

Women and Men in the Positions of Power and Decision-Making in Legal Profession in Taiwan : 1980-08

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I-1. Changes of Graduates of Law School by Degree and Gender, 1982-2006

Year	Bachelor		Master		Doctor	
	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men
1982	67.51 (640)	32.49 (308)	72.73 (40)	27.27 (15)	100.00 (1)	0.00 (0)
1983	62.30 (608)	37.70 (368)	73.33 (44)	26.67 (16)	100.00 (2)	0.00 (0)
1984	62.96 (639)	37.04 (376)	73.21 (41)	26.79 (15)	100.00 (1)	0.00 (0)
1985	66.32 (707)	33.68 (359)	74.63 (50)	25.37 (17)	100.00 (1)	0.00 (0)
1986	65.54 (734)	34.46 (386)	75.47 (40)	24.53 (13)	100.00 (1)	0.00 (0)
1987	57.16 (635)	42.84 (476)	66.67 (40)	33.33 (20)	85.71 (6)	14.29 (1)
1988	55.20 (647)	44.80 (525)	66.67 (32)	33.33 (16)	100.00 (1)	0.00 (0)

I-2. Changes of Graduates of Law School by Degree and Gender, 1982-2006

Year	Bachelor		Master		Doctor	
	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men
1989	54.08 (662)	45.92 (562)	67.86 (38)	32.14 (18)	60.00 (3)	40.00 (2)
1990	53.41 (666)	46.59 (581)	75.51 (37)	24.49 (12)	100.00 (6)	0.00 (0)
1991	50.44 (682)	49.56 (670)	67.90 (55)	32.10 (26)	85.71 (6)	14.29 (1)
1992	47.67 (666)	52.33 (731)	68.93 (71)	31.07 (32)	83.33 (5)	16.67 (1)
1993	50.61 (749)	49.39 (731)	61.42 (78)	38.58 (49)	62.50 (5)	37.50 (3)
1994	53.74 (712)	46.26 (613)	64.66 (86)	35.34 (47)	100.00 (2)	0.00 (0)
1995	56.03 (915)	43.97 (718)	65.43 (106)	34.57 (56)	60.00 (3)	40.00 (2)

I-3. Changes of Graduates of Law School by Degree and Gender, 1982-2006

Year	Bachelor		Master		Doctor	
	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men
1996	58.69 (885)	41.31 (623)	61.99 (106)	38.01 (65)	40.00 (2)	60.00 (3)
1997	55.69 (857)	44.31 (682)	57.84 (107)	42.16 (78)	72.73 (8)	27.27 (3)
1998	52.36 (776)	47.64 (706)	70.95 (105)	29.05 (43)	88.89 (8)	11.11 (1)
1999	54.35 (750)	45.65 (630)	65.22 (105)	34.78 (56)	61.54 (8)	38.46 (5)
2000	54.38 (819)	45.62 (687)	59.28 (99)	40.72 (68)	57.14 (4)	42.86 (3)
2001	54.57 (812)	45.43 (676)	60.00 (123)	40.00 (82)	90.91 (10)	9.09 (1)
2002	55.51 (887)	44.49 (711)	63.00 (143)	37.00 (84)	90.91 (10)	9.09 (1)

I-4.Changes of Graduates of Law School by Degree and Gender, 1982-2006

Year	Bachelor		Master		Doctor	
	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men
2003	54.15 (842)	45.85 (713)	63.70 (172)	36.30 (98)	66.67 (8)	33.33 (4)
2004	48.17 (1174)	51.83 (1263)	63.85 (325)	36.15 (184)	61.91 (13)	38.09 (8)
2005	47.53 (1268)	52.47 (1400)	62.99 (354)	37.01 (208)	69.23 (9)	30.77 (4)
2006	46.95 (1372)	53.05 (1550)	58.75 (376)	41.25 (264)	80.00 (12)	20.00 (3)
total	54.12 (20104)	45.88 (17045)	63.67 (2773)	36.33 (1582)	75.84 (135)	24.16 (43)

II-1. Grand Justices and Others in Judicial Yuan by Gender (N)

Year	Grand Justice		Others	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
1998	92.9	7.1	52.2	47.8
	(13)	(1)	(168)	(154)
2003	80.0	20.0	52.1	47.3
	(12)	(3)	(200)	(184)
2007	72.7	27.3	47.6	52.4
	(8)	(3)	(176)	(194)

II-2. Chief Judges, Judges and Others in H. Supreme Court by Gender (N)

Year	Division Chief Judge		Judge		Others	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1998	88.9 (16)	11.1 (2)	85.7 (54)	14.3 (9)	53.3 (104)	46.7 (91)
2003	88.9 (16)	11.1 (2)	89.7 (52)	10.3 (6)	48.7 (105)	51.3 (111)
2007	100 (10)	0 (0)	83.6 (46)	16.4 (9)	46.6 (104)	53.4 (119)

II-3. Chief Judges, Judges and Others in H. Supreme Admin. Court by Gender (N)

Year	Division Chief Judge		Judge		Others	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1998	83.3	16.7	77.8	22.2	54.8	45.2
	(5)	(1)	(14)	(4)	(34)	(28)
2003	80.0	20.0	88.3	11.7	51.4	48.6
	(4)	(1)	(15)	(2)	(39)	(37)
2007	50.0	50.0	90.9	9.1	52.9	47.1
	(1)	(1)	(10)	(1)	(36)	(32)

II-4. Chief Judges, Judges and Others in H. Admin. Court by Gender (N)

Year	Division Chief Judge		Judge		Others	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
2003	72.7	27.3	65.8	34.2	46.4	53.6
	(8)	(3)	(25)	(13)	(159)	(184)
2007	77.8	22.2	63.5	36.5	49.2	50.8
	(7)	(2)	(33)	(19)	(163)	(168)

II-5. Chief Judges, Judges and Others in H. Court by Gender (N)

Year	Division Chief Judge		Judge		Others	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1998	97.9 (92)	2.1 (2)	80.9 (178)	19.1 (42)	50 (596)	50 (595)
2003	89.3 (75)	10.7 (9)	73.3 (195)	26.7 (71)	46.2 (754)	53.8 (878)
2007	88.3 (68)	11.7 (9)	70.0 (187)	30.0 (80)	45.5 (686)	54.5 (823)

II-6. Chief Judges, Judges and Others in District Courts by Gender (N)

Year	Division Chief Judge		Judge		Others	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1998	78.9 (112)	21.1 (30)	63.6 (454)	36.4 (260)	42.9 (2,508)	45.1 (2,064)
2003	74.1 (100)	25.9 (35)	56.0 (558)	44.0 (439)	50.3 (3,029)	49.7 (2,998)
2007	70.6 (96)	29.4 (40)	53.8 (557)	46.2 (479)	49.6 (3,296)	50.4 (3,354)

II-7. Commissioners and Others in Commission on the Disciplinary by Gender (N)

Year	Commissioner		Others	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
1998	92.3 (12)	7.7 (1)	61.8 (34)	38.2 (21)
2003	77.8 (7)	22.2 (2)	62.2 (28)	37.8 (17)
2007	77.8 (7)	22.2 (2)	60.5 (23)	39.5 (15)

III-1. Chief Prosecutors, Head Prosecutors and Prosecutor in Supreme Prosecutors Office by Gender (N)

Year	Chief Prosecutor		Head Prosecutor		Prosecutor		total	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1996	100 (1)	0 (0)	66.7 (2)	33.3 (1)	88.9 (8)	11.1 (1)	84.6 (11)	15.4 (2)
2000	100 (1)	0 (0)	75.0 (3)	25.0 (1)	86.7 (13)	13.3 (2)	85.0 (17)	15.0 (3)
2005	100 (1)	0 (0)	100 (2)	0 (0)	88.2 (15)	11.8 (2)	90.0 (18)	10.0 (2)
2007	100	0	100	0	89.5	10.5	90.9	9.1

III-2. Chief Prosecutor, Head Prosecutor and Prosecutor in High Prosecutors Office by Gender (N)

Year	Chief Prosecutor		Head Prosecutor		Prosecutor		total	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1996	100 (6)	0 (0)	100 (14)	0 (0)	85.7 (72)	14.3 (12)	88.5 (92)	11.5 (12)
2000	100 (6)	0 (0)	76.9 (10)	23.1 (3)	88.7 (71)	11.3 (9)	87.8 (87)	12.2 (12)
2005	83.3 (5)	16.7 (1)	70.6 (12)	29.4 (5)	80.2 (89)	19.8 (22)	79.1 (106)	20.9 (28)
2007	83.3 (5)	16.7 (1)	75.0 (15)	25.0 (5)	79.7 (102)	20.3 (26)	79.3 (122)	20.7 (32)

III-3. Chief Prosecutor, Head Prosecutor and Prosecutor in District Prosecutors Office by Gender (N)

Year	Chief Prosecutor		Head Prosecutor		Prosecutor		Total	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1998	100 (18)	0 (0)	95.5 (63)	4.5 (3)	73.3 (308)	26.7 (112)	77.2 (389)	22.8 (115)
2000	95.0 (19)	5.0 (1)	82.4 (70)	17.6 (15)	73.6 (337)	35.4 (162)	70.5 (426)	29.5 (178)
2005	95.2 (20)	4.8 (1)	74.6 (85)	25.4 (29)	64.8 (493)	35.2 (268)	66.7 (598)	33.3 (298)
2007	95.2 (20)	4.8 (1)	75.7 (112)	24.3 (36)	66.0 (660)	34.0 (339)	67.8 (792)	32.2 (376)

III-4. Chief Prosecutor, Head Prosecutor and Prosecutor in all Prosecutors Office by Gender (N)

Year	Chief Prosecutor		Head Prosecutor		Prosecutor		total	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
1996	100 (25)	0 (0)	95.2 (79)	4.8 (4)	75.6 (388)	24.4 (125)	79.3 (492)	20.7 (129)
2000	96.3 (26)	3.9 (1)	81.4 (83)	18.6 (19)	70.8 (421)	29.2 (173)	73.3 (530)	26.7 (193)
2005	92.9 (26)	7.1 (2)	74.4 (99)	25.6 (34)	67.2 (597)	32.8 (292)	68.8 (722)	31.2 (328)
2007	92.9 (26)	7.1 (12)	75.8 (129)	24.2 (41)	68.0 (779)	32.0 (367)	69.5 (934)	30.5 (410)

IV. Lawyers in Taipei by Gender : 1960-2008 (N)

Year	Women	Men
1960	3.20(15)	96.80(453)
1970	3.68(18)	96.32(471)
1980	2.66(22)	97.34(804)
1990	14.29(118)	85.71(1168)
2000	26.02(633)	73.98(1799)
2008	31.20(1291)	68.80(2847)



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