Youth participation in national parliaments

39 per cent of parliaments have no MPs 30 years of age and under.

25 per cent of the world's single and lower chambers of parliament have no MPs aged 30 years of age and under.

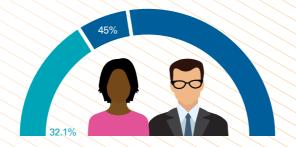
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2.8% IPU target 15% 18.8% IPU target 35% 32.1% IPU target 45%

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Each target also calls for 50-50 gender parity

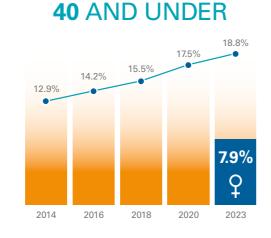


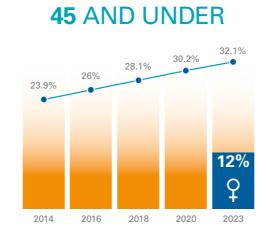
Based on our 2023 surveys, only 13 countries have youth quotas in their legal frameworks, up from 9 countries in 2021.



Global percentage of young MPs (men and women) by age category

30 AND UNDER





74 per cent of the world's upper chambers of parliament have no MPs aged 30 years of age and under.



65 per cent of chambers of parliament have a **committee** that deals with youth issues.

18 per cent of chambers of parliament have a caucus of young MPs.



70 per cent of chambers of parliament impose a "waiting time" between voting age and age of eligibility for office.



Young male MPs outnumber their female counterparts in every age group.

ENCOURAGING SIGN

The gender imbalance is less pronounced among younger MPs where the ratio is:



15 Speakers of parliament are 40 years of age and under, 5 are women.



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