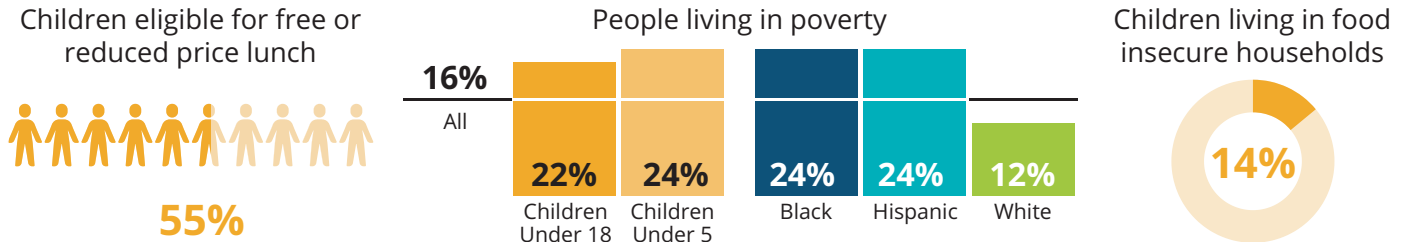


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Poverty and Food Insecurity



Median Household Income

On average, people of color were paid less than White people.



Black: **\$35,774**



Hispanic: **\$42,113**



White: **\$59,966**

Childcare and Early Childhood Education

Children under 6 with all caretakers in the workforce: **66%**



Families who lived in childcare deserts: **60%**



Four-year-olds enrolled in a public ECE program in 2020: **41%**



Annual childcare expenses should cost just 7%* of a family's income, but **infant care for one child cost**



17% of the average Black household's income



14% of the average Hispanic household's income



10% of the average White household's income

If infant care cost 7% of the region's median income,



just **27 of every 100** families could afford it.

*according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Performance on NAEP*

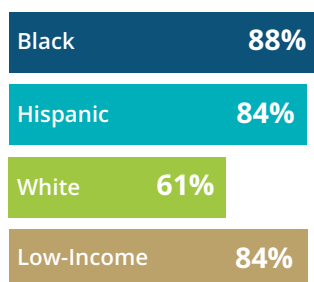
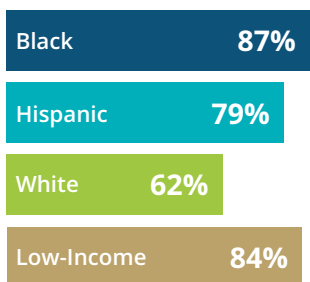
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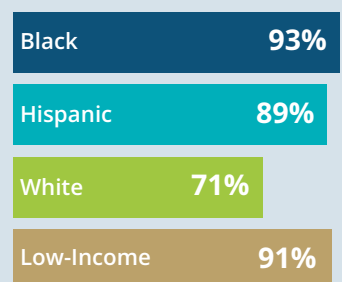
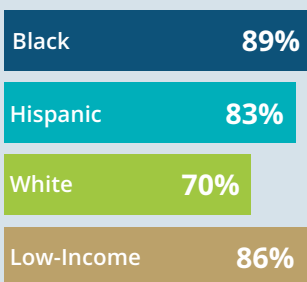
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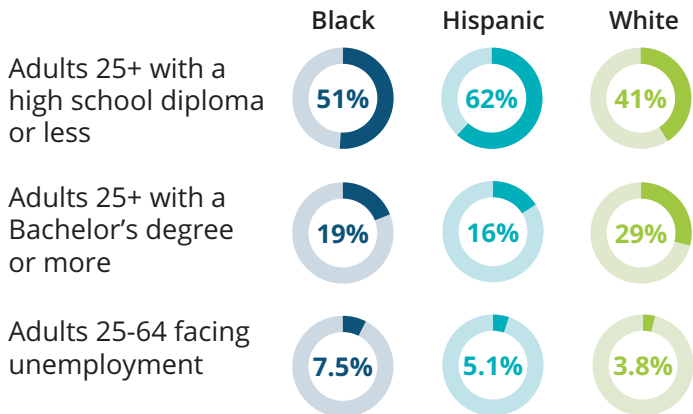


*National Assessment of Educational Progress

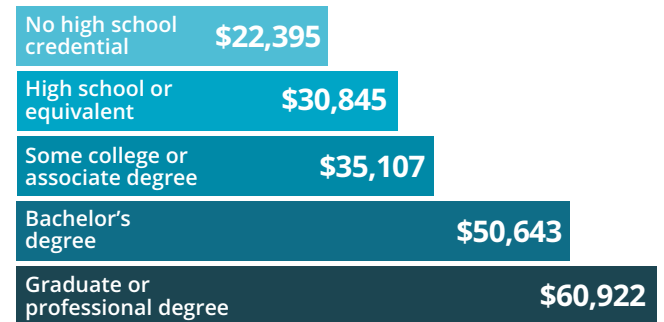
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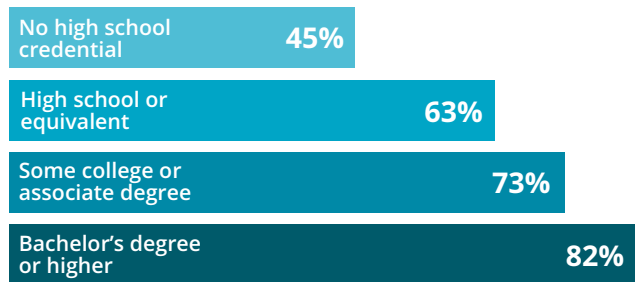
Attainment and the Workforce



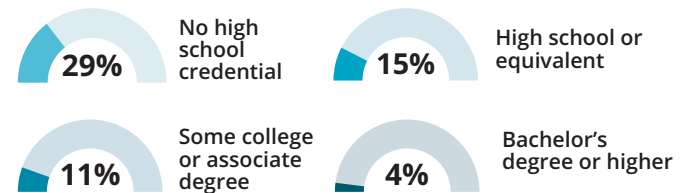
Adults 25+ with **lower attainment** earn less.



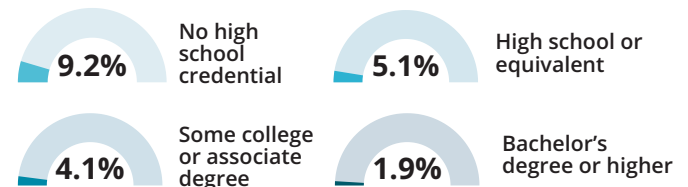
Adults 25-64 with **higher attainment** have a higher employment-to-population ratio — they are more likely to be in the labor force.



Adults 25+ living in poverty

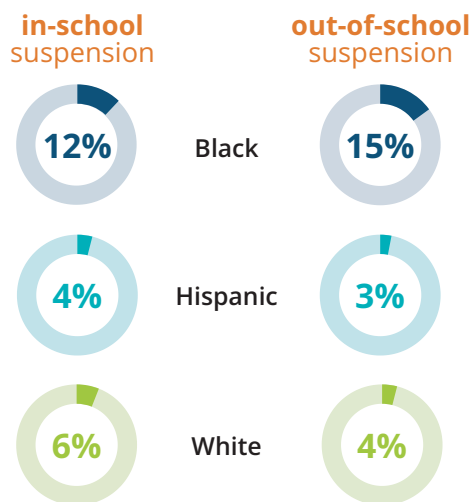


Adults 25-64 facing unemployment



2017-2018 School Discipline

Students who were suspended, by race:



School enrollments in the school year:



Of those who were referred to law enforcement,



Of the students who had a school-related arrest,

