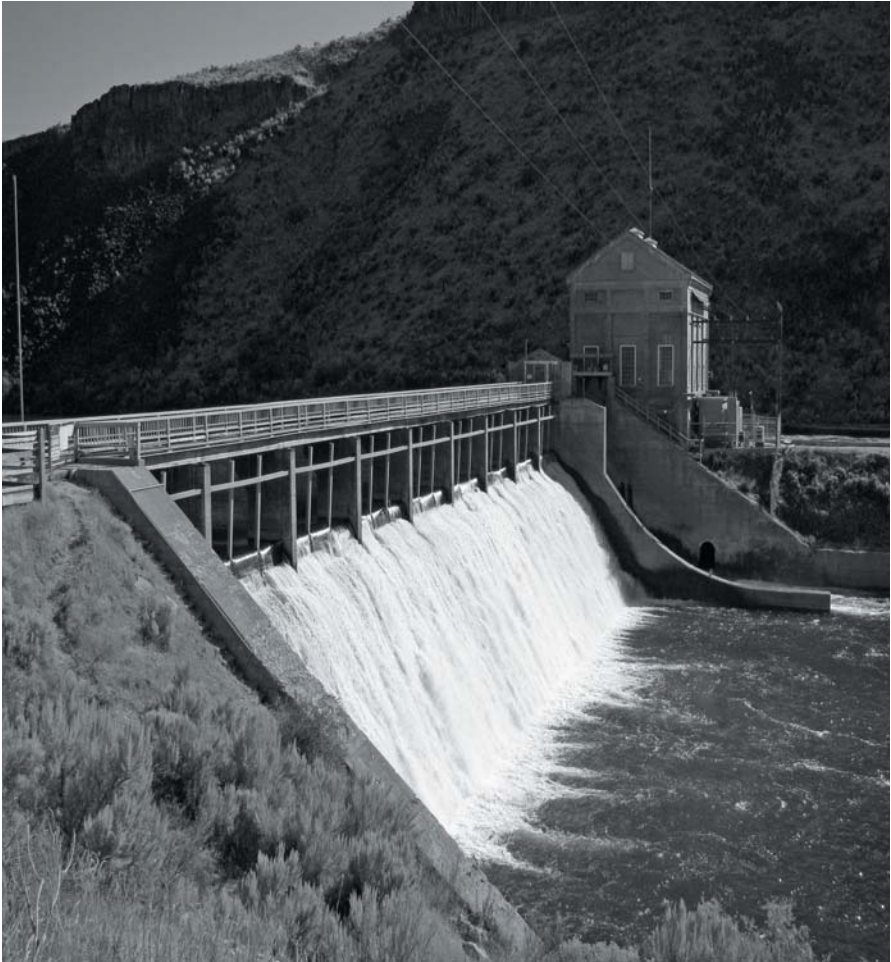


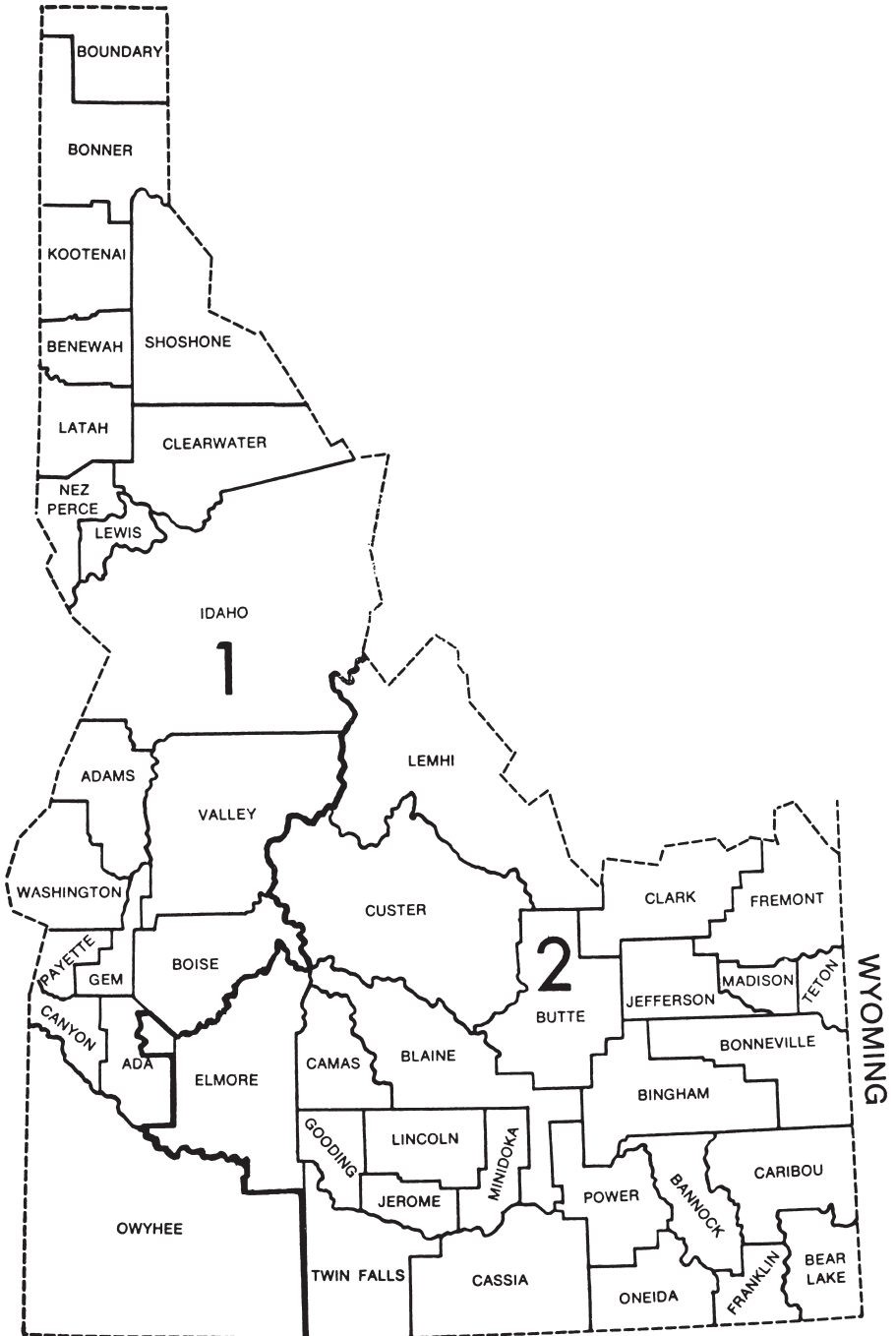
# *CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION*



*Diversion Dam*

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# Congressional Districts



## Congressional Qualifications

<i>Officer</i>	<i>Selection</i>	<i>Method of Qualification</i>	<i>Term of Office</i>
<b>United States Senator</b>	Elected by greatest number of votes in general election	30 years of age, US citizen for at least 9 years and an Idaho resident	Six years
<b>United States Congressman</b>	Elected by greatest number of votes in general election	25 years of age, US citizen for at least 7 years and an Idaho resident	Two years

Article I of the U.S. Constitution states that Congress will consist of two separate houses. A lawmaking body with two houses is called a bicameral legislature. The two houses that make up the U.S. Congress are the House of Representatives and the Senate. Congress is the primary lawmaking body in the U.S. government. To solve problems, Members of Congress introduce legislative proposals called bills or resolutions. After considering these proposals, Members vote to adopt or to reject them. Members of Congress also review the work of executive agencies to determine if they are following government policy, and may introduce new legislation based on what they discover.

Bills accepted by both houses of Congress and by the President become law. When the President vetoes a bill and returns it to Congress, Congress reviews the reasons for the rejection but may still act to pass the bill. The U.S. Constitution allows Congress to override the President's veto with a two-thirds majority vote of both the House and the Senate.



## United States Senator

### *Michael D. Crapo*

Senator Crapo is serving his second term as a United States Senator from Idaho, having previously served three terms as Idaho's 2nd District Representative in the U.S. House of Representatives. Senator Crapo serves as Deputy Whip and Co-Chairman of the Congressional Sportsman's Caucus, and the Western Water Caucus. He is also a co-chair and founder of the Senate Nuclear Cleanup Caucus. Crapo is also the co-founder of the COPD Caucus, which focused on educating members of Congress about cardio-obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). In the 111th Congress, Senator Crapo serves on five committees: Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, two subcommittees; Budget; Environment and Public Works, two subcommittees; Finance, three subcommittees; and Indian Affairs. He is the Ranking Member on three subcommittees: the Banking Subcommittee on Financial Institutions; the Finance Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness; and the Environment and Public Works Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife. He serves on two Banking subcommittees: Financial Institutions; and Securities and Investment. As a member on the Senate Finance Committee, he serves on three subcommittees: International Trade; Taxation and IRS Oversight; and Social Security. On the Environment Committee, in addition to his Ranking status on the Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, Crapo serves on the Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health subcommittee. Senator Crapo served six years as Idaho's 2nd District Representative in the U.S. House of Representatives and eight years in the Idaho State Senate before coming to the U.S. Senate. During his tenure in the U.S. House, he served on the House Commerce Committee, the House Resources Committee, and the House Agriculture Committee. In the State Senate, he represented Bonneville County, his home county, from 1984 to 1992. From 1988 to 1992, he served as the Senate President Pro Tempore, the chief elected officer in the State Senate.

Professionally, Senator Crapo was a partner in the law firm of Holden, Kidwell, Hahn & Crapo prior to his service in Congress. He is a member of the Idaho and California Bar Associations. Crapo received his Juris Doctorate cum laude from Harvard Law School in 1977, and he graduated summa cum laude from Brigham Young University in 1973 with a B.A. in political science. Following graduation from law school, Crapo served a one-year clerkship with the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. Senator Crapo and his wife, Susan, have five children: Michelle, Brian, Stephanie, Lara and Paul, and one grandson, Michael.

**Political Party:** Republican **Salary:** \$174,000.00

**Washington DC Office:** 239 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510 (202) 224-6142

**District Offices:** 251 E Front Street, Suite 205, Boise 83702, (208) 334-1776; 524 E Cleveland, Suite 220, Caldwell 83605, (208) 455-0360; 610 W Hubbard, Suite 209, Coeur d'Alene 83814, (208) 664-5490; 490 Memorial Dr, Suite 102, Idaho Falls 83404, (208) 522-9779; 313 D Street, Suite 105, Lewiston 83501, (208) 743-1492; 275 S 5th Avenue, Suite 225, Pocatello 83201, (208) 236-6775; 202 Falls Ave, Suite 2, Twin Falls 83301, (208) 734-2515

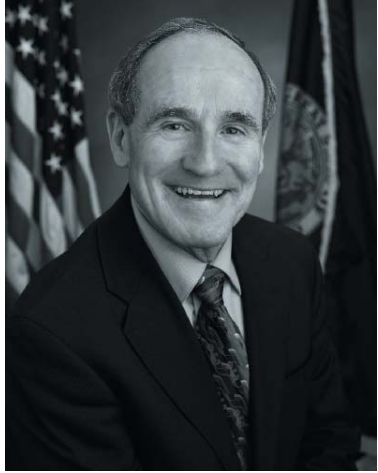
**Internet:** [crapo.senate.gov](http://crapo.senate.gov)

## United States Senator

### *James E. Risch*

Senator James Risch is a rancher and attorney from Ada County. He attended the University of Idaho where he obtained his Bachelor of Science in Forestry in 1965. He continued his education at the University of Idaho, receiving his Juris Doctor in 1968. In 1970 and 1974 Senator Risch was elected as the Ada County Prosecuting Attorney; during this period he also taught law at Boise State University.

In 1974 Risch was elected to the Idaho State Senate, a position he held for 22 of the next 28 years. He spent 12 of those years as Majority Leader of the Idaho State Senate and six years as President Pro Tem. Jim was elected Lieutenant Governor of Idaho in November 2002.



Jim Risch served as the 31st Governor of Idaho.

Senator Risch is involved in many community activities. He is a member of the Idaho Cattleman's Association, American and Idaho Angus Association, National Cattleman's Beef Association, American and Idaho Bar Associations, Ducks Unlimited, National Rifle Association, National Arbor Day Foundation and National Trust for Historic Preservation. He has also received many awards and honors including National Conference of State Legislators Leadership Award, Idaho Farm Bureau "Friend of Agriculture" and is a member of the Idaho Republican Hall of Fame.

Jim has been married to his wife Vicki for 41 years. They have three sons James, Jason and Jordan, as well as six grandchildren. Their family owns and operates Sage Meadows Ranch, a cow-calf operation running about 500 pair of Angus and Angus-cross cows in Ada, Canyon, Payette, Valley and Adams counties, along with some other small businesses.

**Political Party:** Republican **Salary:** \$174,000.00

**Washington DC Office:** 2 Russell Courtyard, Washington DC 20510, Phone: (202) 224-2752, Fax: (202) 224-2573

**District Offices:** 350 North 9th Street, Suite 302, Boise 83702, Phone: (208) 342-7985, Fax: (208) 343-2458; Harbor Plaza, Suite 121, 610 Hubbard, Coeur d'Alene 83814, Phone: (208) 667-6130, Fax: (208) 765-1743; 490 Memorial Dr, Suite 101, Idaho Falls 83402, Phone: (208) 523-5541, Fax: (208) 522-0135; 313 D St, Suite 106, Lewiston 83501, Phone: (208) 743-0792, Fax: (208) 746-7275; 275 South 5th St, Suite 290, Pocatello 83201, Phone: (208) 236-6817, Fax: (208) 236-6820; 560 Filer Ave, Suite A, Twin Falls 83301, Phone: (208) 734-6780, Fax: (208) 734-3905

**Internet:** [risch.senate.gov](http://risch.senate.gov)



## U.S. Congressman First District *Walt Minnick*

Walter C. “Walt” Minnick is serving in his first term as the Congressman from Idaho’s First Congressional District.

Walt serves on the House Agriculture Committee, where he helps craft policy for Idaho farmers and where he helps oversee the U.S. Forest Service lands throughout Idaho and the west. Walt also serves on the House Financial Services Committee, where he helps craft the nation’s economic policy and regulations. Both committees fit well into Walt’s focuses on crafting a sensible, consensus-based approach to public lands, improving care and services for veterans, and creating more good-paying jobs here in

Idaho.

Walt grew up near Walla Walla, Washington, on his family’s dryland wheat farm. Minnick earned an economics degree from Whitman College in his hometown before moving east. He graduated from Harvard Business School and Harvard Law School, and spent two years in the U.S. Army. From there he went to work in the White House Office of Management and Budget, but resigned from the Nixon Administration in protest the day after the president fired a special prosecutor investigating the Watergate burglary.

Walt moved to Idaho soon after and began his 35-year career as a businessman. He went to work for Trus Joist, a wood-products company headquartered in Boise. He rose quickly through the ranks, and would eventually serve more than 15 years as its CEO, growing the company to more than \$700 million in sales. After an unsuccessful run for the U.S. Senate in 1996, Walt founded Summerwinds, a company which has grown into one of the 10 largest retail-nursery chains in the country. He resigned as chairman of the board after winning election to Congress in November 2008.

Walt has served a host of foundations and on numerous boards, but has a special love for education. He has been a trustee for two universities, co-founded a statewide initiative by businesses to help improve Idaho education and helped guide the Boise State University business school through accreditation. Walt is also an avid outdoorsman with a deep affection for Idaho’s backcountry. When not serving in Congress, he is often back home in Idaho rafting rivers, fishing mountain lakes and hiking peaks.

Walt has four children and three grandchildren. He is married to A.K. Leinhart-Minnick.

**Political Party:** Democratic **Salary:** \$174,000.00

**Washington DC Office:** 1517 Longworth House Office Building, Washington DC 20515, Phone: (202) 225-6611, Fax: (202) 225-3029

**District Offices:** 33 E Broadway Ave, Ste 251, Meridian 83642, Phone: (208) 888-3188, Fax: (208) 888-3188; 310 Main Street, Lewiston 83501, Phone: (208) 743-1388, Fax: (208) 743-0247; 1900 Northwest Blvd, Ste 106, Coeur d’Alene 83814, Phone: (208) 667-0127, Fax: (208) 667-0130

**Internet:** minnick.house.gov

**U.S. Congressman**  
**Second District**  
***Michael Simpson***

Michael (Mike) K. Simpson is serving his sixth term in the House of Representatives for Idaho's Second Congressional District.

Mike serves on the House Appropriations Committee. His is the Ranking Member for the Subcommittee on Interior and Environment. He also serves on the Energy and Water Development Subcommittee. These committee's have jurisdiction over funding for a number of programs critical to Idaho, including the Department of Energy, the Department of the Interior, the Forest Service, our National Parks, the National Endowment for the Arts, and Smithsonian Institute. In addition to his responsibilities on the Appropriations Committee, Congressman Simpson also serves on the House Budget Committee.



Simpson is one of the House's leading advocates for a new energy policy and a renewed commitment to research and development of improved nuclear energy technologies. Mike has also gained national attention for his bill to split the massive, overburdened 9th Circuit Court of Appeals as well as his bill, the Central Idaho Economic Development and Recreation Act which addresses the concerns of economic growth and stability for rural Idaho and resolves long time wilderness debate over the Boulder-White Clouds.

His political career began in 1980, when he was elected to the Blackfoot City Council. In 1984, he was elected to the Idaho Legislature where he served until 1998, the last six years serving as Speaker.

Simpson was born in Burley, Idaho and raised in Blackfoot. He graduated from Utah State University and Washington University School of Dental Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri. After graduation, he joined his father and uncle at the Simpson Family Dental Practice in Blackfoot.

Mike is an avid golfer and enjoys painting. He has been married to his wife Kathy for 38 years.

**Political Party:** Republican      **Salary:** \$174,000.00

**Washington DC Office:** 2312 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington D.C. 20515, Phone: (202) 225-5531, Fax: (202) 225-8216

**District Offices:** 802 W Bannock, Suite 600, Boise 83702, Phone: (208) 334-1953, Fax: (208) 334-9533; 410 Memorial Drive, Suite 203, Idaho Falls 83402, Phone: (208) 523-6701, Fax: (208) 523-2384; 1341 Fillmore Street #202, Twin Falls 83301, Phone: (208) 734-7219, Fax: (208) 734-7244; 275 S 5th Ave #275, Pocatello 83201, Phone: (208) 233-2222, Fax: (208) 233-2095

**Internet:** [www.house.gov/simpson](http://www.house.gov/simpson)



## United States Senators

*Party Designations: (R) Republican; (D) Democrat; (S.R.) Silver Republican; (P) Populist*

Name/Party First Position	Term of Office	Remarks
George L. Shoup (R)	12/18/1890 to 03/03/1901	Elected by Legislature 1890; reelected 1894
Fred T. Dubois (D - S.R.)	03/04/1901 to 03/03/1907	Elected by Legislature 1900
William E. Borah (R)	03/04/1907 to 01/19/1940	Elected by Legislature 1907; reelected 1912; elected by voters 1918; reelected 1924, 1930, 1936; died in office
John Thomas (R)	01/27/1940 to 11/10/1945	Appointed to fill vacancy; elected 1940; reelected 1942; died in office
Charles C. Gossett (D)	11/17/1945 to 11/5/1946	Appointed to fill vacancy
Henry C. Dworshak (R)	11/6/1946 to 01/02/1949	Elected 1946
Bert H. Miller (D)	01/03/1949 to 10/08/1949	Elected 1948; died in office
Henry C. Dworshak (R)	10/14/1949 to 07/23/1962	Appointed to fill vacancy; elected 1950; reelected 1954, 1960; died in office
Len B. Jordan (R)	08/06/1962 to 01/02/1973	Appointed to fill vacancy; elected 1962; reelected 1966
James A. McClure (R)	01/03/1973 to 01/02/1991	Elected 1972; reelected 1978, 1984
Larry E. Craig (R)	01/03/1991 to 01/02/2009	Elected 1990; reelected 1996, 2002
James E. Risch	01/03/2009	Elected 2008;
<b>Second Position</b>		
William J. McConnell (R)	12/18/1890 to 03/03/1891	Elected by Legislature 1890
Fred T. Dubois (R)	03/04/1891 to 03/03/1897	Elected by Legislature 1891
Henry Heitfeld (P)	03/04/1897 to 03/03/1903	Elected by Legislature 1897
Weldon B. Heyburn (R)	03/04/1903 to 10/17/1912	Elected by Legislature 1903; reelected 1909; died in office
Kirkland I. Perky (D)	11/18/1912 to 02/05/1913	Appointed to fill vacancy
James H. Brady (R)	02/06/1913 to 01/12/1918	Elected by Legislature 1912; Elected by voters 1914; died in office
John F. Nugent (D)	01/22/1918 to 01/14/1921	Appointed to fill vacancy; elected 1918; resigned
Frank R. Gooding (R)	01/15/1921 to 06/24/1928	Appointed to fill vacancy; elected 1920; reelected 1926; died in office
John Thomas (R)	06/30/1928 to 03/03/1933	Appointed to fill vacancy; elected 1928
James P. Pope (D)	03/04/1933 to 01/02/1939	Elected 1932
D. Worth Clark (D)	01/03/1939 to 01/02/1945	Elected 1938
Glen H. Taylor (D)	01/03/1945 to 01/02/1951	Elected 1944
Herman Welker (R)	01/03/1951 to 01/02/1957	Elected 1950
Frank Church (D)	01/03/1957 to 01/02/1981	Elected 1956; reelected 1962, 1968, 1974
Steven D. Symms (R)	01/03/1981 to 01/02/1993	Elected 1980; reelected 1986
Dirk Kempthorne (R)	01/03/1993 to 01/02/1999	Elected 1992
Michael Crapo (R)	01/03/1999	Elected 1998; reelected 2004



## Territorial Delegates to U.S. Congress 1863-1889

Name/Party	Term of Office	Remarks
William H. Wallace (R)	02/01/1864 to 03/03/1865	Elected 1863
Edward D. Holbrook (D)	03/04/1865 to 03/03/1869	Elected 1864; reelected 1866
Jacob K. Shafer (D)	03/04/1869 to 03/03/1871	Elected 1868
Samuel A. Merritt (D)	03/04/1871 to 03/03/1873	Elected 1870
John Hailey (D)	03/04/1873 to 03/03/1875	Elected 1872
Thomas W. Bennett	03/04/1875 to 06/23/1876	Elected 1874; election challenged, unseated
Stephen S. Fenn (D)	06/23/1876 to 03/03/1879	seated by Congress; elected 1876
George Ainslie (D)	03/04/1879 to 03/03/1883	Elected 1878; reelected 1880
Theodore F. Singiser (R)	03/04/1883 to 03/03/1885	Elected 1882
John Hailey (D)	03/04/1885 to 03/03/1887	Elected 1884
Fred T. Dubois (D)	03/04/1887 to 07/03/1890	Elected 1886; reelected 1888

*Source: Biographical Directory of the American Congress*

## United States Representatives At Large District

Name/Party	Term of Office	Remarks
Willis Sweet (R)	1890 to 1895	Elected 1890; reelected 1892
Edgar Wilson (R)	03/04/1895 to 03/03/1896	Elected 1894
James Gunn (D-P)	03/04/1896 to 03/03/1899	Elected 1896
Edgar Wilson (D-SR)	03/04/1899 to 03/03/1901	Elected 1898
Thomas L. Glenn (D-P-SR)	03/04/1901 to 03/03/1903	Elected 1900
Burton L. French (R)	03/04/1903 to 03/03/1909	Elected 1902; reelected 1904, 1906
Thomas L. Hamer (R)	03/04/1909 to 03/03/1911	Elected 1908
Burton L. French (R)	03/04/1911 to 03/03/1913	Elected 1910

### Two At Large Seats

Addison T. Smith (R)	01/03/1913 to 01/02/1919	Elected 1912; reelected 1914, 1916
Burton L. French (R)	01/03/1913 to 01/02/1915	Elected 1912
Robert M. McCracken (R)	01/03/1915 to 01/02/1917	Elected 1914
Burton L. French (R)	01/03/1917 to 01/02/1919	Elected 1916

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Burton L. French (R)	03/04/1919 to 03/03/1933	Elected 1918; reelected 1920, 1922, 1924, 1926, 1928, 1930
Compton I. White (D)	03/04/1933 to 01/02/1947	Elected 1932; reelected 1934, 1936, 1938, 1940, 1942, 1944
Abe McGregor Goff (R)	01/03/1947 to 01/02/1949	Elected 1946
Compton I. White (D)	01/03/1949 to 01/02/1951	Elected 1948
John T. Wood (R)	01/03/1951 to 01/02/1953	Elected 1950
Gracie Pfost (D)	01/03/1953 to 01/02/1963	Elected 1952; reelected 1954, 1956, 1958, 1960

Compton I. White, Jr (D)	01/03/1963 to 01/02/1967	Elected 1962; reelected 1964
James A. McClure (R)	01/03/1967 to 01/02/1973	Elected 1966; reelected 1968, 1970
Steven D. Symms (R)	01/03/1973 to 01/02/1981	Elected 1972; reelected 1974, 1976, 1978
Larry E. Craig (R)	01/03/1981 to 01/02/1991	Elected 1980; reelected 1982, 1984, 1986, 1988
Larry LaRocco (D)	01/03/1991 to 01/02/1995	Elected 1990; reelected 1992
Helen Chenoweth (R)	01/03/1995 to 01/03/2001	Elected 1994; reelected 1996, 1998
C.L. "Butch" Otter (R)	01/03/2001 to 01/03/2007	Elected 2000; reelected 2002, 2004
Bill Sali (R)	01/03/2007 to 01/02/2009	Elected 2006
Walt Minnick	01/03/2009	Elected 2008

## Second Congressional District

Name/Party	Term of Office	Remarks
Addison T. Smith (R)	03/04/1919 to 03/03/1933	Elected 1918; reelected 1920, 1922, 1924, 1926, 1928, 1930
Thomas C. Coffin (D)	03/04/1933 to 06/08/1934	Elected 1932; died 6/8/1934
D. Worth Clark (D)	01/03/1935 to 01/03/1939	Elected 1934; reelected 1936
Henry C. Dworshak (R)	01/03/1939 to 01/02/1947	Elected 1938; reelected 1940 1942, 1944
John Sanborn (R)	01/03/1947 to 01/02/1951	Elected 1946; reelected 1948
Hamer Budge (R)	01/03/1951 to 01/02/1961	Elected 1950; reelected 1952, 1954, 1956, 1958
Ralph R. Harding (D)	01/03/1961 to 01/02/1965	Elected 1960; reelected 1962
George V. Hansen (R)	01/03/1965 to 01/02/1969	Elected 1964; reelected 1966
Orval Hansen (R)	01/03/1969 to 01/02/1975	Elected 1968; reelected 1970, 1972
George V. Hansen (R)	01/03/1975 to 01/02/1985	Elected 1974; reelected 1976, 1978, 1980, 1982
Richard Stallings (D)	01/03/1985 to 01/02/1993	Elected 1984; reelected 1986, 1988, 1990
Michael Crapo (R)	01/03/1993 to 01/02/1999	Elected 1992; reelected 1994, 1996
Michael Simpson (R)	01/03/1999	Elected 1998; reelected 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008