

GENDER IN FIGURES

# Economic independence at risk?

Non-student population with individual income below the poverty line, by sex and age

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Over half of people under 29, both men and women, have individual income levels below the poverty line, making it impossible for them to live alone (set up a single-person household) with a minimum level of well-being. From age 30 onwards, however, the gender gap widens. Furthermore, as people get older, women are more likely to have insufficient income to live independently, while the reverse is true for men: the older they are, the more likely they are to have sufficient income to live alone.

Although most homes are not single-person households, the most common being that of an adult man and an adult woman living together, the risk of becoming economically vulnerable is different for individuals who have sufficient income of their own and those who do not. The freedom to choose is seriously compromised, in particular for older women.

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