



GENDER STATISTICS – IT IS TIME TO CARE

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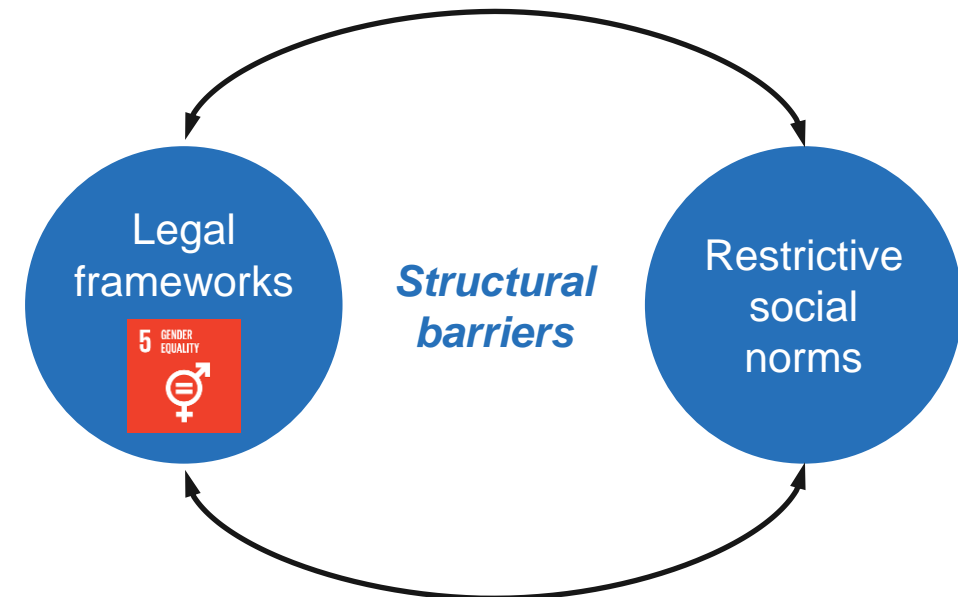


Social institutions matter for gender equality and development



The Social Institutions and Gender Index (**SIGI**) is the official source for monitoring **SDG Indicator 5.1.1**

The SIGI 2023 covers 179 countries.





Care is framed as a feminine matter



Unpaid care and domestic work

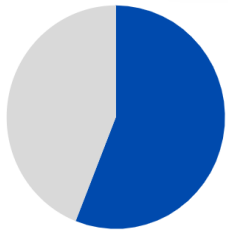
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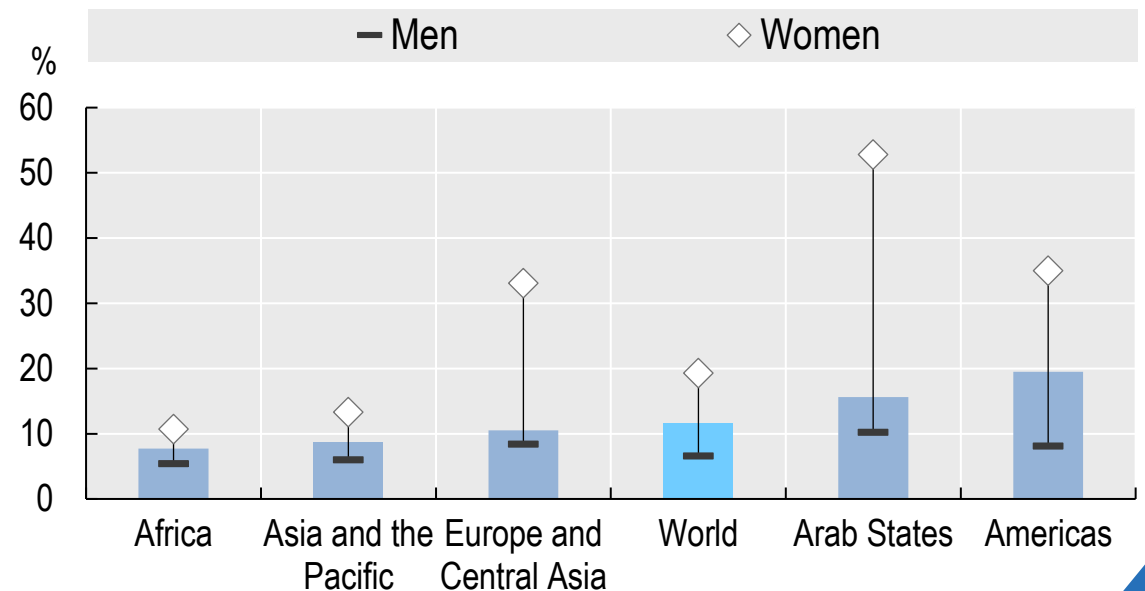
56% think that **children suffer** when their **mother works** for pay

99% of countries mandate **maternity leave**

68% of countries mandate **paternity leave**

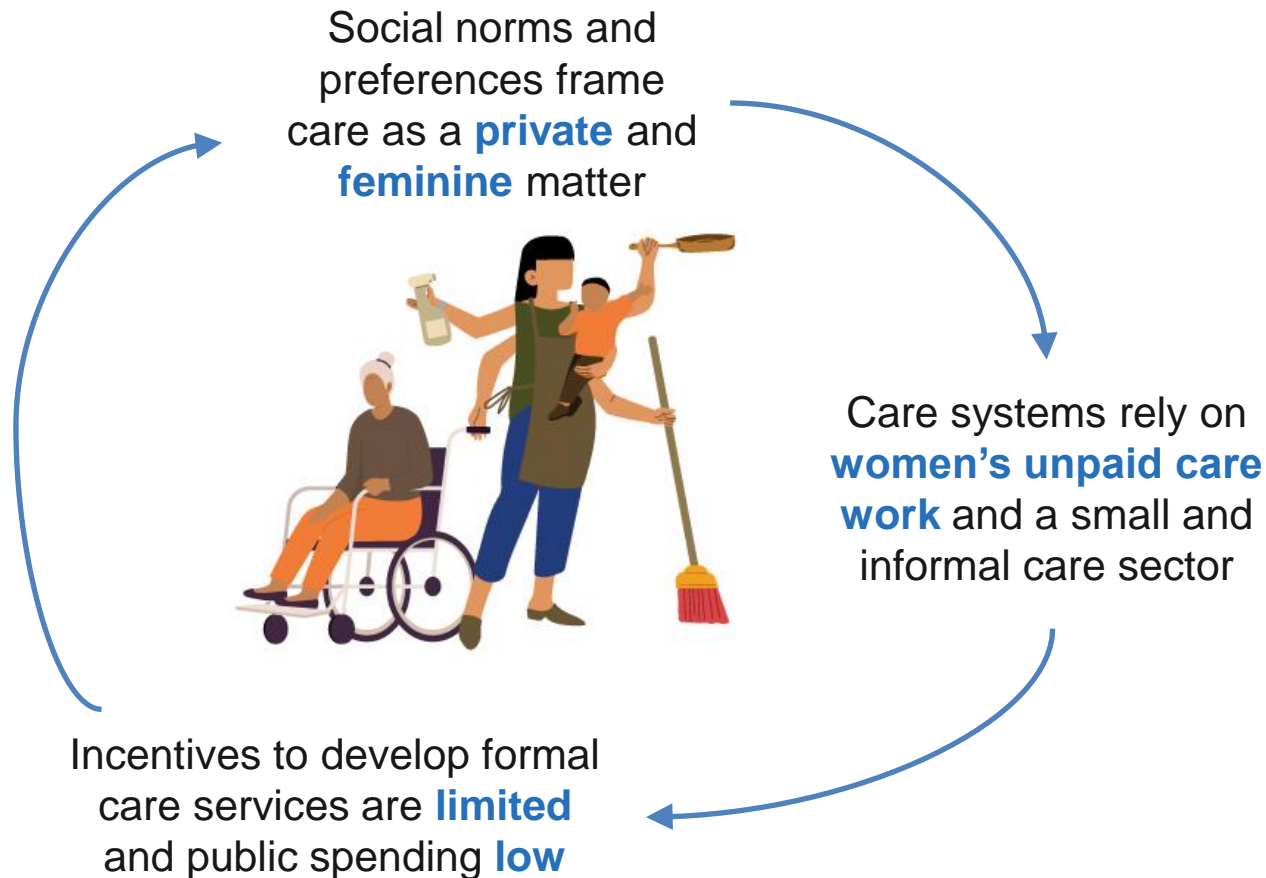
Women outnumber men in paid care work

Care employment as proportion of total employment





Spotlight: care preferences in Southeast Asia



- Demographic shifts and economic changes **increase care demands**
- Norms frame care as a **feminine responsibility**, limiting formal services
- **Transforming these norms** can lead to shared care responsibilities and public investment





Gender-disaggregated **data on care** remain scarce

Almost **50%** of countries worldwide have **no data** on **unpaid care and domestic work**

Data gaps on **social norms** that underpin paid and unpaid care provision

Limited knowledge on **care preferences** and **expectations** by care receivers and providers



Building strong **care economies** requires better data on care



Data collection in Southeast Asia (2025)





Filling the **gaps**: data collection in Southeast Asia

Qualitative data collection



Deep dive in two countries

FGDs and KIIs with care receivers and care providers

- Gender preferences in care provision
- Reasons for not using formal care services
- Required conditions for use of formal care services
- Challenges care providers face
- Promising care provision models
- Role of private and public sector in care provision

Quantitative data collection

Add-on modules to existing surveys (tbc)

General population

- Attitudes on care provision: who should be responsible; who is most fit
- Unpaid care provision in practice
- Use of formal/paid care services





Thank you!

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