

WOMEN IN CONGRESS: LEADERSHIP ROLES AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

112TH CONGRESS 2011-2013

U.S. SENATE

Leadership Roles

Sen. Patty Murray (D-MA)	Democratic Conference Secretary Chairperson, Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	Vice Chair, Democratic Policy Committee
Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip

Committee Chairs

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Chair, Environment and Public Works Committee Chair, Select Committee on Ethics
Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)	Chair, Select Committee on Intelligence
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	Chair, Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee
Sen. Mary L. Landrieu (D-LA)	Chair, Small Business and Entrepreneurship
Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)	Chair, Veteran's Affairs Co-chair, Joint Committee on Deficit Reduction

U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Leadership Roles

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)	House Democratic Leader
Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)	Chair, Democratic Steering Committee
Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA)	Vice Chair, Republican Conference
Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Debbie Wasserman-Schultz (D-FL)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip

Committee Chairs

Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL)	Chair, Foreign Affairs Committee
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PREVIOUS CONGRESSES

U.S. SENATE

Leadership Roles

111th Congress 2009-2011

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Sen. Blanche L. Lincoln (D-AR)	Chair, Democratic Rural Outreach
Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	Republican Conference Vice Chair
Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)	Democratic Conference Secretary
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	Chair, Democratic Steering Committee

Please note: The terms "chair" and "chairman" are used according to the preference of the individual who held the position. Additional information from Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774 - 1989, U.S. Government Printing Office, Women in the United States Congress, Congressional Research Service; *Congressional Women: Their Recruitment, Treatment and Behavior*, Irwin Gertzog. 2nd/Revised edition June 1995. Praeger Publishers, Westport, CT; and congresswomen's bios compiled by the U.S. House of Representatives Clerk posted at <http://bioguide.congress.gov/congresswomen/index.asp>.

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LEADERSHIP ROLES AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS (continued)

PREVIOUS CONGRESSES (continued)

U.S. SENATE

Leadership Roles

110th Congress 2007-2009

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-NY)	Vice Chair, Committee Outreach
Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)	Chair, Republican Policy Committee
Sen. Blanche L. Lincoln (D-AR)	Chair, Democratic Rural Outreach
Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)	Democratic Conference Secretary
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	Chair, Democratic Steering Committee

109th Congress 2005-2007

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Chief Deputy Whip
Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-NY)	Chair, Steering and Outreach Committee
Sen. Elizabeth Dole (R-NC)	Chair, National Republican Senatorial Committee
Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)	Republican Conference Secretary
Sen. Blanche L. Lincoln (D-AR)	Chair of Rural Outreach
Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)	Assistant Floor Leader
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	Democratic Conference Secretary

108th Congress 2003-2005

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Chief Deputy for Strategic Outreach
Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-NY)	Chair, Democratic Senate Steering and Coordination Committee
Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)	Vice Chair, Senate Republican Conference
Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)	Secretary, Senate Democratic Conference
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	Vice Chair, Democratic Senate Campaign Committee

107th Congress 2001-2003

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Chief Deputy for Strategic Outreach
Sen. Susan Collins (R-ME)	Senate Deputy Minority Whip
Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)	Vice Chair, Republican Conference
Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)	Secretary, Senate Democratic Conference
Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)	Chair, Democratic Senate Campaign Committee

106th Congress 1999-2001

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Senate Deputy Minority Whip
Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)	Senate Deputy Majority Whip
Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)	Secretary, Senate Democratic Conference
Sen. Olympia Snowe (R-ME)	Secretary, Senate Republican Conference

105th Congress 1997-1999

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)	Senate Deputy Majority Whip
Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)	Secretary, Senate Democratic Conference
Sen. Olympia Snowe (R-ME)	Secretary, Senate Republican Conference

104th Congress 1995-1997

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)	Senate Deputy Whip
Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)	Secretary, Senate Democratic Conference

103rd Congress 1993-1995

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Senate Deputy Majority Whip
Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)	Assistant Senate Democratic Floor Leader

90th and 91st Congress 1967-1972

Sen. Margaret Chase Smith (R-ME)	Chair, Senate Republican Conference
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Committee Chairs

11th Congress 2009-2011

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Chair, Committee on Environment and Public Works
Sen. Diane Feinstein (D-CA)	Chair, Select Committee on Intelligence
Sen. Mary L. Landrieu (D-LA)	Chair, Small Business and Entrepreneurship
Sen. Blanche Lincoln (D-AR)	Chair, Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry

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U.S. SENATE (continued)

Committee Chairs (continued)

110th Congress 2007-2009

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Chair, Committee on Environment and Public Works
Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	Temporary Chair, Committee on Ethics
Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)	Chair, Committee on Rules and Administration

109th Congress 2005-2007

Sen Susan Collins (R-ME)	Chair, Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Sen. Olympia J. Snowe (R-ME)	Chair, Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

108th Congress 2003-2005

Sen Susan Collins (R-ME)	Chair, Committee on Governmental Affairs
Sen. Olympia J. Snowe (R-ME)	Chair, Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

104th Congress 1995-1997

Sen. Nancy Landon Kassebaum (R-KS)	Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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73rd-78th Congresses 1933-1945

Sen. Hattie Wyatt Caraway (D-AR)	Committee on Enrolled Bills
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U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Leadership Roles

111th Congress 2009-2011

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)	Speaker of the House
Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)	Chair, Democratic Steering Committee
Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA)	Vice Chair, Republican Conference
Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Debbie Wasserman-Schultz (D-FL)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip

110th Congress 2007-2009

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)	Speaker of the House
Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)	Chair, Democratic Steering Committee
Rep. Kay Granger (R-TX)	Vice Chair, Republican Conference
Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Debbie Wasserman-Schultz (D-FL)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA)	Democratic Chief Deputy Whip

109th Congress 2005-2007

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)	House Democratic Leader
Rep. Barbara Cubin (R-WY)	Secretary, House Republican Conference
Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO)	Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Rosa De Lauro (D-CT)	Co-Chair of the House Democratic Steering Committee
Rep. Deborah Pryce (R-OH)	Chair, House Republican Conference
Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)	Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA)	Chief Deputy Whip

108th Congress 2003-2005

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)	House Democratic Leader
Rep. Barbara Cubin (R-WY)	Secretary, House Republican Conference
Rep. Rosa De Lauro (D-CT)	Co-Chair of the House Democratic Steering Committee
Rep. Deborah Pryce (R-OH)	Chair, House Republican Conference
Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)	Chief Deputy Whip
Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA)	Chief Deputy Whip

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U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Leadership Roles (continued)

107th Congress 2001-2003

Rep. Barbara Cubin (R-WY)	House Republican Conference Secretary
Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)	Assistant to the House Democratic Leader
Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY)	Chair, Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee
Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)	House Democratic Whip
Rep. Deborah Pryce (R-OH)	Vice Chair, House Republican Conference
Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA)	Chief Deputy Whip

106th Congress 1999-2001

Rep. Barbara Cubin (R-WY)	House Deputy Majority Whip
Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO)	House Deputy Minority Whip
Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)	Assistant to the House Democratic Leader
Rep. Tillie Fowler (R-FL)	Vice Chairman, House Republican Conference
Rep. Kay Granger (R-TX)	House Assistant Majority Whip
Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX)	House Democratic Deputy Whip
Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY)	House Minority Whip At-Large
Rep. Deborah Pryce (R-OH)	House Republican Conference Secretary
Rep. Louise Slaughter (D-NY)	House Minority Whip-At-Large
Rep. Lynn Woolsey (D-CA)	House Deputy Minority Whip

105th Congress 1997-1999

Rep. Eva Clayton (D-NC)	Co-chair, House Democratic Policy Committee
Rep. Barbara Cubin (R-WY)	House Deputy Majority Whip
Rep. Rosa De Lauro (D-CT)	House Chief Deputy Minority Whip
Rep. Jennifer Dunn (R-WA)	Vice Chair, House Republican Conference
Rep. Tillie Fowler (R-FL)	House Deputy Majority Whip
Rep. Kay Granger (R-TX)	House Assistant Majority Whip
Rep. Barbara Kennelly (D-CT)	Vice Chair, House Democratic Caucus
Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY)	House Minority Whip At-Large
Rep. Susan Molinari (R-NY)	Vice Chair, House Republican Conference

104th Congress 1995-1997

Rep. Eva Clayton (D-NC)	Co-chair, House Democratic Policy Committee
Rep. Barbara Cubin (R-WY)	House Deputy Majority Whip
Rep. Rosa De Lauro (D-CT)	House Chief Deputy Minority Whip
Rep. Tillie Fowler (R-FL)	House Deputy Majority Whip
Rep. Barbara Kennelly (D-CT)	Vice Chair, House Democratic Caucus
Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY)	House Minority Whip At-Large
Rep. Susan Molinari (R-NY)	Vice Chair, House Republican Conference
Rep. Barbara Vucanovich (R-NV)	Secretary, House Republican Conference

103rd Congress 1993-1995

Rep. Nancy L. Johnson (R-CT)	Secretary, House Republican Conference
Rep. Barbara Kennelly (D-CT)	House Democratic Chief Deputy Whip

102nd Congress 1991-1993

Rep. Barbara Kennelly (D-CT)	House Democratic Chief Deputy Whip
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100th Congress 1987-1989

Rep. Lynn Martin (R-IL)	Vice Chairman, House Republican Conference
Rep. Mary Rose Oakar (D-OH)	Vice Chair, House Democratic Caucus

99th Congress 1985-1987

Rep. Lynn Martin (R-IL)	Vice Chairman, House Republican Conference
Rep. Mary Rose Oakar (D-OH)	Secretary, House Democratic Caucus

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U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (continued)

Leadership Roles (continued)

98th Congress 1983-1985

Rep. Geraldine Ferraro (D-NY) Secretary, House Democratic Caucus

97th Congress 1981-1983

Rep. Shirley Chisholm (D-NY) Secretary, House Democratic Caucus

86th to 93rd Congresses 1959-1975

Rep. Leonor K. Sullivan (D-MO) Secretary, House Democratic Caucus

83rd, 84th and 88th Congresses 1955-1957 and 1963-1965

Rep. Edna F. Kelly (D-NY) Secretary, House Democratic Caucus

81st Congress 1949-1951

Rep. Chase G. Woodhouse (D-CT) Secretary, House Democratic Caucus

Committee Chairs

111th Congress 2009-2011

Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-CA) Chair, Committee on Ethics

Rep. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) Chair, Committee on Rules

Rep. Nydia Velazquez (D-NY) Chair, Committee on Small Business

110th Congress 2007-2009

Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones (D-OH) Chair, Committee on Ethics

Rep. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) Chair, Committee on Rules

Rep. Nydia Velazquez (D-NY) Chair, Committee on Small Business

104th Congress 1995-1997

Rep. Jan Meyers (R-KS) Committee on Small Business

93rd and 94th Congresses 1973-1977

Rep. Leonor Sullivan (D-MO) Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries

83rd Congress 1953-1955

Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers (R-MA) Committee on Veterans' Affairs

81st Congress 1949-1951

Rep. Mary Teresa Norton (D-NJ) Committee on House Administration

80th Congress 1947-1949

Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers (R-MA) Committee on Veterans' Affairs

78th and 79th Congresses 1943-1947

Rep. Mary Teresa Norton (D-NJ) Committee on Labor

77th Congress 1941-1943

Rep. Mary Teresa Norton (D-NJ) Committee on Memorials and Committee on Labor

Rep. Caroline O'Day (D-NY) Committee on Election of President, Vice Pres., and Representatives

76th Congress 1943-1945

Rep. Mary Teresa Norton (D-NJ) Committee on Labor

Rep. Caroline O'Day (D-NY) Committee on Election of President, Vice Pres., and Representatives

75th Congress 1937-1943

Rep. Mary Teresa Norton (D-NJ) Committee on District of Columbia and Committee on Labor

Rep. Caroline O'Day (D-NY) Committee on Election of President, Vice Pres., and Representatives

72nd to 74th Congresses 1931-1937

Rep. Mary Teresa Norton (D-NJ) Committee on District of Columbia

68th Congress 1923-1925

Rep. Mae Ella Nolan (R-CA) Committee on Expenditures in the Post Office Department