Gender Statistics in Latin America and the Caribbean: recent and on-going work

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Regional

Advisory Group

Guides the working groups in the inclusion of a gender perspective in their work and preparation of their outputs.

Review of each stage of the working group’s process

Emphasis on the first stages: greater possibility of providing guidance on the proper application of the gender perspective and advocating for its inclusion in the output. The output proposal must incorporate the gender perspective.

National

Guidelines for mainstreaming the gender perspective into statistical production

Working group to develop a methodological and conceptual tool for mainstreaming a gender perspective in the production of official statistics in the 2022–2023 biennium

With the same secretariat, coordination and similar structure than the Task Force for the Guide on Time Use

RESOLUTION 11(X) of the Statistical Conference (2019)
Recognizes the cross-cutting nature of gender issues and asks that the working groups of the Statistical Conference of the Americas mainstream the gender perspective into their work.
Recent experiences in Latin America and the Caribbean on producing guidelines and a Community of Practice:

- **Methodological Guide on Time-Use Measurements in Latin America and the Caribbean**
  

  - 19 institutions of Member States (NSO & MAWC)
  - Coordinated by INEGI Mexico; Secretariat ECLAC & UN Women

  The Guidelines was adopted in the XI Meeting of the SCA and published in 2022

- **Gender Mainstreaming into statistical production**

  Prepared by the *Working Group on Gender Statistics* (2021-2023) of the Statistical Conference of the Americas (SCA)

  - 13 representatives from NSO of LA&C
  - Coordinated by INEGI Mexico; Secretariat ECLAC & UN Women

  The Guideline will be adopted in the XII Meeting of the SCA 26th. -28th September in Santiago, Chile.
In LAC women spend 3 times more time than men on unpaid work (domestic and care work)

Map: Latin America and the Caribbean (23 countries): latest time-use data surveys

Latin America (18 countries): proportion of time spent on unpaid domestic and care work (Sustainable Development Goal indicator 5.4.1), by sex (Percentages)

- Argentina, 2021: 9.2, 18.6
- Bolivia (Est. Plur. de), 2001: 12.1, 23.3
- Brasil, 2019: 10.8, 24.7
- Chile, 2015: 8.7, 18.9
- Colombia, 2021: 12.5, 22.6
- Cuba, 2016: 7.3, 20.5
- Ecuador, 2012: 8.8, 24.2
- El Salvador, 2017: 12.1, 22.9
- Guatemala, 2019: 7.6, 18.0
- Honduras, 2009: 7.3, 15.0
- México, 2019: 5.9, 20.9
- Nicaragua, 1998: 8.4, 19.9
- Panamá, 2011: 8.4, 14.5
- Paraguay, 2016: 5.9, 20.9
- Perú, 2010: 8.4, 14.5

Source: Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), on the basis of special tabulations of time-use surveys conducted in the respective countries, information updated on Abril 2023
Key contributions

1. **Minimum set of time-use activities** for LA&C: Questionnaire proposal as instrument towards international comparability with a gender perspective (Chapter V).
   - Based on 31 activities prioritized to inform the care economy and women's autonomy.

2. Specific cases of using the information on time-use for **policy design about care** (Uruguay, Paraguay, Costa Rica, Mexico, Chile, Bogotá-Colombia, Cuba and Argentina); employment and poverty (Chapter VI).

3. Guidelines for conducting time use surveys in **each phase of the statistical process** (Chapters IV and II):
   - **Advantages and disadvantages** of different methodological design options: independent survey or module; survey types (activity diary or list of activities); data collection methodologies; reference time period (previous week, previous day); target population; type of informant (...).

4. **Relations between international classifications** on time use measurements and work: CAUTAL (from LA&C), ICATUS, National Accounts Systems (Chapter III).

Download here
Chapter 1. Conceptual Framework: emphasis on contributions by the region (see figure)

Chapter 2. Normative Framework

Chapter 3. Institutional Framework - Statistical Systems

Chapter 4. Guidelines for adopting a Gender Perspective in Statistical Process Stages

Chapter 5. Regional Challenges for Gender Mainstreaming

**Some challenges:**
- Variety of topics in "gender statistics".
- Define and agree on the scope of the document in the inclusion of gender identity.

**Figure:** Key Dimensions for a conceptual framework in statistical production with a gender perspective

1. **Women’s autonomy in the heart** (economic, physical and in decision making).
2. The “four main structural issues to achieve gender equality by 2030” (proposed by Montevideo Strategy, 2016) encompassing in the exterior.

Source: Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), Care Society (2022)
Community of Practice: Measuring Care Society

To provide an instance for the exchange of experiences, knowledge and publications related to the measurement of care, to contribute to strengthening the production of statistical data for the construction of care societies in Latin America and the Caribbean.
To learn more about the Care Society in LA&C and the current state of statistical production with gender perspective in the region.

¡Muchas gracias!