

Gender Results Framework: Data table on the gender distribution of federally appointed judges in federal, provincial and territorial courts

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Statistics Canada's Centre for Gender, Diversity and Inclusion Statistics (CGDIS) has released a new data table on the gender distribution of federally appointed judges. This information will be used by the [Gender Results Framework](#), a whole-of-government tool designed to track gender equality in Canada.

Using data from the Office of the Commissioner for Federal Judicial Affairs Canada, the CGDIS has produced a new table to highlight the gender distribution of federally appointed judges in federal, provincial, and territorial courts. According to these data, there were 1,202 federally appointed judges in Canada as of October 1, 2021. Of these judges, approximately 43.8% were women. This percentage varies across the country. Across the territories, at least 50% of federally appointed judges were women whereas in the rest of the country, less than 50% of federally appointed judges were women. Notably, courts in Saskatchewan and Prince Edward Island had the lowest percentage of women at 35.7% and 40.0%, respectively.

This new data table is now published on the Statistics Canada website. For more information on the Gender Results Framework and products disaggregated by gender, please go to the [Sex, Gender and Sexual Orientation Statistics Hub](#).

Note to readers

The data are published by the Office of the Commissioner for Federal Judicial Affairs Canada (FJA). Further statistics on the nomination process can be found on the FJA website. These data are freely shared on the Office of the Commissioner for Federal Judicial Affairs Canada website and contain counts of all federally appointed judges in federal, provincial and territorial courts as of October 1, 2021. The data tables on the FJA website contain information on total number of judges in office, supernumeraries, grand total of judges, total number of women judges, and number of current vacancies by court.

Data collected from the FJA are covered by the provisions of the [Copyright Act](#).

Available tables: [table 35-10-0198-01](#).

Definitions, data sources and methods: [survey number 5366](#).

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