

DATA SNAPSHOT

EDUCATION IN APPALACHIA

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

85.5% of Appalachians age 25+ have earned a high school diploma close to the U.S. average of 86.7%

ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE Appalachia

8.2%

of Appalachians age 25+ have an associate's degree. This is slightly higher than the U.S. average of 8.1%.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

22.6% of Appalachians age 25+ hold a bachelor's degree, compared with 29.8% of adults in the U.S.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE BY SUBREGION

The share of adults age 25+ with a bachelor's degree is lowest in **Central** Appalachia and highest in Southern Appalachia.

13.3% Central Appalachia 24.5% Southern Appalachia 29.8%

U.S.

STEM DEGREE More than **30%** of Appalachians age 25+ with a bachelor's degree earned it in a STEM field.

APPALACHIA 30.5% vs. 34.7%

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