

Jane Broendel transcript

Work Environment

I started in 1984. I have one child, she was 6 months old. At that time Davenport, Iowa, was maybe somewhat different than a number of other areas shall we say. Because they already had a few women on the working floor. I was probably one of maybe 100 carriers, 40 downtown, 60 at the other. And I would say when I was downtown there was at least $\frac{1}{2}$ a dozen women, if not more. And a couple of them had been there for quite some time. And one of them was actually in the minority, a Hispanic woman another was white. No black carriers. A male black carrier came in later, one had left previously. But pretty much just mostly white men. There were some women, but again the percentage of women was higher in Davenport, and still is. I would say Davenport must be close to 40 percent female carriers. The national average, I just got the figures actually yesterday for a column I'm doing. Nationally we're at 27% female carriers.