Women are 51% of the Brazilian population...

... but hold fewer than 12% of seats in Congress and just 7% of cabinet posts.

Despite a 30% candidacy quota, and recent increases in the number of female candidates, women still struggle to get elected.

"The political arena is a sexist, patriarchal environment that closes its doors to women."

- Luciana Lóssio,
  Justice of the Superior Electoral Court