Towards a care society: the importance of time use measurements

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**Regulatory Frameworks**
- *Latin American and Caribbean countries have measurements on time use*
  - **Jamaica, 2018:** Module in the Living Conditions Survey
  - **Trinidad and Tobago, 2000:** Module in the Population and Housing Census

**Regional Experience**
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**Break Statistical Silence**
- Women spend 2/3 of their time in unpaid work
- Economic value of unpaid work
  - 20% GDP
  - Women contribute 70% of this value

**Challenges**
- Budget and periodicity
- Interinstitutional alliances
- Methodological issues
- Use

**The Way Forward**
- Towards a care society
  - *Methodological guide on time-use measurements in Latin America and the Caribbean*
ECLAC and UN Women (2020) Care in Latin America and the Caribbean during the COVID-19: Towards comprehensive systems to strengthen response and recovery

ECLAC (2021) The economic autonomy of women in a sustainable recovery with equality

ECLAC (2019) Women’s autonomy in changing economic scenarios

ECLAC (2020) The COVID-19 pandemic is exacerbating the care crisis in Latin America and the Caribbean

ECLAC (2020) Time-use measurements in Latin America and the Caribbean

ECLAC (2021) Repository of information on time use in Latin America and the Caribbean

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Gender Equality Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean
https://oig.cepal.org/en

COVID-19 Observatory in Latin America and the Caribbean
https://www.cepal.org/en/topics/covid-19

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