

Women in ministerial positions

The countries are ranked according to the percentage of women in ministerial positions, reflecting appointments up to 1 January 2017.

Rank	Country	% Women	Women	Total ministers
1	Bolivia	52.9	9	17
2	France	52.9	9	17
3	Nicaragua	52.9	9	17
4	Sweden	52.2	12	23
5	Canada	51.7	15	29
6	Slovenia	50.0	6	12
40 to 49.9%				
7	Iceland	47.1	4	9
8	Denmark	42.9	9	21
9	South Africa	41.7	15	36
10	Albania	40.0	8	20
11	Liechtenstein	40.0	4	10
12	Norway	38.9	19	49
13	Finland	38.5	5	13
14	Spain	36.5	6	16
15	Netherlands	36.5	6	16
16	New Zealand	37.0	10	27
17	Peru	36.8	7	19
18	Uganda	36.7	11	30
19	Lithuania	35.7	7	19
20	Colombia	35.3	6	17
35 to 39.9%				
21	Chile	34.8	8	23
22	Germany	33.3	5	15
23	Zambia	33.3	10	30
24	Dominica	31.3	5	16
25	Dominica*	31.3	5	16
26	Mauritania	30.8	8	26
27	Switzerland	30.8	13	42
28	United Kingdom	30.8	8	26
29	Costa Rica	30.4	6	20
30	Andorra	30.0	3	10
25 to 29.9%				
31	Panama	29.4	5	17
32	Estonia	28.6	4	14
33	Switzerland	28.6	2	7
34	Trinidad and Tobago	28.6	6	21
35	Belgium	28.6	6	21
36	Belgium	28.6	6	21
37	Ecuador	27.5	11	40
38	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	27.5	11	40
39	Honduras	27.3	6	22
40	Saint Lucia*	27.3	3	11
41	Ireland	26.7	4	15
42	United Arab Emirates	26.7	8	30
43	Ireland	26.3	5	19
44	Switzerland	26.3	5	19
45	Chad	26.3	5	19
46	Indonesia	25.7	9	35
47	Cuba	25.7	9	35
48	Micronesia (Federated States of)*	25.0	2	8
49	Philippines	25.0	2	8
20 to 24.9%				
50	Mali	24.2	8	33
51	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	24.2	8	33
52	Australia	24.1	7	29
53	Namibia	24.0	6	25
54	Romania	24.0	6	25
55	Cambodia*	23.8	3	13
56	Bahamas*	23.5	4	17
57	Ghana	23.3	3	13
58	Austria	23.1	3	13
59	Lebanon	23.1	3	13
60	Tunisia	23.1	6	26
61	Nicaragua	22.9	9	39
62	Burundi	22.7	5	22
63	Poland	22.7	5	22
64	Angola	22.2	2	9
65	Bosnia and Herzegovina	22.2	4	18
66	Malawi*	22.2	4	18
67	Portugal	22.2	4	18
68	Republic of Moldova	22.2	4	18
69	Dominica*	22.2	4	18
70	El Salvador	21.4	3	14
71	Greece	21.4	3	14
72	Nicaragua	21.4	4	19
73	Côte d'Ivoire	20.9	9	43
74	Dominican Republic*	20.9	5	24
75	Croatia	20.9	4	20
76	Luxembourg	20.9	15	74
77	Costa Rica	20.0	1	5
78	Monaco	20.0	1	5
79	Lesotho	20.0	6	30
80	South Sudan	20.0	6	30
81	Togo	20.0	4	20
82	United Republic of Tanzania	20.0	4	20
15 to 19.9%				
83	Israel*	19.0	4	21
84	Timor-Leste	18.8	3	16
85	Timor-Leste	18.8	3	16
86	Lebanon	18.2	4	22
87	Lebanon	18.2	4	22
88	Gabon	17.9	5	28
89	Madagascar	17.9	5	28
90	Czechia	17.6	3	17
91	Maldives	17.4	4	23
92	Central African Republic	17.4	4	23
93	Cameroon	17.1	7	41
94	Cameroon	17.1	7	41
95	Algeria	16.7	3	18
96	Eritrea	16.7	3	18
97	Guyana	16.7	3	18
98	Jersey	16.7	1	6
99	Nauru*	16.7	1	6
100	Zimbabwe	16.1	5	31
101	Sierra Leone	15.8	8	50
102	Japan	15.8	3	19
103	Mexico	15.8	3	19
104	Fiji*	15.4	2	13
105	Paraguay	15.4	2	13
106	Samoa	15.4	2	13
10 to 14.9%				
107	Benin	14.3	3	21
108	Kyrgyzstan	14.3	3	21
109	Tuvalu*	14.3	1	7
110	Sierra Leone	14.3	4	29
111	Algeria	13.3	2	15
112	Mongolia	13.3	2	15
113	Burkina Faso	13.0	3	23
114	Morocco	13.0	3	23
115	Nigeria	12.0	3	25
116	Barbados*	11.8	4	34
117	Egypt	11.8	4	34
118	Democratic Rep. of the Congo*	11.6	5	43
119	Sudan*	11.4	2	18
120	Armenia*	11.1	2	18
121	Georgia	11.1	1	9
122	Saint Kitts and Nevis*	11.1	1	9
123	Thailand	11.1	1	9
124	Iraq	10.5	2	19
125	Bhutan	10.0	3	30
126	China	10.0	3	30
127	Ethiopia	10.0	3	30
128	Marshall Islands	10.0	1	10
129	Mauritius	9.7	2	20
5 to 9.9%				
130	Equatorial Guinea*	9.7	3	31
131	Iran (Islamic Republic of)*	9.7	3	31
132	Russian Federation	9.7	3	31
133	Cambodia	9.1	1	11
134	Cyprus	9.1	1	11
135	Republic of Korea	9.1	2	22
136	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines*	9.1	1	11
137	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines*	9.1	1	11
138	Malaysia	8.3	3	38
139	Antigua and Barbuda*	7.7	1	13
140	Lao People's Democratic Republic	7.4	2	27
141	Jordan	7.1	1	14
142	Kuwait	6.7	1	15
143	Somalia	6.3	2	32
144	Malta	6.3	1	16
145	Oman	6.3	1	16
146	Qatar	6.3	1	16
147	Syrian Arab Republic*	5.9	1	17
148	Tajikistan	5.9	1	17
149	Djibouti	5.8	1	17
150	Yemen	5.3	1	19
151	Singapore	5.0	1	20
152	Myanmar*	5.0	1	20
0 to 4.9%				
153	Azerbaijan	0.0	0	16
154	Belize*	0.0	0	14
155	Brunei Darussalam	0.0	0	16
156	Comoros	0.0	0	16
157	Ghana	0.0	0	24
158	Hong Kong	0.0	0	11
159	Kiribati*	0.0	0	14
160	Kiribati*	0.0	0	14
161	Maldives	0.0	0	8
162	Maldives	0.0	0	8
163	Marina	0.0	0	7
164	Saudi Arabia	0.0	0	29
165	Tonga	0.0	0	12
166	Vanuatu*	0.0	0	12
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Country	Women	Total ministers
1	108	108
2	98	98
3	67	67
4	65	65
5	60	60
6	58	58
7	58	58
8	56	56
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100	11	11

Demographic People's Republic of Korea, Georgia, Haiti, Libya, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United States of America and Uzbekistan
*Appointments to the country's ministerial positions are not yet completed.

1 The total includes deputy prime ministers and ministers. Prime ministers/head of government were also included when they held ministerial portfolios. Vice-presidents and heads of government/public agencies have not been included.
2 Source: IPU. Data obtained from national governments, permanent missions to the United Nations and/or publicly available information.
3 Source: IPU. Data provided by national governments.

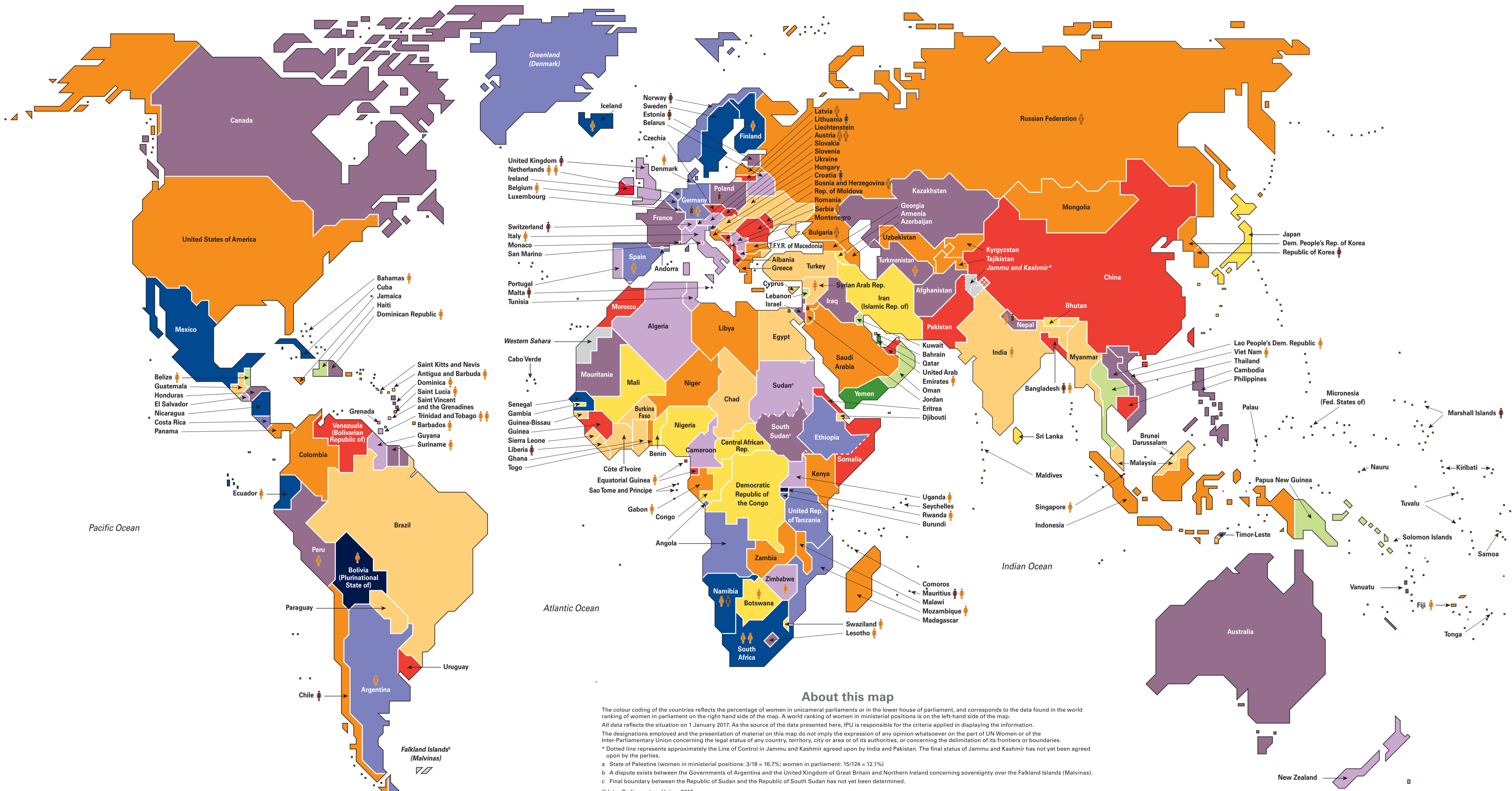


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About this map
The colour coding of the countries reflects the percentage of women in unicameral parliaments or in the lower house of parliament, and corresponds to the data found in the world ranking of women in ministerial positions on the right-hand side of the map. A world ranking of women in ministerial positions is on the left-hand side of the map. All data reflects the situation on 1 January 2017. As the source of the data presented here, IPU is responsible for the criteria applied in displaying the information. The designations employed and the presentation of material on this map do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of UN Women or of the Inter-Parliamentary Union concerning the legal status of any country, territory