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Rep. Ed Whitfield (R-KY)

House · Republican (most recent term) · KY-1 · in Congress 1995–2016 ·
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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 1995	2013	\$1,627,060	\$3,266,029	\$4,904,998
(b) Latest net worth estimate	2015	\$2,121,100	\$4,318,049	\$6,514,998
(c) Estimated gain / loss, nominal dollars, 2013 → 2015 (2 years spanned)	2013– 2015	– \$2,783,898	+ \$1,052,020	+ \$4,887,938

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

Note: earlier annual report(s) for 2012 exist but could not be used for net worth (scanned/not computable), so the 'earliest' figure is the earliest computable one.

Reliability flags (net worth): 2013: 1 Schedule A row(s) had the upper bound of the range lost in text extraction; completed from the fixed statutory bracket; short span (2 yr). **Not in the recommended dollar-gain ranking** (shown only in the full list).

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

Report year	Assets (mid)	Liabilities (mid)	Net worth mid	Low ... High	Status / flags
2012				not available	validated OCR of a scanned filing: Schedule A is usable, but Schedule D (liabilities) is not parsed from scanned filings, so net worth is not computed
2013	\$3,616,030	\$350,001	\$3,266,029	\$1,627,060 ... \$4,904,998	computed; 1 Schedule A row(s) had the upper bound of the range lost in text extraction; completed from the fixed statutory bracket

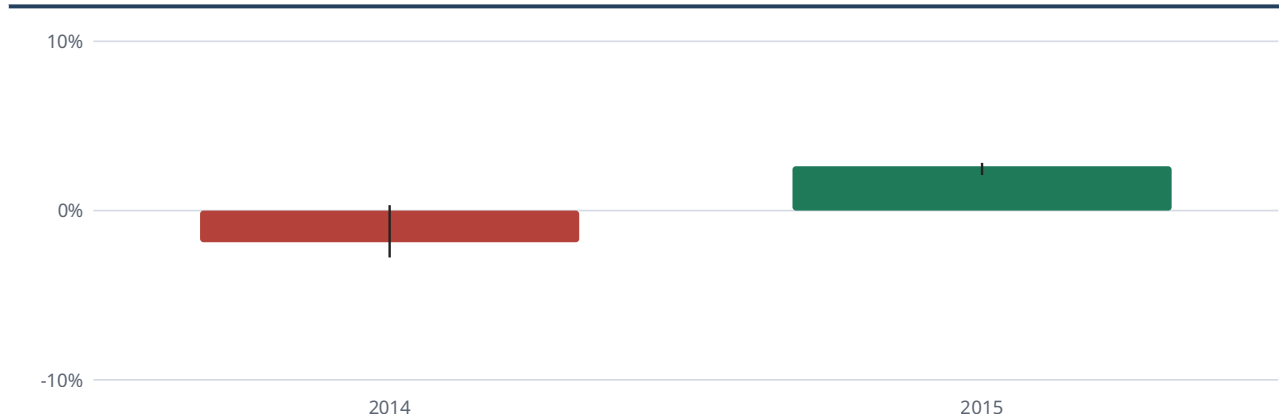
2014	\$4,308,041	\$350,001	\$3,958,040	\$1,976,082 ... \$5,939,998	computed; 1 Schedule A row(s) had the upper bound of the range lost in text extraction; completed from the fixed statutory bracket
2015	\$4,668,050	\$350,001	\$4,318,049	\$2,121,100 ... \$6,514,998	computed

- **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.

Limited data – not ranked. Only 2 comparable year-pair(s) could be computed (minimum 3 to rank). 4 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
2012→2013	\$1,625,018	\$1,657,020	\$23,614	\$228,506	\$40,501	-8.1%	-8.4% ... -7.6%	-106% ... +90%	48%	excluded; not eligible: traced coverage 48% < 60%; OCR-derived (scanned filing; validated, see method) - years 2012; many new/exited positions
2013→2014	\$3,208,028	\$3,256,030	\$36,066	\$144,009	\$0	-1.9%	-2.8% ... +0.3%	-91% ... +87%	91%	counted
2014→2015	\$4,125,040	\$4,066,040	\$117,878	\$56,004	\$105,004	+2.6%	+2.1% ... +2.8%	-86% ... +91%	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
2012	8212252	House annual [OCR-derived]	6/11/2013	55	0	8212252.pdf 613c80703e8b4208a2668356 be5e5011ef617e32d419dd2 c700c6729fd16b0c7
2013	10008378	House amendment	8/5/2015	69	1	10008378.pdf 07a88fdfb843120a6876bb49 9049501d16c10cca92752071 21c768dacc759aca
2014	10013648	House amendment	8/8/2016	95	1	10013648.pdf b78f04e5d150a0d0d76fcc56 7dcf6bad2e3b4aa5d592960 e4e7771f0f1493316
2015	10013697	House amendment	8/10/2016	110	0	10013697.pdf 2a921230085db2e94e9e4370 4e9a6f4e17a4fa8e9bf8f962 fa70e49d9e8e5b4f

Largest movers 2013→2014

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust (SJT)	SP	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	None	\$0	\$0
Verizon Communications Inc. (VZ)	—	held	\$15,001 - \$50,000	None	\$0	\$0
J.M. Smucker Company (SJM)	SP	new	—	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$8,000	\$0
Bank of America Corporation (BAC)	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$15,001 - \$50,000	\$0	\$0
Philip Morris International Inc (PM)	SP	new	—	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$24,002	\$0

Walt Disney Company (DIS)	SP	new	—	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$24,002	\$0
Ingredion Incorporated (INGR)	SP	new	—	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$16,001	\$0
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF (VOO)	—	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	None	\$0	\$0

Largest movers 2014→2015

Position (as written in filing)	Owner	Kind	Opening range(s)	Closing range(s)	Buys (mid)	Sales (mid)
Harbor Bond Fund	—	held	\$50,001 - \$100,000	None	\$0	\$0
Philip Morris International Inc (PM)	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	None	\$0	\$65,001
Cisco Systems, Inc. (CSCO)	—	held	None	None	\$0	\$8,000
PetSmart, Inc (PETM)	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	None	\$0	\$0
Liberty Global plc - Class A Ordinary Shares (LBTYA)	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$8,000
Liberty Broadband Corporation - Class C (LBRDK)	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$1,001 - \$15,000	\$0	\$8,000
Liberty Media Corporation - Series A Liberty Media (LMCA)	SP	held	\$1,001 - \$15,000	None	\$0	\$0
Unilever PLC (UL)	SP	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 $\pm 100\%$.
- 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 $t-1 \rightarrow t$ 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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