

Is congress.gov legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 90/100

congress.gov

Verdict

90

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

congress.gov appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-11 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

Official Library of Congress site (Congress.gov) providing searchable legislative information, members, committees, and congressional records. Primarily informational and publicly funded.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	29 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2005 5000 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by WE1	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2005.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

Congress.gov is a public, non-commercial government information service associated with the Library of Congress. It presents searchable legislation, Congressional Records, committee materials, member information, nominations, and reference tools, with an apparent purpose of providing authoritative legislative information rather than selling products or soliciting financial transactions.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The homepage identifies the service as Congress.gov and the Library of Congress, presents a coherent government-public-service purpose, and contains no observed phishing, brand-impersonation, malicious-form, or cryptocurrency indicators. External reputation checks were clean, and the site's long registration continuity and substantial historical presence are consistent with an established service; however, the real-world operator identity remains independently unverified, so the on-page institutional identity should be treated as apparent rather than proven.

EVIDENCE

- Homepage content is identified as "Congress.gov | Library of Congress" and provides legislation, Congressional Record, committees, members, and search tools; no red flags or impersonation indicators were recorded.
- External reputation assessment recorded 0 malicious detections, 0 suspicious detections, and no blacklist hit for the domain.
- Domain registration: 1997-10-02T01:29:22Z; age 28.88 years; expiration 2027-07-07T17:47:38Z.
- Web archive: 5,000 snapshots, first seen 2005-05-15T00:00:00Z, last seen 2018-09-20T18:22:20Z, spanning 14 years tracked.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The observed business model is a publicly funded, non-commercial government information service, not a financial, brokerage, or commercial merchant operation. The homepage provides a clear institutional purpose and identifies the Library of Congress, while the available evidence does not independently establish the real-world operator beyond those on-site representations. No financial licence or registration disclosure is relevant to the informational service observed, and the absence of such a disclosure should not be interpreted as evidence of deceptive conduct. A contextual broker-data check produced no match and does not constitute a legal or regulatory determination.

EVIDENCE

- Homepage navigation and content identify the Library of Congress and provide legislative information, Congressional records, committee materials, and related reference services.
- Hosting infrastructure: AS13335, CLOUDFLARENET - Cloudflare, Inc., US.
- Transport encryption: TLS certificate issued by WE1, validation level DV, valid to 2026-10-16T23:12:06+00:00.

What to Verify Next

Before credential submission, independently confirm that any sign-in or account-related request was reached through an established official route rather than an unsolicited message or copied page. For any future transaction or service interaction outside the informational functions observed, confirm the relevant institutional identity, applicable terms, and available payment protections through an independent channel. Contact and Help routes visible in the homepage navigation can support routine confirmation, but should not be the sole basis for validating an unexpected request.

EVIDENCE

- Homepage navigation includes Contact and Help routes that can be used for independent channel confirmation.
- The homepage includes a Sign In navigation option, while page analysis recorded no login form and no external sensitive form.
- Page analysis recorded no payment form, untrusted form destination, wallet connection, or hidden sensitive form.

Summary Verdict

The overall posture is **high trust and low risk**, and the available evidence is consistent with an established public-service website. Its legitimacy is apparent and strongly supported by converging content, historical, reputation, and technical signals, but the operator identity is not independently verified.

Infrastructure Integrity

Cloudflare CDN/WAF protection is present, and all observed addresses were CDN edge infrastructure rather than an exposed origin server. This reduces direct origin exposure and is a mitigating infrastructure signal, but it is not, by itself, proof of institutional legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Routine informational browsing is proportionate; before entering credentials or undertaking any payment-related interaction, ordinary independent checks of identity, applicable terms, and payment protection should be completed.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-11 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	55/100
Identity verification confidence	30%

- Identity verified on page

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of congress.gov.

- The request stayed on congress.gov. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under get.gov. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by cloudflare.com, across 2 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-07-07. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2005-05-15. CLEAR
- It is hosted on CLOUDFLARENET, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	get.gov
Hosting	CLOUDFLARENET - Cloudflare, Inc., US
Country	US
Server IP	2a06:98c1:3109::6812:2b32
Name servers	alice.ns.cloudflare.com, kevin.ns.cloudflare.com
SSL issuer	WE1
SSL expiry	2026-10-16
Domain age	28.88 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2027-07-07
Archive first seen	2005-05-15
Archive snapshots	5000
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about congress.gov at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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