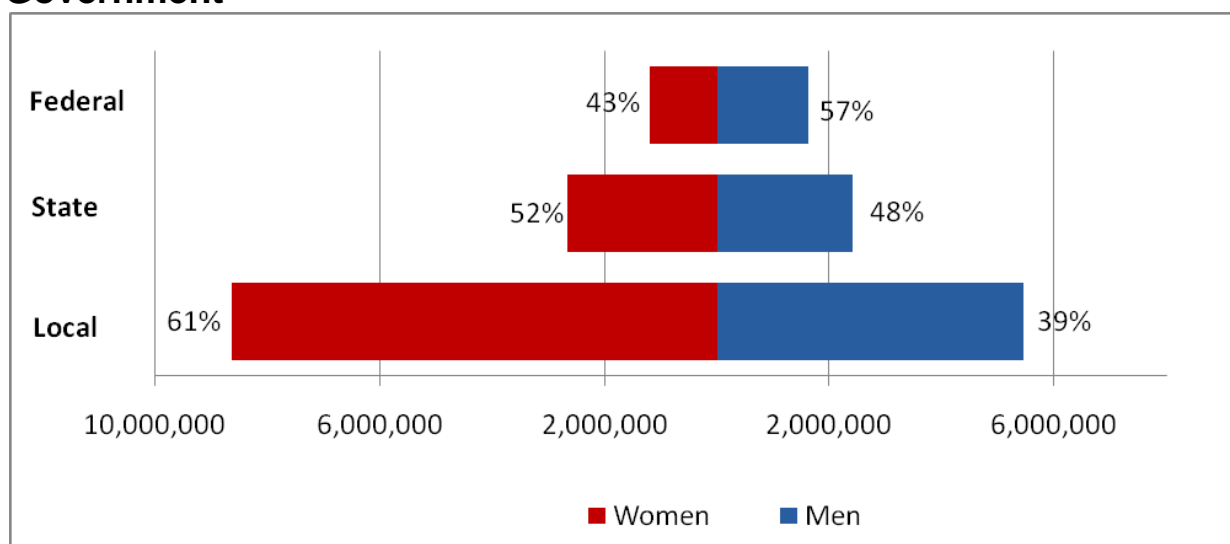


Women and Men in the Public Sector

Figure 1. Women and Men in the Public Sector by Level of Government



Note: Federal employment excludes Armed Forces.

Source: IWPR analysis of Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Employment Database, Current Employment Statistics, July 2011, seasonally adjusted. (Accessed September 8, 2011).

Table 1. Change in Public Sector Employment, December 2008–July 2011.

	Women				Men			
	Dec. 2008	Jul. 2011	Change	Growth	Dec. 2008	Jul. 2011	Change	Growth
Federal	1,233,000	1,194,000	(39,000)	-3.2%	1,548,000	1,630,000	82,000	5.3%
State	2,667,000	2,654,000	(13,000)	-0.5%	2,524,000	2,420,000	(104,000)	-4.1%
Local	9,048,000	8,627,000	(421,000)	-4.7%	5,541,000	5,454,000	(87,000)	-1.6%
Total Government	12,948,000	12,475,000	(473,000)	-3.7%	9,613,000	9,504,000	(109,000)	-1.1%

Note: Federal employment excludes Armed Forces.

Source: IWPR analysis of Bureau of Labor Statistics Employment Database, Current Employment Statistics, July 2011, seasonally adjusted. (Accessed September 8, 2011).

Table 2. Most Common Occupations for Public Sector Workers, 2010.

Federal	Women	Of all federal women
	Postal service mail carriers	7%
	Registered nurses	4%
	Secretaries and administrative assistants	4%
	Managers, all other	4%
	Postal service clerks	3%
	Men	Of all federal men
	Postal service mail carriers	9%
	Managers, all other	4%
	Security guards and gaming surveillance officers	3%
	Postal service clerks	3%
	First-line supervisors of administrative support workers	2%
State	Women	Of all state women
	Elementary and middle school teachers	10%
	Postsecondary teachers	7%
	Secretaries and administrative assistants	6%
	Teacher assistants	4%
	Social workers	4%
	Men	Of all state men
	Postsecondary teachers	13%
	Bailiffs, correctional officers, and jailers	7%
	Secondary school teachers	4%
	Janitors and building cleaners	3%
	Elementary and middle school teachers	3%
Local	Women	Of all local women
	Elementary and middle school teachers	22%
	Teacher assistants	7%
	Secondary school teachers	6%
	Secretaries and administrative assistants	6%
	Special education teachers	3%
	Men	Of all local men
	Police and sheriff's patrol officers	11%
	Elementary and middle school teachers	8%
	Secondary school teachers	7%
	Janitors and building cleaners	6%
	Firefighters	5%

Note: Armed Forces occupations are excluded from estimates for the federal workforce.

Source: IWPR estimates based on Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and Census Bureau 2010 Current Population Survey Annual Social and Economic supplement.