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You may find this data interesting:

http://www.epi.org/books/rethinking_hs_grad_rates/rethinking_hs_grad_rates

When I was growing up, in WV, we had very near 100% because, back then, they realized one mold doesn't fit all, so my high school was...

1/3 academic... college-bound

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1/3 business... secretaries, clerks, small store management, etc.

1/3 trade school... machine shops, automotive and aircraft, etc.

Now the dorks think everyone should go to college :-(

...Jim Thompson

That reminds me of the "information economy" types that forget that they often wear clothes and drive cars and live in houses and such. And just how much of our ordinary lives are made more convenient by the work of clerks, salespersons, laborers, assembly line workers, etc., I have done enough of these things to have permanent respect.

Yep. I pumped gas, worked in a TV repair shop, and washed dishes in a cafeteria, before graduating up to being a technician ;-)

A goodly portion of my income goes to pay for "services": lawn and tree maintenance, swimming pool maintenance, aquarium maintenance, car wash, car and truck maintenance/service, laundry/shirts, barber, beautician (for wife :-), manicure (for wife :-), restaurants, movies.

Then there's clerks of all kinds, bank tellers, bus drivers, pilots, flight "attendants", cab drivers, train and subway operators, elevator operators, Sky Caps, rental car agents...

And government employees :-(

On and on and on...

I'm sure I missed something ;-)

None of these need a college degree.

Yet.

Then there's Slowman, hangs out at home and lives off his wife... he

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didn't need any degrees either ;→)

...Jim Thompson

Oh, he actually has a PhD; i have verified it. Bill is a classic example of overeducated idiot. And i am sure that if you really think about it, you came across them at MIT as well.

Yep. It's sort of odd, but the brightest guys in my class (went on to PhD) have turned out to be the least productive.

...Jim Thompson

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