



# Ten Years of Federal Budgets: Double Whammy for Women

## Press Release

"OTTAWA - February 3, 2005 - Federal fiscal choices have done little to improve most women's economic security over the last 10 years, says the first ever analysis of federal budgets on Canadian women. The ground-breaking report, released today in Ottawa by the Canadian Feminist Alliance for International Action, tracks a decade of federal budgets. Written by award-winning economist Armine Yalnizyan, it measures the federal government's performance against the explicit commitments it made to gender equality in Beijing in 1995. It shows that massive spending cuts unduly hurt women in the deficit era and women's interests have been largely ignored since Ottawa began posting surpluses."

Canada's Commitment to Equality: A Gender analysis of the last ten federal budgets

By Armine Yalnizyan

Complete report

<http://www.fafia-afai.org/gvt/CanadaCommitmentToEquality.pdf>

(PDF file - 609K, 117 pages)

Executive Summary

<http://www.fafia-afai.org/gvt/ExecSummary.htm>

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"FAFIA is an alliance of over 40 Canadian women's equality-seeking non-governmental organizations formed in February 1999 at a national consultation of women's organizations held in Ottawa."

- Go to the Canadian Government Budgets Links page:

<http://www.canadiansocialresearch.net/budgets.htm>

- Go to the the Canadian Non-Governmental Sites about Women's Social Issues page:

<http://www.canadiansocialresearch.net/womencango.htm>