

About the NWBC

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Who We Are

The National Women's Business Council (NWBC) is a non-partisan federal advisory council created to serve as an independent source of advice and counsel to the president, Congress, and the U.S. Small Business Administration on economic issues of importance to women business owners.

The Council is the government's only independent voice for women entrepreneurs. Members are prominent women business owners and leaders of women's business organizations. The NWBC is composed of 15 members who are appointed to three-year terms:

- ★ A presidentially-appointed chair;
- ★ Eight women business owners or chief executives, half in the political party of the U.S. president and half who are not;
- ★ Six representatives of national women's business organizations.

What We Do

The Council is committed to:

- ★ Conducting research on issues important to women business owners and their organizations;
- ★ Communicating these findings widely;
- ★ Providing a platform for change to expand and improve opportunities for women business owners and their enterprises.

History

The NWBC was established as part of the Women's Business Ownership Act of 1988, which, among other things, eliminated the requirement in many states for women to have a male relative co-sign any business loan.

In 1994, the Small Business Reorganization Act changed the Council's structure to its current form to include both women business owners and representatives of women's business organizations.