Recap of Recent Election Outcomes 2008-2014

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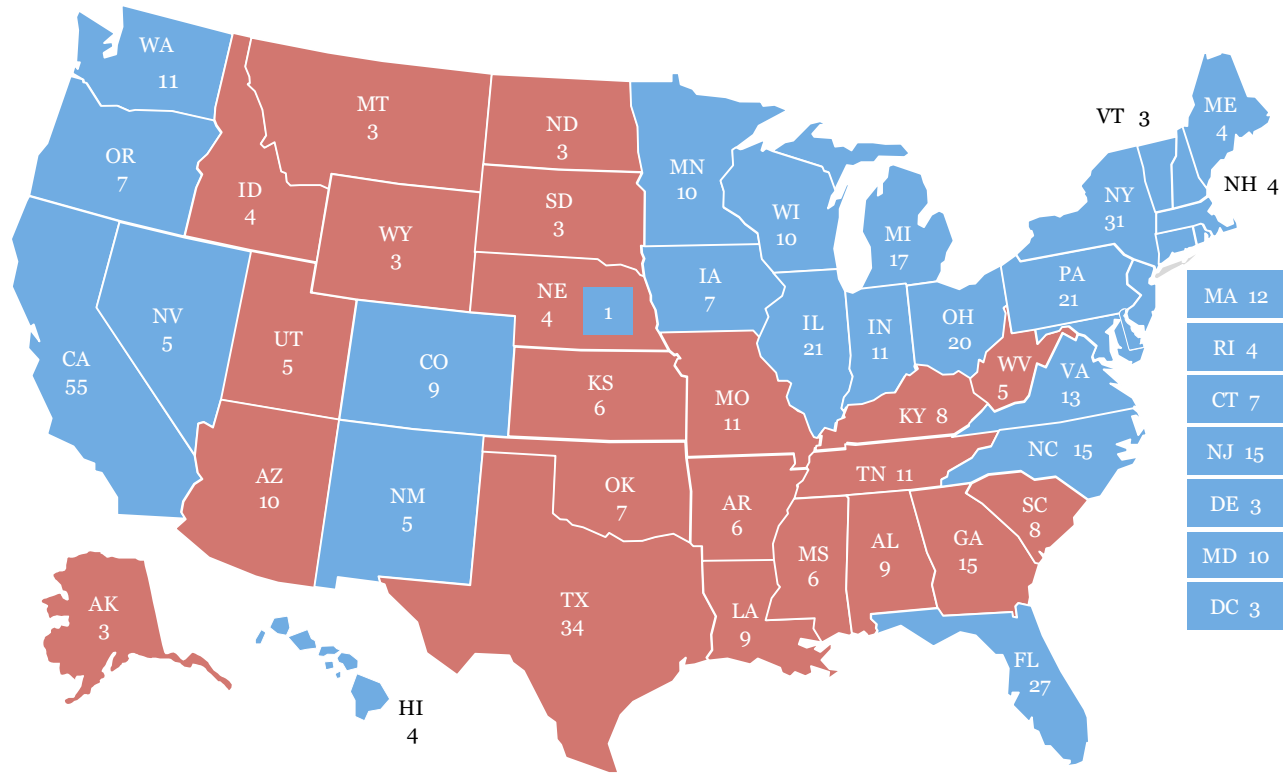**Director:** Afzal Bari

Barack Obama Becomes First African American President of the United States

2008 Electoral College Map

- Barack Obama
- John McCain

| 365 | 173 |

Barack Obama (D)
Running Mate: Joe Biden
Popular Vote: 52.9%
States Carried: 28 + DC

John McCain (R)
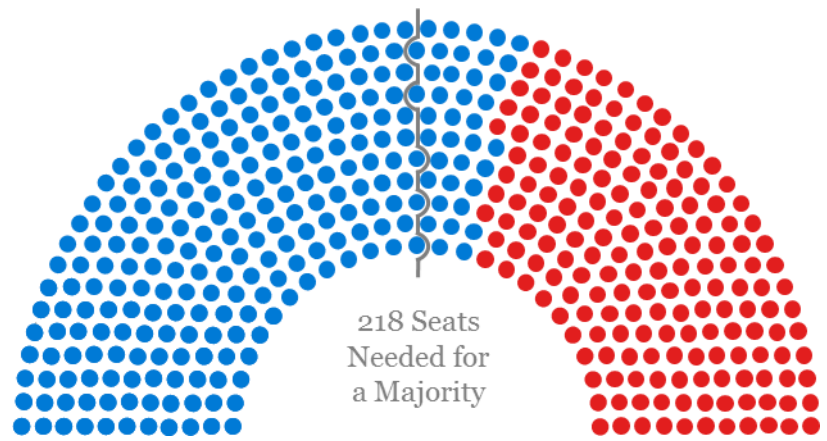Running Mate: Sarah Palin
Popular Vote: 45.7%
States Carried: 22

WA 11
OR 7
MT 3
ND 3
MN 10
WI 10
MI 17
NY 31
VT 3
ME 4
NH 4
ID 4
SD 3
IA 7
PA 21
NV 5
WY 3
NE 4 1
IL 21
IN 11
OH 20
MA 12
CA 55
UT 5
CO 9
KS 6
MO 11
KY 8
WV 5
VA 13
RI 4
CT 7
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OK 7
AR 6
TN 11
NC 15
NJ 15
DE 3
MD 10
DC 3
MS 6
AL 9
GA 15
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TX 34
LA 9
FL 27
AK 3
HI 4

Source: RealClearPolitics, "Electoral College Map," 2008.

Democrats Take Congressional Control Alongside A Historic Presidential Win

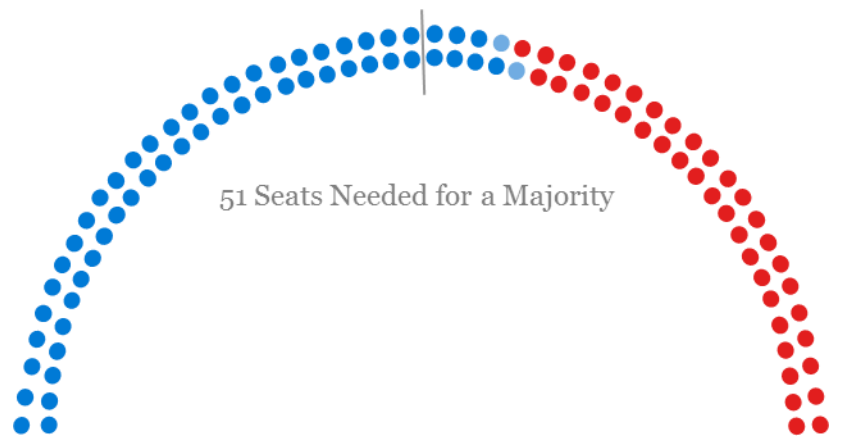## Party Control at Beginning of 111th Congress (2009-2011)

■ Democratic Seat ■ Republican Seat ■ Independent Seat (Caucusing with Dems)

218 Seats Needed for a Majority

51 Seats Needed for a Majority

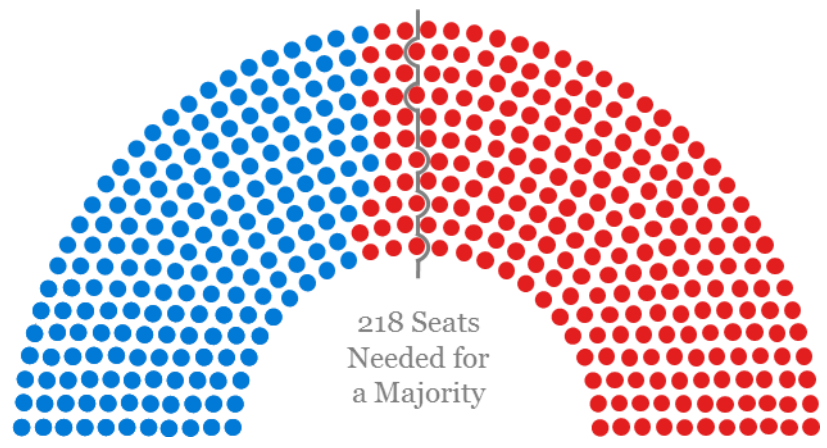**256-178**

Democratic House Majority

57-2-41

Democratic Senate Majority

Sources: Ballotpedia, "United States Senate Elections," 2008; Ballotpedia, "United States House of Representatives Elections," 2008.

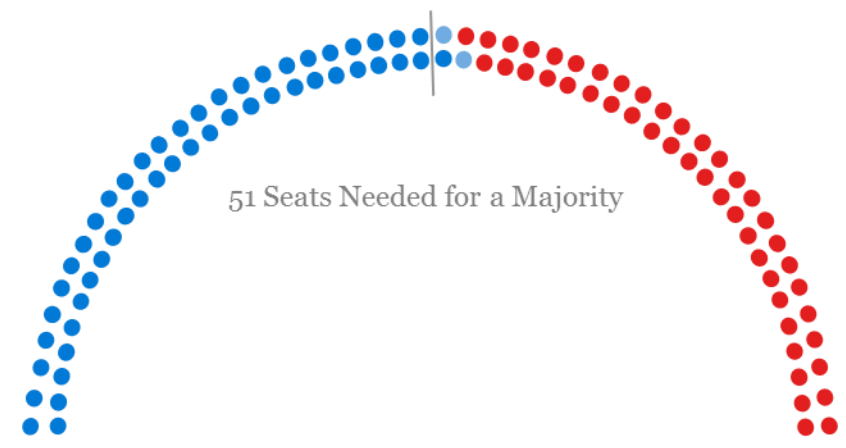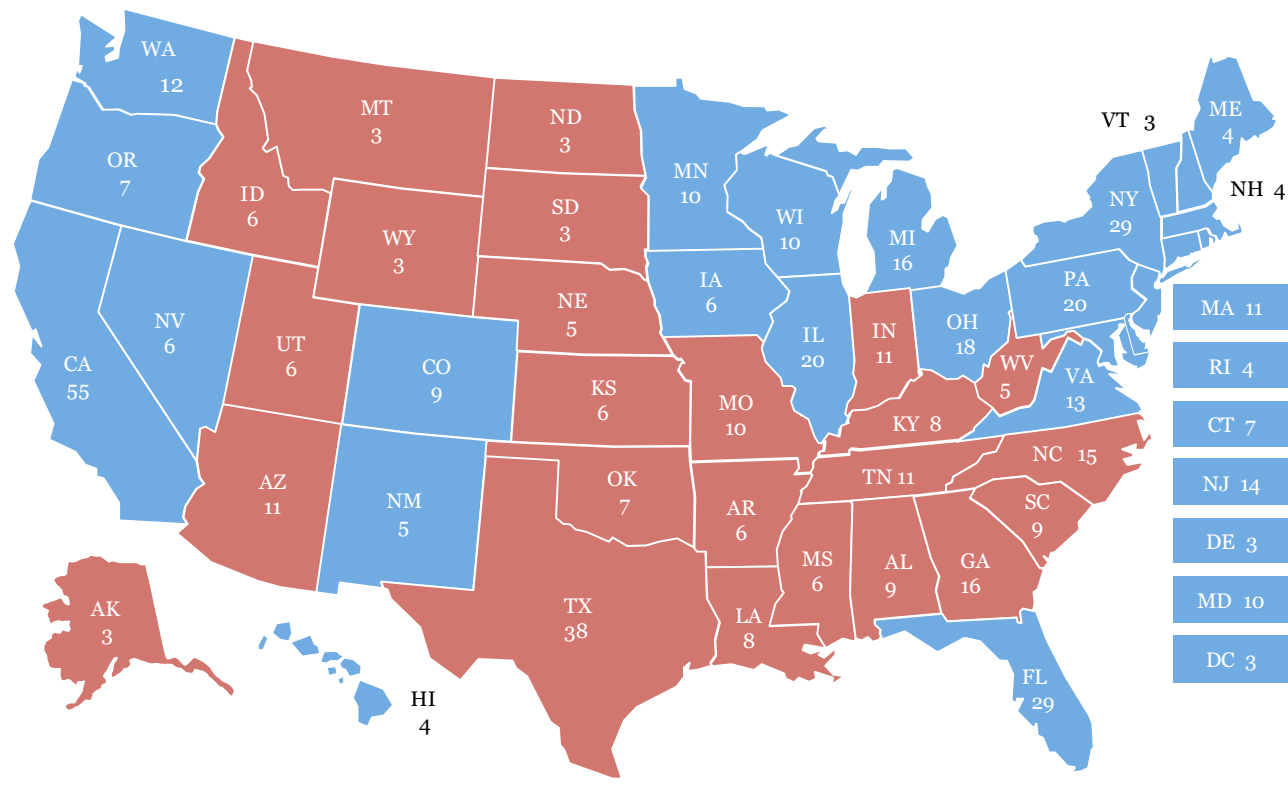# Republicans Take Back the House Following 2010 Midterm Elections

Party Control at Beginning of 112th Congress (2011-2013)

■ Democratic Seat   ■ Republican Seat   ■ Independent Seat (Caucusing with Dems)

218 Seats Needed for a Majority

51 Seats Needed for a Majority

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Republican House Majority

51-2-47

Democratic Senate Majority

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Barack Obama Wins Presidential Second Term in 2012

2012 Electoral College Map

■ Barack Obama   ■ Mitt Romney

| 332 | 206 |

Barack Obama (D)
Running Mate: Joe Biden
Popular Vote: 51.1%
States Carried: 26 + DC

Mitt Romney (R)
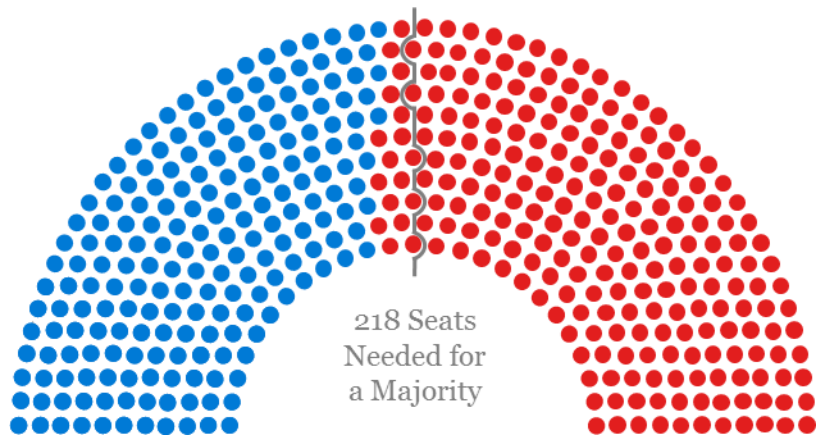Running Mate: Paul Ryan
Popular Vote: 47.2%
States Carried: 24

Source: RealClearPolitics, "Electoral College Map," 2012.

2012 Election Shuffles Seats But Keeps Majorities in Tact

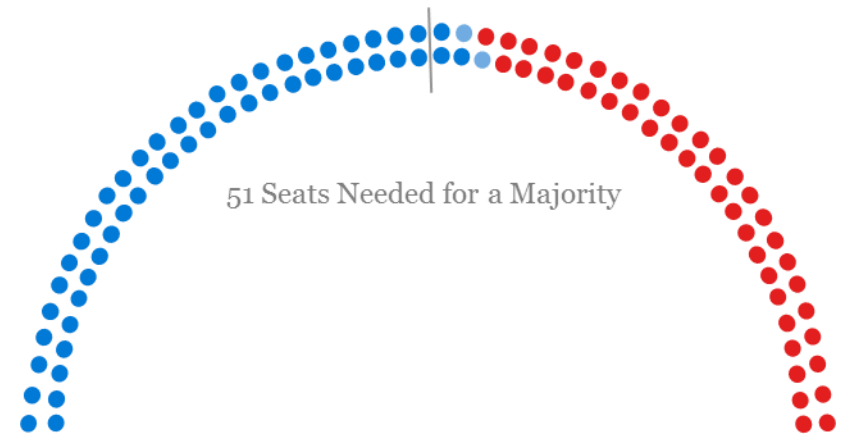## Party Control at Beginning of 113th Congress (2013-2015)

■ Democratic Seat ■ Republican Seat ■ Independent Seat (Caucusing with Dems)

218 Seats
Needed for
a Majority

51 Seats Needed for a Majority

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Republican House Majority

53-2-45

Democratic Senate Majority

Republican Party Regains Congressional Control With Senate Majority After 2014 Midterm Elections

Party Control at Beginning of 114ᵗʰ Congress (2015-2017)

■ Democratic Seat ■ Republican Seat ■ Independent Seat

218 Seats
Needed for
a Majority

51 Seats Needed for a Majority
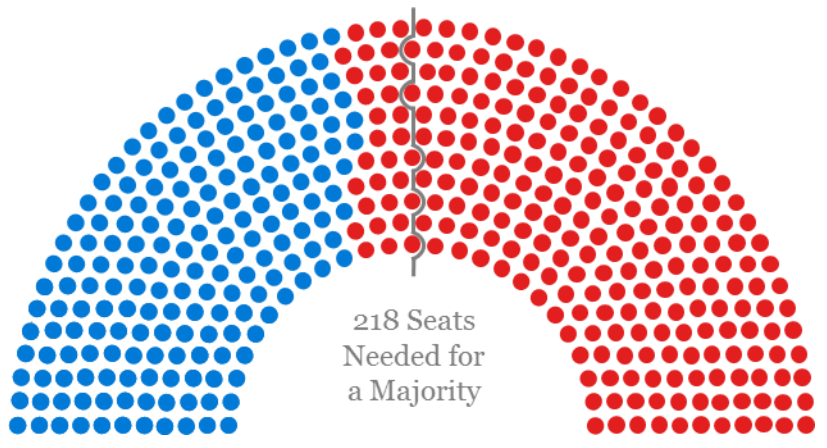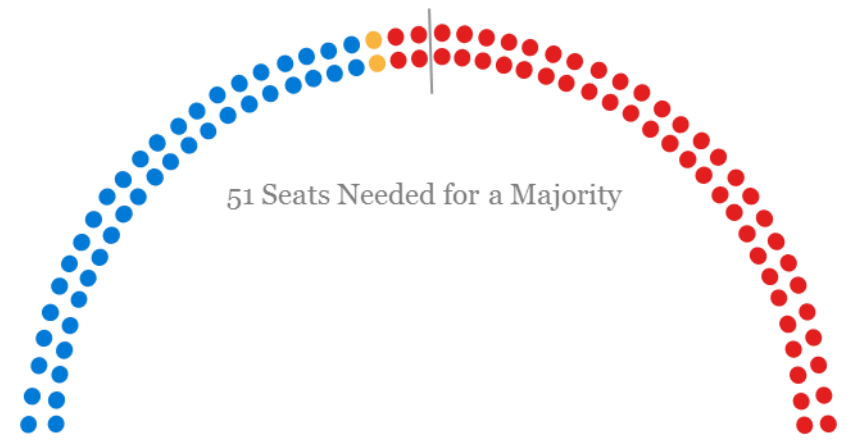
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Republican House Majority

44-2-54

Republican Senate Majority

Sources: Ballotpedia, "United States Senate Elections," 2014; Ballotpedia, "United States House of Representatives Elections," 2014.