



North Dakota's Women 2016

Political Participation

Recently North Dakota Compass, Center for Social Research at North Dakota State University, conducted a statistical overview on the situation of women in North Dakota. Here are a few of the findings.

- » North Dakota residents have higher rates of voter participation than the U.S.
- » North Dakota women have higher voter participation rates than men, especially in presidential elections (51.8% and 46.7%, respectively).
- » As of October 2016, North Dakota has one woman U.S. Senator and three women in statewide Elected Executive Office (State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Public Service Commissioner).
- » In October 2016, North Dakota ranked last among states in the region and 39th in the U.S. for female representation in state legislatures. After the 2016 election, North Dakota dropped to 41st in the nation for women in state legislatures and remains last in the region.
- » No women of color have ever held elected office in North Dakota.

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