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Progress in gender equality in Estonia, 2005-2015

In the Gender Equality Index 2017, Estonia achieved a score of **56.7 out of 100** which is an increase of 4.2 points since 2005. This score is about 10 points below the EU28 average but progress is happening at a slightly faster pace than in the EU. Estonia has managed to close gaps on the areas health since 2005, to reach 20th place, 10th domain (satellite domain).

The gender equality score is the outcome of **time and health** are the highest in Estonia while Estonia scores on the domain of **work** among the top five in the EU28, to score in the domain of **health** is at the bottom. Both economic status from 2005 to 2015, the situation of **time** to join activities has become slightly more equal between women and men. Challenges remain in the domain **time** to social activities.

Workload and women's has been clear in the domain of **money** to improve gender equality in earnings and income. In the sector **time**, poverty has increased slightly, especially for women. The situation in the domain of **work** has slightly improved, closely by increased participation of women and men in the labour market.

The lowest score was in the domain of **power and knowledge**. Although the score is low, the domain of **power** shows improvements, highly thanks to progress in women's representation in decision-making positions in the political and social spheres. Gender equality in knowledge has also improved but at a slower pace.



+4.2 Change in score from 2005 to 2015

[1] The Gender Equality Index 2017 is based on the data of Gender Equality Index, EU Gender Year Survey, European Health Interview Survey, EU Survey on Income and Living Conditions, Survey of Income and Life Conditions (European Quality of Life Survey), European Working Conditions Survey, EU Survey on Gender Equality (Research and Innovation Survey) and EU Survey on Gender Equality (Research and Innovation Survey). The use of abbreviations in the text is for readability. For more information, see the full report available at <http://www.eige.europa.eu/gender-equality-index>.

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