

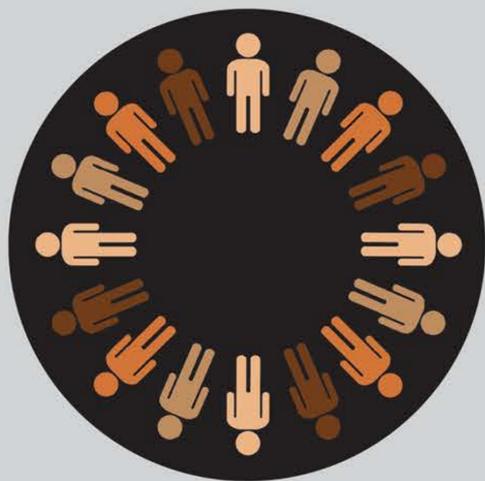
African-American (Black) History Month: February 2019

To commemorate and celebrate the contributions to our nation made by people of African descent, American historian Carter G. Woodson established Black History Week. The first celebration occurred on February 12, 1926. For many years, the second week of February was set aside for this celebration to coincide with the birthdays of abolitionist/editor, Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. In 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial, the week was expanded to a month. Since then, U.S. presidents have proclaimed February as National African-American History Month.

This infographic features selected demographic indicators of blacks in the District of Columbia based on responses to the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey.

Population and Gender 2017

The District's 2017 Black Population Estimate: 318,220

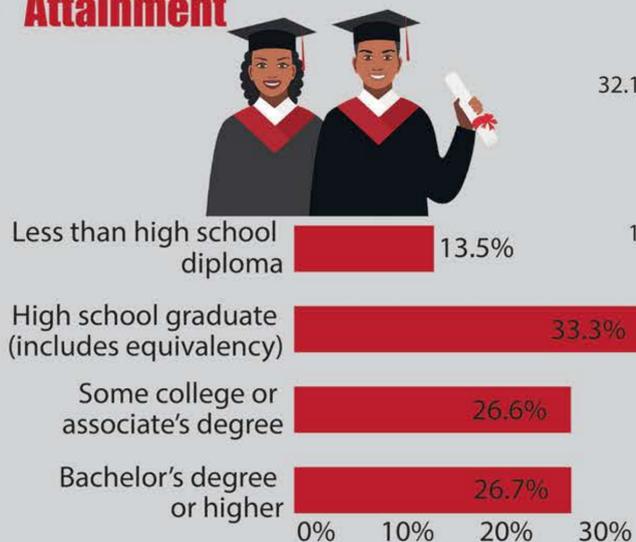


- The District of Columbia had the highest percentage of blacks (45.9 percent) among all states, followed by Mississippi (38.0 percent).
- Black women were 47.9 percent of all women in the District.
- Black men were 43.6 percent of all men in the District.
- The median age for all blacks in the District was 36.5 years, with black males median age at 34.7 and black females at 38.0.

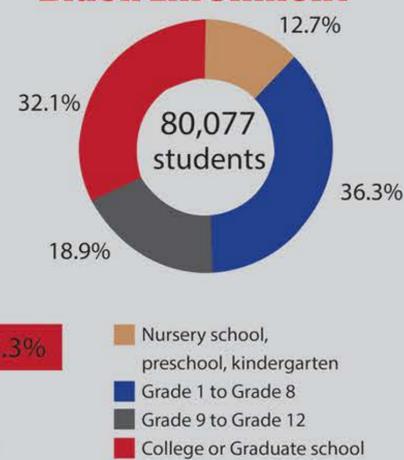
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Educational Attainment and School Enrollment 2017

Black Educational Attainment



Black Enrollment



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Black-Owned Businesses 2017



Black Owned Businesses in the District: 22,097 (34.8%)



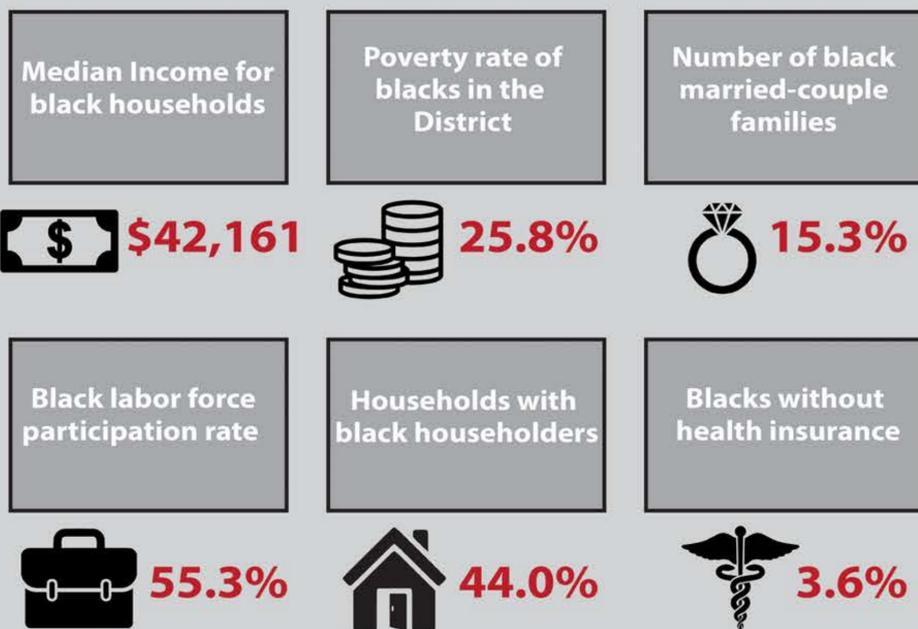
Black Veteran-Owned Businesses: 5,070 (8%)



Black Female-Owned Businesses: 12,434 (19.6%)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 Survey of Business Owners

Lifestyle 2017



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates