

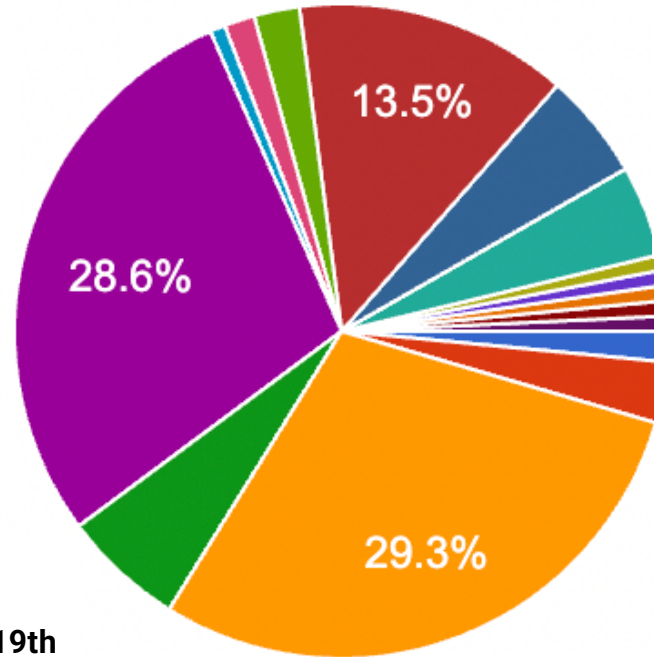
Who do you think was the most influential woman in American history?

133 responses

13.5%
Rosa Parks
After refusing to give up her seat to a White bus passenger, her act of peaceful civil disobedience was a pivotal moment in the Civil Rights movement

28.6%
Susan B. Anthony
American social reformer and women's rights activist who led to women getting the right to vote.

5.3%
Shirley Chisholm
US congresswoman from 1969-1983, she co-founded the National Women's Political Caucus and in 1972 became the first person of color to run for President.



4.5%
Kamala Harris
San Francisco District Attorney, Attorney General of the State of California, and US Senator, she became the first female elected Vice President of the United States.

6%
Nellie Bly
An undercover journalist of the late 19th century, Bly wrote about marginalized people, particularly the plight of women and an exposé that uncovered conditions within mental institutions.

29.3%
Harriet Tubman
A "conductor" on the Underground Railroad, she led more than 300 slaves to freedom, and also served as a scout, spy, soldier, and nurse for the Union Army during the Civil War.

Other top choices included: Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross (3%), Ruth Baser Ginsburg, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court (2.3%), Sally Ride, astronaut, physicist, and first American woman to go into space (2.3%), and Helen Keller author, disability rights advocate, and lecturer (1%). Who do YOU think was the most influential woman in American History?
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