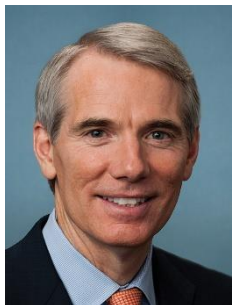


# Sen. Rob Portman (R-OH)



## Background

Republican Rob Portman is Ohio's junior senator, elected in 2010 to succeed the retiring George Voinovich, also a Republican. After graduating Dartmouth, he worked for Republican George H.W. Bush's 1980 presidential campaign. He earned a law degree at the University of Michigan and then worked for law firms in Washington and Cincinnati. After Bush was elected president in 1988, Portman went to the White House as a presidential counsel and then was promoted to head the Office of Legislative Affairs. In January 1993, when Gradison resigned his 2nd District House seat, Portman ran to fill the vacancy, he won easily. In the House, Portman became a member of the Ways and Means and Budget committees and became known for his fiscal conservatism and his ability to work across the aisle. In 2005, President George W. Bush appointed Portman as the US trade representative, in charge of negotiating free trade agreements and representing US interests in global talks on reducing trade barriers. Portman won Voinovich's senate seat in 2010, 57%-39%.

## State Profile

State: Ohio

Status: Junior Senator

Serving with: Sherrod Brown (D)

Cook PVI: R+3

## Biography

First Elected: 11/2/2010

Party: Republican

Birth date: 12/19/1955

Education: Dartmouth Col., B.A. 1979; U. of MI, J.D. 1984.

Family: Spouse: Jane Dudley, 3 children

## Election Results

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Rob Portman (R) 58%

Ted Strickland (D) 37%

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