

Studies, research and publications

Equality between women and men is a lengthy process. Structures of inequality operate at different levels and only change slowly. In order to identify gender equality goals and monitor their development, it is necessary to obtain sound knowledge about the situation of women in Vienna. The City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs therefore commissions research and studies on important women's policy issues.

Publications are distributed in order to convey knowledge to both a specialist audience and the interested public, especially women in Vienna.

Gender Equality Monitor

The Vienna Gender Equality Monitor continuously monitors gender equality in 12 selected areas of life in Vienna, such as political participation, education, health, work, etc.

With this monitor, a concept was developed to empirically record and analyse the status quo and the development of gender equality in Vienna. The 12 topics and 160 indicators designed for this purpose interpret gender equality in a broad range of topics and are based on specific gender equality goals that were developed under the leadership of the City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs with the support of various specialist departments and experts from the City of Vienna as well as external experts. The Vienna Gender Equality Monitor 2013 presented the status quo on gender equality, including a discussion of the respective gender equality issues and of the data availability as well as informative value of the used data bases. Since then, two more monitors have been published with an added focus on the topic of migration in 2016, and the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021.

You can find the monitor (in German) online:
gleichstellungsmonitor.at

Wiener Gleichstellungsmonitor

Stadt Wien

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SIND KEIN GANZES LEBEN WERT

Wiener Gleichstellungsmonitor

Der aktuelle 3. Wiener Gleichstellungsmonitor (2021) geht – acht Jahre nach Erscheinen des 1. Wiener Gleichstellungsmonitors (2013) – der Frage nach, wie sich die Lebenssituationen von Frauen und Männern [Anm. 1] in Wien mit der Zeit verändert haben. In welchen Lebensbereichen sind wir den unterschiedlichen Zielen der Gleichstellung von Frauen und Männern nähergekommen und wo haben wir uns davon entfernt? In welchen Bereichen sind dementsprechend intensive Bemühungen notwendig, um Frauen ein selbstbestimmtes, gerechtes und sicheres Leben zu ermöglichen?

Mit dem Wiener Gleichstellungsmonitor wurde ein Instrument entwickelt, um den Status quo und die Entwicklung der Gleichstellung von Frauen und Männern in Wien zu erheben und zu analysieren. © Gleichstellungsmonitor Wien 2021

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Study on Women with disabilities

A qualitative study was conducted in 2019 asking women with different abilities what their specific needs and desires from their city and representatives were. Eight focus groups of women with disabilities were involved from the beginning as experts in their own cause. The topics ranged from living conditions, experience of discrimination, education, labour market and social and political participation. On the one hand, their expertise was included in the content design of the study and on the other hand, they supported the projects as multipliers for the implementation of the focus groups. Later on, the participants were also invited to the presentation of the study and to discuss the various outcomes.

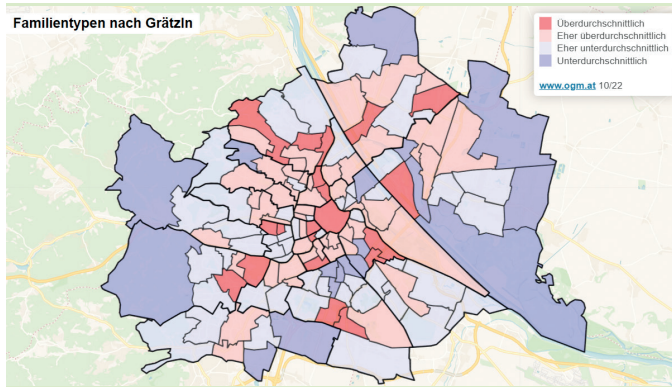


Women's Barometer

The Vienna Women's Barometer is a representative quantitative survey commissioned regularly by the City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs on the situation of women in Vienna and on specific current topics. These studies investigate the status quo of women in Vienna and to identify fields of action in the respective subject areas. The most recent Women's Barometer explored the topic of digitalization and the possibilities of women's active contribution to this all-encompassing development. In 2015 the topic focused on participation and participatory opportunities for Viennese women with a migration experience, highlighting accesses and barriers. Prior Women's Barometers focused on women's rights and herstory, conditions ensuring women's self-determined lives, women's perception on safety amongst others.

Vienna's largest women's survey "Vienna, as she wants it."

In 2022 the largest survey on women's situation in Vienna has been conducted under the title "Vienna, as she wants it.". The study highlights the situation of women and girls in Vienna as well as their wishes and ideas for the future. All girls and women in Vienna were able to participate. Around 15.500 participants have taken part in the survey and contributed more than 77.000 answers. The results show the main requests of women for more time, more space and more opportunities. These outcomes provide the basis for specific projects and policies of the City of Vienna.



Single-parenting mothers in Vienna

Publication series

Frauen.Wissen.Wien is a feminist publication series, which is coordinated and published by the City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs since 2014. Current women's political debates as well as past conferences and focal points of the department are discussed in handy publications.

All issues are available for download online as PDF files.

Each issue brings together several contributions from different authors on specific women's political debates in order to address the topic from different perspectives and convey knowledge. The latest published issues covered the following topics:

- Women*Music: Who.makes.music?
- Digitalisation? Gender-equitable!
- What disables us – on the participation and visibility of women with disabilities in Vienna
- Climate & gender – why climate (policy) is gender-relevant

Frauen.Wissen.Wien. Nr. 15:

Frauen*Musik: Wer.Macht. Musik?

Über Diversität und Machtverhältnisse
in der Musikszene

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Frauen.Wissen.Wien. Nr. 13:

Digitalisierung? Gendergerecht!

Chancen und Herausforderungen
für Geschlechtergleichstellung

Frauen.Wissen.Wien. Nr. 10:

Klima & Geschlecht

Warum Klima(politik)
gender-relevant ist

Stadt
Wien



Frauen.Wissen.Wien. Nr. 16:

Junges Emanzipatorisches Wohnen: Ein Blick zurück in die Zukunft

Vom Kollektivmodell Einküchenhaus
bis zu heutigen Wohnvorstellungen
von (jungen) Frauen

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Campaigns

Campaigns raise awareness about important gender equality issues, fostering public dialogue and understanding. They display the department's commitment to women's rights and empowerment, building trust and credibility within the community. Additionally, public campaigns can mobilise support, encourage civic engagement, and contribute to shaping policies that address the specific needs and concerns of women in Vienna, promoting a more inclusive and equitable city.

In 2018, the City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs initiated the "I am your lifeline" campaign against sexual harassment of women. The campaign intends to raise awareness, prevent sexual harassment and at the same time provide tools to support women who have been harassed in restaurants, bars, clubs, concerts or public pools and big events such as "Donauinselfest" in Vienna, such as public pools and the Danube Island. Establishments that cooperate with the Lifeline campaign have to commit to the following measures:

- Train security staff and label them with stickers.
- Display information flyers in women's toilets to inform the female public.
- Prohibit sexist advertisement.
- Check the rooms for safety, for example with regard to the lighting.

