

International group project

Family

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1) Introduction area of research; family.

Our assigned area of research is family. We will be diving into the similarities and differences between families from Greece to Spain etc. What are some universal norms and values and what are some that are more specifically for one country? Or are these values different in every family whether Italian or Dutch?

2) Does being a woman or a man matter in the Netherlands?

Not so long ago, men and women's roles in the Netherlands were firmly divided along traditional gender lines, with men at the head of the family. Women automatically lost their job as soon as they took their marriage vows.

Women are more often victims of serious violence and more often violated and injured. Almost three times as many women report being injured in an argument with a partner. Women are also more often victims of sexual violence (more than 1 in 5 women, compared to 1 in 11 men). Thus, women experience more and more severe violence than men, and their partner's control of their lives is usually much greater.

Compared to other EU countries, the Netherlands earns high marks for gender equality within family.

[gender-equality-in-the-netherlands.pdf \(nlalumni.nl\)](#)

[Geweld tegen vrouwen en genderongelijkheid \(augeo.nl\)](#)

3) Is your country doing anything to improve this situation?

Overall the government tries their best to keep equality within family affairs. But we think the most important part is that literally our country 'itself' tries their absolute best to maintain and organize such equality. We have to create this equality ourselves instead of talking and debating about the matter, we have to act like what we want to achieve.

4) A famous Dutch person who has been a victim of gender inequalities.

Olcay Gulsen is a Dutch fashion designer, entrepreneur and media famous.

Olcay herself has been a victim of domestic violence and brought this topic to the attention in her program 'Olcay & domestic violence'.

[Huiselijk geweld: ook bekende Nederlanders hadden ermee te maken \(msn.com\)](#)

[olcay gulsen - Bing](#)

5) To what extent the social networks/media have focused on this issue.

Within the area of family, there is a lot of media attention on the topic of gender equality. Newspapers often feature articles on the issue and people on social media platforms, like Facebook or Twitter, often talk about their opinion on the matter.

Therefore, gender inequality is not that big of an issue in the Netherlands nowadays within families.

6) Have demonstrations, petitions, campaigns, flashmobs been organised to support the reduction of gender inequalities in The Netherlands?

That being said, people in the Netherlands don't often organize demonstrations.

The holidays most people participate in are national and international women's day, where we give our attention to women and their position in our society.

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