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| **Questionnaire for parliaments**  **Post-election questionnaire for the Parline database** |

## About this questionnaire

After each election or renewal, the IPU collects factual data about the composition of the new legislature This data is published in the [Parline](https://data.ipu.org/) database on national parliaments.

This questionnaire is composed of 21 questions. We expect that the questionnaire should take around 8 hours to complete, depending on how easily available the information is.

*Parliaments are kindly requested to complete the questionnaire* ***within one month*** *from the date of receipt.* The preferred method is to complete the questionnaire [online](https://survey.alchemer.eu/s3/90238635/Post-election-questionnaire-for-Parline-database). Alternatively, parliaments may complete the questionnaire in Word and return it to [parline@ipu.org](mailto:parline@ipu.org).

This questionnaire is sent to the Parline Correspondent in each parliament where an election or renewal has taken place, with copy to the parliament’s IPU Group. Parliaments that have not yet designated a Parline Correspondent are requested to do so at the earliest opportunity.

For the purposes of quality control, we may contact you to seek clarifications or additional information.

For all questions, please contact **Ms. Addie Erwin** at [parline@ipu.org](mailto:parline@ipu.org).

## Notes

For bicameral parliaments where elections/renewal took place for both chambers, please complete separate questionnaires for each chamber.

Please provide information that is accurate at the date when the new legislature is convened for the first time. This is called the “inaugural session” in some parliaments.

Any other supporting information can also be provided in this Notes field. If the supporting information refers to a specific question, please indicate the question number.

## About Parline

[Parline](https://data.ipu.org/) is a unique source of comprehensive, accurate and up-to-date reference information on parliaments around the world. It provides parliaments, academics, students, international organizations, the media and many other database users with a comparative perspective on the composition and working methods of parliaments. It is the official source of data for **SDG indicators** **5.5.1** and **16.7.1(a).**

# Identification of your parliament

**Country**:

**Chamber**:

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| Lower chamber or Unicameral parliament | Upper chamber |

*Please provide details for the person that we can contact for further details or clarifications.*

**Name:**

**Job title:**

**E-mail:**

**Telephone:**

**Date submitted:**

**Are you the Parline Correspondent[[1]](#footnote-1) for your parliament/chamber?**

Yes  No

# Data on the previous legislature

## Please indicate the start and end dates of the previous legislature:

*Please use the date format DD/MM/YYYY.*

Start date of the previous legislature:

End date of the previous legislature:

## Total number of laws adopted during the previous legislature:

## How many of the laws adopted during the previous legislature were initiated by Parliament, and how many by the Executive?

*Note: the combined total should typically equal the total number of laws adopted (previous question). If not, please indicate why in notes at the the end of this questionnaire.*

Number of laws initiated by Parliament:

Number of laws initiated by the Executive:

# Parliamentarians in the new legislature

*Please provide information that is accurate at the date when the new legislature is convened for the first time. This is called the “inaugural session” in some parliaments.*

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| Date of the first session (convening) of the new legislature *Please use the date format DD/MM/YYYY.* |  |
| Number of women parliamentarians in the new legislature |  |
| Number of first-time parliamentarians in the new legislature *“First-time parliamentarians” are those who have never been a member of any chamber of a national parliament before.* |  |
| Please provide the list of members of the new legislature. *If the list of members is available online, please provide the URL.* | |

## Average age of all parliamentarians (in years):

*Please calculate the average age of all parliamentarians to one decimal (e.g. 55.7 years)**in the new legislature. Alternatively, send or attach a list of members that includes their sex and year or date of birth and the IPU will calculate figures for questions 8 and 11.*

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|  | **Full name** *(First name, Family name)* | **Gender** | **Date of birth** *(DD.MM.YYYY)* |
| 1. **Youngest parliamentarian** |  | Male  Female  Other |  |
| 1. **Oldest parliamentarian** |  | Male  Female  Other |  |

## Number of parliamentarians, by age and sex:

*Please provide the breakdown of the number of parliamentarians in each age range,* *at the date when the new legislature is convened for the first time.*

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|  | **18-20** | **21-30** | **31-40** | **41-45** | **46-50** | **51-60** | **61-70** | **71-80** | **81-90** | **91 and over** | **Total per sex** |
| **Male** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Female** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Other** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total per age interval** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# Organization of the new legislature

# Number of permanent committees in the new legislature: \_\_\_\_

*“Permanent committees” are committees that are established for the duration of the session or the legislature. They may be named in different ways, for example “standing committees”. Please do not include sub-committees.*

# Number of permanent joint committees: \_\_\_\_

## *For bicameral parliaments only*

## Number of members of parliament who are also members of the government: \_\_\_\_

*Please count all parliamentarians who participate in the government at the national level. For example, Minister, Deputy Minister, Secretary of State, Under-Secretary, etc.*

Not Applicable – Cannot be a member of parliament and the government at the same time

## Did a new Secretary General/Clerk take office following the election/renewal?

Yes  No

***If yes****, please provide the following pieces of information about the new Secretary General/Clerk:*

**Full name (First name, Family name):**

**Sex:**  Male  Female  Other

**Date of appointment/election (DD.MM.YYYY):**

**Previous occupation of the new Secretary General/Clerk:**

Parliamentary staff

Member of parliament

Other (please explain briefly):

## At the most recent election/renewal, were there any changes to legal provisions to guarantee representation of certain groups in parliament?

* *‘Certain groups’ include women, youth, minorities, indigenous peoples, people living with disabilities, and others.*
* *To see the existing information for your parliament in Parline for this question, please check the ‘Basic Information’ section under ‘Reserved seats and quotas’ (Example:* [*Rwanda*](https://data.ipu.org/parliament/RW/RW-LC01/#field-is_reserved_seats)*)*
* *Provisions may feature, for example, in the Constitution, the electoral, or political parties law*

Yes  No

***If yes,*** *please provide brief details and the source:*

## At the most recent election/renewal, were there any changes to the voting age or age of eligibility? *(Example:* [*Italy-Senate*](https://data.ipu.org/field-redirect/?entity=Chamber&code=IT-UC01&field=min_age_member_parl)*)*

Yes  No

***If yes,*** *please provide brief details and the source:*

# Specialized bodies in the new legislature

## Chairpersons of parliamentary committees

* *Please provide data about the chairperson of the parliamentary committees listed below. Data is collected to report to the UN each year on SDG indicator 16.7.1a*
* *Please check "*Not applicable*" if one or more of the committees listed below does not exist.*
* *Please report information on the chairperson of the committee with the primary mandate to cover each topic.*
* *If a committee is co-chaired, please provide information about both chairs in the Notes section.*
* *If a committee has dual or multiple portfolios – e.g. Defence and Foreign Affairs – provide information, including the name of the committee, in the Notes section.*
* *For bicameral parliaments: please specify if any of the committees listed are joint committees of both chambers.*

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| **Committee** | **Name of committee chairperson**  (First name, Family name) | **Date of birth**  (DD/MM/YYYY) | **Sex** | **Political affiliation** | **Joint***?*  *(for bicameral parliaments only)* | **Not applicable** (*committee does not exist)* |
| **Foreign affairs** |  |  | Male  Female  Other | Majority  Opposition  Independent |  | N/A |
| **Defence** |  |  | Male  Female  Other | Majority  Opposition  Independent |  | N/A |
| **Finance** |  |  | Male  Female  Other | Majority  Opposition  Independent |  | N/A |
| **Human rights[[2]](#footnote-2)** |  |  | Male  Female  Other | Majority  Opposition  Independent |  | N/A |
| **Gender equality[[3]](#footnote-3)** |  |  | Male  Female  Other | Majority  Opposition  Independent |  | N/A |
| **Youth[[4]](#footnote-4)** |  |  | Male  Female  Other | Majority  Opposition  Independent |  | N/A |

***Notes:***

1. **Further information on specialized bodies for human rights, gender equality and youth in the new legislature:**

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|  | **Name of the body** | **Number of members** | **Contact information** |
| **Human rights** |  | Total:  Men:  Women:  Other: | Phone:  Email:  Web site for the committee/body: |
| **Gender equality** |  | Total:  Men:  Women:  Other: | Phone:  Email:  Web site for the committee/body: |
| **Youth** |  | Total:  Men:  Women:  Other: | Phone:  Email:  Web site for the committee/body: |

1. **Does the new legislature have a functioning women’s parliamentary caucus / network[[5]](#footnote-5) for women parliamentarians?**

Yes  No

***If Yes****, please provide the following information:*

## Name of the women’s caucus / network:

**Status of the caucus / network:**   Formal  Informal

**Date of creation (MM.YYYY):**

## Contact information for the caucus / network:

Phone:

Email:

Web site:

1. **Does the new legislature have a functioning caucus/network for young parliamentarians[[6]](#footnote-6)?**

Yes  No

***If Yes****, please provide the following information:*

## Name of the youth caucus / network:

**Status of the caucus / network:**   Formal  Informal

**Date of creation (MM.YYYY):**

## Contact information for the caucus / network:

Phone:

Email:

Web site:

Additionally, please go to [Parline](https://data.ipu.org/), select your parliament or chamber, and review the section on *Specialized Bodies*.

* *IF a new committee on human rights or gender equality, or a new women’s caucus, has been established in the new legislature (i.e. it did not exist in the previous legislature)*
* *OR the mandate of an existing committee on human rights, gender equality, or a women’s caucus has changed*
* *OR further details are available that have not yet been included in Parline for the above (see other parliamentary pages for reference)*

*THEN please complete and submit the relevant* questionnaire(s) found here: <https://data.ipu.org/content/questionnaires>

For any questions, or in case of doubt, please contact [parline@ipu.org](mailto:parline@ipu.org).

# Notes

*Please provide any additional information that is necessary for the comprehension of the answers to the questions above. Please refer to the specific question number(s) when providing additional information.*

1. A Parline Correspondent must be formally nominated by their parliament or chamber and proactively inform the IPU of any changes relevant for Parline.Every parliament should have at least one Parline Correspondent.If your parliament does not have a Parline Correspondent, contact [*parline@ipu.org*](mailto:parline@ipu.org?subject=Nominate%20a%20Parline%20Correspondent%20for%20%5BINSERT%20COUNTRY_CHAMBER%5D). For more details about the role of Parline Correspondents, please consult <https://data.ipu.org/content/parliaments>. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Committees which have “human rights” or other words with a similar meaning in their title. Examples include: “Human Rights Committee”, “Committee on Fundamental Freedoms”, “Committee on Constitutional Affairs and Human Rights”, Committee on Human Rights and National Minorities”, “Committee on Civil Liberties and Justice” etc. Or, committees which do not have “human rights” or other words with a similar meaning in their title, but which are competent, as explicitly mentioned in their mandate, to address human rights. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Committees which have “gender equality” or other words with a similar meaning in their title. Examples include: “Gender Equality Committee”, “Committee on Equal Opportunities Between Men and Women”, “Committee on Gender and Social Affairs”, etc. Or, committees which do not have “gender equality” or other words with a similar meaning in their title, but which are competent, as explicitly mentioned in their mandate, to address gender equality matters. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Committees which have “youth” or other words with a similar meaning in their title. Examples include: “Committee on Youth Policies,” “Committee on Family ,Youth, and Sports”, “Committee on Social Welfare and Youth”, “Committee on Culture, Education, Children, Teenagers and Youth Affairs” etc. Or, committees which do not have “youth” or other words with a similar meaning in their title, but which are competent, as explicitly mentioned in their mandate, to address youth affairs. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Women’s caucuses or parliamentary groups are mechanisms that have been created within the parliaments of many countries to strengthen cooperation among women engaged in political life. Such caucuses can bring women parliamentarians together across party lines in effective alliances around a common goal (*Women’s Caucuses,*Joint AGORA – iKNOW Politics Virtual Discussion, 9-20 May 2011). See IPU [Guidelines for Women’s Caucuses, 2013](mailto:https://www.ipu.org/resources/publications/reference/2016-07/guidelines-womens-caucuses) for more information. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. Youth caucuses, networks, or forums, are mechanisms that have been created to strengthen cooperation among MPs to engage on youth issues. They can be caucuses bringing together young parliamentarians exclusively. They can also be caucuses not exclusively composed of young parliamentarians, but serving to coordinate the work of parliamentarians concerned with promoting youth issues in public policy.

   Youth parliamentary caucuses can be formal or informal. Formal caucuses are affiliated with parliament. Informal caucuses are not affiliated with parliament. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)