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Background  
The Gender Statistics Unit was established in Iraq in 2007. It was set up in the Central Office for Statistics and Information Technology in the Ministry of Planning and Development Cooperation. The Unit has been established in cooperation with the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), and the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM).  

Vision: to make the Gender Statistics Unit meet the best standards of similar international gender statistics units, so as to make it the reliable national source for credible statistical information.  

Mission: To provide gender specific data and indicators that satisfy the variety of ever changing needs of statistics users; to reach a high degree of quality in the production of such data and indicators and to observe their timely publication, in ways that would make them easily available, and conductive to the empowerment of women and their participation in the overall process of equitable and sustainable development.  

Objectives  
The Gender Statistics Unit is  
• To produce, develop, and publish gender statistics and gender sensitive indicators in order to raise awareness among the public about gender issues;  
• To achieve gender equality and women empowerment in Iraq.  
• To improve national capacities in the production, analysis, dissemination, and issuance of gender studies and publications.  
• To build a national database on gender indicators in Iraq.
### GENDER STATISTICS PUBLICATIONS

**Women and Men in Iraq**

2009 (Arabic)


### GENDER-BASED SURVEYS

**Iraq Woman Integrated Social and Health Survey (I-WISH)**

2012 (English)

The main objective of I-WISH survey is to provide comprehensive statistical information on gender issues, and provide data on selected topics related to Woman's health and social status using a life cycle approach starting from adolescence and ending by elderly stages. It is hoped that the outcome of this survey is utilized to shape out Iraq's development agenda in regard to women issues particularly woman participation and gender based violence (GBV) and improve services provided to women in all life stages. I-WISH is based on a multi-stage cluster random sample design composed of 10,620 households.


**Time Use Survey Report in Iraq,**

pages 72

2010 (Arabic)


### HANDBOOKS

**Data Assessment of Gender Statistics in Iraq**

Pages 126

2009 (Arabic)

**Iraqi women who are heads of families of the conditions (Iraq's case study) – analytical study – 2015**

Pages 51

2015 (Arabic)

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**WORKSHOPS FOR CAPACITY BUILDING**

- **Workshop on Mainstreaming Gender in Labor Statistics in Iraq**
  2008, Turin

  2008, Istanbul

- **National Workshop on Gender Statistics and Time-Use Survey**
  2007, Amman

- **First National Workshop on Gender Statistics**
  2006, Amman

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**RELATED REPORTS ON WOMEN**

**CEDAW REPORTS**

*Second & third reports*

2000


**National framework report indicators of gender in Iraq in 2015**

Pages 56

2015 (Arabic)