

## VOTES FOR WOMEN

- 1791 **Canada** - The Constitutional Act gave the right to vote to all people in Lower Canada who possessed property qualifications. A few women such as Madame Papineau who met the property qualifications voted for about 50 years. Most would have been well-to-do widows.
- 1843 **Canada** - A law was passed depriving these women of the right to vote.
- 1869 **Wyoming** women get the right to vote in state elections.
- 1883, 1884, 1885 **Canada** - Sir John A. Macdonald introduced suffrage bills, which included provision for widows and unmarried women with sufficient property to have the right to vote in federal elections. Eventually the sections enfranchising women were dropped but there had been widespread publicity and discussion of the idea.
- 1887 **Winnipeg** - Some Winnipeg women have the right to vote for mayor and council.
- 1888 **Winnipeg** - Some Winnipeg women have the first opportunity to vote in local elections.
- 1890 **Manitoba** - All women taxpayers in Manitoba could vote in school board elections and run as trustees.
- 1893 All **Colorado** women could vote in state elections.  
**New Zealand** women could vote.  
**South Australian** women could vote.
- 1895 **Utah** women could vote in state elections.
- 1896 **Idaho** women could vote in state elections.
- 1897 **Manitoba** - All women property owners in Manitoba could vote in municipal elections.
- 1899 **Western Australia** women could vote.
- 1902 **Commonwealth of Australia** women got the vote.
- 1903 **Tasmanian** women could vote.
- 1905 **Queensland, Australia** women could vote.
- 1906 Women in **Finland** could vote.

- 1906 The Manitoba Legislature passed a law barring married women from voting in municipal elections.
- 1907 The Manitoba Legislature restored the right to vote in municipal elections - without debate.
- 1909 **Victoria, Australia** women could vote.
- 1910 Washington state women got the right to vote in state elections.
- 1911 **California women** got the right to vote in state elections.
- 1915 Women in **Denmark and Iceland** got the right to vote.
- 1916 **Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta** women could vote in provincial elections and run for office.
- 1917 **British Columbia** women got the right to vote and run for office.  
**Ontario** women got the right to vote and run for office.  
Women in the **Soviet Union** got the vote.  
Women in **The Netherlands** got the vote.  
All women **relatives of members of the Canadian armed forces** got the right to vote.
- 1918 **Nova Scotia** women got the right to vote.  
On May 24, all women in **Canada** (except Aboriginal women) got the right to vote federally.
- 1918 Women in **Britain** got the right to vote.
- 1919 Women in **New Brunswick** got the right to vote.  
Women in **Germany** got the right to vote.
- 1920 Women in the **United States** got the right to vote in federal elections.
- 1922 Women in **Prince Edward Island** got the right to vote.
- 1925 Women in **Newfoundland** got the right to vote.
- 1930 **South African women** got the right to vote (not including native African women).
- 1931 Women in **Brazil** got the right to vote.
- 1934 Women in **Cuba and Turkey** got the right to vote.

1937 Women in the **Philippines** got the right to vote.

1940 **Québec** women got the right to vote provincially.

1960 **Aboriginal women in Canada** got the right to vote.

In recent years women in most countries have got the right to vote but there are still a few countries where women can't vote.