

TALKING POINTS FOR
SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION ELIZABETH HANFORD DOLE
EXECUTIVE WOMEN BRIEFING
AT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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- * THREE MILLION BUSINESS WOMEN IN THIS COUNTRY; GENERATE OVER \$44 BILLION IN RECEIPTS.
- * 66 PERCENT OF WOMEN WITH CHILDREN BETWEEN 6 AND 17 WORK.
- * WOMEN IN WORK FORCE WHO HAVE CHILDREN UNDER AGE OF SIX IS 46 PERCENT.
- * WOMEN RECEIVING MBA'S -- 2400 PERCENT IN LAST DECADE ALONE.
- * BETWEEN 1960 AND 1980 NUMBER OF WOMEN MANAGERS HAS DOUBLED FROM 14 TO 28 PERCENT.
- * BY 1980, ONE IN EVERY 12 WORKING WOMEN IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR OWNED HER OWN BUSINESS.
- * BUSINESSES OWNED BY WOMEN ARE THE FASTEST GROWING SEGMENT OF THE SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

- * OVER THE PAST 14 YEARS, THE NUMBER OF SELF-EMPLOYED WOMEN HAS DOUBLED.
- * BY 1995, MORE THAN 90 PERCENT OF ALL WOMEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 25 AND 34 ARE EXPECTED TO BE WORKING.
- * STARTING THIS MONTH, THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON SMALL BUSINESS WILL BEGIN HOSTING A SERIES OF MEETINGS FOR BUSINESS OWNERS IN EACH STATE.
- * THESE CONFERENCES WILL CULMINATE IN A NATIONAL WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON SMALL BUSINESS IN THE FALL OF 1986.
- * DURING THE STATE CONFERENCES, EXPERTS WILL BE LOOKING AT ISSUES SUCH AS CAPITAL FORMATION, TAXATION, REGULATORY POLICY, PROCUREMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING, INTERNATIONAL TRADE, ECONOMIC POLICY AND FINANCE.

- * WHITE HOUSE WILL BE TAKING A SPECIAL LOOK AT WHAT CAN BE DONE FOR WOMEN IN THESE AREAS.
- * DOT 10-POINT PROGRAM:
 - WOMEN IN DOT: WAS 18.5 PERCENT -- 19 PERCENT IN 1983; NOW 23 PERCENT --AN INCREASE OF 3 TO 4 PERCENT SINCE 1983 COMPARED TO HALF A PERCENTAGE INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS 16 YEARS.
 - WOMEN IN UPPER GRADE POSITIONS: NOW 2 PERCENT -- WAS 1 PERCENT.
 - MANY OTHER AGENCIES BRIEFED; INQUIRIES FROM AS FAR AWAY AS CANADA.

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