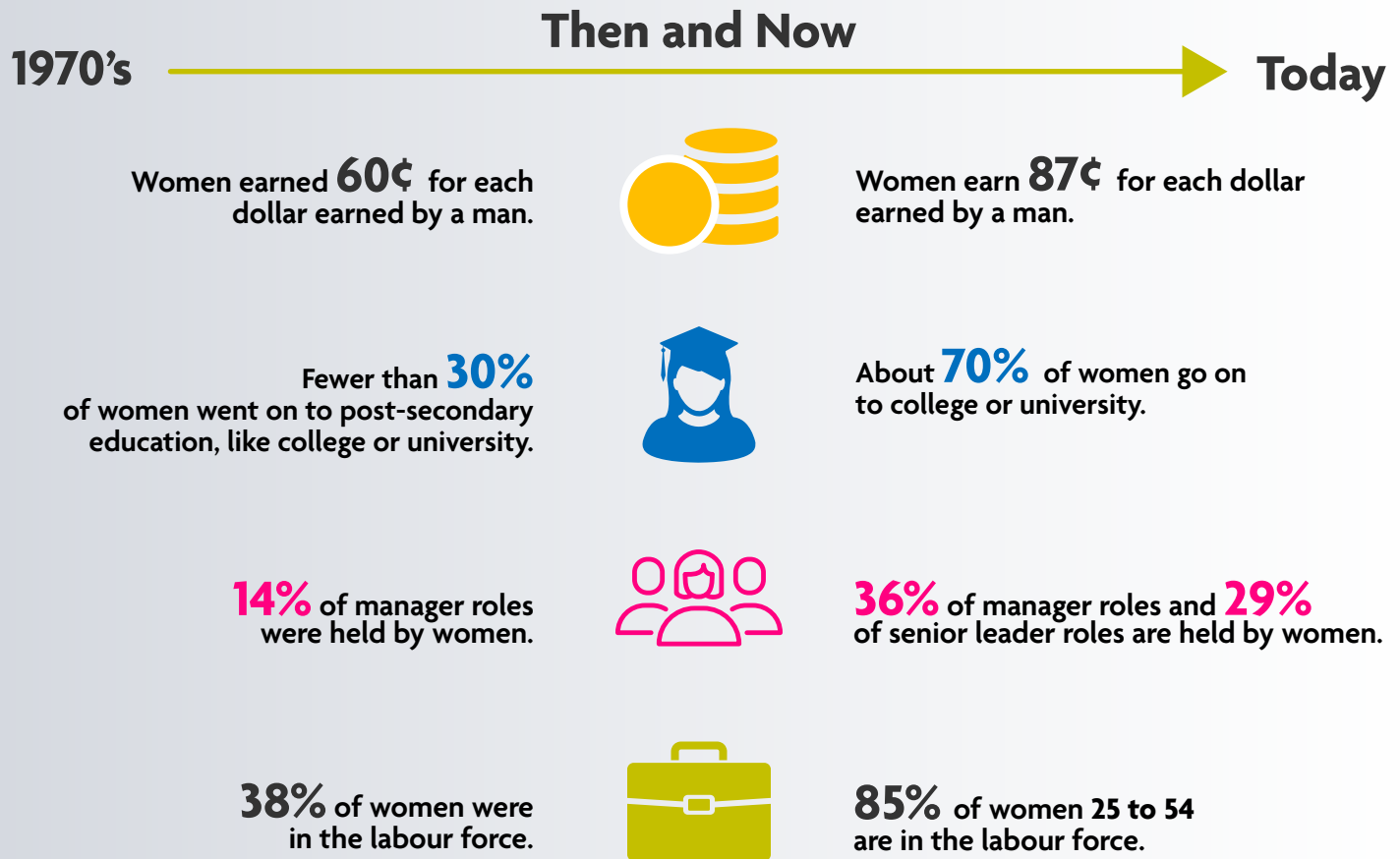




Canada's journey towards gender equality

Building on more than 50 years of federal action

April 2026 marks **50 years** since Status of Women Canada was created. A federal agency established in 1976, its goal was to advance gender equality in response to the momentum generated by women's rights advocates and grassroots movements nationwide.



In 2018, Status of Women Canada became Women and Gender Equality, Canada's first stand-alone federal department dedicated to advancing equality for women and 2SLGBTQI+ people.

Today, the department continues to work alongside Federal, Provincial, and Territorial partners, Indigenous communities, and organizations to advance gender equality.



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