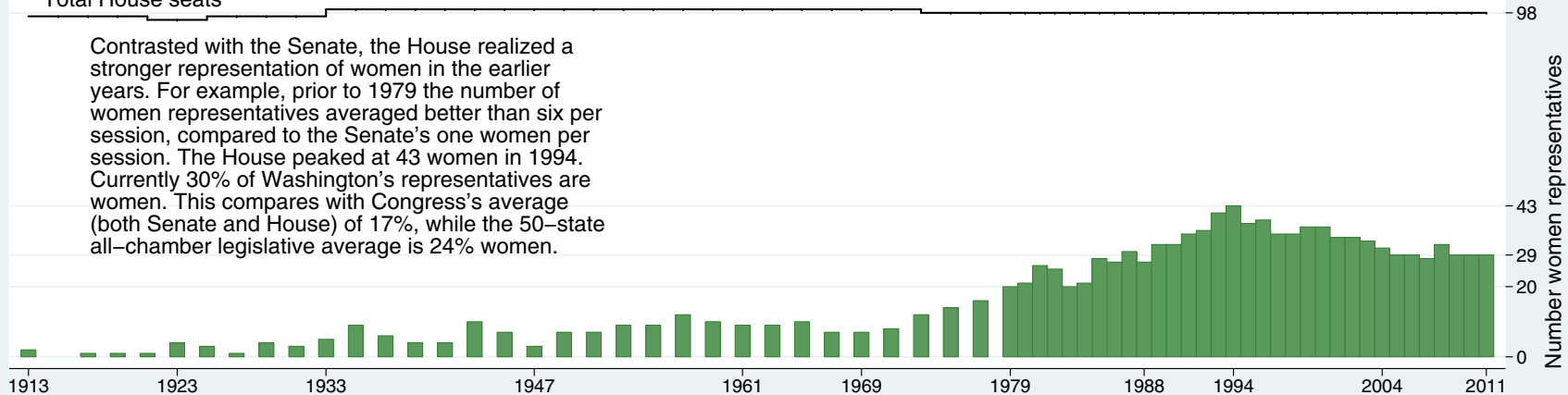


## Women legislators in the Washington State House

Total House seats



Contrasted with the Senate, the House realized a stronger representation of women in the earlier years. For example, prior to 1979 the number of women representatives averaged better than six per session, compared to the Senate's one women per session. The House peaked at 43 women in 1994. Currently 30% of Washington's representatives are women. This compares with Congress's average (both Senate and House) of 17%, while the 50-state all-chamber legislative average is 24% women.