

United States 2010

Gender Gap Index 2010

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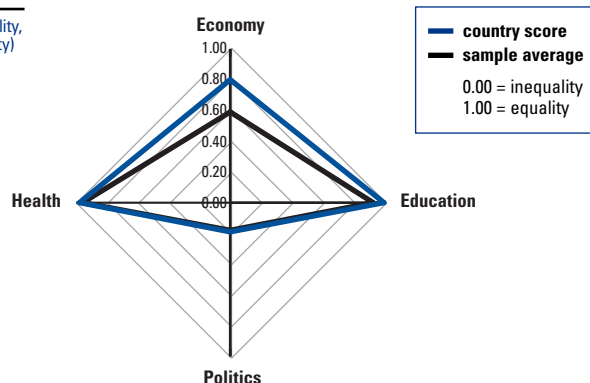
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(out of 134 countries)

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Key Indicators

Total population (millions)	304.06
Population growth (%)	0.92
GDP (US\$ billions)	11,513.87
GDP (PPP) per capita	46,350
Mean age of marriage for women (years)	26
Fertility rate (births per woman)	2.10
Year women received right to vote	1920, 1965
Overall population sex ratio (male/female)	0.97



Gender Gap Subindexes

	Rank	Score	Sample average	Female	Male	Female-to-male ratio	
Economic Participation and Opportunity							
	6	0.799	0.590				
Labour force participation	43	0.85	0.69	68	80	0.85	
Wage equality for similar work (survey)	64	0.66	0.65	—	—	0.66	
Estimated earned income (PPP US\$)	5	0.87	0.53	34,996	40,000	0.87	
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	11	0.74	0.27	43	57	0.74	
Professional and technical workers	1	1.00	0.64	57	43	1.31	
Educational Attainment							
	1	1.000	0.929				
Literacy rate	1	1.00	0.86	99	99	1.00	
Enrolment in primary education	1	1.00	0.98	93	91	1.01	
Enrolment in secondary education	1	1.00	0.92	89	88	1.01	
Enrolment in tertiary education	1	1.00	0.86	97	69	1.40	
Health and Survival							
	38	0.979	0.955				
Sex ratio at birth (female/male)	1	0.94	0.92	—	—	0.96	
Healthy life expectancy	54	1.06	1.04	72	68	1.06	
Political Empowerment							
	40	0.186	0.179				
Women in parliament	72	0.20	0.22	17	83	0.20	
Women in ministerial positions	15	0.50	0.18	33	67	0.50	
Years with female head of state (last 50)	44	0.00	0.15	0	50	0.00	

Additional Data

Maternity and Childbearing

Births attended by skilled health staff (%)	99
Contraceptive prevalence, married women (%)	73
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7
Length of maternity leave	12 weeks
Maternity leave benefits (% of wages paid)	There is no national program; cash benefits may be provided at the state level
Provider of maternity coverage	—
Maternal mortality ratio (per 100,000 live births)	11
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women aged 15–19)	41

Education and Training

Female teachers, primary education (%)	86
Female teachers, secondary education (%)	60
Female teachers, tertiary education (%)	46

Employment and Earnings

Female adult unemployment rate (%)	5
Male adult unemployment rate (%)	6
Women in non-agricultural paid labour (% of total labour force)	48
Ability of women to rise to positions of enterprise leadership*	4.97

Basic Rights and Social Institutions**

Paternal versus maternal authority	—
Female genital mutilation	—
Polygamy	—
Existence of legislation punishing acts of violence against women	—

*Survey data, responses on a 1-to-7 scale (1 = worst score, 7 = best score)

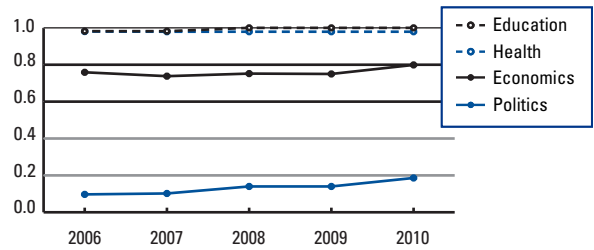
**Data on a 0-to-1 scale (1 = worst score, 0 = best score)

United States 2006–2010

Rank Score (0.000 = inequality, 1.000 = equality)

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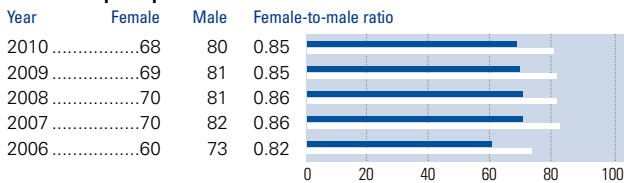
Gender Gap Index 2009 (out of 134 countries)	31	0.717
Gender Gap Index 2008 (out of 130 countries)	27	0.718
Gender Gap Index 2007 (out of 128 countries)	31	0.700
Gender Gap Index 2006 (out of 115 countries)	23	0.704



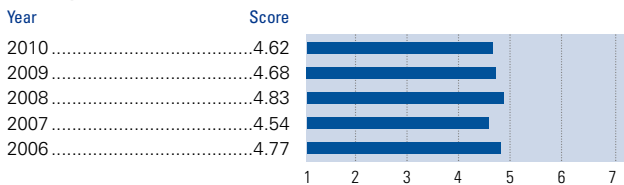
Gender Gap Subindexes

Economic Participation and Opportunity

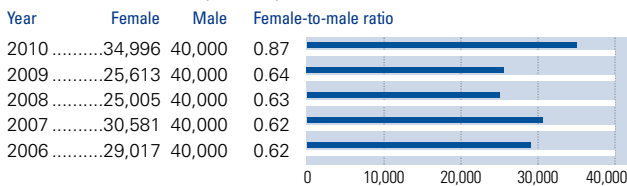
Labour force participation



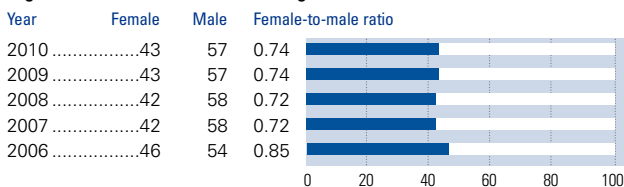
Wage equality for similar work



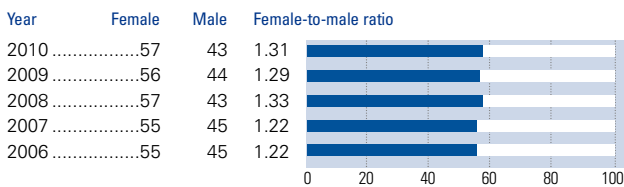
Estimated earned income (PPP US\$)



Legislators, senior officials, and managers

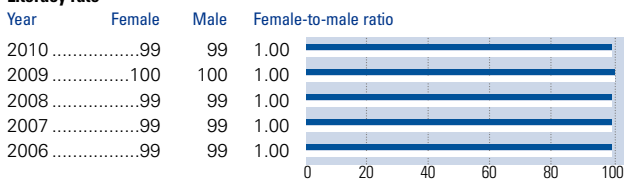


Professional and technical workers



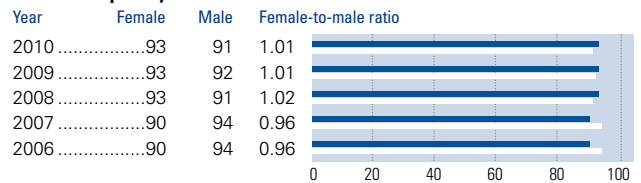
Educational Attainment

Literacy rate

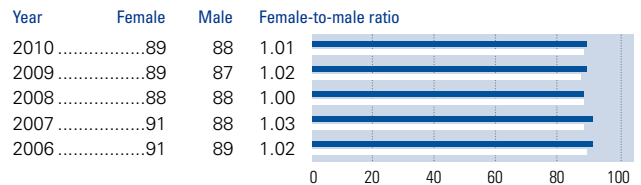


Educational Attainment (Cont'd.)

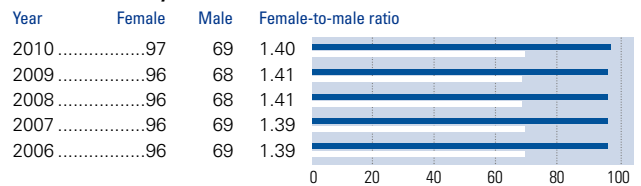
Enrolment in primary education



Enrolment in secondary education

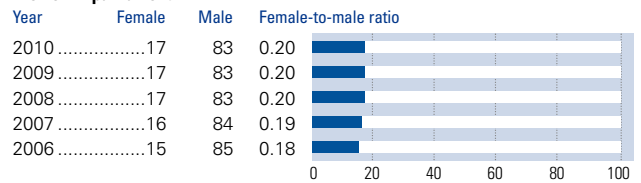


Enrolment in tertiary education

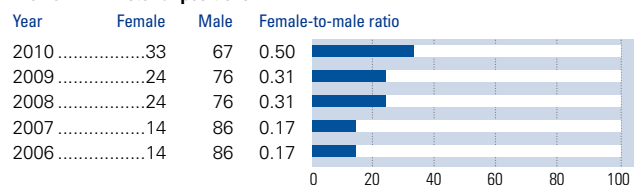


Political Empowerment

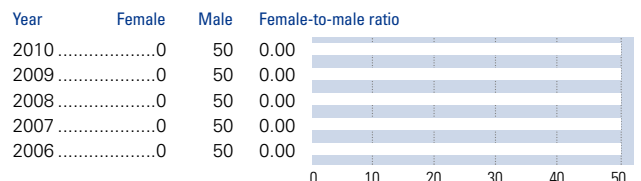
Women in parliament



Women in ministerial positions



Years with female head of state



Note: Blue bars indicate female values and white bars indicate male values.