Slovenia

WBL 2.0 legal frameworks score

WBL 2.0 supportive frameworks score WBL 2.0 expert opinions score

90.0

60.8

90.0

Women, Business and the Law 2024 (WBL 2024) identifies barriers for women's economic empowerment in three areas: women's legal rights, policy instruments designed to support the implementation of these rights, and how these rights are realized in practice. For that purpose, three new Women, Business and the Law 2.0 indexes are presented for ten indicators: (1) legal frameworks, (2) supportive frameworks, and (3) expert opinions. For the WBL 2.0 legal frameworks index, 40 questions are scored across the ten indicators for 190 economies. For the WBL 2.0 supportive frameworks index, 30 questions are scored across the ten indicators for 190 economies. Overall economy level legal and supportive frameworks scores are then calculated by taking the average of each indicator, with 100 representing the highest possible score. The WBL 2.0 expert opinions index is created for a total of 164 economies. Expert opinion scores are not available for 26 economies due to an insufficient number of responses received from those economies during data collection. Individual responses at the economy level for 15 expert opinions questions across the ten indicators are scored by taking the median value of all responses per question. The economy level expert opinions index is equal to the simple unweighted average of the ten indicator scores.

For Slovenia, data refer to the legal frameworks, supportive frameworks, and expert opinions that are applicable to the main business city (Ljubljana). The scores for Slovenia are shown in the table below.

Women, Business and the Law 2024 2.0 indicator scores

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WBL 2.0	Safety	Mobility	Workplace	Pay	Marriage	Parenthood	Childcare	Entrepren- eurship	Assets	Pension
Legal frameworks score	75.0	100.0	100.0	75.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	50.0	100.0	100.0
Supportive frameworks score	50.0	66.7	66.7	50.0	100.0	66.7	75.0	0.0	33.3	100.0
Expert opinions score	75.0	100.0	75.0	75.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	75.0

In summary, the **WBL 2.0 legal frameworks score** for Slovenia (90.0 out of 100.0) is higher than the global average (64.2) and higher than the High income: OECD regional average (84.9). When it comes to constraints on freedom of movement, laws affecting women's decisions to work, constraints related to marriage, laws affecting women's work after having children, laws affecting childcare, laws affecting women's property and inheritance and laws affecting the size of a woman's pension, Slovenia obtains a perfect score (100.0 out of 100.0). As an example, one of the lowest scores for Slovenia is on the indicator measuring constraints on women starting and running a business. To improve on the Entrepreneurship indicator, Slovenia may wish to consider legally prescribing a gender quota on corporate boards and introducing in the law gender-sensitive procurement provisions for public procurement processes.

The **WBL 2.0 supportive frameworks score** for Slovenia (60.8 out of 100.0) is higher than the global average (39.5) and lower than the High income: OECD regional average (68.1). When it comes to supportive frameworks related to marriage and supportive frameworks affecting the size of a woman's pension, Slovenia obtains a perfect score (100.0 out of 100.0).



As an example, one of the lowest scores for Slovenia is on the indicator measuring supportive frameworks related to women starting and running a business. To improve on the Entrepreneurship indicator, Slovenia may wish to consider publishing sex-disaggregated data on business activities, entrepreneurship, or women-owned businesses on a regular basis, establishing government-led programs that provide support to female entrepreneurs such as access to finance or regarding agency and empowerment and putting in place a national government plan or strategy with a focus on women's access to financial services.

The **WBL 2.0 expert opinions score** for Slovenia (90.0 out of 100.0) is higher than the global average (65.7) and higher than the High income: OECD regional average (82.9). When it comes to expert opinions on freedom of movement, expert opinions on marriage, expert opinions on women's work after having children, expert opinions on childcare, expert opinions on women starting and running a business and expert opinions on women's property and inheritance, Slovenia obtains a perfect score (100.0 out of 100.0). As an example, one of the lowest scores for Slovenia is on the indicator measuring expert opinions on women's safety.

WBL 2.0 legal frameworks data

QUESTION	ANSWER	LEGAL BASIS
Safety		
Is there legislation on domestic violence?	Yes	Domestic Violence Prevention Act, Arts. 3(2)-(6) and 19; Criminal Code, Arts. 170, 171, and 191; Act on Tasks and Powers of Police, Arts. 60 and 61
Is there legislation on femicide?	No	No applicable provisions could be located
Is there comprehensive legislation on sexual harassment?	Yes	Employment Relationships Act, Arts. 7, 8, and 47; Protection Against Discrimination Act, Arts. 2, 7, 8, 39, and 45; Protection of Public Order Act, Art. 7(3); Criminal Code, Arts. 134a and 197
Is there legislation on child marriage?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 5, 24, and 45; Criminal Code, Art. 132a
Mobility		
Can a woman travel internationally in the same way as a man?	Yes	Law on Travel Documents, Arts. 2-6; Family Code, Arts. 21 and 60
Can a woman choose where to live in the same way as a man?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 21, 59 and 60
Can a woman travel outside her home in the same way as a man?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 21 and 60
Do women and men have equal rights to confer citizenship to their spouses and their children?	Yes	Citizenship Act of the Republic of Slovenia, Arts. 4 and 12
Workplace		
Can a woman get a job in the same way as a man?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 21, 58 and 60
Does the law prohibit discrimination in employment based on gender?	Yes	Employment Relations Act, Art. 6
Does the law prohibit discrimination in recruitment based on marital status, parental status, and age?	Yes	Employment Relations Act, Art. 6
Does the law allow employees to request flexible work?	Yes	Employment Relations Act, Arts. 68-69 and 140
Pay		
Does the law mandate equal remuneration for work of equal value?	Yes	Employment Relations Act, Arts. 6 and 133
Can a woman work at night in the same way as a man?	Yes	No restrictions could be located
Can a woman work in an industrial job in the same way as a man?	No	Employment Relations Act, Art. 181
Can a woman work in a job deemed dangerous in the same way as a man?	Yes	No restrictions could be located
Marriage		
Can a woman be "head of household" or "head of family" in the same way as a man?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 21 and 60



Is the law free of legal provisions that require a married woman to obey her husband?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 21 and 60
Can a woman obtain a judgment of divorce in the same way as a man?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 96-98
Does a woman have the same rights to remarry as a man?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 96-98
Parenthood		
Is paid leave of at least 14 weeks available to mothers?	Yes	Parental Protection and Family Benefits Act, Arts. 19 and 29(1)
Are leave benefits for mothers paid solely by the government?	Yes	Parental Protection and Family Benefits Act, Art. 7
Is there paid leave available to fathers?	Yes	Parental Protection and Family Benefits Act, Arts. 25, 27, 29(1) and 115
Is dismissal of pregnant workers prohibited?	Yes	Employment Relations Act, Art. 115
Childcare		
Does the law establish provision of childcare services in center-based settings?	Yes	Organization and Financing of Education Act, Arts. 6, 40 and 78; Kindergarten Act, Arts. 1 and 15
Does the law establish any form of support to families for childcare services?	Yes	Kindergarten Act, Art. 32; Act on the Enforcement of Rights from Public Funds, Art. 24
Does the law establish any form of support to non-state childcare providers?	Yes	Kindergarten Act, Arts. 34 and 28
Does the law establish quality standards for the provision of childcare services in center-based settings?	Yes	Kindergarten Act, Arts. 1, 17, 20č, 40 and 45a; Rulebook on Norms for the Performance of Pre-School Education Activities, Art. 25; Organization and Funding of Education Act, Art. 105; School Inspection Act, Arts. 1, 2 and 11
Entrepreneurship		
Can a woman undertake entrepreneurial activities in the same way as a man?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 21 and 60; Companies Act, Art. 3; Business Register Act, Art. 8
Does the law prohibit discrimination in access to credit based on gender?	Yes	Protection Against Discrimination Act, Arts. 1(1), 2(1) and 17(2)
Does the law prescribe a gender quota on corporate boards?	No	No applicable provisions could be located
Does the law include gender-sensitive procurement provisions for public procurement processes?	No	No applicable provisions could be located
Assets		
Do men and women have equal administrative power and ownership rights to immovable property, including land?	Yes	Family Code, Arts. 69-70; Agricultural Land Act, Art. 1; Land Register Act, Art. 1; Law on Marriage and Family Relations, Art. 52
Do sons and daughters have equal rights to inherit assets from their parents?	Yes	Inheritance Act, Arts. 4(1), 11 and 12
Do male and female surviving spouses have equal rights to inherit assets?	Yes	Inheritance Act, Arts. 4(1), 11 and 17
Does the law provide for the valuation of nonmonetary contributions?	Yes	Family Code, Art. 74
Pension		
Are the ages at which men and women can retire with full pension benefits equal?	Yes	Pension and Disability Insurance Act, Art. 27
Are the ages at which men and women can retire with partial pension benefits equal?	Yes	Pension and Disability Insurance Act, Arts. 29 and 38
Is the mandatory retirement age for men and women equal?	Yes	No applicable provisions could be located
Are periods of absence due to childcare accounted for in pension benefits?	Yes	Pension and Disability Insurance Act, Art. 24

WBL 2.0 supportive frameworks data

QUESTION	ANSWER	SOURCE
Safety		
Has the government developed comprehensive mechanisms to address violence against women?	Yes	Association for Nonviolent Communication; SOS Society and Association for Nonviolent Communication; HELP Course on Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence for Law Enforcement



Are there special procedures for cases of sexual harassment?	Yes	Protection Against Discrimination Act, Arts. 33, 40, 42 and 43
Is there a government entity responsible for the monitoring and implementation of national services, plans and programmes addressing violence against women?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Is there an annual budgetary allocation towards violence against women risk mitigation, prevention and response programs?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Mobility		
Are passport application processes the same for women and men?	Yes	Passport application procedures
Are the application processes for official identity documents the same for women and men?	Yes	ID application procedures
Is there a current policy or plan that explicitly considers the specific mobility needs of women in public transportation?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Workplace		
Has the government published guidelines on non- discrimination based on gender in recruitment?	Yes	Office of the Advocate of the principle of equality: Ensuring equal opportunities and prevention of discrimination in employment and work: Handbook for employers
Has the government published guidelines on flexible work arrangements?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Is there a specialized body that receives complaints about gender discrimination in employment?	Yes	Protection Against Discrimination Act, Art. 33
Pay		
Are there pay transparency measures or enforcement mechanisms to address the gender pay gap?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Is sex-disaggregated data on employment in different industries or sectors published at least on an annual basis?	Yes	Republic of Slovenia Statistical Office: Persons in employment by occupational groups (SKP-08) and sex, Slovenia, annually
Marriage		
Is there a fast-track process or procedure for family law disputes?	Yes	Family Code, Art. 14; Courts Act, Art. 83
Are there specialized family courts?	Yes	Courts Act, Art. 98
Is legal aid available for family law disputes?	Yes	Free Legal Aid
Parenthood		
Is it possible to apply for maternity benefits through a single government application process?	Yes	Parental Protection and Family Benefits Act, Arts. 57 and 60
Are incentives in place to encourage fathers to take paternity leave on the birth of a child?	Yes	Labor Relations Act, Art. 115
Has sex-disaggregated data on unpaid care work been published?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Childcare		
Is there a publicly available registry or database of childcare providers?	Yes	Official Website of Ljubljana Municipality, List of Kindergartens in Ljubljana; Official Website of the Ministry of Education, Records of Institutions and Programs
Is there a clearly outlined application procedure to request financial support from the government for childcare services by parents?	Yes	Act on the Enforcement of Rights from Public Funds, Arts. 34-38; Official Government Website (E-Uprava)
Is there a clearly outlined application procedure to request financial support from the government for childcare services by non-state childcare providers?	Yes	Official Government Portal
Has the government published any reports on quality of childcare services within the last 3 years?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Entrepreneurship		
Is sex-disaggregated data on business activities, entrepreneurship, or women-owned businesses published on a regular basis?	No	Insufficient evidence located

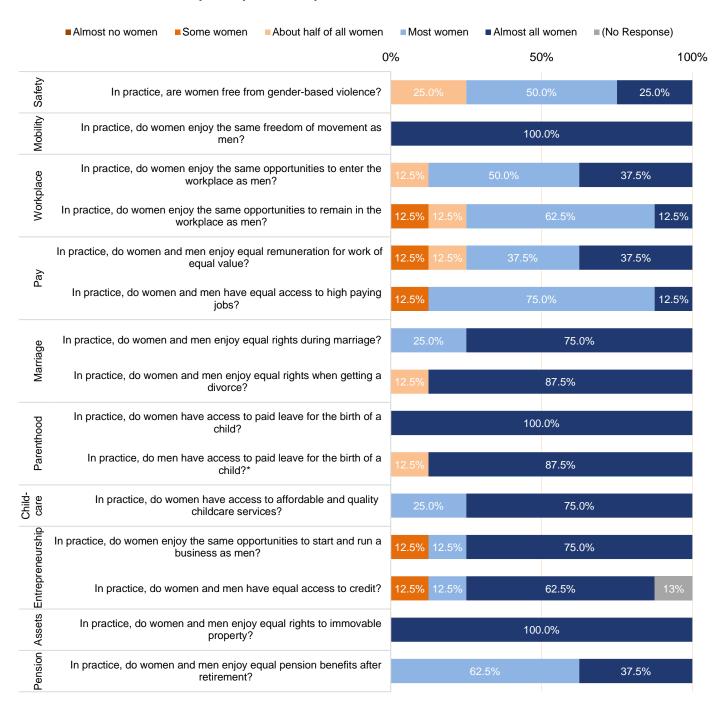




Are there government-led programs that provide support to female entrepreneurs such as access to finance or regarding agency and empowerment?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Is there a current national government plan or strategy with a focus on women's access to financial services?		Insufficient evidence located
Assets		
Are there mechanisms or incentives to encourage women to register immovable property?	Yes	Law on Marriage and Family Relations, Art. 55
Are there awareness measures in place to improve women's access to information about marital and inheritance rights?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Is anonymized sex-disaggregated data on property ownership published on a regular basis?	No	Insufficient evidence located
Pension		
Are there incentives in place to increase women's retirement benefits?	Yes	Pension and Disability Insurance Act, Art. 37
Is there a procedure in place for pension beneficiaries to challenge the decisions of the competent authority regarding their benefits?	Yes	Pension and Disability Insurance Act, Art. 170



WBL 2.0 distribution of expert opinion responses



^{*}Note: The response options for the second Parenthood question above are formatted as almost no men, some men, about half of all men, most men, almost all men.

