

CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP CHART

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Speaker of the House

- *Elected by all representatives; therefore normally a member of the majority party and de facto leader of the majority party*
- *Typically is the most powerful officer in the House, but his/her power may be less if his/her party's majority is slim or if there is lack of cohesion within his/her party*

Majority Leader

- *Elected by majority party*

Majority Whip

- *Elected by majority party*

Minority Leader

- *Elected by minority party*

Minority Whip

- *Elected by minority party*

SENATE

Vice President of the United States

- *Not necessarily a member of the Senate's majority party*
- *Can only vote to break a tie*
- *Usually doesn't preside on day-to-day basis*

President Pro Tempore of the Senate

- *Elected by all senators; is normally the longest-serving member of the majority party*
- *May preside in the absence of the Vice President of the US but usually delegates the presiding role to a more junior senator*

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