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Sen. Richard C. Shelby (R-AL)

House / Senate · Republican (most recent term) · AL · in Congress 1979–2023
· Bioguide ID S000320

Party history by chamber: House D 1979–1987, Senate D 1987–1993, Senate R 1993–2023
(*party changed during service*). Source: term data in unitedstates/congress-legislators (CC0);
party shown is as recorded per term there.

Estimated net worth (from public disclosures)

Estimate	Report year	Low	Mid	High
(a) Estimated net worth at the earliest available report (2013); the member entered office earlier, in 1979	2013	\$4,347,016	\$11,188,508	\$18,030,000
(b) Latest net worth estimate	2021	\$4,515,011	\$11,332,506	\$18,150,000
(c) Estimated gain / loss, nominal dollars, 2013 → 2021 (8 years spanned)	2013– 2021	– \$13,514,989	+\$143,998	+ \$13,802,984

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	\$11,188,508	\$0	\$11,188,508	\$4,347,016 ... \$18,030,000	computed
2014	\$10,914,007	\$0	\$10,914,007	\$4,183,014 ... \$17,645,000	computed
2015	\$10,963,007	\$0	\$10,963,007	\$4,211,014 ... \$17,715,000	computed
2016	\$7,989,007	\$0	\$7,989,007	\$3,233,014 ... \$12,745,000	computed
2017	\$10,981,007	\$0	\$10,981,007	\$4,232,014 ... \$17,730,000	computed

2018	\$8,072,506	\$0	\$8,072,506	\$3,295,013 ... \$12,850,000	computed
2019	\$8,058,006	\$0	\$8,058,006	\$3,301,012 ... \$12,815,000	computed
2020	\$11,000,005	\$0	\$11,000,005	\$4,300,010 ... \$17,700,000	computed
2021	\$11,332,506	\$0	\$11,332,506	\$4,515,011 ... \$18,150,000	computed

- **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.)
+15.0%

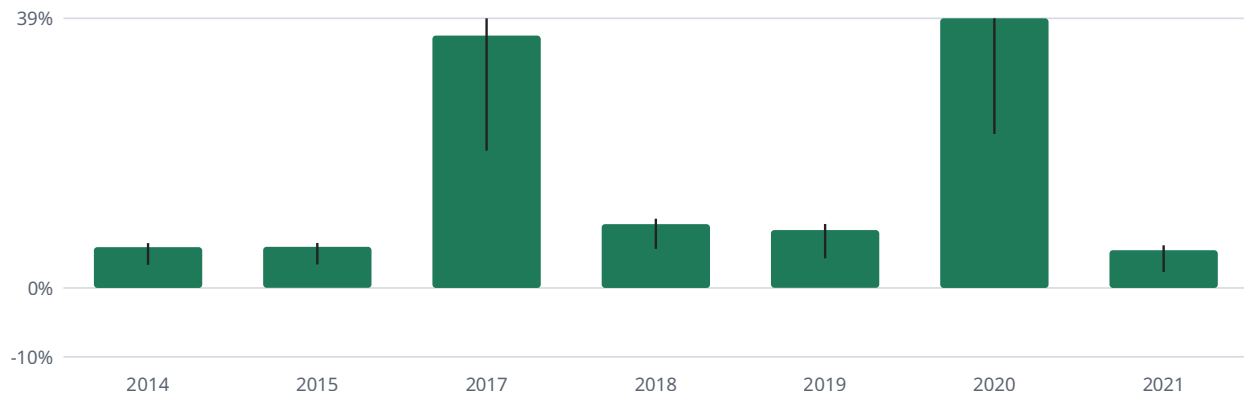
SIMPLE AVERAGE OF
YEARS
+15.8%

YEARS ESTIMATED
7

BEST / WORST
SINGLE YEAR
2020 +39%
2021 +5%

Sensitivity band for the average (all ranges at floor vs. all at ceiling, same holdings both years): +8.5% to +16.6%. 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	\$10,173,004	\$10,173,004	\$602,502	\$0	\$0	+5.9%	+3.4% ... +6.5%	-125% ... +137%	91%	counted
2014→2015	\$10,206,004	\$10,230,504	\$583,102	\$0	\$0	+6.0%	+3.4% ... +6.5%	-125% ... +137%	94%	counted
2015→2016	\$4,022,503	\$4,065,003	\$583,102	\$0	\$0	+15.6%	+9.1% ... +17.2%	-114% ... +146%	37%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 37% < 60%
2016→2017	\$7,757,504	\$10,007,504	\$590,602	\$0	\$0	+36.6%	+19.9% ... +40.8%	-112% ... +185%	97%	counted
2017→2018	\$6,640,504	\$6,665,004	\$590,002	\$0	\$0	+9.3%	+5.7% ... +10.0%	-127% ... +145%	60%	counted
2018→2019	\$6,707,504	\$6,683,004	\$586,852	\$0	\$0	+8.4%	+4.3% ... +9.3%	-126% ... +143%	83%	counted
2019→2020	\$7,525,004	\$9,875,004	\$593,702	\$0	\$0	+39.1%	+22.3% ... +43.3%	-111% ... +190%	93%	counted

2020→2021	\$10,075,004	\$10,032,504	\$593,102	\$0	\$0	+5.5%	+2.3%	-126% ...	92%	counted
							...	+137%		
							+6.2%			

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	a200beff-de6c-4510-ba9e-72defc388209	Senate annual	05/15/2014	16	0	Senate eFD report 8c2f3f bbe15b0 4322604 fe9198 c2842a4 45499c e4c9490 c3a2fa9 9087735 0f11
2014	d060de24-675b-4c96-bc39-21a2cde383f8	Senate amendment	06/23/2015	14	0	Senate eFD report 38cc588 641b1d2 de27853 f15ae15 92cecd4 2fd8ed8 01586a4 32b0633 7b9f610 f

2015	8400b557-eea6-4619-b50a-3a2b7ec65c79	Senate annual	04/27/2016	14	0	Senate eFD report 8db4de9 5477172 4dc3c8 c06960 a4e53c6 d10a7d0 be3324 ef1a8c f8e9c10 75f79
2016	ebe6e3bf-258b-4b60-bee9-e4f2dc320bf	Senate annual	05/15/2017	14	0	Senate eFD report 19e49d8 e1785e f1a6837 729fe52 ba4a337 ed11e1 c8012c7 5482b23 17860a abc0
2017	82255b6b-a66f-4f68-8663-58974aefc0fc	Senate annual	05/14/2018	14	0	Senate eFD report e34531 a6e427 fec16d3 db3c327 3186bb0 4ed0ca7 8c465a8 8ebf485 49ed35 dadd

2018	0b89dbaf-1fbc-4deb-9080-2e83f3328421	Senate amendment	06/28/2019	13	0	Senate eFD report 4e3c2c5 549e084 e9a95b9 847a3f5 1112db c90d7d d8ab92 c130ab df11090 a1aaa
2019	b69a1c48-6028-430e-9b4b-2e98c5fcff7e	Senate annual	04/21/2020	12	0	Senate eFD report 0a46d0 cecd971 aa8c601 9c0cff4 ac68592 48a478 ac46430 7c895d e723c72 1855
2020	f77128bc-11ad-424d-99d0-03edc3704901	Senate annual	05/05/2021	10	0	Senate eFD report f48db4 f88aae4 2cd24f1 44392b a03cc44 4816739 9b90bf4 98bd542 a017646 077

2021	b96b9eb5-797a-4602-8b57-9f156ef968a2	Senate annual	05/03/2022	11	0	Senate eFD report 984ff1 f141328 f4e1a40 6e7f099 2c84393 18bd531 a1ad26 c8808f6 164a93 bb09
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Largest movers 2018→2019

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Vanguard Trust-Federal Money Fund (Valley Forge, PA) Type: IRA Cash Accounts, Money Market	SP	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0
Tuscaloosa Title Company, Inc. Filer comment: Closely held, non-publically traded company	—	held	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0
Office Building Description: 2210 8th Street (Tuscaloosa, AL)	—	held	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0
BBVA Compass Bank (Birmingham, AL) Type: Certificate of Deposit Filer comment: Renewed 5/1	SP	held	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$0	\$0
Regions Bank #721 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Checking	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
United States Senate Federal Credit Union (Washington, DC) Type: Checking, Savings	—	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
Goldman Sachs (Salt Lake City, UT) Type: Certificate of Deposit, IRA Cash Accounts	SP	held	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$0	\$0
CIT Bank (Salt Lake City, UT) Type: Certificate of Deposit, IRA Cash Accounts	SP	held	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$0	\$0

Largest movers 2019→2020

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Regions Bank #9288 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Money Market Account	—	held	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0
United States Senate Federal Credit Union (Washington, DC) Type: Checking, Savings	—	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$0	\$0
Tuscaloosa Title Company, Inc. Filer comment: Closely held, non-publically traded company	—	held	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0
Office Building Description: 2210 8th Street (Tuscaloosa, AL)	—	held	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0
Regions Bank #8906 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Money Market Account	SP	held	\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$0	\$0
BBVA Compass Bank (Birmingham, AL) Type: Certificate of Deposit Filer comment: Renewed 5/1	SP	held	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$0	\$0
Regions Bank #721 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Checking	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
Regions Bank #9888 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Checking Filer comment: Non-interest bearing	SP	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0

Largest movers 2020→2021

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Regions Bank #721 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Checking	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Regions Bank #1676 (Tuscaloosa, AL) Type: Money Market Account	—	held	\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$0	\$0
Tuscaloosa Title Company, Inc. Filer comment: Closely held, non-publically traded company	—	held	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0
Office Building Description: 2210 8th Street (Tuscaloosa, AL)	—	held	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0
Regions Bank #9288 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Money Market Account	—	held	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$0	\$0

Regions Bank #8906 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Money Market Account	SP	held	\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$0	\$0
United States Senate Federal Credit Union (Washington, DC) Type: Checking, Savings	—	held	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$0	\$0
Regions Bank #9888 (Birmingham, AL) Type: Checking Filer comment: Non- interest bearing	SP	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$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.
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