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Rep. Paul Cook (R-CA)

House · Republican (most recent term) · CA-8 · in Congress 2013–2020 ·
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Estimated net worth (from public disclosures)

Estimate	Report year	Low	Mid	High
(a) Estimated net worth before entering office (report year 2013, the member's first year in office)	2013	\$579,016	\$970,508	\$1,362,000
(b) Latest net worth estimate	2019	\$629,016	\$1,070,508	\$1,512,000
(c) Estimated gain / loss, nominal dollars, 2013 → 2019 (6 years spanned)	2013– 2019	– \$732,984	+\$100,000	+ \$932,984

Gain Low = latest Low – earliest High; Gain High = latest High – earliest Low (widest possible spread); Mid = latest Mid – earliest Mid.

Reliability flags (net worth): none for these two endpoints. **Included in the recommended dollar-gain ranking.**

Net worth by report year (mid; Low–High)

Report year	Assets (mid)	Liabilities (mid)	Net worth mid	Low ... High	Status / flags
2013	\$970,508	\$0	\$970,508	\$579,016 ... \$1,362,000	computed
2014	\$970,508	\$0	\$970,508	\$579,016 ... \$1,362,000	computed
2015	\$1,070,508	\$32,500	\$1,038,008	\$579,016 ... \$1,496,999	computed
2016	\$1,070,508	\$12,500	\$1,058,008	\$614,016 ... \$1,502,000	computed
2017	\$1,070,508	\$0	\$1,070,508	\$629,016 ... \$1,512,000	computed

2018	\$1,070,508	\$0	\$1,070,508	\$629,016 ... computed \$1,512,000
2019	\$1,070,508	\$0	\$1,070,508	\$629,016 ... computed \$1,512,000

- **What this is:** Net worth = Schedule A assets (each value range at its midpoint; low–high range shown) minus Schedule D liabilities (midpoints / ranges). **Low** = assets at range floors minus liabilities at range ceilings; **Mid** = midpoints; **High** = assets at ceilings minus liabilities at floors. Low and High are outer bounds of the reported ranges, not likely outcomes.
- **What it excludes / understates:** exact values (only ranges are reported); a **personal residence is not reported as an asset** (although a mortgage on it may be listed as a liability, which then lowers the estimate); retirement and federal accounts (e.g. Thrift Savings Plan, defined-benefit pensions) are only partly or not reported; assets of excepted/blind trusts, cash held below reporting thresholds, vehicles, household goods and most spouse/dependent items exempt from reporting are not included; liabilities on a personal residence, revolving credit under thresholds and loans to family may be omitted by filers.
- **Open-ended top ranges** (e.g. "Over \$50,000,000") are counted at their **lower bound** and flagged, so such values are understated.
- The change is a change in **estimated net worth in nominal dollars** (no inflation adjustment). It includes salary, gifts, inheritances, business income and re-valuation as well as investment results, and it is subject to range-bracket noise; it is **not** an investment return and implies nothing about conduct.

Read this first. Members report asset values only as *ranges* (e.g. "\$15,001 – \$50,000"), never exact dollars. Every figure below is an **estimate** computed from range midpoints, not a measured return. Figures cannot be interpreted as investment performance, and they do not show wrongdoing or skill. Methodology and limitations are at the end and in the project README. Sources: public financial disclosure reports filed with the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives and/or the Secretary of the Senate (Senate eFD), linked below.

AVG. ANNUAL
CHANGE
(GEOMETRIC, EST.)

+2.6%

SIMPLE AVERAGE OF
YEARS

+2.6%

YEARS ESTIMATED

6

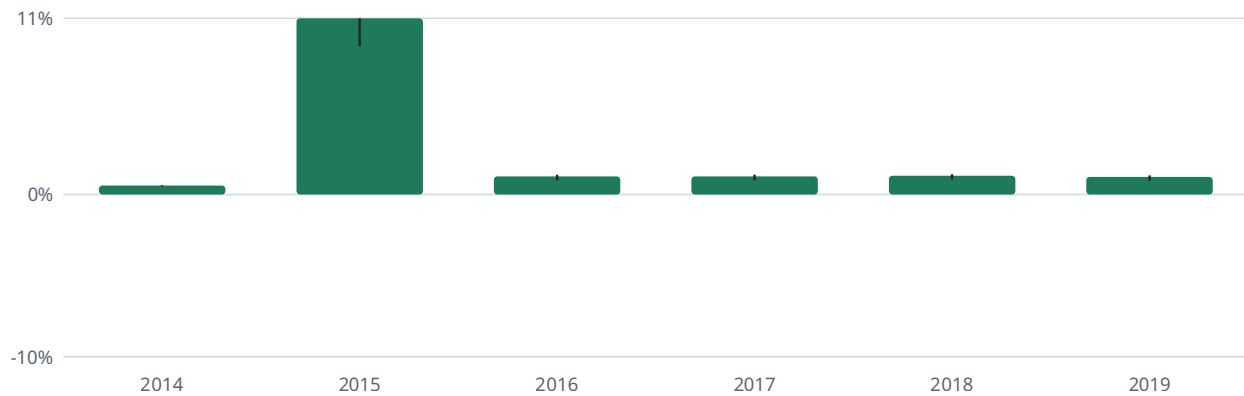
BEST / WORST
SINGLE YEAR

2015 +11%

2014 +1%

Sensitivity band for the average (all ranges at floor vs. all at ceiling, same holdings both years): +2.2% to +2.8%. This band is narrow because it moves both years together; the true uncertainty is larger — see the per-year "strict envelope" column and the limitations.

Estimated year-over-year change



Bars: midpoint estimate; whisker: same-position floor/ceiling band. Axis clipped to -100%...+150%. Years with insufficient traceable holdings are omitted.

Year (t-1 → t)	Opening value (mid)	Closing value (mid)	Income (mid)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)	Est. gain	Same-position band	Strict envelope	Traced coverage	Status / flags
2013→2014	\$970,508	\$970,508	\$5,354	\$0	\$0	+0.6%	+0.5% ... +0.6%	-80% ... +81%	100%	counted
2014→2015	\$970,508	\$1,070,508	\$5,354	\$0	\$0	+10.9%	+9.1% ... +11.6%	-75% ... +97%	100%	counted
2015→2016	\$1,038,008	\$1,038,008	\$11,604	\$0	\$0	+1.1%	+0.9% ... +1.2%	-81% ... +83%	97%	counted
2016→2017	\$1,038,008	\$1,038,008	\$11,604	\$0	\$0	+1.1%	+0.9% ... +1.2%	-81% ... +83%	97%	counted
2017→2018	\$995,508	\$995,508	\$11,503	\$0	\$0	+1.2%	+0.9% ... +1.2%	-83% ... +85%	93%	counted
2018→2019	\$1,070,508	\$1,070,508	\$11,604	\$0	\$0	+1.1%	+0.9% ... +1.2%	-82% ... +84%	100%	counted

Filings used

Each annual-report year uses one filing (most recently filed version among originals/amendments whose Schedule A row count is $\geq 40\%$ of the largest). Electronic (text) PDFs are parsed. Scanned/image-only filings are OCR-read and used **only** if they pass the explicit validation gates described in the project README (value/income coverage, two-

engine agreement, exact bracket snapping, page completeness, year-to-year position continuity); such years are labelled **OCR-derived** below. Scanned filings that fail validation are listed as “insufficient data – scanned”.

Report year	Doc ID	Type	Filed	Schedule A rows	Rows with unparsed value	Source (official filing) / SHA-256
2013	10000491	House annual	5/6/2014	16	0	10000491.pdf 86fa96c7f7b301d67dfc350017d c7b18c9a1918ddd2142a633ef794 ea20bc584
2014	10005574	House annual	4/29/2015	16	0	10005574.pdf 8cf8e8d81043de9b5046263bc7b5 46cf52c18be825f29b2f9778210 d31db3d05
2015	10013466	House annual	7/28/2016	16	0	10013466.pdf 8e757e58fde23d726271f56ef623 2acbc98d0e6530cd940af9530042 569559e9
2016	10016510	House annual	5/11/2017	16	0	10016510.pdf afae0ab135bec3a51a240df1de9 d99e217e4bc81a90640a1793586 fa8c6fa61a
2017	10021192	House annual	5/8/2018	16	0	10021192.pdf 88ccf12c7ec3f8c635b95576a61 e29a3605db8f32e4482bb7b525b6 079d37bff
2018	10026583	House annual	5/7/2019	16	0	10026583.pdf 7a4dd148646e4426b1c147d8c8b fd6cbcb6803e476637a609b62bd e8cba56dd2
2019	10038221	House annual	8/11/2020	16	0	10038221.pdf dd2ab1c7fafd2357225c1451cf69 8f22c3ab2e4ebcef8614c3aa33f adde817a8

Largest movers 2016→2017

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Sun America- Roth IRA ⇒ Money Market CI A [IH]	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0
Parcel #058901176 [RP]	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0

Sun America- Roth IRA ⇒ GNMA CI A [IH]	SP	held	\$1 - \$1,000	\$1 - \$1,000	\$0	\$0
Parcel #058901177 [RP]	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Union Bank [BA]	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
Kansas City Life Insurance Whole Life [WU]	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0
U.S. Savings Bond [GS]	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0
Parcel #058901175 [RP]	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0

Largest movers 2017→2018

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Sun America- Roth IRA ⇒ Money Market CI A [IH]	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0
Parcel #058901176 [RP]	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Sun America- Roth IRA ⇒ GNMA CI A [IH]	SP	held	\$1 - \$1,000	\$1 - \$1,000	\$0	\$0
Parcel #058901177 [RP]	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Sun Life Financial Variable Annuity ⇒ Global Government Series [OT]	SP	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Union Bank [BA]	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
Kansas City Life Insurance Whole Life [WU]	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0
U.S. Savings Bond [GS]	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0

Largest movers 2018→2019

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Sun America- Roth IRA ⇒ Money Market CI A [IH]	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0

Parcel #058901176 [RP]	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Frontwave Credit Union [BA]	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
Sun America- Roth IRA ⇒ GNMA CI A [IH]	SP	held	\$1 - \$1,000	\$1 - \$1,000	\$0	\$0
Parcel #058901177 [RP]	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Sun Life Financial Variable Annuity ⇒ Global Government Series [OT]	SP	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Union Bank [BA]	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
Kansas City Life Insurance Whole Life [WU]	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0

Method (summary)

1. Schedule A asset rows are read from each annual report; the dollar range for each row is converted to its midpoint. Open-ended top ranges ("Over \$50,000,000") are excluded from the traced set and counted as a coverage loss.
2. Positions are matched year to year by owner code (self/SP/DC/JT) + normalised asset name. A position that appears only in year t is included only if Schedule B shows a purchase of it in year t (opening value 0); a position that disappears is included only if Schedule B shows a sale (closing value 0). Otherwise it is excluded as unexplained.
3. Estimated gain = (closing – opening + reported income – purchases + sale proceeds) ÷ opening, all at midpoints, for the traced positions. "Capital gains" income is not added again (it is already in value change and sale proceeds).
4. A year counts only if traced opening value ≥ \$50,000 and traced coverage ≥ 60% of the opening midpoint. A member is ranked only with ≥ 3 such years (exactly 2 = "limited data", shown but unranked). Average = geometric mean of (1+yearly estimate).

Limitations

- Ranges are wide (up to a factor of 5 or more, and up to \$50M+ open-ended); a holding can move between ranges without any real change in value, and stay in a range while moving materially. Yearly estimates are therefore noisy; the "strict envelope" shows the mathematical worst/best case and is typically wider than ±100%.
- Purchases and sales are only disclosed as ranges and only for transactions over \$1,000; partial sales, dividend reinvestment, spousal/dependent accounts and retirement-plan funds are reported inconsistently. Excepted/ blind trusts, personal residences and certain pensions are not reported at all.
- Filers sometimes change how they list assets (e.g. listing a brokerage account vs. its individual holdings), which can make positions untraceable across years; these are excluded rather than guessed.
- Asset values in an annual report are as of Dec 31 of the reporting year; the report year t-1→t covers that calendar year. Late or amended filings are used when filed; extensions can delay them.
- The text of these reports is machine-parsed from PDFs; parse errors are possible. Every number links back to the cited filing. This is not investment advice.

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