

Congress & America

• HOW DO CONGRESS'S DEMOGRAPHICS COMPARE? •

There are 100 Senators and 435 Representatives for 535 voting members of Congress in total (there are 6 non-voting members). A new mix of Americans makes up the current session every two years. Every session seems to become increasingly diverse, but it still doesn't exactly match the demographics of the larger American population. Should it? Which aspects should it match? Which aspects is it less important to match?

Your task is to research and share one statistic pairing below, comparing the larger U.S. population with that of the current Congress.

CATEGORY	CONGRESS	AMERICA
Democrat	_____	_____
Republican	_____	_____
Independent or Other	_____	_____
Female	_____	_____
LGBTQ	_____	_____
Foreign-born	_____	_____
White American	_____	_____
Black American	_____	_____
Asian American	_____	_____
Hispanic American	_____	_____
Native American	_____	_____
Protestant	_____	_____
Catholic	_____	_____
Jewish	_____	_____
Mormon	_____	_____
Hindu	_____	_____
Buddhist	_____	_____
Muslim	_____	_____
Unaffiliated or Refused	_____	_____



Demographically, Congress **best matches** America in regards to...

Demographically, Congress **least matches** America in regards to...