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**National Council of Women  
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Toward a gender equal New Zealand



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## Who we are

The National Council of Women of New Zealand (NCWNZ) works toward a gender equal New Zealand. By building understanding and driving action for gender equality, we enable New Zealanders to have the freedom and opportunity to determine their own future.

Established by suffragists in 1896, we work for gender equality across the political, social and economic sectors. We have around 290 member organisations, 260 individual members and 20 branches around the country.

We also work with international bodies such as the UN to make a difference to women globally.



**"All that separates, whether of race, class, creed or sex, is inhuman, and must be overcome."**

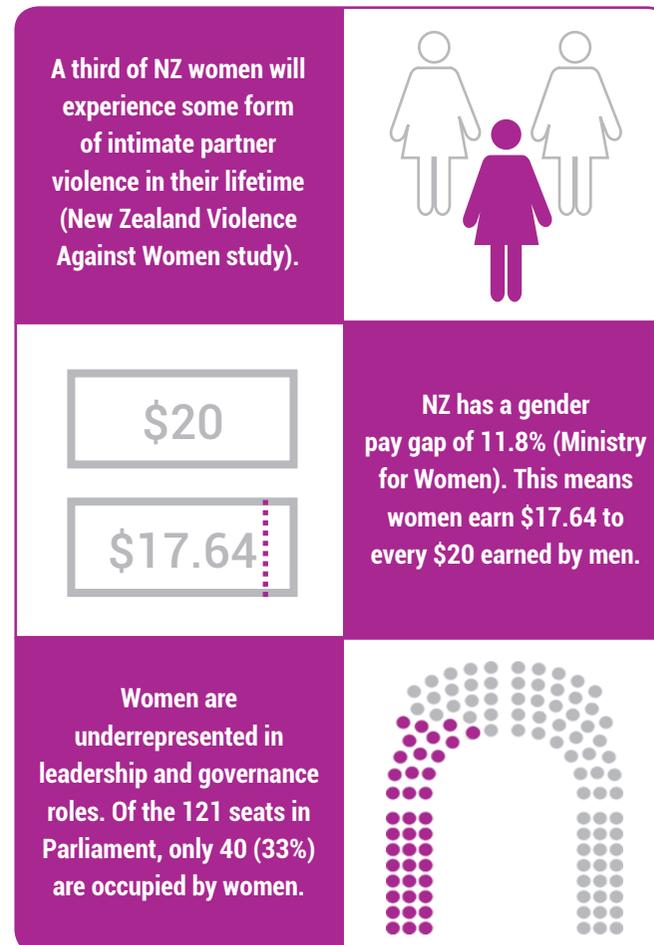
*Kate Sheppard - First President of NCWNZ*

## Why we're needed

Gender equality is a basic human right - it affords all genders equal value and treatment.

It's good for everybody - research shows we'll be better off socially and economically if we're gender equal.

Inequality persists in all aspects of New Zealand society - from health, safety and economic wellbeing, to education, influence and decision making. It negatively impacts businesses, government, families and the community, as well as individuals.



## What we do

NCWNZ's activity is diverse. We make a difference by representing women's voices and influencing key decisions and issues through research, discussions and submissions. We encourage and educate people on the need for action and what they can do.

Locally, our branches make a difference for women in their communities through projects, events and advocacy.

Globally, we assess and report on New Zealand's progress toward meeting international agreements on women and girls, including the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women and the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.

We support member organisations in the work they do through providing information, connecting them with others who can help and representing their activities in our advocacy. We support the development of a Tiriti-based, sustainable, multicultural future that acknowledges the mana of tangata whenua.

