

National Taxpayers Union Rates Congress

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Every year National Taxpayers Union (NTU) rates U.S. Representatives and Senators on their actual votes—*every* vote that significantly affects taxes, spending, debt, and regulatory burdens on consumers and taxpayers. Unlike most organizations that publish ratings, we refuse to play the “rating game” of focusing on only a handful of Congressional votes on selected issues. The NTU voting study is the fairest and most accurate guide available on Congressional fiscal policies. It is a completely unbiased accounting of votes.

NTU assigned weights to the votes, reflecting the importance of each vote’s effect.*

NTU has no partisan axe to grind. All Members of Congress are treated the same regardless of political affiliation. Our only constituency is the overburdened American taxpayer. Grades are given impartially, based on the Taxpayer Score.

TAXPAYER SCORE

The Taxpayer Score measures the strength of support for reducing spending and regulation and opposing higher taxes. In general, a higher score is better because it means a Member of Congress voted to lessen or limit the burden on taxpayers.

The Taxpayer Score can range between zero and 100. We do not expect anyone to score a 100, nor has any legislator ever scored a perfect 100 in the multi-year history of the comprehensive NTU scoring system. A high score does not mean that the Member of Congress was opposed to all spending or all programs. High-scoring Members have indicated that they would vote for many programs if the amount of spending were lower. A Member who wants to increase spending on some programs can achieve a high score if he or she votes for offsetting cuts in other programs. A zero score would indicate that the Member of Congress approved every spending proposal and opposed every pro-taxpayer reform.

NTU believes a score qualifying for a grade of “A” indicates the Member is one of the strongest supporters of responsible tax and spending policies. We are pleased to give these Members of Congress our “Taxpayers’ Friend Award.”

A score qualifying for a grade of “B” represents a “good” voting record on controlling

spending and taxes. A “B” grade indicates that the Member voted for taxpayers most of the time, but slightly less than those who attained the grade of “A.”

A score qualifying for a grade of “C” represents a minimally acceptable voting record on controlling taxes and spending. To qualify for a grade of “C” a Member must have a Taxpayer Score of at least 50 percent. While such a score may be “satisfactory,” there is clearly room for improvement.

We are also issuing pluses and minuses for the grades of “B” and “C” in order to better recognize the differences in the voting records of Members with these grades.

A score qualifying for a grade of “D” indicates the Member has a “poor” voting record on controlling taxes and spending.

A score significantly below average qualifies for a grade of “F.” This failing grade places the Member into the “Big Spender” category.

VOTE SELECTION

We analyzed every roll call vote taken during 1999 (first session of the 106th Congress) and selected all votes that could significantly affect the amounts of federal taxes, spending, debt, or regulatory impact. A total of 183 House and 144 Senate roll call votes were selected. We included votes cast on appropriations bills, authorization bills, budget target resolutions, tax bills, amendments, and certain procedural votes that could affect the burden on taxpayers. Votes that simply shifted equal amounts of spending from one area to another were excluded, as were unanimous votes on increasing spending. Also excluded were votes where there was a significant difference of opinion on how to vote to reduce spending.

We believe the number of votes used in the analysis, the objective and non-partisan weighting of the votes, computerized calculations, and many error checks all combine to ensure the highest possible standards of accuracy.

OTHER FACTORS

Although we believe this voting analysis is the most accurate guide available on Congressional fiscal performance, no study of roll call votes

can fully evaluate a Member’s overall record. A Member’s committee work, leadership, and effectiveness with other Members also affect his or her influence on the amount of federal spending, taxes, debt, and regulatory impact.

Because of the complexity of the calculations and the number of votes involved, we do not have space to reprint the votes of each Representative and Senator here. A list of the votes used in the study, including the weight assigned to each vote, is available on request.

* Computation

NTU’s federal budget experts assigned a weight to each vote ranging from 0 to 100. A low weight was assigned to votes that had relatively little effect, while a high weight was assigned to votes with the most significant effect on federal spending, taxes, debt, and regulation.

Weights were based solely on the relative effect of each vote on the total amount of federal spending, taxes, debt, or regulatory impact. Consideration was given to the long-term effect of a vote, even though relatively little might be immediately at issue. A vote with average importance should have a weight close to 10.

Scores were computed by dividing the weighted total of votes cast *against* higher spending, taxes, or regulation or *for* lower spending, taxes, or regulation, by the weighted total number of fiscal issues on which the Member of Congress voted. Average scores for each state were also computed using the weighted total of votes cast by each state delegation.

In computing these scores, we included only those votes on which the Member actually voted for or against a bill, resolution, or amendment. Paired votes, announced positions, and absences were excluded. Because some Members were absent frequently (or otherwise failed to vote yes or no), their scores, based on relatively few votes, may not accurately reflect fiscal attitudes. The Members falling into this category are noted.

TAXPAYER SCORES

SENATE		HOUSE
45%	Average	41%
63%	Median	48%
87%	High	89%
1%	Low	7%

PARTY SCORES

9%	Democratic Average	21%
7%	Democratic Median	20%
74%	Republican Average	60%
76%	Republican Median	58%

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GRADE		SCORE	
ALABAMA			
Aderholt, R	B	62%	
Bachus, S	C+	54%	
Callahan, S	C+	53%	
Cramer, B	F	24%	
Everett, T	B-	58%	
Hilliard, E	F	12%	
Riley, B	B	60%	
State Average		46%	
ALASKA			
Young, D	C+	54%	
ARIZONA			
Hayworth, J	B+	63%	
Kolbe, J	B-	58%	
Pastor, E	F	22%	
Salmon, M	A	78%	
Shadegg, J	A	70%	
Stump, B	B	61%	
State Average		59%	
ARKANSAS			
Berry, M	F	28%	
Dickey, J	B-	55%	
Hutchinson, A	B	60%	
Snyder, V	F	15%	
State Average		39%	
CALIFORNIA			
Baca, J [#]	n.a.	12%	
Becerra, X	F	24%	
Berman, H	F	15%	
Bilbray, B	C+	54%	
Bono, M	C+	54%	
Calvert, K	B-	56%	
Campbell, T	B+	63%	
Capps, L	F	13%	
Condit, G	C-	42%	
Cox, C	A	71%	
Cunningham, R	B-	59%	
Dixon, J	F	13%	
Dooley, C	F	16%	
Doolittle, J	A	70%	
Dreier, D	C	51%	
Eshoo, A	F	26%	
Farr, S	F	13%	
Filner, B	F	25%	
Galleghy, E	C	52%	
Herger, W	A	68%	
Horn, S	C-	47%	
Hunter, D	B-	55%	
Kuykendall, S	C+	53%	
Lantos, T	F	18%	
Lee, B	D	34%	
Lewis, Jerry	C-	48%	
Lofgren, Z	F	26%	
Martinez, M	F	15%	
Matsui, R	F	12%	
McKeon, H	B-	55%	
Millender-McD., J	F	15%	
Miller, Gary	B-	56%	
Miller, George	D	37%	
Napolitano, G	F	16%	
Ose, D	C+	54%	
Packard, R	B-	58%	
Pelosi, N	F	21%	
Pombo, R	B-	59%	
Radanovich, G	B-	59%	
Rogan, J	B	62%	
Rohrabacher, D	A	76%	
Roybal-Allard, L	F	16%	
Royce, E	A	77%	
Sanchez, L	F	21%	

GRADE		SCORE	
Sherman, B	F	18%	
Stark, P	D	39%	
Tauscher, E	F	13%	
Thomas, W	C	51%	
Thompson, M	F	15%	
Waters, M	D	30%	
Waxman, H	F	24%	
Woolsey, L	F	21%	
State Average		39%	
COLORADO			
DeGette, D	F	26%	
Hefley, J	A	76%	
McInnis, S	B+	67%	
Schaffer, B	A	77%	
Tancredo, T	A	73%	
Udall, M	F	22%	
State Average		57%	
CONNECTICUT			
DeLauro, R	F	14%	
Gejdenson, S	F	20%	
Johnson, N	C	50%	
Larson, J	F	17%	
Maloney, J	F	24%	
Shays, C	A	72%	
State Average		33%	
DELAWARE			
Castle, M	C	50%	
FLORIDA			
Bilirakis, M	C	52%	
Boyd, A	F	17%	
Brown, C	F	14%	
Canady, C	C+	54%	
Davis, J	F	16%	
Deutsch, P	F	13%	
Diaz-Balart, L	C	50%	
Foley, M	B-	56%	
Fowler, T	C+	53%	
Goss, P	B	62%	
Hastings, A	F	11%	
McCollum, B	C+	53%	
Meeck, C	F	12%	
Mica, J	B-	59%	
Miller, D	B+	63%	
Ros-Lehtinen, I	C	51%	
Scarborough, J	A	69%	
Shaw, C	C	52%	
Stearns, C	B+	66%	
Thurman, K	F	16%	
Weldon, D	B	61%	
Wexler, R	F	12%	
Young, B	C+	54%	
State Average		42%	
GEORGIA			
Barr, B	A	72%	
Bishop, S	F	21%	
Chambliss, S	B-	58%	
Collins, M	B	62%	
Deal, N	B+	63%	
Isakson, J	B-	56%	
Kingston, J	A	68%	
Lewis, John	F	21%	
Linder, J	B-	57%	
McKinney, C	F	28%	
Norwood, C	B-	59%	
State Average		52%	
HAWAII			
Abercrombie, N	F	9%	
Mink, P	F	22%	
State Average		15%	

GRADE		SCORE	
IDAHO			
Chenoweth-Hage, H	A	75%	
Simpson, M	B-	57%	
State Average		66%	
ILLINOIS			
Biggett, J	B-	59%	
Blagojevich, R	F	17%	
Costello, J	F	25%	
Crane, P	A	73%	
Davis, D	F	27%	
Evans, L	F	17%	
Ewing, T	B	60%	
Gutierrez, L	F	26%	
Hastert, D*	B	61%	
Hyde, H	B-	55%	
Jackson, J	D	31%	
LaHood, R	B-	59%	
Lipinski, W	F	26%	
Manzullo, D	A	73%	
Phelps, D	F	21%	
Porter, J	C	51%	
Rush, B	F	23%	
Schakowsky, J	D	30%	
Shimkus, J	C+	53%	
Weller, J	B	61%	
State Average		42%	
INDIANA			
Burton, D	B	61%	
Buyer, S	B-	56%	
Carson, J	F	23%	
Hill, B	F	23%	
Hostettler, J	A	68%	
McIntosh, D	B	62%	
Pease, E	B-	58%	
Roemer, T	F	26%	
Souder, M	B+	64%	
Visclosky, P	F	29%	
State Average		47%	
IOWA			
Boswell, L	F	21%	
Ganske, G	C-	48%	
Latham, T	B-	57%	
Leach, J	B-	57%	
Nussle, J	B+	63%	
State Average		49%	
KANSAS			
Moore, D	F	15%	
Moran, Jerry	B+	63%	
Ryun, J	A	68%	
Tiahrt, T	B+	64%	
State Average		53%	
KENTUCKY			
Fletcher, E	B-	58%	
Lewis, R	B-	55%	
Lucas, K	D	33%	
Northup, A	B-	58%	
Rogers, H	C+	53%	
Whitfield, E	B-	55%	
State Average		52%	
LOUISIANA			
Baker, R	B-	57%	
Cooksey, J	B-	56%	
Jefferson, W	F	11%	
John, C	F	19%	
McCrery, J	C+	53%	
Tauzin, B	C+	53%	
Vitter, D*	C	50%	
State Average		43%	

GRADE		SCORE	
MAINE			
Allen, T	F	14%	
Baldacci, J	F	16%	
State Average		15%	
MARYLAND			
Bartlett, R	B+	67%	
Cardin, B	F	14%	
Cummings, E	F	17%	
Ehrlich, R	B-	57%	
Gilchrest, W	C+	54%	
Hoyer, S	F	14%	
Morella, C	F	26%	
Wynn, A	F	13%	
State Average		33%	
MASSACHUSETTS			
Capuano, M	F	28%	
Delahunt, W	F	27%	
Frank, B	F	27%	
Markey, E	F	25%	
McGovern, J	F	23%	
Meehan, M	F	25%	
Moakley, J	F	15%	
Neal, R	F	13%	
Olver, J	F	19%	
Tierney, J	F	27%	
State Average		23%	
MICHIGAN			
Barcia, J	F	18%	
Bonior, D	F	13%	
Camp, D	B-	58%	
Conyers, J	D	30%	
Dingell, J	F	15%	
Ehlers, V	A	69%	
Hoekstra, P	A	68%	
Kildee, D	F	20%	
Kilpatrick, C	F	19%	
Knollenberg, J	B-	55%	
Levin, S	F	17%	
Rivers, L	D	39%	
Smith, N	B+	64%	
Stabenow, D	F	14%	
Stupak, B	F	20%	
Upton, F	B+	65%	
State Average		37%	
MINNESOTA			
Gutknecht, G	B+	67%	
Luther, B	D	33%	
Minge, D	D	31%	
Oberstar, J	F	29%	
Peterson, C	D	36%	
Ramstad, J	A	70%	
Sabo, M	F	20%	
Vento, B	F	29%	
State Average		40%	
MISSISSIPPI			
Pickering, C	B-	56%	
Shows, R	F	19%	
Taylor, G	D	35%	
Thompson, B	F	17%	
Wicker, R	C+	54%	
State Average		36%	
MISSOURI			
Blunt, R	B-	55%	
Clay, B	F	18%	
Danner, P	D	35%	

REPRESENTATIVES

	GRADE	SCORE
Emerson, J	C+	54%
Gephardt, R	F	12%
Hulshof, K	B+	63%
McCarthy, K	F	20%
Skelton, I	F	22%
Talent, J	C+	53%
State Average	37%	

MONTANA

Hill, R	B	61%
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NEBRASKA

Barrett, B	B-	55%
Bereuter, D	C-	49%
Terry, L	A	69%
State Average	58%	

NEVADA

Berkley, S	F	16%
Gibbons, J	B-	56%
State Average	36%	

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Bass, C	B-	58%
Sununu, J	A	69%
State Average	64%	

NEW JERSEY

Andrews, R	F	19%
Franks, B	B-	55%
Frelinghuysen, R	C+	54%
Holt, R	F	24%
LoBiondo, F	B-	56%
Menendez, R	F	12%
Pallone, F	F	24%
Pascrell, W	F	16%
Payne, D	F	27%
Rothman, S	F	16%
Roukema, M	C+	54%
Saxton, J	C	51%
Smith, C	C	52%
State Average	35%	

NEW MEXICO

Skeen, J	C+	53%
Udall, T	F	19%
Wilson, H	C	51%
State Average	41%	

NEW YORK

Ackerman, G	F	15%
Boehler, S	C-	45%
Crowley, J	F	14%
Engel, E	F	9%
Forbes, M	D	32%
Fossella, V	B+	63%
Gilman, B	C-	48%
Hinchey, M	F	17%
Houghton, A	C-	48%
Kelly, S	C+	53%
King, P	C	52%
LaFalce, J	F	15%
Lazio, R	B	62%
Lowey, N	F	19%
Maloney, C	F	17%
McCarthy, C	F	17%
McHugh, J	C	51%
McNulty, M	F	15%
Meeks, G	F	21%
Nadler, J	F	26%
Owens, M	F	26%

	GRADE	SCORE
Quinn, J	D	33%
Rangel, C	F	21%
Reynolds, T	C+	54%
Serrano, J	F	17%
Slaughter, L	F	18%
Sweeney, J	B-	58%
Towns, E	F	22%
Velazquez, N	F	26%
Walsh, J	C-	46%
Weiner, A	F	18%
State Average	32%	

NORTH CAROLINA

Ballenger, C	B-	59%
Burr, R	B+	65%
Clayton, E	F	20%
Coble, H	A	71%
Etheridge, B	F	20%
Hayes, R	B-	59%
Jones, W	A	71%
McIntyre, M	D	32%
Myrick, S	A	69%
Price, D	F	14%
Taylor, C	B	60%
Watt, M	F	17%
State Average	46%	

NORTH DAKOTA

Pomeroy, E	F	21%
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OHIO

Boehner, J	B	61%
Brown, S	D	32%
Chabot, S	A	80%
Gillmor, P	C+	53%
Hall, T	F	15%
Hobson, D	B-	56%
Jones, S	F	23%
Kaptur, M	F	23%
Kasich, J	B+	65%
Kucinich, D	D	33%
LaTourette, S	B	61%
Ney, B	C	52%
Oxley, M	B-	58%
Portman, R	A	69%
Pryce, D	B-	58%
Regula, R	C+	54%
Sawyer, T	F	13%
Strickland, T	F	19%
Traficant, J	F	24%
State Average	45%	

OKLAHOMA

Coburn, T	A	77%
Istook, E	B+	67%
Largent, S	A	71%
Lucas, F	B-	59%
Watkins, W	B	60%
Watts, J	B-	58%
State Average	65%	

OREGON

Blumenauer, E	F	25%
DeFazio, P	D	39%
Hookey, D	F	19%
Walden, G	B-	56%
Wu, D	F	26%
State Average	33%	

PENNSYLVANIA

Borski, R	F	18%
Brady, R	F	17%
Coyne, W	F	22%
Doyle, M	F	17%
English, P	C+	53%
Fattah, C	F	19%

	GRADE	SCORE
Gekas, G	B-	55%
Goodling, W	B-	57%
Greenwood, J	B-	55%
Hoeffel, J	F	20%
Holden, T	F	25%
Kanjorski, P	F	24%
Klink, R	F	20%
Mascara, F	F	14%
Murtha, J	F	17%
Peterson, J*	C-	47%
Pitts, J	B+	66%
Sherwood, D	B-	56%
Shuster, B	B-	59%
Toomey, P	A	77%
Weldon, C	C	52%
State Average	37%	

RHODE ISLAND

Kennedy, P	F	16%
Weygand, R	F	15%
State Average	15%	

SOUTH CAROLINA

Clyburn, J	F	14%
DeMint, J	A	69%
Graham, L	B+	66%
Sanford, M	A	85%
Spence, F	B-	58%
Spratt, J	F	16%
State Average	51%	

SOUTH DAKOTA

Thune, J	B-	58%
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TENNESSEE

Bryant, E	B-	55%
Clement, B	F	16%
Duncan, J	A	75%
Ford, H	F	17%
Gordon, B	F	25%
Hilleary, V	B+	65%
Jenkins, B	B-	55%
Tanner, J	F	20%
Wamp, Z	B	62%
State Average	43%	

TEXAS

Archer, B	B+	65%
Armey, R	B	60%
Barton, J	B+	65%
Bentsen, K	F	13%
Bonilla, H	C+	54%
Brady, K	B	60%
Combust, L	B-	59%
DeLay, T	B	60%
Doggett, L	D	36%
Edwards, C	F	21%
Frost, M	F	10%
Gonzalez, C	F	11%
Granger, K	C+	53%
Green, G	F	22%
Hall, R	C+	54%
Hinojosa, R	F	10%
Jackson Lee, S	F	16%
Johnson, E	F	12%
Johnson, S	A	73%
Lampson, N	F	14%
Ortiz, S	F	7%
Paul, R	A	89%
Reyes, S	F	11%
Rodriguez, C	F	11%
Sandlin, M	F	17%
Sessions, P	A	70%
Smith, L	C	52%
Stenholm, C	F	24%

	GRADE	SCORE
Thornberry, M	B	60%
Turner, J	F	15%
State Average	38%	

UTAH

Cannon, C	B-	59%
Cook, M	B+	63%
Hansen, J	C+	54%
State Average	59%	

VERMONT

Sanders, B	D	30%
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VIRGINIA

Bateman, H	C-	47%
Bliley, T	B-	59%
Boucher, R	F	10%
Davis, T	C	51%
Goode, V	A	69%
Goodlatte, R	B	62%
Moran, James	F	19%
Pickett, O	F	20%
Scott, B	F	13%
Sisisky, N	F	17%
Wolf, F	C+	53%
State Average	38%	

WASHINGTON

Baird, B	F	23%
Dicks, N	F	14%
Dunn, J	B	62%
Hastings, D	B-	58%
Inslee, J	F	24%
McDermott, J*	D	30%
Metcalfe, J	B	60%
Nethercutt, G	B-	57%
Smith, A	F	24%
State Average	39%	

WEST VIRGINIA

Mollohan, A	F	18%
Rahall, N	F	24%
Wise, R	F	14%
State Average	19%	

WISCONSIN

Baldwin, T	D	33%
Barrett, T	D	36%
Green, M	A	72%
Kind, R	F	29%
Kleczka, J	F	25%
Obey, D	D	33%
Petri, T	A	71%
Ryan, P	A	72%
Sensenbrenner, J	A	87%
State Average	51%	

WYOMING

Cubin, B	B	60%
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HOUSE KEY

SCORE	GRADE	COMMENTS
68% or more	A	Taxpayers' Friend
63%-67%	B+	
60%-62%	B	Good
55%-59%	B-	
53%-54%	C+	
50%-52%	C	Satisfactory
42%-49%	C-	
30%-41%	D	Poor
29% or less	F	Big Spender

* score based on less than 75%, but more than 50% of the weighted total of votes.
score based on less than 25% of the weighted total of votes.

UNITED STATES SENATE

GRADE SCORE

ALABAMA

Sessions, J **A** 80%
 Shelby, R **A** 77%
State Average **78%**

ALASKA

Murkowski, F **A** 76%
 Stevens, T **B+** 72%
State Average **74%**

ARIZONA

Kyl, J **A** 83%
 McCain, J* **A** 87%
State Average **85%**

ARKANSAS

Hutchinson, T **A** 77%
 Lincoln, B **F** 7%
State Average **41%**

CALIFORNIA

Boxer, B **F** 10%
 Feinstein, D **F** 3%
State Average **7%**

COLORADO

Allard, W **A** 84%
 Campbell, B **B+** 72%
State Average **78%**

CONNECTICUT

Dodd, C **F** 4%
 Lieberman, J **F** 8%
State Average **6%**

DELAWARE

Biden, J **F** 9%
 Roth, W **B+** 72%
State Average **41%**

FLORIDA

Graham, B **F** 16%
 Mack, C **A** 79%
State Average **47%**

GEORGIA

Cleland, M **F** 8%
 Coverdell, P **A** 75%
State Average **41%**

HAWAII

Akaka, D **F** 3%
 Inouye, D **F** 4%
State Average **3%**

IDAHO

Craig, L **A** 78%
 Crapo, M **A** 83%
State Average **80%**

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GRADE SCORE

ILLINOIS

Durbin, R **F** 3%
 Fitzgerald, P **A** 79%
State Average **41%**

INDIANA

Bayh, E **D** 19%
 Lugar, R **A** 76%
State Average **47%**

IOWA

Grassley, C **A** 78%
 Harkin, T **F** 6%
State Average **42%**

KANSAS

Brownback, S **A** 79%
 Roberts, P **B+** 73%
State Average **76%**

KENTUCKY

Bunning, J **A** 77%
 McConnell, M **A** 75%
State Average **76%**

LOUISIANA

Breaux, J **D** 21%
 Landrieu, M **F** 14%
State Average **17%**

MAINE

Collins, S **C+** 58%
 Snowe, O **C** 50%
State Average **54%**

MARYLAND

Mikulski, B **F** 6%
 Sarbanes, P **F** 4%
State Average **5%**

MASSACHUSETTS

Kennedy, E **F** 7%
 Kerry, J **F** 11%
State Average **9%**

MICHIGAN

Abraham, S **B** 68%
 Levin, C **F** 7%
State Average **38%**

MINNESOTA

Grams, R **A** 83%
 Wellstone, P **D** 19%
State Average **51%**

MISSISSIPPI

Cochran, T **B+** 74%
 Lott, T **B+** 74%
State Average **74%**

MISSOURI

Ashcroft, J **A** 79%
 Bond, C **B+** 70%
State Average **75%**

GRADE SCORE

MONTANA

Baucus, M **F** 7%
 Burns, C **B+** 73%
State Average **40%**

NEBRASKA

Hagel, C **A** 84%
 Kerrey, B **D** 20%
State Average **52%**

NEVADA

Bryan, R **F** 9%
 Reid, H **F** 5%
State Average **7%**

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Gregg, J **A** 81%
 Smith, R **A** 84%
State Average **83%**

NEW JERSEY

Lautenberg, F **F** 5%
 Torricelli, R **F** 16%
State Average **11%**

NEW MEXICO

Bingaman, J **F** 9%
 Domenici, P **B** 68%
State Average **38%**

NEW YORK

Moynihan, D **F** 7%
 Schumer, C **F** 8%
State Average **8%**

NORTH CAROLINA

Edwards, J **F** 15%
 Helms, J **A** 77%
State Average **46%**

NORTH DAKOTA

Conrad, K **F** 7%
 Dorgan, B **F** 7%
State Average **7%**

OHIO

DeWine, M **B+** 70%
 Voinovich, G **B** 67%
State Average **68%**

OKLAHOMA

Inhofe, J **A** 82%
 Nickles, D **A** 83%
State Average **83%**

OREGON

Smith, G **B+** 72%
 Wyden, R **F** 12%
State Average **41%**

PENNSYLVANIA

Santorum, R **B+** 74%
 Specter, A **D** 38%
State Average **56%**

RHODE ISLAND

Chafee, J **C+** 59%
 Reed, J **F** 7%
State Average **32%**

GRADE SCORE

SOUTH CAROLINA

Hollings, E **F** 6%
 Thurmond, S **B+** 73%
State Average **40%**

SOUTH DAKOTA

Daschle, T **F** 2%
 Johnson, T **F** 5%
State Average **4%**

TENNESSEE

Frist, B **B+** 73%
 Thompson, F **A** 80%
State Average **76%**

TEXAS

Gramm, P **A** 83%
 Hutchison, K **B+** 72%
State Average **77%**

UTAH

Bennett, R **B+** 71%
 Hatch, O **B** 69%
State Average **70%**

VERMONT

Jeffords, J **C+** 56%
 Leahy, P **F** 5%
State Average **31%**

VIRGINIA

Robb, C **F** 13%
 Warner, J **B+** 72%
State Average **42%**

WASHINGTON

Gorton, S **A** 76%
 Murray, P **F** 1%
State Average **40%**

WEST VIRGINIA

Byrd, R **F** 10%
 Rockefeller, J **F** 3%
State Average **6%**

WISCONSIN

Feingold, R **D** 25%
 Kohl, H **D** 18%
State Average **21%**

WYOMING

Enzi, M **A** 83%
 Thomas, C **A** 82%
State Average **83%**

SENATE KEY

SCORE	GRADE	COMMENTS
75% or more	A	Taxpayers' Friend
70%-74%	B+	
65%-69%	B	Good
60%-64%	B-	
55%-59%	C+	
50%-54%	C	Satisfactory
46%-49%	C-	
18%-45%	D	Poor
17% or less	F	Big Spender

* score based on less than 75%, but more than 50%, of the weighted total of votes.