

Table 8-3 Party Unity Votes in Congress, 1953-2016 (percentage of all votes)

Year	House	Senate	Year	House	Senate
1953	52.1	51.7	1985	61.0	49.6
1954	38.2	48.0	1986	56.5	52.3
1955	40.8	29.9	1987	63.7	40.7
1956	43.8	53.1	1988	47.0	42.5
1957	59.0	35.5	1989	56.3	35.3
1958	39.8	43.5	1990	49.1	54.3
1959	55.2	47.9	1991	55.1	49.3
1960	52.7	36.7	1992	64.5	53.0
1961	50.0	62.3	1993	65.5	67.1
1962	46.0	41.1	1994	61.8	51.7
1963	48.7	47.2	1995	73.2	68.8
1964	54.9	35.7	1996	56.4	62.4
1965	52.2	41.9	1997	50.4	50.3
1966	41.5	50.2	1998	55.5	55.7
1967	36.3	34.6	1999	47.3	62.8
1968	35.2	32.0	2000	43.2	48.7
1969	31.1	36.3	2001	40.2	55.3
1970	27.1	35.2	2002	43.3	45.5
1971	37.8	41.6	2003	51.7	66.7
1972	27.1	36.5	2004	47.0	52.3
1973	41.8	29.9	2005	49.0	62.6
1974	29.4	44.3	2006	54.5	57.3
1975	48.4	47.8	2007	62.0	60.0
1976	35.9	37.2	2008	53.3	51.6
1977	42.2	42.4	2009	50.9	72.0
1978	33.2	45.2	2010	40.0	78.6
1979	47.3	46.7	2011	75.8	51.1
1980	37.6	45.8	2012	72.8	59.8
1981	37.4	47.8	2013	68.6	69.8
1982	36.4	43.4	2014	72.6	66.7
1983	55.6	43.7	2015	75.1	69.3
1984	47.1	40.0	2016	73.4	46

Note: Data indicate the percentage of all roll call votes on which a majority of voting Democrats opposed a majority of voting Republicans.

Source: Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, various issues.

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