

■ 2008 Republican Presidential Wannabes

The following chart shows the **composite conservative scores**, based on *National Journal's* annual vote ratings, of the Republican members of Congress who are running for president in 2008 (plus Hagel, who is considering a bid). *NJ* began compiling the ratings in 1981.

	SENATE			HOUSE		
	Sam Brownback Kan. (First elected 1996)	John McCain Ariz. (First elected 1986)	Chuck Hagel Neb. (First elected 1996)	Duncan Hunter Calif. (First elected 1980)	Tom Tancredo Colo. (First elected 1998)	Ron Paul Texas (First elected 1976)
1981	–	–	–	77.7	–	55.8
1982	–	–	–	80.3	–	55.3
1983	–	–	–	75.0	–	73.0
1984	–	–	–	80.0	–	70.2
1985	–	–	–	85.5	–	–
1986	–	–	–	87.5	–	–
1987	–	83.5	–	90.3	–	–
1988	–	82.3	–	91.8	–	–
1989	–	85.3	–	83.7	–	–
1990	–	82.5	–	82.0	–	–
1991	–	81.8	–	86.8	–	–
1992	–	84.5	–	78.3	–	–
1993	–	74.8	–	88.0	–	–
1994	–	89.2	–	90.7	–	–
1995	–	70.2	–	83.5	–	–
1996	–	75.3	–	83.0	–	–
1997	91.5	71.5	74.7	84.8	–	52.8
1998	83.8	68.3	67.7	79.8	–	54.0
1999	83.7	67.7	72.2	72.2	89.2	59.0
2000	81.5	61.7	74.5	76.8	84.2	51.2
2001	80.8	66.8	71.2	81.7	81.3	42.3
2002	82.2	59.8	82.7	70.2	72.5	48.5
2003	72.2	62.2	72.3	80.7	58.2	40.0
2004	84.2	51.7	58.5	83.3	84.8	42.3
2005	79.8	59.2	69.3	88.3	63.7	39.7
2006	70.3	56.7	72.0	84.0	73.3	39.0
Lifetime Average Composite Conservative Score	81.0	71.8	71.5	82.5	75.9	51.7