

North West

The research identified 147 women's organisations based in the North West region. Data from these organisations was used to determine areas of work and organisations that specifically worked with women from different equalities strands.

Ninety (61%) of these organisations had consistent financial data for all three years (2004/05, 2005/06 and 2006/07). All income and expenditure information is based on these 90 organisations.

Areas of work

Of the 147 organisations identified, almost a third (30%) delivered activities in the violence against women (VAW) field, one in five provided general services to women (20%) or educational, employment and training (EE&T) related services (18%) and one in eight (12%) worked on women's health.

Figure NW 1: Percentage of organisations by area of work

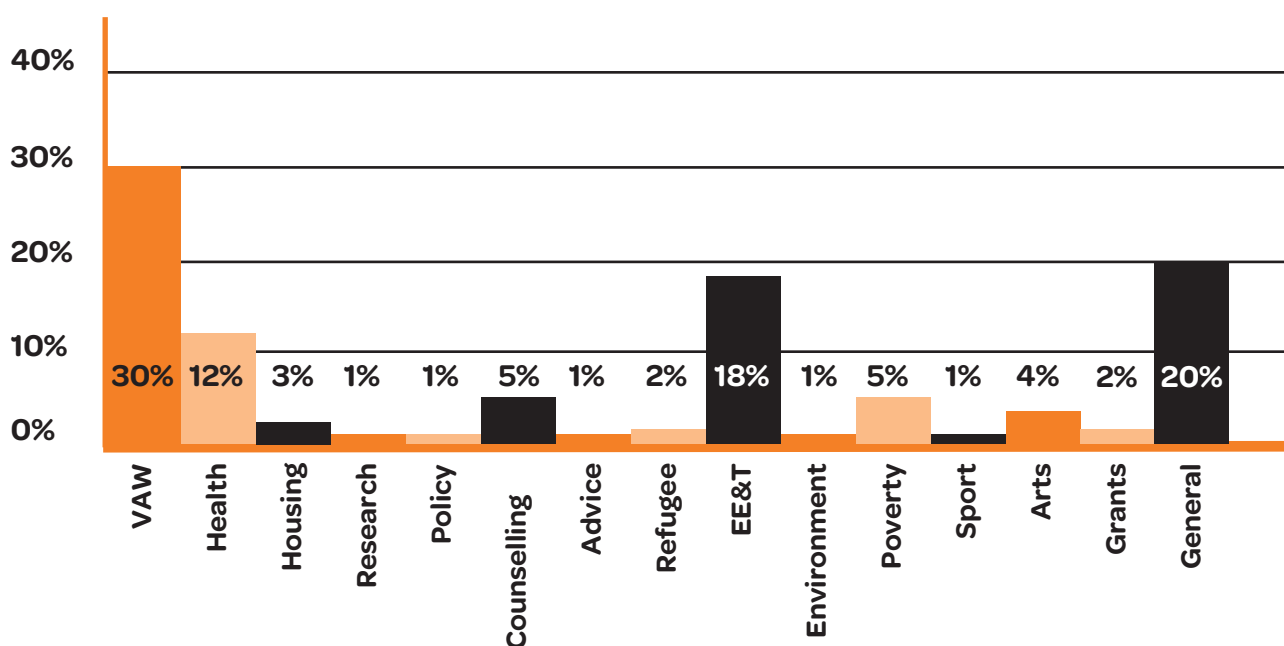


Table NW 1: Number of organisations by area of work

Area of work	Number of organisations	Area of work	Number of organisations
Violence against women (VAW)	44	Education, employment and training (EE&T)	26
Health	17	Environment	1
Housing	4	Poverty	7
Research	2	Sport	2
Policy	1	Arts	6
Counselling	7	Grant making/giving	3
Advice	2	General	30
Refugee and asylum	3		

Most organisations working in the VAW field provided domestic violence support services (93%).

Most health providers (53%) provided specialised health services including supporting women with cancer, pregnancy services and sexual health services.

Table NW 2: Breakdown of violence against women (VAW) and health

Violence against women (VAW)	Number of organisations	Health	Number of organisations
Domestic violence	41	General health	6
Sexual violence	3	Mental health	1
Total number of organisations working in VAW	44	Substance misuse	1
		Pregnancy related	2
		Sexual and reproductive health	2
		Cancer	2
		Endometriosis	1
		Menopause	1
		Disabled women's health	1
		Total number of organisations working in health	17

Equalities

Over a half of the organisations worked specifically with girls and young women (56%), one in three worked with Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) women and nearly a quarter (24%) with older women. Almost one in five of the organisations worked primarily with disabled women (18%). Only one organisation focused on lesbian, bisexual and/or trans (LBT) women.

Figure NW 2: Percentage of organisations working with specific equalities strands

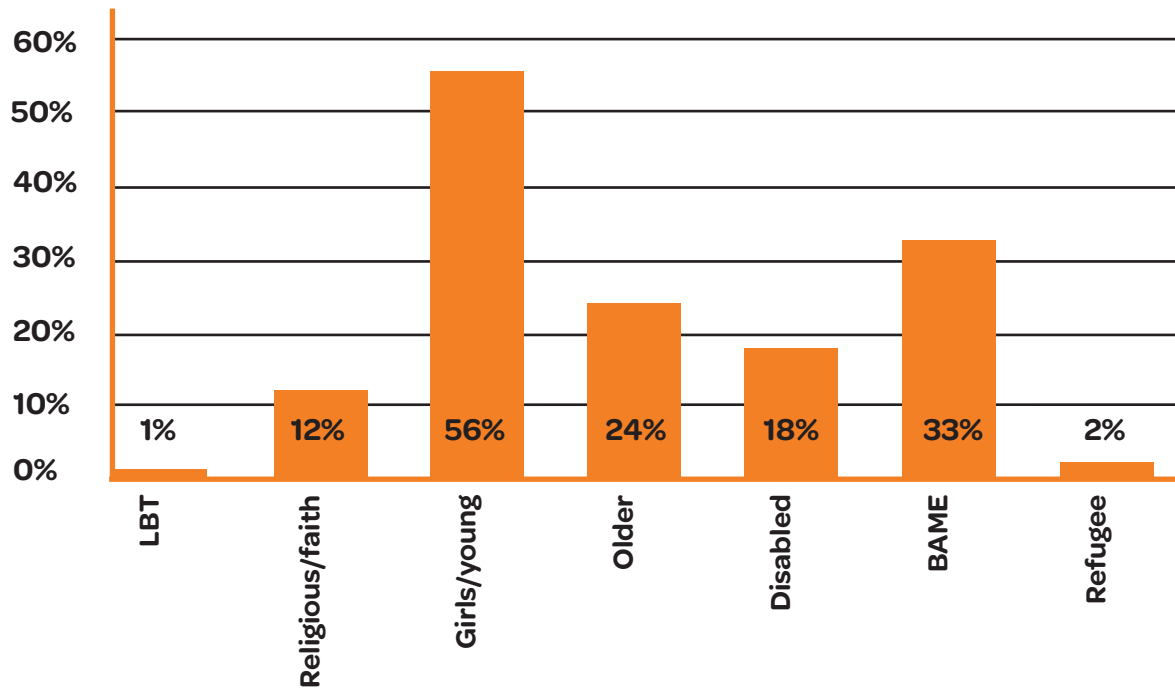
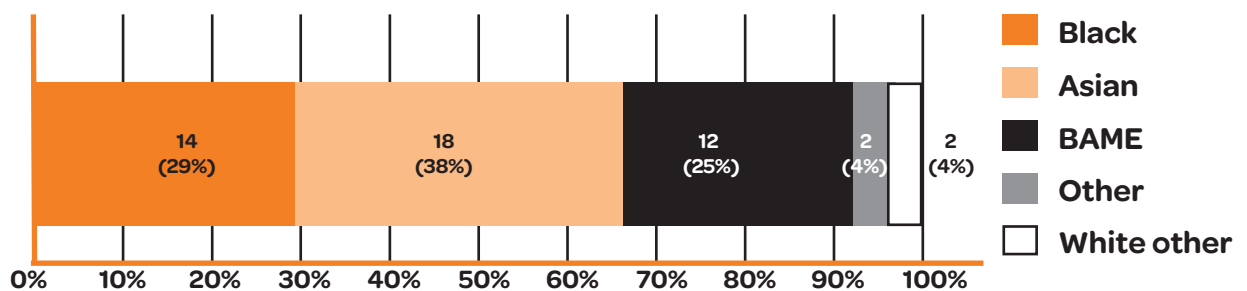


Table NW 3: Breakdown of organisations working with specific equalities strands

Equalities strand	Number of organisations	Equalities strand	Number of organisations
Lesbian, bisexual and/or trans (LBT) women	1	Disabled women	26
Women from religious/faith groups	18	Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) women	48
Girls and young women	83	Refugee and asylum seeking women	3
Older women	36		

Of the 48 organisations that focused on minority ethnic communities, nearly four in ten worked specifically with Asian women (38%) and one in three worked specifically with Black women (29%).

Figure NW 3: Breakdown of Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) communities



Income and expenditure

All information related to income and expenditure is based on the financial data of 90 organisations.

In 2004/05, almost a quarter (23%) of annual income was unspent by the end of the year. By 2005/06, the surplus narrowed to 18%. In 2006/07 however, the surplus narrowed significantly to 7%.

From 2004/05 to 2005/06, the total income of organisations in the North West increased marginally by 1%, but fell by 2% from 2005/06 to 2006/07. In comparison, expenditure increased by 7% and 12% during this period.

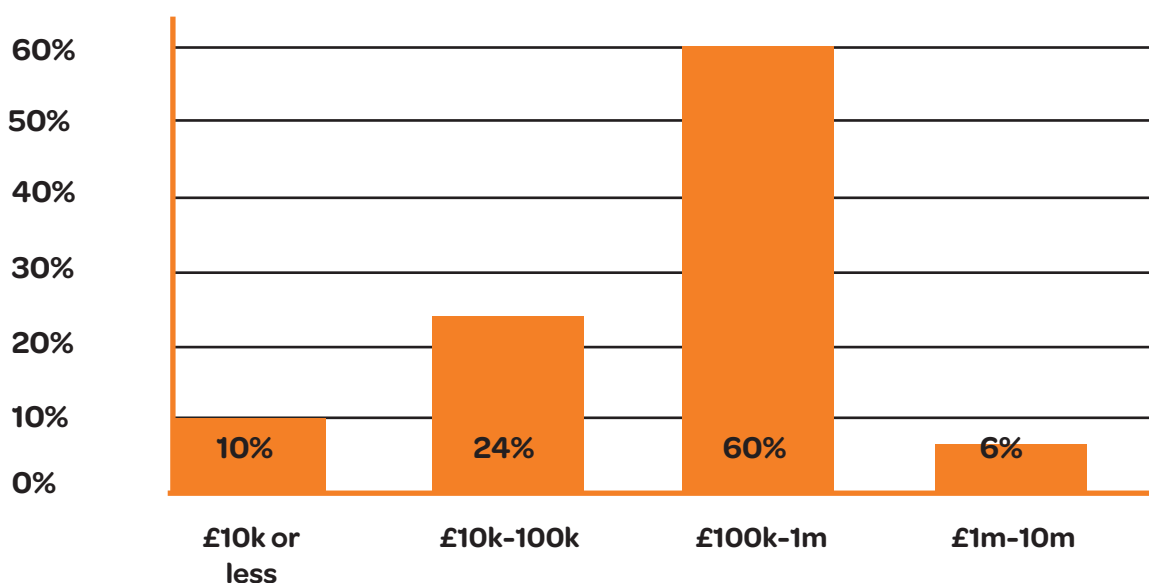
Table NW 4: Total income and expenditure 2004/05, 2005/06 and 2006/07

	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
Total income	£27,148,453	£27,293,593	£26,795,339
Total expenditure	£20,938,647	£22,347,486	£25,039,816
Difference	£6,209,806	£4,946,107	£1,755,523

Income band

In 2006/07, six in ten organisations were in the £100k-1m income band. Nearly a quarter of organisations (24%) were in the £10k-100k band.

Figure NW 4: Percentage of organisations by annual income band 2006/07



In the £100k-1m band, 46 organisations (85%) had an income less than £550k.

Figure NW 5: Breakdown of organisations within the £100k-1m annual income band (2006/07)

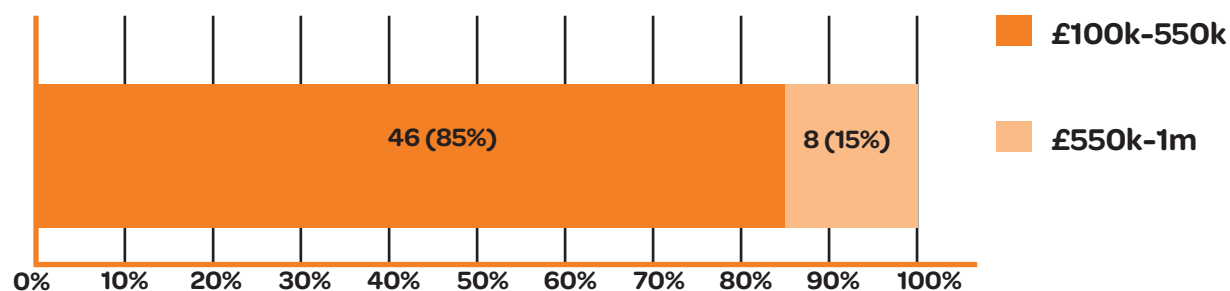


Table NW 5: Number of organisations by annual income band 2004/05, 2005/06 and 2006/07

Annual income band	Number of organisations	Number of organisations	Number of organisations
£10k or less	10	9	9
£10k-100k	22	22	22
£100k-1m	53	55	54
£1m-10m	5	4	5
TOTAL	90	90	90

Average income

The average income in the £10k or less annual income band decreased dramatically by 78% from 2004/05 to 2005/06, and then by a further 21% the following year.

The average income of organisations in the £1m-£10m income band fell by 13% from 2005/6 to 2006/07.

Table NW 6: Average income by annual income band 2004/05, 2005/06 and 2006/07

Annual income band	Average income	Average income	Average income
£10k or less	£4,462	£988	£776
£10k-100k	£38,604	£39,383	£38,931
£100k-1m	£257,996	£262,646	£268,901
£1m-10m	£1,643,805	£1,737,988	£1,501,344
All income bands	£151,233	£165,308	£177,167

Income volatility

Overall, nearly one in six organisations (16%) experienced high or medium income volatility. Organisations with incomes less than £100k were most affected. Thirty-six percent of organisations in the £10k-100k band had high or medium income volatility, whilst a third (33%) of organisations in the £10k or less band experienced high income volatility.

Over three quarters of organisations (78%) with high income volatility experienced decreases in income of 40% or more.

Twelve organisations (16%) with lower income volatility experienced yearly decreases in income. In one extreme case, income fell from £1.137 million to £203k during 2004/05 to 2006/07.

Figure NW 6: Percentage of organisations by income volatility status (2006/07)

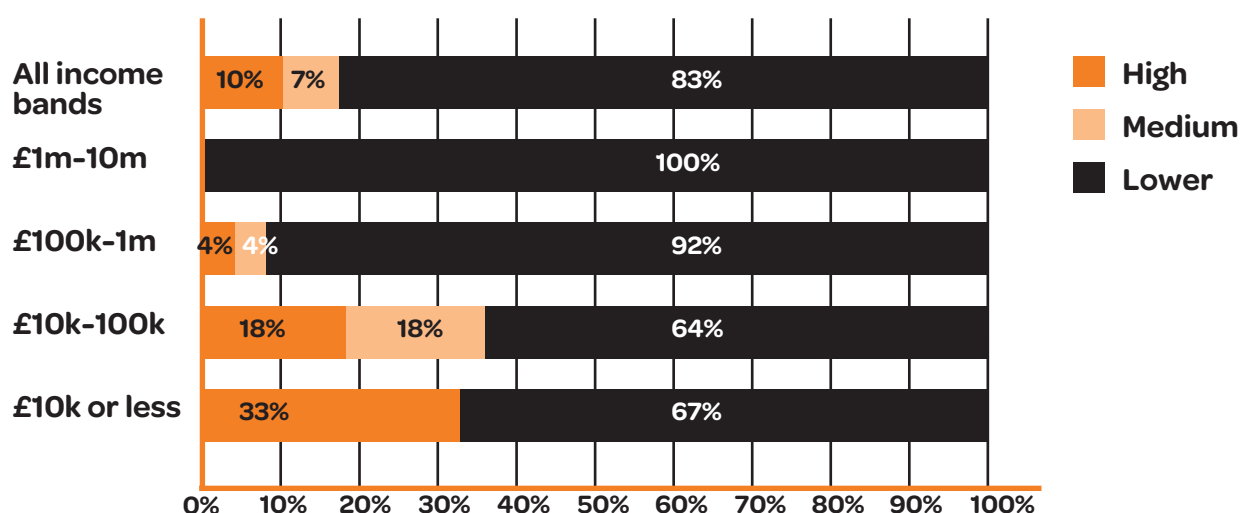


Table NW 7: Number of organisations by income volatility status (2006/07)

Annual income band (2006/07)	High	Medium	Lower	TOTAL
£10k or less	3	0	6	9
£10k-100k	4	4	14	22
£100k-1m	2	2	50	54
£1m-10m	0	0	5	5
TOTAL	9	6	75	90