

Black-American Representatives and Senators by State and Territory

States are listed in descending order according to the number of African Americans that each has sent to Congress.

STATE OR TERRITORY	MEMBER'S NAME	YEAR MEMBER TOOK OFFICE
Illinois (16)	Oscar Stanton De Priest	1929
	Arthur Wergs Mitchell	1935
	William Levi Dawson	1943
	George Washington Collins	1970
	Ralph Harold Metcalfe	1971
	Cardiss Collins	1973
	Bennett McVey Stewart	1979
	Gus Savage	1981
	Harold Washington	1981
	Charles Arthur Hayes	1983
	Carol Moseley-Braun ^a	1993
	Mel Reynolds	1993
	Bobby L. Rush	1993
	Jesse L. Jackson, Jr.	1995
Danny K. Davis	1997	
Barack Obama ^a	2005	
California (11)	Augustus Freeman (Gus) Hawkins	1963
	Ronald V. Dellums	1971
	Yvonne Brathwaite Burke	1973
	Julian Carey Dixon	1979
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally	1981
	Maxine Waters	1991
	Walter R. Tucker III	1993
	Juanita Millender-McDonald	1996
	Barbara Lee	1998
	Diane Edith Watson	2001
Laura Richardson	2007	
New York (9)	Adam Clayton Powell, Jr.	1945
	Shirley Anita Chisholm	1969
	Charles B. Rangel	1971
	Major Robert Odell Owens	1983
	Edolphus Towns	1983
	Alton R. Waldon, Jr.	1986
	Floyd Harold Flake	1987
	Gregory W. Meeks	1998
Yvette Diane Clarke	2007	

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South Carolina (9)	Joseph Hayne Rainey	1870
	Robert Carlos De Large	1871
	Robert Brown Elliott	1871
	Richard Harvey Cain	1873
	Alonzo Jacob Ransier	1873
	Robert Smalls	1875
	Thomas Ezekiel Miller	1890
	George Washington Murray	1893
	James Enos Clyburn	1993
Georgia (8)	Jefferson Franklin Long	1870
	Andrew Jackson Young, Jr.	1973
	John R. Lewis	1987
	Sanford Dixon Bishop, Jr.	1993
	Cynthia Ann McKinney	1993
	Denise L. Majette	2003
	David Scott	2003
	Hank Johnson	2007
North Carolina (8)	John Adams Hyman	1875
	James Edward O'Hara	1883
	Henry Plummer Cheatham	1889
	George Henry White	1897
	Eva M. Clayton	1992
	Melvin L. Watt	1993
	Frank W. Ballance, Jr.	2003
	George Kenneth (G. K.) Butterfield, Jr.	2004
Texas (6)	Barbara Charline Jordan	1973
	George Thomas (Mickey) Leland	1979
	Craig Anthony Washington	1989
	Eddie Bernice Johnson	1993
	Sheila Jackson Lee	1995
	Al Green	2005
Alabama (5)	Benjamin Sterling Turner	1871
	James Thomas Rapier	1873
	Jeremiah Haralson	1875
	Earl Frederick Hilliard	1993
	Artur Davis	2003
Florida (5)	Josiah Thomas Walls	1871
	Corrine Brown	1993
	Alcee Lamar Hastings	1993
	Carrie P. Meek	1993
	Kendrick B. Meek	2003
Michigan (5)	Barbara-Rose Collins	1991
	John Conyers, Jr.	1965
	George William Crockett, Jr.	1980
	Charles Coles Diggs, Jr.	1955
	Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick	1997

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Mississippi (5)	Hiram Rhodes Revels ^a	1870
	John Roy Lynch	1873
	Blanche K. Bruce ^a	1875
	Michael Alphonso (Mike) Espy	1987
	Bennie Thompson	1993
Maryland (4)	Parren James Mitchell	1971
	Kweisi Mfume	1987
	Albert Russell Wynn	1993
	Elijah Eugene Cummings	1996
Missouri (4)	William Lacy Clay, Sr.	1969
	Alan Dupree Wheat	1983
	William Lacy Clay, Jr.	2001
	Emanuel Cleaver II	2003
Pennsylvania (4)	Robert Nelson Cornelius Nix, Sr.	1958
	William Herbert Gray III	1979
	Lucien Edward Blackwell	1991
	Chaka Fattah	1995
Louisiana (3)	Charles Edmund Nash	1875
	William Jennings Jefferson	1991
	Cleo Fields	1993
Virgin Islands (3)	Melvin Herbert (Mel) Evans ^b	1979
	Victor O. Frazer ^b	1995
	Donna Christensen ^b	1997
District of Columbia (2)	Walter Edward Fauntroy ^b	1971
	Eleanor Holmes Norton ^b	1991
Indiana (2)	Katie Beatrice Hall	1982
	Julia May Carson	1997
Ohio (2)	Louis Stokes	1969
	Stephanie Tubbs Jones	1999
Tennessee (2)	Harold Eugene Ford, Sr.	1975
	Harold Eugene Ford, Jr.	1997
Virginia (2)	John M. Langston	1890
	Robert Cortez Scott	1993
Connecticut (1)	Gary A. Franks	1991
Massachusetts (1)	Edward William Brooke ^a	1967
Minnesota (1)	Keith Ellison	2007
New Jersey (1)	Donald Milford Payne	1989
Oklahoma (1)	Julius Caesar (J. C.) Watts, Jr.	1995
Wisconsin (1)	Gwendolynne S. (Gwen) Moore	2005

a Senator

b Delegate

Note: The following states and territories have never elected an African American to Congress: Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wyoming, and Puerto Rico.