9 women die per 100,000 live births due to pregnancy-related causes in the United Arab Emirates

The maternal mortality ratio in the United Arab Emirates has improved from 22 in 2000 to 9 in 2020. Maternal mortality in the United Arab Emirates 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.

Maternal mortality ratio (deaths per 100,000 live births)


3 of every 1,000 girls ages 15-19 gave birth in the United Arab Emirates in 2020

In the United Arab Emirates, the rate of adolescent fertility has decreased since 2010. The rate in 2020 was lower than the average rate in its income group.

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


94.6% of girls and 99.2% of boys complete lower secondary school in the United Arab Emirates as of 2020 data

The female rate in the United Arab Emirates is higher than Middle East & North Africa but nearly the same as the high-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)


Adult literacy in the United Arab Emirates is nearly the same among women and men (2021)

In the United Arab Emirates, both women and men have very high literacy rates. 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)

In the United Arab Emirates, the labor force participation rate among females is 54.9% and among males is 92.6% for 2022.

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 increased. Compared with labor force participation in the high-income group, the gap between men and women is higher in the United Arab Emirates.

Vulnerable employment for females has worsened in the United Arab Emirates 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 4.7% and among men is 1.1% in the United Arab Emirates for 2021. The rate of vulnerable employment is lower for men and women in the United Arab Emirates compared to the average rate in Middle East & North Africa.


Source: World Bank, World Development Indicators database. Estimates are based on data obtained from International Labour Organization, ILOSTAT at https://ilostat.ilo.org/data/.
Data is not available for the United Arab Emirates for proportion of time spent on unpaid domestic and care work, by sex (% of 24 hour day).

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 2018

The share of female business owners for the United Arab Emirates falls in the lowest 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 2018.

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

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In 2017, 76.4% of women and 92.7% of men in the United Arab Emirates had an account

The gap in account ownership between men and women in the United Arab Emirates, 16.3, is smaller than the gap of the Middle East & North Africa aggregate, 18.8. Account ownership denotes the percentage of respondents who report having an account (by themselves or together with someone else) at a bank or another type of financial institution or report personally using a mobile money service in the past 12 months.

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

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Source: Demirgüç-Kunt et al., 2018, Global Financial Inclusion Database, World Bank.
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50% of seats in national parliament were held by women in 2022 in the United Arab Emirates

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 the United Arab Emirates has increased since 2010. The current rate is higher than the average rate in high-income countries.

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

50% of seats in national parliament were held by women in 2022 in the United Arab Emirates

Women represented 23.6% of those employed in senior and middle management in 2021

The female share of employment in senior and middle management for the United Arab Emirates falls in the second quintile of all countries for which there are data. Data compiled from the most recent data point available between 2010 and 2022.

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.
More men than women used a mobile phone or the internet to pay bills in 2021

The female rate in the United Arab Emirates is nearly the same as Middle East & North Africa but lower than the high-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.

Source: Global Findex database

Data retrieved from World Bank Gender Data Portal
https://genderdata.worldbank.org/countries/united-arab-emirates/