

**Table 225. Educational Attainment by State: 1990 to 2006**

[In percent. 1990 and 2000 as of April. 2006, represents annual averages for calendar year. For persons 25 years old and over. Based on the 1990 and 2000 Census of Population and the American Community Survey; see text, Section 1, and Appendix III]

State	1990			2000			2006		
	High school graduate or more	Bachelor's degree or more	Advanced degree or more	High school graduate or more	Bachelor's degree or more	Advanced degree or more	High school graduate or more	Bachelor's degree or more	Advanced degree or more
<b>United States . . .</b>	<b>75.2</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>80.4</b>	<b>24.4</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>84.1</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>9.9</b>
Alabama . . . . .	66.9	15.7	5.5	75.3	19.0	6.9	80.1	21.1	7.7
Alaska . . . . .	86.6	23.0	8.0	88.3	24.7	8.6	89.7	26.9	9.5
Arizona . . . . .	78.7	20.3	7.0	81.0	23.5	8.4	83.8	25.5	9.2
Arkansas . . . . .	66.3	13.3	4.5	75.3	16.7	5.7	80.5	18.2	6.2
California . . . . .	76.2	23.4	8.1	76.8	26.6	9.5	80.1	29.0	10.4
Colorado . . . . .	84.4	27.0	9.0	86.9	32.7	11.1	88.0	34.3	12.4
Connecticut . . . . .	79.2	27.2	11.0	84.0	31.4	13.3	88.0	33.7	14.4
Delaware . . . . .	77.5	21.4	7.7	82.6	25.0	9.4	85.5	27.0	10.5
District of Columbia . . . . .	73.1	33.3	17.2	77.8	39.1	21.0	84.3	45.9	25.4
Florida . . . . .	74.4	18.3	6.3	79.9	22.3	8.1	84.5	25.3	8.9
Georgia . . . . .	70.9	19.3	6.4	78.6	24.3	8.3	82.2	26.6	9.2
Hawaii . . . . .	80.1	22.9	7.1	84.6	26.2	8.4	89.0	29.7	9.8
Idaho . . . . .	79.7	17.7	5.3	84.7	21.7	6.8	87.3	23.3	7.1
Illinois . . . . .	76.2	21.0	7.5	81.4	26.1	9.5	85.0	28.9	10.8
Indiana . . . . .	75.6	15.6	6.4	82.1	19.4	7.2	85.2	21.7	8.0
Iowa . . . . .	80.1	16.9	5.2	86.1	21.2	6.5	88.9	24.0	7.4
Kansas . . . . .	81.3	21.1	7.0	86.0	25.8	8.7	88.5	28.6	9.8
Kentucky . . . . .	64.6	13.6	5.5	74.1	17.1	6.9	79.6	20.0	8.2
Louisiana . . . . .	68.3	16.1	5.6	74.8	18.7	6.5	79.4	20.3	6.8
Maine . . . . .	78.8	18.8	6.1	85.4	22.9	7.9	88.7	25.8	8.9
Maryland . . . . .	78.4	26.5	10.9	83.8	31.4	13.4	87.1	35.1	15.7
Massachusetts . . . . .	80.0	27.2	10.6	84.8	33.2	13.7	87.9	37.0	15.6
Michigan . . . . .	76.8	17.4	6.4	83.4	21.8	8.1	87.2	24.5	9.2
Minnesota . . . . .	82.4	21.8	6.3	87.9	27.4	8.3	90.7	30.4	9.6
Mississippi . . . . .	64.3	14.7	5.1	72.9	16.9	5.8	77.9	18.8	6.1
Missouri . . . . .	73.9	17.8	6.1	81.3	21.6	7.6	84.8	24.3	8.7
Montana . . . . .	81.0	19.8	5.7	87.2	24.4	7.2	90.1	27.4	8.4
Nebraska . . . . .	81.8	18.9	5.9	86.6	23.7	7.3	89.5	26.9	8.4
Nevada . . . . .	78.8	15.3	5.2	80.7	18.2	6.1	83.9	20.8	7.2
New Hampshire . . . . .	82.2	24.4	7.9	87.4	28.7	10.0	89.9	31.9	11.2
New Jersey . . . . .	76.7	24.9	8.8	82.1	29.8	11.0	86.1	33.4	12.4
New Mexico . . . . .	75.1	20.4	8.3	78.9	23.5	9.8	81.5	25.3	10.9
New York . . . . .	74.8	23.1	9.9	79.1	27.4	11.8	84.1	31.2	13.3
North Carolina . . . . .	70.0	17.4	5.4	78.1	22.5	7.2	82.0	24.8	8.3
North Dakota . . . . .	76.7	18.1	4.5	83.9	22.0	5.5	88.1	25.6	6.5
Ohio . . . . .	75.7	17.0	5.9	83.0	21.1	7.4	86.2	23.0	8.3
Oklahoma . . . . .	74.6	17.8	6.0	80.6	20.3	6.8	84.3	22.1	7.2
Oregon . . . . .	81.5	20.6	7.0	85.1	25.1	8.7	87.6	27.5	10.0
Pennsylvania . . . . .	74.7	17.9	6.6	81.9	22.4	8.4	86.2	25.4	9.6
Rhode Island . . . . .	72.0	21.3	7.8	78.0	25.6	9.7	82.4	29.6	11.3
South Carolina . . . . .	68.3	16.6	5.4	76.3	20.4	6.9	81.3	22.7	7.9
South Dakota . . . . .	77.1	17.2	4.9	84.6	21.5	6.0	88.3	24.8	7.2
Tennessee . . . . .	67.1	16.0	5.4	75.9	19.6	6.8	80.9	21.7	7.5
Texas . . . . .	72.1	20.3	6.5	75.7	23.2	7.6	78.6	24.7	8.0
Utah . . . . .	85.1	22.3	6.8	87.7	26.1	8.3	90.2	28.6	9.4
Vermont . . . . .	80.8	24.3	8.9	86.4	29.4	11.1	89.8	32.4	12.8
Virginia . . . . .	75.2	24.5	9.1	81.5	29.5	11.6	85.4	32.7	13.2
Washington . . . . .	83.8	22.9	7.0	87.1	27.7	9.3	89.0	30.5	10.7
West Virginia . . . . .	66.0	12.3	4.8	75.2	14.8	5.9	81.0	16.5	6.6
Wisconsin . . . . .	78.6	17.7	5.6	85.1	22.4	7.2	88.4	25.1	8.4
Wyoming . . . . .	83.0	18.8	5.7	87.9	21.9	7.0	90.2	22.7	7.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 Census of Population, CPH-L-96; 2000 Census of Population, Table P37, Sex by Educational Attainment for the Population 25 Years and Over, using American FactFinder<sup>®</sup>; 2006 American Community Survey, Table R1501 "Percent of Persons 25 Years and Over Who Have Completed High School," Table R1502 "Percent of Persons 25 Years and Over Who Have Completed a Bachelor's Degree," and Table R1503 "Percent of Persons 25 Years and Over Who Have Completed an Advanced Degree," using American FactFinder<sup>®</sup>.