

GENDER IN FIGURES

# Who called it work-life balance?

People in part-time jobs in order to care for dependants, by sex and number of children

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Being a parent requires energy, work and money. The figures on part-time work show how this responsibility is unevenly spread between men and women. In Europe, three times more women than men have part-time jobs, and this gap widens worryingly when children arrive. Paradoxically, the number of men in part-time work tends to shrink (albeit only slightly) when they become parents, widening the disparity in pay and family responsibilities.

The figures support our understanding of motherhood as a key factor in pushing women into economic precariousness, due to the uneven distribution of paid work and unpaid household work.

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