## Labor Market Spotlight

## Celebrating the Accomplishments of Women

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In celebration of Women's History Month, the New Jersey Department of Labor (NJDOL) Office of Research and Information is proud to present its second Labor Market Spotlight, honoring the 4.7 million women residing in New Jersey.

## Percent of People with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher by Age



Forty-four percent of women have obtained a bachelor's degree or higher, surpassing the state average. This educational attainment likely contributes to better earnings for women, as $26 \%$ of full-time working women earn over $\$ 100,000$ annually, a percentage that exceeds the national average of $17 \%$. The figure displays educational attainment for females and males across various age groups.

* NJ ranks 5th nationally for the percentage of women with a bachelor's degree or higher.


Degree Holders by Age


Science and Engineering are becoming increasingly popular fields of study among women. Among those aged 25 to 39, $35 \%$ hold a degree in Science and Engineering, compared to $23 \%$ of those aged 65 and over.
49.2
thousand

Women benefitting from NJDOL One-Stop services

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WHERE WOMEN WORK

| Occupational Group | Women's Share of <br> Occupational Employment | Salary Range |
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| Healthcare Support | $84.6 \%$ | $\$ 30,600-\$ 42,000$ |
| Educational Instruction and Library | $73.2 \%$ | $\$ 42,500-\$ 83,300$ |
| Office and Administrative Support | $72.0 \%$ | $\$ 37,000-\$ 59,000$ |
| Personal Care and Service | $71.4 \%$ | $\$ 29,000-\$ 45,000$ |
| Community and Social Service | $67.3 \%$ | $\$ 45,000-\$ 77,000$ |

Looking at the share of occupational employment shows which fields are predominantly female.


Seven percent of female workers are self-employed compared to $10.5 \%$ of men.

## Income of Women Who Work

 Full-Time Year Round

Despite women's increasing educational attainment, they generally earn less than men. Approximately $26.1 \%$ of fulltime working women have an annual income exceeding $\$ 100,000$, in contrast to $38.1 \%$ of men.

* NJ ranks 3rd nationally for the percentage of women who earn $\$ 100,000$ or more.

Technical Note: Data in this report is from the US Census Bureau American Community Survey 2022 1-year estimates, Occupational Employment and Wage Survey (OEWS) May 2022 panel, Current Population Survey 2023 average, and NJDOL administrative program data.

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