According to the United Nations, men are at least twice as likely as women to graduate with an engineering degree.6

1 in 5 men graduated in engineering 3

1 in 20 women graduated in engineering 4

Women remain overrepresented in bachelor's degree programs such as teaching and nursing—ultimately leading to occupational segregation into lower-paying jobs... while men are overrepresented in STEM programs leading to higher-paying work.5

From 1990–2012, the global literacy rate increased from:
79% to 87% for young women
88% to 92% for young men

According to the UN, educated women are more likely to marry later, have smaller and healthier families, work and earn income, and invest in their own children, breaking negative cycles for the next generation.8

Increasing Women's Secondary STEM Study Will Increase Incomes

1 in 2 in the U.S.
38% Sub-Saharan Africa
45% in the U.S.

15–25% boost in wages Overall, secondary education for girls leads to:

The Vast Majority of Young People Globally (Aged 15 to 24) Are Literate 1

The majority of out-of-school children are in Sub-Saharan Africa and Southern Asia

RIPPLE EFFECT

As little as a 1% increase in girls completing secondary school boosts the entire country's per capita income by 0.3%.

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More than half of those are girls

There Are Regional Disparities in Women's Educational Progress 2

38 million school-aged girls are out of school globally

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