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Sen. Ben Sasse (R-NE)

Senate · Republican (most recent term) · NE · in Congress 2015–2023 ·
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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 2014)	2014	\$462,056	\$1,483,528	\$2,504,999
(b) Latest net worth estimate	2021	\$845,028	\$1,872,514	\$2,899,999
(c) Estimated gain / loss, nominal dollars, 2014 → 2021 (7 years spanned)	2014– 2021	– \$1,659,971	+\$388,986	+ \$2,437,943

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
2014	\$1,858,528	\$375,000	\$1,483,528	\$462,056 ... \$2,504,999	computed
2015	\$1,489,024	\$375,000	\$1,114,023	\$283,047 ... \$1,944,999	computed
2016	\$1,444,522	\$0	\$1,444,522	\$729,045 ... \$2,160,000	computed
2017	\$1,831,514	\$750,000	\$1,081,513	\$68,027 ... \$2,094,999	computed
2018	\$4,173,513	\$750,000	\$3,423,512	\$617,026 ... \$6,229,999	computed
2019	\$4,073,014	\$750,000	\$3,323,013	\$581,027 ... \$6,064,999	computed

2020	\$2,031,014	\$1,125,001	\$906,014	-\$317,971 ... computed \$2,129,998
2021	\$2,247,514	\$375,000	\$1,872,514	\$845,028 ... computed \$2,899,999

- **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.

Insufficient data to rank. Only 1 comparable year-pair(s) could be computed (minimum 3 to rank). 8 annual filing(s) were usable (text-readable, validated OCR, or validated X-mark decoding) and 0 scanned/image-only filing(s) could not be used (older layouts failing validation, small amendments not integrated). See the method-per-year section below.

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
2014→2015	\$481,512	\$1,048,512	\$1,802	\$0	\$0	+118.1%	+95.8% ... +207.0%	-37% ... +273%	26%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 26% < 60%
2015→2016	\$723,022	\$894,522	\$1,802	\$0	\$0	+24.0%	+21.3% ... +35.1%	-109% ... +157%	49%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 49% < 60%
2016→2017	\$638,505	\$338,505	\$1,802	\$0	\$0	-46.7%	-53.6% ... -43.9%	-115% ... +21%	44%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 44% < 60%
2017→2018	\$489,004	\$589,004	\$2,351	\$0	\$0	+20.9%	+18.1% ... +22.1%	-74% ... +116%	27%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 27% < 60%

2018→2019	\$1,066,012	\$982,012	\$4,702	\$0	\$0	-7.4%	-8.7% ... -3.7%	-98% ... +83%	26%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 26% < 60%
2019→2020	\$784,510	\$984,510	\$4,702	\$0	\$0	+26.1%	+23.6% ... +27.0%	-76% ... +128%	19%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 19% < 60%
2020→2021	\$1,982,513	\$2,207,013	\$5,302	\$0	\$0	+11.6%	+10.5% ... +14.3%	-74% ... +97%	98%	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
2014	e845e03c-6fa1-4015-858e-ae9e31c85c39	Senate amendment	07/13/2016	56	0	Senate eFD report dc0cc1000b56f04073a812af6067b927ca9e9eabc4013e925dd33b086d6da88a

2015	ea04679f-a9c1-4d19-b174-cd9b9fda1807	Senate annual	05/11/2016	47	0	Senate eFD report e28f0f7 8a76cc0 45d020 a8eeb51 69f926 cb0e73 d135281 2dd722 e57dc7 e73f9d
2016	fab78eb1-0a16-48b1-a58b-96b138d06f4e	Senate amendment	11/07/2017	45	0	Senate eFD report e46dd8 eb9845 ded36c2 67a4dc7 a967c9 cad3c69 a3bb462 2837a78 14077e3 5f0b
2017	7e8eb682-f9dd-4dc8-b4b3-96c6cdeb267e	Senate annual	08/13/2018	27	0	Senate eFD report f68d6d5 9da9bc5 b6d7329 c24c9a0 eba4fd3 289a843 834290 f6af5d6 abf88b6 26

2018	5b387af9-1158-4b31-b8f8-dc2000242f67	Senate annual	08/13/2019	26	0	Senate eFD report 11b0935 7f6dde3 0818710 a0617c6 3e9448 c6bb594 90f10a3 7a627f6 2df2d6 c0c
2019	357bb4ea-195a-4b97-b921-fb9c3401a705	Senate annual	08/13/2020	27	0	Senate eFD report e08c3d5 52ebfb2 080fb3 aa9ac0 a3bd79 d827d39 d1ea991 01a0738 21e731 ff67e
2020	96382550-3d02-40cc-9fd8-777bd3136d46	Senate annual	08/13/2021	29	0	Senate eFD report acd1894 7815649 f1a3d82 ae7d701 67fcdf d19a5b c73d70 b238080 5cd93f0 8d9f

2021	880b1dc4-eead-43ab-a79d-3bfd0a5f774f	Senate annual	08/13/2022	28	0	Senate eFD report 62402f8 8d76a48 3454240 6d4a2d ffe97f8 27288d8 bcf449 f6fa914 358387 f3ce
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Largest movers 2020→2021

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Verus Financial Partners IRA account ⇒ VTI- Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	—	held	\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$0	\$0
USAA Federal Savings Bank (San Antonio, TX) Type: Checking	JT	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Verus Financial Partners IRA account ⇒ VBR - Smallcap Value ETF Vanguard	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$0	\$0
Verus Financial Partners Roth IRA ⇒ VASGX - Vanguard LifeStrategy Growth Fund Investor Sha	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Verus Financial Partners IRA account ⇒ TD Bank NA (Cherry Hill, NJ) Type: Brokerage Sweep	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$0
Verus Financial Partners IRA account ⇒ DVY - iShares Select Dividend ETF	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Verus Financial Partners IRA account ⇒ DFAPX - DFA Investment Grade Portfolio Institutiona	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Verus Financial Partners joint account ⇒ IXUS - iShares Core MSCI Total International Stoc	JT	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.
- 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.
- Use of these filings is restricted by 5 U.S.C. § 105(c) (no unlawful, commercial or credit-rating purpose, and none for solicitation of money).

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