At a glance

- 50% of Western Australians are female
- 18% of people accessing WA's homelessness services are women and 28% are children under 18 years.
- 61% participate in sport and physical activity
- 60% of assault victims aged 15 years and over are female
- 42% of WA women have experienced sexual harassment in the last 12 months
- 28% of WA women avoided walking alone after dark in the last 12 months because they felt unsafe
- 46% of WA women in full-time custody are Aboriginal

Health and wellbeing

- 90% believe that they are in good to excellent health, but
- 50% over 16 years are overweight or obese
- 1 in 5 are experiencing mental illness
- 1 in 10 have a disability requiring assistance
- 30.9 years median age of WA mothers giving birth
- 21% are volunteers

Safety and justice

- 2.4% of WA women are Aboriginal born overseas
- 54.2% of Australia are female
- 38% of Western Australians are female
- 23% of assault victims aged 15 years and over are female
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- 46% of WA women in full-time custody are Aboriginal
**Leadership**

Executive leadership in different industries

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7.5% of ASX200 companies are chaired by women

31.5% of WA’s Members of Parliament are women

72% of WA’s public sector employees are women but they are under-represented at senior levels

**University graduates**

56% women | 44% men

**Workforce Participation**

61% women | 74% men

1 in 2 women work part-time hours

1 in 6 men work part-time hours

**Gender in the WA public sector**

- Female: **72%**
- Male: **28%**

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