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## Women's History Month Charts Packet

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# Women's Earnings Critical to Economic Security of Families 

Women earner's share of income in households with children and woman earner, by quintile


Source: JEC Democratic Staff calculations based on Current Population Survey,
2016 Annual Social and Economic Supplement
Notes: Based on 2015 annual earnings; households with children and woman earner defined as those with children under 18 years old residing in household with a woman earner; quintiles are by household income

## Women Earn 80 Cents for Every Dollar Earned by Men

Median annual earnings of women and men working full-time, year-round, 1960 to 2015


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement
Notes: The Equal Pay Act was signed into law by President Kennedy in 1963; annual real median earnings, rounded to the nearest hundred dollars (2015 dollars)

## Gender Pay Gap Hurts Women of All Races and Ethnicities

Women's median annual earnings compared with white men's, full-time, year-round workers, 2015


Compared to white men, Asian women earn 84c on the dollar; white women earn 75c on the dollar; black women earn 63c on the dollar; and Latinas earn 54c on the dollar

Source: JEC Democratic Staff calculations based on the Current Population Survey, 2016 Annual Social and Economic Supplement

Notes: "White" refers to "White Alone, not Hispanic"; "Black" refers to "Black Alone or in Combination"; "Hispanic" refers to "Hispanic (any race)"; "Asian" refers to "Asian Alone or in Combination"; full-time, year-round workers include those who work 50 to 52 weeks on a fulltime basis; annual real median earnings, rounded to the nearest hundred dollars (2015 dollars)

## Women Often Earn Less Than Men With Lower Levels of Education



## Wide Disparities Among Women in Level of Educational Attainment



## Women Earn the Majority of Advanced Degrees

Share of Degrees Received by Women


In 2014, women earned 57 percent of Bachelor's degrees, 60 percent of Master's degrees and 52 percent of Doctorate degrees

## Majority of Women are in the Labor Force

January 1950 to January 2017


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
Notes: Data are seasonally adjusted; 16 years and over

## Three Out of Four Working-Age Women are in the Labor Force

Labor force participation rates by age, January 1965 to January 2017


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
Joint Economic Committee
Note: Data are seasonally adjusted RANKING DEMOCRAT MARTIN HEINRICH

## Number of Women-Owned Firms has Grown by 74 Percent Since 2002



## Percent of Women Without Health Insurance at a Historic Low Due to the Affordable Care Act



More Than One in Five Hispanic and Black Women Live in Poverty


Source: JEC Democratic Staff calculations based on the Current Population Survey, 2016 Annual Social and Economic Supplement
Note: Men and women ages 18 years and older. "White" and "Black" groups are non-Hispanic

## United States Spends Less on Family Benefits Than Almost All OECD Countries



Source: OECD Social Expenditure Database
Note: Data are for 2014, or latest year available; family benefits include tax breaks for families,
public spending on services for families with children and child-related cash transfers to families

## Workers' Access to Benefits to Balance Work and Family Has Not Improved



Fathers Now More Likely Than Mothers to Report Work-Family Conflict
Percentage of Mothers and Fathers Reporting Work-Family Conflict for Selected Years


Source: Families and Work Institute, National Study of the Changing Workforce, 2008;
Employment Standards Administration, Quality of Employment Survey, 1977, as
analyzed in Galinsky, Aumann, and Bond (2011)
Note: Includes dual-earner couples with children working at least 20 hours a week

# Women in Retirement Collectively Receive \$314 Billion Less in Income than Men 



Aggregate income received by men and women 65 years and older from selected sources, 2015
Source: JEC Democratic Staff calculations based on the Current Population Survey, 2016
Annual Social and Economic Supplement
Note: Pensions include defined benefit plans and other sources of retirement income other than Social Security

