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2022-2023 SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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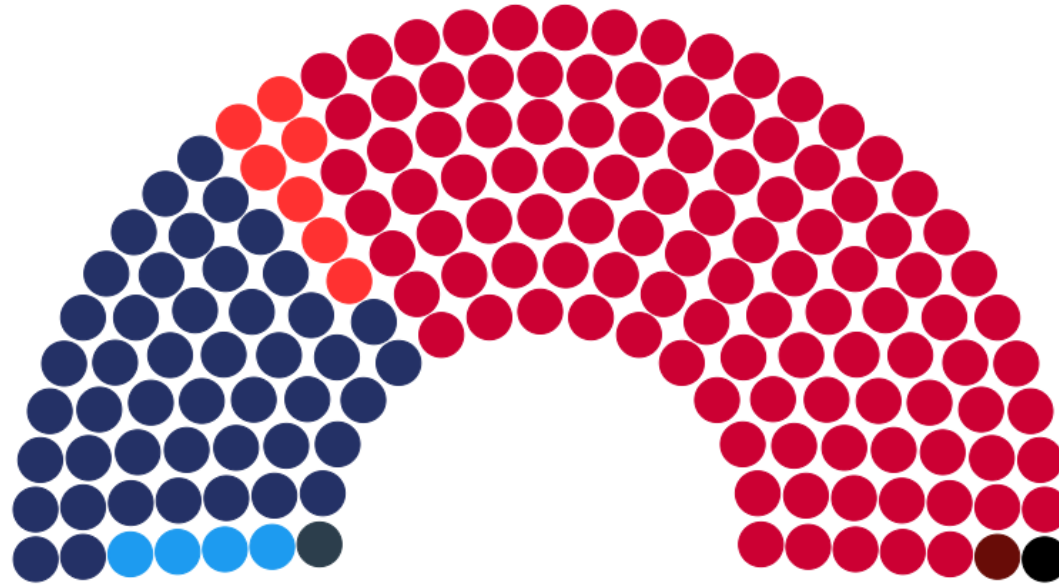
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2022-2023 South Carolina General Assembly

Number of Legislators	170
Number of Legislators in dataset	169 (98% complete)
Average Age of Legislators	55.3 years
Number of Legislators \leq 35 Years of Age	11 (6.47%)
Youngest Legislator	Rep. Steven Wayne Long & Brandon Michael Newton Both Male Born 1994 Both White Republican Party
Number Female Legislators	25 (14.71%)
Average Age Female Legislators	55.67 years
Number of Male Legislators	144 (84.71%)
Average Age Male Legislators	55.2 years
Number of Democrat Legislators	51 (30.00%)
Average Age Democrat Legislators	56.76 years
Number of Republican Legislators	118 (69.41%)
Average Age Republican Legislators	54.62 years

South Carolina General Assembly

2022-2023



Party	2023
● Missing Democrats (age)	1
● Democratic YELs	4
● Democrats	46
● Republican YELs	7
● Republicans	110
● Missing Republicans (age)	1
● No Party/Independents YELs	0
● No Party/Independents	0
● Vacant	0
● Missing Party	1

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

South Carolina General Assembly, 2022-2023 Generational Composition

Count

Silent Generation (1928-1945)

5

Baby Boomers (1946-1964)

74

Gen X (1965-1980)

63

Millennials (1981-1996)

25

Gen Z (1997-2012)

0

Missing

2

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Representative of legislators elected, Nov. 2021

South Carolina General Assembly, 2022-2023

Race/Ethnicity Composition, All Legislators

Count

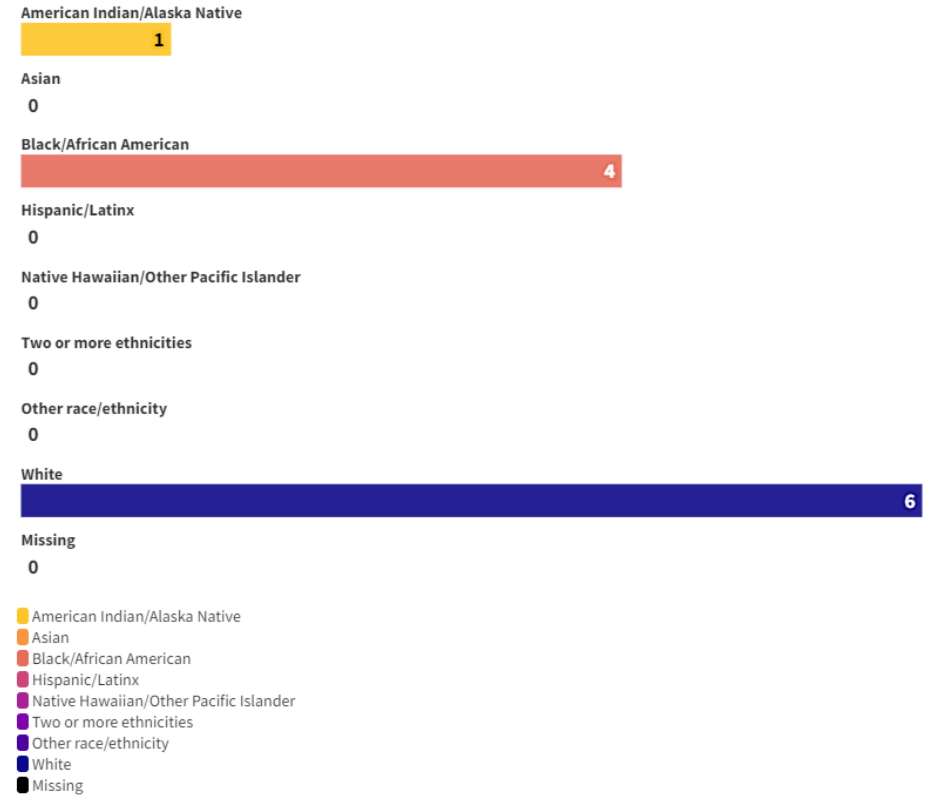


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South Carolina General Assembly, 2022-2023

Race/Ethnicity Composition, Young Elected Leaders

Count

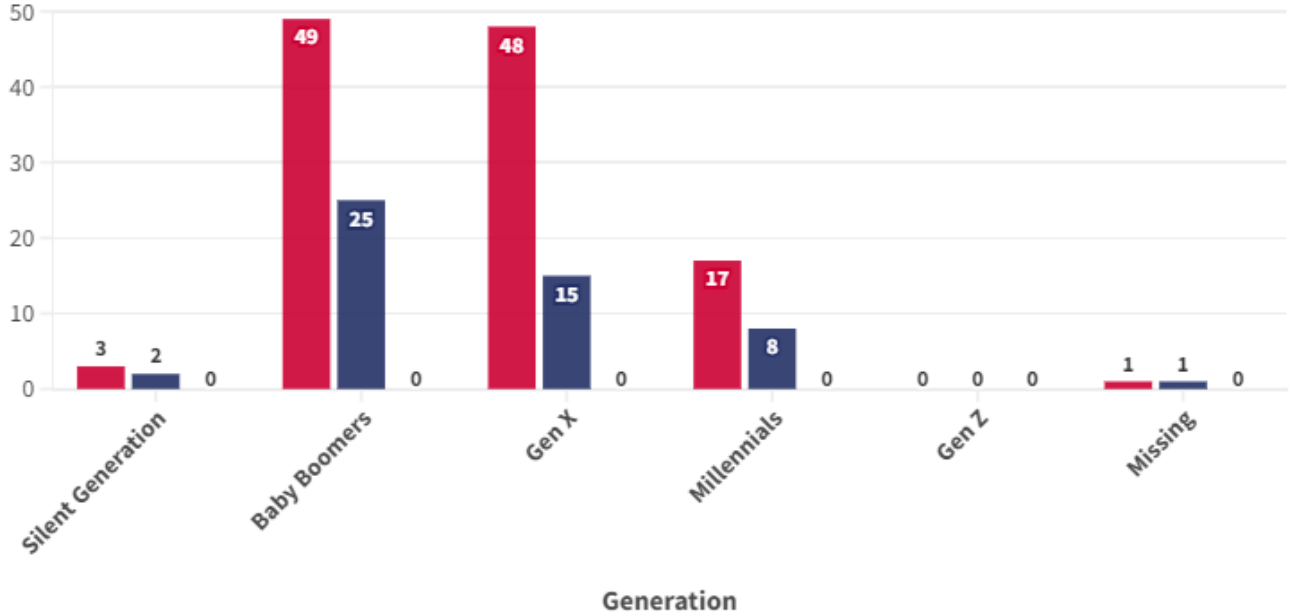


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South Carolina General Assembly, 2022-2023

Generation by Party

Count



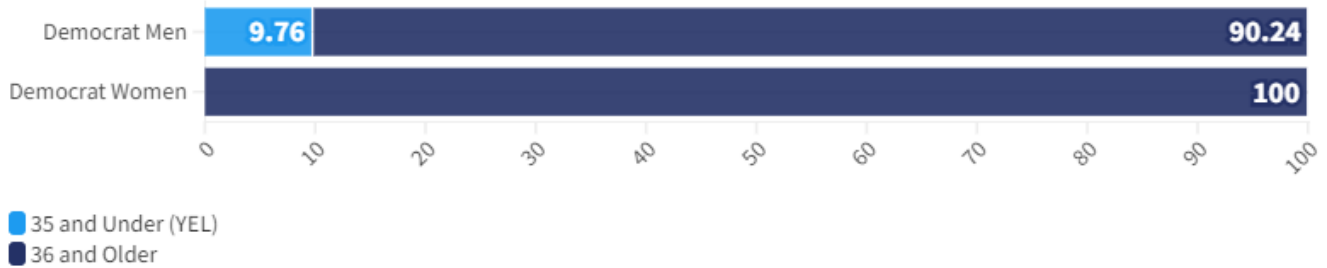
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South Carolina General Assembly, 2022-2023

Proportion of YELs by Party and Gender

Proportion



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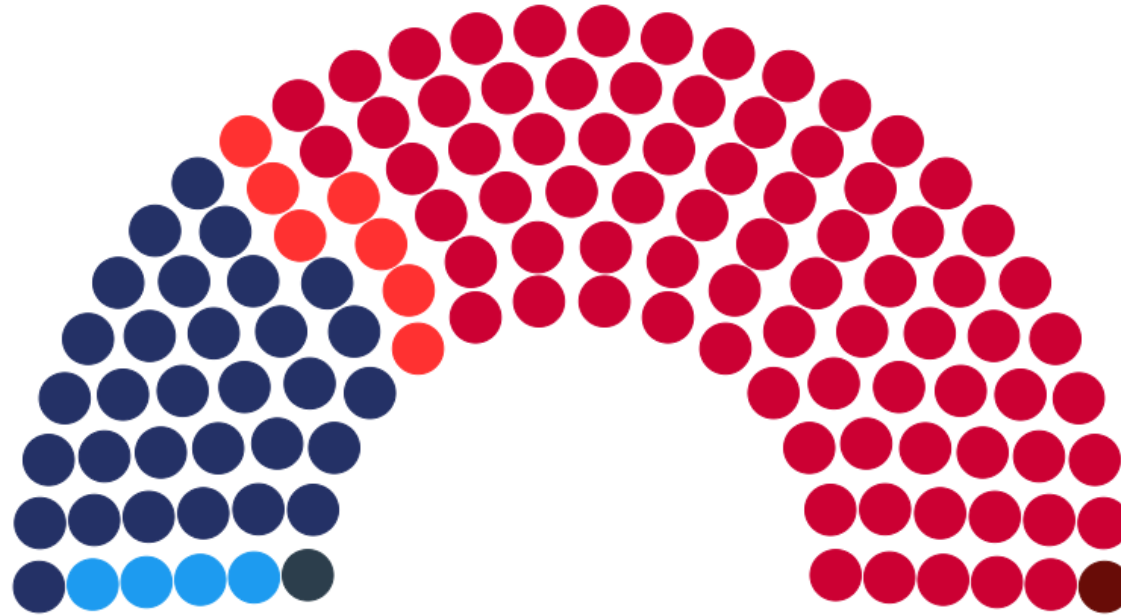


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2022-2023 South Carolina House

Number of Representatives	124
Number of Representatives in dataset	124(100% complete)
Average Age of Representatives	53.7 years
Number of Representatives \leq 35 Years of Age	11 (8.87%)
Youngest Representative	Rep. Rep. Steven Wayne Long & Brandon Michael Newton Both Male Born 1994 Both White Republican Party
Number Female Representatives	20 (16.13%)
Average Age Female Representatives	54.9 years
Number of Male Representatives	104 (83.87%)
Average Age Male Representatives	53.5 years
Number of Democrat Representatives	36 (29.03%)
Average Age Democrat Representatives	54.5 years
Number of Republican Representatives	88 (70.97%)
Average Age Republican Representatives	53.48 years

South Carolina House 2022-2023



Party	2023
● Missing Democrats (age)	1
● Democratic YELs	4
● Democrats	31
● Republican YELs	7
● Republicans	80
● Missing Republicans (age)	1
● No Party/Independents YELs	0
● No Party/Independents	0
● Vacant	0
● Missing Party	0

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South Carolina House, 2022-2023

Generational Composition

Count

Silent Generation (1928-1945)

3

Baby Boomers (1946-1964)

47

Gen X (1965-1980)

50

Millennials (1981-1996)

22

Gen Z (1997-2012)

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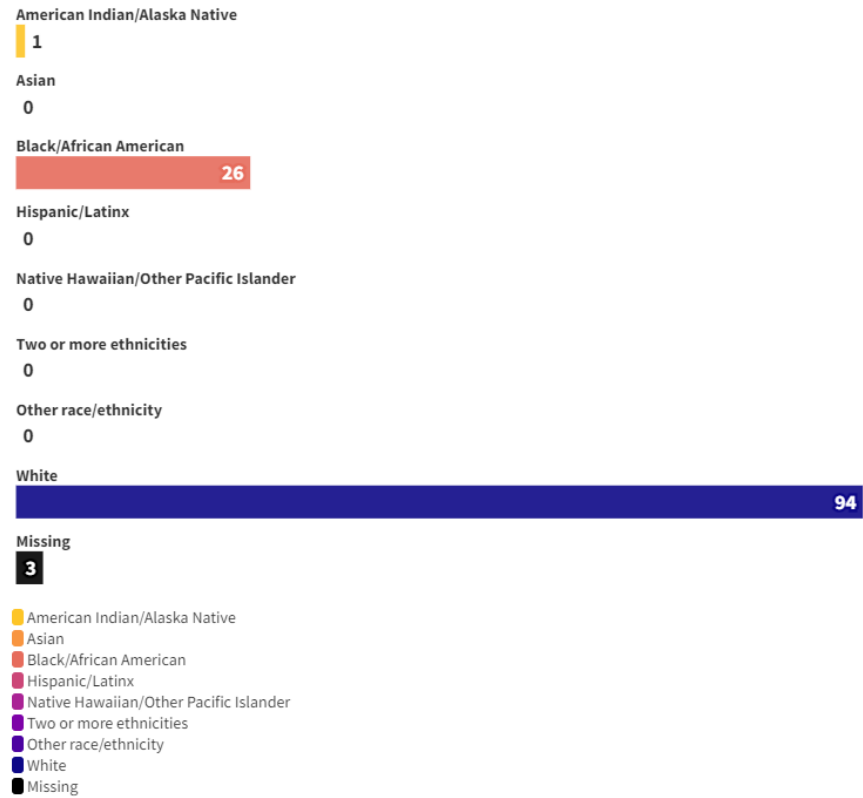
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South Carolina House, 2022-2023
Race/Ethnicity Composition, All Legislators

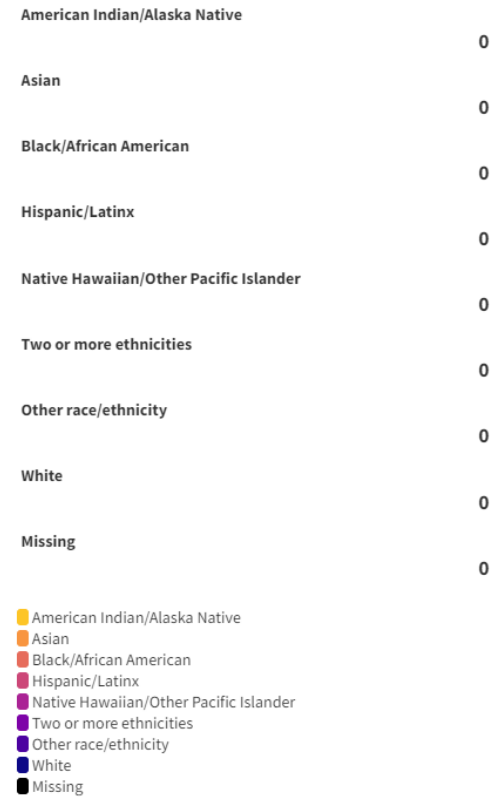
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Race/Ethnicity Composition, Young Elected Leaders

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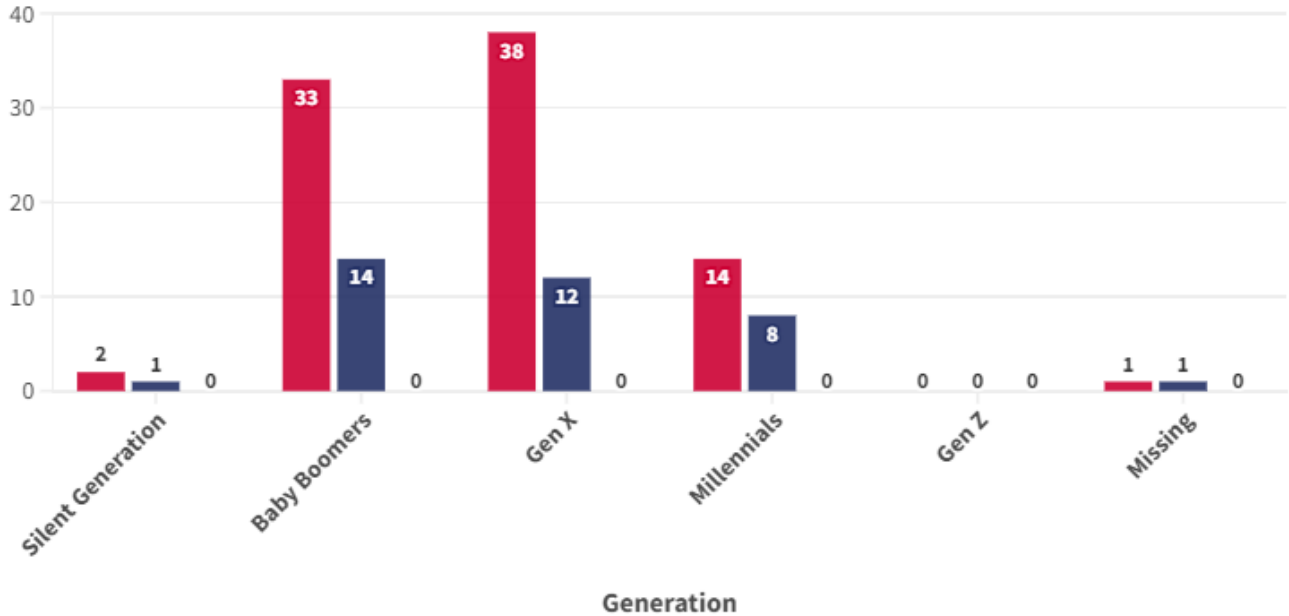


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South Carolina House, 2022-2023

Generation by Party

Count



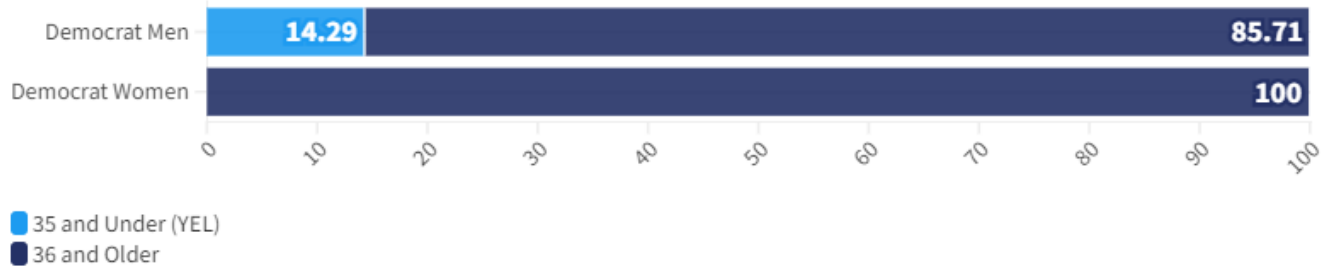
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South Carolina House, 2022-2023

Proportion of YELs by Party and Gender

Proportion



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South Carolina House, 2022-2023

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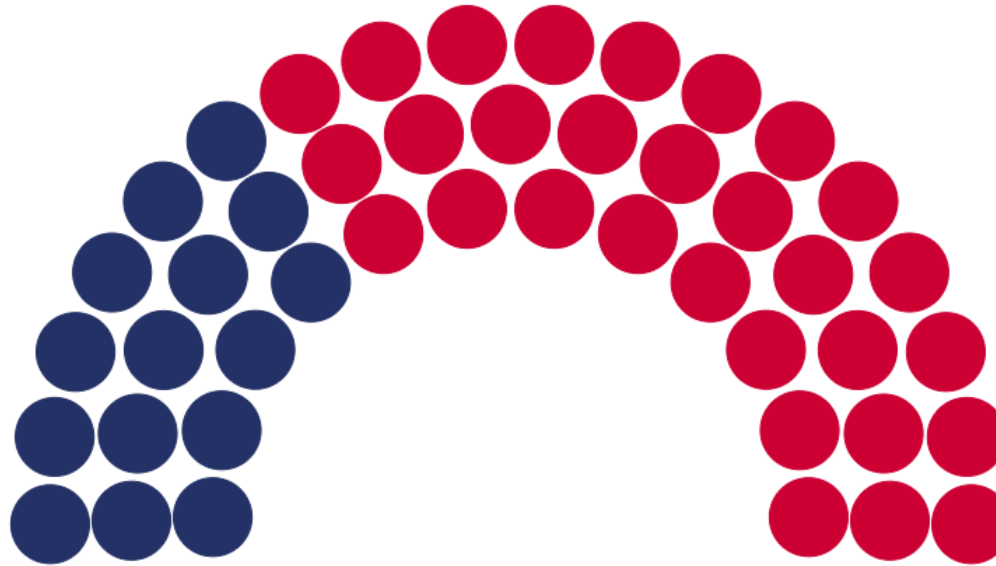


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Representative of legislators elected November, 2021

2022-2023 South Carolina Senate

Number of Senators	45
Number of Senators in dataset	45 (100% complete)
Average Age of Senators	59.46 years
Number of Senators \leq 35 Years of Age	
Youngest Senator	0
	Josh Kimbell
	Male
	Born 1984
	White
	Republican Party
Number Female Senators	5 (11.11%)
Average Age Female Senators	58.6 years
Number of Male Senators	40 (88.89%)
Average Age Male Senators	59.57 years
Number of Democrat Senators	15 (33.33%)
Average Age Democrat Senators	62.53 years
Number of Republican Senators	30 (66.67%)
Average Age Republican Senators	57.93 years

South Carolina Senate
2022-2023



Party	2023
● Missing Democrats (age)	0
● Democratic YELs	0
● Democrats	15
● Republican YELs	0
● Republicans	30
● Missing Republicans (age)	0
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South Carolina Senate, 2022-2023

Generational Composition

Count

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Baby Boomers (1946-1964)

27

Gen X (1965-1980)

13

Millennials (1981-1996)

3

Gen Z (1997-2012)

0

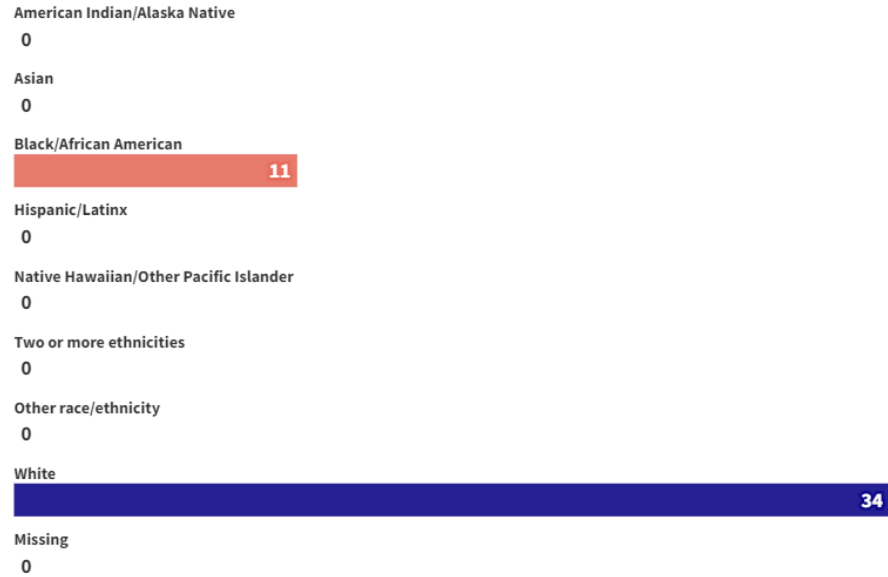
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South Carolina Senate, 2022-2023
Race/Ethnicity Composition, All Legislators

Count

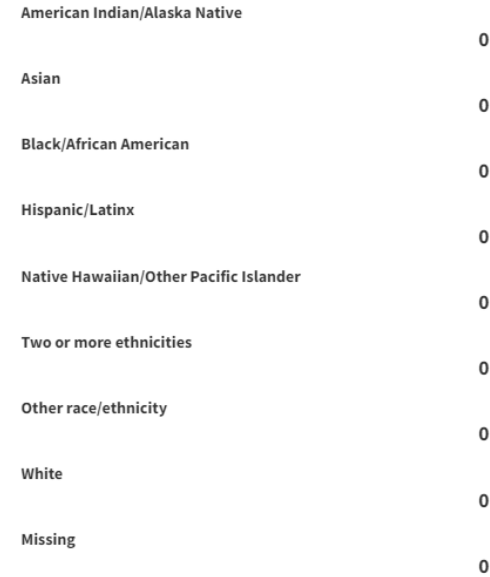


- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black/African American
- Hispanic/Latinx
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- Two or more ethnicities
- Other race/ethnicity
- White
- Missing

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South Carolina Senate, 2022-2023
Race/Ethnicity Composition, Young Elected Leaders

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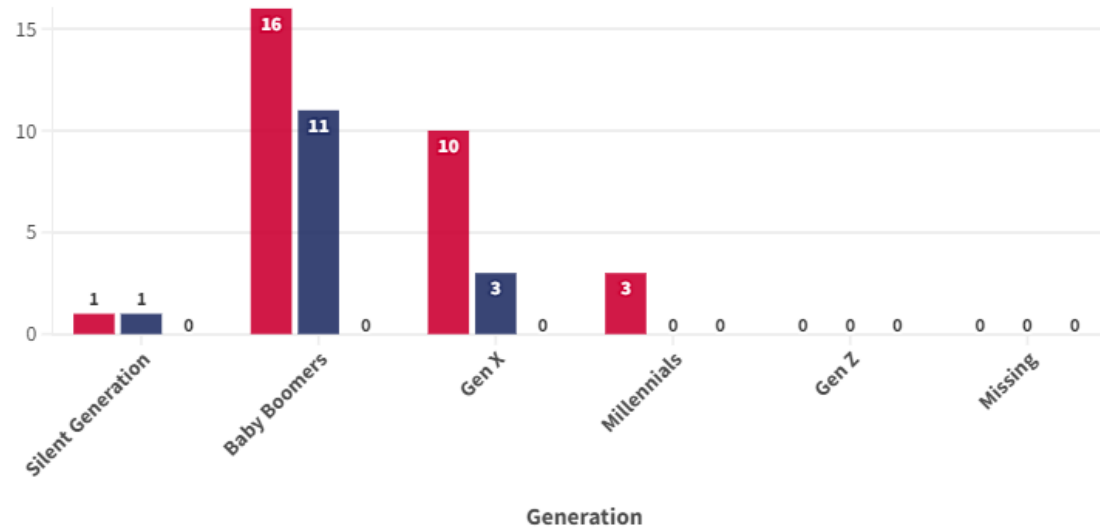
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Generation by Party

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Proportion of YELs by Party and Gender

Proportion



- 35 and Under (YEL)
- 36 and Older

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