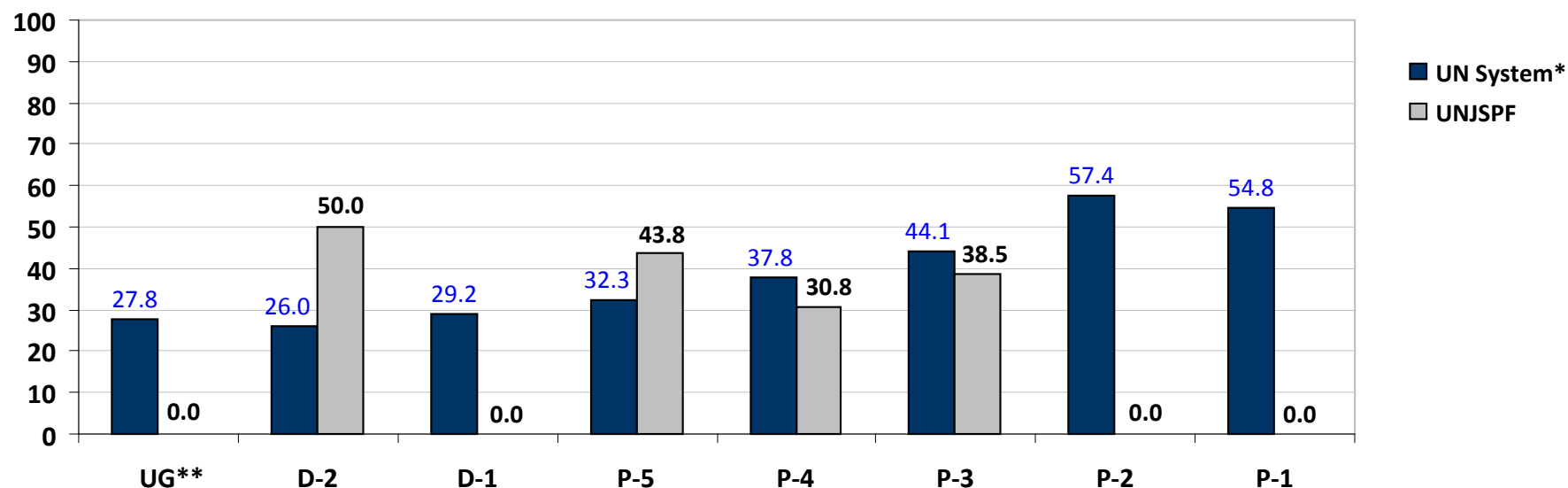


The Status of Women in the United Nations System and UNJSPF
(from 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2009)

THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM	UNJSPF
<i>Gender distribution of staff in the Professional and higher categories</i>	

Percentage of women in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more in the United Nations system and UNJSPF as of 31 December 2009



*30 of 31 entities submitted data

**UG stands for "Ungraded" and combines the ranks of Secretary-General, Under-Secretary-General, Assistant Secretary-General, Director-General, Deputy Director-General and Assistant Director-General

As of 31 December 2009, women **in the UN system** constituted:

- **39.9%** (11,514 out of 28,849) of all staff in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more;
- **28.4%** (762 out of 2,685) of all staff at the **D-1 level and above**;
- **41.1%** (10,752 out of 26,164) of all staff at the **P level**;

Gender balance has only been achieved at the **P-1 (54.8%)** and **P-2 (57.4%)** levels.
Largest increase: UG (3.5% from 24.3% in Dec 2007 to 27.8% in Dec 2009)
Smallest increase: P-3 (0.6% from 43.5% in Dec 2007 to 44.1% in Dec 2009)

As of 31 December 2009, women **in UNJSPF** constituted:

- **35.6%** (26 out of 73) of all staff in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more;
- **25.0%** (1 out of 4) of all staff at the **D-1 level and above**;
- **36.2%** (25 out of 69) of all staff at the **P level**;

Gender balance has been achieved or exceeded at the **D-2 level (50.0%)**.
Largest increase: P-5 (8.1% from 35.7% in Dec 2007 to 43.8% in Dec 2009)
Largest decreases: P-2 (-100.0% from 100.0% in Dec 2007 to 0.0% in Dec 2009); and
D-1 (-66.7% from 66.7% in Dec 2007 to 0.0% in Dec 2009)

Promotions, appointments, and separations in the Professional and higher categories – 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2009

<p>* PROMOTIONS *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotions of women accounted for 44.8% (1,299 out of 2,899) of all promotions to the P-2 to D-1 levels, 31.2% (82 out of 263) to the D-1 level, and 46.2% (1,217 out of 2,636) to the P-2 to P-5 levels. Gender parity in promotions was only met at the P-2 (51.5%) and P-3 (50.6%) levels. <u>Lowest proportion</u>: 31.2% (82 out of 263) at the D-1 level 	<p>* PROMOTIONS *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotions of women accounted for 38.9% (7 out of 18) of all promotions to the P-2 to D-1 levels, 0.0% (0 out of 3) to the D-1 level, and 46.7% (7 out of 15) of promotions to the P-2 to P-5 levels. Gender parity in promotions was only met at the P-3 level (66.7%). <u>Lowest proportion</u>: 40.0% (2 out of 5) at the P-4 level and 0.0% (0 out of 3) at the D-1 level
<p>* APPOINTMENTS *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appointments of women represented 45.2% (5,190 out of 11,493) of all appointments from the P-1 to the ungraded (UG) levels, 26.4% (130 out of 493) at the D-1 level and above, and 46% (5,064 out of 11,004) at the P-1 to P-5 levels. Gender parity in appointments was only met at the P-1 (64.2%) and P-2 level (60.3%). <u>Lowest proportion</u>: 26.3% (31 out of 118) at the D-2 level 	<p>* APPOINTMENTS *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appointments of women represented 42.9% (6 out of 14) of all appointments from the P-3 to the P-5 levels. No appointments to the other levels occurred. Gender parity in appointments was met or exceeded at the P-4 (50.0%) and P-5 (50.0%) levels. <u>Lowest proportion</u>: 37.5% (3 out of 8) at the P-3 level
<p>* SEPARATIONS *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6,516 staff in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more separated out of a total of 28,849 staff. Separations of women constituted: 40.2% (2,622 out of 6,516) of all separations in the Professional and higher categories. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24.5% (153 out of 624) at the D-1 level and above 41.9% (2,469 out of 5,892) at the Professional level (P-1 through P-5) <u>Major causes of separation</u>: Women constituted 42.9% (1,592 out of 3,714) of appointments expirations, 41.4% (441 out of 1,066) of resignations, and 29.6% (273 out of 922) of mandatory retirements. 	<p>* SEPARATIONS *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No women separated during the 2-year period.

Trends in the representation of women in the Professional and higher categories – 2000 to 2009

During the period **2000-2009 in the UN system**, the proportion of women appointed increased by **6.5 percentage points**, from **33.4%**(5,977 out of 17,864) in 2000 to **39.9%** (11,514 out of 28,849) in 2009.

During the period **2002- 2009 in UNJSPF**, the proportion of women appointed decreased by **3.5 percentage points**, from **39.1%** (18 out of 46) in 2002* to **35.6%** (26 out of 73) in 2009.

Level	% of women		Total change 2000-2009 (percentage points)	Average annual change 2000-2009 (percentage points)	Level	% of women		Total change 2002-2009 (percentage points)	Average annual change 2002-2009 (percentage points)
	as of 31 Dec 2000	as of 31 Dec 2009				as of 31 Dec 2002*	as of 31 Dec 2009		
UG	17.4	27.8	10.4	1.2	UG	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
D-2	18.2	26.0	7.8	0.9	D-2	0.0	50.0	50.0	7.1
D-1	21.4	29.2	7.8	0.9	D-1	33.3	0.0	-33.3	-4.8
P-5	23.5	32.3	8.8	1.0	P-5	44.4	43.8	-0.7	-0.1
P-4	31.0	37.8	6.8	0.8	P-4	43.8	30.8	-13.0	-1.9
P-3	41.4	44.1	2.7	0.3	P-3	40.0	38.5	-1.5	-0.2
P-2	54.5	57.4	2.9	0.3	P-2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
P-1	62.6	54.8	-7.8	-0.9	P-1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

*Earliest UNJSPF data is from 2002