

# Dismantling Inequality in STEM with Data

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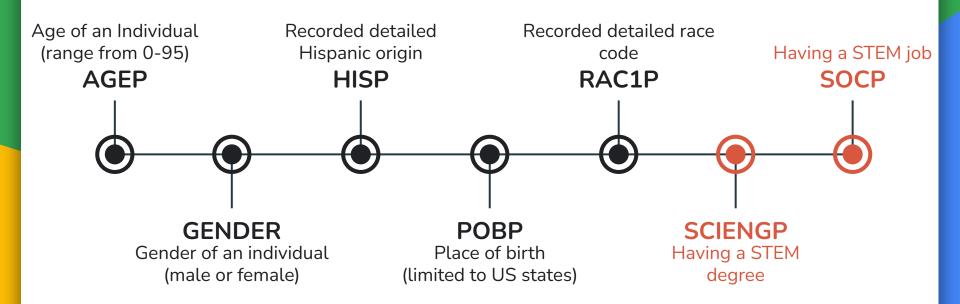
#### **OUR DISMANTLERS**





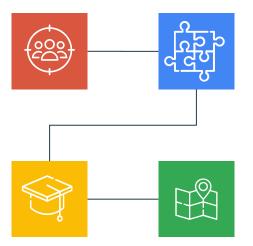
Explore demographic factors that influence the likelihood of having a degree and working in a STEM career.

#### **Data Description**



#### Initial Hypothesis / Exploratory Data Analysis

Is there a gender gap in the STEM workforce?

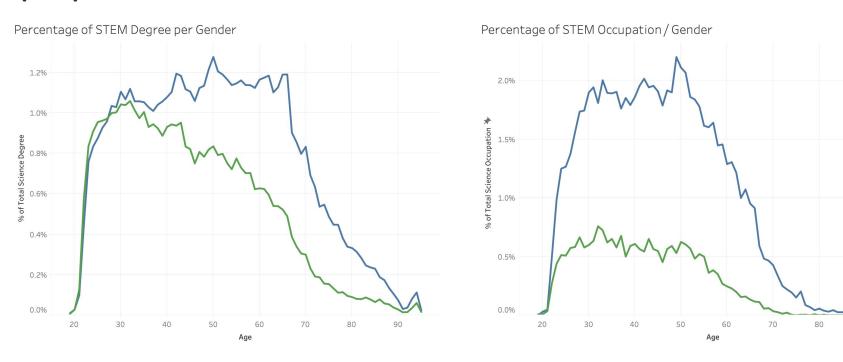


Is there a race gap in the STEM workforce?

Does a stem education lead to a STEM role, and how does this vary between men & women?

Does your birthplace influence your chance of being in a STEM job?

## The gender gap of STEM degrees is closing among younger people. However, this does not reflect on STEM careers



Male

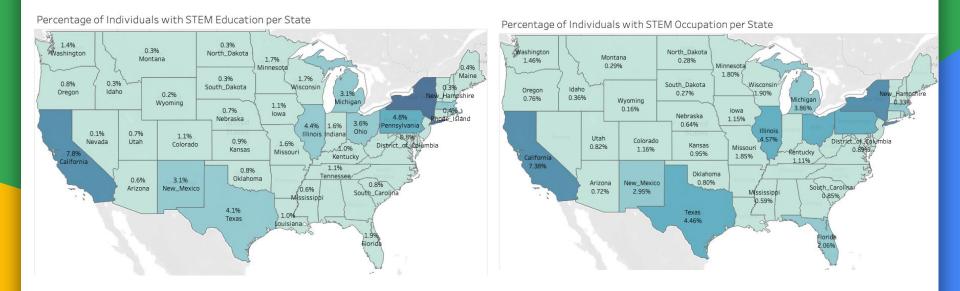
Female

# There is a gender gap in STEM occupations even among people who obtained STEM degrees.

Male	Science Occupation		Female	Science Occupation	
Science Degree	No	Yes	Science Degree	No	Yes
No	98.72%	1.28%	No	99.52%	0.48%
Yes	87.59%	12.41%	Yes	94.80%	5.20%
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12.41% of men with a STEM degree pursue a STEM occupation compared to only 5.21% of women.

#### Place of birth influences the chance of having a STEM career



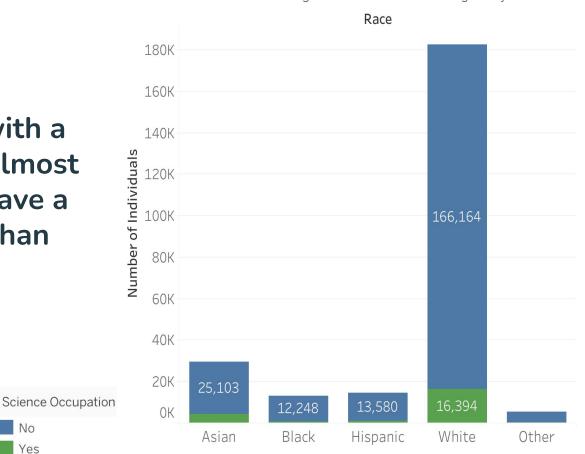


Specific states, such as California, Texas, and New York tend to produce more individuals that pursue STEM degrees and roles compared to rest of the US.

Asian Americans with a STEM degree are almost 2x more likely to have a STEM occupation than other races.

No

Yes



#### **Model Building**

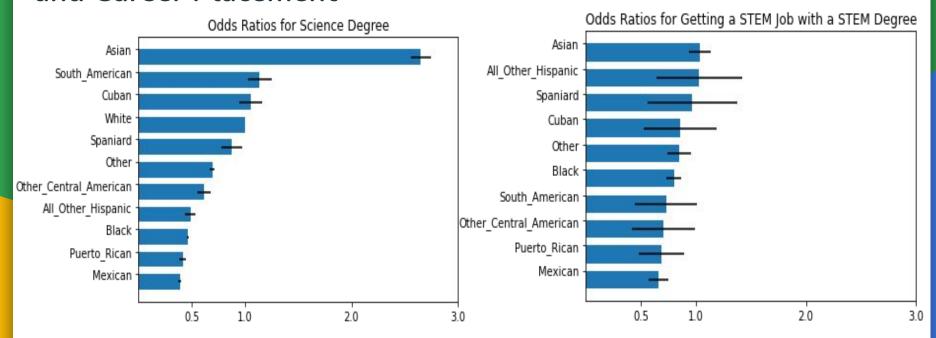
We used Logistic Regression to quantify the effects of race, place of birth, and gender on the chances of having a STEM degree and occupation.



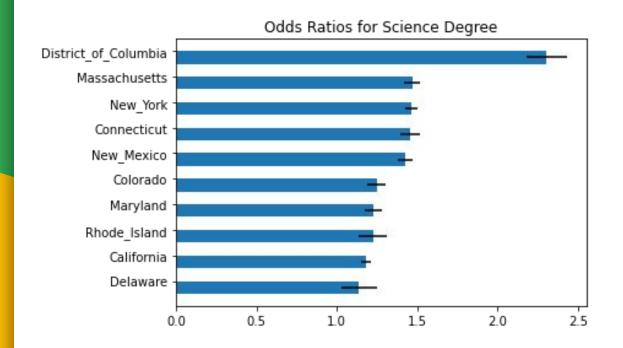




## Underrepresentation of Certain Races Exists in STEM Education and Career Placement



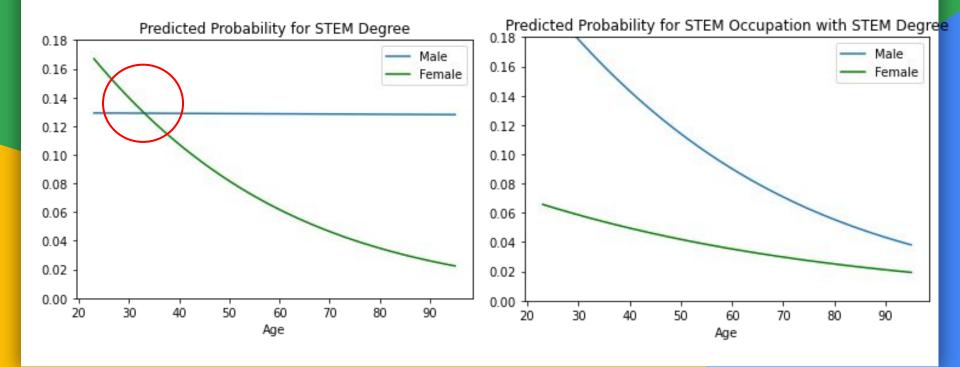
#### Place of Birth Influences Getting a STEM Degree





- Being born in certain states increases the likelihood of getting a STEM degree.
- If you were born in DC, you are twice as likely to have a STEM degree as people born in Delaware.

#### Gender Gap in STEM Fields Exists



# Conclusion and Recommendation

### **DISPARITY LEVELERS**

#### **KEY INSIGHTS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **GENDER**

The gender gap of STEM degrees is closing. But, this does not reflect on careers.

→ Invest in university recruiting programs that support women for STEM careers.

#### **AGE**

The gender gap in STEM is more relevant among mid-career women.

→ Target mid-career women, providing STEM training to help the transition.

#### **RACE**

The race gap predominantly affects the Black and Latinx population.

→ Expand partnership with minority-serving institutions, such as HBCUs.

### PLACE OF BIRTH

Place of Birth influences the chance of having a STEM career.

→ Leverage remote work to get talents from non-traditional regions.

### **Thank You**

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