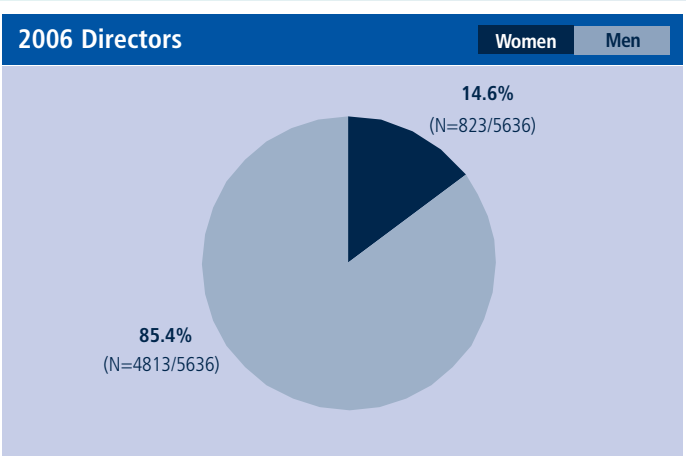
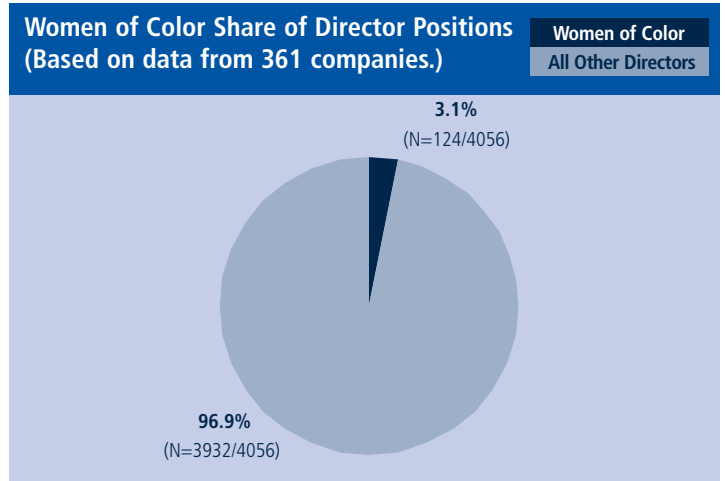


# Board Directors

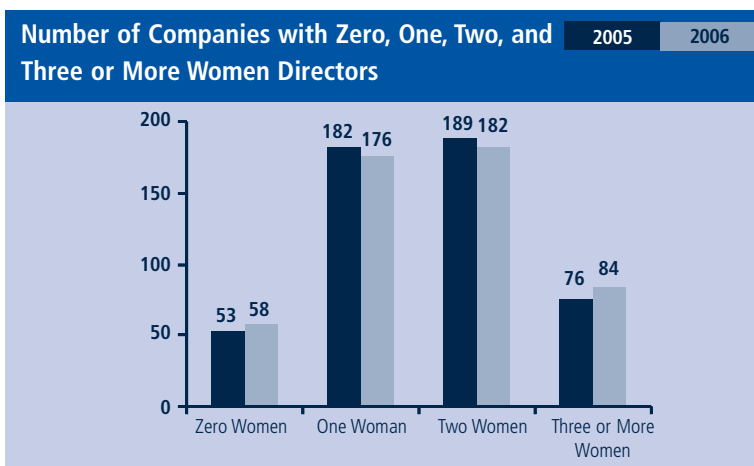
At the current rate of change, it will take women 73 years to reach parity with men in the boardrooms of *Fortune* 500 companies.



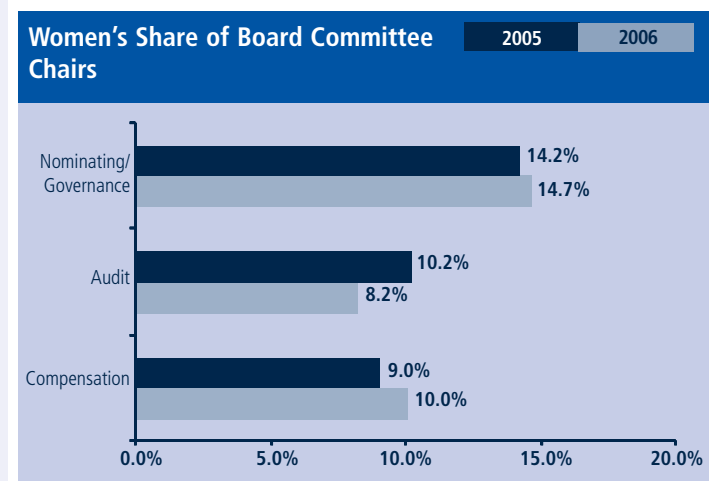
**STAGNANT:** Women board members as a percentage of the total—in 2005, the figure was 14.7 percent.



**DOWN:** The percentage of directors who are women of color—in 2005, the figure was 3.4 percent.



**DOWN:** The number of companies with one or two women directors. Additionally, more companies had no women board directors at all. (Of note: A greater number of companies had three or more women board directors.)



**UP:** The percentage of powerful board committee chairs held by women--nominating/governance and compensation. (Of note: Audit committees showed a two percentage-point decline.)