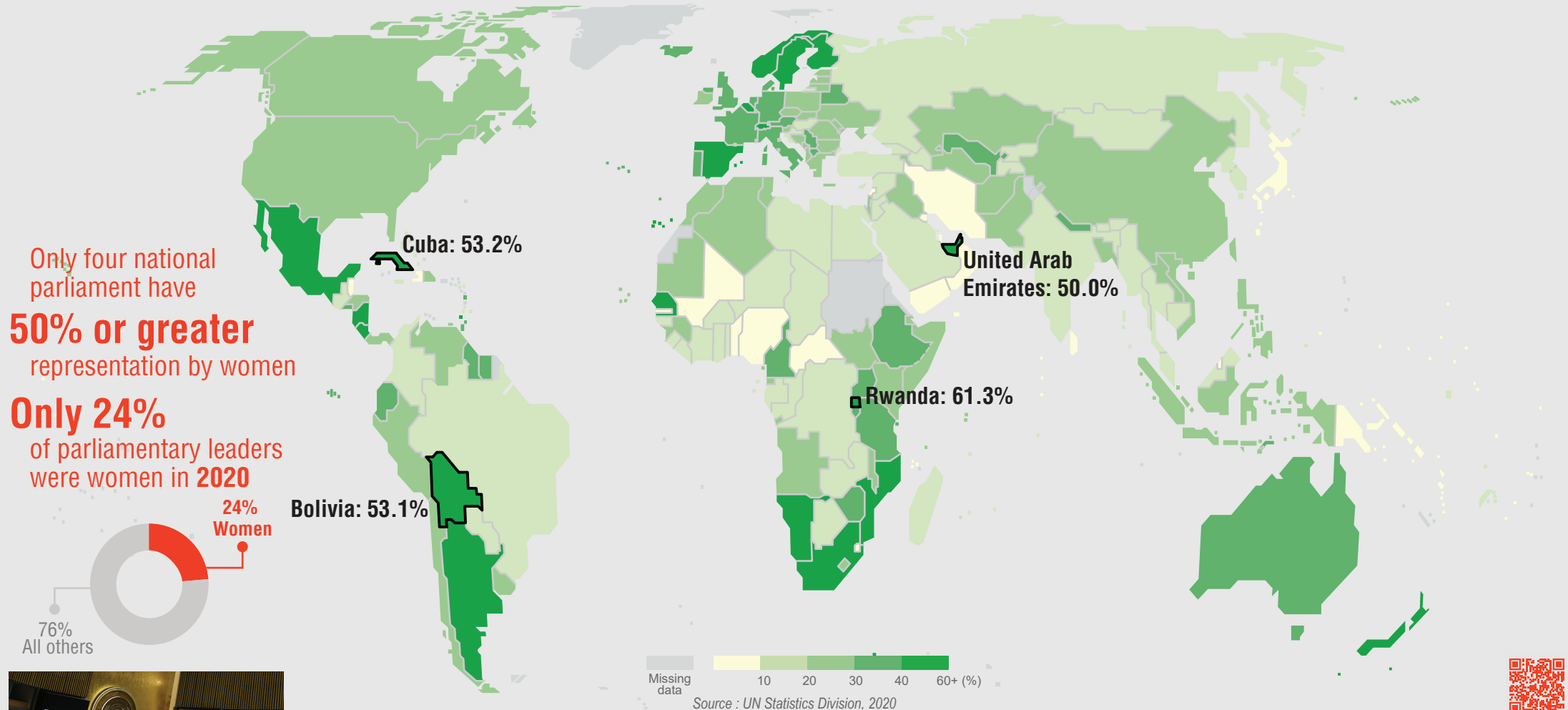


Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making

Proportion of seats held by women in National Parliaments in 2020 (%)



◀ Opening of the sixty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women where Member States adopted a declaration for Action on gender equality, 25 years ago.

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▶ More girls are going to school, fewer girls are forced into early marriage, more women are serving in parliament and positions of leadership, and laws are being reformed to advance gender equality. Despite these gains, challenges remain: discriminatory laws and social norms remain pervasive, and women continue to be underrepresented at all levels of political leadership as depicted on the map showing indicator 1.5.1 (2020) on the proportion of seats held by women in national parliaments.

