

WE WOMEN CHILE 2024

INTRODUCTION

Within the framework of the global campaign We The Women, an initiative of the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, Amina J. Mohammed, Women Rise for All, UN Chile joined in the recognition of the transformative leadership of women and girls in the fulfillment of the Sustainable Development Goals, and the need to amplify their voice to make it heard at the Summit of the Future to be held during the General Assembly in September.

This report systematizes the issues addressed in the dialogues related to global challenges for the coming years. Some of the reports were sent directly to the international platform. The results of the local version of the online survey are contained in Annex I.

The opinions collected, both in the dialogues and in the survey carried out in Chile, will be delivered to the office of the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, Amina J. Mohammed, as well as to the Government of Chile, through the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Vice Minister of Women and Gender Equity. They will also serve as input for the work of the UN Country Team in Chile.

AN INTERGENERATIONAL ENCOUNTER

Chile carried out the local version of the **We The Women campaign**, between 29 May and 24 June 24. During the period, an online survey and seven face-to-face dialogues were carried out that convened around 300 women and girls

The Ambassadors of Morocco and Germany in Chile, together with the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations System, launched the initiative at the residence of the Embassy of Morocco. The 19 women, between 17 and 78 years old, participants in this first conversation, committed to disseminate the survey and replicate the intergenerational dialogues with their base groups putting the table for 10 people around a coffee table to have a non-formal setting with a semi structured discussion based on the key questions on the survey. We called it convening "A coffee for 10".

The diversity of ages, life and work experiences increased the richness of the exchange. The girls and women who participated in the dialogue are students, diplomats, social and environmental activists and human rights defenders, business, journalists, artists, and academics. Some of them are active public figures, others are interested in engaging and enthusiastically participated to share views with women and girls that they do not normally interact with.

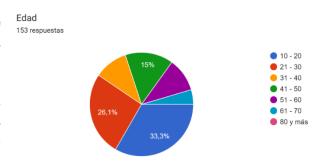


In all consultations, a climate of trust and enthusiasm for discussing the proposed topics was immediately generated. There is also a sense of urgency and a clear request to close the gap between declarative proposals and concrete actions, so there is great expectation about the outcomes of the Summit of the Future to be held in September 2024, in New York.

"I don't dream of more conventions, but of them becoming effective"

The closing of the **We The Women** in Chile campaign, on June 24, brought together about 150 women and girls at the La Moneda Cultural Center in Santiago. The final dialogue was led by the Vice Foreign Minister Gloria de la Fuente and the Vice Minister for Women and Gender Equality, Luz Vidal, as well as the Resident Coordinator of UN Chile, Maria Jose Torres. The results of the dialogues, the graphics that illustrate the survey attest the energy that was created around the dialogues and allowed for interesting proposals. Women and girls also called for continued participation so that the voice of women is heard.

Figure 1. The last dialogue We The Women held at La Moneda Cultural Center had a great turnout, with an important representation of women between 17 and 30 years old, high school and university students, territorial leaders, young professionals, indigenous leaders, women and girls with disabilities.



In a clear intergenerational commitment, the final dialogue achieved a broad participation of girls and young women, women with disabilities, indigenous women, as well as professional women and leaders of their sectors. We also highlight the support and enthusiasm of the women of the diplomatic service of Chile, as well as of the Ambassadors accredited in the country.

MAIN MESSAGES OF THE DIALOGUE IN CHILE

From Chile we rescue a feeling of connection of women and girls in different parts of the world, showing that local issues are also global issues. Despite the fact that there are data and statistics that monitor SDG 5, there is still a lack of awareness of the particular needs of women with disabilities, indigenous women, migrant women, older women, low-income women, and those who are not organized.

Through the conversations, it was noted that women shape their communities, their countries and are a force for peacebuilding. Despite this ability to generate positive change,



they feel exposed and alone as they assume positions of more power. For this reason, from Chile, it is proposed to make an effort to promote intergenerational alliances to promote intergenerational solidarity, as well as ending ageism and sexism.

"If we are diverse, and diversity enriches us, solidarity allows us to build a more just society"

In a world in turmoil and with unclear priorities, women from Chile are asking for the reform of the international system to bring hope. We must break with the feeling that we are failing from the multilateral and global system to respond to the problems of our time. It is recognized that overcoming the multiple crises that affect countries and societies, whether those linked to human mobility, humanitarian crises or the climate crisis, requires solutions within the multilateral framework. In the same way, to successfully combat these multiple crises and in particular in the face of the imperative need to overcome the logic of war, it is necessary to open the decision-making space to women and girls. But quality political participation that includes women requires an approach to disinformation and in this effort the gender perspective is key.

"Feminist foreign policy is an opportunity for the international community, in multilateral relations. The application of this policy is significant for Chile to extrapolate it to the world."

Finally, an urgent call is made to make decisions since there is a regression on the basic rights of women both in terms of political participation, participation in economic life, in the exercise of sexual and reproductive rights or in access to positions of power. The dialogues propose to rescue the centrality of the development agenda based on the SDGs, and human rights, considering that gender equality is an accelerator of the sustainable development of all societies.

"I am afraid of going backwards, not only at the political level, but also but also, on basic and reproductive rights."

MAIN THEMES IDENTIFIED

I. Education: Education is seen as key to inclusion and development. Inclusive education is seen as a crucial tool to combat gender stereotypes and promote equality from an early age. The participants highlighted the importance of an education that is not only accessible, but also integrates a gender perspective into its curriculum. It was also stressed that education is essential for women to break traditional barriers and access



leadership positions in various areas. The conversation also highlighted the need for a **comprehensive education**, focusing on the personal and emotional development of students. The importance of promoting critical and creative thinking was mentioned by ensuring work with children

- II. Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: The need to promote women's leadership at all levels of society was emphasized. In this framework, gender equality was identified as a key priority for the international community. It was highlighted that gender parity is essential not only for the progress of women, but also for the sustainable development of societies as a whole.
- III. Health and Well-being: Participants underscored the importance of addressing mental health from a preventive, rather than just reparative perspective, especially in school and community contexts. Access to quality health services and the protection of women's sexual and reproductive rights was identified as a crucial issue. Participants discussed the need for policies and programs that ensure these rights and provide access to essential services for all women.
- IV. Climate Change and Environment: Climate change and its impact on communities, especially indigenous communities, was a central concern. Participants advocated for greater inclusion of gender perspectives in environmental policies and stressed the importance of addressing the consequences of climate change from a gender perspective. It is proposed that environmental policies consider gender differences and ensure that women are an integral part of the solution to environmental problems.
- V. Violence and Security: Gender-based violence, especially in conflict contexts, was a constant concern in the discussions. The need to implement policies and programs that protect women and girls in these situations was highlighted. In addition, safety and non-violence were identified as priorities in non-conflict contexts, underscoring the importance of creating safe environments for women and girls and addressing gender-based violence in a comprehensive and effective manner.
- VI. Intersectionality and Diversity: The importance of considering intersectionality in gender discussions was highlighted. Participants discussed how different identities and contexts, such as age, ethnicity, and sexual orientation, affect women's experiences and should be considered in policies and programs. In particular, the importance of ensuring universal accessibility and providing targeted support to indigenous populations, recognizing their specific needs and perspectives, was highlighted.



CONCLUSIONS

The qualitative analysis of the dialogues carried out within the framework of the **We The Women** in Chile initiative highlights the concerns and aspirations of women and girls in the country. Mainly underlining the importance of education, gender equality, health and well-being, climate change, violence and security, intersectionality and diversity.

- Reach plausible international agreements regarding the condemnation, monitoring and execution of agreements and conventions on the protection of the ecosystem, human rights and systematic injustice, ceasefires and prevention and reparation in the face of armed conflicts, etc.
- ∠ Do not repeat the same mistakes of the past, do not forget history.
- ∠ Reparations to countries that have been exploited by the global north.

The priorities highlighted by the participating women and girls reflect a comprehensive view of global challenges and opportunities and provide a roadmap for action by the international community in the coming years, including a real inclusion of women in decision-making at the local and international levels.

It can be concluded that, by addressing the priorities mentioned above, effectively, progress can be made towards a more equitable and just world, with real inclusion of all women.



ANNEX I

ONLINE SURVEY WE THE WOMEN - CHILE

Introduction

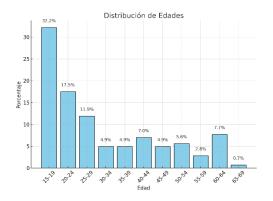
This report presents an analysis of the data collected in the online survey **We The Women** conducted by UN Chile, between June 5 and 26, 2024, a period in which 148 responses were received.

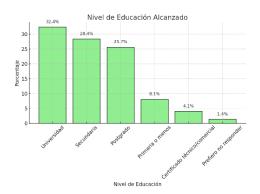
Demographic Information

To better understand the results, it's important to know where the answers are coming from. The following figures show the demographic characteristics of those who responded to the survey.

Figure 2: Age distribution of participants

Figure 3: Participants' level of education





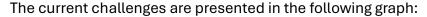
Most of the respondents live in urban areas of Chile and are not the mother or guardian of any child under 17 years of age (17.6% are).

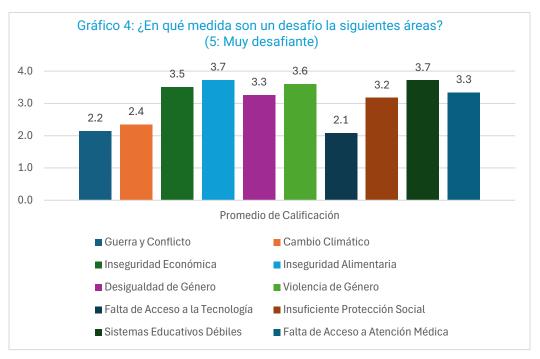
ANALYSIS:

Current challenges

Analysis of the data shows that the main challenges facing women today include economic insecurity, food insecurity, and gender-based violence. These three factors received the highest ratings in terms of impact on their daily lives.



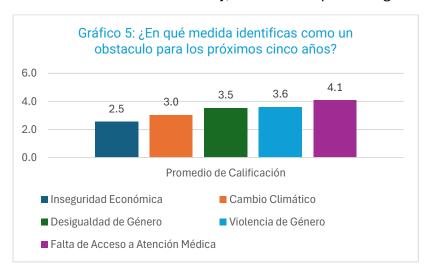




Obstacles in the Next 5 Years

When asked about obstacles that could impede their progress over the next five years, women identified lack of access to health care, gender-based violence and gender inequality as the most significant obstacles.

The high rating of these obstacles underscores the need for continued and improved measures to ensure women's health and safety, as well as to promote gender equality.



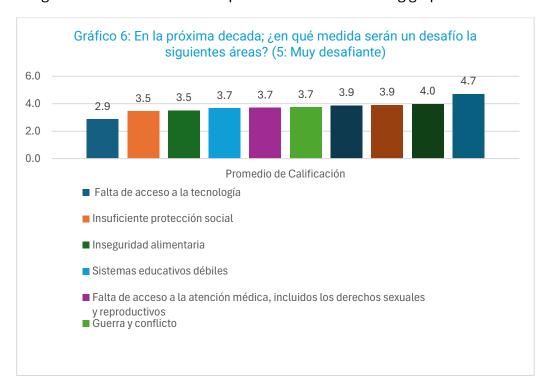


Future challenges in the next decade

Looking ahead, women anticipate that the most significant challenges in the next decade will be climate change, economic insecurity, and gender inequality. These areas received the highest ratings, indicating that concerns about the environment, economic stability, and equality will continue to be top of mind in the coming years.

Planning and policies must adapt to address these emerging challenges.

The challenges for the next decade are presented in the following graph:



Quality of life today compared to 5 years ago:



The survey also asked participants about their perception of today's quality of life compared to five years ago. The results indicate that most women feel that their quality of life has improved or remained the same, although a significant proportion expresses uncertainty or a perception of worsening.

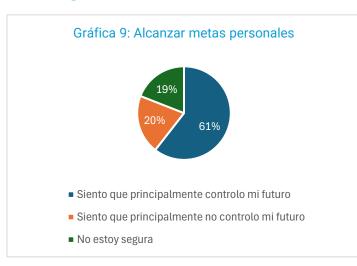


Quality of Life Expectancy Within 5 Years:



In terms of expectations for the future, most women surveyed expect their quality of life to improve in the next five years. However, there is a notable proportion of women who are unsure of what the future holds, reflecting a need for greater stability and security.

Achieving Personal Goals:



Finally, the women were asked about their perceived control over their personal goals. Most feel that they have control over their future, although a significant part express uncertainty or feel that they have no control. This underscores the importance of empowering women and providing them with the tools they need to achieve their goals.

General conclusions:

The results of this survey highlight a number of persistent and emerging challenges affecting women in Chile. Economic insecurity, gender-based violence and gender inequality are recurring issues that need immediate attention. In addition, lack of access to health care and climate change are major obstacles that could impede progress in the coming years. To improve women's quality of life and ensure their future well-being, it is crucial to implement comprehensive policies that address these issues in a holistic and sustained manner.



ANNEX II

ONE PAGER NOSOTRAS LAS MUJERES - CHILE





UN MOVIMIENTO GLOBAL

Nosotras las Mujeres se lanzó en los márgenes de la Cumbre los ODS de 2023 por la Vicesecretaria General de las Nacione Unidas, Amina J. Mohammed, y S.E. Svenja Schulze, Ministra Federal de Cooperación Económica y Desarrollo de Alemania.

"Espero que nuestro diálogo de hoy renueve nuestra energía para la tarea que tenemos por delante: dar forma a un mundo que funcione para todos. Eso solo será posible si tenemos a las mujeres en primera línea, iderando el camino y manteniendo viva la fuerza de la esperanza."



Trabajemos juntos para dar forma a una que ponga a las mujeres y niñas en el c

- Se está produciendo un documental corto para ilustrar las perspectivas de las mujeres.
- Se está curando una exposición de fotos para mostrar el liderazgo transformador de las mujeres.

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ANNEX III

PICTURES AND VIDEOS WE THE WOMEN DIALOGUES – CHILE



To see more photos, click <u>here</u>.



VIDEOS





To see more videos of the dialogues held in Chile, click on the $\underline{\text{link}}$.

