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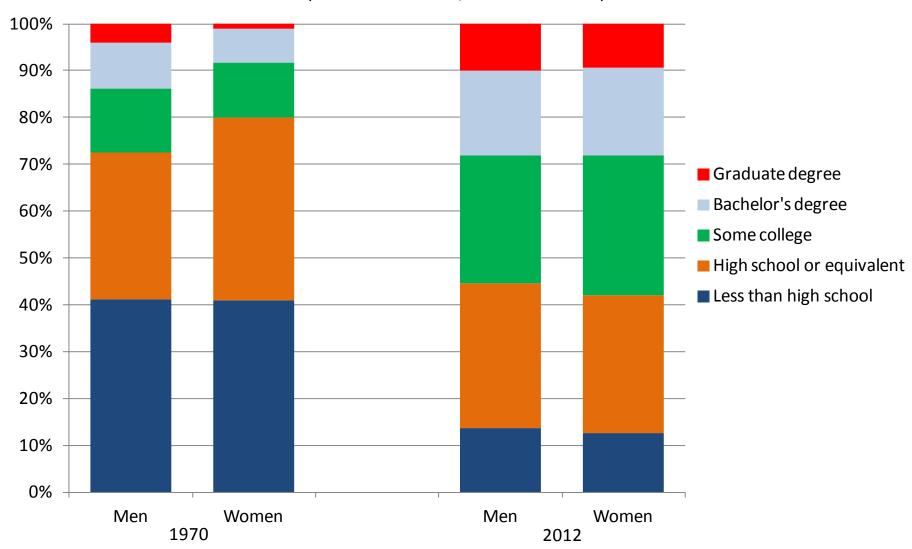
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Levels of Educational Attainment

(Percent of Adults, 1970 and 2012)

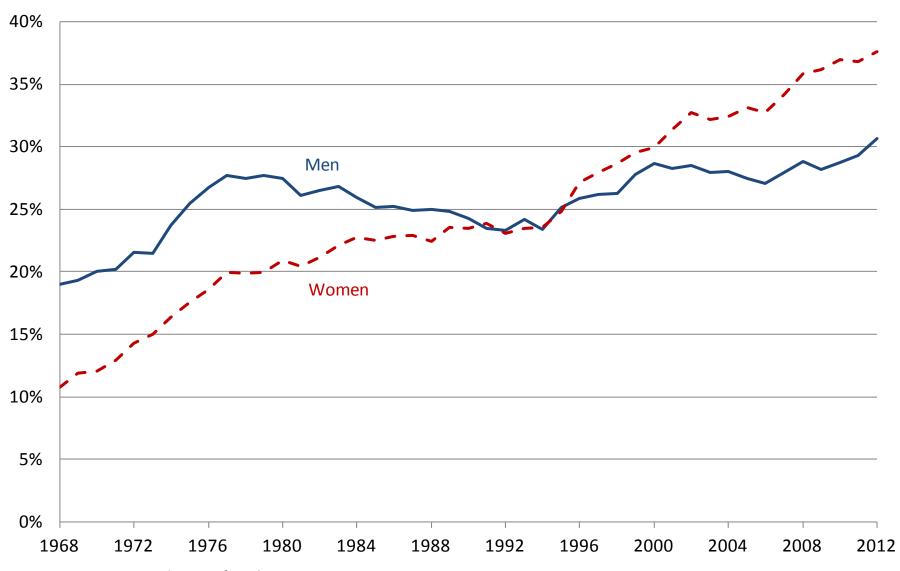


Source: National Center for Education Statistics.

Note: Data are for adults age 19 and over in 1970 and age 18 and over in 2012.

Percent of Adults Age 25-34 with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher

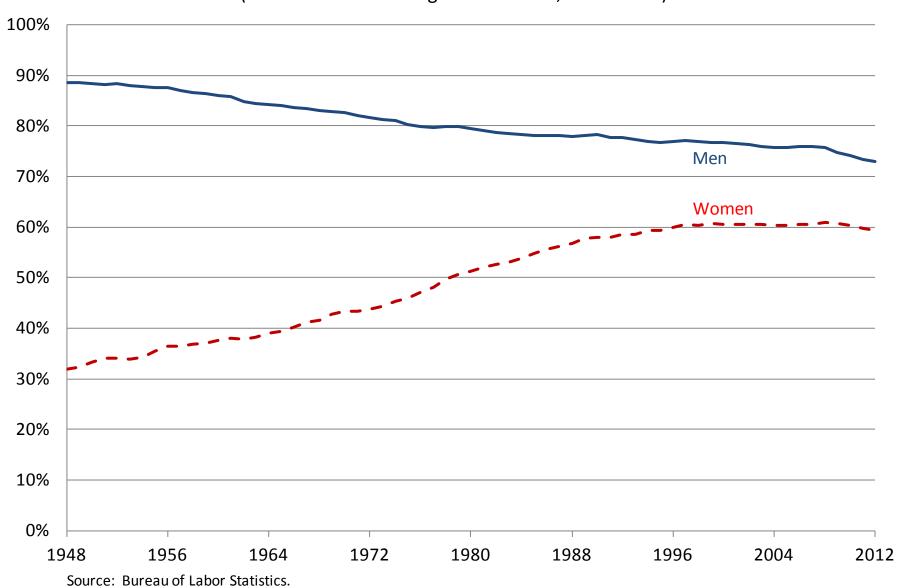
(1968-2012)



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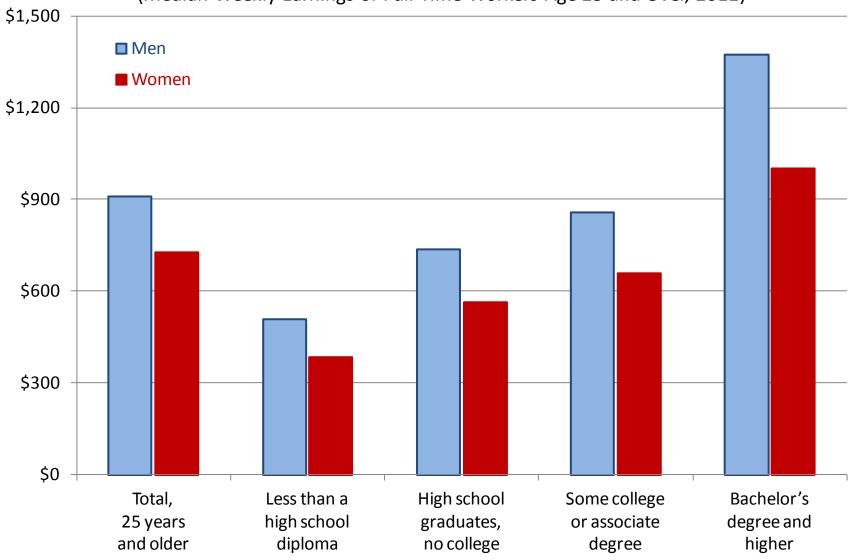
Labor Force Participation Rate

(Percent of Persons Age 20 and Over, 1948-2012)



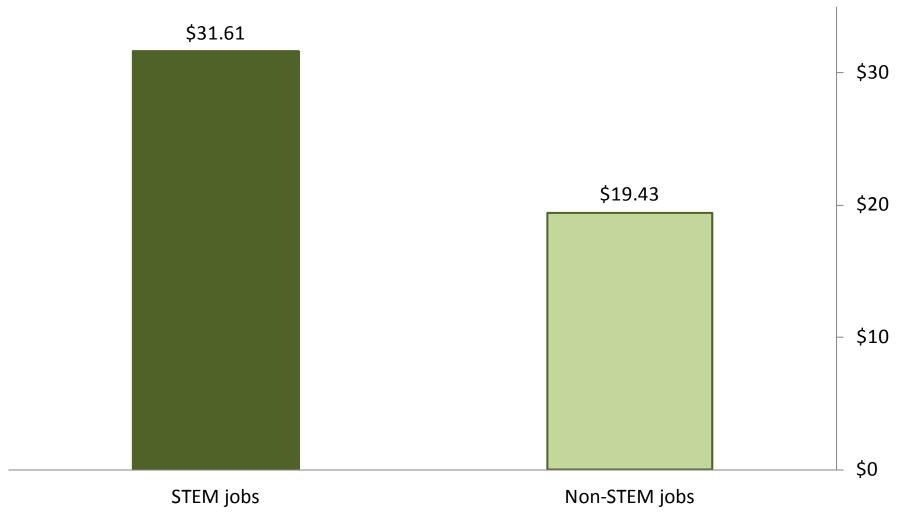
Earnings by Educational Attainment

(Median Weekly Earnings of Full-Time Workers Age 25 and Over, 2012)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Average Hourly Earnings of Women by STEM Occupation, 2010



Source: ESA calculations using American Community Survey public-use microdata.

Note: Estimates are for full-time year-round private wage and salary workers age 16 and over.