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Summary

Thirty-nine black Members serve in the 107th Congress, all in the House of Representatives. In 210 years of congressional history, there have been 107 black Members of Congress: 103 elected to the House and four to the Senate.

The first black Member of Congress was Hiram Rhodes Revels (R-MS) who served in the Senate in the 41st Congress (1870). The first black Member of the House was Joseph H. Rainey (R-SC). He also served in the 41st Congress. Shirley Chisholm (D-NY), elected to the 91st through 97th Congresses (1969-1983), was the first black woman in Congress. Since that time, 20 other black women have been elected, including Senator Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL, 1993-1999), who was the first black woman, as well as first black Democrat, elected to the Senate.

The majority of the black Members have been Democrats. There have been 80 black Democrats and 27 black Republicans.

The black Members of Congress have served on all major committees. Sixteen have served as committee chairmen, 15 in the House and one in the Senate.

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Introduction

In 210 years of congressional history, 107 black Americans have been elected to the U.S. Congress: 103 to the House and four to the Senate.¹ Of these, 21 have been women. Thirty-nine black Members serve in the 107th Congress, all in the House of Representatives. There were 39 black Members of the 106th Congress, all in the House; 40 in the 105th Congress, 39 in the House and one in the Senate; and a record number of 41 in the 104th Congress: 40 in the House and one in the Senate.²

The largest number of black Members elected as freshmen was 17 in the 103rd Congress. Sixteen were elected to the House and one, Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL, 1993-1999), was elected to the Senate. Senator Moseley-Braun was also the first black woman and black Democrat to serve in the Senate.

The first black Member of Congress was Hiram Rhodes Revels (R-MS) who served in the Senate in the 41st Congress (1870). He also has the distinction of being the first black Member of the Senate and the first black Member of Congress from Mississippi. Joseph H. Rainey (R-SC) was the first black Member of the House of Representatives. He also served in the 41st Congress. Shirley Chisholm (D-NY), elected to the 91st through the 97th Congresses (1969-83), was the first black woman to serve in Congress. Edward Brooke (R-MA) was the first black person elected to the Senate after the passage of the Twelfth Amendment which provided for the direct election of Senators. He served in the 90th through the 95th Congresses (1967-1979).

The majority of the black Members of Congress have been Democrats. There have been 80 black Democrats and 27 black Republicans. All of the black Democrats have been elected in the 20th Century. There have been five black Republicans elected to Congress in this century, four in the House and one in the Senate.

¹Includes three Delegates from the U.S. Virgin Islands and two from the District of Columbia.

²A record number of 43 black Members was elected to the House of Representatives in the 104th Congress. Only 40, however, actually served at any one time. Representative Mel Reynolds (D-IL) resigned in October 1995, and was replaced by Representative Jesse Jackson, Jr. (D-IL); Representative Walter Tucker (D-CA) resigned in December 1995 and was replaced by Representative Juanita Millender-McDonald (D-CA); and Representative Kweisi Mfume (D-MD) resigned in February 1996 and was replaced by Representative Elijah Cummings (D-MD).

John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI) holds the record for longevity of service by a black Member (36 years). He was first elected to the 89th Congress and has served since January 3, 1965.

A record number of 15 black women serve in the House in the 107th Congress. A total of 22 black women have served in Congress. The first was Representative Shirley Chisholm (D-NY, 1969-1983). Senator Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL, 1993-1999) is only black woman to have served in the Senate. The black female Members of the 107th Congress include Representatives Maxine Waters (D-CA), Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC), Carrie Meek (D-FL), Corinne Brown (D-FL), Cynthia McKinney (D-FL), Eva Clayton (D-NC), Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX), Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX), Barbara Lee (D-CA), Juanita Millender-McDonald (D-CA), Julia Carson (D-IN), Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick (D-MI), Donna Christian-Christiensen (D-VI), Stephanie Tubbs Jones (D-OH), and Diane Watson (D-CA). Other black women Members were Cardiss Collins (D-IL, 1973-1997), Barbara-Rose Collins (D-MI, 1991-1997), Yvonne Brathwaite Burke (D-CA, 1973-1979), Katie Hall (D-IN, 1982-1985), and Barbara Jordan (D-TX, 1973-1979).

Two incumbent black Members are the sons of former Members: Representative Harold Ford, Jr. (D-TN, 1997-), the son of former Representative Harold Ford Sr. (D-TN, 1975-1997), and Representative Wm. Lacy Clay (D-MO, 2001-), the son of Representative William L. Clay, Sr. (D-MO, 1969-2001). One former black Member, Representative Cardiss Collins (D-IL, 1973-1997) was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Representative George Collins (D-IL, 1970-1972). Representative George White (R-NC, 1897-1901) was the brother-in-law of Representative Henry Cheatham (R-NC, 1889-1893).

In addition to Cardiss Collins, 17 other black Members were first elected to fill vacancies in the House. These include Representatives George Collins (D-IL), Eva Clayton (NC), Katie Hall (D-IN), Robert Nix, Sr. (D-PA); Charles Hayes (D-IL), Bennett Stewart (D-IL), George W. Crockett, Jr. (D-MI), Lucien Blackwell (D-PA), Edolphus Towns (D-NY), Jesse Jackson, Jr. (D-IL), Elijah Cummings (D-MD), Barbara Lee (D-CA), Craig Washington (D-TX), Bennie Thompson (D-MS), Alton Waldon, Jr. (D-NY), Gregory Meeks (D-NY), Juanita Millender-McDonald (D-CA), and Diane Watson (D-CA). All but Representatives Stewart, Walden, and Watson have been subsequently elected to additional terms.³

The black Members of the Congress have served on all major committees. Fifteen, all Representatives, have chaired congressional committees. These include Representatives Yvonne B. Burke (D-CA, 1973-1979), William L. Clay (D-MO, 1969-2001), John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI, 1965-), William L. Dawson (D-IL, 1943-1970), Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA, 1971-1998), Charles C. Diggs, Jr. (D-MI, 1955-1980), Julian Dixon (D-CA, 1979-), William H. Gray, III (D-PA, 1979-1991), Augustus F. Hawkins (D-CA, 1963-1991), George T. (Mickey) Leland (D-TX, 1979-1989), Parren J. Mitchell (D-MD, 1971-1987), Robert N.C. Nix, Sr. (D-PA, 1958-1979), Adam Clayton Powell (D-NY, 1945-1967, 1969-1971), Charles B. Rangel (D-NY, 1971-), and Louis Stokes (D-OH, 1969-1999).

³Rep. Watson was sworn in on June 7, 2001, and has not yet stood for reelection.

This report provides information on black Members of Congress including the dates they were first elected, the Congresses in which they served, the committees on which they served, and, where relevant, an indication of the committees they have chaired. In addition, four tables summarize information about black Members. Tables 1 and 2 list selected data about each black Member. Table 3 presents the number and names of black Members by Congress. Table 4 presents the same information by state. Table 5 shows the changing number of black Members serving in Congress since 1870, when the first black Member was elected.

Most of the data presented are from the *Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1996* [<http://bioguide.congress.gov>]; various editions of the *Congressional Directory*; a broad range of *Congressional Quarterly* publications; and the *Congressional Yellowbook*, Winter 2001, published by Leadership Directories, Inc. Information on the committee assignments of the black Members in the 107th Congress was obtained from various editions of the *Congressional Record*; calls to some Members' offices; and *List of Standing Committees and Select Committees and Their Subcommittees of the House of Representatives Together with the Joint Committees of the Congress with an Alphabetical List of Members and Their Committee Assignments, One Hundred Seventh Congress*, prepared under the direction of Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House of Representatives, April 30, 2001 [<http://clerkweb.house.gov/107/oal/.php3mbrcmtee/mbrcmtee/htm>]. House committee assignments for the 107th Congress reflect the name change of two Committees. The Banking and Financial Services Committee was renamed the Financial Services Committee, and the Commerce Committee was renamed the Energy and Commerce Committee. House committee assignments for the 106th Congress reflect the name change of the Committee on House Oversight back to the Committee on House Administration, the Committee on National Security back to the Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight to the Committee on Government Reform.

Alphabetical Listing of Black Members, Selected Biographical Information, and Committee Assignments During Their Tenure in Office

BISHOP, SANFORD D., a Representative from Georgia. Born on Feb. 4, 1947. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	103 rd -107 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	103 rd
H. Veterans' Affairs	103 rd -104 th
H. Select Intelligence	105 th -107 th

BLACKWELL, LUCIEN E., a Representative from Pennsylvania. Born on Aug. 1, 1931. Elected as a Democrat to the 102nd Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. William Gray; reelected to the 103rd Congress; served from Nov. 11, 1991, to Jan. 3, 1995.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	102 nd
H. Public Works and Transportation	102 nd -103 rd
H. Budget	103 rd

BROOKE, EDWARD W., a Senator from Massachusetts. Born on Oct. 26, 1919. Elected as a Republican in 1966 and served in the 90th through 95th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1967, to Jan. 3, 1979. First black Member of Congress from Massachusetts.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
S. Aeronautical and Space Sciences	90 th
S. Banking and Currency	90 th -91 st
S. Government Operations	90 th
S. Armed Services	91 st
S. Select Equal Education Opportunity	91 st -92 nd
S. Appropriations	92 nd -95 th
S. Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs	92 nd -95 th
S. Special Aging	92 nd -95 th
S. Select Standards and Conduct	93 rd -94 th
Jt. Bicentennial Arrangements	94 th
Jt. Defense Production	94 th -95 th

BROWN, CORRINE, a Representative from Florida. Born on Nov. 11, 1946. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Operations	103 rd
H. Public Works and Transportation	103 rd
H. Veterans' Affairs	103 rd -107 th
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th -107 th

BRUCE, BLANCHE K., a Senator from Mississippi. Born on March 1, 1841, died on March 17, 1898. Elected as a Republican in 1874 and served in the 44th through 46th Congresses; served from March 4, 1875, to March 3, 1881.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
S. Manufactures	44 th
S. Pensions	44 th -45 th
S. Education and Labor	44 th -46 th
S. Select Mississippi River	45 th -46 th

BURKE, YVONNE B., a Representative from California. Born on Oct. 5, 1932. Elected as a Democrat to the 93rd through 95th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1973, to Jan. 3, 1979. First woman chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 94th Congress (1976).

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	93 rd
H. Public Works	93 rd
H. Appropriations	94 th -95 th
H. Select Assassinations	94 th -95 th
H. Select Beauty Shop	94 th -95 th
	(Committee Chair, 94 th -95 th)

CAIN, RICHARD H., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on April 12, 1825, died on Jan. 18, 1887. Elected as a Republican to the 43rd and 45th Congresses; served from March 4, 1873, to March 3, 1875, and from March 4, 1877, to March 3, 1879.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	43 rd
H. Private Land Claims	45 th

CARSON, JULIA, a Representative from Indiana. Born on July 8, 1938. Elected as a Democrat to the 105th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since January 9, 1997.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Financial Services	105 th -107 th
H. Veterans' Affairs	105 th -107 th

CHEATHAM, HENRY P., a Representative from North Carolina. Born on Dec. 27, 1857, died on Nov. 29, 1935. Elected as a Republican to the 51st and 52nd Congresses; served from March 4, 1889, to March 3, 1893.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Expenditures on Public Buildings	51 st -52 nd
H. Education	51 st -52 nd
H. Agriculture	52 nd

CHISHOLM, SHIRLEY A., a Representative from New York. Born on Nov. 30, 1924. Elected as a Democrat to the 91st through 97th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1969, to Jan. 3, 1983. First black woman elected to Congress and first black female presidential candidate (1972). Secretary of the Democratic Caucus in the 96th Congress (1977-1979).

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Veterans' Affairs	91 st -92 nd
H. Education and Labor	92 nd -94 th
H. Rules	95 th -97 th

CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, DONNA M., a Delegate from the Virgin Islands. Born on September 19, 1945. Elected as a Democrat to the 105th Congress through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 7, 1997. First woman elected from the Virgin Islands and first woman doctor in Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Resources	105 th -107 th
H. Small Business	106 th -107 th

CHRISTIAN-GREEN, DONNA. See CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, DONNA.

CLAY, WILLIAM L., a Representative from Missouri. Born on April 30, 1931. Elected as a Democrat to the 91st through 106th Congresses, served from Jan. 3, 1969, to Jan. 3, 2001. First black Member of Congress from Missouri.

CLAY, WILLIAM L.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	91 st -103 rd
H. Education and the Workforce	105 th -106 th
H. Economic and Educational Opportunities	104 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	93 rd -103 rd (Committee Chair, 102 nd -103 rd)
H. Select to Study the Committee System	96 th
H. House Administration	99 th -103 rd
H. Jt. Library	101 st

CLAY, WM. Lacy, Jr., a Representative from Missouri. Born on July 27, 1956; succeeded his father, William Clay. Elected as a Democrat to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 2001.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Financial Services	107 th
H. Government Reform	107 th

CLAYTON, EVA M., a Representative from North Carolina. Born on Sept. 16, 1934. Elected as a Democrat to the 102nd Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Walter Jones, reelected to the 103rd through 107th Congresses; has served since Nov. 5, 1992. Co-chair of the House Democratic Policy Committee in the 104th Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	103 rd -107 th
H. Small Business	103 rd
H. Budget	105 th -107 th

CLYBURN, JAMES E., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on July 21, 1940. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Public Works and Transportation	103 rd
H. Veterans' Affairs	103 rd -105 th
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th -105 th
H. Small Business	104 th
H. Appropriations	106 th -107 th

COLLINS, BARBARA-ROSE, a Representative from Michigan. Born on April 13, 1939. Elected as a Democrat to the 102nd through 104th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1991, to Jan. 3, 1997.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Public Works and Transportation	102 nd -103 rd
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th
H. Government Operations	103 rd
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	102 nd -103 rd
H. Science, Space, and Technology	102 nd
H. Select Children, Youth, and Families	102 nd

COLLINS, CARDISS, a Representative from Illinois. Born on September 24, 1931. Elected as a Democrat to the 93rd through 104th Congresses, served from June 7, 1973, to Jan. 3, 1997. She was first elected to succeed her husband, Rep. George Collins. Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 96th Congress, 1979-1980.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Operations	93 rd -103 rd
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th
H. Public Works	93 rd
H. International Relations	94 th -95 th
H. Foreign Affairs	96 th
H. District of Columbia	95 th
H. Energy and Commerce	97 th -103 rd
H. Commerce	104 th
H. Select Population	95 th
H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control	96 th -102 nd

COLLINS, GEORGE W., a Representative from Illinois. Born on March 5, 1926, died on Dec. 8, 1972. Elected as a Democrat to the 91st Congress to fill the vacancy by the death of Rep. Daniel Ronan, reelected to the 92nd and 93rd Congresses; served from Nov. 16, 1970, to Dec. 8, 1972. He was succeeded by his wife, Cardiss Collins.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Operations	91 st -92 nd
H. Public Works	92 nd

CONYERS, JOHN Jr., a Representative from Michigan. Born on May 16, 1929. Elected as a Democrat to the 89th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1965.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Judiciary	89 th -107 th
H. Government Operations	92 nd -103 rd , (Committee Chair, 101 st -103 rd)
H. Small Business	100 th -103 rd

CROCKETT, GEORGE W., a Representative from Michigan. Born on Aug. 10, 1909. Elected as a Democrat to the 96th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. Charles Diggs, reelected to the 97th through 101st Congresses; served from Nov. 12, 1980, to Jan 3, 1991.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Foreign Affairs	96 th -101 st
H. Judiciary	97 th -101 st
H. Small Business	97 th
H. Select Aging	97 th -101 st

CUMMINGS, ELIJAH E., a Representative from Maryland. Born on Jan. 18, 1951. Elected as a Democrat to the 104th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. Kweisi Mfume; reelected to the 105th through 107th Congresses; has served since April 25, 1996.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th -105 th
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th -107 th
H. Government Reform	106 th -107 th

DAVIS, DANNY K., a Representative from Illinois. Born on Sept. 6, 1941. Elected as a Democrat to the 105th-106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 7, 1997.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Reform and Oversight	105 th
H. Small Business	105 th - 107 th
H. Government Reform	106 th -107 th

DAWSON, WILLIAM L., a Representative from Illinois. Born on April 26, 1886, died on Nov. 9, 1970. Elected as a Democrat to the 78th through 91st Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1943, to Nov. 9, 1970.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Expenditures in the Executive Departments	78 th -82 nd (Committee Chair, 81 st , 82 nd)
H. Government Operations	83 rd -91 st (Committee Chair, 84 th -91 st)
H. Coinage, Weights, and Measures	78 th -79 th
H. Invalid Pensions	78 th -79 th
H. Insular Affairs	78 th -79 th
H. Irrigation and Reclamation	78 th -79 th
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	82 nd
H. District of Columbia	84 th -91 st

DeLARGE, ROBERT C., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on March 15, 1842, died on Feb. 14, 1874. Elected as a Republican to the 42nd Congress; served from March 4, 1871, until Jan. 24, 1873, when his seat was declared vacant after his election was successfully contested.

<i>Committee Assignment</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Manufactures	42 nd

DELLUMS, RONALD V., a Representative from California. Born on Nov. 25, 1935. Elected as a Democrat to the 92nd through 105th Congresses, served from Jan. 3, 1971, until Feb. 6, 1998, when he resigned from the House. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 101st Congress, 1989-1990.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. District of Columbia	92 nd -103 rd (Committee Chair, 96 th -102 nd)
H. Foreign Affairs	92 nd
H. Armed Services	93 rd -103 rd (Committee Chair, 103 rd)
H. National Security	104 th -105 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	97 th -98 th
H. Select Intelligence	94 th -102 nd

DePRIEST, OSCAR S., a Representative from Illinois. Born on March 9, 1871, died on May 12, 1951. Elected as a Republican to the 71st through 73rd Congresses; served from March 4, 1929, to March 3, 1935. First black Member of Congress from Illinois.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Enrolled Bills	71 st -73 rd
H. Invalid Pensions	71 st -73 rd
H. Indian Affairs	71 st -73 rd
H. Post Office and Post Roads	73 rd

DIGGS, CHARLES C., Jr., a Representative from Michigan. Born on Dec. 2, 1922, died on Aug. 24 1998. Elected as a Democrat to the 84th through 96th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1955, until his resignation on June 3, 1980. First black Member of Congress from Michigan and first chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 92nd Congress, 1971-1972.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	84 th -85 th
H. Veterans' Affairs	84 th -85 th
H. Foreign Affairs	86 th -93 rd
H. International Relations	94 th -96 th
H. District of Columbia,	88 th -96 th
	(Committee Chair, 93 rd -95 th)

DIXON, JULIAN C., a Representative from California. Born on Aug. 8, 1934; died on Dec. 8, 2000. Elected as a Democrat to the 96th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress, but died before the commencement of the 107th Congress; served since Jan. 3, 1979, until his death. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 98th Congress, 1983-1984.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Appropriations	96 th -106 th
H. Standards of Official Conduct	98 th -101 st
	(Committee Chair, 99 th -101 st)
H. Select Intelligence	103 rd -106 th

DYMALLY, MERVYN M., a Representative from California. Born on May 12, 1926. Elected as a Democrat to the 97th through 102nd Congresses, served from Jan. 3, 1981, to Jan. 3, 1993. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 100th Congress, 1987-1988.

DYMALLY, MERVYN M.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. District of Columbia	97 th -102 nd
H. Foreign Affairs	97 th -102 nd
H. Science and Technology	97 th -98 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	98 th -102 nd
H. Education and Labor	99 th

ELLIOTT, ROBERT B., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on Aug. 11, 1842, died on Aug. 9, 1884. Elected as a Republican to the 42nd and 43rd Congresses; served from March 4, 1871, until his resignation Nov. 1, 1874.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	42 nd -43 rd
H. Militia	43 rd

ESPY, ALBERT MICHAEL (MIKE), a Representative from Mississippi. Born on Nov. 28, 1953. Elected as a Democrat to the 100th through 103rd Congresses. Served from Jan. 6, 1987, to Jan. 25, 1993, when he resigned to become Secretary of Agriculture.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	100 th -102 nd
H. Budget	101 st -102 nd
H. Select Hunger	101 st -102 nd
Jt. Deficit Reduction	100 th

EVANS, MELVYN H., a Delegate from the Virgin Islands. Born on Aug. 7, 1917, died on Nov. 27, 1984. Elected as a Republican to the 96th Congress; served from Jan. 3, 1979, to Jan. 3, 1981. First black Member of Congress from the Virgin Islands and first black physician to serve in Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Armed Services	96 th
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	96 th
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	96 th

FATTAH, CHAKA, a Representative from Pennsylvania. Born on Nov. 21, 1956. Elected as a Democrat to the 104th through 106th Congresses; reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1995.

FATTAH, CHAKA —Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th -105 th
H. Economic and Educational Opportunities	104 th
H. Education and the Workforce	105 th -106 th
H. Small Business	104 th
H. Standards of Official Conduct	105 th -106 th
H. Administration	106 th -107 th
H. Government Reform	106 th
Jt. Printing	106 th -107 th
H. Appropriations	107 th

FAUNTROY, WALTER E., a Delegate from the District of Columbia. Born on Feb. 6, 1933. Elected as a Democrat to the 92nd Congress in a special election after the District of Columbia was authorized to elect a delegate to Congress, reelected to the 93rd through 101st Congresses; served from April 19, 1971, to Jan. 3, 1991. First black Member of Congress from the District of Columbia. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 97th Congress, 1981-1982.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. District of Columbia	92 nd -101 st
H. Banking and Currency	93 rd
H. Banking, Currency, and Housing	94 th
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	95 th -101 st
H. Select Assassinations	94 th -95 th
H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control	98 th -101 st

FIELDS, CLEO, a Representative from Louisiana. Born on Nov. 22, 1962. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd and 104th Congresses; served from Jan. 5, 1993, to Jan. 3, 1997. At 30, he was the youngest Member of the 103rd Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	103 rd
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th
H. Small Business	103 rd -104 th

FLAKE, FLOYD H., a Representative from New York. Born on Jan. 30, 1945. Elected as a Democrat to the 100th through 105th Congresses; served from Jan. 6, 1987, to Nov. 15, 1997, when he resigned from the House.

FLAKE, FLOYD H.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	100 th -103 rd
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th -105 th
H. Small Business	100 th -105 th
H. Government Operations	103 rd
H. Select Children, Youth, and Families	100 th
H. Select Hunger	100 th -102 nd

FORD, HAROLD E., Sr., a Representative from Tennessee. Born on May 20, 1945. Elected as a Democrat to the 94th through 104th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1975, to Jan. 3, 1997. First black Member of Congress from Tennessee. Succeeded by his son, Harold Ford, Jr.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Veterans' Affairs	94 th , 1 st
H. Banking, Currency, and Housing	94 th , 1 st
H. Ways and Means	94 th -104 th
H. Select Aging	94 th -102 nd
H. Select Assassinations	94 th -95 th

FORD, HAROLD E., Jr., a Representative from Tennessee. Born on May 11, 1970. Elected as a Democrat to the 105th -106th Congresses; reelected to the 107th Congress, has served since Jan. 7, 1997. At 27, he was the youngest Member of the 105th Congress. Succeeded his father, Harold E. Ford, Sr.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and the Workforce	105 th -107 th
H. Government Reform and Oversight	105 th
H. Government Reform	106 th
H. Financial Services	107 th

FRANKS, GARY A., a Representative from Connecticut. Born on Feb. 9, 1953. Elected as a Republican to the 102nd Congress through 104th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1991, to Jan. 3, 1997. First black Member of Congress from Connecticut.

FRANKS, GARY A.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Armed Services	102 nd
H. Small Business	102 nd
H. Energy and Commerce	103 rd
H. Commerce	104 th
H. Select Committee on Aging	102 nd

FRAZER, VICTOR O., a Delegate from the U.S. Virgin Islands. Born on May 24, 1943. Elected as a Democrat to the 104th Congress; served from Jan. 3, 1995, to Jan. 3, 1997.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. International Relations	104 th

GRAY, WILLIAM H., III, a Representative from Pennsylvania. Born on Aug. 20, 1941. Elected as a Democrat to the 96th through 102nd Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1979, to Sept. 11, 1991, when he resigned to become president of the United Negro College Fund. Served as chairman of the House Democratic Caucus and later as Majority Whip in the 101st Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Budget	96 th , 98 th -100 th (Committee Chair, 99 th -100 th)
H. District of Columbia	96 th -102 nd
H. Foreign Affairs	96 th
H. Appropriations	97 th -102 nd
H. House Administration	102 nd
Jt. Deficit Reduction	100 th

HALL, KATIE B., a Representative from Indiana. Born on April 3, 1938. Elected as a Democrat to the 97th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rep. Adam Benjamin, reelected to the 98th Congress; served from Nov. 29, 1982, to Jan. 3, 1985. First black Member of Congress from Indiana.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Post Office and Civil Service	98 th
H. Public Works and Transportation	98 th

HARALSON, JEREMIAH, a Representative from Alabama. Born on April 1, 1846, died in 1916. Elected as a Republican to the 44th Congress; served from March 4, 1875, to March 3, 1877.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Public Expenditures	44 th

HASTINGS, ALCEE L., a Representative from Florida. Born on Sept. 5, 1936. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Foreign Affairs	103 rd
H. International Relations	104 th -107 th
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	103 rd
H. Post Office and Civil Service	103 rd
H. Science	104 th -105 th
H. Select Intelligence	106 th -107 th
H. Rules	107 th

HAWKINS, AUGUSTUS F., a Representative from California. Born on Aug. 31, 1907. Elected as a Democrat to the 88th through 101st Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1963, to Jan. 3, 1991. First black Member of Congress from California.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	88 th -101 st (Committee Chairman, 98 th , 2 nd sess. - 101 st)
H. House Administration	91 st -98 th (Committee Chairman, 97 th - 98 th , 2 nd sess.)
Jt. Committee on Printing	95 th -98 th (Committee Chairman, 96 th , 98 th)
Jt. Committee on the Library	97 th -98 th (Committee Chairman, 97 th)
Jt. Economic	97 th -101 st

HAYES, CHARLES A., a Representative from Illinois. Born on Feb. 17, 1918, died on April 8, 1997. Elected as a Democrat to the 98th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. Harold Washington, reelected to the 99th through 102nd Congresses; served from Sept. 12, 1983, to Jan. 3, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	98 th -102 nd
H. Small Business	98 th -101 st
H. Post Office and Civil Service	101 st -102 nd

HILLIARD, EARL F., a Representative from Alabama. Born on April 9, 1942. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	103 rd -107 th
H. Small Business	103 rd -104 th
H. International Relations	105 th -107 th

HYMAN, JOHN ADAMS, a Representative from North Carolina. Born on July 23, 1840, died on Sept. 14, 1891. Elected as a Republican to the 44th Congress; served from March 4, 1875, to March 3, 1877. First black Member of Congress from North Carolina.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Manufactures	44 th

JACKSON, JESSE L., JR., a Representative from Illinois. Born on March 11, 1965. Elected as a Democrat to the 104th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. Mel Reynolds, reelected to the 105th through 107th Congresses; has served since December 14, 1995.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th -105 th
H. Small Business	105 th
H. Appropriations	106 th -107 th

JACKSON LEE, SHEILA, a Representative from Texas. Born on Jan. 12, 1950. Elected as a Democrat to the 104th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1995.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Judiciary	104 th -107 th
H. Science	104 th -107 th

JEFFERSON, WILLIAM J., a Representative from Louisiana. Born on March 14, 1947. Elected as a Democrat to the 102nd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1991.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	102 nd
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	102 nd
H. District of Columbia	103 rd
H. Ways and Means	103 rd , 105 th -107 th
H. National Security	104 th
H. House Oversight	104 th
Jt. Printing	104 th

JOHNSON, EDDIE BERNICE, a Representative from Texas. Born on Dec. 3, 1935. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993. Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus in the 107th Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Public Works and Transportation	103 rd
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th -107 th
H. Science, Space and Technology	103 rd
H. Science	104 th -107 th

JONES, STEPHANIE TUBBS, a Representative from Ohio. Born on Sept. 10, 1949. Elected as a Democrat to the 106th Congress, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1999..

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Financial Services	106 th
H. Financial Services	107 th
H. Small Business	106 th
H. Committee on Standards of Official Conduct	107 th

JORDAN, BARBARA C., a Representative from Texas. Born on Feb. 21, 1936, died on Jan. 17, 1996. Elected as a Democrat to the 93rd through 95th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1973, to Jan. 3, 1979. First black Member of Congress from Texas.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Judiciary	93 rd -95 th
H. Government Operations	94 th -95 th

KILPATRICK, CAROLYN CHEEKS, a Representative from Michigan. Born on June 25, 1945. Elected as a Democrat to the 105th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 7, 1997.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Financial Services	105 th
H. House Oversight	105 th
Jt. Committee on the Library	105 th
H. Appropriations	106 th -107 th

LANGSTON, JOHN M., a Representative from Virginia. Born on Dec. 14, 1829, died on Nov. 15, 1897. Elected as a Republican to the 51st Congress; served from Sept. 23, 1890, to March 3, 1891, after he successfully contested the election of Edward Venable. First black Member of Congress from Virginia.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education	51 st

LEE, BARBARA, a Representative from California. Born on July 16, 1946. Elected as a Democrat to the 105th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ronald Dellums, reelected to the 106th -107th Congresses; has served since April 20, 1998.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Financial Services	105 th -106 th
H. Financial Services	107 th
H. Science	105 th
H. International Relations	106 th -107 th

LELAND, GEORGE T. (MICKEY), a Representative from Texas. Born on Nov. 27, 1944, died on Aug. 7, 1989. Elected as a Democrat to the 96th through 101st Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1979, to Aug. 7, 1989. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 99th Congress, 1985-1986.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. District of Columbia	96 th -99 th
H. Interstate and Foreign Commerce	96 th -101 st
H. Post Office and Civil Service	96 th -101 st
H. Select Hunger	98 th -101 st
	(Committee Chairman, 98 th -101 st)
H. Select Children, Youth, and Families	98 th

LEWIS, JOHN L., a Representative from Georgia. Born on Feb. 19, 1940. Elected as a Democrat to the 100th through 106th Congresses; reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 6, 1987. A Democratic chief deputy whip in the 102nd-107th Congresses.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Public Works and Transportation	100 th -102 nd
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	100 th -102 nd
H. Select Aging	101 st -102 nd
H. District of Columbia	103 rd
H. Ways and Means	103 rd -107 th

LONG, JEFFERSON F., a Representative from Georgia. Born on March 3, 1836, died on Feb. 5, 1900. Elected as a Republican to the 41st Congress after the House declared that Samuel Gove was not entitled to his seat; served from Jan. 16, 1871, to March 3, 1871. First black Member of Congress from Georgia.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
None	—

LYNCH, JOHN R., a Representative from Mississippi. Born on Sept. 10, 1846, died on Nov. 2, 1939. Elected as a Republican to the 43rd, 44th, and 47th Congresses; served from March 4, 1873, to March 3, 1877, and from April 29, 1882, to March 3, 1883, after he successfully contested the election of Rep. James Chalmers. At 26, he was the youngest Member of the 43rd Congress. First black Member of the House of Representatives from Mississippi

LYNCH, JOHN R.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Mines and Mining	43 rd -44 th
H. Militia	47 th
H. Education and Labor	47 th

McKINNEY, CYNTHIA A., a Representative from Georgia. Born on March 17, 1955. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	103 rd
H. Foreign Affairs	103 rd
H. International Relations	104 th -107 th
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th -105 th
H. National Security	105 th
H. Armed Services	106 th -107 th

MEEK, CARRIE P., a Representative from Florida. Born on April 29, 1926. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Appropriations	103 rd , 105 th -107 th
H. Budget	104 th
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th

MEEKS, GREGORY, a Representative from New York. Born on Sept. 25, 1953. Elected as a Democrat to the 105th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Floyd Flake, reelected to the 106th-107th Congresses; has served since Feb. 5, 1998.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Financial Services	105 th -106 th
H. Financial Services	107 th
H. International Relations	106 th -107 th

METCALFE, RALPH H., a Representative from Illinois. Born on May 30, 1910, died on Oct. 10, 1978. Elected as a Democrat to the 92nd through 95th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1971, to Oct. 10, 1978.

METCALFE, RALPH H.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Interstate and Foreign Commerce	92 nd -95 th
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	92 nd -95 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	95 th

MFUME, KWEISI, a Representative from Maryland. Born on Oct. 24, 1948. Elected as a Democrat to the 100th through 104th Congresses; served from Jan. 6, 1987, to Feb. 16, 1996, when he resigned to become Executive Director of the NAACP. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus in the 103rd Congress, 1993-1994. Served as a co-chair of the Democratic Policy Committee in the 104th Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	100 th -103 rd
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th
H. Small Business	100 th -104 th
H. Education and Labor	101 st
H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control	101 st -102 nd
Jt. Economic	102 nd -104 th
H. Standards of Official Conduct	103 rd
H. Select Hunger	100 th

MILLENDER-McDONALD, JUANITA, a Representatives from California. Born on Sept. 7, 1938. Elected as a Democrat to the 104th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. Walter Tucker; reelected to the 105th through 107th Congresses; has served since April 16, 1996.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Small Business	104 th -107 th
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th -107 th

MILLER, THOMAS E., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on June 17, 1849, died on April 8, 1936. Elected as a Republican to the 51st Congress; served from Sept. 24, 1890 to March 3, 1891, when he successfully contested the election of William Elliott.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Library of Congress	51 st

MITCHELL, ARTHUR W., a Representative from Illinois. Born on Dec. 22, 1883, died on May 9, 1968. Elected as a Democrat to the 74th through 77th Congresses; served from Jan 3, 1935, to Jan. 3, 1943. First black Democrat elected to Congress.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Post Office and Post Roads	74 th -77 th

MITCHELL, PARREN J., a Representative from Maryland. Born on April 29, 1922. Elected as a Democrat to the 92nd through 99th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1971, to Jan. 3, 1987. First black Member of Congress from Maryland. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 95th Congress, 1977-1978.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Currency	92 nd -93 rd
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	94 th -99 th
H. Select Small Business	92 nd -93 rd
H. Budget	93 rd -95 th
H. Small Business	94 th , 96 th -99 th (Committee Chair, 97 th -99 th)
Jt. Defense Production	94 th -95 th
Jt. Economic	95 th -99 th

MOSELEY-BRAUN, CAROL, a Senator from Illinois. Born on Aug. 16, 1947. Elected as a Democrat in 1992 and served in the 103rd through 105th Congresses from Jan. 5, 1993, to Jan. 3, 1999. She was the first black woman and black Democrat to serve in the Senate.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
S. Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs	103 rd -105 th
S. Judiciary	103 rd
S. Small Business	103 rd
S. Finance	104 th -105 th
S. Special Aging	104 th -105 th

MURRAY, GEORGE W., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on Sept. 22, 1853, died on April 21, 1926. Elected as a Republican to the 53rd and 54th Congresses; served from March 4, 1893, to March 3, 1895, and from June 4, 1896, to March 3, 1897 (successfully contested an election).

MURRAY, GEORGE W.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education	53 rd -54 th
H. Expenditures in the Treasury Department	54 th

NASH, CHARLES E., a Representative from Louisiana. Born on May 23, 1844, died on June 21, 1913. Elected as a Republican to the 44th Congress; served from March 4, 1875, to March 3, 1877. First black Member of Congress from Louisiana.

<i>Committee Assignment</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	44 th

NIX, ROBERT N.C., Sr., a Representative from Pennsylvania. Born on Aug. 9, 1905, died on June 22, 1987. Elected as a Democrat to the 85th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. Earl Chudoff, reelected to the 86th through 95th Congresses; served from June 4, 1958, to Jan. 3, 1979. First black Member of Congress from Pennsylvania.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	85 th -86 th
H. Foreign Affairs	87 th -93 rd
H. International Relations	94 th -95 th
H. Veterans' Affairs	85 th -86 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	88 th -95 th (Committee Chair, 95 th)
H. Select Standards and Conduct	89 th
H. Crime	91 st

NORTON, ELEANOR HOLMES, a Delegate from the District of Columbia. Born on June 13, 1937. Elected as a Democrat to the 102nd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1991.

NORTON, ELEANOR HOLMES—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. District of Columbia	102 nd -103 rd
H. Post Office and Civil Service	102 nd -103 rd
H. Public Works and Transportation	102 nd -103 rd
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th -107 th
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th -105 th
H. Small Business	104 th
Jt. Committee on the Organization of Congress	102 nd -103 rd
H. Government Reform	106 th -107 th

O'HARA, JAMES E., a Representative from North Carolina. Born on Feb. 26, 1844, died on Sept. 15, 1905. Elected as a Republican to the 48th and 49th Congresses; served from March 4, 1883, to March 3, 1887.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Mines and Mining	48 th
H. Expenditures on Public Buildings	49 th
H. Invalid Pensions	49 th

OWENS, MAJOR R., a Representative from New York. Born on June 28, 1936. Elected as a Democrat to the 98th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1983.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	98 th -103 rd
H. Economic and Educational Opportunities	104 th
H. Government Operations	98 th -103 rd
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th -105 th
H. Education and the Workforce	105 th -107 th
H. Government Reform	106 th -107 th

PAYNE, DONALD M., a Representative from New Jersey. Born on July 16, 1934. Elected as a Democrat to the 101st through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1989. First black Member of Congress from New Jersey. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus in the 104th Congress.

PAYNE, DONALD M.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	101 st -103 rd
H. Economic and Educational Opportunities	104 th
H. Education and the Workforce	105 th -107 th
H. Foreign Affairs	101 st -103 rd
H. Government Operations	101 st -103 rd
H. International Relations	104 th -107 th

POWELL, ADAM CLAYTON, a Representative from New York. Born on Nov. 29, 1908, died on April 4, 1972. Elected as a Democrat to the 79th through 90th Congresses, but was not seated in the 90th Congress (excluded from that Congress on Mar. 1, 1967). He served from Jan. 3, 1945, to Jan. 3, 1967. In April 1967, he was reelected in a special election to the seat from which he had been excluded, but he did not attempt to take the oath of office. He was reelected to the 91st Congress and served from Jan. 3, 1969, to Jan. 3, 1971. First black Member of Congress from New York.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Indian Affairs	79 th
H. Invalid Pensions	79 th
H. Labor	79 th
H. Education and Labor	80 th -89 th , 91 st (Committee Chair, 87 th -89 th)
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	84 th -86 th

RAINEY, JOSEPH H., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on June 21, 1832, died on Aug. 2, 1887. Elected as a Republican to the 41st Congress when the House declared the seat of Benjamin Whittemore vacant, reelected to the 42nd through 45th Congresses; served from Dec. 12, 1870, to March 3, 1879. He was the first black Member of the House of Representatives as well as the first black Member of Congress from South Carolina.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Freedmen's Affairs	41 st -42 nd
H. Indian Affairs	43 rd
H. Invalid Pensions	44 th -45 th
H. Select Celebration of Proposed National Census of 1875	43 rd

RANGEL, CHARLES B., a Representative from New York. Born on June 11, 1930. Elected as a Democrat to the 92nd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1971. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus during the 94th Congress, 1975.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Public Works	92 nd
H. Science and Astronautics	92 nd
H. Judiciary	92 nd -93 rd
H. District of Columbia	93 rd
H. Ways and Means	94 th -107 th
H. Select Crime	92 nd -93 rd
H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control	94 th -102 nd (Committee Chairman, 98 th - 102 nd)
Jt. Taxation	104 th -105 th

RANSIER, ALONZO J., a Representative from South Carolina. Born on Jan. 3, 1834, died on Aug. 17, 1882. Elected as a Republican to the 43rd Congress; served from March 3, 1873, to March 3, 1875.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Manufactures	43 rd

RAPIER, JAMES T., a Representative from Alabama. Born on Nov. 13, 1837, died on May 31, 1883. Elected as a Republican to the 43rd Congress; served from March 4, 1873, to March 3, 1875.

<i>Committee Assignment</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	43 rd

REVELS, HIRAM R., a Senator from Mississippi. Born on Sept. 27, 1827, died on Jan. 16, 1901. Elected as a Republican in 1870 and served in the 41st Congress after Mississippi was readmitted to the union; served from Feb. 25, 1870, to March 3, 1871. He was the first black Member of the U.S. Congress, the first black Republican elected to Congress, and the first black Member of Congress from Mississippi.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
S. Education and Labor	41 st
S. District of Columbia	41 st

REYNOLDS, MELVIN J., a Representative from Illinois. Born on Jan. 8, 1952. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd and 104th Congresses; served from Jan. 5, 1993, until his resignation on Oct. 1, 1995.

<i>Committee Assignment</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Ways and Means	103 rd
H. Economic and Educational Opportunities	104 th

RUSH, BOBBY L., a Representative from Illinois. Born on Nov. 23, 1946. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	103 rd
H. Government Operations	103 rd
H. Science, Space, and Technology	103 rd
H. Commerce	104 th -106 th
H. Energy and Commerce	107 th

SAVAGE, GUS, a Representative from Illinois. Born on Oct. 30, 1925. Elected as a Democrat to the 97th through 102nd Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1981, to Jan. 3, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Post Office and Civil Service	97 th
H. Public Works and Transportation	97 th -102 nd
H. Small Business	97 th -102 nd

SCOTT, ROBERT C., a Representative from Virginia. Born on April 30, 1947. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	103 rd
H. Judiciary	103 rd -107 th
H. Science, Space, and Technology	103 rd
H. Economic and Educational Opportunities	104 th
H. Education and the Workforce	105 th -107 th
H. U.S. National Security and Military Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China	106 th

SMALLS, ROBERT, a Representative from South Carolina. Born on April 5, 1839, died on Feb. 22, 1915. Elected as a Republican to the 44th, 45th, and 47th through 49th Congresses. He served from March 4, 1875, to Mar. 3, 1879; from July 19, 1882, to March 3, 1883, after he successfully contested the election of George Tillman, and from March 18, 1884, to March 3, 1887, after he was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edmund Mackey

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	44 th , 47 th
H. Militia	45 th
H. Manufactures	48 th
H. War Claims	49 th

STEWART, BENNETT M., a Representative from Illinois. Born on Aug. 6, 1912, died April 26, 1988. Elected as a Democrat to the 96th Congress; served from Jan. 3, 1979, to Jan. 3, 1981.

<i>Committee Assignment</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Appropriations	96 th

STOKES, LOUIS, a Representative from Ohio. Born on Feb. 23, 1925. Elected as a Democrat to the 91st through 105th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1969, to Jan. 3, 1999. First black Member of Congress from Ohio. Served as chair of the Congressional black Caucus during the 92nd and 93rd Congresses, 1972-1974.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	91 st
H. Internal Security	91 st
H. Appropriations	92 nd -105 th
H. Budget	95 th -96 th
H. Standards of Official Conduct	96 th -98 th , 102 nd (Committee Chairman, 97 th - 98 th , 102 nd)
H. Select Assassinations	94 th -95 th (Committee Chairman, 95 th)
H. Select Intelligence	98 th -100 th
H. Select to Investigate Arms Transactions to Iran	100 th

THOMPSON, BENNIE G., a Representative from Mississippi. Born on Jan. 28, 1948. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rep. Mike Espy to become Secretary of Agriculture, reelected to the 104th through 107th Congresses; has served since April 20, 1993.

THOMPSON, BENNIE G.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	103 rd -107 th
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	103 rd
H. Small Business	103 rd -104 th
H. Budget	105 th -107 th

TOWNS, EDOLPHUS, a Representative from New York. Born on July 21, 1934. Elected as a Democrat to the 98th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1983. Served as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus in the 102nd Congress, 1991-1992.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Operations	98 th -103 rd
H. Government Reform and Oversight	104 th -105 th
H. Government Reform	106 th -107 th
H. Public Works and Transportation	98 th -104 th
H. Energy and Commerce	101 st -103 rd , 107 th
H. Commerce	104 th -106 th
H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control	98 th -102 nd

TUCKER, WALTER R., a Representative from California. Born on May 28, 1957. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd and 104th Congresses; served from Jan. 5, 1993, until his resignation on Dec. 15, 1995.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Public Works and Transportation	103 rd
H. Small Business	103 rd -104 th
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th

TURNER, BENJAMIN S., a Representative from Alabama. Born on March 17, 1825, died on March 21, 1894. Elected as a Republican to the 42nd Congress; served from March 4, 1871, to March 3, 1873. First black Member of Congress from Alabama.

<i>Committee Assignment</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Invalid Pensions	42 nd

WALDON, ALTON R., Jr., a Representative from New York. Born on Dec. 21, 1936. Elected as a Democrat to the 99th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rep. Joseph Addabbo; served from July 29, 1986, to Jan. 3, 1987.

WALDON, ALTON R., Jr.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	99 th
H. Small Business	99 th

WALLS, JOSIAH T., a Representative from Florida. Born on Dec. 30, 1842, died on May 5, 1905. Elected as a Republican to the 42nd through 44th Congresses; served from March 4, 1871, to Jan. 29, 1873 (when his election was successfully contested); from March 4, 1873, to March 3, 1875; and from March 4, 1875, to April 19, 1876 (when his election was successfully contested). First black Member of Congress from Florida.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Militia	42 nd -43 rd
H. Mileage	44 th

WASHINGTON, CRAIG A., a Representative from Texas. Born on Oct. 12, 1941. Elected as a Democrat to the 101st Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rep. Mickey Leland, reelected to the 102nd and 103rd Congresses; served from Dec. 9, 1989, to Jan. 3, 1995.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Education and Labor	101 st -102 nd
H. Judiciary	101 st -103 rd
H. Energy and Commerce	103 rd
H. Government Operations	103 rd
H. Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control	102 nd

WASHINGTON, HAROLD D., a Representative from Illinois. Born on April 15, 1922, died on Nov. 25, 1987. Elected as a Democrat to the 97th and 98th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1981, to April 29, 1983, when he resigned to become Mayor of Chicago, Illinois.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Government Operations	97 th
H. Education and Labor	97 th -98 th
H. Judiciary	97 th -98 th

WATERS, MAXINE, a Representative from California. Born on Aug. 31, 1938. Elected as a Democrat to the 102nd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the

107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1991. Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus in the 105th Congress, vice chair of the Democratic Steering Committee in the 105th-107th Congresses, and a Democratic chief deputy whip in the 106th-107th Congresses.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	102 nd -103 rd
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th -106 th
H. Financial Services	107 th
H. Veterans Affairs	102 nd -104 th
H. Small Business	103 rd -104 th
H. Judiciary	105 th -107 th

WATSON, DIANE E., a Representative from California. Born on Nov. 12, 1933. Elected as a Democrat to the 107th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Representative Julian Dixon; has served since June 7, 2001.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. International Relations	107 th
H. Government Reform	107 th

WATT, MELVIN L., a Representative from North Carolina. Born on Aug. 26, 1945. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	103 rd
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th -106 th
H. Financial Services	107 th
H. Post Office and Civil Service	103 rd
H. Judiciary	103 rd -106 th
Jt. Economic	107 th

WATTS, J.C., Jr., a Representative from Oklahoma. Born on Nov. 18, 1957. Elected as a Republican to the 104th through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 3, 1995. First black Member of Congress from Oklahoma. Chair of the House Republican Conference in the 106th-107th Congresses.

WATTS, J.C., Jr.—Continued

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th
H. National Security	104 th -105 th
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	105 th -106 th
H. Armed Services	106 th -107 th

WHEAT, ALAN D., a Representative from Missouri. Born on Oct. 16, 1951. Elected as a Democrat to the 98th through 103rd Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1983, to Jan. 3, 1995.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. District of Columbia	98 th -103 rd
H. Rules	98 th -103 rd
H. Select Children, Youth, and Families	98 th -102 nd
H. Select Hunger	101 st -102 nd

WHITE, GEORGE H., a Representative from North Carolina. Born on Dec. 18, 1852, died on Dec. 28, 1918. Elected as a Republican to the 55th and 56th Congresses; served from March 4, 1897, to March 3, 1901.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Agriculture	55 th
H. District of Columbia	55 th -56 th

WYNN, ALBERT R., a Representative from Maryland. Born on Sept. 10, 1951. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd through 106th Congresses, reelected to the 107th Congress; has served since Jan. 5, 1993.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	103 rd
H. Banking and Financial Services	104 th
H. Foreign Affairs	103 rd
H. Post Office and Civil Service	103 rd
H. International Relations	104 th
H. Commerce	105 th -106 th
H. Energy and Commerce	107 th

YOUNG, ANDREW, a Representative from Georgia. Born on March 12, 1932. Elected as a Democrat to the 93rd through 95th Congresses; served from Jan. 3, 1973, to Jan. 29, 1977, when he resigned to become U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations. Elected Mayor of Atlanta, Georgia, in 1981.

<i>Committee Assignments</i>	<i>Congress</i>
H. Banking, Currency, and Housing	93 rd
H. Rules	94 th

Table 1. Black Members of Congress—Senate

Name	Congress(es)	Years	State	Party
Brooke, Edward W.	90 th -95 th	1967-1979	MA	Rep.
Bruce, Blanche K.	44 th -46 th	1875-1881	MS	Rep.
Moseley-Braun, Carol	103 rd -	1993-	IL	Dem.
Revels, Hiram R. ^a	41 st	1870-1871	MS	Rep.

^a Seated after Mississippi was readmitted to the Union on February 23, 1870; first black Member of Congress.

**Table 2. Black Members of Congress—
House of Representatives**

Name	Congress(es)	Years	State	District*	Party
Bishop, Sanford D.	103 rd -	1993-	GA	2 nd	Dem.
Blackwell, Lucien E. ^a	102 nd -103 rd	1991-1995	PA	2 nd	Dem.
Brown, Corrine	103 rd -	1993-	FL	3 rd	Dem.
Burke, Yvonne B.	93 rd -95 th	1973-1979	CA	28 th	Dem.
Cain, Richard Harvey	43 rd 45 th	1873-1875 1877-1879	SC	A.L.	Rep.
Carson, Julia	105 th -	1997-	IN	10 th	Dem.
Cheatham, Henry P.	51 st -52 nd	1889-1893	NC	2 nd	Rep.
Chisholm, Shirley A. ^b	91 st -97 th	1969-1983	NY	12 th	Dem.
Christian-Christiansen, Donna	105 th -	1997-	VI	--	Dem.
Clay, William L., Sr.	91 st -	1969-2001	MO	1 st	Dem.
Clay, Wm. Lacy	107 th	2001-	MO	1 st	Dem.
Clayton, Eva M. ^c	102 nd -	1992-	NC	1 st	Dem.
Clyburn, James E.	103 rd -	1993-	SC	6 th	Dem.
Collins, Barbara-Rose	102 nd -104 th	1991-1997	MI	15 th	Dem.
Collins, Cardiss ^d	93 rd -104 th	1973-1997	IL	7 th	Dem.
Collins, George W. ^e	91 st -92 nd	1970-1972	IL	6 th	Dem.
Conyers, John, Jr.	89 th -	1965-	MI	14 th	Dem.
Crockett, George W. ^f	96 th -101 st	1980-1991	MI	13 th	Dem.
Cummings, Elijah E. ^g	104 th -	1996-	MD	7 th	Dem.
Davis, Danny K.	105 th -	1997-	IL	7 th	Dem.
Dawson, William L. ^h	78 th -91 st	1943-1970	IL	1 st	Dem.
DeLarge, Robert C. ⁱ	42 nd	1871-1873	SC	2 nd	Rep.
Dellums, Ronald V.	92 nd -105 th	1971-1998	CA	8 th	Dem.
DePriest, Oscar S.	71 st -73 rd	1929-1935	IL	1 st	Rep.
Diggs, Charles C., Jr. ^j	84 th -96 th	1955-1980	MI	13 th	Dem.
Dixon, Julian C. ^k	96 th -106 th	1979-2000	CA	32 nd	Dem.
Dymally, Mervyn M.	97 th -102 nd	1981-1993	CA	31 st	Dem.

Name	Congress(es)	Years	State	District*	Party
Elliott, Robert B. ^l	42 nd -43 rd	1871-1874	SC	3 rd	Rep.
Espy, Albert M. (Mike) ^m	100 th -103 rd	1987-1993	MS	2 nd	Dem.
Evans, Melvin H.	96 th	1979-1981	VI	AL	Rep.
Fattah, Chaka	104 th -	1995-	PA	2 nd	Dem.
Fauntroy, Walter E. ⁿ	92 nd -101 st	1971-1991	DC	AL	Dem.
Fields, Cleo	103 rd -104 th	1993-1997	LA	4 th	Dem.
Flake, Floyd H.	100 th -105 th	1987-1997	NY	6 th	Dem.
Ford, Harold E., Jr.	105 th -	1997-	TN	9 th	Dem.
Ford, Harold E., Sr.	94 th -104 th	1975-1997	TN	9 th	Dem.
Franks, Gary A.	102 nd -104 th	1991-1997	CT	5 th	Rep.
Frazer, Victor O.	104 th	1995	VI	AL	Dem.
Gray, William H. III ^o	96 th -102 nd	1979-1991	PA	2 nd	Dem.
Hall, Katie B. ^p	97 th -98 th	1982-1985	IN	1 st	Dem.
Haralson, Jeremiah	44 th	1875-1877	AL	1 st	Rep.
Hastings, Alcee L.	103 rd -	1993-	FL	23 rd	Dem.
Hawkins, Augustus F.	88 th -101 st	1963-1991	CA	29 th	Dem.
Hayes, Charles A. ^q	98 th -102 nd	1983-1993	IL	1 st	Dem.
Hilliard, Earl F.	103 rd -	1993-	AL	7 th	Dem.
Hyman, John Adams	44 th	1875-1877	NC	2 nd	Rep.
Jackson, Jesse L., Jr. ^f	104 th -	1995-	IL	2 nd	Dem.
Jackson Lee, Sheila	104 th -	1995-	TX	18 th	Dem.
Jefferson, William J.	102 nd -	1991-	LA	2 nd	Dem.
Johnson, Eddie Bernice	103 rd -	1993-	TX	30 th	Dem.
Jones, Stephanie Tubbs	106 th -	1999-	OH	11 th	Dem.
Jordan, Barbara C.	93 rd -95 th	1973-1979	TX	18 th	Dem.
Kilpatrick, Carolyn C.	105 th -	1997-	MI	15 th	Dem.
Langston, John M. ^s	51 st	1890-1891	VA	4 th	Rep.
Lee, Barbara ^t	105 th -	1998-	CA	9 th	Dem.
Leland, George T. (Mickey) ^u	96 th -101 st	1979-1989	TX	18 th	Dem.
Lewis, John R.	100 th -	1987-	GA	5 th	Dem.

Name	Congress(es)	Years	State	District*	Party
Long, Jefferson F. ^v	41 st	1870-1871	GA	4 th	Rep.
Lynch, John R. ^w	43 rd -44 th 47 th	1873-1877 1882-1883	MS	7 th	Rep.
McKinney, Cynthia A.	103 rd -	1993-	GA	4 th	Dem.
Meek, Carrie P.	103 rd -	1993-	FL	17 th	Dem.
Meeks, Gregory ^x	105 th -	1998-	NY	6 th	Dem.
Metcalfe, Ralph H. ^y	92 nd -95 th	1971-1978	IL	1 st	Dem.
Mfume, Kweisi ^z	100 th -104 th	1987-1996	MD	7 th	Dem.
Millender-McDonald, Juanita ^{aa}	104 th -	1996-	CA	37 th	Dem.
Miller, Thomas E. ^{ab}	51 st	1890-1891	SC	7 th	Rep.
Mitchell, Arthur W.	74 th -77 th	1935-1943	IL	1 st	Dem.
Mitchell, Parren J.	92 nd -99 th	1971-1987	MD	7 th	Dem.
Murray, George W. ^{ac}	53 rd -54 th	1893-1895 1896-1897	SC	7 th	Rep.
Nash, Charles E.	44 th	1875-1877	LA	6 th	Rep.
Nix, R.N.C., Sr. ^{ad}	85 th -95 th	1958-1979	PA	2 nd	Dem.
Norton, Eleanor Holmes	102 nd -	1991-	DC	AL	Dem.
O'Hara, James E.	48 th -49 th	1883-1887	NC	2 nd	Rep.
Owens, Major R.	98 th -	1983-	NY	11 th	Dem.
Payne, Donald M.	101 st -	1989-	NJ	10 th	Dem.
Powell, Adam C. ^{ae}	79 th -89 th 91 st	1945-1967 1969-1971	NY	18 th	Dem.
Rainey, Joseph H. ^{af}	41 st -45 th	1870-1879	SC	1 st	Rep.
Rangel, Charles B.	92 nd -	1971-	NY	15 th	Dem.
Ransier, Alonzo J.	43 rd	1873-1875	SC	2 nd	Rep.
Rapier, James T.	43 rd	1873-1875	AL	2 nd	Rep.
Reynolds, Melvin J. (Mel) ^{ag}	103 rd -104 th	1993-1995	IL	2 nd	Dem.
Rush, Bobby L.	103 rd -	1993-	IL	1 st	Dem.
Savage, Gus	97 th -102 nd	1981-1993	IL	2 nd	Dem.
Scott, Robert C.	103 rd -	1993-	VA	3 rd	Dem.

Name	Congress(es)	Years	State	District*	Party
Smalls, Robert ^{ah}	44 th -45 th 47 th 48 th -49 th	1875-1879 1882-1883 1884-1887	SC	5 th	Rep.
Stewart, Bennett M.	96 th	1979-1981	IL	1 st	Dem.
Stokes, Louis	91 st -105 th	1969-1999	OH	21 st	Dem.
Thompson, Bennie G. ^{ai}	103 rd -	1993-	MS	2 nd	Dem.
Towns, Edolphus	98 th -	1983-	NY	10 th	Dem.
Tucker, Walter R. ^{aj}	103 rd -104 th	1993-1995	CA	37 th	Dem.
Turner, Benjamin S.	42 nd	1871-1873	AL	1 st	Rep.
Waldon, Alton R., Jr. ^{ak}	99 th	1986-1987	NY	6 th	Dem.
Walls, Josiah T. ^{al}	42 nd 43 rd 44 th	1871-1873 1873-1875 1875-1876	FL	AL	Rep.
Washington, Craig A. ^{am}	101 st -103 rd	1989-1995	TX	18 th	Dem.
Washington, Harold D. ^{an}	97 th -98 th	1981-1983	IL	1 st	Dem.
Waters, Maxine	102 nd -	1991-	CA	35 th	Dem.
Watson, Diane ^{ao}	107 th -	2001-	CA	32 nd	Dem.
Watt, Melvin L.	103 rd -	1993-	NC	12 th	Dem.
Watts, J.C., Jr.	104 th -	1995-	OK	4 th	Rep.
Wheat, Alan D.	98 th -103 rd	1983-1995	MO	5 th	Dem.
White, George H.	55 th -58 th	1897-1901	NC	2 nd	Rep.
Wynn, Albert R.	103 rd -	1993-	MD	4 th	Dem.
Young, Andrew J. ^{ap}	93 rd -95 th	1973-1977	GA	5 th	Dem.

* The number noted for a Member's congressional district is that which is now assigned to it or was assigned to it when he/she was last in Congress.

^a Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of William Gray; seated on Nov. 13, 1991.

^b First black woman elected to Congress and first black woman presidential candidate (1972).

^c Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Walter Jones; took office on Nov. 5, 1992.

^d Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband George W. Collins; seated on June 7, 1973.

^e Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Daniel J. Ronan; seated on Nov. 16, 1970. He was subsequently killed in an airplane crash on Dec. 8, 1972.

^f Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles C. Diggs, Jr., seated Nov. 12, 1980.

^g Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Kweisi Mfume; seated on April 25, 1996.

^h Died on Nov. 9, 1970.

ⁱ Seat declared vacant on Jan. 24, 1873, after DeLarge's election was successfully contested.

^j Resigned from office on June 3, 1980.

^k Died on Dec. 8, 2000.

- ^l Resigned from office, effective Nov. 1, 1874.
- ^m Resigned from office on Jan. 25, 1993, to become Secretary of Agriculture.
- ⁿ Delegate from the District of Columbia. Elected in a special election and sworn in on April 19, 1971.
- ^o Resigned from office on Sept. 11, 1991.
- ^p Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Adam Benjamin; seated on Nov. 29, 1982.
- ^q Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harold Washington; seated on Sept. 12, 1983.
- ^r Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mel Reynolds; seated on Dec. 14, 1995.
- ^s Successfully contested the election of Edward C. Venable and served from Sept. 23, 1890, to March 3, 1891.
- ^t Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ronald Dellums; seated on April 20, 1998.
- ^u Died in a plane crash on Aug. 7, 1989, while in Ethiopia on a fact-finding tour investigating hunger among refugees.
- ^v Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the House declaring that Samuel Grove was not entitled to his seat; served from Dec. 22, 1870, to March 3, 1871.
- ^w Successfully contested the election of James R. Chalmers to the 47th Congress; served from April 29, 1882, to March 3, 1883.
- ^x Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Floyd Flake; seated on Feb. 5, 1998.
- ^y Died on Oct. 10, 1978.
- ^z Resigned from office on Feb. 16, 1996.
- ^{aa} Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Walter Tucker; seated on April 16, 1996.
- ^{ab} Successfully contested an election; served from Sept. 24, 1890, to March 3, 1891.
- ^{ac} Successfully contested an election; served from June 4, 1896, to March 3, 1897.
- ^{ad} First elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Earl Chudoff; seated on June 4, 1958.
- ^{ae} Elected to the 90th Congress, but excluded and not seated. Re-elected to the seat vacated by his exclusion, but never took the oath of office. Re-elected to the 91st Congress and seated. Defeated for renomination to the 92nd Congress in 1970.
- ^{af} First black Member of the U.S. House of Representatives. Elected to the 41st Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the House declaring the seat of Benjamin Whittemor vacant. Seated on Dec. 12, 1870.
- ^{ag} Resigned from office on Oct. 1, 1995.
- ^{ah} Successfully contested an election and seated in the 47th Congress on July 19, 1882. Subsequently elected to the 48th-49th Congresses; first elected to the 48th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edmund Mackey; seated on March 18, 1884.
- ^{ai} Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mike Espy; seated April 20, 1993.
- ^{aj} Resigned from office on December 15, 1995.
- ^{ak} Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Joseph Addabbo; seated July 29, 1986.
- ^{al} Served from March 4, 1871, until Jan. 29, 1873, when seat was lost to Silas L. Niblack who successfully challenged his election. Served from March 4, 1875, until April 19, 1876, when seat was lost to Jesse J. Finley who successfully challenged his election.
- ^{am} Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mickey Leland; seated Dec. 9, 1989.
- ^{an} Resigned on April 29, 1983, to become Mayor of Chicago, IL.
- ^{ao} Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Julian Dixon; seated June 7, 2001.
- ^{ap} Resigned his seat on Jan. 29, 1977, to become U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

Table 3. Number and Names of Black Members of Congress By Congress

No.	Chamber	Names		
107th CONGRESS (2001-2003)^a				
39	House:	Sanford Bishop Corrine Brown Julia Carson WM. Lacy Clay, Jr. Eva Clayton James Clyburn John Conyers Donna Christian-Christiansen Elijah Cummings Danny K. Davis Chaka Fattah Harold Ford, Jr. Alcee Hastings Earl Hilliard	Jesse Jackson, Jr. Sheila Jackson Lee William Jefferson Eddie Bernice Johnson Stephanie Tubbs Jones Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick Barbara Lee John Lewis Cynthia McKinney Carrie Meek Gregory Meeks Juanita Millender-McDonald Eleanor Holmes Norton	Major Owens Donald Payne Charles Rangel Bobby Rush Robert Scott Bennie Thompson Edolphus Towns Maxine Waters Diane Watson Mel Watt J.C. Watts, Jr. Al Wynn
106th CONGRESS (1999-2001)				
39	House:	Sanford Bishop Corrine Brown Julia Carson William Clay Eva Clayton James Clyburn John Conyers Donna Christian-Christiansen Elijah Cummings Danny K. Davis Julian Dixon ^b Chaka Fattah Harold Ford, Jr.	Alcee Hastings Earl Hilliard Jesse Jackson, Jr. Sheila Jackson Lee William Jefferson Eddie Bernice Johnson Stephanie Tubbs Jones Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick Barbara Lee John Lewis Cynthia McKinney Carrie Meek Gregory Meeks	Juanita Millender-McDonald Eleanor Holmes Norton Major Owens Donald Payne Charles Rangel Bobby Rush Robert Scott Bennie Thompson Edolphus Towns Maxine Waters Mel Watt J.C. Watts, Jr. Al Wynn

No.	Chamber	Names		
105th CONGRESS (1997-1999)^c				
39	House:	Sanford Bishop Corrine Brown Julia Carson William Clay Eva Clayton James Clyburn John Conyers Donna M. Christian-Green Elijah Cummings Danny K. Davis Ronald Dellums ^d Julian Dixon Chaka Fattah	Floyd Flake ^e Harold Ford, Jr. Alcee Hastings Earl Hilliard Jesse Jackson, Jr. Sheila Jackson Lee William Jefferson Eddie Bernice Johnson Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick Barbara Lee John Lewis Cynthia McKinney Carrie Meek Gregory Meeks	Juanita Millender-McDonald Eleanor Holmes Norton Major Owens Donald Payne Charles Rangel Bobby Rush Robert Scott Louis Stokes Bennie Thompson Edolphus Towns Maxine Waters Mel Watt J.C. Watts, Jr. Al Wynn
1	Senate:	Carol Moseley-Braun		
104th CONGRESS (1995-1997)^f				
40	House:	Sanford Bishop Corrine Brown William Clay Eva Clayton James Clyburn Barbara-Rose Collins Cardiss Collins John Conyers Elijah Cummings Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon Chaka Fattah Cleo Fields Floyd Flake Harold Ford, Sr.	Gary Franks Victor Frazer Alcee Hastings Earl Hilliard Jesse Jackson, Jr. William Jefferson Eddie Bernice Johnson Sheila Jackson Lee John Lewis Cynthia McKinney Carrie Meek Kweisi Mfume ^g Juanita Millender-McDonald Eleanor Holmes Norton Major Owens	Donald Payne Charles Rangel Mel Reynolds ^h Bobby Rush Robert Scott Louis Stokes Bennie Thompson Edolphus Towns Walter Tucker ⁱ Maxine Waters Mel Watt J.C. Watts, Jr. Al Wynn
1	Senate:	Carol Moseley-Braun		

No.	Chamber	Names		
103rd CONGRESS (1993-1995)^j				
39	House:	Sanford Bishop Lucien Blackwell Corrine Brown William Clay Eva Clayton James Clyburn Barbara-Rose Collins Cardiss Collins John Conyers Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon Mike Espy ^k Cleo Fields Floyd Flake	Harold Ford, Sr. Gary Franks Alcee Hastings Earl Hilliard William Jefferson Eddie Bernice Johnson John Lewis Cynthia McKinney Carrie Meek Kweisi Mfume Eleanor Holmes Norton Major Owens Donald Payne Charles Rangel	Mel Reynolds Bobby Rush Robert Scott Louis Stokes Bennie Thompson Edolphus Towns Walter Tucker Craig Washington Maxine Waters Mel Watt Alan Wheat Al Wynn
1	Senate:	Carol Moseley-Braun		
102nd CONGRESS (1991-1993)^l				
27	House:	Lucien Blackwell William Clay Eva Clayton Barbara-Rose Collins Cardiss Collins John Conyers Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon Mervyn Dymally Mike Espy	Floyd H. Flake Harold Ford, Sr. Gary Franks William Gray, III Charles Hayes William Jefferson John Lewis Kweisi Mfume Eleanor Norton Major Owens	Donald Payne Charles Rangel Gus Savage Louis Stokes Edolphus Towns Craig Washington Maxine Waters Alan Wheat
	Senate:	None		
101st CONGRESS (1989-1991)^m				
24	House:	William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers George Crockett Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon Mervyn Dymally Mike Espy Walter Fauntroy	Floyd H. Flake Harold Ford, Sr. William Gray, III Augustus Hawkins Charles Hayes Mickey Leland John Lewis Kweisi Mfume Major Owens	Donald Payne Charles Rangel Gus Savage Louis Stokes Edolphus Towns Craig Washington Alan Wheat
	Senate:	None		

No.	Chamber	Names		
100th CONGRESS (1987-1989)				
23	House:	William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers George Crockett Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon Mervyn Dymally Mike Espy Walter Fauntroy	Floyd H. Flake Harold Ford, Sr. William Gray, III Augustus Hawkins Charles Hayes Mickey Leland John Lewis Kweisi Mfume Major Owens	Charles Rangel Gus Savage Louis Stokes Edolphus Towns Alan Wheat
	Senate:	None		
99th CONGRESS (1985-1987)				
21	House:	William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers George Crockett Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon Mervyn Dymally	Walter Fauntroy Harold Ford, Sr. William Gray, III Augustus Hawkins Charles Hayes Mickey Leland Parren Mitchell	Major Owens Charles Rangel Gus Savage Louis Stokes Edolphus Towns Alton Waldon, Jr. Alan Wheat
	Senate:	None		
98th CONGRESS (1983-1985)ⁿ				
21	House:	William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers George Crockett Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon Mervyn Dymally Walter Fauntroy	Harold Ford, Sr. William Gray, III Katie Hall Augustus Hawkins Charles Hayes Mickey Leland Parren Mitchell Major Owens	Charles Rangel Gus Savage Louis Stokes Edolphus Towns Harold Washington Alan Wheat
	Senate:	None		
97th CONGRESS (1981-1983)				
19	House:	Shirley Chisholm William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers George Crockett Ronald Dellums Julian Dixon	Mervyn Dymally Walter Fauntroy Harold Ford, Sr. William Gray, III Katie Hall Augustus Hawkins Mickey Leland	Parren Mitchell Charles Rangel Gus Savage Louis Stokes Harold Washington
	Senate:	None		

No.	Chamber	Names		
96th CONGRESS (1979-1981)^o				
17	House:	Shirley Chisholm William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers George Crockett Ronald Dellums	Charles Diggs, Jr. Julian Dixon Melvin Evans Walter Fauntroy Harold Ford, Sr. William Gray, III	Augustus Hawkins Mickey Leland Parren Mitchell Charles Rangel Bennett Stewart Louis Stokes
	Senate:	None		
95th CONGRESS (1977-1979)				
17	House:	Yvonne Burke Shirley Chisholm William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers Ronald Dellums	Charles Diggs, Jr. Walter Fauntroy Harold Ford, Sr. Augustus Hawkins Barbara Jordan Ralph Metcalfe	Parren Mitchell Robert Nix Charles Rangel Louis Stokes Andrew Young
1	Senate:	Edward Brooke		
94th CONGRESS (1975-1977)				
17	House:	Yvonne Burke Shirley Chisholm William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers Ronald Dellums	Charles Diggs, Jr. Walter Fauntroy Harold Ford, Sr. Augustus Hawkins Barbara Jordan Ralph Metcalfe	Parren Mitchell Robert Nix Charles Rangel Louis Stokes Andrew Young
1	Senate:	Edward Brooke		
93rd CONGRESS (1973-1975)				
16	House:	Yvonne Burke Shirley Chisholm William Clay Cardiss Collins John Conyers Ronald Dellums	Charles Diggs, Jr. Walter Fauntroy Augustus Hawkins Barbara Jordan Ralph Metcalfe Parren Mitchell	Robert Nix Charles Rangel Louis Stokes Andrew Young
1	Senate:	Edward Brooke		
92nd CONGRESS (1971-1973)				
13	House:	Shirley Chisholm William Clay George Collins John Conyers Ronald Dellums	Charles Diggs, Jr. Walter Fauntroy Augustus Hawkins Ralph Metcalfe Parren Mitchell	Robert Nix Charles Rangel Louis Stokes
1	Senate:	Edward Brooke		

No.	Chamber	Names		
91st CONGRESS (1969-1971)				
10	House:	Shirley Chisholm William Clay George Collins Augustus Hawkins	John Conyers William Dawson Charles Diggs, Jr. Robert Nix	Adam Clayton Powell Louis Stokes
1	Senate:	Edward Brooke		
90th CONGRESS (1967-1969)^p				
5	House:	John Conyers William Dawson	Charles Diggs, Jr. Augustus Hawkins	Robert Nix
1	Senate:	Edward Brooke		
89th CONGRESS (1965-1967)				
6	House:	John Conyers William Dawson	Charles Diggs, Jr. Augustus Hawkins	Robert Nix Adam Clayton Powell
	Senate:	None		
88th CONGRESS (1963-1965)				
5	House:	William Dawson Charles Diggs, Jr.	Augustus Hawkins Robert Nix	Adam Clayton Powell
	Senate:	None		
85th - 87th CONGRESSES (1957-1963)				
4	House:	William Dawson Charles Diggs, Jr.	Robert Nix Adam Clayton Powell	
	Senate:	None		
84th CONGRESS (1955-1957)				
3	House:	William Dawson	Charles Diggs, Jr.	Adam Clayton Powell
79th - 83rd CONGRESSES (1945-1955)				
2	House:	William Dawson	Adam Clayton Powell	
	Senate:	None		
78th CONGRESS (1943-1945)				
1	House:	William Dawson		
	Senate:	None		
74th - 77th CONGRESSES (1935-1943)				
1	House:	Arthur Mitchell		
	Senate:	None		

No.	Chamber	Names		
71st - 73rd CONGRESSES (1929-1935)				
1	House:	Oscar DePriest		
	Senate:	None		
57th - 70th CONGRESSES (1901-1929)				
	House:	None		
	Senate:	None		
55th - 56th CONGRESSES (1897-1901)				
1	House:	George White		
	Senate:	None		
53rd - 54th CONGRESSES (1893-1897)				
1	House:	George Murray		
	Senate:	None		
52nd CONGRESS (1891-1893)				
1	House:	Henry Cheatham		
	Senate:	None		
51st CONGRESS (1889-1891)				
3	House:	Henry Cheatham	John Langston	Thomas Miller
	Senate:	None		
50th CONGRESS (1887-1889)				
	House:	None		
	Senate:	None		
48th - 49th CONGRESSES (1883-1887)				
2	House:	James O'Hara	Robert Smalls	
	Senate:	None		
47th CONGRESS (1881-1883)				
2	House:	John Lynch	Robert Smalls	
	Senate:	None		
46th CONGRESS (1879-1881)				
	House:	None		
1	Senate:	Blanche Bruce		

No.	Chamber	Names		
45th CONGRESS (1877-1879)				
3	House:	Richard Cain	Joseph Rainey	Robert Smalls
1	Senate:	Blanche Bruce		
44th CONGRESS (1875-1877)				
7	House:	Jeremiah Haralson John Hyman John Lynch	Charles Nash Joseph Rainey Robert Smalls	Josiah Walls
1	Senate:	Blanche Bruce		
43rd CONGRESS (1873-1875)				
7	House:	Richard Cain Robert Elliott John Lynch	Joseph Rainey Alonzo Ransier James Rapier	Josiah Walls
	Senate:	None		
42nd CONGRESS (1871-1873)				
5	House:	Robert DeLarge Robert Elliott	Joseph Rainey Benjamin Turner	Josiah Walls
	Senate:	None		
41st CONGRESS (1869-1871)^a				
2	House:	Jefferson Long	Joseph Rainey	
1	Senate:	Hiram Revels		

^a Although 40 black individuals were elected to the House for the 107th Congress, 39 was the highest number to serve at any one time. Julian Dixon, who was reelected to the 107th Congress, died before the commencement of the Congress and was later replaced by Diane Watson.

^b Died on Dec. 8, 2000.

^c Although 41 individuals were elected to the House in the 105th Congress, 39 was the highest number to serve at any one time. Floyd Flake resigned and was replaced by Gregory Meeks, and Ron Dellums resigned and was replaced by Barbara Lee.

^d Resigned on Feb. 6, 1998.

^e Resigned on Nov. 15, 1997.

^f Although 43 black individuals were elected to the House in the 104th Congress, 40 was the highest number to serve at any one time. Mel Reynolds resigned and was replaced by Jesse Jackson Jr., Walter Tucker resigned and was replaced by Juanita Millender-McDonald, and Kweis Mfume resigned and was replaced by Elijah Cummings.

^g Resigned Feb. 16, 1996.

^h Resigned Oct. 1, 1995.

ⁱ Resigned Dec. 15, 1995.

^j Although there were 40 black individuals elected to the House in the 103rd Congress, 39 was the largest number to serve at any one time as Bennie Thompson replaced Mike Espy.

^k Resigned Jan. 25, 1993, to become Secretary of Agriculture.

^l Although there were 28 black individuals elected to the House in the 102nd Congress, 27 was the largest number to serve at any one time as Lucien Blackwell replaced William Gray.

^m Although there were 25 black individuals elected to the House in the 101st Congress, 24 was the largest number to serve at any one time as Craig Washington replaced Mickey Leland.

- ⁿ Although there were 22 black Members elected to the House in the 98th Congress, 21 was the largest number to serve at one time during that Congress because Charles Hayes replaced Harold Washington.
- ^o Although there were 18 black Members elected to the House in the 96th Congress, 17 was the largest number to serve at one time during that Congress as George Crockett replaced Charles Diggs, Jr.
- ^p Adam Clayton Powell was elected to the 90th Congress, but never took his seat.
- ^q There were no black Members of the U.S. Congress until 1870, the 41st Congress, 2nd Session.

Table 4. Number and Names of Black Members of Congress By State

State	Number	Names	Years of Service
Alabama	4	Benjamin S. Turner James T. Rapier Jeremiah Haralson Earl F. Hilliard	1871-1873 1873-1875 1875-1877 1993-
California	10	Augustus F. Hawkins Ronald V. Dellums Yvonne B. Burke Julian C. Dixon Mervyn M. Dymally Maxine Waters Walter R. Tucker Juanita Millender-McDonald Barbara Lee Diane Watson	1963-1991 1971-1998 1973-1979 1979-2000 1981-1993 1991- 1993-1995 1996- 1998- 2001-
Connecticut	1	Gary A. Franks	1991-1997
District of Columbia	2	Walter E. Fauntroy Eleanor Holmes Norton	1971-1991 1991-
Florida	4	Josiah T. Walls Carrie P. Meek Corrine Brown Alcee L. Hastings	1871-1876 1993- 1993- 1993-
Georgia	5	Jefferson F. Long Andrew J. Young John R. Lewis Sanford D. Bishop Cynthia A. McKinney	1870-1871 1973-1977 1987- 1993- 1993-
Illinois	15	Oscar S. DePriest Arthur W. Mitchell William L. Dawson Danny K. Davis George W. Collins Ralph H. Metcalfe Cardiss Collins Bennett M. Stewart Gus Savage Harold D. Washington Charles A. Hayes Carol Moseley-Braun ¹ Melvin (Mel) J. Reynolds Bobby L. Rush Jesse L. Jackson, Jr.	1929-1935 1935-1943 1943-1970 1997- 1970-1972 1971-1978 1973-1997 1979-1981 1981-1993 1981-1983 1983-1993 1993-1999 1993-1995 1993- 1995-
Indiana	2	Katie B. Hall Julia Carson	1982-1985 1997-

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State	Number	Names	Years of Service
Louisiana	3	Charles E. Nash William J. Jefferson Cleo Fields	1875-1877 1991- 1993-1997
Maryland	4	Parren J. Mitchell Kweisi Mfume Albert R. Wynn Elijah E. Cummings	1971-1987 1987-1996 1993- 1996-
Massachusetts	1	Edward W. Brooke ^a	1967-1979
Michigan	5	Charles C. Diggs, Jr. John Conyers George W. Crockett Barbara-Rose Collins Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick	1955-1980 1965- 1980-1991 1991-1997 1997-
Mississippi	5	Hiram R. Revels ¹ John R. Lynch Blanche K. Bruce ¹ Albert M. (Mike) Espy Bennie G. Thompson	1870-1871 1873-1877 1882-1883 1875-1881 1987-1993 1993-
Missouri	3	William L. Clay, Sr. Alan D. Wheat Wm. Lacy Clay	1969-2001 1983-1995 2001-
New Jersey	1	Donald M. Payne	1989-
North Carolina	6	John A. Hyman James E. O'Hara Henry P. Cheatham George H. White Eva M. Clayton Melvin L. Watt	1875-1877 1883-1887 1889-1893 1897-1901 1992- 1993-
New York	8	Adam Clayton Powell Shirley A. Chisholm Charles B. Rangel Major R. Owens Edolphus Towns Alton R. Waldon, Jr. Floyd H. Flake Gregory Meeks	1945-1967 1969-1971 1969-1983 1971- 1983- 1983- 1986-1987 1987-1997 1998-
Ohio	2	Louis Stokes Stephanie Tubbs Jones	1969-1999 1999-
Oklahoma	1	J.C. Watts, Jr.	1995-

State	Number	Names	Years of Service
Pennsylvania	4	Robert N.C. Nix, Sr. William H. Gray, III Lucien E. Blackwell Chaka Fattah	1958-1979 1979-1991 1991-1995 1995-
South Carolina	9	Joseph H. Rainey Robert C. DeLarge Robert B. Elliott Richard H. Cain Alonzo J. Ransier Robert Smalls Thomas E. Miller George W. Murray James E. Clyburn	1870-1879 1871-1873 1871-1874 1873-1875 1877-1879 1873-1875 1875-1879 1882-1883 1884-1887 1890-1891 1893-1895 1896-1897 1993-
Tennessee	2	Harold E. Ford, Sr. Harold E. Ford, Jr.	1975-1997 1997-
Texas	5	Barbara C. Jordan George T. (Mickey) Leland Craig A. Washington Eddie Bernice Johnson Sheila Jackson Lee	1973-1979 1979-1989 1991-1995 1993- 1995-
Virginia	2	John M. Langston Robert C. Scott	1890-1891 1993-
Virgin Islands	3	Melvin H. Evans Victor O. Frazer Donna M. Christian- Christiansen	1979-1981 1995-1997 1997-

^a Served in the Senate.

**Table 5. Number of Black Members in the U.S. Congress,
41st-107th Congresses (1870-2001)**

Congress	Year	Total Black Members of Congress	Black Members of House	Black Members of Senate
41 st	1869-1871	3	2	1
42 nd	1871-1873	5	5	-
43 rd	1873-1875	7	7	-
44 th	1875-1877	8	7	1
45 th	1877-1879	4	3	1
46 th	1879-1881	1	-	1
47 th	1881-1883	2	2	-
48 th	1883-1885	2	2	-
49 th	1885-1887	2	2	-
50 th	1887-1889	-	-	-
51 st	1889-1891	3	3	-
52 nd	1891-1893	1	1	-
53 rd	1893-1895	1	1	-
54 th	1895-1897	1	1	-
55 th	1897-1899	1	1	-
56 th	1899-1901	1	1	-
57 th	1901-1903	-	-	-
58 th	1903-1905	-	-	-
59 th	1905-1907	-	-	-
60 th	1907-1909	-	-	-
61 st	1909-1911	-	-	-
62 nd	1911-1913	-	-	-
63 rd	1913-1915	-	-	-
64 th	1915-1917	-	-	-
65 th	1917-1919	-	-	-
66 th	1919-1921	-	-	-
67 th	1921-1923	-	-	-

Congress	Year	Total Black Members of Congress	Black Members of House	Black Members of Senate
68 th	1923-1925	-	-	-
69 th	1925-1927	-	-	-
70 th	1927-1929	-	-	-
71 st	1929-1931	1	1	-
72 nd	1931-1933	1	1	-
73 rd	1933-1935	1	1	-
74 th	1935-1937	1	1	-
75 th	1937-1939	1	1	-
76 th	1939-1941	1	1	-
77 th	1941-1943	1	1	-
78 th	1943-1945	1	1	-
79 th	1945-1947	2	2	-
80 th	1947-1949	2	2	-
81 st	1949-1951	2	2	-
82 nd	1951-1953	2	2	-
83 rd	1953-1955	2	2	-
84 th	1955-1957	3	3	-
85 th	1957-1959	4	4	-
86 th	1959-1961	4	4	-
87 th	1961-1963	4	4	-
88 th	1963-1965	5	5	-
89 th	1965-1967	6	6	-
90 th	1967-1969	6	5	1
91 st	1969-1971	11	10	1
92 nd	1971-1973	14	13	1
93 rd	1973-1975	17	16	1
94 th	1975-1977	18	17	1
95 th	1977-1979	18	17	1
96 th	1979-1981	17	17	-

Congress	Year	Total Black Members of Congress	Black Members of House	Black Members of Senate
97 th	1981-1983	19	19	-
98 th	1983-1985	21	21	-
99 th	1985-1987	21	21	-
100 th	1987-1989	23	23	-
101 st	1989-1991	24	24	-
102 nd	1991-1993	27	27	-
103 rd	1993-1995	40	39	1
104 th	1995-1997	41	39	1
105 th	1997-1999	40	39	1
106 th	1999-2001	39	39	0
107 th	2001-2003	39	39	0