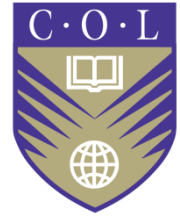


Gender Profile: Grenada



General

Total male population under 15 (2014) (CIA, 2015): 13,954
Total female population under 15 (2014) (CIA, 2015): 13,057

Total male population over 15 (2014) (CIA, 2015): 41,793
Total female population over 15 (2014) (CIA, 2015): 41,348

Health

Maternal mortality rate per 100,000 live births (2010) (CIA, 2015): 24
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births (2010) (CIA, 2015): 10.5

Under-five mortality rate for males per 1,000 live births (2012) (United Nations Gender Statistics, 2015): 14.6

Under-five mortality rate for females per 1,000 live births (2012) (United Nations Gender Statistics, 2015): 12.4

Births attended by a skilled health professional (2012) (WHO, 2014b): 99.9%

Prevalence of HIV among males aged 15–49: NA
Prevalence of HIV among females aged 15–49: NA

Life expectancy for men (2012) (WHO, 2014a): 69
Life expectancy for women (2012) (WHO, 2014a): 77

Education

Male youth literacy rate, ages 15–24: NA
Female youth literacy rate, ages 15–24: NA

Male adult literacy rate, ages 15+: NA
Female adult literacy rate, ages 15+: NA

Male adjusted net enrolment rate in primary education (2009) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 95.74%

Female adjusted net enrolment rate in primary education (2009) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 99.25%

Male gross enrolment ratio in secondary education (2010) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 106.24%

Female gross enrolment ratio in secondary education (2010) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 103.39%

Male gross enrolment ratio in tertiary education (2009) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 44.85%

Female gross enrolment ratio in tertiary education (2009) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 60.86%

Graduates from tertiary education who are female: NA

Students in engineering, construction and manufacturing tertiary education programs who are female (2009) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 50.2%

Teachers in primary education who are female (2010) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 79.4%

Teachers in secondary education who are female (2010) (UNESCO Institute of Statistics, 2015): 62.4%

Teachers in tertiary education who are female: NA

Economic Activity

Males over 15 who are active in the labour force: NA

Females over 15 who are active in the labour force: NA

Men who have an account in a formal financial institution: NA

Women who have an account in a formal financial institution: NA

Decision-Making

Proportion of seats held by women in national parliament (World Bank, 2014): 13%

Human Rights

Girls married before 15: NA

Females married between 15 and 19: NA

Women subjected to physical/sexual violence by an intimate partner during their lifetime: NA

Women subjected to physical/sexual violence by an intimate partner or a non-partner during their lifetime: NA

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Gender Gaps

Health

- Girls and women in Grenada would benefit from better policies to address contraception and other aspects of sexual and reproductive health. For instance, the most recently available government report indicates that there is no national policy on sex education (Government of Grenada, 2010, p. 6).
- As of 2014, there was no national awareness programme regarding family planning, and the Grenada Planned Parenthood Association had offices in only two of the country's six parishes (Ministry of Social Development and Housing, 2014).
- From 2009 to 2013, the National Infectious Disease Control Unit treated 590 females from sexually transmitted infections, compared with just 157 males (Ministry of Social Development and Housing, 2014).

Education

- Female dropout rates are slightly higher than male, with boys at 0.9% and girls at 1%.
- Adolescent fertility can interrupt girl's studies as it often results in dropout. In 2014, the Ministry of Social Development and Housing acknowledged that "only a small proportion" of adolescent mothers are provided with educational opportunities (p. 18).

Economic

- A 2014 report issued by the Government of Grenada stated that "Grenada has the highest recorded percentage of women-headed households among the OECS (Organization of Eastern Caribbean States) member states and . . . females are also more likely to be unemployed than males (p. 15)."
- The 2013 Labour Force Survey the Labour Force Survey showed an overall unemployment rate among women of 40%; for young women, this rose to 63%. The national unemployment average was 34% (Ministry of Social Development and Housing, 2014, p. 34).

Decision-Making

- Considerably fewer women than men are vying for political participation. A report issued in 2013 by the Oranizacion de los Estados Americanos stated that in the previous election, only 19% of candidates had been female.
- Although the president of the powerful Grenada Trades' Union Council is a woman (Madonna Harford), the government notes that "the leadership of trade unions remains largely male dominated" (Ministry of Social Development and Housing, 2014, p. 26).

Human Rights

- 388 documented cases of domestic violence against women were reported to have occurred in 2012—approximately 1% of the female population over age 15. However, studies show that domestic violence is

significantly underreported. Many women who have experienced domestic violence fear stigmatisation or are economically dependent on their husbands (US State Department, 2012, p. 8–9).

- The government of Grenada notes that gender-based violence is prevalent, and “[r]eligious, social and sexual norms sustain the dominance of men, submissiveness of females and the taboos and secrecy around the problem of sexual violence, including sexual harassment and domestic violence” (Ministry of Social Development and Housing, 2014, p. 21).

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