

Status of Women

Knox County



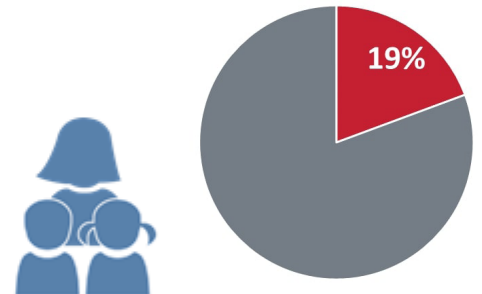
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Demography Highlights	Knox		Ohio
Population of women[^]	31,115	%	5,923,675
Children (under age 18)	6,875	22.1%	21.7%
Childbearing Age (18-44)	10,366	33.3%	33.4%
Middle Age (45-64)	8,240	26.5%	27.3%
Senior (65+)	5,634	18.1%	17.6%
Race & Ethnicity	Count	%	%
White	30,035	96.5%	81.7%
Black/African-American	249	0.8%	12.6%
Other race reported	831	2.7%	5.8%
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	471	1.5%	3.4%

Households with Children

Households with Children, Female Headed



Female-headed households are more than twice as likely as all Ohio households to live in poverty.

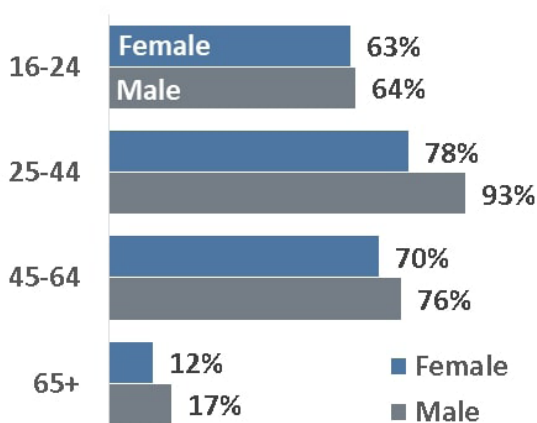
Educational Attainment

Higher educational attainment among women is associated with higher wages, lower rates of domestic abuse and healthier families.



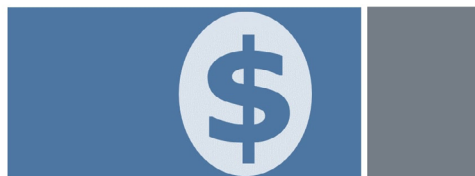
Workforce Indicators

Labor Force Participation, by Age[^]
Labor force participation describes the proportion of people who are employed or seeking employment, compared to the total population in that age range.



Gender Wage Ratio

The median earned income for women is **\$33,823**. On average, women earn **\$0.74** of every dollar that men earn in Knox County, and half of working women earn even less.



About 1 in 5 Knox County STEM jobs – in science, technology, engineering or math – are held by women.

Civic Representation

87%
of eligible women are registered to vote

56%
of registered women voted in the 2018 election

34%
of elected officials in the county are women

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Sources: 2017 ACS 5-Year Estimates; MatriotsOhio.com; TargetSmart

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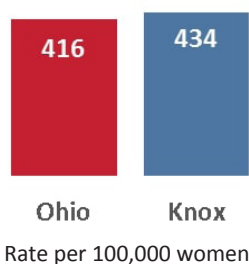
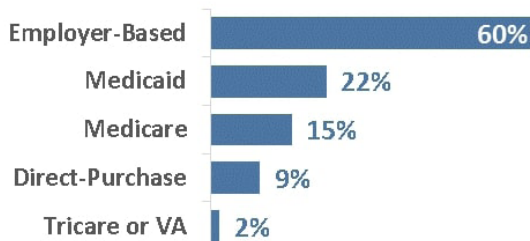


Health & Wellness Indicators



Women in the county **have** access to a safety net health center that is community-based and provides services to all residents, including those without insurance.

91.0% of working-age women in Knox County have health insurance.



The **age-adjusted chronic disease mortality rate for women in the county is higher than** for women across the state. This mortality rate includes cancers, stroke, diabetes, kidney disease, lower respiratory disease and heart disease.



Cervical cancers are largely preventable and can be diagnosed early by Pap tests. Yet about **4 in 10** diagnoses of cervical cancer among women in the county are late stage, when risk of mortality is higher.

Maternal Health

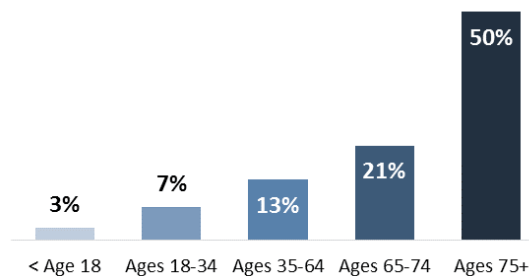
Teen pregnancies are overwhelmingly unplanned and impact education completion and future earnings.

Preterm birth is associated with maternal smoking, infection, chronic disease and chronic maternal stress and is a driver of infant mortality.

	Knox	Ohio
Preterm Birth <i>percent of live births at <37 weeks</i>	10.2%	12.2%
Teen Birth Rate <i>births per 1,000 females, ages 15-19</i>	21.3	24.8

Women Living with a Disability, by Age[^]

As women age, their **rate of disability** increases, rendering them more likely to need caregiving and less able to play this role in their families.



Poverty	Knox			Ohio
	Women - Count	Women %	Men %	Women %
<i>Living below poverty (total)[^]</i>	4,555	15.6%	11.8%	16.2%
<i>Children (under age 18)</i>	1,405	20.8%	17.0%	21.4%
<i>Childbearing Age (18-44)</i>	1,678	18.9%	12.5%	20.3%
<i>Middle Age (45-64)</i>	936	11.4%	9.5%	11.3%
<i>Senior (65+)</i>	536	10.1%	6.3%	9.5%
<i>Living in deep poverty</i>	1,955	6.7%	5.8%	7.4%

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Sources: 2017 ACS 5-Year Estimates; Ohio Cancer Incidence Surveillance System; OhioCHC.org; Ohio Bureau of Vital Statistics, ODH