

The Centrists

These are the members at the ideological center of the Senate and the House, based on *National Journal's* 2007 vote ratings. Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., was at the center of the Senate with 48 senators more conservative than she was, 48 senators more liberal than she was, and the others not receiving composite scores because of missed votes. Similarly, Rep. Tim Mahoney, D-Fla., was at the center of the House with 214 members more conservative than he was, 214 members more liberal than he was, and the others not receiving composite scores because of missed votes.

Most conservative Democrat



RICHARD A. BLOOM

SENATE

COMPOSITE SCORE

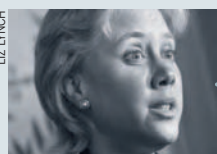
Liberal Conservative

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| Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska | 35.3 | 64.7 |
| Ted Stevens, R-Alaska | 36.0 | 64.0 |
| Chuck Hagel, R-Neb. | 38.7 | 61.3 |
| John Warner, R-Va. | 38.8 | 61.2 |
| Richard Lugar, R-Ind. | 41.8 | 58.2 |
| George Voinovich, R-Ohio | 41.8 | 58.2 |
| Norm Coleman, R-Minn. | 42.5 | 57.5 |
| Arlen Specter, R-Pa. | 45.5 | 54.5 |
| Ben Nelson, D-Neb. | 46.7 | 53.3 |

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| Susan Collins, R-Maine | 47.2 | 52.8 |
| Gordon Smith, R-Ore. | 47.2 | 52.8 |
| Olympia Snowe, R-Maine | 47.8 | 52.2 |
| Mary Landrieu, D-La. | 53.2 | 46.8 |
| Mark Pryor, D-Ark. | 55.0 | 45.0 |
| Max Baucus, D-Mont. | 57.3 | 42.7 |
| Kent Conrad, D-N.D. | 57.3 | 42.7 |
| Claire McCaskill, D-Mo. | 57.3 | 42.7 |
| Joe Lieberman, ID-Conn. | 57.5 | 42.5 |
| Byron Dorgan, D-N.D. | 59.0 | 41.0 |
| Ken Salazar, D-Colo. | 59.2 | 40.8 |
| Thomas Carper, D-Del. | 60.2 | 39.8 |
| Jim Webb, D-Va. | 60.2 | 39.8 |
| Jon Tester, D-Mont. | 61.7 | 38.3 |
| Evan Bayh, D-Ind. | 62.2 | 37.8 |
| Blanche Lincoln, D-Ark. | 62.3 | 37.7 |
| Robert Byrd, D-W.Va. | 64.3 | 35.7 |

Liberal Conservative
COMPOSITE SCORE

Most liberal Republican



LIZ LYNCH

At the center of the Senate

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HOUSE

COMPOSITE SCORE

Liberal Conservative

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| Dave Reichert, R-Wash. | 35.0 | 65.0 |
| Roscoe Bartlett, R-Md. | 35.3 | 64.7 |
| Randy Kuhl, R-N.Y. | 35.8 | 64.2 |
| Ralph Regula, R-Ohio | 35.8 | 64.2 |
| Don Young, R-Alaska | 35.8 | 64.2 |
| Tom Petri, R-Wis. | 36.3 | 63.7 |
| Greg Walden, R-Ore. | 36.5 | 63.5 |
| Candice Miller, R-Mich. | 36.7 | 63.3 |
| Paul Gillmor, R-Ohio* | 37.3 | 62.7 |
| Tim Murphy, R-Pa. | 37.3 | 62.7 |
| Rick Renzi, R-Ariz. | 37.3 | 62.7 |
| Shelley Moore Capito, R-W.Va. | 38.2 | 61.8 |
| Mary Bono Mack, R-Calif. | 38.2 | 61.8 |
| Todd Platts, R-Pa. | 38.5 | 61.5 |
| Lincoln Diaz-Balart, R-Fla. | 39.0 | 61.0 |
| Jim Gerlach, R-Pa. | 39.3 | 60.7 |
| Tom Davis, R-Va. | 39.5 | 60.5 |
| Mario Diaz-Balart, R-Fla. | 39.5 | 60.5 |
| David Hobson, R-Ohio | 39.5 | 60.5 |
| Jo Ann Emerson, R-Mo. | 39.8 | 60.2 |
| Ron Paul, R-Texas | 39.8 | 60.2 |
| Judy Biggert, R-Ill. | 40.2 | 59.8 |
| Frank LoBiondo, R-N.J. | 40.3 | 59.7 |
| Deborah Pryce, R-Ohio | 40.3 | 59.7 |
| Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla. | 40.5 | 59.5 |
| James Walsh, R-N.Y. | 41.0 | 59.0 |
| Phil English, R-Pa. | 41.3 | 58.7 |
| Fred Upton, R-Mich. | 41.3 | 58.7 |
| Vernon Ehlers, R-Mich. | 41.7 | 58.3 |
| Steven LaTourette, R-Ohio | 41.8 | 58.2 |
| Walter Jones, R-N.C. | 42.0 | 58.0 |
| Ray LaHood, R-Ill. | 42.0 | 58.0 |
| Jim Ramstad, R-Minn. | 42.2 | 57.8 |
| Rodney Frelinghuysen, R-N.J. | 42.3 | 57.7 |
| Tim Johnson, R-Ill. | 42.5 | 57.5 |
| Charlie Dent, R-Pa. | 43.0 | 57.0 |
| Jim Marshall, D-Ga. | 43.5 | 56.5 |
| Dan Boren, D-Okla. | 44.0 | 56.0 |
| Chris Smith, R-N.J. | 44.5 | 55.5 |
| Mark Kirk, R-Ill. | 45.5 | 54.5 |
| John Barrow, D-Ga. | 45.8 | 54.2 |
| Michael Castle, R-Del. | 46.2 | 53.8 |
| Gene Taylor, D-Miss. | 46.3 | 53.7 |
| Joe Donnelly, D-Ind. | 47.0 | 53.0 |
| Nick Lampson, D-Texas | 47.0 | 53.0 |
| Christopher Shays, R-Conn. | 47.7 | 52.3 |
| Charlie Melancon, D-La. | 47.8 | 52.2 |
| Brad Ellsworth, D-Ind. | 48.2 | 51.8 |
| Wayne Gilchrest, R-Md. | 48.3 | 51.7 |
| Bud Cramer, D-Ala. | 48.7 | 51.3 |
| Jim Matheson, D-Utah | 49.2 | 50.8 |
| Lincoln Davis, D-Tenn. | 49.5 | 50.5 |
| Mike McIntyre, D-N.C. | 49.5 | 50.5 |

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| Christopher Carney, D-Pa. | 49.7 | 50.3 |
| Heath Shuler, D-N.C. | 49.7 | 50.3 |
| John Tanner, D-Tenn. | 49.8 | 50.2 |
| Tim Mahoney, D-Fla. | 50.3 | 49.7 |
| Henry Cuellar, D-Texas | 50.5 | 49.5 |
| Baron Hill, D-Ind. | 51.0 | 49.0 |
| Zack Space, D-Ohio | 51.2 | 48.8 |
| Jason Altmire, D-Pa. | 51.3 | 48.7 |
| Melissa Bean, D-Ill. | 51.5 | 48.5 |
| Collin Peterson, D-Minn. | 51.8 | 48.2 |
| Allen Boyd, D-Fla. | 52.7 | 47.3 |
| Tim Holden, D-Pa. | 53.2 | 46.8 |
| Chet Edwards, D-Texas | 53.7 | 46.3 |
| Mike Ross, D-Ark. | 53.7 | 46.3 |
| Stephanie Herseth Sandlin, D-S.D. | 53.7 | 46.3 |
| Nancy Boyda, D-Kan. | 53.8 | 46.2 |
| Harry Mitchell, D-Ariz. | 54.0 | 46.0 |
| Ike Skelton, D-Mo. | 54.3 | 45.7 |
| Bart Gordon, D-Tenn. | 54.5 | 45.5 |
| Jim Cooper, D-Tenn. | 54.7 | 45.3 |
| Daniel Lipinski, D-Ill. | 54.7 | 45.3 |
| Charlie Wilson, D-Ohio | 55.2 | 44.8 |
| Ben Chandler, D-Ky. | 55.3 | 44.7 |
| Gene Green, D-Texas | 56.5 | 43.5 |
| Patrick Murphy, D-Pa. | 56.5 | 43.5 |
| Alan Mollohan, D-W.Va. | 56.7 | 43.3 |
| Gabrielle Giffords, D-Ariz. | 56.8 | 43.2 |
| Paul Kanjorski, D-Pa. | 57.3 | 42.7 |
| John Salazar, D-Colo. | 57.3 | 42.7 |
| Rick Boucher, D-Va. | 58.3 | 41.7 |
| Bob Etheridge, D-N.C. | 58.3 | 41.7 |
| Bart Stupak, D-Mich. | 58.3 | 41.7 |
| Solomon Ortiz, D-Texas | 58.5 | 41.5 |
| Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y. | 58.7 | 41.3 |
| Ciro Rodriguez, D-Texas | 59.0 | 41.0 |
| Jim Costa, D-Calif. | 59.5 | 40.5 |
| Ron Klein, D-Fla. | 60.0 | 40.0 |
| Mark Udall, D-Colo. | 60.2 | 39.8 |
| Marion Berry, D-Ark. | 60.3 | 39.7 |
| John Murtha, D-Pa. | 61.2 | 38.8 |
| Nick Rahall, D-W.Va. | 61.2 | 38.8 |
| Artur Davis, D-Ala. | 61.3 | 38.7 |
| Earl Pomeroy, D-N.D. | 61.3 | 38.7 |
| Vic Snyder, D-Ark. | 61.5 | 38.5 |
| Sanford Bishop, D-Ga. | 61.7 | 38.3 |
| Shelley Berkley, D-Nev. | 61.8 | 38.2 |
| Silvestre Reyes, D-Texas | 61.8 | 38.2 |
| Leonard Boswell, D-Iowa | 62.0 | 38.0 |
| Joe Sestak, D-Pa. | 62.7 | 37.3 |
| Charles Gonzalez, D-Texas | 63.0 | 37.0 |
| Dutch Ruppersberger, D-Md. | 63.2 | 36.8 |
| Ron Kind, D-Wis. | 63.5 | 36.5 |
| John Spratt, D-S.C. | 63.7 | 36.3 |
| Brian Baird, D-Wash. | 63.8 | 36.2 |
| Tim Walz, D-Minn. | 64.3 | 35.7 |
| Dennis Cardoza, D-Calif. | 64.7 | 35.3 |
| Jerry Costello, D-Ill. | 64.7 | 35.3 |
| Ruben Hinojosa, D-Texas | 65.0 | 35.0 |



Most conservative Democrat



Most liberal Republican



At the center of the House

*Gillmor died on September 5, 2007.