Gender data helps to inform smart development policy. This briefing provides key indicators for Kiribati which help in monitoring gender equality and designing effective policy interventions. The arrows indicate longer term progress on outcomes from a base year, while the color coded elements compare the latest gender data in Kiribati with its regional peers.

Click the measures below to explore the World Bank Gender Data Portal.
Women, Business and the Law (WBL) 2023 presents an index covering 190 economies, structured around the life cycle of a working woman. In total, 35 questions are scored across eight indicators. Kiribati scores 76.3 out of 100, while the regional average across East Asia and Pacific is 75.

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A Closer Look at Gender Equality in Kiribati

Despite some progress, gender gaps, gender-based violence, and disadvantageous social norms facing women and girls persist, and gains in human capital of women and girls remain untapped. Turning human capital investments into economic gains means addressing multiple barriers to women's economic empowerment, including improving their voice and agency.

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Unpacking the Numbers in Kiribati

54 percent
A girl born today will be 54 percent as productive as if she enjoyed full education, health, and employment (2020)

9 in 50
18 percent of women ages 20 to 24 were first married by age 18 (2019)

17 percent
17 percent of married women ages 15 to 49 report not having access to contraceptives (2019)

14 times
Men hold 14 times as many seats in the national parliament as women (2021)

3.3 children
Women in Kiribati will on average have 3.3 children in their lifetimes (2020)

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Women, Business and the Law: This portal includes reports, data, and news on the laws and regulations that affect women’s economic opportunity.

The WBG Gender Strategy update (FY24-FY30): This page summarizes research and evidence feeding into WBG’s new gender strategy.

World Bank Gender Data Portal: This open data tool shares the latest statistics and research to improve understanding and inform policy choices.

EAP Gender Innovation Lab: This page features policy research by the GIL, evaluating innovative solutions to close priority gender gaps in the region.