMILY

1 stepchild

Background

Liberal attorney who has long been a fixture of Hawaiian politics; broke barriers as the first Asian American woman to serve in the Senate, and is a prominent voice for Hawaii, Asian Americans, veterans, and women

Grew up low-income in Hawaii after moving from Japan at age eight when her mother fled an abusive husband; she is currently the only immigrant in the US Senate

Spent a decade in the Hawaii state House focused on worker and consumer protections

Spearheaded Pre-Plus, a precursor to universal pre-K in the US, and helped promote tourism through visa reform as lieutenant governor

As a US Representative, she frequently used earmarks to secure funding on key state issues like infrastructure, education, and the armed forces

Elected in 2012, becoming the first Asian American woman and the first woman from Hawaii to serve in the Senate

Continued to press for Hawaiian priorities as a relatively low-profile Senator until 2016, when she became a fierce critic of former President Trump's immigration policies and cabinet nominees

Advocate for sexual assault survivors; promotes action and accountability especially through questioning of political appointees

Committed to universal health care; gave an impassioned floor speech opposing attempts to repeal the ACA while battling kidney cancer

In the 117th Congress, she continues to focus on veterans' affairs, Hawaiian issues, and climate change; she has also prominently spoken out against anti-Asian violence, and introduced the COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act signed by President Biden

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Judiciary
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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- @MazieHirono

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+14 Sen. Brian Schatz

Sen. Brian Schatz (D-HI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/20/1972

EDUCATION

Pomona College (CA), B.A., 1994;
 School for International Training
 (Kenya), 1992; Punahou High School
 (HI), 1990

FAMILY

2 children

Background

A rising star in Democratic party, Schatz's progressive policy agenda focuses on growing Democratic coalitions while striving for bipartisan support on issues like climate change

Raised in Hawaii, where he began his career as a teacher before becoming involved in non-profit work; early advocacy focused on the intersection of education and the environment

First elected to office at 26, serving in the Hawaii state House; progressive advocacy allowed him to rise quickly through the ranks, where he eventually became chair of the state Democratic Party and successfully ran for lieutenant governor in 2010

As Lieutenant Governor Schatz focused on clean energy and helped set ambitious renewable energy goals for Hawaii; left his term early after being appointed to the US Senate in 2012, and has served since

Sponsors legislation with leading Democrats including Sens. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) and Cory Booker (D-NJ) to advocate for progressive policy goals, including debt-free college and expanding Medicaid

Has worked to find bipartisan allies on climate legislation, particularly pursuing a carbon tax

Widely seen by media as being groomed for future Senate leader, Schatz currently serves as chief deputy whip for the Democratic Caucus and chairs the Indian Affairs Committee

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Ethics
- Foreign Relations
- Indian Affairs, Chairman

Social Media

- @SenBrianSchatz
- TBD
- @SenBrianSchatz

State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
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D+14	Sen. Mazie Hirono

Sen. Joni Ernst (R-IA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/1/1970

EDUCATION

Columbus College (IA), M.P.A., 1995;
Iowa State University, B.S., 1992

FAMILY

1 child ; 2 stepchildren

Background

Army veteran and small government advocate with a rural Iowa background has quickly established herself as a prominent figure within the Republican Party

Born and raised on a farm in Iowa; participated in an agricultural exchange to the Soviet Union while in college

Joined Iowa State's ROTC program, and served in the US Army Reserve for 23 years; served as a company commander in Kuwait and Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom

She began her political career as a county auditor in 2004, later winning a state Senate seat in 2010; won her US Senate bid in 2014 and became first woman to represent Iowa in Congress

Considered a rising star among Republican leadership; serves as vice chair of the Senate Republican Conference and was interviewed as a potential vice president pick by Donald Trump in 2016, but declined to proceed, citing a preference for establishing herself in the Senate and focusing on Iowa

A former combat veteran, Ernst shapes her national security platform to the values of service gained over her long career in the Army Reserves and Army National Guard; sponsors legislation promoting national defense both domestically and abroad, as well as legislation to promote the wellbeing of service members

Advocates for small government and free-market principles, particularly deregulation to foster business growth as well as private sector leadership in energy production; focuses on cutting government spending and balancing the federal budget

Won a close 2020 election against Democratic challenger Theresa Greenfield; race became the most expensive in Iowa history

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Armed Services
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Ranking Member

Social Media

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- @senjoniernst
- @SenJoniErnst

State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
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R+6	Sen. Chuck Grassley

Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

9/17/1933

EDUCATION

University of Iowa, 1958; University of Northern Iowa, M.A., 1956; University of Northern Iowa, B.A., 1955; New Hartford Community High School (IA), 1951

FAMILY

5 children

Background

Veteran senior Senator who has championed bipartisan legislation and government oversight during his long career

An Iowa native, Grassley was raised on a farm; after earning his bachelor's and master's degrees, he successfully ran for the Iowa House of Representatives at the age of 25 and served for 15 years

Served three terms in the US House of Representatives before winning his current Senate seat during the 1980 election cycle as a Republican wave brought President Ronald Reagan into office

Holds a significant leadership position on the Judiciary Committee; while serving as chair, he was responsible for confirming over 200 federal judges during President Trump's term

Regarding policy, Grassley focuses on meeting the priorities of the agricultural sector and lowering health care costs; oftentimes pursues bipartisan legislation on these issues, such as the Rural Health Clinic Protection Act of 2021

A strong advocate for government oversight, Grassley has pressed federal agencies and departments on what he identified as waste and overreach; strongly supports protections for whistleblowers, and co-authored legislation to combat government fraud as well as provide protections for those who report antitrust law violations

In September 2021, at the age of 88, Grassley announced his intent to run for an eighth Senate term in 2022; former Rep. Abby Finkenauer (D-IA1) is the highest profile Democrat to be challenging Grassley for his seat, claiming that Grassley's extensive Washington career has made him a "coastal elite"

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Budget, Ranking Member
- Caucus on International Narcotics Control, Vice Chairman
- Finance
- Judiciary
- Taxation

Social Media

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- @senatorchuckgrassley
- @ChuckGrassley

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+6 Sen. Joni Ernst

Sen. James Risch (R-ID)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/3/1943

EDUCATION

University of Idaho, Law School, J.D., 1968; University of Idaho, B.S., 1965; University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Att., 1963

FAMILY

3 children ; 7 grandchildren

Background

Self-made millionaire and cattle rancher with four decades of experience in elected office; promotes US interests abroad, energy development, and small business growth

Born in Milwaukee and attended the University of Wisconsin before transferring to the University of Idaho, where he studied forestry; his love of the outdoors brought him to Idaho, where he has remained ever since

Began his career in public service at the age of 27 when he was elected to serve as prosecuting attorney for Ada County; later served in a variety of state-level capacities, including over twenty years in the state Senate and as governor and lieutenant governor

Elected to Idaho's US Senate seat in 2008 on a platform focusing on deficit reduction

In his leadership position on the Foreign Relations Committee, Risch works to maintain U.S. leadership on the world stage without assuming the role of the "policeman to the world"; favors sanctions as a policy tool and champions US alliances such as NATO

As a small business owner and farmer, Risch has focused on removing regulations that hinder small business and agricultural producers, including rules on EPA jurisdiction

Supports diversifying energy resources by expanding nuclear power, clean energy development, and expanded drilling for domestic oil; champions nuclear energy research at Idaho National Lab

Emerges as one of President Trump's biggest defenders in Congress, dismissing criticisms of Trump including the impeachment inquiry; also clashed with Trump when they differed on NATO, one of Risch's core issues

118th Committees

- Caucus on International Narcotics Control
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Ethics
- Foreign Relations, Ranking Member
- Intelligence
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

- @senatorjimrisch
- TBD
- @SenatorRisch

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+18 Sen. Mike Crapo

Sen. Mike Crapo (R-ID)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/20/1951

EDUCATION

Harvard University Law School (MA), J.D., 1977; Brigham Young University (UT), B.A., 1973; Idaho Falls High School (ID), 1969

FAMILY

5 children; 8 grandchildren

Background

Social conservative with a strong bipartisan streak on health, energy, and education issues; a former Banking Committee chair and the top Republican on the Finance Committee, he wields significant clout on banking and finance issues

Fourth-generation Idahoan who grew up on his parents' farm; after earning his bachelor's and law degrees, he was elected to the Idaho Senate in 1984 at the age of 33

Ran for the US House of Representatives in 1992 on a platform of spending cuts and a balanced budget; successfully ran for the state's open Senate seat in 1998

Prominent figure regarding banking and finance policy, resulting from his leadership on the Finance and Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committees; notably passed bipartisan legislation in 2018 to ease regulations imposed by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act

In addition to finance, Crapo focuses on policies that impact key Idaho sectors, such as nuclear energy and agriculture; he is of the most engaged senators on nuclear power, helping build a bipartisan coalition for a key 2018 nuclear energy bill

Strong supporter of local and regional banks and credit unions; believes they are crucial to growing small businesses

Reputation hit from 2012 drunk driving scandal was short-lived; easily re-elected in 2016

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Budget
- Finance, Ranking Member
- Taxation

Social Media

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- @mikecrapo
- @MikeCrapo

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+18 Sen. James Risch

Sen. Richard Durbin (D-IL)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/21/1944

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center (DC), J.D., 1969; Georgetown University (DC), B.S., 1966; Assumption High School (IL)

FAMILY

3 children (1 deceased); 3 grandchildren

Background

Longtime liberal Senator who uses his seniority and leadership positions to prioritize progressive social issues across a variety of topics

An Illinois native, Durbin left the state to earn his bachelor's and law degrees at Georgetown University; entered politics as an intern for Sen. Paul Douglass (D-IL) while in college and later served as legal counsel for then-Lt. Gov. Paul Simon (D-IL), who would become his friend and mentor

Began his nearly four decades in Congress by winning his 1982 bid for Illinois' 20th District; moved to the Senate in 1997 after successfully vying for the seat opened by the retirement of Sen. Simon

One of the most senior Democrats in the Senate, Durbin has been Democratic whip since 2005 and became chair of the powerful Judiciary Committee in 2021

Known on the Hill for his debating skills, stemming from his background as a trial lawyer prior to running for Congress

Passionate about social justice, health care, and immigration, Durbin has played a key role in the passage of bipartisan criminal justice reform, and pushed for expansion of public health care options; regularly introduces the DREAM Act to shield non-citizens brought to the US as children from deportation

As Judiciary chair in the 117th Congress, Durbin is pushing for comprehensive immigration reform, a diverse federal bench, voting rights expansion, and electoral reform

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Appropriations
- Judiciary, Chairman

Social Media

- @SenatorDurbin
- TBD
- @SenatorDurbin

State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
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D+7	Sen. Tammy Duckworth

Sen. Tammy Duckworth (D-IL)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/12/1968

EDUCATION

Northern Illinois University, Att., 2001; George Washington University Elliot School of International Affairs (DC), M.A., 1992; University of Hawaii, B.A., 1989; McKinley High School, 1985; Capella University (MN), Ph.D.

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Purple Heart veteran and former Department of Veterans Affairs official who has a record of advancing veterans' interests, women's rights, and clean air and water in Congress

Born in Thailand to a Thai mother and American father; lived in Thailand, Singapore, and Indonesia as a child due to her father's international career before relocating to Hawaii with her family at 16

Served in the United States Army Reserve and Illinois National Guard, earning the rank of lieutenant colonel and becoming one of the first women to fly combat missions in Iraq; lost her legs and partial use of her arm when her helicopter was hit by a rocket-propelled grenade in 2004

Before entering politics, worked as director of the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs and as assistant secretary of the federal Department of Veterans Affairs during the Obama administration; encouraged by Obama and Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL) to run for Congress

After losing her initial Congressional bid in 2006, Duckworth successfully ran for the US House in 2012, becoming the first Thai American elected to Congress

Successfully challenged incumbent Sen. Mark Kirk (R-IL) in the 2016 Senate race; became first sitting senator to give birth while in office in 2018

Calls for improved benefits for veterans, including mental health services and job training

Pushes for accommodations for working mothers; spearheaded the rule change to allow children under one on the Senate floor

Vocal on environmental policy, pushing for tighter Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) standards, cleanup of the Great Lakes, and investments in water infrastructure

During the 2020 campaign, Joe Biden considered Duckworth as a running mate before ultimately selecting Kamala Harris
Up for reelection in 2022, Duckworth is expected to win another term

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Foreign Relations
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

- @SenDuckworth
- @SenDuckworth
- @SenDuckworth

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
D+7 Sen. Dick Durbin

Sen. Mike Braun (R-IN)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/24/1954

EDUCATION

Harvard University (MA), M.B.A., 1978;
 Wabash College (IN), B.A., 1976;
 Jasper High School, 1972

FAMILY

4 children

Background

Businessman and avid conservationist who brings private sector approach to government reform; experience in logistics and timber directly informs his infrastructure and conservation priorities in Senate

Grew up in Jasper, Indiana, inspired by father's military service and hard-working business acumen

Entrepreneurial roots began with Harvard MBA, and started his early career in a poultry business before joining his father's truck body manufacturing business; eventually expanded his father's business and acquired truck parts manufacturer Meyer Body Company

As co-founder and CEO of Meyer Distributing and owner of Meyer Logistics, Braun not only generated significant wealth, but also grew the company into a nationwide third-party logistics business employing 900 people

Served ten years on his local school board before being elected to Indiana House, where he prioritized infrastructure and conservation

Ran for Senate in the 2018 election cycle, highlighting his business background and status as a political outsider; unseated Democratic incumbent Joe Donnelly (D-IN), who had only served for one term

Since being elected to the Senate in 2018, Braun has continued focus on infrastructure, conservation efforts, and combating climate change; despite his support for infrastructure improvements, he opposed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021, citing concerns about the debt

118th Committees

- Aging, Ranking Member
- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Budget
- HELP

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
- @SenatorBraun

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
 PVI
 R+11 Sen. Todd Young

Sen. Todd Young (R-IN)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/24/1972

EDUCATION

Indiana University Law School, J.D., 2006; Leipzig Graduate School of Management, 2001; University of London's Institute of U.S. Studies, M.A., 2001; University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business, M.B.A., 2000; U.S. Naval Academy (MD), B.S., 1995; Carmel High School (IN)

FAMILY

4 children

Background

A former marine who capitalized off Tea Party momentum in 2010, Young has since earned a reputation as a Republican able to broker bipartisan partnerships

Born in Pennsylvania to a family with five generations of Indiana ties, Young moved to Indiana with his family as a teenager; enlisted in the Navy after high school and attended the US Naval Academy

After graduation, he served in the Marine Corps as an intelligence officer, working with reconnaissance drones; earned his MBA by taking classes at night while serving in the Marines

Left the military in 2000 and entered politics by moving to Washington, DC to work as an advisor at conservative think tank the Heritage Foundation and later as a staffer to Sen. Richard Lugar (R-IN); returned to Indiana to volunteer on Mitch Daniels's successful 2004 gubernatorial campaign

During the rise of Tea Party Republicans, Young unseated incumbent Rep. Baron Hill (D-IN9) in the 2010 election; in the House, and later in the Senate, Young has pushed for congressional oversight of federal agency regulations, such as the Regulations from Executive in Need of Scrutiny (REINS) Act

In 2016, Young announced his bid for Senate after Sen. Dan Coats (R-IN) declared his retirement; campaigned against fmr. Sen. Evan Bayh (D-IN), and criticized Bayh for his post-Senate lobbying career and allegedly distant Indiana ties

Since joining the Senate, Young has maintained his fiscally conservative goals, and continues to pursue policies that would lower government spending; also focuses on foreign policy and economic opportunity initiatives

Has formed a close relationship with Senate GOP leadership; was appointed by Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) to chair the National Republican Senatorial Committee in 2019 for the 2020 election cycle

118th Committees

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Finance
- Foreign Relations
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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- @sentoddyoung
- @SenToddYoung

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+11 Sen. Mike Braun

Sen. Roger Marshall (R-KS)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/9/1960

EDUCATION

University of Kansas, M.D., 1987;
 Kansas State University, B.S., 1982;
 Butler Community College (KS), A.S.,
 1980; El Dorado High School (KS),
 1978

FAMILY

4 children; 3 grandchildren

Background

A physician-turned-politician, Marshall advocates for health care reform and agricultural policy that supports farmers and his predominantly rural state

Fifth-generation farmer born in El Dorado, Kansas; worked on his family's farm while growing up and became the first in his family to attend college

After earning his MD, he practiced medicine in Great Bend, KS for more than 25 years as an obstetrician-gynecologist where he delivered more than 5,000 babies and was chair of the board of physician-owned Great Bend Regional Hospital
 Served for seven years with the Army Reserve, where he achieved the rank of captain and trained a mobile hospital support unit

Elected to the US House in 2016 with strong endorsements from the agricultural community, Marshall largely focused on agriculture and health care policy, advocating for federal support for farmers, favorable trade terms, and the repeal of the ACA

Launched a successful bid for the US Senate in 2019, defeating former Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach (R) in the GOP primary, where Marshall was widely viewed as the more moderate candidate; won the 2020 Senate race against State Rep. Barbara Bollier (D) with a platform that aligned with President Trump's agenda

Voted to object to the January 6, 2021 certification of Electoral College results from Pennsylvania and Arizona

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Budget
- HELP
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
- @SenatorMarshall

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
 PVI
 R+10 Sen. Jerry Moran

Sen. Jerry Moran (R-KS)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/29/1954

EDUCATION

University of Kansas, J.D., 1981;
University of Kansas, B.S., 1976; Fort
Hays State University (KS), 1973

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Product of rural Kansas who presents himself as an independent-minded conservative; champions the agricultural economy, rural health, and entrepreneurship

Born the son of an oil-field worker in the western plains of Kansas

Began his career as an attorney and rose through the ranks of Kansas politics; served as the state special assistant attorney general, held the position of deputy attorney for Rooks County, and served in the state Senate for eight years

Won his initial election to the House of Representatives in 1996 and was reelected six times; easily won the race for Senate in 2010 with 70% of the vote in the general election

Works to eliminate barriers to growth in the agricultural economy, such as trade restrictions and regulations for livestock truckers

Prioritizes health care reform in order to strengthen coverage in rural communities, working closely with state health providers to identify what Kansans need; supports Affordable Care Act (ACA) repeal, but rejected the GOP's 2017 Better Care Reconciliation Act based on his desire for an "open legislative process"

Leverages his leadership position on the Veterans Affairs Committee to push for provisions that enhance health care and economic opportunity for veterans, including agricultural training and mental health services

Chaired the National Republican Senatorial Committee (NRSC) from 2013 to 2014, when Republican's secured their first majority since 2006

Vocal on initiatives to foster entrepreneurship and innovation, including his signature Startup Act

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Intelligence
- Veterans' Affairs, Ranking Member

Social Media

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- @JerryMoran

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+10 Sen. Roger Marshall

Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/20/1942

EDUCATION

University of Kentucky Law School, J.D., 1967; University of Louisville (KY), B.A., 1964; Manual High School (KY), 1960

FAMILY

Spouse - Elaine Chao, Secretary of Transportation under the Trump Administration
Three children from a previous marriage

Background

An eight-term Senator and entrenched leader of the Republican caucus, McConnell has served as the chief foil to two Democratic presidents; worked with President Trump to pass tax cuts and confirm a record number of judges to the federal judiciary

Born in Alabama and educated in Kentucky, McConnell first came to Capitol Hill as an intern to Sen. John Sherman Cooper (R-KY), and returned as a legislative assistant to Sen. Marlow Cook (R-KY) after law school

After two terms as judge in Jefferson County, Kentucky, the jurisdiction that encompasses Louisville, McConnell won his first race for Senate against incumbent Democrat Walter Huddleston by five thousand votes in 1984

Began to hold leadership positions within the Senate Republican caucus in the 1990s, first as chair of the National Republican Senatorial Committee; became whip for the caucus in 2002, and minority leader in 2007 after Republicans lost their majority

Lead Senate Republicans through the entire Obama presidency; used his hold over the GOP caucus to block much of Obama's legislative agenda and many of his judicial appointments, and negotiated compromises with then-Vice President Joe Biden on fiscal matters

As majority leader, he forged a strong partnership with the Trump White House to deliver on common priorities, collaborating to pass tax cuts, confirm judges, and defeat the first attempt to remove President Trump from office through impeachment

Following the January 6 riot at the US Capitol, McConnell condemned Trump's provocation of the rioters but ultimately voted to acquit him; since then, the two party leaders have backed different candidates in some House and Senate primary races

With Biden in the White House and Democrats in control of Congress, he is largely reprising his role from the Obama presidency; notably voted for the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and the United States Innovation and Competition Act in the summer of 2021

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Appropriations
- Intelligence, Ex Officio
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
R+16 Sen. Rand Paul

Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

1/7/1963

EDUCATION

Duke University (NC), M.D., 1988;
Baylor University (TX), 1984

FAMILY

3 children

Background

Constitutional conservative and Tea Party favorite who left his ophthalmology practice to lead the libertarian faction of the Republican Party; champions small-government, free-market, and non-interventionist approaches

Grew up in Texas, where his father Ron Paul began serving as a US Representative when Rand Paul was 13; Paul spent summers interning in his father's congressional office

Completed his medical school requirements at Baylor University, ultimately transferring to Duke University's School of Medicine to earn his medical degree; moved to Kentucky after completing his residency to establish an ophthalmology practice

Gained significant political experience working on his father's 2008 presidential campaign

Successfully ran for an open Senate seat in 2010, highlighting the libertarian viewpoints that he shared with his father and leveraging the popularity of the Tea Party movement; beat the GOP establishment candidate, the Kentucky secretary of state backed by Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY), in the primary election

Ran a brief, unsuccessful presidential campaign during the 2016 election cycle; noninterventionist foreign policy viewpoints failed to gain traction during a period of increasing terrorist threats abroad

Known for his libertarian principles, particularly related to fiscal policy and privacy rights; vehemently opposed to financial bailouts, and is outspoken about his disapproval of policies that increase government surveillance powers, such as the PATRIOT Act

Noninterventionist who has staunchly criticized American military actions in the Middle East; broke with President Trump on the issue of arms sales to Saudi Arabia

118th Committees

- Foreign Relations
- HELP
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Ranking Member
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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- @SenRandPaul

State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
R+16	Sen. Mitch McConnell

Sen. Bill Cassidy (R-LA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

9/28/1957

EDUCATION

Louisiana State University Medical School, M.D., 1983; Louisiana State University, B.S., 1979; Tara High School (LA)

FAMILY

Married, Dr. Laura Cassidy, breast cancer surgeon
Three children

Background

A gastroenterologist, Cassidy has focused on health policy throughout a political career that began in the Louisiana Senate; elected to a second US Senate term in 2020

Grew up in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and earned his bachelor's and medical doctor degrees from Louisiana State University (LSU); specializing in gastroenterology, he was on the faculty of LSU Medical School and worked at LSU's Earl K. Long Medical Center, a hospital for uninsured patients, until its closure in 2013

Helped found the Greater Baton Rouge Community Clinic in 1998 to provide free health care to low-income uninsured patients; after Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana in 2005, Cassidy led efforts to form a makeshift clinic in an abandoned K-Mart

In 2006, Cassidy entered politics as a Republican state senator, and garnered scrutiny for having been registered as a Democrat in the past; Cassidy attributed his party switch to a declining number of conservative Democrats, his frustrations with government involvement in health care policy, and his support for a free market-based health care system

Elected to the House in 2008, he served on the Energy and Commerce Committee and supported policies such as incentives for health savings accounts and preventive care, as well as efforts to reduce obesity and prohibit abortion past 20 weeks

Since he unseated incumbent Sen. Mary Landrieu (D-LA) in the 2014 election, he has utilized his medical background to focus on health care policy; pushed for alternatives to the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and policies to combat opioid addiction, provide expanded access to mental health care, and incentivize COVID-19 testing

One of seven Republican senators who voted to convict fmr. President Trump for inciting the Capitol riots on January 6, 2021; the Louisiana Republican Party censured Cassidy for his vote

118th Committees

- Energy and Natural Resources
- Finance
- HELP, Ranking Member
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+12 Sen. John Kennedy

Sen. John Kennedy (R-LA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/21/1951

EDUCATION

Oxford University (England), B.CL, 1979; University of Virginia School of Law, J.D., 1977; Vanderbilt University (TN), B.A., 1973; Zachary High School, 1969

FAMILY

1 child

Background

Democrat-turned Republican who wields colorful turns of phrase to promote Trump brand of conservatism and secure disaster relief

Raised in small-town Louisiana and earned law degrees from University of Virginia and Oxford

After a career as a product liability attorney, served as special counsel to Democratic Gov. Buddy Roemer, sparking an interest in politics

Worked almost two decades as state Treasurer; launched an unsuccessful Senate run in 2004 as a Democrat but was recruited by the state GOP in 2007, running and winning subsequent Treasury campaigns as a Republican

Prioritizes expanding disaster recovery programs for state population, including through extending and lowering costs of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

Watchdog for the taxpayer that pushes for budget cuts and championed the 2017 Republican tax reform bill

Critic of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and has focused on policies that bring transparency to pricing for Medicare-covered drugs

A consistent defender of Trump, Kennedy objected to the certification of electoral votes from Arizona on January 6, 2021

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Budget
- Judiciary
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+12 Sen. Bill Cassidy

Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

6/22/1949

EDUCATION

Rutgers University (NJ), J.D., 1976;
University of Houston (TX), B.A., 1970;
George Washington University (DC),
Att., 1968

FAMILY

2 children ; 3 grandchildren

Background

Former Harvard law professor who specialized in bankruptcy research; became a prominent pro-consumer voice during her academic career and is now a leading advocate for progressive policies in the Democratic Party

Originally from Oklahoma, Warren grew up in a working-class family that struggled financially as a result of her father's heart attack; Warren began working at the age of 13 as a result

Moved to Houston, Texas with her husband, where she earned her bachelor's degree, and later moved to New Jersey where she completed law school; began teaching law while researching personal finance and bankruptcy-related topics

Accepted a permanent appointment as a professor at Harvard Law School in 1995 while continuing to publish research in bankruptcy and commercial law; notably testified in front of the Senate Judiciary Committee in 2005 against a bill that would make it more difficult for people to file for bankruptcy

Selected in 2008 to chair the Troubled Asset Relief Program's Congressional oversight panel, and then by President Obama in 2010 to help launch the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)

Involvement in politics through national-level advisory roles inspired Warren to run for Senate during the 2012 election cycle; unseated Republican incumbent Sen. Scott Brown and became the first woman elected to the Senate from Massachusetts

Considered to be among the progressive wing of the Democratic Party, supporting policies such as Medicare-for-All, campaign finance reform, reviving the Glass-Steagall Act, and adopting renewable and clean energy sources

Launched a presidential bid during the 2020 primary election cycle, at one point becoming a front runner before ultimately coming in third; created in-depth policy proposals for topics such as Wall Street reforms, criminal justice reform, and foreign policy

118th Committees

- Aging
- Armed Services
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Finance

Social Media

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- @SenWarren

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
D+15 Sen. Edward J.
Markey

Sen. Edward Markey (D-MA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/11/1946

EDUCATION

Boston College Law School (MA), J.D., 1972; Boston College (MA), B.A., 1968; Malden Catholic High School (MA), 1964

FAMILY

Spouse - Susan Blumenthal

Background

Lifelong politician has maintained a progressive voting record throughout his nearly 50-year career in public office; Senate leader on tech and climate policy

Raised by a milkman and union leader in a blue-collar Boston suburb; started his political career in the state House at the age of 26 as a political underdog eager to take on the Massachusetts political establishment

Ran for an open Congressional seat in 1976 after the previous incumbent died in office, and remained in the House for 35 years

Markey exercised influence in the House as chair of Energy and Commerce; worked closely with Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA12) to introduce a progressive climate agenda in 2009, including ambitious benchmarks for reducing carbon emissions

After eyeing a Senate seat for decades, Markey won the 2013 special election to replace John Kerry, who succeeded Hillary Clinton as secretary of state; became the longest-tenured House member ever elected to the Senate

Leader in telecommunication and internet policies; crafted sweeping broadband legislation while in the House, and has led efforts to protect net neutrality in the Senate

Champion for progressive policies to combat climate change; lead sponsor of the Green New Deal

After defeating Rep. Joe Kennedy III (D-MA4) in a difficult Democratic primary, Markey won an easy general election victory in November 2020

118th Committees

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Environment and Public Works
- HELP
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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- TBD
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State Profile

2022 COOK PVI SERVING WITH
 D+15 Sen. Benjamin L. Cardin

Sen. Benjamin Cardin (D-MD)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/5/1943

EDUCATION

Villa Julie College (MD), LL.D., 2007; University of Maryland School of Law, J.D., 1967; University of Pittsburgh (PA), B.A., 1964; Baltimore City College High School (MD), 1961

FAMILY

2 children (1 deceased); 2 grandchildren

Background

Third generation Marylander and bipartisan consensus-builder who promotes human rights abroad and an inclusive fiscal agenda

Born in Baltimore and is the son of and nephew of state legislators

Referred to as the former "boy wonder" of Maryland politics, having been elected to the House of Delegates at age 23 and elevated to Speaker by age 35

In the House and in the Senate, Cardin has worked to integrate human rights into foreign policy, including by sanctioning countries like Russia and China for human rights abuses

As the lead Democrat on the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, has pushed for policies that increase business opportunity for minority communities

Leader on legislation surrounding retirement security through 401(k) expansion

Supports protecting and expanding Medicare and the Affordable Care Act (ACA), including by adding coverage for cancer screenings and pediatric dental services

Frequently cosponsors legislation with Republicans and has become well-known for his collaborative efforts

Engages with international organizations on strategies to enhance cooperation and security, representing the U.S. at organizations including the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

118th Committees

- Environment and Public Works
- Finance
- Foreign Relations
- Security and Cooperation in Europe, Cochairman
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Chairman

Social Media

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- @SenatorCardin

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+14 Sen. Chris Van Hollen

Sen. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

1/10/1959

EDUCATION

Georgetown University (DC), J.D., 1990; John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (MA), M.P.P., 1985; Swarthmore College (PA), B.A., 1982

FAMILY

Wife; 3 children

Background

Longtime Maryland politician whose international upbringing paved the way for his focus on foreign policy; also pushes for gun control and fiscal policy reform using his congressional leadership ties

Born in Pakistan as the son of an US Ambassador and a State Department officer, Van Hollen grew up in various countries in Asia, including Sri Lanka and Pakistan; moved to the United States as a teenager to attend boarding school

After earning his Master's in Public Policy from Harvard University, Van Hollen began his political career by working for Sen. Charles Mathias (R-MD) and later for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee

Elected to the Maryland House of Delegates in 1990 and to the Maryland Senate four years later; successfully ran for Congress in 2002 and campaigned with the support of progressive organizations that focused on the environment and gun control

During his 7th-term in the House, Van Hollen managed candidate recruitment and served as chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC); while DCCC chair, Van Hollen was selected to be an assistant to Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA14)

After Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) announced her retirement in 2015, Van Hollen decided to run for her seat; he faced a difficult primary race against Rep. Donna Edwards (D-MD4) but won the general election with 60% of the vote

Continued his streak of campaign committee leadership by serving as chair of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC) during his first two years in the Senate

In the Senate, Van Hollen continues to push for changes to the tax code, gun control measures, and sanctions on bad actors abroad; he is up for reelection in 2022, though experts consider his seat to be safe

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Budget
- Foreign Relations

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+14 Sen. Ben Cardin

Sen. Angus King (I-ME)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/31/1944

EDUCATION

University of Virginia Law School, J.D., 1969; Dartmouth College (NH), A.B., 1966

FAMILY

5 children; 5 grandchildren

Background

Independent senator working to bridge ideological gaps by advocating for bipartisan policy solutions to health care, security, and environmental issues

Grew up in Alexandria, Virginia, where his father served as a US commissioner and federal magistrate

After earning his law degree from the University of Virginia, King moved to Maine to work for a legal assistance organization

Worked for Sen. William Hathaway (D-ME) during the 1970s, later returning to Maine to start an energy conservation business

Hosted weekly public television program "Maine Watch" for over two decades, which increased his statewide profile

Abandoned affiliation with the Maine Democratic Party in 1993, declaring at the time that government needed to "get out of the way"; successfully ran for governor a year later as an Independent and has since retained that identity

Prioritized education during his two terms; secured contract with Apple to provide laptops for every public middle-school student and teacher in the state, an initiative which set a national precedent

Co-founded wind energy company Independence Wind in 2007; company entered a joint venture to construct a \$120 million, 22-wind turbine project in 2009

Ran for Senate in 2012 after moderate Sen. Olympia Snowe (R-ME) opted to retire over dissatisfaction with partisan gridlock; King successfully ran on a platform of common sense and bipartisanship, and announced that he would caucus with the Democrats

In the Senate, focuses on expanding health care access, strengthening cyber security, and incentivizing clean energy use; co-chaired the Cyber Solarium Commission, which proposed a national cyber deterrence strategy

During the Biden presidency, King has passionately argued for changing the filibuster to allow Democrats to pass voting rights legislation, despite his previous caution on filibuster reform; stated that "there is nothing more important" than the right to vote

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Intelligence
- Printing
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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- @SenAngusKing

State Profile

2022 COOK PVI	SERVING WITH
D+2	Sen. Susan M. Collins

Sen. Susan Collins (R-ME)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/7/1952

EDUCATION

St. Lawrence University (NY), B.A., 1975; Caribou High School (ME), 1971

FAMILY

Spouse - Thomas Daffron

Background

A key swing vote, Collins looks to core New England values when voting on highly divisive issues, balancing independent streak with maintaining relationships with party leadership

Comes from a long line of public servants; Collins' parents both served as Mayor of her hometown, Caribou, ME, and her father served in the ME state legislature; inspired her to work in DC and then run for office in ME

Describes herself as a traditional New England Republican who is focused on core values of local government and personal responsibility; strives to bring GOP closer to the center

Advocates for bipartisan efforts to improve health care research to fight diseases such as Alzheimer's, diabetes, and cancer

Balances supporting party agenda with maintaining her independence; Collins partnered with other moderate Republicans to vote against repealing the ACA, but voted on party lines against Trump's first impeachment

Both parties were increasingly critical of her moderate approach during the Trump presidency; despite speculation that she would be vulnerable in the race, Collins won re-election in November 2020

Voted to impeach former President Trump in February 2021 following the January 6 Capitol Riot

Participated in bipartisan negotiations on infrastructure, which produced the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act; called the bill, signed in November 2021, "a truly transformational package for our party"

118th Committees

- Appropriations, Ranking Member
- HELP
- Intelligence

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
D+2	Sen. Debbie Stabenow

Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

4/29/1950

EDUCATION

Michigan State University, M.S.W., 1975; Michigan State University, B.A., 1972

FAMILY

2 children ; 4 grandchildren

Background

Michigan native and former local and state officeholder whose personal experience drives her health care focus; other priorities include job creation, the Farm Bill, and the Great Lakes

Entered politics at age 24 and rose from local to national office, becoming first woman from MI elected to the Senate in 2000

Sponsors bipartisan legislation on priorities such as lowering drug costs and protecting auto and agriculture industries in trade deals

Health care-focused member emerged as a vocal supporter of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) during its passage; has proposed expanding Medicare eligibility to people over 50

The top Democrat on the Senate Agriculture Committee since 2011, she played a key role in drafting and passing 2014 and 2018 Farm Bills, securing provisions that benefitted Michigan and promoted conservation; enjoyed a good relationship with former committee chair Pat Roberts, the now-retired Kansas Republican

Co-chairs caucuses with significant relevance to her state, including the bipartisan Senate Manufacturing Caucus and Great Lakes Task Force

Holds significant caucus leadership position as the chair of the Democratic Policy and Communications Committee

In 2021, Stabenow worked to promote Michigan priorities in Democrats' major legislation, such as strengthened "Buy American" provisions in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, Chairman
- Budget
- Environment and Public Works
- Finance
- Taxation

Social Media

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- TBD
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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
R+1	Sen. Gary C. Peters

Sen. Gary Peters (D-MI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/1/1958

EDUCATION

Michigan State University, M.A., 2007;
Wayne State University Law School (MI), J.D., 1989; University of Detroit (MI), M.B.A., 1984; Alma College (MI), B.A., 1980

FAMILY

Three Children

Background

Ideological moderate who combines liberal social stances with his business-friendly vision for a high-tech economy driven by Michigan manufacturing; leads the DSCC as Democrats aim to protect multiple battleground state incumbents in 2022

Focused on issues with high relevance in Michigan, such as creating and protecting middle-class manufacturing jobs

Worked as a financial advisor in the private sector; held local and state office in Michigan before winning a House seat in 2008

Served two stints in the Naval Reserve; honorably discharged as a Lt. Commander

Collaborates with Republicans on common priorities, including funding for Great Lakes restoration with Sen. Rob Portman (R-OH)

Chair of the Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee who takes safeguarding government institutions seriously; introduced bill to boost election cybersecurity

Balances business and labor interests; wants to build an economy that embraces emerging technologies (e.g. automation) but protects workers impacted by innovation

Chairs the DSCC for the 2022 midterms, leading the Democrats campaign arm in defending and possibly expanding the slim Senate majority; seeks to fortify incumbents in AZ, GA, NH, and NV and pickup seats in FL, NC, OH, PA, and WI

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Armed Services
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Chairman

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
R+1 Sen. Amy Klobuchar

Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/25/1960

EDUCATION

University of Chicago (IL), J.D., 1985;
 Yale University (CT), B.A., 1982;
 Wayzata High School (MN)

FAMILY

Husband; 1 child

Background

Former attorney who quickly rose from a county-level Minnesota prosecutor to a US senator; known for her legislative efforts on bipartisan policies related to agriculture, health care, antitrust enforcement, renewable fuels, and human trafficking

Joined a large, prestigious law firm immediately after law school and found success in corporate telecommunications law

Interest in politics developed after her newborn daughter had a medical emergency; prior to her public service career, Klobuchar leveraged legal connections to pass a bill lengthening guaranteed hospital stays for new mothers, which became federal law in 1996 under President Bill Clinton (D)

After her daughter recovered from a childhood illness, Klobuchar started her public service career by winning an election against a long-time prosecutor, becoming a county attorney in 1999

Successfully campaigned on a message of problem-solving across the aisle in her first US Senate race in 2006, resulting in a landslide victory

Senate career has been defined by her attention to constituent concerns about public safety, health care access, and agricultural development and finding bipartisan pathways to achieve policy success, especially for rural communities

Led efforts to enact the past three Farm Bills, strengthen antitrust enforcement, expand Medicare and Medicaid, maintain the renewable fuel standard, and provide resources for human trafficking survivors

Her 2020 presidential campaign lasted from February 2019 until March 2020, when she endorsed now President Joe Biden (D); during the Democratic primary, she garnered seven pledged delegates, six from New Hampshire and one from Iowa

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Joint Economic
- Judiciary
- Library, Vice Chairman
- Printing, Chairman
- Rules and Administration, Chairman

Social Media

- TBD
- TBD
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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
 PVI
 D+1 Sen. Tina Smith

Sen. Tina Smith (D-MN)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/4/1958

EDUCATION

Stanford University (CA), B.A.;
Dartmouth College Tuck School of
Business (NH), M.B.A.

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Behind-the-scenes political pro with a consulting background who made her legislative debut in her 2017 Senate appointment; advocates for expanded access to health, education, and work opportunities

Grew up in New Mexico, and worked on the Trans-Alaska Pipeline prior to attending Stanford University, where she obtained an undergraduate degree in political science; graduated from Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business with an MBA in 1984, after which she moved to Minnesota for a marketing job at General Mills

Founded her own marketing and consulting firm and started volunteering with the Democratic Farmer-Labor Party (DFL) in the 1990s; she served as a campaign manager for Ted Mondale's gubernatorial bid in 1998 and Walter Mondale's Senate campaign in 2002

For the next three years, Smith worked as a vice president at Planned Parenthood's office serving Minnesota and the Dakotas; Smith returned to politics in 2005 as chief of staff to Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak and was the manager of two 2010 campaigns for Minnesota governor, including Mark Dayton's (D-MN)

Served as chief of staff to Gov. Dayton during his first term, and as lieutenant governor during his second term; as lieutenant governor, Smith negotiated budget provisions with state legislators and spearheaded a multibillion-dollar expansion of the Mayo Clinic

Following the resignation of Sen. Al Franken (D-MN) in January 2018, Dayton appointed his longtime political ally, Smith, to fill his seat; in the Senate, Smith has promoted key issues in Minnesota, like affordable health care and expanded access to education and job opportunities

Pushed for the passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 because it combined her Minnesotan priorities of economic development and infrastructure improvements

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- HELP
- Indian Affairs
- Security and Cooperation in Europe

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
D+1	Sen. Josh Hawley

Sen. Joshua Hawley (R-MO)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/31/1979

EDUCATION

Yale Law School (CT), J.D., 2006;
Stanford University (CA), A.B., 2002;
Rockhurst High School (MO)

FAMILY

Married, Erin Morrow Hawley
Two children

Background

A first-term Senator with strong conservative legal credentials, Hawley is an outspoken opponent of "big tech" and China; one of former President Trump's most fervent supporters, he faced backlash after leading congressional objections to President Biden's election

Raised in the Kansas City exurbs by politically active Republicans, Hawley studied Constitutional Law at Stanford and began developing relationships with Washington conservatives as a summer intern at the Heritage Foundation

Attended Yale Law School and clerked for Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts; working for a religious freedom non-profit, he helped argue a case in which the Supreme Court ruled that certain companies did not have to cover birth control through their insurance plans under the ACA

Returning to Missouri, Hawley ran successfully for attorney general in 2016; prominent Republicans, including Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) and Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO), lobbied Hawley to run for Senate in 2018

During the campaign, Hawley embraced President Trump and emphasized incumbent Claire McKaskill's (D-MO) votes against confirming Supreme Court Justices Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh; defeated her by 5 points

In the Senate, Hawley has emerged as a strong critic of big technology firms and an advocate for internet privacy, leading to some overlap with tech-focused Democrats like Sen. Mark Warner (D-VA)

With Sens. Ted Cruz (R-TX) and Tom Cotton (R-AR), Hawley has consistently spoken out against the Chinese government for suppressing free speech in Hong Kong and its response to the COVID-19 outbreak, and supports placing sanctions on Chinese officials

A leader of congressional objections to the certification of Biden's election, Hawley faced widespread condemnation following the violent riot of January 6; wrote afterwards that he had objected on behalf of his constituents and sought to "lead a democratic debate" on election integrity

118th Committees

- Energy and Natural Resources
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Judiciary
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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- TBD
- @SenHawleyPress

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+10 Sen. Eric Schmitt

Sen. Eric Schmitt (R-MO)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

6/20/1975

EDUCATION

St. Louis University Law School (MO), J.D., 2000; Truman State University (MO), B.A., 1997; DeSmet Jesuit High School, 1993

FAMILY

Married; 3 children

Background

Longtime public official who has consistently focused on cutting taxes; became attorney general in Missouri in 2019, and worked to advance a number of conservative priorities before winning Missouri's Senate race in 2022

After graduating law school, Schmitt worked in Clayton, Missouri as an attorney; successfully campaigned to be an alderman of Glendale, Missouri in 2005 and served in the local office until 2008

Joined the Missouri state Senate in 2009; led the bipartisan effort to ban traffic ticket quotas and limit fine revenue, after a traffic stop led to a deadly shooting in Ferguson, Missouri in 2014 amid racial justice protests

Led major state tax policy reforms, which included cuts to taxes on franchises, corporations, and incomes; created automatic tax cuts that triggered when revenues rose

After reaching the Senate senate term limit, Schmitt ran for Missouri state treasurer where he continued pursuing tax cuts; in 2018, Schmitt championed efforts to create the state's "Show-Me Checkbook," a website detailing state revenues and expenditures

Appointed to attorney general in 2019, filling a vacancy left by newly-elected Sen. Josh Hawley (R-MO), and was elected to a full term in 2020; his tenure as attorney general has focused on advancing GOP priorities through legal challenges, such as seeking to invalidate the Affordable Care Act (ACA), to limit COVID-19 public health measures, to expand oil and gas projects, to prohibit the expansion of LGBTQ+ rights, and to overturn the 2020 presidential election results

Ran for Senate in 2022 to fill a vacancy left by Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO); prevailed with 44% of the vote in a contested primary against two current members of Congress and fmr. Gov. Eric Greitens (R)

Won the general election for Senate in November 2022 against Democrat Trudy Busch Valentine

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Joint Economic

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+10 Sen. Josh Hawley

Sen. Roger Wicker (R-MS)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/5/1951

EDUCATION

University of Mississippi, J.D., 1975;
University of Mississippi, B.A., 1973;
Pontotoc High School (MS)

FAMILY

3 children ; 5 grandchildren

Background

A traditional conservative with a long history in Mississippi politics, Wicker balances partisan loyalties with bipartisan collaboration on issues such as privacy and disease eradication

A Northern Mississippi native, Wicker grew up with a father who served as a state senator and circuit court judge. Started working in politics when he was 16 as a page for then-Rep. Jamie Whitten (D-MS1); much later, Wicker ran for and won Whitten's seat when Whitten stepped down after 28 terms

After serving four years in the Air Force, Wicker worked as a staff assistant for then-Rep. Trent Lott (R-MS5) for two years before practicing law; successfully ran for the Mississippi Senate in 1987

Won his bid for the House of Representatives in 1994, and used his position on the House Appropriations Committee to secure funding for his low-income district; served in the House until 2007, when he was appointed by Gov. Haley Barbour (R) to replace then-Sen. Trent Lott (R-MS) after Lott's resignation

Through the Commerce Committee, Wicker has worked to pass bipartisan legislation relate to fisheries and agriculture, ocean research, and technology issues such as 5G and data privacy

Successfully chaired the National Republican Senatorial Committee from 2015 to 2017, raising over \$120 million and defending 24 senate seats in the 2016 election, of which Republicans lost only two

As the previous chair of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, Wicker is highly engaged in relevant foreign policy matters; in early 2021, he traveled to Ukraine with bipartisan Senate delegation to meet with top Ukrainian officials

118th Committees

- Armed Services, Ranking Member
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Environment and Public Works
- Intelligence, Ex Officio
- Printing
- Rules and Administration
- Security and Cooperation in Europe, Cochairman

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK PVI R+11 SERVING WITH Sen. Cindy Hyde-Smith

Sen. Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-MS)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/10/1959

EDUCATION

University of Southern Mississippi, 1981; Copiah-Lincoln Community College (MS), A.A., 1979; Lawrence County Academy (MS)

FAMILY

1 child

Background

A lifelong Mississippian with a background in agriculture policy, Hyde-Smith focuses on protections for farmers in rural communities; once a Democrat, she is now known for her strong conservative views

After attending community college, Hyde-Smith earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Mississippi; worked as a lobbyist for groups such as the Southern Coalition for Safer Highways and the National Coalition for Healthcare

Served in the state Senate from 2000 to 2012 and chaired the Agriculture Committee; from 2012 to 2018, Hyde-Smith was the state's commissioner of agriculture and commerce, where she focused on increasing protections and limiting regulations for farmers

Switched her political party affiliation from the Democratic Party to the Republican Party in 2010, explaining that she had always held conservative views

In 2018, Hyde-Smith was appointed to fill Sen. Thad Cochran's (R-MS) seat after he stepped down; then-Majority Leader Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) was initially hesitant towards her appointment, given Hyde-Smith's history in the Democratic Party, but later supported her special election campaign

Favors fiscal responsibility, deregulations, and investments in infrastructure for rural communities and farmers; has sponsored a constitutional amendment to mandate a balanced budget

Elected to a full 6-year term in 2020, defeating her opponent, former Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy (D-MS)

On January 6, 2021, Hyde-Smith objected to the certification of electoral college votes from Arizona and Pennsylvania, saying that she could not in good conscience vote to certify an election that her constituents believed was unconstitutional; was one of a handful of senators who maintained such opposition after insurrectionists broke into the Capitol

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Appropriations
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+11 Sen. Jon Tester

Sen. Jon Tester (D-MT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/21/1956

EDUCATION

University of Great Falls (MT), B.Mus., 1978

FAMILY

2 children ; 2 grandchildren

Background

Third-generation Montana farmer whose populist lawmaking approach focuses on empowering rural Americans and advocating for Montana's most vulnerable constituencies

Deeply tied to the Big Sandy/Havre community in Montana, his hometown; one of the only active farmers in the Senate, traveling back from D.C. every weekend to farm

Democrat in a reliably red state who focuses on local issues and retail politics, an approach that helped to insulate him from national polarization and win a difficult 2018 re-election

Longtime proponent of transparency who and was the first member of Congress to publish his daily public schedule on his website

Champions agriculture industry issues and took lead role in farm subsidies bills to aid rural farmers

A pivotal moderate that many commentators expected to align with Sens. Manchin and Sinema in the 117th Congress, Tester has instead generally aligned with the party and severed as a leading advocate to restore the talking filibuster to aid in the passage of voting rights

As of 2021, serves as chair of the Senate Indian Affairs committee, directing action to combat the missing people crisis in indigenous communities

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Indian Affairs
- Veterans' Affairs, Chairman

Social Media

- @senatortester
- TBD
- @SenatorTester

State Profile

2022 COOK PVI SERVING WITH
R+11 Sen. Steve Daines

Sen. Steve Daines (R-MT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/20/1962

EDUCATION

Montana State University, Bozeman, B.S., 1984; Bozeman High School (MT), 1980

FAMILY

4 children

Background

Former businessman pursuing policy victories to benefit his rural, western state; Senate tenure marked by support for Montana's industry combined with his passion for conservation

Grew up in Bozeman, where his father ran a home construction business; studied chemical engineering at Montana State University

Worked for Procter and Gamble during the 1980s and 1990s, including spending six years for the company in China; returned to Montana in 1997 to work for his family's business

In 2000, teamed up with now-Gov. Greg Gianforte to work for Gianforte's company, RightNow Technologies, where he would serve as vice president of customer service for twelve years

Established GiveltBack.com, a nonprofit that pushed for returning the state budget surplus to taxpayers, in 2007; the next year, Daines served as Montana chair of Mike Huckabee's presidential campaign, chaired the Montana delegation to the Republican National Convention, and unsuccessfully ran for lieutenant governor

Intended to challenge Sen. Jon Tester (D-MT) in the 2012 cycle, but instead successfully ran for Montana's House seat that year; ran for Senate again in 2014 after incumbent Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT) was selected to serve as ambassador to China, and won 58-40%

In the Senate, Daines mainly focuses on policies favorable to Montana's extractive and agriculture businesses, such as streamlining permitting for mining projects and advancing free trade

Passionate about conservation and maintaining public lands, using his position on the Roosevelt Conservation Caucus and as chair of the Senate Western Caucus to advocate for full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund

Won reelection in 2020 against former Gov. Steve Bullock (D-MT), a popular figure in the state; Daines leveraged Bullock's support for Democratic policies like gun control while also affirming the need to maintain a Republican majority in the Senate

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Finance
- Indian Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+11 Sen. Thom Tillis

Sen. Thom Tillis (R-NC)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/30/1960

EDUCATION

University of Maryland University College, B.S., 1996; Antioch High School, 1978

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Business-focused conservative whose rapid rise in politics was preceded by a successful private sector career; since 2014, he has won two close elections to the Senate in a narrowly-divided swing state

Got an early start in the business world, delaying college until after he rose to partner at PWC; later joined IBM, consulting on the Bank of America merger in Charlotte

Found quick success in his political career due to his pro-business policies and connections; he ascended to speaker of the North Carolina House after only two terms, rallying state Republicans with his leadership savvy and popular platform

Aside from his business focus, led the NC State House in passing socially conservative policies related to abortion, gay marriage, and gun control

In 2014, Tillis defeated incumbent Sen. Key Hagan (D-NC) by 1.5 points; both candidates tried to position themselves as moderates, and Tillis tied Hagan to Democratic establishment figures like President Obama and then-Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV)

In the Senate, he has focused primarily on immigration, financial services, and military issues, particularly those related to veterans; Tillis' Protecting Veterans from Predatory Lending Act of 2018 was signed by President Trump as part of a larger bill that reformed financial regulations instituted by the Dodd-Frank Act

In 2020, Tillis faces a strong challenge from then-state Senator Cal Cunningham (D); Tillis underperformed President Trump, who won just over 50% of the vote, but defeated Cunningham, who scaled back his campaign in the latter stages of the race following the revelation of his extramarital affair

Tillis' term expires in 2027

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Finance
- Judiciary
- Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+3 Sen. Ted Budd

Sen. Ted Budd (R-NC)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/21/1971

EDUCATION

Wake Forest University (NC), M.B.A., 2007; Dallas Theological Seminary (TX), M.Th., 1998; Appalachian State University (NC), B.S., 1994; Davie County High School, 1990

FAMILY

3 children

Background

Elected in 2016 as a first-time political figure, Budd prioritized deregulating the financial sector and improving health care; in 2022, he ran on his conservative record in the race for North Carolina's open Senate seat

Grew up on a cattle and commercial chicken farm in Davie County, North Carolina, where he still lives with his wife

After receiving a graduate degree from Dallas Theological Seminary and completing a mission trip to the former Soviet Union, he worked for his father's facility services company, The Budd Group; currently owns and operates ProShots, a gun store and shooting range

Elected in 2016, Budd gained support in the primary race as an outsider with conservative values; backed by conservative organizations such as Club for Growth, which invested \$500,000 in his TV advertisements

Serves on the Financial Services Committee, where he uses his business administration background to advocate against overregulation; he is also a strong opponent of the ACA

Voted in Congress on January 6, 2021 to object to the certification of Electoral College results from Pennsylvania and Arizona affirming President Joe Biden's election

Announced in 2021 a bid for North Carolina Senate to replace retiring Sen. Richard Burr (R); ran on the message of combatting the "liberal agenda" with the endorsement of former President Trump

After handily winning the May 2022 Republican primary, Budd won the general election for Senate against former North Carolina Supreme Court justice Cheri Beasley (D)

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- HELP
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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- TBD
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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+3 Sen. Thom Tillis

Sen. Kevin Cramer (R-ND)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

1/21/1961

EDUCATION

University of Mary (ND), M.A., 2003;
 Concordia College (MN), B.A., 1983;
 Kindred High School, ND, 1979

FAMILY

Wife, Kris Neumann
 5 children (1 deceased); 5 grandchildren

Background

North Dakota native who has been deeply involved in Republican politics for the entirety of his career; policies reflect the interests of North Dakota's prominent industries, energy and agriculture

Grew up in Kindred, North Dakota; earned his bachelor's degree from Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, where he was active in the College Republicans

Entered politics by campaigning for Sen. Mark Andrews' (R-ND) unsuccessful 1986 reelection bid; later worked for the state Republican Party, and became director in 1991 at the age of 30

Appointed to state tourism director in 1993, and served until 1997 when he became economic development director; unsuccessfully ran for Congress in 1996 and 1998, losing to the Democratic incumbent

Served on the state's public service commission, overseeing an energy-driven boom in the economy; unsuccessfully ran for Congress again in 2010, losing the Republican primary

Ran for Congress a fourth time in 2012, successfully running on a platform of social conservatism and highlighting endorsements from conservative groups like FreedomWorks

Ran for Senate in 2018, unseating Democrat Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND); said the Senate's failure to pass a proposed ban on late-term abortions in January 2018 inspired him to run

In Congress, Cramer has pushed for trade policies favorable towards American producers; supports trade policies that create larger markets for farmers

Skeptical of the severity of climate change, but acknowledges that the market is shifting to green energy; supports investing in nuclear energy and technologies like carbon capture that would benefit North Dakota's oil and natural gas industry

Although he served as an energy advisor during Trump's 2016 presidential campaign and was an ally of his administration, Cramer acknowledged in January 2022 that he does not believe the 2020 election was stolen and that he "moved on a long time ago"

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Environment and Public Works
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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- @SenKevinCramer

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
 PVI
 R+1 Sen. John Hoeven

Sen. John Hoeven (R-ND)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/13/1957

EDUCATION

Northwestern University Kellogg School Management (IL), M.B.A., 1981;
Dartmouth College, Hanover (NH), B.A., 1979

FAMILY

2 children ; 3 grandchildren

Background

A former banker and governor of North Dakota, Hoeven focuses primarily on agricultural and energy policy

A North Dakota native, his father bought the First Western Bank & Trust in 1969; began working in his father's bank at the age of 15, eventually serving as executive vice president of the bank as an adult

Selected to serve as president of the Bank of North Dakota in 1993; under his leadership, the bank's worth rose from \$990 million to \$1.6 billion, and its loan portfolio increased from \$200 million to \$1 billion

Successfully ran for governor in the 2000 election cycle; as governor, he secured funds to expand energy technology research and development, increased teacher salaries, and supported energy and agricultural projects

After serving two and a half terms as governor, he decided to run for Senate in 2010 after Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-ND) announced his retirement

Strong proponent of American energy independence and for resources such as coal, oil, and natural gas; in favor of expanding domestic oil drilling and fracking, but has acknowledged that a limited supply will necessitate renewable energy sources in the future

Advocated for the controversial Keystone XL Pipeline, which put him in a tense position with Native communities

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Appropriations
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Indian Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
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R+1 Sen. Kevin Cramer

Sen. Deb Fischer (R-NE)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/1/1951

EDUCATION

University of Nebraska, Lincoln, B.S., 1988

FAMILY

3 children; 3 grandchildren

Background

A cattle rancher who was involved in her rural Nebraska community before running for office, Fischer has maintained her local connections and established an influential Republican network

Native of Lincoln, Nebraska; her father was a former state engineer and director of the Nebraska Department of Roads while her mother was an elementary school teacher

Upon marrying her husband, she moved to his family's cattle ranch near Valentine, Nebraska, and they have owned their ranching business ever since

Began involving herself in politics through local committees and boards; served as president of the Valentine Rural High School Foundation, on the board of directors for the Nebraska Association of School Boards, and as commissioner on the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Post-Secondary Education

Elected to Nebraska's unicameral legislature in 2004, representing a large rural district; during her two terms in the legislature, she helped pass key legislation including increased funding for transportation infrastructure

Successfully ran for an open Senate seat in 2012; received significantly less funding than her well-known opponents in the primary election, but actively engaged with voters while her opponents publicly criticized each other

Became the first woman to be elected to a full term as US senator for Nebraska and the first state senator elected directly to the US senate after a term in Nebraska's unicameral

In the Senate, Fischer has prioritized legislation to improve government accountability and transparency, protect the interests of farmers and ranchers, and address health care issues including mental health

An advocate for transportation and infrastructure improvements, Fischer notably backed the bipartisan infrastructure bill passed in 2021

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Appropriations
- Armed Services
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Ethics
- Rules and Administration, Ranking Member

Social Media

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- @senatorfisher
- @SenatorFischer

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+13 Sen. Pete Ricketts

Sen. Pete Ricketts (R-NE)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12:00:00 AM

EDUCATION

University of Chicago (IL), M.B.A.;
University of Chicago (IL), B.S.;
Westside High School

FAMILY

3 children

Background

Conservative businessman whose wealth and support of the Trump administration has earned him national political power, which he has used to push pro-farmer trade policies

Son of Ameritrade founder and owner of the Chicago Cubs, Ricketts grew up as one of four children in an upper class Midwest family that prioritized fiscal responsibility while his father grew his small business into an industry leading corporation

Rose through the ranks in his father's company, starting as a customer service representative and later serving as CEO

After an unsuccessful self-funded campaign for Senate, he served on the Republican National Committee and invested in Nebraskan small businesses connecting him to local industries and gaining popularity among business owners before winning the state's open gubernatorial election in 2014

Faced frequent disagreements with the state's unicameral nonpartisan legislature who overruled his vetoes on numerous pieces of legislation including a gas tax bill; financially supported challengers who held a similar vision to his own

Courted the support of Trump administration officials and vocally praised the President on policy issues including refugee resettlement and trade tariffs; support of Trump administration drew backlash over the USMCA, which hurt Nebraska farmers

Loyalty to the administration led to his political appointment to the President's Trade Advisory Council and won the favor of party insiders who elected him as Chair of the Republican Governors Association in 2019

118th Committees

- Aging
- Environment and Public Works
- Foreign Relations

Social Media



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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI

R+13 Sen. Deb Fischer

Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

1/28/1947

EDUCATION

University of Mississippi, M.S., 1973;
Shippensburg University (PA), B.A., 1969

FAMILY

3 children ; 7 grandchildren

Background

After beginning her career as a behind-the-scenes political operative, Shaheen was elected as both governor and senator for New Hampshire; prioritizes small business, foreign policy, and containing health care costs

Ran four political campaigns New Hampshire, including for presidential candidate Gary Hart, before rising through the ranks of state politics

First woman in US history to be elected both governor and senator and the first in state history elected to either of those offices

Managed a seasonal silver and leather business with her husband and has been outspoken on increasing access to Small Business Administration (SBA) loans

Believes the Affordable Care Act (ACA) is an important first step to making essential changes to the health care system; has sought to protect the ACA while introducing cost-cutting measures

The only woman on the Foreign Relations Committee, she advocates for a strong foreign policy that confronts enemies like Russia, promotes women's rights, and bolsters New Hampshire's role in national defense; introduced the Afghan Allies Protection Act, signed by President Biden in 2021, which extended the special immigrant visa program for Afghans who had assisted the US and increased the number of available visas

As the chair of the Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security, Shaheen led congressional efforts to respond to the 2022 Russian invasion of Ukraine; the Senate passed her resolution expressing "unwavering" support for an independent, democratic Ukraine

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Armed Services
- Ethics
- Foreign Relations
- Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
D+1 Sen. Maggie Hassan

Sen. Maggie Hassan (D-NH)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/27/1958

EDUCATION

Northeastern University Law School (MA), J.D., 1985; Brown University (RI), A.B., 1980; Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School (MA), 1976

FAMILY

Two children

Background

Attorney who rose through the ranks of New Hampshire Democratic politics to advocate for deeply personal issues of disability rights and affordable education

Began career as an attorney, primarily working on healthcare issues

Became interested in public policy working with her son's school to provide the necessary accommodations for his cerebral palsy; advocacy earned the attention of then-Governor Jeanne Shaheen (D), who appointed her to a statewide disability rights commission

First ran for office in the New Hampshire State Senate in 2002, and won election in 2004; eventually served as majority leader, where her career was marked by her commitment to passing successful same-sex marriage legislation, prison reform, and a tax hike that balanced the state budget

After losing her state Senate seat in 2010, Hassan soon decided to run for governor; she was elected in 2012 and served until 2016, mainly collaborating with the then-GOP controlled legislatures and passing bipartisan measures

Ran for Senate in 2016 against incumbent Sen. Kelly Ayotte (R-NH) in an extremely close election, winning by 0.1% of the vote; mainly focused on climate action and reproductive rights, which had been central to her work as governor

Upon election, Hassan became only the second woman in American history to be elected both governor and United States senator, a designation only shared by fellow New Hampshire Senator Jeanne Shaheen

Focus in elected office has mainly been on disability rights, the opioid epidemic, and negotiating Democratic legislation in the Senate; Hassan was a key architect of the infrastructure bill, and one of eight Democratic Senators that voted to exclude a minimum wage hike in the American Rescue Plan

118th Committees

- Caucus on International Narcotics Control
- Finance
- HELP
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Joint Economic
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
D+1	Sen. Jeanne Shaheen

Sen. Robert Menendez (D-NJ)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

1/1/1954

EDUCATION

Rutgers University Law School (NJ), J.D., 1979; St. Peter's College (NJ), B.A., 1976; Union Hill High School (NJ), 1972

FAMILY

Wife, Nadine Arslanian
2 children (2 from previous marriage)

Background

As a long-time legislator, Menendez is known for both his international and domestic approach to poverty relief and often draws from his background as the son of Cuban immigrants

Personally invested in immigration policy as a son of immigrants, and served on the "Gang of Eight" in 2013, a bipartisan coalition to pass immigration reform through the Senate

Ran for school board immediately after graduating high school, and then climbed the ladder from mayor to representative; he was appointed to the Senate in 2006 when John Corzine became governor

As chair and then ranking member of the Foreign Relations Committee, has worked on several humanitarian issues, including advocating for refugees in Central America, recognizing the Armenian Genocide, and condemning Russia's interference in Crimea

Stepped down as chair of the Foreign Relations Committee due to corruption charges, but returned as ranking member after being cleared; became chair again after Democrats took control of the Senate in 2021

In 2022, has served as a leader in drafting sanctions and other potential reactions to the Russia-Ukraine conflict

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Finance
- Foreign Relations, Chairman

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
D+6 Sen. Cory A. Booker

Sen. Cory Booker (D-NJ)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

4/27/1969

EDUCATION

Yale Law School (CT), J.D., 1997; The Queens College, University of Oxford (UK), 1994; Stanford University (CA), M.A., 1992; Stanford University (CA), B.A., 1991; Northern Valley Regional High School (NJ), 1987

FAMILY

Marital Status: Single

Background

Dedicated activist, intellectual, and coalition builder who forges connections across the aisle; focuses on the needs of underserved communities through reforms promoting humanity and unity

Born in Washington DC, Booker grew up in an affluent New Jersey neighborhood; his parents who were executives for IBM who had actively participated in the Civil Rights Movement

Played football for Stanford University, where he got his undergraduate and master's degrees; later received a Rhodes scholarship to earn a second bachelor's degree from Oxford University

Moved to Newark, New Jersey during his last year of law school to work as an advocate for tenants' rights; lived alongside his clientele in Newark's inner city housing projects until the building was demolished in 2006

Served on the Municipal Council of Newark from 1998 to 2002, and subsequently ran an unsuccessful campaign for mayor; ran again in 2006 and served for two terms, gaining national recognition for his focus on economic reform, education, and reducing crime

Won his Senate seat in a 2013 special election following the death of Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ); so far, Booker is one of only seven Black members elected to the Senate since Reconstruction

As a senator, Booker has prioritized reforming criminal justice reform efforts, addressing economic inequality, and promoting urban development; pushed for the bipartisan First Step Act to address mass incarceration and recidivism on the federal level

Launched a bid for the 2020 presidential election and ran on a progressive platform; suspended his campaign in January 2020, and endorsed eventual nominee Joe Biden

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Foreign Relations
- Judiciary
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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- @SenBooker

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
D+6 Sen. Martin Heinrich

Sen. Martin Heinrich (D-NM)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/17/1971

EDUCATION

University of New Mexico, Att., 2002;
University of Missouri, B.S., 1995

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Engineer and environmentalist who focuses on conserving public lands and driving technological innovation in energy and national security

The son of a German immigrant, Heinrich was raised in a working-class family in Missouri; earned a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Missouri

Moved to New Mexico after graduating college; began his career as an engineer before pursuing his passion for the outdoors as an AmeriCorps volunteer and executive director at an educational wilderness program

Elected to Albuquerque city council in 2003 at age 32, where he focused on crime, green building codes, and increasing the minimum wage

Won election to the US House in 2008, winning in a district that had never before elected a Democrat, where he served two terms; focused on health care access and creating clean energy jobs while supporting gun rights

Ran for Senate in 2012, benefitting from the significant presence of then-President Obama's reelection campaign in New Mexico

Works to ensure hunting and fishing access to lands owned by the federal government, protect public lands, and create new national parks in New Mexico; successfully pushed for the establishment of White Sands National Park in the 2020 NDAA

Prioritizes investment in clean energy systems and job training to combat climate change while protecting workers

Vocal on the importance of technology and New Mexico's military installations for national security; advocates for research on emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence (AI), while advocating against the use of technology to surveil American citizens

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Intelligence
- Joint Economic, Vice Chairman

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
D+3 Sen. Ben Ray Lujan

Sen. Ben Lujan (D-NM)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

6/7/1972

EDUCATION

New Mexico Highlands University, B.B.A., 2007; University of New Mexico, Att., 1995; Pojoaque Valley High School (MN)

FAMILY

Marital Status: Single

Background

Former state government official who rose quickly through the ranks into House leadership, taking a pro-environmental, pro-immigration agenda to the forefront of the party; since 2021, he has represented New Mexico in the Senate

A seventh-generation New Mexican, Lujan grew up on his family's farm; his father served as a state representative in the New Mexico legislature

Worked as a casino blackjack dealer for several years before earning his bachelor's degree from New Mexico Highlands University; after graduating, he worked various jobs within the state government

Elected to the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission in 2004 and served as a member for four years, two years of which Lujan was the Commission's chair

Successfully ran for Congress in 2008; in the House, he prioritized green energy policies, affordable health care, immigration reform, and outreach to Native American tribes

Held several leadership positions during his House tenure, including chief deputy Democratic whip, chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC), and assistant speaker of the House

After Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM) announced his retirement in 2019, Lujan launched his Senate campaign and defeated Mark Ronchetti (R-NM) in the 2020 general election; since joining the Senate, he has continued to focus on renewable energy, access to jobs, and technological innovation

Suffered a stroke in January 2022; returned to Congress in March 2022, in time to vote to confirm Ketanji Brown Jackson to the Supreme Court, and has since recovered

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Budget
- Caucus on International Narcotics Control
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- HELP
- Indian Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+3 Sen. Jacky Rosen

Sen. Jacky Rosen (D-NV)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/2/1957

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, B.A., 1979

FAMILY

1 child

Background

Former computer programmer and synagogue president who rose to the US Senate after one term in the House; focuses on technological innovation, and applying it to health and renewable energy

Born and raised in the Chicago area and graduated with a bachelor of arts in psychology from the University of Minnesota in 1979; her parents moved to Las Vegas while she was in college, and she relocated there upon graduation

After earning an associate degree in computing in 1985, Rosen worked as a systems analyst and programmer at Nevada-based Citibank and Southwest Gas before entering politics

Tapped by then-Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) to run for a vacant House seat while she was president of Congregation Ner Tamid; a member of the synagogue recommended Rosen

In 2016, Rosen successfully won Nevada's 3rd Congressional District, edging out attorney and businessperson Danny Tarkanian (R) 47.2% to 46%

After one term in the House, Rosen challenged incumbent Sen. Dean Heller (R-NV) in a campaign in which her opponent consistently criticized Rosen's lack of political experience; bested Heller in the 2018 race by 5%, becoming the third female Jewish senator in US history and the first woman to move from the House to the Senate after just one term

As a senator, Rosen prioritizes safeguarding the Affordable Care Act's (ACA) protections for pre-existing conditions; aims to utilize data mapping and university research to improve health outcomes, particularly for mental health and maternal care

Champions Nevada's renewable energy industry and has worked on legislation to expand energy tax credits; opposes the relicensing of Yucca mountain nuclear waste storage site for environmental reasons

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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State Profile

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R+1	Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto

Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/29/1964

EDUCATION

Gonzaga University School of Law (WA), J.D., 1990; University of Nevada, Reno, B.S., 1986

FAMILY

Spouse - Paul Masto

Background

A former Nevada attorney general with deep in-state political connections, Cortez Masto has focused on natural resource, energy, and business policy in her first Senate term

Born and raised in Las Vegas, Nevada, Cortez Masto inherited ties to former Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) and Latino Leaders Network through her late father Manny Cortez, former commissioner for Clark County

Began her political career working as chief of staff for former Nevada Governor, Bob Miller (D) and subsequently became a federal prosecutor specializing in drugs and victims' rights cases

As Nevada attorney general, she prioritized issues of elder abuse, sex trafficking, methamphetamine epidemic and drug distribution, and domestic violence; partnered with then-California Attorney General Kamala Harris to create the Mortgage Fraud Strike Force to prosecute perpetrators of mortgage rescue scams;

In 2016, Cortez Masto became the first Latina elected to the Senate, and the first woman to represent Nevada in the Senate

As a Senator, she launched the Innovative State Initiative, a legislative package to strengthen US economic competitiveness in STEM and renewable energy, and advance small businesses; legislative record shows emphasis on utilizing tax incentives to promote renewable energy and climate conservation

In February 2021, she announced her 2022 re-election campaign, highlighting her focus on health care access, immigration reform, and Nevada's recovery from the pandemic-triggered recession

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Finance
- Indian Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+1 Sen. Jacky Rosen

Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/9/1966

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles, J.D., 1991; Dartmouth College (NH), B.A., 1988; Emma Willard High School (NY), 1984

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Raised in upstate New York with a moderate political background, Gillibrand rose to national prominence in the Senate as an advocate for women and leader on issues like sexual assault and paid leave

Albany native whose parents were both attorneys; earned her bachelor's degree in Asian Studies from Dartmouth College, and studied abroad in China

After law school, Gillibrand went to Manhattan firm Davis Polk & Wardell, working on behalf of tobacco company Philip Morris in a high-profile case; took on pro bono cases for abused women in her spare time

Entered politics in 2006 by unseating popular Republican John Sweeney in a conservative upstate New York district amid growing dissatisfaction with the Bush administration

During her tenure in the House, she was closely aligned with moderate Blue Dog Coalition; argued for stricter immigration laws and maintained high ratings from the NRA, which later swung to an F after she joined the Senate

Selected by Gov. David Paterson (D) to fill Hillary Clinton's Senate seat after Clinton was chosen to serve as secretary of state in 2009; reelected in a 2010 special election and in 2012 to serve a full six-year term

Shifted to the left on policy stances after her Senate appointment, citing her representation of a larger constituency; quickly endorsed the DREAM Act after previously supporting cutting federal aid to sanctuary cities

Advocate for combatting sexual assaults in the military and college campuses through targeted legislation and Congressional hearings

Supports government transparency; publishes Sunlight Report on her website that includes financial disclosures

Briefly ran in the 2020 Democratic presidential primary with a progressive platform focused largely on women's equality

In the 117th Congress, Gillibrand is leading proponent of family-friendly economic policies, such as 12 weeks of guaranteed paid leave for parents or caregivers

118th Committees

- Aging
- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Armed Services
- Intelligence

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+10 Sen. Chuck Schumer

Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-NY)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/23/1950

EDUCATION

Harvard University (MA), J.D., 1974;
Harvard University (MA), B.A., 1971;
Madison High School (NY)

FAMILY

2 children ; 1 grandchild

Background

Media savvy Brooklynite whose ascension to majority leader was fueled by an adept fundraising ability and desire to strengthen the moderate wing of the party; manages an ideologically diverse caucus constrained by a narrow majority and strong opposition from Republicans

Brooklyn native who considers the borough to be an immutable part of his identity

Entered politics with desire to help the middle class; draws inspiration from witnessing father's struggles and relentless work ethic running an extermination business

Prolific fundraiser who receives significant support from Wall Street bankers and financiers

Known for frequent engagement with media, using the press as problem-solving mechanism

As minority leader, he balanced party factions by emphasizing ideological diversity in leadership and building relationships with every member of the caucus to ensure their concerns were met; also used close relationship with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA12) to guarantee Democratic unity between chambers in opposition to the policies of the Trump administration

Elevated to majority leader by Democratic gains in the 2020 elections, Schumer aims to keep Democrats united as they attempt to pass President Joe Biden's expansive legislative agenda over near-unanimous Republican opposition

118th Committees

- Intelligence, Ex Officio
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
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D+10	Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand

Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/9/1952

EDUCATION

Ohio State University, M.P.A., 1981;
Ohio State University, M.A., 1979; Yale
University (CT), B.A., 1974

FAMILY

2 children ; 2 stepchildren ; 6
grandchildren

Background

Progressive populist from the Rust Belt who forged an independent image through his advocacy for union workers and protectionist trade views

Son of a doctor and a civil rights activist, Brown felt the responsibility to get involved with politics from an early age; in high school Brown participated in demonstrations against the war in Vietnam and to celebrate the first Earth Day

Tapped by Ohio Democratic party as a viable candidate for the state House while attending college; won first election at the age of 22, making Brown the youngest legislator in Ohio history

Regularly visited the United Steelworkers' union hall while working in the state legislature to hear the thoughts, issues, and opinions of Ohio workers; has cited this as his formative moment that led him to adopt union issues including minimum wage increases, corporate regulation, and opposition to international free trade deals

Went on to serve as the Ohio secretary of state and a state representative, accumulating over 16 years state government before running for the US House of Representatives

Staunch progressive whose political philosophy revolves around idea that the role of government should be to support working people reflect their concerns; frequently hosts roundtable discussions with constituents to gauge their concerns before proceeding

As chair of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, he has prioritized strengthening unemployment programs including an expansion of Supplemental Security Income and revitalizing urban buses and trains

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Chairman
- Finance
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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- @SenSherrodBrown

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+6 Sen. J.D. Vance

Sen. J.D. Vance (R-OH)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/2/1984

EDUCATION

Yale Law School (CT), J.D., 2013; Ohio State University, B.A., 2009; Middletown High School, 2003

FAMILY

Two children

Background

After rising to national fame for his bestselling memoir *Hillbilly Elegy*, which describes his upbringing in a Rust Belt neighborhood, Vance ran for senator in Ohio on a pro-Trump, anti-Big Tech platform

Born in Middletown, Ohio to his mother, who struggled with substance abuse, and a largely absent father; often spent time with his grandparents in Kentucky, and he attributes his escape from poverty to the stability provided by his grandmother

Joined the Marine Corps after high school and served in Iraq; attended Yale Law school, where one of his mentors, law professor and author Amy Chua, encouraged him to write a memoir

After a stint in corporate law, he moved to San Francisco to work for Mithril Capital Management, a fund founded by Paypal co-founder and conservative political donor Peter Thiel

Published his best-selling memoir, *Hillbilly Elegy: A memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis*, in 2016, which received praise for its empathetic portrayal of poor, white Americans; Vance gained national attention for his perspective on the cultural and economic forces that shaped his and his family's lives

Moved to Cincinnati in 2017, founding a nonprofit focused on the opioid epidemic and a venture-capital firm, Narya Capital, to invest in midwestern startups; the website for the nonprofit is no longer active and the Twitter account last posted in January 2018

Announced his candidacy for retiring Sen. Rob Portman's seat in 2021; policy priorities reflect his social conservatism and animosity towards "big tech"

Once a Trump critic, Vance has embraced the former president; Trump endorsed Vance in April 2022, boosting his candidacy in the primary's final stretch

After winning the tightly contested Republican primary in May, Vance won the general election for Senate in November 2022 against Rep. Tim Ryan (D-OH13)

118th Committees

- Aging
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Joint Economic

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK PVI R+6 SERVING WITH Sen. Sherrod Brown

Sen. Markwayne Mullin (R-OK)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/26/1977

EDUCATION

Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology, A.A.S., 2010; Missouri Valley College, Att., 1996; Stillwell High School, Stillwell, OK

FAMILY

Married; 6 children

Background

An Oklahoman and member of the Cherokee Nation, Mullin tailored his House bills to rural communities and Native tribes; targeted salient social issues in his 2022 campaign for Senate

Grew up on his family's farm in Oklahoma and began running his father's plumbing business after attending college; Mullin and his family also own several other local properties and construction businesses

Ran for Congress after the retirement of his predecessor, Rep. Dan Boren (D-OK2); highlighted his outsider status as a local businessman during the campaign

Mullin sits on the Energy and Commerce Committee's Health, Environment, and Climate Change and Communications and Technology subcommittees and tailors his legislation to address these issues in Oklahoma; also serves on the Committee on Intelligence and several of its subcommittees

Has worked on bills to give Native American tribes access to grant programs to combat opioid addiction, awarded grants to rural electric cooperatives to better utilize renewable energy, and established an FCC program to promote rural broadband networks

Voted in Congress on January 6, 2021 to object to the certification of Electoral College results affirming President Joe Biden's election

Following Sen. Jim Inhofe's (R-OK) retirement announcement, Mullin declared his candidacy to replace him, citing a need to represent "America First" perspectives in the Senate

Focused his 2022 campaign on salient economic issues, such as inflation, government spending, and gas prices, and social issues such as election integrity, immigration, abortion, gun rights, and transgender students' participation in school sports; won Oklahoma's primary runoff election in August 2022

Won the election for Senate in November 2022 against Democrat Kendra Horn

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Environment and Public Works
- HELP
- Indian Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
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R+20	Sen. Markwayne Mullin

Sen. James Lankford (R-OK)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/4/1968

EDUCATION

Southwestern Theological Baptist Seminary (TX), M.Div., 1994; University of Texas, B.S., 1990

FAMILY

Two children

Background

Ordained Southern Baptist preacher who pushes government accountability through regulatory oversight, a responsible budget, and conservative health care reform

Raised in Texas by a single mother and became a Christian at the age of eight

Before entering politics, worked for Falls Creek Christian Youth summer camp, one of largest religious camps in the world; launched his political campaign with grassroots support from the local Christian community

Prioritizes budgetary policies intended to save taxpayer money and prevent government shutdowns; releases annual "Federal Fumbles" report identifying wasteful spending and negative regulations that impact the economy

Carries over concern for accountability to his role as vice chair of the Senate Ethics Committee; serves on the Committee with friend and fellow Christian Sen. Chris Coons (D-DE)

Opposes the Affordable Care Act, citing long-term impact on the federal deficit; supported the 2017 Better Care Reconciliation Act, Senate Republicans' attempt to repeal and replace the ACA

Champions the state's oil and gas industry and has received substantial campaign support from that sector

Outspoken in national media on the importance of religious freedom, and pushes for US engagement abroad to protect religious freedom through the US Commission on International Religious Freedom

Following the 2020 election, Lankford signed onto a letter with Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX) to oppose the Electoral College results unless a commission was formed to evaluate claims of voter fraud; following the January 6 riot at the Capitol, he withdrew his objection and issued an apology to Black constituents who viewed his decision to support Trump's effort to overturn the election as an attempt to disenfranchise voters in communities of color

118th Committees

- Ethics, Vice Chairman
- Finance
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
- Intelligence

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
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Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/24/1956

EDUCATION

Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson School (NJ), M.P.P., 1982; Stanford University (CA), B.A., 1979; David Douglas High School (OR)

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Oregonian who has spent entire career in the public sphere; champion of human rights and environmental protections while pushing for diplomatic solutions abroad

Analyzed military weapons programs and strategy at Department of Defense and Congressional Budget Office after grad school

Returned to Oregon to run various nonprofits, focusing on affordable housing and bolstering Oregon's international presence

Within a ten-year tenure, was speaker of the state House during one of Oregon's most active legislative sessions; focused on education, including creating a "rainy day fund" for schools

Gained Senate notoriety regulating Wall Street by crafting the Volcker Rule within Dodd-Frank and by opposing President Obama's nomination of Ben Bernanke as Fed chairman

Policy priorities include progressive action on environment, finance, and health care, as well as reducing America's military presence abroad

Was a leader for the Democratic opposition to Neil Gorsuch's nomination to the Supreme Court, ultimately making a 15-hour filibuster

Holds environmental-oriented subcommittee leadership on both the Environment and Public Works and Appropriations Committees; through those roles, Merkley seeks to regulate plastic pollution, asbestos, and other toxic chemicals as well as expand government cleanup efforts for existing Superfund sites

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Budget
- Environment and Public Works
- Foreign Relations
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+6 Sen. Ron Wyden

Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/3/1949

EDUCATION

University of Oregon Law School, J.D., 1974; Stanford University (CA), B.A., 1971; Palo Alto High School (CA), 1967; University of California, 1969

FAMILY

5 children (2 from previous marriage)

Background

Second-longest serving Democrat in Congress combines strong principles on civil liberties with flexibility and a bipartisan track record on health care; influences Democratic tax policy as Finance Committee chair

Born to two refugees and raised in a tight-knit Jewish community near Palo Alto, California, Wyden learned the value of civil advocacy at a young age; states he still carries his mentor Senator Wayne Morse's independent mindset and skepticism of the national security establishment

Played basketball in college at UC Santa Barbara and then Stanford while studying political science; dreamed of going to the NBA, but instead studied law at the University of Oregon

Upon graduation, worked as an legal advocate for the elderly for five years

Successfully ran for the US House in 1980, and represented Oregon's 3rd District until elected to the Senate in a 1996 special election

The top-ranking Finance Committee Democrat, Wyden is an influential health wonk who continues to focus on health care costs for seniors

Introduced a private insurance-based health care overhaul in 2007 and worked with then-Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI) on private Medicare vouchers in 2011

Made several attempts to increase taxes on wealthy corporations through the removal tax exemptions for foreign entities; moved to expand low and middle income tax credits

Critic of government surveillance powers who has pushed back against Republican and Democratic administrations on the issue; protective of free speech on the internet without monitoring or censorship

In 2021, Wyden played a significant role in crafting Democrats' reconciliation package, including writing clean energy tax provisions that are intended to push the country towards President Biden's climate goals

118th Committees

- Budget
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Finance, Chairman
- Intelligence
- Taxation, Vice Chairman

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
D+6 Sen. Jeff Merkley

Sen. Robert Casey (D-PA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

4/13/1960

EDUCATION

Catholic University of America (DC), J.D., 1988; College of the Holy Cross (MA), B.A., 1982

FAMILY

4 children; 1 grandchild

Background

Children's and disability rights advocate raised in a prominent PA political family; aims to protect Medicare and Medicaid from budget cuts and expand resources for seniors

Raised in a large family in Scranton, the son of a popular Pennsylvania governor

Former personal injury lawyer who has spent the majority of his career in the civil service, serving in state-wide financial roles from 1996 until 2006, when he chose to challenge incumbent Sen. Rick Santorum (R-PA)

As auditor general, major achievements included audit of state retirement fund and of compliance with federal law to notify public regarding registered sex offenders; continues the fight for government programs and protections for children as Senator

Prioritizes strengthening Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid, including through expanding Medicaid and opposing funding caps; as chair of the Senate Aging Committee, Casey has also worked to expand government resources for seniors, including financial and technological literacy

Recognized as advocate for children, and has introduced legislation to strengthen early learning and promote children's health

Leader on disability rights, pushing for programs to help individuals save for their future, attend school, and secure employment

Well-connected to influential state- and national-level Dems, including Joe Biden

118th Committees

- Aging, Chairman
- Finance
- HELP
- Intelligence

Social Media

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State Profile

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R+2	Sen. John Fetterman

Sen. John Fetterman (D-PA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/15/1969

EDUCATION

Harvard University Kennedy School of Government (MA), M.P.P., 1999; University of Connecticut, M.B.A., 1993; Albright College (PA), Bach. Deg., 1991; Central York High School, 1987

FAMILY

Spouse - Gisele Barreto Fetterman
3 children

Background

Pennsylvania native with a long history of community service and civic leadership; ran for Senate as a progressive, Fetterman hoped his candid style will appeal to Democrats and Republicans

Raised by two middle-class teenage parents in York, PA; played football at Albright College where he studied business administration

After earning his MBA, Fetterman worked as an underwriter for an insurance company and joined Big Brothers Big Sisters of America; shortly thereafter quit his insurance job to join AmeriCorps, where he opened neighborhood computer labs and taught General Educational Development (GED) courses in Pittsburgh

Received his master of public policy from Harvard Kennedy School before settling in Braddock, PA, to teach GED courses to out-of-work youths and help them find jobs

After becoming mayor of Braddock, he set his sights on revitalizing the once-thriving steel town by founding a non-profit, Braddock Redux, that developed and implemented projects like the creation of a community center and an urban farm

Rose to national recognition in 2009 for his efforts to revitalize Braddock and his unconventional demeanor, including an appearance on Stephen Colbert's The Colbert Report; this attention resulted in funding from Levi Strauss Company, which dedicated \$1.5 million to the refurbishment of the community center in town and to supporting Braddock's urban farm

Unsuccessfully ran for Pennsylvania's US Senate seat in 2016 on an inequality-focused platform, but won the race for lieutenant governor in 2018 with a similar message

Announced his candidacy for the Senate seat opened by the retirement of Sen. Pat Toomey (R-PA), and positioned himself as a progressive who can appeal to Republican voters

Recovering from a stroke he had in earlier in the year, Fetterman went on to win his election in November 2022 against Mehmet Oz (R)

118th Committees

- Aging
- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Environment and Public Works
- Joint Economic

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
R+2 Sen. Bob Casey

Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/20/1955

EDUCATION

University of Virginia Law School, J.D., 1982; Yale University (CT), B.Arch., 1978

FAMILY

2 children

Background

A former Rhode Island attorney general, Whitehouse seeks to protect the environment and the democratic process, especially through campaign finance reform

The son of a diplomat, Whitehouse grew up overseas in countries like Cambodia, South Africa, the Philippines, and Guinea; returned to the United States to attend boarding school, later receiving his undergraduate degree from Yale University and his law degree from the University of Virginia

Began his Rhode Island political career by serving as an assistant attorney general in the governor's office; rose to US attorney for Rhode Island, where his accomplishments included convicting mobster Gerard Ouimette under then-President Clinton's new "three strikes provision" and investigating corruption within the city of Providence, Rhode Island

Elected as the state's attorney general in 1998, where he focused on consumer protection and eliminating corruption

As Rhode Island attorney general, founded the Rhode Island Quality Institute, which expanded the use of electronic medical records to improve quality of health care; since joining the Senate, Whitehouse has pushed for strengthening the Affordable Care Act (ACA), such as by adding a public option

In 2002, Whitehouse ran for governor but lost in the Democratic primary; ran for Senate four years later, unseating incumbent Sen. Lincoln Chaffee (R-RI), which some attributed to Republican Party's congressional seat losses in the 2006 midterm election

Brings Rhode Island's interests in climate protection to a national level; supports ending offshore oil drilling and makes frequent statements on the Senate floor to warn his colleagues about the dangers of global warming

Advocates for controlling the influence of "dark money" in elections; introduced bills to reform campaign and lobbying disclosure requirements

118th Committees

- Budget, Chairman
- Caucus on International Narcotics Control, Chairman
- Environment and Public Works
- Finance
- Judiciary
- Security and Cooperation in Europe

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+8 Sen. Jack Reed

Sen. John Reed (D-RI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/12/1949

EDUCATION

Harvard University School of Law (MA), J.D., 1982; Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government (MA), M.P.P., 1973; U.S. Military Academy (NY), B.S., 1971; La Salle Academy (RI), 1967

FAMILY

1 child

Background

Respected veteran and attorney who champions liberal education and health care reforms; utilizes leadership positions to push for federal policies that impact RI's families and economy

Raised in a working-class family; father was a WWII veteran who instilled in Reed the importance of service to his country
Active military service for eight years influences Reed's national security priorities which include cautious troop deployment, ensuring proper defense equipment, and increasing military family benefits; maintains ties to West Point

Prior to his political career, Reed was an established private practice attorney specializing in banking and securities law

As a representative, Reed prioritized education reform; sponsored bill to amend Higher Education Act of 1965 to make college more affordable by altering financial aid protocols

Played a key role in drafting the Dodd-Frank financial regulation law in 2010; utilized legal background in securities to focus on derivative issues and regulatory gaps

Leverages role on the Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Appropriations Subcommittee to promote affordable housing and defend federal infrastructure grant programs, like TIGER grants

Became lead Democrat on the Armed Services Committee in 2015, primarily advocating for veterans and supporting an end to US conflicts in the Middle East

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Armed Services, Chairman
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Intelligence, Ex Officio

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI

D+8 Sen. Lindsey Graham

Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/9/1955

EDUCATION

University of South Carolina Law School, Columbia, J.D., 1981; University of South Carolina, M.P.A., 1978; University of South Carolina, Columbia, B.S., 1977; D.W. Daniel High School (SC)

FAMILY

Marital Status: Single

Background

Longtime politician who climbed quickly through the ranks of the Republican party and became a key voice on immigration, foreign policy, and the judiciary; though a moderate, he emerged as a top ally of President Trump

Served in the Air Force Reserves and trained as a member of the Judge Advocate General Corps; found an interest in the law and became a trial attorney

Inspired to become a politician by Reagan's presidency, and was recruited to the South Carolina legislature by GOP activist Ed Mitchell

Prior to Donald Trump's presidency, Graham was regarded as a bipartisan senator, collaborating with Democrats on matters related to immigration and judicial reform

Views on President Trump have evolved significantly; he criticized the future president during the primaries and voted against him in the 2016 election, but later became an advocate against impeachment and a staunch supporter of Trump's policies

Won reelection in 2020 following an expensive race against Jaime Harrison

Despite a close personal relationship with President Trump, Graham defended the certification of the 2020 presidential election; after the Jan. 6 capitol riot, Graham made comments that were widely perceived as a rejection of Trump, saying "enough is enough, count me out"

During the Biden administration, Graham worked with a group of centrist Democrats and Republicans to craft a bipartisan infrastructure bill that passed both chambers of Congress, and has demonstrated his continued support for Trump

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Budget
- Environment and Public Works
- Judiciary, Ranking Member

Social Media

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- @GrahamBlog

State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+8 Sen. Tim Scott

Sen. Tim Scott (R-SC)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

9/19/1965

EDUCATION

Charleston Southern University (SC), B.S., 1988; Presbyterian College (SC), Att., 1984

FAMILY

Marital Status: Single

Background

The most high-profile Black Republican in Congress, Scott occupies a unique position in the GOP; possesses significant authority on poverty, education, and race issues

The son of low-income single mother, Scott struggled in school until finding a mentor who encouraged him to take education seriously; developed profound belief in the power of hard work and education

Officially became a Republican to run for Charleston County Council in 1994; served on the council for thirteen years, eventually becoming chairman

After one term in the state House, Scott ran for an open Congressional seat in 2010 and defeated Paul Thurmond, son of the late and formerly segregationist Sen. Strom Thurmond (R-SC), in the primary; easily won the general election

Appointed to his seat by then-Gov. Nikki Haley (R-SC) to finish the term of fmr. Sen. Jim deMint (R-SC), who left the Senate to lead the Heritage Foundation; elected to a full-term with over 60% of the vote in 2016

In the Senate Scott has promoted a conservative anti-poverty agenda, including school choice and tax breaks for investment in low-income areas, and been a key participant in bipartisan racial and criminal justice measures, like the 2018 First STEP Act and the 2018 bill to make lynching a federal hate crime

Influence has steadily risen in the GOP, where he has become a prominent messenger to minority communities and the party's primary negotiator on criminal justice and civil rights issues; spoke at the 2020 Republican convention and delivered the rebuttal to Biden's first speech to a Joint Session of Congress

118th Committees

- Aging
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Ranking Member
- Finance
- Foreign Relations
- Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK PVI R+8 SERVING WITH Sen. Lindsey Graham

Sen. Mike Rounds (R-SD)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/24/1954

EDUCATION

South Dakota State University, Brookings, B.S., 1977

FAMILY

4 children ; 6 grandchildren

Background

A free-market and social conservative, Rounds is a central figure of South Dakota politics; faced term limits as a state senator and governor, which prompted a move to the Senate

A South Dakota native and the eldest of 11 children, Rounds has lived in the state capital, Pierre, since the age of three; earned a bachelor's degree in political science from South Dakota State University and later ran an insurance business
Elected to the South Dakota Senate in 1990, he focused on tax and education issues and rose through the ranks of party leadership, serving as majority leader from 1995 to 2001

Reached term limit in the state Senate, and successfully campaigned for South Dakota's governor in 2002; won in a political upset in the Republican primary, reportedly benefitting from the negative campaigns of his two opponents

As governor from 2003 to 2011, he pursued initiatives to keep young constituents in the state, expand university research programs, and develop biomedical and agricultural research centers; strongly pro-life, he signed into law the later-repealed Women's Health and Human Life Protection Act in 2006, which banned nearly all abortions

Following the retirement of Sen. Tim Johnson (D-SD), Rounds shifted to federal politics and was elected to the Senate in 2014; began his Senate career by urging withdrawal from the Paris Agreement and supporting the repeal of the Affordable Care Act

As chair of the armed services cybersecurity subcommittee, Rounds led efforts to pass a bipartisan cybersecurity bill in December 2020 as part of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)

Is the ranking member of the subcommittee and secured funds to advance the military's artificial intelligence capabilities through the 2021 NDAA; also pushes for deregulation and South Dakota's priorities in banking, agriculture, and energy issues

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Indian Affairs
- Intelligence
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
R+16 Sen. John Thune

Sen. John Thune (R-SD)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

1/7/1961

EDUCATION

University of South Dakota, M.B.A., 1984; Biola University (CA), B.B.A., 1983; Jones County High School (SD), 1979

FAMILY

2 children ; 2 grandchildren

Background

Conservative who balances his GOP leadership role and constituency by prioritizing issues closely connected to agricultural economy, including ethanol production and protections for farmers

In 2004, became first challenger to defeat a Senate party leader in 50 years; quickly rose to Senate leadership and was once considered a presidential hopeful

The son of a decorated Air Force pilot, Thune is concerned with national security and the state's military installations, like Ellsworth Air Force Base

Past chair of the Commerce Committee who defends state agricultural sector, advocating for USMCA and participating in drafting of annual Farm Bills

Advocate of home-grown energy, including domestic oil production, ethanol, and wind

Tied to high-profile Republicans but is careful to regularly engage with key state communities, including farmers and the Indigenous community

With his small-town manners and pragmatism, he rallies the right without isolating moderates

Prior to the January 6 count of electoral college votes that would confirm President Joe Biden's victory, Thune registered his disagreement with Republican lawmakers who said they would object to the count

Following the violent riot at the US Capitol, Thune voted against objections to electoral college votes from Pennsylvania and Arizona; in a local op-ed, he condemned the riot as "fundamentally un-American" and wrote that "Congress has no authority to overturn the results of" a presidential election

In early 2022, Thune announced that he would seek another term, putting to rest retirement speculation

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Finance

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+16 Sen. Mike Rounds

Sen. Marsha Blackburn (R-TN)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

6/6/1952

EDUCATION

Mississippi State University, B.S., 1973

FAMILY

2 children; 2 grandchildren

Background

Gained national reputation as rising Republican star while serving in the House; Blackburn prizes party loyalty and is strongly committed to conservative positions on social and economic issues

Originally from Mississippi, Blackburn moved to Tennessee after graduating from Mississippi State University

Started her career in sales and marketing and founded her own firm in 1978; became interested in running for office after chairing the Williamson County Republican Party from 1989 to 1991, and unsuccessfully ran for Congress in 1992

After serving as executive director of the Tennessee Film, Entertainment and Music Commission, Blackburn successfully ran for state Senate in 1998, ultimately rising to the position of minority whip

In state government, she focused on reducing taxes and led a campaign to stop a proposed state income tax, giving her an anti-tax, pro-business reputation in Tennessee

Won a seat in the House in 2002, and served for eight terms before winning her Senate seat in 2018; in Congress, she has focused on telecommunications policy, national security issues, and government spending

A staunch fiscal conservative, Blackburn is a strong supporter of cutting spending across the board and reducing what she views as government waste

Champion for pro-life movement; chaired investigations into Planned Parenthood and advocates for prohibiting federal funding for abortion providers

Vocal on internet and technology policy, and chaired the Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Communications and Technology in the 115th Congress; strong supporter of protecting intellectual property rights and works to protect artists against illegal music downloads

Early supporter of President Trump, and was a member of his transition team; supported his claims of victory regarding the 2020 election and stated she would oppose the Electoral College certification of the results, but reversed her position following the Capitol insurrection on January 6, 2021

118th Committees

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Finance
- Judiciary
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
R+14 Sen. Bill Hagerty

Sen. Bill Hagerty (R-TN)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/14/1959

EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University Law School (TN), J.D., 1984; Vanderbilt University (TN), B.S., 1981; Madisonville North Hopkins High School (KY), 1977

FAMILY

Wife; 4 children

Background

A successful investor and former ambassador who has promoted business-friendly policies and investment in Tennessee, Hagerty won a Senate seat on a pro-Trump platform; in the Senate minority, he has focused on foreign policy and election security

Began his lengthy business career at Boston Consulting Group and spent three years managing the firm's clients in Asia as the senior expatriate in the Tokyo office

Joined the George H.W. Bush White House as a fellow and became an associate director of the Council on Economic Competitiveness under VP Dan Quayle

Following private sector success, Hagerty became Tennessee's economic and community development commissioner; supported economic incentives to attract businesses and manufacturers to the state and programs to boost entrepreneurship

After working as Mitt Romney's national finance director in 2008 and on his transition team in 2012, Hagerty played a significant role in former President Trump's 2016 presidential campaign, running his Tennessee Victory Committee and later his presidential appointments team

As ambassador to Japan, he highlighted security and economic cooperation and supported efforts to negotiate trade agreements to benefit the US agriculture industry in addition to establishing rules for digital commerce; considers Japan a top bilateral partner

In his 2020 campaign, Hagerty closely embraced Trump's policy agenda and easily won his solidly Republican state with over 62% of the vote

After initially joining a group of senators who intended to oppose certifying electors from battleground states won by President Biden, Hagerty reversed course following the Jan. 6 Capitol riot and voted to confirm the election results

Early in his term, he has engaged on foreign policy and introduced an election security bill; opposes Biden's major legislative proposals on infrastructure and the economy, and has voted to reject many of his nominees

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Foreign Relations
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+14 Sen. Ted Cruz

Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/22/1970

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School (MA), J.D., 1995;
Princeton University (NJ), A.B., 1992;
Second Baptist High School (TX)

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Constitutional lawyer who briefly served as Bush advisor and appointee before taking several cases to the Supreme Court; entered politics through the Tea Party wave and advocates for hardline conservatism

Born in Canada, Cruz grew up in Texas; both of his parents were involved in the fossil fuel industry

Became involved in public service working for the Bush campaign and then administration; left his role there to be Texas' Solicitor General

Argued several high-profile cases to the US Supreme Court as the solicitor general of Texas, supporting conservative causes like maintaining the Ten Commandments on Texas Capitol grounds and protecting the Second Amendment in DC

Led an underdog anti-establishment campaign in 2012 to replace retiring Sen. Kay Hutchison (R-TX); successfully triggered a run-off against primary opponent Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst (R), which he won

Displayed hardball tactics early in his Senate tenure; led efforts to de facto repeal the Affordable Care Act in 2013 by threatening a government shutdown by blocking any budget that funded the ACA

Ran for the Republican nomination in 2016, and outlasted every Republican except for eventual nominee Donald Trump; strongly opposed Trump's candidacy for much of the campaign, but endorsed him in September 2016 and became one of his most ardent supporters

Voted in Congress on January 6, 2021 to object to the certification of Electoral College results affirming President Joe Biden's election

In the 117th Congress, Cruz is one of the highest-profile foes of President Joe Biden in the Senate; held up numerous foreign policy nominations over his objection to Biden's initial decision to not sanction the Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline between Russia and Germany

118th Committees

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Ranking Member
- Foreign Relations
- Judiciary
- Rules and Administration

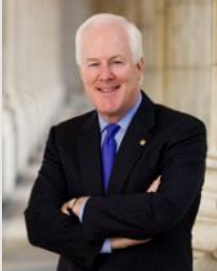
Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
R+5 Sen. John Cornyn

Sen. John Cornyn (R-TX)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/2/1952

EDUCATION

University of Virginia, LL.M., 1995; St. Mary's School of Law (TX), J.D., 1977; Trinity University (TX), B.A., 1973

FAMILY

2 children

Background

Longtime Senate leader and former judge, who has been leading conservative voice on judiciary issues; uses leadership push for increased border security in addition to trade expansion

Born in Texas, Cornyn's father was an oral pathologist in the Air Force, and the family relocated to Japan when he was stationed there while Cornyn was in high school

After a short stint in malpractice law, Cornyn decided early on to run for the district court with the intention of restoring impartiality in the courts; gained a district judge position in San Antonio, often taking a pro-business stance in decisions

Rose through the Texas judiciary, eventually winning election to the Texas Supreme Court, where he continued his pro-business judiciary philosophy

After serving one term as the attorney general of Texas, he successfully ran for Senate in 2002 on a platform emphasizing cooperation with the George W. Bush administration

Prioritizing the Judiciary, Cornyn vocally supported Bush's judicial nominees, and led conservative opposition to Obama's; often supports judges with similar philosophies to his own, prioritizing individual liberty and opposing overregulation of business

Entered GOP leadership during his first term, and upon his third term, became whip under Mitch McConnell, holding the position until 2019; Cornyn has expressed interest in succeeding McConnell as minority leader

Led GOP in push to maintain conservative stances on immigration policy through his position on the immigration, citizenship, and border security subcommittee

Supports policies that expand US markets while protecting domestic producers and intellectual property; as the ranking member of the Senate Finance Committee's trade subcommittee in the 117th Congress, he has advocated for the US to rejoin the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) trade deal

In the 2020 election, defeated Air Force veteran MJ Hegar (D) by a vote of 53.5%-43.9%

118th Committees

- Caucus on International Narcotics Control
- Finance
- Intelligence
- Judiciary

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+5 Sen. Mitt Romney

Sen. Mitt Romney (R-UT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

3/12/1947

EDUCATION

Harvard University Law School (MA), J.D., 1975; Harvard University School of Business (MA), M.B.A., 1975; Brigham Young University (UT), B.A., 1971

FAMILY

Spouse - Ann Romney
5 children
16 grandchildren

Background

Former entrepreneur and self-described political outsider who has served both Massachusetts and Utah as a moderate legislator; considered one of Trump's main antagonists in the Republican Party, and a willing partner for Democrats on bipartisan legislation

Grew up in a political, well-off Mormon family, and spent years working for and leading financial consulting firms before following in his family's footsteps and running for office

While he lost a 1994 Senate bid against Ted Kennedy (D-MA), he successfully leveraged his business savvy and moderate policies to become governor of Massachusetts in 2002; he left the governorship to pursue a presidential run in 2008 and again in 2012, winning the nomination on his second bid

As governor, delivered on his campaign promises of fiscal responsibility, levying fees and closing tax loopholes to raise revenues and cutting funding to cities and towns; continued emphasis on fiscal policy throughout his career

Architect of Massachusetts' "Romneycare," which established the first statewide health care mandate and marketplace; this was a key issue in his 2012 presidential run, where Romney proposed an alternative to the Affordable Care Act--modeled on Romneycare--that did not include an individual mandate to purchase health insurance

Tumultuous relationship with President Trump after the 2016 presidential election cycle continued throughout Romney's Senate tenure, and he twice voted to remove Trump from office twice; believes the the insurrection at the Capitol on January 6, 2021 was directly caused by the then-president's spread of misinformation to his supporters

During the Biden presidency, Romney has criticized many of Democrats' most ambitious proposals, but worked with the White House on infrastructure and supported the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act; also joined a bipartisan group of Senators working on Electoral Count Act reform

118th Committees

- Budget
- Foreign Relations
- HELP
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
R+13 Sen. Mike Lee

Sen. Mike Lee (R-UT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

6/4/1971

EDUCATION

Brigham Young University (UT), J.D., 1997; Brigham Young University (UT), B.A., 1994; Timpview High School (UT), 1989

FAMILY

3 children

Background

Libertarian policymaker who applies his legal background to advocate for civil liberties and limited government

Grew up partially in Provo, Utah, and in McLean, Virginia; Lee's father served as founding dean of Brigham Young University's law school, as assistant attorney general under President Ford, and as solicitor general under President Reagan

Attended Brigham Young University for both his undergraduate and law degrees; legal career included clerking for two federal judges, including then-Judge Samuel Alito, serving as legal counsel to Gov. Jon Huntsman (R-UT), practicing in private practice, and clerking for Alito again once he was confirmed to the Supreme Court

Decided to run for Senate in 2009 after Congress passed the \$700 billion Troubled Assets Relief Program (TARP) and a \$787 billion stimulus bill, believing that the Republican Party had strayed from its values; successfully unseated Sen. Bob Bennett (R-UT) in the 2010 primary election

In the Senate, Lee focuses mainly on national security, energy deregulation, public land management, and fiscal policy

Created the Constitutional Conservatives Fund, a PAC that finances and supports conservatives pushing for constitutionally limited government, in 2011

A member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (LDS), Lee works closely with fellow LDS members and Brigham Young alumni Mike Crapo (R-ID) and Mitt Romney (R-UT) in the Senate, although the latter recently declined to endorse his 2022 election campaign

Running for reelection in 2022, he defeated former state Rep. Becky Edwards and businesswoman Ally Isom in the Republican primary election; faces independent Evan McMullin, a 2016 presidential candidate, in the general election

118th Committees

- Budget
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Joint Economic, Ranking Member
- Judiciary

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 R+13 Sen. Mitt Romney

Sen. Timothy Kaine (D-VA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/26/1958

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School (MA), J.D., 1983;
University of Missouri, A.B., 1979;
Rockhurst High School (MO)

FAMILY

3 children

Background

Former vice presidential nominee and Governor of Virginia now serving in the Senate; leading bipartisan voice on foreign affairs and workforce development

Served as an educator and missionary in Honduras before law school, working with a Jesuit organization in a technical school

Worked as a civil rights attorney after graduating from Harvard Law, fighting against racially discriminatory housing practices

Was inspired to run for office by his father-in-law, Linwood Holton, who held the VA governorship during integration; first served on Richmond's city council and then as mayor

Campaigned for Governor of Virginia on quality of life improvements, including infrastructure development; he faced difficulty with Republican majorities in the legislature, who opposed tax increases to fund projects

Was recruited to run for Senate by President Obama; popularity as a Democratic figure won him the VP nomination in 2016

One of relatively few officials to serve at local, state, and federal levels of government

Worked to negotiate Biden's Build Back Better Agenda in the Senate and has served as a key leader in ensuring some of the priorities remain in budgetary measures; specifically emphasizes that aspects of the bill's health care, education, and workforce support policies will remain a priority for the Senate

118th Committees

- Armed Services
- Budget
- Foreign Relations
- HELP

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
PVI
D+3 Sen. Mark R.
 Warner

Sen. Mark Warner (D-VA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

12/15/1954

EDUCATION

Harvard University Law School (MA), J.D., 1980; George Washington University (DC), B.A., 1977

FAMILY

Wife; 3 daughters

Background

Centrist Democrat known for strong bipartisan relationships, who - despite making his fortune as a tech entrepreneur - has become one of the industry's harshest critics in the Senate

Politically interested early on, having worked for several Connecticut politicians while completing his undergraduate degree in DC

In his early career, Warner worked to build his own businesses before founding his own venture capital firm; during that time he also worked in the Virginia political sphere, serving within the state party and on the state transportation board

After a failed Senate campaign in 1996, Warner ran for governor in 2001, emphasizing rural priorities throughout both races

As Governor, Warner focused primarily on fiscal issues, working to maintain Virginia's credit rating through balancing the state budget without raising taxes statewide; maintained approval ratings between 70% and 80% by the end of his term

Ran for Senate in 2008, with the endorsement of the exiting GOP incumbent, and won in a landslide victory with 65% of the vote

First Senate term heavily focused on financial policy, while second term pivoted to current tech and cybersecurity focus

Identifies strongly with entrepreneurial and tech communities, particularly in Virginia

One of the wealthiest members of Congress with an estimated net worth of around \$200 million, primarily from early investments in mobile phone franchise licenses and tech companies

Has made substantial efforts to build bipartisan coalitions, spending much of his first term as a leader of the Gang of Six focusing on budget reform; in recent years, crossed the aisle to propose tech policy reforms

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Budget
- Finance
- Intelligence, Chairman
- Library
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
D+3	Sen. Bernard Sanders

Sen. Bernard Sanders (I-VT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

9/8/1941

EDUCATION

University of Chicago (IL), B.A., 1964;
 Brooklyn College (NY), Att., 1960;
 James Madison High School (NY)

FAMILY

1 child ; 3 stepchildren

Background

Consistent Vermont political figure who became a progressive icon in the 2010s; nominal independent with a loyal following exercises enormous influence pressuring the Democratic Party to move left

Came of age politically in the 1960s at the University of Chicago, where he developed the focus on economic and social inequality that would define his career

Rose from fringe candidate to city mayor to U.S. Senator in Vermont, keeping his independent identity intact

2010 Senate floor speech castigating the extension of Bush-era tax cuts helped catapult Sanders to progressive renown; focus on concentration of wealth and economic inequality struck a nerve with liberals

In 2013, introduced Medicare for All legislation with no co-sponsors; in 2019, 14 Democrats co-sponsored his updated bill, reflecting the ascendancy of Sanders' ideas in the party

Known for deeply held principles but has also successfully negotiated bipartisan deals in the Senate, such as a Veterans Affairs reform package in 2014

Strong ally of organized labor who has pushed for the end of right-to-work laws, \$15 federal minimum wage, and denying federal contracts to companies hostile to workers

Chaired the Senate Budget Committee in the 117th Congress where he advocated for passing a several trillion-dollar reconciliation package; as the current chair of the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, Sanders hopes to focus on healthcare access and drug costs

118th Committees

- Budget
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Environment and Public Works
- HELP, Chairman
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH
 PVI
 D+16 Sen. Peter Welch

Sen. Peter Welch (D-VT)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

5/2/1947

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, J.D., 1973; College of The Holy Cross (MA), A.B., 1969; Cathedral High School (CA)

FAMILY

5 children ; 3 stepchildren

Background

With a background in law and advocacy, Welch embraces progressive goals while seeking bipartisan cooperation on energy efficiency and rural broadband

Began his 30-year legal career as a public defender in Windsor County, VT, would later work as an attorney for the law offices of Welch, Graham, & Manby and Black and Plante

Experience as a community organizer in the 1960s showed him how law and politics can have a positive impact on communities, leading him to establish the Housing and Land Conservation Trust; first entered public service as a state senator in the 1980s and became minority leader after two years

Spent 14 years in the Vermont state Senate, but left politics for a decade after his 1990 gubernatorial campaign and cared for his first wife, Joan, as she battled cancer; appointed in 2001 to fill a vacant state Senate seat by then-Gov. Howard Dean (D-VT) and became president pro tempore again in 2003

Elected to the US House in 2006 after then-Rep. Bernie Sanders (D-VT) decided to run for Senate; Welch's first congressional campaign made strong calls for national health care and energy plans as well as an end to the Iraq War

In the House, he has advocated for Medicare drug price negotiation and greater access to telehealth services for rural residents to access care; saw high potential for bipartisan cooperation in expanding rural broadband access

Heavily focused on energy policy, Welch often worked with House Republicans on efficiency-related bills; sought to promote and expand renewable energy and end fossil fuel subsidies

Following Sen. Patrick Leahy's (D-VT) decision to retire at the end of his term, Welch announced that he would run for Leahy's seat in 2022

Won the election for Senate in November 2022 against Republican Gerald Malloy

118th Committees

- Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Joint Economic
- Judiciary
- Rules and Administration

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK PVI SERVING WITH
 D+16 Sen. Bernie Sanders

Sen. Maria Cantwell (D-WA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/13/1958

EDUCATION

Miami University of Ohio, B.A., 1980

FAMILY

Marital Status: Single

Background

An Indiana native with a public and private sector background, Cantwell has emerged as a pro-business Democrat and leading voice on coastal management, energy diversification, and Native American affairs

Born and raised in Indianapolis, Indiana, Cantwell observed politics at a young age through her father, a local politician. First generation college graduate who was awarded Pell grants to attend after an academic course at Luxembourg, Cantwell returned to Ohio to work on the 1982 gubernatorial campaign of former Cincinnati mayor and television personality Jerry Springer

Moved to Washington to assist with former Sen. Alan Cranston's (D-CA) unsuccessful 1984 presidential bid and became enamored with the Pacific Northwest

First elected to the Washington State House in 1986 and served two terms before her 1992 election to the House

After an unsuccessful 1994 re-election bid to the House, she joined software company RealNetworks, formerly Progressive Networks, as senior vice president of consumer products; experience handling consumer, e-commerce, and privacy concerns informed her views on the intersection of business, technology, and government

Returned to politics and was elected to the Senate in 2000, where she has prioritized legislation to promote coastal management, modernize the nation's electricity grid, and develop energy cybersecurity

Champions legislation to improve health care accessibility, boost federal investments in biomedical research, and promote economic growth and self-governance in Native American tribes

In 2021, Cantwell endorsed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act highlighting its investment in ecosystem restoration, EPA efforts to clean up Puget Sound, and salmon recovery

118th Committees

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Chairman
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Finance
- Indian Affairs
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- Taxation

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+8 Sen. Patty Murray

Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

10/11/1950

EDUCATION

Washington State University, B.A., 1972

FAMILY

2 children

Background

A former community college teacher and education activist, Murray has impacted policy areas from education to the budget to trade as a senator; serves in Democratic leadership and chairs the Senate Appropriations Committee in the 118th Congress

A Washington State native and daughter of a disabled World War II veteran, Murray grew up in a family of nine living on veterans' benefits

Pushed into politics by budget cuts that threatened the class she taught at a community college; subsequently ran for school board in the Seattle suburb of Shoreline, and then became board president

Rapidly ascended into the state Senate and then national politics; won the 1992 race to replace Sen. Brock Adams (D-WA), who declined to run following allegations of sexual assault

As Budget Committee chair, she reached a compromise two-year budget deal with then-House Budget Committee Chair Paul Ryan (R-WI1), signed by President Obama in 2013

Education ranks among her top priorities; worked with fmr. Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee Chair Lamar Alexander (R-TN) on bipartisan education reform, and strongly opposed Trump's nomination of Education Secretary Betsy DeVos

The third-longest tenured Senate Democrat, Murray has twice led the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee--including in 2012, when Sens. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) and Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) were elected--and served as assistant Democratic leader

Supported Biden administration education and social programs as chair of the Senate HELP Committee in the 117th Congress; plans to employ a bipartisan approach in her current role as chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee

118th Committees

- Appropriations, Chairman
- Budget
- HELP
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK SERVING WITH PVI
 D+8 Sen. Maria Cantwell

Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

2/11/1962

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D., 1989; Smith College (MA), A.B., 1984; Madison West High School (WI), 1980

FAMILY

Marital Status: Single

Background

First openly gay US Senator and progressive Democrat who sits on the powerful Appropriations Committee; proponent of universal health care who appeals to rural voters by pushing for policies that benefit the state's agricultural economy

A native of Madison, Wisconsin, Baldwin's mother was 19 and going through a divorce when Baldwin was born, and Baldwin was primarily raised by her grandparents

Entered politics at the age of 24 by successfully running for the Dane County Board of Supervisors; later spent six years in the Wisconsin state Assembly before winning the House seat for Wisconsin's 2nd District in 1998

Made history as the first openly gay woman elected to Congress and first woman elected to Congress from Wisconsin; while in the House, she focused on health care access, collective bargaining rights, and LGBTQ equality

Since winning her Senate seat in 2012, Baldwin has continued to push for accessible and affordable health care, particularly a single-payer universal health care system; she has also served as a reliable advocate for dairy farmers, favorable trade policies, and combating climate change

Partners with LGBT activists, both in Congress and at non-profits, on equal rights initiatives

During the 117th Congress, Baldwin has focused on improving infrastructure, securing funds for cleaning up the Great Lakes, and supporting manufacturing jobs in Wisconsin

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- HELP

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
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R+2	Sen. Ron Johnson

Sen. Ron Johnson (R-WI)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

4/8/1955

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, 1979;
University of Minnesota, B.S., 1977

FAMILY

3 children ; 2 grandchildren

Background

Accountant, manufacturer, and philosophical conservative who ran a plastics company for three decades before winning a surprise Senate campaign; strong individualist principles evident not only in his economic views but also in his favored policies towards health care and the COVID-19 pandemic

A Minnesota native, Johnson moved to Wisconsin in 1979 with his wife to work for her brother's plastics manufacturing firm; ran the firm until 2010, when he decided to run for Senate

Personally spent \$9 million on his Senate campaign against incumbent Sen. Russ Feingold (D-WI); focused on deficit issues, a stagnant Congress, and his opposition to the Affordable Care Act (ACA), while touting his status as a political outsider

Garnered support from the Tea Party movement for his fiscally conservative rhetoric; attributed his initial success to the Tea Party, though he did not join any Tea Party caucuses or groups once elected to Congress

Still focused on federal spending, Johnson has shifted his concerns to a wider variety of issues, such as homeland security and COVID-19 policies; while he has had some bipartisan success with the former, his stances on the latter have created rifts with Democratic members of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee

Prominent figure in the Wisconsin GOP, particularly after becoming the only statewide Republican following the 2018 midterm elections; despite his initial campaign promise to only serve in the Senate for two terms, Johnson announced in January 2022 his intention to run a third time

Generated controversy for propagating misinformation on the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccine and conspiracies related to the January 6 attack on the US Capitol

118th Committees

- Budget
- Finance
- Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
R+2	Sen. Tammy Baldwin

Sen. Joe Manchin (D-WV)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

8/24/1947

EDUCATION

West Virginia University, B.S., 1970;
Farmington High School (WV), 1965

FAMILY

3 children ; 8 grandchildren

Background

Democrat from a deep red state whose refusal to toe the party line has earned him an independent reputation back home and given him political power in the Senate, particularly as the swing vote in a narrow Democratic majority

Longtime fixture in West Virginia Democratic Party politics who has held different elected offices in the state for nearly 31 years

As governor, he worked to expand health care to vulnerable populations and fought for increased protections for coal miners

Maintains a strong commitment to bipartisanship in the Senate, forging several key relationships with Republicans

Frequently focuses on policies that address significant issues in rural communities, including expansion of rural broadband and combatting opioid crisis

Notably independent senator unafraid to cast votes that are not in line with the rest of the party, and was reportedly considered for Trump's energy secretary

Fights for policies benefitting state's coal industry and its miners, including securing permanent health care and pension benefits

As one of the most conservative members of a narrow Democratic Senate majority, Manchin's vote is pivotal to passing President Joe Biden's legislative agenda; he has sought to reduce the overall size of the Democratic reconciliation bill, add means-testing to certain programs within it, and protect fossil fuels that are vital to his state's economy

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Armed Services
- Energy and Natural Resources, Chairman
- Veterans' Affairs

Social Media

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State Profile

2022 COOK	SERVING WITH
PVI	
R+22	Sen. Shelley Moore Capito

Sen. Shelley Capito (R-WV)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

11/26/1953

EDUCATION

University of Virginia, M.Ed., 1976;
Duke University (NC), B.S., 1975

FAMILY

Husband, Charles; 3 children; 4 grandchildren

Background

Infrastructure advocate and recognized moderate with two decades of experience representing West Virginia in Congress; focuses on energy development and funding for public works projects to grow the state economy

Born in a small town in West Virginia, Capito is the daughter of former Rep. and three-term Gov. Arch Moore Jr. (R-WV) Began her career in the West Virginia State University system as a college counselor before entering state politics; served two terms in the state House of Delegates and decided to run for federal office

Elected to the US House in 2000 and the US Senate in 2014, Capito was the first Republican to win a House race in West Virginia in nearly 20 years and later became the state's first woman senator

Champions the state's coal industry and is a leading advocate for natural gas development through the proposed Appalachian Storage Hub

As ranking member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, Capito encourages investment in West Virginia's highway and water infrastructure and promotes public-private partnerships to advance broadband access

Prioritizes tackling substance abuse as a representative of the state with the highest rate of opioid-related deaths; pushes for funding for targeted state programs and border security to curb drug use and trafficking

Gained increased media attention alongside friend and fellow West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin (D-WV) in the spring of 2021 for her role in negotiating with Democrats' on the Biden administration's American Jobs Plan infrastructure package, seeking reduced costs and focusing on physical core infrastructure rather than "social infrastructure" like child care

118th Committees

- Appropriations
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Environment and Public Works, Ranking Member
- Rules and Administration

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Sen. John Barrasso (R-WY)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

7/21/1952

EDUCATION

Georgetown University School of Medicine (DC), M.D., 1978; Georgetown University (DC), B.S., 1974

FAMILY

3 children (2 from previous marriage)

Background

Media-savvy doctor whose combination of conservative politics and targeted pragmatism allowed him to ascend the political ladder in Wyoming and Washington; as Republican Conference chair, he is one of the highest-ranking Senate Republicans

Originally from Reading, Pennsylvania, Barrasso attended college and medical school at Georgetown University; eventually moved to Wyoming in 1983 after completing his residency at Yale University

Orthopedic surgeon by trade who became a local icon as "Wyoming's Doctor" through his health care commentary on local news and role as rodeo physician

First ran unsuccessfully for Senate in 1996, and later ran unopposed for state Senate in 2002; entered politics as a moderate on social issues who adopted more conservative positions on abortion and environmental issues throughout his career

After he was appointed by Gov. Dave Freudenthal (D), whom he had worked with as a state senator, to replace the late Sen. Craig Thomas (R-WY), Barrasso quickly made a name for himself in the Senate as one of the most outspoken opponents of the Affordable Care Act (ACA); health care has remained a top policy priority for him

Previously chaired the influential Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, and used his role to fight regulations he viewed as harmful to state industries, while also working with Democrats on infrastructure; as ranking member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, he has strongly criticized what he calls the Biden administration's "war on American energy"

A close ally of Republican Leader Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Barrasso ranks among the top Senate Republicans as chair of the Senate Republican Conference, garnering strong support for his policies that benefit the economies of western states

118th Committees

- Energy and Natural Resources, Ranking Member
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- Foreign Relations

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Sen. Cynthia Lummis (R-WY)



Biography

BIRTH DATE

9/10/1954

EDUCATION

University of Wyoming College of Law, J.D., 1985; University of Wyoming, B.S., 1978; University of Wyoming, B.S., 1976

FAMILY

Widowed; 1 daughter; 2 grandsons

Background

Self-described deficit hawk with three decades of experience representing Wyoming at the state and federal level; advocates for a balanced budget, domestic mining, and energy production

Fourth generation Wyomingite raised on a cattle ranch outside of Cheyenne

Prior to entering Congress, Lummis served 14 years in the Wyoming state legislature and served eight years as state treasurer, where she was responsible for the investment and diversification of increased revenue from the state's natural gas boom

Elected to the US House in 2008, Lummis gained a reputation for pushing fiscal conservatism, such as the "No New Tax" pledge, and for being a strong opponent of President Obama's agenda, including the Affordable Care Act and the Clean Power Plan

Legislative work largely focused on public lands and energy, including maintaining trails in national forests, expanding domestic uranium mining, advancing carbon capture technology, and increasing coal exports from the Powder River Basin; was considered by President Trump in 2017 and 2019 for secretary of the interior

Retired from Congress in 2016 after her husband passed away and worked on her family's ranch before announcing a bid for Senate, citing concern about mounting federal debt; her campaign centered around cutting government spending and supporting the policies of President Trump, including building a southern border wall and revitalizing the manufacturing industry

Won a crowded 2020 Republican primary to succeed retiring Sen. Mike Enzi (R); defeated climate activist Merav Ben-David (D) in the general election, where Lummis was a heavy favorite, becoming the first woman to represent Wyoming in the Senate

Voted to object to the January 6, 2021 certification of Electoral College results from Pennsylvania

118th Committees

- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Environment and Public Works

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