

Status Report

Displaced Homemakers and Single Mothers in Illinois



There are 285,008
Displaced Homemakers in Illinois

There are 606,082
Single Mothers in Illinois

Children

- 10% of displaced homemakers live with their own children under the age of 6

Poverty

- 35% of displaced homemakers live in poverty

Children

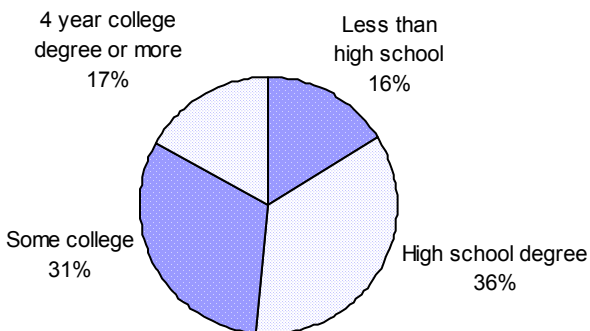
- 38% of single mothers live with their own children under the age of 6

Poverty

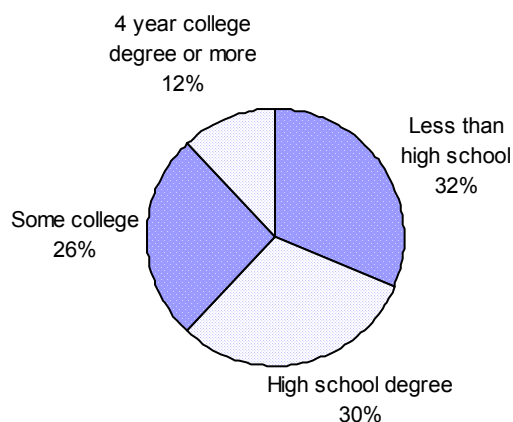
- 33% of single mothers live in poverty

Educational Attainment

Displaced Homemakers



Single Mothers



National Data

- Nationally there are **7.3** million displaced homemakers and **13.6** million single mothers.
- Displaced homemakers are more likely to be poor. Nationally 42% of displaced homemakers and 31% of single mothers are living in poverty.
- Displaced homemakers are less educated than single mothers, 62% of displaced homemakers have no education beyond a high school diploma, compared with only 58% of single mothers.
- Single mothers are a younger group than displaced homemakers. The majority of single mothers are 25-54 years old and the majority of displaced homemakers are 45-64 years old.
- Single mothers are more likely than displaced homemakers to have young children living at home.

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