

Statistics

Below are statistics for the Lifetime Senate Scores (103rd-114th Congresses). Read the related press release "The Lugar Center and Georgetown University's McCourt School Unveil New Bipartisan Index Rankings of All U.S. Senators."

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Ten Highest Bipartisan Index Scores for a Single Congress:

1. Gordon Smith 110th 2.718033
2. Olympia Snowe 111th 2.637516
3. Lincoln Chafee 109th 2.60232
4. Susan Collins 114th 2.54734
5. Susan Collins 108th 2.352347
6. Lincoln Chafee 107th 2.160978
7. Gordon Smith 109th 2.122527
8. Lincoln Chafee 108th 2.120901
9. Susan Collins 113th 2.116206
10. Richard Lugar 111th 2.102551

Ten Lowest Bipartisan Scores for a Single Congress:

1. Jim DeMint 112th -2.09564
2. Jim DeMint 110th -2.03566
3. Bernie Sanders 114th -2.01024
4. Dan Coats 112th -2.00828
5. Ron Johnson 112th -2.00491
6. Rand Paul 112th -1.90618
7. Paul Coverdell 104th -1.86891
8. Jim DeMint 111th -1.84915
9. Mike Lee 112th -1.81647
10. Tim Scott 113th -1.7426

Party Distribution of Top 25 Lifetime Senate Scores:

- 15 Republicans
- 9 Democrats
- 1 Party Switcher

Party Distribution of Top 50 Lifetime Senate Scores:

- 27 Republicans
- 21 Democrats
- 2 Party Switchers

Party Distribution of Top 100 Lifetime Senate Scores:

- 49 Democrats
- 48 Republicans
- 3 Party Switchers

Party Distribution of Bottom 25 Lifetime Senate Scores:

- 17 Republicans
- 8 Democrats

Party Distribution of Bottom 50 Lifetime Senate Scores:

- 29 Republicans
- 21 Democrats

Party Distribution of Bottom 100 Lifetime Senate Scores:

- 51 Democrats
- 49 Republicans

Most Congresses with a Bipartisan Index Score in the Senate Top 10:

- 7 – Susan Collins
- 7 – Chuck Grassley
- 6 – Olympia Snowe

- 5 – Kent Conrad
- 4 – Lincoln Chafee
- 4 – Jim Jeffords
- 3 – John Breaux
- 3 – John Chafee
- 3 – Thad Cochran
- 3 – Pete Domenici
- 3 – Joe Lieberman
- 3 – Mark Kirk
- 3 – Richard Lugar
- 3 – Joe Manchin
- 3 – Lisa Murkowski
- 3 – Gordon Smith

Distribution of Senate Lifetime Scores for Those Serving in the 115th Congress:

- 56 below 0.00
- 36 above 0.00
- 8 new senators without a Lifetime Score

Highest Lifetime Scores Among Senators Serving at Least 5 Congresses since 1993:

1. Susan Collins 1.67026
2. Olympia Snowe 1.46238
3. Gordon Smith 1.35019
4. Chuck Grassley 1.06305
5. Jim Jeffords 0.94121

Lowest Scores Among Senators Serving at Least 5 Congresses since 1993:

1. Jesse Helms -1.03719
2. Dan Coats -1.02796

3. Bob Menendez -0.9241
4. Phil Gramm -0.89625
5. John Barrasso -0.8592

Highest Scores Among Senators Serving at Least 10 Congresses since 1993:

1. Susan Collins 1.670263
2. Chuck Grassley 1.045719
3. Kent Conrad 0.687046
4. Richard Lugar 0.667979
5. Joe Lieberman 0.662165

Lowest Scores Among Senators Serving at Least 10 Congresses since 1993:

1. Barbara Boxer -0.66381
2. Jim Inhofe -0.63906
3. Richard Shelby -0.56566
4. Patty Murray -0.42266
5. Dick Durbin -0.24125

States with All Lifetime Senate Scores Above 0.00:

- Maine
- Nevada
- North Dakota

States with All Lifetime Senate Scores below 0.00:

- California
- Hawaii
- New Jersey
- Wyoming

State with “Highest Lowest” Senate Lifetime Score:

- North Dakota - Byron Dorgan 0.34991 (all other states had at least one Senator with a lower lifetime score than any Senator from North Dakota)

State with the “Lowest Highest” Senate Lifetime Score:

- Hawaii - Daniel Akaka -0.19249 (All other states had at least one Senator with a higher lifetime score than any Senator from Hawaii)

States with 2 Senators in the Top 25 of Lifetime Scores:

- Georgia
- Illinois
- Maine
- Minnesota
- Oregon
- Rhode Island
- West Virginia

States with 2 Senators in the Bottom 25 of Lifetime Scores:

- Georgia
- South Carolina
- Texas
- Wyoming

States with 3 Senators in the Top 50 of Lifetime Scores:

- Georgia
- Maine
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Oregon

States with at Least 3 Senators in the Bottom 50 of Lifetime Scores:

- New Jersey (4)
- Oklahoma (3)