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Statistical Profile of Unmarried Women: Minnesota¹

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I. Population, 18 years and older, 2014²

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Total: | 3.933 million |
| Men: | 1.924 million (48.9% of total) |
| Women: | 2.009 million (51.1% of total) |
| Married women: ³ | 1.033 million (26.3% of total; 51.4% of women) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.976 million (24.8% of total; 48.6% of women) |
| Widowed: | 0.205 million (10.2% of women; 21.0% of unmarried women) |
| Divorced: | 0.238 million (11.9% of women; 24.4% of unmarried women) |
| Separated: | 0.014 million (0.7% of women; 1.5% of unmarried women) |
| Never married: | 0.518 million (25.8% of women; 53.1% of unmarried women) |
| Non-Hispanic White: | 3.517 million (89.4% of total) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.814 million (23.1% of non-Hisp. White; 83.4% of unm. women) |
| African American: ⁴ | 0.155 million (3.9% of total) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.068 million (43.7% of Af.Am.; 6.9% of unmarried women) |
| Hispanic: ⁵ | 0.100 million (2.5% of total) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.037 million (36.7% of Hispanic; 3.8% of unmarried women) |
| Asian: ⁶ | 0.078 million (2.0% of total) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.026 million (32.8% of Asian; 2.6% of unmarried women) |
| With children under 18: | |
| Married women: | 0.450 million (43.6% of married women) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.144 million (14.8% of unmarried women) |
| Widowed: | 0.007 million (3.5% of widowed women) |
| Divorced: | 0.062 million (26.1% of divorced women) |
| Separated: | NA |
| Never married: | 0.073 million (14.2% of never married women) |

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II. Age Distribution, 18 years and over, 2014

(percentages are of each row)⁷

| | <u>Median</u> | <u><30</u> | <u>30-49</u> | <u>50-64</u> | <u>65+</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| Total: | 48 | 21.2% | 33.0% | 25.2% | 20.6% |
| Men: | 47 | 20.3% | 34.8% | 26.5% | 18.4% |
| Women: | 48 | 22.1% | 31.2% | 23.9% | 22.8% |
| Married women: | 50 | 8.6% | 41.0% | 30.6% | 19.8% |
| Unmarried women: | 43 | 36.4% | 20.8% | 16.9% | 25.9% |
| <i>Widowed:</i> | 80 | 0.0% | 4.9% | 5.0% | 90.1% |
| <i>Divorced:</i> | 54 | 0.0% | 39.0% | 40.2% | 20.8% |
| <i>Separated:</i> | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| <i>Never married:</i> | 24 | 68.5% | 18.5% | 11.1% | 2.0% |

III. Educational Attainment, 18 years and over, 2014

(numbers in millions; percentages are of each row)⁸

| | <u>High school degree/ less</u> | <u>Some college</u> | <u>College graduate/ post-graduate</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Total: | 1.196 (30.4%) | 1.421 (36.1%) | 1.315 (33.4%) |
| Men: | 0.612 (31.8%) | 0.697 (36.2%) | 0.616 (32.0%) |
| Women: | 0.585 (29.1%) | 0.725 (36.1%) | 0.699 (34.8%) |
| Married women: | 0.253 (24.5%) | 0.309 (29.9%) | 0.471 (45.6%) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.332 (34.0%) | 0.416 (42.6%) | 0.228 (23.4%) |
| <i>Widowed:</i> | 0.135 (65.6%) | 0.045 (21.9%) | 0.026 (12.5%) |
| <i>Divorced:</i> | 0.047 (19.6%) | 0.115 (48.5%) | 0.076 (31.9%) |
| <i>Separated:</i> | NA | NA | NA |
| <i>Never married:</i> | 0.142 (27.4%) | 0.251 (48.4%) | 0.125 (24.1%) |

IV. Labor Force Participation and Unemployment, 18 years and over, 2014

(percentages for employed are of adult civilian population for each row; percentages for unemployed are of labor force for each row)⁹

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Total: | 72.2%: 70.1% employed; 2.9% unemployed |
| Men: | 77.9%: 75.4% employed; 3.2% unemployed |
| Women: | 66.8%: 65.1% employed; 2.5% unemployed |
| Married women: | 69.0%: 67.8% employed; 1.6% unemployed |
| Unmarried women: | 64.4%: 62.2% employed; 3.4% unemployed |
| <i>Widowed:</i> | 16.4%: 16.4% employed; 0.0% unemployed |
| <i>Divorced:</i> | 75.5%: 72.4% employed; 4.1% unemployed |
| <i>Separated:</i> | NA |
| <i>Never married:</i> | 78.5%: 75.8% employed; 3.4% unemployed |

V. Minimum wage

Minnesota’s minimum wage rate is \$9.00/hour for large employers (those with annual sales of \$500,000 or more) and \$7.25/hour for other employers.¹⁰ Minnesota has no tipped minimum wage exemption for employers and thus all hourly wage workers are covered by the state’s regular minimum wage requirements. About six in ten of all minimum wage or below-minimum wage workers in Minnesota are women.¹¹

VI. Median Earnings for Full-time, Year-round Workers, Person Earnings, 18 years and over, 2015¹²

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Total: | \$52,000 |
| Men: | \$59,400 |
| Women: | \$45,618 (76.8% of men’s earnings) |
| Married women: | \$50,081 (84.3% of men’s earnings) |
| Unmarried women: | \$36,085 (60.7% of men’s earnings) |
| <i>Widowed:</i> | <i>\$73,930 (124.5% of men’s earnings)</i> |
| <i>Divorced:</i> | <i>\$44,192 (74.4% of men’s earnings)</i> |
| <i>Separated:</i> | <i>NA</i> |
| <i>Never married:</i> | <i>\$33,608 (56.6% of men’s earnings)</i> |

VII. Distribution of Household Income,¹³ 18 years and over, 2013
(percentages are of each row)¹⁴

| | <u>0-\$11,999</u> | <u>\$12-\$24,999</u> | <u>\$25-\$39,999</u> | <u>\$40-\$74,999</u> | <u>\$75,000+</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Total: | 6.2% | 9.5% | 11.6% | 31.5% | 41.1% |
| Men: | 5.5% | 8.1% | 11.7% | 31.5% | 43.2% |
| Women: | 6.9% | 10.8% | 11.6% | 31.6% | 39.2% |
| Married women: | 0.9% | 5.9% | 7.8% | 31.5% | 53.8% |
| Unmarried women: | 13.2% | 16.0% | 15.5% | 31.6% | 23.8% |
| <i>Widowed:</i> | <i>21.6%</i> | <i>24.4%</i> | <i>21.4%</i> | <i>20.6%</i> | <i>12.0%</i> |
| <i>Divorced:</i> | <i>11.5%</i> | <i>16.9%</i> | <i>12.6%</i> | <i>39.1%</i> | <i>20.0%</i> |
| <i>Separated:</i> | <i>NA</i> | <i>NA</i> | <i>NA</i> | <i>NA</i> | <i>NA</i> |
| <i>Never married:</i> | <i>10.7%</i> | <i>11.5%</i> | <i>14.4%</i> | <i>32.6%</i> | <i>30.9%</i> |

VIII. Number and percentage of 18 years and over without Health Insurance Coverage for the entire calendar year, 2013 and 2014¹⁵

| | <u>2013</u> | <u>2014</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total: | 0.279 million (7.1%) | 0.205 million (5.3%) |
| Men: | 0.157 million (8.2%) | 0.116 million (6.1%) |
| Women: | 0.122 million (6.1%) | 0.089 million (4.4%) |
| Married women: | 0.052 million (4.8%) | 0.037 million (3.3%) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.070 million (7.6%) | 0.052 million (6.0%) |
| <i>Widowed:</i> | <i>0.000 million (0.0%)</i> | <i>0.002 million (1.2%)</i> |
| <i>Divorced:</i> | <i>0.015 million (6.5%)</i> | <i>0.012 million (5.6%)</i> |
| <i>Separated:</i> | <i>NA</i> | <i>NA</i> |
| <i>Never married:</i> | <i>0.054 million (10.7%)</i> | <i>0.038 million (7.8%)</i> |

IX. Number in Poverty and Poverty Rates, 18 years and over, 2013 and 2014¹⁶

| | <u>2013</u> | <u>2014</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Total: | 0.420 million (10.7%) | 0.253 million (6.5%) |
| Men: | 0.188 million (9.8%) | 0.109 million (5.7%) |
| Women: | 0.232 million (11.6%) | 0.144 million (7.2%) |
| Married women: | 0.050 million (4.6%) | 0.028 million (2.5%) |
| Unmarried women: | 0.181 million (19.8%) | 0.116 million (13.4%) |
| <i>Widowed:</i> | <i>0.019 million (11.4%)</i> | <i>0.015 million (10.6%)</i> |
| <i>Divorced:</i> | <i>0.026 million (11.8%)</i> | <i>0.017 million (8.2%)</i> |
| <i>Separated:</i> | <i>NA</i> | <i>NA</i> |
| <i>Never married:</i> | <i>0.128 million (25.6%)</i> | <i>0.081 million (16.6%)</i> |

NA=Not available because of insufficient sample for further analysis

¹ Unless otherwise indicated, all figures in this analysis are for vote eligible population only

² Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: Voting and Registration Supplement," November 2014, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.

³ Married women includes married with spouse absent.

⁴ Includes Hispanic.

⁵ Hispanic may be of any race.

⁶ Includes Hispanic.

⁷ Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: Voting and Registration Supplement," November 2014, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.

⁸ Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: Voting and Registration Supplement," November 2014, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.

⁹ Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: Voting and Registration Supplement," November 2014, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.

¹⁰ National Conference of State Legislatures, "State Minimum Wages: 2016 Minimum Wage by State," January 1, 2016, <http://www.ncsl.org/research/labor-and-employment/state-minimum-wage-chart.aspx>.

¹¹ National Women's Law Center, "Women and the Minimum Wage, State by State," July 1, 2015, http://www.nwlc.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/women_and_the_minimum_wage_state_by_state_7.1.15.pdf.

¹² Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: March Supplement," March 2015, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.

¹³ Household income includes the sum of the income of all people 15 years and older living in the household. Income is pre-tax income, and includes wages, self-employment income, interest payments, Social Security and pension income, and public assistance, among other sources.

¹⁴ Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: Voting and Registration Supplement," November 2014, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.

¹⁵ Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: March Supplement," March 2014 and March 2015, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.

¹⁶ Census Bureau, "Current Population Survey: March Supplement," March 2014 and March 2015, http://thedataweb.rm.census.gov/ftp/cps_ftp.html.