

BBVAMF Group Corporate Commitment to Women's Economic Empowerment











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We serve the most vulnerable people, especially women

Because of their impact on development and growth



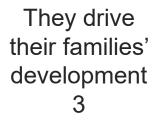






Because thinking specifically about them creates value

They are social and economic development agents



Key to achieve the 2030 Agenda 4







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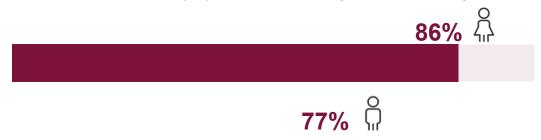
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Our strategic lines are aimed at improving the living conditions of the most vulnerable people, especially women.

Women are 57% of the entrepreneurs we serve, and 59% of our credit clients



86% are vulnerable (9 percentage points higher than men)38% live in poverty (12 percentage points higher than men)





Head single-parent households (which impacts the type of economic activity they choose to pursue, and its performance)

Women's economic inclusion has an impact on the development and the economic growth of countries.



25% increase in productivity if women's entrepreneurship capacity were equivalent to men's



If there were no labor participation gap or wage gap, women's income would increase by **76**%

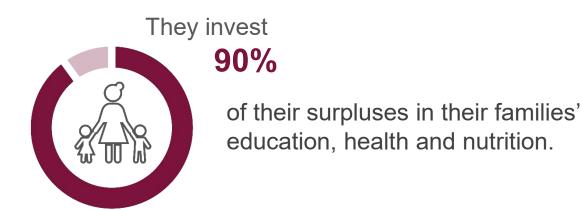
28 trillion dollars

Would be added to the 2025 annual GDP, in case the gender labor participation gap was closed

Equivalent to the sum of the US and Chinese economies



Women are cornerstones in the intergenerational progress: their economic autonomy impacts their families' wellbeing.



Their access to income helps erradicate poverty, and improve education, nutrition and health

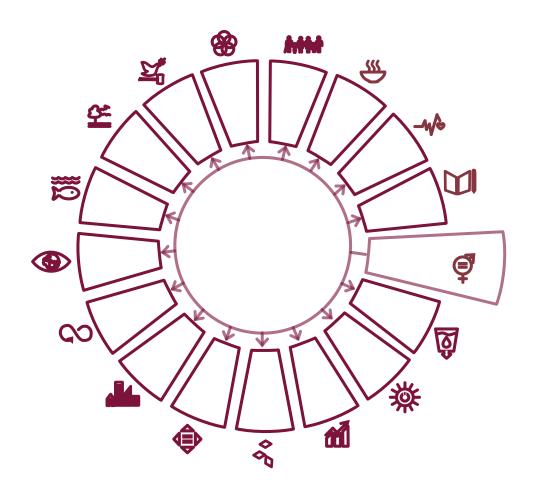


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Women's economic empowerment is essential to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

There is no sustainable development without gender equality, and without covering the critical social needs of 50% of the population

Gender equality impacts the 17 SDGs



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Poverty

for every 100 men in **extreme**poverty there are 113,3 women





Labor force

Only 47.7% are formally employed



Access to income

27.8% have no access to income (men with no income account for 12%)



If valued economically it would amount to 15.7% - 24.2% of Latin American GDP





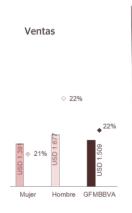
Financial exclusion

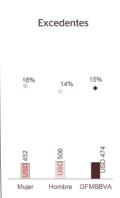
44.8% women in Latin America do not have a bank account

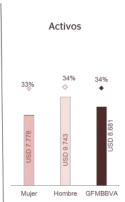
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Offering them access to resources and facilitating their decision-making process, turns them into social and economic development agents in their communities

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Their businesses accumulate assets at 33%, sales at 21% and surplus at 16%

29% of the female entrepreneurs cross their initial poverty line within their second year with us





Women are 7 out of 10 clients that overcame poverty in 2021

Thinking specifically about them creates value and is an essential part of our purpose: it is not just a matter of corporate social responsibility or "doing the right thing"

Outreach. Creating specific opportunities for female entrepreneurs in vulnerable conditions





Scale. Through their progress, new opportunities arise for the next generations

For every **10 women**, **7** are unsatisfied with the financial institutions and **8** believe that their needs are not understood



Our commitment



1

Create a value proposition tailored to the specific needs of female entrepreneurs

- Advance in the gender disaggregated data measurement and social performance by gender; measuring the economic gaps to inform our value proposition
- Design credit and saving products tailored to the different stages of women's life cycle that take into consideration all the obstacles they face
- Foster products and campaigns that respond to their needs
- Define microinsurance and specific types of assistance for them and their enterprises
- Design an offer that responds to the needs of rural women to strengthen their role in the fight against climate change
- Review internal policies that might constrain women's financial inclusion
- Offer skills training linked to their economic activities
- Facilitate their access to technology and services that could reduce the time they spend in unpaid domestic and care work
- Bridge the digital gender gap; improve their digital skills and facilitate the creation of supporting networks among them
- Forge alliances with their providers so they can reap the benefits for their enterprises

Our commitment



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Promote Internal Gender Equity

- Create a more inclusive and diverse working environment in all our Microfinance Institutions
- Endorse the UN Women Women's Empowerment Principles (WEPs)
- Sensitize all our staff regarding unconscious gender bias

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Advocacy

- Advocate for financial inclusion as a key element for women's economic empowerment
- Highlight the needs of vulnerable female entrepreneurs in Latin America
- Foster institutional alliances with the main international organizations that push for women's economic empowerment
- Play a part in the public-private initiatives that might exist in our footprint
- Share the **best practices** for women's economic empowerment and the stories of our female entrepreneurs



