Minimum Set of Gender Indicators
Data availability
to measure and monitor gender issues

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Minimum Set of Gender Indicators

@ unstats.un.org/unsd/gender/data.html

United Nations Statistics Division
Background

• Internationally-agreed indicators to monitor gender equality and women’s empowerment (IAEG-GS 2011 and UN Statistical Commission 2013)
  – Gender indicators (52)
  – Gender indicators related to national norms (11)

• Five domains
  – Economic structures, participation in productive activities and access to resources
  – Education
  – Health and related services
  – Human rights of women and the girl child
  – Public life and decision-making
Organization of indicators in Tiers

**Tier I**
- Indicators conceptually clear, with an agreed international definition and regularly produced by countries

- **International data compilation**

**Tier II**
- Indicators conceptually clear, with an agreed international definition, but not yet regularly produced by countries

- **Promoting capacity building activities**

**Tier III**
- Indicators for which international standards need still to be developed and not regularly produced by countries

- **Methodological developments – e.g., EDGE project**
Gender data platform

- Improve access to data and methods
- Launched at CSW, 12 March 2014
- Contribution from 14 partner agencies
Tier I (data available + agreed int’l definition)

- indicators compiled and disseminated online in a dedicated UNSD platform @ unstats.un.org/unsd/gender/data.html
Data availability Tier I indicators (35 inds)

Average number of countries with data, by area

Indicators, by number of data points, 1990-2012

144

Average # countries data are available for
Tier II (some data available + agreed int’l definition)

→ promoting capacity building

– Focus of work on:
  Violence Against Women (VAW),
  Time Use Statistics (TUS)
### Violence against Women: Data availability

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Total number of countries with nationally representative data = 110
TUS: Data availability

➢ TUS since 1990:

• 185 surveys/studies on time use conducted worldwide
  → 92 (50%) in “countries in developing regions”
  → 93 (50%) in “developed countries”

• In total 85 distinct countries:
  → 28 “developed countries”
  → 57 “ Developing countries”

N= 68 countries with time use data since 2005 (data available at UNSD on unpaid work for 51)
Tier III = EDGE project –
Evidence and Data for Gender Equality
EDGE Project

- A 3-year initiative (UNSD and UN Women)

Overall objective:

- Improving the integration of gender issues into the regular production of official statistics for better evidence-based policies

1. International platform for data and metadata on health, education and employment

2. Guidelines for comparable gender indicators on entrepreneurship and asset ownership

3. Results of pilot testing in selected countries