

# What do we really know about property rights?

An analysis of the knowledge and attitudes of women and men in the Municipalities of Kaçanik/Kaçanik, Viti/Vitina and Shtërpçë/Štrpce about property and inheritance rights



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### Differences between the attitudes of women and men

Men and women show similar attitudes when talking about their children and the division of inheritance equally. 76 percent of men and 73 percent of women agree completely that property must be divided equally between daughters and sons. Another similar distribution of answers between women and men is in the statement that 'children who take care and live with parents should inherit the entire property' with 43.5 percent of women evaluating this statement as very true similarly with 41.3 percent of men.

Initially, 37 percent of women agree that if a family has only daughters the inheritance should not belong to them as they will not continue the same surname, compared to 11.6 percent of men to think so. Also a high percentage of women (40.4 percent) think that 'it is appropriate for a daughter renounce their property because the house cannot be divided into many parts', compared to 24 percent of men. Another major difference in attitudes is the perception of why women withdraw from their inheritance. While about 62 percent of women agree that they don't want a share of inheritance in order to not ruin the relationships with brothers and parents, only about 19 percent of men agree to that.

Two charts below present in more details the distribution of answers for women and men, having two statements being different for men compared to women.

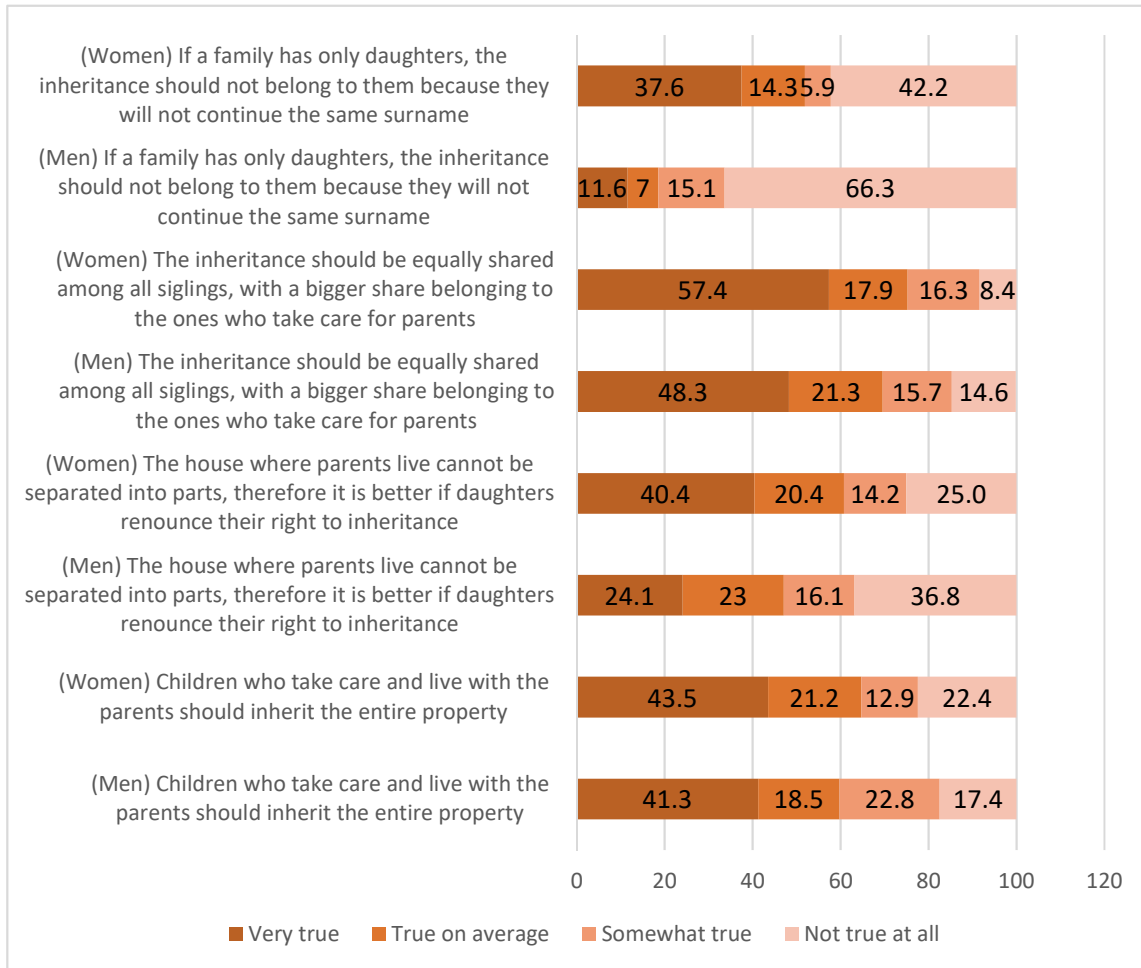


Chart 53. Difference in attitudes of women and men – part I (presented in percentages)

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