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**Progress in gender equality in Denmark, 2005-2015**

In the Gender Equality Index 2017 Denmark achieved a score of **76.8 out of 100**. This is an increase of 22 points, or 29.2% total, the score places Denmark in second place after Sweden, a rank the country has maintained since 2005.

The gender equality score in the domain of **time** is high, especially when it comes to the usual sharing of care activities among women and men. The sub-domain of social activities however shows a deficit.

The domains with the highest scores in Denmark are **health** and **money**. Gender equality has progressed in relation to earnings and income in health, the score has slipped down.

The domain of **work** has the second highest score in the EU 28, but progress has stalled. Participation in the labour market has also decreased for both for women and men.

Gender gaps in decision-making positions remain challenges in the domain of **power** which has the lowest score of all domains. Gender inequality and minor progression in the fields of scientific and social power.

Challenges remain in the domain of **knowledge** due to widening gender gaps in educational attainment, to the disadvantage of men. Additionally, there is persisting and strong segregation of study fields along traditional gender lines.



**+22 Change in score from 2005 to 2015**

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