

The Educational Path of Our Nation

Education plays a fundamental role in American society. Here we take a look at school enrollment, costs and educational outcomes. How does school enrollment today compare with 1970, when the baby boom generation was in its prime years of school attendance (age 6 to 24) and made up 90 percent of all students enrolled in school? What do people earn with a college degree? How much do we spend on schools? The American Community and other Census Bureau surveys provide us with the information to answer these and other valuable questions. Education statistics are vital to communities in determining funding allocations and guiding program planning.













TOTAL ENROLLMENT

(FOR 3 TO 34 YEAR OLDS IN MILLIONS)



Source: US Census Bureau, 1970 Census of Population, American Community Survey 2010







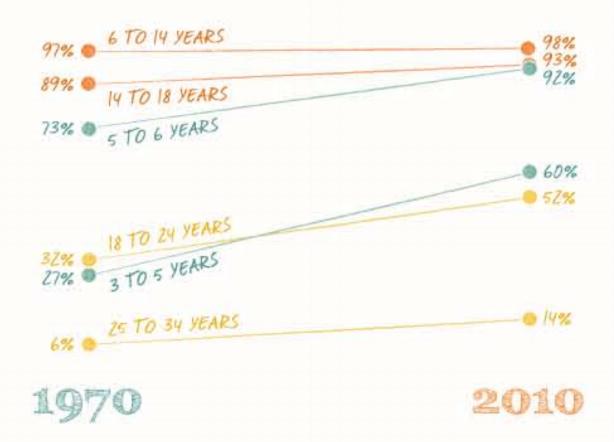








PERCENT ENROLLED BY AGE



Source: US Census Bureau, 1970 Census of Population, American Community Survey 2010









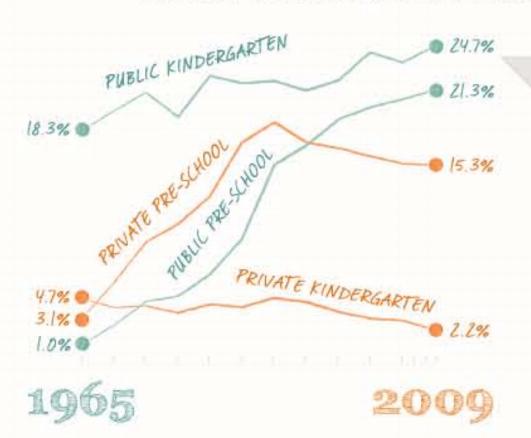




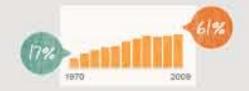
Early Childhood Education

PRE-SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

(PERCENT OF CHILDREN 3 TO 5 YEARS ENROLLED)



Students start school earlier and spend more time in school.



In 2009, about **61 percent** of the children attended a full-day preprimary program, compared with **17 percent** in 1970.

Source: US Department of Education











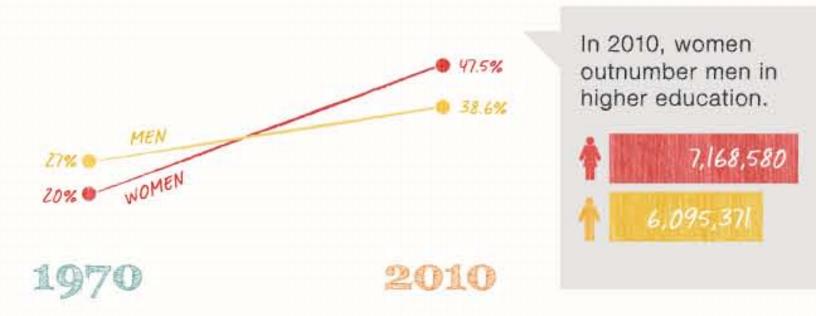




College & Grad School

TOTAL ENROLLED BY SEX

(PERCENT OF POPULATION 18 TO 24 YEARS OLD)



Source: US Census Bureau, 1970 Census of Population, American Community Survey 2010













What Are We Spending on Our Public Schools?



IN FISCAL YEAR 2010, AMERICA'S PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS SPENT:

\$602.6 BILLION

ON ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

EXPENDITURE CATEGORY

52.7%

29.7%

9.8%

7.7%



INSTRUCTION

SUPPORT

CAPITAL

OTHER

\$317.8 Billion

\$179.0 Billion

\$59.4 Billion

\$46.5 Billion









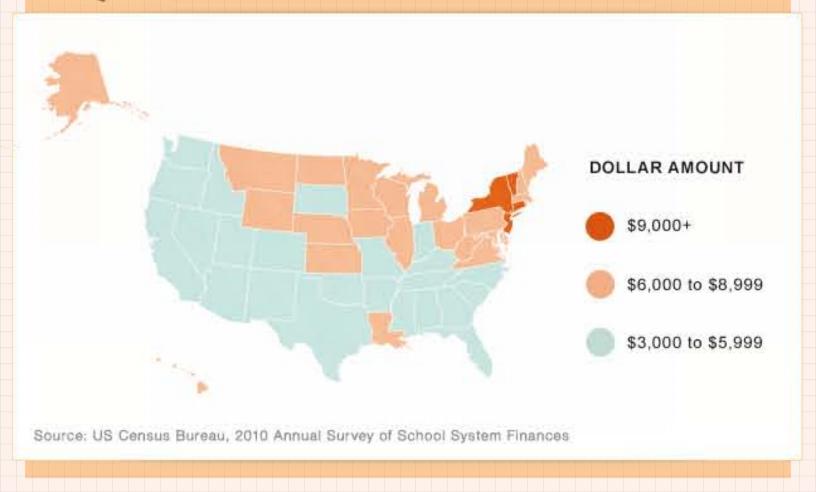






Instruction Spending Amounts Per Pupil

PUBLIC ELEMENTARY-SECONDARY SCHOOL SYSTEMS BY STATE: 2009-2010















The Outcomes of Education



PEOPLE 25 AND OVER IN 2010 WITH AT LEAST A BACHELOR'S DEGREE 57,578,042



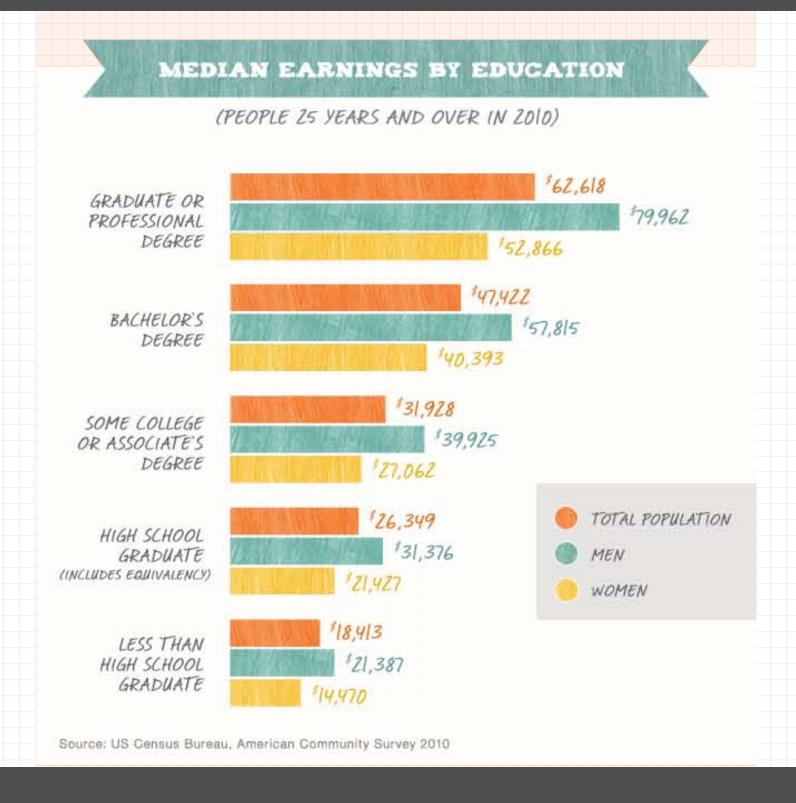














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