Members of the European Parliament from February 2020

In May 2019, on a turnout of 51%, European Union citizens elected their representatives to the European Parliament for the next five years. On 31 January 2020, the United Kingdom withdrew from the Union. Of the 73 seats vacated by Members elected in the UK, 27 have been redistributed among 14 Member States, while 46 remain available for potential EU enlargements and/or the possible creation of a transnational constituency in the future. The number of seats in the Parliament has fallen from 751 to 705. The 705 MEPs elected have an average age of 51 years (with the youngest being 22 and the oldest 83). A majority of MEPs (415) are new to the Parliament. Women now represent 39.6% of all MEPs.

MEPs by Member State

MEPs by political group

New and re-elected MEPs

Age of MEPs

Gender of MEPs

Note: Due to changes in political group membership since 1 February 2020, the figures in the chart above do not match those in the graphic below exactly.
New MEPs are those who have never previously sat in the European Parliament. They represent 58.9% of the total MEPs. The percentage varies between 85.7% in Slovakia - where 12 out of 14 MEPs are new - and 33.3% in Malta (2 of 6).

The average age of MEPs is 51 years old; national averages vary between 45 and 61. The youngest MEP is from Denmark (22 years old) and the oldest is from Italy (83 years old).

Women represent 39.6% of all MEPs. There is a clear increasing path of female representation in the EP. It has doubled since the first elections in 1979. There is a slight decrease since the constituent session (40.6%).

Notes
This is an update of a publication from April 2020.

Country codes: Belgium (BE), Bulgaria (BG), Czechia (CZ), Denmark (DK), Germany (DE), Estonia (EE), Ireland (IE), Greece (EL), Spain (ES), France (FR), Croatia (HR), Italy (IT), Cyprus (CY), Latvia (LV), Lithuania (LT), Luxembourg (LU), Hungary (HU), Malta (MT), Netherlands (NL), Austria (AT), Poland (PL), Portugal (PT), Romania (RO), Slovenia (SI), Slovakia (SK), Finland (FI), Sweden (SE).

Political groups: Group of the European People’s Party (Christian Democrats) (EPP); Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament (S&D); Renew Europe; Identity and Democracy (ID); Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance (Greens/EFA); European Conservatives and Reformists Group (ECR); Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left (GUE/NGL) and Non-attached Members (NI).

Acronyms: European Parliament (EP), Member of European Parliament (MEP).

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