

**PERSONAL DATA ON WISCONSIN LEGISLATORS  
2005 – 2015 Sessions**

	2005		2007		2009		2011		2013		2015	
	Sen.	Rep.	Sen.	Rep.	Sen.	Rep.*	Sen.	Rep.*	Sen.	Rep.	Sen.	Rep.
Party affiliation												
Democrat	14	39	18	47	18	52	14	38	15	39	14	36
Republican	19	60	15	52	15	46	19	60	18	60	19	63
Number with previous legislative service												
In senate	28	0	29	0	31	0	26	0	30	0	27	0
In assembly	23	81	23	82	23	86	23	69	25	74	24	74
Highest number of prior sessions in same house	21	17	22	18	23	19	24	14	25	13	26	14
Occupations												
Full-time legislator	11	39	12	38	11	39	11	32	12	35	11	34
Attorney	2	11	3	11	3	12	3	8	3	7	2	7
Farmer	3	9	3	5	3	5	2	6	2	4	1	6
Other	17	40	15	45	16	43	16	53	16	53	19	52
Education												
High school only	4	9	2	7	1	7	0	4	1	5	1	4
Beyond high school	29	90	31	92	32	92	33	95	32	94	32	95
Bachelor's or associate degree	26	70	28	69	29	69	29	73	28	72	28	69
Advanced degree	8	34	10	37	11	35	10	27	9	27	9	24
Number with experience on local governing body												
County board	4	18	4	17	4	15	6	16	7	18	9	19
Municipal board	10	28	12	25	12	30	9	29	11	30	9	29
Age												
Oldest	77	77	79	79	81	80	83	72	85	72	87	76
Youngest	34	28	36	28	38	29	30	25	32	25	34	24
Average	52	50	54	50	55	50	56	49	57	49	57	48
Veterans	4	13	2	16	2	16	2	13	2	10	3	7
Marital status												
Single	10	25	8	25	9	24	7	18	9	22	10	23
Married	23	70	25	69	24	71	26	79	24	76	23	75
Widowed	0	4	0	5	0	4	0	2	0	1	0	1
Number of women	8	26	8	22	7	22	8	23	9	24	11	22

\*Includes one Independent.

Sen. – Senators; Rep. – Representatives.

Note: Most data are recorded as of the date on which the legislature first convened; ages are determined as of January 1.

Sources: *Wisconsin Blue Book*, various issues, and data collected by the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau, January 2015.