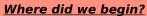
Women in Politics: Europe

The European Union (EU) has seen a significant rise of female MEPS from 1979-2019, with a growth rate of 166% over 30 years (approx.). In 1979 the % of women politicians in the EU was 15.2% (114 MEPS) which has grown to 40.4% (303 MEPS) by 2019. Given the growth in this time period, it can be assumed that within the next 10 years an equal level of female representation would be reached. By analysing the levels of female representation in individual countires and the regions of Europe, it's clear to see which areas of Europe have been pushing the most for equal female representation.

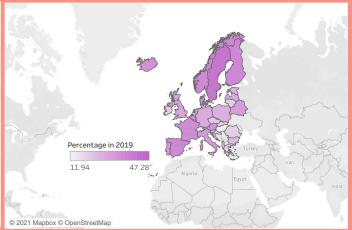




Have we seen a change since then?







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34.22

Eastern Europe

Northern Europe

Southern Europe

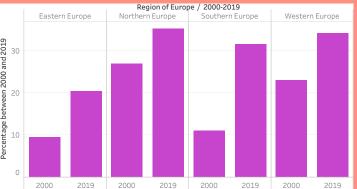
Western Europe

Southern Europe

In 2000, Eastern Europe had 9.55% of their politicians being female which was the lowest level of representation. By 2019, this has doubled (114% increase approx.) to 20.47% which is a considerable growth rate.

Northern Europe started off with the highest level of female representation, with the total being 26.99%. This region has seen a growth rate of 30% (approx.), meaning in 2019 the % of women in politics reached 35.12%.

Which Region has seen the most growth?



Southern Europe had the second lowest % in 2000, having 11.02% of women in politics. This grew by 180% (approx.) in the past 2 decades, meaning in 2019 the % of female representation increased to

31.55%.

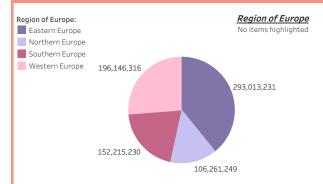
Finally, Western Europe began in 2000 with 23.03% of their politicians being female. This has seen a growth rate of 50% (approx.) totaling the number of female politicians in this region to be 34.22% by 2019.







Population of Europe by Region



(3 Where does the UK stand?

