**Key Issue 2: Why Does Development Vary by Gender?**

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1. Define ***Gender Inequality Index (GII)***:
2. The GII considers what **three** areas as it compares the situation of women to that of men in various countries?
3. Where are the highest GII’s?
4. Where are GII’s the lowest?
5. Explain **empowerment**
6. What two indicators are measured to calculate the empowerment dimension of the GII?
7. What is the Female Labor Force Participation Rate?
8. Use Figure 9-18 to answer the following questions:
   1. What region(s) see the highest numbers of women in the national legislature?
   2. What is that percentage?
   3. What is the percentage in the US?
9. Why does the UN include reproductive health as a contributor to GII?
10. What has been the trend in gender inequality since the 1990s?
11. What regions have shown the greatest improvement?
12. Where does the US rank in GII? Explain why.