

# 2008 Republican Presidential Wannabes

The following chart shows the composite conservative scores, based on *National Journal's* annual vote ratings, of the **Republican senators who are considered to be possible 2008 presidential contenders**. *NJ* began compiling the ratings in 1981.

	Sam Brownback Kan. (First elected 1996)	George Allen Va. (First elected 2000)	Bill Frist Tenn. (First elected 1994)	John McCain Ariz. (First elected 1986)	Chuck Hagel Neb. (First elected 1996)
1981	–	–	–	–	–
1982	–	–	–	–	–
1983	–	–	–	–	–
1984	–	–	–	–	–
1985	–	–	–	–	–
1986	–	–	–	–	–
1987	–	–	–	83.5	–
1988	–	–	–	82.3	–
1989	–	–	–	85.3	–
1990	–	–	–	82.5	–
1991	–	–	–	81.8	–
1992	–	–	–	84.5	–
1993	–	–	–	74.8	–
1994	–	–	–	89.2	–
1995	–	–	78.2	70.2	–
1996	–	–	75.2	75.3	–
1997	91.5	–	67.3	71.5	74.7
1998	83.8	–	70.2	68.3	67.7
1999	83.7	–	67.5	67.7	72.2
2000	81.5	–	77.3	61.7	74.5
2001	80.8	77.7	85.5	66.8	71.2
2002	82.2	73.2	87.0	59.8	82.7
2003	72.2	86.5	86.5	62.2	72.3
2004	84.2	75.5	77.0	51.7	58.5
2005	79.8	85.8	81.5	59.2	69.3
Lifetime Average Composite Conservative Score	82.2	79.7	77.6	72.5	71.5