



Women in the Wisconsin Legislature— A Summary and Historical List

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When the new legislative session begins in January 2019, a total of 142 women will have held seats in the Wisconsin Legislature. It is estimated that more than 5,500 people have served in the state legislature since 1848.¹ This means that more than 97 percent of those people have been men. The U.S. Census Bureau currently estimates that just over 50 percent of the population in Wisconsin is female.² This report summarizes the service and achievements of Wisconsin women legislators.

When Mildred Barber, Hellen Brooks, and Helen Thompson took office in January 1925 as “assemblymen,” they became the first women to serve in the Wisconsin Legislature. Until the 1970s, no more than three women at a time served in the Assembly, with some sessions reverting back to no women’s representation at all.³ Since the 1970s, women have gained roles in both the Assembly and the Senate, within legislative leadership, and on powerful committees.

A total of 36 women will serve in the 2019 biennium. Those 36 women make up 27 percent of the entire legislative body. The largest number of women to serve in a session is 37, a number reached in both the 1989 and 2003 sessions.

Women in the Senate

In 1975, Kathryn Morrison became the first woman to serve in the Wisconsin Senate. In January 2018, Patty Schachtner, elected in a special election, became the thirtieth woman to take a seat in the Senate,⁴ and Kathy Bernier will be the 31st woman to do so in January 2019. Of those 31 women, 21 had previous legislative experience in the Assembly.

Eight women will serve in the 2019 Senate. Seven of them have previous service in the Assembly. Senator Alberta Darling, beginning her fourteenth session, is the longest-serving female senator in Wisconsin history. A record high of 11 women served in the Senate during the 1999, 2001, and 2015 legislative sessions.

Women in the Assembly

Of the 28 women elected to serve in the 2019 Assembly, seven of them are in their first session. This compares to a record nine women who were newly elected in the 1993 session. The largest number of women to serve in the Assembly in one session was 33 in the 1989 biennium.

Representative Christine Sinicki, in her eleventh term, is the longest-serving woman in the 2019 Assembly. Representative Annette Polly Williams, who served 15 sessions

1. Keane, Michael J., “Those Who Served—Wisconsin Legislators 1848–2007,” *2007–2008 State of Wisconsin Blue Book*, 2007, 101.

2. U.S. Census Bureau, “Quick Facts—Wisconsin,” <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/wi>.

3. Legislative Reference Bureau, “Wisconsin Women Legislators—A Historical List,” *Wisconsin Brief* 15-3, January 2015.

4. *Journal of the Senate*, January 29, 2018, 692.

from 1981 to 2009, served longer than any woman legislator in Wisconsin history. Representative Susan Engeleiter is the youngest woman ever elected to the Wisconsin Legislature. She was 22 years old when she took office in January 1975.

Women in legislative leadership

In 2015, Senator Mary Lazich was elected senate president, becoming the first woman to serve as presiding officer of either legislative house. Women have been making gains in legislative leadership since the 1980s. Representative Louise Tesmer was elected deputy speaker in 1981. In 1985, Senator Susan Engeleiter was the first woman chosen as senate minority leader; she served in that capacity for two sessions. In the Assembly, Representative Betty Jo Nelsen was elected the first woman minority leader in 1987. After serving as minority leader since January 2000, Senator Mary Panzer became the first woman elected senate majority leader in the 2003 session. In March 2014, Representative Pat Strachota was the first woman to be elected the assembly majority leader.

The Joint Committee on Finance, considered one of the most powerful committees in the Wisconsin Legislature, saw women legislators join its ranks in the 1970s. Senator Kathryn Morrison was the first woman to be appointed to the committee in 1976. Representative Mary Lou Munts was the first woman to co-chair that committee in the 1983 session. Senator Alberta Darling has been reappointed as co-chair of the Joint Committee on Finance for 2019. She has served as co-chair continuously since the 2011 session, and was also co-chair during the 2003 session.

The following tables compile the names of all women who have served in the Wisconsin Legislature. Tables 1 and 2 list all women members alphabetically by house and indicate their party, district, occupational background, and sessions of service. Table 3 lists the members serving in each session. ■

For more information on the legislative careers and backgrounds of women in Wisconsin, see “Knocking on the Door: Women in the Wisconsin Legislature,” 2017–2018 Wisconsin Blue Book, 2017, 298.

Table 1. Alphabetical list of women senators, 1925–2017

Name	Party	District	Occupations	Sessions served
Bernier, Kathy†	Rep.	23	Chippewa County Clerk	2019
Bewley, Janett	Dem.	25	Community relations officer	2015, 17, 19
Buettner—see Roessler				
Clausing, Alice	Dem.	10	Teacher, guidance counselor	1993, 95, 97, 99
Darling, Albertat	Rep.	8	Teacher, marketing director	1993, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19
Engleiter, Susan Shannont	Rep.	33	Attorney, teacher	1979*, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89 ¹
Farrow, Margaret†	Rep.	33	Teacher, real estate agent	1989*, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001 ²
Galloway, Pam	Rep.	29	Surgeon	2011 ³
Harris Dodd, Nikiya	Dem.	6	Fundraiser and event planner	2013, 15
Harsdorf, Sheila E.†	Rep.	10	Dairy farmer	2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17 ⁴
Huelsman, Joanne B.†	Rep.	11	Attorney	1991, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001
Johnson, LaTonya†	Dem.	6	Family child care provider/ owner, insurance agent, financial employment planner	2017, 19
King, Jessica	Dem.	18	Attorney	2011*
Lassa, Julie†	Dem.	24	Legislative aide	2003*, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15
Lazich, Mary A.†	Rep.	28	County board supervisor and city council member	1997*, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15
Lorman, Barbara	Rep.	13	President of recycling firm	1979*, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93
Moore, Gwendolynnet	Dem.	4	Housing and economic development analyst	1993, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03
Morrison, Kathryn M.	Dem.	17	Assistant professor	1975, 77
Panzer, Mary†	Rep.	20	Bank employee, legislative aide	1993*, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03
Plache, Kimberly M.†	Dem.	21	Legislative aide	1995*, 97, 99, 2001
Radosevich, Michele G.	Dem.	10	Business publication editor	1977, 79
Ringhand, Janist	Dem.	15	Accountant, ex-director of nonprofit	2015, 17, 19
Robson, Judith†	Dem.	15	Registered nurse, teacher	1999, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09
Roessler, Carol A.†	Rep.	18	Nutrition program administrator	1987*, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07
Rosenzweig, Peggy A.†	Rep.	5	Medical center community relations director	1993*, 95, 97, 99, 2001
Schachtner, Patty	Dem.	10	Chief medical examiner	2017*, 19
Shilling, Jennifert	Dem.	31	Congressional and legislative aide	2011*, 13, 15, 17, 19

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Name	Party	District	Occupations	Sessions served
Stepp, Cathy	Rep.	21	Homebuilder	2003, 05
Taylor, Lena C.†	Dem.	4	Attorney	2005, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19
Ulichny, Barbara L.†	Dem.	4	YWCA program director	1985, 87, 89, 91
Vinehout, Kathleen	Dem.	31	Farmer	2007, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17
Vukmir, Leah†	Rep.	5	Registered nurse	2011, 13, 15, 17

†Served in both houses.

*Elected in special election.

Dem.—Democrat; Rep.—Republican

1. Resigned April 20, 1989, to become administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

2. Resigned May 9, 2001, to become Lieutenant Governor.

3. Resigned March 17, 2012.

4. Resigned November 10, 2017, to become Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

Table 2. Alphabetical list of women representatives, 1925–2017

Name	Party	District	Occupations	Sessions served
Albers, Sheryl K.	Rep.	50	Dairy farmer	1991* , 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07
Allen, Carolyn Blanchard	Rep.	Rock 2	Homemaker	1963*, 65, 67, 69
Baldwin, Tammy	Dem.	78	Attorney	1993, 95, 97
Ballweg, Joan	Rep.	41	Farm equipment dealer	2005, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19
Barber, Mildred	Rep.	Marathon 1	Teacher	1925
Beal, Polly W.	Rep.	22	Fundraiser, public affairs consultant	1993
Bell, Jeannette	Dem.	16, 22, 15	Nursing home activity aide	1983, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95
Berceau, Terese	Dem.	76, 77	Career services coordinator	1999, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17
Bernard Schaber, Penny	Dem.	57	Physical therapist	2009, 11, 13
Bernier, Kathy†	Rep.	68	Chippewa county clerk	2011, 13, 15, 17
Bewley, Janett†	Dem.	74	Community relations officer	2011, 13
Billings, Jill	Dem.	95	Teacher	2011*, 13, 15, 17, 19
Blanchard—see Allen				
Brandtjen, Janel	Rep.	22	Business executive	2015, 17, 19
Brooks, Hellen M.	Rep.	Green Lake & Waushara	Teacher	1925
Buettner—see Roessler				
Cabrera, Marisabel	Dem.	9	Attorney, fire and police commissioner	2019
Charbonneau, Agnes	Rep.	Douglas 1	Homemaker	1931
Coggs, Elizabeth	Dem.	10		2011
Coggs, Marcia P.	Dem.	18, 12, 18	Legislator	1977, 79, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91
Czaja—see Felzkowski				
Darling, Albert†	Rep.	10	Teacher, marketing director	1989*, 91
Dexter, Kristen	Dem.	68		2009
Dittrich, Barbara	Rep.	38	Nonprofit director	2019
Donoghue, Sheehan	Rep.	35, 61, 35	Management analyst	1973, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83
Doughty – see Luckhardt				
Doyle, Ruth Bachhuber	Dem.	Dane 1	Teacher, homemaker	1949, 51
Duchow, Cindi	Rep.	99	Manager for national retailers	2015*, 17, 19

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Name	Party	District	Occupations	Sessions served
Duren, Joanne M.	Dem.	Iowa-Richland, 50	Secretarial service owner	1971, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81
Emerson, Jodi	Dem.	91	Anti-human trafficking advocate	2019
Engeleiter, Susan Shannont	Rep.	99	Legislator	1975, 77
Farrow, Margaret†	Rep.	99	Teacher, real estate agent	1987, 89
Felzkowski, Mary (Czaja)	Rep.	35	Insurance agency owner	2013, 15, 17, 19
Goodrich, Patricia A.	Rep.	72, 86, 41	Homemaker	1975, 77, 79, 81, 83
Grigsby, Tamara	Dem.	18	Social worker	2005, 07, 09, 11
Gronemus, Barbara	Dem.	43, 91	Nursing home activity director	1983, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07
Hanson, Doris J.	Dem.	48	Business manager	1993, 95, 97
Harsdorf, Sheila E.†	Rep.	30	Dairy farmer	1989, 91, 93, 95, 97
Hesselbein, Dianne	Dem.	79	Legislator	2013, 15, 17, 19
Hinkfuss, Rosemary	Dem.	6, 88	Teacher	1989, 91, 93
Hough, Maxine	Dem.	83	Teacher, school administrator	1991
Hraychuck, Ann	Dem.	28	Sheriff	2007, 09
Hubler, Mary	Dem.	75	Attorney	1985, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09
Huelsman, Joanne B.†	Rep.	65, 31	Attorney	1983, 85, 87, 89
Hundertmark, Jean L.	Rep.	40	Restaurant owner	1999, 2001, 03, 05
Jaronitzky, June	Rep.	74, 50, 74	Retail cheese business	1981, 83
Jeskewitz, Suzanne	Rep.	24	Public relations representative	1997, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07
Johnson, LaTonya†	Dem.	17	Family child care provider/owner, insurance agent, financial employment planner	2013, 15
Kelso, Carol	Rep.	88	Vice president, Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce	1995, 97, 99
Kerkman, Samantha (Starzyk)	Rep.	66	Legislative aide	2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19
Klusman, Judith	Rep.	56	Dairy farmer	1989, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99
Kolste, Debra	Dem.	44	Medical technologist	2013, 15, 17, 19
Krawczyk, Judy	Rep.	88	Supper club owner	2001, 03, 05
Krosnicki, Kathleen A.	Rep.	83	Human services supervisor in alcohol and drug services	1993

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Name	Party	District	Occupations	Sessions served
Krug, Shirley	Dem.	15, 12	Adjunct professor of economics	1985, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03
Krusick, Peggy	Dem.	17, 24, 97, 7	Assembly aide	1983*, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11
Kryszak, Mary O.	Dem.	Milwaukee 8, 5	Teacher, bookkeeper, homemaker	1929, 33, 35, 37, 41, 43, 45
Ladwig, Bonnie L.	Rep.	63	Arts and crafts store owner	1993, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03
Lahn, Jacquelyn J.	Rep.	93	Real estate appraiser	1989
Lassa, Juliet†	Dem.	71	Legislative aide	1999, 2001, 03
Lautenschlager, Peggy A.	Dem.	52	Attorney	1989, 91
Lazich, Mary A.†	Rep.	84	Marketing representative	1993, 95, 97
Lewis, Margaret S.	Rep.	38	Public affairs consultant	1985, 87, 89
Linton, Barbara J.	Dem.	74	Farmer	1987, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97
Lippert, MaryAnn	Rep.	70	Health educator	2001
Litjens, Michelle	Rep.	56	Real estate manager	2011
Loudenbeck, Amy	Rep.	45, 31	Investment property owner	2011, 13, 15, 17, 19
Luckhardt, Esther S. Doughty	Rep.	Dodge 1, 54, 88, 59	Insurance and real estate	1963, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83
Magnafici, Gae	Rep.	28	Small business owner, registered nurse	2019
Magnuson—see Rohan				
Manders, Verna M.	Dem.	Milwaukee 8	Bookkeeper, salesperson	1967*
McCormick, Terri	Rep.	56	Education consultant	2001, 03, 05
Metz, Sharon K.	Dem.	90, 84, 90	Salesperson, administrative assistant	1975, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85
Meyers, Beth	Dem.	74	Executive director CORE community resources	2015, 17, 19
Mielke, Janet Soergel	Dem.	Rock 2, 47	Homemaker, secretary	1971, 73
Miller, Marjorie	Dem.	Dane 3, 77, 95, 77	U.W. assistant dean, YWCA program director	1971, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83
Moore, Gwendolynnet†	Dem.	7	Mortgage company manager	1989, 91
Morris, Johnnie (Morris-Tatum)	Dem.	11	Executive director, community organization	1993, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03

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Munts, Mary Lou	Dem.	76, 94, 76	Economist	1973, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83
Myers, LaKeshia N.	Dem.	12	Educator	2019
Nelsen, Betty Jo	Rep.	10, 5, 10	Voluntary action agency manager	1979, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89 ¹
Neubauer, Greta	Dem.	66	Legislative aide	2017*, 19
Nischke, Ann M.	Rep.	97	Real estate marketer	2003, 05
Notestein, Barbara	Dem.	12, 19	Executive director, Hunger Task Force	1985, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97
Owens, Carol	Rep.	53	Dairy farmer	1993, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07
Panzer, Mary†	Rep.	53, 72, 53	Bank employee, legislative aide	1979*, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93
Pasch, Sandy	Dem.	22, 10	Assistant professor of nursing	2009, 11, 13
Plache, Kimberly M.†	Dem.	62	Legislative aide	1989, 91, 93, 95
Plous, Lois	Dem.	15, 8, 15	Learning disabilities supervisor	1979*, 81, 83
Pope, SONDY (Pope-Roberts)	Dem.	79, 80	Associate Director, Foundation for Madison's Public Schools	2003, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19
Potter, Rosemary	Dem.	19, 20	Teacher	1989*, 91, 93, 95, 97
Raihle, Sylvia Havre	Rep.	Chippewa	Teacher, homemaker	1949, 51, 53, 55
Rhoades, Kitty	Rep.	30	Consultant	1999, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09
Ringhand, Janis†	Dem.	81, 45	Accountant, executive director of nonprofit	2011, 13
Robson, Judith†	Dem.	45	Registered nurse, teacher	1987*, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97
Rodriguez, Jessie	Rep.	21	Analyst for supermarket company	2013*, 15, 17, 19
Roessler, Carol A. (Buettner)†	Rep.	81, 54	Nutrition program administrator	1983, 85, 87
Rohan, Sue (Magnuson)	Dem.	48	Educational diagnostician	1985, 87, 89, 91
Rosenzweig, Peggy A.†	Rep.	67, 98, 14	Medical center community relations director	1983, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93
Roys, Kelda Helen	Dem.	81	Attorney	2009, 11
Sargent, Melissa	Dem.	48	Small business owner	2013, 15, 17, 19
Schneiders, Lolita	Rep.	97, 69, 97	Salesperson	1981, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95
Seidel, Donna J.	Dem.	85	Clerk of courts	2005, 07, 09, 11
Seratti, Lorraine M.	Rep.	36	Small business owner	1993, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03

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Name	Party	District	Occupations	Sessions served
Shankland, Katrina	Dem.	71	Field organizer for nonprofit	2013, 15, 17, 19
Shannon—see Engeleiter				
Shilling, Jennifer ^{2†}	Dem.	95	Congressional and legislative aide	2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11
Sinicki, Christine	Dem.	20	Small business manager	1999, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19
Smith, Patricia Spafford	Dem.	75, 51, 75	School bus contractor	1979, 81, 83
Spillner—see Wade				
Starzyk—see Kerkman				
Strachota, Pat	Rep.	58	Personnel/Safety analyst	2005, 07, 09, 11, 13
Stubbs, Shelia	Dem.	77	Advocate, County board supervisor, probation and parole officer	2019
Stuck, Amanda	Dem.	57	Housing specialist	2015, 17, 19
Subeck, Lisa	Dem.	78	Early childhood education specialist	2015, 17, 19
Taylor, Chris	Dem.	48, 76	Attorney, policy director	2011*, 13, 15, 17, 19
Taylor, Lena C.†	Dem.	18	Attorney	2003*
Tesmer, Louise M.	Dem.	19, 1, 19	Attorney	1973, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89 ³
Thompson, Helen F.	Rep.	Price	Teacher, hotel keeper	1925, 27
Toles, Barbara	Dem.	17	Community outreach coordinator	2003*, 05, 07, 09, 11
Towns, Debi	Rep.	43	Dairy farm owner	2003, 05
Ulichny, Barbara L.†	Dem.	25, 4, 12	YWCA program director	1979, 81, 83
Van Dreel, Mary Lou	Dem.	90	Insurance agent, resort owner	1987, 89, 91
VanderMeer, Nancy Lynn	Rep.	70	Automobile dealer	2015, 17, 19
Varda, Margaret P.	Prog.	Iron & Vilas	Attorney	1943
Vergeront, Susan B.	Rep.	60	Public relations consultant	1985, 87, 89, 91, 93
Vining, Robyn	Dem.	14	Entrepreneur, small business owner	2019
Vruwink, Amy Sue	Dem.	70	Congressional aide	2003, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13
Vukmir, Leah†	Rep.	14	Certified pediatric nurse	2003, 05, 07, 09
Wade, Joan (Spillner)	Rep.	42	Distance learning specialist	1997*, 99, 2001 ⁴
Wagner, Mary K.	Dem.	66	County clerk, educator	1979, 81
Walling, Esther K.	Rep.	80, 55	Bookkeeper, sales manager	1983, 85, 87, 89

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Name	Party	District	Occupations	Sessions served
Waukau, Sarah	Dem.	35	Elderly benefits analyst	1999*
Weber, Becky	Rep.	5	Restaurant developer and insurance agent	2003
Williams, Annette Polly	Dem.	17, 11, 17, 10	Mental health assistant	1981, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 2001, 03, 05, 07, 09
Williams, Mary	Rep.	87	Restaurant owner	2003, 05, 07, 09, 11, 13
Wright, Mandy	Dem.	85	Teacher	2013
Young, Rebecca	Dem.	76	Attorney	1985, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97
Zamarripa, JoCasta	Dem.	8	Nonprofit professional	2011, 13, 15, 17, 19
Zeuske, Cathy Susan	Rep.	54, 4	Insurance agent	1983, 85, 87, 89

†Served in both houses.

*Elected in special election.

Dem.—Democrat; Prog.—Progressive; Rep.—Republican

1. Resigned January 12, 1990, to become head of the Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

2. Elected to Assembly under maiden name of Ehlenfeldt; changed to Shilling prior to inauguration.

3. Resigned August 1, 1989, to become Milwaukee County circuit court judge.

4. Resigned September 1, 2001.

Table 3. List of women legislators by session

Session	Total	Names
1925	3	Assemblymen Barber, Brooks, and Thompson
1927	1	Assemblyman Thompson
1929	1	Assemblyman Kryszak
1931	1	Assemblyman Charbonneau
1933	1	Assemblyman Kryszak
1935	1	Assemblyman Kryszak
1937	1	Assemblyman Kryszak
1941	1	Assemblyman Kryszak
1943	2	Assemblymen Kryszak and Varda
1945	1	Assemblyman Kryszak
1949	2	Assemblymen Doyle and Raihle
1951	2	Assemblymen Doyle and Raihle
1953	1	Assemblyman Raihle
1955	1	Assemblyman Raihle
1963	2	Assemblymen Blanchard (Allen)* and Doughty (Luckhardt)
1965	2	Assemblymen Blanchard (Allen) and Doughty (Luckhardt)
1967	3	Assemblymen Blanchard (Allen), Luckhardt (Doughty), and Manders*
1969	2	Assemblymen Allen (Blanchard) and Luckhardt (Doughty)
1971	4	Representatives Duren, Luckhardt (Doughty), Mielke, and Miller
1973	7	Representatives Donoghue, Duren, Luckhardt (Doughty), Mielke, Miller, Munts, and Tesmer
1975	10	Senator Morrison Representatives Donoghue, Duren, Goodrich, Luckhardt (Doughty), Metz, Miller, Munts, Shannon (Engeleiter), and Tesmer
1977	12	Senators Morrison and Radosevich Representatives Coggs, Donoghue, Duren, Engeleiter (Shannon), Goodrich, Luckhardt (Doughty), Metz, Miller, Munts, and Tesmer
1979	18	Senators Engeleiter (Shannon)*, Lorman*, and Radosevich Representatives Coggs, Donoghue, Duren, Goodrich, Luckhardt (Doughty), Metz, Miller, Munts, Nelsen*, Panzer*, Plous*, Smith, Tesmer, Ulichny, and Wagner
1981	20	Senators Engeleiter (Shannon) and Lorman Representatives Coggs, Donoghue, Duren, Goodrich, Jaronitzky, Luckhardt (Doughty), Metz, Miller, Munts, Nelsen, Panzer, Plous, Schneiders, Smith, Tesmer, Ulichny, Wagner, and Williams
1983	26	Senators Engeleiter (Shannon) and Lorman Representatives Bell, Buettner (Roessler), Coggs, Donoghue, Goodrich, Gronemus, Huelsman, Jaronitzky, Krusick*, Luckhardt (Doughty), Metz, Miller, Munts, Nelsen, Panzer, Plous, Rosenzweig, Schneiders, Smith, Tesmer, Ulichny, Walling, Williams, and Zeuske

Table 3. List of women legislators by session, continued

Session	Total	Names
1985	25	Senators Engeleiter (Shannon), Lorman, and Ulichny Representatives Bell, Buettner (Roessler), Coggs, Gronemus, Hubler, Huelsman, Krug, Krusick, Lewis, Magnuson (Rohan), Metz, Nelsen, Notestein, Panzer, Rosenzweig, Schneiders, Tesmer, Vergeront, Walling, Williams, Young, and Zeuske
1987	28	Senators Buettner (Roessler)*, Engeleiter (Shannon), Lorman, and Ulichny Representatives Bell, Buettner (Roessler)*, Coggs, Farrow, Gronemus, Hubler, Huelsman, Krug, Krusick, Lewis, Linton, Magnuson (Rohan), Nelsen, Notestein, Panzer, Robson*, Rosenzweig, Schneiders, Tesmer, Van Dreel, Vergeront, Walling, Williams, Young, and Zeuske
1989	37	Senators Buettner (Roessler), Engeleiter (Shannon)*, Farrow*, Lorman, and Ulichny Representatives Bell, Coggs, Darling*, Farrow*, Gronemus, Harsdorf, Hinkfuss, Hubler, Huelsman, Klusman, Krug, Krusick, Lahn, Lautenschlager, Lewis, Linton, Moore, Nelsen*, Notestein, Panzer, Plache, Potter*, Robson, Rohan (Magnuson), Rosenzweig, Schneiders, Tesmer*, Van Dreel, Vergeront, Walling, Williams, Young, and Zeuske
1991	32	Senators Buettner (Roessler), Farrow, Huelsman, Lorman, and Ulichny Representatives Albers*, Bell, Coggs, Darling, Gronemus, Harsdorf, Hinkfuss, Hough, Hubler, Klusman, Krug, Krusick, Lautenschlager, Linton, Moore, Notestein, Panzer, Plache, Potter, Robson, Rohan (Magnuson), Rosenzweig, Schneiders, Van Dreel, Vergeront, Williams, and Young
1993	36	Senators Buettner (Roessler), Clausing, Darling, Farrow, Huelsman, Lorman, Moore, Panzer*, and Rosenzweig* Representatives Albers, Baldwin, Beal, Bell, Gronemus, Hanson, Harsdorf, Hinkfuss, Hubler, Klusman, Krosnicki, Krug, Krusick, Ladwig, Lazich, Linton, Morris-Tatum (Morris), Notestein, Owens, Panzer*, Plache, Potter, Robson, Rosenzweig*, Schneiders, Seratti, Vergeront, Williams, and Young
1995	32	Senators Buettner (Roessler), Clausing, Darling, Farrow, Huelsman, Moore, Panzer, Plache*, and Rosenzweig Representatives Albers, Baldwin, Bell, Gronemus, Hanson, Harsdorf, Hubler, Kelso, Klusman, Krug, Krusick, Ladwig, Lazich, Linton, Morris-Tatum (Morris), Notestein, Owens, Plache*, Potter, Robson, Schneiders, Seratti, Williams, and Young
1997	32	Senators Clausing, Darling, Farrow, Huelsman, Lazich*, Moore, Panzer, Plache, Roessler (Buettner), and Rosenzweig Representatives Albers, Baldwin, Gronemus, Hanson, Harsdorf, Hubler, Jeskewitz, Kelso, Klusman, Krug, Krusick, Ladwig, Lazich*, Linton, Morris-Tatum (Morris), Notestein, Owens, Potter, Robson, Seratti, Spillner (Wade)*, Williams, and Young
1999	31	Senators Clausing, Darling, Farrow, Huelsman, Lazich, Moore, Panzer, Plache, Robson, Roessler (Buettner), and Rosenzweig Representatives Albers, Berceau, Gronemus, Hubler, Hundertmark, Jeskewitz, Kelso, Klusman, Krug, Krusick, Ladwig, Lassa, Morris-Tatum (Morris), Owens, Rhoades, Seratti, Sinicki, Spillner (Wade), Waukau*, and Williams
2001	33	Senators Darling, Farrow*, Harsdorf, Huelsman, Lazich, Moore, Panzer, Plache, Robson, Roessler (Buettner), and Rosenzweig Representatives Albers, Berceau, Gronemus, Hubler, Hundertmark, Jeskewitz, Krawczyk, Krug, Krusick, Ladwig, Lassa, Lippert, McCormick, Morris-Tatum (Morris), Owens, Rhoades, Seratti, Shilling, Sinicki, Starzyk (Kerkman), Wade* (Spillner), and Williams

Table 3. List of women legislators by session, continued

Session	Total	Names
2003	37	Senators Darling, Harsdorf, Lassa*, Lazich, Moore, Panzer, Robson, Roessler (Buettner), and Stepp Representatives Albers, Berceau, Gronemus, Hubler, Hundertmark, Jeskewitz, Kerkman (Starzyk), Krawczyk, Krug, Krusick, Ladwig, Lassa*, McCormick, Morris (Morris-Tatum), Nischke, Owens, Pope-Roberts, Rhoades, Seratti, Shilling, Sinicki, Taylor*, Toles*, Towns, Vruwink, Vukmir, Weber, A. Williams, and M. Williams
2005	34	Senators Darling, Harsdorf, Lassa, Lazich, Robson, Roessler (Buettner), Stepp, and Taylor Representatives Albers, Ballweg, Berceau, Grigsby, Gronemus, Hubler, Hundertmark, Jeskewitz, Kerkman (Starzyk), Krawczyk, Krusick, McCormick, Nischke, Owens, Pope-Roberts, Rhoades, Seidel, Shilling, Sinicki, Strachota, Toles, Towns, Vruwink, Vukmir, A. Williams, and M. Williams
2007	30	Senators Darling, Harsdorf, Lassa, Lazich, Robson, Roessler (Buettner), Taylor, and Vinehout Representatives Albers, Ballweg, Berceau, Grigsby, Gronemus, Hraychuck, Hubler, Jeskewitz, Kerkman (Starzyk), Krusick, Owens, Pope-Roberts, Rhoades, Seidel, Shilling, Sinicki, Strachota, Toles, Vruwink, Vukmir, A. Williams, and M. Williams
2009	29	Senators Darling, Harsdorf, Lassa, Lazich, Robson, Taylor, and Vinehout Representatives Ballweg, Berceau, Bernard Schaber, Dexter, Grigsby, Hraychuck, Hubler, Kerkman (Starzyk), Krusick, Pasch, Pope-Roberts, Rhoades, Roys, Seidel, Shilling, Sinicki, Strachota, Toles, Vruwink, Vukmir, A. Williams, and M. Williams
2011	34	Senators Darling, Galloway, Harsdorf, King*, Lassa, Lazich, Shilling*, Taylor, Vinehout, and Vukmir Representatives Ballweg, Berceau, Bernard Schaber, Bernier, Bewley, Billings*, Coggs, Grigsby, Kerkman (Starzyk), Krusick, Litjens, Loudenbeck, Pasch, Pope-Roberts, Ringhand, Roys, Seidel, Shilling*, Sinicki, Strachota, Taylor*, Toles, Vruwink, Williams, and Zamarripa
2013	34	Senators Darling, Harris, Harsdorf, Lassa, Lazich, Shilling, Taylor, Vinehout, and Vukmir Representatives Ballweg, Berceau, Bernard Schaber, Bernier, Bewley, Billings, Czaja, Hesselbein, Johnson, Kerkman (Starzyk), Kolste, Loudenbeck, Pasch, Pope-Roberts, Ringhand, Rodriguez*, Sargent, Shankland, Sinicki, Strachota, Taylor, Vruwink, Williams, Wright, and Zamarripa
2015	34	Senators Bewley, Darling, Harris Dodd, Harsdorf, Lassa, Lazich, Ringhand, Shilling, Taylor, Vinehout, and Vukmir Representatives Ballweg, Berceau, Bernier, Billings, Brandtjen, Czaja (Felzkowski), Duchow*, Hesselbein, Johnson, Kerkman (Starzyk), Kolste, Loudenbeck, Meyers, Pope, Rodriguez, Sargent, Shankland, Sinicki, Stuck, Subeck, Taylor, VanderMeer, and Zamarripa
2017	33	Senators Bewley, Darling, Harsdorf*, Johnson, Ringhand, Schachtner*, Shilling, Taylor, Vinehout, and Vukmir Representatives Ballweg, Berceau, Bernier, Billings, Brandtjen, Duchow, Felzkowski (Czaja), Hesselbein, Kerkman (Starzyk), Kolste, Loudenbeck, Meyers, Neubauer*, Pope, Rodriguez, Sargent, Shankland, Sinicki, Stuck, Subeck, Taylor, VanderMeer, and Zamarripa
2019	36	Senators Bernier, Bewley, Darling, Johnson, Ringhand, Schachtner, Shilling, Taylor Representatives Ballweg, Billings, Brandtjen, Cabrera, Dittrich, Duchow, Emerson, Felzkowski (Czaja), Hesselbein, Kerkman (Starzyk), Kolste, Loudenbeck, Magnafici, Meyers, Myers, Neubauer, Pope, Rodriguez, Sargent, Shankland, Sinicki, Stubbs, Stuck, Subeck, Taylor, VanderMeer, Vining, Zamarripa

*Indicates legislator served only part of the session.

Note: Sessions in which no women legislators served are not listed. The total includes any woman legislator who served any portion of a session. A legislator serving in both houses in the same session is counted only once.