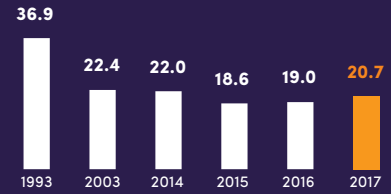




Kansas

Grade
D

KANSAS GENDER PARITY SCORE HISTORY



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.

STATE RANKING

21

GENDER PARITY SCORE

20.7

Goal: 50

THE FORMULA

VOTING SYSTEMS IN KANSAS

Single-Winner Districts
Winner Take All

PRIMARY TYPE

Semi-closed

WOMEN'S LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS?

No

U.S. CONGRESS

3.3

/30 points

Women in Congress

Lynn Jenkins (R-02) is the sole woman in Kansas' congressional delegation. Nancy Kassebaum (R, 1978-97) was the first woman to be elected to a full U.S. Senate term without her husband having previously served in Congress.

OF U.S. CONGRESS SEATS HELD BY WOMEN

	115 th Congress	State History
SENATE	0 of 2	2
HOUSE	1 of 4	5

STATEWIDE EXECUTIVE OFFICES

5.0

/30 points

Women Statewide Executives

The last female statewide executive officeholder in Kansas, Insurance Commissioner Sandy Praeger (R), retired from her position in 2014. The last woman governor was Kathleen Sebelius (D, 2003-09), who became President Obama's first Health and Human Services Secretary.

OF STATEWIDE EXECUTIVE OFFICES HELD BY WOMEN

	2017	State History
GOVERNOR	0	2
OTHER KS OFFICES	0 of 6	10

STATE LEGISLATURE

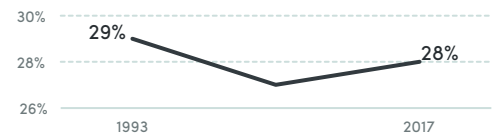
9.8

/30 points

Women State Legislators

The percentage of women in the Kansas Legislature has slightly decreased since 1993, from 29% to 28% in 2017. Susan Wagle (R) has served as the President of the Kansas Senate since 2013. Within the legislature, 60% of female members are Republicans and 40% are Democrats.

% OF STATE LEGISLATIVE SEATS HELD BY WOMEN



CITIES AND COUNTIES

2.6

/10 points

Women Mayors and County Executives

Five (38.5%) of Kansas' 13 cities with populations over 30,000 have female mayors, but none of Kansas' five most populous counties have women chairs of county commissions.

TOTAL

20.7

/100 points **PARITY = 50**

Sources: Center for American Women and Politics at Rutgers University, Ballotpedia, United States Conference of Mayors and city and county websites (January 2017)
Note: Due to rounding, the total score may not exactly equal the sum of the four parts