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Workshop on Disseminating, Communicating and Using Gender Statistics in Kyrgyzstan

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Practical exercise

Applying labour force statistics to policies for women's economic empowerment

You will work for approximately 1 hour in small groups (5-6 people) to identify key findings that could be used to inform policies and programmes that aim to increase women's economic activity and empowerment.

Examine the data provided below for each of the indicators; what can you find of interest?

- Gaps and similarities between women and men
- Trends (changes over time)

Questions for discussion:

- What do the data suggest about women and men's overall situation in the labour market? (3-4 suggestions)
- What further data or evidence would you need to understand the situation? (2-3 suggestions)
- What types of policies or programmes should be considered to boost women's economic activity? (3-4 sentences)

The tables are from the National Statistical Committee's publication "[Women and men in the Kyrgyz Republic, 2012-2016](#)".

Table 1: Distribution of economically active population, employed and unemployed in 2016
(according to the integrated sample survey of budget households and labour; in thousand people)

	Total population		Urban population		Rural population	
	women	men	women	men	women	men
Economically active population - total	1024.9	1522.5	392.2	508.2	632.8	1014.3
employed	935.3	1428.4	358.6	471.6	576.7	956.8
unemployed	89.6	94.1	33.6	36.6	56.1	57.4
Economically inactive population - total	1096.2	496.8	399.3	166.3	696.9	330.5
students	250.2	230.1	85.0	79.5	165.2	150.5
pensioners	322.3	161.8	114.8	58.1	207.6	103.7
householders	466.5	24.0	182.4	6.9	284.2	17.1
others	57.2	80.9	17.3	21.7	39.9	59.2
Economic activity rate (%)	48.3	75.4	49.5	75.3	47.6	75.4
Employment rate (%)	44.1	70.7	45.3	69.9	43.4	71.2
Unemployment rate (%)	8.7	6.2	8.5	7.2	8.9	5.7

Table 2: The share of women in the economically active population

(according to the integrated sample survey of budgets households and labor; per cent)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Kyrgyzstan	41.4	40.4	41.4	41.0	40.2
Batken Oblast	37.9	33.9	32.8	37.5	38.2
Jalal-Abad Oblast	40.3	41.1	41.4	40.1	38.2
Issyk-Kul oblast	39.9	36.8	37.8	37.2	35.1
Naryn oblast	31.8	30.0	28.4	27.5	30.2
Osh region 1	39.0	41.5	44.4	42.4	41.2
Talas Oblast	42.5	43.5	45.6	45.7	44.5
Chui area	44.5	40.2	41.2	40.5	39.0
Bishkek	47.2	45.3	46.6	46.8	47.3
Osh city	...	33.0	30.4	31.9	31.6

¹ Until 2013 data for the city of Osh were included in the Osh region.

Table 3: Economic activity, employment and unemployment by region in 2016

(according to the integrated sample survey of budgets households and labor; per cent)

	Economic activity rate		Employment rate		Unemployment rate	
	women	men	women	men	women	men
Kyrgyzstan	48.3	75.4	44.1	70.7	8.7	6.2
Batken Oblast	48.7	77.1	41.3	71.6	15.3	7.1
Jalal-Abad Oblast	43.0	70.1	38.5	66.1	10.3	5.8
Issyk-Kul oblast	38.7	73.8	35.4	67.1	8.5	9.1
Naryn oblast	30.9	69.3	26.4	64.7	14.6	6.6
Osh region 1	57.7	82.1	53.6	78.4	7.1	4.4
Talas Oblast	66.5	82.2	63.2	81.2	5.0	1.2
Chui area	41.5	69.3	37.8	63.7	8.9	8.0
Bishkek	58.3	79.1	53.9	72.9	7.6	7.8
Osh city	30.5	74.6	28.7	72.8	6.3	2.5