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Gender Statistics

Inform policy and programme decisions

Critical for effective monitoring and analyses of gender gains and gaps

There is huge demand for gender statistics at the national, regional and global level

There is a need for systematic mainstreaming of a gender perspective within national statistical systems

However, the production of gender statistics remain unmet in many areas.
Who produces this data?

National Statistic Systems may be at the center of our data ecosystems but we need to champion the efforts of all actors in all sectors to advance the gender data agenda.
What types of data are needed?

- Census Data
- Civil Registration
- Vital Statistics
- Household Surveys
- Administrative Data
- Agricultural Surveys/Environmental Monitoring
- Economic Stats
- Labor Force & Establishment Surveys
The aim should not only be to present numerical information, but to help people transform data into information, information into knowledge, and knowledge into action.
INVEST IN GIRLS' EQUALITY

THE AVERAGE LIFE EXPECTANCY FOR WOMEN:
82 YEARS IN HIGH-INCOME COUNTRIES
63.1 YEARS IN LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES

64% OF ILLITERATE ADULTS ARE WOMEN.

THAT'S 2 OUT OF 3

Girls and women spend 90% of their earned income on their families, while men spend only 30-40%.

VIOLENCE

ONE IN FOUR WOMEN is physically or sexually abused during pregnancy.

Globally, NEARLY 40% of murders of women are committed by an intimate partner.

EVERY DAY, 39,000 GIRLS ARE FORCED INTO EARLY MARRIAGE.

THAT'S 27 GIRLS A MINUTE

INCLUSION & PARTICIPATION

Women make up only 22% of Parliamentarian seats, and 8% of the world’s executives.

95% of countries have a male head of state.

WOMEN IN POWER = GREATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIRLS' EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND EQUALITY
1997 Gender Statistics Programme (GSP)

2008 Resolution 286 (XXV) was adopted on gender statistics for equality and empowerment of women.

- address the lack of timely, reliable, sex disaggregated data
- called countries to develop a mechanism for collecting, disseminating and analyzing gender indicators
- formulate gender-sensitive policies and programmes
GSP Activities and Outputs

- Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Stat.
- Technical publications
- Technical material
- Regional workshops
- Gender Statistics Curriculum
- Capacity building
  - Advisory services
  - National projects – XB
- Development Account Projects
Gender Statistics Programme

Technical publications

➢ Gender in Figures Bulletin

➢ Arab Gender Statistics Framework

➢ Arab Metadata Handbook

➢ Country Profile: Gender Lens pocket book
Dashboard - Arab Development Monitor on Societal Progress
   - Regional picture on progress achieved
   - 3 profiles for each 22 Arab country
     - Key development indicators incl. MDGs
     - key youth indicators
     - Key gender issues

Arab Catalogue of Gender Statistics Activities

“Ensaf” Gender Statistics Newsletter
   - collaborative effort between ESCWA and NSOs on regional and national activities and products since June 2012
Gender Statistics Programme

Advisory services

**SUDAN**
- Establishing Gender Statistics Unit
- Training on gender concepts and statistics

**EGYPT**
- VAW survey
  - Training field workers and supervisors
  - Designing questionnaire
  - Practical and live case studies
  - Finalizing questionnaire

**QATAR**
- National gender statistics framework
- DevInfo Gender Statistics database
Gender Statistics Programme

Arabic Gender Statistics e-learning Curricula

- e-learning – independent learning
- Toolkit – national workshops

Gender Statistics Curricula (Arabic)

- What is Gender?
- What is Gender Statistics?
- Why gender statistics is important in policy making?
- What are Gender indicators?
- How to visualize gender statistics?
Sustainable Development Goals
Introduction

Sustainable Development Goals

On 1 January 2016, the world officially began implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Address urgent global challenges and ensure sustainable social and economic progress worldwide.

A global indicator framework, comprise:

- 17 SDGS
- 169 TARGETS
- 230 INDICATORS

Data stored in the Global SDG Indicators Database (UNSD)
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GIRLS AND WOMEN ARE DRIVERS OF DEVELOPMENT
And Critical to the Success of the new Global Goals

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107 Substantive targets
62 Means of implementation
Gender-related targets
Gender-related means of implementation
Introduction

SDG 5 Indicators

The SDG framework was adopted unanimously by the Statistical Committee and includes a stand-alone Goal (Goal 5) on:

“Achieve gender equality and empower women and girls”

Reaffirming that gender equality and women’s empowerment continues to be at the forefront of global policy concerns.

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Assessment of Metadata Availability

UNSD Classification of Indicators

Tier I: data available with standardized methodology

Tier II: data can be made available with standardized methodology

Tier III: data not available, new collection tools and methodologies need to be developed
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Qualitative

5.1.1: legal frameworks

Measures whether or not:

1) national laws exist to promote gender equality and non-discrimination against women and girls

2) there exist mechanisms to ‘enforce and monitor’ the implementation of legal frameworks for each area of law.
Quantitative

5.2.1 physical, sexual or psychological violence

| 1) physical violence |
| 2) sexual violence |
| 3) physical and/or sexual violence |
| 4) psychological violence |

5.2.2 sexual violence (other than partner)

Proportion of women and girls aged 15 years and older subjected to sexual violence by persons other than an intimate partner, in the last 12 months, by age group and place of occurrence
5.3.1 Early Marriage

5.3.1 Percentage of women aged 20-24 who were married or in a union before age 15

5.3.1 Percentage of women aged 20-24 who were married or in a union before age 18

5.3.2 Female genital mutilation

This indicator provides the proportion of girls and women aged 15 to 49 years who have undergone female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C).
5.4.1 Unpaid domestic and care work

Unpaid domestic and care work activities include the unpaid production of goods for own final consumption, these include:

➢ Unpaid work that involves the production of goods for self-consumption (e.g., collecting water or firewood);

➢ Unpaid work that involves the provision of services for self-consumption (e.g., cooking or cleaning as well as person-to-person care for other people);

➢ ‘Voluntary work’ which consists of service or activity undertaken without pay for the benefit of the community, the environment, and persons other than close relatives or those within the household
5.5.1 Women in national parliaments & local governments

➢ Number of seats in the single or lower chambers of national parliaments occupied by women from total number of seats

➢ Number of positions held by women in local government from total number of positions
5.5.2: Proportion of women in managerial positions

Legislators
Senior Government Officials
Traditional Chiefs and Heads of Villages
Senior Officials of Special-interest Organizations

Managing Directors and Chief Executives
Business Services and Administration Managers
Sales, Marketing and Development Managers

Production Managers in Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
Manufacturing, Mining, Construction and Distribution Managers
Information and Communications Technology Services Managers
Professional Services Managers
5.6.1 Decisions on sexual relations, contraceptives, reproductive health care

➢ The three questions are as follows:

1. Whether a woman can say no to her husband/partner if she does not want to have sexual intercourse

2. Whether using contraception or not using contraception has been mainly the woman’s decision

3. Whether a woman can make a decision about sexual and reproductive healthcare for herself
5.6.2 Access to sexual and reproductive health care

Legal/regulatory frameworks covered by this indicator include laws and regulations that explicitly guarantee:

1. Access to SRH services without third party authorization (from the spouse, guardian, parents or others);

2. Access to SRH services without restrictions in terms of age and marital status;

3. Access by adolescents to SRH information and education.
5.a.1 Ownership rights over agricultural land

➢ Percentage of people with ownership or secure rights over agricultural land (out of total agricultural population), by sex; and

➢ Share of women among owners or rights-bearers of agricultural land, by type of tenure
5.1.1 Owning a mobile telephone

Proportion of individuals who own a mobile telephone, by sex
5.c.1 Tracking public allocations for gender equality and women’s empowerment

A system will be considered to be in place if the country meets the following criteria:
1. Public Finance Management systems incorporate gender equality:
   - Whether or not there are guidelines such as call circulars or directives that provide guidance on gender responsive budget allocations?
   - Whether or not the sectoral budgets allocate resources to programmes to promote gender equality & women’s empowerment?
   - Whether or not there is a gender budget statement?
   - Whether or not an ex ante gender impact assessment of the budget allocation is conducted?
   - Whether or not an assessment is conducted of how the budget allocations were spent?
2. Allocations and expenditures for gender equality will be considered public when they are available in a timely and accessible manner through official government publications and channels including ministry websites, official bulletins and public notices, defined as:

- Resources allocated for women or girls programmes only.
- Resources allocated to programmes that target both women and men but where gender equality is a primary objective.
- Resources allocated to programmes where gender equality is not a primary objective but where action is being taken to close gender gaps.
5.a.2 Percentage of countries where the legal framework guarantees women’s equal rights to land ownership and/or control

Collects policy objectives, draft provisions, existing legal provisions and implementing legislation reflecting good practices that guarantee women’s equal rights to land ownership and/or control. Information is then computed by stage of incorporation into the policy and legal framework, using a scale from 0 to 4.

Each number refers to the stage of incorporation of the indicator into the policy and legal framework, as laid out below:

Score 0: Absence of the indicator in the legal framework
Score 1: A policy is being developed
Score 1.5: A policy is in place
Score 2: A draft legislation is to be submitted for deliberations
Score 3: The indicator appears in primary law
Score 4: The indicator appears in multiple legal instruments
Assessment of Data Availability

Regional Criteria

• Country data availability for gender-related indicators in Tier I

• Indicators with a standardized methodology to meet monitoring and reporting requirements

• Indicators classified into 2 levels as per data availability in a time series

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Regional Assessment

Assessment of data availability

Arab countries

➢ 36 gender – related indicators in Tier I

➢ data are available with more than two-point in time series in over 50% of countries

- 42% available
- 58% not available
Regional Assessment

2. Availability of sex disaggregated data

Egypt
- 17% totals
- 9% sex disaggregated

Lebanon
- 14% totals
- 8% sex disaggregated

Somalia
- 8% totals
- 2% sex disaggregated
### Challenges

#### Gender Data Gaps

| Lacking coverage across countries and / or regular country production | Lacking international standards to all for comparability | Lacking complexity: information across domains | Lacking granularity: detailed datasets allowing for disaggregation |

Huge data gaps hinder measuring gender equality
## Lack of coverage across countries

### SDG5 sub-indicators in Tier I & II

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### Availability – national vis-à-vis international sources

Proportion of seats held by women in national parliaments

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Lack of international standards

➢ Unavailability of metadata - Decision-making positions in local government and private sector (SDG 5.5)
➢ Poverty based on individual-level data
➢ Unequal decision-making power and resources within the household (SDG 1);
➢ Quality of education and lifelong learning (SDG 4);
➢ Social protection measures, (SDG 1.3, 8.b, 10.4);
➢ Access to land, natural resources and land tenure (SDG 1.4.1, 5.a.1 and SDG 2 & SDG 6, 7, 14 and 15);
➢ Universal health coverage (SDG 3.8);
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## Lacking granularity – level of detail

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*Note: The data for Yemen is incomplete.*
Way Forward

- Step up the collection and dissemination of gender indicators in data collection-production processes in NSS

- Enhance the coordination among users and producers of statistics

- Make partnerships with main data producers to upgrade their data collection systems

- Collect and compile statistics in line with international recommendations

- Use official statistics verified by the national statistical offices
THANK YOU