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SUMMARY



Ireland's Women in Finance Charter was launched **April 2022**.



It is an initiative supported by industry and the Government of Ireland to improve **gender balance** at all levels within the sector.



In the first year **56 firms** employing **44,340 workers**signed the charter
and completed the
baseline survey.



This report is based on responses from the **baseline survey**, together with results from the first follow-up annual survey carried out in early 2023 and **qualitative interviews** with 5 firms.

PROGRESS 2022 - 2023

54 signatory firms completed the follow up Annual Reporting Survey conducted in February 2023, a response rate of **96%**.



REPRESENTATION ON BOARDS +5%

Now 37%

The national figure for reported for boards of large Irish owned firms stood at **22%** in 2021.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES +3%

Now 35%

SENIOR MANAGEMENT +1%

MIDDLE MANAGEMENT +1%



JUNIOR MANAGEMENT LEVEL -2%

Now 49%

WOMEN IN
TECHNICAL &
PROFESSIONAL
ROLES +2%

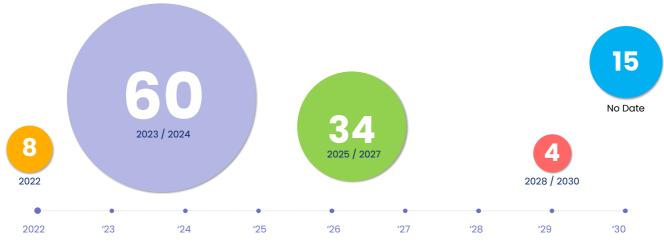
INITIATIVES AND CHALLENGES

Signatory firms reported a wide range of actions to improve gender balance. The actions that respondents view as most effective are:

Improving flexible working		52%
Gender balance in succession planning	49	%
Female career development/ leadership training	46%	
Identifying female leaders	46%	
Examining hiring practices 43%		

GENDER BALANCE TARGETS

121 targets set across 56 firms, on average, firms set 2.4 targets majority to be achieved within 3 years



Larger firms have set higher number of targets | 46 maintenance targets have been adopted

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