

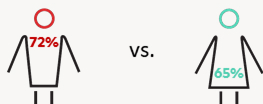
REDUCING THE GENDER GAP IN FINANCIAL INCLUSION



The number of women in the world with access to a bank account is increasing



However, that growth is not keeping pace with the number of men owning accounts



These countries have made the most progress in closing the financial inclusion gender gap:



Albania



Bahrain



Brazil



Columbia



Guatemala



Indonesia




Italy



Malta

What did they do differently? They saw increases in women's labor force participation



Our analysis found that a
of **10** percentage
points in the labor force
participation gap correlates to
an  in financial inclusion
equity by as much as **6**
percentage points



Increasing and maintaining a woman's involvement in the workforce can help her sustain her income and improve her access to financial tools



Research has shown that financial inclusion and labor force participation are mutually reinforcing



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