





REPUBLIC OF YEMEN GENDER LANDSCAPE

This briefing showcases the gender landscape in Republic of Yemen on key indicators helpful for monitoring gender equality and designing effective policy interventions. Gender equality fosters productivity gains, minimizes losses in wealth, reduces poverty, boosts shared prosperity, and supports green, resilient, and inclusive development.

Click the measures below to explore the [World Bank Gender Data Portal](#).

Compared to:	Base Year	Region
>10% Higher Value	↗	
Equal/No Change	→	
>10% Lower Value	↘	
No Data	---	

		Country Performance					Peer Comparison			
		Baseline					Latest		Latest	
		Value	Year				Value	Year	MNA	LIC
HUMAN ENDOWMENTS										
Learning-Adjusted Years of Schooling	Female	NA	NA	---	3.82	2020	NA	NA	NA	
	Male	NA	NA	---	4.52	2020	NA	NA	NA	
Lower secondary completion rate (% of relevant group)	Female	35.0	2010	↗	45.2	2016	77.9	NA	77.3	
	Male	56.5	2010	→	60.7	2016	76.5	NA	76.7	
Female share of graduates from STEM programs, tertiary (%)		NA	NA	---	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Fertility rate, total (births per woman)		4.67	2010	↘	3.61	2020	2.74	NA	2.39	
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women 15-19)		71.2	2010	↘	56.8	2020	39.0	NA	41.0	
Maternal mortality ratio (modeled estimate per 100,000 live births)		192	2010	↘	164	2017	57.0	NA	211	
Pregnant women receiving prenatal care of at least four visits (% of pregnant women)		13.9	2003	↗	25.1	2013	NA	NA	NA	
Unmet need for contraception (% of married women 15-49)		23.6	2006	↗	28.7	2013	10.1	NA	NA	
Mortality from chronic vascular disease, cancer, diabetes or cardiorespiratory disease between 30 and 70 (%)	Female	24.4	2010	→	24.8	2019	17.4	NA	14.8	
	Male	30.5	2010	→	30.6	2019	22.9	NA	21.7	
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY										
Labor force participation rate (% 15+, modeled ILO estimate)	Female	10.00	2010	↘	5.99	2021	18.6	NA	46.3	
	Male	67.5	2010	→	67.6	2021	70.0	NA	71.7	
Wage and salaried workers (% of employment, modeled ILO estimate)	Female	30.0	2010	↗	38.4	2019	73.8	NA	54.6	
	Male	54.6	2010	↘	45.4	2019	69.8	NA	53.0	
Employment in agriculture (% of employment, modeled ILO estimate)	Female	28.4	2010	↗	42.3	2019	15.7	NA	25.3	
	Male	23.5	2010	↗	26.5	2019	14.4	NA	27.6	
Share of youth not in education, employment or training (% of youth population)	Female	NA	NA	---	69.7	2014	43.9	NA	NA	
	Male	NA	NA	---	22.0	2014	17.0	NA	NA	
Received a public sector pension in the past year (% 15+)	Female	NA	NA	---	NA	NA	NA	1.87	9.06	
	Male	NA	NA	---	NA	NA	NA	2.63	8.62	
Age dependency ratio (% of working-age population)		82.9	2010	↘	71.7	2020	55.5	NA	54.6	
Female migrants (% of international migrant stock)		45.9	2010	→	47.5	2019	45.1	NA	46.7	
Financial institution account (% 15+)	Female	NA	NA	---	1.67	2014	NA	20.5	63.7	
	Male	NA	NA	---	11.4	2014	NA	28.7	70.6	
Borrowed to start, operate, or expand a farm or business (% 15+)	Female	NA	NA	---	4.11	2014	NA	10.6	5.26	
	Male	NA	NA	---	3.70	2014	NA	12.8	7.57	
Firms with female participation in ownership (% of firms)		6.40	2010	→	6.60	2013	19.0	NA	33.1	
VOICE AND AGENCY										
Firms with female top manager (% of firms)		0.10	2010	↗	1.60	2013	6.50	NA	17.8	
Proportion of seats held by women in national parliaments (%)		0.33	2010	↘	0.00	2021	17.0	NA	26.1	
Women who were first married by 18 (% of women 20-24)		32.3	2006	→	31.9	2013	NA	NA	NA	
Proportion of women in ministerial level positions (%)		5.90	2010	↘	0.00	2020	14.0	NA	22.0	
Proportion of women subjected to physical and/or sexual violence in the last 12 months (% of ever-partnered women 15-49)		NA	NA	---	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	

Note: The Middle East and North Africa (MNA) region includes 21 countries (all income levels), as classified by The World Bank Group. Republic of Yemen is a low income (LIC) country, which includes 27 countries with a Gross National Income (GNI) per capita from \$0 to \$1,045 (calculated using the World Bank Atlas method). Data and definitions can be found on the [Gender Data Portal](#).

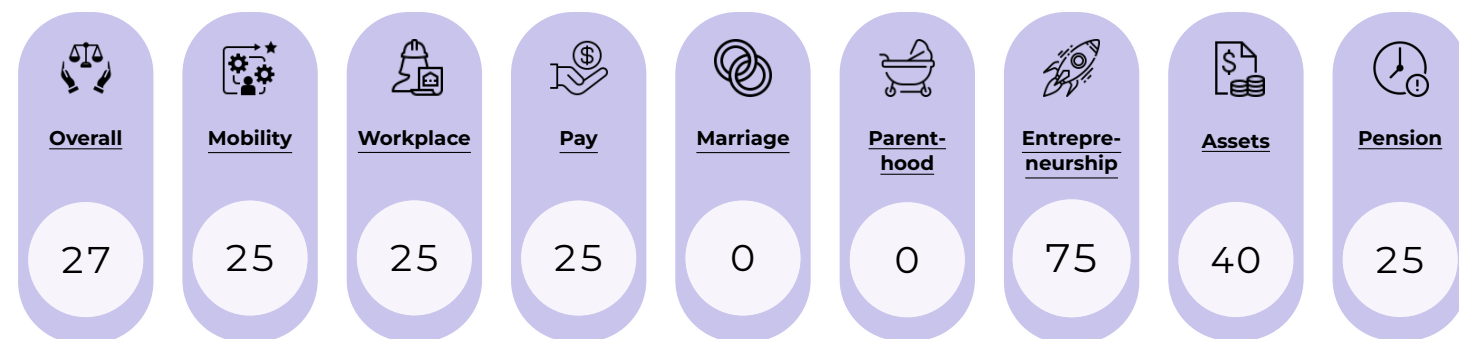
Country Baseline provides a reference from 1990 to 2010. Latest Value shows the latest available comparison from 2011 onwards. The arrow icon represents country increases or decreases over 10 percent relative to the base year. Peer comparisons show how Republic of Yemen performs relative to the region, income group, and the world. Lighter and darker shades represent values 10 percent above and below regional peer values, respectively.



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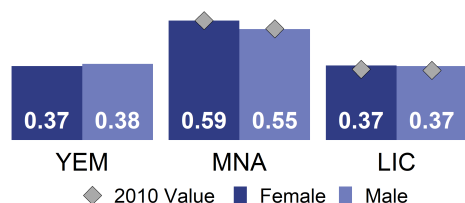
Women, Business and the Law in Republic of Yemen

Women, Business and the Law (WBL) 2022 presents an index covering 190 economies, structured around the life cycle of a working woman. In total, 35 questions are scored across eight indicators. **Republic of Yemen scores 27 out of 100**, while the regional average across Middle East and North Africa is 80.



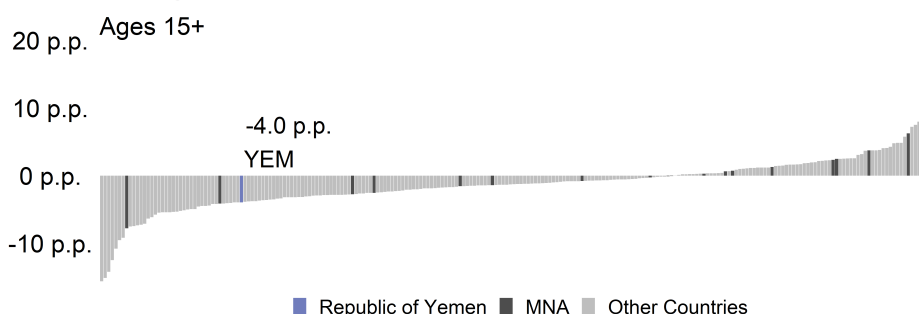
A Closer Look at Gender Equality in Republic of Yemen

Human Capital Index Score (0-1)
Baseline compared to 2020



Despite some progress, gender gaps, gender-based violence, and disadvantageous social norms facing women and girls persist, and gains in human capital of women and girls remain untapped. Turning human capital investments into economic gains means addressing multiple barriers to women's economic empowerment, including improving their voice and agency.

Change in Female Labor Force Participation 2010-2020 (p.p.)



Unpacking the Numbers in Republic of Yemen

37 percent

A girl born today will be 37 percent as productive as if she enjoyed full education, health, and employment **(2020)**

11 in 100

11 percent of women 15 to 19 years old have had children or already pregnant **(2013)**

18 percent

18 percent of women ages 15 to 49 experienced female genital mutilation in their lifetimes **(2013)**

1 in 5

20 percent of surveyed women find it justifiable for a man to beat his wife when she argues with him **(2013)**

0.9 times

A man is 0.9 times as likely to have used the internet to pay bills or to buy something online in the past year **(2014)**

LEARN MORE

The World Bank in Gender: This portal features the latest research, news, and events around gender equality in international development.

Women, Business and the Law: This portal includes reports, data, and news on the laws and regulations that affect women's economic opportunity.

World Bank Group Gender Strategy (FY16-FY23): This 2015 report outlines the World Bank Group's strategy to promote gender equality.

World Bank Gender Data Portal: This open data tool shares the latest statistics and research to improve understanding and inform policy choices.

MENA Gender Innovation Lab: This page features policy research by the GIL, evaluating innovative solutions to close priority gender gaps in the region.

