#### Where are the women?



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## Why diversity?

- Wider coverage
- Fulfillment of readers' demands
- Better regrowth
- Article perspective
- Power in defining knowledge

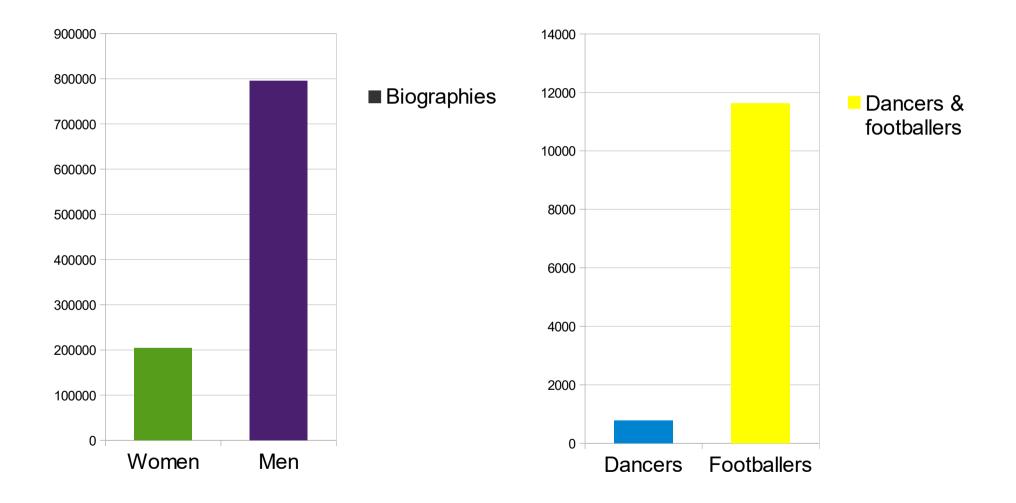
# Gender identity for editors at Swedish language Wikipedia

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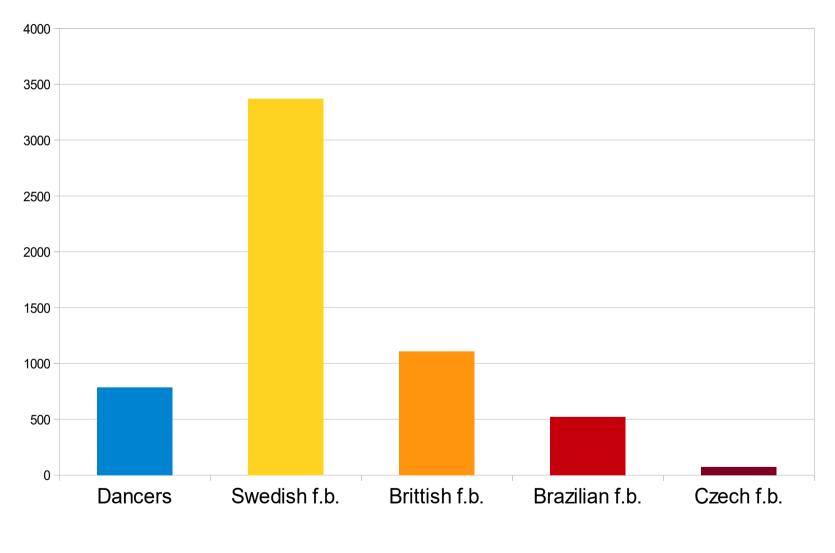
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Research done by Björn Helgeson, 2014.

#### Content and diversity



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#### Global diversity?

## **Projects in Sweden**

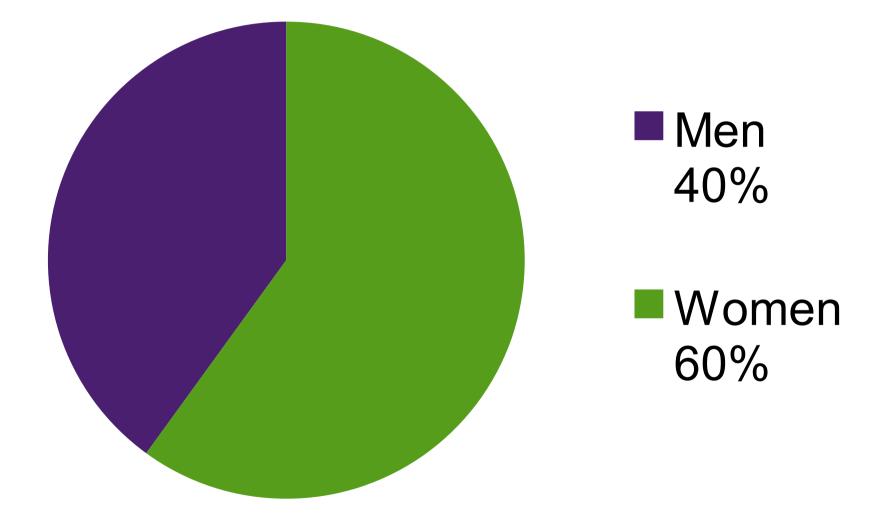
#### Offline events

- Wikifika/wikipub (wikifika.se)
- Photo-safaries
- Wiki-workshop at Stockholm Pride (with three different working stations)
- Art&Feminism (at five different locations)

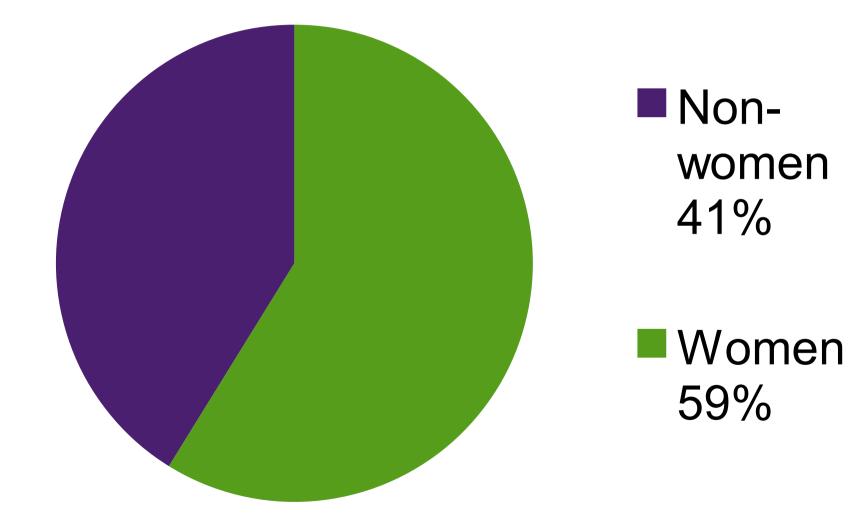
- Monthly edit-a-thons in Falun.
  - Information booth and photographing at Göteborg Book Fair



#### Wikipedia Education Program



#### Edit-a-thons at Stockholm Public Library



#### Wikipedia Camps in Molkom

What we gained:

- Great ambassadors
- New editors
- New instructors
- Media coverage
- Social media interest
- Ripple effects





#### Weekly edit-a-thons in Göteborg

- 187 edit-a-thons
- >89 participants

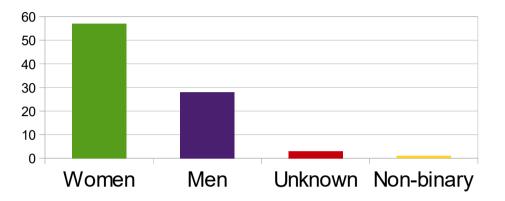
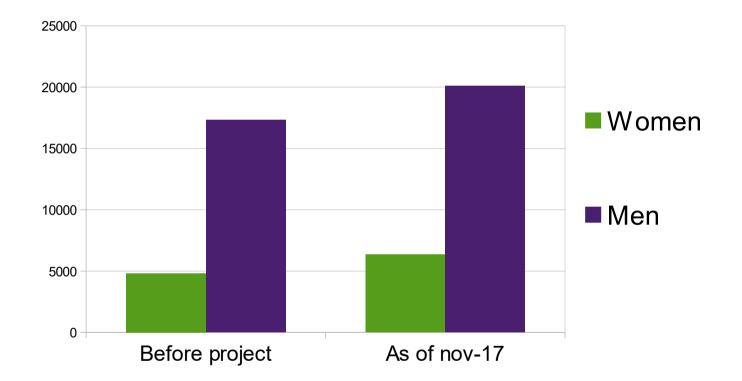


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#### Content development – writer biographies



Articles about women writers increased by 32 %.

Articles about men writers increased by 18 %.

The total number of biografies about women writers went from 22 % to 24 %.

#### How to make beginners stay?

- Be welcoming
- Don't bombard with templates, write something personal instead
- Use thank you-button
- Don't be over-informative
- Don't regard questions as weakness or an invitation to be over-informative ;)
- Make or create space
- Invite to projects, to competitions, to collaborations

Read about our first year of weekly edit-a-thons (in English!) https://blog.wikimedia.org/2015/01/07/weekly-edita-thons-in-sweden/

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