

Some Members of Congress may be eligible for immediate annuities with a combination of congressional service and previous government service. However, since there are no reliable public records which identify all government service for members of Congress, the attached compilation was prepared using information from the Congressional Directory.

Senators eligible for immediate annuity based on congressional service

Democrats = 21
Republicans = 26

Senators not eligible for immediate annuity based on congressional service

Democrats = 35
Republicans = 18

Members who retire on an immediate annuity can retain health benefits coverage if they were covered by FEHB for the five years immediately preceding retirement or from their earliest opportunity.

↓ Stacey - Please copy & send over to

Greg L. & Jennifer K. I think they'll find this info interesting and, perhaps, useful?



**SENATORS ELIGIBLE FOR IMMEDIATE FEDERAL ANNUITY
(Based on Service in the Congress)**

Senator	Beginning of Present Service
Robert Byrd (D-WV)*	Jan. 3, 1959
Claiborne Pell (D-RI)	Jan. 3, 1961
Edward Kennedy (D-MA)	Nov. 7, 1962
Daniel Inouye (D-HI)*	Jan. 9, 1963
Ernest Hollings (D-SC)	Nov. 9, 1966
Bennett Johnston (D-LA)	Nov. 14, 1972
John Glenn (D-OH)	Dec. 24, 1974
Wendell Ford (D-KY)	Dec. 28, 1974
Dale Bumpers (D-AR)	Jan. 14, 1975
Howard Metzenbaum (D-OH)	Dec. 29, 1976
Daniel Moynihan (D-NY)	Jan. 3, 1977
Paul Sarbanes (D-MD)*	Jan. 3, 1977
James Exon (D-NE)	Jan. 3, 1979
Howell Heflin (D-AL)	Jan. 3, 1979
Carl Levin (D-MI)	Jan. 3, 1979
David Pryor (D-AR)*	Jan. 3, 1979
George Mitchell (D-ME)	May 19, 1980
Frank Lautenberg (-NJ)	Dec. 27, 1982
Paul Simon (D-Ill)*	Jan. 3, 1985
Richard Shelby (D-AL)*	Jan. 6, 1987
Daniel Akaka (D-HI)*	Apr. 28, 1990

* Served in the House of Representatives previous to service in the Senate.

SOURCE: Congressional Directory

SENATORS ELIGIBLE FOR IMMEDIATE FEDERAL ANNUITY
(Based on Service in the Congress)

Senator	Beginning of Present Service
Strom Thurmond (R-SC)	Nov. 7, 1956
Mark Hatfield (R-OR)	Jan. 10, 1967
Ted Stevens (R-AK)	Dec. 24, 1968
— Robert Dole (R-KS)*	Jan. 3, 1969
— Bob Packwood (R-OR)	Jan. 3, 1969
William Roth, Jr. (R-DE)*	Jan. 1, 1971
— Pete Domenici (R-NM)	Jan. 3, 1973
Jesse Helms (R-NC)	Jan. 3, 1973
John Danforth (R-MO)	Dec. 27, 1976
John Chafee (R-RI)	Dec. 29, 1976
— Orrin Hatch (R-UT)*	Jan. 3, 1977
Richard Lugar (R-IN)	Jan. 3, 1977
Malcolm Wallop (R-WY)	Jan. 3, 1977
Dave Durenberger (R-MN)	Nov. 8, 1978
Nancy Kassebaum (R-KS)	Dec. 23, 1978
Thad Cochran (R-MS)*	Dec. 27, 1978
— Alan Simpson (R-WY)	Jan. 1, 1979
John Warner (R-VA)	Jan. 2, 1979
William Cohen (R-ME)*	Jan. 3, 1979
— Alfonse D'Amato (R-NY)	Jan. 3, 1981
Charles Grassley (R-IA)*	Jan. 3, 1981
Frank Murkowski (R-AK)	Jan. 3, 1981
— Arlen Specter (R-PA)	Jan. 3, 1981
John McCain (R-AZ)*	Jan. 6, 1987
Slade Gorton (R-WA)	Jan. 3, 1989
James Jeffords (R-VT)*	Jan. 3, 1989

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SOURCE: Congressional Directory

**SENATORS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY
(BASED ON SERVICE IN THE CONGRESS)**

Sam Nunn
Joseph Biden
Patrick Leahy
Donald Riegle
Dennis DeConcini
Jim Sasser
Max Baucus
David Boren
Bill Bradley
Christopher Dodd
Jeff Bingaman
John Kerry
Tom Harkin
John Rockefeller
John Breaux
Kent Conrad
Thomas Daschle
Bob Graham
Barbara Mikulski
Harry Reid
Richard Bryan
Bob Kerry
Herb Kohl
Joseph Lieberman
Charles Robb
Paul Wellstone
Harris Wofford
Dianne Feinstein
Byron Dorgan
Barbara Boxer
Ben Nighthorse Campbell
Russell Feingold
Harlan Mathews
Carol Moseley-Braun
Patty Murray

**SENATORS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY
(BASED ON SERVICE IN THE CONGRESS)**

Larry Pressler
— Don Nickles
— Phil Gramm
Mitch McConnell
Christopher Bond
Conrad Burns
Dan Coats
— Trent Lott
Connie Mack
Robert Smith
Hank Brown
Larry Craig
— Robert Bennett
Paul Coverdell
Lauch Faircloth
— Judd Gregg
Dirk Kempthorne
Kay Bailey Hutchison

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBER ANNUITIES UNDER CSRS

IMMEDIATE ANNUITIES (Must meet age and service requirement at the date of separation)

VOLUNTARY SEPARATION

<u>AGE REQUIREMENT</u>	<u>SERVICE REQUIREMENT</u>
62	5 YEARS OF CIVILIAN SERVICE
60	10 YEARS OF MEMBER SERVICE
55	30 YEARS OF SERVICE

INVOLUNTARY SEPARATION (EXCEPT EXPULSION)

50	20 YEARS OF SERVICE <u>OR</u> 9 CONGRESSES
ANY AGE	25 YEARS OF SERVICE

DISABILITY

ANY AGE	5 YEARS OF SERVICE
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DEFERRED ANNUITIES (AGE REQUIREMENT NOT MET UNTIL AFTER SEPARATION)

62	5 YEARS CIVILIAN SERVICE
60	10 YEARS OF MEMBER SERVICE
50	20 YEARS OF SERVICE INCLUDING 10 OR MORE YEARS OF MEMBER SERVICE

MEMBERS WHO RETIRE ON AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY CAN RETAIN HEALTH BENEFITS COVERAGE IF THEY WERE COVERED BY FEHB FOR THE 5 YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING RETIREMENT OR FROM THEIR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. MEMBERS ENTITLED TO A DEFERRED ANNUITY ONLY DO NOT RETAIN HEALTH BENEFITS COVERAGE.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBER ANNUITIES UNDER FERS

IMMEDIATE ANNUITIES (Must meet age and service requirement on the date of separation)

VOLUNTARY SEPARATION

<u>AGE REQUIREMENT</u>	<u>SERVICE REQUIREMENT</u>
62	5 YEARS OF CIVILIAN SERVICE
60	20 YEARS OF SERVICE
MRA*	30 YEARS OF SERVICE
MRA*	10 YEARS OF SERVICE AND NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER ANY OTHER PROVISION (MEMBER MAY ELECT TO DEFER THE COMMENCING DATE OF THE ANNUITY TO LESSEN OR AVOID THE AGE REDUCTION FACTOR)

INVOLUNTARY SEPARATION (EXCEPT EXPULSION)

50	20 YEARS OF SERVICE
ANY AGE	25 YEARS OF SERVICE

DISABILITY

ANY AGE	18 MONTHS OF MEMBER SERVICE
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DEFERRED ANNUITIES (AGE REQUIREMENT NOT MET UNTIL AFTER SEPARATION)

62	5 YEARS OF SERVICE
MRA	10 YEARS OF SERVICE

*MINIMUM RETIREMENT AGE - AGE 55 IF BORN BEFORE 1/1/48; BETWEEN 55 AND 57 IF BORN AFTER 12/31/47.

MEMBERS WHO RETIRE ON AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY CAN RETAIN HEALTH BENEFITS COVERAGE IF THEY WERE COVERED BY FEHB FOR THE 5 YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING RETIREMENT OR FROM THEIR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. THIS INCLUDES MEMBERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AN IMMEDIATE MRA+10 ANNUITY BUT WHO DEFER THE COMMENCING DATE. MEMBERS ENTITLED TO A DEFERRED ANNUITY ONLY DO NOT RETAIN HEALTH BENEFITS COVERAGE.