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# Diversity in the 119<sup>th</sup> Congress

**REPORT**

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## THE 2024 CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS BROUGHT MIXED RESULTS TO THE DIVERSITY OF CONGRESS.

- ▶▶ The representation of women in both the House and Senate remained unchanged.
- ▶▶ The number of people of color in the Senate grew by four seats and is now at its highest level ever.
- ▶▶ The 119th Congress will be the first in which two Black women serve alongside each other in the U.S. Senate, thanks to the election of Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-Del.) and Angela Alsobrooks (D-Md.).
- ▶▶ Racial and ethnic diversity in the House did not shift significantly. The number of people of color in that chamber dropped by one.
- ▶▶ While overall LGBTQ representation in Congress remains the same at a combined 13 seats in the House and Senate, history was made by Rep. Sarah McBride (D-Del.) as the first openly transgender person to serve in Congress.

# By Chamber

Net change from the 118th Congress shown in parentheses

	Senate	House (full voting members)	House Delegates*
<b>Women</b>	25	125	4
<b>Black/African American</b>	5 (+2)	60 (+2)	2
<b>Latino/Hispanic</b>	7 (+1)	45 (-4)	1 (-1)
<b>AAPI</b>	3 (+1)	18 (+2)	3
<b>Native American</b>	1	3 (-1)	1 (-1)
<b>Minority/People of Color</b>	16 (+4)	122 <sup>^</sup> (-1)	6 <sup>^</sup>
<b>LGBTQ</b>	1 (-1)	12 (+1)	0

\* Includes Puerto Rico's Resident Commissioner.

<sup>^</sup> Note that four voting House members and one delegate identify with more than one racial/ethnic group and are counted in each category with which they identify, but only counted once for the total "Minority/People of Color" category.

# By Party Affiliation

Net change from the 118th Congress shown in parentheses

	Senate		House (full voting members)		House Delegates*	
	<i>D</i>	<i>R</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>R</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>R</i>
<b>Women</b>	16	9	94 (+2)	31 (-2)	2	2
<b>Black/African American</b>	4 (+2)	1	56 (+2)	4	2	0
<b>Latino/Hispanic</b>	4	3 (+1)	36 (+1)	9 (-5)	1	0 (-1)
<b>AAPI</b>	3 (+1)	0	16 (+2)	2	0 (-1)	3 (+1)
<b>Native American</b>	0	1	1 (-1)	2	0 (-1)	1
<b>LGBTQ</b>	1 (-1)	0	12 (+2)	0 (-1)	0	0

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Compiled 12/13/2024. [Link to lists of members and sources](#)