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Women fare better in recession than men

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WASHINGTON – Women have scored another victory in the battle of the sexes: They've become more recession-proof than men.

For the third economic downturn in a row, the unemployment rate for men is running higher than the women's rate – a flip-flop

from the months directly preceding the downruns, when men fared better. The trend is a big change from the 1950s, '60s and '70s, when women had higher job rates than men in both down and up times.

"Men's employment ... is much more responsive to economic downturns than women's," says Vicky Lovell of the Institute for Women's Policy Research in Washington. Women tend to work in professions, such as health care and education, that are still in demand when times are tough.

If the trend continues, it could factor into household decision-making, such as which person should take time off to take care of an elderly parent or a sick child.

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