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### **Beyond Representation-Measuring DEI Intersectionally**

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#### **Beyond Representation**

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### Working with the State of Utah

In 2022, Parity.Org began working with the State of Utah on a demonstration project. The state used the ParityINDEX, a new, sophisticated, yet easy-to-use, DEI dashboard to see its progress toward their DEI Goals, and also to see where they needed improvement.

Representation alone was not enough to tell the whole story.



## 5 Key Areas of Measuring Intersectionally

#### • Representation by gender, race/ethnicity

- Filtered by state, department/division
  - To see the gender and racial gap by job level

#### • Pay Parity (unadjusted and adjusted) by gender, race/ethnicity

- $\circ \qquad {\sf Filtered} \ {\sf by} \ {\sf state}, {\sf department}/{\sf division}, {\sf education}, {\sf age}, {\sf tenure}, {\sf and} \ {\sf leave} \ {\sf of} \ {\sf absence}$ 
  - To see if women and people of color are paid less than their white, male counterparts for the same or similar work (the adjusted gap) or overall, (the unadjusted gap).
- Filtered by the highest paid race and how other races/ethnicities compare to it
  - To see pay disparities by race

#### • Recruitment by gender, race/ethnicity

- Filtered by job band
  - To see if women and POC are being overrepresented in lower levels and white men are overrepresented at higher levels.

#### • Promotions by gender, race/ethnicity

- Filtered by tenure
  - To see if women or POC are getting more promotions than their white counterparts and in what years.
- Attrition by gender, race/ethnicity
  - Filtered by tenure
    - To see if women or POC are voluntarily leaving the organization in the first 2-3 years possibly due to a culture that is not inclusive or fair.





### Representation by the numbers

#### What do State HR managers think?



HHS and the department of Education are large portions of state government budgets. Women account for <u>more</u> than 70 percent of workers in the health care sector and 64 percent of the public sector in education. But they represent less than 38% of administration roles. **Q:** Is there gender balance in the state workplace?

54% of HR managers said the workforce is balanced

**Q:** Does the racial and ethnic composition of the workforce represent the community?

<u>41% of organizations</u> with 500+ full-time equivalent employees (FTEs) said yes while only 20% of organizations with under 500 FTEs said yes

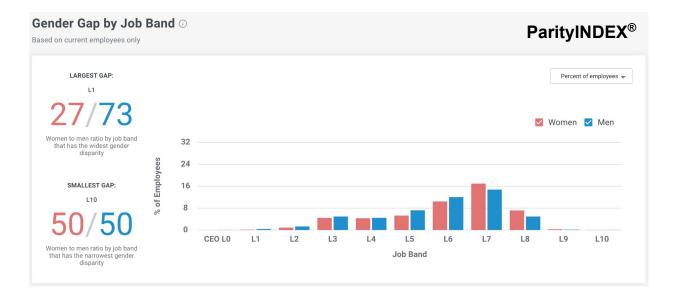
On both questions, **19%** indicated their organization is not as representative as it could be, and there are no targeted recruitment or retention efforts to address that.

SURVEY FINDINGS: STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKFORCE 2021

Source: 2021 Workforce Survey, MissionSquare Research Institute



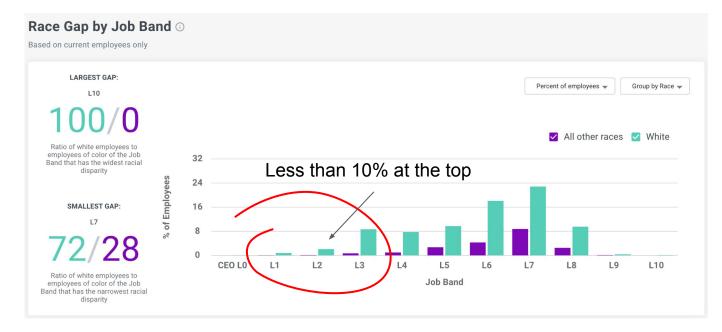
### Looking at Representation, Intersectionally



Are there more women than men at the lower ranks and more men than women at the top?



### Looking further...



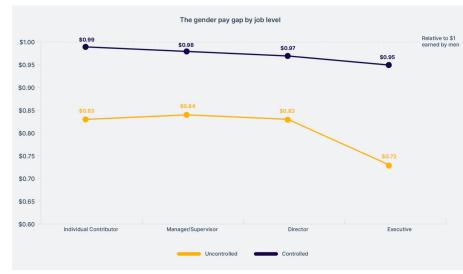
Across the US, people of color represent about 40% of the population.

We want to know, are there plenty of people of color at the lower ranks and few, if any, at the top?



# Pay Parity by the Numbers

<u>Public administration</u> has one of the highest gender pay gaps of 21 industries and professions. Women in the field, on average, make 25 percent -- or \$16,900 -- less than men. The 7th widest among industries. (Only finance and insurance; professional, scientific and technical servicing; and mining and quarrying have a bigger gap)



#### As women move up in their career, the gap widens

#### Uncontrolled Gender Pay Gap (Opportunity Pay Gap):

Measures median salary for all men and all women regardless of job type, seniority, location, industry, years of experience, etc.

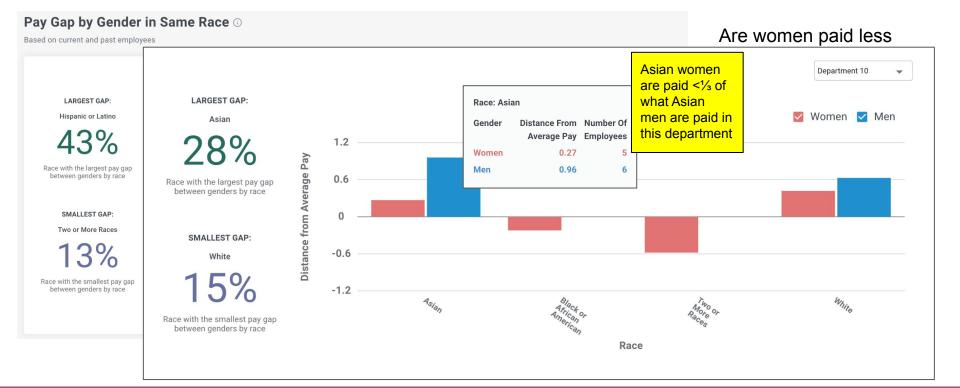
#### Controlled Gender Pay Gap (Equal Pay for Equal Work):

Measures pay for men and women with the same job and qualifications

Source: National Employment Matrix, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, as included in Mission Square Research Institute infographic on State and Local Employment. 2021 and <a href="http://www.payscale.com/data-packages/gender-pay-gap">http://www.payscale.com/data-packages/gender-pay-gap</a> 2023



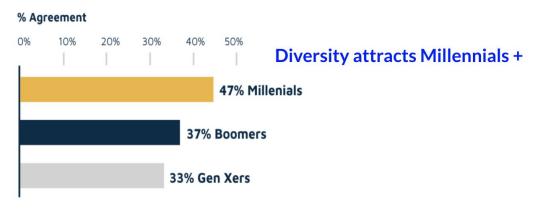
### Looking at Pay Parity Intersectionally





### Recruitment by the numbers

"If I were looking for a new job tomorrow, a diverse and inclusive workplace would be important in my job search" (% agree)

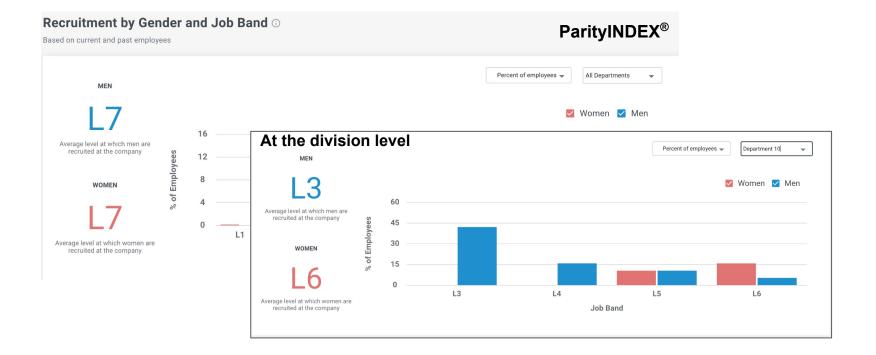


Source: Deloitte Millennial Survey (2018)





### Looking at Recruitment Intersectionally





### Attrition by the Numbers



Survey data: State and local workers say they are considering changing jobs because they want a higher salary or a better benefits package (52%), are burned out from stress during the pandemic (47%), and/or want better work-life balance (36%)



### Looking at Attrition Intersectionally

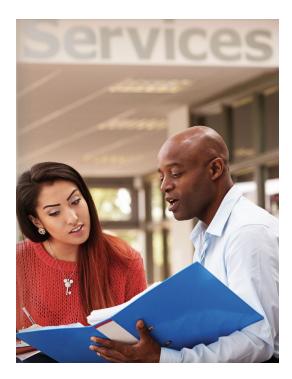


People of color are leaving this organization 25% to 50% more than their white counterparts in the first three years of employment.



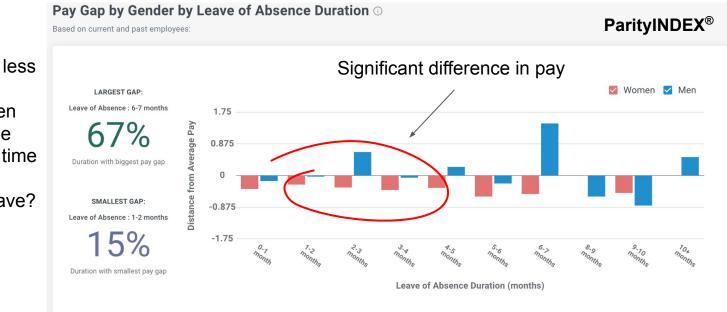
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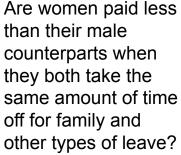
A study by Census Bureau researchers found that between two years before the birth of a couple's first child and a year after, the earnings gap between opposite-sex spouses doubles. This is also known as the Motherhood Penalty (where earnings decrease for the mothers) and the Fatherhood Bonus (in which fathers' earnings actually increase) with the addition of a child into the family.





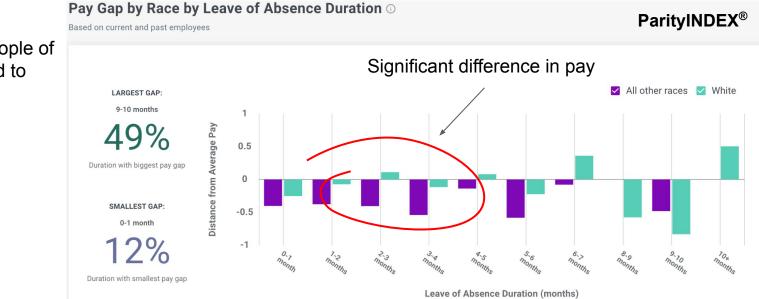
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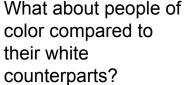






### Looking further...







### Case Study: State of Utah

#### Need for an Updated Recruitment Strategy

The Problem: Who we are vs Who we serve

We used the ParityINDEX to look at our data intersectionality:

- Internal/External representation
- Recruitment by level
- Promotion pipeline

#### Impact:

- Community integration
- Outreach
- Skills based hiring





### Case Study: State of Utah

#### **Need for Meaningful Initiatives**

The Problem: Intent vs Impact

We used the Parity INDEX to identify areas of opportunity

- Goal setting
- Strategic development
- Gap identification

#### Impact:

- Expanding Opportunity Framework
- Leadership Focus
- Culture focus





### Case Study: State of Utah



#### New Insights:

**Insight #1:** Gap focus on gender and race didn't show all of the opportunities

**Insight #2:** Data is where we are, not who we are

Insight #3: Philosophy vs Application

*"We can't promote inclusion with exclusion."* 



We would love to hear your thoughts

We are looking for 5 states to join us to show the impact of measuring intersectionality.

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## Join us to Measure What Matters



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