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Statistical Profile of Unmarried Women: Tennessee¹

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I. Population, 18 years and older, 2014²

Total:	4.815 million
Men:	2.275 million (47.3% of total)
Women:	2.539 million (52.7% of total)
Married women: ³	1.248 million (25.9% of total; 49.2% of women)
Unmarried women:	1.291 million (26.8% of total; 50.8% of women)
<i>Widowed:</i>	<i>0.241 million (9.5% of women; 18.6% of unmarried women)</i>
<i>Divorced:</i>	<i>0.404 million (15.9% of women; 31.3% of unmarried women)</i>
<i>Separated:</i>	<i>0.067 million (2.6% of women; 5.2% of unmarried women)</i>
<i>Never married:</i>	<i>0.579 million (22.8% of women; 44.9% of unmarried women)</i>
Non-Hispanic White:	3.799 million (78.9% of total)
<i>Unmarried women:</i>	<i>0.917 million (24.1% of non-Hisp. White; 71.1% of unm. women)</i>
African American: ⁴	0.782 million (16.2% of total)
<i>Unmarried women:</i>	<i>0.307 million (39.3% of Af.Am.; 23.8% of unmarried women)</i>
Hispanic: ⁵	0.105 million (2.2% of total)
<i>Unmarried women:</i>	<i>0.020 million (19.1% of Hispanic; 1.5% of unmarried women)</i>
Asian: ⁶	0.054 million (1.1% of total)
<i>Unmarried women:</i>	<i>0.018 million (33.1% of Asian; 1.4% of unmarried women)</i>
With children under 18:	
Married women:	0.420 million (33.6% of married women)
Unmarried women:	0.203 million (15.8% of unmarried women)
<i>Widowed:</i>	<i>0.006 million (2.4% of widowed women)</i>
<i>Divorced:</i>	<i>0.086 million (21.3% of divorced women)</i>
<i>Separated:</i>	<i>NA</i>
<i>Never married:</i>	<i>0.089 million (15.4% of never married women)</i>

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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:	47	22.2%	31.9%	26.4%	19.4%
Men:	47	23.0%	31.6%	27.5%	17.9%
Women:	48	21.5%	32.3%	25.5%	20.7%
Married women:	49	9.6%	40.9%	29.7%	19.8%
Unmarried women:	45	33.0%	23.9%	21.4%	21.7%
<i>Widowed:</i>	77	0.0%	6.2%	17.0%	76.7%
<i>Divorced:</i>	51	8.9%	38.5%	38.9%	13.7%
<i>Separated:</i>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<i>Never married:</i>	26	66.1%	19.5%	9.7%	4.7%

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:	2.163 (44.9%)	1.348 (28.0%)	1.304 (27.1%)
Men:	1.122 (49.3%)	0.606 (26.6%)	0.548 (24.1%)
Women:	1.041 (41.0%)	0.742 (29.2%)	0.756 (29.8%)
Married women:	0.442 (35.4%)	0.346 (27.8%)	0.460 (36.8%)
Unmarried women:	0.599 (46.4%)	0.396 (30.7%)	0.296 (23.0%)
<i>Widowed:</i>	0.165 (68.6%)	0.046 (18.9%)	0.030 (12.5%)
<i>Divorced:</i>	0.170 (42.0%)	0.121 (30.0%)	0.113 (28.0%)
<i>Separated:</i>	NA	NA	NA
<i>Never married:</i>	0.229 (39.5%)	0.203 (35.1%)	0.147 (25.4%)

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:	60.5%: 56.9% employed; 6.0% unemployed
Men:	67.4%: 63.7% employed; 5.5% unemployed
Women:	54.4%: 50.9% employed; 6.4% unemployed
Married women:	58.0%: 56.4% employed; 2.8% unemployed
Unmarried women:	50.9%: 45.6% employed; 10.4% unemployed
<i>Widowed:</i>	12.5%: 12.5% employed; 0.0% unemployed
<i>Divorced:</i>	59.1%: 56.3% employed; 4.6% unemployed
<i>Separated:</i>	NA
<i>Never married:</i>	61.9%: 54.4% employed; 12.1% unemployed

V. Minimum wage

Tennessee has no state minimum wage, thus hourly wage workers are covered by the federal standard of \$7.25/hour,¹⁰ as are its tipped (or sub-minimum) wage workers at the rate of \$2.13/hour. More than half of all minimum wage or below-minimum wage workers in Tennessee are women.¹¹

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

Total:	\$40,963
Men:	\$47,017
Women:	\$35,037 (74.5% of men's earnings)
Married women:	\$38,000 (80.8% of men's earnings)
Unmarried women:	\$32,300 (68.7% of men's earnings)
<i>Widowed:</i>	<i>\$48,000 (102.1% of men's earnings)</i>
<i>Divorced:</i>	<i>\$40,638 (86.4% of men's earnings)</i>
<i>Separated:</i>	NA
<i>Never married:</i>	<i>\$29,600 (63.0% 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:	10.6%	14.0%	21.2%	29.9%	24.2%
Men:	8.7%	12.6%	21.3%	31.9%	25.6%
Women:	12.4%	15.4%	21.2%	28.2%	22.9%
Married women:	3.8%	8.2%	21.5%	35.0%	31.6%
Unmarried women:	20.7%	22.3%	20.9%	21.7%	14.4%
<i>Widowed:</i>	<i>18.1%</i>	<i>29.7%</i>	<i>26.3%</i>	<i>20.1%</i>	<i>5.8%</i>
<i>Divorced:</i>	<i>15.8%</i>	<i>23.7%</i>	<i>22.2%</i>	<i>23.8%</i>	<i>14.5%</i>
<i>Separated:</i>	NA				
<i>Never married:</i>	<i>24.0%</i>	<i>17.9%</i>	<i>19.0%</i>	<i>21.5%</i>	<i>17.6%</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:	667,155 (14.0%)	454,425 (9.4%)
Men:	356,832 (15.6%)	237,481 (10.3%)
Women:	310,322 (12.5%)	216,944 (8.6%)
Married women:	135,690 (10.4%)	92,019 (7.1%)
Unmarried women:	174,633 (14.9%)	124,925 (10.1%)
• <i>Widowed:</i>	11,562 (4.1%)	8,097 (3.0%)
• <i>Divorced:</i>	47,690 (16.1%)	32,715 (9.5%)
• <i>Separated:</i>	NA	NA
• <i>Never married:</i>	100,781 (19.6%)	76,841 (13.8%)

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

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Total:	732,391 (15.4%)	661,880 (13.7%)
Men:	280,266 (12.2%)	241,558 (10.5%)
Women:	452,125 (18.2%)	420,322 (16.7%)
Married women:	74,533 (5.7%)	86,969 (6.7%)
Unmarried women:	377,592 (32.3%)	333,352 (27.0%)
• <i>Widowed:</i>	75,758 (26.9%)	47,979 (17.7%)
• <i>Divorced:</i>	82,466 (27.8%)	86,939 (25.3%)
• <i>Separated:</i>	NA	NA
• <i>Never married:</i>	185,174 (36.0%)	166,803 (29.9%)

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.

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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: 2015 Minimum Wage by State," June 30, 2015, <http://www.ncsl.org/research/labor-and-employment/state-minimum-wage-chart.aspx>.

¹¹ National Women's Law Center, "Women, The Minimum Wage, and the Wage Gap State by State," August 2015, http://www.nwlc.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/women_the_minimum_wage_and_the_wage_gap_state_by_state_8.11.15.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.

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