

BMX Real Talk: Black Educational Attainment by the numbers



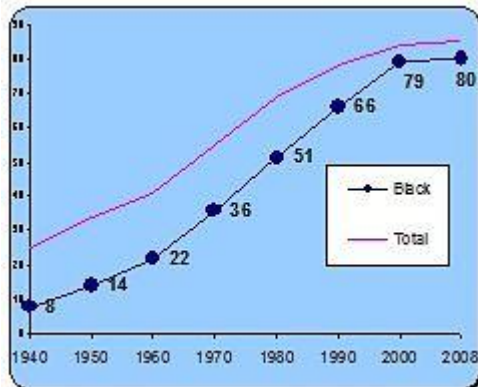
1.6 million

Among African Americans age 25 and older, the number who had an **advanced degree** in **2011** (e.g., master's, Ph.D., M.D. or J.D.). Fifteen years earlier—in 1995—only 677,000 blacks had this level of education.



3.9 million

Number of **black college students** in **2011**. This was an increase of roughly 2 million from 18 years earlier.

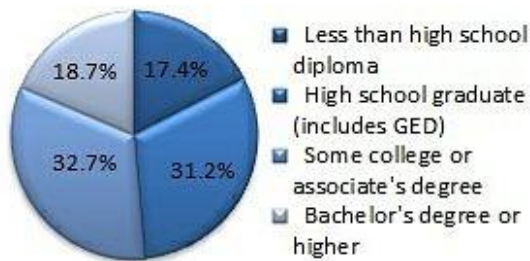


18.7%

Percentage of African Americans age 25 and older who had a **bachelor's degree** or more in **2011**. In many states, the rate was higher. Just over 22% of blacks this age in Massachusetts, for instance, had this level of education.

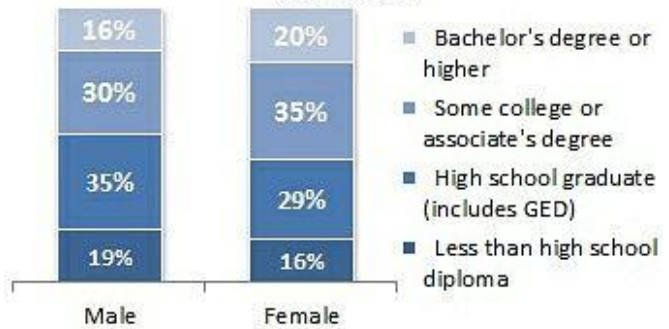
As indicated in the chart (2nd chart), **80% of African Americans** over age 25 have high school diplomas. The average number of African Americans that have at least a bachelor's degree increased two percentage point to **19%** since the year 2000. This however is still **ten percentage points lower** than the national average.

African American Education Attainment
2011 (25 and over)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2011 American Community Survey

Black Education by Sex 2011
(25 and over)



*All statistics used above are from the US Census Bureau 2008 – 2011 American Community Survey

States with High Black Educational Attainment

Percent of Blacks ages 25 and over with Bachelor's degree or higher

TOP 10

Maryland 26.8%
Colorado 25.1%
Oregon 22.6%
California 22.5%
Massachusetts 22.4%
Washington 22.0%
New Jersey 21.3%
Arizona 21.2%
Georgia 21.0%
New York 20.9%

Bottom 10

West Virginia 15.4%
Pennsylvania 15.2%
Arkansas 15.1%
Indiana 15.0%
Ohio 14.9%
Alabama 14.4%
Mississippi 14.2%
South Carolina 13.3%
Louisiana 12.8%
Wisconsin 12.1%

Source: US Census 2011 ACS
Includes Black and Black in combination with other race(s)

This has been a phrase used by many in the media and with organizations who are both for and against black interests. It has become one of those quotes which has ingrained itself in the memories of Americans so much so that it is assumed to be fact. This is one of the most misleading phrases used in reference to black men.



According to government figures **1,034,000 African American men were enrolled in a degree granting institution** in 2009 compared to **841,000 who were counted in the nations jails and prisons** during the same year. And of those Black men in jail and prison **only 164,400 are of typical college age (18-24)**. In fact even a decade ago when overall numbers suggested there were Black men in jail than in school, college aged Black men enrolled in a degree granting institution far outnumbered their peers who were incarcerated.

Degrees Earned By African Americans

Degree	Number of Degrees by Type			% Change	Percent Conferred to Females		
	1999-00	2004-05	2009-10	1999-00 to 2009-10	1999-00	2004-05	2009-10
<u>Associate's</u>							
Black	60,221	86,402	113,905	89%	65%	69%	68%
White	408,772	475,513	552,863	35%	60%	60%	61%
Hispanic	51,573	78,557	112,211	118%	59%	62%	62%
Asian	27,782	33,669	44,021	58%	57%	59%	59%
<u>Bachelor's</u>							
Black	108,013	136,122	164,844	53%	66%	66%	66%
White	929,106	1,049,141	1,167,499	26%	57%	56%	56%
Hispanic	75,059	101,124	140,316	87%	60%	61%	61%
Asian	77,912	97,209	117,422	51%	54%	55%	55%
<u>Master's</u>							
Black	36,595	55,330	76,458	109%	68%	71%	71%
White	324,981	383,246	445,038	37%	60%	61%	62%
Hispanic	19,384	31,639	43,535	125%	60%	64%	64%
Asian	23,538	33,042	42,702	81%	52%	54%	54%
<u>Doctoral</u>							
Black	7,080	8,527	10,417	47%	61%	66%	65%
White	82,984	89,763	104,426	26%	45%	50%	51%
Hispanic	5,039	6,115	8,085	60%	48%	53%	55%
Asian	10,684	13,176	16,625	56%	49%	55%	57%

BlackDemographics.com

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), "Completions Survey" (IPEDS-C:99) and Fall 2000, Fall 2005, and Fall 2010, Completions component.

TOP BLACK COLLEGES FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS

Rank	School	Location	Enrollment	Tuition:In/Out	Acceptance rate
1	Spelman Col	Atlanta, GA	2,270	\$20,926	35.2%
2	Howard Univ	Washington, DC	10,288	\$16,075	48.5%
3	Morehouse Col	Atlanta, GA	2,781	\$21,376	72.2%
4	Fisk Univ	Nashville, TN	725	\$17,000	59.1%
5	Xavier Univ of Louisiana	New Orleans, LA	3,236	\$16,300	65.6%
6	Hampton Univ	Hampton, VA	5,427	\$17,212	45.0%
6	Tuskegee Univ	Tuskegee, AL	2,994	\$16,110	57.8%
8	Claflin Univ	Orangeburg, SC	1,773	N/A	36.0%
9	Dillard Univ	New Orleans, LA	851	\$13,880	34.6%
10	North Carolina Central Univ	Durham, NC	8,035	\$3,670/\$13,414	69.9%
11	Elizabeth City State Univ	Elizabeth City, NC	3,104	N/A	59.2%
11	Florida A&M Univ	Tallahassee, FL	11,857	\$4,130/\$16,070	64.0%
13	South Carolina State Univ	Orangeburg, SC	4,888	\$8,462/\$16,626	75.4%
14	Tougaloo Col	Tougaloo, MS	871	\$9,710	25.6%
15	Morgan State Univ	Baltimore, MD	7,005	N/A	43.6%
15	Tennessee State Univ	Nashville, TN	8,254	\$5,474/\$17,552	39.0%
17	Delaware State Univ	Dover, DE	3,534	\$6,481/\$13,742	38.8%
17	Winston-Salem State Univ	Winston-Salem, NC	6,442	\$3,522/\$12,508	53.9%
19	Johnson C. Smith Univ	Charlotte, NC	1,571	\$15,754	49.3%
19	Virginia State Univ	Petersburg, VA	5,042	\$6,174/\$14,236	64.5%
21	Bennett Col	Greensboro, NC	689	\$15,234	45.0%
21	Clark Atlanta Univ	Atlanta, GA	4,068	\$17,038	56.6%
21	Fort Valley State Univ	Fort Valley, GA	3,106	\$4,236/\$13,528	47.2%
21	Jackson State Univ	Jackson, MS	8,377	IN/A	52.0%
25	Alcorn State Univ	Alcorn State, MS	3,252	\$4,671/\$10,593	85.5%

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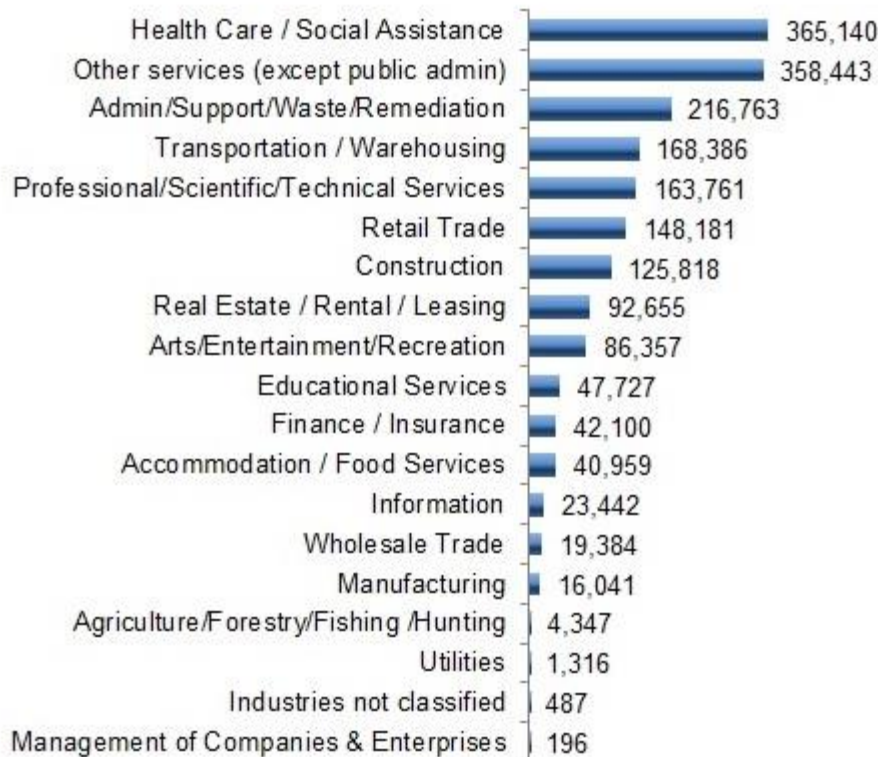
SOURCE: Best Colleges 2010 Historically Black Colleges and Universities Ranking U.S. News & World Report

Black Owned Businesses

Black owned businesses in the United States **increased 60.5%** between 2002 and 2007 totaling of **1.9 million Black firms**. More than 94% of these businesses are made up of sole proprietorships or partnerships which have no paid employees.

Total Number of Black Owned Businesses by Industry

with or without paid employees



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007 Survey of Business Owners

BlackDemographics.com

Nearly **4 in 10 black-owned businesses** (more than 700,000) in 2007 operated in the health care, social assistance; and other services such as repair, maintenance, personal and laundry services sectors. Administrative Support, waste management, and remediation services made up 11% of Black owned firms totaling 216,763. Transportation and warehousing was the fourth largest industry making up 9% of Black firms.

HEALTH

Percent of Black persons all ages in fair or poor health: 14.2% percent of persons all ages with a limitation in usual activities due to one or more chronic health conditions:
%

Source: Natnl Health Interview Survey, 2011



Health risk factors for non-Hispanic black men population

- Black men 18 years and over who currently smoke:23.7%
- Black men 20 years and over who are overweight:71.8%
- Black men 20 years and over with hypertension:41.4%

Source: CDC Health, United States report, 2010

Access to health care

- Black persons under 65 years without health insurance coverage: 18.9%
- Black adults 18 years and over without a usual source of health care: 21.5%
- Black children under 18 years without a usual source of health care: 5.9%

Source: National Health Interview Survey, 2010



Books about Education in the Black Community

Critical Issues in Educating African American Youth (A Talk With Jawanza) - *Dr. Jawanza Kunjufu*

The Dreamkeepers: Successful Teachers of African American Children - *Gloria Ladson-Billings*

Learning While Black: Creating Educational Excellence for African American Children - *Janice E. Hale*

White Money/Black Power: The Surprising History of African American Studies and the Crisis of Race in

Higher Education - *Noliwe Rooks*

Educating African American Males: Voices From the Field - *Olatokunbo S. Fashola*

Achievement for African-American Students: Strategies for the Diverse Classroom - *Gary L. Reglin*

The African American Child: Development and Challenges - *Yvette R. Harris PhD, James A. Graham PhD*

African American Culture and Heritage in Higher Education Research and Practice - *Kassie Freeman*

African American Men in College - *Michael J. Cuyjet*

African American Students in Urban Schools: Critical Issues and Solutions for Achievement (Educational Psychology: Critical Pedagogical Perspectives) - *James L. Moore III, Chance W. Lewis*

Urban/Geography

Places of Their Own: African American Suburbanization in the Twentieth Century (Historical Studies of Urban America) - *Andrew Wiese*

Urban Planning and the African-American Community: In the Shadows - *June Manning Thomas, Marsha Ritzdorf*

American Project: The Rise and Fall of a Modern Ghetto - *Sudhir Alladi Venkatesh, William Julius Wilson*

Migration of the African American Population

The Southern Diaspora: How the Great Migrations of Black and White Southerners Transformed America - *James N. Gregory*

From Reconstruction to the Great Migration 1877-1917 [2 Parts in 2 books] (Black Communities and Urban Development in America 1720-1990, Volume 4) - *Kenneth L Kusmer*

The Great Migration and After 1917-1930 (Black Communities and Urban Development in America 1720-1990, 5) - *Kenneth L Kusmer*

Up South: Stories, Studies, and Letters of This Century's Black Migrations - *Malaika Adero*

Black Households/Families

Black Families in Therapy: Understanding the African American Experience - *Nancy Boyd-Franklin Ph.D.*

African American Families - *Angela (Angie) J. (Jean) Hattery, Earl Smith*

African American Single Mothers: Understanding Their Lives and Families (SAGE Series on Race and Ethnic Relations) - *Bette J. Dickerson*

Is Marriage for White People?: How the African American Marriage Decline Affects Everyone - *Ralph Richard Banks*

A strengths-based parenting intervention with low-income African American families.(Report): An article from: Professional School Counseling - *Angela I. Sheely-Moore, Sue C. Bratton*

Black Class Structure

Middle Class African Americans: A Segregated Distribution in the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Area - *Jay Newberry*

Analyzing The Achievement Of Middle-class African American Students - *Donica Cuspard*

Our Kind of People: Inside America's Black Upper Class - *Lawrence Otis Graham*

The Black Middle Class: Social Mobility – and Vulnerability - *Benjamin P. Bowser*

Represent: Art and Identity Among the Black Upper-Middle Class (Routledge Research in Race and Ethnicity)

- Patricia A. Banks

Black Student Activists: Transition to Middle Class Professionals - L.S. Tripp

Black Upward Mobility

The Hidden Cost of Being African American: How Wealth Perpetuates Inequality - Thomas M. Shapiro

Talking Dollars and Making Sense: A Wealth Building Guide for African-Americans - Brooke Stephens

Ensuring Inequality: The Structural Transformation of the African American Family - Donna L. Franklin

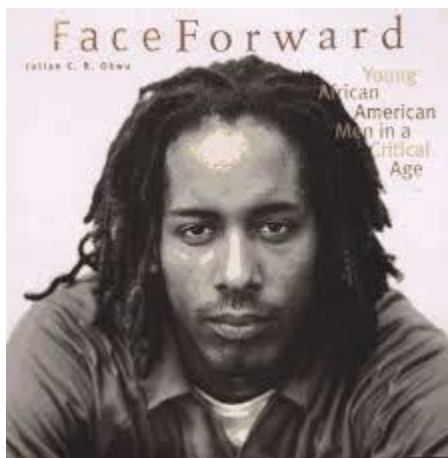
Climbing Jacob's Ladder: The Enduring Legacies of African-American Families - Andrew Billingsley

Beyond Forty Acres and a Mule: African American Landowning Families Since Reconstruction - Debra A.

Reid, Evan P. Bennett

Strength for Their Journey: 5 Essential Disciplines African-American Parents Must Teach Their Children and

Teens - Robert L. Johnson, Paulette Stanford



Black Politics

African American Legislators in the American States - Kerry L. Haynie

From the Bullet to the Ballot: The Illinois Chapter of the Black Panther Party and Racial Coalition Politics in Chicago (John Hope Franklin Series in African American History and Culture) - Jakobi Williams

Pullman Porters and the Rise of Protest Politics in Black America, 1925-1945 (John Hope Franklin Series in African American History and Culture) - Beth Tompkins Bates

The Growth of Black Elected Officials in the City of Detroit, 1870-1973 (Distinguished Dissertations) - A. J.

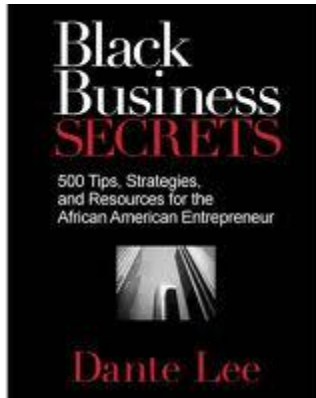
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From Protest to Politics: The New Black Voters in American Elections (Russell On...) - Katherine Tate

Religion and the African American Community

Practical Theology for Black Churches: Bridging Black Theology & African American Folk Religion - Dale P.

Andrews



Business and Employment

What's Black About It? Insights to Increase Your Share of a Changing African-American Market - *Pepper Miller, Herb Kemp*

Not Slave, Not Free: The African American Economic Experience Since the Civil War - *Jay R. Mandle*

An Empirical Analysis Of The Impact Of Skin Color On African-American Education, Income, And Occupation (Black Studies) - *Ronald E. Hall*

Study Guide for African Americans in the U.S. Economy - *Cecilia A. Conrad, John Whitehead, Patrick Mason, James Stewart*

There's Always Work at the Post Office: African American Postal Workers and the Fight for Jobs, Justice, and Equality - *Cecilia A. Conrad, John Whitehead, Patrick Mason, James Stewart*

Documenting Desegregation: Racial and Gender Segregation in Private-Sector Employment Since the Civil Rights Act - *Kevin Stainback, Donald Tomaskovic-Devey*

Innovation and Growth in an African American Owned Business (Garland Studies in Entrepreneurship) - *Gwendolyn P. Todd*

The Brackenridge Colored School: A Legacy of Empowerment through Agency and Cultural Capital Inside An African American Community - *Jerelyne Castleberry Williams*