**Facts and Statistics about American Women Today**

**Work and Pay:**

**The median annual earnings for full-time, year-round women workers in 2012 was $37,791 compared to men’s $49,398.**

**Based on median annual earnings for full-time, year-round workers, women earned 76.5% of men’s earnings in 2012**

**The earnings difference between women and men varies with age, with younger women more closely approaching pay equity than older women for full-time wage and salary workers**

**Age Groups Women’s % of Men’s Earnings**

**20-24 93.2%**

**25-34 92.3%**

**35-44 78.5%**

**45-54 76.0%**

**55-64 75.1%**

**70 percent of women in dual-earner couples report taking greater responsibility for routine child care than their male partners in 2008.**

**70 percent of women also report responsibility for taking time off work because of children’s needs, in comparison with 30 percent of men (Families and Work Institute).**

**Women are more likely than men to work part-time for reasons related to child care problems, personal or family obligations, and school. For men, only 12 percent work part-time for reasons related to work-life balance, compared to 45 percent for women (The Employment Policy Foundation).**

**As of November 2009, women held 49.1 percent of the nation’s jobs, according to nonfarm payroll data collected by the** [**Bureau of Labor Statistics**](http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/organizations/b/bureau_of_labor_statistics/index.html?inline=nyt-org)**. By another measure, including farm workers and the self-employed, women constituted 47.1 percent of the work force.**

**As of 2009, only 12** [**Fortune 500**](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0104609.html) **companies, and 25 Fortune 1000 companies have women CEOs or presidents.**

**In 2012, 34.3% of all physicians and surgeons were women.**

**In 2012, women were 69.7% of all medical and health services managers.**

**As of 2012 33.3 of all America's lawyers were women.**

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**Education:**

**59% of the college-educated work force between the ages of 20-24 is female. It is 54% for the ages of 25-34.**

**The Census Bureau's 2012 Statistical Abstract reports 916,000 women got bachelor's degrees in 2009 (the most recent year with full data), compared to 685,000 men.**

**Female students graduate from high school at a higher rate than male students. Nationally, 72 percent of female students graduated, compared with 65 percent of male students**

**In the spring of 2008 71.5 percent for young women graduating from high school were going on to enroll in college, as compared to and 65.9 percent for young men.**

**By 2012 women made up 47.2% of all law school students in the U.S.**

**By 2012 Women made up 47.0% of all first year medical school students in the U.S.**

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**Voting & Politics:**

**In the 2012 presidential election women made up of 55% of all voters**

**63.7% percent of female citizens 18 and older who reported voting in the 2012 presidential election, in comparison to 59.7 percent of their male counterparts.**

**As of January 2015, there are 20 women in the US Senate (compared to 80 male Senators)**

**As of January 2015, 104 (19.4%) members of the US House of Representatives are women (compared to 331 (80.6%) male members of the House)**

**One of New Hampshire’s two US Congressional Representatives (House of Reps) is a women- Ann McLane Kuster (NH 2nd District)**

**Both of New Hampshire’s US Senators are women- Jeanne Shaheen (who also served as the Governor of NH from 1997-2003), and Kelly Ayotte.**

**3 of the 9 current members of the US Supreme Court are women (Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Sonia Sotomayor, Elena Kagan)**

**The following women serve in key Cabinet level positions in the current Obama administration:**

**Penny Pritzker Secretary of Commerce**

**Sylvia Mathews Secretary of Health and Human Services**

**Sally Jewell Secretary Interior**

**Hilda Solis Secretary of Labor**

**Gina McCarthy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency**

**The Governor of NH is a woman (Maggie Hassan)**

**In the New Hampshire Senate 9 (out of 24) state senators are women.**

**In the New Hampshire House of Representatives 133 (out of 400) state representatives are women**

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