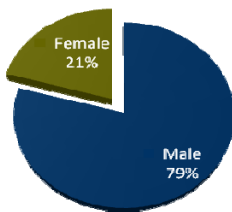




Election Highlights

- As a result of the election held November 6, 2012, women now serve in 31 (20.6%) of the 150 seats for the 2013-2014 Indiana General Assembly. This is a zero gain of women serving in the 2011-2012 legislative session.
- Women gained two seats in the Indiana House of Representatives and lost two seats in the Indiana Senate.
- In the Indiana House of Representatives, 2 women unseated female incumbents, four women were elected to open seats previously held by men and one woman was elected to an open and uncontested seat.
- In the Indiana Senate, all 6 women running for office were re-elected.
- Among 24 women incumbent Legislators (Senate and House) running for office, 22 (92%) were re-elected to their seats; 15 women ran in contested elections, 7 ran in uncontested elections and 2 were defeated.

Women in the Indiana General Assembly



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Senate

- Women were elected to serve in 8 (16%) of the 50 seats in the Indiana Senate for the 2013-2014 Indiana General Assembly, which is a decrease from 10 seats in 2011-2012 and 12 seats in 2009-2010.
- Among the 10 female members of the prior Senate (2011-2012):
 - 6 seats were on the November 6th ballot and all six were re-elected as incumbents
 - 2 women were not up for re-election
 - 1 woman resigned to run for Lt. Governor on the Democratic ticket (and was defeated)
 - 1 woman resigned to serve as the Indiana Secretary of State when that position was vacated by her predecessor

House of Representatives

- Women were elected to serve in 23 (23%) of the 100 seats in the Indiana House of Representatives for 2013-2014, which is an increase from 21 seats in the 2011-2012 General Assembly and 19 seats in 2009-2010
- Of the overall number of women members, 7 new women were elected to the General Assembly.
 - 2 women unseated a female incumbent to gain the seat
 - 4 women were elected to open seats
 - 1 woman was elected in an uncontested race
- Among the 21 House seats held by women in the prior Legislature (2011-2012):
 - 16 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 State Senate, one retired and one left the house to run successfully for Lt. Governor). All of these open seats were filled by men.

How they were elected – 2012 Senate Elections

		Women		Men	
Type of Election		Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count
Incumbents	Contested	37.5%	(3)	26%	(11)
	Uncontested	37.5%	(3)	12%	(5)
	Not up for re-election	25.0%	(2)	55%	(23)
New Members	Open Seat	0%	(0)	7%	(3)
	Defeated Incumbent	0%	(0)	0%	(0)
	Unopposed	0%	(0)	0%	(0)
	Senate Total	100%	(8)	100%	(42)

How they were elected – 2012 House Elections

		Women		Men	
Type of Election		Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count
Incumbents	Contested	52%	(12)	50%	(39)
	Uncontested	17%	(4)	25%	(19)
	Open Seat	17%	(4)	17%	(13)
New Members	Defeated Incumbent	9%	(2)	4%	(3)
	Unopposed	5%	(1)	4%	(3)
	Senate Total	100%	(23)	100%	(77)

¹ Findings are based on unofficial election results from the November 6, 2012, General Election for the State of Indiana.