

# Bold Gender Data Commitments Accelerate Gender Equality

## Gender data is powerful



It uncovers gender inequality



Illuminates solutions



Helps monitor progress

More and better gender data leads to policies that are



Equitable



Effective



Responsive to the unique needs of communities

## But when it comes to what's needed, the world is falling dangerously short:



Fewer than **40 percent** of countries had data available to monitor SDG 5 (gender equality)

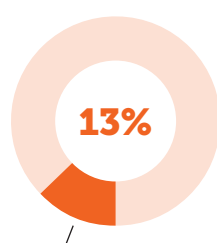


Gender data systems are underfunded by roughly **\$450 million** per year

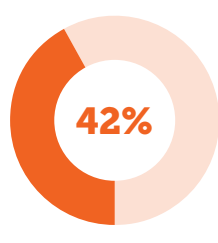


COVID-19 has worsened gender inequalities

## And right now gender data isn't a strong enough priority of the Generation Equality Forum

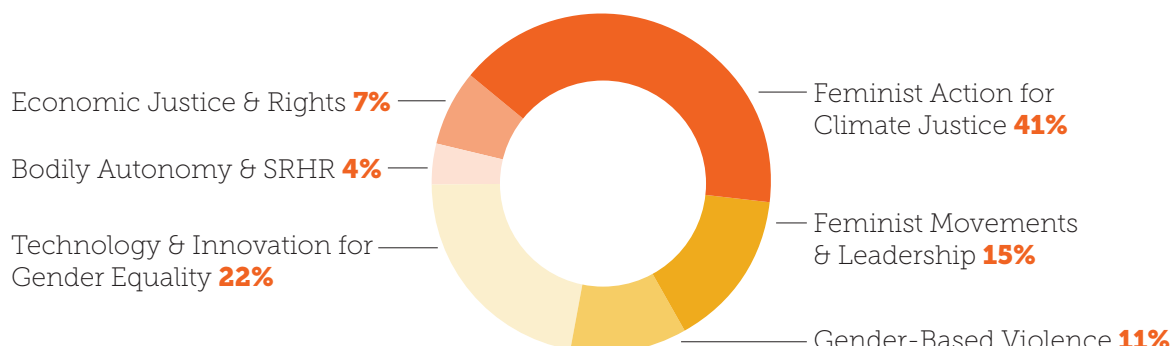


13% of sample commitments directly address gender data in the official Commitments Handbook



42% of actions feature a data tactic in the draft Global Acceleration Plan

### WHERE DO GENDER DATA REFERENCES APPEAR IN THE COMMITMENTS HANDBOOK?



## Draft Action Coalition blueprints are inconsistent on gender data

	Data Tactics	Calls for Collection or Use	Calls for Funding
Bodily Autonomy & SRHR	0		
Economic Justice & Rights	2	✓	
Feminist Action for Climate Justice	1	✓	✓
Feminist Movements & Leadership	4	✓	
Gender-Based Violence	1	✓	✓
Technology & Innovation	2		

## We need bold gender data commitments to make gender equality real.

Governments, donors, civil society and the private sector must commit to:



Collect & disaggregate gender data



Fund gender data gaps



Use gender data for policymaking



Share best practices



Increase accountability for gender data

### Notes:

- Gender data is data that is disaggregated by sex, and reflects gender issues, including roles, relations and inequalities. It can be both quantitative and qualitative, and collection methods account for stereotypes, social norms, and other factors that may introduce bias.
- Information on SDG data coverage per the United Nations' [The Sustainable Development Goals Report 2020](#). Further information on financing cited from Data2X and Open Data Watch's May 2021 report, [State of Gender Data Financing 2021](#).
- For draft Action Coalition blueprints released during the Mexico City Forum, see [Action Coalitions: A Global Acceleration Plan for Gender Equality](#). For sample commitments, see [Action Coalitions: Commitments Handbook](#).
- Data2X assessed each commitment for gender data relevancy using two criteria: 1) producing, using, or financing gender data is an explicit commitment focus; or 2) gender data is mentioned in any action steps outlined. This meant that certain commitments without the word data still counted as data-relevant, and that not all commitments under a "Data and Accountability" tactic necessarily met the criteria.