

The Global Partnership and SDG Target 5.c



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Adopt and strengthen policies and enforceable legislation for gender equality

What does SDG target 5.c stand for and why is it important?

Adequate and effective financing is essential to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.

With comprehensive systems to track budget allocations to gender equality, governments can align public resources with the implementation of gender equality laws and policies.

This target is measured by SDG indicator 5.c.1: proportion of countries that have systems to: **track allocations** for gender equality and women's empowerment and to **make those allocations public**.

Tracking and making public allocations for gender equality and women's empowerment will:



Increase transparency and accountability in budget decision making



Encourage gender-responsive budgeting of development co-operation funds channelled through budgets

How does the GPEDC monitoring exercise link with the SDG target 5.c?

The monitoring exercise is the GPEDC flagship instrument, supporting governments and their partners to track the implementation of the effectiveness principles: country ownership, focus on results, inclusive partnerships, and transparency and mutual accountability. The GPEDC monitoring is an official source of data for this SDG indicator.

Developed by the **UN Women**, **OECD** and **UNDP**, SDG 5.c.1 sets the international standard for gender-responsive budgeting.



Since 2011, 99 countries participated in 3 monitoring rounds (2014, 2016, 2018)

2023 - 2026: 4th monitoring round

How is SDG indicator 5.c.1 measured?

SDG indicator 5.c.1 measures whether countries meet 3 criteria:



Gender-responsive policies/programs and resource allocations



Mechanisms to track gender allocations throughout public financial management cycle



Information on gender allocations is publicly available

Countries' classifications:

All criteria met:

fully meets requirements

1 or 2 criteria met:

approaches requirements

None of the criteria met:

does not meet requirements

What do the results show?

What is the proportion of countries with systems to track budget allocations for gender equality

In the 3rd Monitoring Round (2018):



(13 of 69) of partner countries:

fully met the indicator requirements



partially met the indicator requirements

Based on 2021 data*:



(27 of 105) of reporting countries:

fully met the indicator requirements



partially met the indicator requirements

*Data collected in 2021 expanded the database for SDG Indicator 5.c.1 from 69 to 105 reporting countries and areas. This data was collected by UN Women, OECD and UNDP through direct outreach to governments, and not through the GPEDC monitoring exercise.