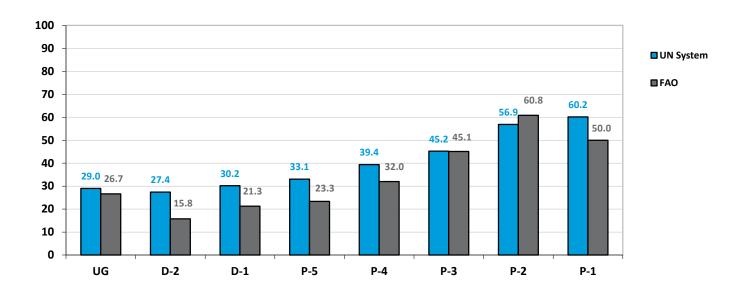


The Status of Women in the United Nations System

Percentage of women in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more in the United Nations System (Dec. 2011) and FAO (Dec. 2011)



Trends in the Representation of Women in the Professional and Higher Categories - 2001 to 2011

| THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM | | | | | | FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO) | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| During the period 2001-2011 in the UN System , the proportion of women increased by 6.8 percentage points, from 33.9% (6,533 out of 19,296) in 2001 to 40.7% (12,086 out of 29,665) in 2011. | | | | | During the period 2001-2011 in FAO , the proportion of women increased by 11.5 percentage points, from 23.7% (306 out of 1292) in 2001 to 35.2% (595 out of 1688) in 2011. | | | | | |
| Level | % of women as of 31 December 2001 | % of women as of 31 December 2011 | Total change 2001-2011 (percentage points) | Avg. annual change 2001-2011 (percentage points) | Level | % of women as of 31 December 2001 | % of women as of 31 December 2011 | Total change 2001-2011 (percentage points) | Avg. annual change 2001-2011 (percentage points) | |
| UG | 15.6 | 29.0 | 13.4 | 1.3 | UG | 17.6 | 26.7 | 9.0 | 0.9 | |
| D-2 | 20.8 | 27.4 | 6.6 | 0.7 | D-2 | 17.1 | 15.8 | -1.3 | -0.1 | |
| D-1 | 21.3 | 30.2 | 8.8 | 0.9 | D-1 | 8.0 | 21.3 | 13.2 | 1.3 | |
| P-5 | 24.1 | 33.1 | 8.9 | 0.9 | P-5 | 12.4 | 23.3 | 10.9 | 1.1 | |
| P-4 | 31.3 | 39.4 | 8.1 | 0.8 | P-4 | 22.2 | 32.0 | 9.8 | 1.0 | |
| P-3 | 40.3 | 45.2 | 5.0 | 0.5 | P-3 | 38.2 | 45.1 | 6.9 | 0.7 | |
| P-2 | 53.3 | 56.9 | 3.6 | 0.4 | P-2 | 55.6 | 60.8 | 5.3 | 0.5 | |
| P-1 | 63.6 | 60.2 | -3.4 | -0.3 | P-1 | 0.0 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 5.0 | |

Source: CEB (2001), UN System Entities (2011). Prepared by the Focal Point for Women, Coordination Division, UN Women, December 2012.

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As of 31 December 2011, women in the **UN System** constituted:

- **40.7%** (12,086 out of 29,665) of all staff in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more
- 29.5% (787 out of 2,672) of all staff D-1 to UG
- 41.9% (11,299 out of 26,993) of all staff P-1 to P-5
- Gender parity achieved: P-1: 60.2% (71 out of 118); P-2: 56.9% (1,746 out of 3,070)
- Largest increase: **UG**: 13.4% (from 15.6% in Dec. 2001 to 29.0% in Dec. 2011)
- Largest decrease: P-1: -3.4% (from 63.6% in Dec. 2001 to 60.2% in Dec. 2011)

As of 31 December 2011, women in FAO constituted:

- **35.2%** (595 out of 1688) of all staff in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more
- 20.3% (27 out of 133) of all staff D-1 to UG
- 36.5% (568 out of 1555) of all staff P-1 to P-5
- Gender parity achieved: P-1: 50.0% (12 out of 24); P-2: 60.8% (118 out of 194)
- Largest increase: **P-1**: 50.0% (from 0.0% in Dec. 2001 to 50.0% in Dec. 2011)
- Largest decrease: D-2: -1.3% (from 17.1% in Dec. 2001 to 15.8% in Dec. 2011)

Representation of Women in Appointments, Promotions and Separations (P-1 to UG): 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2011

| THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM | FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO) | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| APPOINTMENTS | | | | | | | |
| All Appointments (P-1 to UG): 42.1% (2,899 out of 6,885) D-1 to UG Appointments: 29.1% (123 out of 422) P-1 to P-5 Appointments: 43.0% (2,776 out of 6,463) Gender parity in Appointments achieved: P-1: 64.1% (59 out of 92); P-2: 58.0% (728 out of 1,255) Highest proportion of female Appointments: P-1: 64.1% (59 out of 92) Lowest proportion of female Appointments: D-2: 28.5% (35 out of 123) | All Appointments (P-1 to UG): 37.6% (171 out of 455) D-1 to UG Appointments: 16.7% (2 out of 12) P-1 to P-5 Appointments: 38.1% (169 out of 443) Gender parity in Appointments achieved: P-1: 63.6% (14 out of 22); P-2: 61.9% (60 out of 97) Highest proportion of female Appointments: P-1: 63.6% (14 out of 22) Lowest proportion of female Appointments: D-1: 0.0% (0 out of 4) | | | | | | |
| PRO | OMOTIONS | | | | | | |
| All Promotions (P-2 to D-2): 42.6% (1,495 out of 3,507) D-1 and D-2 Promotions: 29.1% (141 out of 485) P-2 to P-5 Promotions: 44.9% (1,354 out of 3,013) Gender parity in Promotions achieved: P-1: 66.7% (6 out of 9); P-2: 58.6% (116 out of 198); P-3: 54.0% (379 out of 702) Highest proportion of female Promotions: P-1: 66.7% (6 out of 9) Lowest proportion of female Promotions: D-2: 25.5% (28 out of 110) | All Promotions (P-2 to D-2): 29.6% (47 out of 159) D-1 and D-2 Promotions: 45.8% (11 out of 24) P-2 to P-5 Promotions: 26.7% (36 out of 135) Gender parity in Promotions achieved: D-2: 50.0% (2 out of 4) Highest proportion of female Promotions: D-2: 50.0% (2 out of 4) Lowest proportion of female Promotions: P-5: 18.5% (10 out of 54) | | | | | | |
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| Women constituted 39.8% (2,583 out of 6,488) of all Separations (P-1 to UG), which is lower than their representation in the UN System (40.7%) The proportion of female separations was higher than the proportion of women at these levels: P-2: 46.8% separations vs. 45.2% representation; P-3: 60.7% vs. 56.9% | Women constitued 27.0% (92 out of 341) of all Separations (P-1 to UG), which is lower than their representation in FAO (35.2%) The proportion of female separations was higher than the proportion of women at these levels: P-3: 49.0% female separations vs. 45.1% representation; D-2: 20.0% vs 15.8% | | | | | | |
| Major causes of separations at these levels: | Major causes of separations at these levels: | | | | | | |
| At the P-2 level 61.2% (131 out of 214) of women separated because of appointment expirations and 30.8% (66 out of 214) because of resignation; At P-3 , 62.0% (258 out | At the P-3 level 44.0% (11 out of 25) of women separated because of appointment expirations, and 40.0% (10 out of 25) because of resignation; At D-2 , 100.0% (3 out of 3) | | | | | | |

because of mandatory retirement.

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of 416) because of appointment expirations, and 25.7% (107 out of 416) because of

resignation.