

Consultation

CSW69/Beijing+30 recommendations from Dutch civil society to the Dutch delegation

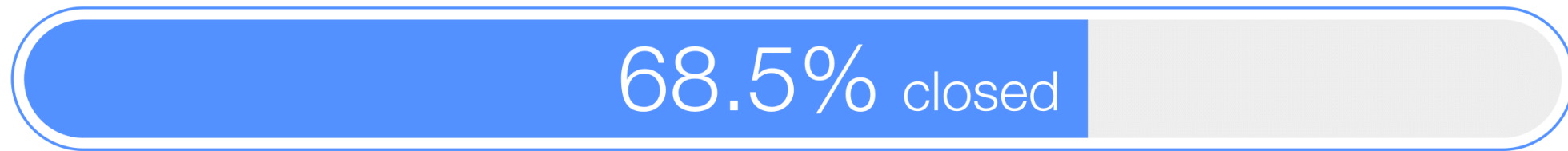
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Where do we stand?



Global Gender Gap



The gender gap is narrowing, but the collective rate of progress has slowed down. Without a bold push forward, it will take **134 years** to reach full parity.

Source: Global Gender Gap Report 2024

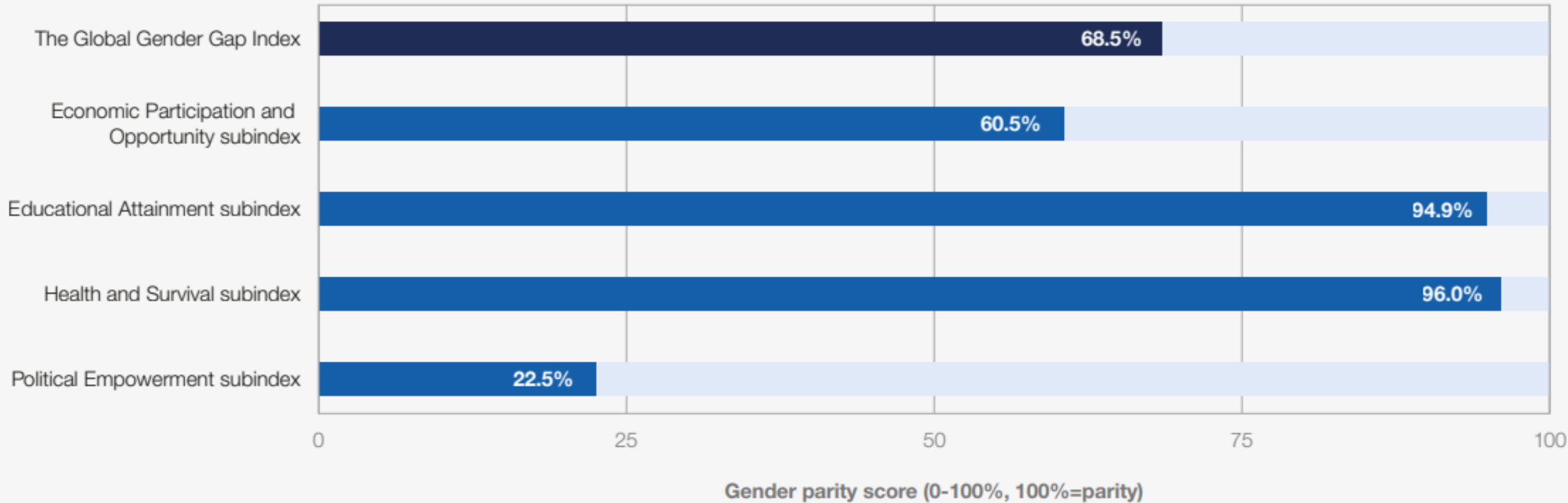
<https://www.weforum.org/publications/global-gender-gap-report-2024/digest/>



FIGURE 1.3

The state of gender gaps, by subindex

Percentage of the gender gap closed to date, 2024



Source

World Economic Forum, Global Gender Gap Index 2024.

Note

Population-weighted averages, 146 countries. The percentages indicate of the gender gap that has been closed to date.

SDG Gender Index 2024

Not one country is on track to achieve gender equality by 2030.

Nearly 40% of countries have stagnated - or even declined - between 2019 and 2022.

74% of the SDG targets won't be achieved without gender equality.

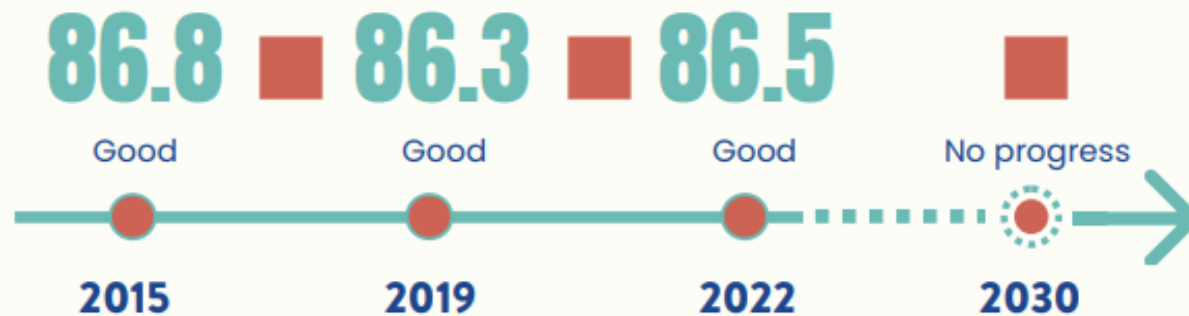
Netherlands

Europe and North America

If past trends continue, the world won't achieve gender equality until 2121. How is the Netherlands performing on gender equality in the SDGs?

The 2024 SDG Gender Index covers 139 countries, 96% of the world's girls and women, and 14 of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. It includes 56 indicators capturing gender-related measures across the 2030 Agenda.

Index Score



Based on past trends, no country will achieve gender equality by 2030. **To achieve a score of 100 in 2030, the Netherlands would need to improve by 1.69 points per year from 2022.**

Global Rank 7 out of 139 countries

Regional Rank 7 out of 45 countries

- None of the indicators and sub-indicators of Sustainable Development Goal 5—the goal for gender equality—are being met
- No country has all relevant laws to prohibit discrimination, prevent gender-based violence, uphold equal rights in marriage and divorce, guarantee equal pay, and provide full access to sexual and reproductive health
- It will still take 137 years to lift all women and girls out of poverty
- The annual global cost of countries failing to adequately educate young populations is over USD 10 trillion



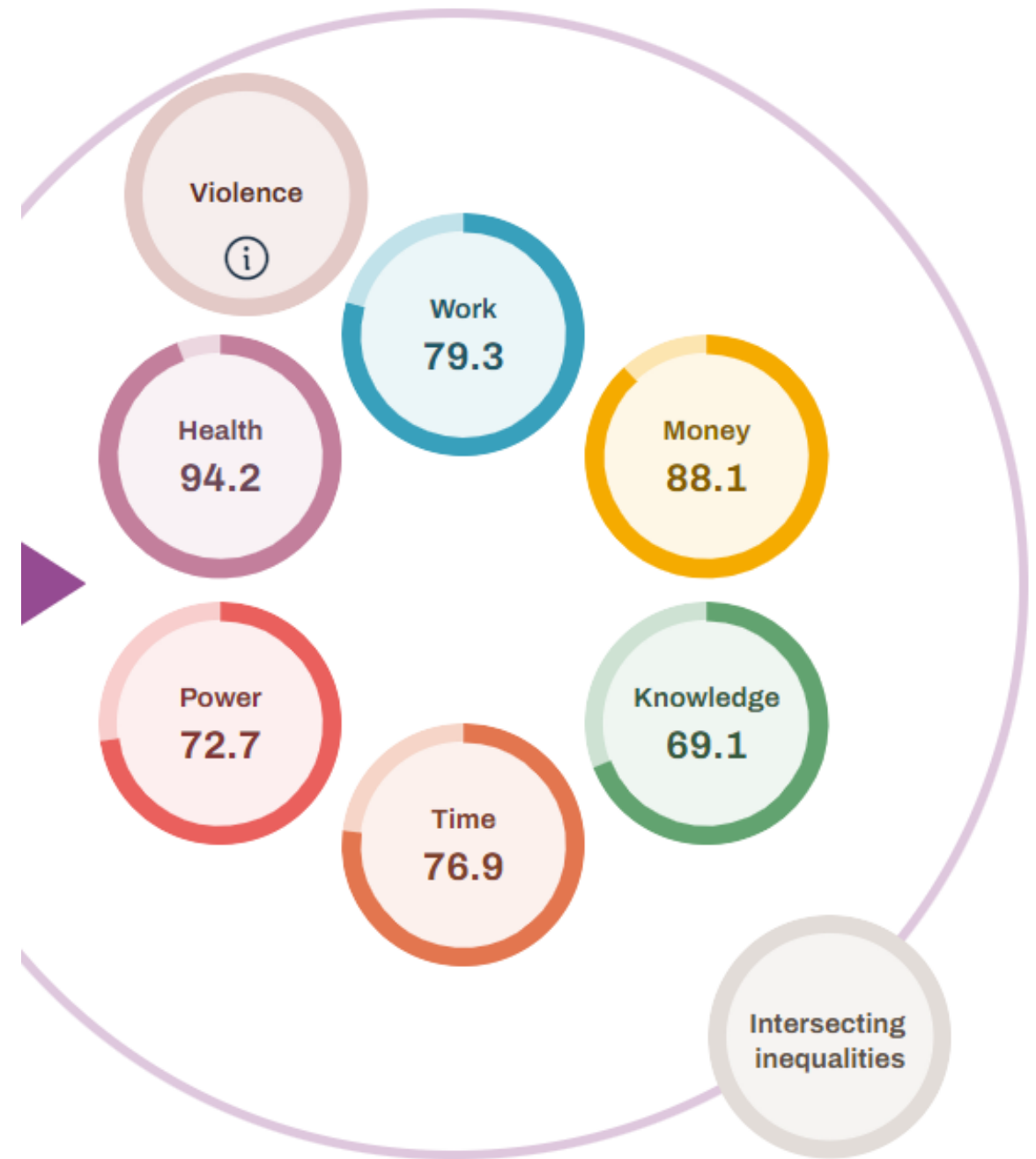
<https://www.unwomen.org/en/digital-library/publications/2024/09/progress-on-the-sustainable-development-goals-the-gender-snapshot-2024>

Netherlands



Gender Equality Index 2023

		Change since	
		2010	2020
SE	82.2	2.1	-1.7
NL	77.9	3.9	0.6
DK	77.8	2.6	0.0
ES	76.4	10.0	1.8
BE	76.0	6.7	1.8
FR	75.7	8.2	0.6
LU	74.7	13.5	1.2
FI	74.4	1.3	-1.0
IE	73.0	7.6	-1.3
AT	71.2	12.5	2.4
DE	70.8	8.2	2.1
EU	70.2	7.1	1.6



Outlook for gender equality

- Very little progress over the past years
- Multiple crises, affecting women and girls disproportionately and deepening existing inequalities
- Mis- and disinformation, rising anti-gender movement, erosion of liberal democracies and international declarations, shrinking civic space
- ‘Super-election-year’: stress test for women’s participation and representation and outlook for women and girls



Review of civil society recommendations

Recommendations CSW65-68, NGO Review Report Beijing+20, recommendations Beijing+20 and Beijing+25, most recent CEDAW and GREVIO shadow reports

- Ensure and facilitate meaningful and effective participation and representation in decision-making
- Eliminate gender-based violence and discrimination
- Implement an intersectional, gendertransformative and inclusive approach
- Invest in intersectional gender-disaggregated data, analyses and reporting
- Combat gender stereotypes and gender bias



Ideas for recommendations & two-pager

- Positive framing
- Focussing on the benefits
- Call to action



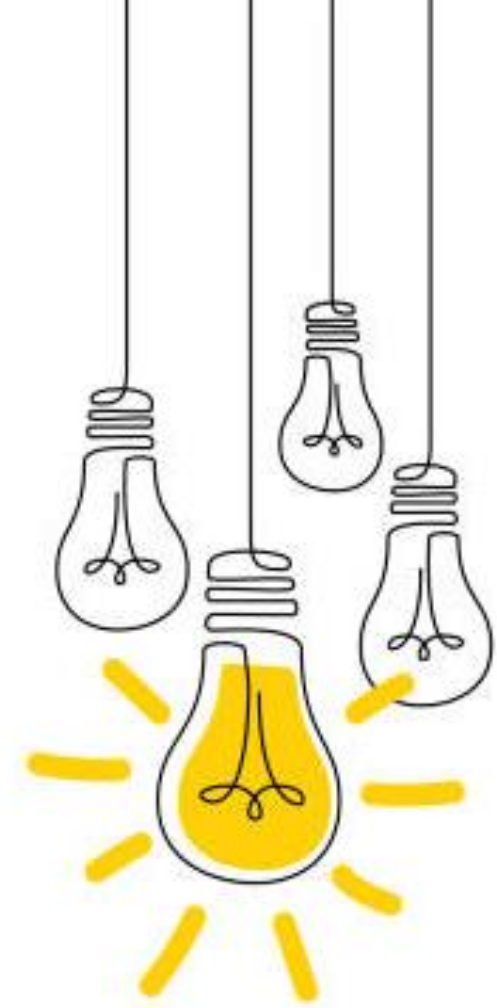
- From paper to practice:
 - Effective and sustainable implementation BPfA. Intersectional and inclusive, shared responsibility, active role men and boys.
- From gender neutral to gendertransformative:
 - Gendermainstreaming, monitoring, evaluation and accountability
 - Including gender sensitive indicators, data and statistics
- From fixing the women to fixing the system
 - Addressing root causes, combating stereotypes, power and dependency relations, discrimination and undervaluation of (the contribution of) women and girls

- From thinking in costs to benefits
 - Investing in gender equality = investing in a more sustainable, fair and healthy world. This contributes to the economy, prosperity and well-being of society.
 - Sustainable, long-term financing for gender equality and WHR organisations.
 - Gender responsive planning and budgeting.
- From stagnation (and backsliding) to progress
 - Actively combating mis- and disinformation, genderbased violence and discrimination, advancing SRHR, education, emerging issues
- ...?



Ideas?

- Strategic focus on specific topics? Implementation?
- UNECE thematic focus:
 - Accelerating women's economic empowerment
 - Women in leadership and their full and equal participation
 - Ending violence against women and girls
 - Leveraging financing for gender equality
- Emerging issues?



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