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2022-2023 MAINE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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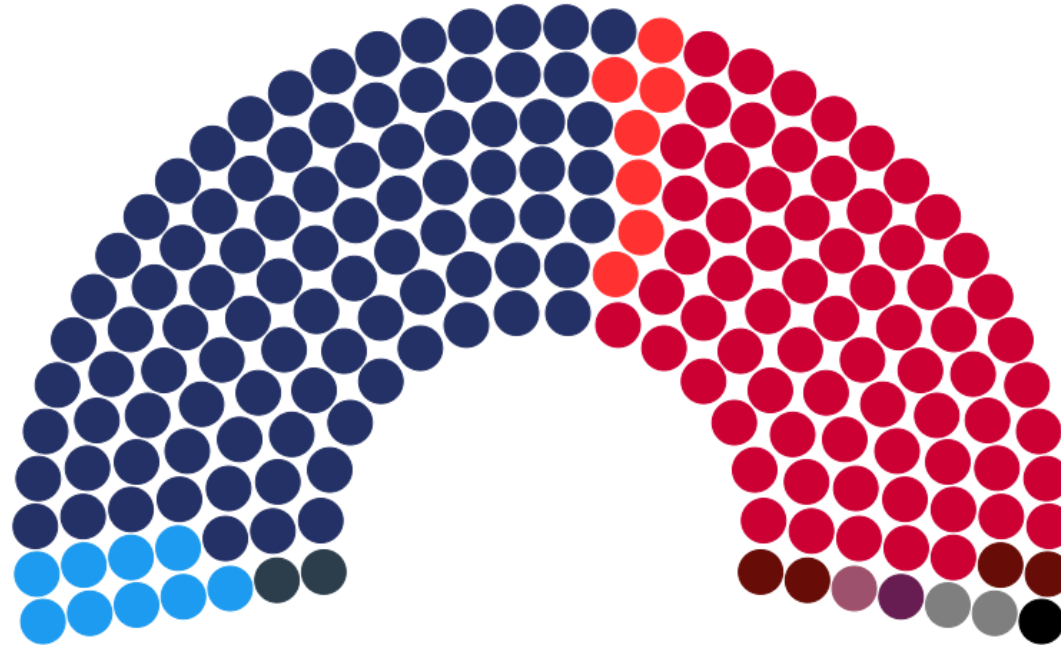
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2022-2023 Maine State Legislature

Number of Legislators	189
Number of Legislators in dataset	189 (100% complete) *2 Vacant Seats*
Average Age of Legislators	56.5 years
Number of Legislators \leq 35 Years of Age	16 (8.47%)
Youngest Legislator	Rep. Caleb Joshua Ness & Rep. Reagan L. Paul Male & Female Born 1999 White Both Republican Party
Number Female Legislators	82 (43.39%)
Average Age Female Legislators	55.0 years
Number of Male Legislators	105 (55.56%)
Average Age Male Legislators	57.7 years
Number of Democrat Legislators	104 (55.3%)
Average Age Democrat Legislators	56.3 years
Number of Republican Legislators	80 (42.33%)
Average Age Republican Legislators	57.0 years

Maine State Legislature

2022-2023



Party	2024
● Missing Democrats (age)	2
● Democratic YELs	9
● Democrats	93
● Republican YELs	7
● Republicans	69
● Missing Republicans (age)	4
● No Party/Independents YELs	1
● No Party/Independents	1
● Vacant	2
● Missing Party	1

Source: Young Elected Leaders Project 2021 • YEL is a legislator ≤ 35 years of age.
 Representative of legislators elected November, 2021

Maine State Legislature, 2022-2023

Generational Composition

Count

Silent Generation (1928-1945)



Baby Boomers (1946-1964)



Gen X (1965-1980)



Millennials (1981-1996)



Gen Z (1997-2012)



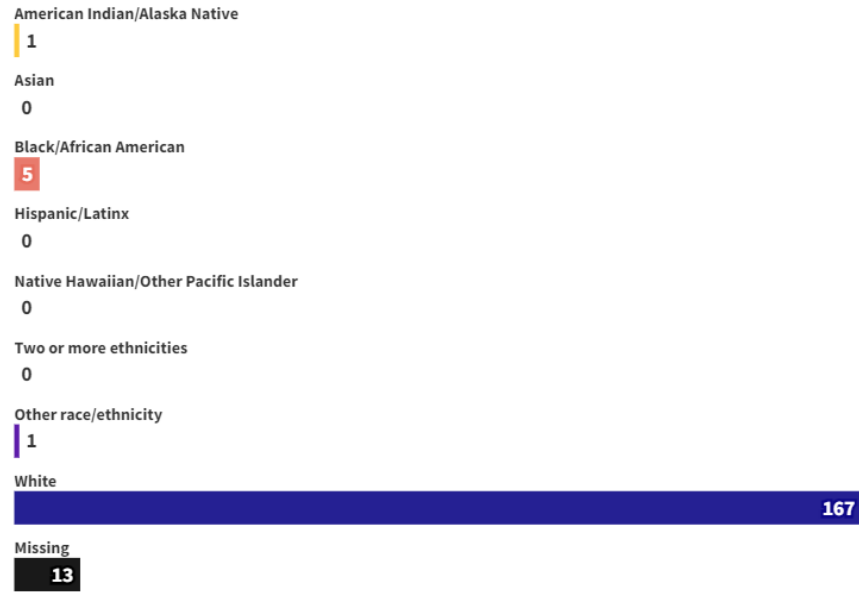
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Representative of legislators elected, Nov. 2021

Maine State Legislature, 2022-2023
Race/Ethnicity Composition, All Legislators

Count



- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black/African American
- Hispanic/Latinx
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- Two or more ethnicities
- Other race/ethnicity
- White
- Missing

Young Elected Leaders Project: Maine State Legislature, 2022-2023 • U.S. Census Bureau - Race/Ethnicity Categories
Representative of legislators elected in November, 2021

Maine State Legislature, 2022-2023
Race/Ethnicity Composition, Young Elected Leaders

Count



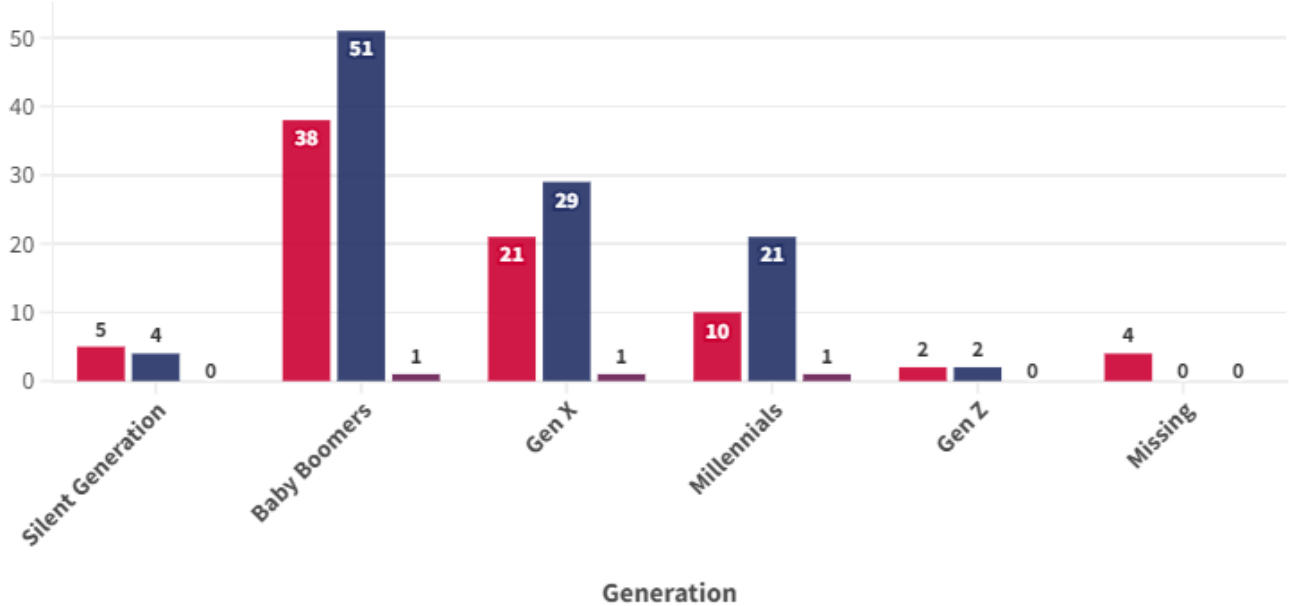
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Maine State Legislature, 2022-2023

Generation by Party

Count



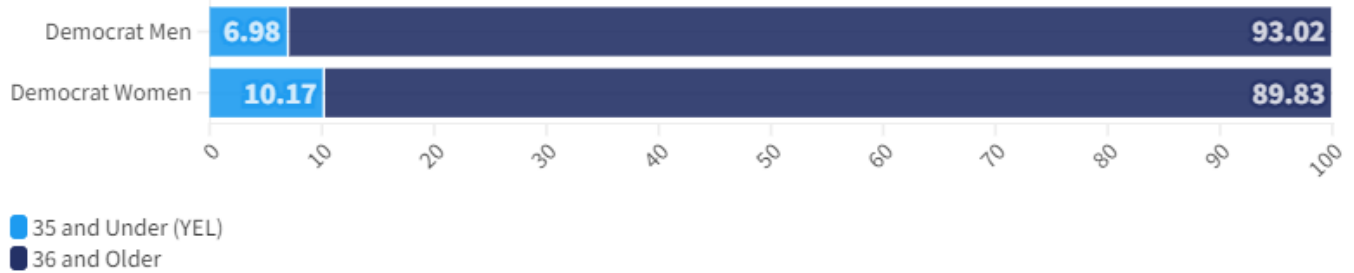
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Maine State Legislature, 2022-2023

Proportion of YELs by Party and Gender

Proportion



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Proportion of YELs by Party and Gender

Proportion

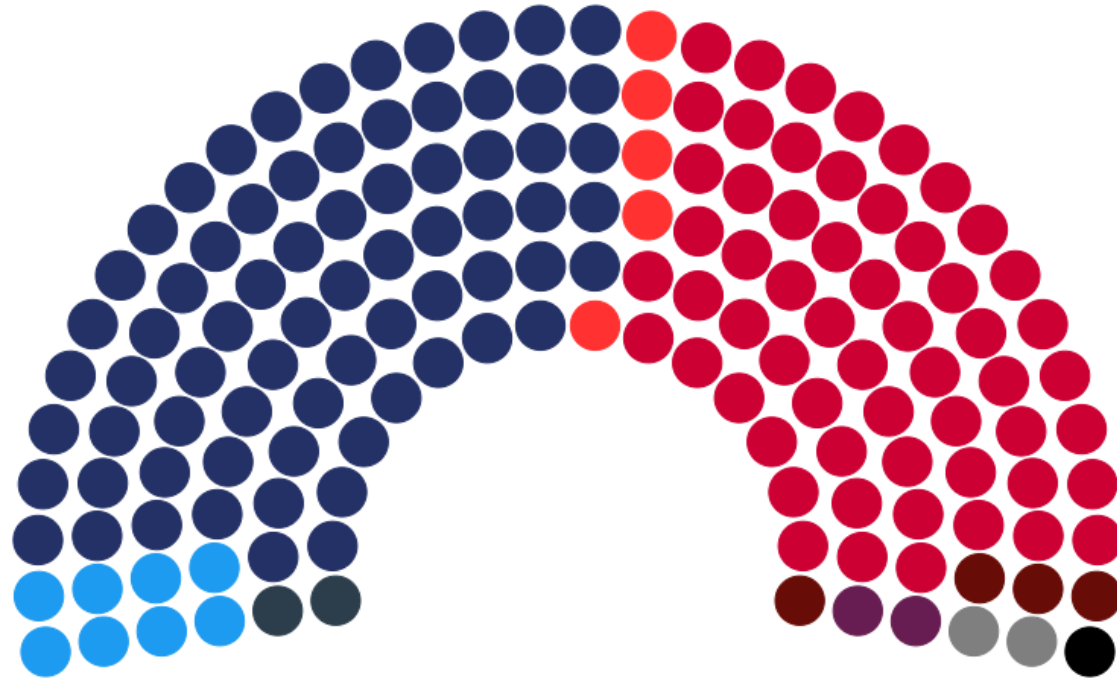


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Representative of legislators elected November, 2021

2022-2023 Maine House of Representatives

Number of Representatives	154
Number of Representatives in dataset	154 (100.0% complete) *2 Vacant Seats*
Average Age of Representatives	56.7 years
Number of Representatives \leq 35 Years of Age	13 (8.44%)
Youngest Representative	Rep. Caleb Joshua Ness & Rep. Reagan L. Paul Male & Female Born 1999 White Both Republican Party
Number Female Representatives	68 (44.16%)
Average Age Female Representatives	54.4 years
Number of Male Representatives	84 (54.55%)
Average Age Male Representatives	58.6 years
Number of Democrat Representatives	82 (53.25%)
Average Age Democrat Representatives	56.1 years
Number of Republican Representatives	67 (43.51%)
Average Age Republican Representatives	57.7 years

Maine House of Representatives 2022-2023



Party	2024
● Missing Democrats (age)	2
● Democratic YELs	8
● Democrats	72
● Republican YELs	5
● Republicans	58
● Missing Republicans (age)	4
● No Party/Independents YELs	0
● No Party/Independents	2
● Vacant	2
● Missing Party	1

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Maine House of Representatives, 2022-2023

Generational Composition

Count

Silent Generation (1928-1945)



Baby Boomers (1946-1964)



Gen X (1965-1980)



Millennials (1981-1996)



Gen Z (1997-2012)



Missing



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Representative of legislators elected, Nov. 2021

Maine House of Representatives, 2022-2023

Race/Ethnicity Composition, All Legislators

Count

American Indian/Alaska Native

1

Asian

0

Black/African American

3

Hispanic/Latinx

0

Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

0

Two or more ethnicities

0

Other race/ethnicity

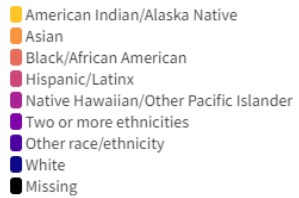
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White

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Maine House of Representatives, 2022-2023

Race/Ethnicity Composition, Young Elected Leaders

Count

American Indian/Alaska Native

0

Asian

0

Black/African American

1

Hispanic/Latinx

0

Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

0

Two or more ethnicities

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Other race/ethnicity

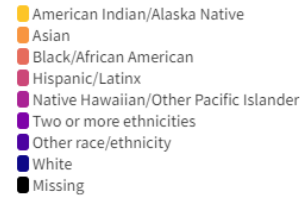
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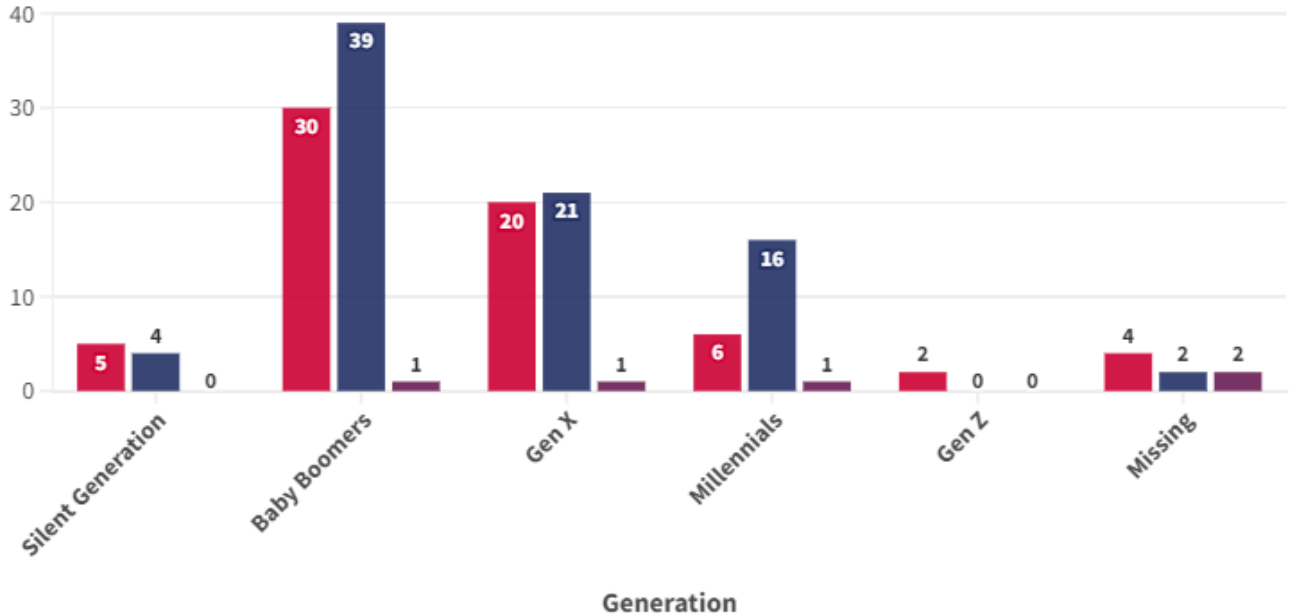


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Maine House of Representatives, 2022-2023

Generation by Party

Count



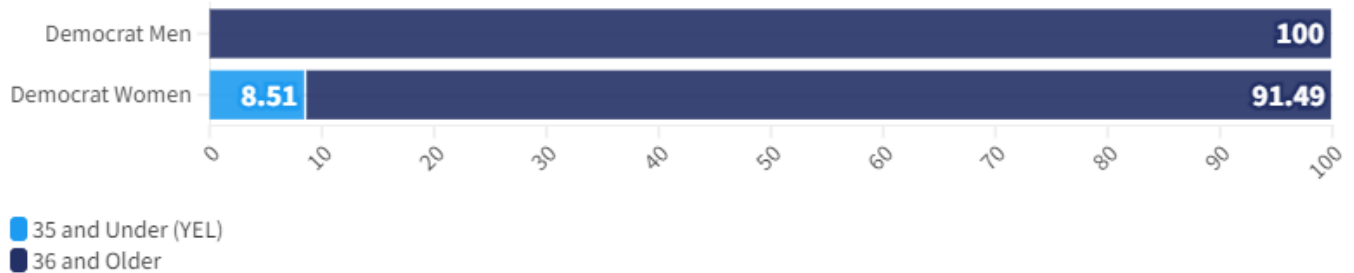
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Proportion of YELs by Party and Gender

Proportion



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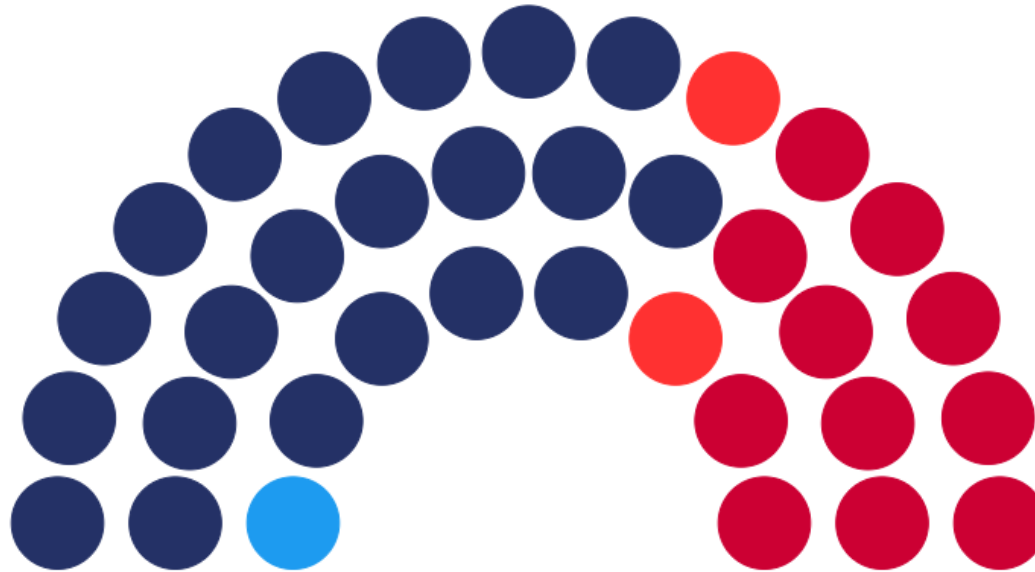


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Representative of legislators elected November, 2021

2022-2023 Maine Senate

Number of Senators	35
Number of Senators in dataset	35 (100% complete)
Average Age of Senators	55.8 years
Number of Senators \leq 35 Years of Age	3 (8.57%)
Youngest Senator	Sen. Matthea Elisabeth Larsen Daughtry Female Born 1987 White Democratic Party
Number Female Senators	14 (40%)
Average Age Female Senators	57.8 years
Number of Male Senators	21 (60%)
Average Age Male Senators	54.5 years
Number of Democrat Senators	22 (62.86%)
Average Age Democrat Senators	56.9 years
Number of Republican Senators	13 (37.14%)
Average Age Republican Senators	50.0 years

Maine Senate
2022-2023



Party	2024
● Missing Democrats (age)	0
● Democratic YELs	1
● Democrats	21
● Republican YELs	2
● Republicans	11
● Missing Republicans (age)	0
● No Party/Independents YELs	0
● No Party/Independents	0
● Vacant	0
● Missing Party	0

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Maine Senate, 2022-2023 Generational Composition

Count

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0

Baby Boomers (1946-1964)

19

Gen X (1965-1980)

8

Millennials (1981-1996)

8

Gen Z (1997-2012)

0

Missing

0

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Maine Senate, 2022-2023

Race/Ethnicity Composition, All Legislators

Count

American Indian/Alaska Native

0

Asian

0

Black/African American

2

Hispanic/Latinx

0

Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

0

Two or more ethnicities

0

Other race/ethnicity

0

White

32

Missing

1

- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black/African American
- Hispanic/Latinx
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
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- Other race/ethnicity
- White
- Missing

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Maine Senate, 2022-2023

Race/Ethnicity Composition, Young Elected Leaders

Count

American Indian/Alaska Native

0

Asian

0

Black/African American

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Hispanic/Latinx

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Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

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Two or more ethnicities

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Other race/ethnicity

0

White

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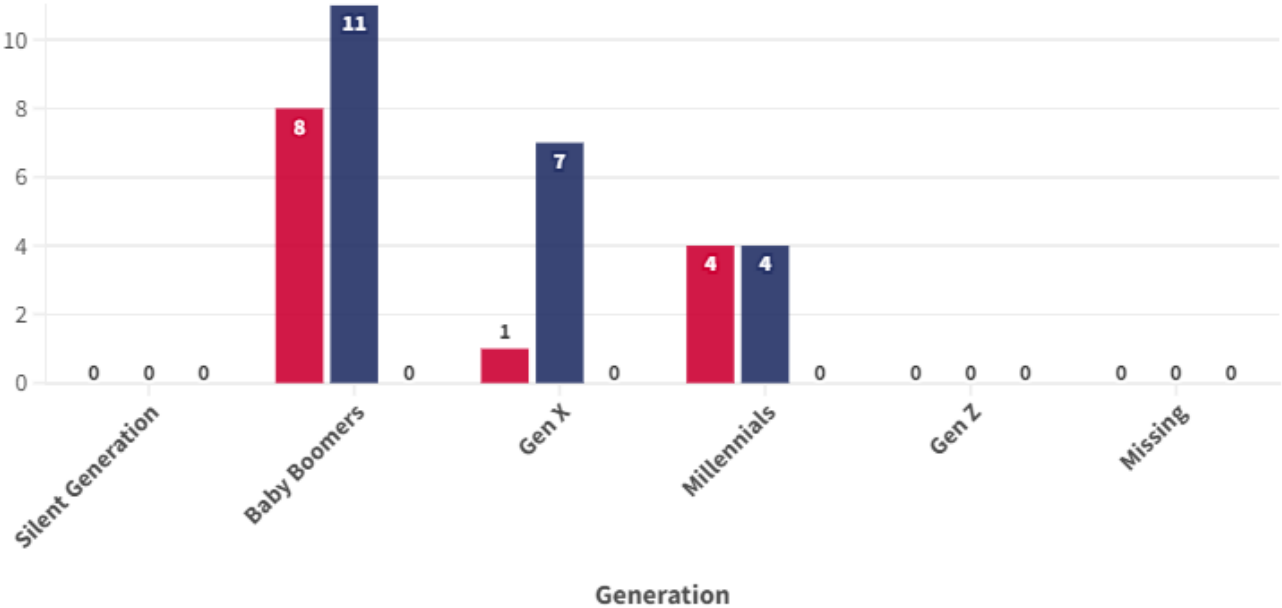
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Generation by Party

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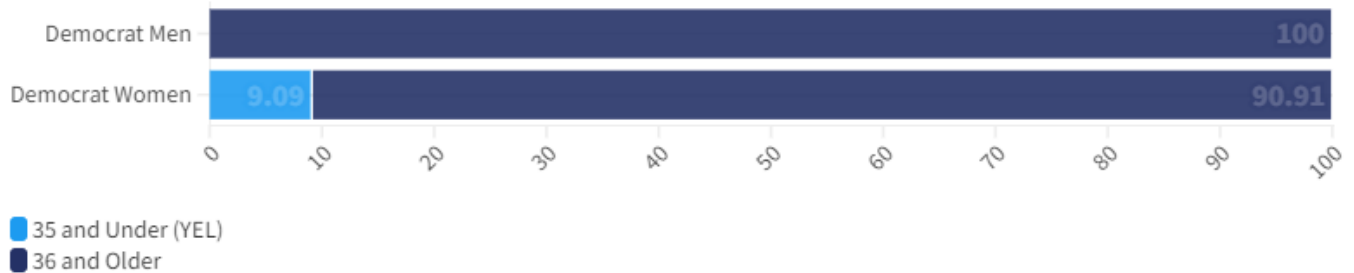
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