

Emirati Women Represent 94% of Female-Held Wealth on ADX

- ADX celebrates Emirati Women's Day with employees' mothers and grandmothers on its trading floor

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates; 26 August 2026: The Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) Group, one of the fastest-growing exchanges in the world, hosted a bell-ringing ceremony today honoring the achievements of its female colleagues and the mothers and grandmothers of ADX female employees. This symbolic event marked the first month-long celebration of Emirati Women's Day in the UAE under the theme 'We Emerge Stronger and Better'.

To ADX, Emirati women are not simply participating in the UAE's capital markets — they are defining them. Based on ADX's market statistics, close to 125,000 active female Emirati investors participated in the market, positioning them as a dominant force in their investor category and contributing to the UAE's long-term economic diversification goals.

To demonstrate their growing presence and influence on capital allocation on the Abu Dhabi capital market, the ADX's data as of the end of July 2026 showed:

- Emirati women held shares worth approximately 39 billion dirhams, representing 94% of the total value held by women on the exchange.

Abdulla Salem Alnuaimi, Group Chief Executive Officer of the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) Group, said: "Emirati women continue to advance our economy with exceptional resilience, determination, and ambition. Their ability to drive innovation while nurturing families is a powerful reflection of their dedication. As a dynamic, multi-asset exchange, ADX is building the infrastructure and access that allow this leadership to compound, both among the investors who trade on our platform and the 40 percent of our own workforce who are women shaping how this exchange operates. Our task now is to ensure the next generation of Emirati women inherits a robust and thriving market that is built with their leadership, financial knowledge and empowerment."

This year's Emirati Women's Day coincides with the UAE's Year of Family initiative. To illustrate the importance of both occasions, ADX welcomed the mothers and grandmothers of its employees to the trading floor to participate in the event – a gesture that highlights the generational relationships of building family wealth and financial stewardship. It also reinforces the importance of long-term investing and financial literacy as practical instruments in empowering families and building stability and sustainable wealth.

Beyond market participation, ADX applies the same principles internally: structured career development and advancement guidance for female professionals across every level of the organization, demonstrating ADX's commitment to fostering women leadership and sustainability in the UAE's economy.

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About Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX)

The Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) was established on 15 November 2000 pursuant to Local Law No. (3) of 2000, which granted the exchange legal rights with independent financial and administrative status, as well as the necessary supervisory and executive powers necessary to carry out its functions. On 17 March 2020, the ADX was converted from a public entity into a Public Joint Stock Company (PJSC) in accordance with Law No. (8) of 2020.

The ADX Group, a market infrastructure group comprising the exchange (ADX) and its post-trade ecosystem, including its wholly owned subsidiaries AD Depository and AD Clear, was established. Through its integrated and globally aligned business structure, the ADX Group supports efficient, transparent, and resilient capital markets across trading, clearing, settlement, and custody.

The Group provides an efficient and regulated marketplace for the trading of securities, including equities issued by public joint-stock companies, bonds issued by governments and corporations, exchange-traded funds (ETFs), and other financial instruments approved by the UAE Capital Market Authority.

The ADX is the second-largest exchange in the Arab region by market capitalization. Its strategy of delivering stable financial performance through diversified revenue streams is aligned with the UAE's national development agenda, "Towards the Next 50", which aims to build a sustainable, diversified, and high-value-added economy.

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