

Gender disaggregated data in the energy sector

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Background



Gender disaggregated data = data about people that is broken down by sex

Why does it matter?

- Critical to understanding how policies affect men and women differently
- Can reveal issues facing one sex that are invisible when data is aggregated
- Allows evidence-based guidance for assessing the impact of policies on each sex and on larger equity issues



Equity in the Energy Sector

- The energy sector is a male-dominated sector (less than 25% women in workforce)
- A diverse workforce in the energy sector is needed to boost innovation and meet climate change goals

Gender disaggregated energy data

- Needed to assess equity in the energy sector
- Ex: gender gaps in employment, wages, education (STEM degrees), etc.
- Also needed to understand reasons behind gender gaps, which will guide measures implemented to improve equity, both selection and evaluation
- Ex: gender wage gap conditional on skills, sexual harassment in the workplace, gender gap in senior management (key to attracting and retaining women), etc.
- Other important indicators: flexible working hours, parental leave, affordable childcare, etc.

IEA – Gender & Energy Data Explorer



Data

Fill the gender data gap in energy

 Make data open for public use to feed the growing body of research on gender and energy

Policy

 Allow for evidence based policy guidance in support of gender diversity in energy

Bench mark

 Create a benchmarking tool for countries to (1) identify equity barriers and (2) quantify effectiveness of gender diversity measures taken

Topics covered in data explorer





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- Focus: Share of start-ups with at least one female founder
- Success (IPO or acquired)
- Stage of investment
- Amount of funding raised
- Time taken to succeed
- Source: Crunchbase
- Collaboration with IEA/STO



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• Focus: Share of female inventors and patents with at least one female inventor

- R&D expenditure per patent
- Cross-border research collaborations
- Patent quality index
- Source: PATSTAT & Refinitiv
- Collaboration with OECD/ENV



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- Focus: Share of female senior managers
- Position (CEO, founder, etc.)
- Company size
- Decade of birth
- **Source**: Refinitiv PermID



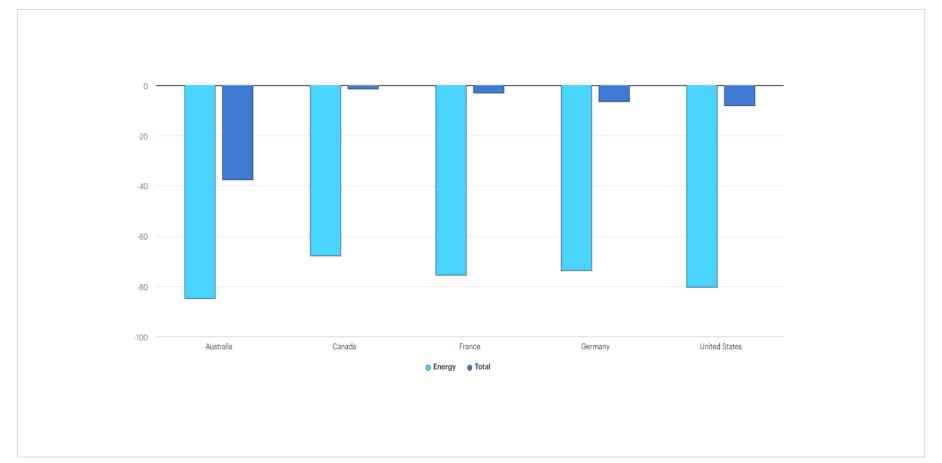
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- Focus: Gender employment gaps and wage gaps conditional on skills

 Therefore level
- Education level
- Firm size
- Occupation level
- Working time
- **Sources**: SES and surveys on labour, employment and population
- Collaboration with OECD/ELS

Gender employment gap by sector and country (2018)





IEA gender publications



Some of the data sources can already be explored in recent IEA publications:



Entrepreneurship

Innovative Energy Start-Ups (IEA 2021)



Innovation

 Gender diversity in energy: what we know and what we don't know (IEA 2020)



Senior management

 Women in senior management roles at energy firms remains stubbornly low, but efforts to improve gender diversity are moving apace (IEA 2021)

For a complete list of IEA gender publications, please visit: https://www.iea.org/topics/energy-and-gender

Upcoming publication on gender wage gaps in energy



Topic:

•Understanding Gender Gaps in Wages, Employment and Career Trajectories in the Energy Sector

Authors:

•Collaboration between IEA and ELS (OECD Employment, Labour and Social Affaires Directorate)

Data:

•Matched employer-employee data collected as part of the OECD LinkEED project (OECD, 2021)

Coverage:

Austria, France, Germany, Portugal and Spain

Findings:

- •Disproportionate shares of women in low-wage firms and occupations
- •Bargaining and discrimination plays a bigger role in the energy sector at explaining the gender wage gap compared to non-energy
- •Women working in energy are more likely to leave for another sector than those working outside the energy sector

Differences in firm wage-setting practices between men and women





