# 2022 OECD Survey on Gender Budgeting

***Survey background and objectives***

*The OECD Secretariat periodically surveys members and partners on budgeting practices and procedures. This survey specifically focuses on gender budgeting practices and plans for future developments. Where gender budgeting practices are in place, this survey aims at gaining better understanding of their design, implementation and impact. The survey results will provide a publicly available dataset, supporting international comparative analysis and allowing changing practices to be monitored over time.*

***Definitions of key terms***

*The questionnaire is accompanied by a* ***Glossary*** *that provides information on all of the terminology used. It is possible that the terminology applied in this questionnaire may not match exactly - or may not be applicable - to the particular context in your country. In such cases, please use the comments box at the end of each section to specify the terminology used in your country and clarify your choice of response. This additional clarification will enhance comparability and data quality.*

***Scope of questionnaire***

*Respondents are asked to provide information on the policies and practices in place in central / federal government. Respondents are not representing their personal views but those of their national administration. Respondents are asked to report information with regard to gender budgeting* ***practices under implementation as of 1 March 2022.***

***Data collection***

*The PDF document attached to the e-mail invitation provides an overall outline of the survey questions, but is intended for reference only, to help plan your responses and coordinate with colleagues.* ***Responses should be submitted via the online questionnaire using the link provided.***

*The questionnaire can be started and stopped at your convenience, using the "Resume later" button. Although multiple users can respond to the survey, only one person can access the survey at a time. All questions marked with an asterisk are mandatory and cannot stay empty. You may not have to answer all survey questions as some questions are conditional, based on responses to prior questions.*

***Respondents of questionnaire***

*Network delegates are asked to nominate a primary respondent. Although multiple officials may contribute to the response, only one survey submission per country is allowed. The primary respondent is responsible for the validation and accuracy of the final submission of data. They will liaise with the OECD after final submission, should any further clarification or verification be needed.*

***Timeline:*** *Responses to the survey are requested* ***by 15 April 2022.***

*Overview*

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## Primary respondent contact information

Please provide the contact information for the main person responsible for responding to this questionnaire. This information will be used by the OECD in case follow-up is needed to clarify responses and enhance data comparability across countries.

| | |
|---|---|
| *Surname: | |
| *First name: | |
| *Respondent's institution: | |
| *Department: | |
| *Position/Title: | |
| *E-mail (a summary of your responses will be sent automatically to this email address upon completion): | |

## PART I - Context

1. ***Does your country practise gender budgeting?**
   *i.e., does the budgeting system include any special processes or analytical tools that are used to promote policies and investments that help achieve gender equality goals, e.g., increasing women's participation in the workforce?*

   a. Yes
   b. No

*If Q1 is "No"*

2. **Are there any plans to introduce gender budgeting in the future?**

   a. Yes
   b. No, but under active consideration
   c. No, and no plans to introduce it

*If Q2 is "Yes"*

3. **Please describe plans for the introduction of gender budgeting, including details of the proposed timing and approach/tools, and links to any relevant online materials.**

   *[text box]*

*If Q1 is "No"*

4. **Comments on PART I - Context (optional)**

   Please provide additional comments that are relevant to the planned introduction and application of gender budgeting that have not been addressed in this section.

   *[text box]*

## PART II - Institutional framework

*All question under this section are displayed if Q1 is "Yes"*

**5. Who has the main responsibility for gender budgeting?**
*Please select one.*

a. The central budget authority (CBA) (e.g., Ministry of Finance)
b. The gender equality institution (e.g., Ministry for Gender Equality, Ministry of Social Affairs)
c. Other, please specify [text box]

**5.1 Who has a supporting role in implementing gender budgeting?**
*Please select all that apply.*

a. The central budget authority (CBA) (e.g., Ministry of Finance)
b. The gender equality institution (e.g., Ministry for Gender Equality, Ministry of Social Affairs)
c. President/Cabinet/Prime Minister's Office
d. None
e. Other, please specify [text box]

**6. What is the legal basis or authority for conducting gender budgeting?**
*Please select all that apply and provide relevant weblinks for option selected.*

a. Constitution
b. Organic budget law
c. Other legislation
d. Ordinances / Regulations
e. None
f. Other, please specify [text box]

**7. What policies guide gender budgeting efforts?**
*Please select all that apply.*

a. National gender equality strategy
b. National gender equality goals
c. Sector-specific gender equality goals
d. Priorities identified in gender needs assessment
e. None
f. Other, please specify [text box]

**8. Comments on PART II - Institutional framework (optional)**

Please provide additional comments that are relevant to the institutional framework of gender budgeting that have not been addressed in this section.

## PART III - Approaches and tools

*All question under this section are displayed if Q1 is "Yes"*

**9. Please briefly describe your approach to gender budgeting.**
*Please provide details of when it was introduced, how it has developed over time and the core elements of the approach today. It would also be helpful if you can provide links to relevant online materials.*

*[Text box]*

**10. Please indicate specific tools used as part of your approach to gender budgeting, and their scope.**
*Please select one per row.*

| Tool | Applies for all budget measures. | Applies for selected budget measures. If selected, please provide further information, i.e. how and why budget measures are selected in Q10.2 | Not used |
|---|---|---|---|
| a. Gender dimension in performance setting/performance budgeting | | | |
| b. *Ex ante* gender impact assessment of budget measures | | | |
| c. *Ex post* gender impact assessment of budget measures | | | |
| d. Gender budget tagging (tagging budget items according to their gender impact) | | | |
| e. Requirement for gender information to accompany budget proposals | | | |
| f. Distributional assessment of tax and welfare measures by gender | | | |
| g. Gender impact assessment of budget | | | |
| h. Gender dimension in spending reviews | | | |
| i. Gender dimension to evaluation and/or performance audit | | | |
| j. Other, please specify in Q10.1: [text box] | | | |

**11. Please indicate any plans for the future development of gender budgeting in your country, including interest in introducing new tools, or further developing existing ones. If not applicable, please indicate "not applicable".**

**12. Comments on PART III – Approaches and tools (optional)**

Please provide additional comments that are relevant to the approaches and tools of gender budgeting that have not been addressed in this section.

*[Text box]*

## PART IV - Accountability and transparency

*All question under this section are displayed if Q1 is "Yes"*

**13. What gender information is included in, or accompanies, the annual draft budget documentation?**
*Please select all that apply.*

a. Standalone gender budget statement
b. Separate chapter relating to gender budgeting
c. Gender budgeting discussion integrated into the general narrative of ministries and programmes
d. Annex or appendix on gender budgeting
e. No gender information provided with annual budget documentation
f. Other, please specify [text box]

*If Q13 is "a"-"d" and/or "f"*

**13.1 What does the gender information accompanying the annual draft budget documentation contain?**
*Please select all that apply.*

a. Information on progress towards gender goals
b. Gender allocations report (summary information from budget tagging)
c. Gender impact assessment of individual budget measures
d. Gender impact assessment of the budget as a whole
e. Distributional assessment of tax and welfare measures by gender
f. Other, please specify [text box]

**14. Is any additional gender budgeting information published by the government?**
*Please select all that apply.*

a. *Ex post* gender budget statement alongside annual reporting documents, please provide further information in Q14.1.[text box]
b. Performance report that shows progress towards gender goals
c. *Ex ante* gender impact assessments
d. *Ex post* gender impact assessments
e. Spending reviews with gender dimension
f. Evaluations and/or performance audits with gender dimension
g. None
h. Other, please specify (e.g., information integrated within another government report) [text box]

*If Q14 is "a"*

**14.1 Please describe what information is included in your "ex post gender budget statement published alongside annual reporting documents".**

**15. How do you ensure external accountability in relation to gender budgeting?**
*Please select all that apply.*

a. Regular reporting to parliament on gender budgeting
b. Parliamentary committee hearings on gender budgeting
c. Parliamentary debate on gender budgeting
d. Oversight by the Supreme Audit Institution
e. Oversight by an Independent Fiscal Institution (parliamentary budget office or fiscal council)
f. Structured engagement/events with civil society
g. None
h. Other, please specify [text box]

**16. Do any non-government stakeholders (such as think tanks or women's organisations) provide an assessment of the gender impact of the budget, either commissioned by the government or at their own initiative?**

a. No
b. Yes, please describe [text box]

**17. Comments on PART IV – Accountability and transparency (optional)**

Please provide additional comments that are relevant to accountability and transparency of gender budgeting that have not been addressed in this section.

*[text box]*

## PART V - Enabling environment

*All question under this section are displayed if Q1 is "Yes"*

**18. Please indicate what elements the government has put in place to support the implementation of gender budgeting.**
*Please select all that apply and provide further information regarding the elements selected (optional).*

a. Standard guidelines or annual budget circular from central budget authority detail how to apply gender budgeting
b. Expert consultative group advises on the application of gender budgeting
c. Inter-agency group(s) to ensure coordination and/or exchange of good practices on gender budgeting
d. Training and capacity-building in the application of gender budgeting
e. Programme budgeting
f. General availability of gender disaggregated data (i.e. such data is routinely available to support policy analysis across all or most key areas of public service)
g. Sector-specific availability of gender disaggregated data (i.e. such data is routinely available to support policy analysis for some selected areas of public service)
h. None
i. Other, please specify [text box]

**19. From your perspective, please indicate the main challenges for implementing gender budgeting.**
*Please select a maximum of five challenges.*

a. Not a high priority for government and/or parliament
b. Lack of guidance or methodological basis
c. Lack of impact on budget decisions
d. Lack of framework/indicators to measure the impact of gender budgeting
e. Lack of modern budgetary governance framework (e.g., programme budgeting)
f. Lack of relevant knowledge or technical expertise
g. Lack of resources (e.g. time, staff)
h. Insufficient cooperation from across government
i. Unsuitable information and communications technology (ICT)
j. Poor availability of gender disaggregated data
k. Other, please specify [text box]

**20. Comments on PART V – Enabling environment (optional)**

Please provide additional comments that are relevant to the enabling environment that have not been addressed in this section.

*[text box]*

## PART VI - Impact

*All question under this section are displayed if Q1 is "Yes"*

**21. From your perspective, how often would you say information from gender budgeting is used in budget decision-making?**
*Please select one.*

a. Never
b. Rarely
c. Sometimes
d. Often
e. Always

**22. From your perspective, has gender budgeting been effective in promoting a clear gender perspective in policy development and resource allocation?**
*Please select one.*

a. Yes, across government as a whole (i.e. gender budgeting has been effective in promoting a clear gender perspective as a general principle of policy development and resource allocation)
b. Yes, but only in some areas (i.e. gender budgeting has been effective in promoting a clear gender perspective in certain ministries, departments or institutions)
c. No (i.e. no significant results to date in promoting a clear gender perspective)
d. Not yet able to judge, e.g. insufficient information available

*If Q22 is "a","b" or "d"*

**22.1 Please describe examples where results have been achieved through gender budgeting (e.g. where gender budgeting informed resource allocation or policy development decisions).**

[text box]

**23. Do you have in place a framework or indicators to measure the impact of gender budgeting?**
*Please select one.*

a. No
b. Yes, please describe [text box]

**24. Have any studies or evaluations been undertaken to measure the impact of gender budgeting, or are any planned?**
*Please select all that apply.*

a. Yes, undertaken in the past. Please describe and provide relevant links, if applicable [text box]
b. Yes, planned. Please describe [text box]
c. No

**25. Comments on PART VI – Impact (optional)**

Please provide additional comments that are relevant to the impact of gender budgeting that have not been addressed in this section.

*[text box]*

## Follow-up

*All*

**Please indicate contact details (name, position, institution, email address) for any additional officials that would be interested in joining the OECD's Gender Budgeting Network.**
**You can indicate several contact details from the Ministry of Finance, or the relevant ministry that is responsible for gender budgeting.**
*Please indicate first name and surname, position, institution and email address.*

[text box]

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**End of survey**

Thank you for completing the 2022 OECD Survey on Gender Budgeting. The survey responses will be collected until **15 April 2022** and preliminary analysis will be presented at the meeting of the Gender Budgeting Network planned in May 2022 (exact date to be confirmed).

If you have any questions, please email your queries to: Scherie.Nicol@oecd.org.