

Women and Girls in Science

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Significant progress has been achieved in elementary and secondary schools across the United States. But in universities, women are significantly underrepresented in the ranks of engineering and computer science – just one in five majors in those fields, even though women now account for 58% of university students pursuing undergraduate degrees.

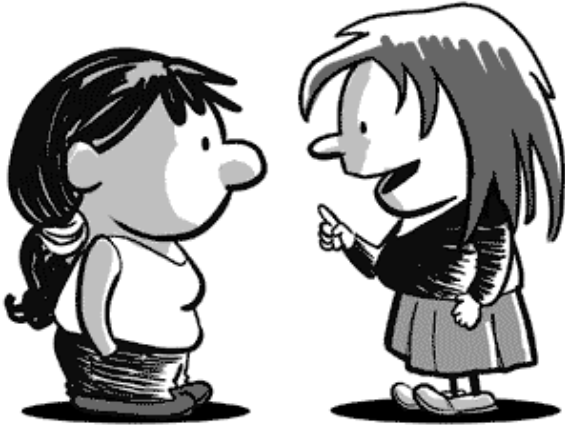
After graduation, US women pursue even fewer jobs in STEM fields. Although they made up 47% of the US workforce in 2023, women held just 7% of the 12 million jobs in STEM fields:

- Fewer than one in five worked in engineering and architecture
- Just over one in four worked in computer and math jobs
- Women were on a par with men in life, physical and social sciences, but that ranged widely – from 36% who worked as chemists, to 55% who were biologists, to 88% who were school psychologists

Worldwide, women account for 28 percent of engineering and 40 percent of computer science graduates, according to the World Bank.

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THE WAGE GAP HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SEXISM! WOMEN ARE PAID LESS BECAUSE THEY MAKE DIFFERENT CHOICES.



HAVING A FAMILY, FOR EXAMPLE. MANY WOMEN TAKE TIME OFF FROM WORK TO TAKE CARE OF CHILDREN OR ELDERLY RELATIVES...



SO WOMEN WORK LESS, OR WORK PART-TIME, OR NEED MORE FLEXIBLE JOBS. AND AS A RESULT, THEY GET PAID LESS. BUT WHAT DOES THAT HAVE TO DO WITH SEXISM?



COULDN'T MEN DO HALF OF THAT UNPAID WORK?

THAT'S CRAZY TALK!



OKAY, I'LL LET SOMEONE ELSE RAISE MY KIDS.

WHAT KIND OF LOUSY MOTHER DOES THAT?

