



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

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News from the Office on the Status of Women

Join us for Civic Saturday in Des Moines

[Citizen University](#) is a national platform for fostering responsible and empowered citizenship through activation, communication, and education. Via CU, Civic Saturday is an initiative that originated out of Washington State by Eric Liu and is now going nationwide in an effort to promote civic dialogue and coming together as a community around civic ideals.



This free event is taking place on **Saturday, May 5th from 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM** at Grand View University Student Center, Speed Lyceum, in Des Moines. [Get your free ticket.](#) Doors open at 9:30 AM for the social impact fair prior to the program beginning at 10:30 AM.

Women in Iowa: 2018 Data Report Available

The State Data Center of Iowa and the Iowa Department of Human Rights' Office on the Status of Women have released the "Women in Iowa: 2018 Data Report." To view the full report, visit: <http://bit.ly/WomeninIowa2018>.

THE STATE DATA CENTER OF IOWA AND THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS' OFFICE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

WOMEN IN IOWA: 2018

MARCH 2018

In 1981, the U.S. Congress passed a resolution establishing National Women's History Week. The week was chosen to coincide with International Women's Day, March 8. In 1987, Congress expanded the week to a month. Every year since, Congress and the Iowa General Assembly have passed a resolution for Women's History Month, and the U.S. president and Iowa's Governor have issued a proclamation.

1,575,574

The number of females in Iowa in 2016. That exceeds the number of men (1,559,119). Males outnumber females in most of the five-year-age groups through the 45-49 age group. Starting with the 50-54 age group, women outnumber men. At ages 85 and over there are nearly twice as many women as men.

1,705,856

The projected female population of Iowa in 2050 according to Woods & Poole Economics, Inc. Women will constitute 49.7 percent of the state's total population.

Families and Children

21.8%

The percent of families with children under 18 in 2016 living with their mother in a single-parent household, compared to 8.7 percent living with their father. This compares to 69.5 percent living with both parents.

676,349

Number of married women in 2016 (including those who are separated or have an absent spouse).

47.3%

Percent of unmarried Iowans 15 years and older who are women in 2016. There are 608,071 unmarried (widowed, divorced or never married) women.

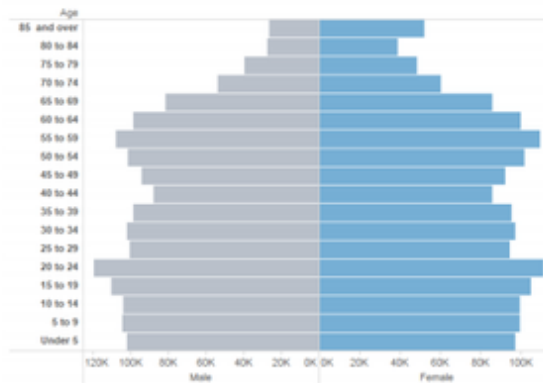
113,783

The number of Iowa families with a female householder, no husband present in 2016. In 1970 there were 52,025 families with a female head of household. This is a 118.7% increase during that time.

39.3

The estimated median age for the female population in Iowa in 2016. The estimated median age for the state of Iowa was 38.0. The male estimated median age was 36.8

Iowa population by sex and age: 2016



Share your story with us:
"Iowa Women at Work" Storytelling Project



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**Are you interested in
sharing your story?**



The Iowa Department of Human Rights' Office on the Status of Women, Iowa Commission on the Status of Women, and Grand View University are collecting stories of Iowa women in the workplace.

To tell your story and learn more, visit:
<http://bit.ly/iawomenatwork>



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For more information, visit: <http://bit.ly/iawomenatwork>

If you would like to submit a story to our project, click [here](#). Stories will be reviewed and may be edited for clarity. However, submissions will be returned to the author for approval following any editing. After review, the stories will be released in a collection to the public in winter 2019.

May is Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

To celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage Month in Iowa, the Iowa Department of Human Rights' Office of Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs and the State Data Center of Iowa released the Asian and Pacific Islanders in Iowa (2018) report. To view the report, visit: <http://bit.ly/2w3sQsK>.

For more information on Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, visit:

[Iowa Department of Human Rights' Office of Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs](#)

[Iowa Asian Alliance](#)

[Asian Pacific American Heritage Month](#)

[Iowa Public Television: Asian American/Pacific Islander Resources](#)

Upcoming Events/Seminars/Conferences

The first ever [Midwest Title IX Summit](#) will be held on **Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at the FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny, Iowa**. This Summit will analyze the issues around Title IX for K-12 schools, higher education, and community organizations. Questions surround how to ensure schools and colleges are free from sexual violence including harassment and assault as well as creating an environment free from sex discrimination.

For more information about this event, please visit Iowa Safe Schools at: <http://www.iowasafeschools.org/title-ix-summit/>.

8th Annual Psychological Trauma and Juvenile Justice Conference

The Psychological Trauma and Juvenile Justice Conference is an annual event for professionals who work with children and families. The conference meets requirements for the approval of CEU credits for social workers, mental health counselors, psychologists and other related fields. The event will focus on the impact on the mind, body, behavior and community, and will feature four speakers.



The conference will take place **June 5-6 in Des Moines**. For more details on the event, its objectives and speakers, and how you can register, visit the event page [HERE](#).

Cultivating Caregivers: Iowa CareGivers 2018 Conference

The 2018 Iowa CareGivers Conference is an educational experience built specifically for Certified Nursing Assistants, Care Workers, and Home Care, Health, and other Aids. The conference, which will be held **June 4-5 in Altoona**, is meant to open the minds and hearts of those who wish to acquire new tools to be the best caregiver possible, and to grow and nourish the passion for caregiving.



For more information on the conference and how to register, check out the brochure [HERE](#).

- **May 5:** [Civic Saturday](#) in Des Moines
- **May 15:** [Midwest Title IX Summit](#) in Ankeny
- **May 18:** [Women Helping Women 20th Anniversary Luncheon](#) in Des Moines
- **May 30:** [Chrysalis Conversations: Take a Time Out](#) in Des Moines
- **June 4-5:** [Iowa Caregivers 2018 Conference](#) in Altoona
- **June 5-6:** [Psychological Trauma and Juvenile Justice Conference](#) in Des Moines
- **August 18:** [Iowa Women's Hall of Fame ceremony](#) in Des Moines
- **August 26:** Women's Equality Day

Note: If you have an event taking place for women in Iowa that you would like to see added, please send it to women@iowa.gov.

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