

GOVERNMENT RESPONSES TO COVID-19: REGIONAL APPENDIX

EUROPE AND NORTHERN AMERICA, AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

Europe and Northern America, Australia and New Zealand is the regional cluster with the highest absolute number of gender-sensitive measures (494) and one of the highest measure densities, averaging 9 measures per country/territory. It is also the region leading on women’s representation (33%) and leadership (31%) in COVID-19 task forces. Globally, the region stands out for having by far the highest number of unpaid care measures (139 in 46 countries/territories) and measures addressing violence against women and girls (279 in 47 countries/territories). On women’s economic

security, the region registers a relatively low number of measures (48), with such measures making up an even lower proportion of the overall social protection and jobs response than in other regions. This reflects the tendency for these countries to have a greater reliance on more universal social protection and labour market instruments, such as unemployment insurance or wage subsidies. Often, these programs do not specifically target women, but tend to reach a larger share of the total population and provide more generous levels of support than more narrowly targeted social assistance measures.

TABLE A-1
Most common gender-sensitive measures in Europe and Northern America, Australia and New Zealand

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN	WOMEN’S ECONOMIC SECURITY	UNPAID CARE WORK
Helplines and reporting mechanisms (51)	Wage subsidies and income replacement for the self-employed prioritizing women as recipients (15)	Family/parental/childcare leave (39)
Police and justice sector responses to address impunity (42)	Equity injections: public sector subsidies to businesses in female-dominated sectors (15)	Support for childcare services, including for essential workers (36)
Awareness-raising campaigns (40)	Cash transfers prioritizing women as recipients (11)	Cash-for-care (21)
Note: Value in parenthesis is the total count per measure type in the region		

FIGURE A-1

Number and percentage of gender-sensitive measures out of all social protection and labour market measures in Europe and Northern America, Australia and New Zealand

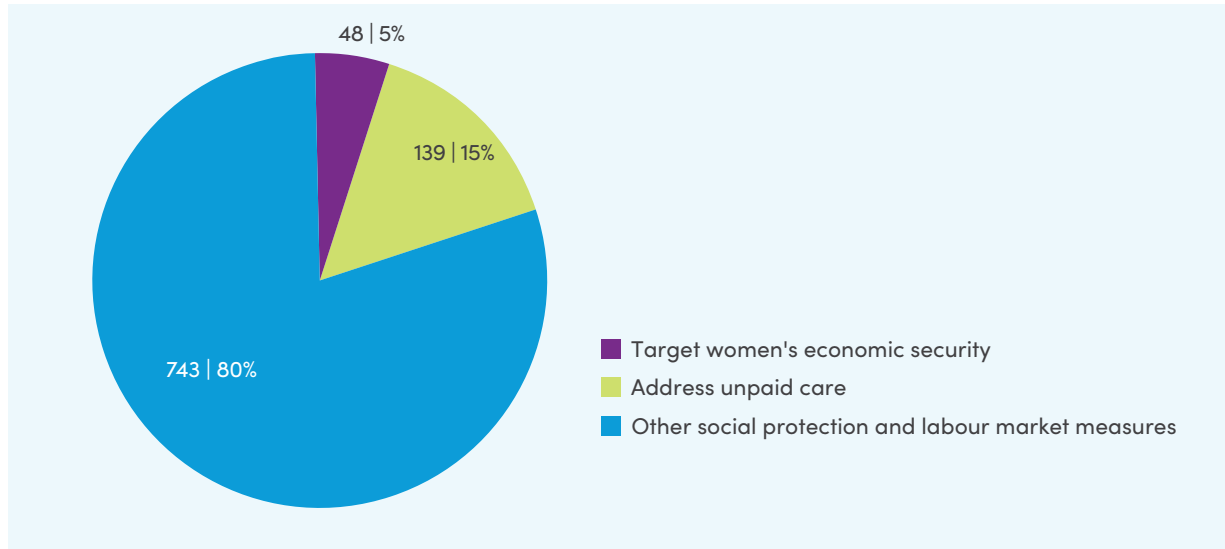


FIGURE A-2

Average share of women members in COVID-19 task forces in Europe and Northern America, Australia and New Zealand

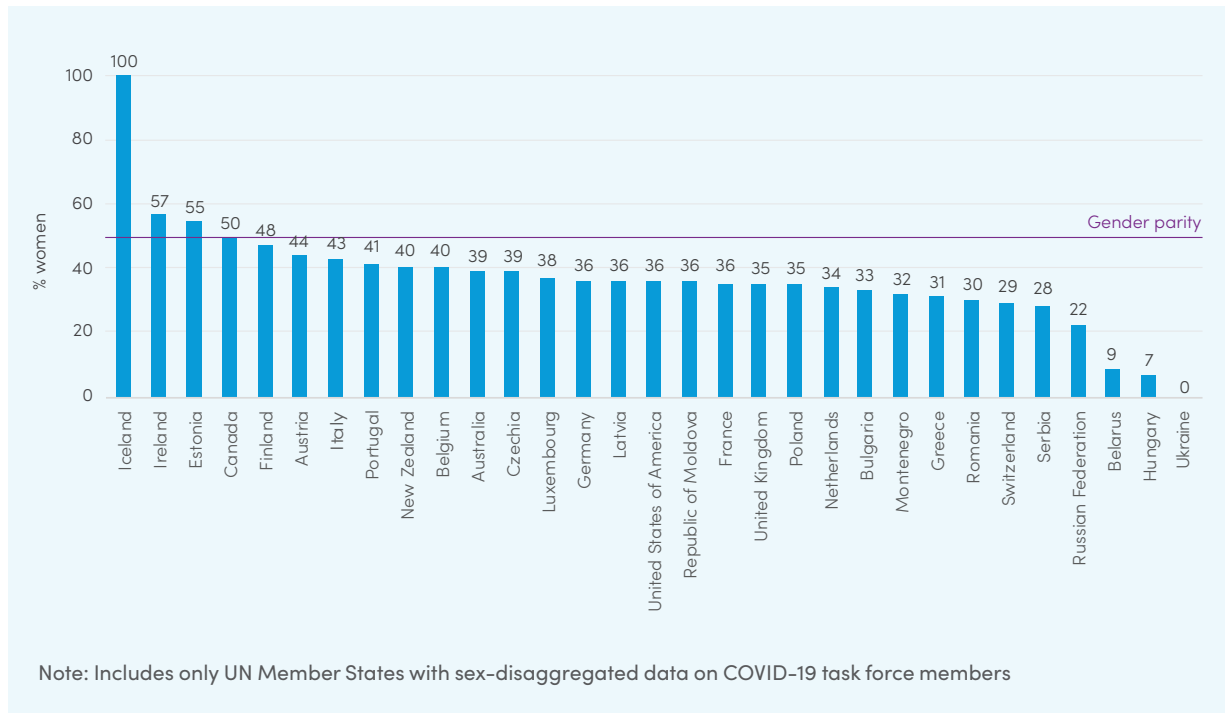


TABLE A-2

Number and type of gender-sensitive measures and share of women COVID-19 task force members, by country/territory in Europe and Northern America, Australia and New Zealand

COUNTRY / TERRITORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF GENDER-SENSITIVE MEASURES	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN	WOMEN'S ECONOMIC SECURITY	UNPAID CARE WORK	AVERAGE SHARE OF WOMEN IN COVID-19 TASK FORCES
Albania	13	9	3	1	--
Andorra	5	4	0	1	--
Australia	24	13	5	6	39.4% (3)
Austria	14	11	1	2	43.9% (4)
Belarus	3	2	0	1	9.1% (1)
Belgium	21	13	1	7	40.0% (2)
Bermuda	0	0	0	0	33.3% (1)
Bosnia and Herzegovina	6	5	0	1	--
Bulgaria	12	4	3	5	33.3% (1)
Canada	20	6	3	11	50.4% (6)
Croatia	6	5	0	1	--
Czechia	13	7	2	4	39.3% (4)
Denmark	6	4	0	2	--
Estonia	6	3	1	2	55.0% (2)
Faroe Islands	0	0	0	0	--
Finland	8	4	1	3	47.5% (10)
France	16	9	2	5	35.5% (2)
Germany	13	6	3	4	36.4% (2)
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	--
Greece	15	10	3	2	30.8% (1)
Greenland	0	0	0	0	--
Guernsey	0	0	0	0	0.0% (1)
Holy See	-	-	-	-	0.0% (1)

COUNTRY / TERRITORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF GENDER-SENSITIVE MEASURES	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN	WOMEN'S ECONOMIC SECURITY	UNPAID CARE WORK	AVERAGE SHARE OF WOMEN IN COVID-19 TASK FORCES
Hungary	5	0	2	3	6.7% (1)
Iceland	12	8	2	2	100.0% (1)
Ireland	11	9	0	2	56.6% (3)
Isle of Man	3	2	0	1	0.0% (1)
Italy	11	6	1	4	42.5% (6)
Jersey	2	1	1	0	11.5% (2)
Kosovo	8	5	2	1	--
Latvia	11	4	3	4	36.1% (2)
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	--
Lithuania	11	6	3	2	--
Luxembourg	8	5	0	3	37.5% (1)
Malta	6	5	0	1	--
Monaco	4	4	0	0	--
Montenegro	4	2	1	1	31.6% (1)
Netherlands	14	6	2	6	34.1% (2)
New Zealand	10	6	1	3	40.3% (9)
North Macedonia	9	5	1	3	--
Norway	9	7	0	2	--
Poland	7	4	1	2	35.4% (3)
Portugal	14	11	0	3	41.3% (2)
Republic of Moldova	7	5	2	0	35.7% (1)
Romania	12	9	2	1	30.0% (1)
Russian Federation	10	2	6	2	22.1% (2)
Saint Pierre and Miquelon	1	0	1	0	--

COUNTRY / TERRITORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF GENDER-SENSITIVE MEASURES	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN	WOMEN'S ECONOMIC SECURITY	UNPAID CARE WORK	AVERAGE SHARE OF WOMEN IN COVID-19 TASK FORCES
San Marino	3	2	0	1	--
Serbia	13	6	3	4	28.1% (1)
Slovakia	3	0	0	3	--
Slovenia	10	3	2	5	--
Spain	18	9	3	6	--
Sweden	7	4	0	3	--
Switzerland	4	1	1	2	29.4% (3)
Ukraine	12	10	1	1	0.0% (1)
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	14	10	0	4	35.4% (5)
United States of America	20	7	7	6	35.8% (4)
REGIONAL TOTAL	494	279	76	139	32.9% (93)

Notes: Value in parenthesis is the total count of task forces with sex-disaggregated data. "--" indicates "no data."

