

Sahel Women's Empowerment and Demographic Dividend Project (SWEDD) — Mali

Gender Equality · Good practice · Mali

Quality score: 89/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

SWEDD (World Bank/UNFPA) in Mali: safe spaces, midwife deployment, husbands' clubs and school-retention support since 2015. Girls' dropout in project areas fell 53%→2% (2016–19); women's monthly income rose \$5→\$110 (2014–20); 15 midwife practices, 7,900 bicycles since 2019.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	3/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	1/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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