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STATISTICS ON WOMEN EMPOWERMENT IN SELECTED DOMAINS, MALAYSIA



INTRODUCTION

- Statistics on Women Empowerment in Selected Domains, Malaysia, 2023 presents gender statistics in Malaysia.
- These statistics focus on the core set of gender indicators covering eleven main domains namely economic structures, participation in productive activities and access to resources; education; health and related services, public life and decision making; human rights of women and girls, social protection (special focus: population ageing); disaster risk reduction; peace and security; refugees; environment and climate change; and international migration.
- This publication also highlights Malaysia Gender Gap Index (MGGI) at the national and state levels.

MALAYSIA GENDER GAP INDEX (MGGI) DEFINITION

- MGGI identifies the gap between women and men across four sub-indices encompassing Economic participation and opportunity, Educational attainment, Health and survival, and Political empowerment. A score with a value of 1.0 (100%) indicates the equality of women and men has been achieved.
- This index is prepared based on the methodology from the Global Gender Gap Index (GGGI) published by WEF using data released by the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) and other agencies in Malaysia. MGGI 2022 comprises four sub-indices and 14 variables.

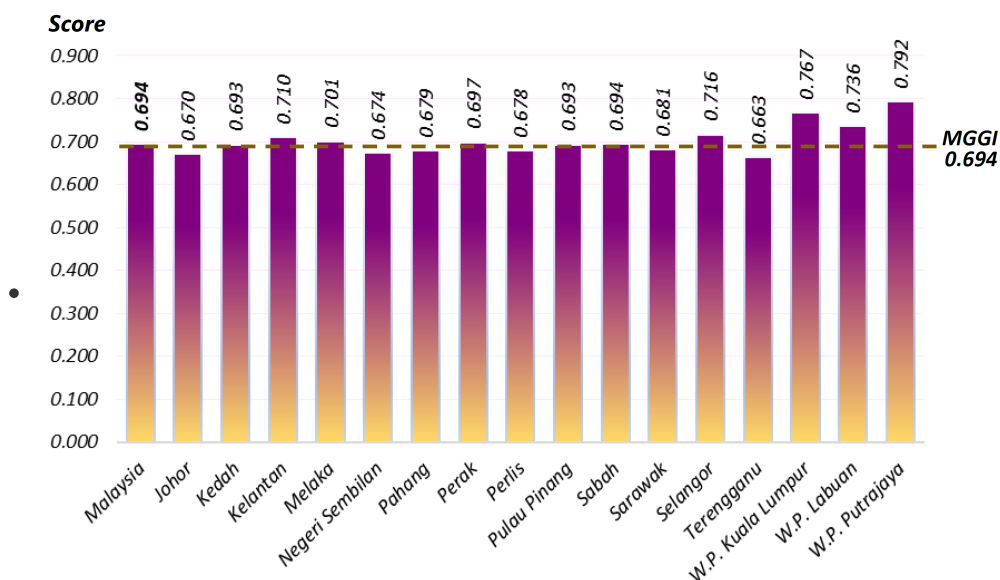
MALAYSIA GENDER GAP INDEX (MGGI) SCORE 2022

- MGGI showed the score of 0.694, or 69.4 per cent in 2022.
- Women's achievement has surpassed men's in the Educational attainment sub-index with a score of 1.067.
- Health and survival sub-index recorded a score of 0.961, followed by Economic participation and opportunity (score 0.644).
- Political empowerment recorded the lowest score with 0.102, showing women were still lagging behind men in the political arena.

MGGI 2022 BY STATES

- The top three states that recorded the high MGGI score in 2022 were W.P. Putrajaya, W.P. Kuala Lumpur and W.P. Labuan.
- W.P. Putrajaya at 0.792 in 2022, followed by W.P. Kuala Lumpur (0.767) and W.P. Labuan recorded a score of 0.736.
- Eight states recorded scores below the national level, namely Pulau Pinang (0.693), Kedah (0.693), Sarawak (0.681), Pahang (0.679), Perlis (0.678), Negeri Sembilan (0.674), Johor (0.670) and Terengganu (0.663).

Malaysia Gender Gap Index (MGGI) by state, 2022



MALAYSIA GLOBAL RANK

- Based on MGGI score of 0.694, Malaysia ranked 93rd from 146 countries in the world.
- Simultaneously, within East Asia and the Pacific nations, Malaysia stood at the eleventh position in 2022 where we were ahead of Timor-Leste (0.693), Brunei Darussalam (0.693), Republic of Korea (0.680), China (0.678), Vanuatu (0.678), Fiji (0.650), Myanmar (0.650) and Japan (0.647)

FACTS AND STATISTICS ABOUT WOMEN

- It is estimated that 15.7 million of Malaysia's population are female out of a total of 32.7 million in 2022.
- In terms of live births, baby girls recorded 204,779 births out of a total of 423,124 live births in 2022.
- Mean monthly salaries and wages for female employees continued to increase to RM3,140 in 2022 (2021: RM2,968).

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