

Table 4-8 Southern Chairmanships of House and Senate Standing Committees, 84th - 118th Congresses, 1955 - 2023

Year	Party Control	House				Party Control	Senate			
		Number of southern chairmen	% of chairmanships held by southerners	% of exclusive committees chaired by southerners ^a	% of majority party from the South		Number of southern chairmen	% of chairmanships held by southerners	% of exclusive committees chaired by southerners ^a	% of majority party from the South
84th (1955 - 1956)	D	12	63	67	43	D	8	53	50	46
90th (1967 - 1968)	D	10	50	100	35	D	9	56	100	28
92nd (1971 - 1972)	D	8	38	100	31	D	9	53	100	30
94th (1975 - 1976)	D	9	41	33	28	D	6	33	100	27
96th (1979 - 1980)	D	5	23	33	28	D	4	27	50	28
97th (1981 - 1982)	D	6	27	33	29	R	3	20	25	19
98th (1983 - 1984)	D	7	32	67	30	R	3	19	25	20
99th (1985 - 1986)	D	8	36	67	29	R	2	13	0	19
100th (1987 - 1988)	D	7	31	67	29	D	7	44	75	30
101st (1989 - 1990)	D	8	36	67	29	D	6	38	50	27
102nd (1991 - 1992)	D	8	36	33	29	D	6	38	50	27
103rd (1993 - 1994)	D	6	27	33	33	D	6	35	25	26
104th (1995 - 1996)	R	4	21	67	25	R	2	12	50	25
105th (1997 - 1998)	R	3	17	67	31	R	4	24	50	29
106th (1999 - 2000)	R	6	32	67	32	R	4	24	50	25
107th (2001 - 2002)	R	3	16	33	32	R ^b	4	25	50	26
108th (2003 - 2004)	R	4	21	33	33	R	4	24	25	26
109th (2005 - 2006)	R	4	21	0	33	R	4	24	50	26
110th (2007 - 2008)	D	3	15	0	26	D	0	0	0	8
111th (2009 - 2010)	D	2	10	0	21.1	D	2	12.5	0	11.7
112th (2011 - 2012)	R	7	35	0	39.2	D	1	6.3	0	11.8
113th (2013 - 2014)	R	4	20	33	31.5	D	2	12.5	0	13.2
114th (2015 - 2016)	R	10	50	67	55.9	R	6	35.3	50	40.7
115th (2017 - 2018)	R	12	63	67	41.1	R	5	29.4	50	36.5
116th (2019 - 2020)	D	4	20	0	21.7	R	6	37.5	25	35.9
117th (2021 - 2022)	D	5	25	0	21.6	D	0	0	0	7.8
118th (2023 - 2024)	R	10	50	33.3	44.1	D	0	0	0	7.8

Note: Some data from previous versions of Vital Statistics have been updated. See errata for more detail.

a. In the House these include Ways and Means, Rules, and Appropriations; in the Senate these include Appropriations, Finance, Foreign Relations, and Armed Services.

b. These numbers are correct as of the start of the 107th Congress and do not reflect changes in committee assignments that occurred after Jim Jeffords (VT) left the Republican Party to become an Independent, shifting control of the Senate to the Democrats.

Source: Nelson, Garrison, Committees in the U.S. Congress 1947-1992, Committee Jurisdictions and Member Rosters (Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly, 1993); Congressional Quarterly Committee Guide, Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, various issues; U.S. House of Representatives, <http://www.house.gov>; U.S. Senate, <http://www.senate.gov>.