



WECONNECT INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY IN COSTA RICA

July 2019 - June 2020



381

women-owned businesses
(registered or certified)

143

Trained women business owners in the skills and knowledge necessary to grow their business

448

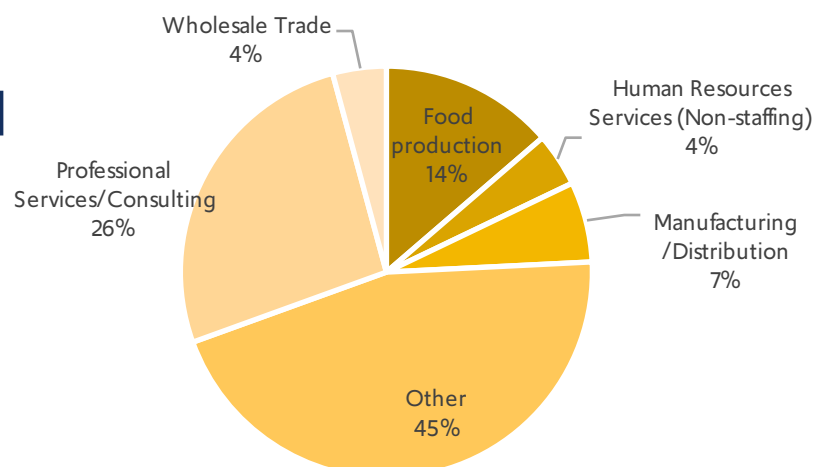
Facilitated connections between women business owners and corporate buyers

2,350

Facilitated connections between women business owners

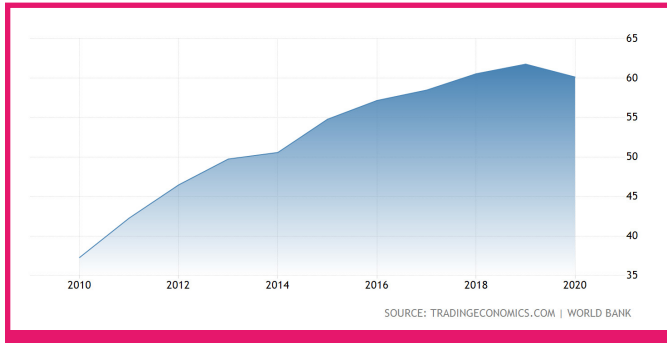
CATEGORY BREAKDOWN

By WEConnect International's certified Costa Rican women-owned businesses



KEY ECONOMIC DATA - COSTA RICA

GDP (BILLION USD)



GDP PER CAPITA (PPP)

\$20,434

64TH

Worldwide ranking of GDP per capita

The economy of Costa Rica is the 76th largest in the world measured by nominal GDP and 88th largest by purchasing power parity (PPP).

GDP GROWTH RATE (%)



74TH

in worldwide Ease of Doing Business ranking

- Costa Rica produces nearly 99% of its electricity from renewable resources and is known as a global leader in sustainability.
- Costa Rica's major stock exchange, the Costa Rican Stock Exchange, had a market capitalization of \$2.03 billion as of 2020

TOP EXPORTS

- Medical instruments
- Bananas and tropical fruits
- Orthopedic appliances

LABOR FORCE

- 2.5 million**
- Agriculture: 12%
 - Industry: 20%
 - Services: 68%

TOP INDUSTRIES

- Ecotourism
- Medical equipment
- Agriculture

The mandatory minimum wage in Costa Rica ranges depending on industry and specialization.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION ON DOING BUSINESS IN COSTA RICA

COSTA RICA'S WORLDWIDE RANKING (OUT OF 190 ECONOMIES) IN...

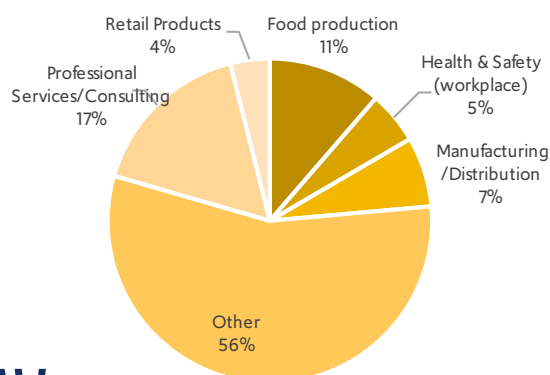
- Starting a business: #144
- Dealing with construction permits: #78
- Getting electricity: #25
- Registering property: #49
- Getting credit: #15
- Protecting minority investors: #110
- Paying taxes: #66
- Trading across borders: #80
- Enforcing contracts: #111
- Resolving insolvency: #137

KEY INFORMATION ON COSTA RICAN WOMEN IN BUSINESS

- Female labor participation: 48%
- 22.3 percent of business owners in Costa Rica are women
- Overall, the Costa Rican labor force is 39.02% female
- On average, Costa Rican women earn an income 45% lower than that of their male counterparts

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Percentage of women-owned businesses per industry in Costa Rica



WOMEN, BUSINESS AND THE LAW: KEY INDICATOR SCORES

Scores are determined by criteria defined by the World Bank regarding whether a country's legal framework prevents women from accessing certain rights, opportunities or protections. A perfect score is 100, indicating that women are not legally discriminated against and have the same rights and opportunities as men.

WORKPLACE	analyzes laws affecting women's decisions to work	100
PAY	measures laws and regulations affecting women's pay	25
ENTREPRENEURSHIP	analyzes constraints on women's starting and running businesses	75
ASSETS	considers gender differences in property and inheritance	100
OVERALL WOMEN, BUSINESS AND THE LAW SCORE 2020		80