18 women die per 100,000 live births due to pregnancy-related causes in North America

The maternal mortality ratio in North America has remained stagnant over the last 20 years roughly around 18. Maternal mortality in North America is higher than the world 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.

In North America, the rate of adolescent fertility has decreased since 2010. The rate in 2019 is lower than the world average.

Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women ages 15-19)
In North America, the labor force participation rate in females is 57.2% and in males is 68.8%.

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 remained roughly the same. Compared with the labor force participation in the world, the gap between men and women is lower in North America.

Vulnerable employment among women and men has remained nearly the same 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 4.1% and among men is 5.1% in North America for 2019.

In all countries in North America for which there are data, women spend more time than men on unpaid domestic and care work.

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. Data compiled from the most recent data point between 2010 and 2019.
In 2017, 93.4% of women and 94.2% of men in North America had an account.

The gap in account ownership between men and women in North America, 0.7, is smaller than the gap of the world aggregate, 7.4. The account ownership rates for both women and men in North America are higher than the global rates.

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.

Data is not available for North America for House ownership status, by sex (% of population age 15-49).

Data is not available for North America for Percentage of women ages 15-49 participating in decisions about:

Data is not available for North America for Women ages 15-49 who have ever experienced: any form of sexual violence / intimate partner violence (%)
28.1% of seats in national parliament are held by women

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 North America has increased since 2010. The current rate is higher than the world average of 25.6%.

Share of women employed in senior and middle management in the United States is 41.9%

Of the countries in North America, only data for United States is available within the last 10 years.

Employment in senior and middle management, female (%)

In 2017, women and men used the internet to pay bills or to buy something online at approximately the same rate

The gap between men and women in using the internet for bill payments and purchases in North America is 0.9, which is lower than the world average gap of 2.6. In North America the rates of women and men who use the internet for purchases and payments are higher than the global rates.

We refer to the World Bank’s Entrepreneurship Survey and database (http://www.doingbusiness.org/data/exploretopics/entrepreneurship) for the data used in this section.

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Data retrieved from World Bank Gender Data Portal