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# Of Boys and Men

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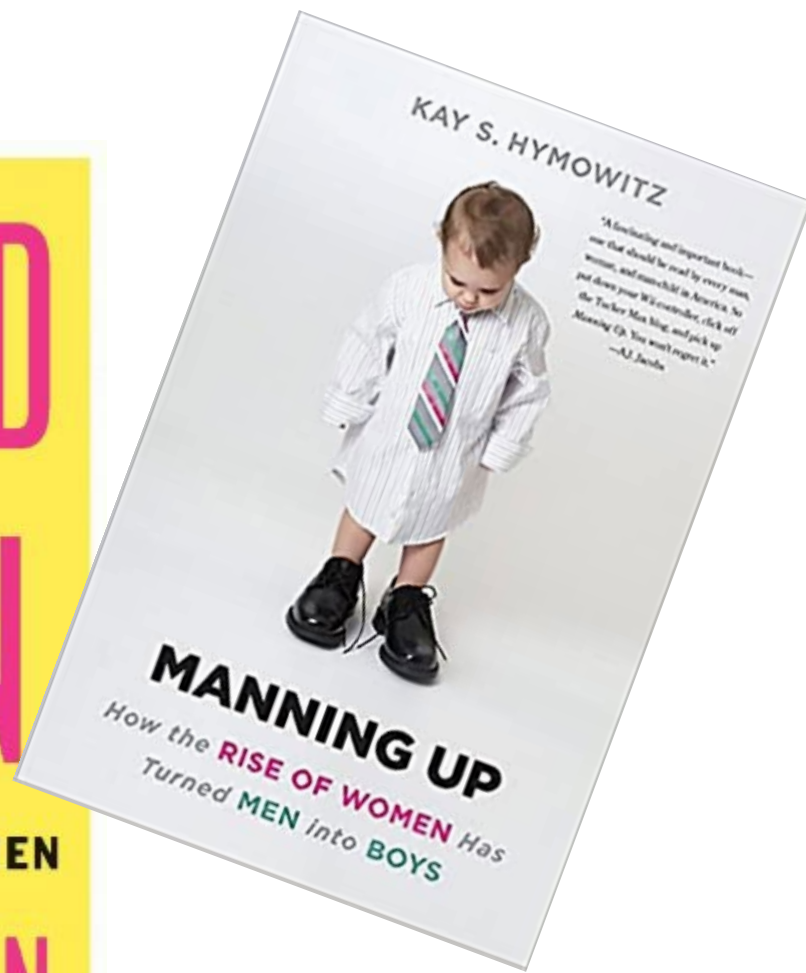
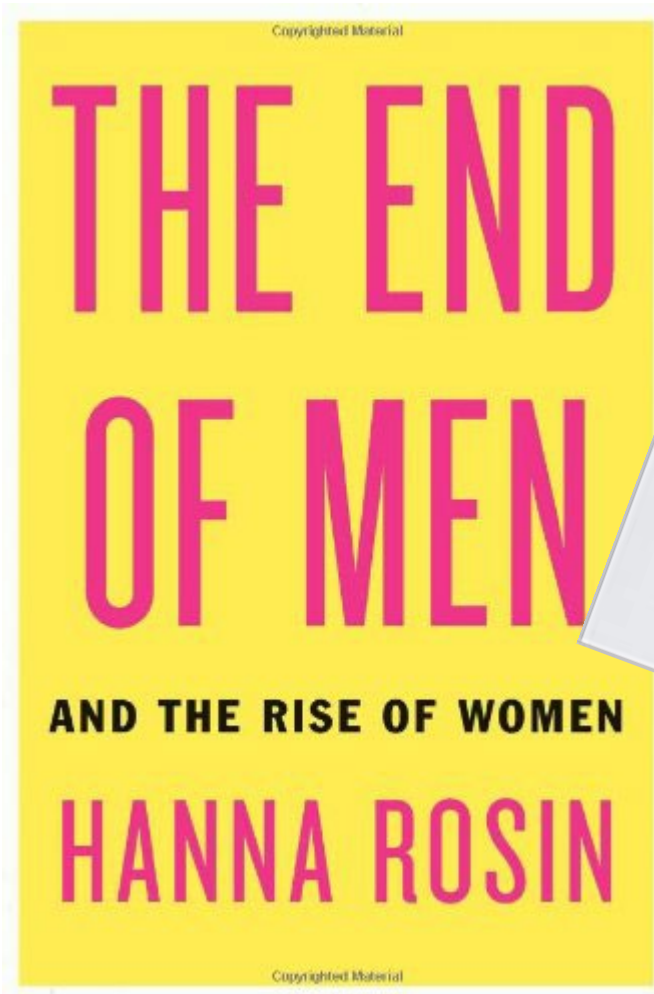
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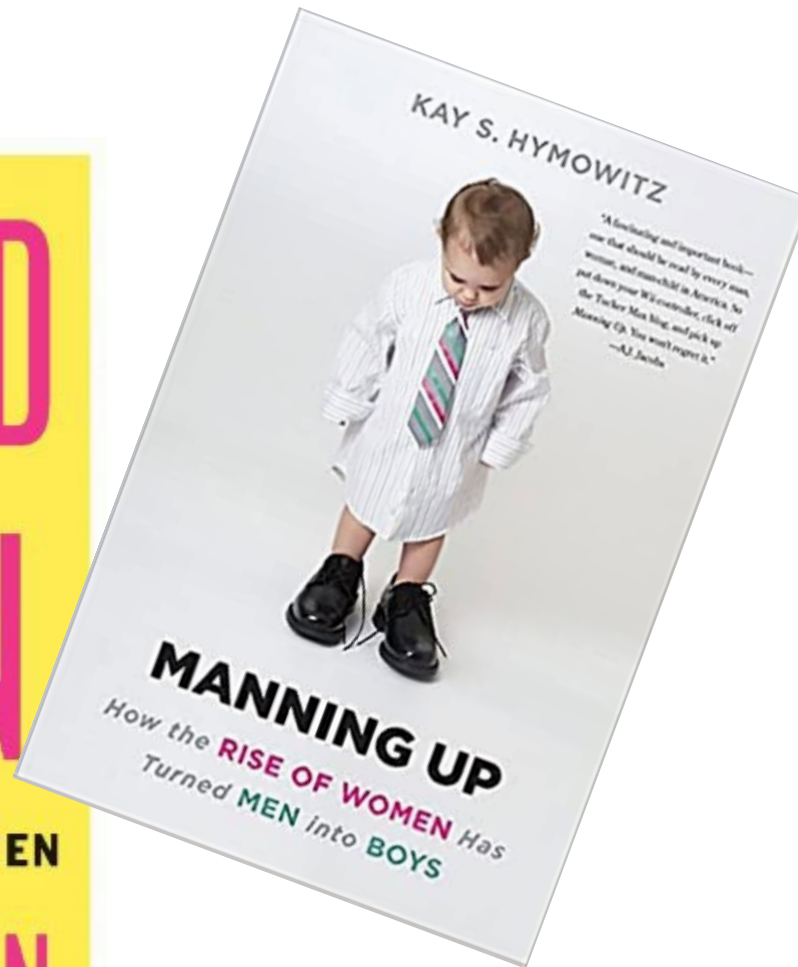
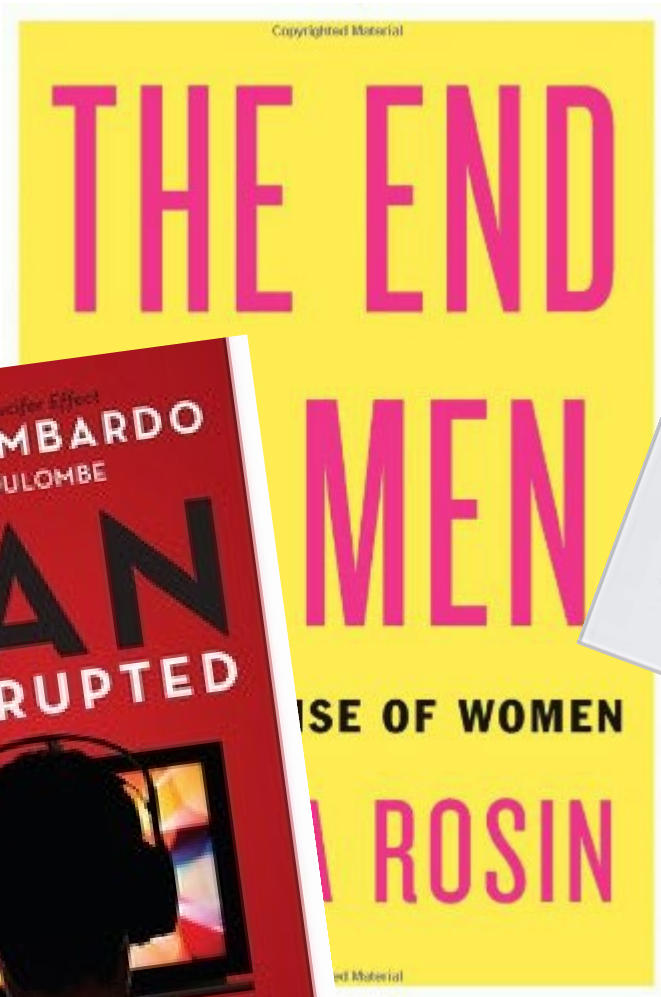
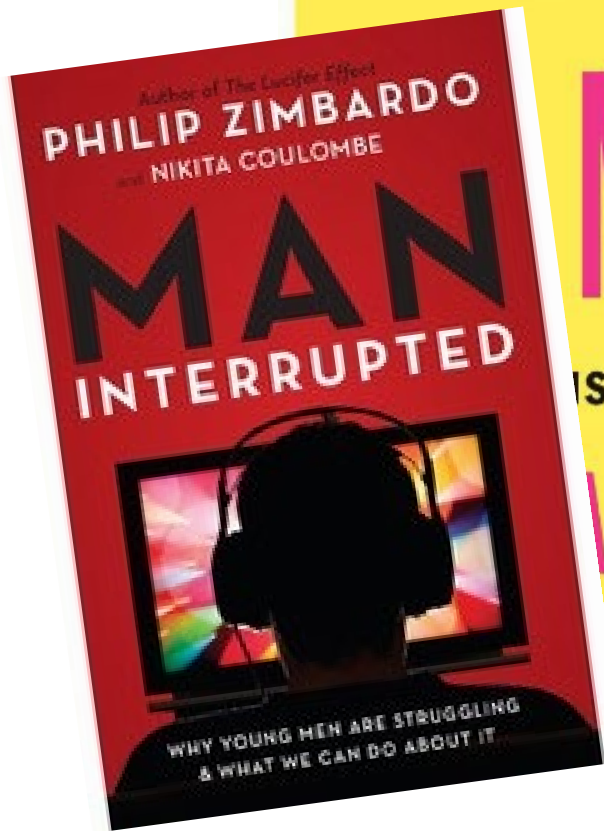
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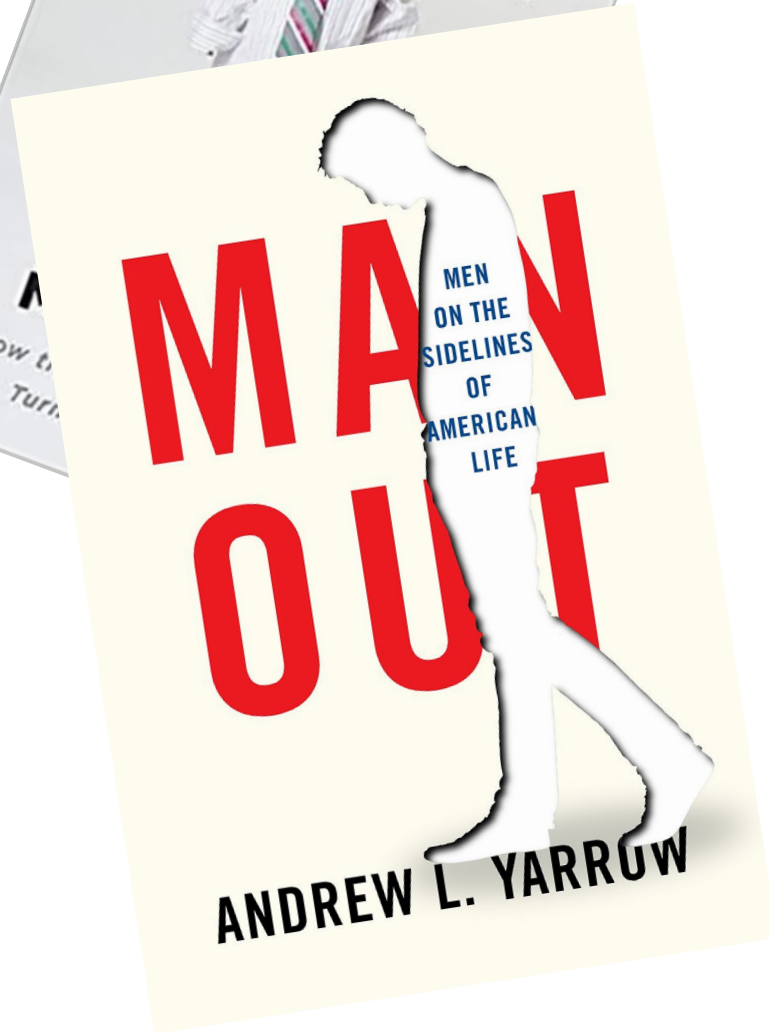
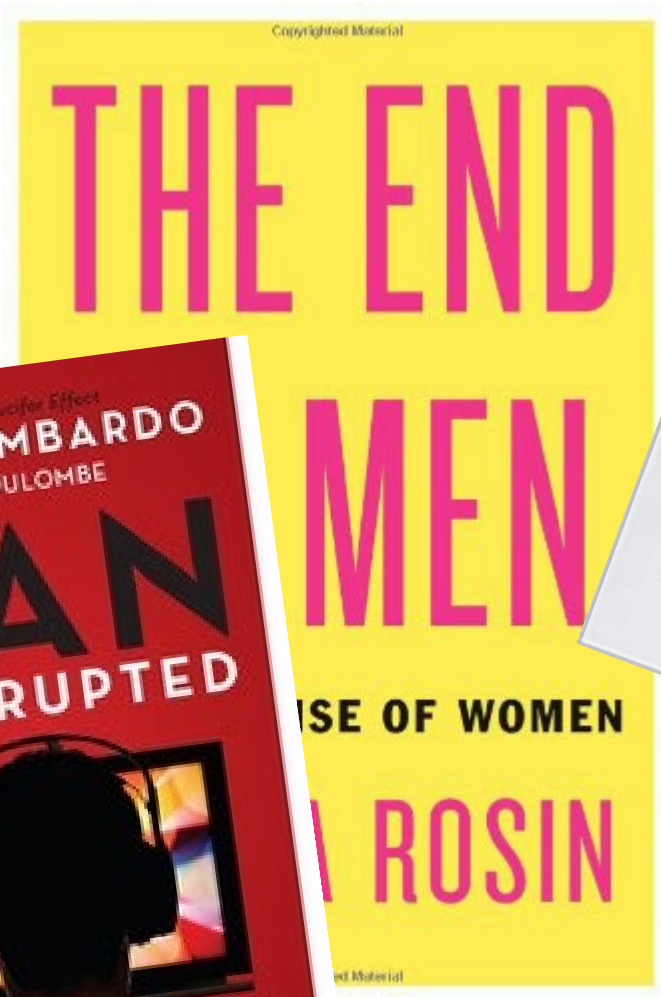
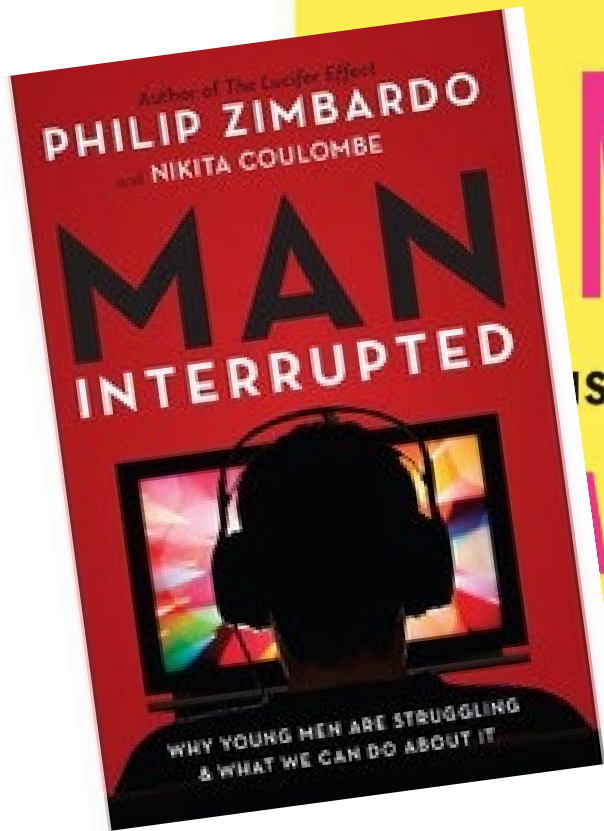
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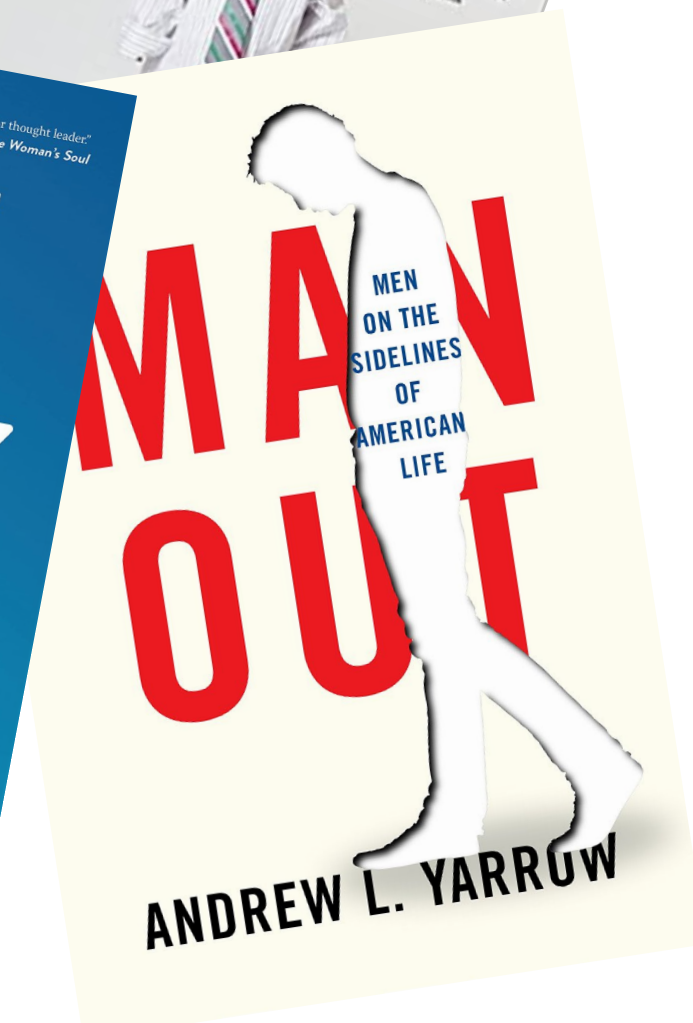
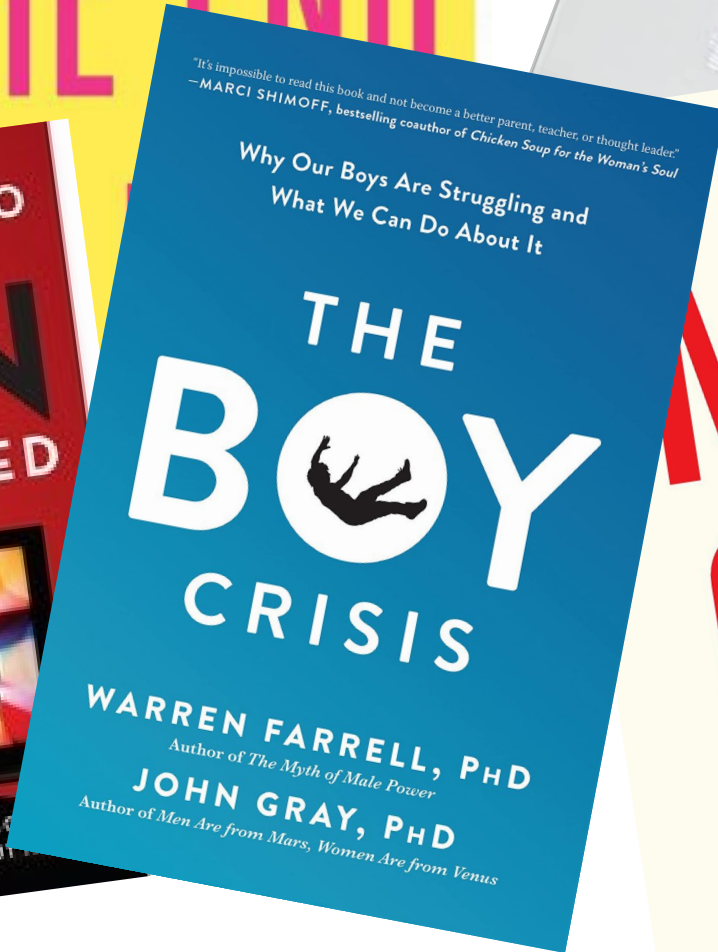
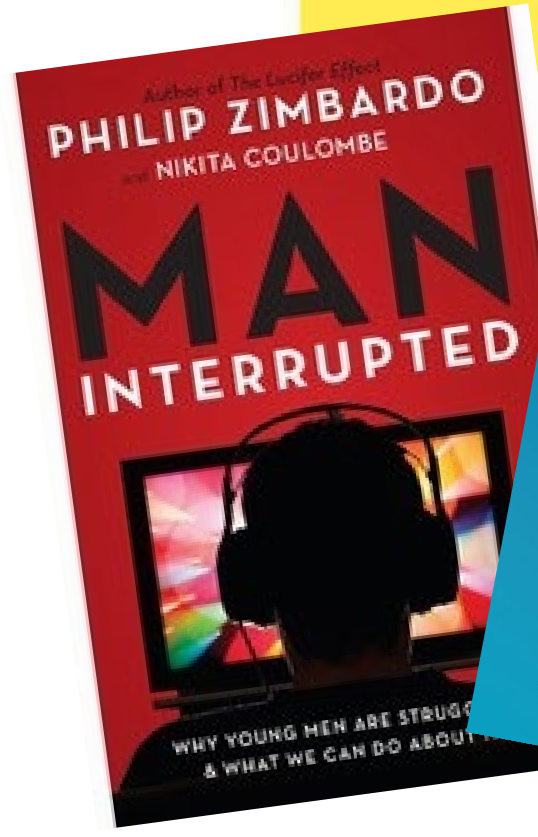
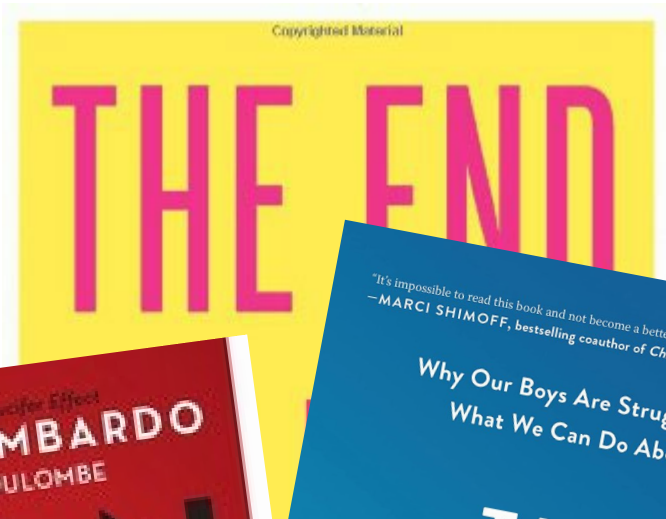
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WHY THE MODERN MALE  
IS STRUGGLING, WHY IT MATTERS,  
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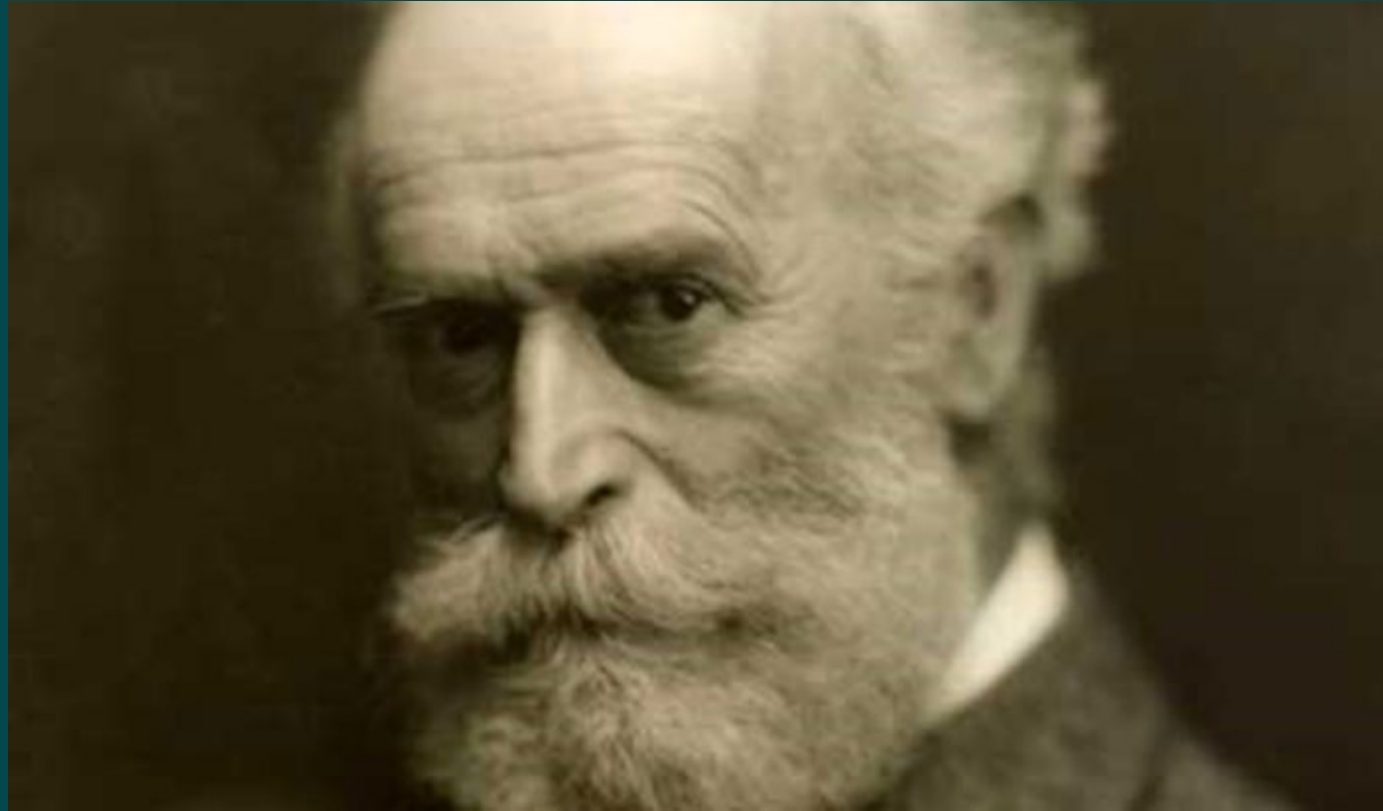
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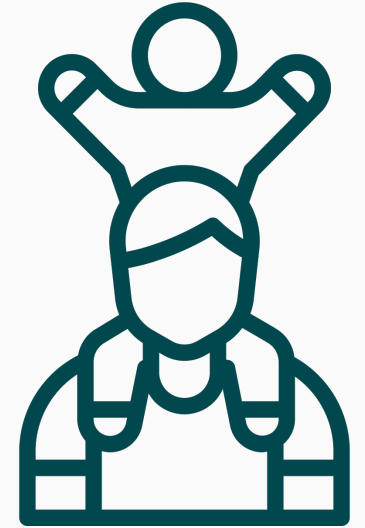
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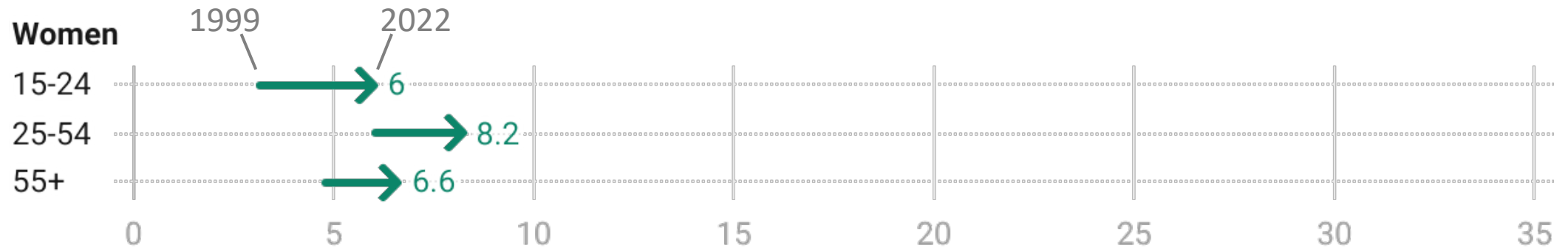
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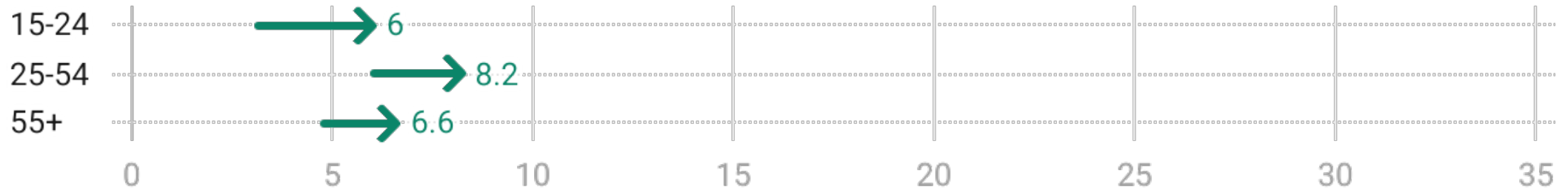
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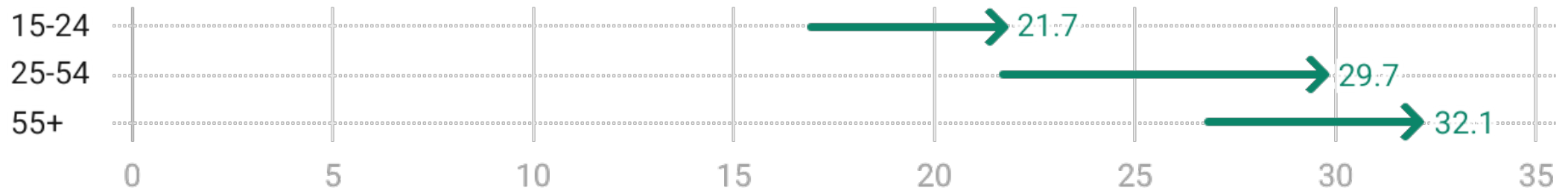


# Suicide rates are 4x for men

## Women



## Men





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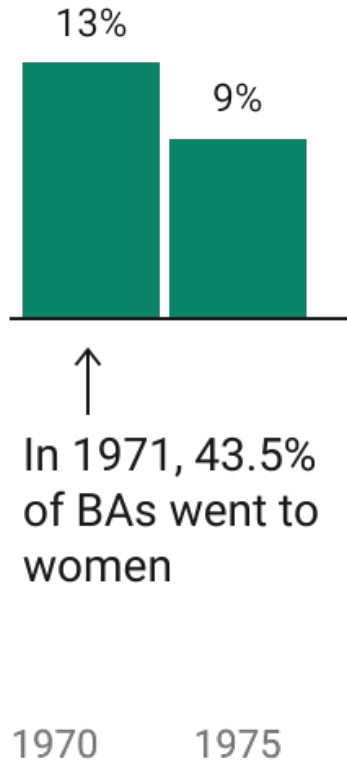
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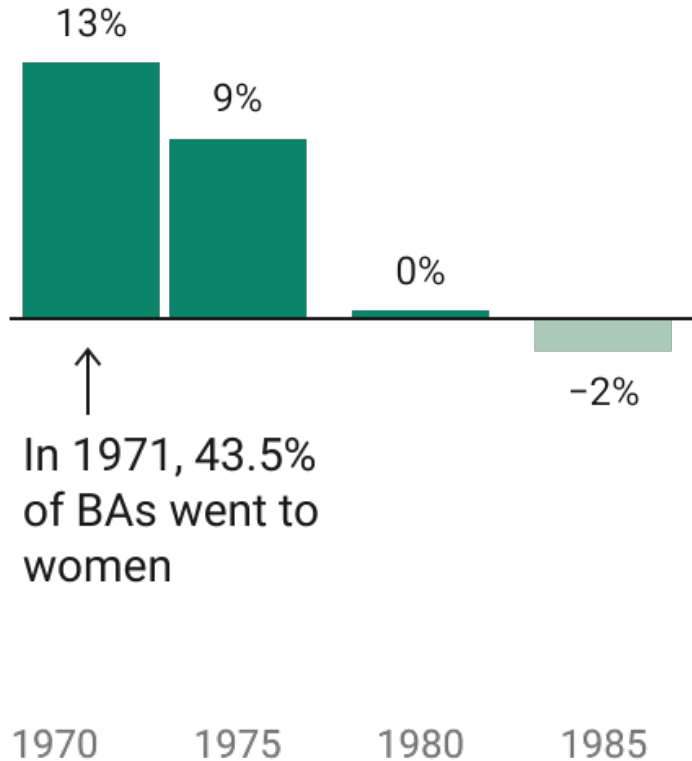
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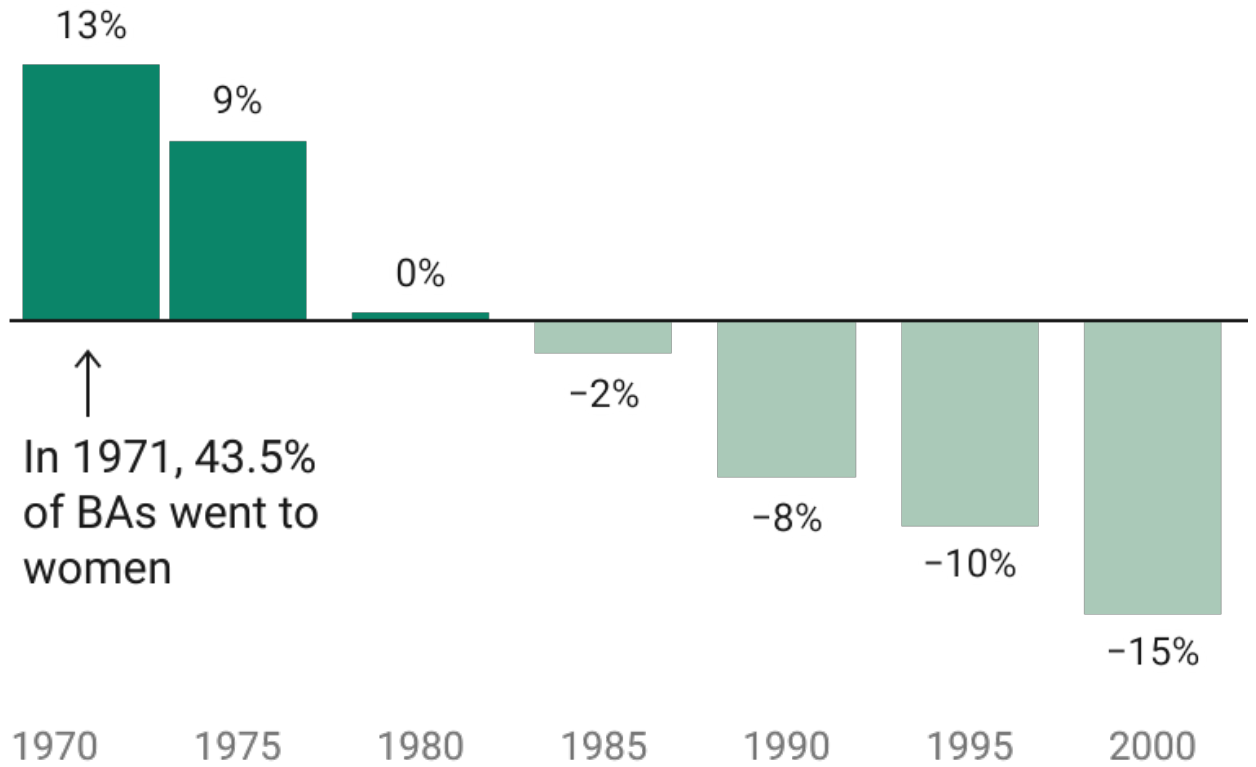
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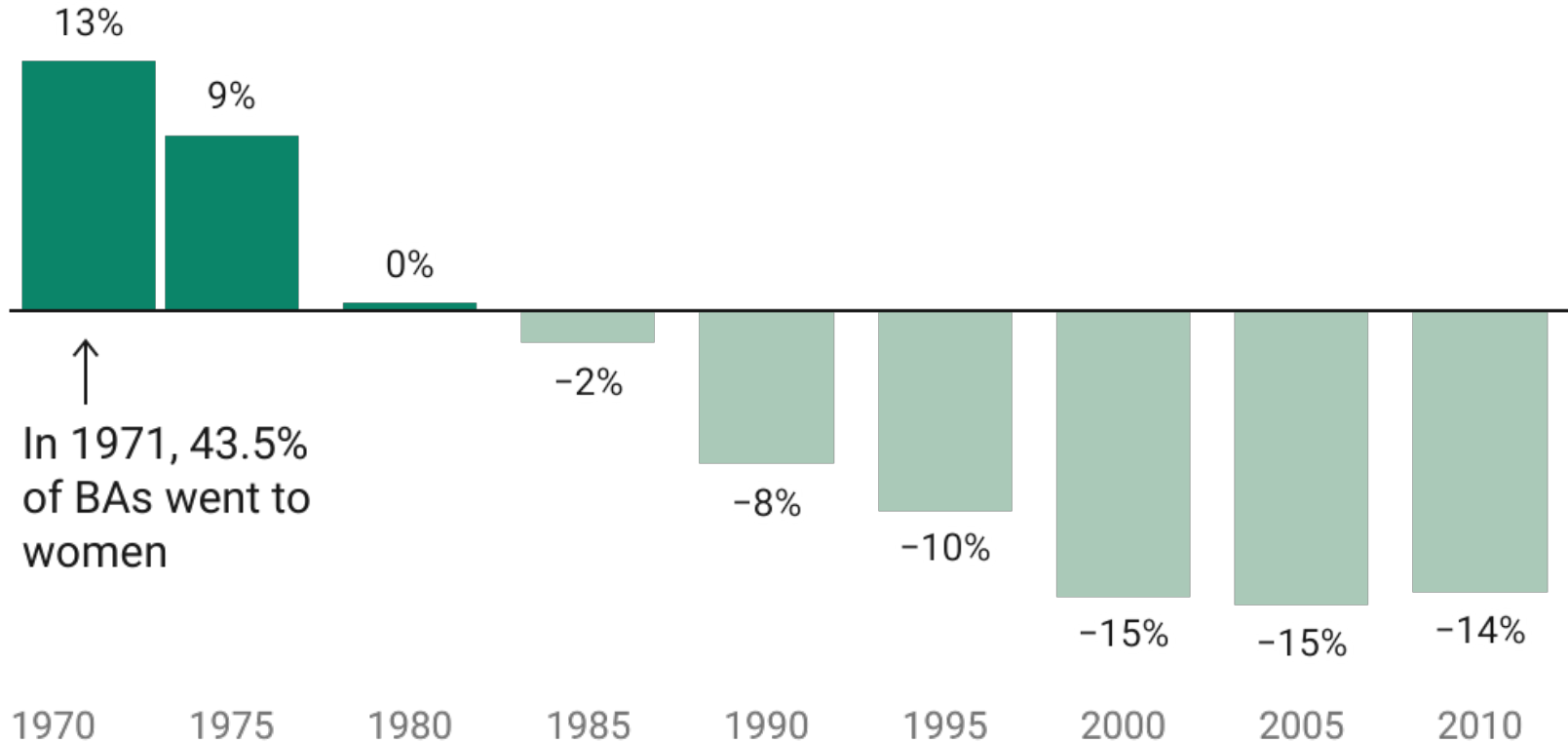
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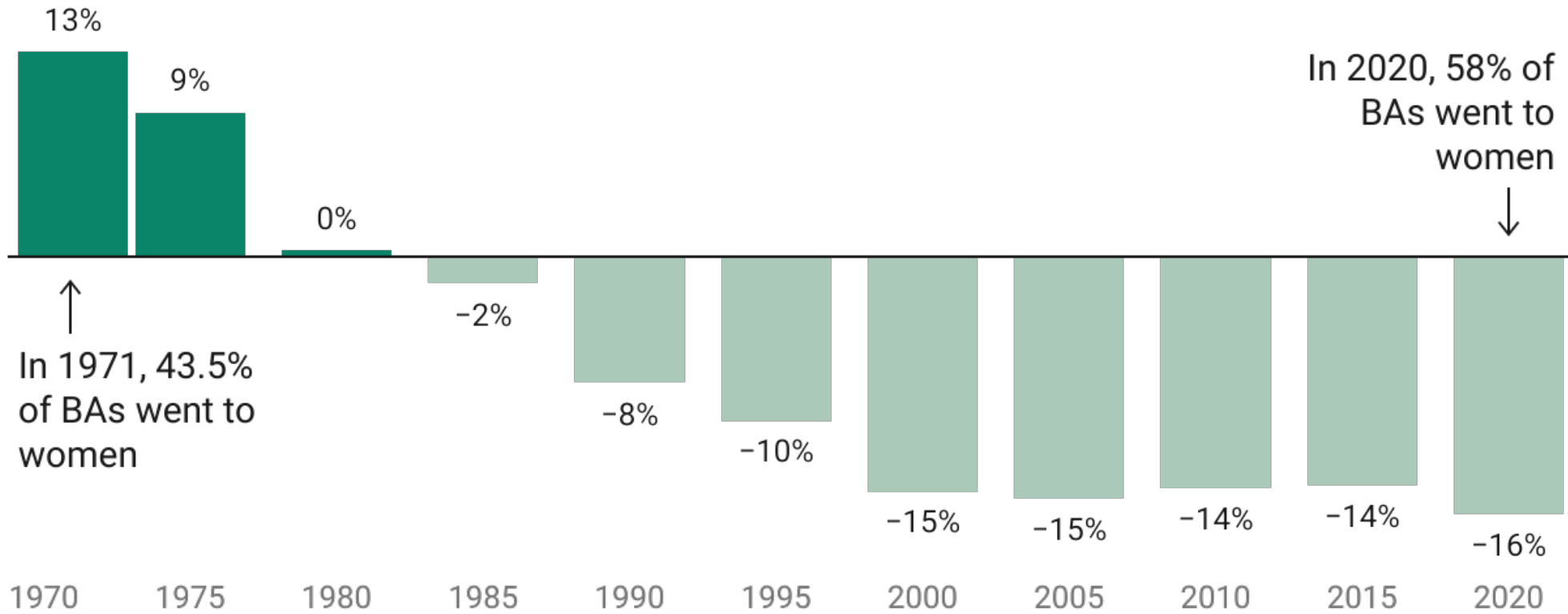
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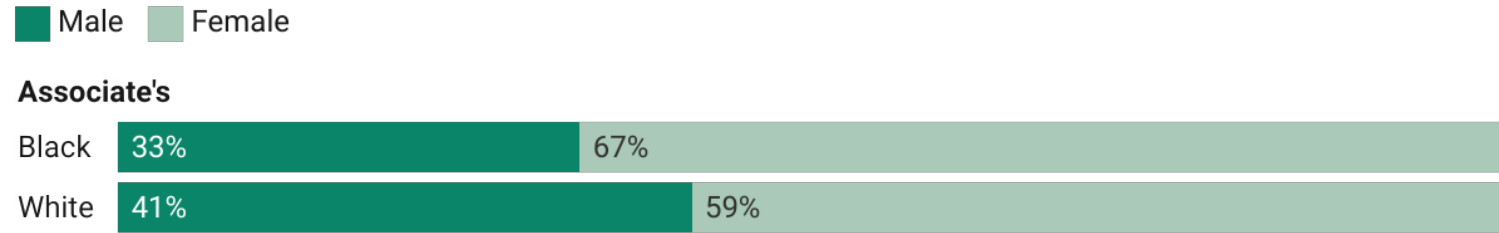
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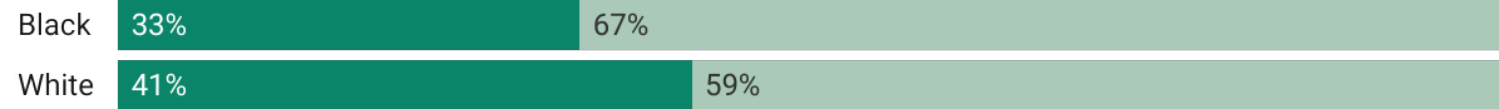
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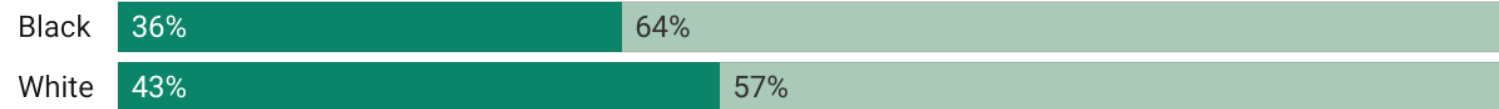
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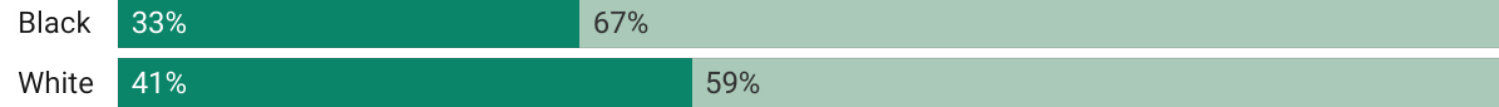
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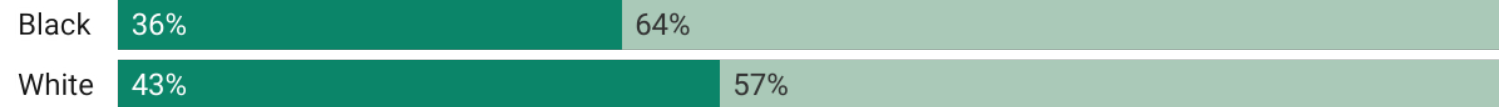
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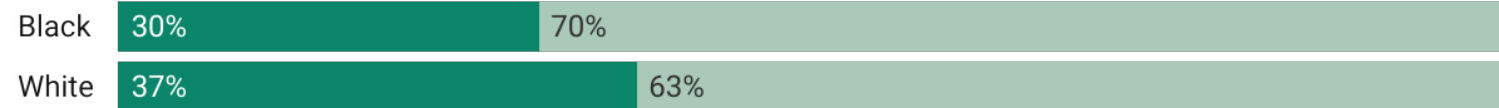
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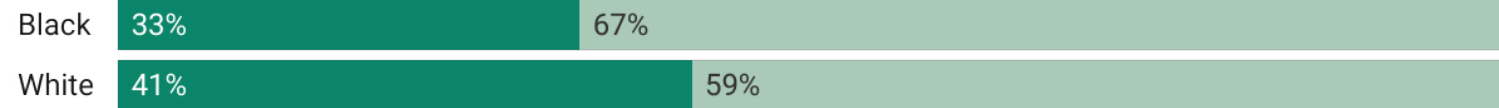
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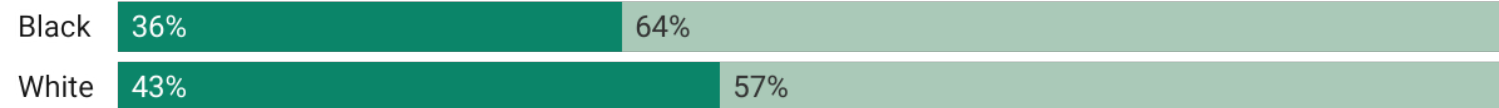
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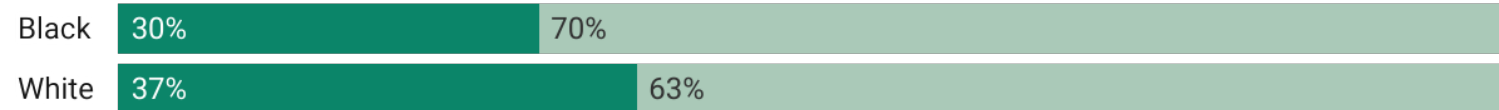
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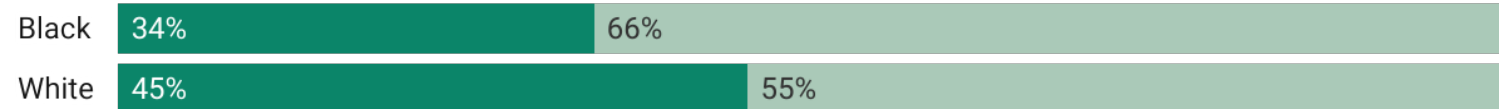
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## Doctorate/Prof



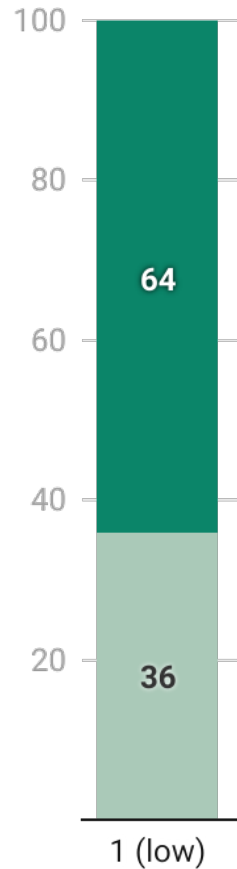
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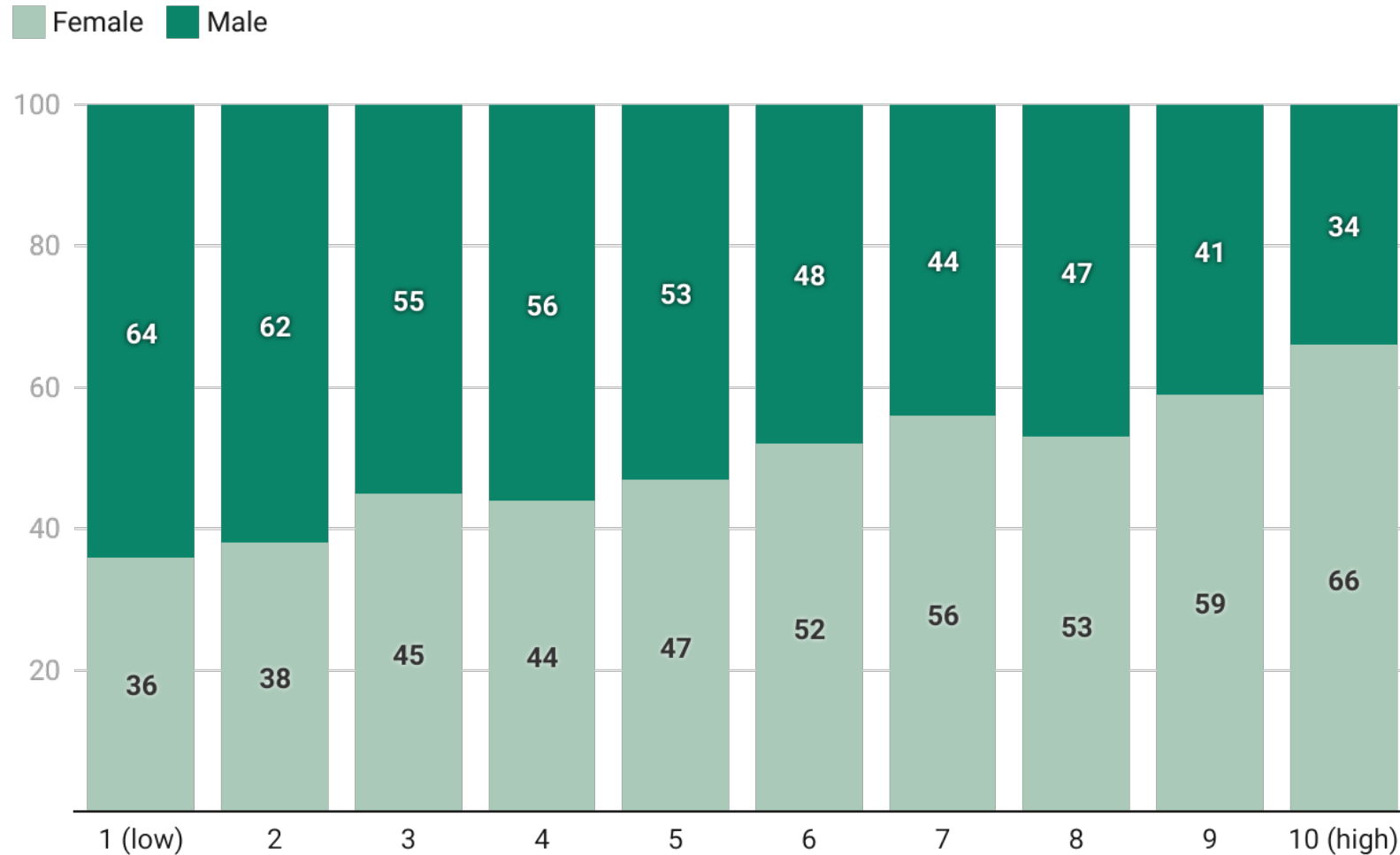
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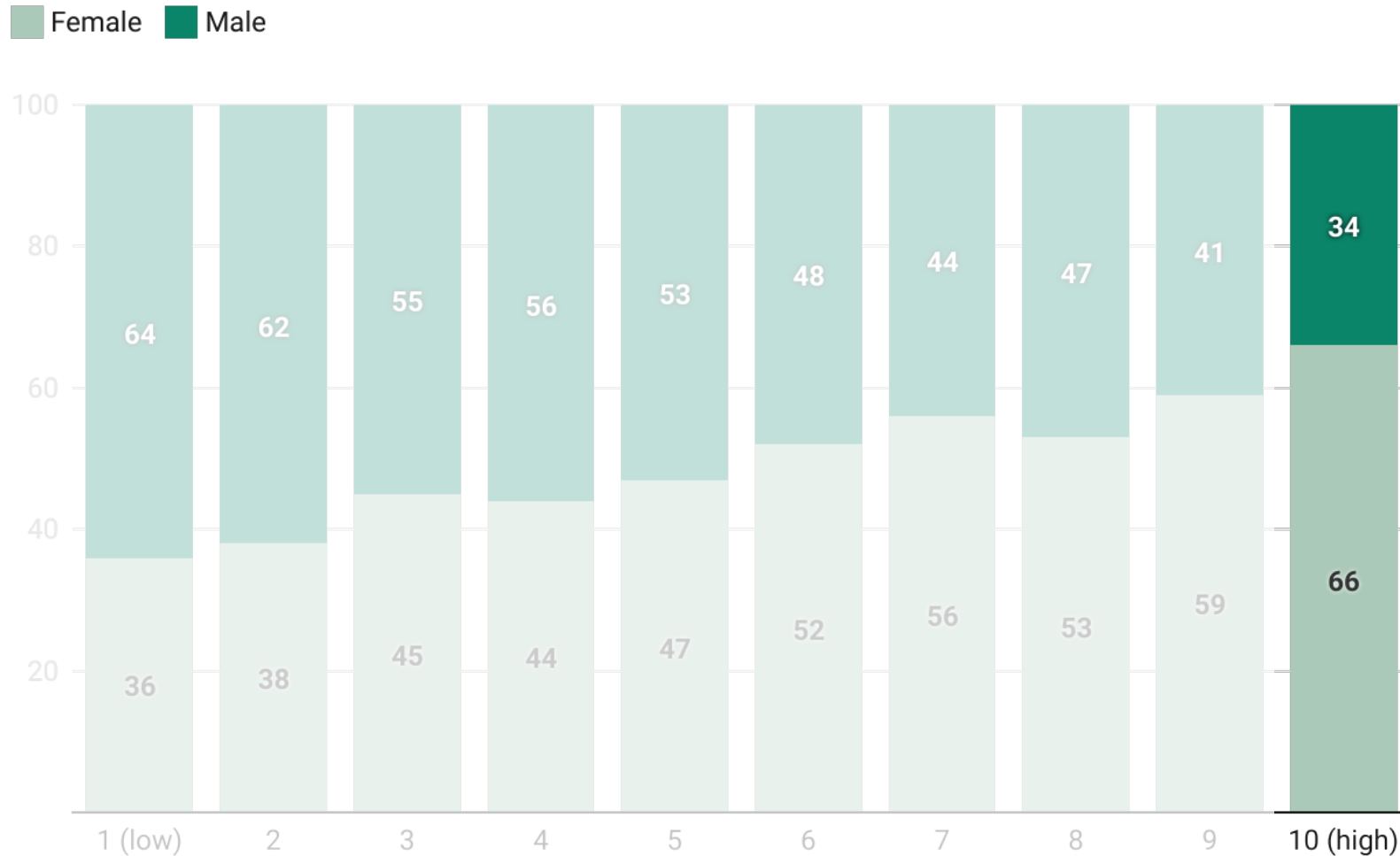


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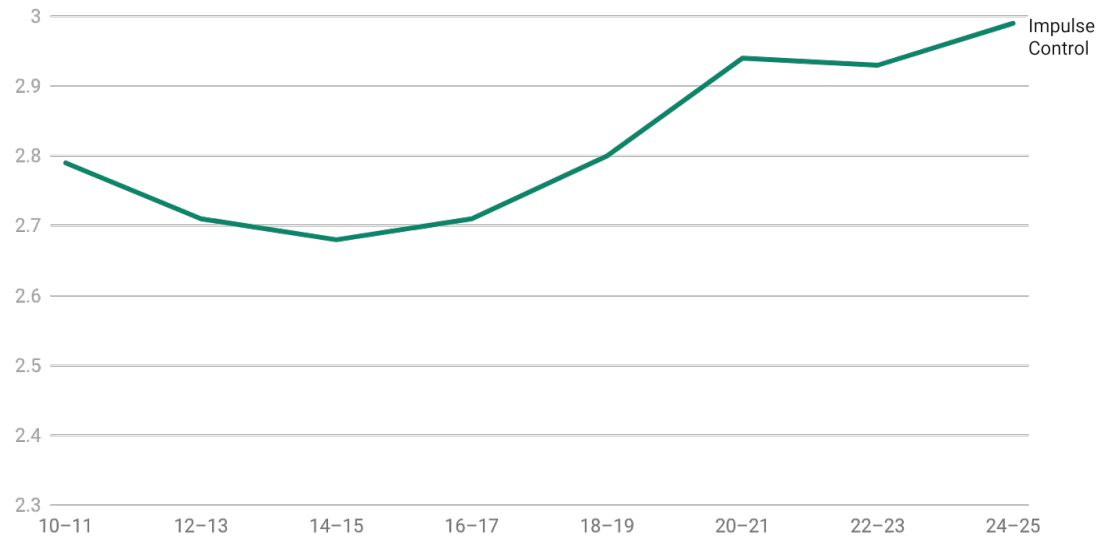
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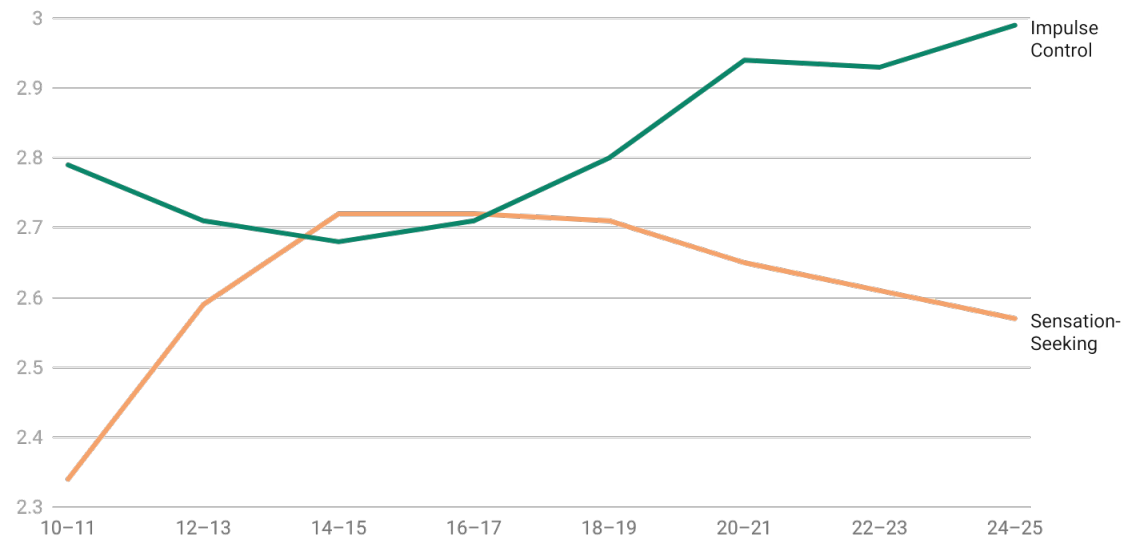
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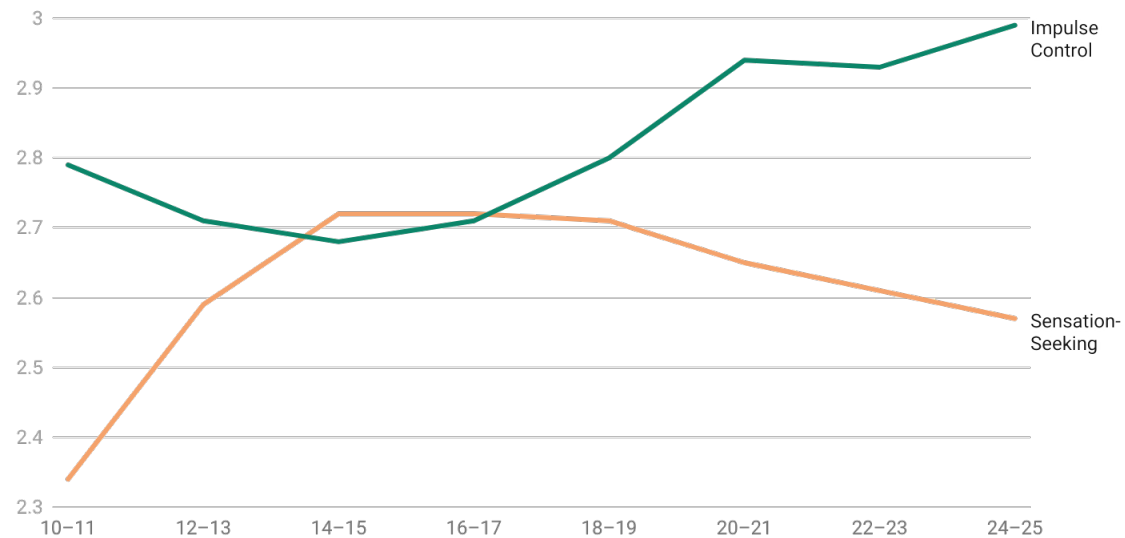
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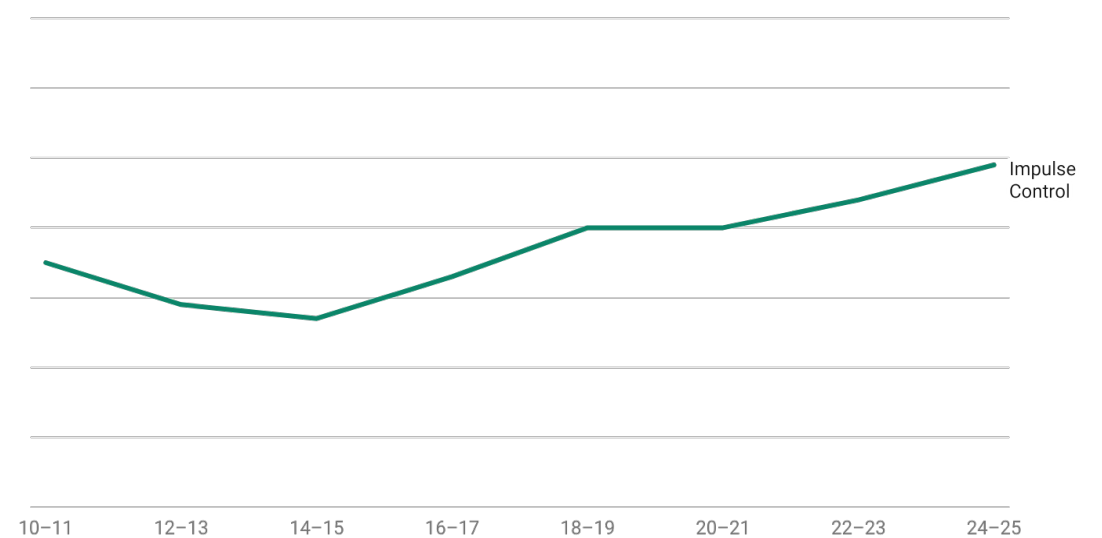
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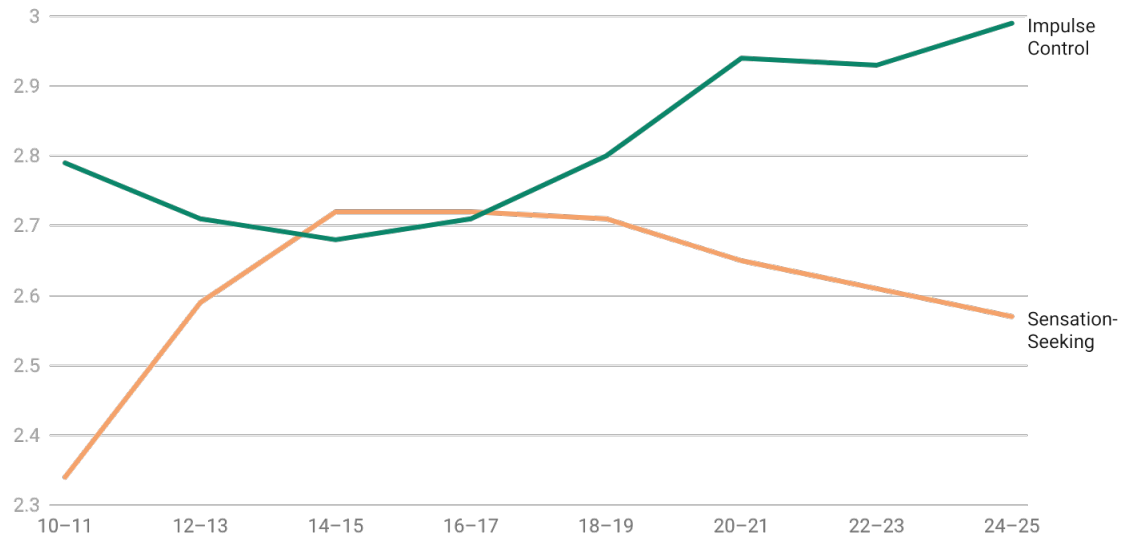
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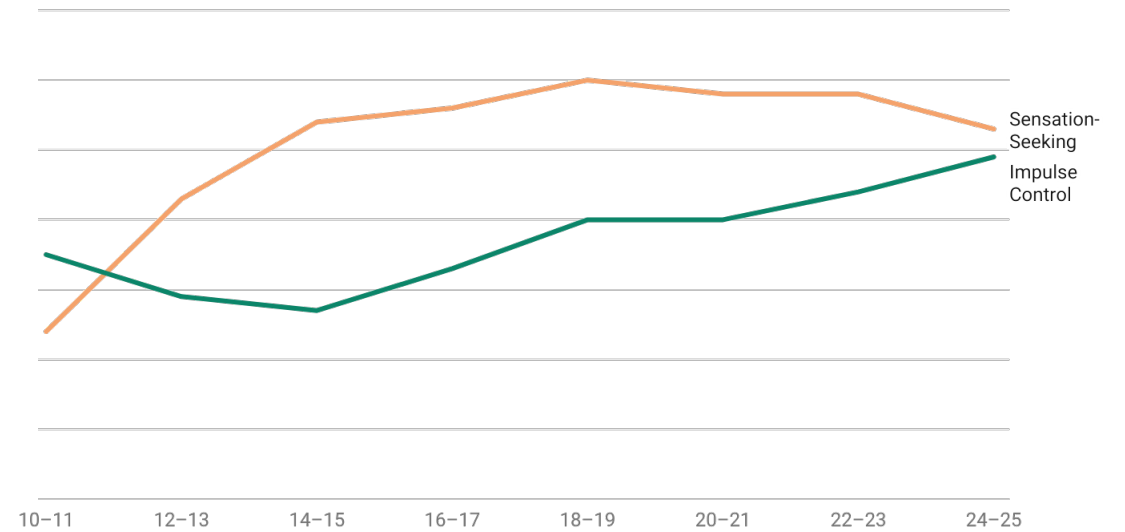
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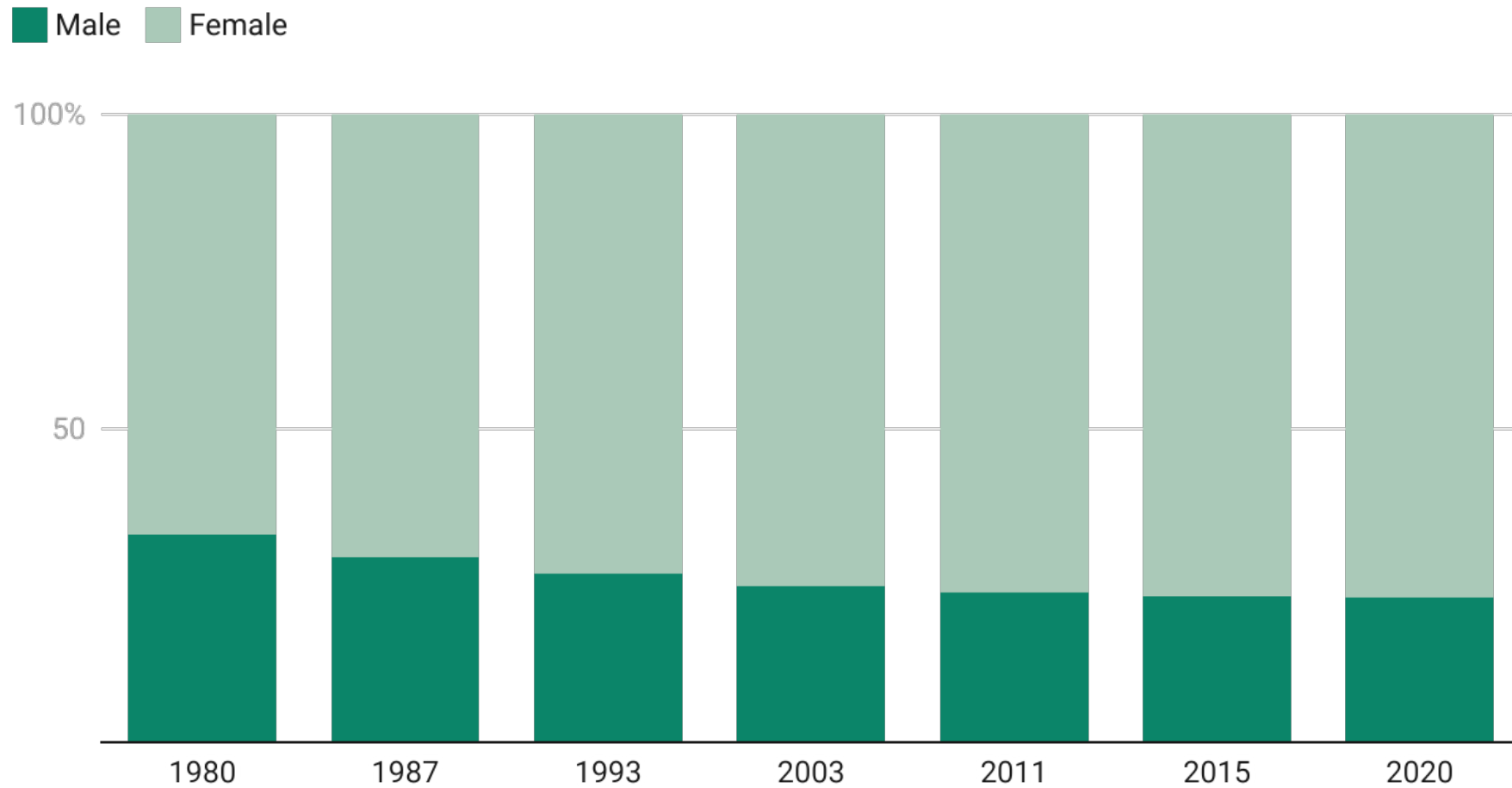


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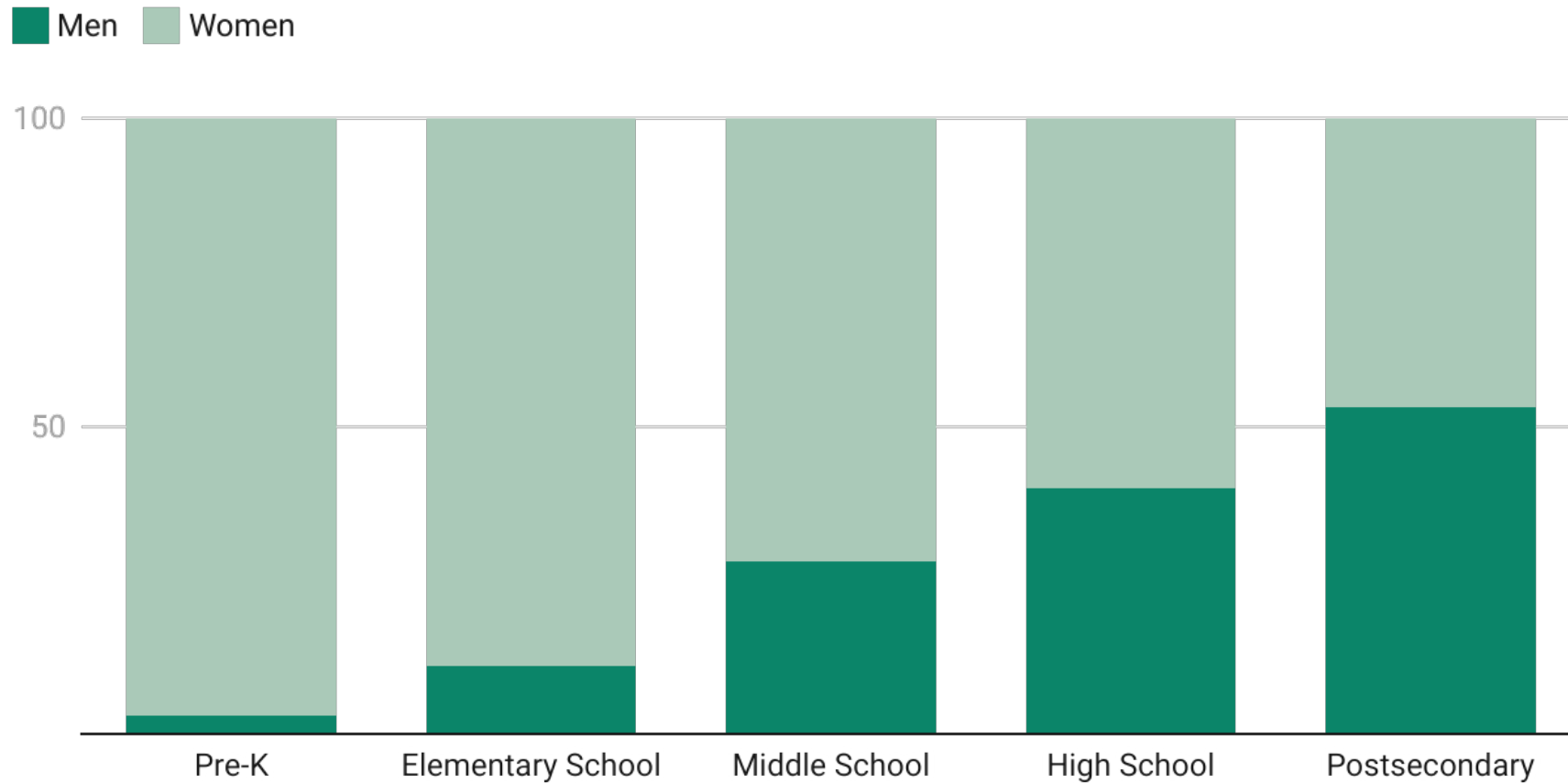
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# Not many Misters in K-12



# Especially in younger ages

## US Teacher Gender Ratio



National Center for Education Statistics Data (IPEDS): K-12 figures are for 2017-2018 school year, postsecondary is 2017, 2018, 2019. Pre-k data is from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Population Survey.

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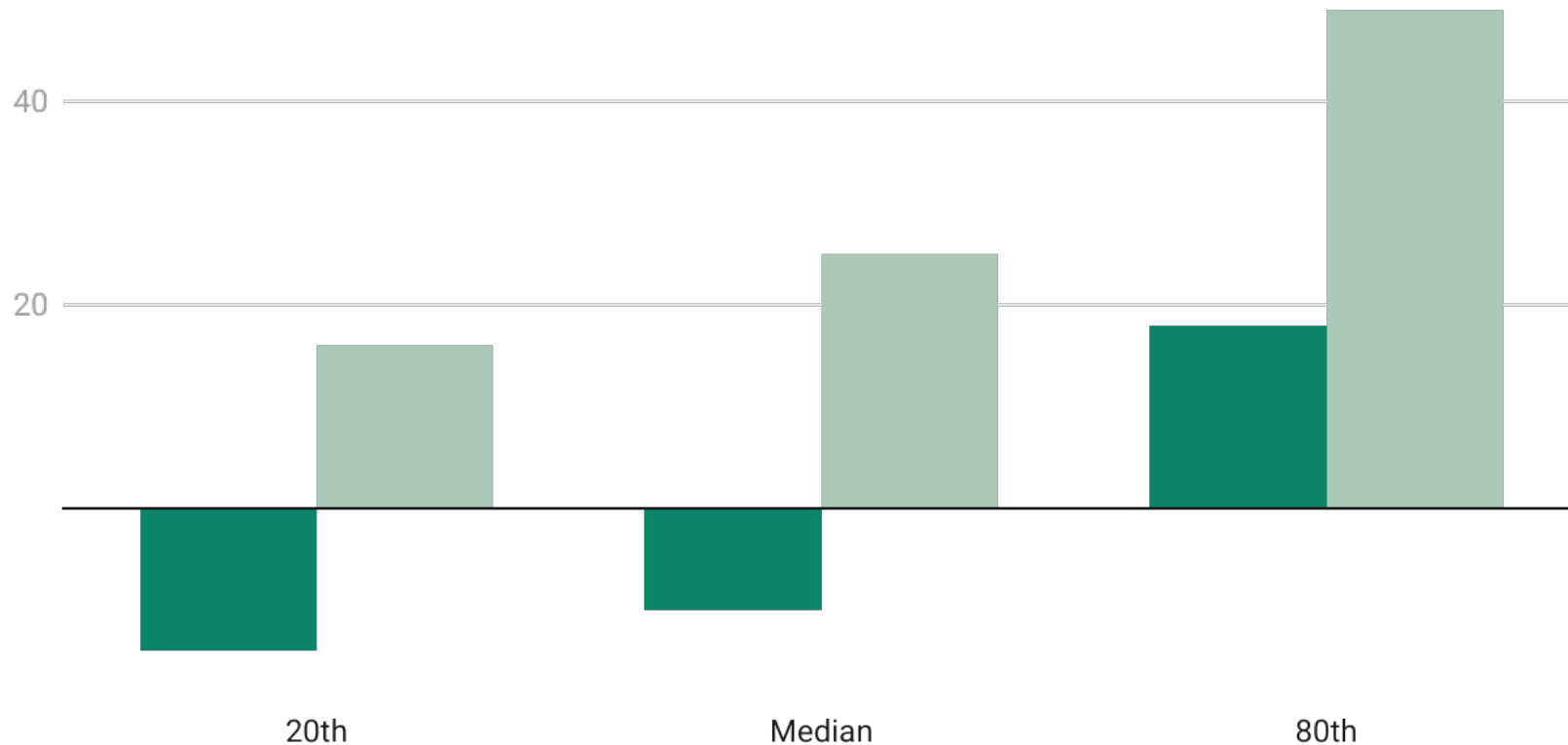


Wages and  
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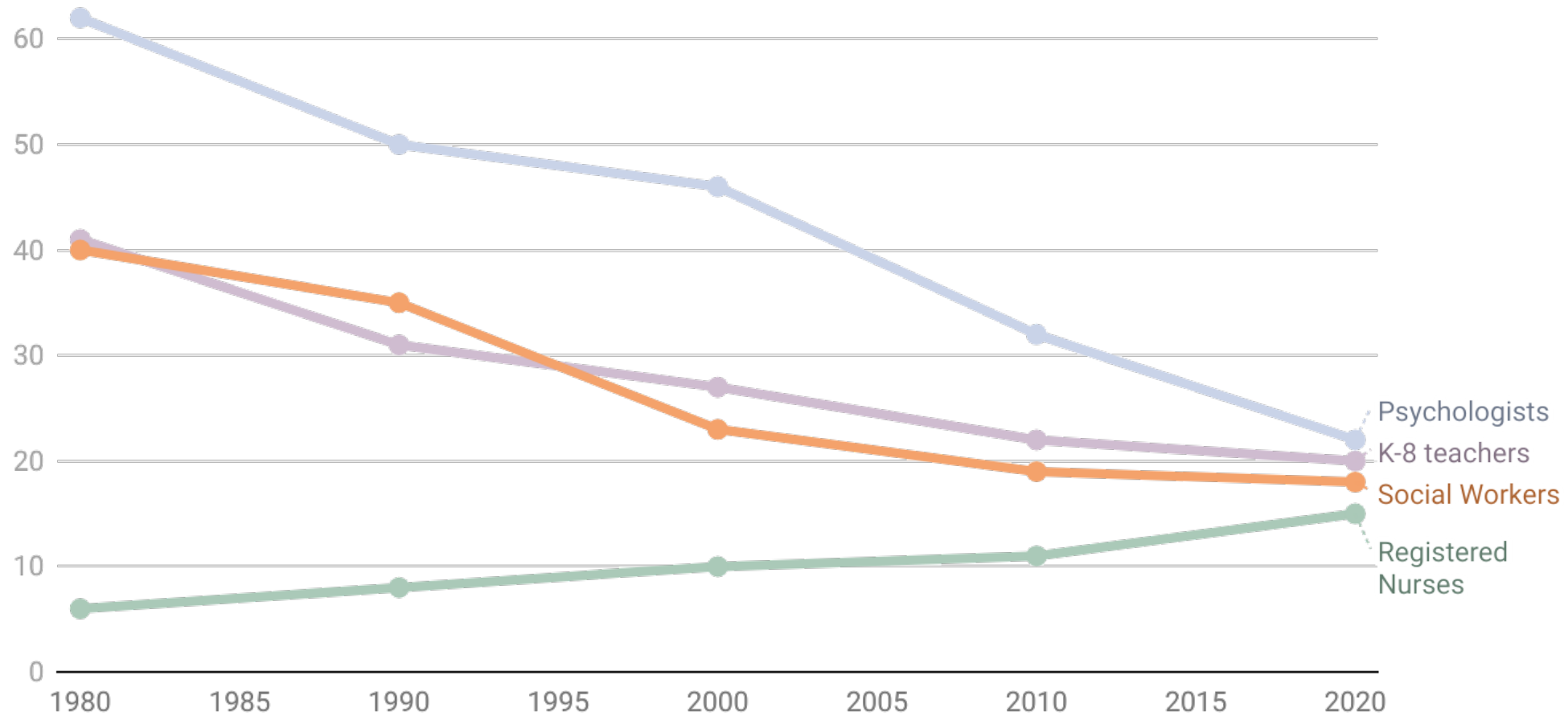
Percent change in real wages since 1979 at different relative income levels

Men Women



# Fewer men in HEAL professions

Percent of profession that is men, over time





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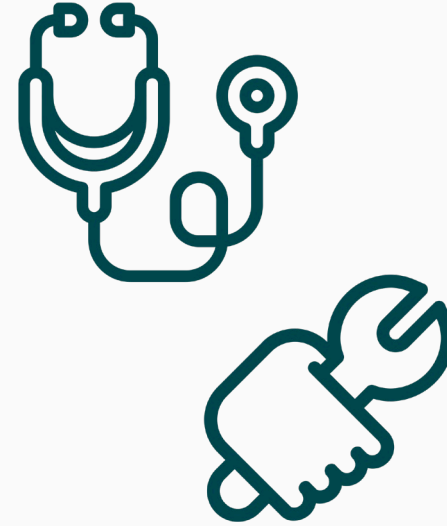
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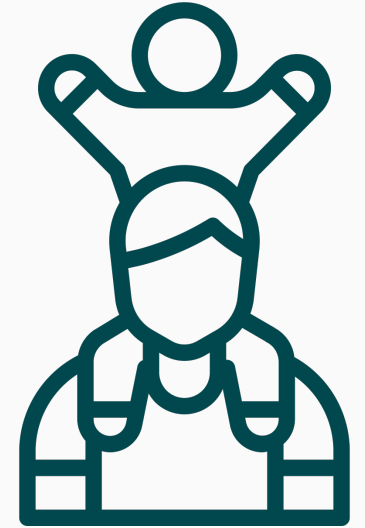
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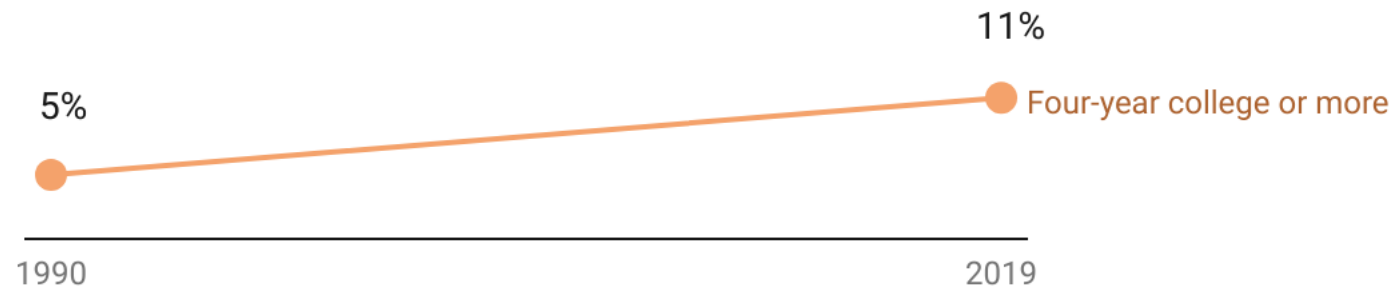


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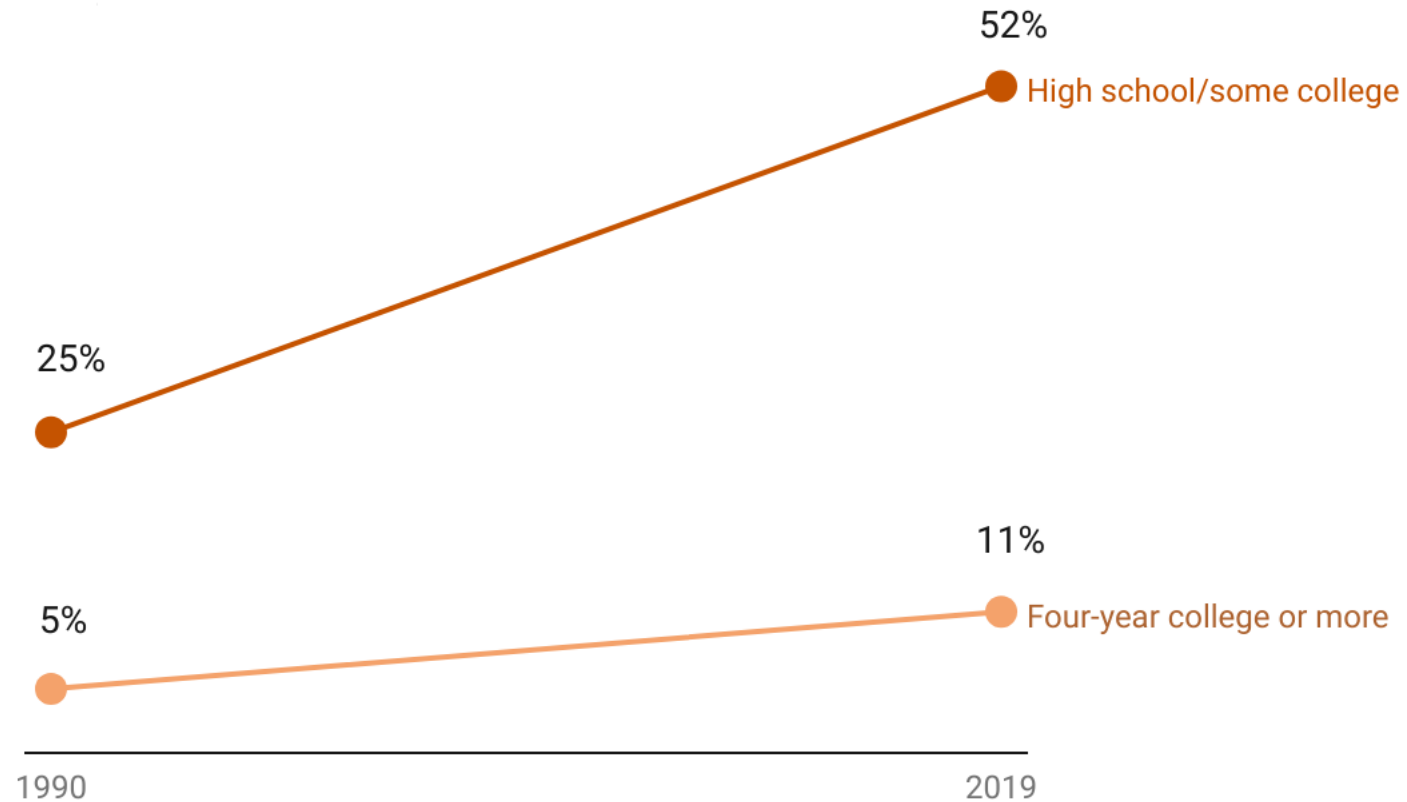
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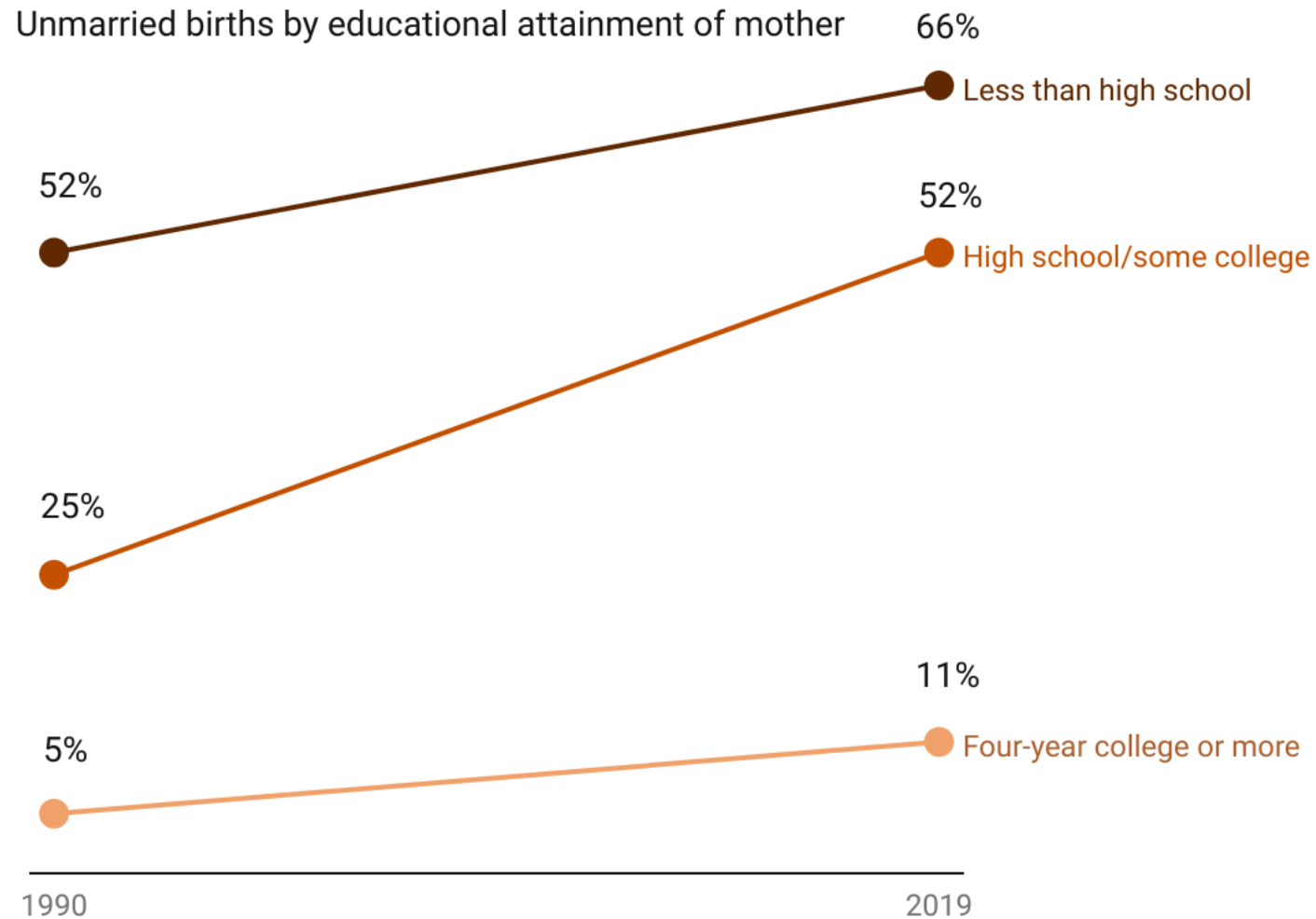


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Source: CDC Natality records.

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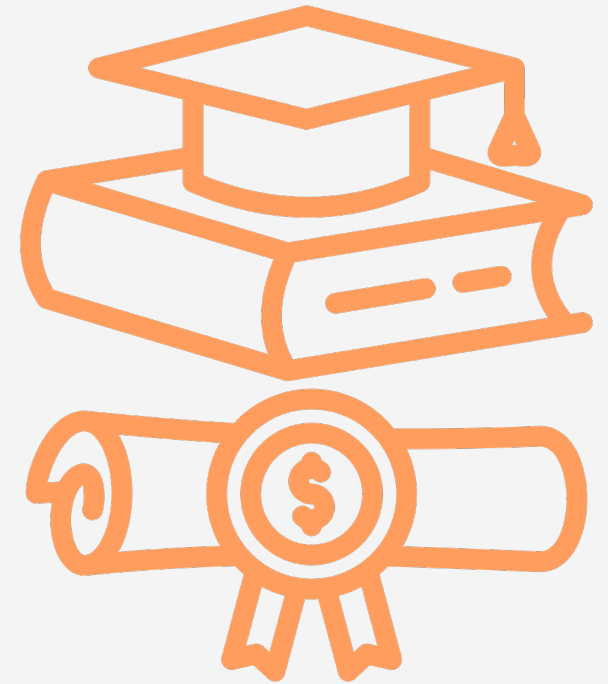
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