

SPOTLIGHT*LEBANON

VIEWS ON GENDER EQUALITY

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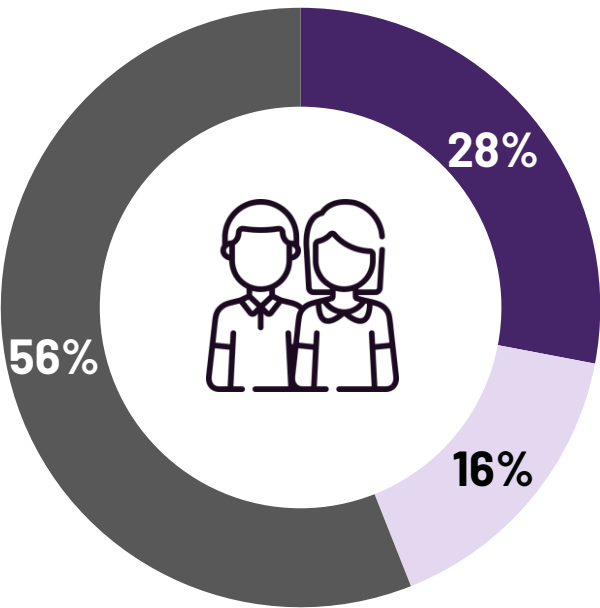
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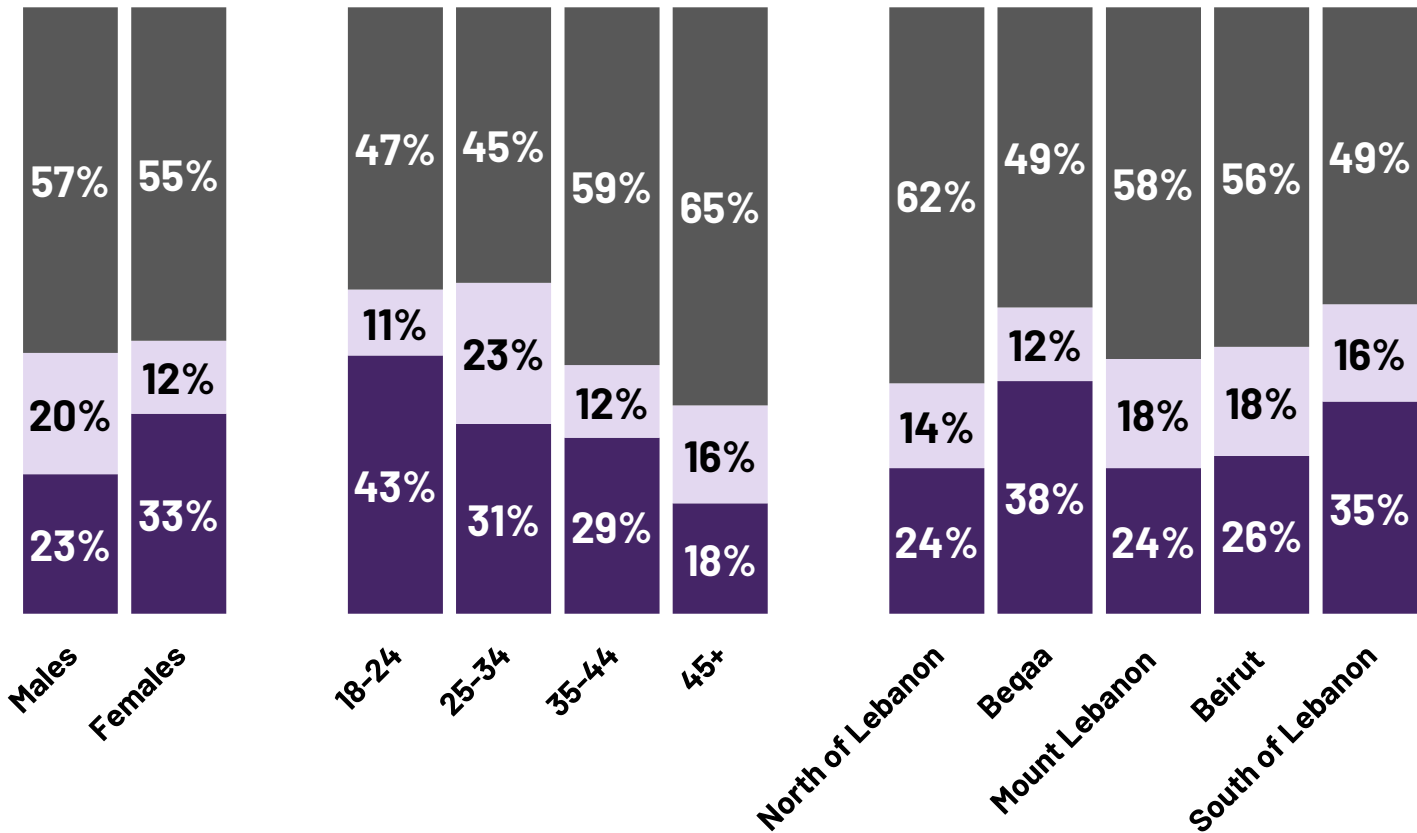
GENDER PERCEPTIONS IN LEBANON

Who has more advantages in society: men or women?

% Perceived advantage - by demographics

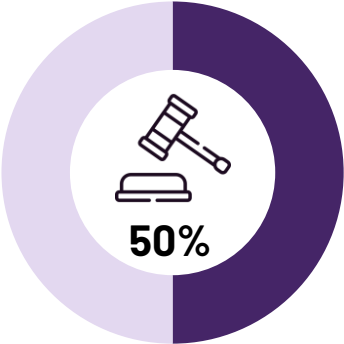


- There are more advantages in being a man
- There are more advantages in being a woman
- There is no difference

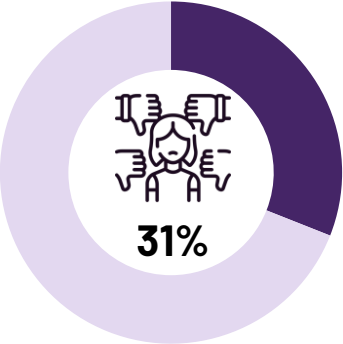


CHALLENGES WOMEN FACE IN LEBANON

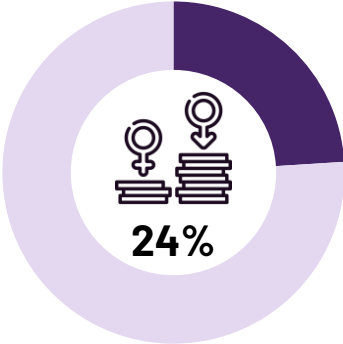
Challenges women face in Lebanon



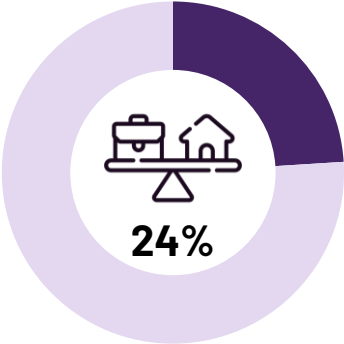
Legal challenges



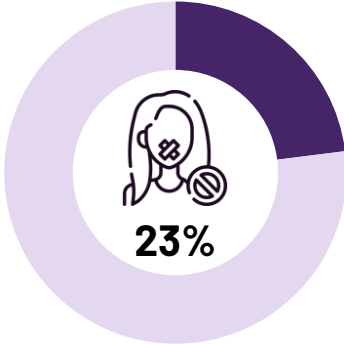
Bullying and harassment



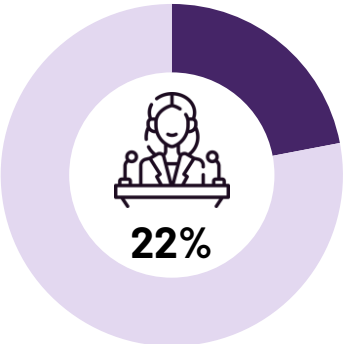
Gender pay disparity



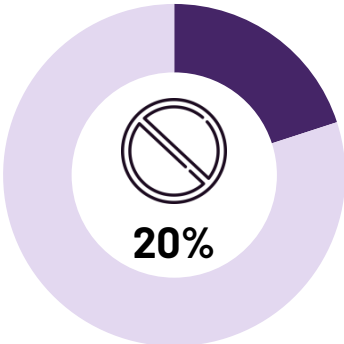
Balancing family roles vs. personal aspirations



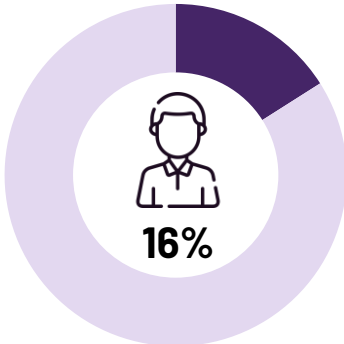
Cultural norms limiting women's opinion expression



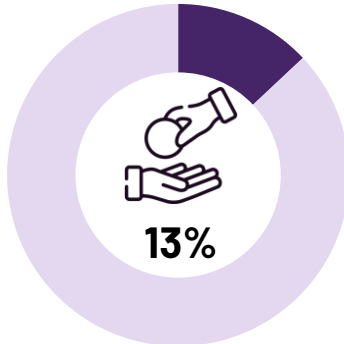
Underrepresentation of women in leadership positions



Lifestyle constraints due to cultural norms



Male guardianship



Financial dependence

Challenges women face in Lebanon

% - by demographics



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Financial dependence

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Male	37%	30%	24%	22%	22%	25%	20%	16%	13%
Female	62%	31%	24%	26%	23%	20%	21%	16%	12%
18-24	54%	31%	25%	33%	33%	22%	26%	16%	12%
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45+	53%	31%	23%	19%	18%	22%	18%	12%	14%
North of Lebanon	48%	37%	29%	22%	22%	21%	25%	10%	9%
Beqaa	52%	33%	22%	27%	21%	33%	23%	14%	10%
Mount Lebanon	51%	28%	18%	25%	23%	21%	18%	19%	12%
Beirut	59%	53%	18%	24%	9%	18%	21%	12%	21%
South of Lebanon	46%	22%	33%	20%	28%	20%	17%	18%	16%

MINDSETS ON GENDER ROLES

Mindsets on gender roles

% Agree



71%

The main role of women in society extends beyond being a housewife

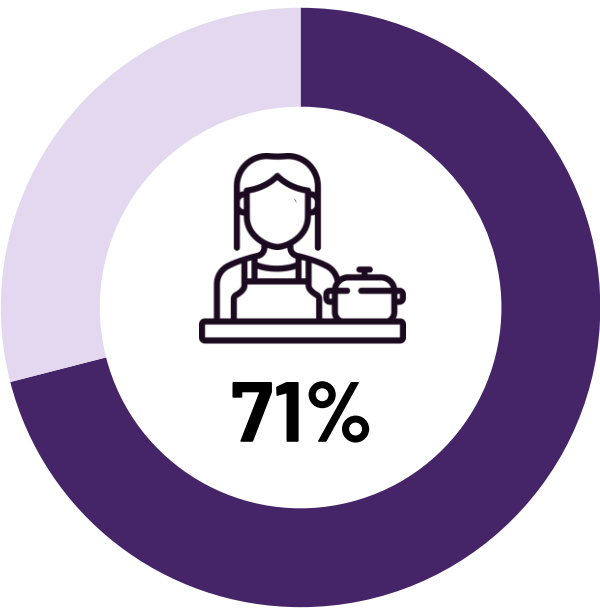


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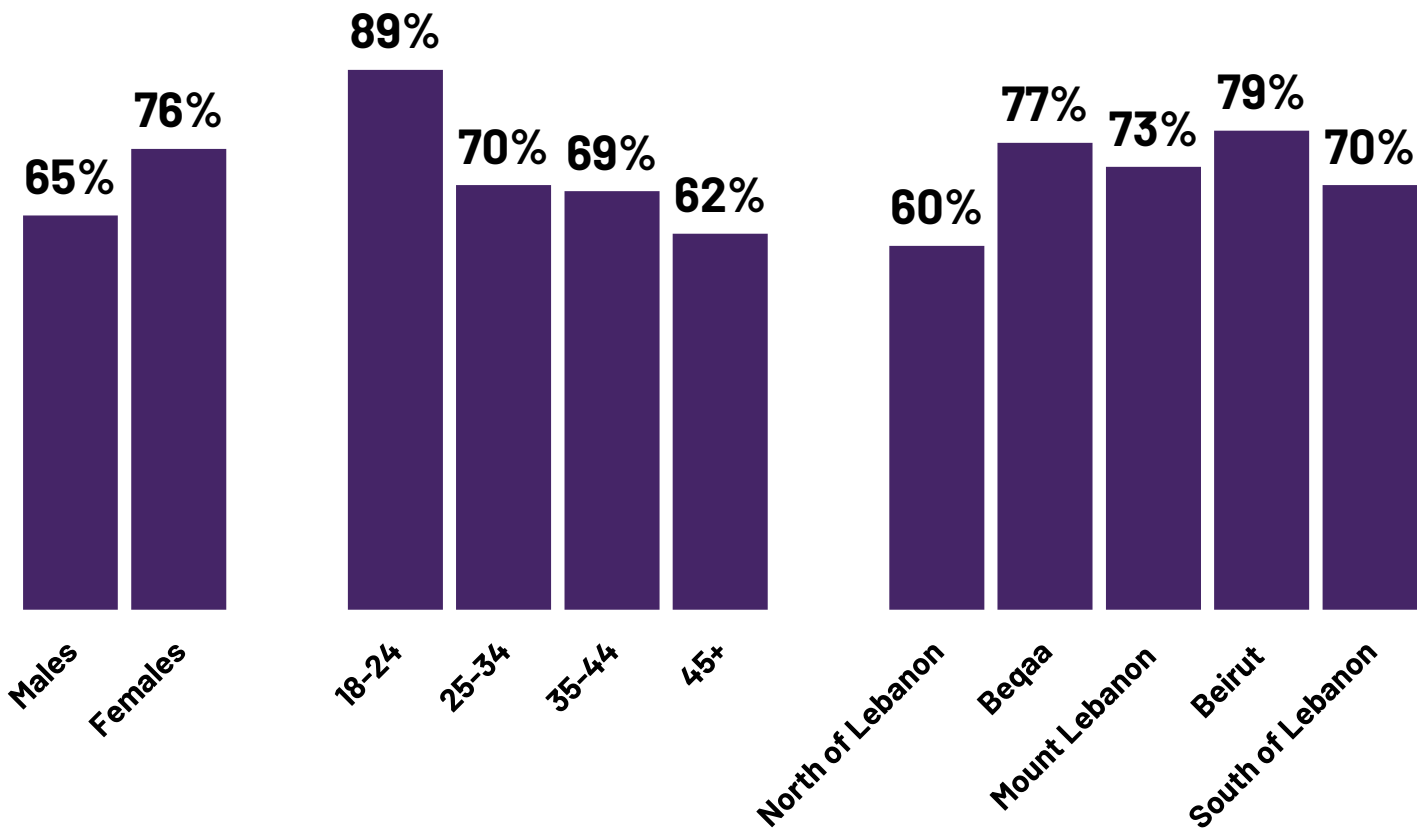
Men should be the primary financial providers of the household

Expansion of women's role beyond traditional boundaries

% Agree – by demographics

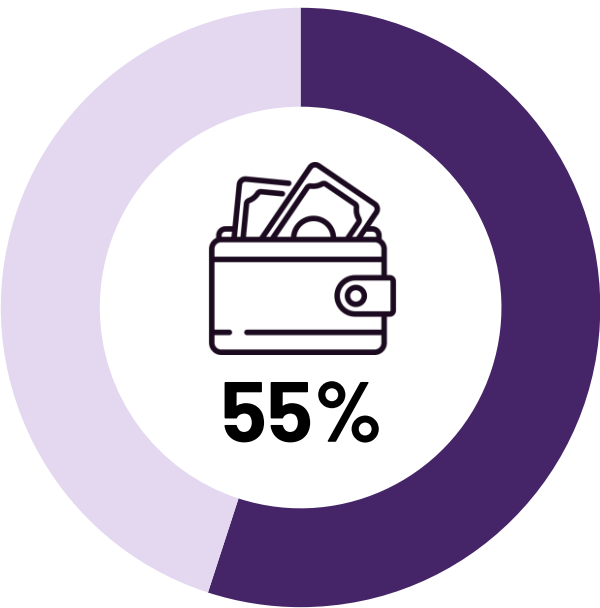


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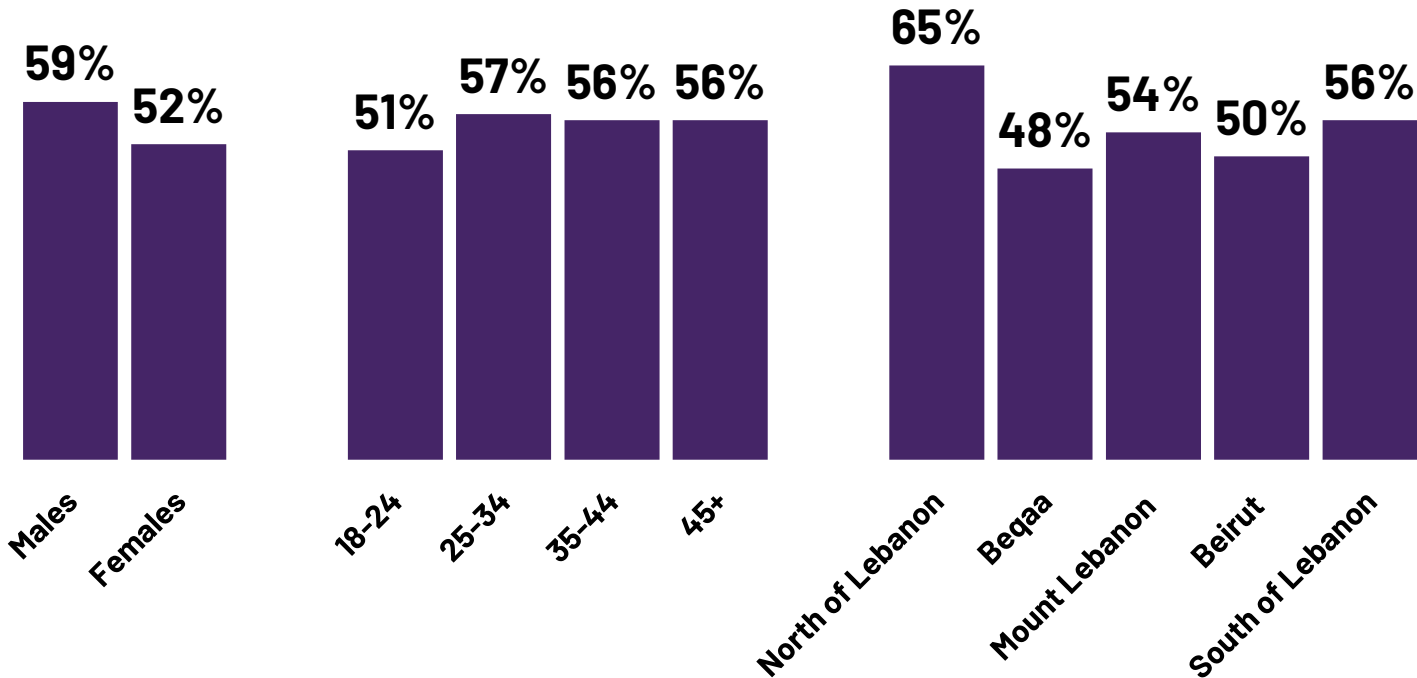


Men's traditional role

% Agree – by demographics



Men should be the primary financial providers of the household



ATTITUDES TOWARDS GENDER EQUALITY

Attitudes towards gender equality

% Agree

61%

Achieving equality between men and women should be one of our top priorities right now



48%

Equality between men and women will be achieved in my lifetime



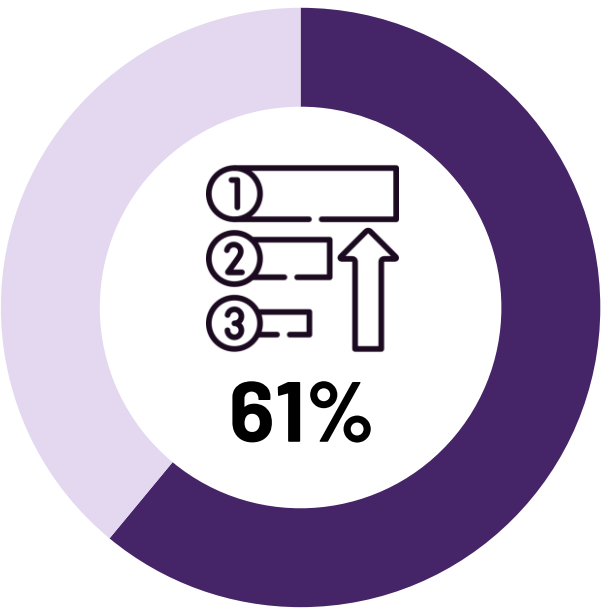
27%

Men and women are treated equally in Lebanon

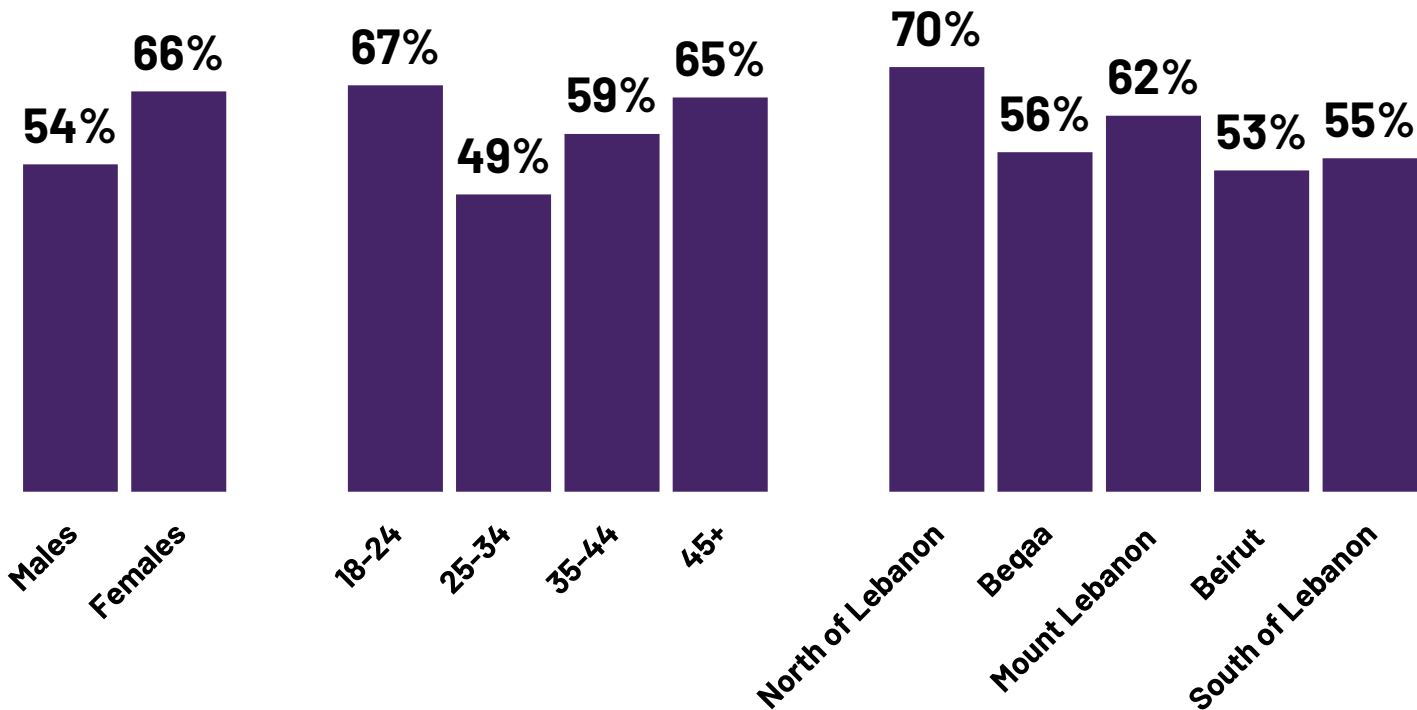


Gender equality being a top priority

% Agree – by demographics

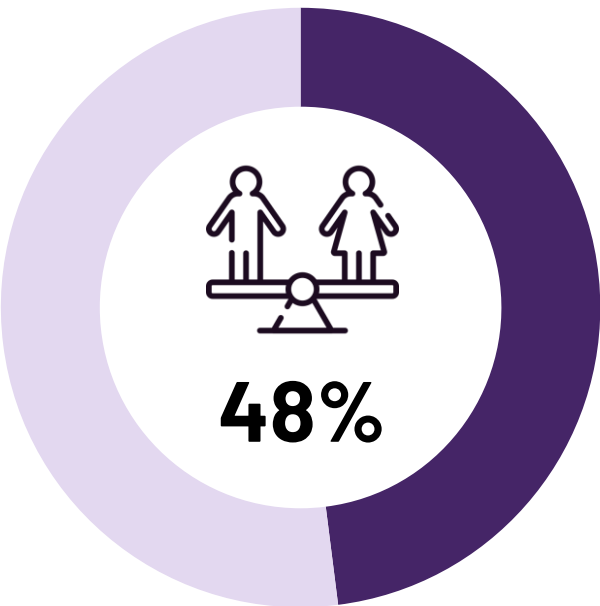


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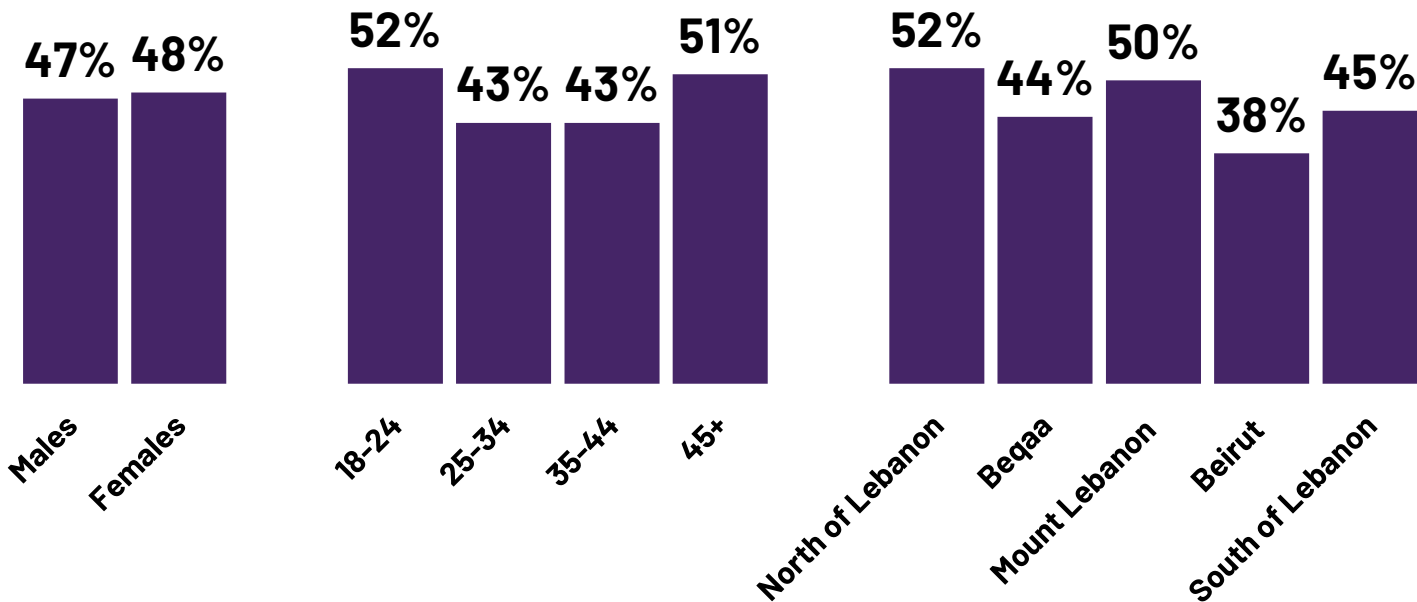


Future outlook on gender equality

% Agree – by demographics

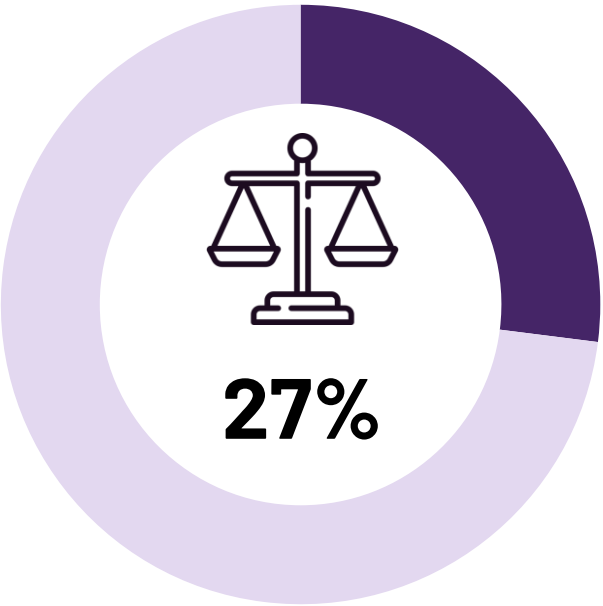


Equality between men and women will be achieved in my lifetime

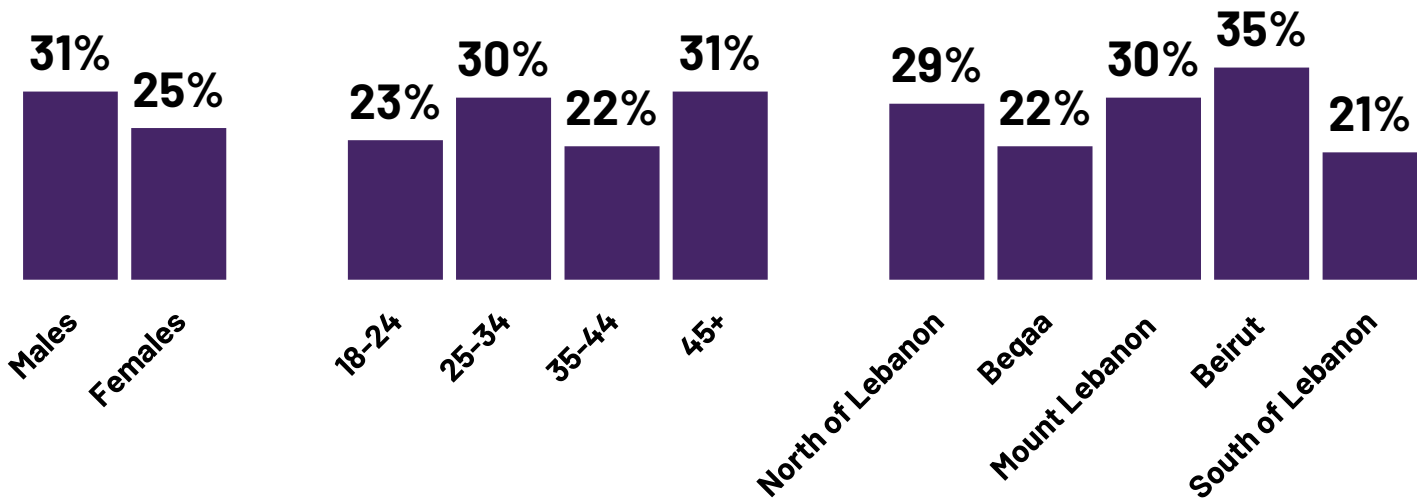


Gender equality in Lebanon

% Agree – by demographics

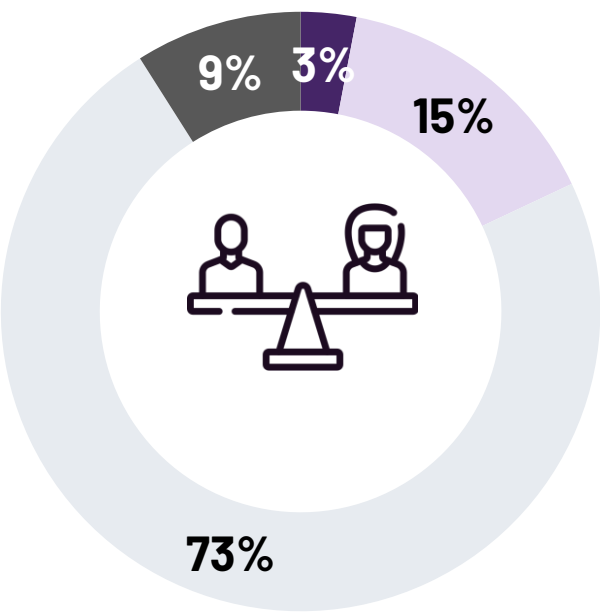


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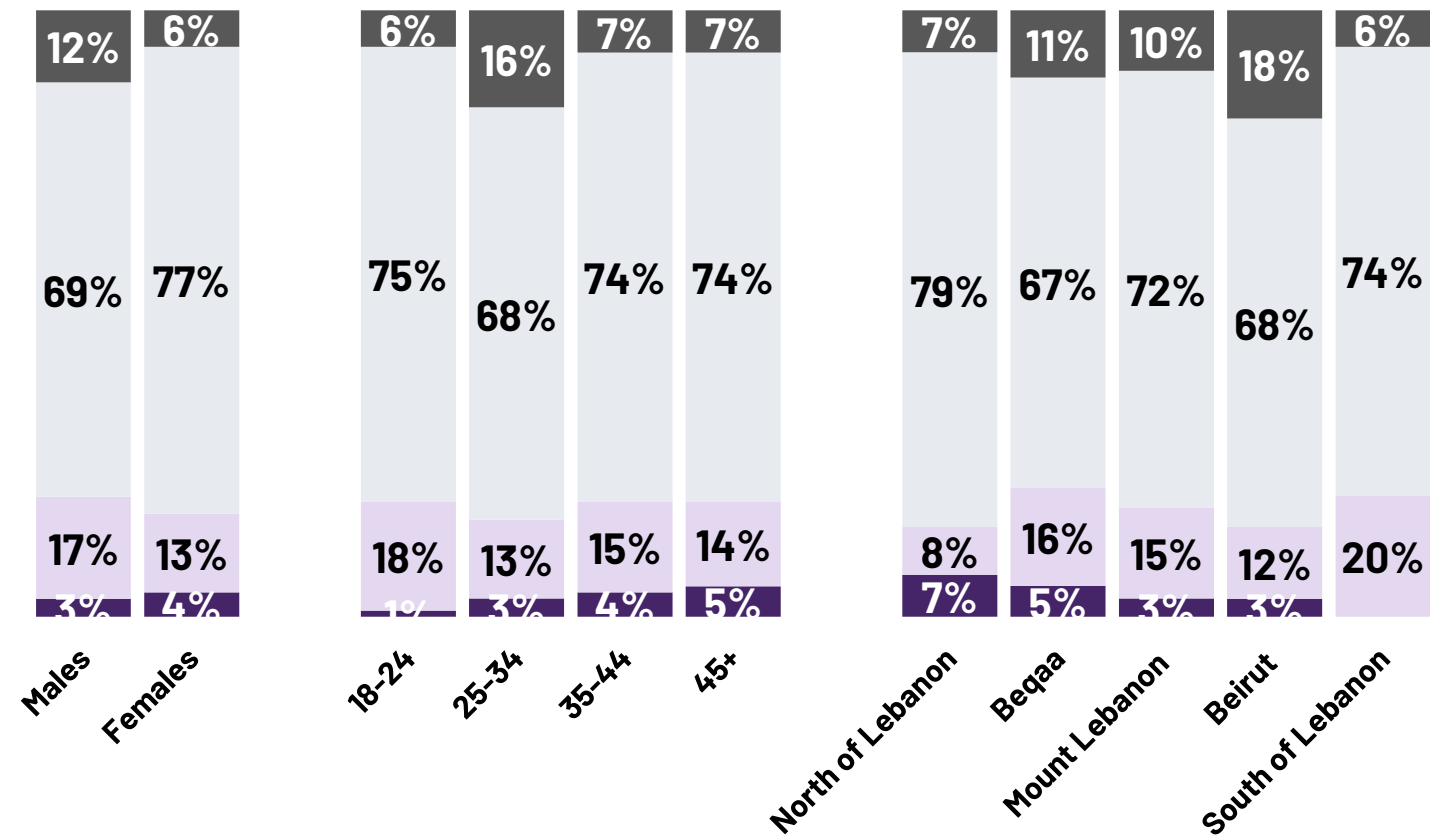


Who benefits from gender equality?

% Perceived gainer - by demographics

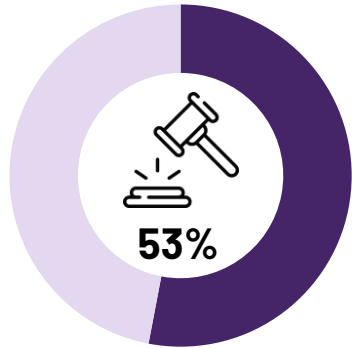


- Mainly benefits men
- Mainly benefits women
- Benefits both women and men
- Does not benefit women or men

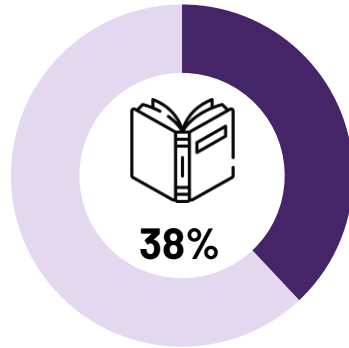


PUBLIC ASPIRATIONS FOR GENDER EQUALITY

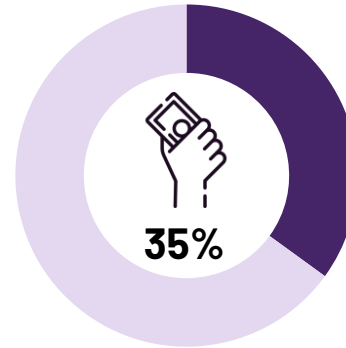
Critical factors for achieving gender equality



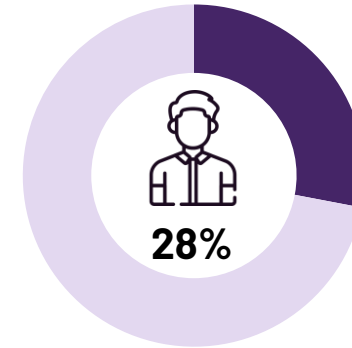
Tougher laws combatting violence against women



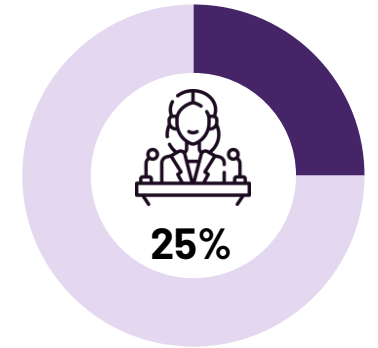
Educating about the importance of gender equality in schools



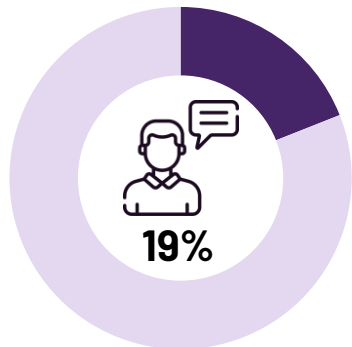
Equal pay



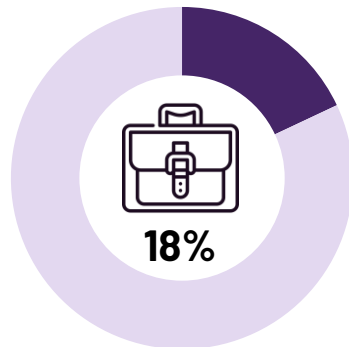
Men sharing more responsibility with children and the home



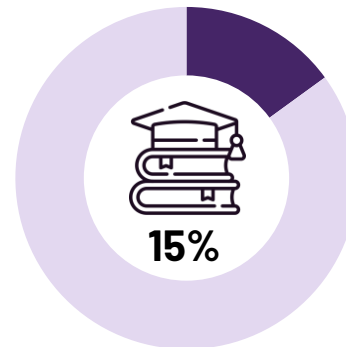
Breaking barriers for women in senior government roles



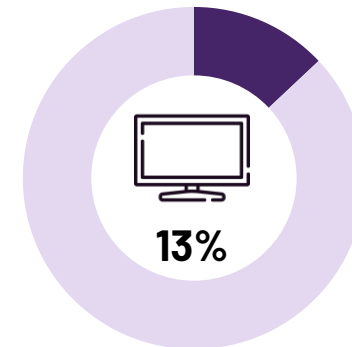
More men speaking out for gender-based unfairness



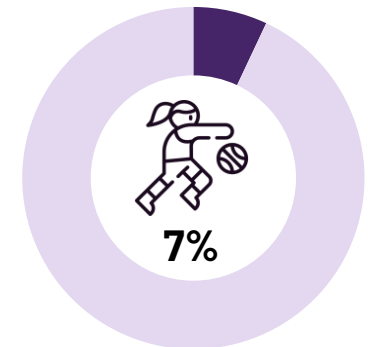
More employers promoting women to senior positions



Better access to education for girls



Media portraying women in a more positive way

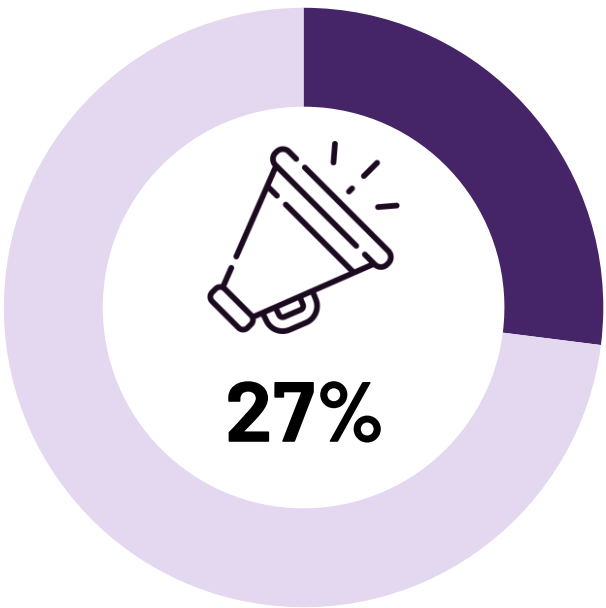


Media providing more coverage of women's sports

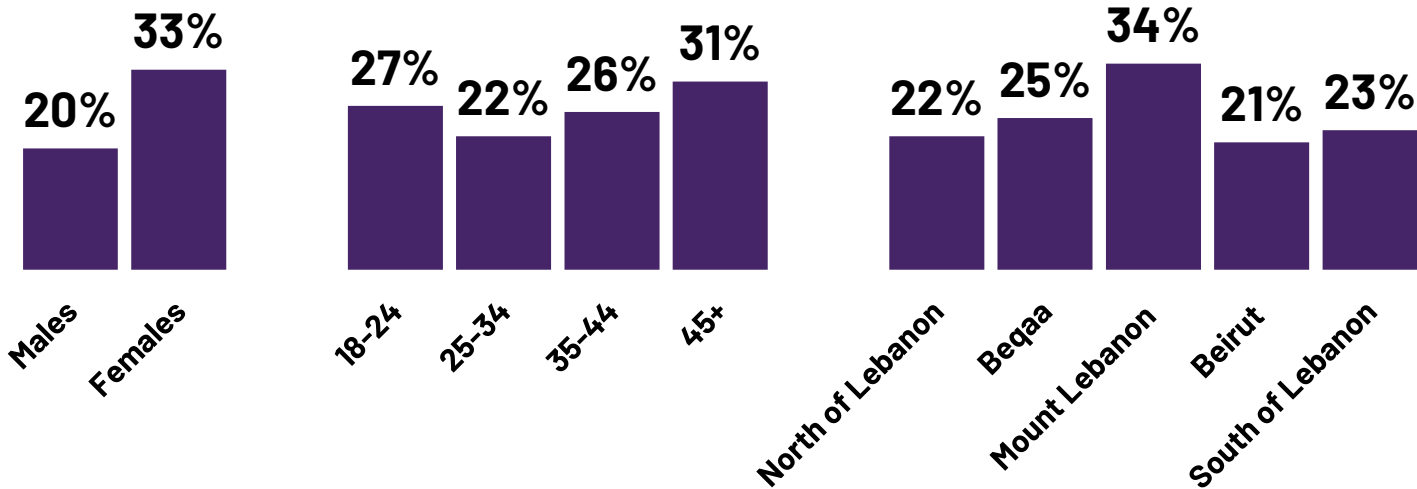
TAKING ACTION – WHAT DO PEOPLE IN LEBANON DO?

Taking action to promote gender equality

% – by demographics



Take action to promote gender equality



Actions taken to promote gender equality

61%

Talked about gender equality with family and friends



36%

Talked about gender equality at work



13%

Talked to employers about examples of gender discrimination at work



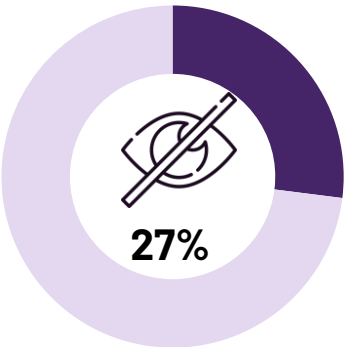
8%

Signed a petition for gender equality

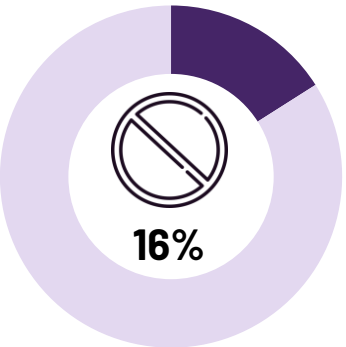


TAKING ACTION – WHAT BARRIERS DO PEOPLE FACE IN LEBANON?

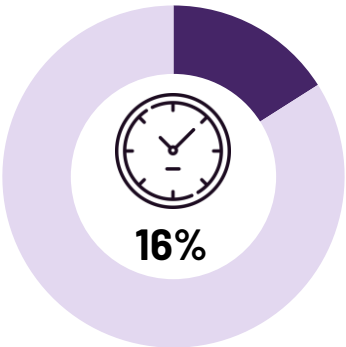
Barriers to promoting gender equality



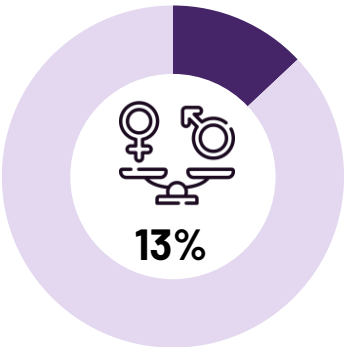
Have never witnessed an example of gender inequality



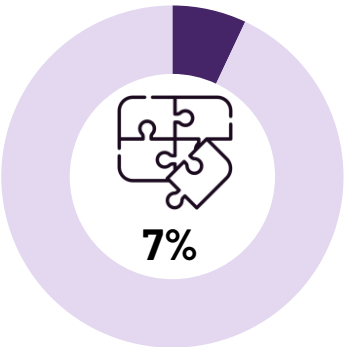
Believe there's nothing they can do that will make a difference



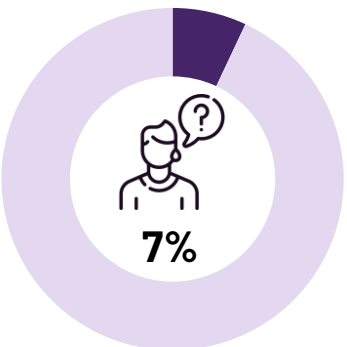
Don't have time to promote gender equality



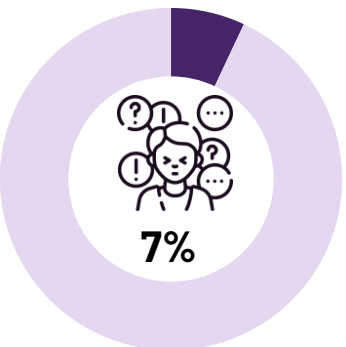
Believe gender inequality doesn't exist



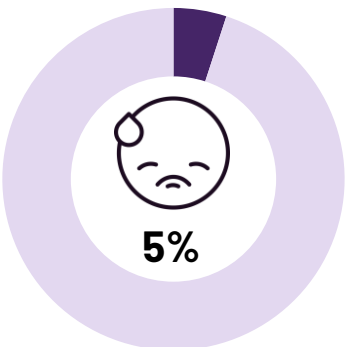
Find the issue irrelevant to them



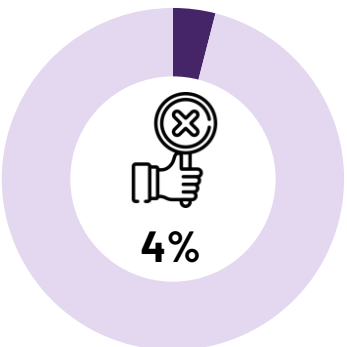
Do not know how to discuss gender equality or what steps to take



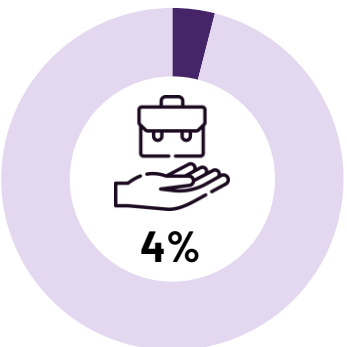
Worry about what others will think of them



Are embarrassed to discuss gender equality or take action













Do not wish to promote gender equality



Worry that promoting gender equality will damage their career

Barriers to promoting gender equality

% - by demographics

	 Have never witnessed an example of gender inequality	 Believe there's nothing they can do that will make a difference	 Don't have time to promote gender equality	 Believe gender inequality doesn't exist	 Find the issue irrelevant to them	 Do not know how to discuss gender equality or what steps to take	 Worry about what others will think of them	 Are embarrassed to discuss gender equality or take action	 Do not wish to promote gender equality	 Worry that promoting gender equality will damage their career
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MEN'S CONTRIBUTION TO GENDER EQUALITY PROGRESS

Men's contribution to gender equality

% Agree



54%

Women won't achieve equality unless men take actions to support women's rights too

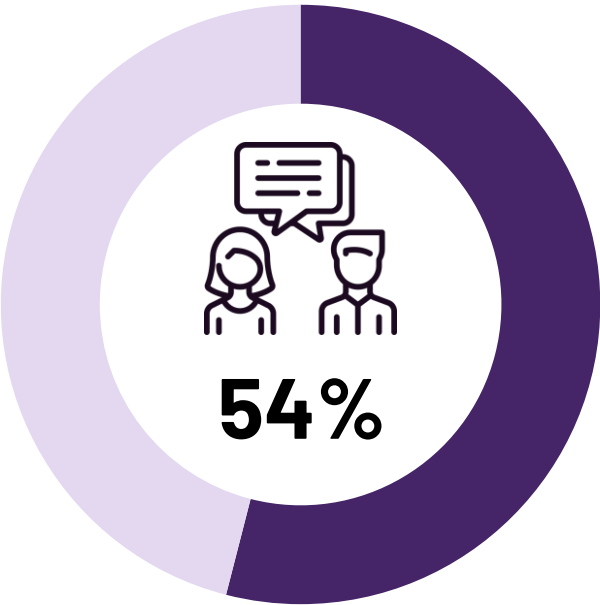


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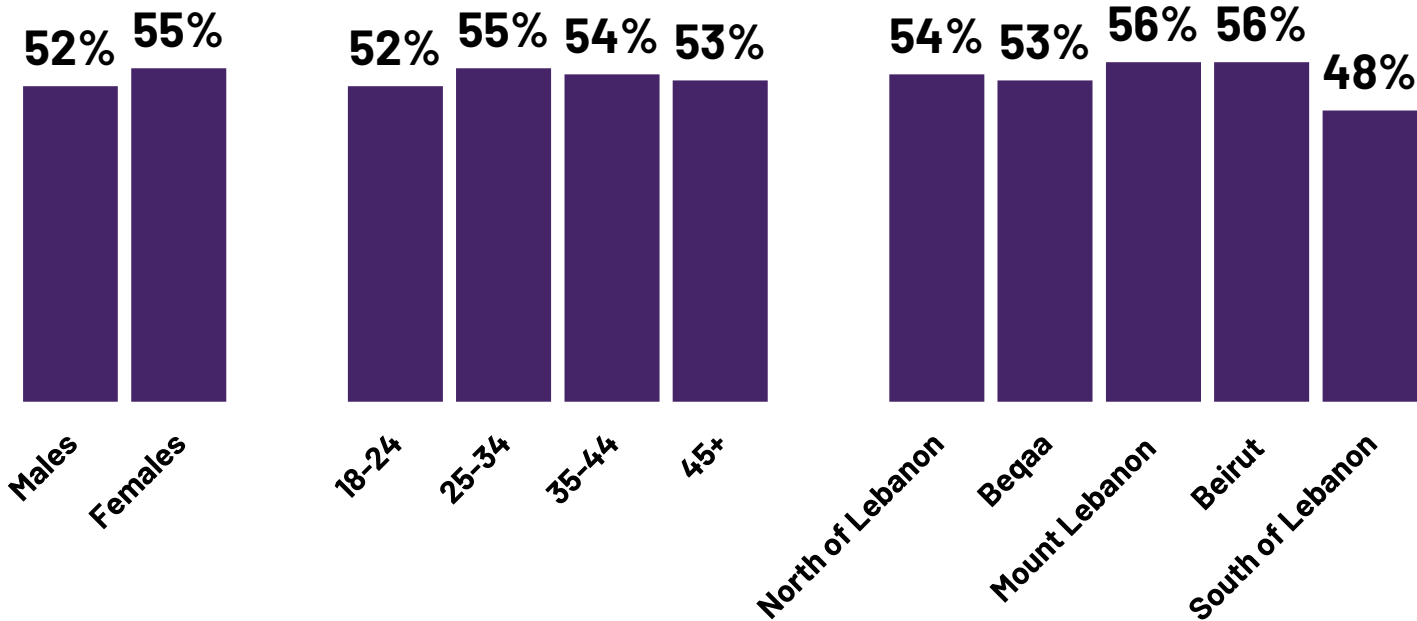
Men are being expected to do too much to support gender equality

Partnering for equality

%Agree – by demographics

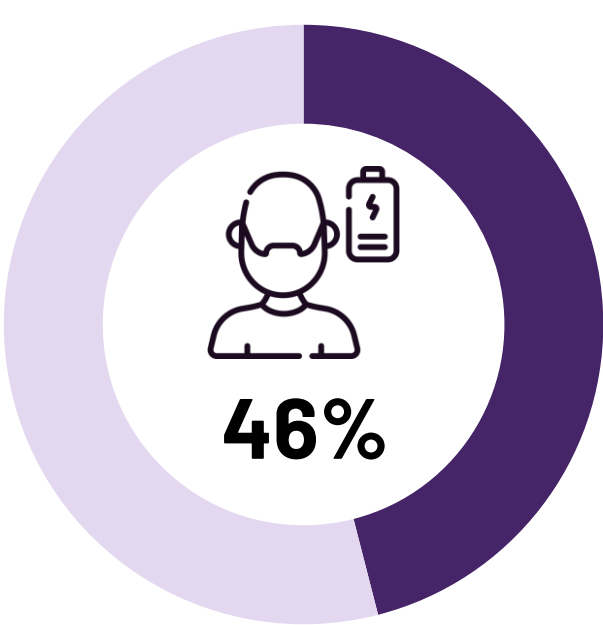


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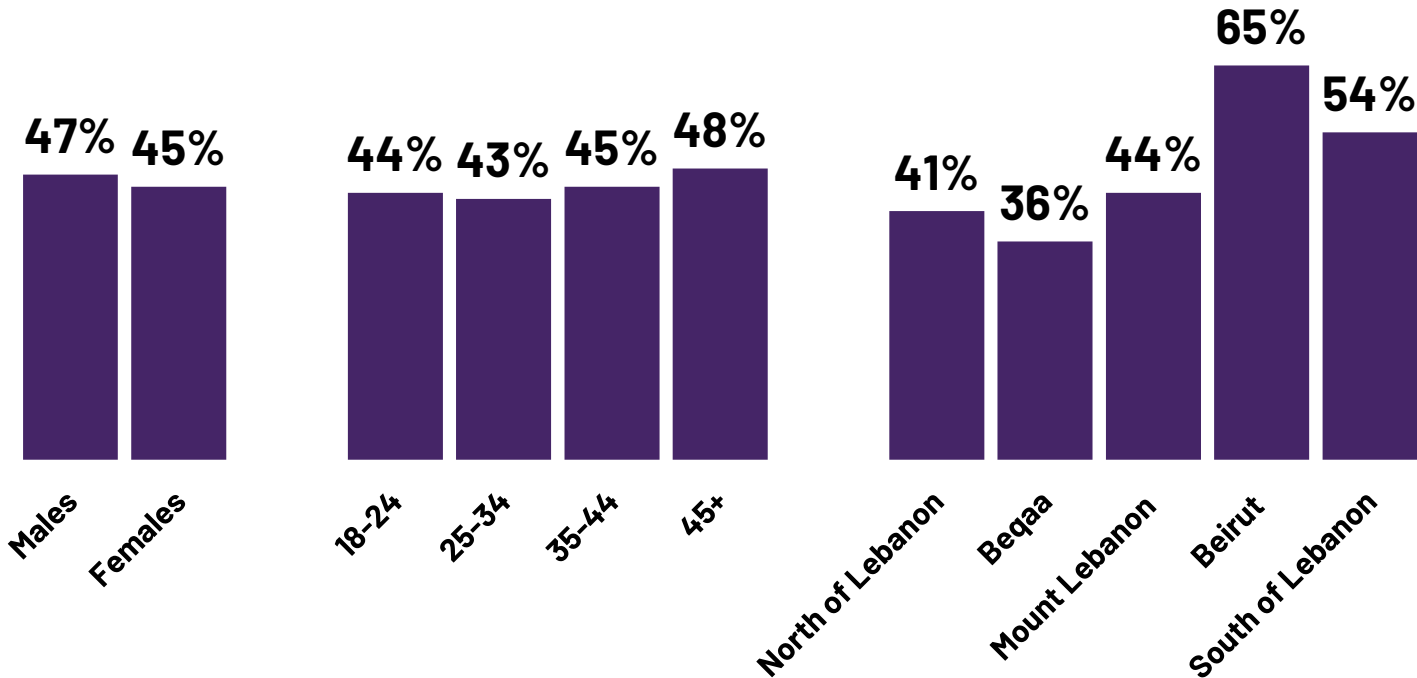


The pressure on men to promote gender equality

%Agree – by demographics



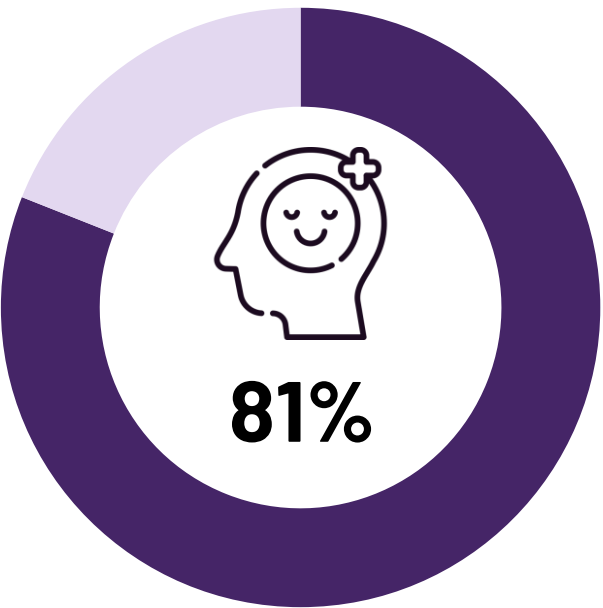
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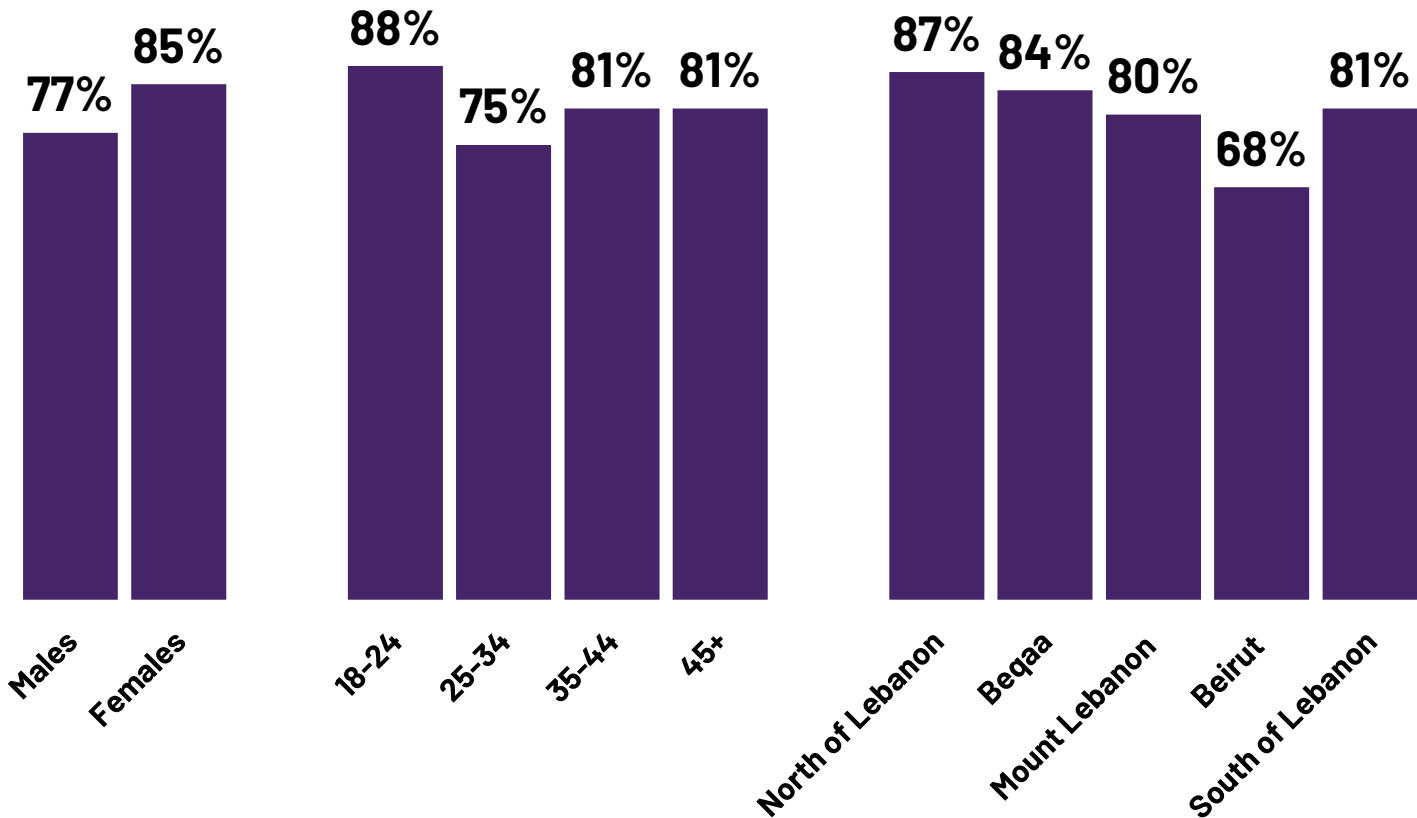
PERCEIVED POSITIVE OUTCOMES

Gender equality perceived positive outcomes

%Agree – by demographics



Equality between men and women might have positive outcomes in society



Sample and methodology

Sample size

500 respondents

Sample criteria

General public
representative of the population across gender and age (18+)

Methodology

The survey was conducted via computer aided telephone interviews (CATI)

Geographical coverage

Conducted in Lebanon
with a nationwide coverage

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