



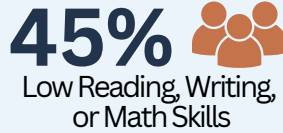
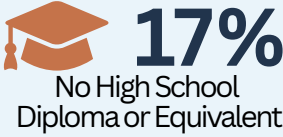
# St. Martin Parish

## Adult Skills & Opportunity

Mapped Providers: SOLACC, VITA, LA Corrections

Sources: Census Bureau 2023 ACS 5 Year Estimates, [NCES PIAAC](#)

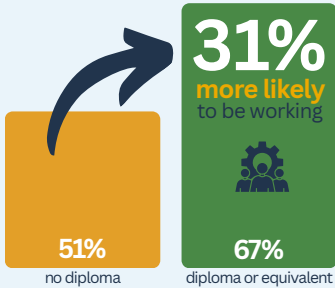
### Adults Without Foundational Skills



6,624 adults in St. Martin Parish lack a high school diploma or equivalent and 17,609 struggle with basic reading, writing, or math skills.

### Economic Impact of Adult Education

#### Labor Force Participation



#### Median Annual Earnings



Adults earning diplomas are more likely to join the workforce, reduce their risk of poverty by 42%, and rely less on public assistance—all while helping employers fill jobs with skilled, ready workers.

### Adult Education Opportunity

Double the Diplomas. Double the Returns.

**\$21** return  
for every  
**\$1** invested

Adult education pays off. Every dollar spent creates \$21 in economic return through higher wages and reduced costs.

**\$154k**  
needed to close the  
adult skills gap

An increased annual investment would help St. Martin produce 2x more graduates, strengthening the local workforce.

**\$6.7** million added  
in local  
wages over 10 years

Just doubling the annual number of grads once – from 44 to 88 – would boost incomes, increase tax revenue, and lower public costs.

One diploma can transform a life – thousands can transform a community!

Ready to explore the numbers?

Learn more about how adult education drives impact across Louisiana at [lapcae.coabe.org/aedata](http://lapcae.coabe.org/aedata).

