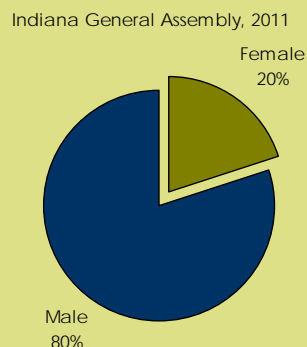




Election Highlights

- As a result of the election held November 2, 2010, women were elected to serve in 31 (20.6%) of the 150 seats in for the 2011 Indiana General Assembly. This is a .7% decrease of women who served in the 2010 legislative session.
- Women gained two open seats in the General Assembly, and three women unseated incumbents to gain seats in the House of Representatives.
- Among incumbent Legislators (Senate and House), all 18 women ran in contested elections, of which 15 (83%) were re-elected to their seats



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Women in the Indiana General Assembly 2011 Status Report

Senate

- Women were elected to serve in 10 (20%) of the 50 seats in the Indiana Senate for 2011, which is a decrease from 12 seats in 2010.
- Among the 12 female members of the prior (2009-2010) Senate, four seats were on the November 2nd ballot:
 - 2 women were re-elected in contested elections
 - 1 woman retired and her open seat went to a male candidate
 - 1 woman was defeated by a male candidate.

House of Representatives

- Women were elected to serve in 21 (21%) of the 100 seats in the Indiana House of Representatives for 2011. which is an increase from 20 seats in 2010.
- While the overall number of women members has not changed, 5 new women were elected to the Assembly.
 - 3 women unseated a male incumbent to gain the seat
 - 3 women were elected to open seats
 - 1 woman won her seat after a contested election (9377 to 9369).
- Among the 20 House seats held by women in the prior (2009-2010) Legislature:
 - 15 women were re-elected and 2 were unseated in contested elections
 - 3 women did not seek re-election (one left the House to run unsuccessfully for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives, one retired and one was defeated in the 2010 primary) All of these open seats were filled by men.
 - 1 election race saw a woman-vs.-woman contest
- As a result, the overall number of seats in the House of Representatives held by women stayed the same.

How they were elected – 2011 Senate

		Type of Election		Women		Men	
Incumbents	Contested	20%	(2)	33%	(13)		
	Uncontested	0%	(0)	13%	(5)		
	Not up for re-election	80%	(8)	43%	(17)		
New Members	Open Seat	0%	(0)	5%	(2)		
	Defeated Incumbent	0%	(0)	5%	(2)		
	Unopposed	0%	(0)	1%	(1)		
Senate Total		100%	(10)	100%	(40)		

How they were elected – 2011 House

		Type of Election		Women		Men	
Incumbents	Contested	75%	(15)	65%	(51)		
	Uncontested	0%	(0)	20%	(16)		
	Open Seat	14%	(3)	8%	(6)		
New Members	Defeated Incumbent	15%	(3)	6%	(5)		
	Unopposed	0%	(0)	1%	(1)		
	House Total	100%	(21)	100%	(79)		