



Gender Budgeting in OECD Countries



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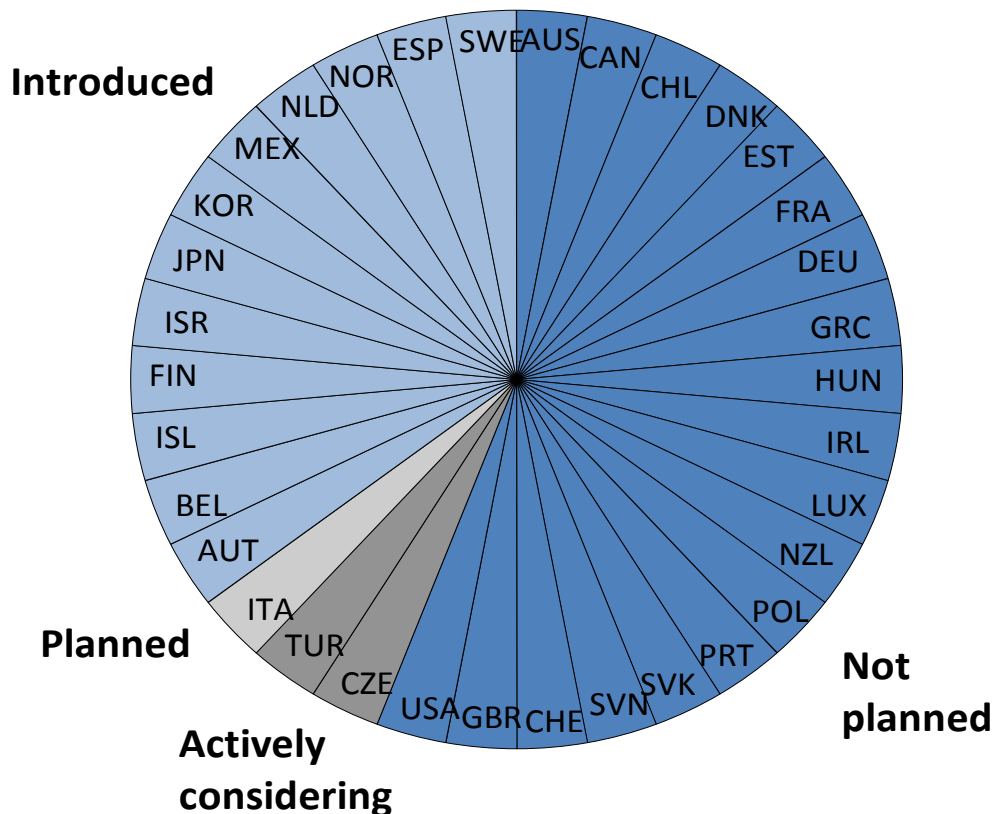
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- Gender budgeting in OECD countries
- OECD Gender Budgeting Toolkit



15 of 34 OECD countries do gender budgeting (or are planning / considering it)

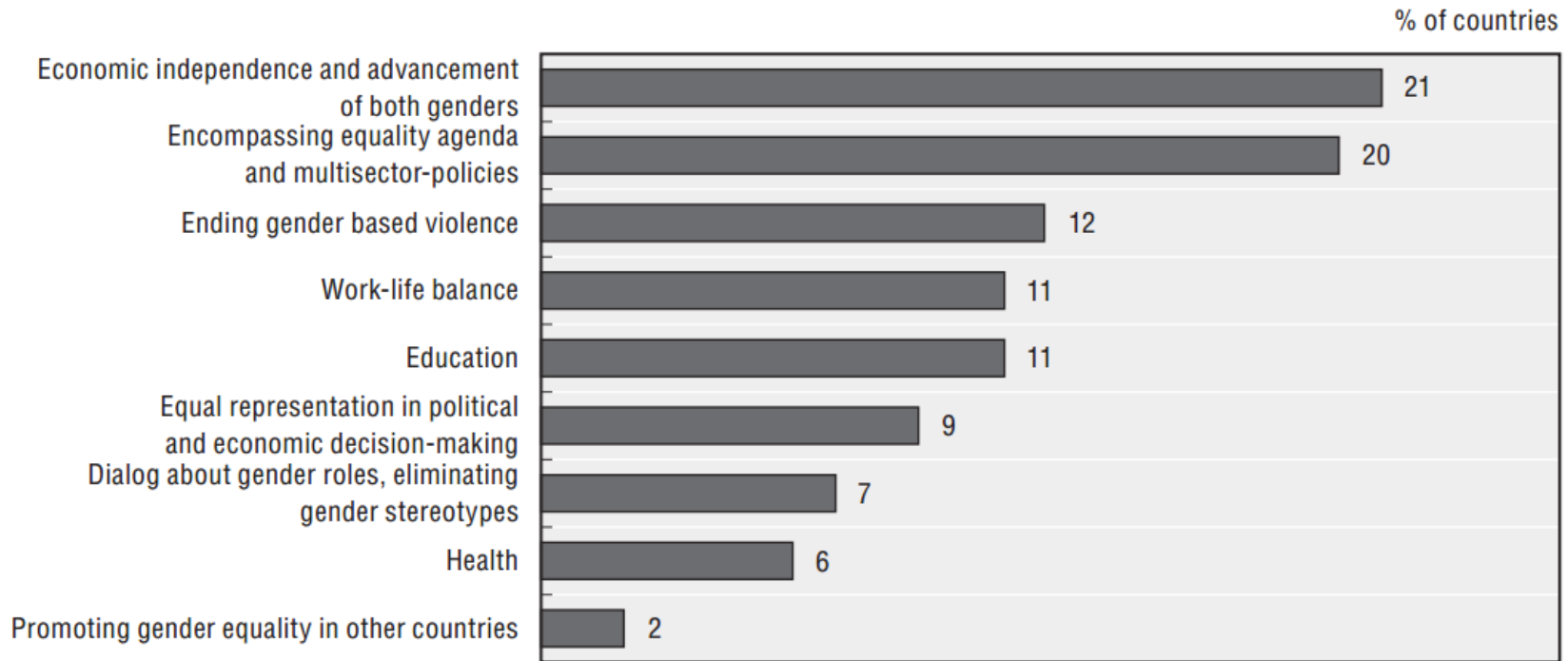
Status of gender budgeting





Majority of countries without GB still implement some form of gender-responsiveness into policy-making

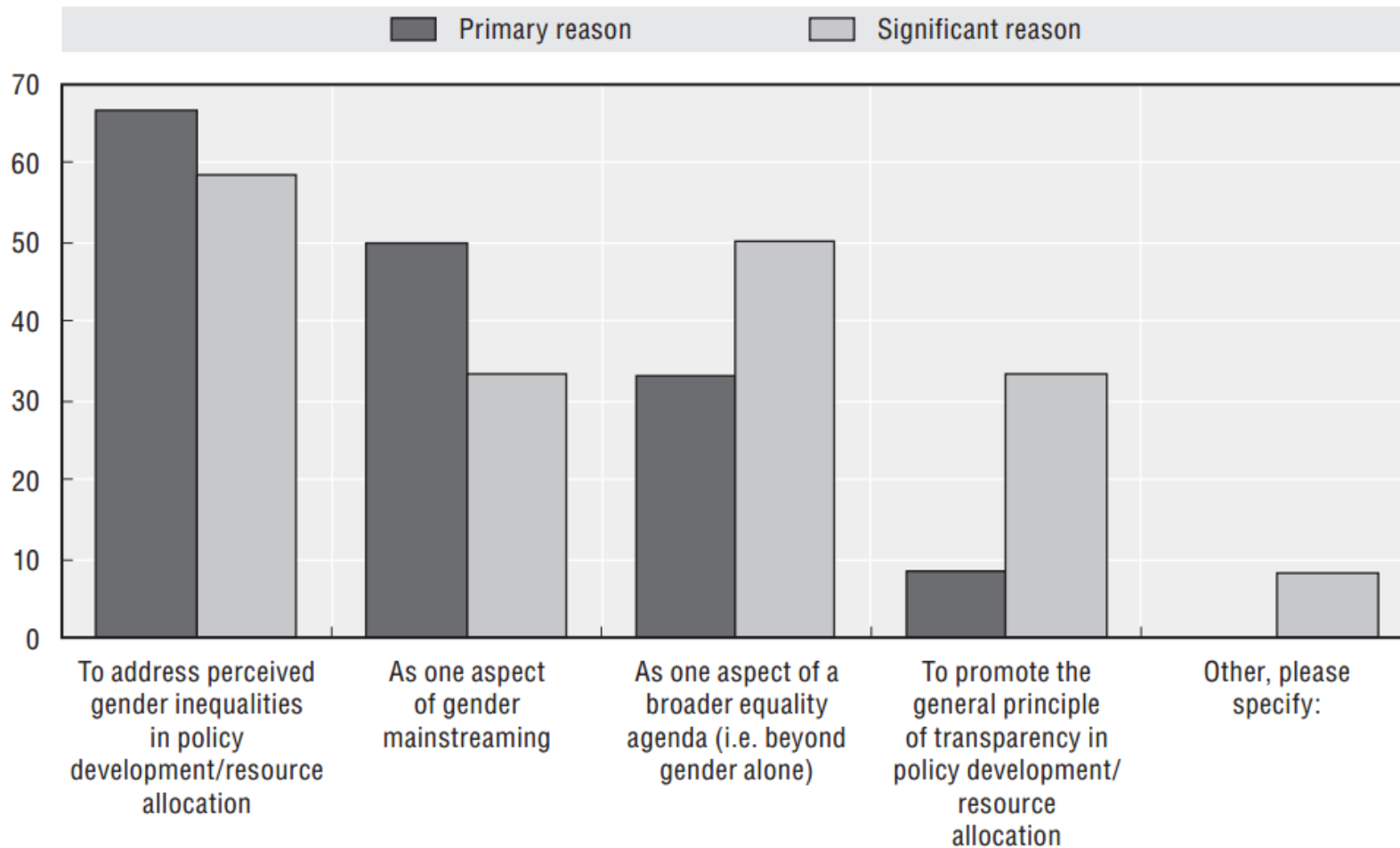
Number of broad policy areas with gender-responsive policies in OECD countries without gender budgeting





“Perceived gender inequalities” a predominant rationale for introducing Gender Budgeting

Relative importance of factors for introducing gender budgeting





Gender budgeting involves coordination from across government and beyond



“We like to bring together people from radically different fields and wait for the friction to produce heat, light and magic. Sometimes it takes a while.”

Key actors

Centre of government

- Ministry of Finance
- PM/President’s Office

Wider government

- Ministry of Equality
- Line Ministries
- Sub-central governments

Oversight institutions

- Parliament
- Audit Institution

Civil society

- Citizens
- Advocacy groups



Different approaches to leadership and coordination are observed across the OECD

Examples of centralised and decentralised leadership models



KOREA

The Ministry of Strategy and Finance has the main responsibility for gender budgeting.



GERMANY

Individual sector-based Ministries are fully responsible for gender equality policies within their areas of authority.



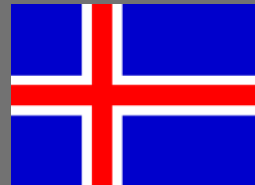
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Examples of coordinated gender budgeting leadership models



SPAIN

A gender budgeting working group consists of representatives from the Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality, the Office of the Secretary of State for Budgets and Expenditure and the Directorate General of Budgets.



ICELAND

The Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Equality work together to prepare a gender budgeting programme.



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Examples of external stakeholder involvement



MOROCCO

The Moroccan Government regularly communicates with civil society and stakeholders in relation to gender budgeting. Inter-agency groups exchange good practices, expert groups are asked for their advice, and there is a structured dialogue with civil society and other stakeholders.



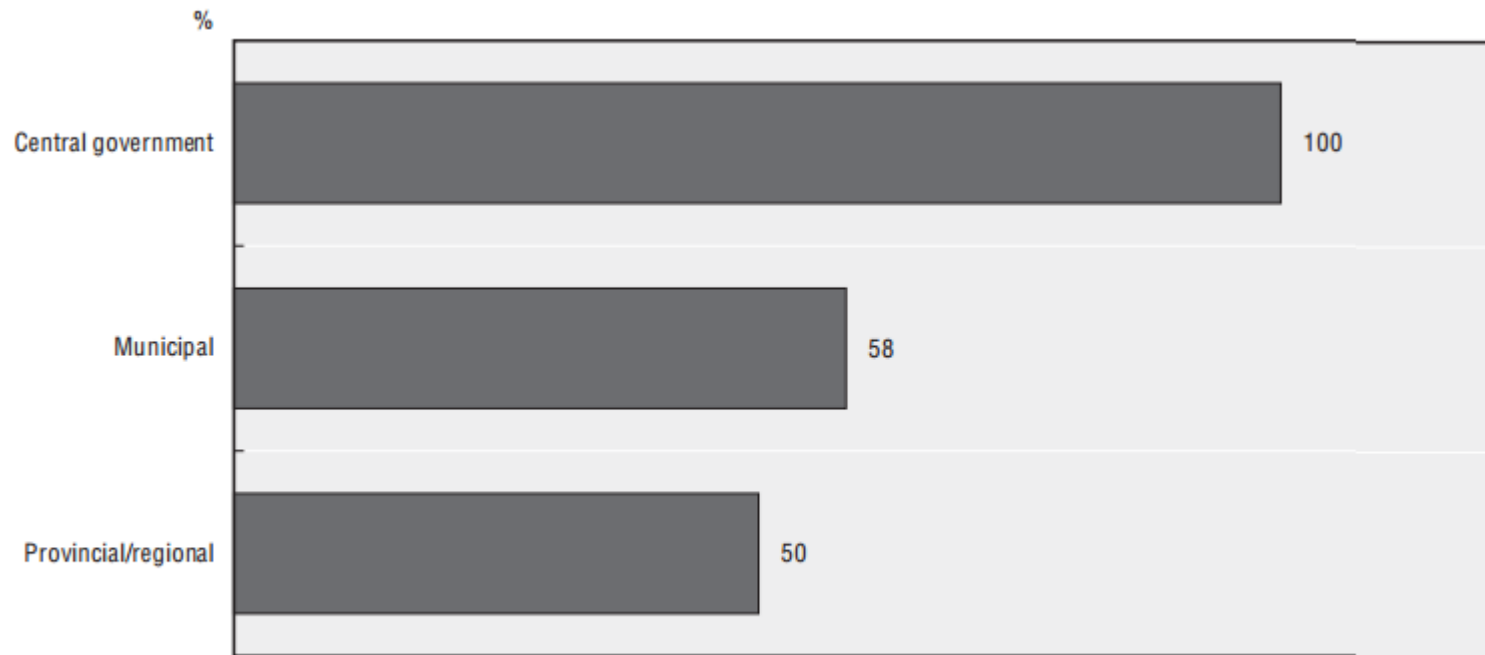
SWEDEN

Each year the Swedish Women's Lobby (an independent umbrella organisation for women's organisations in Sweden) analyse the state budget bill from a gender equality perspective.



Gender budgeting is applied at many levels of government

Relative importance of factors for introducing gender budgeting

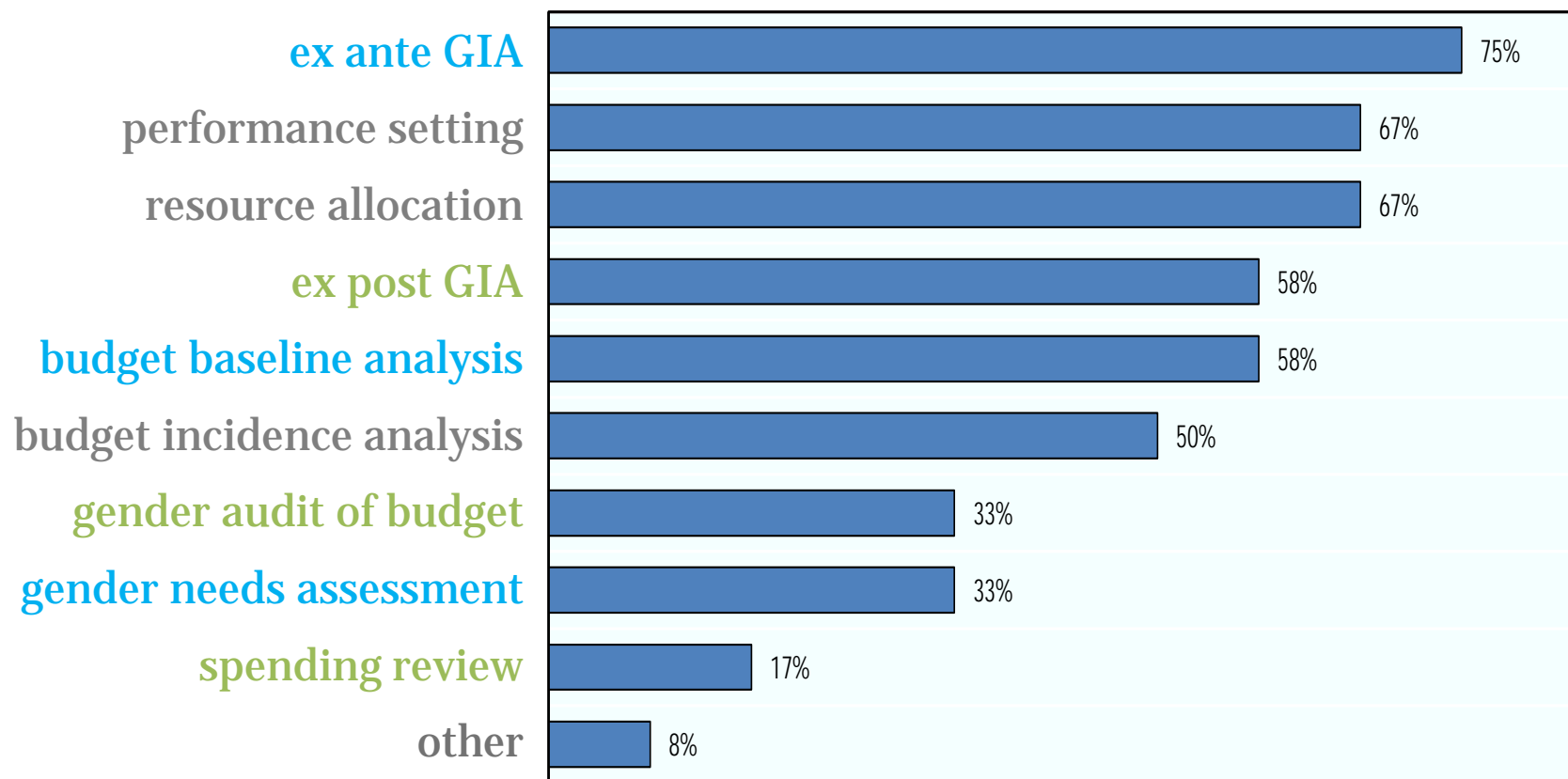


Source: 2016 OECD Survey of Gender Budgeting.



Multiple approaches to gender budgeting

Use of each gender budgeting tool among gender budgeting countries





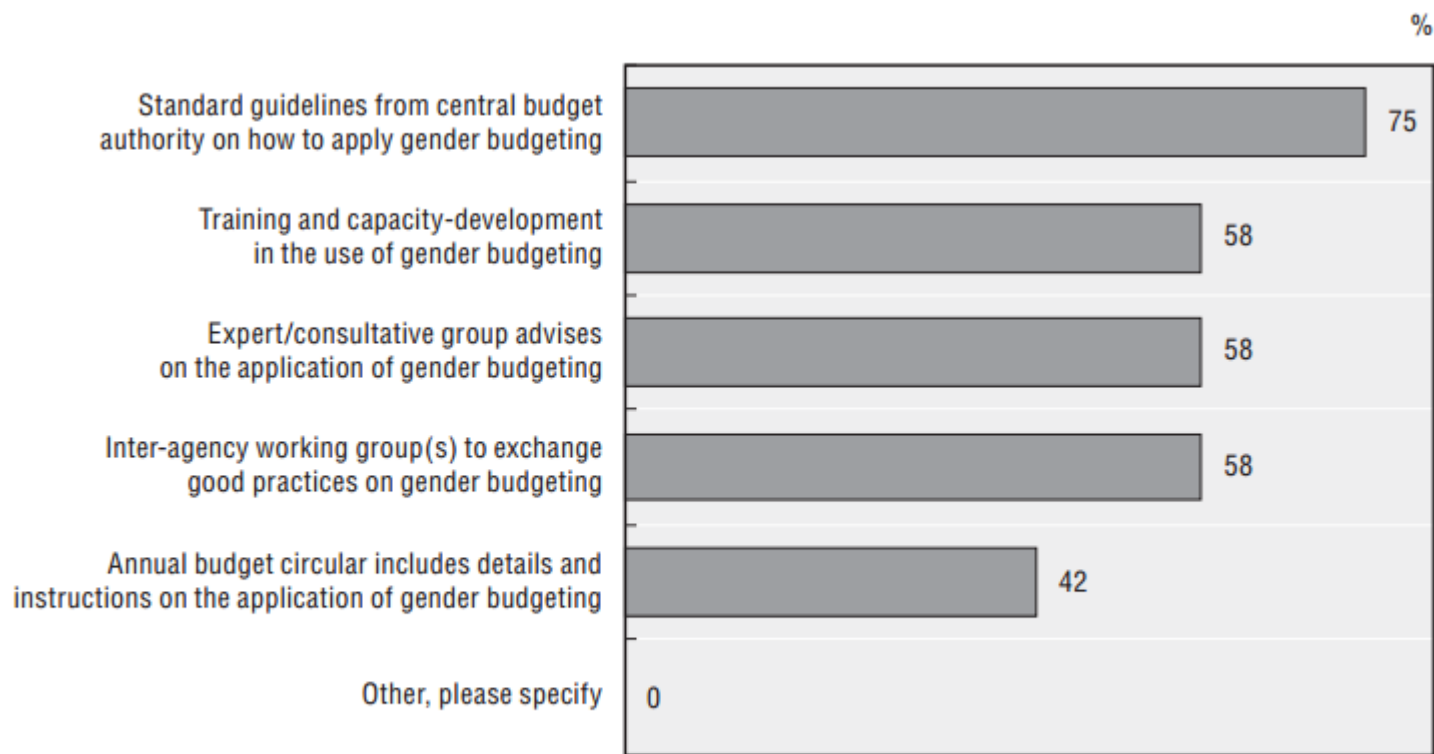
Three broad categories of gender budgeting

Gender budgeting categories		Use of gender budgeting tools								
		<i>Ex ante</i> gender impact assessment	Gender perspective in resource allocation	<i>Ex post</i> gender impact assessment	Gender perspective in performance setting	Gender perspective in spending review	Gender-related budget incidence analysis	Gender budget baseline analysis	Gender audit of the budget	Gender needs assessment
1) Gender-informed resource allocation	Belgium	■	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Japan	-	■	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Finland	-	■	-	■	-	-	-	-	-
2) Gender-assessed budgets	Iceland	■	■	■	■	-	-	■	-	-
	Israel	■	-	■	-	-	■	■	-	-
	Korea	-	■	-	■	■	-	■	-	-
	Spain	■	■	■	■	-	■	■	■	-
	Sweden	■	-	■	■	■	-	-	■	-
3) Needs-based gender budgeting	Austria	■	-	■	■	-	■	■	-	■
	Mexico	■	■	■	■	-	■	■	-	■
	Netherlands	■	■	■	■	-	■	■	■	■
	Norway	■	■	-	-	-	■	-	■	■



OECD countries support the implementation of gender budgeting in different ways

Administrative tools used to support the implementation of gender budgeting

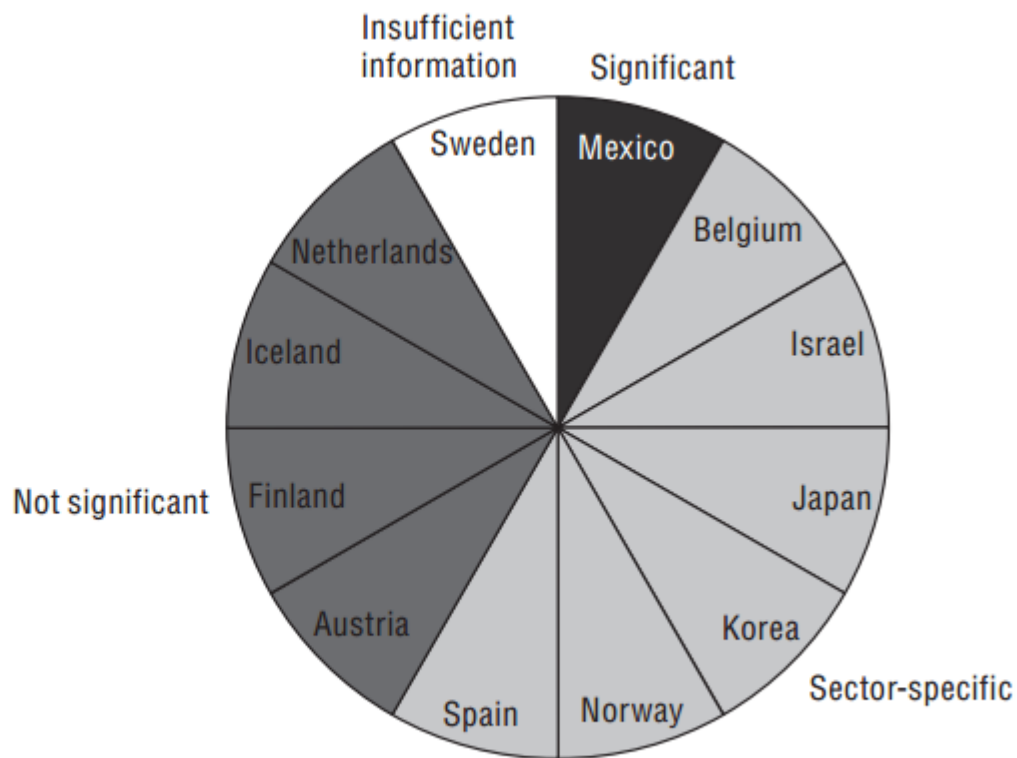


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More work needs to be done to prove the effectiveness of gender budgeting

Effectiveness of gender budgeting in policy development and resource allocation



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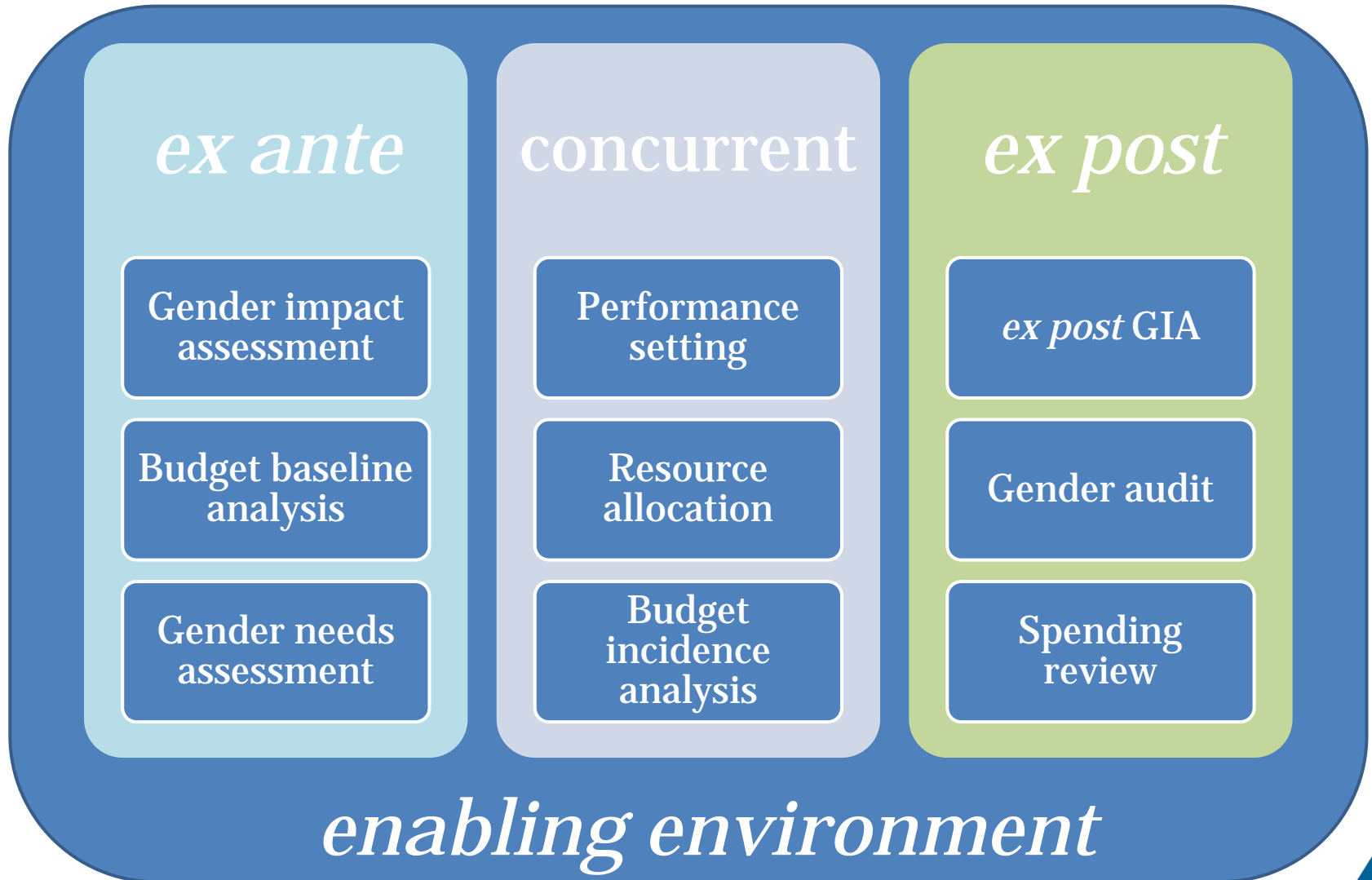
OECD Gender Budgeting Toolkit

- Being developed to guide the implementation of gender budgeting
- Identifies:
 - Key actions to consider
 - Pitfalls to avoid
- Highlights good practice examples from across the OECD





Elements of OECD Gender Budgeting Toolkit





Questions for discussion

- Are there any elements missing from the gender budgeting toolkit?
- Would you like to see more/less detail on individual gender budgeting tools?
- Do you have country examples that you would like to add to highlight good practice?



Thank you

