

Senator Mitch McConnell Voted to Send Our Jobs Overseas



- **U.S. goods exported to Korea dropped and the trade gap increased 37% since the Korea FTA was implemented in 2012.** *Source: Public Citizen Global Trade Watch*
- **In July 2013, the U.S. – Korea FTA had already cost the U.S. 40,000 jobs and increased our trade deficit by \$5.8 billion.** *Source: Economic Policy Institute*
- **Kentucky will lose 76,272 jobs to Korea because of the Korea Free Trade Agreement.**
- **Most of these jobs will be in the motor vehicles/parts and metal products sectors.** *Source: U.S. International Trade Commission*



- Sen. McConnell **voted for** the Korea FTA in the U.S. Senate. Korea is one of only three countries that our government has labeled a currency manipulator. The Korea FTA has no provisions to counter cheating such as currency devaluations which would totally eliminate the purported tariff cut benefits and make our exports more expensive to Koreans than they are now.

The Korea FTA would allow foreign corporations to skirt our U.S. courts and directly challenge our laws before the United Nations and other tribunals to demand compensation from our tax dollars for claimed violations of the trade pact. America shouldn't be signing trade deals that put taxpayers on the line for payouts we can't afford to corporations that offshore jobs. *Source: H R 3080, 10/12/11, Roll call 161*

2007-2011 Jobs and Trade Ratings for Mitch McConnell
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Senator Mitch McConnell Voted to Cripple Rural Air Service



- **The Small Community Air Service Development Program, is designed to help small and rural communities address air service and airfare issues.**

Source: U.S. Department of Transportation

Small Community Air Service Development Program grants to Kentucky airports

FY 2002 – FY 2011

2002: Paducah \$304,000; Somerset \$95,000

2003: Owensboro \$500,000

2005: Somerset \$950,000

2006: Big Sandy Regional \$90,000

2007: Bowling Green \$150,000

2009: Bowling Green \$500,000

2011: Pikeville \$750,000



Sen. McConnell voted to **eliminate** funding for the Small Community Air Service Development Program. *Source: H.R. 2112, 11/1/11, Roll call 192*




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Senator Mitch McConnell Says NO to Rural Broadband



- **23% of rural Kentuckians lack access to fast broadband Internet service.**
Source: Eighth Broadband Progress Report, FCC, 8/21/12
- **An estimated 82 percent of U.S. households have access to broadband speeds required for an OK experience for distance learning (25 mbps), but only about 61 percent of Kentucky households do.** *Source: Lexington Herald-Leader, 11/24/13*
- **Between FY's 2001-02 and FY 2011, Kentucky has received \$17.6 million from the Broadband Loan Program.** *Source: Congressional Research Service, 3/7/12*
- **Between FY's 2002-03 and FY 2011, Kentucky has received \$4.1 million from the Community Connect Broadband Grants program.** *Source: Congressional Research Service, 3/7/12*

 Sen. McConnell voted **against** an amendment to establish a pilot program for five gigabit Internet projects, which are about 100 times faster than the average high-speed broadband, in rural areas. *Source: S. 954, 6/10/13, Roll call 144*

 Sen. McConnell voted **for** an amendment to eliminate the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to increase the amount of grants provided to eligible entities relating to providing access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas. *Source: S. 3240, 6/20/12, Roll call 141*

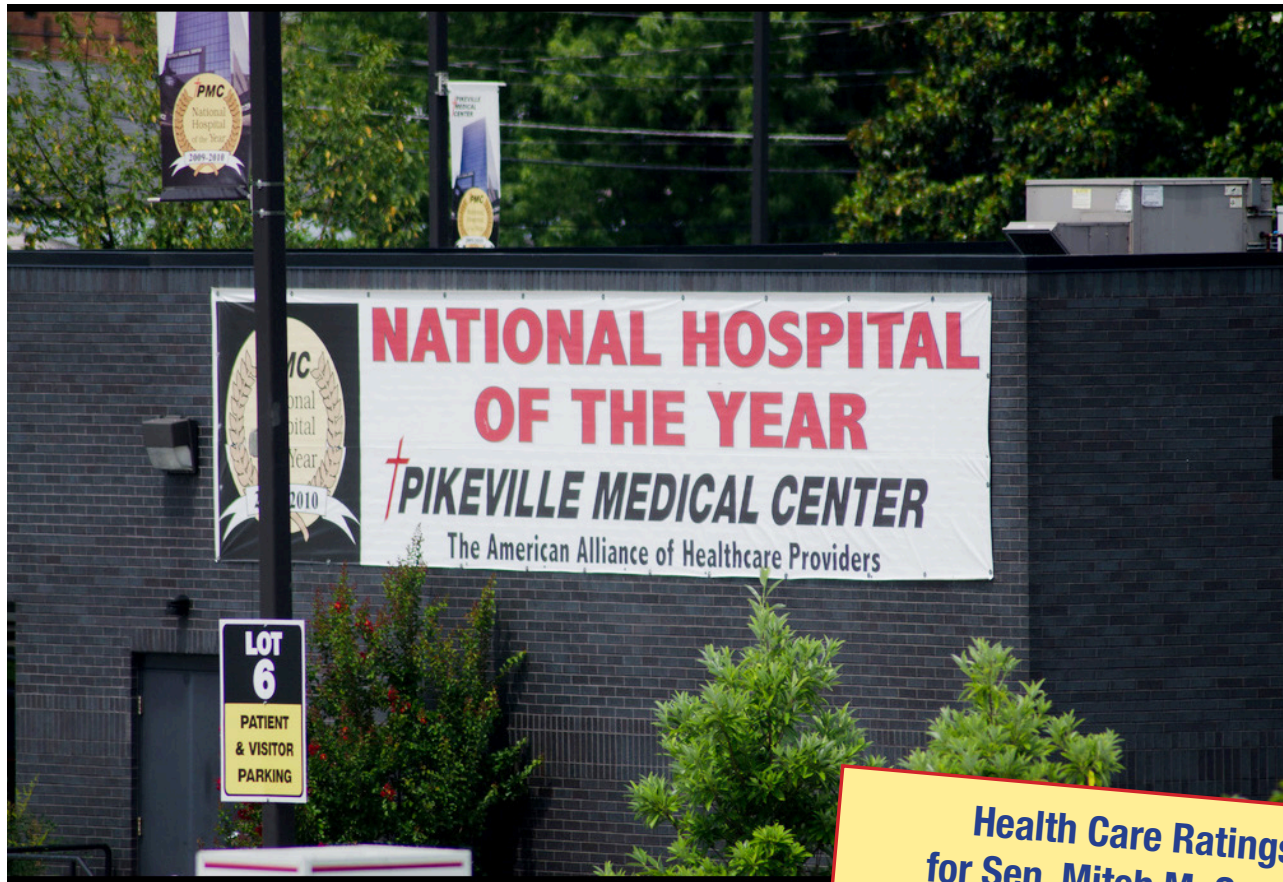
 Sen. McConnell voted **for** an amendment to maintain funding at current levels for programs providing access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas. *Source: S. 3240, 6/19/12, Roll call 136*



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Senator Mitch McConnell Said NO to Rural Health Care



Sen. McConnell voted **against** overriding President Bush's veto of the bill to extend expiring provisions under the Medicare program, to improve beneficiary access to preventive and mental health services, to enhance low-income benefit programs, and to maintain access to care in rural areas, including pharmacy access. *Source: H.R. 6331, 7/15/08, Roll call 177*

Sen. McConnell voted **for** legislation to gradually raise the Medicare eligibility age from 65 to 67 between 2003 and 2027. *Source: S. 947, 6/24/97, Roll call 112*

Sen. McConnell voted **against** the Family and Medical Leave Act to require employers of more than 50 employees to provide 12 weeks of unpaid leave for an illness or to care for a new child or sick family member. *Source: H.R. 1, 2/4/93, Roll call 11*



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**Health Care Ratings
for Sen. Mitch McConnell**

American Nurses Association
2005-2006: **20%**, 2009: **0%**, 2011: **0%**

American Public Health Association
2009-2010: **0%**, 2006: **20%**, 2005: **10%**
2004: **29%**, 2003: **0%**, 2002: **14%**
2000-2001: **0%**, 1998-1999: **0%**,
1997: **11%**, 1995: **7%**

American Hospital Association
2009-2010: **0%**, 2007-2008: **0%**,
2005-2006: **0%**


**National Committee to Preserve
Social Security & Medicare**
2001-2002: **27%**, 1999-2000: **23%**,
1997-1998: **8%**, 1995-1996: **14%**


Senator Mitch McConnell Has Spent Decades Voting Against Our Veterans





- **Kentucky is home to approximately 339,000 veterans.**
Source: Kentucky Dept. of Veterans Affairs, September 2013
- **Rural veterans represent 41% of the total enrolled veteran population in the VA health care system.** *Source: U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs, July 2012*
- **1 in 5 Iraq & Afghanistan veterans suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) or major depression.** *Source: Rand Corporation, April 2008*


 Sen. McConnell voted **against** an amendment to prevent the imposition of excessive TRI-CARE fees and co-pays on military retirees. *Source: S. Con Res 83, 3/16/06, Roll call 67*


 Sen. McConnell voted **against** providing an additional \$500 million for each of fiscal years 2006 through 2010, to be used for readjustment counseling, related mental health services, and treatment and rehabilitative services for veterans with mental illness, post-traumatic stress disorder, or substance use disorder. *Source: S. 2020, 11/17/05, Roll call 343*

 Sen. McConnell voted **against** an amendment to increase veterans' medical care by \$2.8 billion in 2006. *Source: S. Con Res 18, 3/16/05, Roll call 55*

 Sen. McConnell voted **against** an amendment to create a reserve fund to allow an increase in veterans' medical care by \$2.7 billion AND lower the national debt by reducing the president's tax breaks for taxpayers with incomes in excess of \$1 million a year. *Source: S. Con Res 95, 3/9/04, Roll call 34*

 Sen. McConnell voted **against** an amendment to increase the TRICARE program by \$20.3 billion over 10 years to give members of the National Guard and Reserves and their families greater access to the health care program. *Source: S. Con Res 23, 3/25/03, Roll call 81*

 Sen. McConnell voted **against** an amendment to increase discretionary funding for veterans medical care by \$1.718 billion in 2002 and each year thereafter to ensure that veterans have access to quality medical care. *Source: H. Con Res 83, 4/6/01, Roll call 84*

 Sen. McConnell voted **against** the bill to provide compensation to veterans and survivors of veterans who participated in U.S. atmospheric nuclear tests or in the occupation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and who now suffer from diseases that may be attributable to ionizing radiation exposure. *Source: H.R. 1811, 4/25/88, Roll call 109*

Veterans Organizations Ratings for Sen. Mitch McConnell

Disabled American Veterans
2005: **33%**, 2004: **0%**, 1999: **33%**

The Retired Enlisted Association
2006: **0%**, 2004: **0%**

Vietnam Veterans of America
2003-2004: **50%**, 1997-1998: **0%**
1989-1990: **50%**



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