WOMEN: MORE SCHOOLING, LOWER EARNINGS

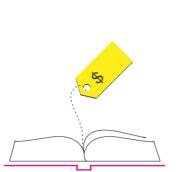
n Latin America, working women graduate in higher numbers from universities than men.

However, women still focus on lower-paid careers like teaching and nursing in which they don't develop quantitative skills.

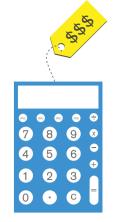






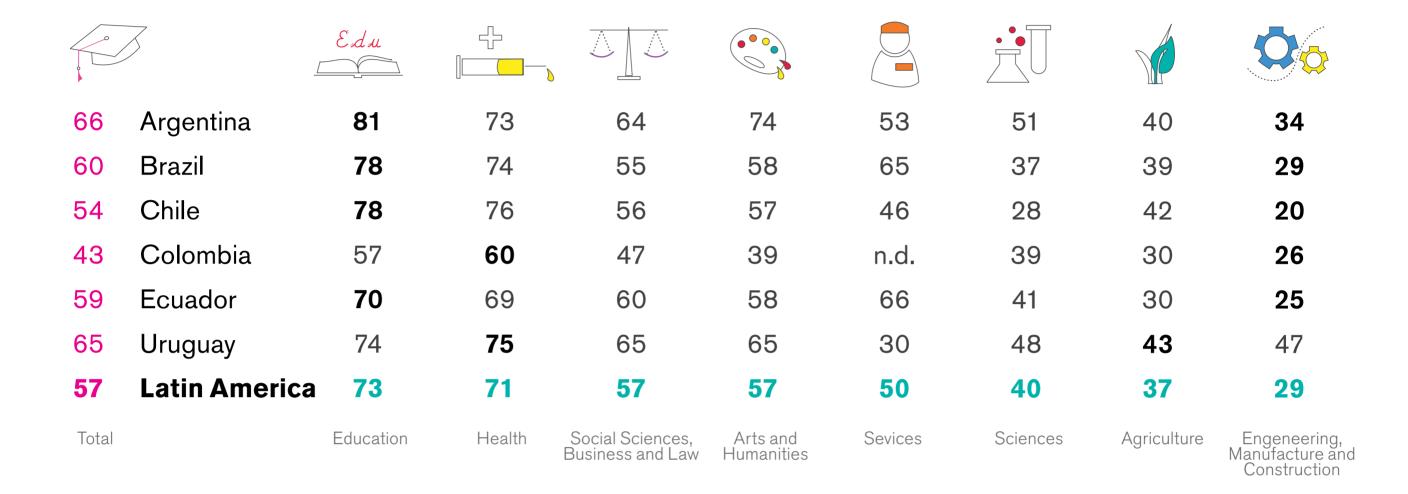






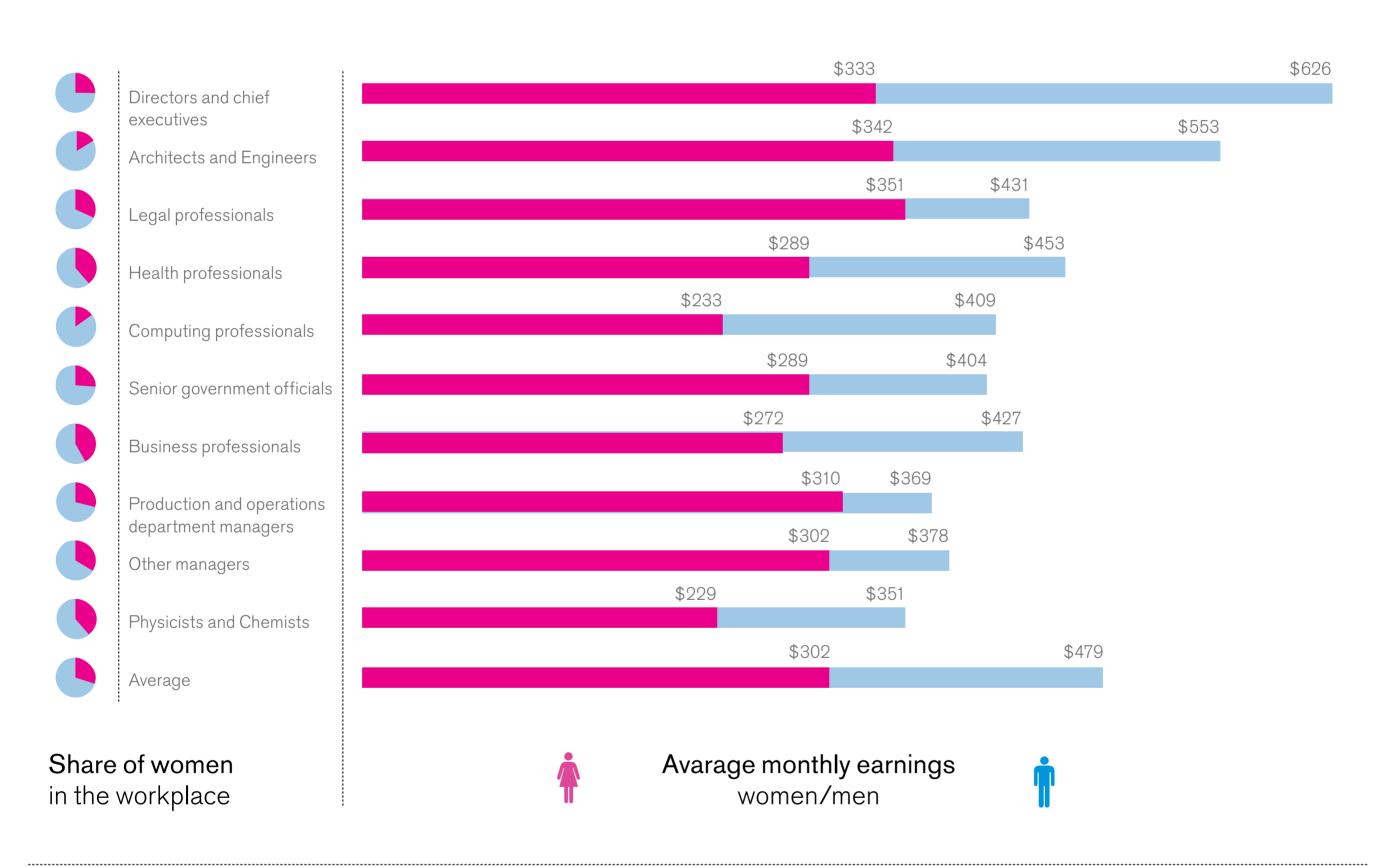
PERCENTAGE OF WOMEN GRADUATING FROM TERTIARY EDUCATION, BY SPECIALTY

Percentage of women graduated in respective areas, as a percentage of the total



10 TOP-PAYING OCCUPATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA, CIRCA 2007

In the ten best-paid professions in the region, women are underrepresented and their salaries are lower than men's

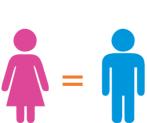


HOW CAN GENDER EQUALITY BE ACHIEVED IN THE LABOR MARKET?

The challenge for the next generation is to tackle longstanding stereotypes and reshape expectations of female achievement.



At school, teachers can be trained to eradicate stereotypes and enforce the same performance standards for boys and girls.



At home, children must learn about gender parity and equal distribution of household tasks from their parents.



Governments can invest in early childhood development programs that spark girls' interest, from an early age, in science and math.



Businesses can place women in non-traditionally female occupations, and move women up the corporate ladder.