SELECTED COUNTRIES AND GENDER INEQUALITY INDEX MEASURES

In this chart, you will find some measures of gender equality for selected countries from across the globe.

In small groups, discuss and note down anything you find surprising or that goes against an image you have of that country, something that you didn't know before, or any questions you may have. If you need help locating countries, refer to the world map provided to you.

Country	Region	% Women in National Government	% Women who Complete High School	% Women who work outside the home (ages 15 and older)	Rank in UN Gender Inequality Index (2012)
Netherlands	Europe	37.4%	87.5%	58.3%	I
Canada	North America	28.0%	100%	61.9%	18
Israel	Middle East	20.0%	82.7%	52.5%	25
United Kingdom	Europe	22.1%	99.6%	55.6%	34
China	East Asia	21.3%	54.8%	67.7%	35
Libya	Middle East/N. Africa	16.5%	55.6%	30.1%	36
United Arab Emirates	Middle East/Gulf	17.5%	73.1%	43.5%	40
United States	North America	17.0%	94.7%	57.5%	42
Tunisia	Middle East/N. Africa	26.7%	29.9%	25.5%	46
Bahrain	Middle East/Gulf	18.8%	74.4%	39.4%	47
Cuba	Latin America	45.2%	73.9%	43.3%	63
Algeria	Middle East/N. Africa	25.6%	72.6%	34.7%	74
Rwanda	Africa	51.9%	7.4%	86.4%	76
Lebanon	Middle East	3.1%	53.0%	22.6%	78
Morocco	Middle East/N. Africa	11.0%	20.1%	26.2%	84
South Africa	Africa	41.1%	68.9%	44.0%	90
Jordan	Middle East	11.1%	68.9%	15.6%	99
Iran	Middle East	3.1%	62.1%	16.4%	107
Qatar	Middle East/Gulf	0.1%	70.1%	51.8%	117
Egypt	Middle East/N. Africa	2.2%	43.4%	23.7%	118
Saudi Arabia	Middle East	0.1%	50.3%	17.7%	145

Source: <u>United Nations Human Development Report 2013</u>: http://hdr.undp.org/en/reports/global/hdr2013/.

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