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Addendum, to be attached to paper 2:

THE EFFECT OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS ON WOMEN.

ESTONIA: One of the major gender inequality factors, the average pay gap, puts Estonia firmly at the bottom of the European scale- female salaries in certain occupations lag behind the male counterparts by as much as 30%.

Another specific side effect of the recession is increased domestic violence, which has clearly affected the lives of Estonian women. This has been repeatedly reported by the media, and by social researchers. Although not easily quantifiable, there was certainly an increase in the stress and on the physical burden put upon women, due to men either leaving to find work abroad, or by them remaining at home, out of work.