

Gender Equality Index 2020 ROMANIA



Progress on gender equality in Romania since 2010

With 54.4 out of 100 points, Romania ranks 26th in the EU on the Gender Equality Index. Its score is 13.5 points below the EU's score.

Since 2010, Romania's score has increased by only 3.6 points (– 0.1 points since 2017). Its ranking has remained the same since 2010 and dropped by one place since 2017.



Best performance

Romania's scores are highest in the domains of health (71.2 points) and work (67.6 points), although it ranks low in both of these domains (28th and 23rd, respectively).

Most room for improvement

Gender inequalities are most pronounced in the domains of power (37.5 points) and time (50.3 points). However, Romania's highest ranking in any domain is in the domain of power (19th).

Biggest improvement

Since 2010, Romania's scores have improved the most in the domains of power (+ 6.7 points) and knowledge (+ 5.2 points). Since 2017, Romania's score has slightly increased (+ 1.0 point) in the domain of money.

A step backwards

Since 2010, Romania's scores have slightly decreased in the domains of work and time (both – 0.3 points). Since 2017, its score has also decreased in the domain of power (– 1.3 points).

Explore Romania's Index results

Scores		2010	2012	2015	2017	2018	Trends in scores 2010-2018 Country and EU trends
1—100		50.8	51.2	52.4	54.5	54.4	
Moule		67.9	67.8	67.1	67.7	67.6	Romania — EU
Work		67.9	67.8	67.1	67.7	67.6	
X	Participation	78.8	78.5	77.5	79.0	78.8	
	Segregation and quality of work	58.6	58.5	58.1	58.0	58.0	Romania EU
Money							
1000	Financial resources	42.5	42.7	45.7	47.2	49.3	• • • • • •
	Economic situation	84.2	82.1	77.3	81.6	80.4	Romania EU
Knowledg	e	47.2	50.2	51.8	51.5	52.4	
	Attainment and participation	50.1	52.7	52.9	52.4	52.6	
	Segregation	44.4	47.9	50.7	50.7	52.2	Romania EU
Time		50.6	53.2	50.3	50.3	50.3	
U	Care activities	70.9	78.1	70.7	70.7	70.7	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
	Social activities	36.2	36.2	35.8	35.8	35.8	Romania EU
Power		30.8	28.8	33.2	38.8	37.5	
W. W.	Political	23.5	26.5	32.9	40.8	41.6	
	Economic	28.0	20.4	21.4	20.5	21.5	
	Social	44.4	44.4	51.8	69.7	59.3	Romania — EU
Health		69.9	70.2	70.4	71.1	71.2	
<u>~</u>	Status	87.9	88.5	88.6	88.6	88.7	
	Behaviour	42.5	42.5	42.5	42.5	42.5	
	Access	91.6	92.1	92.9	95.7	96.0	Romania EU

About the Index

Each year, we score the EU Member States and the EU as a whole to see how far they are from reaching gender equality. The Index uses a scale of 1 to 100, where 1 is for total inequality and 100 is for total equality.

The scores are based on the gaps between women and men and levels of achievement in six core domains – work, money, knowledge, time, power and health – and **their subdomains**. **Two additional domains** are included in the Index but do not have an impact on the final score. The domain of intersecting inequalities highlights how gender inequalities manifest in combination with age, (dis)ability, country of birth, education and family type. The domain of violence against women measures and analyses women's experiences of violence. The Index is composed of **31 indicators**. The Gender Equality Index 2020 also includes **a thematic focus on digitalisation and the future of work**.

Key highlights



Increase in labour market participation

Since 2010, the full-time equivalent (FTE) employment rate has increased for women and men.



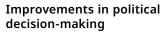






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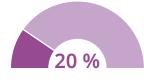


The shares of women ministers and members of parliament have increased.









Improvement in access to health services

The proportions of women and men reporting an unmet need for a medical examination have decreased by about half.









Gender gap in employment is wide, especially for some groups

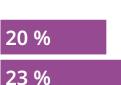
The gender gap in full-time employment (FTE) rate is highest between women and men who are single and women and men in couples with children.

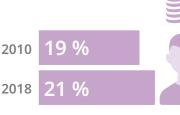


Increase in poverty for both women and men

At-risk-of-poverty rates have slightly increased for both women and men. The people facing the highest risk of poverty are those with low education (43 % of women and 44 % of men).











Gender gap in unpaid care work is growing

Women spend more time caring for children, grandchildren, older people or people with disabilities than they did in 2010. This is the widest gender gap in the EU.



Explore Romania's performance by indicator

	Indicators	Romania		EU			
				Women Men		Women Me	
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Participation		Full-time equivalent (FTE) employment rate* (15 +, %, 2018)	43	61	42	57	
		Duration of working life (15 +, years, 2018)	30	37	34	39	
	Segregation and quality of work	Segregation in employment (15 +, %, 2018)	16	4	31	8	
		Flexibility (15 +, %, 2015)	18	20	23	27	
		Career Prospects Index (15 +, points, 0–100, 2015)	66	67	63	64	
oney							
	Financial resources	Mean monthly earnings (16 +, euro in purchasing power standard, 2014)	953	1 003	2 249	2 8	
000		Mean yearly household net income** (16 +, euros in purchasing power standard, 2018)	7 241	7 576	17 860	18	
•100•	Economic conditions	At risk of poverty (16 +, %, 2018)	23	21	17	16	
		Income distribution (16 +, %, 2018)	15	15	20	19	
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	Attainment and participation	Graduates from tertiary education (15 +, %, 2018)	14	13	26	25	
		Participation in lifelong learning (15 +, %, 2018)	8	9	17	16	
	Segregation	Segregation in education (15 +, %, 2017)	33	18	43	21	
me	Care activities	Caring for children, grandchildren, older people or people with disabilities	46	25	38	25	
	care activities	(18 +, %, 2016) Cooking and/or housework every day	75	41	79	34	
	Conint positivistics	(18 +, %, 2016)					
	Social activities	Sporting, cultural or leisure activities (15 +, %, 2015)	6	8	28	32	
		Voluntary or charitable activities (15 +, %, 2015)	6	8	12	11	
ower	Political	Ministers	17	83	32	68	
		(%, second quarter of 2020) Members of parliament (both houses)	20	80	32	68	
		(%, second quarter of 2020) Members of regional assemblies/local municipalities	18	82	29	71	
福和	Economic	(%, 2019) Board members of largest companies	13	87	29	71	
		(%, first semester of 2020) Board members of central bank (%, 2019)	11	89	25	75	
	Social	Board members of research funding organisations (%, 2019)	45	55	38	62	
		Board members of public broadcasting organisations (%, 2019)	27	73	37	63	
		Board members of national Olympic sport organisations	10	90	17	83	
		(%, 2019)					
ealth							
ealth	Status	People in good health (16 +, %, 2018)	66	76	67	72	
ealth	Status	(16 +, %, 2018) Life expectancy	66 79	76 72	67 84	72 78	
ealth	Status	(16 +, %, 2018) Life expectancy (years, 2018) Healthy life years					
ealth	Status Behaviour	(16 +, %, 2018) Life expectancy (years, 2018) Healthy life years (years, 2018) Smoking and drinking**	79	72	84	78 63	
ealth		(16 +, %, 2018) Life expectancy (years, 2018) Healthy life years (years, 2018) Smoking and drinking** (16 +, %, 2014) Physical activity and/or consuming fruit and vegetables**	79 60	72 59	84 64		
ealth		(16 +, %, 2018) Life expectancy (years, 2018) Healthy life years (years, 2018) Smoking and drinking** (16 +, %, 2014)	79 60 27	72 59 64	84 64 28	78 63 48	

Sources: Eurostat (education statistics, European Union Labour Force Survey, European Health Interview Survey, European Union Statistics on Income and Living Conditions, Structure of Earnings Survey), Eurofound (European Working Conditions Survey, European Quality of Life Survey), EIGE (Women and Men in Decision-Making). *FTE employment rate measures employed persons in a comparable way, even though they may work a different number of hours per week; **EU: non-weighted average; b: break in time series.

Read more about the Gender Equality Index at http://eige.europa.eu/gender-equality-index

Why is there no score for the violence domain?

There is no new data to update the score for violence, which is why no figure is given. Eurostat is currently coordinating an EU-wide survey on gender-based violence, with results expected in 2023. EIGE will launch a second round of administrative data collection on intimate partner violence, rape and femicide in 2022. Both data sources will be used to update the domain of violence in the Gender Equality Index 2024.

Unlike the other domains of the Index, the domain of violence does not measure differences between women's and men's situations; rather, it examines women's experiences of violence (prevalence, severity and disclosure). The overall objective is not to reduce the gaps in violence between women and men, but to eradicate violence completely.

Data gaps n

Data gaps mask the true scale of violence.

The EU needs comprehensive, up-to-date and comparable data to develop effective policies that combat violence against women.



52 women killed by their partner No data available on women killed by a family member

Source: Eurostat





No data available





2 % of women experienced online harassment

Source: Eurofound, European Quality of Life Survey



During the COVID-19 lockdowns, women in violent relationships were stuck at home and exposed to their abuser for long periods of time, putting them at greater risk of domestic violence. Even without a pandemic, women face the greatest danger from people they know.

Istanbul Convention: state of play

The Istanbul Convention is the most comprehensive international human rights treaty on violence against women and domestic violence. Romania signed the Istanbul Convention in June 2014 and ratified it in May 2016. The treaty entered into force in September 2016.



Thematic focus on digitalisation and the future of work

The Gender Equality Index 2020 focuses on digitalisation and the future of work. The thematic focus looks at three areas:

- use and development of digital skills and technologies;
- digital transformation of the world of work (segregation, working conditions, work-life balance);
- broader consequences of digitalisation for human rights, violence against women, and caring activities.

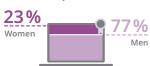
Above basic information skills in the 25–29 age group





Romania Main indicators Women Women Men Men Digital skills 56 Internet daily users 58 78 80 (16–74, %, 2019) Above basic digital skills 10 11 31 36 (16-74, %, 2019) 71 Information skills 49 49 71 Communications skills 54 56 67 66 Problem-solving skills 33 34 56 63 Software skills 14 16 39 44 Training to improve digital skills 16 16 18 22 (16-74, %, 2018) Segregation in education and labour market ICT graduates 65 20 80 (%, 2018) **ICT** specialists 23 77 18 (s) 82 (s) (15 +, %, 2019)Scientists and engineers in high-technology sectors 24 76 20 80 (25-64, %, 2019) Working in ICT

ICT specialists



ICT at work and activities performed (16-74, %, 2018) Used computer, laptop, smartphone, etc. 17 17 37 42 Used other computerised equipment 3 4 8 13 Exchanged emails 14 14 32 36 Created or edited electronic documents 9 9 24 28 Used social media 5 9 11 Used applications to receive tasks or instructions 5 5 10 14 Used occupation-specific software 7 19 24 Developed or maintained IT systems or software 3 7 1 1 5 Part-time in ICT 0 17

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14 % 11 %

Gender pay gap in ICT

(20–64, %, 2018)
Working time arrangements among ICT specialists (20–64, %, 2015, national-level data not available)

In the EU, 21 % of women and 22 % of men entirely determined their working hours themselves, compared with 13 % of women and 18 % of men in other occupations

Gender pay gap in ICT (%, 2014)

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Sources: Eurostat (education statistics, digital economy and society statistics, European Union Labour Force Survey, Structure of Earnings Survey), Eurofound (European Working Conditions Survey).
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Some areas of concern (e.g. platform work and artificial intelligence) are not covered by the indicators owing to a lack of EU-wide comparable data.

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European Institute for Gender Equality

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