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Session 3: Care work

HETUS – ICATUS Comparison

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A case study:

The gender gap in childcare among dual earner couples in Italy and EU

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Perfect compatibility between Italian HETUS implementation and ICATUS2016 for major division 4

Major division

HETUS08		ICATUS 2016	
38	CHILDCARE	4	UNPAID CAREGIVING SERVICES FOR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES
39	HELP TO AN ADULT FAMILY MEMBER		
938	TRAVEL RELATED TO CHILDCARE		
IT-939	TRAVEL RELATED TO ADULT CARE*		

*Travel related to adult care is not comparable with HETUS08 code 939, including both: "Travel related to household care" and "Transporting an adult family member", WHILE IN ITALY we have subdivided those codes.

Divisions

HETUS08		ICATUS 2016	
38	CHILDCARE	41	Babycare, childcare and instruction
		442	Waiting for/accompanying own children
39	HELP TO AN ADULT HOUSEHOLD MEMBER	42	Care for dependent adults
		43	Help to other adult household members (non-dependent)
		443	Waiting for/accompanying dependent adults or children
		444	Waiting for/accompanying other household adults
938	Travel related to childcare	44	Travelling, waiting time or accompanying goods or persons related to unpaid caregiving services for household members
IT-939	Travel related to adult care	(-442,443,444)	(Excluding waiting for/accompanying time)

Comparability between the two classification systems decreases considering lower levels (divisions and groups)



Comparison between HETUS and ICATUS for Group: Childcare

HETUS08			ICATUS 2016	
	Physical care and supervision			
381	<i>IT-3811</i>	<i>Physical care</i>	411	Caring for babies and children including feeding, cleaning, physical care
			412	Providing medical care to children
	<i>IT-3812</i>	<i>Supervision</i>	416	Minding children (passive care)
382	Teaching the child		413	Instructing, teaching, training, helping children
	Reading, playing and talking with child			
383	<i>IT-3831</i>	<i>Talking with and reading to child</i>	414	Talking with and reading to babies and children
	<i>IT-3832</i>	<i>Playing with child</i>	415	Playing and sports with children
384		Accompanying child	417	Meetings and arrangements with schools and child care service providers
			442	<i>Waiting for/accompanying own children</i>
389		Other or unspecified childcare	419	Other activities related to babycare, childcare and instruction (n.e.c.)

HETUS08

*The upper age limit of a child is **17 years***

ITALY

*Use EU limit, but **in childcare studies** the upper age limit generally used is 13 years*



Comparison between HETUS and ICATUS for Group: Adult care

HETUS08		ICATUS 2016	
391	Physical care and supervision of a dependent adult (voluntary)		
	IT3911 Physical care and supervision of a dependent adult household member	421	Assisting dependent adults with tasks of daily living (feeding, cleaning, getting dressed, and physical care for dependent adults)
		425	Passive care
	IT392 Medical care of a dependent adult household member	422	Assisting dependent adults with medical care
IT3931	Keep company/Accompanying dependent adult household member	424	Affective/emotional support for dependent adults
		426	Meetings and arrangements with adult care service providers
		443	Waiting for/accompanying dependent adults or children
392	Other help to a dependent adult household member (voluntary)	423	Assisting dependent adults with forms, administration, accounts
		429	Other activities related to caring for dependent adults (n.e.c.)
399	Help to a non dependent adult household member (voluntary)		
	IT391 Physical care to other adult household member	431	Feeding, cleaning, physical care for other adult household members including for temporary illness
	IT393 Keep company/Accompanying other adult household member	432	Affective support for other adult household members
		444	Waiting for/accompanying other household adults
IT399	Other help to a other adult	439	Other activities related to care for other adult

HETUS08:
Codes to distinguish dependent adult care by other adult care are **voluntary**

ITALY:
has further detailed the EU codes on adult care



The Time Use data in Italy and in EU



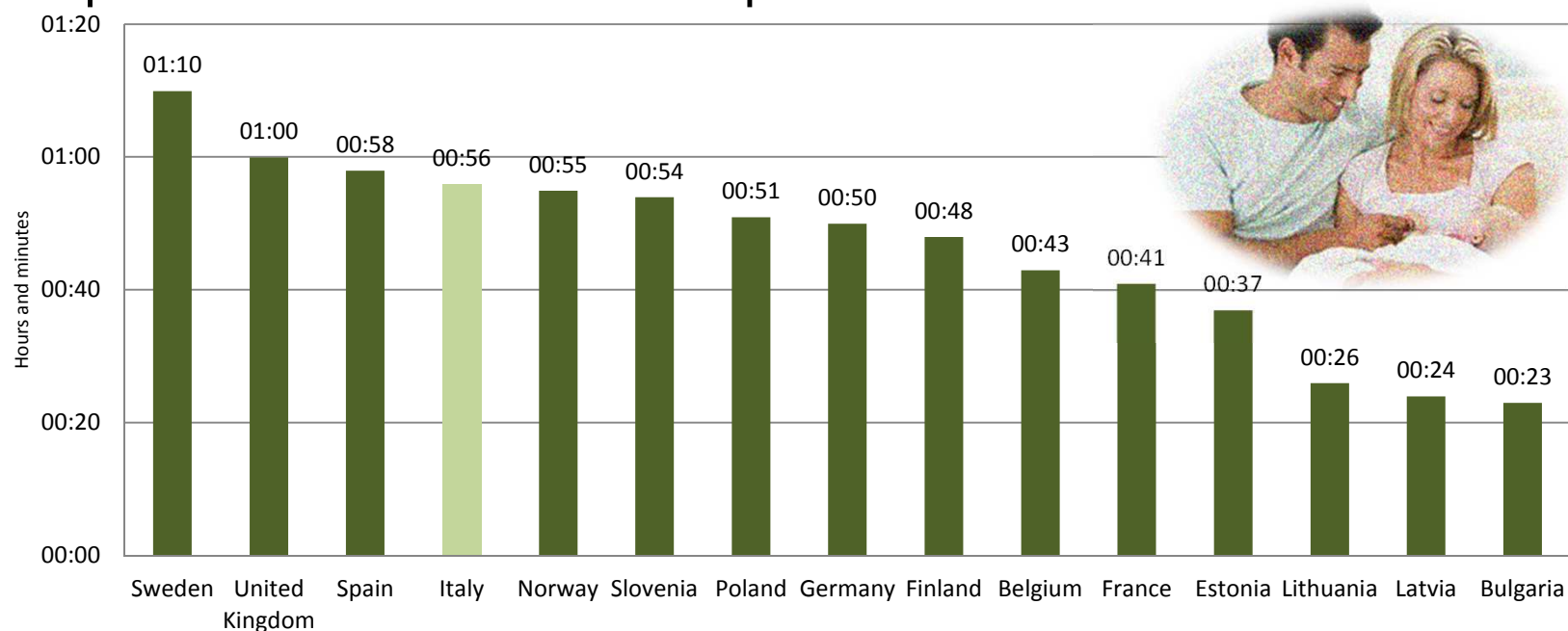
- The **four editions** of the **Italian Time Use Survey**
 - **1988-1989** (*National survey*)
 - **2002-2003, 2008-2009** (HETUS harmonized)
 - **2013-2014** (HETUS harmonized) - *dissemination scheduled for October 2016*
- The **HETUS 1 wave database (Years 2000-2005)** <https://www.h5.scb.se/tus/tus/> allows an **international comparison**, up to date only for the Italian second edition data (**2002-2003**).
- The dissemination of **HETUS 2 wave (Years 2008-2015)** is scheduled for December 2016



Ranking of European countries by childcare time



Time devoted to childcare by people employed living in couple with children* in European Countries



Among Europe, **Italy is one of the countries in which employed parents spend more time caring for children**

* Age limit for children: 0-17 years

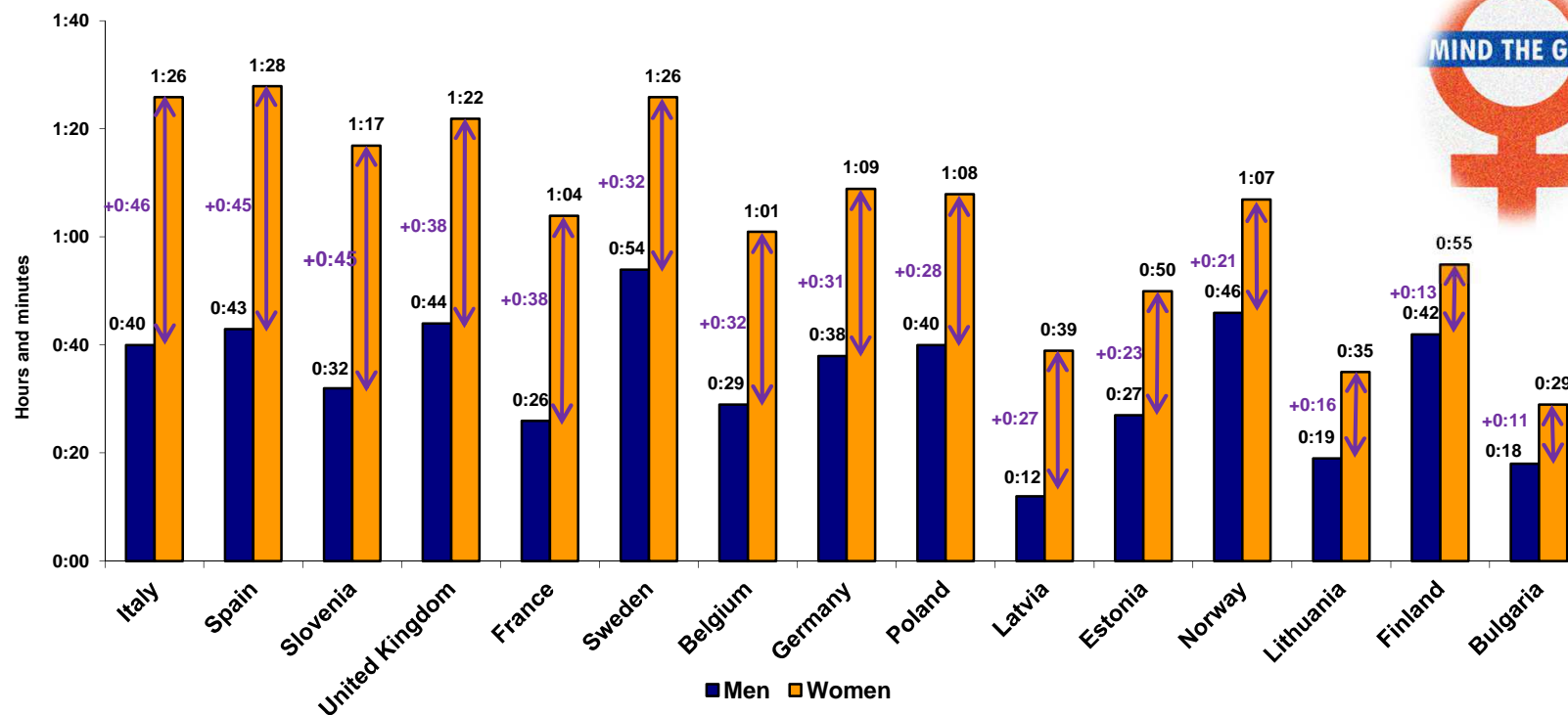
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Gender gap in childcare in EU



Time devoted to childcare by people employed living in couple with children* in European Countries by gender



Italy is the European country with the highest gender gap in time devoted to childcare (+0:46)

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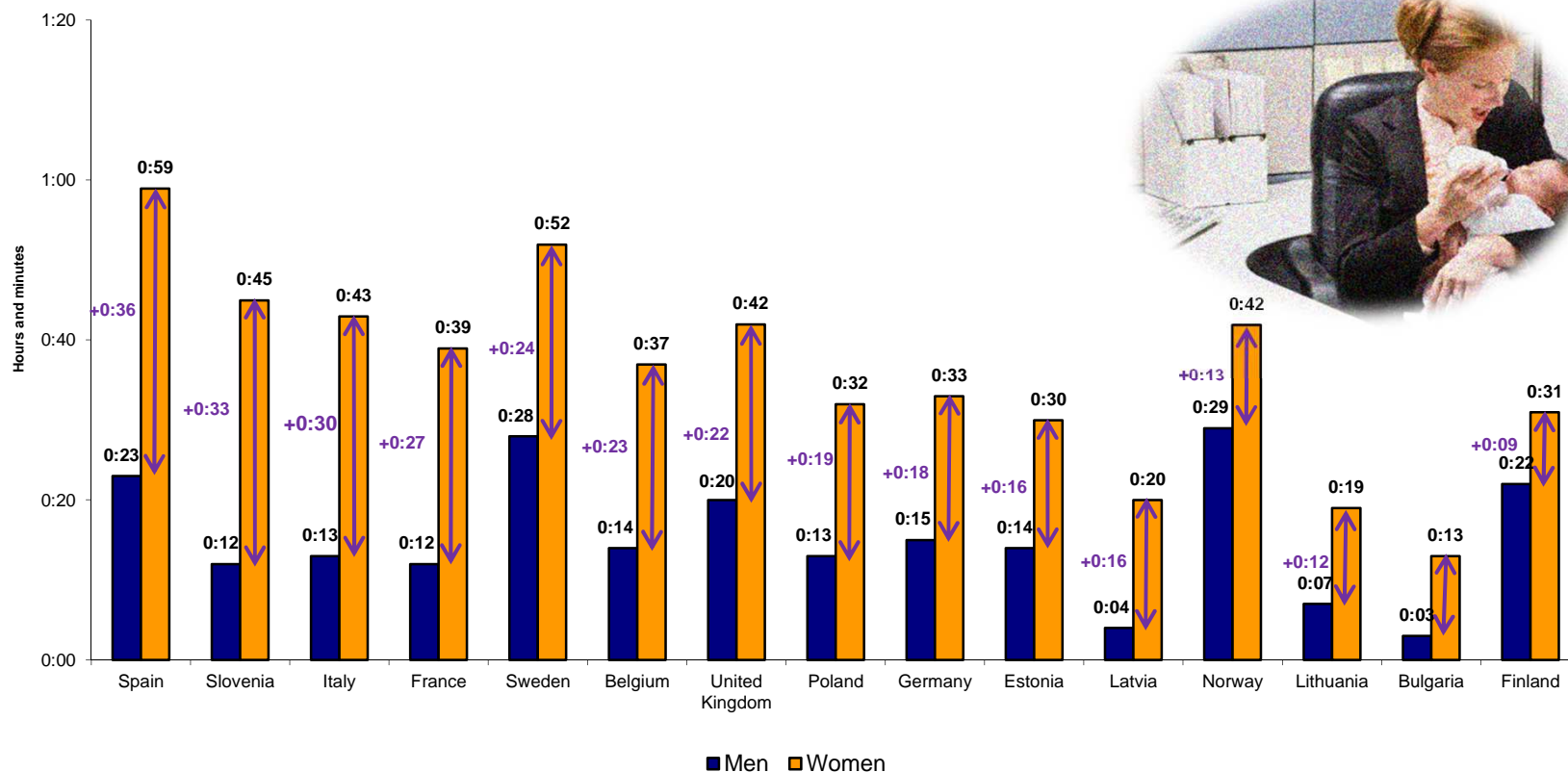
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Most of gender gap in EU is in Physical care



Time devoted to Physical care and Supervision by people employed living in couple with children* in European Countries



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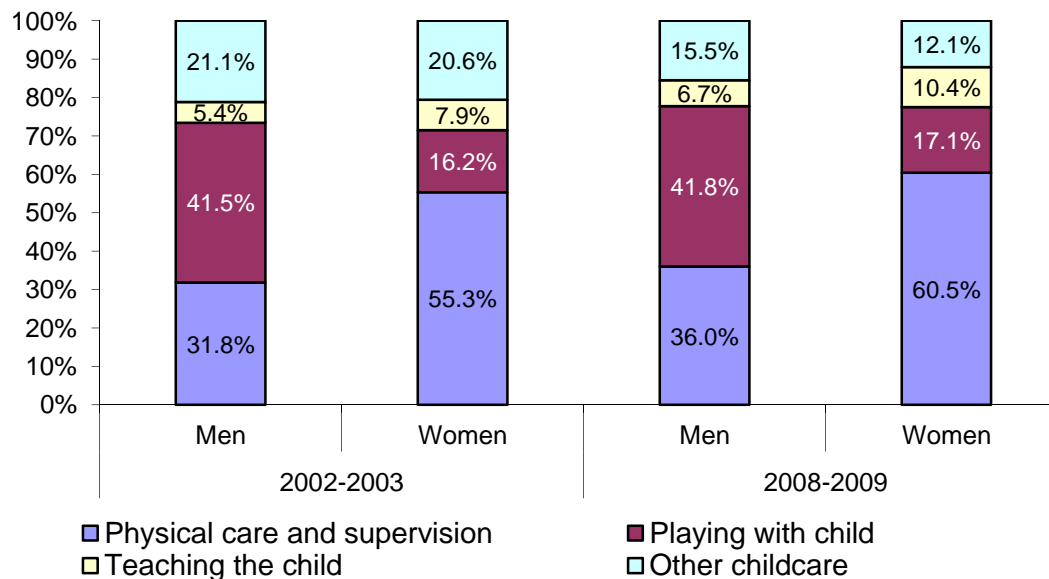


A focus on Childcare in Italy

gender gap for type of activities



The "Childcare budget time" for partners living in dual earner couples with children* in Italy



Italian mothers respond to the different needs of children and most of their childcare time is devoted to physical care and supervision (60.5%)

While Italian fathers spend most of their childcare time to play with children (41.8%).



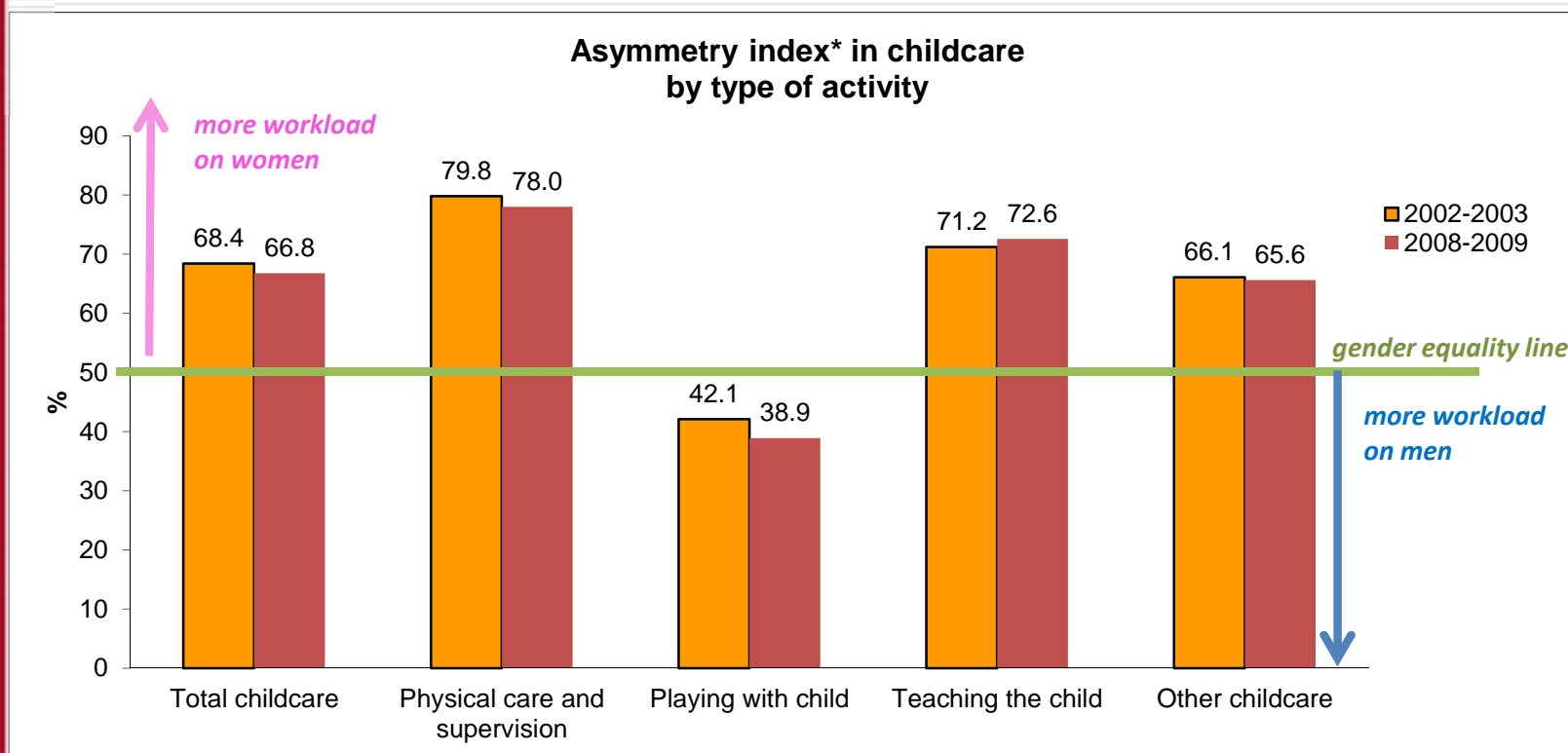
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Source: Italian Time Use Survey - Years 2002-2003 and 2008-2009 <http://dati.istat.it/>



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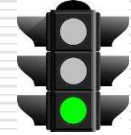
The gender gap in childcare is slowly decreasing: from 68.4% in 2002-2003 to 66.8% in 2008-09 (-1.6 percentage points), mainly due to the increasing contribution of fathers to children's play time.

* The **Asymmetry index in childcare** measures how much of the total time spent by both partners for childcare is carried out by mothers - Age limit for children: 0-13 years
 Source: Italian Time Use Survey - Years 2002-2003 and 2008-2009 <http://dati.istat.it/>



Some final remarks

It is very important to detail the different types of **CHILDCARE** activities to conduct appropriate studies on this issue and the **ICATUS** seems to be very suitable for this group of activities.



Regarding **ADULT CARE** activities, is the European classification system (HETUS) to be adapted possibly by increasing the types of activities and absolutely **removing the voluntary** on this topic.



Warning!

The code 443 Waiting for/accompanying dependent adults or children: it's ambiguous and problematic to assign to Childcare or to Adult care.



Thanks for your attention!