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Progress in gender equality in Finland, 2005-2015

In the Gender Equality Index 2017, Finland achieved a score of **75.0 out of 100** which is an increase of 12 points. The score is higher than the EU-28 score of 69.2, but progress is happening at a slower pace. Finland's score rank of third place has remained stable.

In the domain of **money**, Finland's gender equality score is high and on the rise. Both the financial and economic spheres are improving from a gender equality perspective. There is a high and stable level of gender equality in **health**.

Significant improvements took place in the domain of **knowledge**, but challenges remain in a continued gender segregation.

The situation in the domain of **work** is stable and the work-life balance in the EU-28, but there is still persistent gender segregation in the workplace.

The domain of **time** in both care and social activities between women and men in Finland has become more unequal, but Finland remains the fourth-best performing Member State in the domain.

The lowest score in Finland is in the domain of **power**. Though it remains on the top five in the EU-28, the situation has not improved (unequal between women and men in decision-making positions in the economic sector).

14 Change in score from 2005 to 2015

EU-28
69.2
75.0
71.0
64.1
54.2

[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 Events, European Quality of Life Survey, European Working Conditions Survey, EU Gender Equality Database, Eurostat and EU Gender Equality Index of the Gender Equality Index Agency's Gender Equality Index. The year of reference is 2005-2008 for data on intersecting inequalities. Change of the reference population is not relevant to other EU-28 or EU-27 countries in the sector.

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