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2023 RESEARCH REPORT -



MESSAGE FROM MILWAUKEE WOMEN INC BOARD CHAIR



As we embark on the next evolution of our organization's mission, we are grateful for the progress and undaunted by the journey ahead. As we look to the future, we have a renewed commitment to accelerate our impact by increasing our focus on women of color, engaging men as advocates and expanding our geographic reach.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I would like to extend a sincere thank you to our

steering committee members, partners, and sponsors for their active commitment to advancing inclusive leadership. Together, we can help companies be more successful, while also helping to make Wisconsin the region of choice we know it can be.

Kim Stoll **Vice President - Sales and Marketing Badger Meter**

MWi VISION

Achieve balanced representation of all women on boards of directors to maximize the performance of public and private companies.

MWI MISSION

Milwaukee Women inc is an organization of executives determined to change the quality and composition of corporate boards to maximize the performance of public and private companies with a focus on women and women of color.

2023 KEY FINDINGS

PUBLIC COMPANIES



WOMEN DIRECTOR SEATS IN WISCONSIN'S TOP 50 PUBLIC COMPANIES

Increase from 26.3% in 2022



PUBLIC COMPANIES WITH AT LEAST 1 WOMAN BOARD MEMBER

No change since 2022



WOMEN OF COLOR DIRECTOR SEATS

Up from 5.7% (26/456) in 2022

PRIVATE COMPANIES



WOMEN DIRECTOR SEATS IN WISCONSIN'S TOP 50 PRIVATE COMPANIES

Up from 20.5% in 2022.

Wisconsin exceeds the national average of 16% for private companies. Source: Him for Her March 2023



PRIVATE COMPANIES WITH AT **LEAST 1 WOMAN BOARD MEMBER**

No change since 2022

POWER OF 3 2003-2023

Catalyst reports "at least three women directors"

as the critical mass needed to maximize diversity benefits. The number of Wisconsin Power of 3 companies has grown from 3 in 2003 to 26 in 2023.



POWER OF 3 COMPANIES





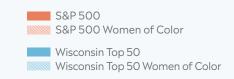


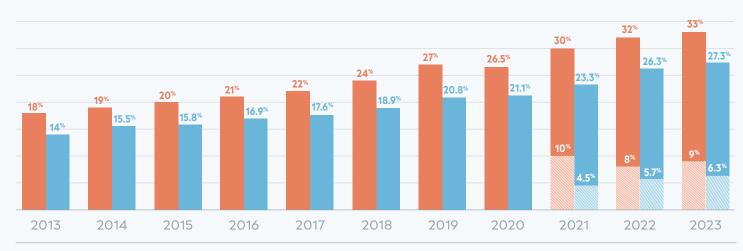
WISCONSIN TOP 50 PRIVATE COMPANIES

Sources: 2023 Gender Diversity Index Report/50/50 Women on Boards

GENDER DIVERSITY OF S&P 500 COMPANIES COMPARED TO WISCONSIN TOP 50 COMPANIES

WOMEN AND WOMEN OF COLOR





Source: Spencer Stuart 2023 S&P 500 Board Diversity snapshot report



MAKING AN IMPACT: Percentage of women directors continues to grow



Todd A. Adams Chairman and CEO Zurn Elkay Water Solutions

"The diversity of experiences on a board can be very powerful. With women leaders contributing differentiated expertise, perspectives and ideas, gender-diverse boards contribute to the overall growth and profitability of a company. We absolutely believe that having three women on our board has enhanced the quality of our discussions."

TOP 50 WISCONSIN PUBLIC COMPANY DIRECTORS

- 27.3% (126/462) of board members are women, up from 26.3% in 2022.
- 98% of public companies have at least 1 woman board member, no change since 2022
- Power of 3 public companies increased from 22 to 26 of 50 companies or 52% in 2023, up from 44% in 2022

WOMEN OF COLOR DIRECTORS **Top 50 Wisconsin Public Companies**

- Women of color hold **6.3%** (29/462) of director seats, up from 5.7% (26/456) in 2022.
- **23.0%** (29/126) of total women directors are women of color, up from 22.6% (26/120) in 2022.
- 27% (4/15) of newly elected women directors are women of color, down significantly from 39% (7/18) in 2022.

COMPANY	TOTAL DIRECTORS	WOMEN DIRECTORS	% WOMEN	WOMEN OF COLOR
Brady Corporation	9	4	44%	1
Exact Sciences Corporation	10	4	40%	1
Kohl's Corporation	11	4	36%	2
Rockwell Automation, Inc.	11	4	36%	1
WEC Energy Group, Inc.	12	4	33%	2
MGIC Investment Corporation	12	4	33%	1
ManpowerGroup, Inc.	12	4	33%	0
Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc.	8	3	38%	1
Badger Meter Inc.	9	3	33%	1
Schneider National, Inc.	9	3	33%	1
Sensient Technologies Corporation	9	3	33%	1
Alliant Energy Corporation	9	3	33%	0
Fisery, Inc.	9	3	33%	0
Johnson Outdoors Inc.	9	3	33%	0
Manitowoc Company, Inc. (The)	9	3	33%	0
A. O. Smith Corporation	10	3	30%	1
First Business Bank	10	3	30%	1
		3	30%	1
Modine Manufacturing Company	10	-		
Regal Rexnord Corporation	10	3	30%	1
Associated Banc-Corp	10	3	30%	0
Enerpac Tool Group Corp.	10	3	30%	0
Zurn Elkay Water Solutions Corporation	10	3	30%	0
Generac Power Systems	11	3	27%	1
Plexus Corp.	11	3	27%	0
Bank First Corporation	12	3	25%	0
Nicolet Bankshares Inc.	15	3	20%	1
Orion Energy Systems, Inc.	6	2	33%	0
Spectrum Brands Holdings Inc.	7	2	29%	2
Douglas Dynamics Inc.	7	2	29%	1
Lands' End, Inc.	7	2	29%	0
Waterstone Financial Inc.	7	2	29%	0
Marten Transport, Ltd.	8	2	25%	1
Citizens Community Bancorp, Inc.	8	2	25%	0
Duluth Holdings, Inc.	8	2	25%	0
MGE Energy, Inc.	9	2	22%	1
Physicians Realty Trust	9	2	22%	1
Harley-Davidson, Inc.	9	2	22%	0
Quad	9	2	22%	0
Twin Disc Inc.	9	2	22%	0
Fathom Digital Manufacturing Corp.	10	2	20%	1
Snap-on, Inc.	10	2	20%	1
Oshkosh Corporation	10	2	20%	0
Marcus Corporation (The)	11	2	18%	0
Tri City Bankshares Corp.	12	2	17%	1
Harbor Diversified Inc.	4	1	25%	0
	5	1	20%	0
National Presto Industries Inc.				-
Strattec Security Corporation	6	1	17%	1
Weyco Group, Inc.	7	1	14%	1
Mayville Engineering Company Inc.	8	1	13%	0
Rev Group Inc.	9	0	0%	0
Grand Total	462	126	27.3	29

Source: Wisconsin's 50 largest public companies based on revenues as reported in the Milwaukee Business Journal's Annual Book of Lists, June 2023.



MAKING AN IMPACT: Further growth in Power of 3 companies



Jeannie Cullen Schultz Co-President JP Cullen

"Diverse teams bring different perspectives and experiences to the table. The benefits of our diverse board are many, including better decision-making, improved financial performance, increased innovation and stronger relationships with all of our stakeholders.

Women make up just 14% of the construction industry workforce, and only 4.2% of trade workers and front-line supervisors. We believe it is crucial to recruit women into the trades and leadership roles. Our company is making progress, with over 25% diversity in all of our leadership groups. We are committed to propelling JP Cullen into our sixth generation of leadership. Embracing diversity will make us more innovative, competitive and sustainable."

TOP 50 WISCONSIN — PRIVATE COMPANY DIRECTORS

- 21.1% (72/341) of board members are women, up slightly from 20.5% (70/342) in 2022.
- 64% (32/50) of companies have at least one woman board member, flat to 2022; and compared to 98% of public companies.
- 26% (13/50) of companies have 3 or more women directors, compared to 22% (11/50) in 2022.

COMPANY	TOTAL DIRECTORS	WOMEN DIRECTORS	% WOMEN	WOMEN OF COLOR
American Family Insurance	16	7	44%	3
SECURA Insurance	12	5	42%	0
West Bend Mutual Insurance Company	12	4	33%	0
Church Mutual Insurance Company, S.I.	11	4	36%	1
CUNA Mutual Group	11	4	36%	0
Acuity Insurance	13	3	23%	N/A
Quartz Health Solutions, Inc.	12	3	25%	N/A
Northwestern Mutual	12	3	25%	2
Menasha Corporation	10	3	30%	N/A
J.P. Cullen	10	3	30%	N/A
S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc.	9	3	33%	N/A
Sargento Foods Inc.	8	3	38%	0
Uline, Inc.	7	3	43%	N/A
Schreiber Foods	9	2	22%	N/A
Hydrite Chemical Co.	7	2	29%	N/A
Kwik Trip, Inc.	6	2	33%	0
Sentry Insurance	5	2	40%	N/A
Kohler Co.	3	2	67%	0
Brakebush Brothers, Inc.	10	1	10%	0
DeLong Co., Inc. (The)	9	1	11%	N/A
Epic Systems Corporation	9	1	11%	N/A
Lakeside Foods, Inc.	8	1	13%	N/A
U.S. Venture, Inc.	7	1	14%	N/A
IEWC	7	1	14%	0
ABC Supply Co. Inc.	6	1	17%	N/A
Great Northern Corporation	6	1	17%	N/A
Palermo Villa, Inc.	6	1	17%	N/A
Promega Corporation	6	1	17%	N/A
Walbec Group	6	1	17%	N/A
Robert W. Baird & Co, Inc.	5	1	20%	N/A
Roehl Transport, Inc.	3	1	33%	N/A
Michels Corporation	2	1	50%	0
Charter Manufacturing Company, Inc.	10	0	0%	0
Green Bay Packaging	9	0	0%	0
Ariens Company	7	0	0%	N/A
Hy Cite Enterprises	7	0	0%	0
Ewald Automotive Group, LLC	6	0	0%	0
Findorff	6	0	0%	0
Faith Technologies, Inc.	5	0	0%	0
Masters Gallery Foods, Inc.	5	0	0%	0
Trek Bicycle Corporation	5	0	0%	0
Ashley Furniture Industries, Inc.	3	0	0%	N/A
Miron Construction Co., Inc.	3	0	0%	0
Stoughton Trailers	3	0	0%	0
Bergstrom Corporation	2	0	0%	N/A
Boldt Company (The)	2	0	0%	0
RJ Schinner	2	0	0%	0
American Packaging Corporation	1	0	0%	N/A
Boucher Group Inc. (The)	1	0	0%	0
JX Enterprises, Inc.	1	0	0%	0
TOTAL	341	72	21.1%	6

Source: Wisconsin's 50 largest privately held and closely held companies is based on rankings as reported in the 2023 Wisconsin 75 Deloitte & Touche LLP Deloitte compiles the list in order of revenue and participation is voluntary, so not every large private business in the state is included. na=not available

WOMEN DIRECTORS ADDED TO THE BOARDS OF THE TOP 50 WISCONSIN PUBLIC COMPANIES SINCE THE LAST REPORT -

NEW WISCONSIN-BASED WOMEN DIRECTORS





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PUBLIC COMPANIES

Wisconsin's 50 largest public companies is based on revenues as reported in the Milwaukee Business Journal's Annual Book of Lists, June 2023. MWi collected data for the WI Top 50 public companies using the most recent filings with U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and company websites as of June 30, 2023. The companies were contacted with the opportunity to review the MWi data and provide corrections.

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the data in this report.

PRIVATE COMPANIES

Wisconsin's 50 largest privately held and closely held companies is based on rankings as reported in the 2023 Wisconsin 75, Deloitte & Touche LLP. Deloitte compiles the list in order of revenue and participation is voluntary, so not every large private business in the state is included. Private company board information is not as readily available as public company data. Many types of domestic corporations and foreign limited liability companies are obliged to file an annual report with the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions, including a list of directors. Copies of the most recent annual reports were purchased from DFI as of June 30, 2023. However, not all types of private companies, including limited liability companies (LLCs), are required to file an annual report. MWi contacted the companies directly to request board information; however, companies are not obligated to make this information public.