Economic independence of women in the Netherlands

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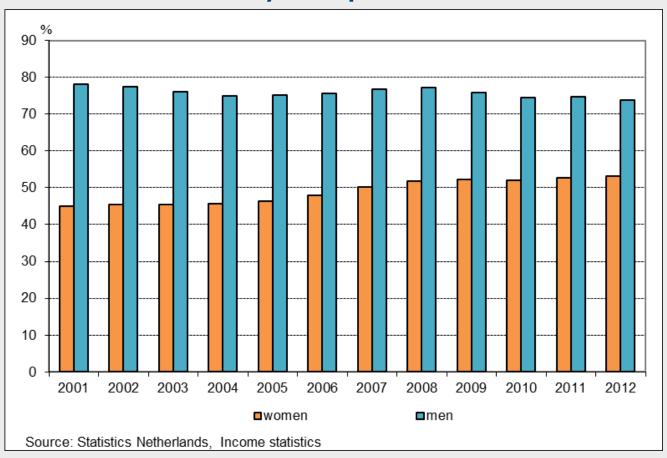
Background

- Dutch equal opportunity policy
- Gender gap
- Gap with women's intrinsic motivation
- → insight into financial vulnerability



Trend

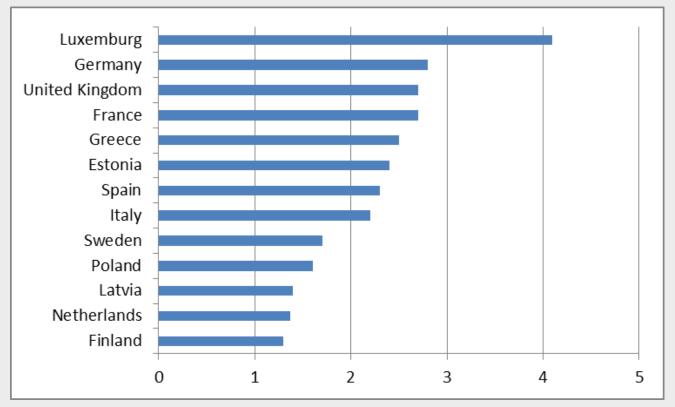
Share of economically independent men and women





Comparison to other EU countries

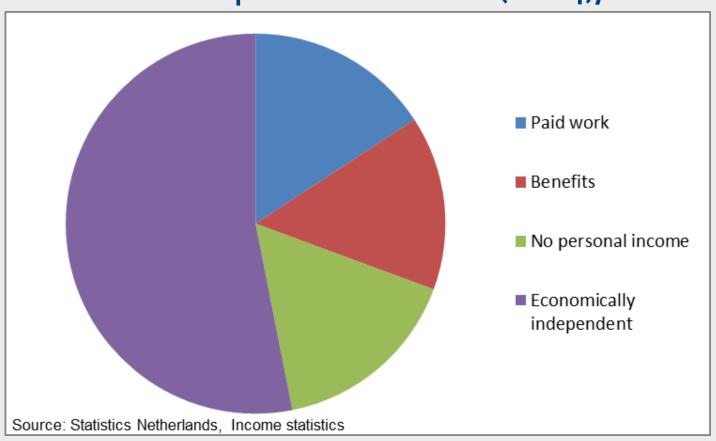
Gender ratio (% women / % men) of the poor-in-earned income, 2007





Economic (in)dependence

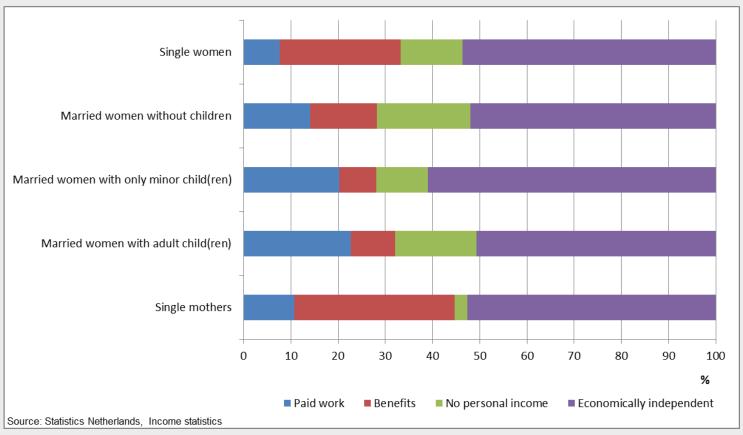
Socio-economic position of women (20-64), 2012





Household type

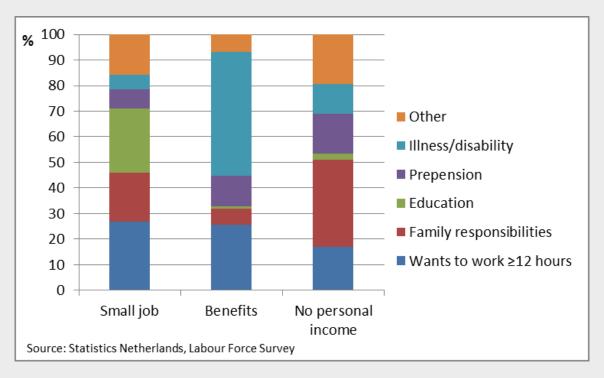
Women by socio-economic position and household type, 2012





Relation to the labour market

Financially vulnerable women by socio-economic position and relation to the labour market, 2012





Financial vulnerability and poverty

Economic independence and risk-of-poverty by household type, 2012

| | Economically independent | Financially vulnerable |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------|
| - | | |
| | % | |
| | | |
| Single women | 2.5 | 56.3 |
| Married women without children | 0.7 | 7.6 |
| Married women with only minor child(ren) | 1.6 | 16.5 |
| Married women with adult child(ren) | 0.7 | 6.8 |
| Single mothers | 7.8 | 50.3 |
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Conclusion

- Policy: increase labour participation and working hours
- Women dó have intrinsic will, but often don't need to work (more)
- So governmental interference is hard
- Women should become more aware of their (possible)
 vulnerable financial situation



Thank you for your attention!



Men

Financially vulnerable men by socio-economic position and relation to the labour market, 2012

