### Educational Attainment in West Virginia - 2022

#### Educational Attainment from 1970 to 2022

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<th>College</th>
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#### Earnings and Employment by Educational Attainment in 2022

**Median Earnings**

- **Graduate or Professional Degree**
  - West Virginia: $63,974
  - United States: $84,118

- **Bachelor's Degree**
  - West Virginia: $52,887
  - United States: $64,911

- **Some College or Associate's Degree**
  - West Virginia: $40,791
  - United States: $44,080

- **High School or Equivalent**
  - West Virginia: $35,052
  - United States: $37,290

- **Less than High School**
  - West Virginia: $26,692
  - United States: $30,788

**Unemployment Rate (Percent)**

- **Bachelor's Degree or Higher**
  - West Virginia: 1.7
  - United States: 2.1

- **Some College or Associate's Degree**
  - West Virginia: 3.4
  - United States: 3.7

- **High School Graduate or Equivalent**
  - West Virginia: 6.1
  - United States: 4.8

- **Less than High School Graduate**
  - West Virginia: 10.8
  - United States: 6.5

**Labor Force Participation Rate (Percent)**

- **Bachelor's Degree or Higher**
  - West Virginia: 85.3
  - United States: 87.7

- **Some College or Associate's Degree**
  - West Virginia: 73.1
  - United States: 80.1

- **High School Graduate or Equivalent**
  - West Virginia: 61.5
  - United States: 72.6

- **Less than High School Graduate**
  - West Virginia: 39.6
  - United States: 61.9

#### Educational Attainment by Race in 2022

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<th>Race/Country</th>
<th>White (not Hispanic or Latino) (Total 25 and Older)</th>
<th>Hispanic or Latino (Total 25 and Older)</th>
<th>Black</th>
<th>Asian</th>
<th>Other</th>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>1,150,941</td>
<td>19,806</td>
<td>41,671</td>
<td>10,208</td>
<td>6,786</td>
<td>45,213</td>
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<td>Less than High School Graduate (Percent)</td>
<td>10.7 17.5 9.0 5.8 8.1 14.7</td>
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Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Percent of Total

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Notes:
- Unless otherwise noted, all data comes from the Census Bureau's 2022 American Community Survey (ACS), one year estimates, for the population 25 and older.
- Historical educational attainment comes from the Decennial Census for 1970-2000, and from the American Community Survey for 2010 and 2020 (five year estimates) and 2022 (one year estimates).
- "College" is defined as a bachelor's degree or higher from 1990 on, and as four or more years of schooling prior to 1990.
- "Some College" is defined as an associate's degree or some college with no degree from 1990 on, and as one to three years of college prior to 1990.
- Unemployment and labor force participation rates are calculated for ages 25-64.
- The race category "Other" includes American Indian and Alaska Native and "Some Other Race", when estimates are available.
- The map of educational attainment by county uses the 2022 5-year estimates from the ACS in order to reflect all counties.
- The bins for the map intervals reflect the quantile distribution for each geography.