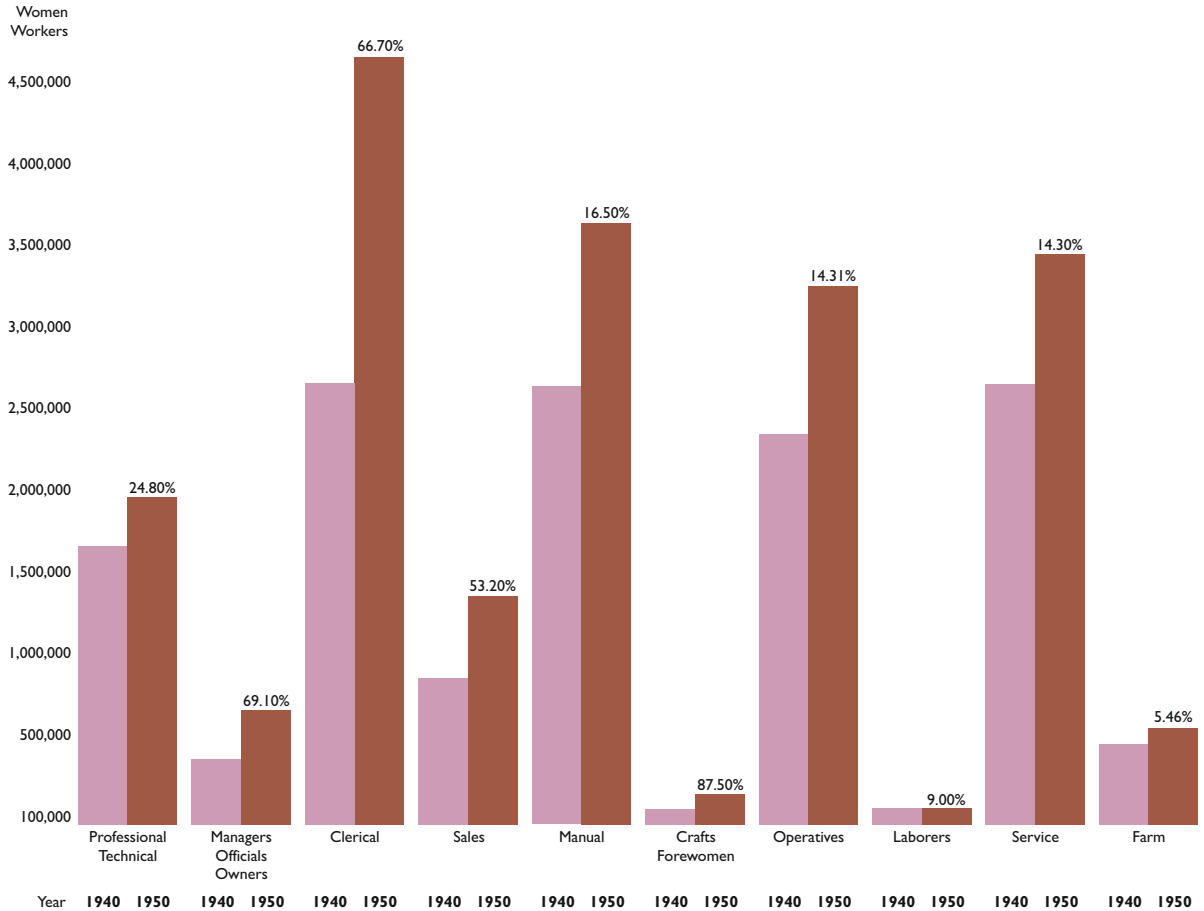


Women in the US Labor Force: 1940-1950

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Percentage increase in female employment by sector over a ten year period

1. Women employed in the labor force increased from 28% in 1940 to 37% in 1945
2. During the war African American women in domestic service decreased from 59.9% to 44.6%
3. Female participation in the labor force had fallen back to 32% in 1950