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## **BUSINESS OWNERS**

COMPARED TO THE SHARE OF WOMEN IN ADULT POPULATION, THE GAP FOR FEMALE BUSINESS OWNERS IS THE BIGGEST IN AFGHANISTAN.

Gap between the share of women in adult population and the share of women in the number of business owners (percentage points)





Greece Saudi Arabia

Malta

Germany Oman

Denmark

Italy Bahrain



#### LOW income economies





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### **BUSINESS DIRECTORS**

COMPARED TO THE SHARE OF WOMEN IN ADULT POPULATION, THE GAP FOR FEMALE BUSINESS DIRECTORS IS THE BIGGEST IN SOMALIA.

Gap between the share of women in the adult population and the share of women in the number of business directors (Percentage points)



OF NEW BUSINESS DIRECTORS ON AVERAGE ARE WOMEN

Share of **female** business directors

Share of **male** business directors

#### HIGH income economies



#### **MIDDLE income economies**



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## SOLE PROPRIETORS

ONLY IN A FEW ECONOMIES, THE SHARE OF FEMALE SOLE PROPRIETORS IS SIMILAR TO THE SHARE OF WOMEN IN THE ADULT POPULATION.

Gap between the share of women in the adult population and the share of women in the number of sole proprietors (Percentage points)



#### OF NEW SOLE PROPRIETORS ON AVERAGE ARE WOMEN

Share of **female** sole proprietors

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Share of female business owners

Share of female business directors

Share of female sole proprietors

#### OVERALL RULE OF LAW

The higher the rule of law in an economy, the higher the share of female entrepreneurs



The relationships are significant at the 1% level, after controlling for income per capita.

#### REGULATORY QUALITY

The higher the regulatory quality, the higher the share of female entrepreneurs



The relationships are significant at the 10% level after controlling for income per capita.

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### CORRUPTION AND TRANSPARENCY

The higher the transparency, the higher the share of female entrepreneurs



The relationships are siginificant at the 5% level, after controlling for income per capita.

#### LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR FEMALE ENTREPRENEURS

The higher the equality in the law between men and women, the higher the share of female entrepreneurs



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## FINANCIAL INCLUSION

The higher the access to financial accounts, the higher the share of female entrepreneurs



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#### **EDUCATION** The higher the level of education, the higher the share of female entrepreneurs Share of female business owners and female sole proprietors 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 0 20 40 60 80 100

Education - Women 25 years and older, IHME database

The relationships are significant at the 10% level after controlling for income per capita.

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