







# Senate RV Caucus

## RVs Move America

-  Nearly 23,000 RV related businesses in the United States create an overall economic impact of **\$50 Billion**
-  The RV industry employs 290,000 Americans and pays \$16 Billion in wages
-  Nine million, typically middle class, families own an RV as a way to discover the joy of outdoor vacations, tailgate at sporting events, relax at any of the 16,000 American public and private campgrounds or explore the open road.
-  RVs are made for every taste and budget; from \$5,000 for folding camping trailers to over \$500,000 for high-end Type A motorhomes

**Request:** Support the RV industry and families that enjoy the RV lifestyle by joining the Senate RV Caucus.

To join, contact the offices of the Senate RV Caucus co-chairs:  
**Senator Joe Donnelly (D-IN)**  
**Senator Joni Ernst (R-IA)**

### About the Senate RV Caucus:

- Founded in 2015
- Raises awareness and promotes education about the RV industry on Capitol Hill
- Members receive important updates on RV industry issues
- Provides support on critical industry legislative and regulatory issues
- Members speak at or attend informative briefings on the RV industry



# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Dear Colleague,

For more than one hundred years, recreation vehicles (RVs) have allowed families to take the comfort of their homes on the road as they experience the many wonders our country has to offer. In recognition of this uniquely American tradition, we invite you to join the Senate Recreation Vehicle Caucus to learn more about the RV industry in your state and to promote the manufacturing, sales and use of RVs in our states and communities.


Across America, there are an estimated nine million motorhomes and travel trailers in use, more than ever previously owned. This past year, American RV manufacturers had one of their best years ever, shipping more than 430,000 vehicles with a retail value of almost of \$18 billion.

As RV ownership continues to grow, all of the other industries and business affiliated with RVs will continue to expand, providing jobs and additional economic opportunities. In fact, the RV industry's first-ever economic impact study, *RVs Move America*, showed that RV-related businesses generate nearly \$50 billion in nationwide economic impact each year.

The Senate RV Caucus provides many opportunities for Senators and staff to learn more about the vital role RVs play in the outdoor recreation and travel industries. Every state has RV enthusiasts, dealers and campgrounds, while many states also have manufacturers and suppliers. We hope you will **support this iconic part of the American economy by becoming a member of the Senate RV Caucus**. We ask for your support so we can work together to strengthen this uniquely American industry.

Also, please join us to celebrate the RV industry at the "RVs Move America" reception, a **joint Senate-House RV Caucus event on June 7th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Rayburn House Office Building Foyer**. At this fun-filled gathering, you can meet with industry executives, RV enthusiasts, congressional staff, and colleagues and you may even see a Racing President or two. You will also have the opportunity to receive a report on the specific economic impact in your state. To learn more about this event or to join the Senate RV Caucus, please contact Andrea Hechavarria in Senator Ernst's office ([andrea\\_hechavarria@ernst.senate.gov](mailto:andrea_hechavarria@ernst.senate.gov)) or Nick Catino in Senator Donnelly's office ([nick\\_catino@donnelly.senate.gov](mailto:nick_catino@donnelly.senate.gov)).

Sincerely,

  
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United States Senator

  
Joe Donnelly  
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