

Here's some fairly depressing news from [Wonk Room](#):

Remarkably, of the dozens of Republicans vying for the 37 Senate seats in the 2010 election, only one — Rep. Mike Castle of Delaware — supports climate action. Even former climate advocates Sen. John McCain (R-AZ) and Rep. Mark Kirk (R-IL) now toe the science-doubting party line.

Many of the Senate candidates are signatories of the Koch Industries' Americans For Prosperity No Climate Tax pledge and the FreedomWorks Contract From America. The second plank of the Contract From America is to "Reject Cap & Trade: Stop costly new regulations that would increase unemployment, raise consumer prices, and weaken the nation's global competitiveness with virtually no impact on global temperatures."

It's especially depressing that even people who obviously do get the science, like John McCain, feel that they can't afford to say so. Kudos for Delaware's Mike Castle, however — at least he's not willing to say that  $2+2 = 5$  just because it's the current party dogma.