



Women in Science and Engineering in the EU: Where Do They Work and How Is Their Presence Evolving?

Data by sector (2023) with a gender perspective.

This open educational resource presents a comparative overview of the presence of women scientists and engineers in different sectors of the EU, based on Eurostat data (2023). It supports gender-focused analysis of structural inequalities in the academic teaching context.

Chart 1: Women scientists and engineers by sector (EU, 2023)

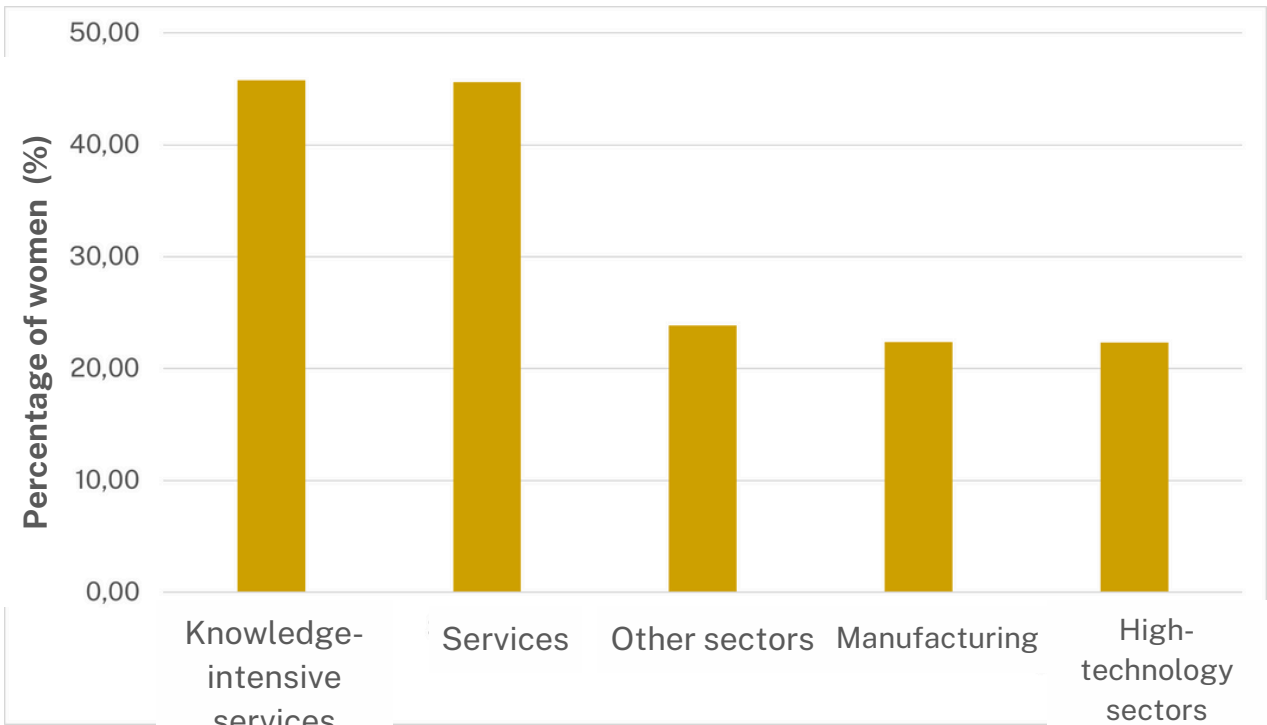
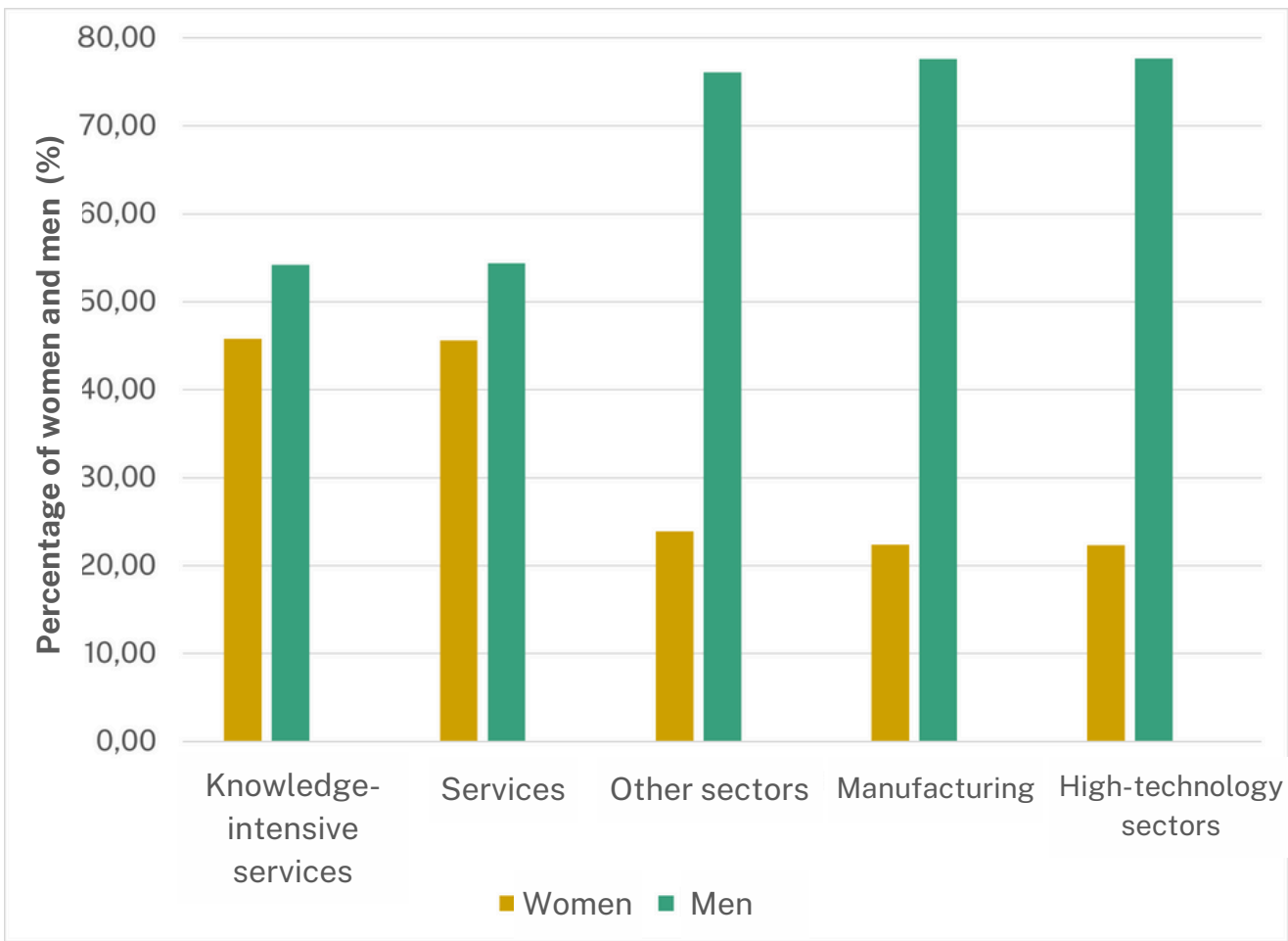


Chart 2: Comparison between women and men, 2023



Knowledge-intensive services: Activities that require highly qualified personnel. They generate and apply specialised knowledge.



7.67 million women scientists and engineers in the EU (2023)



Only 22.3% in high-tech sectors



Nearly 42% in knowledge-intensive services



Under 25% in vehicle manufacturing (when data available)

Source: Eurostat, 2023– Dataset: hrst_st_nsecsex2__custom_15897696

Reflection questions

- 1.What factors explain these inequalities between sectors?
- 2.How is this gap reflected in universities?
- 3.What actions can be taken from the classroom to address this reality?

GEDIS project context

This resource is part of the European project GEDIS (Gender Diversity in Information Science), which promotes open educational tools to tackle gender inequalities in higher education, with an emphasis on disciplines related to Information and Library Science.

