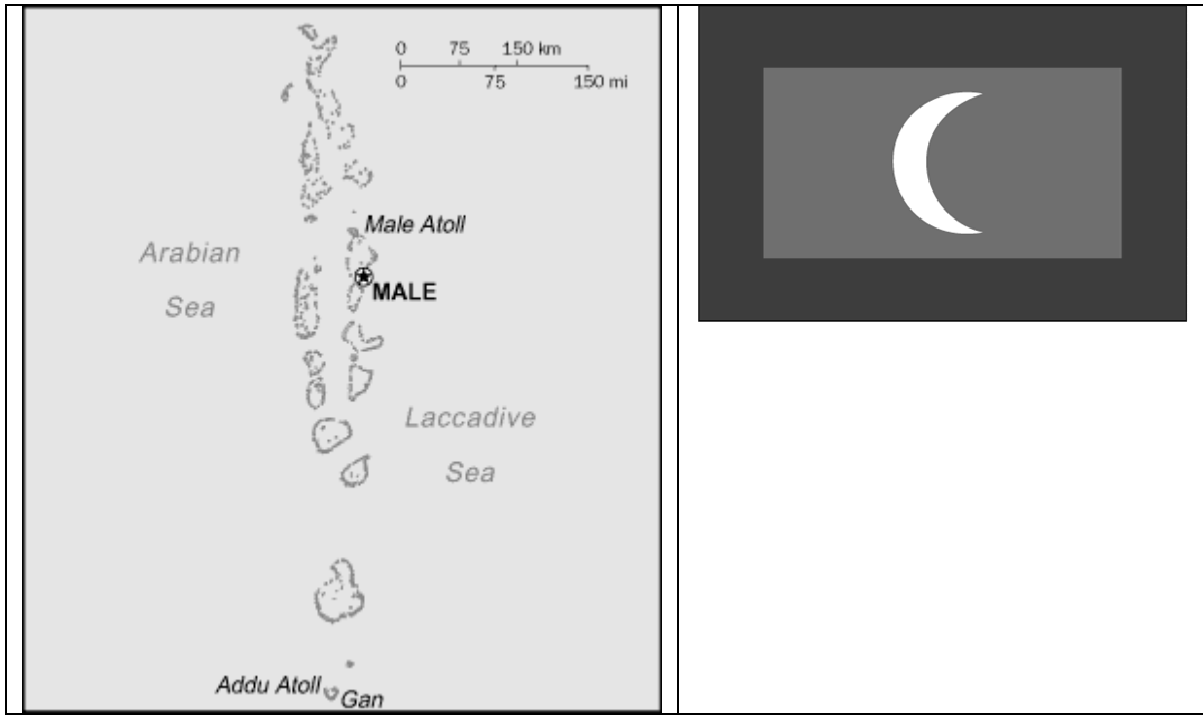


MALDIVES



GENERAL INDICATORS AND INDICES

- **Key General Indicators**

Total population (millions), 2005	0.33
Population growth (in %).....	2.46
GDP (US\$ billions), 2005	0.78
GDP (PPP) per capita	—

Source: http://www.weforum.org/pdf/gendergap/ggg07_maldives.pdf

Total population (millions), 2006	0.31
Population growth (%)	1.68
GDP (US\$ billions), 2006.....	0.98
GDP (PPP) per capita	4,854

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- **Gender Development Index (GDI) in relation to Human Development Index (HDI)**

The HDI for Maldives is 0.741, which gives the country a rank of 100th out of 177 countries with data. Maldives's GDI value, 0.744 should be compared to its HDI value of 0.741. Its GDI value is 100.4% of its HDI value. Out of the 156 countries with both HDI and GDI values, Maldives has the best ratio.

GDI as % of HDI	
1. Maldives (100.4%)	
2. Cuba (100.2%)	
3. Sweden (99.9%)	
4. Romania (99.9%)	
5. Lithuania (99.9%)	
6. Kenya (99.9%)	
156. Yemen (92.7%)	

Source: UNDP 2007. *Human Development Report 2007*

Gender-related development index:

Gender-related development index (GDI) rank, 2004	84
Gender-related development index (GDI) value, 2005	0.744
Life expectancy at birth, female (years), 2005	67.6
Life expectancy at birth, male (years), 2005	66.6
Adult literacy rate, female (% aged 15 and older), 2005	96.4
Adult literacy rate, male (% aged 15 and older), 2005	96.2
Combined gross enrolment ratio for primary, secondary and tertiary education, female (%), 2005	66
Combined gross enrolment ratio for primary, secondary and tertiary education, male (%), 2005	65
Estimated earned income, female (PPP US\$), 2005	3,992
Estimated earned income, male (PPP US\$), 2005	7,946
HDI rank minus GDI rank, 2005	4

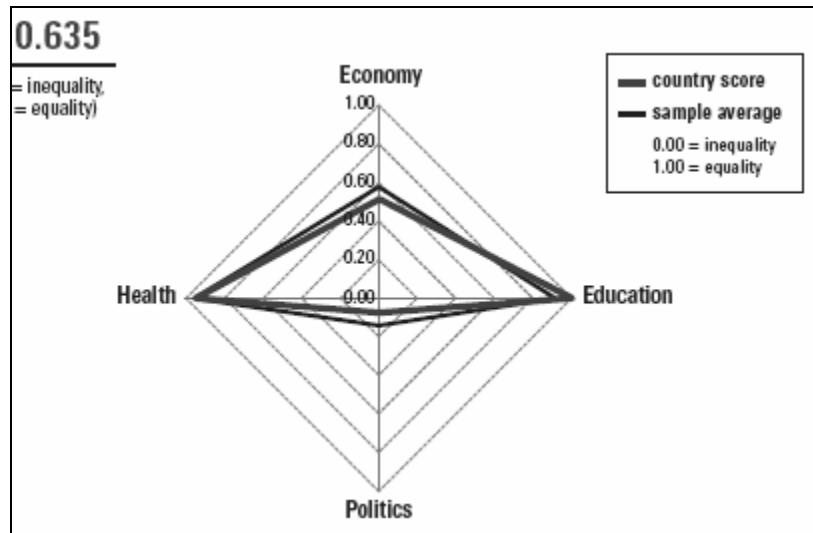
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- **Gender Gap Index**

	Rank	Score (0.000 = inequality, 1.000 = equality)
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Gender Gap Index 2007 (out of 128 countries)	99	0.635
Gender Gap Index 2006 (out of 115 countries)	—	—

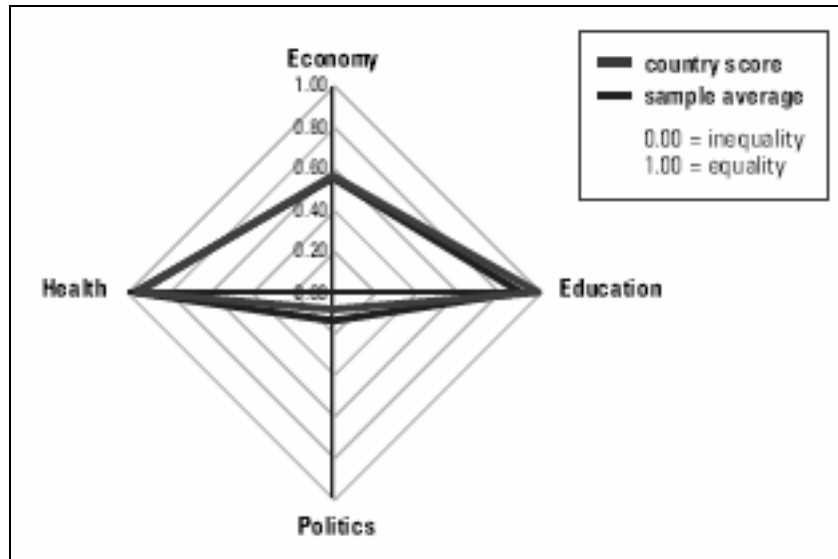
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According to *The Global Gender Gap 2007 Report* conducted by the World Economic Forum 2007, Maldives ranks 99 out of 128 countries surveyed. The gender gap score is 0.635 (0.00 = inequality, 1.00 = equality).



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▪ Gender Empowerment

Gender empowerment measure:

Gender empowerment measure (GEM) rank	76
Gender empowerment measure (GEM) value	0.437
Seats in parliament (% held by women)	12.0
Legislators, senior officials and managers (% female), 1999-2005	15
Professional and technical workers (% female), 1994-2005	40
Ratio of estimated female to male earned income	0.50

Source: http://hdr.undp.org/hdr2006/statistics/countries/country_fact_sheets/cty_fs_MDV.html

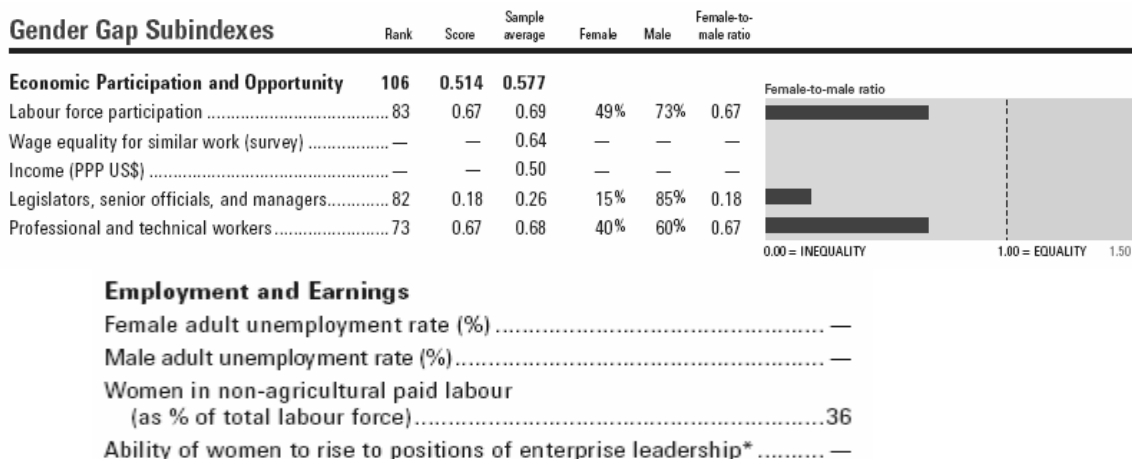
WOMEN AND ECONOMY

Gender inequality in economic activity:

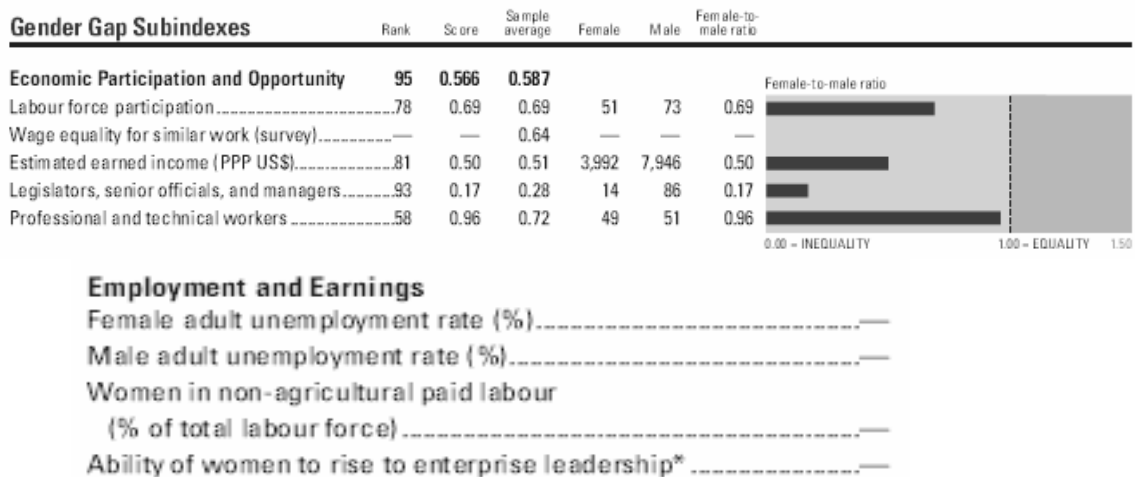
Economic activity rate, female (% aged 15 and older), 2005	48.5
Economic activity index (1990=100), female (aged 15 and older), 2005	233

Economic activity rate (female rate as % of male rate, aged 15 and older), 2005	67
Employment in agriculture, female (% of total female employment), 1995-2005	5
Employment in agriculture, male (% of total male employment), 1995-2004	18
Employment in industry, female (% of total female employment), 1995-2003	24
Employment in industry, male (% of total male employment), 1995-2003	16
Employment in services, female (% of total female employment), 1995-2003	39
Employment in services, male (% of total male employment), 1995-2003	56
Contributing family workers, women (% of total), 1995-2005	..
Contributing family workers, men (% of total), 1995-2004	..

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WOMEN, ICT AND EDUCATION

Gender inequality in education:

Adult literacy rate, female (% aged 15 and older) , 2005	96.4
Adult literacy rate (ratio of female rate to male rate), 2005	1.00
Youth literacy rate, female (% aged 15-24), 2005	98.3
Youth literacy rate (ratio of female rate to male rate), 2005	1.00
Net primary enrolment rate, female (%), 2005	79
Net primary enrolment rate (ratio of female rate to male rate), 2005	1.00
Gross primary enrolment ratio, female (%), 2005	93
Gross primary enrolment ratio (ratio of female ratio to male ratio)	0.98
Gross secondary enrolment ratio, female (%), 2005	78
Gross secondary enrolment ratio (ratio of female ratio to male ratio), 2005	1.14
Gross tertiary enrolment ratio, female (%), 2005	(.)
Gross tertiary enrolment ratio (ratio of female ratio to male ratio), 2005	2.37

Source: http://hdr.undp.org/hdr2006/statistics/countries/country_fact_sheets/cty_fs_MDV.html

Adult literacy rate (% ages 15 and older) 2004
Female as % male
1. Lesotho (122.5%)
11. Brazil (100.4%)
12. Dominican Republic (100.4%)
13. Maldives (100.2%)
14. Colombia (100.1%)
15. Tonga (100.1%)
152. Afghanistan (29.2%)

Source: UNDP 2007. *Human Development Report 2007*.

Combined primary, secondary and tertiary gross enrolment ratio 2004
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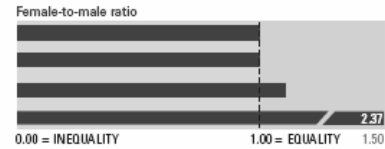
Female as % male

- 1. United Arab Emirates (126.0 %)
- 98. Jordan (101.8%)
- 99. Botswana (101.6%)
- 100. Maldives (101.6%)**
- 101. Ukraine (101.5%)
- 102. Paraguay (101.4%)
- 194. Afghanistan (55.3%)

Source: UNDP 2007. *Human Development Report 2007*.

Gender Gap Subindexes

	Rank	Score	Sample average	Female	Male	Female-to-male ratio
Educational Attainment	1	1.000	0.916			
Literacy rate	1	1.00	0.85	96%	96%	1.00
Enrolment in primary education	1	1.00	0.97	79%	79%	1.00
Enrolment in secondary education	1	1.00	0.92	66%	60%	1.10
Enrolment in tertiary education	1	1.00	0.81	0%	0%	2.37



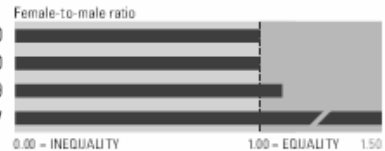
Education and Training

- Percentage of female teachers, primary education..... 66
- Percentage of female teachers, secondary education..... 35
- Percentage of female teachers, tertiary education —

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Gender Gap Subindexes

	Rank	Score	Sample average	Female	Male	Female-to-male ratio
Educational Attainment	1	1.000	0.929			
Literacy rate	1	1.00	0.87	97%	97%	1.00
Enrolment in primary education.....	1	1.00	0.97	97%	97%	1.00
Enrolment in secondary education	1	1.00	0.92	70%	64%	1.09
Enrolment in tertiary education	1	1.00	0.86	0%	0%	2.37



Education and Training

- Female teachers, primary education (%).....70
- Female teachers, secondary education (%).....35
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WOMEN, DEMOGRAPHY AND HEALTH

▪ Key Demographic Indicators

Mean age of marriage for women (years).....	—
Fertility rate (births per woman).....	—
Year women received right to vote	—
Overall population sex ratio (male/female)	—

Source: http://www.weforum.org/pdf/gendergap/ggg07_maldives.pdf

Mean age of marriage for women (years)	—
Fertility rate (births per woman)	2.60
Year women received right to vote	1932
Overall population sex ratio (male/female)	—

Source: http://www.weforum.org/pdf/gendergap/ggg08_maldives.pdf

Life expectancy at birth (years) 2004	
Female as % male	
1. Russian Federation (123.1%)	
184. Botswana (101.6%)	
185. Cameroon (101.6%)	
186. Maldives (101.5%)	
187. Malawi (101.4%)	
188. Ghana (101.4%)	
194. Niger (96.9%)	

Source: UNDP 2007. *Human Development Report 2007*.

Gender Gap Subindexes

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Health and Survival		120	0.951	0.958				Female-to-male ratio	
Sex ratio at birth (female/male)	1	0.94	0.92	49%	51%	0.94			
Healthy life expectancy	125	0.97	1.04	57	59	0.97			

Maternity and Childbearing

Births attended by skilled health staff (as % of total)	—
Contraceptive prevalence, married women (%)	—
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	46
Length of paid maternity leave	—
Maternity leave benefits (% of wages paid)	—
Provider of maternity coverage	—
Maternal mortality ratio per 100,000 live births	—
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women aged 15–19)	63.76

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Sex ratio at birth (female/male)	1	0.94	0.92	—	—	0.95			
Healthy life expectancy	127	0.97	1.04	57	59	0.97			

Maternity and Childbearing

Births attended by skilled health staff (%)	84.00
Contraceptive prevalence, married women (%)	39
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	26
Length of paid maternity leave	—
Maternity leave benefits (% of wages paid)	—
Provider of maternity coverage	—
Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)	120
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women aged 15–19)	23.8528

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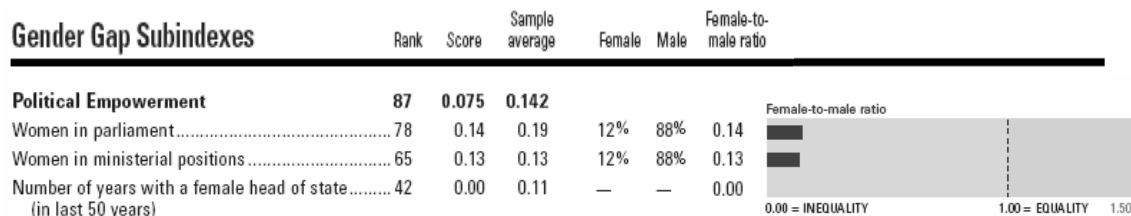
WOMEN, POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE

Women's political participation:

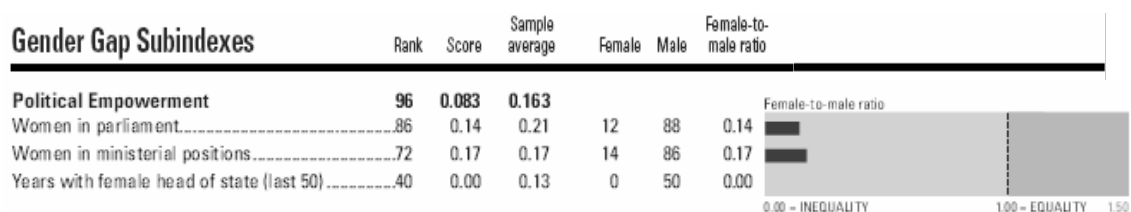
Year women received right to vote	1932
Year women received right to stand for election	1932
Year first woman elected (E) or appointed (A) to parliament	1979 E
Women in government at ministerial level (as % of total), 2005	11.8
Seats in lower house or single house (% held by women), 1990	6.3

Seats in lower house or single house (% held by women), 2007	12.0
Seats in upper house or senate (% held by women), 2007	NA

Source: http://hdr.undp.org/hdr2006/statistics/countries/country_fact_sheets/cty_fs_MDV.html



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WOMEN, SECURITY AND SAFETY

Basic Rights and Social Institutions**

Paternal versus maternal authority.....	—
Female genital mutilation.....	—
Polygamy.....	—
Existence of legislation punishing acts of violence against women.....	—

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Status of major international human rights instruments:

Status of human rights instruments: International convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (year of ratification/signature), 1948 1984

Status of human rights instruments: International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (year of ratification/signature), 1965 1984

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Status of human rights instruments: Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (year of ratification/signature), 1984 2004

Status of human rights instruments: Convention on the Rights of the Child (year of ratification/signature), 1989 1991

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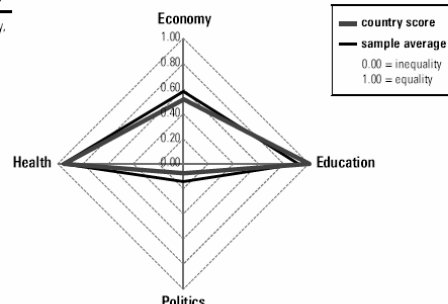
Gender Gap Index 2007

Rank **99** Score **0.635**

(out of 128 countries) (0.00 = inequality, 1.00 = equality)

Key Indicators

Total population (millions), 2005	0.33
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Mean age of marriage for women (years)	—
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Overall population sex ratio (male/female)	—



Gender Gap Subindexes

	Rank	Score	Sample average	Female	Male	Female-to-male ratio	
Economic Participation and Opportunity	106	0.514	0.577				
Labour force participation	83	0.67	0.69	49%	73%	0.67	
Wage equality for similar work (survey)	—	—	0.64	—	—	—	
Income (PPP US\$)	—	—	0.50	—	—	—	
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	82	0.18	0.26	15%	85%	0.18	
Professional and technical workers	73	0.67	0.68	40%	60%	0.67	
Educational Attainment	1	1.000	0.916				
Literacy rate	1	1.00	0.85	96%	96%	1.00	
Enrolment in primary education	1	1.00	0.97	79%	79%	1.00	
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Health and Survival	120	0.951	0.958				
Sex ratio at birth (female/male)	1	0.94	0.92	49%	51%	0.94	
Healthy life expectancy	125	0.97	1.04	57	59	0.97	
Political Empowerment	87	0.075	0.142				
Women in parliament	78	0.14	0.19	12%	88%	0.14	
Women in ministerial positions	65	0.13	0.13	12%	88%	0.13	
Number of years with a female head of state	42	0.00	0.11	—	—	0.00	

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Education and Training

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Employment and Earnings

Female adult unemployment rate (%)	—
Male adult unemployment rate (%)	—
Women in non-agricultural paid labour (as % of total labour force)	36
Ability of women to rise to positions of enterprise leadership*	—

Basic Rights and Social Institutions**

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Maldives

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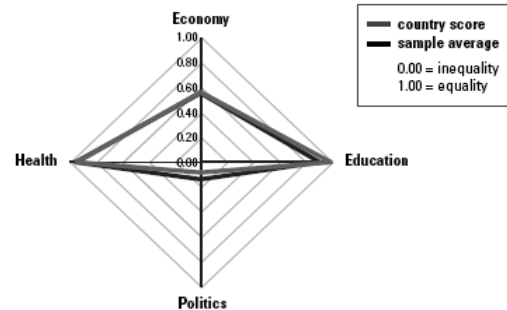
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Labour force participation	78	0.69	0.69	51	73	0.69
Wage equality for similar work (survey).....	—	—	0.64	—	—	—
Estimated earned income (PPP US\$).....	81	0.50	0.51	3,992	7,946	0.50
Legislators, senior officials, and managers.....	93	0.17	0.28	14	86	0.17
Professional and technical workers	58	0.96	0.72	49	51	0.96
Educational Attainment	1	1.000	0.929			
Literacy rate	1	1.00	0.87	97	97	1.00
Enrolment in primary education.....	1	1.00	0.97	97	97	1.00
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Political Empowerment	96	0.083	0.163			
Women in parliament.....	86	0.14	0.21	12	88	0.14
Women in ministerial positions.....	72	0.17	0.17	14	86	0.17
Years with female head of state (last 50)	40	0.00	0.13	0	50	0.00

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