

Introduction

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This questionnaire examines **laws** affecting women's agency, entrepreneurship, mobility, and access to property along with your **perception of their enforcement**. It also contains questions on **policy instruments** that support the implementation of these laws.

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Questionnaire Overview

The questionnaire is divided into the following parts:

Hypothetical Country Scenarios


This part examines various scenarios in a hypothetical country, where you will assess the extent to which laws are enforced or rights are upheld.

Legal Frameworks and Enforcement

This part examines existing laws and the extent to which they are enforced by public authorities, including executive, regulatory, and judicial bodies.

Policy Instruments

The final part examines policy instruments that support the implementation of laws, such as national policies, action plans, monitoring institutions, access to justice measures, government programs, and statistical data.

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Hypothetical Country Scenarios – Instructions and Assumptions

Instructions


This part of the questionnaire presents various scenarios in a hypothetical country, **Country A**. For each scenario, you will be asked to assess the extent to which laws are enforced or rights are upheld based on the details provided. This part of the questionnaire asks for your own **perceptions** and **does not require any additional research**.

Assumptions

- For the purposes of this questionnaire, it is assumed that the questions focus on a woman residing in the main business city of country A.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the woman in question has reached the legal age of majority and is capable of making decisions as an adult, is in good health and has no criminal record.
- The woman in question is a lawful citizen.

Definitions

- **Enforcement:** Actively ensuring compliance with the law. This term refers to both the practical implementation of laws and the legal obligation to uphold them.
- **Public authorities:** Executive, regulatory, and judicial bodies responsible for implementing, monitoring, and upholding laws.

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Hypothetical Country Scenarios

Hypothetical Scenario: In Country A, the law provides men and women with equal rights to own and administer immovable property. However, the forms used by land registry officials only allow for one name to be listed on property titles and registrars tend to register the husband by default. While an additional name can be included through an addendum, this is seldom done in practice, as awareness of the law mandating joint ownership for married couples is poor. Women can request corrections to the titles, but the process is bureaucratic, requiring several forms and fees that need to be paid at the court in-person. While some women successfully navigate the system, most face delays or challenges in having their claims involving property administration and ownership fully recognized.

Question: In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman's equal administrative power and property ownership rights in Country A, in practice?

- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

Hypothetical Scenario: In Country A, the law provides men and women with equal rights to own and administer immovable property. However, some land registry officials use forms that only allow for one name to be listed on property titles and require an addendum in case of married couples, which sometimes leads to only the husband being registered on the title. Others use forms that require listing the names of both spouses. Women bringing claims involving administration and property ownership typically have to file multiple forms and pay fees at the court in-person, but online procedures are available for some of these steps. Many registries now display government-issued brochures with information about women's property rights and how to enforce them.

Question: In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman's equal administrative power and property ownership rights in Country A, in practice?


- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

Hypothetical Scenario: In Country A, the law provides men and women with equal rights to own and administer immovable property. The land registry uses a standardized form that requires two names to be listed on property titles by default for married couples. Claims involving administration and property ownership may be filed online or in person, and the same goes for paying the filing fees. Although most property claims are handled efficiently, delays occasionally occur in court due to a high caseload. Almost all registries display government-issued brochures with information about women's property rights and how to enforce them, linking to a dedicated government website that provides sex-disaggregated statistics on property ownership across several municipalities.

Question: In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman's equal administrative power and property ownership rights in Country A, in practice?

- Not at all

- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

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Legal Frameworks and Enforcement – Instructions and Assumptions

Instructions

In this part, you will be asked about laws in **__Data:Survey_Economy__** and your opinion on their enforcement—meaning, the extent to which public authorities actively ensure compliance.

- **Enforcement:** Actively ensuring compliance with the law. This term refers to both the practical implementation of laws and the legal obligation to uphold them.
- **Public authorities:** Executive, regulatory, and judicial bodies responsible for implementing, monitoring, and upholding laws (e.g., family courts, public prosecutors, law enforcement officers, compliance offices, human rights commissions, or public registries).

You will encounter two types of questions: **legal frameworks questions**, which require knowledge and legal research, and **perception questions**, which are based solely on your experience and perception and do not require research.

Most legal framework questions include a pre-filled answer and the applicable legislation (legal basis). In these cases, the default selection is “No change.”


- **Yes/No (binary) questions: Selecting “Change” assumes the opposite answer.**
- **Other (non-binary) questions:** If you select “Change,” you will be asked to provide an updated answer.

Please review each pre-filled answer and **select “Change” only if an update to the answer is needed.** You will then be asked to indicate whether the change is due to a newly enacted or amended law and provide the applicable legislation. **If a new or amended law does not affect the pre-filled answer, simply keep “No change” but provide the updated legislation in the comment field.**

For questions without a pre-filled answer, please answer and indicate the applicable legislation. Then, the questionnaire will prompt you to answer questions regarding your perception of how those laws are enforced.

Assumptions

- For the purposes of this questionnaire, it is assumed that the questions focus on a woman residing in the main business city, **__Data:Survey_City__**.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the woman in question has reached the legal age of majority and is capable of making decisions as an adult, is in good health and has no criminal record.
- The woman in question is a lawful citizen of the economy being examined.
- For more information on how to answer the questions, please refer to the methodology page on our website.

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Legal Frameworks – Instructions and Assumptions

Instructions

In this part, you will be asked about laws in __Data:Survey_Economy__. Most legal framework questions include a pre-filled answer and the applicable legislation (legal basis). In these cases, the default selection is “No change.”

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- Other (non-binary) questions: If you select “Change,” you will be asked to provide an updated answer.

Please review each pre-filled answer and **select “Change” only if an update to the answer is needed.** You will then be asked to indicate whether the change is due to a newly enacted or amended law and provide the applicable legislation. **If a new or amended law does not affect the pre-filled answer, simply keep “No change” but provide the updated legislation in the comment field.**

For questions without a pre-filled answer, please answer and indicate the applicable legislation.

Assumptions

- For the purposes of this questionnaire, it is assumed that the questions focus on a woman residing in the main business city, __Data:Survey_City__.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the woman in question has reached the legal age of majority and is capable of making decisions as an adult, is in good health and has no criminal record.
- The woman in question is a lawful citizen of the economy being examined.
- For more information on how to answer the questions, please refer to the methodology page on our website.

Section 1. Mobility

Most legal framework questions include a pre-filled answer and the applicable legislation (legal basis). In these cases, the default selection is “No change.”

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- Other (non-binary) questions: If you select “Change,” you will be asked to provide an updated answer.


Please review each pre-filled answer and **select “Change” only if an update to the answer is needed.** You will then be asked to indicate whether the change is due to a newly enacted or amended law and provide the applicable legislation. **If a new or amended law does not affect the pre-filled answer, simply keep “No change” but provide the updated legislation in the comment field.**

1.1. Does the law allow a woman to apply for a passport in the same way as a man?

① Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): woman (a) needs additional signature (e.g., that of the father, husband, or guardian); (b) needs additional information (e.g., providing the name of the father, husband, or guardian); (c) needs additional documentation (e.g., a marriage license).


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
___Data:Answer___	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
___Data:Legal_Basis___

Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.
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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in applying for a passport, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly

- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to apply for a passport, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

1.2. Does the law allow a woman to travel abroad in the same way as a man?

① Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): woman (a) needs permission, documentation, or male escort to leave the country; (b) has to travel with her husband; (c) has to justify traveling without her husband; (d) faces penalties (e.g., loss of maintenance) for traveling abroad without her husband’s permission or for refusing to accompany him.

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No


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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in traveling abroad, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to travel abroad, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

1.3. Does the law allow a woman to choose where to live (the marital home) in the same way as a man?

① *Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): (a) woman’s husband determines marital home; (b) woman automatically adopts husband’s domicile upon marriage; (c) woman requires judicial approval to live separately; (d) leaving her husband’s home affects a woman’s rights (e.g., maintenance loss); (e) independent domicile choice is allowed only in specific cases (e.g., abuse, relocation abroad).*

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in choosing where to live, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right in choosing where to live, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

1.4. Does the law allow a woman to leave the marital home and travel domestically in the same way as a man?

① Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): woman (a) needs permission, documentation, or a male escort to travel domestically; (b) faces legal consequences (e.g., loss of maintenance) for leaving home without a valid reason; (c) needs husband’s permission or provide reason to leave house.


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
__Data:Legal_Basis__

Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
⚠ Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?”
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No


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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in traveling outside their marital home and travel domestically, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to travel outside her marital home and travel domestically, in the same way as a man, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully


1.5. Do a woman and a man have equal rights to confer citizenship:

① *Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): woman (a) is not explicitly granted the right, while the law grants it to man; (b) is subject to different requirements such as different waiting times or different procedures; (c) can only confer citizenship under limited circumstances (e.g., if the child’s father’s nationality is unknown).*

	Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
On their Spouse	__Data:Answer__	No change/Change
On their Children in Wedlock	__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
__Data:Legal_Basis__


Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

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- Yes
- No


Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men to confer citizenship on their spouse and children born in wedlock, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to confer citizenship on her spouse and children born in wedlock, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men to confer citizenship on their children born in wedlock, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman's right to confer citizenship on her spouse, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman's right to confer citizenship on her children born in wedlock, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men to confer citizenship on their spouse, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

1.6. Please include any additional comments and indicate if there have been any recent or forthcoming reforms relevant to Mobility.

1.7. Are there any specific challenges to the enforcement of laws or the upholding of rights in practice relevant to this section that you would like to highlight?

Section 2. Marriage

Assumptions

In this section, we assume that the woman in question


- Is in a **monogamous first marriage** with a man, registered with the appropriate authorities (de facto marriages and customary unions are not measured).
- Is of the **same religion** as her husband.

2.1. Does the law require a woman to obey her husband?

① Please consider “Yes” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): (a) law refers to the term obedience; (b) law refers to a wife's disobedience; (c) there are legal consequences (e.g., loss of maintenance) for a wife disobeying her husband.


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
___Data:Answer___	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a married woman’s right not to be required to obey her husband, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that requires a married woman to obey her husband, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

2.2. Does the law allow a woman to be the “head of household” or the “head of family” in the same way as a man?

① Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): (a) law designates husband as the head of household or family; (b) husband is the default recipient of the family book or equivalent document for accessing services; (c) there are legal restrictions preventing a woman from being recognized as the head of household or family.

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
__Data:Legal_Basis__

Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men to be the “head of household” or the “head of family,” in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly


- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation restricting a woman’s right to be the “head of household” or the “head of family” in the same way as a man, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

2.3. Does the law allow a woman to obtain a judgment of divorce or initiate divorce in the same way as a man?

 Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): (a) woman faces different requirements than man in initiating divorce; (b) only man can initiate divorce; (c) woman must give up financial rights to divorce; (d) only woman needs a judge’s approval to divorce; (e) only woman must prove fault; (f) divorce grounds differ for man and woman.


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
__Data:Legal_Basis__

Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in obtaining a judgment of divorce or initiating divorce, in practice?

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answer to question 2.3 is “Yes” and the contributor selects “No change”, or if the prepopulated answer is “No” and the contributor selects “Change”.

- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to obtain a judgment of divorce or initiate divorce, in the same way as a man, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

2.4. Does the law grant a woman the same rights to remarry as a man?

① Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): woman (a) faces waiting period before she can remarry while the same waiting period does not apply to a man; (b) must prove that she is not pregnant.


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
 <i>Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?”</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No


Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.
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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in remarrying without adhering to a waiting period, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to remarry without adhering to a waiting period, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

2.5. Please include any additional comments and indicate if there have been any recent or forthcoming reforms relevant to Marriage.

2.6. Are there any specific challenges to the enforcement of laws or the upholding of rights in practice relevant to this section that you would like to highlight?


Section 3. Entrepreneurship

3.1. Does the law allow a woman to undertake the following activities in the same way as a man:

① Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): woman (a) does not obtain full legal capacity on reaching the age of majority; (b) needs her husband’s or guardian’s permission, signature, or consent; (c) faces additional legal constraints or burdens that do not apply to men.


	Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
Sign a contract	__Data:Answer__	No change/Change
Register a business	__Data:Answer__	No change/Change
Open a bank account	__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
<p> <i>Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?” for any of the three subquestions included in question 3.1.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.
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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in undertaking entrepreneurial activities, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to undertake entrepreneurial activities, in practice?

⚡ Skip Logic: This question applies only to private sector contributors and it is not included in questionnaires sent to public sector contributors. This question should only be answered if, for all of the subquestions under 3.1 – “Sign a contract,” “Register a business,” or “Open a bank account”, the prepopulated answers are “No” and the contributor selects “No change”, or the prepopulated answers are “Yes” and the contributor selects “Change”.

- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

3.2. Does the law allow a woman to get a job or pursue any profession in the same way as a man?

① Please consider “No” if (this list is suggestive, not exhaustive): woman (a) does not obtain full legal capacity on reaching the age of majority; (b) needs her husband’s or guardian’s permission, signature, or consent; (c) faces additional legal constraints or burdens that do not apply to men.

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
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Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

⚡ Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?”

- Yes
- No


Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal rights between women and men in getting a job or pursuing any profession, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s right to get a job or pursue any profession in the same way as a man, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

3.3. Does the law explicitly prohibit gender-based discrimination in the provision of financial services, credit, or loans (generic anti-discrimination provisions are insufficient)?

① *Please note that we are interested in explicit provisions: Generic non-discrimination clauses in Constitutions or nondiscrimination laws that do not specifically mention sex or gender in the context of financial services, credit, or loans are insufficient. The provision on non-discrimination in access to credit must be legally binding and can be regulated in a law or a decree or in a central bank regulation or circular.*


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
___Data:Answer___	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
 <i>Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?”</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No


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3.3.1. Is the legally binding instrument accompanied by effective remedies after a violation of the non-discrimination principle?

 *Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if the prepopulated answer to question 3.3 is “Yes” and the contributor selects “No change”, or if the prepopulated answer is “No” and the contributor selects “Change”.*

Please provide an answer	Please provide legal source
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No 	<input type="text"/>

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that prohibits gender-based discrimination in the provision of financial services, credit, or loans, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

3.4. Does the law prescribe a gender quota for corporate boards?

① Please consider “No” if only non-mandatory quotas exist (e.g., “comply-or-explain” mechanisms) or if limited to non-binding private sector initiatives.


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change


Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

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3.4.1. What is the prescribed quota?

 *Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if the prepopulated answer to question 3.4 is “Yes” and the contributor selects “No change”, or if the prepopulated answer is “No” and the contributor selects “Change”.*

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?	Your updated answer if you select “Change”
		 <i>Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?”</i>


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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

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***In your opinion*, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation on gender quotas for corporate boards, in practice?**

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully


3.5. Does the law include gender-responsive procurement provisions for public procurement processes?

① *Gender-responsive procurement considers gender equality in selecting services, goods, and works. Please consider “Yes” if the law includes (a) gender-responsive measures (e.g., quotas, reserved contracts, certifications); (b) selection or exclusion criteria based on gender (e.g., workplace equality, gender-based violence protections); (c) tie-breaking rules favoring gender-inclusive businesses; or (d) explicit references to sex, gender, or women (general sustainability references are not sufficient).*

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

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- Yes
- No

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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation on gender-responsive procurement provisions for public procurement processes, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

3.6. Please include any additional comments and indicate if there have been any recent or forthcoming reforms relevant to Entrepreneurship.


3.7. Are there any specific challenges to the enforcement of laws or upholding of rights in practice relevant to this section that you would like to highlight?

Section 4. Assets


Assumptions


- We assume that the woman is married under the rules of the **default marital property regime** or the most common regime for that jurisdiction, which will not change during the course of the marriage.
- If customary law is prevalent and there is no statutory law that recognizes women’s property rights and administration, please explain these details.

4.1. According to the law, what is the default marital property regime?

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?	Your updated answer if you select “Change”
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Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

 <i>Skip Logic: The following list will only be displayed if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?”</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separation of property: all property and income acquired by each spouse before and during marriage, remain their separate property. Upon dissolution, each spouse retains ownership of their respective property. • Partial community of property: all property and income acquired before marriage remain the separate property of the acquiring spouse. Property acquired during marriage - except for gifts and inheritances - is considered joint property of the couple, including: assets, income; and/or the accrued value of either. Upon dissolution, each spouse retains ownership of their pre-marital, while property acquired during marriage is divided between them. • Full community of property: all property and income, whether brought into the marriage or acquired during the marriage, become the joint property of the couple. Upon dissolution, all property - except for gifts and inheritance- is divided between the spouses. • Deferred full or partial community of property: property and income acquired before and during marriage remain the separate property of the acquiring spouse. Upon dissolution, the

rules of partial or full community of property apply, and all property - except for gifts and inheritance- is divided between them.

Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.


4.2. Does the law grant men and women equal administrative authority over immovable property, excluding land?

① Please answer considering the default marital property regime indicated above.

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
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- Yes
- No

Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.


4.3. Does the law grant men and women equal ownership rights over immovable property, excluding land?

① This question assesses gender differences in the legal treatment of immovable property including residential or commercial buildings. It does not include agricultural land. When assessing whether the law recognizes equal ownership rights, please consider the capacity **to acquire, own, and possess** it.

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

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- Yes
- No

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4.4. Does the law grant men and women with equal ownership rights over land?

① *This question assesses gender differences in the legal treatment of agricultural land. When assessing whether the law recognizes equal ownership rights over land, please consider the capacity **to acquire, own, and possess** it.*

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
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Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

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- Yes
- No

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4.5. Does the law grant men and women with equal administrative authority over land?

① *This question assesses gender differences in administrative rights over agricultural land. When assessing whether the law recognizes equal rights over land, please consider the capacity **to administer and transact** it.*

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

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- Yes
- No


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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman’s equal ownership rights and administrative authority over immovable property (including land), in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s equal ownership rights and administrative authority over immovable property (including land), in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman’s equal ownership rights and administrative authority over immovable property (excluding land), in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman's equal ownership rights and administrative authority over immovable property (excluding land), in practice?

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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman's administrative authority over immovable property (excluding land), in practice?

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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman's administrative authority over immovable property (excluding land), in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely


- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman's equal ownership rights over immovable property (excluding land), in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman's equal ownership rights and administrative authority over land, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman's equal ownership rights and administrative authority over land, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully


In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman's equal ownership rights over land, in practice?

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question 4.4 is “Yes” and the contributor selects “No change”, or the prepopulated answer is “No” and the contributor selects “Change”.


- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s administrative authority over land, in practice?

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- Not at all
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- Mostly
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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a woman’s equal ownership rights over land, in practice?

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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold a woman’s equal administrative authority over land, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

4.6. Does the law consider non-monetary contributions at the time of dissolution of marriage?

① Consider “No” if, upon dissolution of marriage, the division of property does not account for unpaid contributions to the household, including caring for minor children, taking care of the family home, or any other non-monetized contributions.


Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.
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In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that considers non-monetary contributions at the time of dissolution of marriage, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully


4.7. Does the law grant equal rights for male and female surviving spouses to inherit assets?

① Assume that (a) the deceased has not left a will, hence the rules of intestate succession apply; and (b) male and female surviving spouses do not have any living children.

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
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Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

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- Yes
- No


Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold equal inheritance rights for spouses, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation that restricts a female surviving spouse’s equal right to inherit assets, in practice?

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- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully


4.8. Does the law grant equal rights for sons and daughters to inherit assets?

① Assume that the deceased has not left a will, hence the rules of intestate succession apply.

Answer (from WBL database)	Do you want to propose a change to the answer?
__Data:Answer__	No change/Change

Legal Basis (from WBL database)
__Data:Legal_Basis__


Has a new law or an amendment been enacted since October 2, 2023?

 *Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Change” is selected in response to the question “Do you want to propose a change to the answer?”*

- Yes
- No


Please click here to: 1) Indicate a different or additional legal basis; 2) Cite a newly enacted or amended law; 3) Indicate if this question is outside your expertise; or 4) Add comments.

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities uphold sons’ and daughters’ equal inheritance rights in practice?

 *Skip Logic: This question applies only to private sector contributors and it is not included in questionnaires sent to public sector contributors. This question should only be answered if the prepopulated answer to question 4.8 is “Yes” and the contributor selects “No change”, or if the prepopulated answer is “No” and the contributor selects “Change”.*

- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

In your opinion, to what extent do public authorities enforce existing legislation restricting a daughter’s equal right to inherit assets in practice?

 *Skip Logic: This question applies only to private sector contributors and it is not included in questionnaires sent to public sector contributors. This question should only be answered if the prepopulated answer to question 4.8 is “No” and the contributor selects “No change”, or if the prepopulated answer is “Yes” and the contributor selects “Change”.*

- Not at all
- Rarely
- Moderately
- Mostly
- Fully

4.9. Please include any additional comments and indicate if there have been any recent or forthcoming reforms relevant to Assets.

4.10. Are there any specific challenges to the enforcement of laws or upholding of rights in practice relevant to this section that you would like to highlight?

Policy Instruments – Instructions

This final part focuses on policy instruments that support the implementation of laws. These may include national policies and action plans, institutions responsible for monitoring and enforcing laws, access to justice measures, government programs and services, and statistical data. Only instruments that are in place and operational should be considered.

For the purpose of this Part, the “Source” field refers to the official source of information that can be used as a reference to substantiate the answer. Sources can include, for example, the title of an action plan and its issuing agency, the names of institutions, courts, police units or government-funded agencies providing services. **Please provide answers and links to sources.**

Section 1. Mobility

1.1. Are the application processes for official identity documents (ID cards or -if non-existent- driver's license) the same for women and men?

① Please consider “No” if (a) woman requires additional signature, permission or presence from husband or legal guardian during application process; (b) woman needs to provide additional information or documents during the application process; (c) application forms differ for men and women.

Answer	Please provide source and link to ID application form
Yes/No	

1.2. Are passport application processes the same for women and men?

① Please consider “No” if woman (a) requires additional signature, permission or presence from husband or legal guardian during application process; (b) needs to provide additional information or documents during the application process; (c) completes an application form that differs from those used by men.

Answer	Please provide source and link to passport application form
Yes/No	

1.3. Is there a current transportation policy or plan considering women’s mobility needs which

① Policies or plans may be issued at national or main business city level by a public entity (e.g., Ministry of Transportation) and currently in effect or published within the last five years.

	Answer	Please provide source and link to the policy or plan
Explicitly recognizes women’s needs in accessing and using public transportation? ① Please consider answering “Yes” if (a) plan addresses women’s mobility needs; (b) promotes gender mainstreaming in the decision-making processes for planning transport networks.	Yes/No	
Sets specific objectives and targets associated with women’s transportation needs? ① Please consider answering “Yes” if plan includes specific objectives, components, or action items dedicated to addressing (a) women’s mobility needs, their safety needs in public transportation, such as accessibility or affordability of transportation, design of	Yes/No	

<i>infrastructure, or service hours, or (b) gender mainstreaming in decision-making processes.</i>		
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1.4. Do women face mobility restrictions imposed by the government such as

① *Consider procedural or administrative restrictions or differences between women and men.*

	Answer	Please provide source and link to government-imposed restrictions
<p>Constraints in accessing public spaces?</p> <p>① <i>Please consider answering “Yes” if women are not allowed or need permission or meet requirements to access certain spaces.</i></p>	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>
<p>Constraints when traveling with their children?</p> <p>① <i>Please consider answering “Yes” if women have to (a) provide additional documents or information when applying for their children’s passport; (b) must seek husband’s permission when traveling with children.</i></p>	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

1.5. Please include any additional comments and links relevant to this section:

Section 2. Marriage

2.1.1. Is there a fast-track or expedited process for the following family law disputes?

	Answer	Please provide legal basis and link to the law
Divorce ① <i>Divorce is the legal dissolution of a marriage by a court or other competent authority</i>	Yes/No	
Alimony ① <i>Alimony is a court-ordered financial payment that one spouse provides to the other after divorce or legal separation.</i>	Yes/No	
Child custody ① <i>Child custody refers to the legal rights and responsibilities a parent or guardian has over the care, upbringing, and decision-making for a child after a divorce or separation.</i>	Yes/No	

2.1.2. Are there non-mandatory alternative dispute resolution mechanisms for the following family law disputes?

	Answer	Please provide legal basis and link to the law
Divorce ① <i>Divorce is the legal dissolution of a marriage by a court or other competent authority</i>	Yes/No	
Alimony ① <i>Alimony is a court-ordered financial payment that one spouse provides to the other after divorce or legal separation.</i>	Yes/No	
Child custody ① <i>Child custody refers to the legal rights and responsibilities a parent or guardian has over the care, upbringing, and decision-making for a child after a divorce or separation.</i>	Yes/No	

2.2. Are there specialized family courts, specialized chambers or judges specialized in hearing family matters?

① Please consider “Yes” if (a) specific courts or court chambers handle family law matters such as divorce, alimony, or child custody matters; or if (b) there are judges receiving specialized family law training.

Answer	Please provide legal basis and link to the law
Yes/No	

2.3. Is legal aid funded by the government available for family disputes such as divorce, alimony, or child custody?

① Please consider “Yes” if government-funded legal aid services such as legal advice, financial assistance, or representation for family law disputes (marriage, divorce, custody, or alimony) or broader civil law cases is available.

Answer	Please provide source and link to legal aid services
Yes/No	

2.4. Can a woman obtain a divorce judgment without having to prove fault?

① Please consider “Yes” if no-fault divorce is allowed without proving wrongdoing (e.g., infidelity, illness, substance abuse, violence) and no mutual consent required.

Answer	Please provide legal basis and link to the law
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, without having to prove fault and without a waiting period. • Yes, without having to prove fault <u>after</u> a waiting period. • No-fault divorce not allowed. 	

2.5. Please include any additional comments and links relevant to this section:

Section 3. Entrepreneurship

3.1. Is there a plan or strategy supporting female entrepreneurs or women-owned or women-led businesses?

① Please consider “Yes” if plan or strategy specifically focuses on supporting women entrepreneurs. Plans or strategies that support small- and medium enterprises or micro-entrepreneurs without specifying women are insufficient.

Answer	Please provide source and link to plan or strategy
Yes/No	

3.1.1. Does the plan or strategy supporting female entrepreneurs or women-owned or women-led businesses include specific targets and indicators?

⚡ Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if the answer to question 3.1 is “Yes”.

Answer	Please explain
Yes/No	

3.1.2. Does the plan or strategy supporting female entrepreneurs or women-owned or women-led businesses include monitoring and evaluation mechanisms?

⚡ Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if the answer to question 3.1 is “Yes”.

Answer	Please explain
Yes/No	

3.2. Is there an agency supporting female entrepreneurs?

① Please consider “Yes” if government agency or dedicated institution explicitly supports female entrepreneurs through programs, funding, capacity-building, or similar means; OR if government agency or dedicated institution supports small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and explicitly includes women entrepreneurs in their coverage of support.

Answer	Please provide source and link to agency
Yes/No	

3.3. Is there a nationally applicable definition on what constitutes a women-owned or women-led business?

① Please consider “Yes” if definition is nationally applicable issued by a government entity and is either legally established or officially recognized. Definitions must apply to all sectors. Definitions can refer to ownership percentage, leadership roles, or decision-making authority held by women.

Answer	Please provide source and link to definition
Yes/No	

3.4. Does the government publish sex-disaggregated data on

① *Data must be collected and published by a public entity, such as a statistics agency, business registry office, or business or trade department.*

Category	Answer	Please provide source and link to data
Women-owned or women-led businesses?	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>
Women in private-sector leadership positions (such as board directors, C-Suite, or managers)?	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

3.5. Are there government-led programs that provide support to female entrepreneurs with

① *Programs must be publicly funded or administered by a public entity. They must have a national outreach and/or cover the main business city.*

Category	Answer	Please provide source and link to program
Training, mentoring, coaching or business development?	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>
Access to financial services or financial resources?	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

3.6. Is there a national financial inclusion strategy or a national strategy with a focus on women's financial inclusion?

① *Please consider "Yes" if a national financial inclusion strategy focusing on women is currently in force or if a broader national strategy includes a dedicated section with detailed objectives on women's financial inclusion.*

Answer	Please provide source and link to strategy
Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

3.7. Please include any additional comments and links relevant to this section:

Section 4. Assets

4.1. Does the government have a policy or program aiming to enable women's access to property ownership or registration?

① Please consider "Yes" if administered or funded by a public entity with concrete action items to address the gender gap in property ownership such as enabling women's access to property ownership or registration.

Answer	Please provide source and link to policy or program
Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

4.2. Does the government offer reduced fees, subsidized services, or affordable registration programs for women or to stipulate joint titling?

Answer	Please provide source and link to program
Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

4.3. Are there awareness measures in place to improve women's access to information about property and inheritance rights?

① Please consider "Yes" if public entity provides information on property or inheritance rights in the language spoken by the majority. Such information must address land, housing, property, or inheritance, and explain how to claim or divide property. These can be distributed on websites, programs, educational activities, helplines, or step-by-step guidelines.

Answer	Please provide source and link to awareness measures
Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

4.4. Is anonymized sex-disaggregated data published on

① Sex-disaggregated data on property ownership include separate information about the number or share of women and men that own land, a house or other immovable property. Data must be collected and published by a public entity, such as the national statistics office.

Category	Answer	Please provide source and link to data
Land ownership	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>
Housing ownership	Yes/No	<input type="text"/>

4.5. Does the law enable the joint registration of matrimonial property (land/residential or commercial building) for both spouses? Please check all that apply.

- The law mandates joint registration of matrimonial property.
 - ① "Mandate" means to order or require something by law. The law needs to explicitly require both spouses' names to be included on the property title.
- The law establishes joint titling as the default option.
- The law explicitly mentions that joint ownership is presumed for married couples.

① *“Presume” means to accept something as true without requiring immediate proof, based on legal rules or reasonable inference. It often applies in cases where a fact is assumed unless disproved by evidence.*

- The law entitles either spouse to request their name to be added to the title.

① *“Entitle” means to grant a right or claim to something by law, contract, or established rule.*

- The law permits spouses to jointly own matrimonial property.
- The law allows two or more persons, including spouses, to be co-owners.
- The law is silent on joint titling.
- The law prohibits the joint registration of matrimonial property.

Please click here to provide legal basis and link to the law:




4.6. Please include any additional comments and links relevant to this section: 

Additional Colleagues/Experts and Referrals

Would you like us to acknowledge a colleague or expert you collaborated with on this questionnaire?

Yes/No

How many additional colleagues or experts would you like to add?

 Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if the answer to the previous question is “Yes”.

- 1
- 2
- 3

Additional colleague/expert(s): If there are more people whom you would like us to acknowledge, enter their information here. If this includes more than three people, kindly send us an e-mail at wblfamily@worldbank.org.

 Skip Logic: The following form will repeat based on the selected number (1, 2, or 3).

	Additional Colleagues/Experts	Publishing Preference
Name		
Title:	<input type="text"/>	
First name:	<input type="text"/>	Yes/No
Last name:	<input type="text"/>	Yes/No
Demographic Information		
Gender:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male • Female • Prefer not to say 	
Age group:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Below 25 • 25-35 • 36-45 • 46-55 • Over 55 • Prefer not to say 	
Professional and Educational Information		
Position: ① e.g. manager, associate, partner	<input type="text"/>	

Professional background:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic/researcher • Civil society representative • Gender expert • Graduate student in law • Legal professional • Policy or development professional • Other • Prefer not to say 	
Years of experience: ① <i>Years of experience refers to the amount of time an individual has spent working in a relevant field or profession. This measure is utilized to assess the duration of time during which the individual has gained relevant skills, knowledge, and expertise.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 2 years • 2-5 years • 6-10 years • 11-20 years • Over 20 years • Prefer not to say 	
Highest level of education obtained:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's • Master's • PhD • Other • Prefer not to say 	
Contact Information		
Firm/Institution name:	<input type="text"/>	Yes/No
Firm/Institution website:	<input type="text"/>	
Email address:	<input type="text"/>	
Business phone:	<input type="text"/>	Yes/No
Mobile phone:	<input type="text"/>	

Referrals: Please help us by referring us to other experts who can respond to this questionnaire.

First name	Last name	Firm	Phone	E-mail
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Questionnaire Feedback


On behalf of the *Women, Business and the Law* (WBL) team, we thank you for your contribution to the WBL 2026 report. Your support is essential to ensuring data quality, and we appreciate your continued engagement. In this section, we invite you to share your interest in contributing to other topics, your insights on the impact of WBL and any feedback you may have on this questionnaire.

Interest in contributing to other topics

1. Would you be interested in contributing to other topics?

- Yes
- No

2. If the answer is “Yes”, please check all that apply:

 *Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if the answer to question 1 is “Yes”.*

- Labor Law and Laws on Provision of Childcare Services
 - ① *Examines laws affecting women’s ability to enter, remain in, and leave the labor force. Also examines laws affecting women’s ability to access affordable and quality childcare services.*
- Laws Protecting Women from Violence
 - ① *Examines laws and policies protecting women from child marriage, sexual harassment, domestic violence, and femicide.*


Women, Business and the Law impact

1. Do you have any stories or insights on how WBL data has impacted women’s lives in your country?

2. What are the benefits of responding to WBL questionnaires? Please select the top three options based on your preference.

- Building expertise in gender equality and women’s economic empowerment
- Association with high quality data and research produced by the World Bank
- Interest in being a member of a global network of experts
- Acknowledgement on the website
- Obtaining a certificate of completion
- Helping to reform laws in my country to empower women and girls
- Other

If “Other”, please specify:


 *Skip Logic: This question should only be answered if “Other” is selected.*

Questionnaire feedback

1. The WBL team is very keen on collaborating with you in the future to continue our efforts to identify barriers to women’s economic participation and encourage the reform of discriminatory laws. To ensure future contributions, would you be willing to share how we can improve our questionnaires by answering the following questions?

- Yes

- No

 *Skip Logic: The following three questions should only be answered if the answer to question 1 is “Yes”.*

2. How easy was it to respond to the questionnaire?

- Easy
- Somewhat easy
- Somewhat difficult
- Difficult

3. In your opinion, what can be improved? Please check all that apply.

- Questionnaire design
- Questionnaire length
- Communication around the questionnaire (reminders, follow up)
- Instructions on how to complete the questionnaire
- Deadline to complete the questionnaire
- Other

Please specify:

4. How likely are you to recommend responding to a WBL questionnaire to a colleague, and why?

- Highly likely
- Likely
- Somewhat likely
- Not likely

Please specify:



Thank you for completing our questionnaire!

We sincerely appreciate your participation in the *Women, Business and the Law* project.

The results will be published on our website: <https://wbl.worldbank.org>

Your work will be gratefully acknowledged if you so choose.