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Election 2002 Results Summary

Governors

In the wake of the 2002 elections, there are 6 women governors, 4 Democrats and 2 Republicans. In addition to the holdovers in Delaware (Ruth Ann Minner-D) and Montana (Judy Martz-R) there is a Republican woman governor in Hawaii (Linda Lingle) and Democratic women governors in Kansas (Kathleen Sebelius), Arizona (Janet Napolitano) and Michigan (Jennifer Granholm).

U.S. Senate

In the 108th Congress, there are 13 women in the Senate, the same number as in the 107th Congress. The party breakdown is 9 Democrats and 4 Republicans. The newest Republican Senator is Elizabeth Dole (NC). Senator Susan Collins (R-ME) and Sentaor Mary Landrieu (D-LA) were re-elected, while Senator Jean Carnahan (D_MO) lost her race. The holdovers in the Senate are California Democrats Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein, Washington Democrats Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell, Maine Republican Olympia Snowe, Texas Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison, Arkansas Democrat Blanche Lambert Lincoln, Michigan Democrat Debbie Stabenow, New York Democrat Hillary Rodham Clinton, and Maryland Democrat Barbara Mikulski.

U.S. House of Representatives

In the 108th Congress, there are 59 women House members (38D, 21R), the same number as in the 107th Congress, along with three non-voting Democratic women delegates from Washington DC, the US Virgin Islands, and Guam. Prior to the election, three women had announced their retirements, two had lost primaries, and one died. In addition, two female House members lost their 2002 races (Connie Morella, R-MD and Karen Thurman, D-FL). There are seven first-term women in the House, 5 Republicans and 2 Democrats. The Republicans are Marilyn Musgrave (CO), Katherine Harris (FL), Ginny Brown-Waite (FL), Candice Miller (MI), Marsha Blackburn (TN). The new Democrats are Denise Majette (G) and Linda Sanchez (CA).

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