# United States congressional delegations from Utah

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Geographical location of Utah's four congressional districts to the United States House of Representatives since 2012.

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57 people have served either the Territory or State of Utah: 14 in the Senate, 41 in the House, and 2 in both houses. The average term for senators has been 15.3 years and the average term for representatives has been 6.7 years. The longest-serving senator was Orrin Hatch, from 1977 to 2019. The longest-serving representative is James V. Hansen, in office for 22 years from 1981 to 2003. Four women have been members of Utah's congressional delegation, Reva Beck Bosone, Karen Shepherd, Enid Greene and Mia Love, all as representatives.

In 2013, following the 2010 United States Census, a 4th district was added. A new congressional redistricting map was approved by the Republican legislature and signed into law by Republican Governor Gary Herbert.

#### Senate

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office since 2011, and Mitt Romney, in office since 2019. Lee was elected in 2016 with 68% of the vote., and Romney was elected in 2018 with 63% of the vote.

Democratic (D) Republican (R)

## **House of Representatives**

## **Delegates from Utah Territory**

- The Territory of Utah was an organized incorporated territory of the United States formed on September 9, 1850.
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The territorial delegates were elected to two-year terms. Delegates were allowed to serve on committees, debate, and submit legislation, but were not permitted to vote on bills. Delegates only served in the House of Representatives as there was no representation in the Senate until Utah became a state.

Democratic (D) Independent (Ind.) Populist (Pop.) Republican (R)

# Representatives from the State of Utah

• From 1895 till 1913, Utah had an at-large congressional district that represented the entire state.

- Every ten years, the number of congressional districts is reapportioned based on the state's population as determined by the United States Census; Utah has had four districts since 2013.
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Democratic Republican

## Living former Members of the House and Senate

## Living former Members of the U.S. House of Representatives

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