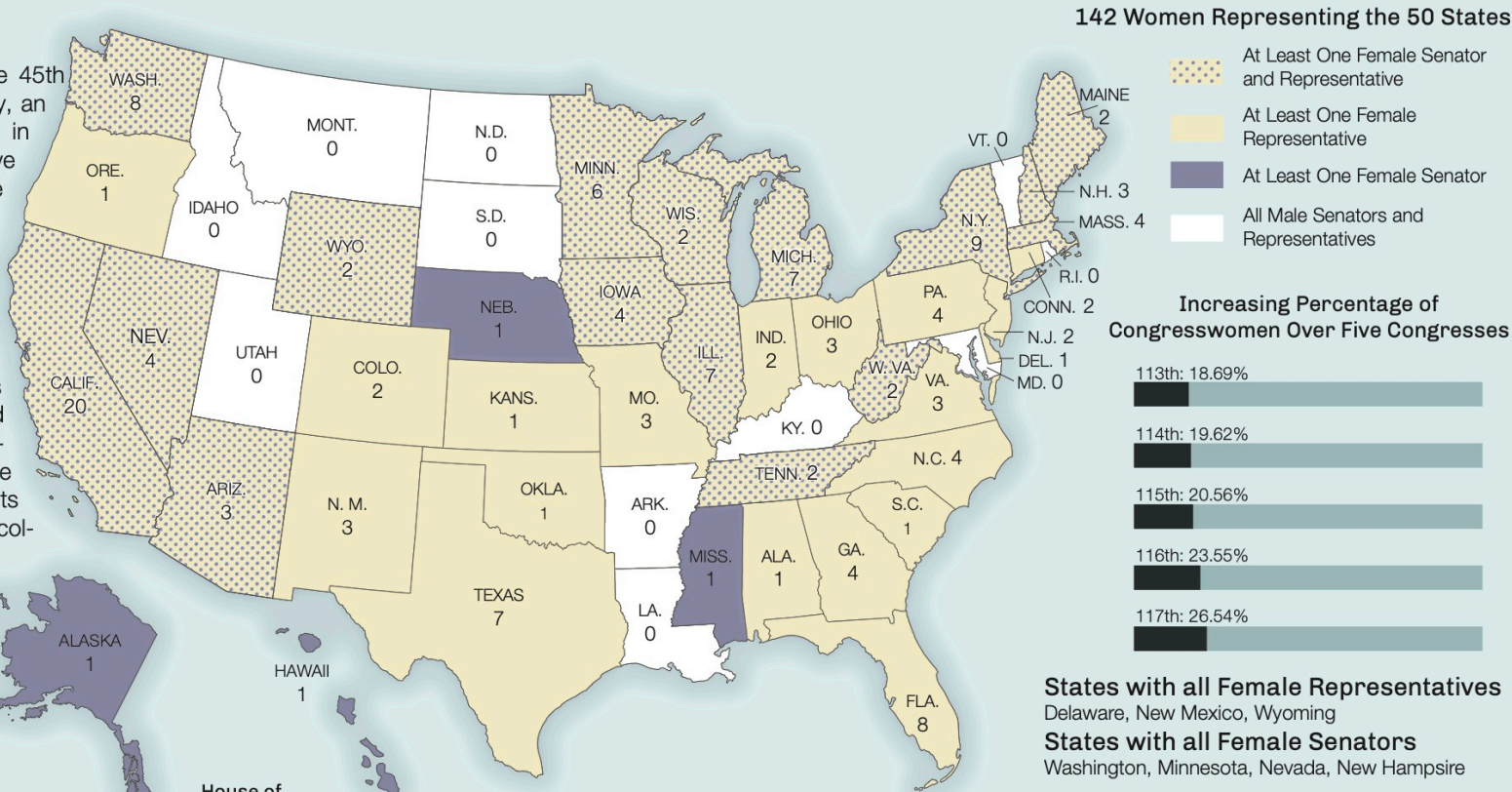# Female Representation in the United States Federal Government
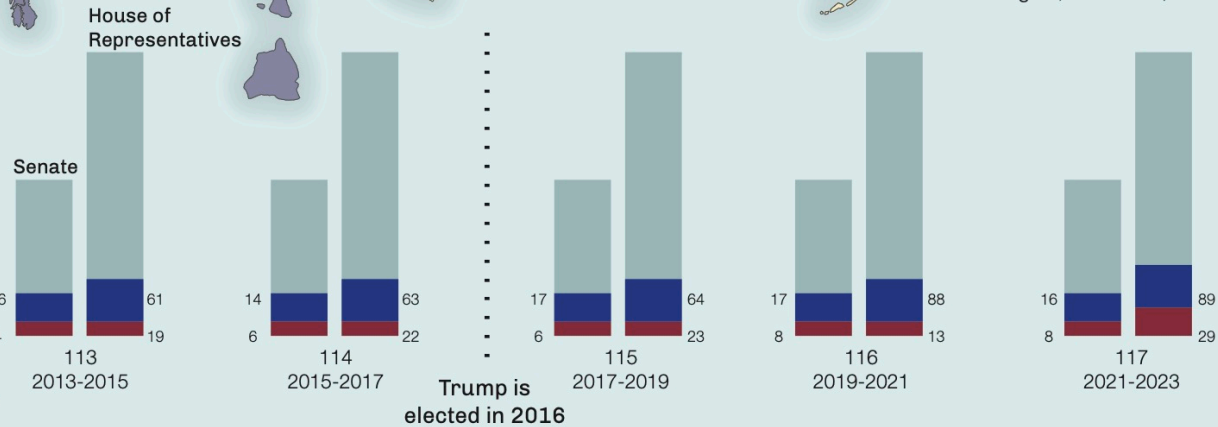## The 117th Congress

In 2017, Donald Trump was inaugurated as the 45th president of the United States. The following day, an estimated 4.1 million people globally marched in opposition with a vow to elect more representative governments that would respect and protect the rights of all female identifying individuals. Since then the most diverse Congresses in the United States' history have been elected, with more women serving than ever before.

It is critical that women have representation in government. They provide unique insight from their individual and collective experiences with gender roles and oppression. Female elected officials have the power to address the discrimination they face through the political system. They are also far more likely to advocate for equal rights regardless of their political party than their male colleagues. As a result, having a greater proportion of women in government benefits everyone.

Since Trump's election, thirty-seven more women have been elected into the United States federal Congress. In January 2021, sixteen of those women were sworn into their first term, the largest increase since 1993.

142 Women Representing the 50 States

- At Least One Female Senator and Representative
- At Least One Female Representative
- At Least One Female Senator
- All Male Senators and Representatives

Map State Values

WASH. 8 · MONT. 0 · N.D. 0 · MINN. 6 · MAINE 2 · ORE. 1 · IDAHO 0 · WIS. 2 · N.H. 3 · VT. 0 · MASS. 4 · S.D. 0 · WYO. 2 · MICH. 7 · N.Y. 9 · R.I. 0 · NEV. 4 · IOWA 4 · PA. 4 · CONN. 2 · CALIF. 20 · UTAH 0 · NEB. 1 · ILL. 7 · IND. 2 · OHIO 3 · W. VA. 2 · VA. 3 · N.J. 2 · DEL. 1 · MD. 0 · COLO. 2 · KANS. 1 · MO. 3 · KY. 0 · ARIZ. 3 · N. M. 3 · OKLA. 1 · TENN. 2 · N.C. 4 · S.C. 1 · ARK. 0 · MISS. 1 · ALA. 1 · GA. 4 · ALASKA 1 · HAWAII 1 · TEXAS 7 · LA. 0 · FLA. 8

Increasing Percentage of Congresswomen Over Five Congresses

- 113th: 18.69%
- 114th: 19.62%
- 115th: 20.56%
- 116th: 23.55%
- 117th: 26.54%

States with all Female Representatives
Delaware, New Mexico, Wyoming

States with all Female Senators
Washington, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampsire

Timeline of Increasing Female Representation in Congress

- Seats Held by Republican Females
- Seats Held by Democratic Females
- Seats Held by Men

100 Total Seats in the Senate
435 Total Seats in the House of Representatives

Senate · House of Representatives

Congress	Senate (Dem / Rep)	House (Dem / Rep)
113 2013-2015	16 / 4	61 / 19
114 2015-2017	14 / 6	63 / 22
115 2017-2019	17 / 6	64 / 23
116 2019-2021	17 / 8	88 / 13
117 2021-2023	16 / 8	89 / 29

Trump is elected in 2016