



Congressional Report Card

109th Congress*

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* Note: Report card includes votes for the 109th Congress through October 1, 2006.

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Highs and Lows of the 109th

Highest individual score: Senate

1. Hagel	R	NE	A+	12
1. Lugar	R	IN	A+	12
3. Bennett	R	UT	A	11
3. Cantwell	D	WA	A	11
3. Chafee	R	RI	A	11
3. McCain	R	AZ	A	11
3. Murray	D	WA	A	11
3. Warner	R	VA	A	11

Lowest individual score: Senate

98. Stabenow	D	MI	F	2
98. Dorgan	D	ND	F	2
98. Byrd	D	WV	F	2
94. Feingold	D	WI	D	3
94. Durbin	D	IL	D	3
94. Dayton	D	MN	D	3
94. Bayh	D	IN	D	3

Highest individual score: House

1. Flake	R	AZ	A+	14
1. Snyder	D	AR	A+	14
3. Jefferson	D	LA	A	13
3. Kolbe	R	AZ	A	13
3. Meeks	D	NY	A	13
6. Bean	D	IL	A	12
6. Biggert	R	IL	A	12
6. Dicks	D	WA	A	12
6. Johnson	R	CT	A	12
6. Leach	R	IA	A	12
6. Moore	D	KS	A	12
6. Moran	D	VA	A	12
6. Ryan	R	WI	A	12
6. Upton	R	MI	A	12

Lowest individual score: House

428. Goode	R	VA	F	0
427. Norwood	R	GA	F	1
425. Davis	R	VA	F	2
425. Taylor	R	NC	F	2
419. Coble	R	NC	F	3
419. Jones	R	NC	F	3
419. McCotter	R	MI	F	3
419. McIntyre	D	NC	F	3
419. Pascrell	D	NJ	F	3
419. Taylor	D	MS	F	3

States with highest average score

1. Alaska
2. Kansas
3. Nebraska
4. Washington
5. New Hampshire
6. Utah
7. Arkansas
8. Arizona
9. New Mexico
10. Delaware

States with lowest average score

50. West Virginia
49. Hawaii
48. North Dakota
47. North Carolina
46. New Jersey
45. South Dakota
44. Vermont
43. Maine
42. Nevada
41. Alabama

Honor Roll

Lifetime Achievement

The following have received an A or higher on at least 4 of the report cards produced since 1999:

Senators

Bennett
Chafee
Hagel
Lugar
Warner

Representatives

Biggert
Castle
Dicks
Ehlers
Herger
Johnson (CT)
Kolbe
LaHood
Leach
McCrery

Moore
Moran (VA)
Moran (KS)
Oxley
Ryan (WI)

Shays
Shimkus
Snyder
Thomas
Upton

The following have scored no lower than B since 1999 on all report cards for which they were eligible.

Senators

Alexander	Burr	Cornyn	Hutchison	Nelson (NE)
Allard	Cantwell	DeMint	Isakson	Pyror
Allen	Carper	Dominici	Lincoln	Roberts
Baucus	Chafee	Enzi	Lott	Sununu
Bond	Cochran	Frist	Lugar	Thomas
Brownback	Coleman	Hagel	Martinez	

Representatives

Baker (LA)	Carter	Gilchrest	Kline	Moore	Shimkus
Bean	Castle	Goodlatte	Knollenberg	Moran (VA)	Smith (WA)
Beauprez	Chocola	Granger	Kolbe	Moran (KS)	Snyder
Biggert	Cole	Hall (TX)	Kuhl	Neugebauer	Tanner
Blumenauer	Conaway	Harman	LaHood	Osborne	Tauscher
Boehlert	Cooper	Hensarling	Larsen (WA)	Oxley	Thomas
Boehner	Crenshaw	Herger	Latham	Peterson (PA)	Thornberry
Bonilla (TX)	Davis (KY)	Hinojosa	Leach	Poe	Tiahrt
Bonner (AL)	Davis (VA)	Hulshof	Lewis (CA)	Price (GA)	Turner (OH)
Bono	Dicks	Inglis	Lewis (KY)	Pryce (OH)	Upton
Boozman	Dreier	Issa	Lungren	Ramstad	Van Hollen
Brady	Ehlers	Jefferson	Manzullo	Reichert	Weller
Calvert	Etheridge	Johnson (CT)	Matheson	Ryan (WI)	Wicker
Camp	Flake	Johnson (IL)	McCrery	Schwarz	Wilson (NM)
Cantor	Frelinghuysen	Kirk (IL)	McKeon	Sessions	
				Shays	

Senate Grading Breakdown

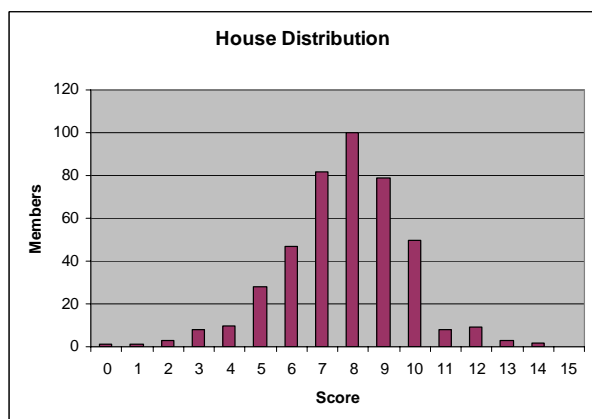
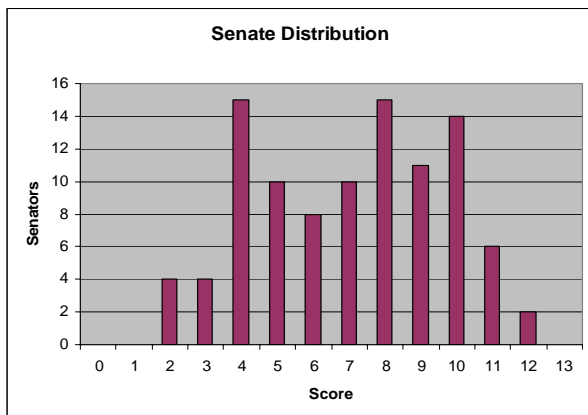
GRADE	SCORE	TOTAL MEMBERS	REPUBLICANS	DEMOCRATS	INDEPENDENTS
F	0	0	0	0	0
F	1	0	0	0	0
F	2	3	0	3	0
D	3	4	0	4	0
D	4	15	1	14	0
C	5	10	3	7	0
C	6	8	5	3	0
C	7	10	8	2	0
B	8	15	11	3	1
B	9	11	8	3	0
B+	10	14	13	1	0
A	11	6	4	2	0
A+	12	2	2	0	0
A+	13	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		98 *	55	42	1

House Grading Breakdown

GRADE	SCORE	TOTAL MEMBERS	REPUBLICANS	DEMOCRATS	INDEPENDENTS
F	0	1	1	0	0
F	1	1	1	0	0
F	2	2	2	0	0
F	3	6	3	3	0
D	4	10	5	5	0
D	5	28	13	15	0
D	6	47	17	29	1
C	7	82	32	50	0
C	8	98	51	47	0
B	9	79	52	27	0
B+	10	50	36	14	0
A	11	8	6	2	0
A	12	9	5	4	0
A	13	3	1	2	0
A+	14	2	1	1	0
A+	15	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		426 *	226	199	1

* The following Members did not cast enough votes to qualify for this year's scorecard: Senate: Menendez (NJ) and Rockefeller (WV); House: Hastert (IL), Schmidt (OH), Campbell (CA), A. Hastings (FL), L. Evans (IL), and Bilbray (CA). There were 3 vacancies in the House at the time of the scorecard's release.

Distribution



Freshman Class

Senate

First	Last	State	Grade	Score
Richard	Burr	NC	B	8
Tom	Coburn	OK	C	5
Jim	DeMint	SC	B+	10
Johnny	Isakson	GA	B	8
Mel	Martinez	FL	B	8
Barack	Obama	IL	C	6
Ken	Salazar	CO	D	4
John	Thune	SD	C	7
David	Vitter	LA	C	5

House

First	Last	State	Grade	Score
John	Barrow	GA	D	4
Melissa	Bean	IL	A	12
David	Boren	OK	C	7
Charles	Boustany	LA	C	8
Russ	Carnahan	MO	D	5
Emanuel	Cleaver	MO	C	7
K.	Conaway	TX	B+	10
Jim	Costa	CA	D	5
Henry	Cuellar	TX	C	8
Geoff	Davis	KY	B+	10
Charles	Dent	PA	C	8
Thelma	Drake	VA	D	6
Michael	Fitzpatrick	PA	C	7
Jeff	Fortenberry	NE	C	8
Virginia	Foxx	NC	D	4
Louie	Gohmert	TX	C	7
Al	Green	TX	C	7
Stephanie	Herseth	SD	C	7
Brian	Higgins	NY	D	5
Robert	Inglis	SC	B	9
Bobby	Jindal	LA	D	6

First	Last	State	Grade	Score
John	Kuhl	NY	B+	10
Daniel	Lipinski	IL	D	6
Daniel	Lungren	CA	B	9
Connie	Mack	FL	D	6
Kenny	Marchant	TX	C	8
Michael	McCaul	TX	C	8
Patrick	McHenry	NC	D	5
Cynthia	McKinney	GA	C	8
Cathy	McMorris	WA	C	8
Charles	Melancon	LA	D	4
Gwendolynne	Moore	WI	C	8
Ted	Poe	TX	B	9
Thomas	Price	GA	B+	10
David	Reichert	WA	B+	10
John	Salazar	CO	D	5
Allyson	Schwartz	PA	C	8
Mike	Sodrel	IN	C	8
Debbie	Wasserman-Schultz	FL	D	6
Lynn	Westmoreland	GA	C	8

Trade Votes for the 109th Congress

Senate

2005 Session:

- 1) "CAFTA" – HR 3045, DR-CAFTA Implementation Act
55-45 agreed to ([Record Vote Number: 209](#))
Vote for receives a +2
To implement the U.S.-DR-CAFTA free trade agreement.
- 2) "Burma Sanctions" – H.J. Res 52, Burma Sanctions Reauthorization
97-1 agreed to ([Record Vote Number: 191](#))
Vote against receives a +1
To renew unilateral import restrictions against Burma.
- 3) "Restrict Ex-Im Bank Funding" – Coburn S.AMDT.1242 to HR 3057 (Foreign Operations Appropriations)
37 - 62 failed ([Record Vote Number: 192](#))
Vote against receives a +1
To prohibit any funds from being used by the Export-Import Bank of the United States to approve a loan or a loan guarantee.
- 4) "Extraterritorial Sanctions" – Lautenberg S Amdt 1351 to S 1042 (National Defense Authorization Act 2006)
47 - 51 failed ([Record Vote Number: 203](#))
Vote against receives a +1
To apply U.S. unilateral sanctions law extraterritorially to foreign subsidiaries of U.S. companies.
- 5) "China Currency" – Schumer-Graham S. AMDT 309 to S. 600 (Foreign Affairs Authorization)
Motion to table amendment rejected by 33 – 67 ([Record Vote Number: 86](#))
Vote for the motion to table receives a +1
To seek action against China's currency practices by imposing a 27.5% tariff on imports from China.
- 6) "Restrict Visas" – Byrd Amendment S. 2367 to Senate Budget reconciliation S.1932
85-14 failed ([Record Vote Number: 295](#))
Vote against receives a +1
To remove bipartisan immigration-related revenue-raisers and impose a \$1500 fee on employers who hire certain non-immigrants.
- 7) "Facilitate Travel to Cuba" - on the motion to Suspend the Rules Relative to the Dorgan Amdt. No. 1059 to H.R. 2361 (Department of the Interior Appropriations Act, 2006)
60-35 in favor, requires 2/3 majority to suspend the rules; failed. ([Record Vote Number: 167](#))
Vote for motion to suspend the rules receives a +1
To facilitate family travel to Cuba in humanitarian circumstances.
- 8) "Limit WTO Negotiating Authority" – Dorgan S. AMDT 1665 to H.R. 2862 (Commerce Justice, Science Appropriations)
39-60 failed ([Record Vote Number: 232](#))
Vote against receives a +1
To limit U.S. negotiating authority by prohibiting changes to any law that provides safeguards from foreign trade practices.

2006 Session:

9) "Unilateral Iran Sanctions" – Santorum S.Amdt. 4234 to S. 2766 (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007)

46-53 failed ([Record Vote Number: 172](#))

Vote against receives a +

To impose additional unilateral sanctions on Iran.

10) "100% Ports Screening" – Schumer S.AMDT.4930 to H.R. 4954 (SAFE Port Act)

61 – 37 agreed to motion to table amendment ([Record Vote Number: 248](#))

Vote for the motion to table receives a +

To require, within four years, 100 percent scanning abroad for nuclear material.

11) "Oman FTA" – H.R. 5684, a bill to implement the Oman FTA

62 – 32 agreed to ([Record Vote Number: 250](#)).

Vote for receives a +

To implement the U.S.-Oman Free Trade Agreement.

12) "Immigration Reform" – S. 2611, the Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2006

62-36 agreed to ([Record Vote Number: 157](#))

Vote for receives a +

To provide for immigration reform.

House**2005 Session:**

1) "CAFTA" – H.R. 3045, DR-CAFTA Implementation Act

217 - 215 agreed to ([Roll no. 443](#))

Vote for receives a +2

To implement the U.S.-DR-CAFTA free trade agreement.

2) "Burma Sanctions" – H.J.Res. 52, Burma Sanctions Reauthorization

423 - 2 agreed to ([Roll no. 291](#))

Vote against receives a +1

To renew unilateral import restrictions against Burma.

3) "Cuba – End Embargo" – H.AMDT.424 to HR 3058 (Transportation Treasury Appropriations Bill)

169-250 failed (14 Not Voting)

Vote for receives a +1

To prohibit the use of funds from being made available to implement, administer, or enforce the economic embargo of Cuba, except that the foregoing limitation does not apply to the administration of a tax or tariff.

4) "Cuba – Humanitarian Aid" – H.AMDT.270 to H.R.2862 (Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations)

210-216 failed (7 Not Voting)

Vote for receives a +1

To prohibit use of funds in the bill to implement, administer, or enforce regulations relating to amendments made to the Code of Federal Regulations relating to license exemptions for gift parcels and humanitarian donations for Cuba.

5) "Restrict Ex-Im Bank Financing" – H.AMDT.381 to HR 3057 (Foreign Operations Appropriations Act)

313 - 114 agreed to ([Roll no. 332](#))

Vote against receives a +1

To prohibit any funds from being used by the Export-Import Bank of the United States to approve a loan or a loan guarantee.

6) "Withdraw from WTO" – H.J. Res. 27, WTO Withdrawal vote
86 - 338 failed (8 Not Voting, 1 Voting Present)
Vote against receives a +1

7) "Penalize Defense Trade (East Asia)" – H.R. 3100, East Asia Security Act of 2005
215 - 203 in favor; 2/3 required under suspension; failed (15 Not Voting)
Vote against receives a +1
To penalize defense trade with companies in countries that do not have an embargo.

8) "Bahrain FTA" – H.R. 4340 – U.S.-Bahrain FTA Implementation Act
327-95 agreed to (10 Not Voting)
Vote for receives a +
To implement the U.S.-Bahrain free trade agreement.

9) "Oppose Temporary Entry Visas" – H.AMDT.290 to H.R. 2862 (Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations)
106 – 322 failed (5 Not Voting)
Vote against receives a +1
To prohibit use of funds in the bill to include in any trade agreement any provisions that would increase any limitation temporary entry workers or intending immigrants.

10) "China NMEs" – H.R. 3283
255 - 168 agreed to (10 Not Voting)
Vote against receives a +1
To apply countervailing duties to non-market economies.

2006 Session:

11) "Iran Sanctions" – H.R. 282, the Iran Freedom Support Act
397-21 agreed to ([Roll no. 105](#)).
Vote against receives a +
To impose additional unilateral sanctions on Iran.

12) "Misc. Tariff Bill" – H.R. 4944 – Miscellaneous Trade Bill
412 - 2 agreed to ([Roll no. 44](#))
Vote for receives a +
To modify temporarily certain rates of duty and make other technical amendments to trade laws

13) "Oman FTA" – H.R. 5684
221 - 205 agreed to ([Roll no. 392](#))
Vote for receives a +
To implement the U.S.-Oman Free Trade Agreement

14) "Ukraine PNTR" – H.R. 1053
417-2 agreed to ([Roll no. 24](#))
Vote for receives a +
To grant permanent normal trade relations to Ukraine.