

Table 1-2 Democratic Party Strength in the House, by Region, 69th-116th Congresses, 1925-2019

Region	Congress	69th (1925- 1926)	75th (1937- 1938)	81st (1949- 1950)	87th (1961- 1962)	93rd (1973- 1974)	96th (1979- 1980)	97th (1981- 1982)	98th (1983- 1984)	100th (1987- 1988)	101st (1989- 1990)
South											
Percent		97.1	98.0	98.1	93.4	68.2	71.3	63.9	71.2	66.4	67.0
Seats		104	101	105	106	107 ^c	108	108	116	116	115 ^h
Border											
Percent		58.7	95.2	88.1	84.2	77.1	77.1	68.6	76.4	67.6	67.6
Seats		46	42	42	38	35	35	35	34	34	34
New England											
Percent		12.5	44.8	39.3	50.0	60.0	72.0	64.0	66.6	62.5	58.3
Seats		32	29	28	28	25	25	25	24	24	24
Mid-Atlantic											
Percent		26.4	68.0	48.4	48.9	53.8	63.8	53.8	58.3	56.9	58.3
Seats		91	94	93	88	80	80	80	72	72	72
Midwest											
Percent		16.7	72.2	43.7	40.7	37.6	55.3	50.0	55.0	57.5	59.5
Seats		84	90	87	86 ^a	85 ^d	85 ^f	86	80	80	79 ⁱ
Plains											
Percent		14.6	38.2	16.1	19.4	36.0	40.0	36.0	54.2	45.8	50.0
Seats		41	34	31	31	25	25	25	24	24	24
Rocky Mountains											
Percent		28.6	93.3	75.0	68.8	42.1	47.4	36.8	33.3	37.5	37.5
Seats		14	15	16	16	19	19	19	24	24	24
Pacific Coast											
Percent		19.0	80.0	36.4	51.2	58.9	66.1	56.1	62.3	59.0	59.0
Seats		21	30	33	43 ^b	56 ^e	56 ^g	57	61	61	61

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	102nd (1991- 1992)	103rd (1993- 1994)	104th (1995- 1996)	105th (1997- 1998)	106th (1999- 2000)	107th (2001- 2002)	108th (2003- 2004)	109th (2005- 2006)	110th (2007- 2008)	111th (2009- 2010)	112th (2011- 2012)	113th (2013- 2014)	114th (2015- 2016)	115th (2017 - 2018)
Congress														
Region														
South														
Percent	66.4	61.6	48.8	43.2	43.5	42.4	41.9	37.4	41.2	45	28.2	29	26.8	28
Seats	116	125	125	125	124 ^j	125	131	131	131	131	131	138	138	138
Border														
Percent	67.6	65.6	50.0	40.6	40.6	37.5	45.1	45.2	48.4	51.6	41.9	36.7	33.3	33.3
Seats	34	32	32	32	32	32	31	31	31	31	31	30	30	30
New England														
Percent	66.7	60.9	60.9	78.3	78.3	73.9	68.2	72.7	95.5	100	90.9	100	90.4	95.2
Seats	24	23	23	23	23	23	22	22	22	22	22	21	21	21
Mid-Atlantic														
Percent	56.9	54.5	50.0	53.0	54.5	54.5	53.2	54.8	66.1	74.2	59.7	56.9	51.7	53.4
Seats	72	66	66	66	66	66	62	62	62	62 ^m	62	58	58	58
Midwest														
Percent	61.2	58.1	43.2	50.0	50.0	48.6	40.6	40.6	47.8	56.5	36.2	38.5	36.9	38.4
Seats	80	74	74	74	74	74	69	69	69	69 ⁿ	69	65	65 ^p	65
Plains														
Percent	54.2	54.5	36.4	36.4	40.9	36.4	31.8	36.4	54.5	50	31.8	33.3	33.3	28.5
Seats	24	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	21	21	21
Rocky Mountains														
Percent	45.8	45.8	25.0	20.8	20.8	25.0	25.0	28.6	39.3	60.7	35.7	41.9	32.3	38.7
Seats	24	24	24	24	24	24	28	28	28	28	28 ^o	31	31	31
Pacific Coast														
Percent	60.6	63.8	49.3	55.1	56.5	63.2	64.3	63.8	65.7	65.7	64.3	70.4	71.8	71.8
Seats	61	69	69	69	69	68 ^k	70	69 ^l	70	70	70	71	71	71

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	116th (2019- Congress 2020)
Region	
South	
Percent	34.8
Seats	138
Border	
Percent	36.7
Seats	30
New England	
Percent	100.0
Seats	21
Mid-Atlantic	
Percent	72.4
Seats	58
Midwest	
Percent	44.6
Seats	65
Plains	
Percent	42.9
Seats	21
Rocky Mountains	
Percent	51.6
Seats	31
Pacific Coast	
Percent	83.1
Seats	71

Note: Figures represent the makeup of Congress on the first day of the session. Does not include independents. Seats is the total number of seats in each region, not the seats held by Democrats in each region.

Independents have not been counted as Democrats (see 109th Congress-New England)

- a. J. Edward Roush (D-IN) was not sworn in until June 14, 1961 due to a disputed election result.
- b. Alaska was admitted as a state in 1958 and Hawaii in 1959. There were 437 representatives elected in 1960, both included in the Pacific Coast row.
- c. Hale Boggs (D-LA) was elected posthumously.
- d. George Collins (D-IL) was elected in 1972 but died before being sworn into office.
- e. Nicholas Begich (D-AK) was elected posthumously.
- f. William Steiger (R-WI) was elected in 1978 but died before being sworn into office.
- g. Leo Ryan (D-CA) was elected in 1978 but died before being sworn into office.
- h. William Nichols (D-AL) was elected in 1988 but died before being sworn into office.
- i. Daniel Coats (R-IN) won reelection in 1988 but was appointed to Dan Quayle's Senate seat on December 12, 1988.
- j. Newt Gingrich (R-GA) was elected in 1998, but resigned from his seat before being sworn in.
- k. Julian Dixon (D-CA) was elected in 2000 but died before being sworn into office.
- l. Robert Matsui (D-CA) was elected in 2004 but died before being sworn into office.
- m. Kirsten E. Gillibrand resigned to replace Hillary Clinton in the Senate on January 26, 2009, but was still present at the first session.
- n. Rahm Emanuel resigned his seat to enter the Obama administration.
- o. Nevada's Second District is vacant as August 21, 2012. It was formerly held by Dean Heller (R).
- p. Ohio's Eighth District is vacant as of October 31, 2015. Vacancy due to the resignation of John A. Boehner (R).

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