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The aim of this compilation of activities conducted by Arab countries and the Statistics Division of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) is to promote good practices in compiling and disseminating gender statistics. It is hoped that it will encourage countries to work to improve national gender statistics.

The catalogue is also a strategic tool for ESCWA. It contains valuable information on the development of gender statistics at the country and regional levels, which can be used to orient technical assistance and carry out the ESCWA Gender Statistical Programme. Country pages include information on national statistical offices, gender focal points, and national gender programmes, institutions and legislation. It also lists activities in the following categories:

Publications

- **Gender statistics publications:** Comparative analysis of the situation of women and men.
- **Gender-focused publications:** Analysis of gender issues, roles and participation in areas such as the economy, decision-making and education.
- **Handbooks:** Methodological guidelines for the collection of gender statistics.
- **Related reports on women:** Reports published by women's machineries and other institutions on the status of women in relation to the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and other key international agreements and instruments.

Surveys

Surveys and modules used to measure gender issues such as time use, violence against women, and women's health in the life cycle.

Databases & Websites

Databases comparing women and men, and girls and boys, in different socio-economic areas; websites run by national women's machineries and statistical offices that present gender-related statistics and activities.

Meetings

Workshops, meetings and conferences designed to raise awareness of gender issues, train statisticians and discuss areas of concern.

Advocacy

Promotional material such as wall charts, flyers and videos addressing concerns and priority issues through gender statistics.