UA Emirates
Middle East and North Africa

If historic trends continue, the world won’t achieve gender equality until 2108. How is the UA Emirates performing on gender equality in the SDGs?

The SDG Gender Index covers 144 countries, 98% of the world’s girls and women, and 14 of 17 Sustainable Development Goals. It includes 56 indicators capturing gender-related measures across the 2030 Agenda.

2015 Index score 2020 Index score Global Rank Regional Rank
71         76         42         2
Fair      Fair      Fast progress      out of 144 countries out of 16 countries

If current trends continue, a girl born this year will be 10-19 years-old before all women in the UA Emirates say they feel safe walking alone at night.

Find out how old you will be!

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Score by goal for 2015 and 2020

Scoring system

Fast progress: Increase by >3 points
Some progress: Increased by <3 points and >1 point
No progress: Less than +1 or -1 change in points
Decline or Wrong direction: Decline by more than -1 point

Best and worst performing indicators since 2015

Best
Extent to which the country has laws mandating women’s workplace equality
Proportion of seats held by women in national parliaments
Extent to which the delegation representing the country at the COP meeting is gender balanced

Worst
Extent to which women can openly discuss political issues in private and in public spaces
Proportion of women (15+ years) who report feeling comfortable with their household income
Proportion of women recognized as “contributing family workers” (as a % of total employment for female employment)