

First in the World: Women's Vote — Knowledge Organiser

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Key facts

- In 1893, New Zealand became the first country in the world to give all women the right to vote.
- Campaigners, led by Kate Sheppard, gathered huge petitions.
- It was a proud and important moment in New Zealand's history.
- Kate Sheppard appears on the New Zealand ten-dollar note.

Key vocabulary

- Suffrage — the right to vote.
- Petition — a signed request for change.
- Campaign — organised work for a goal.
- Equality — being treated the same.

A world first

No country had done it before — New Zealand led the way in 1893, thanks to determined campaigners.

Kate Sheppard

The leader of the campaign, Kate Sheppard, is honoured on New Zealand's ten-dollar note.