Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins, CPA

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Congresswoman Jenkins grew up on a dairy farm near Holton and graduated from Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas, and Weber State College in Ogden, Utah, where she studied accounting and economics. Following graduation, she became a Certified Public Accountant and practiced public accounting in the private sector before entering public service in 1998. After serving four years in the Kansas Legislature, Congresswoman Jenkins was elected the 37th State Treasurer of Kansas in 2002 and served until 2009.

In 2008, Congresswoman Jenkins was elected to Congress, representing the Second District of Kansas, which includes Topeka, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Pittsburg, Independence, and the majority of northeast and southeast Kansas.



She is currently serving her third term in the U.S. House of Representatives, and was selected by her colleagues to serve as the Vice Chair of the House Republican Conference during the 113th Congressional session. Conference Vice Chair is the fifth highest-ranking position in House Republican Leadership, and she is only the 25th woman in history to hold a leadership position in either branch of Congress.

Congresswoman Jenkins sits on the House Committee on Ways and Means, the chief tax writing committee in the House of Representative, which includes both the Trade and Oversight Subcommittees.

She has two beautiful and brilliant children, Hayley and Hayden.