

# Senate Odd Couples

The following pairs of home-state senators have composite scores more than 20 points apart in *National Journal's* 2008 vote ratings.



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Johnson and Thune



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Landrieu and Vitter



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Dodd and Lieberman

## ... FROM DIFFERENT PARTIES

		Composite Liberal Score	Composite Conservative Score	Differential Between the Two Senators
<b>Nevada</b>	Harry Reid, D	77.3	22.7	<b>70.5</b>
	John Ensign, R	6.8	93.2	
<b>Colorado</b>	Wayne Allard, R*	8.7	91.3	<b>59.1</b>
	Ken Salazar, D*	67.8	32.2	
<b>Iowa</b>	Charles Grassley, R	17.7	82.3	<b>58.8</b>
	Tom Harkin, D	76.5	23.5	
<b>New Mexico</b>	Pete Domenici, R*	33.8	66.2	<b>54.4</b>
	Jeff Bingaman, D	88.2	11.8	
<b>South Dakota</b>	Tim Johnson, D	55.8	44.2	<b>44.6</b>
	John Thune, R	11.2	88.8	
<b>Florida</b>	Bill Nelson, D	79.3	20.7	<b>41.8</b>
	Mel Martinez, R	37.5	62.5	
<b>Louisiana</b>	Mary Landrieu, D	50.7	49.3	<b>40.7</b>
	David Vitter, R	10.0	90.0	
<b>Missouri</b>	Christopher (Kit) Bond, R	14.7	85.3	<b>37.1</b>
	Claire McCaskill, D	51.8	48.2	
<b>Ohio</b>	George Voinovich, R	38.7	61.3	<b>37.1</b>
	Sherrrod Brown, D	75.8	24.2	
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	Arlen Specter, R	44.8	55.2	<b>34.5</b>
	Bob Casey, D	79.3	20.7	
<b>Oregon</b>	Ron Wyden, D	76.8	23.2	<b>31.1</b>
	Gordon Smith, R*	45.7	54.3	
<b>Minnesota</b>	Norm Coleman, R*	39.0	61.0	<b>26.0</b>
	Amy Klobuchar, D	65.0	35.0	
<b>Virginia</b>	John Warner, R*	40.2	59.8	<b>23.6</b>
	Jim Webb, D	63.8	36.2	

## ... FROM THE SAME PARTY

		Composite Liberal Score	Composite Conservative Score	Differential Between the Two Senators
<b>North Carolina</b>	Elizabeth Dole, R*	39.2	60.8	<b>27.4</b>
	Richard Burr, R	11.8	88.2	
<b>Connecticut</b>	Christopher Dodd, D	82.8	17.2	<b>23.5</b>
	Joe Lieberman, ID <sup>†</sup>	59.3	40.7	
<b>Delaware</b>	Joe Biden, D*	84.8	15.2	<b>22.6</b>
	Thomas Carper, D	62.2	37.8	

\*No longer a member of the Senate.

<sup>†</sup>Lieberman caucuses with the Democrats.