HHS | Hart Health Strategies Inc.

GUIDE TO THE 117th CONGRESS
Second Session

Table of Contents

Health Professionals Serving in the 117th Congress

Member of Congress	Profession	Committee Assignment
UNITED STATES SENATE		
Sen. John Barrasso, MD (R-WY)	Orthopaedic Surgeon	Finance, Energy (Ranking), Foreign Relations
Sen. John Boozman, OD (R-AR)	Optometrist	Agriculture (Ranking), Appropriations, Environment, Veterans' Affa
Sen. Bill Cassidy, MD (R-LA)	Gastroenterologist/Heptalogist	HELP, Finance, Energy, Veterans' Affairs, Joint Economic
Sen. Roger Marshall, MD (R-KS)	**OB/GYN**	**Agriculture, Energy & Natural Resources, HELP, Small Business**
Sen. Rand Paul, MD (R-KY)	Ophthalmologist	HELP, Foreign Relations, Homeland Security, Small Business
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES		
Rep. Brian Babin, DDS (R-TX-36)	Dentist	Transportation & Infrastructure, Science Space & Technology
Rep. Karen Bass, PA, MSW (D-CA-37)	Nurse/Physician Assistant	Judiciary, Foreign Affairs
Rep. Ami Bera, MD (D-CA-07)	Internal Medicine Physician	Foreign Affairs, Science Space & Technology
Rep. Larry Bucshon, MD (R-IN-08)	Cardiothoracic Surgeon	Energy & Commerce
Rep. Michael Burgess, MD (R-TX-26)	Obstetrician	Energy & Commerce, Rules
Rep. Cori Bush, RN (D-MO-01)	**Registered Nurse**	**Judiciary, Oversight**
Rep. Buddy Carter, BSPharm (R-GA-01)	Pharmacist	Energy & Commerce, Budget
Rep. Scott DesJarlais, MD (R-TN-04)	General Medicine	Agriculture, Armed Services
Rep. Neal Dunn, MD (R-FL-02)	Urologist	Energy & Commerce
Rep. Drew Ferguson, IV, DMD, PC (R-GA-03)	Dentist	Ways & Means
Rep. Paul Gosar, DDS (R-AZ-04)	Dentist	Natural Resources, Oversight and Reform
Rep. Mark Green, MD (R-TN-07)	Emergency Physician	Armed Services, Foreign Affairs
Rep. Andy Harris, MD (R-MD-01)	Obstetric Anesthesiologist	Appropriations
Rep. Diana Harshbarger (R-TN-01)	**Pharmacist**	**Education & Labor, Homeland Security**
Rep. Ronny Jackson, MD (R-TX-13)	**Emergency Physician**	**Armed Services, Foreign Affairs**
Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson, RN (D-TX-30)	Registered Nurse	Science Space & Technology, Transportation & Infrastructure
Rep. John Joyce, MD, FAAD, FACP (R-PA-13)	Dermatologist	Energy & Commerce
Rep. Alan Lowenthal, PhD (D-CA-47)	Psychologist	Natural Resources, Transportation & Infrastructure
Rep. Mariannette Miller-Meeks, MD (R-IA-02)	**Ophthalmologist**	**Education & Labor, Homeland Security, Veterans' Affairs**
Rep. Greg Murphy, MD (R-NC-03)	Urologist	Education & Labor, Veterans' Affairs
Rep. Raul Ruiz, MD, MPP, MPH (D-CA-36)	Emergency Physician	Energy & Commerce, Veterans' Affairs
Rep. Kurt Schrader, DVM (D-OR-05)	Veterinarian	Energy & Commerce
Rep. Kim Schrier, MD (D-WA-08)	Pediatrician	Energy & Commerce
Rep. Mike Simpson, DMD (R-ID-02)	Dentist	Appropriations
Rep. Glenn Thompson, MEd (R-PA-15)	Rehabilitation Therapist	Agriculture, Education & Labor
Rep. Lauren Underwood, RN (D-IL-14)	Registered Nurse	Appropriations, Veterans' Affairs
Rep. Jeff Van Drew, DDS (R-NJ-02)	Dentist	Homeland Security, Transportation & Infrastructure
Rep. Brad Wenstrup, DPM (R-OH-02)	Podiatrist	Ways & Means, Intelligence

BOLD text indicates a new Member of the Senate or House following the 2020 general election

Congressional Schedule

The 2022 congressional schedule continues the use of House committee workdays, which were created in 2020 to facilitate the House's work during the pandemic. The Senate has released an ambitious schedule, which may be subject to change at any time.

2022 CONGRESSIONAL CALENDAR — CQ Roll Call

Legend:
- House only in session
- House committee work only
- House committee work only / Senate in session
- Both chambers in session
- Senate only in session

January

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
						1 New Year's Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 MLK Day	18	19	20	21	22
23 / 30	24 / 31	25	26	27	28	29

February

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 House Dems Conf.	11 House Dems Conf.	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Presidents Day	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

March

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 House GOP Conf.	24 House GOP Conf.	25 House GOP Conf.	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1	2 Ramadan (begins)
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Good Friday Passover (begins)	16
17 Easter Sunday	18	19	20	21	22	23 Passover (ends)
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

May

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
1 Ramadan (ends) Eid al-Fitr (begins)	2 Eid al-Fitr (ends)	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

June

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Juneteenth	20 Juneteenth (observed)	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

July

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1	2
3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8	9 Eid al-Adha (begins)
10 Eid al-Adha (ends)	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 / 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

August

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

September

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
				1	2	3
4	5 Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Rosh Hashana (begins)	26	27 Rosh Hashana (ends)	28	29	30	

October

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
						1
2	3	4 Yom Kippur (begins)	5 Yom Kippur (ends)	6	7	8
9	10 Columbus Day	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 / 30	24 / 31	25	26	27	28	29

November

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Election Day	9	10	11 Veterans Day	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Day	25	26
27	28	29	30			

December

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Hanukkah (begins)	20	21	22	23	24
25 Christmas Day	26 Xmas (observed) Hanukkah (ends)	27	28	29	30	31

Sources: Office of House Majority Leader Steny H. Hoyer and Office of Senate Majority Leader Charles E. Schumer
Chris Hale/CQ Roll Call

Updated 12/15/21

Updated 9/20/2022

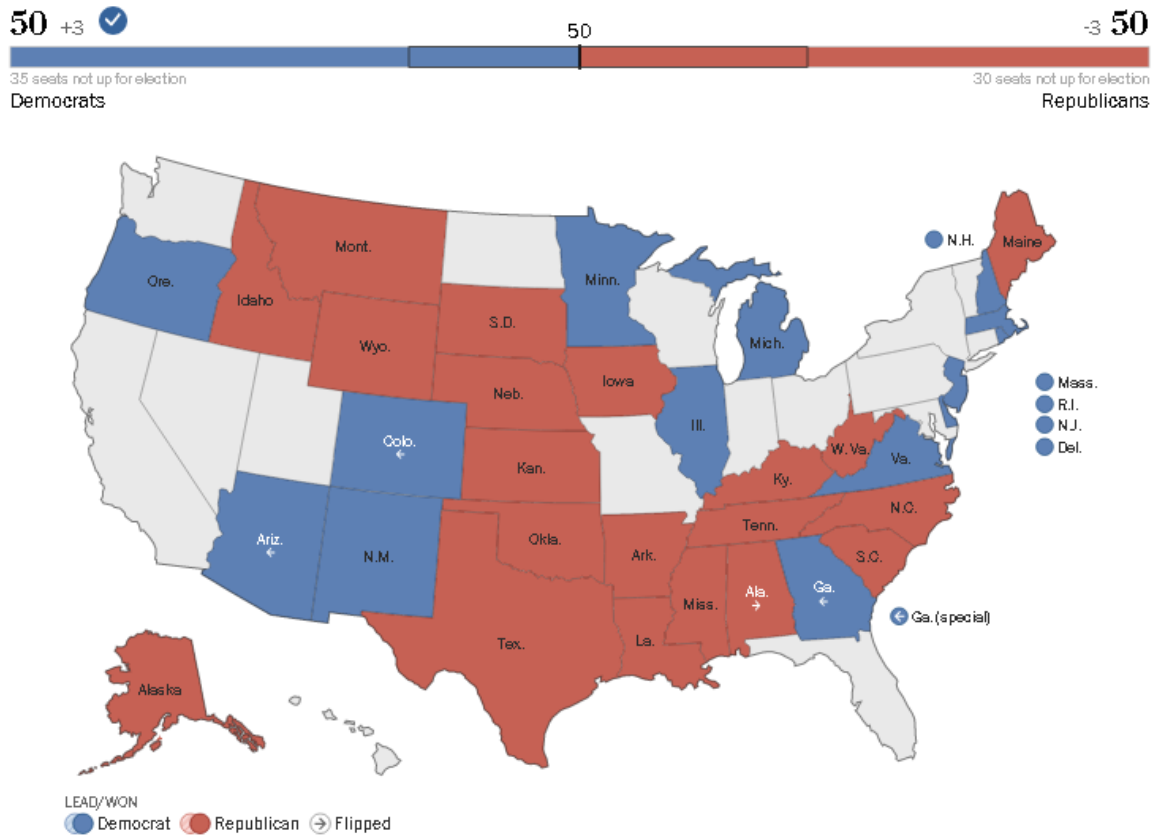# Office of Personnel Management (OPM) 2022 Federal Holidays

- Monday, January 17: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Monday, February 21: President's Day
- Monday, May 30: Memorial Day
- Monday, July 4: Independence Day
- Monday, September 5: Labor Day
- Monday, October 10: Columbus Day
- Friday, November 11: Veterans' Day
- Thursday, November 24: Thanksgiving Day
- Friday, December 26: Christmas Day (Observed)

Senate Balance of Power

The 2020 general election resulted in the 100-member Senate split with Republicans and Democrats each controlling 50 seats. Because the chamber has split between parties, Vice President Kamala Harris will hold the tie-breaking vote.

Source: Washington Post

50 +3 ✓   50   -3 **50**

35 seats not up for election   30 seats not up for election

Democrats   Republicans

LEAD/WON

Democrat   Republican   Flipped

Senate Leadership

Democratic Leadership Position	Position Holder
Majority Leader	Chuck Schumer (D-NY)
Majority Whip	Dick Durbin (D-IL)
Assistant Democratic Leader	Patty Murray (D-WA)
Chief Deputy Whip	Jeff Merkley (D-OR)
Policy and Communications Committee Chair	Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)
Caucus Co-Vice Chair	Mark Warner (D-VA)
Caucus Co-Vice Chair	Elizabeth Warren (D-MA)
Caucus Secretary	Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)
Policy and Communications Committee Vice Chair	Joe Manchin (D-WV)
Steering Committee Chair	Amy Klobuchar (D-MN)
Outreach Committee Chair	Bernie Sanders (I-VT)
Outreach Committee Vice Chair	Catherine Cortez-Masto (D-NV)
Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee	Gary Peters (D-MI)

Republican Leadership Position	Position Holder
Majority Leader	Mitch McConnell (R-KY)
Majority Whip	John Thune (R-SD)
Conference Chairman	Roy Blunt (R-MO)†
Conference Vice-Chair	John Barrasso, MD (R-WY)
Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee Chair	Rick Scott (R-FL)
Policy Committee Chairman	Joni Ernst (R-IA)

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at or resign prior to the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Senate Committee Leadership

With the 50-50 split and control of the White House, Democrats continue to hold a majority of seats in the chamber for the second session of the 117th Congress. The Senate committees with primary jurisdiction in health issues are the Senate Finance Committee (Medicare, Medicaid, Affordable Care Act) and the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee (FDA, NIH, CDC, public health, Affordable Care Act)

*Joint committees are made up of bicameral members. The chairmanship and vice-chairmanship of the committee alternate between the Senate and House each Congress.

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Committee	Democratic Chair	Republican Ranking Member
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	John Boozman (D-AR)
Appropriations	Patrick Leahy (D-VT)†	Richard Shelby (R-AL)†
Armed Services	Jack Reed (D-RI)	Jim Inhofe (R-OK)†
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs	Sherrod Brown (D-OH)	Pat Toomey (R-PA)†
Budget	Bernie Sanders (I-VT)	Lindsey Graham (R-SC)
Commerce, Science, and Transportation	Maria Cantwell (D-WA)	Roger Wicker (R-MS)
Energy and Natural Resources	Joe Manchin (D-WV)	John Barrasso, MD (R-WY)
Environment and Public Works	Tom Carper (D-DE)	Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV)
Finance	Ron Wyden (D-OR)	Mike Crapo (R-ID)
Foreign Relations	Bob Menendez (D-NJ)	Jim Risch (R-ID)
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP)	Patty Murray (D-WA)	Richard Burr (R-NC)†
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs	Gary Peters (D-MI)	Rob Portman (R-OH)†
Indian Affairs	Brian Schatz (D-HI)	Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)
Judiciary	Dick Durbin (D-IL)	Chuck Grassley (R-IA)
Rules and Administration	Amy Klobuchar (D-MN)	Roy Blunt (R-MO)†
Small Business and Entrepreneurship	Ben Cardin (D-MD)	Rand Paul, MD (R-KY)
Veterans' Affairs	Jon Tester (D-MT)	Jerry Moran (R-KS)
Special Committee on Aging	Bob Casey (D-PA)	Tim Scott (R-SC)
Select Committee on Ethics	Chris Coons (D-DE)	James Lankford (R-OK)
Select Committee on Intelligence	Mark Warner (D-VA)	Marco Rubio (R-FL)
Joint Economic Committee	Martin Heinrich (D-NM)	Mike Lee (R-UT)

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at or resign prior to the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Senate Health-Related Committee Rosters

Senate Finance Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Ron Wyden (D-OR), Chair	• Mike Crapo (R-ID), Ranking Member
• Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	• Chuck Grassley (R-IA)
• Maria Cantwell (D-WA)	• John Thune (R-SD)
• Bob Menendez (D-NJ)	• Richard Burr (R-NC)†
• Tom Carper (D-DE)	• John Cornyn (R-TX)
• Ben Cardin (D-MD)	• Rob Portman (R-OH)†
• Sherrod Brown (D-OH)	• Pat Toomey (R-PA)†
• Michael Bennet (D-CO)	• Tim Scott (R-SC)
• Bob Casey (D-PA)	• Bill Cassidy, MD (R-LA)
• Mark Warner (D-VA)	• James Lankford (R-OK)
• Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)	• Steve Daines (R-MT)
• Maggie Hassan (D-NH)	• Todd Young (R-IN)
• Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV)	• Ben Sasse (R-NE)
• Elizabeth Warren (D-MA)	• John Barrasso, MD (R-WY)

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Patty Murray (D-WA), Chair	• Richard Burr (R-NC)†, Ranking Member
• Bernie Sanders (I-VT)	• Rand Paul, MD (R-KY)
• Bob Casey (D-PA)	• Susan Collins (R-ME)
• Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)	• Bill Cassidy, MD (R-LA)
• Chris Murphy (D-CT)	• Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)
• Tim Kaine (D-VA)	• Mike Braun (R-IN)
• Maggie Hassan (D-NH)	• Roger Marshall, MD (R-KS)
• Tina Smith (D-MN)	• Tim Scott (R-SC)
• Jacky Rosen (D-NV)	• Mitt Romney (R-UT)
• Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM)	• Tommy Tuberville (R-AL)
• John Hickenlooper (D-CO)	• Jerry Moran (R-KS)

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at or resign prior to the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Senate Appropriations Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Patrick Leahy (D-VT)†, Chair	• Richard Shelby† (R-AL), Ranking Member
• Patty Murray (D-WA), Labor/HHS Subcommittee Chair	• Mitch McConnell (R-KY)
• Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)	• Susan Collins (R-ME)
• Richard Durbin (D-IL)	• Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)
• Jack Reed (D-RI)	• Lindsey Graham (R-SC)
• Jon Tester (D-MT)	• Roy Blunt (R-MO)†, Labor/HHS Subcommittee Ranking Member
• Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)	• Jerry Moran (R-KS)
• Jeff Merkley (D-OR)	• John Hoeven (R-ND), Agriculture/FDA Subcommittee Ranking Member
• Chris Coons (D-DE)	• John Boozman (R-AR)
• Brian Schatz (D-HI)	• Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV)
• Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), Agriculture/FDA Subcommittee Chair	• John Kennedy (R-LA)
• Chris Murphy (D-CT)	• Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-MS)
• Joe Manchin (D-WV)	• Mike Braun (R-IN)
• Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)	• Bill Hagerty (R-TN)
• Martin Heinrich (D-NM)	• Marco Rubio (R-FL)

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at or resign prior to the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Senate Foreign Relations Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Bob Menendez (D-NJ), Chair	• Jim Risch (R-ID), Ranking Member
• Ben Cardin (D-MD)	• Marco Rubio (R-FL)
• Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)	• Ron Johnson (R-WI)
• Chris Coons (D-DE)	• Mitt Romney (R-UT)
• Chris Murphy (D-CT)	• John Barrasso, MD (R-WY)
• Tim Kaine (D-VA)	• Rob Portman (R-OH)†
• Ed Markey (D-MA)	• Rand Paul, MD (R-KY)
• Jeff Merkley (D-OR)	• Todd Young (R-IN)
• Cory Booker (D-NJ)	• Ted Cruz (R-TX)
• Brian Schatz (D-HI)	• Mike Rounds (R-SD)
• Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)	• Bill Hagerty (R-TN)

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at or resign prior to the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Jon Tester (D-MT), Chair	• Jerry Moran (R-KS), Ranking Member
• Patty Murray (D-WA)	• John Boozman (R-AR)
• Bernie Sanders (I-VT)	• Bill Cassidy, MD (R-LA)
• Sherrod Brown (D-OH)	• Mike Rounds (R-SD)
• Richard Blumenthal (D-CT)	• Thom Tillis (R-NC)
• Mazie Hirono (D-HI)	• Dan Sullivan (R-AK)
• Joe Manchin (D-WV)	• Marsha Blackburn (R-TN)
• Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ)	• Kevin Cramer (R-ND)
• Maggie Hassan (D-NH)	• Tommy Tuberville (R-AL)

† Indicates a Senator who will retire at or resign prior to the conclusion of the 117th Congress

House Balance of Power

Democrats continue to maintain control of the House of Representatives, but with a narrow majority.

Note: Vacancies include seats for Alcee Hastings (D-FL; died on 4/6/21) and Devin Nunes (R-CA; resigned on 1/03/21).

Source: Washington Post
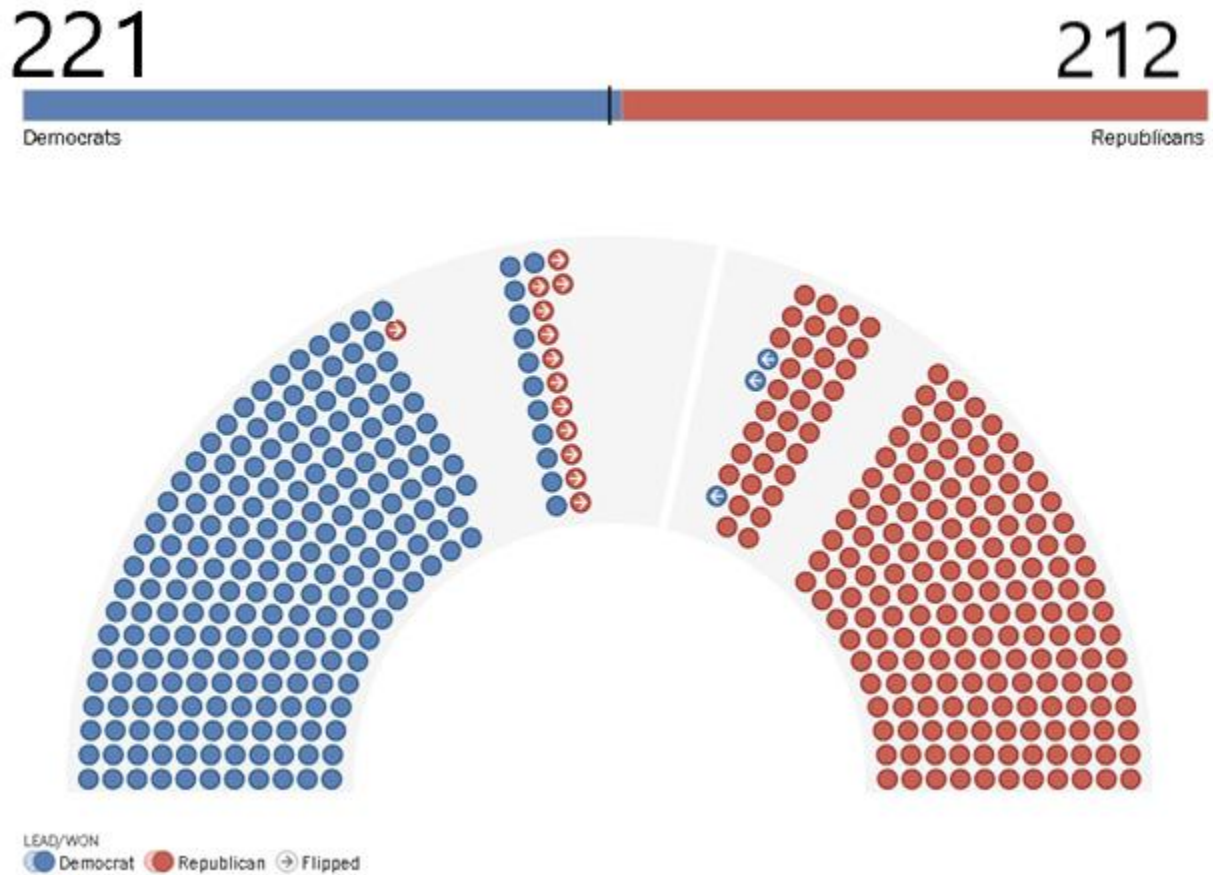
House Committee Leadership

Key House committees with health jurisdiction are the Energy and Commerce Committee (Medicare, Medicaid, FDA, NIH, public health, Affordable Care Act) and the Ways and Means Committee (Medicare and the Affordable Care Act).

†Indicates a Member who will retire or seek other elected office at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Committee	Democratic Chair	Republican Ranking Member
Administration	Zoe Lofgren (D-CA-19)	Rodney Davis (R-IL-13)†
Agriculture	David Scott (D-GA-13)	Glenn 'G.T.' Thompson (R-PA-15)
Appropriations	Rosa DeLauro (D-CT-03)	Kay Granger (R-TX-12)
Armed Services	Adam Smith (D-WA-09)	Mike Rogers (R-AL-03)
Budget	John Yarmuth (D-KY-03)†	Jason Smith (R-MO-08)
Climate Crisis (Select Committee)	Cathy Castor (D-FL-14)	Garret Graves (R-LA-06)
Education and Labor	Bobby Scott (D-VA-03)	Virginia Foxx (R-NC-05)
Energy and Commerce	Frank Pallone (D-NJ-06)	Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA-05)
Ethics	Ted Deutch (D-FL-22)†	Michael Guest (R-MS-03)
Financial Services	Maxine Waters (D-CA-43)	Patrick McHenry (R-NC-10)
Foreign Affairs	Gregory Meeks (D-NY-05)	Michael McCaul (R-TX-10)
Homeland Security	Bennie Thompson (D-MS-02)	John Katko (R-NY-24)†
Intelligence (Permanent Select Committee)	Adam Schiff (D-CA-28)	Mike Turner (R-OH-10)
Judiciary	Jerrold Nadler (D-NY-10)	Jim Jordan (R-OH-04)
Natural Resources	Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ-03)	Bruce Wester (R-AR-04)
Oversight and Reform	Carolyn Maloney (D-NY-12)†	James Comer (R-KY-01)
Rules	Jim McGovern (D-MA-02)	Tom Cole (R-OK-04)
Science, Space, and Technology	Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX-30)†	Frank Lucas (R-OK-03)
Small Business	Nydia Velázquez (D-NY-07)	Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO-03)
Transportation and Infrastructure	Peter DeFazio (D-OR-04)†	Sam Graves (R-MO-06)
Veterans' Affairs	Mark Takano (D-CA-41)	Mike Bost (R-IL-12)
Ways and Means	Richard Neal (D-MA-01)	Kevin Brady (R-TX-08)†

House Leadership

Democratic Leadership Position	Position Holder
Speaker of the House	Nancy Pelosi (D-CA-12)
Majority Leader	Steny Hoyer (D-MD-05)
Minority Whip	James Clyburn (D-SC-06)
Assistant Democratic Leader	Katherine Clark (D-MA-05)
Caucus Chair	Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY-08)
Caucus Vice Chair	Pete Aguilar (D-CA-31)
Policy and Communications Committee Chairs	Matt Cartwright (D-PA-), Debbie Dingell (D-MI-12), Ted Lieu (D-CA-33), and Joe Neguse (D-CO-02)
Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee Chair	Sean Patrick Maloney (D-NY-18)

Republican Leadership Position	Position Holder
Minority Leader	Kevin McCarthy (R-CA-23)
Minority Whip	Steve Scalise (R-LA-01)
Conference Chair	Elise Stefanik (R-NY-21)
Policy Committee Chair	Gary Palmer (R-AL-06)
National Republican Congressional Committee Chair	Tom Emmer (R-MN-06)
Conference Vice Chair	Mike Johnson (R-LA-04)
Conference Secretary	Rich Hudson (R-NC-08)

House Health-Related Committee Rosters

House Energy and Commerce Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Frank Pallone (D-NJ-06), Full Committee Chair	• Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA-05), Full Committee Ranking Member
• Bobby Rush (D-IL-01)†	• Fred Upton (R-MI-06)†
• Anna Eshoo (D-CA-18), Health Subcommittee Chair	• Michael Burgess, MD (R-TX-26)
• Diana DeGette (D-CO-01)	• Steve Scalise (R-LA-01)
• Michael Doyle (D-PA-14)†	• Robert Latta (R-OH-05)
• Jan Schakowsky (D-IL-09)	• Brett Guthrie (R-KY-02), Health Subcommittee Ranking Member
• G.K. Butterfield (D-NC-01)†	• David McKinley (R-WV-01)†
• Doris Matsui (D-CA-06)	• Adam Kinzinger (R-IL-16)†
• Kathy Castor (D-FL-14)	• Morgan Griffith (R-VA-09)
• John Sarbanes (D-MD-03)	• Gus Bilirakis (R-FL-12)
• Jerry McNerney (D-CA-09)†	• Bill Johnson (R-OH-06)
• Peter Welch (D-VT-AL)	• Billy Long (R-MO-07)†
• Paul Tonko (D-NY-20)	• Larry Bucshon, MD (R-IN-08)
• Yvette Clarke (D-NY-09)	• Markwayne Mullin (R-OK-02)†
• Kurt Schrader (D-OR-05)†	• Richard Hudson (R-NC-08)
• Tony Cárdenas (D-CA-29)	• Tim Walberg (R-MI-07)
• Raul Ruiz, MD (D-CA-36)	• Buddy Carter (R-GA-01)
• Scott Peters (D-CA-52)	• Jeff Duncan (R-SC-03)
• Debbie Dingell (D-MI-12)	• Gary Palmer (R-AL-06)
• Marc Veasey (D-TX-33)	• Neal Dunn, MD (R-FL-02)
• Ann McLane Kuster (D-NH-02)	• John Curtis (R-UT-03)
• Robin Kelly (D-IL-02)	• Debbie Lesko (R-AZ-08)
• Nanette Barragán (D-CA-44)	• Greg Pence (R-IN-06)
• Donald McEachin (D-VA-04)	• Dan Crenshaw (R-TX-02)
• Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-DE-AL)	• John Joyce, MD (R-PA-13)
• Darren Soto (D-FL-09)	• Kelly Armstrong (R-ND-AL)
• Tom O'Halleran (D-AZ-01)	
• Kathleen Rice (D-NY-04)†	
• Angie Craig (D-MN-02)	
• Kim Schrier, MD (D-WA-08)	
• Lori Trahan (D-MA-03)	
• Lizzie Fletcher (D-TX-07)	

† Indicates a Member who will retire or seek other elected office at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

House Ways and Means Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Richard Neal (D-MA-01), Full Committee Chair	• Kevin Brady (R-TX-08)†, Full Committee Ranking Member
• Lloyd Doggett (D-TX-35), Health Subcommittee Chair	• Vern Buchanan (R-FL-16)
• Mike Thompson (D-CA-05)	• Adrian Smith (R-NE-03)
• John Larson (D-CT-01)	• Mike Kelly (R-PA-03)
• Earl Blumenauer (D-OR-03)	• Jason Smith (R-MO-08)
• Ron Kind (D-WI-03)†	• Tom Rice (R-SC-07)†
• Bill Pascrell (D-NJ-09)	• David Schweikert (R-AZ-06)
• Danny Davis (D-IL-07)	• Jackie Walorski (R-IN-02)†
• Linda Sanchez (D-CA-38)	• Darin LaHood (R-IL-18)
• Brian Higgins (D-NY-26)	• Brad Wenstrup, DPM (R-OH-02)
• Terri Sewell (D-AL-07)	• Jodey Arrington (R-TX-19)
• Suzan DelBene (D-WA-01)	• Drew Ferguson, DMD (R-GA-03)
• Judy Chu (D-CA-27)	• Ron Estes (R-KS-04)
• Gwen Moore (D-WI-04)	• Carol Miller (R-WV-03)
• Dan Kildee (D-MI-05)	• Kevin Hern (R-OK-01)
• Brendan Boyle (D-PA-02)	• Lloyd Smucker (R-PA-11)
• Don Beyer (D-VA-08)	• Greg Murphy, MD (R-NC-03)
• Dwight Evans (D-PA-03)	• David Kustoff (R-TN-08)
• Brad Schneider (D-IL-10)	
• Tom Suozzi (D-NY-03)†	
• Jimmy Panetta (D-CA-20)	
• Stephanie Murphy (D-FL-07)†	
• Jimmy Gomez (D-CA-34)	
• Steve Horsford (D-NV-04)	
• Stacey Plaskett (D-VI)	

† Indicates a Member who has died or will retire at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

House Appropriations Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Rosa DeLauro (D-CT-03), Full Committee Chair, Labor HHS Subcommittee Chair	• Kay Granger (R-TX-12), Full Committee Ranking Member
• Marcy Kaptur (D-OH-09)	• Harold Rogers (R-KY-05)
• David Price (D-NC-04)†	• Robert Aderholt (R-AL-04)
• Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA-40)†	• Mike Simpson, DMD (R-ID-02)
• Sanford Bishop Jr. (D-GA-02), Agriculture/FDA Subcommittee Chair	• John Carter (R-TX-31)
• Barbara Lee (D-CA-13)	• Ken Calvert (R-CA-42)
• Betty McCollum (D-MN-04)	• Tom Cole (R-OK-04), Labor/HHS Subcommittee Ranking Member
• Tim Ryan (D-OH-13)†	• Mario Diaz-Balart (R-FL-25)
• C.A. Dutch Ruppersberger (D-MD-02)	• Steve Womack (R-AR-03)
• Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL-23)	• Chuck Fleischmann (R-TN-03)
• Henry Cuellar (D-TX-28)	• Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA-03)†
• Chellie Pingree (D-ME-01)	• David Joyce (R-OH-14)
• Mike Quigley (D-IL-05)	• Andy Harris, MD (R-MD-01)
• Derek Kilmer (D-WA-06)	• Mark Amodei (R-NV-02)
• Matt Cartwright (D-PA-17)	• Chris Stewart (R-UT-02)
• Grace Meng (D-NY-06)	• Steven Palazzo (R-MS-04)†
• Mark Pocan (D-WI-02)	• Dan Newhouse (R-WA-4)
• Katherine Clark (D-MA-05)	• John Moolenaar (R-MI-4)
• Pete Aguilar (D-CA-31)	• John Rutherford (R-FL-04)
• Lois Frankel (D-FL-21)	• Ben Cline (R-VA-06)
• Cheri Bustos (D-IL-17)†	• Guy Reschenthaler (R-PA-14)
• Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-NJ-12)	• Mike Garcia (R-CA-25)
• Brenda Lawrence (D-MI-14)†	• Ashley Hinson (R-IA-01)
• Norma Torres (D-CA-35)	• Tony Gonzales (R-TX-23)
• Charlie Crist (D-FL-13)†	• VACANT
• Ann Kirkpatrick (D-AZ-02)†	
• Ed Case (D-HI-01)	
• Adriano Espaillat (D-NY-13)	
• Josh Harder (D-CA-10)	
• Jennifer Wexton (D-VA-10)	
• David Trone (D-MD-06)	
• Lauren Underwood (D-IL-14)	
• Susie Lee (D-NV-03)	

† Indicates a Member who will retire at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

House Foreign Affairs Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Gregory Meeks (D-NY-05), Full Committee Chair • Brad Sherman (D-CA-30) • Albio Sires (D-NJ-08)† • Gerald Connolly (D-VA-11) • Ted Deutch (D-FL-22)† • Karen Bass, PA (D-CA-37), Africa/Global Health Subcommittee Chair • William Keating (D-MA-09) • David Cicilline (D-RI-01) • Ami Bera, MD (D-CA-07) • Joaquin Castro (D-TX-20) • Dina Titus (D-NV-01) • Rep. Ted Lieu (D-CA-33) • Susan Wild (D-PA-07) • Dean Phillips (D-MN-03) • Ilhan Omar (D-MN-05) • Colin Allred (D-TX-32) • Andy Levin (D-MI-09)† • Abigail Spanberger (D-VA-07) • Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA-06) • Tom Malinowski (D-NJ-07) • Andy Kim (D-NJ-03) • Sara Jacobs (D-CA-53) • Kathy Manning (D-NC-06) • Jim Costa (D-CA-16) • Juan Vargas (D-CA-51) • Vicente Gonzalez (D-TX-15) • Brad Schneider (D-IL-10)	• Michael McCaul (R-TX-10), Full Committee Ranking Member • Christopher Smith (R-NJ-04), Africa/Global Health Subcommittee Ranking Member • Steve Chabot (R-OH-01) • Scott Perry (R-PA-04) • Darrell Issa (R-CA-50) • Adam Kinzinger (R-IL-16)† • Lee Zeldin (R-NY-01)† • Ann Wagner (R-MO-02) • Brian Mast (R-FL-18) • Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA-08) • Ken Buck (R-CO-04) • Tim Burchett (R-TN-02) • Mark Green, MD (R-TN-07) • Andy Barr (R-KY-06) • Greg Steube (R-FL-17) • Dan Meuser (R-PA-09) • August Pfluger (R-TX-11) • Peter Meijer (R-MI-03)† • Nicole Malliotakis (R-NY-11) • Ronny Jackson, MD (R-TX-13) • Young Kim (R-CA-39) • Maria Elvira Salazar (R-FL-27)

† Indicates a Member who will retire at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

House Veterans' Affairs Committee

Democrats	Republicans
• Mark Takano (D-CA-41), Full Committee Chair • Julia Brownley (D-CA-26), Health Subcommittee Chair • Conor Lamb (D-PA-17) • Mike Levin (D-CA-49) • Chris Pappas (D-NH-01) • Elaine Luria (D-VA-02) • Frank Mrvan (D-IN-01) • Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan (D-MP-AL) • Lauren Underwood, RN (D-IL-14) • Colin Allred (D-TX-32) • Anthony Brown (D-MD-04)† • Lois Frankel (D-FL-21) • Elissa Slotkin (D-MI-08) • David Trone (D-MD-06) • Ruben Gallego (D-AZ-07) • Raul Ruiz, MD (D-CA-36) • Marcy Kaptur (D-OH-09)	• Mike Bost (R-IL-12), Full Committee Ranking Member • Aumua Amata Coleman Radewagen (R-AS-AL) • Jack Bergman (R-MI-01) • Jim Banks (R-IN-03) • Chip Roy (R-TX-21) • Greg Steube (R-FL-17) • Greg Murphy, MD (R-NC-03) • Barry Moore (R-AL-02) • Nancy Mace (R-SC-01) • Madison Cawthorn (R-NC-11) • Troy Nehls (R-TX-02) • Matt Rosendale (R-MT-AL) • Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA-02)

† Indicates a Member who will retire at the conclusion of the 117th Congress

Caucus Leadership and Membership

Congressional caucuses can be found on this list, which is updated as new caucuses are announced.

New Members of the 117th Congress
Source: Bloomberg Government

UNITED STATES SENATE

Sen. Bill Hagerty (R-TN)

Bill Hagerty was a Tennessee businessman who founded a private equity investment firm and served as U.S. ambassador to Japan before his bid for the Senate, his first try at electoral politics. Hagerty's economic agenda focuses on promoting free markets, cutting taxes, and reducing regulation. Hagerty previously served on a White House economic council providing advice about how to deal with the pandemic. Hagerty attended Vanderbilt University for college and law school, then launched a successful business career topped by founding a private equity investment firm, Hagerty Peterson & Co. His earlier work with Boston Consulting Group included a three-year assignment in Japan. Hagerty also had periods of government service, including a White House fellowship under President George H.W. Bush and appointment as head of Tennessee's Department of Economic Development from 2011 to 2014. He served on Trump's transition team after the 2016 election.

Sen. John Hickenlooper (D-CO)

John Hickenlooper is a former oil and gas geologist turned beer entrepreneur turned politician who served two terms as mayor of Denver and as governor of Colorado before being elected to the Senate. Hickenlooper approaches politics and governing as a solutions-oriented businessperson, surrounding himself with smart people with whom he likes to debate ideas and policies. Hickenlooper grew up in Narberth, Pa., a town in Philadelphia's Main Line suburbs. He spent a decade at Wesleyan University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in geology. After being laid off from his geologist job, he co-founded one of the country's first brewpubs, Wynkoop Brewing Company, in Denver in the late 1980s. A successful entrepreneur, Hickenlooper became increasingly involved in the local Denver business and philanthropic communities. After helping to lead a campaign to retain the "Mile High" moniker for the Denver Broncos stadium in the late 1990s, he made the leap into politics in the early 2000s. Hickenlooper's father, whom he always called Hick, died from cancer at 40 when Hickenlooper was just 8.

Sen. Jon Ossoff (D-GA)

Jon Ossoff is a former documentary filmmaker who used to help investigate corruption in foreign countries. Ossoff also tied the high cost of health insurance and prescription drugs to Washington corruption. On the campaign trail, he supported legislation that prevents price gouging on drug pricing and insurance. Ossoff first caught national attention as a congressional candidate in 2017 when he barely lost the then-costliest race for a House seat in U.S. history. He ran as a progressive in a state that last elected a Democrat to the Senate in 2000, when the more conservative Zell Miller won the seat. Ossoff supports adding a public option as an alternative to private insurance, while rewriting aspects of the Affordable Care Act. A native of suburban Atlanta, Ossoff attended the small, private K-12 Paideia School. He attended Georgetown University, earning a Bachelor of Science, then obtained a Master of Science degree from the London School of Economics. He worked as a national security aide for Rep. Hank Johnson (D-Ga.) for several years before pursuing work as a filmmaker. In 2013, he became CEO of Insight TWI, a company that helps reporters investigate, produce, and market documentaries on corruption in foreign countries.

Sen. Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM)

Still in his 40s, Luján decided to run for the Senate in 2020 and passed up an opportunity to advance further up a House Democratic hierarchy dominated by much older lawmakers. Luján became the fourth-ranking House Democrat in the 116th Congress after helping his party win a majority of House seats in the 2018 election as chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. In the 2020 Senate election, Luján defeated Republican meteorologist Mark Ronchetti and succeeded retiring Democratic Sen. Tom Udall, the same man Luján succeeded in the House. In the House, Luján cosponsored legislation that would implement a "Medicare for All," single-payer health-care system. He would allow states to tap into federal money to create a Medicaid-based public health option on their individual health insurance marketplaces. Prior to his time in Congress, Luján worked for New Mexico's Department of Cultural Affairs and then as a deputy state treasurer until his election to the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission in 2004. Luján was the first Hispanic elected to the Senate from New Mexico since Joseph Montoya, a Democrat who served from 1964 to 1977.

Sen. Cynthia Lummis (R-WY)

Cynthia Lummis pushed a conservative agenda aimed at cutting taxes and reining in federal spending during her eight years in the House, and plans to do the same in the Senate. She represented Wyoming's at-large Congressional District from 2009 to 2017, and was a founder of the House Freedom Caucus. During her time in the House, she opposed bills to raise the discretionary spending caps that Republican leaders negotiated with Democrats. She joined the House Appropriations Committee in her second term (2011-2013) but left the panel after complaining that rank-and-file members had little say in writing the annual spending bills and her votes against them were resented. She subsequently served on the Natural Resources, Oversight and Government Reform, and Science, Space, and Technology committees. Lummis, a fourth-generation Wyomingite, was born on a cattle ranch in Laramie County in the southeastern corner of the state. She received three separate degrees from the University of Wyoming in animal science, biology, and law, and worked for her family's law practice. She had lengthy experience in state government including serving in the Wyoming House, the Wyoming Senate from 1993 to 1995, and as the State treasurer.

Sen. Roger Marshall, MD (R-KS)

Roger Marshall brings a staunch conservative record to the Senate after stopping Kansas Democrats in 2020 from breaking Republicans' almost nine-decades grip on the state's representation in the chamber. He opposes the Affordable Care Act and supports repealing the law's individual mandate. An obstetrician-gynecologist who practiced for 25 years, Marshall opposes abortion firmly, with a 0% rating from the Planned Parenthood Action Fund. First elected in 2016 to represent Kansas's 1st Congressional District, one of the country's largest, Marshall has served on the House Agriculture Committee and been ranking member of the Science, Space and Technology Committee. In this House, he was the chairman of the conservative Republican Study Committee's health care task force and helped craft a GOP care plan. Marshall has sought to repeal most of President Barack Obama's signature health-care law, though he likes some provisions, including allowing children to remain on their parents' insurance plans into their young adulthood. He favored a market-based system that would allow individuals to shop for insurance across state lines. In 2019, he introduced with bipartisan support legislation to streamline and standardize prior authorization requirements in Medicare Advantage plans to reduce paperwork for routinely approved services. He also worked across party lines to increase access to immunotherapies for cancer patients through Medicare and Medicaid. Marshall grew up in El Dorado, Kan., where his father was chief of police and headed the fire department. He graduated from the University of Kansas School of Medicine in 1987, and after completing his residency in Florida returned home to start a medical practice in Great Bend, Kan. Marshall then helped build Great Bend Regional Hospital from a four-bed surgical clinic to a full-service, physician-owned hospital.

Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA)

Alex Padilla, California's first Latino U.S. Senator, was appointed by California Governor Gavin Newsom (D) to fill the seat vacated by Vice President Kamala Harris (D-CA). Padilla counts health care, climate change, environmental justice, and creating an inclusive democracy as some of his top priorities. He has spent close to 25 years working in California politics. As secretary of state from 2015 to 2021, he defended California's voting system against allegations by President Donald Trump and other Republicans that the state's ballot collection practices benefit Democrats over the GOP. Padilla graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a degree in mechanical engineering and briefly worked for Hughes Aircraft. He served as an assistant to Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D) and worked on local political campaigns in the 1990s. In 1999, Padilla was elected to the Los Angeles City Council at the age of 26. Two years later, he was elected city council president—the youngest president in council history and the first Latino in that role in more than 100 years, according to the Los Angeles Times. In 2014 he won his first bid for secretary of state.

Sen. Tommy Tuberville (R-AL)

Tommy Tuberville spent more than 20 years as a Division I head football coach at Auburn University, Texas Tech University, and other stops before running for the Senate in Alabama, making him one of the most well-known members of the freshmen class. He emerged from a crowded GOP primary field before defeating Jeff Sessions, President Donald Trump's first attorney general, in a runoff focused largely on who would be the best Trump ally in the Senate. Tuberville's campaign emphasized issues like lowering taxes, expanding school choice, and pursuing tougher border security.

Sen. Raphael Warnock (D-GA)

Raphael Warnock's 2014 arrest in the Georgia statehouse for protesting the Republican governor's refusal to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act propelled the religious leader and community activist to political prominence. As senior pastor of Atlanta's historic Ebenezer Baptist Church, where the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. preached, Warnock honed a brand of social advocacy for improving the lot of Georgia's most impoverished citizens. Warnock was chairman of the New Georgia Project, a nonpartisan voter registration organization founded by Stacey Abrams, a former Democratic leader of the Georgia state House and a 2018 gubernatorial candidate. His 2020 campaign to unseat Republican Kelly Loeffler was his first foray into elected politics. Warnock campaigned on a pledge to protect and improve the Affordable Care Act and encourage more states, such as Georgia, to expand Medicaid eligibility so that more Americans who can't afford private insurance will obtain health-care coverage.

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Rep. Jake Auchincloss (D-MA-04)

Jake Auchincloss succeeds Joe Kennedy III, who lost a Democratic primary challenge to Sen. Ed Markey for a Senate seat in 2020. Auchincloss' win keeps the Massachusetts 4th District seat in Democratic hands, maintaining a winning streak that dates to 1946. Auchincloss' top priorities are expanding health care access and preserving existing Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security benefits. He opposes "Medicare for All"—expanding the federal program to those of all ages—and instead supports adding a public option to the Affordable Care Act and reinstating the law's individual mandate. He favors increased federal support for life sciences, a major industry in Massachusetts, and says he will protect laws allowing abortion. After graduating from Harvard University in 2010, Auchincloss enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving until 2015 and reaching the rank of captain. In 2016 he earned an MBA from the Sloan School of Business at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. During the Covid-19 pandemic, his father Hugh served as deputy director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the agency led by Dr. Anthony Fauci.

Rep. Cliff Bentz (R-OR-02)

Cliff Bentz is a conservative water lawyer and rancher who served more than a decade in Oregon's statehouse. He opposes single-payer health-care proposals and called for replacing the Affordable Care Act with "solutions that focus on free market principles." He also backed changes to medical malpractice laws, allowing business to join together to purchase group insurance, and allowing the purchase of health insurance across state lines. He graduated from Eastern Oregon State College in 1974, and Lewis and Clark Law School in 1977. After law school, he joined the law firm of Yturri, O'Kief, Rose and Burnham in Ontario, Ore., where he became a partner in 1981. He continues to practice law part time, specializing in ranch reorganizations and water law.

Rep. Stephanie Bice (R-OK-05)

Stephanie Bice is a fourth-generation Oklahoman who defeated incumbent first-term Rep. Kendra Horn (D) in 2020. Bice has criticized the Affordable Care Act, saying it reduced affordable options in Oklahoma. But she supports some parts of the law, including protections for those with preexisting conditions. Bice opposed a 2020 Oklahoma ballot measure that would have expanded Medicaid, she told the Oklahoma City Free Press. Bice studied marketing at Oklahoma State University before working for her family's business and then moving to a digital marketing company. She was elected in 2014 to the state Senate, where she served as assistant majority floor leader and chair of the Senate Finance Committee. She spearheaded legislation that modernized the state's liquor laws.
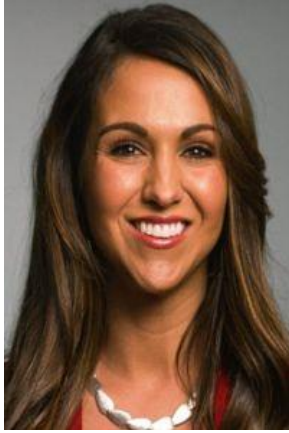
Rep. Lauren Boebert (R-CO-03)
BOH-burt

Boebert, who had no previous electoral experience, unseated five-term incumbent Rep. Scott Tipton in the June 2020 Colorado Republican primary. Boebert said in a Facebook post that she dropped out of high school to get a job to support her family, which used welfare benefits to afford groceries. She later obtained her GED and said she enrolled in business courses at Colorado State University. Boebert has experience counseling at-risk women at a local Colorado jail, according to her campaign. After defeating Tipton in the primary, Boebert faced former state representative Diane Mitsch Bush (D) in the general election in Colorado's 3rd District covering the western portion of the state.

Rep. Carolyn Bourdeaux (D-GA-07)

Carolyn Bourdeaux is a professor of public policy at Georgia State University and former aide to Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR). The main driver behind her decision to run for Congress, she said, is making health care available to many without it in the district. Bourdeaux supports enhancing the Affordable Care Act. A native of Roanoke, Va., Bourdeax graduated from Yale University and then earned a Masters degree in Public Administration from the University of Southern California, and a Ph.D. in public administration from Syracuse University. Taking a leave of absence from the university, she worked under Republicans from 2007 to 2010 in the Georgia Senate Budget and Evaluation Office to help balance the budget. She also served as the leader of the National Association for Budgeting and Financial Management.

Rep. Jamaal Bowman (D-NY-16)

Jamaal Bowman's career as a New York City teacher and principal propelled his election to Congress to fight for better housing and schools for the nation's impoverished minorities. A Black progressive and political novice who talks about the influence of hip-hop culture on his life, Bowman spent 20 years as a teacher, middle-school principal and community activist. He won the Democratic primary by persuading voters that he was more in tune with the racially diverse and overwhelmingly Democratic 16th District than the 16-term incumbent, Eliot Engel, who's White. Bowman was recruited by Justice Democrats and endorsed by Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.), who in 2018 ousted an entrenched Democratic incumbent in an adjacent district. Outside his day jobs as teacher, school counselor and middle school principal, Bowman was a community activist working with groups advocating for more state aid to schools serving impoverished children and the movement to opt-out of standardized tests.

Rep. Cori Bush (D-MO-01)

Cori Bush became one of the biggest giant-killers of the election year when she toppled 10-term Rep. Lacy Clay in the Democratic primary. Clay and his namesake father dominated Missouri's 1st District in Congress for more than 50 years, and Bush's victory made her a clear favorite to become the first Black woman elected to Congress from the state. She favors a $2,000-per-month universal basic income, a "Medicare for All" health-care plan, spending more on education and social programs, and legalizing marijuana. Bush was born and raised in St. Louis. Her father, Errol Bush, is a longtime alderman and former mayor of Northwoods, a St. Louis suburb. She attended a historically Black college, Harris-Stowe State University in St. Louis. Bush also became an ordained pastor. In 2016, Bush ran for a U.S. Senate seat and was decisively defeated in the Democratic primary. In 2018, her first bid to unseat Clay ended in a 20-point loss. During her second bid in 2020, her background as a nurse and Black Lives Matter activist got more attention after the coronavirus pandemic struck.

Rep. Kat Cammack (R-FL-03)

Cammack says she wants to work toward reducing the size and footprint of the federal government in everyday life. Cammack was raised by a single mother and says she's the third generation in the family business of monuments and commercial sandblasting. She joined former Rep. Ted Yoho's (R-FL) campaign team in Florida in September 2011, eventually becoming his campaign manager ahead of his victory in the 2012 election. She became chief of staff in his Washington office, then in 2013 transferred to the district office, where she served as deputy chief of staff. With her husband Matt Harrison, a firefighter/paramedic & SWAT medic, Cammack co-founded The Grit Foundation, a nonprofit that supports local law enforcement, first responders, and veterans.

Rep. Jerry Carl (R-AL-01)

Jerry Carl is a conservative Republican who garnered a reputation as a fiscal hawk during an eight-year stint on the Mobile County Commission. Carl supports the repeal and replacement of the Affordable Care Act, and allowing small businesses to purchase health insurance across state lines. A Mobile native, Carl attended Lake City Community College in 1978 and 1979. He started businesses in health care, timber and real estate. He ran and won a seat on the Mobile County Commission in 2012 and was re-elected in 2016. Carl launched his campaign for Alabama's 1st District in February 2019 after Rep. Bradley Byrne (R) announced a Senate bid. In the general election, Carl faced Democrat James Averhart, president and CEO of a nonprofit organization.

Rep. Troy Carter (D-LA-02)

Troy Carter won an April, 2021 special election to succeed Rep. Cedric Richmond, who left office to serve in the Biden Administration. In 2015, Troy Carter was the first African-American to be elected and sworn in as Senator for District 7 of Louisiana. He served as the Senate Minority Lead, Chairman of the Senate Democratic Caucus, and the Chairman of Labor & Industrial Relations. Carter was previously elected to the New Orleans City Council representing District C, including the historic French Quarter and the New Orleans Westbank, the first African-American to be elected to the position. In 1997, Troy Carter made history by becoming the first incumbent District C Councilmember in modern history to be re-elected without opposition.

Rep. Madison Cawthorn (R-NC-11)

Madison Cawthorn is looking to be a leader for Millennial and Generation Z Republicans after winning a seat from North Carolina's 11th District. At 25 years, 3 months on Election Day, Cawthorn is one of the youngest people ever elected to the House. Born in 1995, Cawthorn hadn't held elected office before securing his House seat representing Asheville and surrounding areas in western North Carolina for the 117th Congress. He has called for changes to the health care system and social security. Cawthorn beat businesswoman Lynda Bennett in the 2020 Republican primary for the 11th District. Cawthorn became partially paralyzed after a 2014 car accident and uses a wheelchair.

Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick (D-FL-20)

Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick won a special election in January, 2022 to succeed the late Rep. Alcee Hastings. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and government from Howard University and a Juris Doctor from the St. Thomas University School of Law. After graduating from college, Cherfilus-McCormick served as a project manager for the New York City Transit Authority. From 1999 to 2007, she worked as the vice president for operations of Trinity Health Care Services, Inc., and has since serves as CEO.
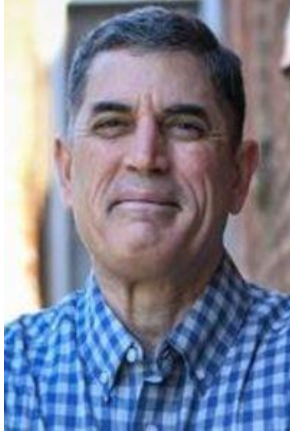
Rep. Andrew Clyde (R-GA-09)

Andrew Clyde is a gun shop owner and Navy veteran. Clyde holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame and a master's in corporate finance and entrepreneurship from the University of Georgia. Clyde's 28-year Navy career includes three combat deployments to Kuwait and Iraq. He was awarded multiple combat medals. He opened the first of his two gun stores, Clyde Armory, in 1991. Clyde and his wife Jennifer attend Prince Avenue Baptist Church, where he serves as a deacon and sings in the choir.

Rep. Byron Donalds (R-FL-19)

Donalds served in the Florida House of Representatives for the past four years before winning the Republican primary to succeed retiring 19th district incumbent Francis Rooney. Donalds attended Florida State University and graduated in 2002. He worked in finance, insurance, and banking before running for Congress in 2012 when he lost to former Rep. Trey Radel. He filed paperwork in 2014, though he didn't run. He was elected to the state House in 2016. He won the Republican primary to succeed Rooney by defeating fellow state Rep. Dane Eagle. In 2014, he was appointed by former Gov. Rick Scott to the board of trustees for Florida Southwestern College. He currently lives in Naples, Fla. with his wife, Erika, and their three sons.

Rep. Jake Ellzey (R-TX-06)

Jake Ellzey won a special election to succeed the late Rep. Ron Wright (R-TX), who died in office in February 2021. Ellzey earned a Bachelor of Science degree in political science from the United States Naval Academy in 1992. Ellzey was deployed nine times in his 20 years in the Navy. After retiring from the Navy, Ellzey has worked as a private pilot for Southwest Airlines and as a consultant. He was also a social aide in the White House during the Bush administration. From 2012 to 2018, he was a commissioner of the Texas Veterans Commission, and was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 2020.

Rep. Pat Fallon (R-TX-04)

Pat Fallon is an Air Force veteran who once ran a patriotic-themed clothing business. He spent eight years in the Texas state legislature, where he worked to block cities from adopting sanctuary policies that prevent cooperation with federal immigration rules and sought to ban income taxes in the state. Fallon in November 2020 won the reliably Republican 4th Congressional District in Texas, which takes in areas northeast and east of Dallas toward the borders with three states. The seat had been vacant since May 2020, when John Ratcliffe left the House to become President Donald Trump's director of national intelligence. Fallon, the son of school teachers, attended the University of Notre Dame where he studied government and international relations. After graduating, he spent four years as an Air Force Officer and served in Wichita Falls, Texas. After he was honorably discharged, Fallon founded clothing company Virtus Apparel, which specializes in military and patriotic designs. His political career began on the City Council of Frisco, Texas, where he served for three years before becoming mayor pro tempore in 2011. Fallon successfully ran for the Texas House of Representatives in 2012. In 2018, he unseated a 17-year incumbent in the Texas Senate, where he served until launching his campaign for national office.

Rep. Randy Feenstra (R-IA-04)

Randy Feenstra hails from a small farming town in Iowa in the state's most conservative district. Coming from an agriculture-heavy district, Feenstra is focused on farmers surviving the coronavirus pandemic and its fallout. Feenstra opposes abortion. He voted in the state Senate for one of the most restrictive abortion bans in the country, one that prevented abortions from occurring after a fetal heartbeat is detected, which can happen as early as six weeks into a pregnancy. The measure was struck down by a state court. Feenstra got his start in government at the local level, serving six years as the city administrator for Hull, Iowa, a city of about 2,300 people. He was elected Sioux County treasurer in 2006. Two years later, he was elected to the state Senate, where he served three terms over 12 years and was elected assistant majority leader.

Rep. Teresa Leger Fernandez (D-NM-03)

Teresa Leger Fernandez is an attorney from Santa Fe, who campaigned for Congress on her deep New Mexican roots and for progressive policies. She supports a "Medicare for All" health program. Leger Fernandez supports repealing the Hyde Amendment that limits federal funding of abortions except in cases of rape or incest or when a mother's life is in danger. She plans to join the Progressive Caucus and the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, and her campaign website highlighted endorsements from the Congressional Hispanic Caucus's political arm. As a student at Yale University, Leger Fernandez helped bring speakers such as activist César Chavez and author Rudolfo Anaya to campus. While at Stanford Law School, she co-chaired the student-run East Palo Alto Community Law Project. She worked as a White House Fellow during the Clinton administration and advised President Barack Obama on cultural and historic preservation. Leger Fernandez often wears a butterfly necklace that reminds her of her sister and mother, who both passed away from lung cancer.

Rep. Michelle Fischbach (R-MN-07)
fish-baak

Michelle Fischbach ran as a "new voice" for the largest district in Minnesota after more than two decades in the state Senate and serving as lieutenant governor for about a year. She defeated 15-term Rep. Collin Peterson, one of the last rural Democrats and chairman of the Agriculture Committee. Fischbach had a conservative record in the state Senate, and supported many anti-abortion bills. She is one of the strongest anti-abortion voices in Minnesota. Fischbach was the first woman to be elected state Senate president in 2011 in Minnesota, and previously served as a deputy minority leader. She was former Gov. Tim Pawlenty's running mate in the 2018 Republican gubernatorial primary, which they lost.

Rep. Scott Fitzgerald (R-WI-05)

Scott Fitzgerald pent more than two decades in the Wisconsin State Legislature and served in the military for 27 years, retiring at the rank of lieutenant colonel. In 1994, the younger Fitzgerald won election to the Wisconsin State Senate to represent District 13, and stayed for more than two decades. He took on the roles of minority leader, the Joint Finance Committee co-chairman, and the Senate Corrections Committee chairman. Fitzgerald also served as Wisconsin Senate majority leader, heading the Republican caucus seven times, according to his Wisconsin Legislature biography.

Rep. Scott Franklin (R-FL-15)

Scott Franklin's path to victory in Florida's 15th District required that he first defeat incumbent Ross Spano (R-Fla.), who was hounded by investigations into alleged campaign finance violations. Franklin favors repealing the Affordable Care Act, while maintaining coverage for pre-existing conditions. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy and earned an MBA from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. In 26 years as a naval aviator, Franklin took part in combat operations in the Persian Gulf, Bosnia, and Kosovo, and was recalled to active duty with U.S. Central Command after Sept. 11. In the private sector, Franklin became the head of Lanier Upshaw Inc., a Lakeland-based insurance company that was acquired in January 2020 by BRP Group Inc. Franklin first ran for office in 2018, winning a seat as a Lakeland city commissioner.

Rep. Andrew Garbarino (R-NY-02)

GAR-bar-ee-noh

Andrew Garbarino emphasized his experiences as a local businessman and state assemblyman when vying to represent New York's 2nd Congressional District. Priorities for Garbarino include ending the heroin and opioid abuse epidemic, imposing term limits, and passing an infrastructure bill. Garbarino received a bachelor's degree from The George Washington University and a law degree from Hofstra University. He went on to practice real estate law at his father's law firm in Sayville, N.Y., where he grew up. He was elected to the New York State Assembly in 2012, representing the 7th Assembly District, and served four terms before running for Congress.

Rep. Carlos Gimenez (R-FL-26)

hee-meh-nez

Carlos Gimenez held local political office for more than 15 years, including nearly a decade as mayor of Florida's largest county, before seeking a seat in Congress. Gimenez has said he wants to preserve health insurance coverage for individuals with preexisting conditions. But he hasn't pitched specific alternatives to Obamacare. Gimenez was born in Cuba in 1954 and immigrated to the U.S. in 1960. He graduated from Barry University in Miami Shores with a degree in public administration. Gimenez became Miami-Dade County mayor in a 2011 special election as the region struggled to recover from a housing crash, then won re-election twice for two consecutive four-year terms. He previously served on the board of county commissioners for seven years. He also served as city manager for the city of Miami from 2000 to 2003. He challenged Democrat Debbie Mucarsel-Powell in her first re-election bid after she flipped the district in 2018 by defeating Republican Carlos Curbelo.

Rep. Tony Gonzales (R-TX-23)

Texas native Tony Gonzales spent more than 20 years as a Navy cryptologist before making his first bid for public office. His legislative priorities include ensuring support for private health care, through changes to the Affordable Care Act including increased funding for community health centers and protections for private practices. Gonzales says he lives with a pre-existing condition, and supports ensuring Americans living with such conditions can receive care. During the campaign he spoke about being hospitalized for 23 days after routine surgery resulted in kidney failure. He previously served as a Department of Defense legislative fellow in the office of Sen. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.).

Rep. Bob Good (R-VA-05)

Bob Good is an administrator at Liberty University and former local official. After working as loan officer for CitiFinancial, Good in 2005 became director of development at Liberty's athletic department, raising money for athletic scholarships and also completing an MBA program at the school in 2010. Good comes to Congress after defeating a fellow Republican, Rep. Denver Riggleman (R-VA). Good had never run for federal office before challenging Riggleman, but he was elected in 2015 to the Campbell County, Va., Board of Supervisors and served until 2019.

Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA-14)

After graduating from the University of Georgia, Marjorie Taylor Greene joined her family construction business, Taylor Commercial Inc. She bought the company from her parents when they retired. She also owned a CrossFit gym for several years. She voiced disappointment with what she saw as few Republican accomplishments in Trump's first term. She blamed lawmakers in Congress for failing to repeal the Affordable Care Act and for passing a $1.3 trillion measure to fund the government in 2018 that included funding for Planned Parenthood.

Rep. Diana Harshbarger (R-TN-01)
haarsh-bar-gur

Diana Harshbarger is a licensed pharmacist. She replaces Phil Roe (R-Tenn.), a six-term member who didn't seek re-election in 2020, in Tennessee's 1st Congressional District. She has said the Affordable Care Act had "horrible effects" on health care. She called for action to reduce the price of prescription drugs, increase transparency around generic drug pricing, and increase competition among health insurance plans. She has described a multi-pronged approach to combating the opioid crisis, including stopping illegal drugs, specifically heroin and fentanyl, from entering the U.S., and increasing funding for rehabilitation resources. She completed her undergraduate work at East Tennessee State University, and received her doctor of pharmacy degree from Mercer University's College of Pharmacy in Atlanta. She's been a pharmacist since 1987 and is a former board member of the International Academy of Compounding Pharmacists.

Rep. Yvette Herrell (R-NM-02)

Yvette Harrell, owner of a real estate company and a former state representative, ran as a conservative voice for her rural New Mexico district. Herrell defeated Democrat Xochitl Torres Small, who had won the seat by fewer than 4,000 votes in 2018. Herrell was considered among the most conservative state legislators during her four terms in the state House of Representatives. Born in Ruidoso, New Mexico, Herrell is a member of the Cherokee Nation. She worked as a real estate agent selling properties in Alamogordo and Cloudcroft, the same area where she was raised.

Rep. Ashley Hinson (R-IA-01)

Ashley Hinson is a television journalist that first ran for Iowa's state House in 2016. She was a couple of months into her second term when she announced a bid for Congress in the 1st District in northeastern Iowa, which includes Cedar Rapids, Dubuque, and Waterloo. She defeated former Rep. Abby Finkenauer (D-IA), who had flipped the seat in the 2018 election. During the campaign she said she wanted to address surprise medical bills, reduce prescription drug costs and increase funding for women's health centers. She opposes "Medicare for All" proposals. Originally from Iowa, Hinson earned a B.A. in Broadcast Journalism from the University of Southern California. Before entering politics with her 2016 state house run, Hinson worked for over 10 years as an on-air reporter for KCRG, a Cedar Rapids-based television station.

Rep. Darrell Issa (R-CA-50)

Darrell Issa is a conservative Republican and former House Member who once chaired the House Oversight Committee. He returns to Congress after a two-year hiatus. His comeback was in the 50th Congressional District in southern California, which had been vacant since January 2020 after former Rep. Duncan Hunter resigned due to campaign finance violations. He supports a law to prevent partial-birth abortions and legislation that would ban abortions after the 20th week of pregnancy. Before getting into politics, Issa co-founded Directed Electronics Inc. in 1982 in Cleveland, Ohio. It became one of the largest car security companies in the country and makes products such as the Viper alarm. Issa also regularly traveled to Washington to lobby on behalf of the Consumer Electronics Association, where he served as chairman in the late 1990s. After narrowly winning the 49th District seat in 2016 by less than 1%, Issa said he would not seek re-election in the 2018 race. He was replaced by Democrat Mike Levin won the seat. Issa shifted to the more Republican-leaning district for his 2020 run. In the all-party March primary, he received about 23% of the vote, coming in second behind Democrat Ammar Campa-Najjar, who had 36.5%. The two advanced to the November general election.

Rep. Ronny Jackson, MD (R-TX-13)

Ronny Jackson, a former White House physician who served three administrations, gained greater national attention by giving on-camera briefings about the president's health. His performances caught the attention of President Donald Trump, who nominated him to lead the Veterans Affairs Department in 2018, though Jackson later withdrew. After retiring from the Navy and leaving the White House, the Texas native jumped in the open race in the state's 13th District, which includes Amarillo in the state's panhandle, two hours from Jackson's hometown of Levelland. Jackson said he wants to bring pharmaceutical manufacturing back to the U.S. from countries like China, calling it a national security risk. Jackson graduated from Texas A&M University at Galveston then attended medical school at the University of Texas Medical Branch while serving in the Navy Reserves. Jackson held several roles at the White House before retiring in December 2019, including White House physician under President George W. Bush and chief medical adviser to President Donald Trump.

Rep. Sara Jacobs (D-CA-53)

Sara Jacobs, who will be one of the youngest members of the 117th Congress, emphasizes both her background as a staffer at the State Department and her experience working on issues such as child poverty at the international level. Jacobs earned her bachelor's and master's degrees at Columbia University, she worked in peacekeeping at the United Nations from 2012 to 2013, and then worked in the innovation unit at UNICEF for a year. She joined the Obama administration's State Department in 2014 as a conflict and stabilization policy officer. Jacobs served as one of Hillary Clinton's foreign policy advisers during her 2016 campaign, focusing on the Zika virus epidemic and domestic overseas territories. In 2017, Jacobs was the founding CEO of Project Connect, an education nonprofit that helps schools around the world connect to the Internet. Jacobs is currently the chair of San Diego for Every Child, a coalition she founded to reduce childhood poverty in San Diego County by 50% by 2030. In 2018 she ran unsuccessfully for California's 49th District, coming in third in the "jungle primary" with 15% of the vote.

Rep. Mondaire Jones (D-NY-17)

Mondaire Jones was born to a young, single mother at Nyack Hospital and raised in the working-class Village of Spring Valley, NY. After college, Mondaire served in the Obama Administration. In the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice, Mondaire worked on judicial nominations for the White House, including that of future Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan. At DOJ, Mondaire also co-authored a report to Attorney General Eric Holder on reducing the recidivism of people leaving federal prisons and helping them rejoin society. In order to win justice for vulnerable communities through litigation and public policy, Mondaire decided to become an attorney. While a student at Harvard Law School, Mondaire represented defendants who could not afford counsel in criminal proceedings. In order to win justice for vulnerable communities through litigation and public policy, Mondaire decided to become an attorney. While a student at Harvard Law School, Mondaire represented defendants who could not afford counsel in criminal proceedings.

Rep. Kai Kahele (D-HI-02)

kuh-heh-lay

Kai Kahele is a former combat pilot who was appointed to the state Senate after his father died in 2016 and won the seat later that year. Kahele says his top priority in Congress will be working with Hawaii's congressional delegation to provide relief to families and local businesses affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. He backs a single-payer "Medicare for All" system and wants to protect Medicare and improve access to health care for remote and rural areas. Kahele attended the University of Hawaii at Manoa where he received a Bachelor of Science in Education in 1998. He flew more than 100 combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan during his nearly two decades as a military pilot.

Rep. Young Kim (R-CA-39)

Young Kim is a former California state legislator. In 2020, she ran again in California's 39th Congressional District in a rematch against Gil Cisneros (D-Calif.), a former Republican who won by roughly 3 percentage points two years earlier. In the earlier race, Kim had sought to replace her former boss, Rep. Ed Royce, who retired. Born in South Korea, Kim emigrated in 1975, attending middle school in Guam and high school in Hawaii. She earned a degree in business administration from the University of Southern California in 1985. She landed a job at a bank before establishing a women's clothing manufacturing business with her husband. Kim spent two decades on Royce's staff, including working to connect his office with the district's Asian American population. She won a seat in the California Assembly in 2014. She lost that seat two years later to the candidate she beat to get the State Capitol.

Rep. Jake LaTurner (R-KS-02)

Jake LaTurner, a sixth-generation Kansan, was born in 1988 and became the youngest statewide official when he was appointed state treasurer. LaTurner attended Pittsburg State University and worked for former Kansas Treasurer and Rep. Lynn Jenkins (R-KS). After graduation, he worked in customer relations for the short-line railroad company Watco. He lost in the primary in his first run for the state Senate in 2008. In 2012, he won the primary against the incumbent and went on to win the general election — a feat he'd repeat eight years later. While in the state Senate, LaTurner served as chairman of the Federal and State Affairs Committee. In 2017, LaTurner was appointed state treasurer by the governor. He ran for the office in 2018. In January 2019, LaTurner announced his bid for the U.S. Senate following former Sen. Pat Roberts' (R-KS) retirement. He suspended his campaign in September 2019 after Republicans in the state called for a primary challenge to Rep. Steve Watkins (R-KS), who nearly lost the GOP-leaning seat in 2018 and was charged with voter fraud three weeks before the primary. LaTurner, who won the three-candidate primary with 49% of the vote, said he jumped into the race to ensure the seat stayed in Republican control.

Rep. Julia Letlow, PhD (R-LA-05)

Julia Letlow majored in speech communications at the University of Louisiana at Monroe. She earned her BA in 1999 and her MA in 2005. Letlow lived in Florida where she was working on her doctorate at the University of South Florida. She earned her Ph.D. in communication in 2011. Letlow has been an educator during her career. She was a teaching associate during her time at the University of Louisiana at Monroe and at the University of South Florida. After earning her doctorate, she returned to Louisiana where she served as the director of education, director of resident patient safety and quality improvement, and clinical instructor at Tulane University from 2011 to 2013. She returned to her alma mater in Monroe in 2014, where she continues to work as an instructor. Letlow won a special election on March 20, 2021 to fill the seat of her husband, Luke Letlow, who died prior to taking office.

Rep. Nancy Mace (R-SC-01)

Nancy Mace is the first woman to graduate from The Citadel military college. She ran for Congress on a platform that focused on reinvigorating the economy in the 1st District, which includes Hilton Head and parts of Charleston. Mace defeated incumbent Democrat Joe Cunningham, whose victory in 2018 made him the first Democrat to represent the district since 1981. Mace earned a bachelor's degree in 1999 from The Citadel, becoming the first woman to graduate from the military college's full-time undergraduate program. She received a master's degree in journalism and mass communication from the University of Georgia in 2004. After graduating from The Citadel, Mace became a consultant at Accenture. She led her own public relations company, The Mace Group, from 2008 to 2014. That year, she made her first foray into politics, receiving about 6% of the vote in a U.S. Senate primary against Lindsey Graham (R). She joined Keller Williams Realty in 2014 and continued to work in commercial real estate after becoming a state lawmaker. Mace was Donald Trump's South Carolina coalitions and field director from September 2015 to August 2016 during his first run for the presidency. Mace won a special election in January 2018 to represent South Carolina State House District 99. She won re-election to a full term in 2018.

Rep. Nicole Malliotakis (R-NY-11)

mah-lee-uh-taak-is

Nicole Malliotakis, a Staten Island native who spent a decade in the New York State Assembly, has positioned herself as a Republican rebel in a city controlled by Democrats. Malliotakis gained recognition in 2017 as the long-shot Republican nominee for New York mayor against incumbent Bill de Blasio. In 2020, she took on Rep. Max Rose (D) in the district, which he flipped to the Democrats two years earlier. President Donald Trump won it in 2016 and the House seat had been in Republican hands since it was redrawn for the 2012 election. Her first foray into politics was as a volunteer on the campaign of Rep. Vito J. Fossella. She received a communications degree from Seton Hall University and worked in the community affairs office of Gov. George Pataki before earning a master's in businesses administration from Wagner College. She was a public affairs manager for the energy company Consolidated Edison Inc. She was first elected to office in 2010, unseating a Democratic incumbent in the state Assembly, and became minority whip. She was the state chair for Sen. Marco Rubio's (R-FL) 2016 presidential campaign.

Rep. Tracey Mann (R-KS-01)

Tracey Mann is a conservative businessman and Kansas' 50th lieutenant governor. After falling short in a 2010 primary, he focused on life outside government until he was appointed to the state's second-highest office and served for about a year. That role pushed him to make a second bid for Congress, he said during a 2020 address after winning the primary. He supports rural healthcare, including the adoption of telehealth in rural areas. He lost his first bid for Congress in 2010, coming in third in a six-way primary.

Rep. Kathy Manning (D-NC-06)

Kathy Manning is a lawyer and leader of local and national nonprofit organizations. She made her second bid for Congress in 2020 in the 6th District of North Carolina, which was redrawn to be more favorable to Democrats. She had fallen short two years earlier in a different district under the old lines. Manning experienced the frustration of big insurance companies and high drug prices when her daughter was diagnosed with a chronic illness. That inspired her push for affordable and accessible health care. She backs allowing Medicare to negotiate prescription drug prices and wants North Carolina to join other states that have expanded Medicaid for the uninsured as part of the Affordable Care Act. A graduate of Harvard and the University of Michigan Law School, she's s lived and worked in the Greensboro area for more than 30 years, including as an immigration lawyer, according to North Carolina's News & Observer. She was at a firm for 15 years before founding her own shop, Manning and Associates.

Rep. Lisa McClain (R-MI-10)

Lisa McClain was plugged into the Michigan economy for several decades before making her first run for office. She started her career in financial services and has climbed the corporate ladder ever since, leading a team at American Express, and then co-founding a financial planning business in the Lower Peninsula. She has previously called for the repeal of the Affordable Care Act. She earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from Northwood University in Midland.

Rep. Peter Meijer (R-MI-03)

Peter Meijer felt called to serve in Congress after his time in the Army, saying his experience as a soldier in Iraq and as a conflict analyst in Afghanistan shaped his foreign policy views. Meijer spent a year at the United States Military Academy at West Point before transferring to Columbia University. While in college, he enlisted in the Army Reserves and was deployed to Iraq for a year. He graduated from Columbia in 2012, a year after returning from Iraq. He received an MBA from New York University in 2017. After college, Meijer worked for a veteran-based disaster response organization. He was a conflict analyst for an NGO in Afghanistan where he helped deliver emergency assistance to aid workers. Meijer launched his first bid for Congress after the incumbent Rep. Justin Amash (I) left the GOP and then opted not to seek re-election.

Rep. Mary Miller (R-IL-15)

Mary Miller is replacing Rep. John Shimkus (R), who announced his retirement after representing the 15th District since 2013. Miller opposes "Medicare for All" and health plans that "force mandates on individuals and families." Her health policies will prioritize preventative care and ensure those with pre-existing conditions can get coverage. She also supports expanding health savings accounts, allowing people to keep their health-care plan when they change jobs, and letting people shop across state lines for health plans. Miller received a bachelor's degree in business management from Eastern Illinois University in 1981. She worked in administration at a health center in Mattoon, Ill., before returning to EIU in the late 1980s to study elementary education. She received her teaching certification from the state. She then became a teacher for home-schooled children and helped run the family farm with her husband.

Rep. Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA-02)

Mariannette Miller-Meeks is a retired Army lieutenant colonel, former Iowa public health director, and ophthalmologist, who tried without success in 2008, 2010, and 2014 to unseat former Democratic Rep. Dave Loebsack. Loebsack's decision not to seek an eighth term gave Miller-Meeks the political opening. But after a recount her margin of victory over Democrat Rita Hart was only six votes, a result that Hart said she'd challenge in the House. Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) said in December 2020 she'd provisionally seat Miller-Meeks along with other members as the challenge played out. She has talked about improving and reforming the Affordable Care Act, saying that policy affects our ability to deliver health care and the patient-physician relationship. She wants to lower drug costs and revamp Obamacare regulations requiring electronic medical records, stating that doctors are spending more and more time on an electronic record with their backs towards patients. She enlisted in the Army at the age 18, rising through the ranks and earning nursing and medical degrees. She was Iowa's public health director from 2011 to 2014.

Rep. Blake Moore (R-UT-01)

Blake Moore was Born and raised in northern Utah, Moore received a scholarship to play football at Utah State University. He was a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Seoul, South Korea, then finished his bachelor's degree at the University of Utah. He has a master's from Northwestern University. He served as a foreign service officer for the State Department and worked as an independent consultant in China and Southeast Asia. When he returned to Utah, Moore spent eight years in the private sector with Cicero Group, a Utah-based management consulting firm. As a consultant he worked in a variety of industries including health care and education, with a primary focus on social impact.

Rep. Barry Moore (R-AL-02)

Former Alabama State Rep. Barry Moore pitched himself to voters as a small businessman and veteran with a staunchly conservative record. Moore grew up on a farm in Coffee County, Ala. He enlisted in the Alabama National Guard and Reserves while at Auburn University. He was a member of Alabama's House of Representatives from 2010 to 2018. He was Chairman of Military and Veteran Affairs and sponsored legislation to bring the F-35 Fighter Squadron to the state. Moore decided not to run again at the state level because of his belief in term limits. He then ran for the 2nd District seat in Congress in 2018 but lost in the primary to incumbent Rep. Martha Roby (R), who announced her retirement in 2019.

Rep. Frank Mrvan (D-IN-01)

mur-VAN

Frank Mrvan was involved in providing direct assistance like food and housing to the residents of Northwest Indiana before heading to Congress. He supports the Affordable Health Care Act and would back legislation that would expand access to health care untethered to employment, he said. Mrvan is particularly interested in mental health and its connection to economic well-being, as well as combating the opioid crisis, he said. Transportation and infrastructure are also priorities for Mrvan. He worked as a mortgage broker and pharmaceutical sales representative. He earned an undergraduate degree in journalism from Ball State University in 1992.

Rep. Troy Nehls (R-TX-22)

Former sheriff Troy Nehls said he will apply the lessons learned during his more than two dozen years in public service and the military in Congress. Nehls said he's working to increase health care options that protect those with preexisting conditions, Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance. Health care is a major priority for Nehls, specifically addressing mental illness and combating suicide rates among the general population, but especially among veterans. He believes that addressing health care should also include suicide prevention at large and specifically for veterans, as well as education to destigmatize mental illness. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve at 19, and served 21 years with deployments to Bosnia, Iraq, and Afghanistan. He retired from the Army with the rank of major and as the recipient of two Bronze Star medals. Nehls graduated from Liberty University and received a master's degree in criminal justice from the University of Houston Downtown. Nehls worked for Fort Bend law enforcement in multiple capacities for over two decades, wrapping up his second four-year term as sheriff shortly after winning the 2020 election.

Rep. Marie Newman (D-IL-03)

Marie Newman's support for liberal proposals such as "Medicare for All" and the Green New Deal helped her prevail in her primary fight with eight-term Rep. Dan Lipinski (D-Ill.), ending his 15-year career in Congress where his father previously served for 22 years. Newman hasn't previously held office but was very politically active following Hillary Clinton's loss in the 2016 presidential election. She worked on several political campaigns and also lobbied as a state and national advocate for gun safety, health care, and other issues. She has pledged not to take lobbyist or corporate political action committee contributions. Newman attended Marquette University in Milwaukee and later transferred to and graduated from the University of Wisconsin in Madison. She worked as an executive at advertising agencies before starting her own consulting firm in 2005. After her child was bullied, she established "Team Up to Stop Bullying," a nonprofit program. She was appointed to a regional anti-bullying task force by Gov. Pat Quinn (D) and worked with Sears Holding Corp. to establish a national anti-bullying coalition of nonprofits.

Rep. Jay Obernolte (R-CA-08)

oh-bur-null-tee

Jay Obernolte, a video game developer with state and local government experience, describes himself as fiscally conservative and socially moderate, with a libertarian view that government's role should be limited. He has said a public health care option is not the answer, would seek to end surprise medical billing, and would support lowering the cost of prescription drugs and copayments. Obernolte was born in Chicago and grew up in the central valley city of Fresno. He has a bachelor's degree in computer engineering from the California Institute of Technology, a master's degree in artificial intelligence from UCLA, and was seeking a doctorate in public administration at California Baptist University while running for the House. He served as a city council member and mayor in Big Bear Lake before being elected to the California Assembly. He was a member of the Democratic-controlled California State Assembly from 2014 to 2020.

Rep. Burgess Owens (R-UT-04)

Burgess Owens played on a Super Bowl championship NFL team before becoming a Fox News contributor, motivational speaker and founder of a nonprofit organization that tries to help troubled and incarcerated youth. He'd like to see more competition and innovation into the health care system, and has said that the Affordable Care Act no longer needs to be replaced. Owens, who played for the New York Jets and Oakland Raiders, said he "lost everything" after the collapse of the business he launched as a post-NFL career. He worked as a chimney sweep and a midnight security guard, and said his struggle to emerge from poverty taught him a lot about Second Chances, the name he gave to the non-profit he founded for youth. He's worked for the Utah-based WordPerfect Corporation, as well as for Sprint/Nextel and Motorola. Owens is a prostate cancer survivor.

Rep. August Pfluger (R-TX-11)

floo-gur

August Pfluger is a former F-22 pilot and National Security Council adviser to President Donald Trump. Pfluger's run for the House was his first for political office, and followed a nearly two-decade career as an Air Force colonel before he joined the NSC. He graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy and has advanced degrees in aeronautical sciences and military strategy. He was also working toward a master's degree in international business from Georgetown University at the time of his 2020 run.

Rep. Matt Rosendale (R-MT-At-Large)

A former real estate broker on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and Montana rancher, Rosendale was first elected to the state House of Representatives in 2010. He served one term, then won a Montana State Senate seat in 2012, eventually becoming majority leader in 2014. In 2014 Rosendale ran for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives, coming in third in the Republican primary. The winner of that race was Ryan Zinke, who won the general election and became Interior secretary in 2017. Rosendale won a 2016 election to become Montana's commissioner of securities and insurance in the auditor's office, one of the top elected offices in the state. Two years later he challenged Democrat Jon Tester for a U.S. Senate seat, losing by 3.5 percentage points but coming within 18,000 votes of unseating Tester.

Rep. Deborah Ross (D-NC-02)

After a break from politics, Deborah Ross entered the race in state's redrawn 2nd Congressional District after the lines were adjusted by the legislature following a court order to fall wholly within Wake County, a heavily Democratic portion of the state. The seat was open after incumbent Rep. George Holding (R-NC) decided against running again when the lines shifted to his disadvantage. It was a return to politics for Ross, who previously served for 10 years in the state House of Representatives and ran a close, but unsuccessful, race for the U.S. Senate in 2016 against Sen. Richard Burr (R-NC). Ross backs a comprehensive public option for health insurance. Ross was born in Philadelphia and attended Brown University in Providence, R.I. She went to law school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. After she graduated with her law degree, she stayed in North Carolina and practiced law. Ross became the state director for the ACLU in 1994, staying until she ran for the state House of Representatives in 2002. She served in the House until 2013, when she resigned to serve as the legal counsel for GoTriangle, a regional transit agency. After her unsuccessful challenge to Burr in 2016, Ross joined Smith, Moore, Leatherwood LLP in Raleigh as an attorney focusing on energy and economic development issues. That firm subsequently merged with Fox Rothschild

Rep. Maria Salazar (R-FL-27)

Well-known in the Hispanic community around Miami as a former news anchor and host of the political talk show "Maria Elvira Live," Maria Salazr was elected in Florida's 27 Congressional District in a rematch with Democrat Donna Shalala (D-FL), who had won the seat two years earlier. Salazar supports preserving elements of the Affordable Care Act, including the preservation of protections for pre-existing conditions and ability for young adults to stay on their parents' insurance up to age 26. She also backs allowing the purchase of health insurance across state lines and wants the government to renegotiate drug prices. Salazar earned a bachelor's degree in journalism at the University of Miami. In 1995 she earned a master's degree in public administration at Harvard University.

Rep. Pete Sessions (R-TX-17)

Pete Sessions spent 11 terms in Congress before his bid to return for the 117th Congress, setting him up to be one of the most experienced members of the freshman class. He previously served from 1997 to 2019, with a conservative record, including two cycles as House Republicans' chief fundraiser and six years as chairman of the House Rules Committee. Sessions attended Southwest Texas State University (where he was part of a 1974 streaking incident involving 300 students), and later transferred to and graduated from Southwestern University near Austin. He worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. for 15 years. In the 2018 race in the 32nd District, he lost to Allred, a former NFL player, by 52% to 46%. He announced a bid for the 17th District after Rep. Bill Flores (R) announced he wouldn't run again.

Rep. Victoria Spartz (R-IN-05)

Victoria Spartz, who immigrated to the U.S. in 2000 from Ukraine, is driven by her early upbringing in a communist-controlled country and her background in business. Her top policy priority is health care, where she has said that value has gone down while prices continue to rise. She opposes greater government more control over the health care system and supports more transparency, competition, consumer choice, and the elimination of the barriers of entry from the government. Prior to her election to Congress, she served in the Indiana State Senate for three years. Before her time in the state Senate, she was the chief financial officer at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General. She is a certified public accountant who founded multiple businesses and worked as an auditor at global accounting firms PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, KPMG LLP, and Crowe Horwath. She's also worked as an adjunct professor at the Indiana University Kelley School of Business, one of her alma maters.

Rep. Melanie Stansbury (D-NM-01)

Melanie Stansbury was born and raised in New Mexico, where she learned these values growing up in a working family in the North Valley and West Side of Albuquerque. Most recently, she was elected to the New Mexico State House, where she served as the first woman from District 28. She earned a Bachelor's of Arts in Human Ecology and Natural Science from Saint Mary's College of California and a Master of Science in Development Sociology from Cornell University. Melanie worked as a science educator in schools across the state through the Museum of Natural History. Later, she worked as a researcher and advisor on land and water issues, focused on New Mexico's water needs and the resilience of our rivers. She then worked in the Office of Management and Budget and the U.S. Senate in the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Rep. Michelle Steel (R-CA-48)

Michelle Steel got her start in California electoral politics in 2006, winning a spot on the Board of Equalization, which oversees certain tax programs, such as California property taxes, and handles disputes with taxpayers. She later ran for the Orange County Board of Supervisors and became its chairwoman. A first-generation Korean American immigrant, she said during the campaign that stories about her family, who fled from North Korea, made her wary of government programs and intervention. Steel said she would oppose single-payer health care and prefers a market-based system. Born in Seoul, South Korea, Steel lived in Japan before settling in California. She received a degree in business from Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif., and holds an MBA from the University of Southern California. In 2006, Steel successfully ran for a seat on the California State Board of Equalization, and was elected as its vice chair in 2011. Steel then won her bid for a spot on the Orange County Board of Supervisors in 2014.

Rep. Marilyn Strickland (D-WA-10)

Marilyn Strickland was the president and CEO of the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce. She supports universal health coverage and building on the Affordable Care Act by adding a public option. She also supports the idea of lowering the eligibility age for Medicare. Strickland has a B.A. in Sociology from the University of Washington, and an MBA from Clark-Atlanta University, a historically Black college and university. Strickland entered the race to replace four-term Rep. Denny Heck (D-WA), who announced in December 2019 he wouldn't run again for the House. She is the the first Korean American woman elected to Congress and the first Black member of Washington's federal delegation

Rep. Ritchie Torres (D-NY-15)

Torres grew up in public housing in the Bronx, where he was raised by a single mother making minimum wage. He attended New York University but dropped out his sophomore year, suffering from depression. As a city councilman, he sought to address mental health issues, particularly among LGBTQ youth. He served two terms on the city council before running against 12 other Democrats for the open seat vacated by Jose Serrano (D-NY), who spent 30 years representing the district before retiring. Torres was a delegate for Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) at the 2016 Democratic National Convention. He said he wanted to join the Congressional Black Caucus and the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.

Rep. David Valadao (R-CA-21)

Dairy farmer David Valadao reclaimed his House seat in 2020, representing the heavily agricultural Central San Joaquin Valley, after a 2018 loss to Democrat TJ Cox. During his previous tenure in the House, Valadao was a member of the Appropriations Committee and its Agriculture-FDA Subcommittee. Valadao became interested in politics while serving as a regional leadership council chairman for an agriculture cooperative. He was elected to the California Assembly in 2010, and during his one term served as vice chairman of the Agriculture Committee. Valadao won the November 2012 general election with 58% of the vote against Democrat John Hernandez, and won by the same 58% to 42% margin in the following 2014 election against Democratic challenger was Amanda Renteria, a former Senate chief of staff who was much better-financed than Hernandez. Valadao won by a slightly smaller 57% of the vote against 2016 Democratic opponent Emilio Huerta, a civil-rights lawyer and son of labor-rights icon Dolores Huerta.

Rep. Beth Van Duyne (R-TX-24)

Beth Van Duyne is the former mayor of Irving, Texas. She ran to replace Rep. Kenny Marchant (R-Texas), who decided not to seek re-election. Van Duyne opposes the Affordable Care Act. She supports sociation health plans that allow small businesses to group together to provide health insurance and wants to expand health savings accounts, allow insurance to be purchased across state lines, and make plans portable for individuals. Van Duyne graduated from Cornell University with a B.A. in city and regional planning, government, and law. She was the first female mayor of Irving, Texas, from 2011 to 2017 and was part of Irving's City Council from 2004 to 2010. In 2017, she joined the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as a regional administrator in Fort Worth. She left in August 2019 to run for Congress.

Rep. Nikema Williams (D-GA-05)

nuh-KEE-muh

Nikema Williams focused on voting rights while she was in the Georgia statehouse and plans to make the issue a top priority in Congress. Other priorities include legalizing marijuana and repealing qualified immunity, which shields police officers and other officials from liability. Williams was previously in the state Senate since 2017 and was also the state party's chair — the first Black woman to hold the position. She also worked for Planned Parenthood Southeast as vice president for public policy. She was deputy political director at the National Domestic Workers Alliance and state director at its advocacy organization, Care in Action. She attended Talladega College, a historically Black college in Alabama.