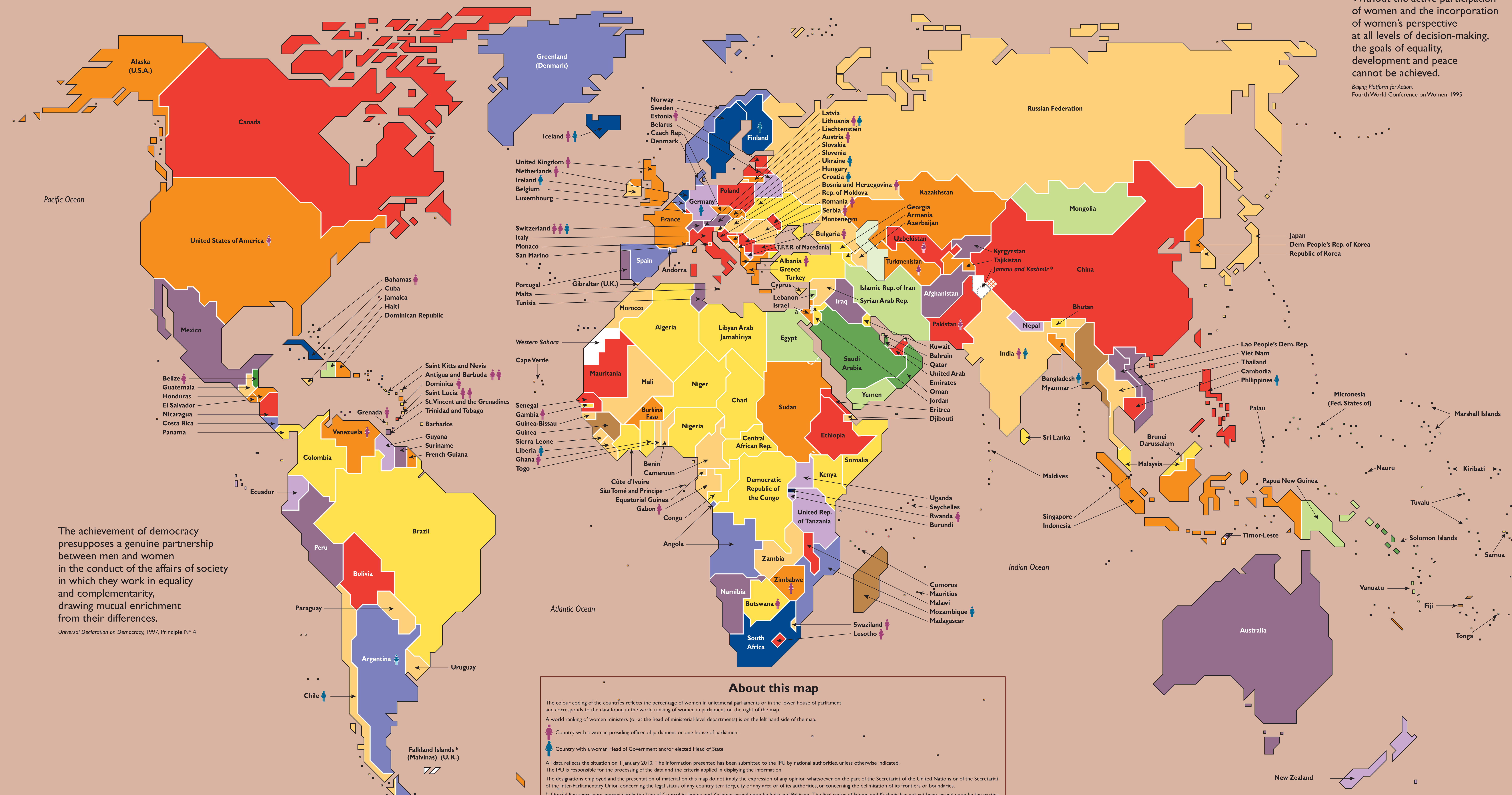
Women in Politics: 2010

Situation on 1 January 2010



Without the active participation of women and the incorporation of women's perspective at all levels of decision-making, the goals of equality, development and peace cannot be achieved.

Beijing Platform for Action, Fourth World Conference on Women, 1995

The achievement of democracy presupposes a genuine partnership between men and women in the conduct of the affairs of society in which they work in equality and complementarity, drawing mutual enrichment from their differences.

Universal Declaration on Democracy, 1997, Principle N° 4

Women in Ministerial Positions

The countries are ranked according to the percentage of women in ministerial positions.‡ Reflecting appointments up to 1 January 2010.

Rank	Country	%W	Women	Total ministers‡
	Over 60%			
1	Finland	63.2	12	/ 19
	50 to 59.9%			
2	Cape Verde	53.3	8	/ 15
3	Spain	52.9	9	/ 17
4	Norway	52.6	10	/ 19
	40 to 49.9%			
5	Chile	45.5	10	/ 22
"	Iceland	45.5	5	/ 11
6	Sweden	45.0	9	/ 20
7	Switzerland	42.9	3	/ 7
8	Denmark	42.1	8	/ 19
9	Liechtenstein	40.0	2	/ 5
	35 to 39.9%			
10	Austria	38.5	5	/ 13
"	Nicaragua*	38.5	5	/ 13
"	São Tomé and Principe*	38.5	5	/ 13
11	Honduras	35.7	5	/ 14
12	Costa Rica	35.0	7	/ 20
	30 to 34.9%			
13	Trinidad and Tobago	34.5	10	/ 29
14	South Africa	34.3	12	/ 35
15	Andorra	33.3	2	/ 6
"	Belgium	33.3	5	/ 15
"	Germany	33.3	6	/ 18
"	Rwanda	33.3	8	/ 24
"	United States of America	33.3	7	/ 21
16	Ecuador	32.5	13	/ 40
17	Uganda	32.0	8	/ 25
18	Lesotho*	31.6	6	/ 19
19	Gambia*	31.3	5	/ 16
"	Greece	31.3	5	/ 16
"	Guyana	31.3	5	/ 16
"	Portugal	31.3	5	/ 16
20	Liberia*	30.4	7	/ 23
	25 to 29.9%			
21	Canada	29.7	11	/ 37
22	Burundi	28.6	8	/ 28
"	New Zealand	28.6	8	/ 28
23	Angola	27.8	10	/ 36
"	Poland	27.8	5	/ 18
24	Malawi*	27.3	6	/ 22
25	United Republic of Tanzania	26.9	7	/ 26
26	Luxembourg	26.7	4	/ 15
"	Panama	26.7	4	/ 15
27	France	26.3	5	/ 19
"	Swaziland	26.3	5	/ 19
28	Mozambique*	25.9	7	/ 27
"	Venezuela	25.9	7	/ 27
29	Cuba	25.0	7	/ 28
"	Eritrea	25.0	4	/ 16
"	Malta	25.0	2	/ 8
"	Palau*	25.0	2	/ 8
	20 to 24.9%			
30	Namibia	24.0	6	/ 25
31	Guinea-Bissau*	23.5	4	/ 17
"	Netherlands	23.5	4	/ 17
32	Australia	23.3	7	/ 30
33	Mauritania	23.1	6	/ 26
"	Samoa*	23.1	3	/ 13
34	Niger	22.6	7	/ 31
"	United Kingdom	22.6	7	/ 31
35	Haiti*	22.2	4	/ 18
"	Peru	22.2	4	/ 18
"	Slovenia	22.2	4	/ 18
36	Italy	21.7	5	/ 23
"	Paraguay	21.7	5	/ 23
37	Ghana	21.6	8	/ 37
38	Colombia*	21.4	3	/ 14
"	Ireland	21.4	3	/ 14
"	Latvia	21.4	3	/ 14
"	Mali	21.4	6	/ 28
"	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	21.4	3	/ 14
"	Timor-Leste*	21.4	3	/ 14
"	Uruguay	21.4	3	/ 14
39	Gabon*	20.7	6	/ 29
40	Argentina	20.0	3	/ 15
"	Bolivia	20.0	4	/ 20
"	Dominica	20.0	3	/ 15
"	Monaco	20.0	1	/ 5
"	San Marino	20.0	2	/ 10
"	Seychelles*	20.0	2	/ 10
	15 to 19.9%			
41	Serbia	19.2	5	/ 26
42	Grenada*	18.8	3	/ 16
43	Zimbabwe	18.6	8	/ 43
44	Burkina Faso	17.9	5	/ 28
45	Bulgaria	17.6	3	/ 17
"	Czech Republic	17.6	3	/ 17
46	Madagascar	17.2	5	/ 29
47	Micronesia (Federated States of)	16.7	1	/ 6
"	Russian Federation	16.7	3	/ 18
"	United Arab Emirates*	16.7	4	/ 24
"	Zambia	16.7	4	/ 24
48	Guinea	16.1	5	/ 31
49	Bangladesh	16.0	4	/ 25
50	Croatia	15.8	3	/ 19
51	El Salvador	15.4	2	/ 13
52	Kenya	15.0	6	/ 40
	10 to 14.9%			
53	Indonesia	14.3	5	/ 35
"	Lithuania	14.3	2	/ 14
"	Togo	14.3	4	/ 28
54	Philippines	13.6	3	/ 22
55	Congo	13.5	5	/ 37
56	Benin	13.3	4	/ 30
"	Slovakia	13.3	2	/ 15
57	Senegal*	12.9	4	/ 31
58	Côte d'Ivoire*	12.5	4	/ 32
"	Democratic Rep. of the Congo	12.5	5	/ 40
"	Jamaica	12.5	2	/ 16
"	Republic of Korea	12.5	2	/ 16
"	Thailand	12.5	3	/ 24
59	Central African Republic	12.0	3	/ 25
60	Botswana	11.8	2	/ 17
"	Cameroon*	11.8	6	/ 51
"	Japan	11.8	2	/ 17
61	China	11.5	3	/ 26
62	Antigua and Barbuda*	11.1	1	/ 9
"	Armenia	11.1	2	/ 18
"	Morocco	11.1	3	/ 27
63	Bahrain	10.7	3	/ 28
64	Djibouti	10.5	2	/ 19
"	Mexico	10.5	2	/ 19
65	Lao People's Democratic Rep.	10.3	3	/ 29
"	Iraq	10.3	4	/ 39
66	India	10.0	4	/ 40
"	Kyrgyzstan*	10.0	2	/ 20
"	Marshall Islands	10.0	1	/ 10
	5 to 9.9%			
67	Cambodia*	9.7	3	/ 31
"	Nigeria	9.7	3	/ 31
68	The F.Y.R. of Macedonia	9.5	2	/ 21
69	Egypt	9.4	3	/ 32
"	Oman*	9.4	3	/ 32
70	Cyprus	9.1	1	/ 11
"	Fiji*	9.1	1	/ 11
71	Dominican Republic*	8.7	2	/ 23
72	Estonia	8.3	1	/ 12
"	Tonga	8.3	1	/ 12
73	Sierra Leone*	8.0	2	/ 25
74	Kiribati*	7.7	1	/ 13
"	Nepal	7.7	2	/ 26
"	Saint Lucia	7.7	1	/ 13
"	Turkey	7.7	2	/ 26
75	Pakistan	7.5	3	/ 40
76	Afghanistan	7.4	2	/ 27
"	Brazil	7.4	1	/ 27
"	Ethiopia	7.4	2	/ 27
77	Mongolia	7.1	1	/ 14
78	Chad*	6.9	2	/ 29
"	Jordan	6.9	2	/ 29
"	Lebanon	6.9	2	/ 29
79	Albania	6.7	1	/ 15
"	Israel*	6.7	2	/ 30
"	Kuwait	6.7	1	/ 15
"	Malaysia	6.7	2	/ 30
"	Maldives	6.7	1	/ 15
80	Romania	6.3	1	/ 16
"	Sudan	6.3	2	/ 32
"	Syrian Arab Republic	6.3	2	/ 32
"	Turkmenistan*	6.3	2	/ 32
81	Sri Lanka	5.9	3	/ 5
"	Tajikistan	5.9	1	/ 17
"	Yemen	5.9	2	/ 34
82	Democratic People's Rep. of Korea	5.7	2	/ 35
83	Barbados	5.6	1	/ 18
"	Georgia*	5.6	1	/ 18
84	Republic of Moldova	5.3	1	/ 19
85	Kazakhstan	5.0	1	/ 20
"	Montenegro	5.0	1	/ 20
"	Singapore	5.0	1	/ 20
	2 to 4.9%			
86	Ukraine	4.3	1	/ 23
87	Viet Nam	4.2	1	/ 24
88	Tunisia	3.8	1	/ 26
89	Equatorial Guinea*	3.7	1	/ 27
"	Papua New Guinea	3.7	1	/ 27
90	Algeria	3.6	1	/ 28
91	Belarus	3.2	1	/ 31
"	Uzbekistan	3.2	1	/ 31
92	Iran (Islamic Republic of)*	3.0	1	/ 33
93	Azerbaijan	2.9	1	/ 34
	0%			
94	Bahamas*	0.0	0	/ 13
"	Belize*	0.0	0	/ 17
"	Bhutan	0.0	0	/ 13
"	Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.0	0	/ 9
"	Brunei Darussalam*	0.0	0	/ 14
"	Comoros*	0.0	0	/ 14
"	Guatemala	0.0	0	/ 15
"	Hungary	0.0	0	/ 15
"	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya*	0.0	0	/ 11
"	Nauru*	0.0	0	/ 6
"	Qatar	0.0	0	/ 17
"	Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.0	0	/ 8
"	Saudi Arabia	0.0	0	/ 30
"	Solomon Islands	0.0	0	/ 23
"	Tuvalu	0.0	0	/ 8
"	Vanuatu	0.0	0	/ 13
	Information not available			
	Mauritius, Myanmar, Somalia, Suriname			

‡ The total includes Deputy Prime Ministers and Ministers. Prime Ministers/Heads of Government were also included when they held ministerial portfolios. Vice-Presidents and heads of governmental or public agencies have not been included.

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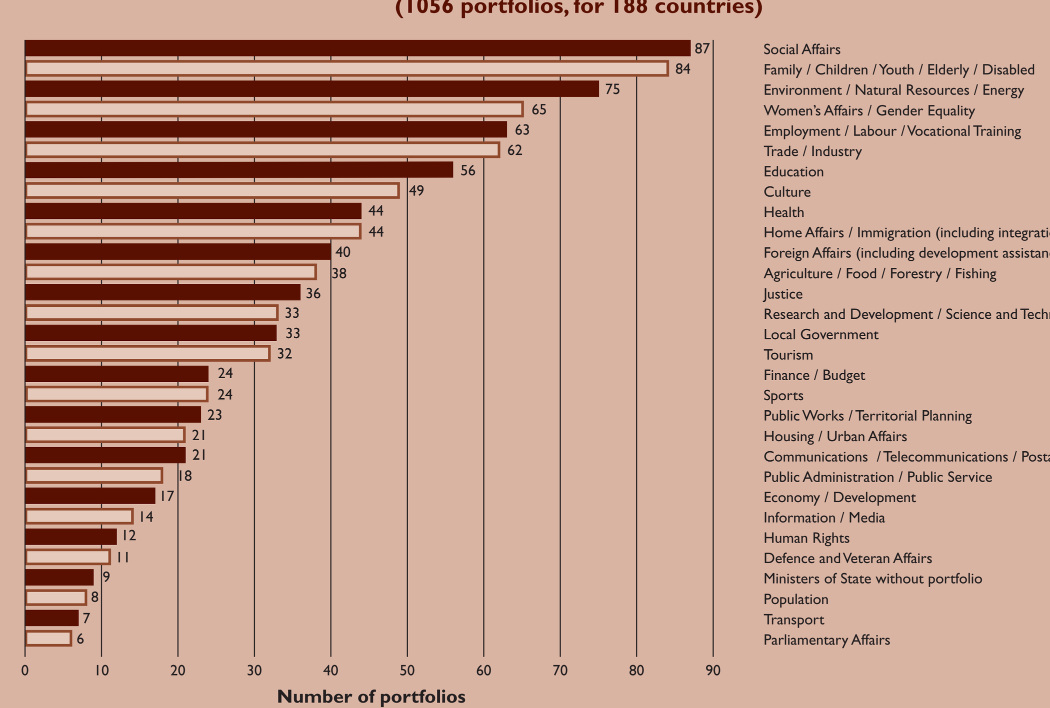
Portfolios held by Women Ministers

(1056 portfolios, for 188 countries)



About this map

The colour coding of the countries reflects the percentage of women in unicameral parliaments or in the lower house of parliament and corresponds to the data found in the world ranking of women in parliament on the right of the map.

A world ranking of women ministers (or at the head of ministerial-level departments) is on the left hand side of the map.

Country with a woman presiding officer of parliament or one house of parliament

Country with a woman Head of Government and/or elected Head of State

All data reflects the situation on 1 January 2010. The information presented has been submitted to the IPU by national authorities, unless otherwise indicated. The IPU is responsible for the processing of the data and the criteria applied in displaying the information.

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* Dotted line represents approximately the Line of Control in Jammu and Kashmir agreed upon by India and Pakistan. The final status of Jammu and Kashmir has not yet been agreed upon by the parties.

a Occupied Palestinian Territory

b A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

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Women in the Highest Positions of State

Head of State[1] (HS)

9/151 = 6.0% 142/151 = 94.0%

Head of Government (HG)

11/192 = 5.7% 181/192 = 94.3%

Argentina (HS/HG)
Bangladesh (HG)
Chile (HS/HG)
Croatia (HG)
Finland (HS)
Germany (HG)
Iceland (HG)
India (HS)
Ireland (HS)
Liberia (HS/HG)
Lithuania (HS)
Mozambique (HG)
Philippines (HS/HG)
Switzerland (HS/HG)
Ukraine (HG)

Note: (HS/HG) = The Head of State is also the Head of Government.

[1] Only elected Heads of State have been taken into account.

35/268[1] = 13.0% 233/268[1] = 87.0%

Presiding Officers of Parliament

187 Parliaments, of which 75 are bicameral = 262 Chambers of Parliament[2]

Albania (Assembly)
Antigua and Barbuda (House of Representatives and Senate)
Austria (National Council)
Bahamas (Senate)
Belize (Senate)
Bosnia and Herzegovina (House of Peoples)
Botswana (National Assembly)
Bulgaria (National Assembly)
Dominica (House of Assembly)
Estonia (The Estonian Parliament)
Gabon (Senate)
Gambia (National Assembly)
Ghana (Parliament)
Grenada (Senate)
Iceland (Parliament)
India (House of the People)
Lesotho (National Assembly)
Lithuania (Parliament)
Netherlands (House of Representatives)
Pakistan (National Assembly)
Romania (Chamber of Deputies)
Rwanda (Chamber of Deputies)
Saint Lucia (House of Assembly and Senate)
Serbia (National Assembly)
Swaziland (Senate)
Switzerland (National Council and Council of States)
Turkmenistan (Assembly)
United Kingdom (House of Lords)
United States of America (House of Representatives)
Uzbekistan (Legislative Chamber)
Venezuela (National Assembly)
Zimbabwe (Senate)

(1) One Chamber of Parliament does not have a presiding officer as at 1 January 2010.

(2) There are 262 Chambers of Parliament and 269 presiding officer posts, comprised as follows: 257 parliamentary chambers with one presiding officer each; three chambers with two presiding officers each (San Marino's single chamber, the US Senate and the Liberian Senate); two chambers with three presiding officers each (Bosnia and Herzegovina's lower and upper chambers).

World and Regional Averages of Women in Parliament

	Single or Lower House	Upper House or Senate	Both Houses combined
World average	19.0%	17.8%	18.8%

Regional averages

Regions are classified by descending order of the percentage of women in unicameral parliaments or the lower house of parliament. The regional groupings used herein are those of the IPU.

	Single or Lower House	Upper House or Senate	Both Houses combined
Nordic countries	42.1%	—	42.1%
Americas	22.1%	21.5%	22.0%
Europe OSCE (Nordic countries included)	21.8%	19.8%	21.4%
Europe OSCE (Nordic countries not included)	19.9%	19.8%	19.9%
Asia	18.7%	16.4%	18.5%
Sub-Saharan Africa	18.4%	20.4%	18.7%
Pacific	13.2%	32.6%	15.3%
Arab States	10.1%	7.6%	9.5%

Women in Parliament

The countries are ranked and colour-coded according to the percentage of women in unicameral parliaments or the lower house of parliament. Reflecting elections/appointments up to 1 January 2010.

Rank	Country	Lower or single House %W	Lower or single House Women / Seats	Upper House or Senate %W	Upper House or Senate Women / Seats
	50 to 59.9%				
1	Rwanda	56.3	45 / 80	34.6	9 / 26
	40 to 49.9%				
2	Sweden	46.4	162 / 349	—	— / —
3	South Africa*	44.5	178 / 400	29.6	16 / 54
4	Cuba	43.2	265 / 614	—	— / —
5	Iceland	42.9	27 / 63	—	— / —
6	Netherlands	42.0	63 / 150	34.7	26 / 75
7	Finland	40.0	80 / 200	—	— / —
	35 to 39.9%				
8	Norway	39.6	67 / 169	—	— / —
9	Mozambique**	39.2	98 / 250	—	— / —
10	Angola	38.6	85 / 220	—	— / —
11	Argentina	38.5	99 / 257	35.2	25 / 71
12	Belgium	38.0	57 / 150	40.8	29 / 71
"	Denmark	38.0	68 / 179	—	— / —
13	Spain	36.6	128 / 350	30.8	81 / 263
14	Andorra	35.7	10 / 28	—	— / —
15	Costa Rica	35.1	20 / 57	—	— / —
	30 to 34.9%				
16	New Zealand	33.6	41 / 122	—	— / —
17	Nepal	33.2	197 / 594	—	— / —
18	Germany	32.8	204 / 622	21.7	15 / 69
19	T.F.Y.R. of Macedonia	32.5	39 / 120	—	— / —
20	Ecuador	32.3	40 / 124	—	— / —
21	Belarus	31.8	35 / 110	32.8	19 / 58
22	Uganda	31.5	102 / 324	—	— / —
23	Burundi	31.4	37 / 118	32.7	16 / 49
24	United Republic of Tanzania	30.7	99 / 323	—	— / —
25	Guyana	30.0	21 / 70	—	— / —
	25 to 29.9%				
26	Timor-Leste	29.2	19 / 65	—	— / —
27	Switzerland	29.0	58 / 200	21.7	10 / 46
28	Austria	27.9	51 / 183	29.5	18 / 61
29	Mexico	27.6	138 / 500	19.5	25 / 128
"	Tunisia	27.6	59 / 214	15.2	17 / 112
30	Peru	27.5	33 / 120	—	— / —
31	Portugal	27.4	63 / 230	—	— / —
32	Afghanistan	27.3	68 / 249	22.5	23 / 102
"	Australia	27.3	41 / 150	35.5	27 / 76
33	Namibia**	26.9	21 / 78	26.9	7 / 26
34	Trinidad and Tobago	26.8	11 / 41	41.9	13 / 31
35	Monaco	26.1	6 / 23	—	— / —
36	Viet Nam	25.8	127 / 493	—	— / —
37	Kyrgyzstan	25.6	23 / 90	—	— / —
38	Iraq	25.5	70 / 275	—	— / —
"	Suriname	25.5	13 / 51	—	— / —
39	Lao People's Democratic Republic	25.2	29 / 115	—	— / —
	20 to 24.9%				
40	Lesotho	24.2	29 / 120	18.2	6 / 33
41	Liechtenstein	24.0	6 / 25	—	— / —
42	Republic of Moldova	23.8	24 / 101	—	— / —
43	Croatia	23.5	36 / 153	—	— / —
"	Seychelles	23.5	8 / 34	—	— / —
44	Singapore	23.4	22 / 94	—	— / —
45	Estonia	22.8	23 / 101	—	— / —
46	Senegal	22.7	34 / 150	40.0	40 / 100
47	United Arab Emirates	22.5	9 / 40	—	— / —
48	Bolivia**	22.3	29 / 130	44.4	15 / 36
49	Pakistan	22.2	76 / 342	17.0	17 / 100
50	Canada	22.1	68 / 308	34.4	32 / 93
"	Mauritania	22.1	21 / 95	14.3	8 / 56
51	Eritrea	22.0	33 / 150	—	— / —
"	Latvia	22.0	22 / 100	—	— / —
"	Uzbekistan**	22.0	33 / 150	15.0	15 / 100
52	Ethiopia	21.9	116 / 529	18.8	21 / 112
53	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	21.7	5 / 23	—	— / —
54	Serbia	21.6	54 / 250	—	— / —
55	China	21.3	637 / 2987	—	— / —
"	Italy	21.3	134 / 630	18.3	59 / 322
56	Cambodia	21.1	26 / 123	14.8	9 / 61
57	Philippines	21.0	56 / 267	17.4	4 / 23
58	Bulgaria	20.8	50 / 240	—	— / —
"	Malawi	20.8	40 / 192	—	— / —
59	Nicaragua	20.7	19 / 92	—	— / —
60	Luxembourg	20.0	12 / 60	—	— / —
"	Poland	20.0	92 / 460	8.0	8 / 100
	15 to 19.9%				
61	Dominican Republic	19.7	35 / 178	3.1	1 / 32
62	United Kingdom	19.5	126 / 646	20.0	147 / 735
63	Lithuania	19.1	27 / 141	—	— / —
64	Bosnia and Herzegovina	19.0	8 / 42	13.3	2 / 15
"	El Salvador	19.0	16 / 84	—	— / —
65	France	18.9	109 / 577	21.9	75 / 343
"	Sudan	18.9	84 / 444	6.0	3 / 50
66	Bangladesh	18.6	64 / 345	—	— / —
67	Israel	18.3	22 / 120	—	— / —
68	Cape Verde	18.1	13 / 72	—	— / —
69	Honduras**	18.0	23 / 128	—	— / —
"	Slovakia	18.0	27 / 150	—	— / —
70	Indonesia	17.9	100 / 560	—	— / —
71	Kazakhstan	17.8	19 / 107	4.3	2 / 47
72	Tajikistan	17.5	11 / 63	23.5	8 / 34
"	Venezuela	17.5	29 / 166	—	— / —
73	Greece	17.3	52 / 300	—	— / —
74	Mauritius	17.1	12 / 70	—	— / —
75	Turkmenistan	16.8	21 / 125	—	— / —
"	United States of America***	16.8	73 / 435	15.3	15 / 98
76	San Marino	16.7	10 / 60	—	— / —
77	Albania	16.4	23 / 140	—	— / —
78	Democratic People's Rep. of Korea	15.6	107 / 687	—	— / —
79	Czech Republic	15.5	31 / 200	17.3	14 / 81
80	Burkina Faso	15.3	17 / 111	—	— / —
81	Zimbabwe	15.0	32 / 214	24.2	24 / 99
	10 to 14.9%				
82	Gabon	14.7	17 / 116	17.6	18 / 102
"	Republic of Korea	14.7	44 / 299	—	— / —
83	Slovenia	14.4	13 / 90	2.5	1 / 40
84	Dominica**	14.3	4 / 28	—	— / —
85	Chile**	14.2	17 / 120	13.2	5 / 38
86	Uruguay**	14.1	14 / 99	13.3	4 / 30
87	Russian Federation	14.0	63 / 450	4.7	8 / 169
"	Zambia	14.0	22 / 157	—	— / —
88	Cameroon	13.9	25 / 180	—	— / —
"	Ireland	13.9	23 / 165	22.0	13 / 59
89	Djibouti	13.8	9 / 65	—	— / —
90	Swaziland	13.6	9 / 66	40.0	12 / 30
91	Grenada	13.3	2 / 15	30.8	4 / 13
"	Jamaica	13.3	8 / 60	14.3	3 / 21
"	Thailand	13.3	63 / 473	16.0	24 / 150
92	Sierra Leone	13.2	16 / 121	—	— / —
93	Cyprus	12.5	7 / 56	—	— / —
"	Liberia	12.5	8 / 64	16.7	5 / 30
"	Paraguay	12.5	10 / 80	15.6	7 / 45
94	Syrian Arab Republic	12.4	31 / 250	—	— / —
95	Bahamas	12.2	5 / 41	33.3	5 / 15
96	Guatemala	12.0	19 / 158	—	— / —
97	Azerbaijan	11.4	14 / 123	—	— / —
"	Romania	11.4	38 / 334	5.8	8 / 137
98	Japan	11.3	54 / 480	17.4	42 / 242
99	Hungary	11.1	43 / 386	—	— / —
"	Montenegro	11.1	9 / 81	—	— / —
"	Saint Lucia	11.1	2 / 18	36.4	4 / 11
"	Togo	11.1	9 / 81	—	— / —
100	Benin	10.8	9 / 83	—	— / —
"	India	10.8	59 / 545	9.0	21 / 233
101	Antigua and Barbuda	10.5	2 / 19	29.4	5 / 17
"	Morocco	10.5	34 / 325	2.2	6 / 270
102	Mali	10.2	15 / 147	—	— / —
103	Barbados	10.0	3 / 30	33.3	7 / 21
"	Equatorial Guinea	10.0	10 / 100	—	— / —
"	Guinea-Bissau	10.0	10 / 100	—	— / —
	5 to 9.9%				
104	Malaysia	9.9	22 / 222	28.1	18 / 64
105	Kenya	9.8	22 / 224	—	— / —
106	Niger	9.7	11 / 113	—	— / —
107	Central African Republic	9.6	10 / 104	—	— / —
108	Armenia	9.2	12 / 131	—	— / —
109	Turkey	9.1	50 / 549	—	— / —
110	Côte d'Ivoire	8.9	18 / 203	—	— / —
111	Brazil	8.8	45 / 513	12.3	10 / 81
112	Malta	8.7	6 / 69	—	— / —
113	Bhutan	8.5	4 / 47	24.0	6 / 25
"	Panama	8.5	6 / 71	—	— / —
114	Colombia	8.4	14 / 166	11.8	12 / 102
"	Democratic Republic of the Congo	8.4	42 / 500	4.6	5 / 108
115	Ghana	8.3	19 / 230	—	— / —
116	Samoa	8.2	4 / 49	—	— / —
117	Ukraine	8.0	36 / 450	—	— / —
118	Botswana	7.9	5 / 63	—	— / —
119	Algeria	7.7	30 / 389	5.1	7 / 136
"	Kuwait	7.7	5 / 65	—	— / —
"	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	7.7	36 / 468	—	— / —
120	Gambia	7.5	4 / 53	—	— / —
121	Congo	7.3	10 / 137	12.9	9 / 70
"	Saõ Tomé and Principe	7.3	4 / 55	—	— / —
122	Nigeria	7.0	25 / 358	8.3	9 / 109
123	Somalia	6.9	37 / 539	—	— / —
124	Saint Kitts and Nevis	6.7	1 / 15	—	— / —
125	Maldives	6.5	5 / 77	—	— / —
126	Jordan****	6.4	7 / 110	12.7	7 / 55
127	Sri Lanka	5.8	13 / 225	—	— / —
128	Chad	5.2	8 / 155	—	— / —
129	Georgia	5.1	7 / 137	—	— / —
	0.1 to 4.9%				
130	Kiribati	4.3	2 / 46	—	— / —
131	Haiti	4.1	4 / 98	6.9	2 / 29
132	Mongolia	3.9	3 / 76	—	— / —
133	Vanuatu	3.8	2 / 52	—	— / —
134	Lebanon	3.1	4 / 128	—	— / —
"	Tonga	3.1	1 / 32	—	— / —
135	Marshall Islands	3.0	1 / 33	—	— / —
136	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2.8	8 / 290	—	— / —
137	Bahrain	2.5	1 / 40	25.0	10 / 40
138	Egypt	1.8	8 / 454	6.8	18 / 264
139	Papua New Guinea	0.9	1 / 109	—	— / —
140	Yemen	0.3	1 / 301	1.8	2 / 111
	0%				
141	Belize	0.0	0 / 32	38.5	5 / 13
"	Comoros**	0.0	0 / 33	—	— / —
"	Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.0	0 / 14	—	— / —
"	Nauru	0.0	0 / 18	—	— / —
"	Oman	0.0	0 / 84	19.4	14 / 72
"	Palau	0.0	0 / 16	15.4	2 / 13
"	Qatar	0.0	0 / 35	—	— / —
"	Saudi Arabia	0.0	0 / 150	—	— / —
"	Solomon Islands	0.0	0 / 50	—	— / —
"	Tuvalu	0.0	0 / 15	—	— / —
	No parliament on 1 January 2010				
	Brunei Darussalam, Fiji, Guinea, Madagascar, Myanmar				

* The figures on the distribution of seats in the Upper House do not include the 36 special rotating delegates appointed on an ad hoc basis, and all percentages given are therefore calculated on the basis of the 54 permanent seats.

** Figures represent results of elections held in late 2009. The newly elected legislature is to convene for the first time in early 2010.

*** The total refers to all voting members of the House of Representatives.

**** Figures for the Lower House represent the situation of women prior to the House's dissolution in November 2009. Dates for new elections are to be announced.

Source: National parliaments

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