

Table 8-6 Votes in Support of the Conservative Coalition, 1959-2000 (percent)

Year	House			Senate		
	Northern Democrats	Southern Democrats	Republicans	Northern Democrats	Southern Democrats	Republicans
1959	17	85	87	23	69	80
1960	8	66	77	21	77	74
1961	15	69	83	15	74	75
1962	14	65	75	29	77	79
1963	13	70	78	20	73	76
1964	13	72	76	20	78	72
1965	10	69	81	19	71	81
1966	13	69	82	17	75	80
1967	15	75	81	24	76	72
1968	16	77	75	31	77	74
1969	21	79	75	24	77	73
1970	19	79	78	21	74	72
1971	25	76	80	38	80	79
1972	24	75	79	20	78	74
1973	22	69	77	17	74	76
1974	24	72	69	19	79	69
1975	22	69	81	19	79	69
1976	25	72	80	21	73	76
1977	25	68	82	26	75	80
1978	26	68	79	24	70	69
1979	29	70	85	29	75	74
1980	27	69	81	26	72	74
1981	30	75	82	29	76	84
1982	27	73	81	30	76	81
1983	22	68	81	30	69	81
1984	23	68	84	27	74	85
1985	23	67	84	30	72	82
1986	27	70	83	26	70	83
1987	27	71	87	30	70	79
1988	27	67	88	29	72	80
1989	27	68	87	31	69	84
1990	27	69	85	29	70	83
1991	30	69	90	33	71	84
1992	31	67	87	27	67	79
1993	31	63	87	31	70	84
1994	39	58	89	30	69	81
1995	28	57	90	24	68	87
1996	31	63	85	30	66	88
1997	34	65	90	32	73	88
1998	32	63	90	36	76	87
2000	49	45	49	31	58	70

Note: Congressional Quarterly stopped compiling this data after 2000. The ideological scores developed by Keith Poole and Howard Rosenthal (voteview.com) are used in tables 8-7, 8-8, 8-9, and 8-10. Data indicate the percentage of conservative coalition votes on which members voted in agreement with the position of the conservative coalition. Conservative coalition votes are those on which a majority of northern Democrats voted against a majority of southern Democrats and Republicans-the conservative coalition. The percentages are normalized to eliminate the effects of not voting as follows: conservative coalition support = (support)/(support + opposition).

Source: Congressional Quarterly Almanac (Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly, various years); Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, various issues.