

DSP Winvestor Pulse 2022

How women & men invest

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Research Methodology & Study Design

- 4,625 respondents via YouGov's digital panel
- Quota-based sampling approach (age groups, genders, geographies)

Target Group



Gender

Males (50%), Females (50%)



Age

25 - 35 years 30%

36 - 44 years 40%

45 - 60 years 30%



Other criteria

- NCCS A
- Currently working or have worked for at least 2 years
- Involved in HH investment decisions

Test Centres



Sample Size



| | City | Sample Size |
|----------------------|--|-------------|
| | Delhi NCR | 874 |
| Tier 1 | Mumbai | 874 |
| (Metros n=3187) | Kolkata | 720 |
| | Bangalore | 720 |
| | Indore | 359 |
| Tier 2 | Kochi | 359 |
| (Mini- Metros | Patna | 360 |
| n=1438) | Chandigarh + Ludhiana + Amritsar | 360 |
| | Total | 4625 |











A much higher proportion of men (40%) as compared to women (27%) take independent investment decisions (without consulting a professional advisor)

Role in Investment Decision-making (among those who have ever invested)



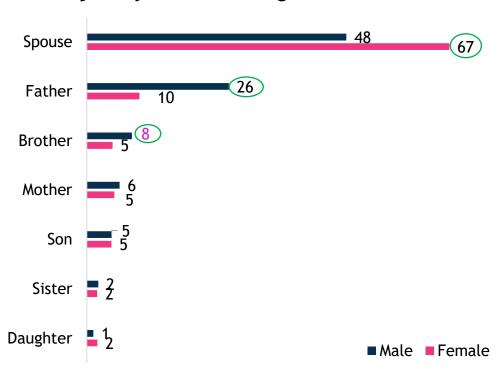
- Alone make all / most of the investment decisions without consulting professional advisors
- Alone make all / most of the investment decisions after consulting professional advisors
- I along with someone make all/ most of the investment decisions
- Not me, someone else takes the investment decisions entirely





Women consult their spouse much more than men do 2X men consult their fathers than women

Who jointly decides along with them?

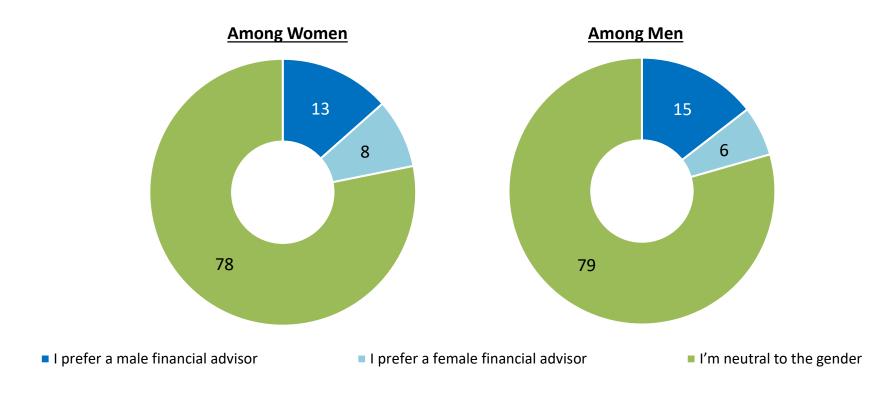






Most women & men (~80%) did not express any gender preference Of those who did, most mentioned preferring male advisors

Do they prefer a specific gender for their financial advisor?

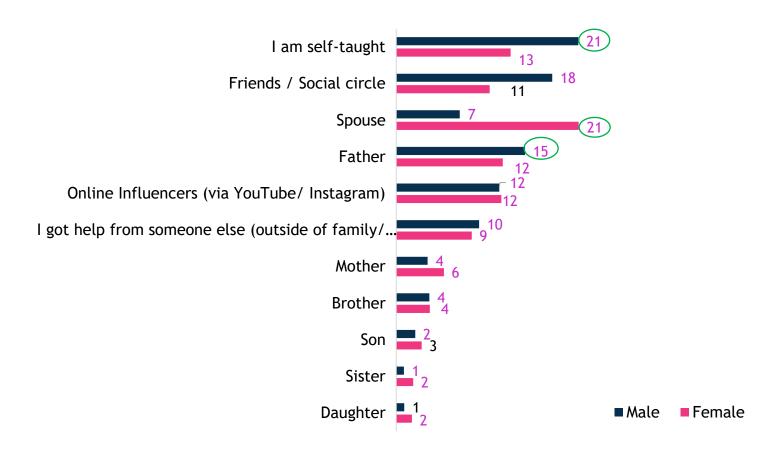






Most women were introduced to investing by their spouse Most men claimed to be self taught, a large %age of men were introduced by their father

Who first introduced them to Investments?

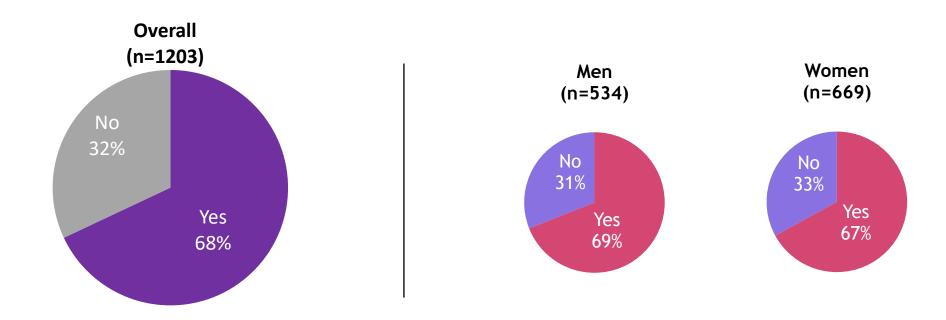






A vast majority (~70%) said they advise/ would advise their son & daughter differently about investing!

Do they teach their Son & Daughter differently about investing?







Women value safety, stability, worry-free investing & discipline while investing Men are more involved in investing decisions & invest more in the stock market (via stocks/ mutual funds)

Attitude towards Investments

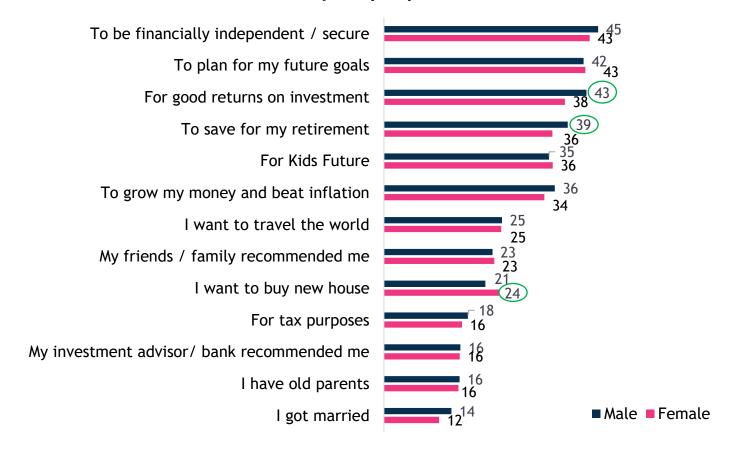
Safety is the most important consideration when I make my investment decisions Investing & earning good returns give me a sense of pride To deal with the rising cost of living, I believe investing is better than saving I am highly involved in any investing decisions pertaining to my own money I am very controlled and disciplined about my spending I am now considering online platforms like Zerodha, Groww etc more than before I prefer worry-free, stable options like bank FDs, postal deposits, bonds I worry about managing my money when I get old or when my children get married I like the low-cost, no-bias nature of index funds I like to put most of my money in the stock market via shares or equity MFs I am not good at investing decisions, so I take a backseat Women Men





Financial Independence was cited as the top reasons by both men & women Chasing higher returns & saving for retirement were more notable reasons mentioned by men

Why do people invest?







Base: Male: 2207, Female: 2143
Base: Those who have ever invested

Fear caused by market's unpredictability, complex charges involved & not being able to find enough time to manage portfolio issues cited more by men than women

Why do people find investing difficult?

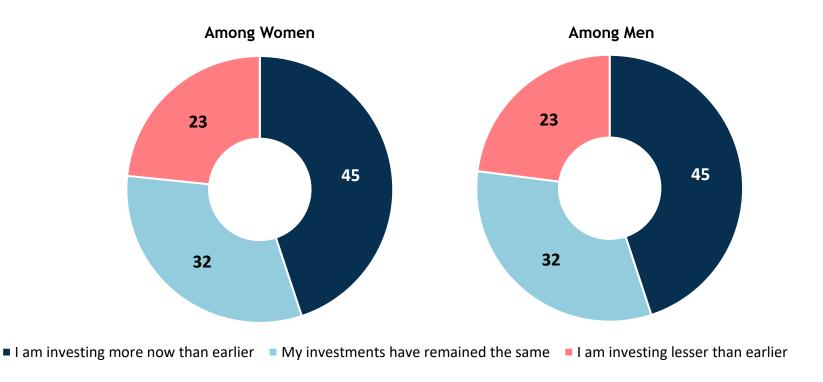






Nearly half (45%) of men & women surveyed said they were investing more post Covid

Impact of Covid: Are you investing more or less post-pandemic?

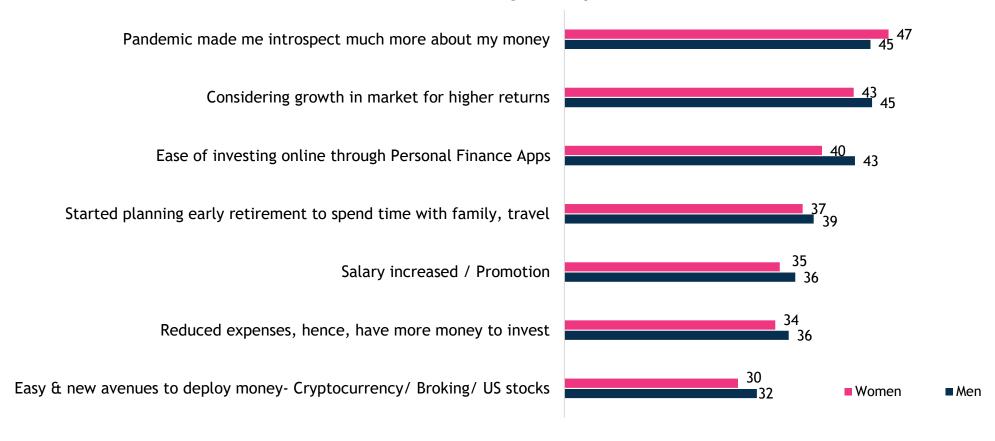






Pandemic induced monetary-introspection, wanting higher returns than earlier, ease of investing via apps cited by both men & women as top reasons to invest more post Covid

Reasons for investing more post COVID (For those who've been investing more)

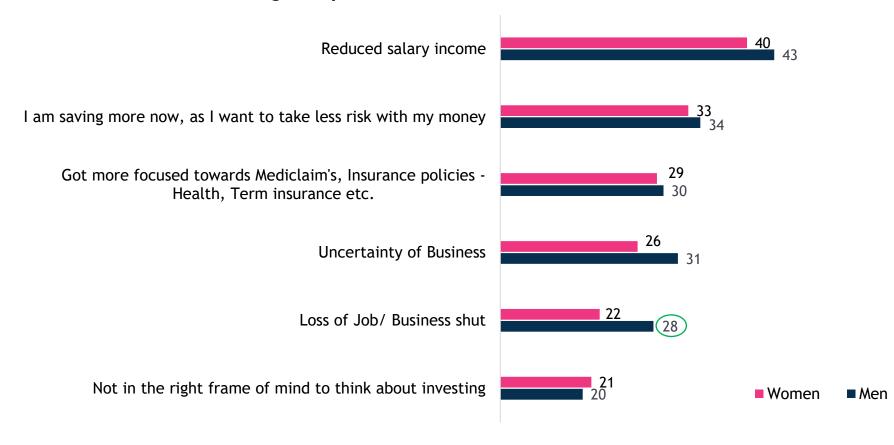






Reduced income, wanting to take lesser risk cited as top reasons by both men & women Loss of Job / shutting of business more notable among men vs women

Reasons for investing less post COVID (For those who've been investing lesser)







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Priorities

Goals/dreams and spare cash expense patterns

Thoughts on money

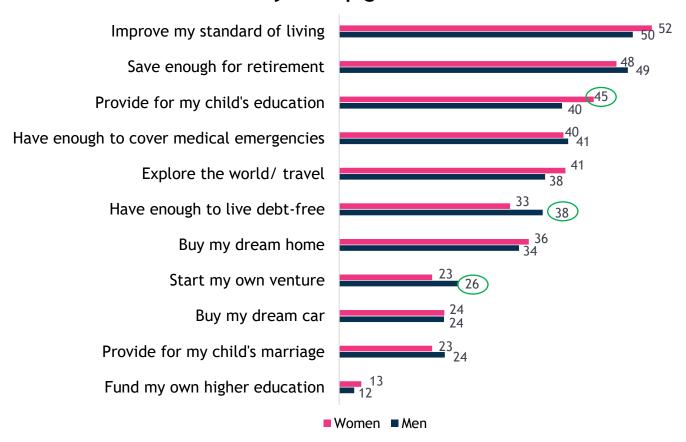
Money perceptions, attitudes towards investments





Providing for child's education relatively more notable among women Wanting to live debt-free, starting own venture relatively more notable among men

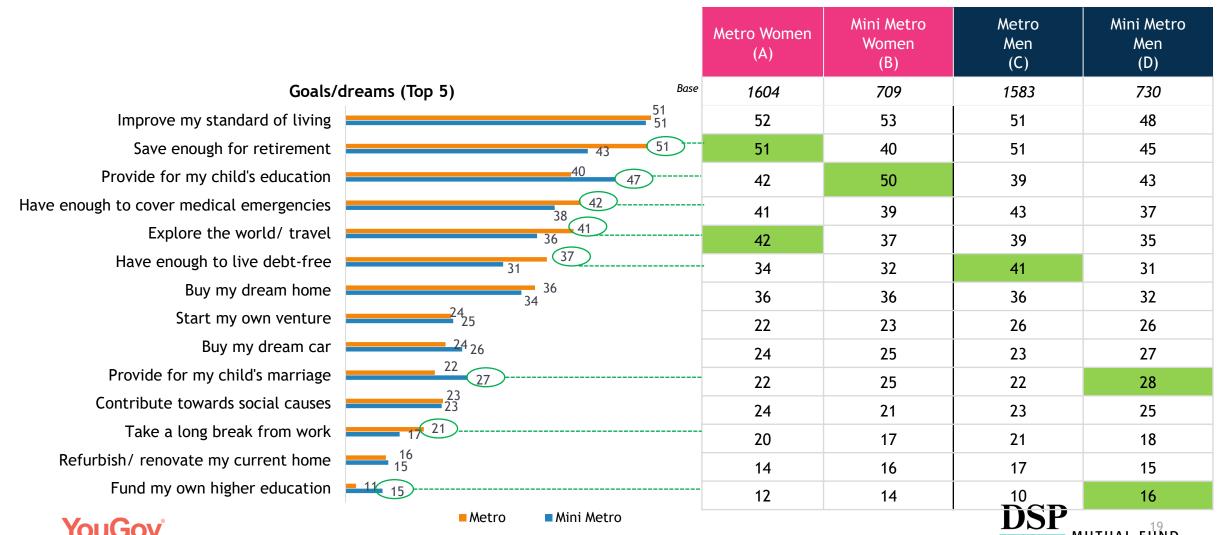
What are your top goals/ dreams?







Goals relatively more notable among metro residents include saving enough for retirement, having enough to cover medical emergencies, having enough to live debt-free, taking a long break from work and exploring the world/travel. Child-oriented goals relatively more notable among those in mini-metro's: education more notable among women while marriage for men, relative to their metro counterparts



Of all the goals/ dreams in life and career mentioned in the list, could you please indicate the top 5 goals/dreams for you currently? Please indicate which of these is the most important, which one is next important and then the third important priority and so on for Top 5

Marriage seems to have a similar effect on some of the key goals/dreams of both women and men: Goals relating to children's education-andmarriage are more remarkable among those already married, while goals of a more individualistic nature relatively more notable among singles- improving my standard of living, my dream home, my own venture- as is exploring the world/travel. Retirement savings is relatively a more notable goal among married men while taking a long break from work relatively more notable among single men

| Goals/dreams (Top 5) | Single Women | Married Women | Single Men | Married Men |
|--|-----------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Significant @ 95% CL | | В | С | D |
| Base | 250 | 1959 | 440 | 1748 |
| Improve my standard of living | 60 | 52 | 54 | 49 |
| Save enough for retirement | 47 | 48 | 45 | 50 |
| Provide for my child's education | 15 | 49 | 16 | 47 |
| Have enough to cover medical emergencies | 42 | 40 | 39 | 41 |
| Explore the world/ travel | 49 | 40 | 51 | 35 |
| Have enough to live debt-free | 32 | 33 | 38 | 37 |
| Buy my dream home | 44 | 34 | 38 | 33 |
| Start my own venture | 31 | 21 | 32 | 25 |
| Buy my dream car | 25 | 25 | 26 | 24 |
| Provide for my child's marriage | 5 | 25 | 10 | 28 |
| Contribute towards social causes | 24 | 23 | 25 | 23 |
| Take a long break from work | 20 | 19 | 25 | 19 |
| Refurbish/ renovate my current home | 17 | 14 | 18 | 16 |
| Fund my own higher education | 18 | 13 | 13 | 11 |



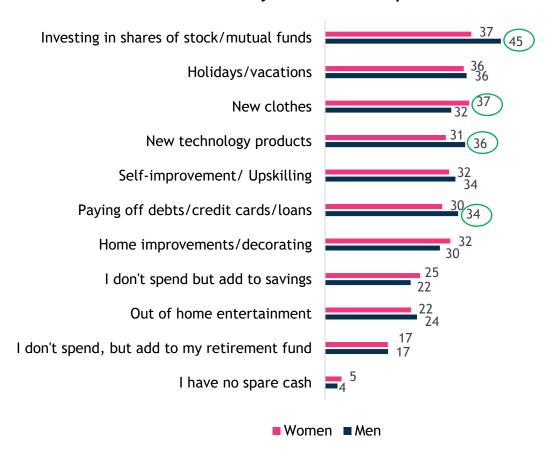
Beyond marriage, the presence of children plays a key role in people's goals and dreams: while child related goals remarkably higher among those who already have children vs. the (presently) childless-married, exploration/travel goals are more notable among those married without children. Among the more individualistic goals- men's desire to buy their dream home is more notable among the childless, though both the childless and those with children have a similar level of interest in improving standard of living

| Goals/dreams (Top 5) | Married Women without children | Married Women with children | Married men without children | Married Men with children |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Significant @ 95% CL | A | В | С | D |
| Base | 205 | 1754 | 214 | 1535 |
| Improve my standard of living | 51 | 52 | 47 | 49 |
| Save enough for retirement | 40 | 49 | 49 | 50 |
| Provide for my child's education | 23 | 52 | 25 | 50 |
| Have enough to cover medical emergencies | 34 | 41 | 43 | 41 |
| Explore the world/ travel | 47 | 39 | 42 | 34 |
| Have enough to live debt-free | 32 | 33 | 44 | 36 |
| Buy my dream home | 40 | 34 | 42 | 32 |
| Start my own venture | 26 | 21 | 27 | 24 |
| Buy my dream car | 28 | 24 | 26 | 23 |
| Provide for my child's marriage | 12 | 26 | 13 | 30 |
| Contribute towards social causes | 23 | 23 | 25 | 23 |
| Take a long break from work | 22 | 18 | 21 | 19 |
| Refurbish/ renovate my current home | 12 | 15 | 16 | 16 |
| Fund my own higher education | 11 | 13 | 8 | 12 |

Of all the goals/ dreams in life and career mentioned in the list, could you please indicate the top 5 goals/dreams for you currently? Please indicate which of these is the most important, which one is next important and then the third important priority and so on for Top 5

Investing spare cash in stocks/ mutual funds & paying off debts/ credit cards/ loans relatively more notable among men, Spending on new tech products more notable among men whereas more women spend on new clothes

What do they do with their spare cash?-







Once you have covered your essential living expenses, which of the following statements best describes what you do with your spare cash: I spend on:

Though investing in stock/mutual funds relatively more notable among men, among women it is more notable among those in metros (vs women in mini-metros). In line with aspirations (goals/dreams), the use of spare cash to pay off debts and holidays/vacations more notable in metros

| What do they do w | Metro Women (A) | Mini Metro Women (B) | Metro Men (C) | Mini Metro Men (D) | |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----|
| | Base | 1604 | 709 | 1583 | 730 |
| Investing in shares of stock/mutual funds | 38 (43) | 40 | 31 | 45 | 44 |
| Holidays/vacations | 34 37 | 37 | 32 | 37 | 35 |
| New clothes | ³ 4 ₃ 6 | 37 | 38 | 31 | 35 |
| New technology products | 34 | 33 | 27 | 35 | 38 |
| Self-improvement/ Upskilling | 32 33 | 33 | 30 | 32 | 37 |
| Paying off debts/credit cards/loans | 30 33 | 31 | 28 | 35 | 32 |
| Home improvements/decorating | 31 | 32 | 32 | 30 | 29 |
| I don't spend but add to savings | 234 | 25 | 25 | 22 | 23 |
| Out of home entertainment | 23 24 | 22 | 22 | 24 | 25 |
| I don't spend, but add to my retirement fund | 16 | 17 | 15 | 16 | 18 |
| I have no spare cash | - 4 ₅ | 5 | 6 | 4 | 4 |
| | ■ Metro ■ Mini-metro | | | | |





Once you have covered your essential living expenses, which of the following statements best describes what you do with your spare cash: I spend on:

Spending spare cash on home improvements/decorations tends to be relatively more notable among the married. Self-improvement/upskilling more notable among single men than married ones, but this is not observed for women

| Spare Cash | Single Women | Married Women | Single Men | Married Men |
|--|-----------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Significant @ 95% CL | Α | В | С | D |
| Base | 250 | 1959 | 440 | 1748 |
| Investing in shares of stock/mutual funds | 40 | 37 | 41 | 46 |
| Holidays/vacations | 32 | 36 | 34 | 37 |
| New clothes | 38 | 38 | 34 | 32 |
| New technology products | 27 | 32 | 36 | 36 |
| Self-improvement/ Upskilling | 31 | 32 | 40 | 31 |
| Paying off debts/credit cards/loans | 25 | 31 | 31 | 36 |
| Home improvements/decorating | 24 | 34 | 25 | 31 |
| I don't spend but add to savings | 27 | 24 | 22 | 23 |
| Out of home entertainment | 20 | 23 | 22 | 25 |
| I don't spend, but add to my retirement fund | 16 | 17 | 16 | 16 |
| I have no spare cash | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 |





Spending spare cash on new clothes and new technology products become more notable during parenthood

| Spare Cash | Married Women without children | Married Women with children | Married men without children | Married Men with children |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
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| Base | 205 | 1754 | 214 | 1535 |
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| Paying off debts/credit cards/loans | 25 | 31 | 31 | 36 |
| Home improvements/decorating | 25 | 35 | 29 | 31 |
| I don't spend but add to savings | 23 | 24 | 25 | 22 |
| Out of home entertainment | 20 | 24 | 21 | 25 |
| I don't spend, but add to my retirement fund | 19 | 16 | 14 | 17 |
| I have no spare cash | 5 | 5 | 6 | 4 |





Top associations with money for men & women quite similar

What does money mean to you?

| Base | All women (2313) | All men (2313) |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Better life | 53 | 52 |
| Security | 41 | 39 |
| Standard of Living | 36 | 35 |
| Stability | 34 | 35 |
| Better health | 34 | 34 |
| Fulfilling dreams | 32 | 32 |
| Success | 32 | 34 |
| Necessity | 30 | 28 |
| Safety | 30 | 29 |
| Freedom | 27 | 26 |
| Survival | 25 | 24 |
| Power | 19 | 19 |
| Luxury | 18 | 18 |
| Achievement | 16 | 16 |
| Service to society | 13 | 13 |
| Fun | 11 | 12 |
| Worry | 3 | 4 |
| Creates chaos | 2 | 3 |
| Envy / Jealousy | 2 | 3 |





Among its many meanings, money means a better life for a majority (this is both among men, women). Health connotation relatively lower among women without children, standard of living connotation more notable among those not currently working, while luxury and envy more notable among those who are married without children

| What money means to you (Women) | Total: All Women | Unmarried/Single and currently working | Married without kids and currently working | Married with kids and currently working | Married women currently not working |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Base | 2313 | 231 | 191 | 1571 | 197 |
| Better life | 53 | 49 | 52 | 53 | 54 |
| Security | 41 | 45 | 37 | 40 | 44 |
| Standard of Living | 36 | 40 | 31 | 35 | 45 |
| Stability | 34 | 38 | 28 | 35 | 36 |
| Better health | 34 | 27 | 27 | 36 | 38 |
| Fulfilling dreams | 32 | 39 | 32 | 30 | 38 |
| Success | 32 | 29 | 31 | 33 | 28 |
| Necessity | 30 | 34 | 25 | 30 | 34 |
| Safety | 30 | 27 | 23 | 32 | 29 |
| Freedom | 27 | 33 | 22 | 28 | 21 |
| Survival | 25 | 27 | 21 | 23 | 28 |
| Power | 19 | 20 | 16 | 20 | 19 |
| Luxury | 18 | 14 | 25 | 18 | 16 |
| Achievement | 16 | 13 | 14 | 17 | 11 |
| Service to society | 13 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 11 |
| Fun | 11 | 12 | 9 | 11 | 8 |
| Worry | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| Creates chaos | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| Envy / Jealousy | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 2 |





For each individual, money means a different thing. Please tell me, which are the first five words which come to you that defines what money means to you.

Money connotations among various male cohorts tend to be relatively more similar than among women

| What money means to you (Men) | Total: All Men | Unmarried/Single and currently working | Married without kids and currently working | Married with kids and currently working | Married Men currently not working |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Base | 2313 | 432 | 208 | 1510 | 30* |
| Better life | 52 | 48 | 53 | 54 | 42 |
| Security | 39 | 36 | 42 | 40 | 22 |
| Stability | 35 | 36 | 34 | 36 | 13 |
| Standard of Living | 35 | 37 | 36 | 35 | 36 |
| Success | 34 | 33 | 28 | 36 | 27 |
| Better health | 34 | 34 | 35 | 34 | 26 |
| Fulfilling dreams | 32 | 33 | 35 | 32 | 26 |
| Safety | 29 | 26 | 29 | 30 | 45 |
| Necessity | 28 | 26 | 26 | 29 | 40 |
| Freedom | 26 | 28 | 28 | 25 | 20 |
| Survival | 24 | 25 | 23 | 24 | 27 |
| Power | 19 | 23 | 22 | 18 | 19 |
| Luxury | 18 | 16 | 17 | 19 | 9 |
| Achievement | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 13 |
| Service to society | 13 | 16 | 12 | 13 | 20 |
| Fun | 12 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 10 |
| Worry | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | - |
| Creates chaos | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Envy / Jealousy | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 6 |

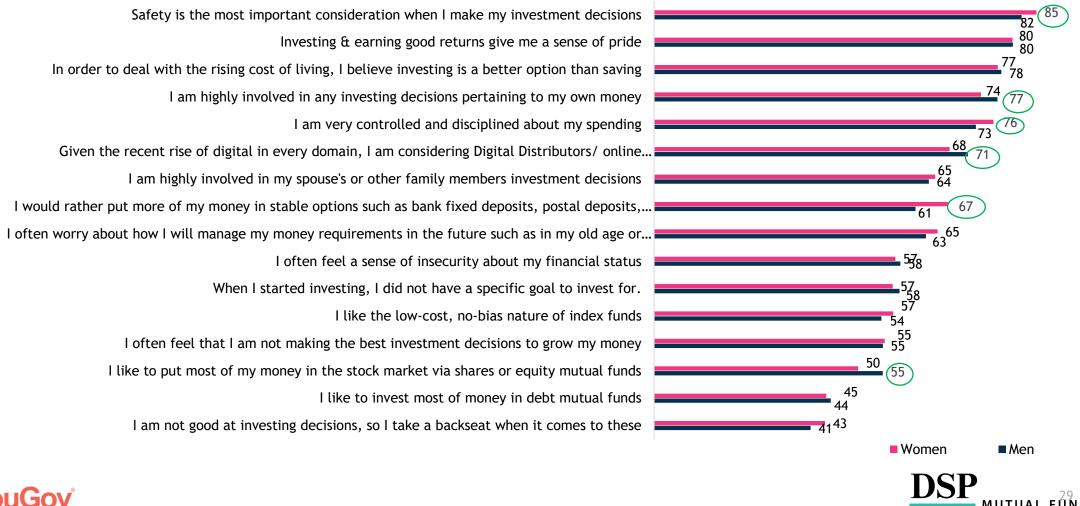




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Women value safety, stability, worry-free investing & discipline while investing Men are more involved in investing decisions & invest more in the stock market (via stocks/ mutual funds)

Attitude towards Investments (T2B score)





The appeal of safe choices (investing in stable options like FDs/Bonds) and a lack of confidence (insecurity) are both more notable in mini-metros- among both men and women

| Attitude towards Investments (T2B score) | Metro Women (A) | Mini Metro Women (B) | Metro Men (C) | Mini Metro Men (D) |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Actitude towards investinents (120 score) | 1604 | 709 | 1583 | 730 |
| Safety is the most important consideration | 84 | 87 | 81 | 83 |
| Investing & earning good returns give me a | 80 | 81 | 81 | 79 |
| In order to deal with the rising cost of living, I | 77 | 77 | 79 | 76 |
| I am highly involved in any investing decisions | 74 | 74 | 78 | 74 |
| I am very controlled and disciplined about my | 75 | 79 | 72 | 76 |
| Given the recent rise of digital in every $70 $ | 69 | 65 | 70 | 74 |
| I am highly involved in my spouse's or other 62 68 | 63 | 68 | 61 | 69 |
| I would rather put more of my money in stable | 66 | 72 | 59 | 65 |
| I often worry about how I will manage my | 65 | 66 | 64 | 62 |
| I often feel a sense of insecurity about my | 56 | 61 | 56 | 62 |
| When I started investing, I did not have a | 57 | 57 | 58 | 58 |
| I like the low-cost, no-bias nature of index | 57 | 56 | 53 | 58 |
| I often feel that I am not making the best 57 | 55 | 55 | 53 | 58 |
| I like to put most of my money in the stock $\frac{5^{53}}{5^{13}}$ | 52 | 46 | 54 | 56 |
| I like to invest most of money in debt mutual | 44 | 43 | 42 | 50 |
| I am not good at investing decisions, so I take | 43 | 44 | 38 | 47 |





■ Metro ■ Mini Metro
Indicates Significantly higher @95% CL vs the other | (A vs B) & (C vs D)



Safety consideration, stable investing, prudent expenses more noticeable among married than single men.

| Attitude towards Investments (top 2 box score) | Single Women | Married Women | Single Men | Married Men |
|--|-----------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Significant @ 95% CL | Α | В | С | D |
| Base | 250 | 1959 | 440 | 1748 |
| Safety is the most important consideration when I make my investment decisions | 82 | 85 | 79 | 83 |
| Investing & earning good returns give me a sense of pride | 74 | 81 | 80 | 80 |
| In order to deal with the rising cost of living, I believe investing is a better option than saving | 72 | 78 | 75 | 78 |
| I am highly involved in any investing decisions pertaining to my own money | 64 | 75 | 73 | 78 |
| I am very controlled and disciplined about my spending | 67 | 78 | 67 | 74 |
| Given the recent rise of digital in every domain, I am considering Digital Distributors/online platforms such as Zerodha/ Groww/ Paytm Money more than earlier | 61 | 69 | 75 | 70 |
| I am highly involved in my spouse's or other family members investment decisions | 46 | 68 | 54 | 65 |
| I would rather put more of my money in stable options such as bank fixed deposits, postal deposits, bonds and be free of worry | 57 | 69 | 54 | 63 |
| I often worry about how I will manage my money requirements in the future such as in my old age or at the time of the marriage of my children | 56 | 67 | 60 | 64 |
| I often feel a sense of insecurity about my financial status | 49 | 58 | 62 | 57 |
| When I started investing, I did not have a specific goal to invest for. | 53 | 57 | 59 | 57 |
| I like the low-cost, no-bias nature of index funds | 47 | 58 | 54 | 54 |
| I often feel that I am not making the best investment decisions to grow my money | 49 | 56 | 54 | 54 |
| I like to put most of my money in the stock market via shares or equity mutual funds | 40 | 52 | 54 | 55 |
| I like to invest most of money in debt mutual funds | 31 | 46 | 43 | 45 |
| I am not good at investing decisions, so I take a backseat when it comes to these | 35 | 45 | 40 | 40 |





Priorities & Thoughts on Money: Other Findings

- 46% of respondents said they <u>started investing</u> young: <25 years of age
 - No major difference observed among men and women, metros and mini-metros
- 67% of respondents thought one should start investing at <25 years of age
 - Similar among men (66%) and women (68%)
 - 70% in metros vs 61% in mini-metros





Section 2 Role in Decision Making Do women and men play similar roles?





Overall, more men (than women) claimed a sole decision-making role for investment in stocks/shares, purchasing insurance policies, buying a car / house, home loans, planning a holiday | Women likelier to claim sole decision-making on gold/jewellery, durables & day to day household purchases

| Gender | Buying | a house | Planning a holiday | | Selecting a school for children | | Provision for child's future education | | Buying durables for the home | | Buying gold/ jewellery | |
|----------------|--------|---------|--------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|--|-------|------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sole decision | 36 | 25 | 35 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 37 | 31 | 39 | 42 | 30 | 48 |
| Joint decision | 58 | 67 | 60 | 64 | 58 | 60 | 53 | 61 | 56 | 53 | 58 | 46 |
| Not Involved | 6 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 11 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 11 | 6 |

| Gender | Buying a Car | | Day to day purchases for the house | | Home loans / EMIs | | Purchasing insurance policies / Mediclaim's | | Investing in Mutual funds, stocks/shares | |
|----------------|--------------|-------|--|-------|----------------------|-------|---|-------|--|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sole decision | 52 | 30 | 39 | 52 | 53 | 29 | 60 | 35 | 62 | 38 |
| Joint decision | 42 | 60 | 53 | 43 | 38 | 55 | 35 | 56 | 32 | 50 |
| Not Involved | 6 | 10 | 8 | 5 | 10 | 16 | 5 | 9 | 6 | 6 |





Base: | Male: 2313, Female: 2313

(In metros) men more likely than women to claim a sole decision-making role for investment in stocks/shares, purchasing insurance policies, buying a car / house, home loans, planning a holiday, while women likelier than men to claim so in the case of gold/jewellery, durables and day to day household purchases

| Metros | Buying a house | | house Planning a | | a holiday Selecting a sch for childrer | | Provision for child's future education | | Buying durables for the home | | Buying gold/ jewellery | |
|----------------|----------------|-------|------------------|-------|---|-------|--|-------|------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sole decision | 37 | 27 | 37 | 32 | 32 | 33 | 38 | 33 | 40 | 45 | 32 | 49 |
| Joint decision | 57 | 64 | 59 | 62 | 56 | 58 | 52 | 58 | 55 | 49 | 56 | 45 |
| Not Involved | 6 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 12 | 6 |

| Metros | Buying a Car | | Day to day purchases for the house | | Home loans / EMIs | | Purchasing insurance policies / Mediclaim's | | Investing in Mutual funds, stocks/shares | |
|----------------|--------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|---|-------|--|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sole decision | 52 | 33 | 40 | 55 | 54 | 32 | 61 | 38 | 65 | 42 |
| Joint decision | 42 | 56 | 52 | 40 | 37 | 52 | 35 | 52 | 30 | 47 |
| Not Involved | 6 | 11 | 8 | 5 | 9 | 16 | 4 | 10 | 5 | 11 |





The pattern of decision roles by genders In Mini-Metros largely similar to metros- Purchase of durables is more gender neutral in mini-metros

| Mini Metros | Buying a house | | ouse Planning a holiday | | Selecting a school for children | | Provision for child's future education | | Buying durables for the home | | Buying gold/ jewellery | |
|----------------|----------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|--|-------|------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sole decision | 35 | 21 | 32 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 36 | 26 | 37 | 34 | 27 | 45 |
| Joint decision | 58 | 74 | 62 | 67 | 65 | 67 | 57 | 69 | 57 | 61 | 63 | 49 |
| Not Involved | 7 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 10 | 6 |

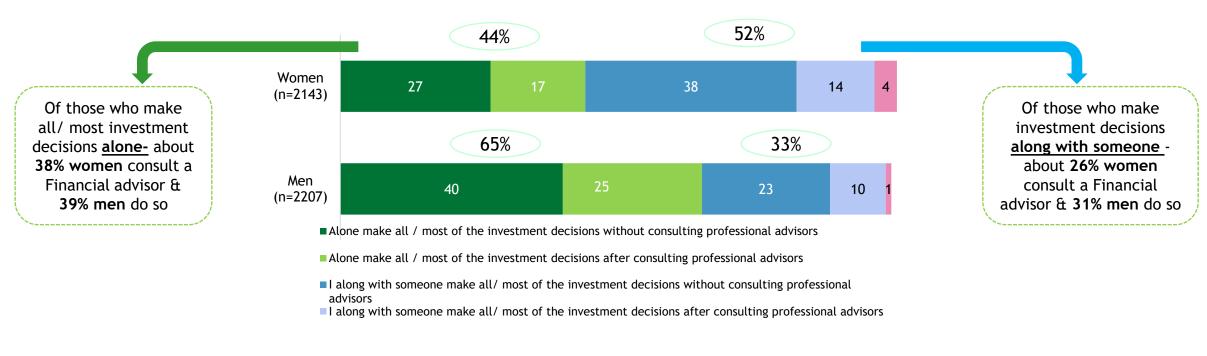
| Mini Metros | Buying a Car | | Day to day purchases for the house | | Home loans / EMIs | | Purchasing insurance policies / Mediclaim's | | Investing in Mutual funds, stocks/shares | |
|----------------|--------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|---|-------|--|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Sole decision | 50 | 24 | 37 | 45 | 49 | 23 | 58 | 27 | 57 | 30 |
| Joint decision | 43 | 68 | 56 | 51 | 40 | 63 | 36 | 64 | 36 | 57 |
| Not Involved | 6 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 10 | 15 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 13 |





While nearly 2 out of 3 Men (65%) take Investment decisions independently, a minority (44%) of women do so. Majority (52%) women make decisions jointly with someone else. Around 60% of those who alone take decisions aren't consulting professional financial advisors

Role in Investment Decision-making (among those who have ever invested)





Role in investment-decision-making

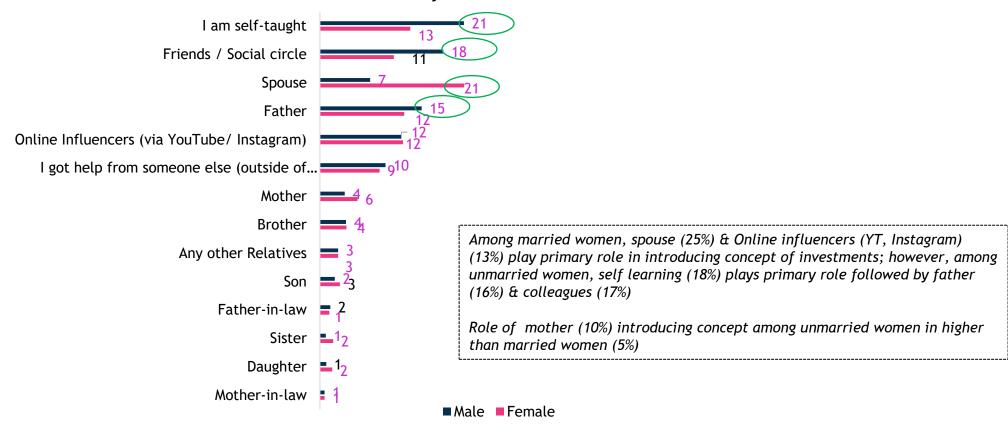
| | Overall | Non- working | | nmarried king) | | not having vorking) | | aving kids king) |
|---|---------|-----------------|-----|-------------------|-----|------------------------|------|---------------------|
| | All | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Base: n= | 4350 | 179 | 398 | 203 | 198 | 178 | 1457 | 1499 |
| I alone make all / most of the investment decisions | 55% | 21 | 66 | 54 | 54 | 44 | 67 | 45 |
| I along with someone make all/ most of the investment decisions | 43% | 65 | 33 | 39 | 45 | 52 | 32 | 53 |
| Not me, someone else takes the investment decisions entirely | 3% | 14 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 2 |





The standout 1st source of awareness for financial plannings/investments for women is their spouse | For men, top sources include self-learning, friends/social circle & their father

Who first introduced you to Investments?







Base: Male: 2313, Female: 2313

indicates Significantly higher @95% CL

Spouse plays the role of first to introduce investments more notably in mini-metros, while self learning more common in metros

| | Who first introduced you to Investments? | | | | |
|---|--|------------|-------|------------|--|
| | Women | | Me | en | |
| | Metro | Mini-Metro | Metro | Mini-Metro | |
| I am self-taught | 14% | 11% | 24% | 16% | |
| Friends / Social circle | 11% | 11% | 19% | 16% | |
| Spouse | 19% | 25% | 6% | 10% | |
| Father | 13% | 10% | 15% | 15% | |
| Online Influencers (via YouTube/ Instagram) | 14% | 9% | 12% | 13% | |
| Someone else | 9% | 8% | 10% | 10% | |
| Mother | 5% | 7% | 3% | 5% | |
| Brother | 3% | 5% | 3% | 5% | |
| Any other Relatives | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | |
| Son | 3% | 4% | 2% | 3% | |
| Father-in-law | 1% | 2% | 1% | 2% | |
| Sister Daughter | 2% | 1% | 1% | 1% | |
| Mother-in-law | 2% | 2% | 1% | 1% | |

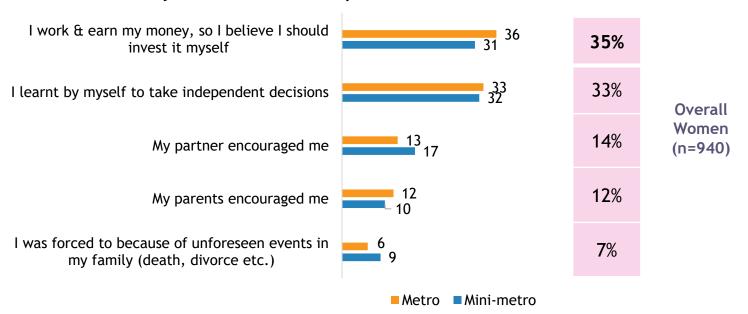


MUTUAL FUND

Base: Metro | Women: 1604, Men: 1583

33% women who take investment decisions independently say they learnt to do so themselves | This number is notably higher for men at 38%

Why do women take independent investment decisions?



..and men?

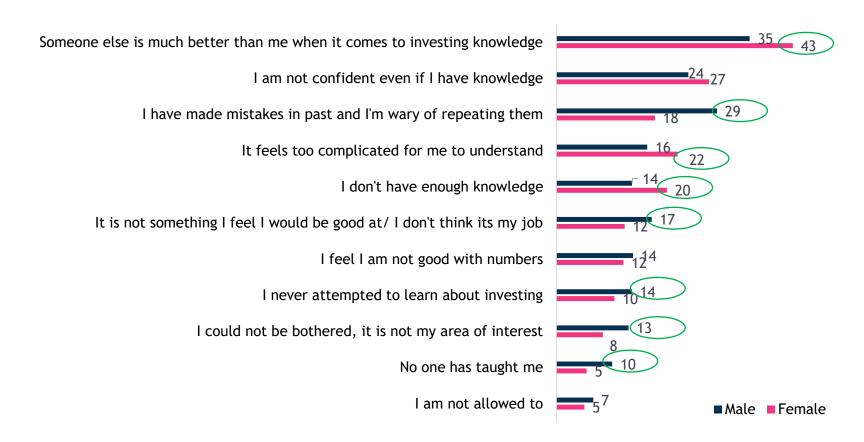
| 34% | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 38% | Overall |
| 13% | Men (n=1444) |
| 10% | |
| 5% | |





Lack of knowledge, complicated nature of decision and belief that others are better more notable reasons for joint decision making among women than men. Reasons that are notable among men past mistakes, not their area of interest or Job and just never felt to attempt to learn about investing

Reason for not taking investment decisions independently

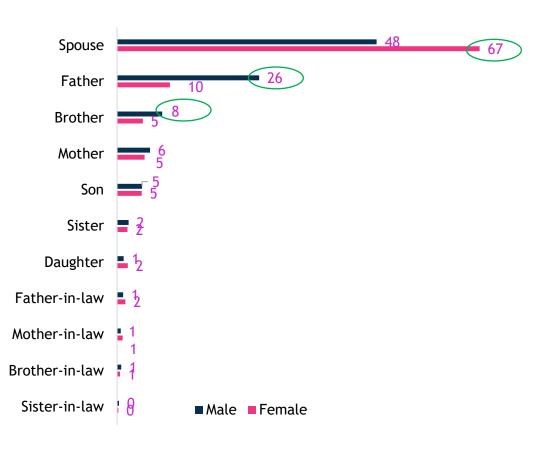






Women consult their spouse much more than men do 2X men consult their fathers than women

Who Jointly decides with you?



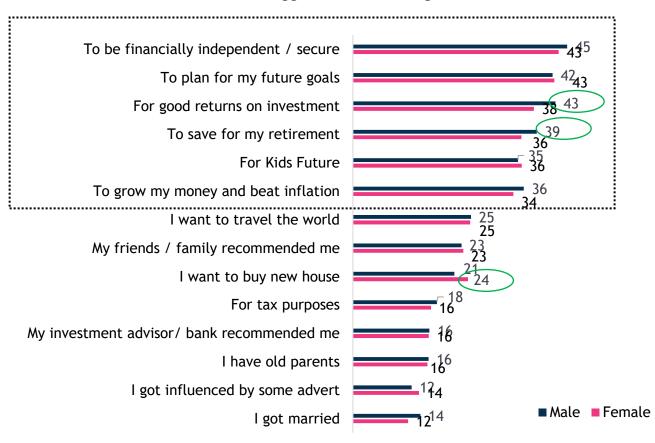
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Financial Independence was cited as the top reasons by both men & women Chasing higher returns & saving for retirement were more notable reasons mentioned by men

Triggers for investing

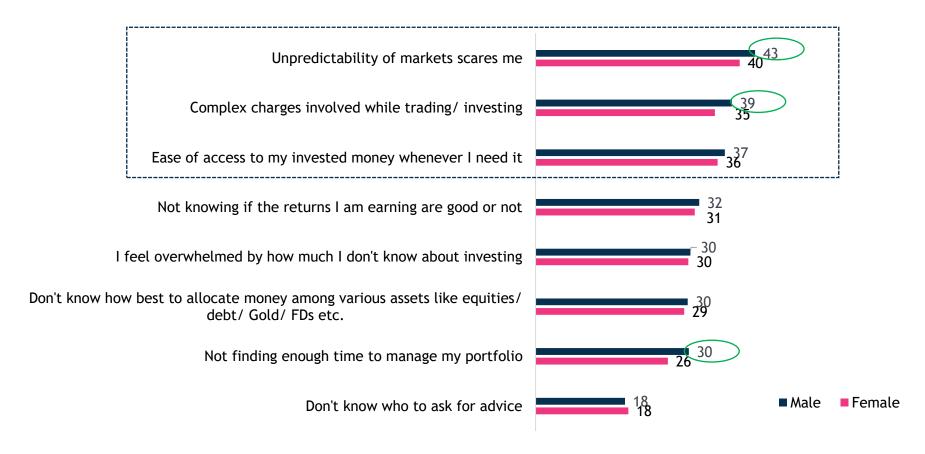






Fear caused by market's unpredictability, complex charges involved & not being able to find enough time to manage portfolio issues cited more by men than women

Difficulties Faced

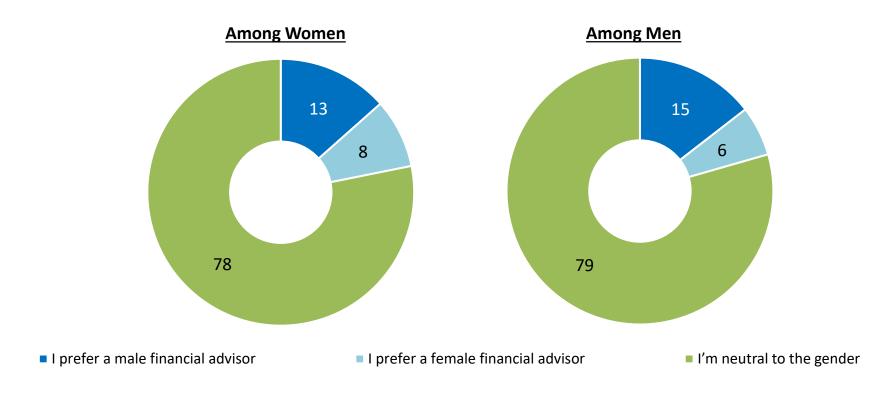






Most women & men (~80%) did not express any gender preference Of those who did, most mentioned preferring male advisors

Do they prefer a specific gender for their financial advisor?





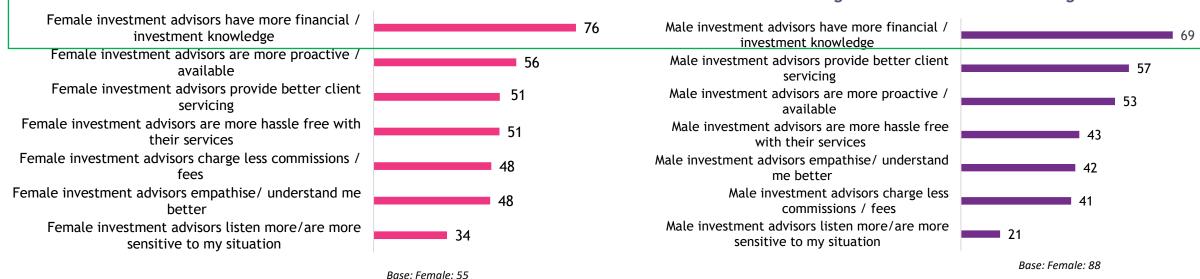


The largest reason for any gender preference among women is the belief that advisors of that specific gender have more knowledge

Reasons for preferring gender of financial advisor (Among Women)

Reasons for Preferring Women financial advisor among Women

Reasons for Preferring Male financial advisor among Women



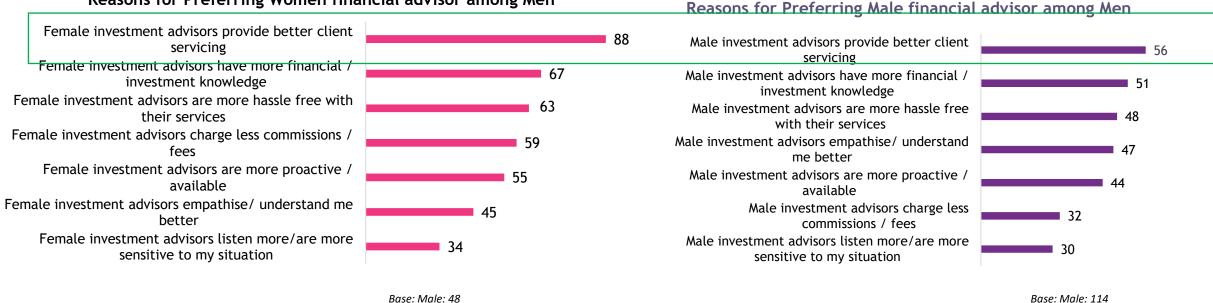




The largest reason for any gender preference among men is the belief that advisors of that specific gender provide better client servicing

Reasons for preferring gender of financial advisor (Among Men)

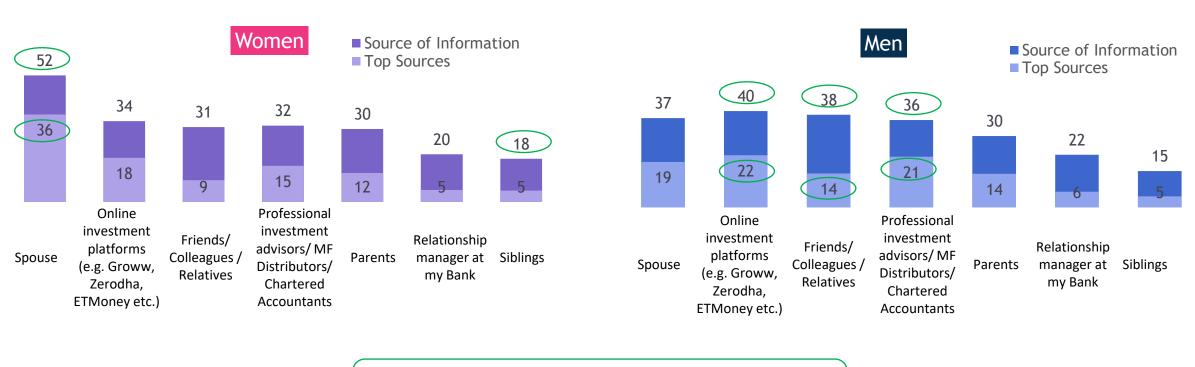
Reasons for Preferring Women financial advisor among Men







For a majority of women, their husband is one of the sources of information, dominates as the most consulted source for decisions | For men, the relatively more influential sources are online platforms, advisors, network



Those make investment decisions alone (sole decision maker)

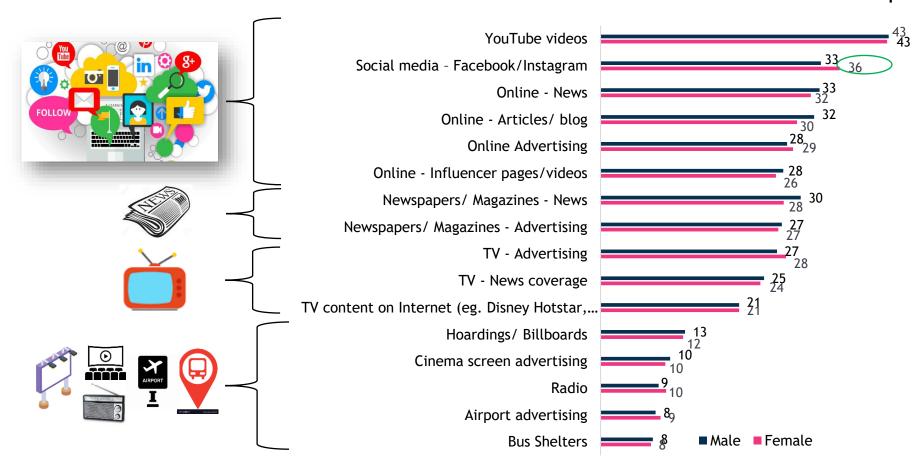
- about 38% consult a Financial advisor among (Women) & 39% (Men) respectively





Digital is the main channel of engagement (among both genders) - with YouTube videos most popular presently | Social media used more notably by women

Sources of information about investment options



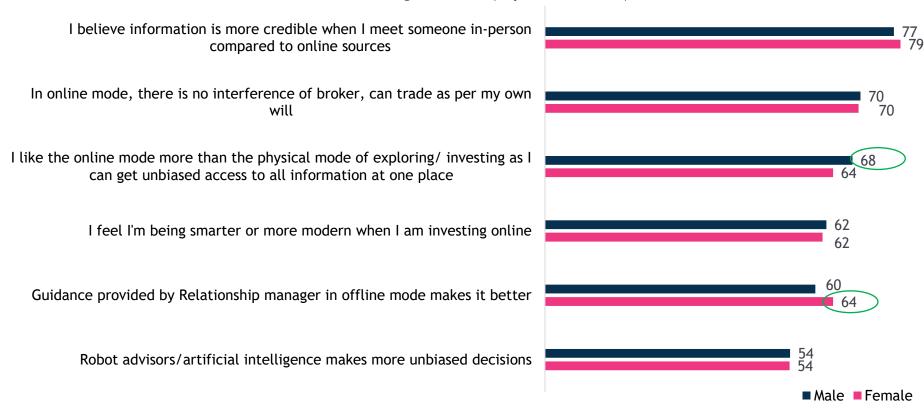






Online's unbiasedness resonates more notably among men while Offline in-person guidance by relationship manager's does so among women

Digital Trust (top 2 box score)







Base: Male: 2313, Female: 2313

Role in Decision Making: Other Findings

- More people in mini metros (96%) are happy with their financial advisor than those in metros (93%). No notable difference among Male & Female (93% & 94% respectively)
- Top 3 reasons for choosing a financial advisor same across segments (genders / Metro-mini-metros)
 - Experience with the advisor in the past (24%)
 - Knowledge on product and industry (24%)
 - No. of years of experience in the industry (19%)





Section 3 Where do they invest? Do women and men save/ invest similarly?





Men & Women don't exhibit any significant differences when it comes to investment choices in general | Digital gold, Futures/ options, ULIPS more notable among men

| Where are people investing? | Ever Invested | | | |
|--|---------------|-------|--|--|
| where are people investing. | Men | Women | | |
| Base | 1868 | 1816 | | |
| Equity / Stocks / Shares | 14 | 12 | | |
| Bank Deposit (Fixed deposit, Recurring, Time deposit etc.) | 14 | 12 | | |
| Mutual Fund | 13 | 12 | | |
| Term / Life insurance | 13 | 13 | | |
| Physical gold jewellery- Bars/Coins | 10 | 12 | | |
| Digital Gold | 12 | 9 | | |
| NPS / PPF/ KVP/ NSC / Post Office Saving Schemes | 11 | 9 | | |
| Bonds | 11 | 9 | | |
| Term Insurance | 10 | 10 | | |
| Investment property/ real estate | 9 | 8 | | |
| Futures / Options | 9 | 7 | | |
| Cryptocurrency | 7 | 7 | | |
| ULIPs | 8 | 5 | | |
| Chit Fund | 6 | 6 | | |
| Forex, US stocks | 6 | 5 | | |





Avenues for investment not observed to be too different among those in metros vs. mini-metros

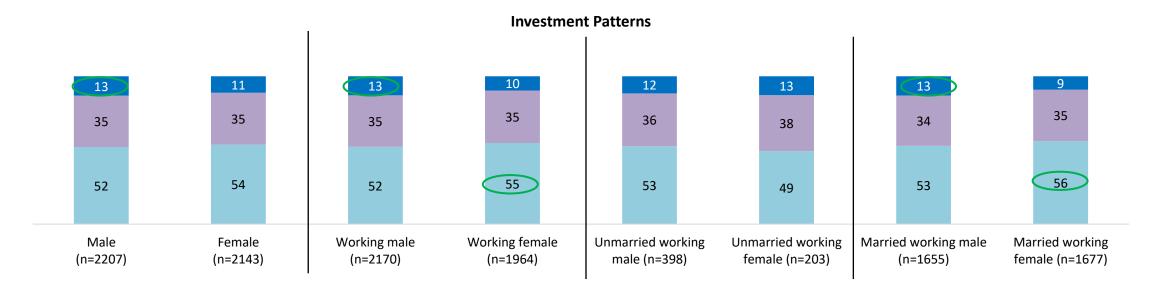
| Where are <u>WOMEN</u> investing? | Ever Invested | | | |
|--|---------------|------------|--|--|
| Where are <u>Worlien</u> investing: | Metro | Mini-metro | | |
| Base | 1270 | 547 | | |
| Equity / Stocks / Shares | 13 | 12 | | |
| Bank Deposit (Fixed deposit, Recurring, Time deposit etc.) | 12 | 12 | | |
| Mutual Fund | 12 | 12 | | |
| Term / Life insurance | 13 | 11 | | |
| Physical gold jewellery- Bars/Coins | 12 | 13 | | |
| Digital Gold | 10 | 8 | | |
| NPS /PPF/ KVP/ NSC / Post Office Saving Schemes | 9 | 10 | | |
| Bonds | 10 | 8 | | |
| Term Insurance | 10 | 8 | | |
| Investment property/ real estate | 8 | 9 | | |
| Futures / Options | 6 | 7 | | |
| Cryptocurrency | 7 | 6 | | |
| ULIPs | 5 | 5 | | |
| Chit Fund | 5 | 7 | | |
| Forex, US stocks | 5 | 3 | | |

| Where are MEN investing? | Ever Invested | | | |
|--|---------------|------------|--|--|
| Where are <u>MEN</u> investing? | Metro | Mini-metro | | |
| Base | 1284 | 584 | | |
| Equity / Stocks / Shares | 13 | 15 | | |
| Bank Deposit (Fixed deposit, Recurring, Time deposit etc.) | 14 | 12 | | |
| Mutual Fund | 13 | 15 | | |
| Term / Life insurance | 13 | 11 | | |
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| Forex, US stocks | 6 | 5 | | |





Most men & women invest after taking care of expenses (rather than fixing investment amounts & then adjusting monthly budgets/ expenses around it)



- I oscillate between 1 and 2- no set pattern
- I set aside a fixed amount for investments and adjust my other monthly expenses accordingly
- I invest the remaining amount after I have paid for all my monthly expenses







Do women and men think differently?





Section 4

Over 40% of Men and Women believe that responsibilities for their children never end | No difference between men/ women on responsibilities towards their son | However, more women than men feel their responsibility for their daughter(s) ends after her college/ post-grad

| When do Men/Women think that their responsibility for their son / daughter has got over? | | | | | | |
|--|-------|---------|--------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Responsibility over for daughter | Males | Females | Working Male | Working Female | | |
| Base | 888 | 1168 | 871 | 1058 | | |
| After I pay for her college / post-grad education | 30 | 35 | 31 | 36 | | |
| After I pay for her marriage | 23 | 20 | 23 | 20 | | |
| It never ends, I will always be responsible / part responsible | 47 | 45 | 47 | 43 | | |
| Responsibility over for son | Males | Females | Working Male | Working Female | | |
| Base | 1200 | 1293 | 1178 | 1160 | | |
| After I pay for his college / post-grad education | 36 | 35 | 36 | 37 | | |
| After I pay for his marriage | 21 | 21 | 21 | 22 | | |
| It never ends, I will always be responsible / part responsible | 43 | 44 | 43 | 41 | | |

Base: Respondents with Children





Among those with both sons and daughters- the belief that responsibility for a son is over once their college education is paid for relatively stronger than for a daughter

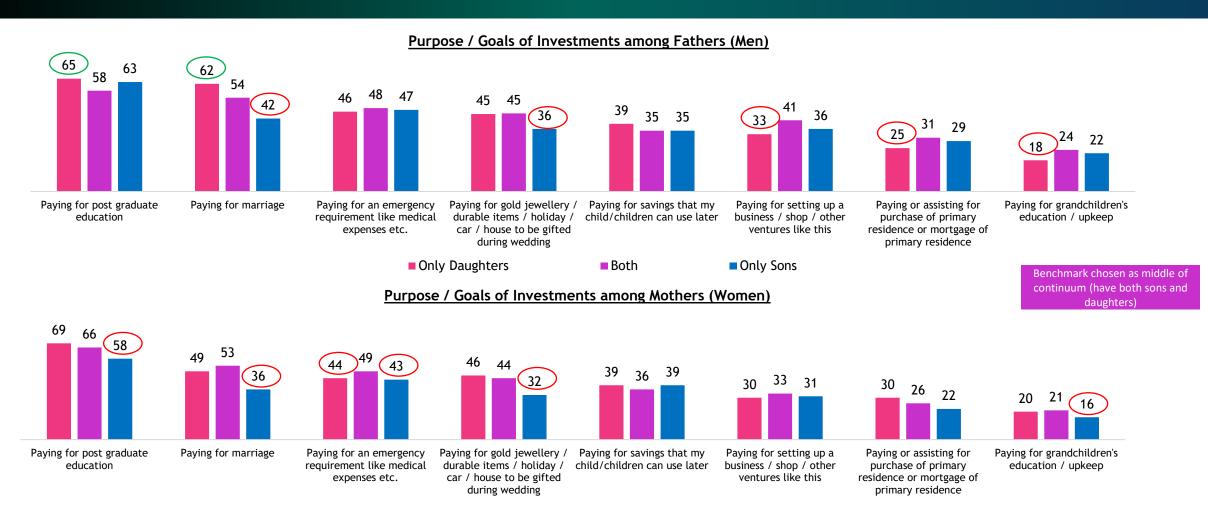
| When does the responsibility for son / daughter end? -Those having both son and daughter | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Responsibility over for daughter Those who have both son as well as | | | | |
| Base | 1203 | | | |
| After I pay for her college / post-grad education | 32 | | | |
| After I pay for her marriage | 22 | | | |
| It never ends, I will always be responsible / part responsible | 45 | | | |
| Responsibility over for son | Those who have both son as well as daughter | | | |
| Base | 1203 | | | |
| After I pay for his college / post-grad education | 36 | | | |
| After I pay for his marriage | 23 | | | |
| It never ends, I will always be responsible / part responsible | 42 | | | |

Base: Respondents with both sons & daughters





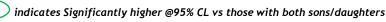
Paying for marriage notably influenced by gender of child- 62% of fathers who only have daughters say that paying for marriage is a goal they'll save/ invest for vs 42% for those with only sons





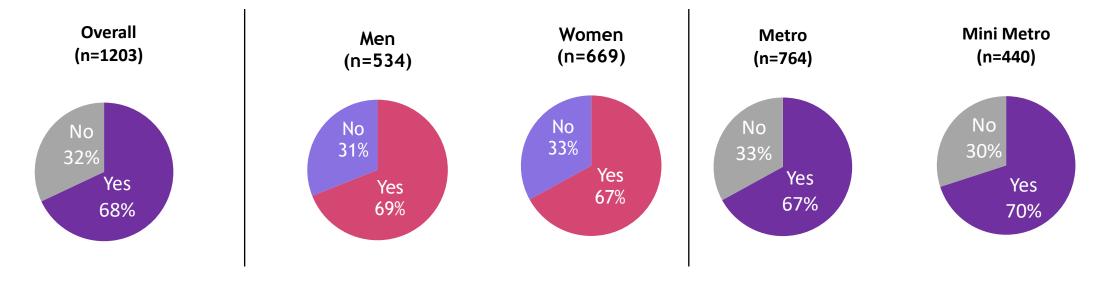


Q35_Investmentgoals_Daughter_Son_new. Could you please tell us for which of your child/children's life stages or goals would you be saving or investing money for?



~70% respondents said they advise or would advise their son and daughter differently about investments

Do they teach their Son & Daughter differently on investments?





Monetary responsibilities & wealth related behavior: Other Findings

- 41% of parents say their investment strategy will differ based on their child's gender:
 - 43% of men vs 40% of women | 39% in metros vs 46% in mini-metros | 39% among those with both sons & daughters, 48% for those with only daughters, 39% for those with only sons
- Top reasons for different investment strategies depending on the child's gender adopted by a majority (68%) of those with both sons and daughters because:

For Son:

- Will support a family & will have more financial responsibilities (46%)
- Men can handle more risk and or complex financial investment options (25%)
- Investing options better than savings options for men (24%)

For Daughters:

- Will support a family & will have more financial responsibilities (24%)
- Will be financially supported by her husband(21%)
- Savings options are better than investment options for women (21%)





Monetary responsibilities & wealth related behavior: Other Findings

- 60% respondents claimed to have received inheritance from parents: 60% among both males & females | 57% in metros vs 67% in mini-metros
- Those who didn't receive inheritance less likely to have goals for their children: For e.g.,
- Child's wedding gift (32 among those who didn't receive inheritance vs 46 among those who did)
- Residence/mortgage (20 among those who didn't receive inheritance vs 31 among those who did)
- Grandkids (14 among those who didn't receive inheritance vs 21 among those who did)

This effect of inheritance was observed for both mothers & fathers- indicating a potential vicious cycle

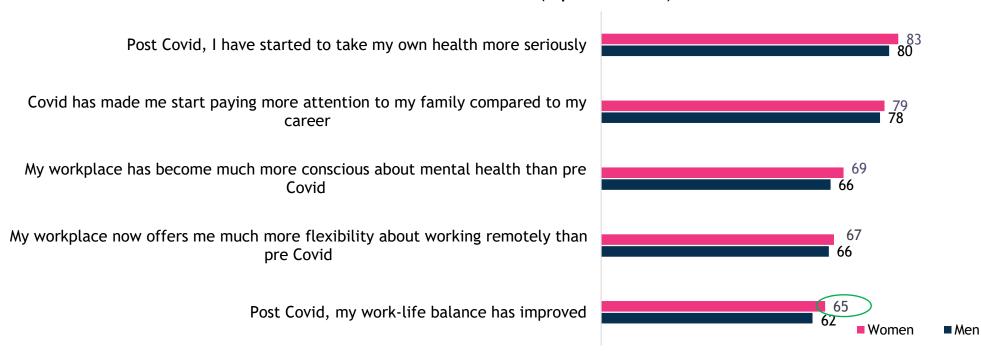






Work-life balance improvement owing to Covid-19 perceived more often among women than men

Attitude towards life (top 2 box score)



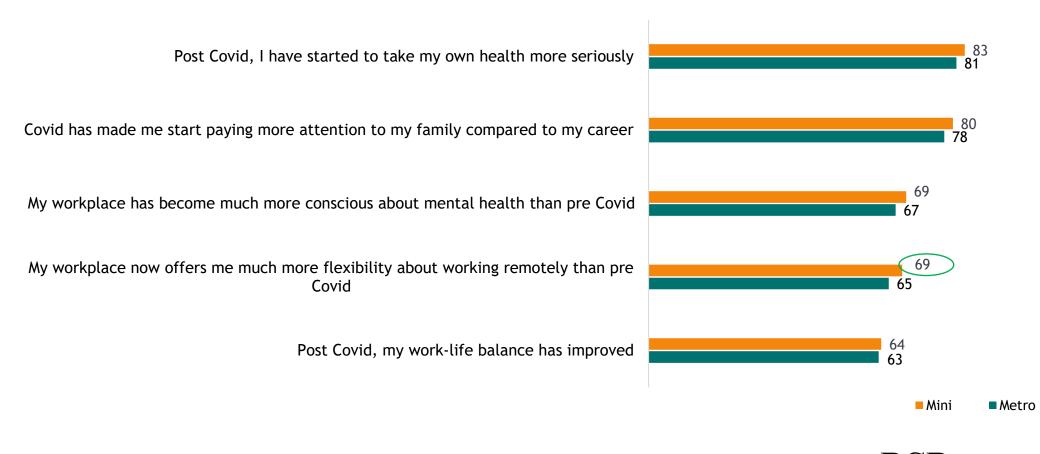




Base: Men: 2313, Women: 2313

Improved workplace flexibility to work remotely perceived more often among those in mini-metros than those in metros

Attitude towards life (top 2 box score)







Acknowledgement of Covid's impact on work-life balance/flexibility relatively more notable among married women than those who are single, while health consciousness has generally improved among those who are married- across genders

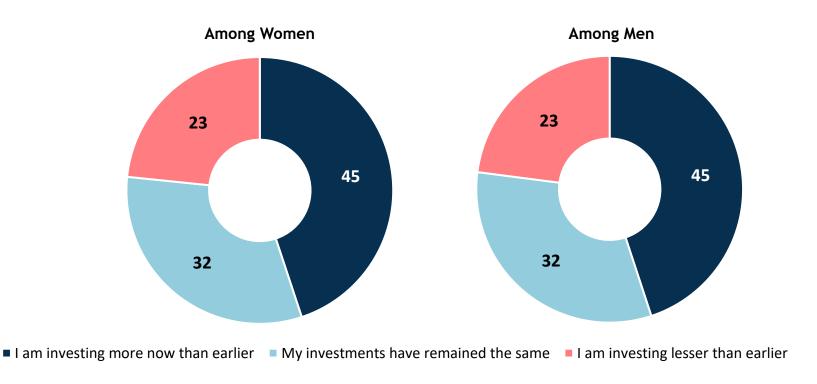
| Attitude towards life (top 2 box score) | Single Women | Married Women | Single Men | Married Men |
|--|-----------------|------------------|------------|----------------|
| Base | 250 | 1959 | 440 | 1748 |
| Post Covid, I have started to take my own health more seriously | 76 | 84 | 77 | 82 |
| Covid has made me start paying more attention to my family compared to my career | 74 | 81 | 78 | 78 |
| My workplace has become much more conscious about mental health than pre Covid | 52 | 72 | 63 | 67 |
| My workplace now offers me much more flexibility about working remotely than pre Covid | 57 | 69 | 66 | 65 |
| Post Covid, my work-life balance has improved | 50 | 67 | 59 | 62 |





Nearly half (45%) of men & women surveyed said they were investing more post Covid

Impact of Covid: Are you investing more or less post-pandemic?

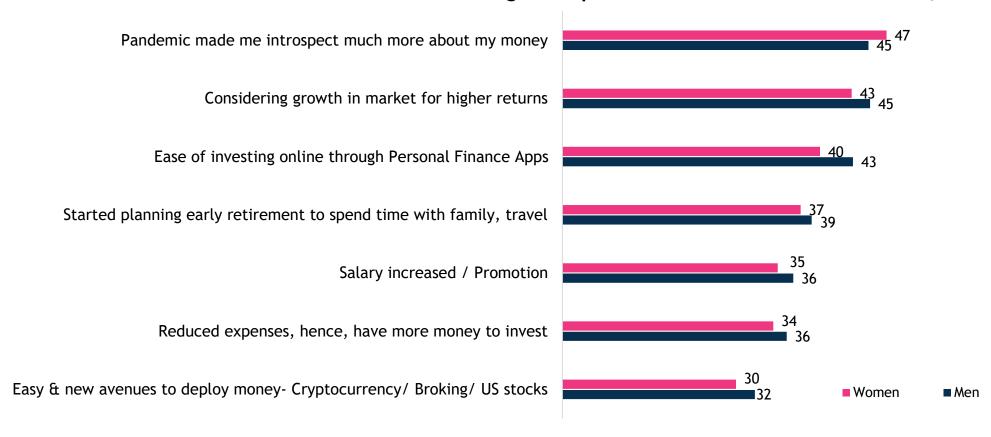






Pandemic induced monetary-introspection, wanting higher returns than earlier, ease of investing via apps cited by both men & women as top reasons to invest more post Covid

Reasons for investing more post COVID (For those who've been investing more)

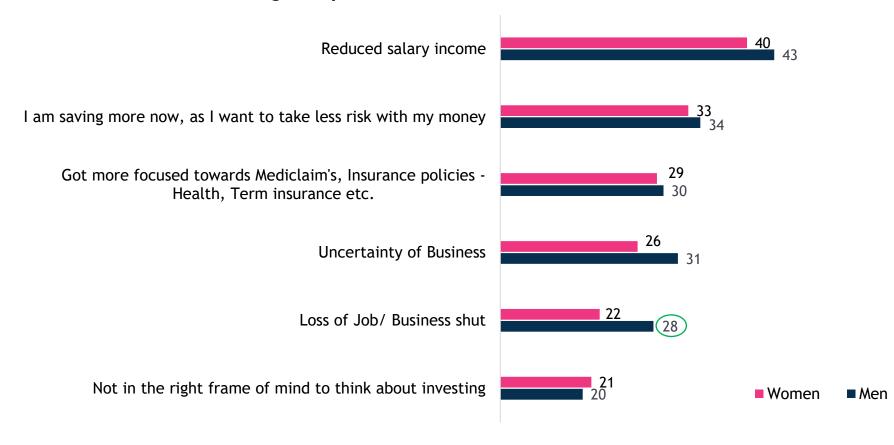






Reduced income, wanting to take lesser risk cited as top reasons by both men & women Loss of Job / shutting of business more notable among men vs women

Reasons for investing less post COVID (For those who've been investing lesser)







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