

Women's empowerment survey

Please do not write your name. Answer about your own life, and skip any question you would rather not answer.

Group or place

Date

For each statement, tick one box from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree).

1 Who usually makes decisions about health care for yourself?

☐ Me ☐ Me and my husband or partner ☐ My husband or partner ☐ Someone else

2 Who usually makes decisions about large household purchases?

☐ Me ☐ Me and my husband or partner ☐ My husband or partner ☐ Someone else

3 Who usually makes decisions about visits to your family or relatives?

☐ Me ☐ Me and my husband or partner ☐ My husband or partner ☐ Someone else

4 Do you have a bank or mobile money account in your own name?

☐ Yes, and I use it ☐ Yes, but rarely ☐ No

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE					STRONGLY AGREE				
5 I can decide how to spend money I earn or receive.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
6 If I need a doctor, I can go without asking permission.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
7 When my family makes a big decision, my view counts.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
8 I am comfortable speaking up at a community meeting.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
9 I can go to see a friend without asking anyone first.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
10 I feel safe walking alone in my area after dark.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					

11 On most days, how much time do you have for yourself?

☐ None ☐ Under 1 hour ☐ 1 to 2 hours ☐ Over 2 hours

12 What is one change that would give you more say over your own life?

Thank you. Your answers are anonymous.

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Optional questions (1 of 3)

Add any of these to the core questions. Keep the numbering running on from page one.

Money, work and property

13 In the last 12 months, how were you paid for your work?

☐ Cash ☐ Cash and goods ☐ Goods only ☐ Not paid ☐ Did not work

14 Who usually decides how the money you earn is used?

☐ Me ☐ Jointly with my partner ☐ My husband or partner ☐ Someone else ☐ No earnings

15 Do you own a house or land, alone or with someone else?

☐ Alone ☐ Jointly ☐ Both ☐ No

16 Do you have a mobile phone that you use yourself?

☐ Yes, my own ☐ Yes, a shared one ☐ No

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE				STRONGLY AGREE
17 I could borrow money for a business if I needed to.	1	2	3	4	5

At work (women in paid work answer)

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE				STRONGLY AGREE
18 Women and men in the same job here get the same pay.	1	2	3	4	5
19 I can ask for a raise without being treated worse.	1	2	3	4	5
20 Women here have a real chance of reaching senior roles.	1	2	3	4	5
21 My working hours fit around my caring duties.	1	2	3	4	5

22 What one change at work would help women here move up?

Community and public life

23 In the last 12 months, how many community meetings have you attended?

☐ None ☐ 1 or 2 ☐ 3 to 5 ☐ More than 5

Optional questions (2 of 3)

Add any of these to the core questions. Keep the numbering running on from page one.

Community and public life (continued)

24 Are you a member of a savings group, cooperative or women's group?

☐ Yes, with a role ☐ Yes, a member ☐ No

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE					STRONGLY AGREE				
25 When women speak at local meetings, people take them seriously.	1	2	3	4	5					
26 I know where to go if my rights are not respected.	1	2	3	4	5					

Health decisions (ask in private)

27 Who usually decides whether you use family planning?

☐ Me ☐ Jointly with my partner ☐ My husband or partner ☐ Someone else ☐ Does not apply

28 In the last 12 months, what stopped you getting health care you needed?

☐ Nothing ☐ Cost ☐ Distance ☐ Needed permission ☐ Other reason

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE					STRONGLY AGREE				
29 I can get health information I trust when I need it.	1	2	3	4	5					

Views on women's roles

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE					STRONGLY AGREE				
30 A woman should be free to work outside the home.	1	2	3	4	5					
31 Men should do an equal share of the housework.	1	2	3	4	5					
32 Girls deserve the same chance to finish school as boys.	1	2	3	4	5					
33 People around me would back a woman starting a business.	1	2	3	4	5					

About you

34 How old are you?

☐ 18 to 24 ☐ 25 to 34 ☐ 35 to 49 ☐ 50 or older

35 Are you married or living with a partner?

☐ Married ☐ Living with a partner ☐ Neither

Optional questions (3 of 3)

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About you (continued)

36 How far did you go in school?

☐ Never went ☐ Primary ☐ Secondary ☐ College or university

37 Where do you live?

☐ City or town ☐ Village or rural area

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