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ABSTRACT

Title	Information System “Gender Statistics Web Portal”
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<p>To build the statistical capacity of the Republic of Belarus in monitoring progress on gender equality, the National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus, supported by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), has developed the Information System “Gender Statistics Web Portal.”</p> <p>The portal is a universal tool for disseminating and communicating information about progress achieved in gender equality in the Republic of Belarus, offers updated official statistics and administrative data on gender issues, and serves as an open information resource for all categories of users who work on gender equality.</p> <p>The portal presents the national system of statistical indicators on gender, which is based on the set of indicators developed by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, which describe gender issues. This set is updated taking into account the indicators that measure the progress made by the Republic of Belarus in achieving the SDGs from the 2030 Agenda.</p> <p>The gender-disaggregated indicators are grouped into eight thematic sections (Demographics, Healthcare, Education, Employment and Economy, Well-being, Social Life and Decision-making, Communications, and Offences and Violence) and are plotted out (where possible) for a period starting from 2000. The set of indicators enables collecting information about gender roles of women and men in various areas of life. The portal provides for the possibility to broaden the range of uploaded statistical indicators and to increase disaggregation levels.</p> <p>Users can choose how they prefer to visualize information, either as tables, graphs, or cartograms. The portal supports three languages: Russian, Belarusian, and English. In addition, the portal has a responsive web design that helps rendering it well on smartphones and tablets, thus allowing users to find necessary information easily. There is also a version for people with visual impairments.</p> <p>The portal will help to meet the need for statistical information from government agencies, scientific and research centers, community-based and international organizations, and the media in a better way and will broaden the capacity to carry out gender analysis, which is necessary for taking informed decisions, planning effective measures, and monitoring and evaluating gender equality issues.</p>	