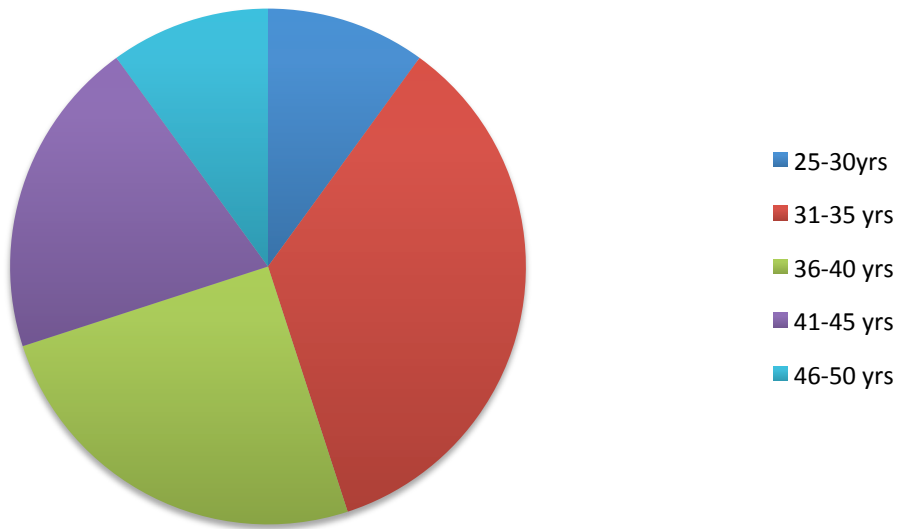
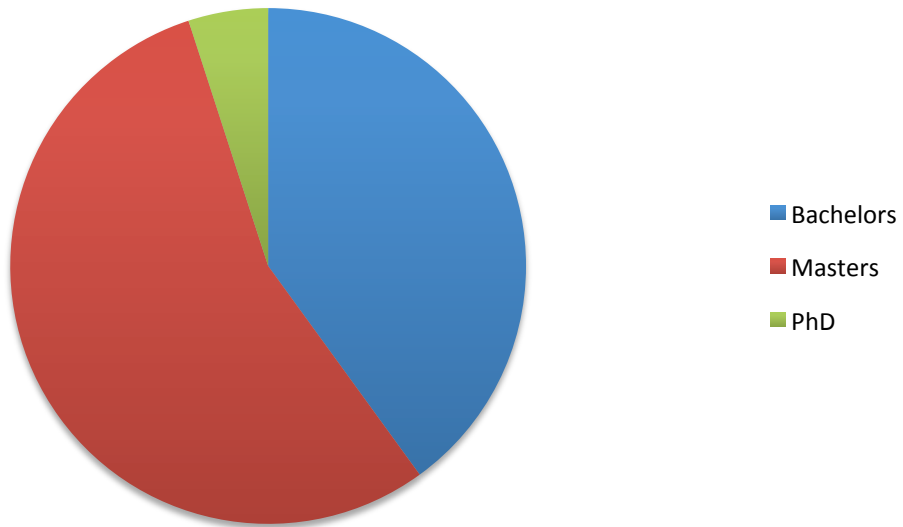


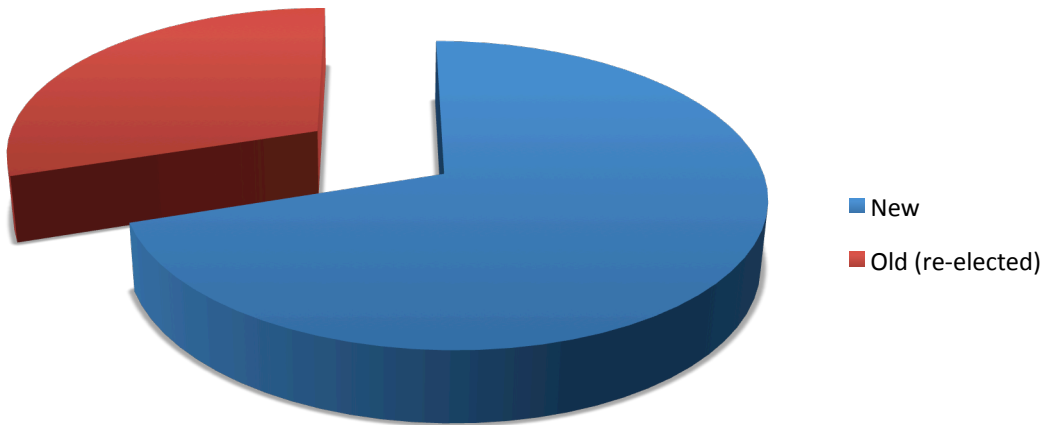
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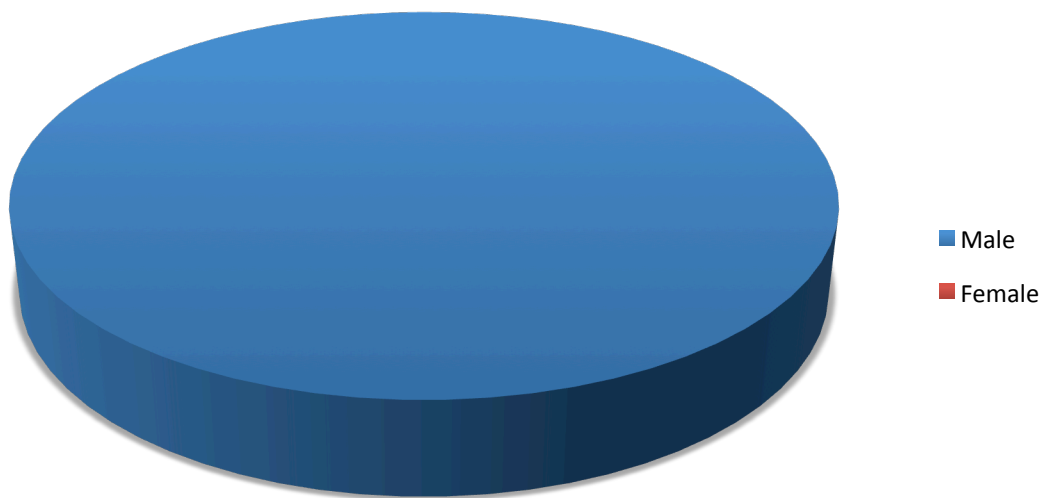
Number of MPs by Educational Qualification



New or Old



NC members by Gender



National Council

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BUMTHANG

Nima (2,264 votes)



He worked as Counselling and Education Psychology at Paro College of Education for three years. He also taught geography and Career Education at Phuyum Higher Secondary School in Lhuentse. Nima has MA in Human Science Psychology from Curtin University of Technology in Perth, Australia.

CHUKHA

Pema Tenzin (6,995 votes)



Pema Tenzin worked in tourism industry for nine years as human resources and training director. He has specialization in leadership program from Singapore and Corporate Social Responsibility from Denmark. He worked as Executive training officer with COMO group in Singapore.

Completing B.Com Hounours from Sherubtse college, he did his MBA from Victoria university in Australia.

DAGANA

Sonam Dorji (8,225 votes)



Sonam Dorji, 38, from Kana gewog was elected to National Council in 2007 as well. In addition to the strong family connection and influence that Sonam Dorji's family has in the villages, he speaks fluent Nepali and Dzongkha. His grandfather served in the former national assembly. He worked with Bank of Bhutan Ltd, Phuentsholing (Head Office) in 1999- 2007. Born on July 04, He has completed B. Com from St. Joseph's College, North Point, Darjeeling, India.

GASA

Sangay Khandu (603 votes)



Sangay Khandu, 34, is the son of former Royal Advisory Councilor. Sangay Khandu has a B.Com honors from Kanglung Sherubtse College and an MBA from Thailand. He worked in various organizations like the RMA, BPCL and International Trade Centre in Geneva before resigning to contest for the post of a councilor in 2007. He was the only candidate from the district and got elected. He worked with National Project Coordinator, International Trade Centre (UNCTAD/WTO), Geneva, Switzerland in 2006-2008 and Manager-Performance Management System and Performance Based Incentive System, Bhutan Power Corporation Ltd (BPC) in 2005-2006, Assistant Foreign Exchange Officer, Royal Monetary Authority (RMA), Central Bank in 2001-2002. He was born on December 15, 1978 in Choling, Khatoe, Gasa

HAA

Tshering Dorji (1,866 votes)



Tshering Dorji, 38 from Bji gewog was a former lecturer at the Sherubtse College in Kanglung before being elected to the National Council in 2007. He declared immovable property worth seven million, of which a bungalow and a building in Lobesa worth six million is under process to be transferred in his wife's name. He also owns shares in the Bhutan National Bank. Born on September 23, 1974 in Chumpa, Haa, he has completed M.Sc (Wildlife Ecology) from University of New England, Australia in 2002, PGCE from National institute of Education, Samtse, Bhutan in 1998, Post graduate Diploma in University Teaching from University of Newbrunswick, Canada. 2005 and B. Sc. from Sherubtse College, University of Delhi in 1998

LHUMENTSE

Tempa Dorji (3,193 votes)



Tempa Dorji, 45, said working towards balanced economic development for Lhuentse would be among his top priority.

Father of two, Dorji was working with the Bhutan Power Corporation (BPC) before announcing to join politics. With a Masters degree in power engineering from Norway, Tempa Dorji from Jarey gewog worked with BPC for the last 21 years. He last served as the manager of the electricity services division in Thimphu.

While in BPC, he was also part of a multi-sectoral task force during which he travelled the length and breadth of the country, meeting people from all walks of life.

MONGAR

Sonam Wangchuk (4,821 votes)



Sonam Wangchuk, 26, completed B.Com from Gedu College for Business Studies in 2012.

PARO

Kaka Tshering (2,422 votes)



Kaka, 49, has completed Masters in education. He has 15 years of experience in education sector, both in public and private. He also worked as CEO in a private media company for two years.

PEMAGATSHEL

Jigmi Rinzin (5,184 votes)



Jigme Rinzin, 41, resigned the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC), where he was the Chief Investigating Officer in 2007 to join politics and got elected to National Council. He was Chief of Corporations & Financial Institutions Division, Royal Audit Authority (Jan. 2004 – March 2006), General Manager - Admin, Finance & Commercial (On Deputation from Royal Civil Service Commission and Royal Audit Authority), Kuensel Corporation (April 2002 – Dec. 2003) and Assistant Chief Auditor, Corporations & Financial Institutions Division, Royal Audit Authority (Jan. 2001 – March 2002)

Rinzin was the topper of the first B.Com (Honors) batch in Sherubtse College and stood third in civil service exams in 1994. He previously worked in the Royal Audit Authority (RAA) after completing his Chartered Accountancy from Emile Woolf College of Accountancy, London.

He was born on 18 June 1971 in Khothagpa, Shumar, Pemagatshel.

PUNAKHA

Rinzin Dorji (3,449 votes)



Dorji Rinzin, 48, from Toewang geog has completed Masters in Administration and Management. He has been in education sector for last 22 years. He worked as project director of BAOWE before joining politics.

SAMDRUP JONGKHAR

Jigme Wangchuk (5,213 votes)



Jigme Wangchuk, 33, served as a History and English teacher in Phuntshothang Lower Secondary School in Samdrupchholing, Samdrup Jongkhar for two years before being elected as National Council member in 2007.

Born on March 04, 1980 in Momring, Lauri under Samdrup Jongkhar Wangchuk has completed Bachelor in Education from National Institute of Education (NIE), Paro in 2005

SAMCHI

Sangay Khandu (9,907 votes)



Sangay Khandu, 37, a former chimi holds a degree in political science from Rangsit University in Thailand after he was sent to complete his studies partially sponsored by the Druk Phuensum Tshogpa party.

Although considered a potential candidate for the party in 2008, he could not compete for a seat in the assembly because he did not have the basic qualification required to contest for the parliamentary elections. He, however, campaigned for DPT.

SARPANG

Dhan Bahadur Monger (4,131 votes)



Losing in the last election to Karma Donnen has not deterred 33-year-old Dhan Bahadur Monger from re-contesting for National Council again.

Monger claims to “know” the issues concerning people in the district, has travelled to most the blocks and seen both problems and development.

From Dekiling block and the chief executive officer of Vision Soft Solutions, Dhan Bahadur Monger presents himself as a role model for the youth.

He has Bachelor's of science from Sherubtse College and a master's in information technology from Chennai, India.

For him, international territorial security is a growing issue in Sarpang (Sarbhong).

THIMPHU

Nima Gyaltsen (2,250 votes)



Nima Gyaltsen, 29, is from Chang block. Having completed Bachelors in Social and Legal Science from Pune University in India, he worked in tourism industry for five years.

TRASHIGANG

Sonam Kinga (11,219 votes)



Sonam Kinga from Shongphu geog is former executive editor of Bhutan Observer weekly. He resigned as newspaper editor to join politics and elected to the National Council in 2007. He has done Ph.D from Kyoto University in Japan and the authored six books. Kinga is the civil service examination topper of 1997. He also worked as Senior Program Officer, Save the Children US, Thimphu, Senior Research Officer, Centre for Bhutan Studies (a government think tank institute), Thimphu, Publication Officer, CAPSD, Ministry of Education, Thimphu, Member, National Film and TV Review Board (1999-2003) and Director, Board of Directors, BBS (2002-2004).

Born on June 06, 1973 in Galing, Shongphu, Trashigang Kinga did his M.A (Area Studies) from Kyoto University in Japan, B.A (Eng Hons) from Sherubtse College in Kanglung and I.B (Diploma) from Lestor B. Pearson College in Canada.

TRASHYANGTSE



Tashi Phuntsho (3,226 votes)

Former educationist, Tashi Phuntsho, was nominated from Yalang gewog. He has done Masters in Leadership and Management and involved in education sector since 16 years.

TRONGSA

Tharchen (2,083 votes)



Tharchen, 34, was a secondary school principal in Trongsa before joining the race. He has a master's in educational administration and management from Naresuan University in Thailand.

Tharchen, after completing his bachelors degree in teaching from Samtse College of Education, served as a teacher of Langthel lower secondary school, then principal of Tongtophey primary school, and then as principal of Samcholing middle secondary school, after completing his master's.

TSIRANG (CHIRANG)

Kamal Bahadur Gurung (2,381 votes)



Kamal Bahadur Gurung is from Mendrelgang. The 45-year-old former senior manager with Bhutan Power Corporation ltd. also claims to come with knowledge of all the districts in the country, having worked on rural electrification project in these places over the years.

Possessing a master's degree in electrical engineering from Thailand in 2007, he had started off as a civil servant some 23 years ago.

He said, going by his rural experience, an estimated 35 percent of the rural population was still living under national poverty line and these people felt “abandoned and voiceless”.

WANGDUE PHODRANG

Tashi Dorji (5,848)



Tashi Dorji, 31, worked as CEO of Bhutan Nyinzer Expeditions and an independent consultant with Rubin Museum of Arts in New York. He also worked as protocol officer in minister of foreign affairs.

ZHEMGANG

Pema Drakpa (2,413 votes)



Pema Drakpa, 44, the former director of the post harvest centre (under Ministry of Agriculture and Forests) in Paro is from Bardo block. He completed his BSc from Philippines and Masters degree in Food Technology from Belgium. He worked in civil service for 14 years.