

# Country-Level Data for Samoa country Outcome XM-DAC-41146-WSM\_D\_1.1

OUTCOME WSM\_D\_1.1 [XM-DAC-41146-WSM\\_D\\_1.1](#)

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## OUTCOME DETAILS

### SDG alignment



### Impact areas



Women's economic empowerment

### Organizational outputs



Norms, laws, policies and institutions



Access to services, goods and resources



Women's voice, leadership and agency

### Policy Marker

### Outcome Description

#### UN Partners

UNAIDS



UNDP



UNFPA

UNICEF

GENDER EQUALITY

**Humanitarian Scope**

No

**UN System Function**

Capacity development and technical assistance

RESOURCES

**\$2.18 M**

Planned Budget

**\$0.00**

Actual Budget

PLANNED BUDGET



OUTCOME INDICATOR AND RESULTS

PLAN PERIOD : **2023-2027**

OUTCOME WSM\_D\_1.1

B - Baseline

M - Milestones

T - Target

OUTCOME STATEMENT	INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
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		2023 (Milestone)	0	0
		2024 (Milestone)	1	-
		2025 (Milestone)	1	-
		2026 (Milestone)	1	-
		2027 (Target)	1	-

INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
SP_D_0.4.3	2022 (Baseline)	Yes	N/A
Number of countries where multi-sectoral systems, strategies or programs are implemented to advance women's equal access to and use of services, goods and/resources, including social protection (CO)	2023 (Milestone)	Yes	TRUE
	2024 (Milestone)	Yes	-
	2025 (Milestone)	Yes	-
	2026 (Milestone)	Yes	-
	• Complementary Indicator :	2027 (Target)	Yes

INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
SP_D_0.5.4	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
Level of influence of civil society organizations working on gender equality and women's empowerment, including women's organizations, in key normative, policy and peace processes (CO, RO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	1	n/a
	2024 (Milestone)	2	-
	2025 (Milestone)	2	-
	2026 (Milestone)	3	-
	2027 (Target)	3	-

INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
SP_D_0.7.7	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
Number of UN entities implementing disaster risk reduction, resilience or recovery initiatives with a focus on gender equality and women's empowerment (Desk Review)	2023 (Milestone)	0	-
	2024 (Milestone)	1	-
	2025 (Milestone)	1	-
	2026 (Milestone)	1	-
• Complementary Indicator :	2027 (Target)	1	-

## OUTPUT INDICATOR AND RESULTS

### OUTPUT WSM\_D\_1.1.1

OUTCOME STATEMENT	INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
Pacific women in the informal sector have increased skills, increased access to key resources (finances, technological tools) and services (including social assistance and social insurance) and business opportunities to advance their economic potentials, and adaptiveness in crises, with UN Women's support.	WSM_D_1.1.1A	2017 (Baseline)	24	N/A
	Number of women leaders, candidates and aspirants in Samoa with strengthened capacities to engage in political life, with UN Women's support (SP indicator 4.2)	2024 (Milestone)	-	-
		2025 (Milestone)	-	-
		2026 (Milestone)	-	-
		2027 (Target)	-	-

Planned Budget:

**\$1.20 M**



Actual Budget and Shortfall:

**\$0.00**

Shortfall: \$1.20 M



Expenses:

**\$0.00**

INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
SP_D_0.4.d	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
Number of women accessing information, goods, resources and/or services through UNW supported platforms and programs in humanitarian and development settings (CO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	20	366
	2024 (Milestone)	20	-
	2025 (Milestone)	20	-
	2026 (Milestone)	20	-
	2027 (Target)	20	-

INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
SP_D_0.5.e	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
Number of women and girls, including women and girls living with and/or affected by HIV, with increased capacities to participate in public life and exercise leadership (CO, RO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	3	16
	2024 (Milestone)	3	-
	2025 (Milestone)	3	-
	2026 (Milestone)	3	-
	2027 (Target)	3	-

**OUTPUT WSM\_D\_1.1.2**

OUTCOME STATEMENT	INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
Pacific women in the informal economy are equipped to effectively advocate for increased women's representation in decision-making mechanisms and processes, to ensure that their needs and priorities are addressed by state actors, with UN Women's support.	SP_D_0.5.c	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
	Number of dialogues, mechanisms, platforms and/or coalitions created and sustained that enable meaningful and safe participation and engagement by gender equality advocates and civil society organizations working on gender equality and women's empowerment, especially women's organizations, in decision-making (CO, RO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	3	2
		2024 (Milestone)	3	-
		2025 (Milestone)	3	-
		2026 (Milestone)	3	-
		2027 (Target)	3	-

Planned Budget:  
**\$391.00 K**



Actual Budget and Shortfall:  
**\$0.00**

Shortfall: \$391.00 K



Expenses:  
**\$0.00**

INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
SP_D_0.5.d	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
Number of civil society organizations working on gender equality and women's empowerment, especially women's organizations, that have strengthened capacity to exercise their leadership role towards the achievement of gender equality and women's empowerment (CO, RO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	0	3
	2024 (Milestone)	1	-
	2025 (Milestone)	2	-
	2026 (Milestone)	2	-
	2027 (Target)	2	-

### OUTPUT WSM\_D\_1.1.3

OUTCOME STATEMENT	INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
State and non-state actors including private sector, have increased awareness, technical support, skills and data, to design, implement and track gender-responsive policies, laws, strategies, and programmes to advance GEWE, through UN Women's support.	SP_D_0.1.e	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
	Number of partners that have increased capacities to advance gender equality and women's empowerment through national and/or local (multi) sectoral strategies, policies and/or action plans (CO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	2	2
		2024 (Milestone)	3	-
		2025 (Milestone)	3	-
		2026 (Milestone)	4	-
		2027 (Target)	5	-

Planned Budget:  
**\$422.00 K**

Actual Budget and Shortfall:  
**\$0.00**

Shortfall: \$422.00 K



INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
SP_D_0.1.h	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
Number of multi-stakeholder dialogue processes to promote engagement of governments with civil society and other partners to advance gender equality and women's empowerment (CO, RO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	2	1
	2024 (Milestone)	3	-
	2025 (Milestone)	3	-
	2026 (Milestone)	3	-
	2027 (Target)	3	-

Expenses:  
**\$0.00**

#### OUTPUT WSM\_D\_1.1.4

OUTCOME STATEMENT	INDICATOR STATEMENT	YEAR	BMTS	REPORTED RESULT
Pacific women have increased access to disaster resilient facilities and operating systems to support their economic empowerment and resilience to disaster risks, with UN Women's support.	SP_D_0.4.a	2022 (Baseline)	0	N/A
	Number of institutions with strengthened capacities to improve the provision of essential services, goods and/or resources for women (CO, RO, HQ)	2023 (Milestone)	1	2
		2024 (Milestone)	2	-
		2025 (Milestone)	3	-
		2026 (Milestone)	4	-
		2027 (Target)	5	-

Planned Budget:  
**\$1.29 M**



Actual Budget and Shortfall:  
**\$0.00**

Shortfall: \$1.29 M





Expenses:  
**\$0.00**

## STRATEGIC NOTE OUTCOME PROGRESS NOTE

SHOWING DATA OF : 2023

**By 2027, more people, especially those at risk of being left behind, contribute to and benefit from sustainable, resilient, diversified, inclusive and human-centred socio-economic systems with decent work and equal livelihoods opportunities, reducing inequalities and ensuring shared prosperity [PCF Strategic Priority 3: Prosperity]**

This outcome is on track. In 2023, efforts to enhance the organization of Market Vendors Associations (MVAs) in marketplaces across Samoa and to bolster the capacity of market vendors and duty bearers became paramount. Collaborative partnerships between the interim MVAs, market administrators, and the Ministry of Women, Community, and Social Development (MWCSD) underscore a steadfast commitment to advancing decent work and equal livelihood opportunities while nurturing social cohesion within vendor communities. Rooted in a human-centered approach, these endeavors in Samoa's informal economic sector champion fairness, inclusivity, and empowerment for all stakeholders, laying a sturdy groundwork for the resilience and sustainability of marketplaces and the overall socio-economic landscape. The establishment and impending formalization of the first three interim Market Vendors Associations (MVAs) in Samoa, coupled with the increased representation of women in leadership positions, epitomize a human-centered approach to economic development. This transformation marks a paradigm shift in market dynamics, providing organized bodies to represent and advocate for women in the informal sector for the first time in Samoa. Prioritizing the needs, voices, and agency of women market vendors, these initiatives foster community, advocacy, and inclusivity, progressively contributing to building a more sustainable and resilient market ecosystem. By organizing themselves into associations, market vendors have gained collective bargaining power, enabling them to advocate for their interests more effectively and address marketplace challenges. This collective strength is essential for promoting sustainable practices and ensuring the long-term viability of the market ecosystem. Furthermore, the appointment of 16 women in leadership positions within interim Market Vendors Associations, representing 90 per cent of total positions, signals a shift in behavior—a departure from conventional practices where women vendors were formerly passive participants in the informal market economy. Diversified representation brings a broader range of perspectives, ideas, and strategies to address the needs and challenges faced by different groups within the informal sector, fostering inclusivity and innovation. By empowering women vendors to take on leadership roles and advocate for their interests, the socio-economic system in Samoa is progressively becoming more inclusive and equitable. Additionally, vendors now actively engage in decision-making and advocacy roles, increasingly influencing the determination of their own development outcomes through newly created platforms such as the Market Vendors Forum and the Project Working Committee. These initiatives have opened new pathways for increased women's voice and agency for decent work and equal livelihood opportunities. Institutions are recognizing the economic potential of women market vendors in

Samoa, marking a change from traditional practices that overlooked or undervalued women's contributions. This potential is being realized through the capacitating of 102 women market vendors with enhanced business knowledge and skills. Acquiring skills in record-keeping, costing, pricing, marketing, finance, and technology, the women are transitioning from traditional financial practices to more informed and strategic business management and increased financial decision-making. This empowering process enables women market vendors to shape their economic futures and improve their livelihoods according to their aspirations and needs. Additionally, 61 women are transitioning their market vending businesses from informal to formal structures—signifying a recognition of the importance of formalization procedures and the need for compliance and efficiency in business operations. This progress in formalization procedures grants vendors access to legal protections, financial services, and market opportunities previously unavailable in the informal sector, thereby enhancing the sustainability and viability of their enterprises. Furthermore, the focus on capacitating women market vendors and enabling them to make informed financial decisions lies at the core of a human-centered approach. It acknowledges their agency and capabilities within the economic system, empowering them to shape their own economic futures and improve their livelihoods according to their aspirations and needs. A total of 366 women market vendors (rural, urban, semi-urban) across 3 markets in Samoa were reached to access information, education, key resources (finances, technological tools), services (including health and social assistance), and protective goods to advance their economic potentials and adaptiveness in crisis. This achievement has been made possible through a shift in the approach of service providers, who are now focusing on facilitating access and removing barriers. In 2023, two national service providers undertook immersive initiatives in financial and health services, embodying a human-centered service provision model. These initiatives involved stationing service providers at the markets for extended periods, departing from conventional finance and healthcare delivery methods. Instead, they adopted a proactive approach to enhance financial and health awareness and accessibility for vendors, making resources more accessible and effective, prioritizing the comfort and convenience of women market vendors. These targeted efforts provided a diverse range of services, products, and information tailored to address the specific challenges faced by women market vendors. One such challenge was the vendors' inability to spare time to visit service providers due to their marketing priorities. By providing access to essential healthcare services and skill-building opportunities, MVAs empower women to take control of their health and economic well-being, thereby enhancing their income security and economic autonomy. For the first time, market administrators in Samoa have gained an understanding of the vulnerabilities of markets to disasters and climate change. Comprehensive disaster risk assessments conducted are contributing to the shifts in behavior and attitudes towards disaster resilience at the markets, which have been sustained through a series of training in response to the assessment findings, empowering market vendors and community-based volunteers with life-saving skills. Collaborative efforts made between market administrators and nearby villages are, also for the first time, promoting occupational health and safety with a commitment to inclusive community involvement and cultural sensitivity. Local government representatives, marketplace duty bearers, and key stakeholders have experienced a transformative shift in their approach to development after training on Gender-Responsive Infrastructure where they gained valuable knowledge and insights, recognizing the pivotal importance of integrating gender considerations into construction and infrastructure design. This shift signifies a profound change in their mindset, actively embracing and prioritizing gender-responsive development. This change has become a catalyst for re-evaluating the foundations of development. Institutions and individuals are proactively reshaping their thinking to conscientiously prioritize the inclusivity and safety of women and girls in infrastructure development, marking a significant step towards a more gender-inclusive and safety-conscious approach to development. In parallel, the installation of CCTV cameras in markets represents a human-centered approach to enhancing security and surveillance, particularly benefiting women and girls. Prioritizing the safety and well-being of individuals within the market environment, this initiative instills a sense of security and trust, creating a more conducive and welcoming atmosphere for vendors and patrons alike.