# Kadir Has University <br> Gender and Women Studies Research Center 

## The perception of Gender and Women in Turkey

Quantitative Research Summary 2016

## ABOUT THE CENTER

Founded in 2012, the aim of the Gender and Women's studies is to create platforms for academic education related to interdisciplinary research and gender and women. Over more than thirty years, scholars from across the world in different disciplines have been researching the status of women in society and their demands. One of our goals is to reassess equity and gender discussions in terms of the status of women in society.
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## Demographics

## Gender Distribution



Age Distribution

|  |  | Average Age | 39,1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 100\% |  |  |  |
|  | 9,5 | $\square$ Above 65 |  |
| 90\% | 11,1 |  |  |
|  |  | ■ 55-64 |  |
| 80\% |  |  |  |
|  | 15,9 |  |  |
| 70\% |  |  |  |
| 60\% | 20,1 | $\square 45-54$ |  |
| 50\% |  |  |  |
| 40\% | 23,1 | - 35-44 |  |
| 30\% |  | - 25-34 |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| 20\% | 20,3 | -18-24 |  |
| 10\% |  |  |  |
| 0\% |  |  |  |

Socio-economic
status
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Education


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Household income
Household size


\%23,2 of the respondent denied to respond to this question

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## Occupational Distribution

| Work status | Occupations | n | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Self-employed } \\ \% 9,0 \end{gathered}$ | Self-employed, shop owner | 65 | 5,4 |
|  | Small business owner, 1-5 employees | 15 | 1,3 |
|  | Freelance | 9 | 0,8 |
|  | Seyyar - Kendi işi | 7 | 0,6 |
|  | Farmer (self-employed - family run farm owner) | 6 | 0,5 |
|  | Businessman, 11-20 employees | 3 | 0,3 |
|  | Businessman, 6-10 employees | 2 | 0,2 |
|  | Businessman, more than 20 employees | 1 | 0,1 |
| Wage- Earners \%51,4 | Blue collar, service worker - regular employment (monthly salary) | 406 | 33,8 |
|  | Office clerk / technician / expert etc (not management level) | 98 | 8,2 |
|  | Blue collar/service worker - item based pay (daily salary) | 86 | 7,2 |
|  | Skilled expert - wage earner (lawyer, m.d, architect, engineer) | 8 | 0,7 |
|  | Headworker - manager of blue collar workers | 6 | 0,5 |
|  | Manager (above 20 employees) | 6 | 0,5 |
|  | Millitary officer (military specialist, petty officer, officer) | 3 | 0,3 |
|  | Manager (1-5 employees) | 2 | 0,2 |
|  | Manager (11-20 employees) | 2 | 0,2 |
| Does not have a paid job \%39,6 | Student | 162 | 13,5 |
|  | Housewife - regular extra income | 161 | 13,4 |
|  | Housewife - no regular extra income, receving benefits | 72 | 6,0 |
|  | Unemployed - not working currently, regular extra income | 42 | 3,5 |
|  | Unemployed -no regular extra income, receiving benefits | 31 | 2,6 |
|  | Retired | 7 | 0,6 |
|  | Total | 1200 | 100,0 |

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## Women and Society

In your opinion, what are the biggest problems women encounter in the society, in general?


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# Problems Women Face Categorized According to Level of Significance 

What are the biggest problems women encounter, in general?
Please, list the most important three problems, in your opinion.


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Equal Opportunity
In your opinion, does women in Turkey have equal opportunities with men?


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Attitude towards Gender Equality


## Gender Roles

Mean Line Men: \%43,7
Aggregate
Mean Line Genel : \%43,5 Mean Line Women: \%43,3
General Women Men
Marriage should not get in the way of women's participation in work force
Female politicians could be successful as their male counterparts

Women could have management positions
Women should always b protected by men Working mothers could make enough time for their kids
Men should provide for the family Working women have more joy in life tha non-working ones
Having a paid job does not hinder women to do
housework
Girls should be given as much freedom as boys Men should always be the head of the family Working women could be a better mother for their children

Wifes should be younger than their husbands
The primary duty of women is to take care of housework


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## Gender Roles

Positive total
Mean Line Genel : \%43,5 Mean Line Women: \%43,3
A woman should not work if her husband does not allow her to do so
A woman should challange her husband if it is necessary to do so in order to defend her rights A woman should work only if her family has financial troubles
Men should do housework such as doing the laundary or washing the dishes
Men should be the final decisionmaker in important issues regarding the family A woman without a husband is like a property
without an owner

A woman should not earn more money then her husband
Social leadership positions should mostly filled by men

Women should not work after giving birth A working woman should hand in her income to her husband
Women should not own or run shops by theirselves alone.
Women should not work after they get married

| 13,8 | ${ }^{16,5}$ |  | 30,5 | 16,8 | 12,5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11,8 | 28,3 |  | 32,8 | 19,0 | 8,2 |
| 11,5 | 28,0 |  | 26,6 | 18,8 | 15,2 |
| 12,4 | 25,1 |  | 32,4 | 21,2 | 8,9 |
| 12,3 | 25,2 |  | 36,1 | 16,4 | 10,1 |
| 10,7 | 26,2 |  | 28,4 | 18,9 | 15,8 |
| 9,1 | 25,8 |  | 28,6 | 19,8 | 16,8 |
| 11,7 | 22,0 |  | 35,9 | 16,3 | 14,2 |
| 5,5 | 23,0 | 27,01 |  | 27,2 | 17,3 |
| 5,4 | 22,5 | 35, |  | 20,4 | 16,7 |
| 7,8 | 20,11 | 30,8 |  | 20,9 | 20,4 |
| 7,2 | 16,9 I | 27,1 |  | 27,5 | 21,3 |

Genel Wome Men 40,3 ${ }^{135,3} 45,2$

40,1 $46,7 \quad 33,5$
39,5 35,2 43,8
$37,543,5 \quad 31,5$
37,4 30,5 44,3
$\begin{array}{llll}36,8 & 31,2 & 42,5\end{array}$
34,8 32,3 37,3
33,7 25,3 42,0
28,5 23,7 33,3
27,9 24,8 31,0
27,9 26,2 29,7
24,1 21,0 27,2

## Women and Family

## Marital Status

Could you state your marital status according to the categorization?


## Duration of marriage <br> For how long are you / have you been married?

Average duration of $\mathbf{2 2}$ years marriage

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## Meeting with Spouse

How did you meet your current/ex spouse?


## Pre-marital acquiantace

How long how you known your spouse before you get married?


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## Marriage Decision

Who made the decision?



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## Marriage Decision

Who decided to get married?


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Child brides and grooms (marriages under 18)
Please state your opinion about the prevalence of marriages of children under 18 in Turkey by looking at the chart.

Net Prevalence Score: Girls: \%72,8
Girls: \%72,8
Boys: $\% 0,4$


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## Analysis of marriages under 18

Please state whether you agree with expressions I will read about children under 18 getting married according to gender?


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## Analysis of Criteria for the Sustanance of Marriage



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## Cinsiyete Göre Evliliğin Sürdürülmesine İlişkin Kriterlerin Değerlendirilmesi



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## Number of Children

Number of children

Do you have children, if yes how many?


Average
Average
children

1,6 2,2

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## Average age of children

Gender distribution of children

## Schooling based on gender



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Desicion to have kids
How did you decide to have kid?


## Abortion decision

Who should decide?



Basis: 1200

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Assessments on Abortions
To what extent do statements below define your thoughts on abortion?


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Comments about abortion
What do you think about abortion?


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## Satisfaction

Are you happy with your life?


Basis: 1200

## Satisfaction Level in Relationships with Spouse, Family and Children

Please rate your level of satisfaction with your own family and with your spouse's family, from 1 to 5


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The Father's Contribution to Housework
How much does(did) your spouse/do you contribute to housework? Please look at the card and rate. How much do you contribute to housework? Please look at the card and rate.


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The Father's Contribution to Childcare
How much do you/your spouse contribute to childcare? Please look at the card and rate. How much do you contribute to childcare? Please look at the card and rate.


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## Assessment of Socialization of Children under 15

I am going to read you a list of activities children may engage in. Can you please look at the card and assess how suitable each activity is for boys and girls under 15.


■ Suitable $■$ More suitable for boys under $15 \square$ More suitable for girls under $15 \square$ Not suitable for either girls or boys under 15

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## Women and Professional Life

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## Current Employment <br> Status <br> Are you currently working at a paying job?

Past Employment<br>Status<br>Have you ever had a job before?

Willingness To
Work
Would you like to have a job?


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Necessary Conditions For Employment
What conditions would you need provided to be able to work? Please look at the card and state 3 most necessary conditions.


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## Choice between Home-parenting and Professional Life

What would you choose if you had choose between staying at home for childcare and a professional life?


## The Place of Women in Business Life



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## The Place of Women in Business Life According to Gender

| Physical harassment should be punishable with terminationwomen | Mean Line : |  |  |  |  | Positive total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 40,3 |  | 30,7 | 21,3 | 6,Cil, | 71,0 |
|  | 49,2 |  | 24,5 | 17,5 | 6,52, | 73,7 |
| Verbal harassment should be punishable with termination ${ }_{\text {Women }}$ | 39,2 |  | 31,2 | 21,5 | 5, $\mathrm{P}_{1}$ | 70,3 |
|  | 47,7 |  | 26,2 | 20,3 | 3,2, | 73,8 |
| The integration of women in Men business life is necessary for a country's welfareWomen | 21,2 | 42,8 |  | 3,3 | 8,0 4, 7 | 64,0 |
|  | 25,2 |  | 47,3 | 20,8 | 3,3,4 | 72,5 |
| Fathers should be given off days to care for sick children women | 13,8 | 40,0 | 33,2 |  | 11,71, | 53,8 |
|  | 15,7 | 43,3 | 29,8 |  | 10,011, | 59,0 |
| Working fathers can find the time to take care of children women | 10,3 | 41,7 | 31,2 |  | 12,8 4, ${ }^{12,2}$ | 52,0 |
|  | 11,7 | 44,3 | 29,3 |  | 12,2 2 , | 56,0 |
| Fathers should be provided with maternity leave women | 11,8 | 39,7 | 32,8 |  | 13,5 ${ }_{\text {2, }}^{12,}$ | 51,5 |
|  | 11,8 | 42,7 | 29,2 |  | 11,5 4,8 | 54,5 |
| -Strongly agree $\quad$ Agree | Neither agree nor disagree |  | Disagree $\quad$ Strongly di |  | disagree |  |

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## The Place of Women in Business Life in Terms of Gender



| Base | Men | Women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 600 | 600 |

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## Women and Politics

## Familiarity with the Concept of Feminism

Have you ever heard of the concept pf 'Feminism'?


Basis: 1200

Definition of feminism


Feminizmin Tanımı


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Votes in the last election
Who would you vote for today?


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## Political identity

How do you define yourself?


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The effect of gender policies of political parties on the elections


## The effects of gender policies on voting behavior



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Do gender policies effect your voting behavior?


## Number of female members in the Turkish parliament

How many women do you think there are in the parliament?


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## Sufficiency of female members in the parliament

Do you think there are enough women in the parliament?


Women's place in politics


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Women's place in politics


The EU Membership and its Effect on Women's Right


## Gender Perception Scale Altınova and Duyan

- Rating between 25-125
- As the rating increases, Gender Perception becomes more equitable

|  | Average | Standard Deviation |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Woman | 78,72 | 7,802 |
| Man | 76,09 | 7,549 |
| Aggregate | 77,40 | 7,785 |

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## Thank You!

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[^0]:    ■ Definitely Agree

    - Agree
    $\square$ Neither Agree nor disagree
    - Disagree

    ■ Definetely Disagree

[^1]:    $■$ Very Satisfied $■$ Satisfied $■$ Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied $■$ Not Satisfied $■$ Completely Unsatisfied

