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Status Report

WOMEN IN ELECTED OFFICES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN MINNESOTA, 2005



The numbers of women elected to local governments in Minnesota has increased in most offices over the years. As a result of the 2004 general election, the percentages of women serving as school board members, city council members, and mayors reached all-times highs.

School Board Members

Eight hundred thirty-one (37.0%) of the 2,245 public school board members in Minnesota are women.¹

City Council Members

An estimated nine hundred thirty-six (26.0%) of the 3,603 city council members in Minnesota are women.²

Mayors

An estimated one hundred thirty-six (15.9%) of the 853 Minnesota mayors are women.²

County Commissioners

Fifty-four (12.1%) of the 447 County Commissioners in Minnesota are women.³

Data Note: The information in this report includes election results from the general election held November 2, 2004. Data Sources: ¹Minnesota School Board Association, ²League of Minnesota Cities, and ³Association of Minnesota Counties

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