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## 17 women die per 100,000 live births due to pregnancy-related causes in Egypt

The maternal mortality ratio in Egypt has improved from 79 in 2000 to 17 in 2020. Maternal mortality in Egypt is lower than its regional average. Maternal mortality ratio is the number of women who die from pregnancy-related causes while pregnant or within 42 days of pregnancy termination per 100,000 live births.


Source: WHO, UNICEF, UNFPA, World Bank Group, and UNDESA/Population Division. Trends in Maternal Mortality 2000 to 2020. Geneva, World Health Organization, 2023

45 of every 1,000 girls ages 15-19 gave birth in Egypt in 2021

In Egypt, the rate of adolescent fertility has decreased since 2010. The rate in 2021 was nearly the same as the average rate in its income group.

Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women ages 15-19)


Source: United Nations Population Division, World Population Prospects.
$86.6 \%$ of girls and $85.6 \%$ of boys complete lower secondary school in Egypt as of 2021 data

The female rate in Egypt is higher than both Middle East \& North Africa and the lower-middle income group. Lower secondary education completion rate measures how many children have completed the last grade of lower secondary education regardless of age completed.

Lower secondary completion rate, by sex (\% of relevant age group)

- Female - Male

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Adult literacy in Egypt is lower among women than among men (2022)

The adult female literacy rate in Egypt is lower than in Middle East \& North Africa. Adult literacy rate is the percentage of people ages 15 and above who can both read and write with understanding a short simple statement about their everyday life.

Adult literacy rate, by sex (\% of people ages 15 and above)

- Female - Male

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## In Egypt, the labor force participation rate among females is $16.5 \%$ and among males is $71.3 \%$ for 2023

The labor force participation rate is the proportion of the population ages 15 and older that is economically active. Since 1990, female labor force participation has decreased. Compared with labor force participation in the lower-middle income group, the gap between men and women is higher in Egypt.

Labor force participation rate, by sex (\% of population ages $15+$ ) (modeled ILO estimate) Female Male


Source: International Labour Organization. "ILO Modelled Estimates and Projections database (ILOEST)" ILOSTAT. Accessed February 06, 2024. https://ilostat.ilo.org/data/.

## Vulnerable employment for females has improved in Egypt since 1991

Workers in vulnerable employment are the least likely to have formal work arrangements, social protection, and safety nets to guard against economic shocks; thus they are more likely to fall into poverty. Vulnerable employment among women is $27.7 \%$ and among men is $23.1 \%$ in Egypt for 2022 . The rate of vulnerable employment is similar for men but higher for women in Egypt compared to the average rate in Middle East \& North Africa.

Vulnerable employment, by sex (\% of total employment) (modeled ILO estimate)

- Female -_ Male


[^0]In Egypt, women spend 9.2 times as much time on unpaid domestic and care work than men

The data, expressed as a proportion of time in a day, measure the average time an individual spends on household provision of services for own consumption. In 2015, women in Egypt spent $22.4 \%$ of their day and men spent $2.4 \%$ of their day on unpaid work. Data compiled from the most recent data point between 2010 and 2019


Source: National statistical offices or national database and publications compiled by United Nations Statistics Division. The data were downloaded on December 3 from the Global SDG Indicators Database:

## More men than women owned a business in 2020

The share of female business owners for Egypt falls in the second quintile of all countries for which there are data. Share of business is calculated as the proportion of female or male newly registered limited liability company owners out of the total number of newly registered limited liability company owners in the economy in the calendar year. Data compiled from the most recent data point between 2016 and 2020.

Share of business owners, by sex (\% of total business owners)
Female


Source: World Bank's Entrepreneurship Survey and database (https://www.worldbank.org/en/programs/entrepreneurship). Downloaded on November 29, 2023.

Account ownership at a financial institution or with a mobile-money-service provider, by sex (\%
of population ages $15+$ )

- Female Male

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## 4.8\% of women owned a dwelling either alone or jointly in 2014

For women in particular, asset ownership is a source of economic empowerment and provides protection in the case of marital dissolution or abandonment. There is increasing evidence that ownership of property by women has positive consequences for women's empowerment, nutritional and health outcomes, and children's schooling

House ownership status, by sex (\% of population age 15-49)
Male
Female
$95.2 \%$ do not own a house
1.9\% own a house alone
2.3\% own a house jointly
$0.5 \%$ own a house both alone and jointly

Source: Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS)

Percentage of women ages 15-49 participating in decisions about:

Visits to family, relatives,
friends


Making major household purchase


Own health care


In Egypt, the share of women who have experienced intimate partner violence is greater than the world average, $27 \%$

Intimate partner violence is by far the most prevalent form of violence against women globally and is defined as the percentage of ever-married women (ages 15-49) who have ever experienced physical or sexual violence committed by their husband or partner, whereas those who have ever experienced any form of sexual violence is the percentage of women (ages 15-49) who ever experienced sexual violence irrespective of marital status and perpetrator.

Percentage of women ages 15-49 who have ever experienced:
Any form of sexual violence Intimate partner violence

## 27.6\% of seats in national parliament were held by women in 2022 in Egypt

Women in parliaments are the percentage of parliamentary seats in a single or lower chamber held by women. The proportion of seats held by women in Egypt has increased since 2010. The current rate is higher than the average rate in lower-middle income countries.

Seats held by women in national parliaments, female (\%)


Women represented 20.5\% of those employed in senior and middle management in 2021

The female share of employment in senior and middle management for Egypt falls in the lowest quintile of all countries for which there are data. Data compiled from the most recent data point available between 2010 and 2023.

Employment in senior and middle management, female (\%)


Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) (www.ipu.org). For the year of 1998, the data is as of August 10, 1998.

In 2021 women and men used a mobile phone or the internet to pay bills at approximately the same rate.

The female rate in Egypt is lower than both Middle East \& North Africa and the lower-middle income group. Internet usage denotes the percentage of respondents who report using a mobile phone or the internet to pay bills in the past 12 months.

Used a mobile phone or the internet to pay bills in the past year, by sex (\% age 15+)

- Female Male

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- $1.6 \%$

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World
$\begin{array}{lll}37.0 \% & 31.8 \% & \end{array}$


[^0]:    Source: World Bank, World Development Indicators database. Estimates are based on data obtained from International Labour Organization, ILOSTAT at https://ilostat.ilo.org/data/.

