

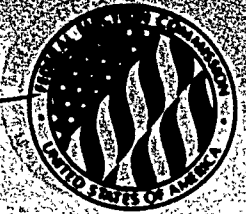
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1991 PARTY SPENDING LIMITS SET FOR OFF-YEAR ELECTIONS

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has announced political party spending figures for 1991 special Congressional elections. These figures can also be used to plan for next year's general elections, but will have to be adjusted for inflation at the end of this year.

These general election expenditures, known as "coordinated expenditures", are limited under election law. The national committees of each political party have a set amount they may spend on behalf of each U.S. House and Senate candidate. State party committees may spend similar amounts or may pass their limits to the national committees, effectively doubling the national committees' expenditure limits in those states or districts.

Coordinated expenditures are made in addition to direct contributions. They are allowed only in the general election, and do not count as either contributions to candidates or as expenditures by candidates. While party committees may work with candidates' campaigns to determine how the money should be spent, the campaigns do not receive any funds; the expenditures are reported directly by the party committees on special schedules on their financial disclosure reports.

The election law sets the limit for House races at \$10,000, plus a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) over 1974. At this time, the limit for a House race would be \$26,500, except in states with only one Representative, where the limit would be \$53,000.

The limits for Senate races are based on state voting age populations (VAP), with a base limit for states with smaller populations. The formula for determining a state's limit is:

$$\begin{aligned} & \$.02 \times \text{State VAP} + \text{Cost-of-living} \\ & \text{-or-} \\ & \$20,000 + \text{Cost-of-Living} \end{aligned} \quad \text{whichever is greater}$$

The following page lists party expenditure limits for each state.

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1991 PARTY COORDINATED EXPENDITURE LIMITS

STATE	VAP	EXPENDITURE LIMIT
ALABAMA	2,981,799	\$ 158,035.35
ALASKA	377,699	53,000.00
ARIZONA	2,684,109	142,257.78
ARKANSAS	1,729,594	91,668.48
CALIFORNIA	22,009,296	1,166,492.69
COLORADO	2,433,128	128,955.78
CONNECTICUT	2,537,535	134,489.36
DELAWARE	502,827	53,000.00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	489,808	53,000.00
FLORIDA	10,071,689	533,799.52
GEORGIA	4,750,913	251,798.39
HAWAII	828,103	53,000.00
IDAHO	698,344	53,000.00
ILLINOIS	8,484,236	449,664.51
INDIANA	4,088,195	216,674.34
IOWA	2,057,875	109,067.38
KANSAS	1,815,960	96,245.88
KENTUCKY	2,731,202	144,753.71
LOUISIANA	2,992,704	158,613.31
MAINE	918,926	53,000.00
MARYLAND	3,619,227	191,819.03
MASSACHUSETTS	4,663,350	247,157.55
MICHIGAN	6,836,532	362,336.20
MINNESOTA	3,208,316	170,040.75
MISSISSIPPI	1,826,455	96,802.12
MISSOURI	3,802,247	201,519.09
MONTANA	576,961	53,000.00
NEBRASKA	1,149,373	60,916.77
NEVADA	904,885	53,000.00
NEW HAMPSHIRE	830,497	53,000.00
NEW JERSEY	5,930,726	314,328.48
NEW MEXICO	1,068,328	56,621.38
NEW YORK	13,730,906	727,738.02
NORTH CAROLINA	5,022,488	266,191.86
NORTH DAKOTA	463,415	53,000.00
OHIO	8,047,371	426,510.66
OKLAHOMA	2,308,578	122,354.63
OREGON	2,118,191	112,264.12
PENNSYLVANIA	9,086,833	481,602.15
RHODE ISLAND	777,774	53,000.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	2,566,496	136,024.29
SOUTH DAKOTA	497,542	53,000.00
TENNESSEE	3,660,581	194,010.79
TEXAS	12,150,671	643,985.56
UTAH	1,095,406	58,056.52
VERMONT	419,675	53,000.00
VIRGINIA	4,682,620	248,178.86
WASHINGTON	3,605,305	191,081.17
WEST VIRGINIA	1,349,900	71,544.70
WISCONSIN	3,602,787	190,947.71
WYOMING	318,063	53,000.00

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