

Women in the WI Legislature, 2019

Wisconsin Women's Council
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27%

Women will make up 27% of members of the 2019 Wisconsin State Legislature, following the November 6, 2018 General Election. Results certified and published by the Wisconsin Elections Commission, December 3 2018.

Did you know ...

When the Wisconsin State Legislature convenes in January 2019, women will hold 36 of the 132 total legislative seats — 27% — the largest percentage since 2003.

24% Senate

Women will hold 8 of 33 seats (24%) in the State Senate, down from 9 seats (27%) in 2017.

28% Assembly

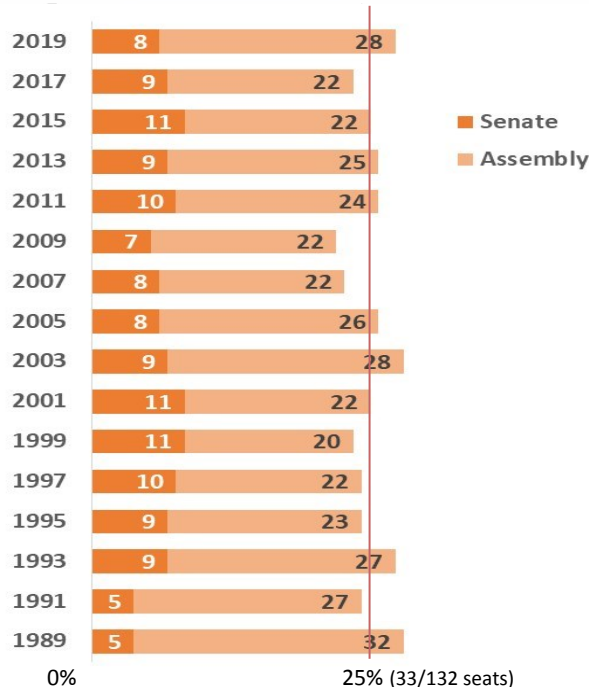
Women will hold 28 of 99 seats (28%) in the State Assembly, up from 22 seats (22%) in 2017.

Newly-Elected to the Senate & Assembly

State Assembly	Sheila Stubbs
Marisabel Cabrera	Robin Vining
Barbara Dittrich	State Senate
Jodi Emerson	Kathy Bernier
Gae Magnafici	<i>former WI State Assembly Member</i>
Lakeshia Meyers	

Three Decades of Women in the WI Legislature

Women have held about one-quarter of the state's legislative seats for the past 30 years.



At 27%, the percentage of seats held by women in the Wisconsin State Legislature is at its highest level since 2003.

HIGHPOINTS

Legislature - 1989 and 2003 (37 of the 132 total legislative seats, or 28%).

Senate - 1999, 2001 and 2015 (11 of 33 Senate seats, or 33%)

Assembly - 1989 (32 of 99 Assembly seats, or 32%)

Since 2005, the Women's Council has tracked and published statistics on women in state and local elected offices in Wisconsin, including post-election fact sheets updating data on Women the in the Wisconsin Legislature.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

Moving Wisconsin Forward, 2015

An analysis of women in elected office in Wisconsin's state and local governments, with updated statistics and 10-years trends.

Wisconsin Women's Political Firsts Timeline, 2015

Timeline of women in elected office in Wisconsin state government, including | the first women elected to the State Legislature (1925), first female Lieutenant Governor (2001), and first Latina elected to the Legislature (2011). Printed copies available by request (while supplies last).

Moving Wisconsin Forward, 2010

An analysis of Wisconsin Women in Elected Office, with updated statistics.

Women and Elected Office, 2005

Wisconsin's first statewide benchmark report on women holding elected office in state and local government, including elected seats in Wisconsin's counties, cities, towns, villages and school districts.

Sources: November 2018 General Election Results as published by the Wisconsin Elections Commission (elections.wi.gov). Historical data: Legislative Reference Bureau, *Wisconsin Women Legislators—A Historical List*, Wisconsin Brief, January 2017.



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The Wisconsin Women's Council is the state's statutory commission on the status of women and girls. Founded in 1983, the 15-member Women's Council is appointed by the Offices of the Governor, Senate President, Senate Majority Leader and Assembly Speaker.

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