

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

BUCREP:	Central Bureau for Censuses and Population Studies
CEDAW:	Convention for the Elimination of all Forms of Violence against Women
CFC:	Cameroon Real Estate Corporation
DHS:	Demographic and Health Survey
EESI :	Employment and Informal Sector Survey
INS:	National Institute of Statistics
TFR :	Total Fertility Rate
MICS:	Multiple Indicators Cluster Survey
RGE:	General Business Units Census
SMIG:	Guaranteed Interprofessional Minimum Wage

INTRODUCTION

Investing in women empowerment is the sublime means to gender balance, poverty alleviation and inclusive economic growth: Women have a significant economic potential be it in the agricultural or industrial sector. It is very evident that women still face a number of obstacles which confine them to precarious and low paid jobs. Gender-based discrimination prevents women from having access to loans, thereby limiting their effective involvement in economic and social development. Very few women have access to decision-making posts.

In order to arrive at a gender balance, public authorities, the entire community as well as households should carry out activities aimed at overcoming the gender imbalances likely to slow down women empowerment. This leaflet highlights the place of the woman in several domains of national life.

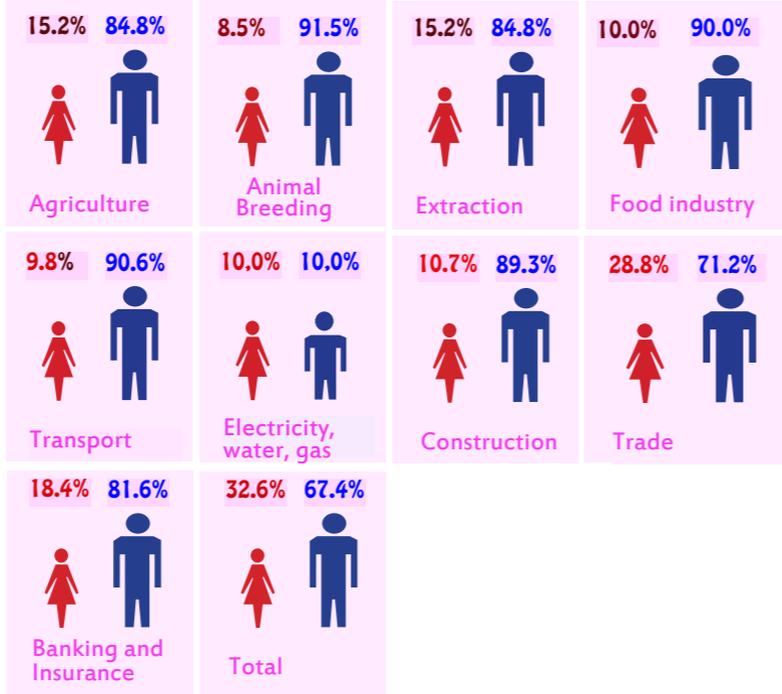
I – WOMEN ' S ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Percentage of company heads by sex



Source : INS, RGE, 2009

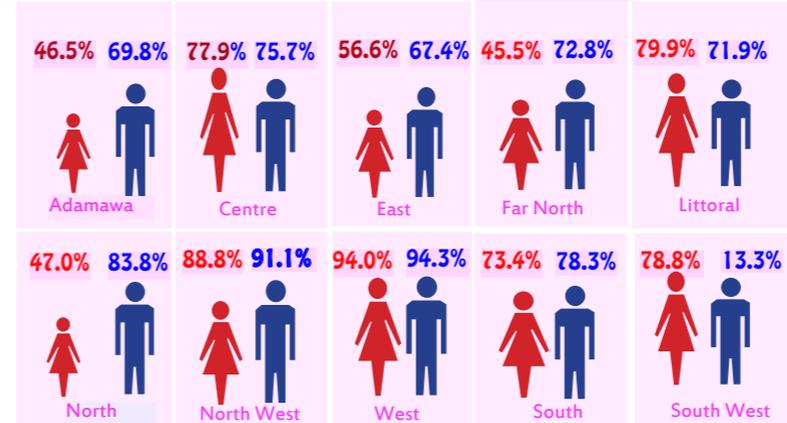
Percentage of female promoters/company managers in each activity sub-sector



Source :INS, RGE 2009

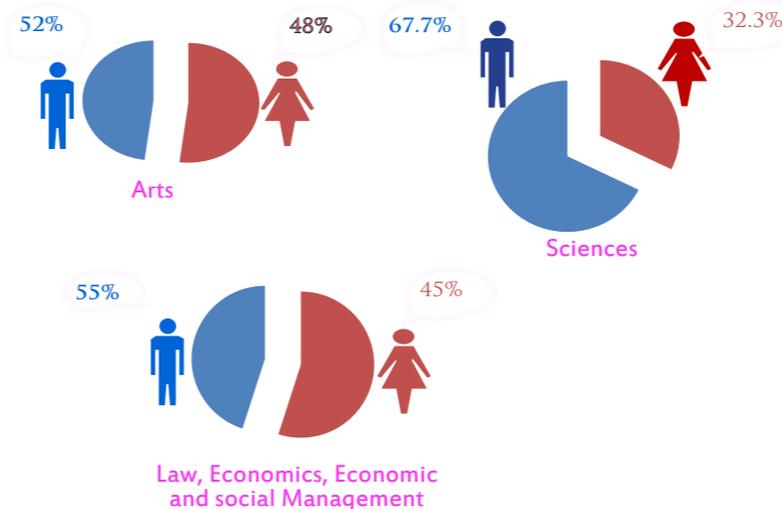
II-WOMEN, SCHOOLING AND SCIENCES

Completion rate (%) at the primary level



Source: 2012 MINESUP Statistics

Percentage of women in major university courses



Source : 2012 MINESUP Statistics

III- WOMEN AND HEALTH

III-1 SEXUALITY

Risky sexual behaviour, STIs and HIV prevalence in Cameroon

Risky sexual behaviour	Proportion (%)	
	Women (aged 15-49)	Men (aged 15-49)
Prevalence of concomitant sex partners (in the last 12 months)	4.0	23.1
Prevalence of concomitant sex partners for persons living as couples (in the last 12 months)	3.5	32.6
Resorting to paid sexual intercourse (in the last 12 months)	--	4.1
Resorting to paid sexual intercourse for persons living as couples (in the last 12 months)	--	4.0
Use of condoms during paid sexual intercourse (in the last 12 months)	--	60.5
Use of condoms during paid sexual intercourse for persons living as couples (in the last 12 months)	--	54.2
STIs and HIV prevalence		
STIs prevalence (in the last 12 months)	15.5	8.5
HIV prevalence	5.6	2.9

Source: INS, DHS-MICS 2011

III-2 VIOLENCE

Proportion of women aged between 15 and 49 having suffered violence (in the last 12 months)

Violence type



Source: INS, DHS-MICS 2011

III-3 FERTILITY

Average number of children for women aged 10 - 49 according to residential milieu and educational level

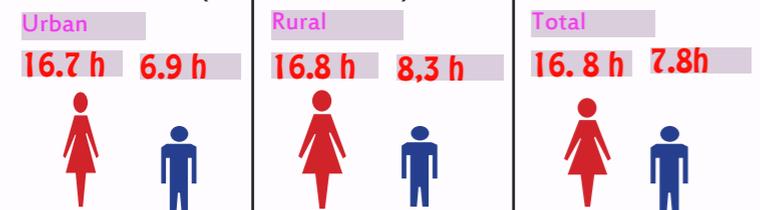
Characteristics	Average number of children	
	2011	2014
Residential milieu		
Yaounde/Douala	3,3	3,3
Other towns	4,5	4,1
Urban	4,0	3,7
Rural	6,4	6,2
educational level		
None	6,8	--
Primary level	5,9	--
Secondary level (1st cycle)	4,5	--
Secondary level (2nd cycle or over)	3,1	--
CAMEROON	5,1	4,9

Source :INS, DHS-MICS 2011; MICS5 2014

IV- WOMEN AND HOUSEHOLD CHORES

Average number of hours reserved for house chores per week according to activity status and residential milieu in Cameroon

ACTIVE PERSONS (WITH OCCUPATION)



UNEMPLOYED, INACTIVE PERSONS

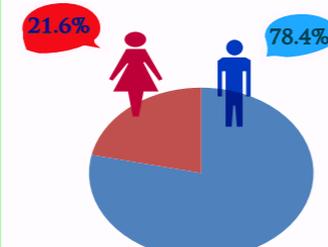


Source : INS, EESI 2010

V- WOMEN AND ACCESS TO PRODUCTION FACILITIES

Women and access to landed property

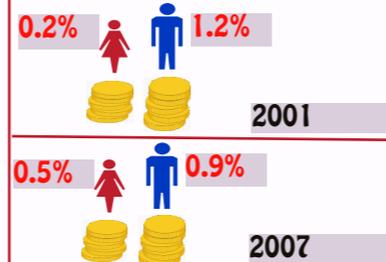
Percentage of women and men who own a land certificate



Source: MINDCAF 2013

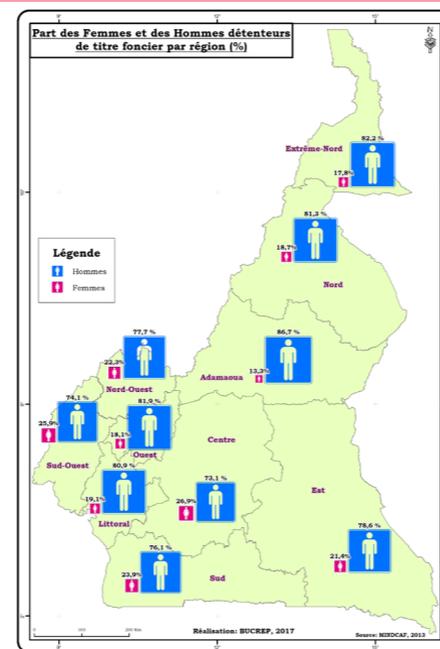
Women and access to production loans

Percentage of women and men who have benefited from a loan



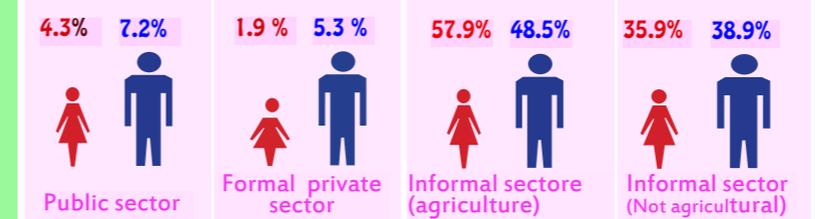
Source: INS, ECAM2 et 3

REGIONAL DISPARITIES



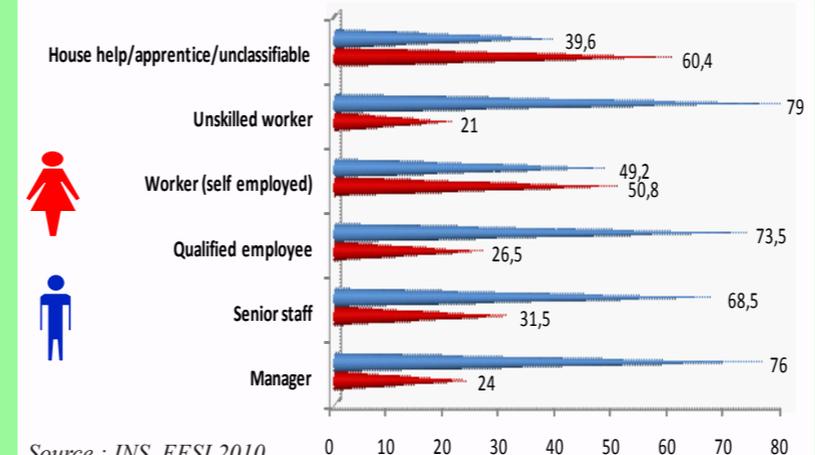
VI- WOMEN AND DECENT JOBS

Distribution (%) of persons aged 10 and above who were working in 2010 according to sex and sector of activity



Source: INS, EESI 2010

Population distribution (%) of persons aged 10 and above who were working in 2010 according to socioprofessional category and sex



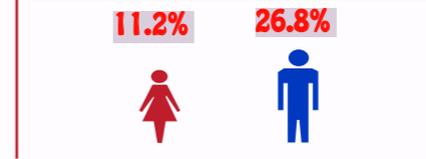
Source : INS, EESI 2010

Distribution (%) of low income workers according to sex



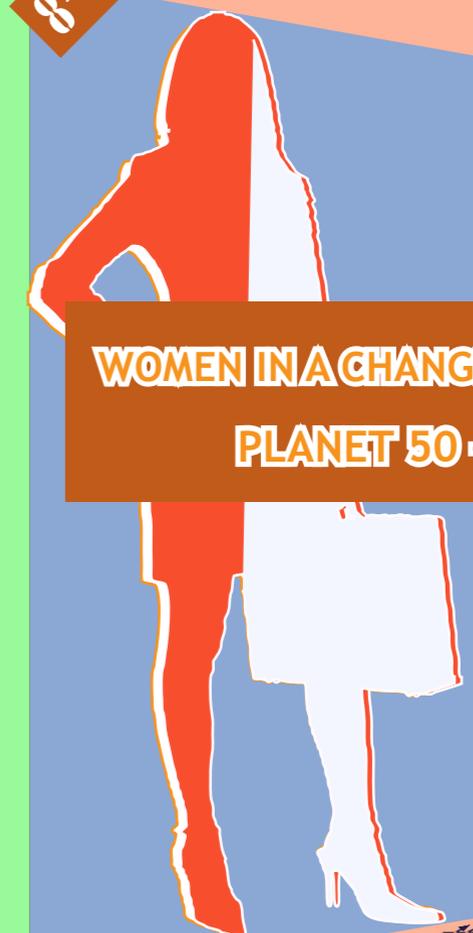
Source: INS, EESI 2010

Population proportion (%) aged 10 and above who were salaried workers in 2010



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

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WOMEN IN A CHANGING WORLD OF WORK
PLANET 50 = 50 BY 2030



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