

MISSISSIPPI

(Population 1998, 2,752,000)

SENATORS

THAD COCHRAN, Republican, of Jackson, MS; born in Pontotoc, MS, December 7, 1937; graduated, Byram High School, 1955; B.A., University of Mississippi, 1959; J.D., University of Mississippi Law School, 1965; received a Rotary Foundation Fellowship and studied international law and jurisprudence at Trinity College, University of Dublin, Ireland, 1963–64; served in U.S. Navy, 1959–61; admitted to Mississippi bar in 1965; board of directors, Jackson Rotary Club, 1970–71; Outstanding Young Man of the Year Award, Junior Chamber of Commerce in Mississippi, 1971; president, young lawyers section of Mississippi State bar, 1972–73; cochairman of the Sunbelt Caucus, 1994; married the former Rose Clayton of New Albany, MS, 1964; two children: Clayton and Katherine; elected to the 93rd Congress, November 7, 1972; reelected to 94th and 95th Congresses; elected to the U.S. Senate, November 7, 1978, for the six-year term beginning January 3, 1979; subsequently appointed by the governor, December 27, 1978, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator James O. Eastland; reelected November 6, 1984; reelected November 6, 1990 without opposition; reelected November 5, 1996; chairman: subcommittee on Agriculture Appropriations; subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services; committees: Appropriations; Governmental Affairs; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Rules and Administration; Joint Committee on the Library; Joint Committee on Printing; elected chairman of the Senate Republican Conference in 1990; reelected chairman in 1992 and 1994.

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TRENT LOTT, Republican, of Pascagoula, MS; born October 9, 1941, in Grenada, MS, son of Chester P. and Iona (Watson) Lott; University of Mississippi, B.P.A., 1963, J.D., 1967; served as field representative for the University of Mississippi, 1963–65; acting law alumni secretary of the Ole Miss Alumni Association, 1966–67; practiced law in Pascagoula in 1967 with Bryan and Gordon law firm; administrative assistant to Congressman William M. Colmer, 1968–72; member: Sigma Nu social fraternity, Phi Alpha Delta legal fraternity, Jackson County Bar Association, American Bar Association, the Masons, First Baptist Church of Pascagoula; married Patricia E. Thompson of Pascagoula, 1964; two children: Chester T., Jr. and Tyler Elizabeth; elected to the 93rd Congress, November 7, 1972; reelected to each succeeding Congress; member, Judiciary Committee, Merchant Marine and Fisheries, 93rd Congress; Committee on Rules and Post Office and Civil Service Committee, 94th and 95th Congresses; chairman, House Republican Research Committee, 96th Congress; House Republican Whip, Committee on Rules, 97th–100th Congresses; member, Committee on Small Business, 101st Congress; member, Committee on Budget, 102nd Congress; chairman, Republican Committee on Committees, 102nd Congress; member, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Joint Committee on the Reorganization of Congress, Secretary of Republican Conference, 103rd Congress; member, Committee on Ethics, 101st and 102nd Congresses; member, Committee on Armed Services, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, 101st–103rd Congresses; elected on November 8, 1988 to the U.S. Senate for the term beginning January 3, 1989; elected to the 104th Congress; elected Senate majority whip, 1995; elected Senate Majority Leader, 1996; committees: Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Finance; Rules and Administration; subcommittees: Aviation; Communications; International Trade; Social Security and Family Policy; Taxation and IRS Oversight.

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REPRESENTATIVES

FIRST DISTRICT

ROGER F. WICKER, Republican, of Tupelo, MS; born in Pontotoc, MS, July 5, 1951; graduated Pontotoc High School; B.A. and J.D., University of Mississippi, 1973; Ole Mississippi Law School, 1975; attorney-at-law; member: Lions Club, Promise Keepers; president, Associated Student Body, 1972-73; Ole Miss Hall of Fame; Sigma Nu Fraternity; Omicron Delta Kappa; Phi Delta Phi; *Mississippi Law Journal*, 1973-75; Air Force ROTC; U.S. Air Force, 1976-80; lieutenant colonel, U.S. Air Force Reserves, 1980-present; Lee County Public Defender, 1984-87; Tupelo City Judge pro tempore, 1986-87; private law practice, 1982-94; served as president of Tupelo Community Theatre; president, Lee County Young Lawyers; North Mississippi Medical Center Development Council; member: Community Development Foundation Education Roundtable, CDF Skills and Technology Task Force; deacon, Sunday School teacher, adult choir of First Baptist Church, Tupelo, MS; married to Gayle Long Wicker; three children: Margaret, Caroline, and McDaniel; member: Mississippi State Senate, 1988-94; chairman: Electric Committee (1992), Public Health and Welfare Committee (1993); previous committees: Education, Judiciary, Finance, Elections, and Constitution; Senate Rules Committee (1993); U.S. House Rules Committee staff for Representative Trent Lott, 1980-82; Appropriations Committee; president, Republican freshman class, 1995; elected to the 104th Congress, November 8, 1994; reelected to each succeeding Congress.

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ZIP Codes: 38601-03, 38606 (part), 38610-11, 38618-20, 38625, 38627, 38629, 38632-35, 38637-38, 38641-42, 38647-52, 38654-55, 38658-59, 38661, 38663, 38665, 38668, 38671, 38673-74, 38677, 38679-80, 38683, 38685, 38801-03, 38820-21, 38824-29, 38833-34, 38838-39, 38841, 38843-44, 38846-52, 38855-60, 38862-66, 38868-71, 38873-74, 38876-80, 38913-16, 38920, 38921 (part), 38922, 38925 (part), 38927, 38929 (part), 38948-49, 38951, 38953, 38955, 38961-62, 38965, 38967 (part), 39730, 39735, 39737, 39740, 39744-46, 39747 (part), 39750-52, 39756, 39767, 39769, 39771-72, 39776

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SECOND DISTRICT

BENNIE THOMPSON, Democrat, of Bolton, MS; born in Bolton, MS, on January 28, 1948; graduated, Hinds County Agriculture High School; B.A., Tougaloo College, 1968; M.S., Jackson State University, 1972; teacher; Bolton Board of Aldermen, 1969-73; mayor of Bolton, 1973-79; Hinds County Board of Supervisors, 1980-93; married to the former London Johnson, Ph.D.; one daughter: BendaLonne; committees: Agriculture; Budget; member: Congressional Black Caucus, Sunbelt Caucus, Rural Caucus, Progressive Caucus; Housing Assistance Council; NAACP 100 Black Men of Jackson, MS; Southern Regional Council; Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity; elected to the 103rd Congress in a special election; reelected to each succeeding Congress.

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