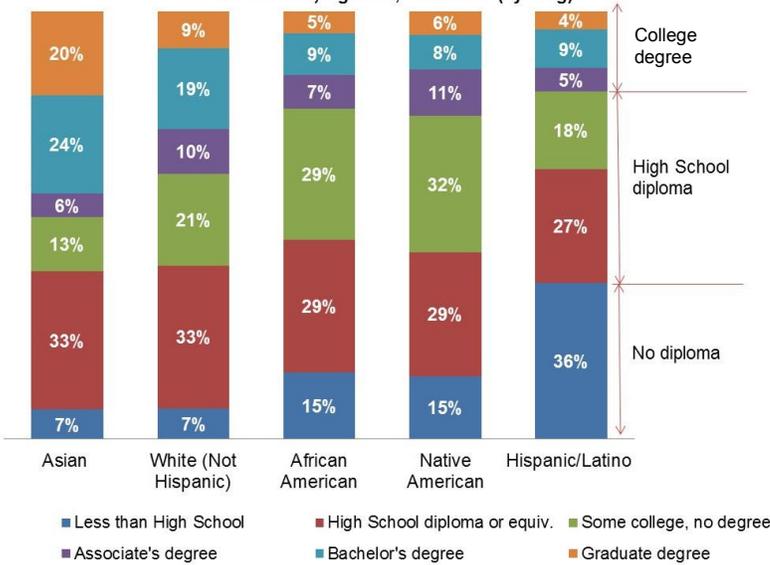




Women's Highest Level of Educational Attainment by Race
Wisconsin, Age 25+, 2009-2011 (3yr avg)



37% WI women (age 25+) have high levels of educational attainment with 37% holding a college degree (two- or four-year degree or higher) - on par with women nationally.

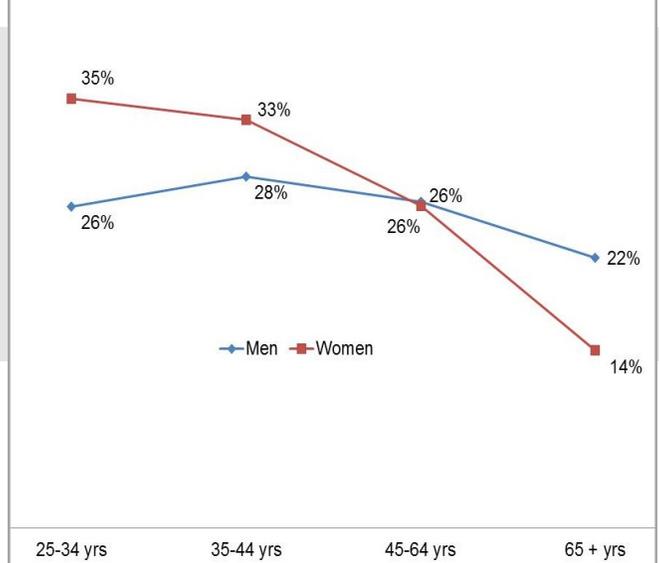
Educational attainment varies significantly by race and ethnicity— e.g., white women are more than twice as likely as Hispanic women to have a degree.

A proportionately large share of women have **some college experience, but no degree**. Addressing this issue is particularly important in considering opportunities to build Wisconsin's skilled workforce.

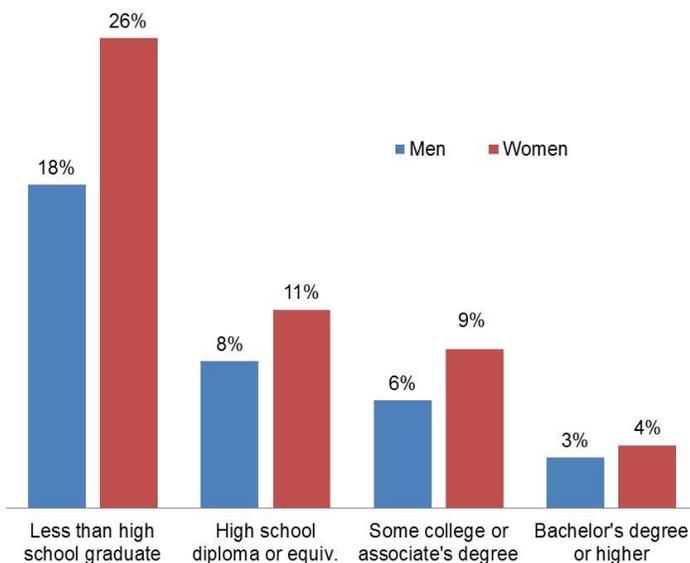
35% Women take the lead, with younger women more likely than their male counterparts to hold a Bachelors Degree or higher.

Thirty-five percent of women age 25-34 have a four-year degree or higher, the same as for women nationally. WI's attainment gap between women and men widens for adults in this age group.

Percent of the Population with Bachelors Degree or Higher by Gender and Age Group, Wisconsin, 2007-2011 (5 yr avg.)



Poverty Rate by Gender and Highest Level of Educational Attainment, for the Population 25 years and over
Wisconsin, 2007-2011 (5 yr avg.)



Education pays. The poverty rate falling notably with higher levels of educational attainment.

Nonetheless, **regardless of educational attainment, women are more likely than men to live below the Federal Poverty Line.**

Sources: American Community Survey, 2009-2011 (3-yr estimate); B15002 (series); and 2007-2011 (5-yr estimate): S1501.

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