

NEW YORK

STATE RANKING **14**
out of 50

GENDER PARITY SCORE 23.8 out of 100 points

A Gender Parity Score of 50 indicates a state has reached gender parity in elected office. Gender parity is defined as the point at which women and men are equally likely to hold elected office in the state.

- 11.9 of 30 points (U.S. Congress)
- 4.0 of 30 points (Statewide Executive Offices)
- 6.2 of 30 points (State Legislature)
- 1.7 of 10 points (Cities and Counties)

23.8 of 100 points (Gender Parity being 50)

Women in Congress

Elise Stafanik (R) became the youngest woman elected to Congress in history at 30 years old. She was able to beat out Aaron Wolf (D) by more than 20 points for New York's 21st district in the House, despite the fact that President Obama (D) carried the same district. Kathleen Rice (D) now represents New York's 4th District in Congress after beating out Bruce Blakeman (R) in the 2014 midterms.

Women Statewide Executives

Kathy Hochul became the fourth woman elected lieutenant governor of New York in November 2014. The lieutenant governor is elected on a joint ticket with governor. No women have ever been elected governor of New York.

Women State Legislators

The representation of women in the state legislature has largely tracked the national average for the last two decades, increasing slowly until the 2010 election. Since 2010, New York has fallen below the national average for the percentage of women in its legislature.

Cities and Counties

Eight (15.4%) of New York's 52 cities with populations over 30,000 have female mayors. A woman has held the position of county executive in Monroe County since 2004.

Analysis

In 1993, New York ranked 24th in the nation, with a Gender Parity Score of 9.9.

Did you know?

When Nydia M. Velazquez (D) was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives for New York in 1993, she made history by being the first Puerto Rican woman elected to Congress.

Number of U.S. Congress seats held by women		
	114th Congress	State History
Senate	1 of 2	2
House of Representatives	8 of 27	27

Number of statewide executive offices held by women		
	2015	State History
Governor	0	0
Statewide executive offices	1 of 4	5

Number of state legislative seats held by women		
	2015	1993
Senate	11 of 63 (17%)	8 of 61 (13%)
House	40 of 150 (27%)	27 of 150 (18%)
Total	24%	17%

State Legislature's Gender Parity Ranking: 28th
Method of election: Single-winner districts