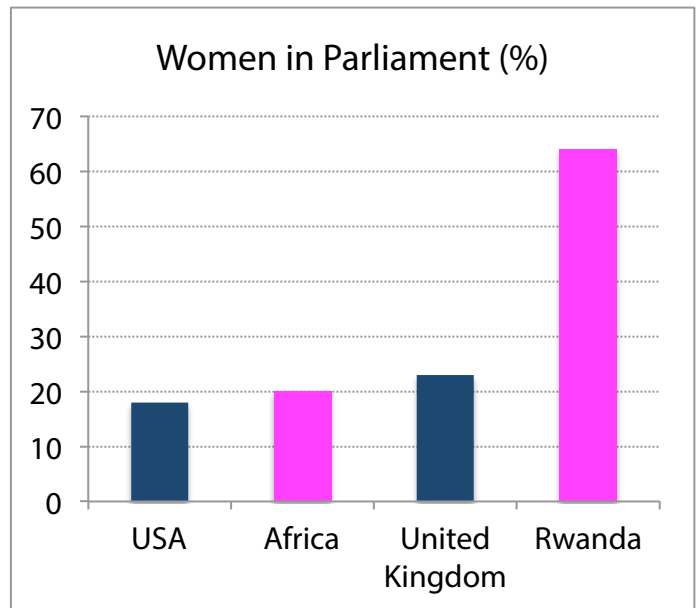




Of the 36 houses of parliament where women are sufficiently represented to impact decisions, 11 are in Africa

As of the end of 2012, 20% of Members of Parliament in Sub-Saharan Africa were female. Over 30% of the world's houses of parliament where at least 30% are women (considered the threshold necessary for women to have decision-making impact) are in Africa. While women make up only 18% of the American Congress, Rwanda has 64% women in its house of Parliament.



The ratio of female to male enrolment in education at primary level in Sub-Saharan Africa is 93% and it is expected to achieve full parity in the next few years. Enrolment parity in education in Sub-Saharan Africa is improving at all levels as many countries on the continent pursue educational expansion programmes, many of which target increasing female enrolment.

