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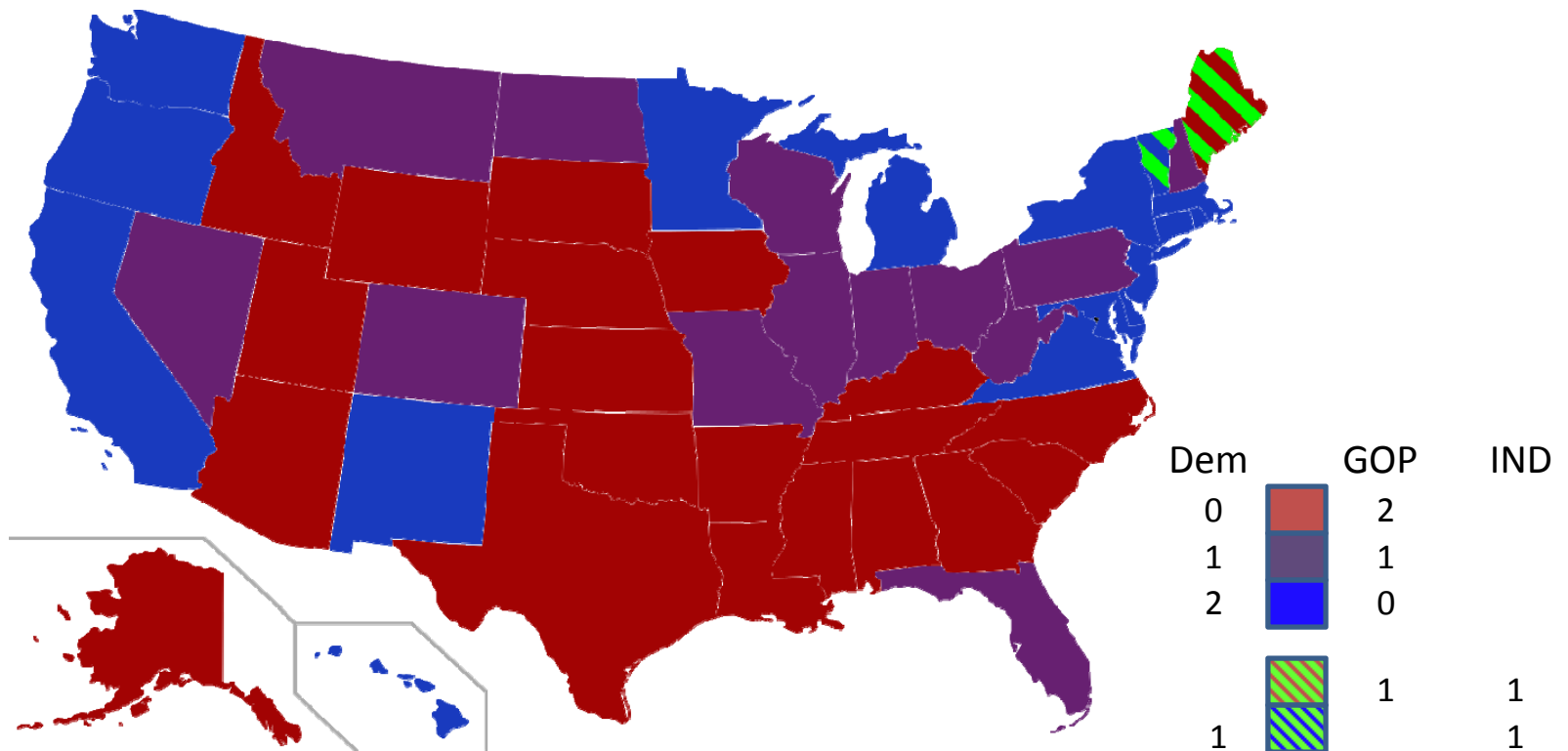
- **Agriculture Committee Overview**
- **Agriculture's Budget**
- **Hot Topics on the Committee**

Senate Chamber



Balance of Power

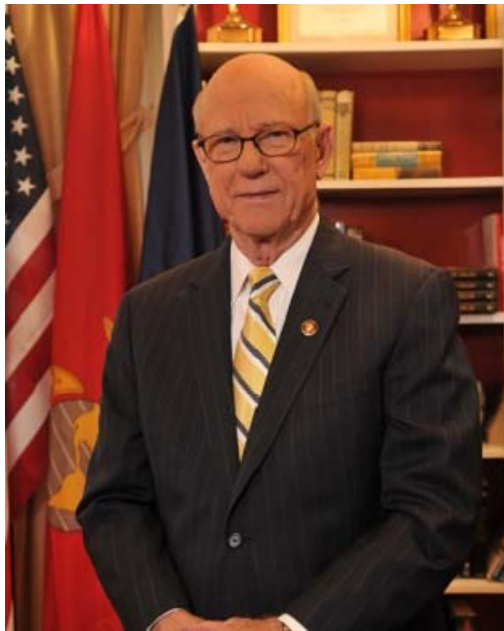
- ➔ 54 Republicans
- ➔ 46 Democrats; Including two Independents that Caucus with the Dems.



Committee Leadership



Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry



Pat Roberts (R-KS)
Chairman



Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)
Ranking Member

Members



Committee Membership in 114th...

Democrats (9)	Republicans (11)
Debbie Stabenow, Michigan	Pat Roberts, Kansas (Chair)
Pat Leahy, Vermont	Thad Cochran, Mississippi
Sherrod Brown, Ohio	Mitch McConnell, Kentucky
Amy Klobuchar, Minnesota	John Boozman, Arkansas
Michael Bennet, Colorado	John Hoeven, North Dakota
Kirsten Gillibrand, New York	David Perdue, Georgia
Joe Donnelly, Indiana	Joni Ernst, Iowa
Heidi Heitkamp, North Dakota	Thom Tillis, North Carolina
Bob Casey, Pennsylvania	Ben Sasse, Nebraska
	Chuck Grassley, Iowa
	John Thune, South Dakota

Chairman's Three Main Themes

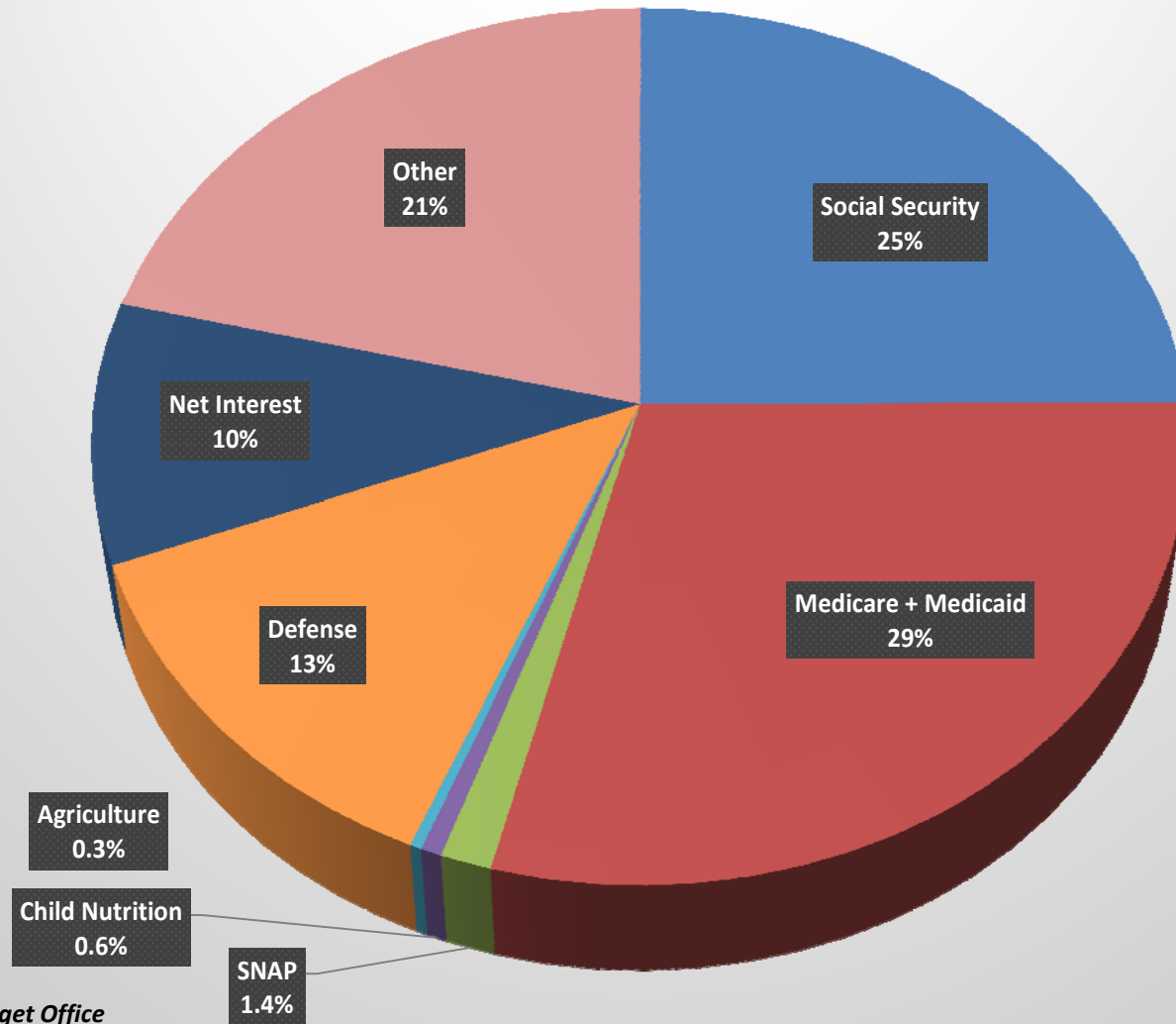


- 1. Be the champion for farmers, ranchers, small businesses and rural communities.***
- 2. Conduct rigorous and thorough oversight of the departments within our jurisdiction.***
- 3. Conduct its legislative work in a transparent and inclusive manner.***

CBO Budget Baseline



Allocation of Federal Spending Over the Next Ten Years (FY 2017 - 2026)



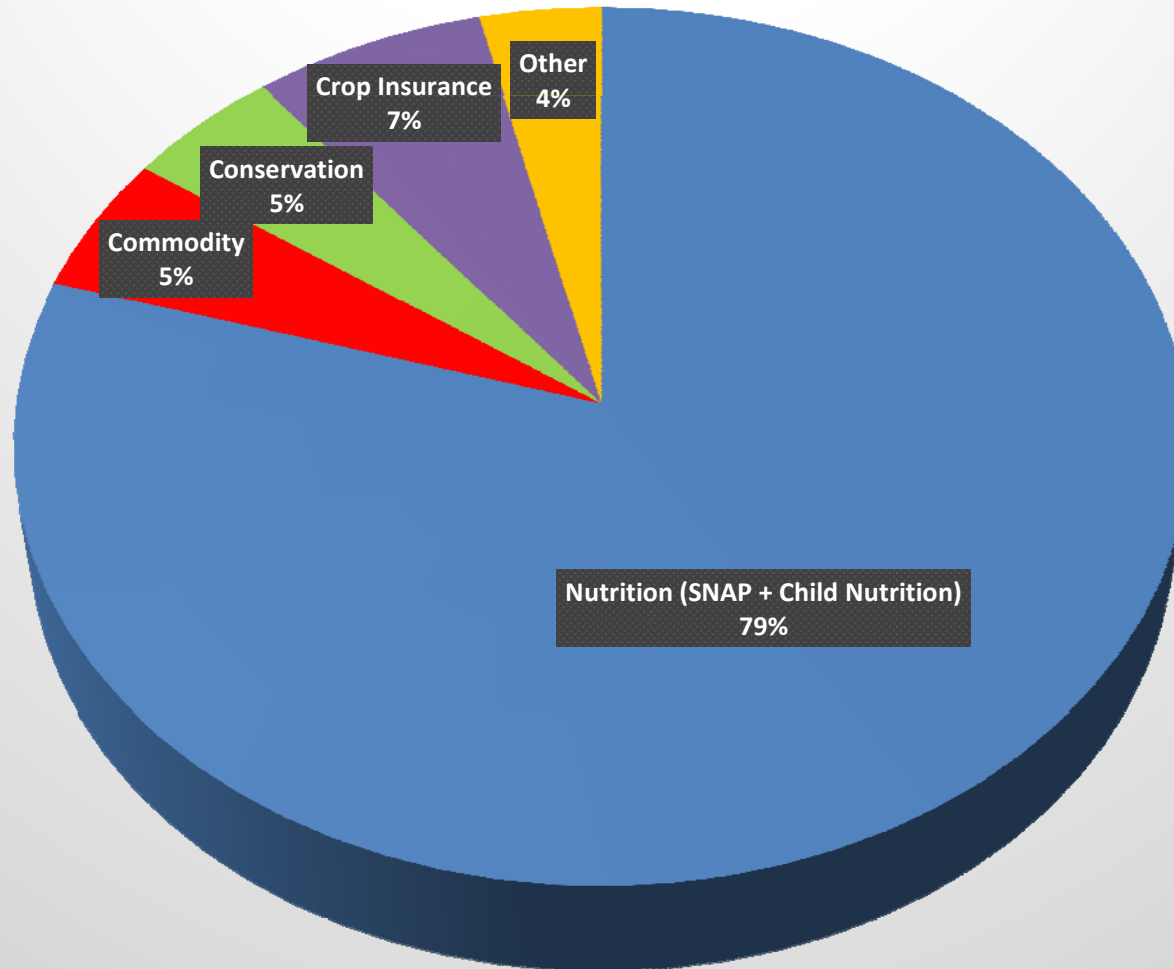
Source: Congressional Budget Office

■ Social Security ■ Medicare + Medicaid ■ SNAP ■ Child Nutrition ■ Agriculture ■ Defense ■ Net Interest ■ Other

CBO Budget Baseline



Agriculture's 10-Year Baseline (2017 - 2026)



Source: Congressional Budget Office

■ Nutrition (SNAP + Child Nutrition) ■ Commodity ■ Conservation ■ Crop Insurance ■ Other

Hot Topics



- ***National Biotech Disclosure Implementation (S. 764)***
- ***Upcoming Legislative Work***
 - ***Child Nutrition Reauthorization***
 - ***School Meals***
 - ***Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program***
 - ***Commodity Futures Trading Commission Reauthorization and Nominee Confirmation***
- ***114th Congress Legislative Successes***
 - ***National Biotechnology Disclosure Agreement***
 - ***Country of Origin Labeling Repeal***
 - ***Grain Inspection, Livestock Marketing, Forest Foundation Reauthorizations***
 - ***Protection of Crop Insurance Program***



Thank you!

Questions?

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