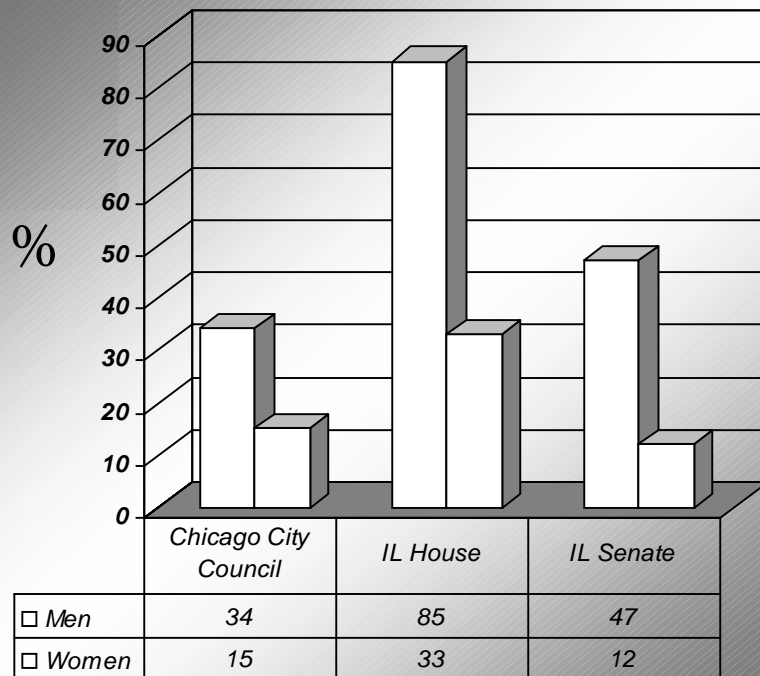


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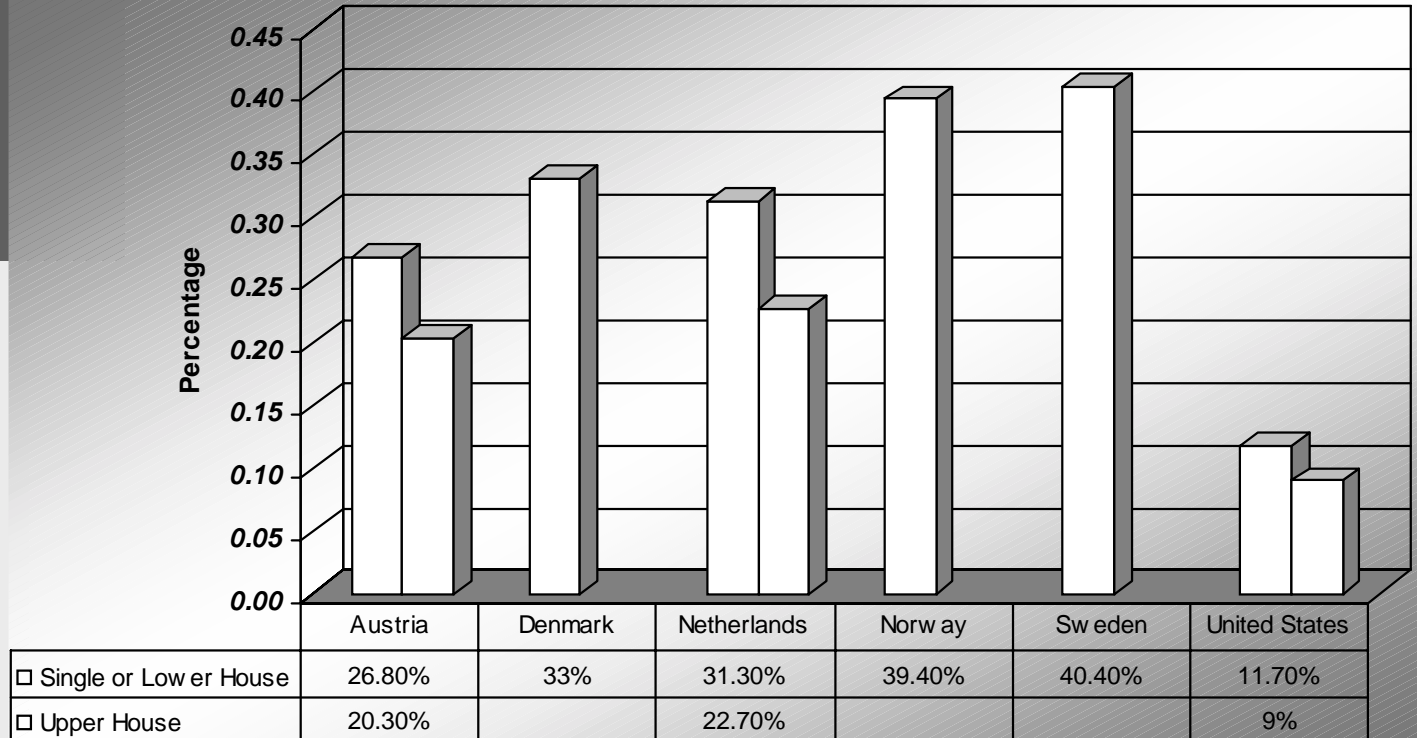
Source: Chicago City Clerk's Web Page www.chicityclerk.com and State of Illinois Legislature Web Page www.legis.state.il.us/homepages



- 30% of Chicago City Council members are women
- 28% of the IL House of Representatives are women
- 20% of the IL Senate are women

U.S. Women Leaders in Government Compared to Other Nations

Source: United Nations, *Statistics and Indicators on the World's Women*, 1997



Women Leaders in Philanthropy

Source: The National Foundation for Women Business Owners Press Release. *Business Women of Achievement Are Independent Philanthropists*. 11/12/99.

- A recent study conducted by the National Foundation for Women Business Owners (NFWBO) finds that successful women executives and entrepreneurs tend to be generous and independent philanthropists.
- The study surveyed members of the Committee of 200, an organization comprised of business women who own companies with revenues over \$15 million or who manage division of U.S. corporations that generate a minimum of \$100 million in revenue annually.
- Data from the study showed that 84% made their philanthropic decisions independently.
- Survey respondents reported participation in a wide array of philanthropic activities. Fifty-six percent said that educational reform was among the top three causes they supported; 42 percent mentioned women-related causes; and 41% listed arts-related groups among their favorite philanthropies.