

Texas - 12th District

12 Jim Wright (D)

Of Fort Worth — Elected 1954

Born: Dec. 22, 1922, Fort Worth, Texas.
Education: Attended Weatherford College; U. of Texas 1940-41.

Military Career: Army 1941-45.

Occupation: Advertising executive.

Family: Wife, Betty Hay; four children.

Religion: Presbyterian.

Political Career: Texas House, 1947-49; Mayor of Weatherford, 1950-54; defeated for U.S. Senate, 1961.

Capitol Office: 1236 Longworth Bldg. 20515; 225-5071.



Committees

Majority Leader

Budget (2nd of 20 Democrats)
 Member of all Task Forces.

Elections

1982 General			
Jim Wright (D)	78,913	(69%)	
Jim Ryan (R)	34,879	(31%)	
1980 General			
Jim Wright (D)	99,104	(60%)	
Jim Bradshaw (R)	65,005	(39%)	

Previous Winning Percentages:

Year	Percentage	Year	Percentage
1974	(79%)	1972	(100%)
1970	(100%)	1968	(100%)
1966	(100%)	1964	(69%)
1962	(61%)	1960	(100%)
1958	(100%)	1956	(100%)
1954	(99%)		

District Vote For President

	1980		1976
D	77,202 (48%)	D	74,846 (53%)
R	79,254 (49%)	R	63,612 (45%)
I	3,272 (2%)		

Campaign Finance

	Receipts	Receipts from PACs		Expenditures
1982				
Wright (D)	\$557,636	\$237,036 (43%)		\$448,471
Ryan (R)	\$45,033	\$5,902 (13%)		\$34,520
1980				
Wright (D)	\$1,131,458	\$345,073 (30%)		\$1,193,622
Bradshaw (R)	\$524,203	\$83,757 (16%)		\$523,884

1962	75	22	63	26	44	50
1961	54	12	52	9	39	9

S = Support O = Opposition

Key Votes

Reagan budget proposal (1981)	N
Legal services reauthorization (1981)	#
Disapprove sale of AWACs planes to Saudi Arabia (1981)	Y
Index income taxes (1981)	N
Subsidize home mortgage rates (1982)	Y
Amend Constitution to require balanced budget (1982)	N
Delete MX funding (1982)	Y
Retain existing cap on congressional salaries (1982)	N
Adopt nuclear freeze (1983)	Y

Voting Studies

Year	Presidential Support		Party Unity		Conservative Coalition	
	S	O	S	O	S	O
1982	48	48	79	16	56	36
1981	49	43	60	23	63	28
1980	74	16	78	5	32	48
1979	69	14	77	9	35	52
1978	68	22	77	12	33	57
1977	77	16	82	9	27	64
1976	45	49	61	29	59	32
1975	52	45	64	31	59	36
1974 (Ford)	50	26				
1974	53	32	62	26	49	36
1973	39	45	71	19	44	47
1972	57	38	62	26	50	38
1971	67	19	43	27	48	23
1970	52	31	57	26	43	39
1969	55	23	65	16	38	53
1968	64	16	57	16	35	41
1967	76	9	78	8	30	52
1966	72	11	68	13	32	38
1965	76	4	60	9	22	45
1964	81	10	76	8	33	50
1963	76	7	76	7	40	27

Interest Group Ratings

Year	ADA	ACA	AFL-CIO	CCUS
1982	55	39	75	38
1981	30	28	67	29
1980	39	29	71	73
1979	37	8	59	41
1978	35	29	83	33
1977	45	4	95	29
1976	30	19	86	50
1975	32	46	65	24
1974	30	31	70	50
1973	40	24	80	44
1972	19	41	80	33
1971	24	40	86	-
1970	32	35	-	-
1969	33	17	-	-
1968	50	5	-	-
1967	60	7	-	22
1966	29	29	-	-
1965	42	8	-	20
1964	72	12	73	-
1963	-	13	-	-
1962	63	24	73	-
1961	50	-	-	-