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Conditions of Initial Election for Members of the 117th Congress, 2021

Condition	House				Senate		
	Democrats	Republicans	Total	Percentage of entire House	Democrats	Republicans	Total
Defeated incumbent							
In primary	16	9	25	5.8	0	1	1
In general election	43	38	81	18.7	19	15	34
Succeeded retiring incumbent							
Of same party	112	128	240	55.3	23	24	47
Of other party	32	27	59	13.6	6	9	15
Succeeded deceased incumbent							
Of same party	13	5	18	4.1	2	1	3
Of other party	0	1	1	0.2	0	0	0
New districts	6	4	10	2.3	-	-	-
Total	222	212	434		50	50	100

Source: Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774–1989 (Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office, 1989); Congressional Quarterly Almanac (Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly, various years); National Journal, various issues; The Almanac of American Politics (Washington, D.C.: National Journal Group, various years).