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Table 8. Selected indicators on Women's Economic Activity -- percentage of countries with data

N		Economically active population age 15+					Female/male ratios (x100), 1980s				
		Women econ. active (000s)		Estimated economic activity rate, by sex		Average annual growth rate(%) by sex, 1970-1990	Estimated percent female, 1990	Admin & manag. wrkrs	Cler., sales & service wrkrs	Prod'n, transp. operators, labourers	Agric. hunting forestry wrkrs
		1970	1990	1970	1990						
33	Developed regions	100	100	100	100	100	100	73	73	73	73
7	Eastern Europe and USSR	100	100	100	100	100	100	14	14	14	14
26	Other developed regions	100	100	100	100	100	100	88	88	88	88
54	Africa	94	93	94	93	93	93	28	28	28	28
7	Northern Africa	86	86	86	86	86	86	43	43	43	43
47	Sub-Saharan Africa	96	94	96	94	94	94	26	26	26	26
39	Latin America and Caribbean	97	74	92	74	74	74	67	69	69	69
18	Caribbean	94	56	83	56	56	56	61	67	67	67
21	Latin America	100	90	100	90	90	90	71	71	71	71
51	Asia and Pacific	92	80	92	80	80	80	47	47	47	47
6	Eastern Asia	83	83	83	83	83	83	50	50	50	50
11	South-eastern Asia	100	91	100	91	91	91	55	55	55	55
9	Southern Asia	89	89	89	89	89	89	44	44	44	44
14	Western Asia	100	100	100	100	100	100	50	50	50	50
11	Oceania	82	36	82	36	36	36	36	36	36	36
177	TOTAL	95	86	94	86	86	86	50	51	51	51
	(Chart no.)			(6.6)	(6.7)	(6.5)	(6.10)				
				(6.8)							

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Table 9. Selected Indicators on the Economy and Women's Work -- percentage of countries with data

N		Gross domestic product/ net material product						Labour force by status in employment, 1980/1987						
		GDP/ NMP (US \$) 1987	GDP/NMP per cap. (US \$) 1987	Capital formation as % of GDP, 1985	Average annual GDP/NMP growth rate (%)			1987 debt service as % of GNP	Employers/ own- account wrkrs		Employees		Unpaid family workers	
					1970-75	1975-80	1980-86		% of fem total	% F	% of fem total	% F	% of fem total	% F
33	Developed regions	76	76	88	100	100	100	18	88	85	88	85	88	73
7	Eastern Europe and USSR	0	0	57	100	100	100	29	57	57	57	57	57	43
26	Other developed regions	96	96	96	100	100	100	15	96	92	96	92	96	81
54	Africa	98	98	46	96	96	96	81	37	37	37	37	37	33
7	Northern Africa	86	86	43	86	86	86	71	57	57	57	57	57	57
47	Sub-Saharan Africa	100	100	47	98	98	98	83	34	34	34	34	34	30
39	Latin America and Caribbean	100	100	77	100	100	100	67	72	69	72	69	72	69
18	Caribbean	100	100	61	100	100	100	44	61	61	61	61	61	61
21	Latin America	100	100	90	100	100	100	86	81	76	81	76	81	76
51	Asia and Pacific	92	92	55	92	92	92	53	61	59	61	59	61	59
6	Eastern Asia	83	83	33	83	83	83	33	50	50	50	50	50	50
11	South-eastern Asia	91	91	55	91	91	91	64	55	55	55	55	55	55
9	Southern Asia	100	100	67	100	100	100	78	78	78	78	78	78	78
14	Western Asia	100	100	86	100	100	100	50	71	64	71	64	71	64
11	Oceania	82	82	18	82	82	82	36	45	45	45	45	45	45
177	TOTAL	93	93	63	97	97	97	58	61	59	61	59	61	56
	(Chart no.)		(6.18)				(6.19)		(6.15)		(6.12)			

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Charts from Chapters 1 and 2 -- percentage of countries with data

N		% births to unmarried women		Women household heads who are elderly, 1980s	Reporting violence against women	Measures taken to assist abused women	% women in parliament, Eastern Eur. & USSR, 1987 and 1990	% public sector employees who are women	% women among professional staff in the UN	Women as managers (% of total)		Military spending per capita, 1986	Military vs. health and education expenditures	
		1970	1985							1970	1980/88		1960	1986
33	Developed regions	82	70	61	45	30		12	a/	79	70	100	94	97
7	Eastern Europe and USSR	71	71	43	14	14	100	0		43	14	100	100	100
26	Other developed regions	85	69	65	54	35		15		88	85	100	92	96
54	Africa	17	6	24	6	6		0		17	24	83	50	80
7	Northern Africa	29	0	0	0	14		0		57	14	86	86	86
47	Sub-Saharan Africa	15	6	28	6	4		0		11	26	83	45	79
39	Latin America and Caribbean	74	46	56	28	10		5		59	62	62	51	62
18	Caribbean	67	44	72	22	11		0		44	56	33	17	33
21	Latin America	81	48	43	33	10		10		71	67	86	81	86
51	Asia and Pacific	18	16	22	16	12		10		37	47	65	41	59
6	Eastern Asia	33	33	17	17	17		0		50	50	67	33	33
11	South-eastern Asia	9	9	36	27	18		27		45	55	64	64	64
9	Southern Asia	0	11	33	22	22		11		44	44	67	56	67
14	Western Asia	29	14	7	14	7		7		29	50	100	50	93
11	Oceania	18	18	18	0	0		0		27	36	18	0	18
177	TOTAL	42	29	37	21	13		6		44	47	76	56	73
	(Chart no.)		(1.9)	(1.11)	(1.13)	(2.3)		(2.6)	(2.7)	(2.8)	(2.9)		(2.10)	

a/ Available in Wistat for all UN member states.

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Charts from chapters 3, 4 and 5 -- percentage of countries with data

N		% young women illiterate by urban/rural	% teachers who are female				% change in death rates from 5 selected causes, each sex, 1950/54 to 1986	% women 15-49 with anaemia		Mortality for age group 2-5, each sex	Hours spent by women drawing water
			1st level		2nd level			All	Preg-nant		
			1970	1984	1970	1984					
33	Developed regions	9	82	82	45	48	a/	0	0	0	0
7	Eastern Europe and USSR	29	86	86	57	57					
26	Other developed regions	4	81	81	42	46					
54	Africa	11	67	76	46	37	0	17	31	6	13
7	Northern Africa	14	71	86	71	57		14	29	14	0
47	Sub-Saharan Africa	11	66	74	43	32		17	32	4	15
39	Latin America and Caribbean	15	56	67	38	15	0	10	15	31	0
18	Caribbean	0	39	72	22	6		0	6	22	
21	Latin America	29	71	62	52	24		19	24	38	
51	Asia and Pacific	20	65	71	51	57	0	12	29	25	6
6	Eastern Asia	17	33	50	33	50		0	0	17	0
11	South-eastern Asia	36	64	55	55	36		9	55	36	0
9	Southern Asia	56	67	67	44	44		22	44	44	33
14	Western Asia	0	79	93	57	86		14	29	21	0
11	Oceania	0	64	73	55	55		9	9	9	0
177	TOTAL	14	67	73	46	40		11	21	16	6
	(Chart no.)	(3.3)		(3.6)			(4.3)	(4.6)		(4.7)	(5.6)

a/ Not known. Data was summarized by Alan Lopez.

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Charts from Chapter 6 -- percentage of countries with data

N		Total working time per week, each sex		Women's econ. activity rate, by urban/rural	Female wages as a % of male's, 1983/87	% econ. active women in agric 1980	Contrib. of women in the informal sector	Estimated addition to GDP if women's housework were included
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		1975 or earlier	1976/88					
33	Developed regions	45	33	39	39	100	0	18
7	Eastern Europe and USSR	86	57	57	14	100		0
26	Other developed regions	35	27	35	46	100		23
54	Africa	6	6	11	7	93	6	0
7	Northern Africa	0	0	14	14	86	0	
47	Sub-Saharan Africa	6	6	11	6	94	6	
39	Latin America and Caribbean	3	8	23	3	72	3	0
18	Caribbean	0	0	11	6	50	0	
21	Latin America	5	14	33	0	90	5	
51	Asia and Pacific	6	10	29	12	76	4	6
6	Eastern Asia	0	33	33	33	83	0	0
11	South-eastern Asia	9	9	36	9	91	18	18
9	Southern Asia	22	22	78	11	89	0	11
14	Western Asia	0	0	0	14	100	0	0
11	Oceania	0	0	18	0	18	0	0
177	TOTAL	12	12	24	14	85	3	5
	(Chart no.)		(6.1) (6.2)	(6.9)	(6.11)	(6.13) (6.14)	(6.16)	(6.17)