

Highlights of Women's Earnings in 2009



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Introduction

In 2009, women who were full-time wage and salary workers had median weekly earnings of \$657, or about 80 percent of the \$819 median for their male counterparts. In 1979, the first year for which comparable earnings data are available, women earned about 62 percent as much as men. After a gradual rise in the 1980s and 1990s, the women's-to-men's earnings ratio peaked at 81 percent in 2005 and 2006. (See chart 1 and tables 1 and 12.)

This report presents earnings data from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a national monthly survey of approximately 60,000 households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Information on earnings is collected from one-fourth of the CPS sample each month. Readers should note that the comparisons of earnings in this report are on a broad level and do not control for many factors that can be significant in explaining earnings differences. For a detailed description of the source of the data and an explanation of the concepts and definitions used, see the accompanying technical note.

Highlights

Full-time workers

- Median weekly earnings were highest for women aged 55 to 64 (\$727). Among men, earnings were highest for those aged 45 to 64, with little difference between the earnings of 45- to 54-year-olds and 55- to 64-year-olds (\$967 and \$965, respectively). Young women and men aged 16 to 24 had the lowest earnings (\$424 and \$458, respectively). (See table 1.)
- In the age groupings of those 35 years and older, women had earnings that were roughly three-fourths as much as their male counterparts. Among younger workers, the earnings differences between women and men were not as great. Women earned 89 percent as much as men among workers 25 to 34 years old and 93 percent as much among 16- to 24-year-olds. (See table 1.)
- Between 1979 and 2009, the earnings gap between women and men narrowed for most age groups. The women's-to-men's earnings ratio among 25- to 34-year-olds, for example, rose from 68 percent in 1979 to 89 percent in 2009, and the ratio for 45- to 54-year-olds increased from 57 percent to 74 percent. The earnings ratios for teenagers (91 percent in 2009) and for workers aged 65 and older (76 percent in 2009) fluctuated from 1979 to 2009, but the long-term trends were essentially flat. (See table 12.)

- Asian women and men earned more than their White, Black, and Hispanic counterparts in 2009. Among women, Whites (\$669) earned 86 percent as much as Asians (\$779), while Blacks (\$582) and Hispanics (\$509) earned 75 percent and 65 percent as much, respectively. In comparison, White men (\$845) earned 89 percent as much as Asian men (\$952); Black men (\$621) earned 65 percent as much; and Hispanic men (\$569), 60 percent. (See chart 2 and tables 1 and 14.)
- Earnings differences between women and men were widest for Whites and for Asians. White women earned 79 percent as much as their male counterparts in 2009, while Asian women earned 82 percent as much. By comparison, Hispanic women had earnings that were 90 percent of those of their male counterparts, while Black women earned 94 percent as much as Black men. (See tables 1 and 14.)
- Across the major race and Hispanic ethnicity categories, women's inflation-adjusted earnings grew significantly from 1979 to 2009. Growth in real earnings for White women, however, has outpaced that of their Black and Hispanic counterparts. Between 1979 and 2009, inflation-adjusted earnings for White women rose by 32 percent, while earnings growth among Black and Hispanic women was 25 percent and 18 percent, respectively. In contrast, real earnings for White men edged up by just 3 percent over the 30-year span, those for Black men showed no growth, and Hispanic men's earnings fell by 6 percent. (See table 15.)

The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods—CPI-U-RS—is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars for the inflation-adjusted comparisons in this report. Asians could not be included in this analysis because of the limited comparable data series available. (See note in table 15.)

- Median weekly earnings vary significantly by educational level. Among both women and men aged 25 and older, the weekly earnings of those without a high school diploma (\$382 for women and \$500 for men) were less than half of those with a college degree (\$970 for women and \$1,327 for men) in 2009. Women and men with a high school diploma but no college earned a little more than half of what college graduates did. (See tables 1 and 6.)
- At all levels of education, women have fared better than men with respect to earnings growth. Although both women and men with less than a high school diploma have experi-

enced declines in inflation-adjusted earnings since 1979, the drop for women was significantly less than that for men: 9 percent as opposed to 28 percent. On an inflation-adjusted basis, earnings for women with college degrees have increased by 33 percent since 1979 while those of male college graduates have risen by 22 percent. (Data pertain to workers aged 25 and older.) (See chart 3 and table 17.)

- Women working full time in management, business, and financial operations jobs had median weekly earnings of \$955 in 2009, more than women earned in any other major occupational category. The second-highest paying job group was professional and related occupations, in which women earned \$880 per week. Within management, business, and finance, the highest paying jobs for women were chief executives and computer and information systems managers. Within professional and related occupations, women working as pharmacists or lawyers had the highest median weekly earnings. (See table 2.)
- The occupational distributions of female and male full-time workers differ considerably. Compared with men, relatively few women work in construction, production, or transportation occupations, and women are far more concentrated in administrative support jobs. (See chart 4 and table 2.)
- Although women are more likely than men to work in professional and related occupations, they are not as well represented in the higher paying job groups within this broad category. In 2009, only 9 percent of female professionals, compared with 43 percent of male professionals, were employed in the relatively high paying computer and engineering fields. Professional women were more likely to work in the education and health care occupations, in which pay was generally lower. Sixty-nine percent of female professionals worked in these fields in 2009, compared with 30 percent of male professionals. (See table 2.)
- The ratio of female-to-male earnings varied by place of residence, ranging from 65 percent in Louisiana to 97 percent in the District of Columbia. The differences among the States reflect, in part, variation in the occupations and industries found in each State and in the age composition of each State's labor force. The sampling error for the State estimates is considerably larger than it is for the national estimates; thus, comparisons of State estimates should be made with caution. (See table 3.)
- Median weekly earnings for married women and men were higher than those for their unmarried counterparts. As a group, married workers tend to be older and so are more likely to be in their prime earning years. Among married workers of either sex, the earnings of those with children under age 18 were little different from those without children. Among unmarried workers, women without children earned 14 percent more than those with children. The opposite was true among unmarried men: those with children earned 8 percent more than those with no children. (See table 8.)

- Among full-time workers (that is, those working 35 hours or more per week in a job), men were more likely than women to have a longer workweek. In 2009, 25 percent of men working full-time jobs had workweeks of 41 or more hours, compared with 14 percent of female full-time workers. Women were more likely than men to work 35 to 39 hours per week: 13 percent as opposed to 5 percent. A large majority of both male and female full-time workers had a 40-hour workweek; among these workers, women earned 86 percent as much as men. (See table 5.)

Part-time workers

- Women are more likely than men to work part time—that is, fewer than 35 hours per week in the sole or principal job. Women who worked part time made up 26 percent of all female wage and salary workers in 2009. In contrast, only 13 percent of men in wage and salary jobs worked part time. (See tables 4 and 5.) These proportions have not changed much over time.
- Median weekly earnings of female part-time workers were \$229, compared with \$222 for their male counterparts. The women's-to-men's earnings ratio for part-time workers is higher than that for full-time workers in part because male part-timers are more concentrated in the youngest age groups, which typically have low earnings. Forty-three percent of male part-timers were 16 to 24 years old, compared with 29 percent of female part-timers. (See table 4.)

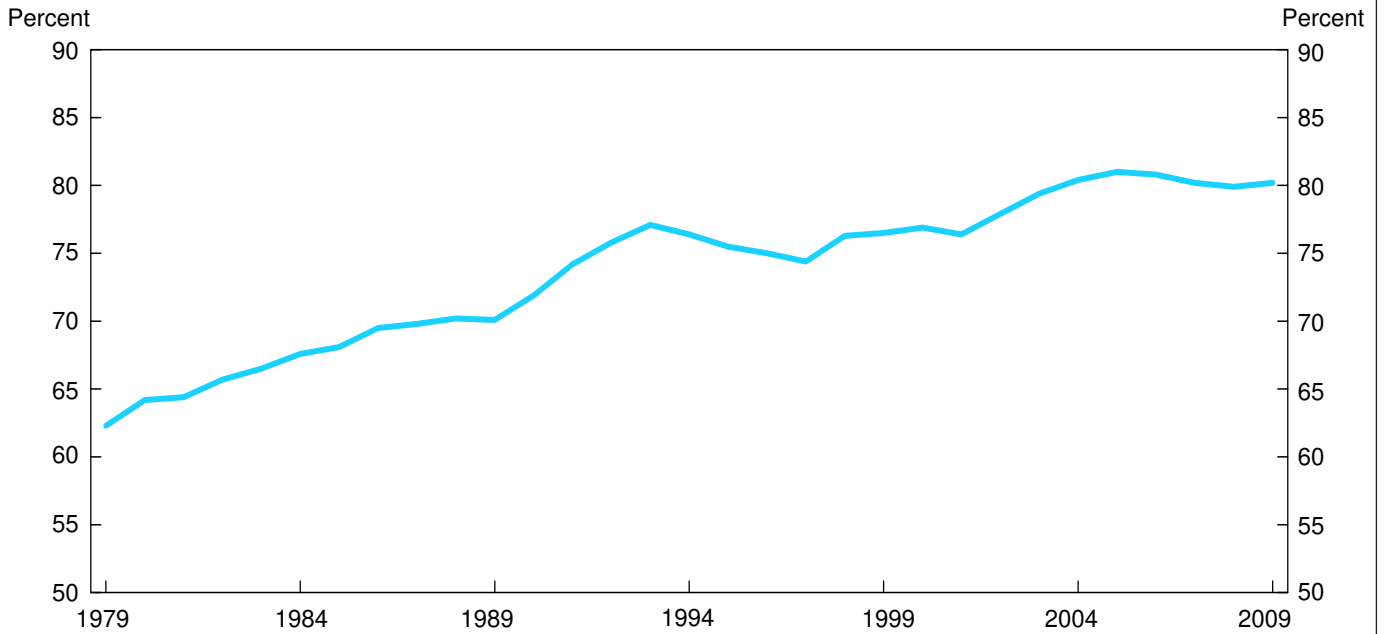
Workers paid by the hour

- Sixty-one percent of women and 55 percent of men employed in wage and salary jobs were paid by the hour in 2009. Women who were paid hourly rates had median hourly earnings of \$11.76, about 86 percent of the median for men paid by the hour (\$13.76). (See tables 9, 10, and 18–22.)
- Among workers who were paid hourly rates in 2009, 6 percent of women and 4 percent of men had hourly earnings at or below the prevailing Federal minimum wage. (See tables 11 and 22.)

On July 24, 2009, the Federal minimum wage rose from \$6.55 to \$7.25 an hour. Minimum wage data in this report reflect the average number of workers who earned \$6.55 or less from January 2009 through July 2009 and those who earned \$7.25 or less from August 2009 through the end of the year. (For information about workers with earnings below the Federal minimum wage, see the accompanying technical note.)

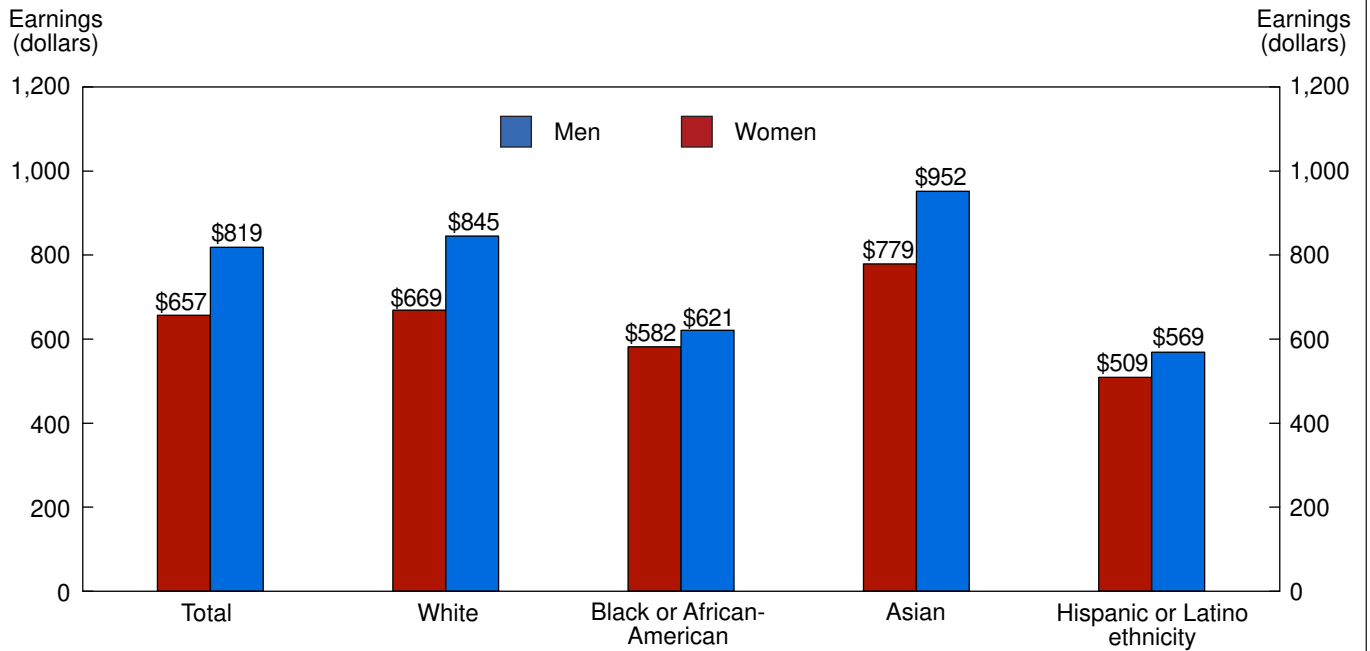
- Among both women and men, hourly paid workers aged 16 to 19 were the most likely to have earnings at or below the minimum wage. Nineteen percent of teenage workers paid hourly rates earned the prevailing Federal minimum wage or less, compared with just 3 percent of hourly paid workers aged 25 and older. Among 20- to 24-year-olds, 9 percent had earnings at or below the minimum wage. (See table 11.)

Chart 1. Women's earnings as a percent of men's, full-time wage and salary workers, 1979–2009 annual averages



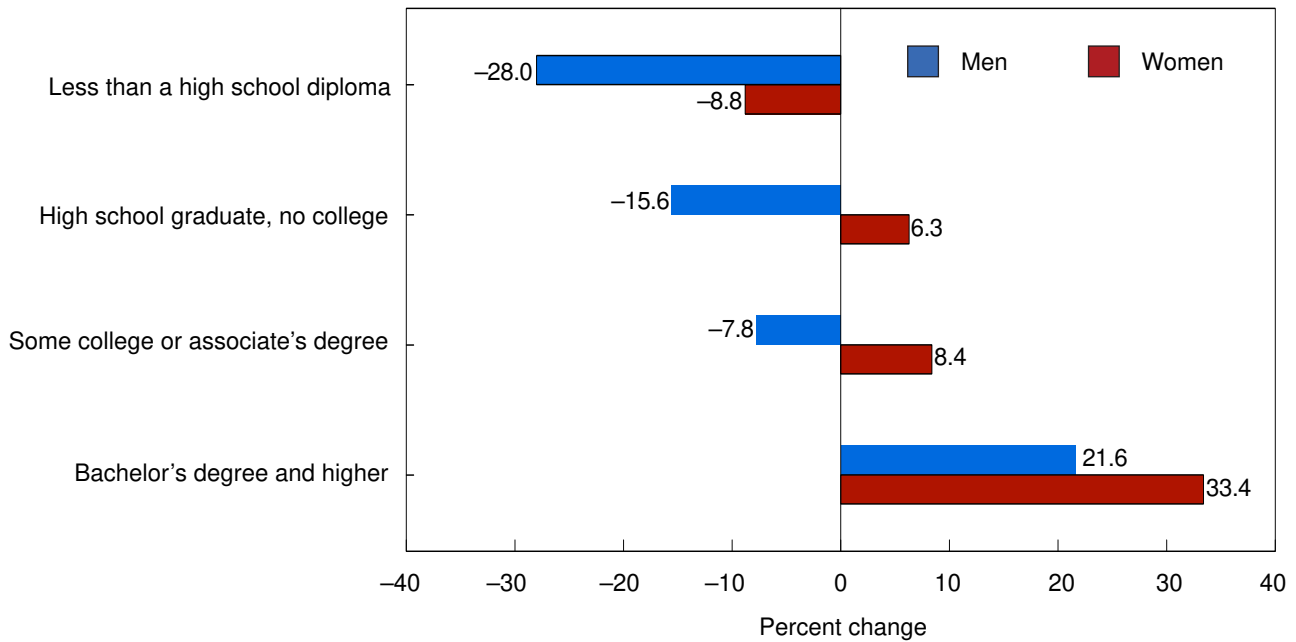
NOTE: Data relate to median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers.

Chart 2. Median weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2009 annual averages



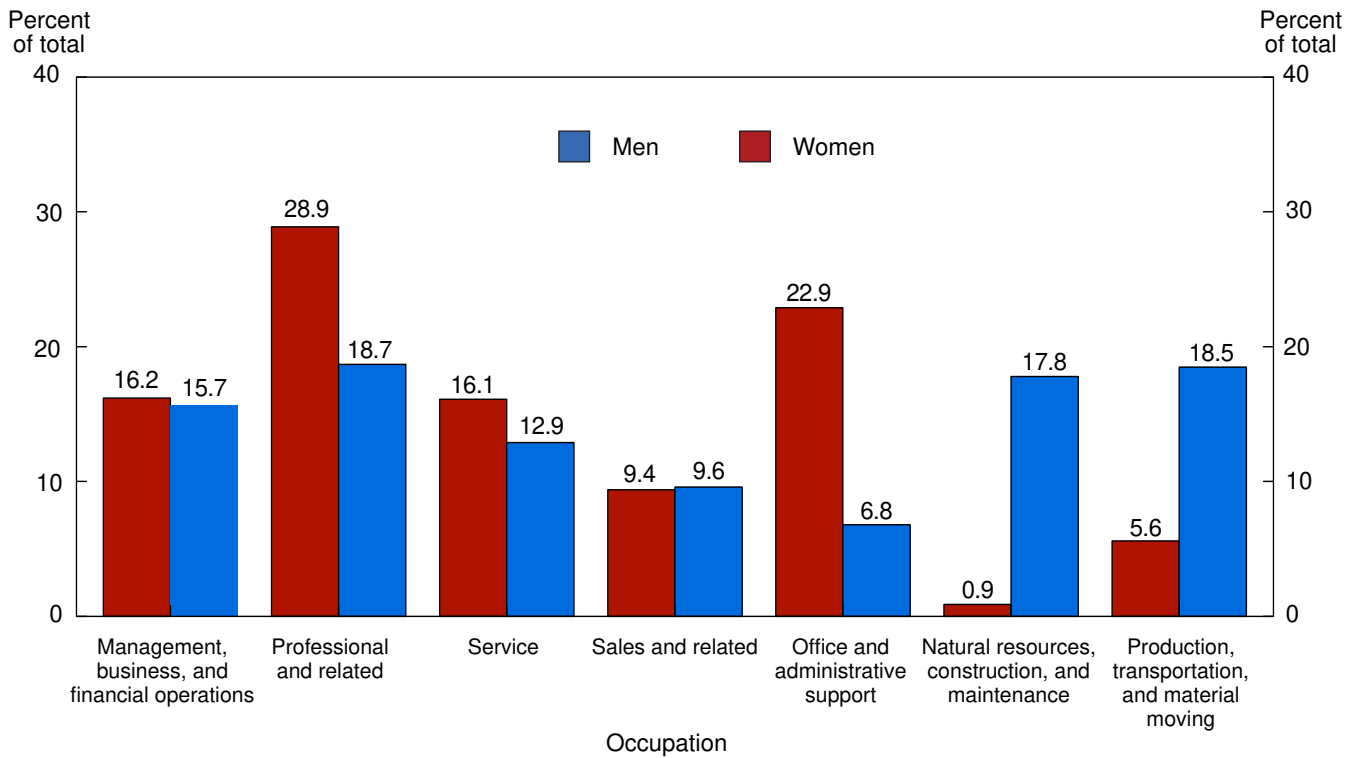
NOTE: Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Chart 3. **Percent change of constant-dollar median usual weekly earnings, by educational attainment and sex, 1979–2009**



NOTE: Data relate to earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older.

Chart 4. **Distribution of full-time wage and salary employment, by sex and major occupation group, 2009 annual averages**



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Table 1. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages**

Characteristic	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
AGE						
Total, 16 years and older.....	99,820	\$739	\$2	44,712	\$657	\$2
16 to 24 years.....	8,957	442	3	3,943	424	4
16 to 19 years.....	1,121	344	5	448	323	6
20 to 24 years.....	7,836	464	4	3,496	445	5
25 years and older.....	90,863	774	2	40,769	687	3
25 to 34 years.....	23,860	678	3	10,412	634	5
35 to 44 years.....	24,368	817	5	10,582	709	6
45 to 54 years.....	25,323	838	5	11,695	712	5
55 to 64 years.....	14,729	841	6	6,943	727	6
65 years and older.....	2,584	684	11	1,138	602	11
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
White.....	80,873	757	2	35,144	669	3
Black or African American.....	11,713	601	3	6,327	582	4
Asian.....	4,923	880	12	2,196	779	18
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	14,624	541	5	5,474	509	4
MARITAL STATUS						
Never married.....	25,622	595	2	11,331	577	4
Married, spouse present.....	57,792	829	3	23,828	708	4
Other marital status.....	16,406	691	4	9,554	646	5
Divorced.....	10,954	728	5	6,391	680	6
Separated.....	3,862	598	7	1,959	561	9
Widowed.....	1,590	662	13	1,204	629	13
UNION AFFILIATION¹						
Members of unions ²	13,602	908	5	5,733	840	7
Represented by unions ³	14,960	901	5	6,417	833	7
Not represented by a union.....	84,860	710	2	38,295	628	2
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT						
Total, 25 years and older.....	90,863	774	2	40,769	687	3
Less than a high school diploma.....	7,289	454	4	2,370	382	3
High school, no college.....	25,377	626	3	10,619	542	4
Some college or associate's degree.....	25,117	726	3	12,181	630	3
Bachelor's degree and higher.....	33,080	1,137	3	15,599	970	5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages—Continued**

Characteristic	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
AGE				
Total, 16 years and older.....	55,108	\$819	\$3	80.2
16 to 24 years.....	5,014	458	5	92.6
16 to 19 years.....	674	356	6	90.7
20 to 24 years.....	4,340	479	3	92.9
25 years and older.....	50,094	873	3	78.7
25 to 34 years.....	13,448	715	5	88.7
35 to 44 years.....	13,786	916	6	77.4
45 to 54 years.....	13,627	967	6	73.6
55 to 64 years.....	7,786	965	7	75.3
65 years and older.....	1,446	791	17	76.1
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY				
White.....	45,730	845	4	79.2
Black or African American.....	5,386	621	5	93.7
Asian.....	2,727	952	12	81.8
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	9,150	569	6	89.5
MARITAL STATUS				
Never married.....	14,291	608	3	94.9
Married, spouse present.....	33,964	936	4	75.6
Other marital status.....	6,852	761	7	84.9
Divorced.....	4,564	805	9	84.5
Separated.....	1,903	649	16	86.4
Widowed.....	386	791	28	79.5
UNION AFFILIATION¹				
Members of unions ²	7,869	957	6	87.8
Represented by unions ³	8,543	953	6	87.4
Not represented by a union.....	46,565	786	4	79.9
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Total, 25 years and older.....	50,094	873	3	78.7
Less than a high school diploma.....	4,919	500	3	76.4
High school, no college.....	14,758	716	4	75.7
Some college or associate's degree.....	12,936	835	6	75.4
Bachelor's degree and higher.....	17,481	1,327	9	73.1

¹ Differences in earnings levels between workers with and without union affiliation reflect a variety of factors in addition to coverage by a collective bargaining agreement, including the distribution of male and female employees by occupation, industry, firm size, and geographic region.

² Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

³ Data refer to workers who report no union affiliation but whose jobs are covered by a union or an employee association contract, as well as to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

NOTE: Estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Total, 16 years and older.....	99,820	\$739	\$2	44,712	\$657	\$2
Management, professional, and related occupations.....	39,080	1,044	4	20,152	907	4
Management, business, and financial operations occupations.....	15,879	1,138	5	7,244	955	6
Management occupations.....	10,907	1,208	13	4,399	1,002	12
Chief executives.....	1,105	1,916	10	268	1,553	57
General and operations managers.....	919	1,270	43	263	1,110	56
Legislators.....	16	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Advertising and promotions managers.....	62	1,085	261	33	(¹)	(¹)
Marketing and sales managers.....	857	1,330	48	346	1,052	35
Public relations managers.....	64	1,402	106	35	(¹)	(¹)
Administrative services managers.....	105	1,091	71	43	(¹)	(¹)
Computer and information systems managers.....	441	1,726	90	122	1,411	70
Financial managers.....	1,091	1,149	18	606	961	20
Human resources managers.....	282	1,234	51	182	1,072	56
Industrial production managers.....	230	1,254	41	33	(¹)	(¹)
Purchasing managers.....	181	1,176	80	91	1,029	55
Transportation, storage, and distribution managers.....	211	919	42	30	(¹)	(¹)
Farm, ranch, and other agricultural managers.....	93	785	72	12	(¹)	(¹)
Construction managers.....	454	1,218	35	29	(¹)	(¹)
Education administrators.....	674	1,208	47	407	1,093	68
Engineering managers.....	114	1,773	151	10	(¹)	(¹)
Food service managers.....	614	668	19	281	602	16
Funeral directors.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Gaming managers.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)
Lodging managers.....	107	765	23	51	731	29
Medical and health services managers.....	489	1,211	37	337	1,143	26
Natural sciences managers.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Postmasters and mail superintendents.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	20	(¹)	(¹)
Property, real estate, and community association managers.....	336	887	39	187	791	22
Social and community service managers.....	298	959	33	203	898	34
Managers, all other.....	2,072	1,174	20	788	1,037	27
Business and financial operations occupations.....	4,972	996	10	2,845	894	12
Agents and business managers of artists, performers, and athletes.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	10	(¹)	(¹)
Purchasing agents and buyers, farm products.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Wholesale and retail buyers, except farm products.....	119	884	50	67	770	26
Purchasing agents, except wholesale, retail, and farm products.....	216	863	33	114	783	39
Claims adjusters, appraisers, examiners, and investigators.....	253	941	31	155	845	54
Compliance officers, except agriculture, construction, health and safety, and transportation.....	192	1,083	35	99	970	60
Cost estimators.....	104	1,027	66	15	(¹)	(¹)
Human resources, training, and labor relations specialists.....	765	918	23	539	845	24
Logisticians.....	56	1,078	179	18	(¹)	(¹)
Management analysts.....	392	1,247	39	186	1,177	35
Meeting and convention planners.....	41	(¹)	(¹)	34	(¹)	(¹)
Other business operations specialists.....	297	899	46	200	808	43

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Total, 16 years and older.....	55,108	\$819	\$3	80.2
Management, professional, and related occupations.....	18,928	1,248	5	72.7
Management, business, and financial operations occupations.....	8,635	1,334	12	71.6
Management occupations.....	6,508	1,384	13	72.4
Chief executives.....	837	2,084	87	74.5
General and operations managers.....	656	1,372	29	80.9
Legislators.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Advertising and promotions managers.....	28	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Marketing and sales managers.....	511	1,536	35	68.5
Public relations managers.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Administrative services managers.....	62	1,148	59	(²)
Computer and information systems managers.....	319	1,788	84	78.9
Financial managers.....	485	1,443	29	66.6
Human resources managers.....	100	1,548	50	69.3
Industrial production managers.....	197	1,332	70	(²)
Purchasing managers.....	90	1,383	182	74.4
Transportation, storage, and distribution managers.....	181	899	39	(²)
Farm, ranch, and other agricultural managers.....	81	812	73	(²)
Construction managers.....	424	1,236	23	(²)
Education administrators.....	266	1,432	46	76.3
Engineering managers.....	104	1,855	173	(²)
Food service managers.....	334	754	31	79.8
Funeral directors.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Gaming managers.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Lodging managers.....	56	864	67	84.6
Medical and health services managers.....	152	1,448	52	78.9
Natural sciences managers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Postmasters and mail superintendents.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Property, real estate, and community association managers.....	149	982	33	80.5
Social and community service managers.....	95	1,147	69	78.3
Managers, all other.....	1,284	1,292	46	80.3
Business and financial operations occupations.....	2,127	1,171	18	76.3
Agents and business managers of artists, performers, and athletes.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Purchasing agents and buyers, farm products.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Wholesale and retail buyers, except farm products.....	53	958	50	80.4
Purchasing agents, except wholesale, retail, and farm products.....	103	999	35	78.4
Claims adjusters, appraisers, examiners, and investigators.....	98	1,128	57	74.9
Compliance officers, except agriculture, construction, health and safety, and transportation.....	93	1,162	51	83.5
Cost estimators.....	89	1,050	62	(²)
Human resources, training, and labor relations specialists.....	226	1,103	86	76.6
Logisticians.....	38	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Management analysts.....	206	1,371	66	85.8
Meeting and convention planners.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Other business operations specialists.....	97	1,207	139	66.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Accountants and auditors.....	1,403	\$1,003	\$17	857	\$902	\$19
Appraisers and assessors of real estate.....	59	994	48	24	(¹)	(¹)
Budget analysts.....	56	1,227	50	29	(¹)	(¹)
Credit analysts.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	11	(¹)	(¹)
Financial analysts.....	73	1,364	81	24	(¹)	(¹)
Personal financial advisors.....	306	1,255	55	98	1,088	55
Insurance underwriters.....	89	1,045	88	57	987	53
Financial examiners.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Loan counselors and officers.....	321	901	50	185	754	31
Tax examiners, collectors, and revenue agents.....	72	922	50	52	912	51
Tax preparers.....	51	938	101	36	(¹)	(¹)
Financial specialists, all other.....	51	1,018	130	33	(¹)	(¹)
Professional and related occupations.....	23,201	994	5	12,908	880	5
Computer and mathematical occupations.....	3,151	1,253	11	782	1,149	16
Computer scientists and systems analysts.....	663	1,245	22	184	1,167	36
Computer programmers.....	431	1,243	27	91	1,182	47
Computer software engineers.....	902	1,493	25	192	1,311	109
Computer support specialists.....	361	915	32	93	857	72
Database administrators.....	97	1,328	177	34	(¹)	(¹)
Network and computer systems administrators.....	199	1,120	46	43	(¹)	(¹)
Network systems and data communications analysts.....	342	1,147	25	77	1,032	53
Actuaries.....	21	(¹)	(¹)	10	(¹)	(¹)
Mathematicians.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Operations research analysts.....	97	1,248	279	43	(¹)	(¹)
Statisticians.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	15	(¹)	(¹)
Miscellaneous mathematical science occupations.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Architecture and engineering occupations.....	2,397	1,266	14	321	1,061	39
Architects, except naval.....	132	1,175	56	32	(¹)	(¹)
Surveyors, cartographers, and photogrammetrists.....	46	(¹)	(¹)	10	(¹)	(¹)
Aerospace engineers.....	126	1,488	52	14	(¹)	(¹)
Agricultural engineers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Biomedical engineers.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Chemical engineers.....	60	1,551	29	12	(¹)	(¹)
Civil engineers.....	289	1,326	40	24	(¹)	(¹)
Computer hardware engineers.....	52	1,342	71	5	(¹)	(¹)
Electrical and electronics engineers.....	288	1,502	41	25	(¹)	(¹)
Environmental engineers.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)
Industrial engineers, including health and safety.....	179	1,280	111	32	(¹)	(¹)
Marine engineers and naval architects.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Materials engineers.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Mechanical engineers.....	278	1,343	23	14	(¹)	(¹)
Mining and geological engineers, including mining safety engineers.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Nuclear engineers.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Petroleum engineers.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Engineers, all other.....	302	1,450	38	41	(¹)	(¹)
Drafters.....	130	916	34	32	(¹)	(¹)
Engineering technicians, except drafters.....	330	937	26	56	799	44
Surveying and mapping technicians.....	62	764	41	4	(¹)	(¹)
Life, physical, and social science occupations.....	1,106	1,059	39	481	940	20
Agricultural and food scientists.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Accountants and auditors.....	546	\$1,190	\$39	75.8
Appraisers and assessors of real estate.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Budget analysts.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Credit analysts.....	14	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Financial analysts.....	49	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Personal financial advisors.....	208	1,450	74	75.0
Insurance underwriters.....	32	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Financial examiners.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Loan counselors and officers.....	137	1,118	66	67.4
Tax examiners, collectors, and revenue agents.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tax preparers.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Financial specialists, all other.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Professional and related occupations.....	10,293	1,191	12	73.9
Computer and mathematical occupations.....	2,369	1,304	27	88.1
Computer scientists and systems analysts.....	479	1,268	41	92.0
Computer programmers.....	340	1,267	39	93.3
Computer software engineers.....	710	1,550	33	84.6
Computer support specialists.....	267	930	44	92.2
Database administrators.....	63	1,391	52	(²)
Network and computer systems administrators.....	156	1,109	57	(²)
Network systems and data communications analysts.....	265	1,187	67	86.9
Actuaries.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Mathematicians.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Operations research analysts.....	54	1,380	93	(²)
Statisticians.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous mathematical science occupations.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Architecture and engineering occupations.....	2,076	1,318	23	80.5
Architects, except naval.....	100	1,197	89	(²)
Surveyors, cartographers, and photogrammetrists.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Aerospace engineers.....	112	1,505	62	(²)
Agricultural engineers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Biomedical engineers.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Chemical engineers.....	48	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Civil engineers.....	265	1,336	34	(²)
Computer hardware engineers.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electrical and electronics engineers.....	262	1,521	48	(²)
Environmental engineers.....	21	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Industrial engineers, including health and safety.....	147	1,358	40	(²)
Marine engineers and naval architects.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Materials engineers.....	22	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Mechanical engineers.....	264	1,350	24	(²)
Mining and geological engineers, including mining safety engineers.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Nuclear engineers.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Petroleum engineers.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Engineers, all other.....	261	1,495	63	(²)
Drafters.....	98	936	33	(²)
Engineering technicians, except drafters.....	274	959	26	83.3
Surveying and mapping technicians.....	58	769	45	(²)
Life, physical, and social science occupations.....	625	1,190	39	79.0
Agricultural and food scientists.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Biological scientists.....	93	\$1,120	\$142	38	(¹)	(¹)
Conservation scientists and foresters.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	7	(¹)	(¹)
Medical scientists.....	155	1,102	135	87	\$975	\$35
Astronomers and physicists.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Atmospheric and space scientists.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Chemists and materials scientists.....	108	1,205	80	29	(¹)	(¹)
Environmental scientists and geoscientists.....	81	1,158	28	24	(¹)	(¹)
Physical scientists, all other.....	114	1,422	150	38	(¹)	(¹)
Economists.....	32	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Market and survey researchers.....	83	1,097	108	41	(¹)	(¹)
Psychologists.....	84	1,145	42	56	1,091	108
Sociologists.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Urban and regional planners.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)
Miscellaneous social scientists and related workers.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	18	(¹)	(¹)
Agricultural and food science technicians.....	30	(¹)	(¹)	15	(¹)	(¹)
Biological technicians.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)
Chemical technicians.....	50	767	62	19	(¹)	(¹)
Geological and petroleum technicians.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)
Nuclear technicians.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Other life, physical, and social science technicians.....	121	736	29	69	740	27
Community and social services occupations.....	1,913	783	13	1,162	741	11
Counselors.....	551	761	17	376	750	18
Social workers.....	627	787	16	496	774	16
Miscellaneous community and social service specialists.....	291	712	17	188	680	20
Clergy.....	356	935	30	49	(¹)	(¹)
Directors, religious activities and education.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	27	(¹)	(¹)
Religious workers, all other.....	40	(¹)	(¹)	25	(¹)	(¹)
Legal occupations.....	1,217	1,200	35	681	985	25
Lawyers.....	653	1,757	86	239	1,449	54
Judges, magistrates, and other judicial workers.....	64	1,101	120	28	(¹)	(¹)
Paralegals and legal assistants.....	309	846	22	268	845	22
Miscellaneous legal support workers.....	191	845	67	146	791	45
Education, training, and library occupations.....	6,426	887	8	4,728	836	7
Postsecondary teachers.....	873	1,169	25	428	1,030	38
Preschool and kindergarten teachers.....	496	612	15	487	614	14
Elementary and middle school teachers.....	2,444	918	10	1,986	891	10
Secondary school teachers.....	1,106	978	15	603	940	17
Special education teachers.....	334	970	29	284	967	30
Other teachers and instructors.....	310	796	45	194	723	44
Archivists, curators, and museum technicians.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	18	(¹)	(¹)
Librarians.....	144	886	34	113	875	80
Library technicians.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	21	(¹)	(¹)
Teacher assistants.....	596	472	11	546	474	11
Other education, training, and library workers.....	63	1,002	33	48	(¹)	(¹)
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations.....	1,416	888	14	600	775	22
Artists and related workers.....	64	1,085	315	17	(¹)	(¹)
Designers.....	454	836	25	219	730	24
Actors.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Producers and directors.....	87	1,070	81	36	(¹)	(¹)
Athletes, coaches, umpires, and related workers.....	131	826	139	21	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Biological scientists.....	55	\$1,158	\$39	(²)
Conservation scientists and foresters.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Medical scientists.....	68	1,388	449	70.2
Astronomers and physicists.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Atmospheric and space scientists.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Chemists and materials scientists.....	79	1,303	153	(²)
Environmental scientists and geoscientists.....	57	1,238	68	(²)
Physical scientists, all other.....	76	1,587	248	(²)
Economists.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Market and survey researchers.....	42	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Psychologists.....	28	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Sociologists.....	-	-	-	(²)
Urban and regional planners.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous social scientists and related workers.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Agricultural and food science technicians.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Biological technicians.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Chemical technicians.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Geological and petroleum technicians.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Nuclear technicians.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Other life, physical, and social science technicians.....	52	723	55	102.4
Community and social services occupations.....	751	897	25	82.6
Counselors.....	175	797	48	94.1
Social workers.....	131	864	59	89.6
Miscellaneous community and social service specialists.....	103	826	149	82.3
Clergy.....	307	976	32	(²)
Directors, religious activities and education.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Religious workers, all other.....	16	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Legal occupations.....	536	1,741	92	56.6
Lawyers.....	414	1,934	134	74.9
Judges, magistrates, and other judicial workers.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Paralegals and legal assistants.....	41	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous legal support workers.....	44	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Education, training, and library occupations.....	1,698	1,068	17	78.3
Postsecondary teachers.....	446	1,342	28	76.8
Preschool and kindergarten teachers.....	8	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Elementary and middle school teachers.....	458	1,040	22	85.7
Secondary school teachers.....	503	1,028	26	91.4
Special education teachers.....	50	990	81	97.7
Other teachers and instructors.....	116	959	66	75.4
Archivists, curators, and museum technicians.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Librarians.....	30	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Library technicians.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Teacher assistants.....	51	453	36	104.6
Other education, training, and library workers.....	14	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations.....	816	960	22	80.7
Artists and related workers.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Designers.....	235	956	68	76.4
Actors.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Producers and directors.....	51	1,131	51	(²)
Athletes, coaches, umpires, and related workers.....	110	856	39	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Dancers and choreographers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Musicians, singers, and related workers.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	8	(¹)	(¹)
Entertainers and performers, sports and related workers, all other.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Announcers.....	21	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
News analysts, reporters and correspondents.....	65	\$933	\$64	28	(¹)	(¹)
Public relations specialists.....	108	981	62	57	\$922	\$42
Editors.....	119	982	64	62	923	227
Technical writers.....	41	(¹)	(¹)	24	(¹)	(¹)
Writers and authors.....	75	928	112	43	(¹)	(¹)
Miscellaneous media and communication workers	52	680	53	33	(¹)	(¹)
Broadcast and sound engineering technicians and radio operators.....	61	928	68	5	(¹)	(¹)
Photographers.....	57	670	54	29	(¹)	(¹)
Television, video, and motion picture camera operators and editors.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations.....	5,575	970	8	4,153	924	8
Chiropractors.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Dentists.....	39	(¹)	(¹)	22	(¹)	(¹)
Dietitians and nutritionists.....	66	759	29	55	770	25
Optometrists.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Pharmacists.....	214	1,841	130	92	1,475	111
Physicians and surgeons.....	615	1,738	80	211	1,228	158
Physician assistants.....	72	1,499	64	39	(¹)	(¹)
Podiatrists.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Registered nurses.....	2,129	1,039	13	1,931	1,035	13
Audiologists.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	7	(¹)	(¹)
Occupational therapists.....	71	1,146	40	58	1,155	35
Physical therapists.....	114	1,166	33	68	1,104	97
Radiation therapists.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)
Recreational therapists.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	15	(¹)	(¹)
Respiratory therapists.....	95	943	28	58	935	36
Speech-language pathologists.....	88	1,153	38	86	1,148	36
Therapists, all other.....	73	832	33	56	786	80
Veterinarians.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	20	(¹)	(¹)
Health diagnosing and treating practitioners, all other.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians.....	301	829	36	217	791	51
Dental hygienists.....	52	956	57	49	(¹)	(¹)
Diagnostic related technologists and technicians.....	271	921	22	192	893	22
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics.....	137	696	24	37	(¹)	(¹)
Health diagnosing and treating practitioner support technicians.....	340	592	15	264	560	18
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses.....	502	710	20	459	702	21
Medical records and health information technicians.....	95	614	31	84	607	40
Opticians, dispensing.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	24	(¹)	(¹)
Miscellaneous health technologists and technicians.....	112	642	29	75	645	29
Other healthcare practitioners and technical occupations.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	14	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Dancers and choreographers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Musicians, singers, and related workers.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Entertainers and performers, sports and related workers, all other.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Announcers.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
News analysts, reporters and correspondents.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Public relations specialists.....	51	\$1,044	\$137	88.3
Editors.....	57	992	55	93.0
Technical writers.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Writers and authors.....	32	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous media and communication workers.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Broadcast and sound engineering technicians and radio operators.....	56	954	57	(²)
Photographers.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Television, video, and motion picture camera operators and editors.....	24	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations.....	1,422	1,184	37	78.0
Chiropractors.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Dentists.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Dietitians and nutritionists.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Optometrists.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Pharmacists.....	122	1,954	96	75.5
Physicians and surgeons.....	404	1,914	23	64.2
Physician assistants.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Podiatrists.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Registered nurses.....	197	1,090	43	95.0
Audiologists.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Occupational therapists.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Physical therapists.....	46	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Radiation therapists.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Recreational therapists.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Respiratory therapists.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Speech-language pathologists.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Therapists, all other.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Veterinarians.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Health diagnosing and treating practitioners, all other.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians.....	85	925	37	85.5
Dental hygienists.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Diagnostic related technologists and technicians.....	78	1,018	239	87.7
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics.....	101	717	36	(²)
Health diagnosing and treating practitioner support technicians.....	76	733	47	76.4
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses.....	43	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Medical records and health information technicians.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Opticians, dispensing.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous health technologists and technicians.....	38	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Other healthcare practitioners and technical occupations.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Service occupations.....	14,299	\$470	\$3	7,187	\$418	\$2
Healthcare support occupations.....	2,293	472	6	2,038	464	6
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides.....	1,429	438	7	1,258	430	7
Occupational therapist assistants and aides.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	7	(¹)	(¹)
Physical therapist assistants and aides.....	56	667	55	44	(¹)	(¹)
Massage therapists.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	27	(¹)	(¹)
Dental assistants.....	181	533	19	175	532	18
Medical assistants and other healthcare support occupations.....	583	507	8	527	504	8
Protective service occupations.....	2,705	747	12	544	599	17
First-line supervisors/managers of correctional officers.....	54	924	107	15	(¹)	(¹)
First-line supervisors/managers of police and detectives.....	100	1,165	34	12	(¹)	(¹)
First-line supervisors/managers of fire fighting and prevention workers.....	51	1,345	51	4	(¹)	(¹)
Supervisors, protective service workers, all other..	78	742	80	17	(¹)	(¹)
Fire fighters.....	265	987	30	12	(¹)	(¹)
Fire inspectors.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Bailiffs, correctional officers, and jailers.....	424	688	22	112	623	24
Detectives and criminal investigators.....	129	1,076	139	33	(¹)	(¹)
Fish and game wardens.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Parking enforcement workers.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Police and sheriff's patrol officers.....	677	951	19	99	805	40
Transit and railroad police.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Animal control workers.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Private detectives and investigators.....	65	747	35	31	(¹)	(¹)
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers..	745	507	10	173	462	23
Crossing guards.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)
Lifeguards and other protective service workers....	56	394	29	22	(¹)	(¹)
Food preparation and serving related occupations.....	3,809	398	3	1,821	378	4
Chefs and head cooks.....	290	527	28	45	(¹)	(¹)
First-line supervisors/managers of food preparation and serving workers.....	439	456	12	249	435	14
Cooks.....	1,203	389	5	441	371	9
Food preparation workers.....	311	376	11	161	367	11
Bartenders.....	197	494	19	100	418	21
Combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food.....	154	350	14	99	347	16
Counter attendants, cafeteria, food concession, and coffee shop.....	63	333	44	43	(¹)	(¹)
Waiters and waitresses.....	777	383	6	509	363	7
Food servers, nonrestaurant.....	77	378	16	43	(¹)	(¹)
Dining room and cafeteria attendants and bartender helpers.....	128	384	12	66	400	18
Dishwashers.....	110	334	12	18	(¹)	(¹)
Hosts and hostesses, restaurant, lounge, and coffee shop.....	55	379	36	44	(¹)	(¹)
Food preparation and serving related workers, all other.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations.....	3,298	444	6	1,161	388	5
First-line supervisors/managers of housekeeping and janitorial workers.....	174	575	29	64	453	33

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Service occupations.....	7,113	\$524	\$5	79.8
Healthcare support occupations.....	255	544	27	85.3
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides.....	171	519	23	82.9
Occupational therapist assistants and aides.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Physical therapist assistants and aides.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Massage therapists.....	8	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Dental assistants.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Medical assistants and other healthcare support occupations.....	56	579	30	87.0
Protective service occupations.....	2,161	798	19	75.1
First-line supervisors/managers of correctional officers.....	39	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
First-line supervisors/managers of police and detectives.....	88	1,169	39	(²)
First-line supervisors/managers of fire fighting and prevention workers.....	48	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Supervisors, protective service workers, all other..	61	828	72	(²)
Fire fighters.....	253	982	33	(²)
Fire inspectors.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Bailiffs, correctional officers, and jailers.....	312	726	26	85.8
Detectives and criminal investigators.....	96	1,073	140	(²)
Fish and game wardens.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Parking enforcement workers.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Police and sheriff's patrol officers.....	578	971	20	82.9
Transit and railroad police.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Animal control workers.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Private detectives and investigators.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers..	572	520	12	88.8
Crossing guards.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Lifeguards and other protective service workers...	33	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Food preparation and serving related occupations.....	1,988	416	4	90.9
Chefs and head cooks.....	244	565	36	(²)
First-line supervisors/managers of food preparation and serving workers.....	190	495	30	87.9
Cooks.....	762	400	6	92.8
Food preparation workers.....	150	385	13	95.3
Bartenders.....	97	560	35	74.6
Combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food.....	54	357	27	97.2
Counter attendants, cafeteria, food concession, and coffee shop.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Waiters and waitresses.....	268	419	10	86.6
Food servers, nonrestaurant.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Dining room and cafeteria attendants and bartender helpers.....	62	360	57	111.1
Dishwashers.....	92	339	13	(²)
Hosts and hostesses, restaurant, lounge, and coffee shop.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Food preparation and serving related workers, all other.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations.....	2,137	488	5	79.5
First-line supervisors/managers of housekeeping and janitorial workers.....	111	645	29	70.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
First-line supervisors/managers of landscaping, lawn service, and groundskeeping workers.....	95	\$727	\$51	4	(¹)	(¹)
Janitors and building cleaners.....	1,505	473	8	399	\$401	\$9
Maids and housekeeping cleaners.....	762	377	6	664	371	6
Pest control workers.....	45	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Grounds maintenance workers.....	717	437	12	29	(¹)	(¹)
Personal care and service occupations.....	2,193	440	8	1,622	415	5
First-line supervisors/managers of gaming workers.....	86	637	44	39	(¹)	(¹)
First-line supervisors/managers of personal service workers.....	64	619	25	39	(¹)	(¹)
Animal trainers.....	14	(¹)	(¹)	8	(¹)	(¹)
Nonfarm animal caretakers.....	67	438	68	41	(¹)	(¹)
Gaming services workers.....	87	631	19	46	(¹)	(¹)
Motion picture projectionists.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Ushers, lobby attendants, and ticket takers.....	8	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Miscellaneous entertainment attendants and related workers.....	66	454	29	28	(¹)	(¹)
Funeral service workers.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Barbers.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists.....	308	425	17	268	413	9
Miscellaneous personal appearance workers.....	117	422	23	92	434	21
Baggage porters, bellhops, and concierges.....	52	544	39	7	(¹)	(¹)
Tour and travel guides.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Transportation attendants.....	85	690	55	56	606	48
Child care workers.....	406	367	9	388	364	8
Personal and home care aides.....	513	409	7	424	406	7
Recreation and fitness workers.....	178	575	58	111	487	29
Residential advisors.....	56	510	30	36	(¹)	(¹)
Personal care and service workers, all other.....	42	(¹)	(¹)	25	(¹)	(¹)
Sales and office occupations.....	23,503	624	2	14,458	590	2
Sales and related occupations.....	9,489	665	6	4,208	525	7
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers.....	2,272	688	9	1,009	597	9
First-line supervisors/managers of non-retail sales workers.....	815	972	25	260	780	32
Cashiers.....	1,278	378	6	903	361	6
Counter and rental clerks.....	98	496	57	42	(¹)	(¹)
Parts salespersons.....	87	571	36	8	(¹)	(¹)
Retail salespersons.....	1,837	523	11	786	443	12
Advertising sales agents.....	175	940	44	95	847	119
Insurance sales agents.....	390	760	20	205	692	25
Securities, commodities, and financial services sales agents.....	259	1,139	24	70	798	106
Travel agents.....	44	(¹)	(¹)	37	(¹)	(¹)
Sales representatives, services, all other.....	418	850	30	129	747	31
Sales representatives, wholesale and manufacturing.....	1,110	939	16	297	736	25
Models, demonstrators, and product promoters.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	16	(¹)	(¹)
Real estate brokers and sales agents.....	369	820	58	199	745	21
Sales engineers.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Telemarketers.....	62	417	20	41	(¹)	(¹)
Door-to-door sales workers, news and street vendors, and related workers.....	44	(¹)	(¹)	15	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
First-line supervisors/managers of landscaping, lawn service, and groundskeeping workers.....	91	\$740	\$36	(²)
Janitors and building cleaners.....	1,105	494	7	81.2
Maids and housekeeping cleaners.....	98	444	38	83.6
Pest control workers.....	43	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Grounds maintenance workers.....	688	435	12	(²)
Personal care and service occupations.....	572	546	29	76.0
First-line supervisors/managers of gaming workers.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
First-line supervisors/managers of personal service workers.....	24	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Animal trainers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Nonfarm animal caretakers.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Gaming services workers.....	41	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Motion picture projectionists.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Ushers, lobby attendants, and ticket takers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous entertainment attendants and related workers.....	38	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Funeral service workers.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Barbers.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists.....	40	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous personal appearance workers.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Baggage porters, bellhops, and concierges.....	45	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tour and travel guides.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Transportation attendants.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Child care workers.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Personal and home care aides.....	89	424	21	95.8
Recreation and fitness workers.....	67	677	39	71.9
Residential advisors.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Personal care and service workers, all other.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Sales and office occupations.....	9,045	737	5	80.1
Sales and related occupations.....	5,281	793	11	66.2
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers.....	1,264	770	10	77.5
First-line supervisors/managers of non-retail sales workers.....	555	1,059	39	73.7
Cashiers.....	374	422	13	85.5
Counter and rental clerks.....	57	557	131	(²)
Parts salespersons.....	80	589	37	(²)
Retail salespersons.....	1,051	624	14	71.0
Advertising sales agents.....	81	1,201	125	70.5
Insurance sales agents.....	185	860	61	80.5
Securities, commodities, and financial services sales agents.....	189	1,237	258	64.5
Travel agents.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Sales representatives, services, all other.....	289	936	44	79.8
Sales representatives, wholesale and manufacturing.....	813	986	25	74.6
Models, demonstrators, and product promoters....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Real estate brokers and sales agents.....	169	939	23	79.3
Sales engineers.....	28	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Telemarketers.....	21	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Door-to-door sales workers, news and street vendors, and related workers.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Sales and related workers, all other.....	180	\$765	\$35	94	\$726	\$136
Office and administrative support occupations.....	14,014	612	2	10,249	602	2
First-line supervisors/managers of office and administrative support workers.....	1,451	740	9	1,000	705	11
Switchboard operators, including answering service.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	32	(¹)	(¹)
Telephone operators.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	28	(¹)	(¹)
Communications equipment operators, all other.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)
Bill and account collectors.....	184	572	18	131	563	22
Billing and posting clerks and machine operators..	406	582	12	363	579	12
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks.....	869	633	9	782	627	9
Gaming cage workers.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	7	(¹)	(¹)
Payroll and timekeeping clerks.....	122	656	38	108	648	37
Procurement clerks.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)
Tellers.....	317	480	8	276	477	9
Brokerage clerks.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Correspondence clerks.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Court, municipal, and license clerks.....	90	711	47	66	705	46
Credit authorizers, checkers, and clerks.....	45	(¹)	(¹)	39	(¹)	(¹)
Customer service representatives.....	1,495	592	8	997	587	8
Eligibility interviewers, government programs.....	61	787	68	53	757	99
File clerks.....	210	583	19	179	581	21
Hotel, motel, and resort desk clerks.....	102	422	16	63	408	15
Interviewers, except eligibility and loan.....	96	596	20	81	608	19
Library assistants, clerical.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	42	(¹)	(¹)
Loan interviewers and clerks.....	98	645	27	82	625	32
New accounts clerks.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	19	(¹)	(¹)
Order clerks.....	88	567	36	57	595	32
Human resources assistants, except payroll and timekeeping.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	27	(¹)	(¹)
Receptionists and information clerks.....	843	517	6	778	516	6
Reservation and transportation ticket agents and travel clerks.....	88	697	83	46	(¹)	(¹)
Information and record clerks, all other.....	90	679	18	80	681	16
Cargo and freight agents.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Couriers and messengers.....	185	683	46	28	(¹)	(¹)
Dispatchers.....	243	657	25	133	614	20
Meter readers, utilities.....	40	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Postal service clerks.....	149	904	43	73	904	53
Postal service mail carriers.....	330	936	22	98	908	55
Postal service mail sorters, processors, and processing machine operators.....	75	930	30	29	(¹)	(¹)
Production, planning, and expediting clerks.....	241	717	23	125	644	28
Shipping, receiving, and traffic clerks.....	398	534	20	122	525	25
Stock clerks and order fillers.....	936	483	8	327	479	12
Weighers, measurers, checkers, and samplers, recordkeeping.....	49	(¹)	(¹)	24	(¹)	(¹)
Secretaries and administrative assistants.....	2,425	620	5	2,349	619	4
Computer operators.....	100	629	32	47	(¹)	(¹)
Data entry keyers.....	282	587	12	220	568	14
Word processors and typists.....	130	606	16	120	604	15
Desktop publishers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Insurance claims and policy processing clerks.....	227	625	19	183	620	21
Mail clerks and mail machine operators, except postal service.....	72	514	28	33	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Sales and related workers, all other.....	86	\$828	\$61	87.7
Office and administrative support occupations.....	3,765	657	7	91.6
First-line supervisors/managers of office and administrative support workers.....	451	837	32	84.2
Switchboard operators, including answering service.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Telephone operators.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Communications equipment operators, all other....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Bill and account collectors.....	53	590	30	95.4
Billing and posting clerks and machine operators..	42	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks.....	87	671	21	93.4
Gaming cage workers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Payroll and timekeeping clerks.....	14	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Procurement clerks.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tellers.....	41	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Brokerage clerks.....	-	-	-	(²)
Correspondence clerks.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Court, municipal, and license clerks.....	24	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Credit authorizers, checkers, and clerks.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Customer service representatives.....	498	617	25	95.1
Eligibility interviewers, government programs.....	8	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
File clerks.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Hotel, motel, and resort desk clerks.....	39	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Interviewers, except eligibility and loan.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Library assistants, clerical.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Loan interviewers and clerks.....	16	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
New accounts clerks.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Order clerks.....	32	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Human resources assistants, except payroll and timekeeping.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Receptionists and information clerks.....	64	537	54	96.1
Reservation and transportation ticket agents and travel clerks.....	42	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Information and record clerks, all other.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Cargo and freight agents.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Couriers and messengers.....	157	719	60	(²)
Dispatchers.....	110	747	36	82.2
Meter readers, utilities.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Postal service clerks.....	75	905	68	99.9
Postal service mail carriers.....	232	944	24	96.2
Postal service mail sorters, processors, and processing machine operators.....	46	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Production, planning, and expediting clerks.....	116	928	44	69.4
Shipping, receiving, and traffic clerks.....	276	538	24	97.6
Stock clerks and order fillers.....	609	485	10	98.8
Weighers, measurers, checkers, and samplers, recordkeeping.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Secretaries and administrative assistants.....	77	666	22	92.9
Computer operators.....	54	740	82	(²)
Data entry keyers.....	62	689	33	82.4
Word processors and typists.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Desktop publishers.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Insurance claims and policy processing clerks.....	44	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Mail clerks and mail machine operators, except postal service.....	39	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Office clerks, general.....	723	\$602	\$8	594	\$594	\$9
Office machine operators, except computer.....	34	(¹)	(¹)	20	(¹)	(¹)
Proofreaders and copy markers.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Statistical assistants.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	8	(¹)	(¹)
Office and administrative support workers, all other.....	444	649	17	337	617	11
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations.....	10,216	719	5	416	542	19
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations.....	707	416	7	135	372	14
First-line supervisors/managers of farming, fishing, and forestry workers.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Agricultural inspectors.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	8	(¹)	(¹)
Animal breeders.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Graders and sorters, agricultural products.....	71	408	25	45	(¹)	(¹)
Miscellaneous agricultural workers.....	515	396	8	77	346	16
Fishers and related fishing workers.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Hunters and trappers.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Forest and conservation workers.....	16	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Logging workers.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Construction and extraction occupations.....	5,267	718	6	113	673	55
First-line supervisors/managers of construction trades and extraction workers.....	532	965	21	14	(¹)	(¹)
Boilermakers.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Brickmasons, blockmasons, and stonemasons.....	102	701	36	-	-	-
Carpenters.....	734	662	20	14	(¹)	(¹)
Carpet, floor, and tile installers and finishers.....	118	586	23	4	(¹)	(¹)
Cement masons, concrete finishers, and terrazzo workers.....	55	631	45	-	-	-
Construction laborers.....	959	596	8	22	(¹)	(¹)
Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment operators.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Pile-driver operators.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Operating engineers and other construction equipment operators.....	319	748	35	3	(¹)	(¹)
Drywall installers, ceiling tile installers, and tapers.....	111	590	18	2	(¹)	(¹)
Electricians.....	644	856	31	16	(¹)	(¹)
Glaziers.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Insulation workers.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Painters, construction and maintenance.....	297	529	35	9	(¹)	(¹)
Paperhangers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Pipelayers, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters.....	415	793	29	4	(¹)	(¹)
Plasterers and stucco masons.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Reinforcing iron and rebar workers.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Roofers.....	152	600	14	-	-	-
Sheet metal workers.....	125	765	40	3	(¹)	(¹)
Structural iron and steel workers.....	53	779	33	2	(¹)	(¹)
Helpers, construction trades.....	63	507	32	3	(¹)	(¹)
Construction and building inspectors.....	72	916	36	4	(¹)	(¹)
Elevator installers and repairers.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Fence erectors.....	22	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Hazardous materials removal workers.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Highway maintenance workers.....	104	763	32	2	(¹)	(¹)
Rail-track laying and maintenance equipment operators.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Office clerks, general.....	129	\$647	\$26	91.8
Office machine operators, except computer.....	14	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Proofreaders and copy markers.....	-	-	-	(²)
Statistical assistants.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Office and administrative support workers, all other.....	107	822	67	75.1
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations.....	9,800	727	5	74.6
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations.....	572	428	13	86.9
First-line supervisors/managers of farming, fishing, and forestry workers.....	34	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Agricultural inspectors.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Animal breeders.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Graders and sorters, agricultural products.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous agricultural workers.....	438	405	8	85.4
Fishers and related fishing workers.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Hunters and trappers.....	-	-	-	(²)
Forest and conservation workers.....	16	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Logging workers.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Construction and extraction occupations.....	5,154	719	6	93.6
First-line supervisors/managers of construction trades and extraction workers.....	517	963	22	(²)
Boilermakers.....	22	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Brickmasons, blockmasons, and stonemasons.....	102	701	36	(²)
Carpenters.....	720	665	20	(²)
Carpet, floor, and tile installers and finishers.....	114	590	22	(²)
Cement masons, concrete finishers, and terrazzo workers.....	55	631	45	(²)
Construction laborers.....	937	595	9	(²)
Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment operators.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Pile-driver operators.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Operating engineers and other construction equipment operators.....	315	750	34	(²)
Drywall installers, ceiling tile installers, and tapers.....	109	592	17	(²)
Electricians.....	628	858	31	(²)
Glaziers.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Insulation workers.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Painters, construction and maintenance.....	288	524	31	(²)
Paperhangers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Pipelayers, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters.....	411	795	28	(²)
Plasterers and stucco masons.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Reinforcing iron and rebar workers.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Roofers.....	152	600	14	(²)
Sheet metal workers.....	121	765	40	(²)
Structural iron and steel workers.....	50	779	36	(²)
Helpers, construction trades.....	60	520	31	(²)
Construction and building inspectors.....	67	926	41	(²)
Elevator installers and repairers.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Fence erectors.....	22	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Hazardous materials removal workers.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Highway maintenance workers.....	101	766	32	(²)
Rail-track laying and maintenance equipment operators.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Septic tank servicers and sewer pipe cleaners.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Miscellaneous construction and related workers...	29	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Derrick, rotary drill, and service unit operators, oil, gas, and mining.....	22	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Earth drillers, except oil and gas.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Explosives workers, ordnance handling experts, and blasters.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Mining machine operators.....	52	\$1,018	\$33	-	-	-
Roof bolters, mining.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Roustabouts, oil and gas.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Helpers—extraction workers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Other extraction workers.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations.....	4,242	781	7	167	\$644	\$22
First-line supervisors/managers of mechanics, installers, and repairers.....	318	964	40	30	(¹)	(¹)
Computer, automated teller, and office machine repairers.....	282	801	28	44	(¹)	(¹)
Radio and telecommunications equipment installers and repairers.....	155	900	29	12	(¹)	(¹)
Avionics technicians.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Electric motor, power tool, and related repairers...	28	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Electrical and electronics installers and repairers, transportation equipment.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Electrical and electronics repairers, industrial and utility.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Electronic equipment installers and repairers, motor vehicles.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Electronic home entertainment equipment installers and repairers.....	58	656	48	3	(¹)	(¹)
Security and fire alarm systems installers.....	61	718	25	1	(¹)	(¹)
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians.....	128	948	40	5	(¹)	(¹)
Automotive body and related repairers.....	129	661	68	-	-	-
Automotive glass installers and repairers.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Automotive service technicians and mechanics...	621	667	20	10	(¹)	(¹)
Bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine specialists.....	297	803	18	1	(¹)	(¹)
Heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics.....	208	837	50	3	(¹)	(¹)
Small engine mechanics.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Miscellaneous vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics, installers, and repairers.....	67	450	47	2	(¹)	(¹)
Control and valve installers and repairers.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers.....	309	764	28	2	(¹)	(¹)
Home appliance repairers.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Industrial and refractory machinery mechanics....	400	800	24	12	(¹)	(¹)
Maintenance and repair workers, general.....	371	719	31	10	(¹)	(¹)
Maintenance workers, machinery.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Millwrights.....	46	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Electrical power-line installers and repairers.....	128	1,018	63	2	(¹)	(¹)
Telecommunications line installers and repairers..	176	795	37	6	(¹)	(¹)
Precision instrument and equipment repairers.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Coin, vending, and amusement machine servicers and repairers.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Septic tank servicers and sewer pipe cleaners.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous construction and related workers....	28	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Derrick, rotary drill, and service unit operators, oil, gas, and mining.....	22	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Earth drillers, except oil and gas.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Explosives workers, ordnance handling experts, and blasters.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Mining machine operators.....	52	\$1,017	\$33	(²)
Roof bolters, mining.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Roustabouts, oil and gas.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Helpers--extraction workers.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Other extraction workers.....	35	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations.....	4,075	787	7	81.8
First-line supervisors/managers of mechanics, installers, and repairers.....	288	988	24	(²)
Computer, automated teller, and office machine repairers.....	238	808	28	(²)
Radio and telecommunications equipment installers and repairers.....	142	911	28	(²)
Avionics technicians.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electric motor, power tool, and related repairers....	28	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electrical and electronics installers and repairers, transportation equipment.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electrical and electronics repairers, industrial and utility.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electronic equipment installers and repairers, motor vehicles.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electronic home entertainment equipment installers and repairers.....	55	671	71	(²)
Security and fire alarm systems installers.....	60	722	29	(²)
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians.....	123	946	39	(²)
Automotive body and related repairers.....	128	663	67	(²)
Automotive glass installers and repairers.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Automotive service technicians and mechanics....	612	669	20	(²)
Bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine specialists.....	295	804	18	(²)
Heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics.....	205	848	50	(²)
Small engine mechanics.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics, installers, and repairers.....	65	445	47	(²)
Control and valve installers and repairers.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers.....	306	764	30	(²)
Home appliance repairers.....	30	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Industrial and refractory machinery mechanics.....	388	805	25	(²)
Maintenance and repair workers, general.....	361	731	30	(²)
Maintenance workers, machinery.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Millwrights.....	46	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electrical power-line installers and repairers.....	126	1,026	66	(²)
Telecommunications line installers and repairers..	170	799	36	(²)
Precision instrument and equipment repairers.....	42	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Coin, vending, and amusement machine servicers and repairers.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Commercial divers.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Locksmiths and safe repairers.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Manufactured building and mobile home installers.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Riggers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Signal and track switch repairers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Helpers—installation, maintenance, and repair workers.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Other installation, maintenance, and repair workers.....	127	\$609	\$33	7	(¹)	(¹)
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations.....	12,722	605	3	2,500	\$472	\$6
Production occupations.....	6,576	610	4	1,712	472	7
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers.....	686	855	31	112	680	31
Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Electrical, electronics, and electromechanical assemblers.....	134	525	26	80	486	17
Engine and other machine assemblers.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Structural metal fabricators and fitters.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators.....	733	542	13	268	488	12
Bakers.....	118	455	40	57	466	63
Butchers and other meat, poultry, and fish processing workers.....	249	491	11	56	418	18
Food and tobacco roasting, baking, and drying machine operators and tenders.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Food batchmakers.....	60	493	30	21	(¹)	(¹)
Food cooking machine operators and tenders.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Computer control programmers and operators.....	64	730	44	5	(¹)	(¹)
Extruding and drawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Forging machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Rolling machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	9	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	73	570	17	17	(¹)	(¹)
Drilling and boring machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Grinding, lapping, polishing, and buffing machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	38	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)
Lathe and turning machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Milling and planing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Machinists.....	341	714	18	21	(¹)	(¹)
Metal furnace and kiln operators and tenders.....	16	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Model makers and patternmakers, metal and plastic.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Molders and molding machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Commercial divers.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Locksmiths and safe repairers.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Manufactured building and mobile home installers.	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Riggers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Signal and track switch repairers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Helpers--installation, maintenance, and repair workers.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Other installation, maintenance, and repair workers.....	120	\$621	\$46	(²)
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations.....	10,222	648	5	72.8
Production occupations.....	4,865	678	6	69.6
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers.....	574	895	25	76.0
Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Electrical, electronics, and electromechanical assemblers.....	54	611	26	79.5
Engine and other machine assemblers.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Structural metal fabricators and fitters.....	18	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators.....	465	592	14	82.4
Bakers.....	62	448	49	104.0
Butchers and other meat, poultry, and fish processing workers.....	193	510	12	82.0
Food and tobacco roasting, baking, and drying machine operators and tenders.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Food batchmakers.....	39	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Food cooking machine operators and tenders.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Computer control programmers and operators.....	59	745	44	(²)
Extruding and drawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Forging machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Rolling machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	56	603	29	(²)
Drilling and boring machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Grinding, lapping, polishing, and buffing machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	32	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Lathe and turning machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Milling and planing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Machinists.....	320	722	21	(²)
Metal furnace and kiln operators and tenders.....	14	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Model makers and patternmakers, metal and plastic.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Molders and molding machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	30	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Multiple machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	8	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Tool and die makers.....	44	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Welding, soldering, and brazing workers.....	414	\$675	\$16	17	(¹)	(¹)
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Lay-out workers, metal and plastic.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Plating and coating machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Tool grinders, filers, and sharpeners.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Metalworkers and plastic workers, all other.....	259	594	21	48	(¹)	(¹)
Bookbinders and bindery workers.....	22	(¹)	(¹)	10	(¹)	(¹)
Job printers.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	7	(¹)	(¹)
Prepress technicians and workers.....	38	(¹)	(¹)	15	(¹)	(¹)
Printing machine operators.....	146	620	43	31	(¹)	(¹)
Laundry and dry-cleaning workers.....	139	391	11	84	\$362	\$14
Pressers, textile, garment, and related materials.....	39	(¹)	(¹)	23	(¹)	(¹)
Sewing machine operators.....	137	385	15	96	383	14
Shoe and leather workers and repairers.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Shoe machine operators and tenders.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Tailors, dressmakers, and sewers.....	32	(¹)	(¹)	25	(¹)	(¹)
Textile bleaching and dyeing machine operators and tenders.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Textile cutting machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Textile knitting and weaving machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Textile winding, twisting, and drawing out machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	16	(¹)	(¹)	12	(¹)	(¹)
Extruding and forming machine setters, operators, and tenders, synthetic and glass fibers.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Fabric and apparel patternmakers.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Upholsterers.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Textile, apparel, and furnishings workers, all other.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Cabinetmakers and bench carpenters.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Furniture finishers.....	8	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders, except sawing.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Woodworkers, all other.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Power plant operators, distributors, and dispatchers.....	37	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Stationary engineers and boiler operators.....	98	919	45	2	(¹)	(¹)
Water and liquid waste treatment plant and system operators.....	71	765	29	5	(¹)	(¹)
Miscellaneous plant and system operators.....	40	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Chemical processing machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers.....	97	601	24	10	(¹)	(¹)
Cutting workers.....	72	511	21	15	(¹)	(¹)
Extruding, forming, pressing, and compacting machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	30	(¹)	(¹)	6	(¹)	(¹)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Multiple machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tool and die makers.....	43	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Welding, soldering, and brazing workers.....	396	\$682	\$15	(²)
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Lay-out workers, metal and plastic.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Plating and coating machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tool grinders, filers, and sharpeners.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Metalworkers and plastic workers, all other.....	211	623	24	(²)
Bookbinders and bindery workers.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Job printers.....	30	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Prepress technicians and workers.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Printing machine operators.....	115	672	31	(²)
Laundry and dry-cleaning workers.....	55	493	43	73.4
Pressers, textile, garment, and related materials...	16	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Sewing machine operators.....	40	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Shoe and leather workers and repairers.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Shoe machine operators and tenders.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tailors, dressmakers, and sewers.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Textile bleaching and dyeing machine operators and tenders.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Textile cutting machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Textile knitting and weaving machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Textile winding, twisting, and drawing out machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Extruding and forming machine setters, operators, and tenders, synthetic and glass fibers.....	1	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Fabric and apparel patternmakers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Upholsterers.....	27	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Textile, apparel, and furnishings workers, all other.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Cabinetmakers and bench carpenters.....	31	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Furniture finishers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood.....	21	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders, except sawing.....	21	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Woodworkers, all other.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Power plant operators, distributors, and dispatchers.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Stationary engineers and boiler operators.....	95	925	56	(²)
Water and liquid waste treatment plant and system operators.....	66	787	67	(²)
Miscellaneous plant and system operators.....	39	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Chemical processing machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	43	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers.....	87	606	28	(²)
Cutting workers.....	57	541	51	(²)
Extruding, forming, pressing, and compacting machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	25	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Furnace, kiln, oven, drier, and kettle operators and tenders.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers.....	531	\$671	\$20	175	\$513	\$19
Jewelers and precious stone and metal workers.....	19	(¹)	(¹)	7	(¹)	(¹)
Medical, dental, and ophthalmic laboratory technicians.....	75	618	24	41	(¹)	(¹)
Packaging and filling machine operators and tenders.....	203	447	22	118	415	15
Painting workers.....	144	603	16	13	(¹)	(¹)
Photographic process workers and processing machine operators.....	40	(¹)	(¹)	25	(¹)	(¹)
Semiconductor processors.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Cementing and gluing machine operators and tenders.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	8	(¹)	(¹)
Cleaning, washing, and metal pickling equipment operators and tenders.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	3	(¹)	(¹)
Cooling and freezing equipment operators and tenders.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Etchers and engravers.....	7	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Molders, shapers, and casters, except metal and plastic.....	24	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	33	(¹)	(¹)	13	(¹)	(¹)
Tire builders.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Helpers—production workers.....	26	(¹)	(¹)	5	(¹)	(¹)
Production workers, all other.....	726	591	12	175	481	15
Transportation and material moving occupations.....	6,145	599	4	788	472	11
Supervisors, transportation and material moving workers.....	190	786	37	42	(¹)	(¹)
Aircraft pilots and flight engineers.....	92	1,650	101	-	-	-
Air traffic controllers and airfield operations specialists.....	30	(¹)	(¹)	7	(¹)	(¹)
Ambulance drivers and attendants, except emergency medical technicians.....	11	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Bus drivers.....	368	563	17	176	527	22
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers.....	2,460	685	9	92	512	44
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs.....	211	514	18	32	(¹)	(¹)
Motor vehicle operators, all other.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Locomotive engineers and operators.....	54	1,122	124	1	(¹)	(¹)
Railroad brake, signal, and switch operators.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Railroad conductors and yardmasters.....	49	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Subway, streetcar, and other rail transportation workers.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Sailors and marine oilers.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Ship and boat captains and operators.....	24	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Ship engineers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Bridge and lock tenders.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Parking lot attendants.....	65	421	23	8	(¹)	(¹)
Service station attendants.....	60	398	23	11	(¹)	(¹)
Transportation inspectors.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	4	(¹)	(¹)
Other transportation workers.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Conveyor operators and tenders.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	2	(¹)	(¹)
Crane and tower operators.....	58	778	57	-	-	-

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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Furnace, kiln, oven, drier, and kettle operators and tenders.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers.....	356	\$754	\$21	68.0
Jewelers and precious stone and metal workers.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Medical, dental, and ophthalmic laboratory technicians.....	34	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Packaging and filling machine operators and tenders.....	85	497	34	83.5
Painting workers.....	131	606	15	(²)
Photographic process workers and processing machine operators.....	15	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Semiconductor processors.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Cementing and gluing machine operators and tenders.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Cleaning, washing, and metal pickling equipment operators and tenders.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Cooling and freezing equipment operators and tenders.....	3	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Etchers and engravers.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Molders, shapers, and casters, except metal and plastic.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tire builders.....	20	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Helpers--production workers.....	21	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Production workers, all other.....	551	635	18	75.7
Transportation and material moving occupations.....	5,357	618	5	76.4
Supervisors, transportation and material moving workers.....	148	799	42	(²)
Aircraft pilots and flight engineers.....	92	1,652	100	(²)
Air traffic controllers and airfield operations specialists.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Ambulance drivers and attendants, except emergency medical technicians.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Bus drivers.....	193	605	32	87.1
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers.....	2,368	690	9	74.2
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs.....	179	519	18	(²)
Motor vehicle operators, all other.....	28	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Locomotive engineers and operators.....	53	1,140	88	(²)
Railroad brake, signal, and switch operators.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Railroad conductors and yardmasters.....	47	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Subway, streetcar, and other rail transportation workers.....	10	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Sailors and marine oilers.....	17	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Ship and boat captains and operators.....	24	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Ship engineers.....	6	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Bridge and lock tenders.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Parking lot attendants.....	57	415	22	(²)
Service station attendants.....	48	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Transportation inspectors.....	43	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Other transportation workers.....	13	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Conveyor operators and tenders.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Crane and tower operators.....	58	778	57	(²)

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Dredge, excavating, and loading machine operators.....	34	(¹)	(¹)	1	(¹)	(¹)
Hoist and winch operators.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Industrial truck and tractor operators.....	479	\$531	\$14	36	(¹)	(¹)
Cleaners of vehicles and equipment.....	214	421	10	23	(¹)	(¹)
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand.....	1,156	502	6	155	\$421	\$17
Machine feeders and offbearers.....	23	(¹)	(¹)	11	(¹)	(¹)
Packers and packagers, hand.....	289	408	12	168	389	13
Pumping station operators.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Refuse and recyclable material collectors.....	59	463	30	4	(¹)	(¹)
Shuttle car operators.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Tank car, truck, and ship loaders.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	-	-	-
Material moving workers, all other.....	45	(¹)	(¹)	9	(¹)	(¹)

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Dredge, excavating, and loading machine operators.....	32	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Hoist and winch operators.....	5	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Industrial truck and tractor operators.....	444	\$532	\$15	(²)
Cleaners of vehicles and equipment.....	190	423	11	(²)
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand.....	1,000	511	7	82.4
Machine feeders and offbearers.....	12	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Packers and packagers, hand.....	120	453	30	85.9
Pumping station operators.....	29	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Refuse and recyclable material collectors.....	55	473	65	(²)
Shuttle car operators.....	2	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Tank car, truck, and ship loaders.....	4	(¹)	(¹)	(²)
Material moving workers, all other.....	36	(¹)	(¹)	(²)

¹ Data not shown where base is less than 50,000.

² Data not shown where base for either the numerator or the denominator is less than 50,000.

NOTE: Dash indicates data not available or do not meet publication standards.

Table 3. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by State and sex, 2009 annual averages

State	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
UNITED STATES.....	99,820	\$739	\$2	44,712	\$657	\$2
Alabama.....	1,462	683	16	654	596	12
Alaska.....	236	879	21	102	729	19
Arizona.....	1,999	735	14	894	654	23
Arkansas.....	912	596	8	408	547	24
California.....	11,233	803	7	4,743	753	8
Colorado.....	1,762	797	16	749	723	18
Connecticut.....	1,200	965	23	536	824	30
Delaware.....	305	754	15	147	699	19
District of Columbia.....	245	952	14	123	938	17
Florida.....	5,775	704	8	2,760	626	7
Georgia.....	3,267	732	10	1,494	664	18
Hawaii.....	423	696	13	192	620	12
Idaho.....	444	653	13	185	578	16
Illinois.....	4,307	746	8	1,918	636	13
Indiana.....	2,048	714	15	928	627	14
Iowa.....	1,066	713	15	479	625	17
Kansas.....	979	685	16	434	591	15
Kentucky.....	1,305	654	13	571	567	19
Louisiana.....	1,491	650	15	695	518	13
Maine.....	411	712	15	185	623	16
Maryland.....	2,158	857	17	1,036	797	28
Massachusetts.....	2,190	945	12	985	797	24
Michigan.....	2,841	771	13	1,256	658	11
Minnesota.....	1,823	801	16	823	733	14
Mississippi.....	854	595	11	411	521	12
Missouri.....	2,038	681	15	974	596	12
Montana.....	290	626	12	135	549	16
Nebraska.....	650	688	13	296	607	15
Nevada.....	912	706	13	394	635	12
New Hampshire.....	483	839	20	215	716	20
New Jersey.....	3,076	886	13	1,375	761	11
New Mexico.....	603	694	16	275	618	14
New York.....	6,579	782	9	3,010	720	11
North Carolina.....	3,056	661	11	1,408	617	9
North Dakota.....	239	676	14	107	570	14
Ohio.....	3,656	707	8	1,622	623	10
Oklahoma.....	1,216	625	10	563	591	9
Oregon.....	1,098	740	17	485	652	18
Pennsylvania.....	4,098	740	8	1,862	654	9
Rhode Island.....	326	789	19	149	701	20
South Carolina.....	1,354	648	10	652	581	16
South Dakota.....	276	628	10	130	567	12
Tennessee.....	1,945	637	16	949	580	11
Texas.....	8,274	661	8	3,453	596	7
Utah.....	891	714	10	351	608	12
Vermont.....	219	745	16	101	668	21
Virginia.....	2,913	775	15	1,347	705	18
Washington.....	2,249	844	16	975	726	19
West Virginia.....	577	684	14	243	603	13
Wisconsin.....	1,877	744	9	858	660	16
Wyoming.....	191	785	14	78	616	14

See note at end of table.

Table 3. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by State and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

State	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
UNITED STATES.....	55,108	\$819	\$3	80.2
Alabama.....	808	800	22	74.5
Alaska.....	134	1,009	21	72.2
Arizona.....	1,105	860	28	76.0
Arkansas.....	504	620	10	88.2
California.....	6,490	849	14	88.7
Colorado.....	1,013	873	21	82.8
Connecticut.....	664	1,099	36	75.0
Delaware.....	158	825	26	84.7
District of Columbia.....	122	972	37	96.5
Florida.....	3,014	772	11	81.1
Georgia.....	1,773	789	28	84.2
Hawaii.....	231	761	19	81.5
Idaho.....	259	724	16	79.8
Illinois.....	2,388	851	18	74.7
Indiana.....	1,120	796	21	78.8
Iowa.....	587	777	19	80.4
Kansas.....	546	786	25	75.2
Kentucky.....	734	728	19	77.9
Louisiana.....	796	797	30	65.0
Maine.....	226	798	21	78.1
Maryland.....	1,122	913	22	87.3
Massachusetts.....	1,205	1,044	22	76.3
Michigan.....	1,585	895	14	73.5
Minnesota.....	1,000	877	23	83.6
Mississippi.....	444	655	20	79.5
Missouri.....	1,064	773	18	77.1
Montana.....	155	710	14	77.3
Nebraska.....	355	752	15	80.7
Nevada.....	518	787	23	80.7
New Hampshire.....	268	966	20	74.1
New Jersey.....	1,701	994	22	76.6
New Mexico.....	329	793	27	77.9
New York.....	3,568	858	12	83.9
North Carolina.....	1,648	698	14	88.4
North Dakota.....	132	757	12	75.3
Ohio.....	2,034	784	13	79.5
Oklahoma.....	653	678	19	87.2
Oregon.....	614	849	30	76.8
Pennsylvania.....	2,235	825	13	79.3
Rhode Island.....	177	901	34	77.8
South Carolina.....	702	724	19	80.2
South Dakota.....	146	698	13	81.2
Tennessee.....	996	735	21	78.9
Texas.....	4,821	732	10	81.4
Utah.....	541	809	16	75.2
Vermont.....	118	816	22	81.9
Virginia.....	1,566	877	30	80.4
Washington.....	1,274	959	33	75.7
West Virginia.....	334	753	20	80.1
Wisconsin.....	1,019	831	19	79.4
Wyoming.....	113	917	22	67.2

NOTE: Data refer to persons 16 years and older.

Table 4. **Median usual weekly earnings of part-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages**

Characteristic	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
AGE						
Total, 16 years and older.....	24,431	\$226	\$1	16,147	\$229	\$2
16 to 24 years.....	8,189	167	1	4,665	163	2
16 to 19 years.....	3,617	136	2	2,032	133	2
20 to 24 years.....	4,572	197	2	2,632	194	3
25 years and older.....	16,242	270	2	11,482	268	2
25 to 34 years.....	4,143	263	3	2,678	258	4
35 to 44 years.....	3,646	293	4	2,789	289	5
45 to 54 years.....	3,675	289	4	2,918	284	5
55 to 64 years.....	2,841	271	4	1,993	270	5
65 years and older.....	1,938	217	4	1,105	206	6
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
White.....	20,511	227	1	13,672	230	2
Black or African American.....	2,384	219	3	1,526	219	4
Asian.....	916	253	8	576	248	11
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	3,384	225	3	2,036	219	3
MARITAL STATUS						
Never married.....	10,811	186	1	5,978	181	2
Married, spouse present.....	10,253	281	3	7,626	279	3
Other marital status.....	3,366	247	3	2,543	242	4
Divorced.....	1,847	264	5	1,378	255	5
Separated.....	834	233	6	585	233	6
Widowed.....	686	219	7	580	218	8

See note at end of table.

Table 4. Median usual weekly earnings of part-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Characteristic	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
AGE				
Total, 16 years and older.....	8,284	\$222	\$2	103.2
16 to 24 years.....	3,525	172	2	94.8
16 to 19 years.....	1,585	140	3	95.0
20 to 24 years.....	1,940	202	3	96.0
25 years and older.....	4,760	275	3	97.5
25 to 34 years.....	1,465	271	4	95.2
35 to 44 years.....	856	304	8	95.1
45 to 54 years.....	757	310	10	91.6
55 to 64 years.....	848	274	8	98.5
65 years and older.....	833	233	8	88.4
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY				
White.....	6,839	222	2	103.6
Black or African American.....	857	220	5	99.5
Asian.....	341	260	14	95.4
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	1,347	237	5	92.4
MARITAL STATUS				
Never married.....	4,834	192	2	94.3
Married, spouse present.....	2,627	287	5	97.2
Other marital status.....	823	265	8	91.3
Divorced.....	469	300	13	85.0
Separated.....	248	235	12	99.1
Widowed.....	106	224	16	97.3

NOTE: Estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Table 5. **Median usual weekly earnings of wage and salary workers, by hours usually worked and sex, 2009 annual averages**

Hours of work	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Total, 16 years and older.....	124,490	\$627	\$2	60,951	\$542	\$3
1 to 34 hours.....	21,866	231	1	14,567	234	2
1 to 4 hours.....	491	57	3	324	56	3
5 to 9 hours.....	1,182	72	2	797	73	2
10 to 14 hours.....	1,897	108	1	1,264	110	1
15 to 19 hours.....	2,705	153	2	1,865	155	2
20 to 24 hours.....	6,437	212	1	4,268	218	2
25 to 29 hours.....	3,001	261	2	2,016	264	3
30 to 34 hours.....	6,154	332	4	4,031	341	4
35 or more hours.....	94,593	743	2	42,693	663	2
35 to 39 hours.....	8,284	494	4	5,535	505	5
40 hours.....	67,227	693	2	31,088	639	2
41 or more hours.....	19,082	1,143	5	6,069	1,014	9
41 to 44 hours.....	1,136	855	14	454	762	19
45 to 48 hours.....	5,337	992	10	1,974	938	11
49 to 59 hours.....	8,543	1,232	9	2,612	1,123	16
60 or more hours.....	4,066	1,273	23	1,029	1,132	26
Hours vary.....	8,031	411	6	3,692	307	5
Usually less than 35 hours.....	2,565	189	4	1,580	186	5
Usually 35 or more hours.....	5,227	626	11	2,020	463	17

See note at end of table.

Table 5. Median usual weekly earnings of wage and salary workers, by hours usually worked and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Hours of work	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Total, 16 years and older.....	63,539	\$737	\$3	73.5
1 to 34 hours.....	7,299	225	2	104.0
1 to 4 hours.....	166	59	5	94.9
5 to 9 hours.....	385	70	3	104.3
10 to 14 hours.....	632	105	2	104.8
15 to 19 hours.....	840	146	3	106.2
20 to 24 hours.....	2,168	203	2	107.4
25 to 29 hours.....	985	254	4	103.9
30 to 34 hours.....	2,123	319	3	106.9
35 or more hours.....	51,900	822	3	80.7
35 to 39 hours.....	2,749	472	8	107.0
40 hours.....	36,139	746	3	85.7
41 or more hours.....	13,012	1,203	10	84.3
41 to 44 hours.....	683	921	21	82.7
45 to 48 hours.....	3,363	1,039	14	90.3
49 to 59 hours.....	5,931	1,288	21	87.2
60 or more hours.....	3,036	1,346	18	84.1
Hours vary.....	4,339	575	15	53.4
Usually less than 35 hours.....	985	194	6	95.9
Usually 35 or more hours.....	3,207	748	15	61.9

NOTE: Data refer to the sole or principal job of full- and part-time workers. Estimates for the "hours vary" groups do not sum to totals because data are not presented for a small number of multiple jobholders whose usual number of hours on the principal job is not identifiable.

Table 6. Quartiles and selected deciles of usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages

Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Upper limit of:				
		First decile	First quartile	Second quartile (median)	Third quartile	Ninth decile
SEX, RACE, AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
Total, 16 years and older.....	99,820	\$350	\$492	\$739	\$1,146	\$1,744
Women.....	44,712	328	452	657	981	1,443
Men.....	55,108	377	526	819	1,272	1,910
White.....	80,873	357	502	757	1,167	1,773
Women.....	35,144	333	463	669	997	1,462
Men.....	45,730	383	547	845	1,318	1,930
Black or African American.....	11,713	317	416	601	893	1,266
Women.....	6,327	311	403	582	850	1,193
Men.....	5,386	328	439	621	945	1,373
Asian.....	4,923	372	542	880	1,380	1,920
Women.....	2,196	344	499	779	1,225	1,755
Men.....	2,727	392	595	952	1,528	2,162
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	14,624	298	383	541	810	1,247
Women.....	5,474	286	355	509	745	1,112
Men.....	9,150	309	398	569	856	1,331
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT						
Total, 25 years and older.....	90,863	375	518	774	1,187	1,800
Less than a high school diploma.....	7,289	281	343	454	617	859
High school, no college	25,377	341	454	626	894	1,230
Some college or associate's degree.....	25,117	382	513	726	1,030	1,422
Bachelor's degree and higher	33,080	554	768	1,137	1,680	2,388
Women, 25 years and older.....	40,769	345	479	687	1,016	1,485
Less than a high school diploma.....	2,370	252	304	382	501	630
High school, no college	10,619	313	402	542	734	988
Some college or associate's degree.....	12,181	351	470	630	877	1,173
Bachelor's degree and higher	15,599	507	700	970	1,386	1,905
Men, 25 years and older.....	50,094	400	581	873	1,345	1,978
Less than a high school diploma.....	4,919	296	378	500	686	935
High school, no college	14,758	379	505	716	995	1,363
Some college or associate's degree.....	12,936	423	591	835	1,174	1,589
Bachelor's degree and higher	17,481	608	884	1,327	1,907	2,880

NOTE: Ten percent of all full-time wage and salary workers earn less than the upper limit of the first decile; 25 percent earn less than the upper limit of the first quartile; 50 percent earn less than the upper limit of the second quartile, or median; 75 percent earn less than the upper limit of the third quartile; and 90 percent earn less than the upper limit of the ninth decile. Estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Table 7. Distribution of full-time wage and salary workers, by usual weekly earnings and selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by usual weekly earnings							
		Under \$150.00	\$150.00 to \$249.99	\$250.00 to \$349.99	\$350.00 to \$499.99	\$500.00 to \$749.99	\$750.00 to \$999.99	\$1,000.00 to \$1,499.99	\$1,500.00 or more
AGE AND SEX									
Total, 16 years and older.....	99,820	885	1,507	6,933	16,316	24,155	17,485	18,271	14,267
16 to 24 years.....	8,957	196	439	1,746	3,039	2,195	769	447	126
16 to 19 years.....	1,121	61	105	394	379	143	24	11	4
20 to 24 years.....	7,836	134	334	1,352	2,660	2,052	746	436	122
25 years and older.....	90,863	690	1,068	5,187	13,277	21,960	16,716	17,824	14,141
25 to 34 years.....	23,860	164	326	1,886	4,272	6,750	4,570	3,879	2,012
35 to 44 years.....	24,368	179	244	1,255	3,359	5,544	4,470	4,962	4,353
45 to 54 years.....	25,323	172	266	1,142	3,288	5,776	4,556	5,436	4,687
55 to 64 years.....	14,729	115	166	680	1,905	3,288	2,735	3,164	2,675
65 years and older.....	2,584	60	65	225	452	602	386	382	413
Women, 16 years and older.....	44,712	470	852	3,891	8,573	12,046	7,806	6,968	4,105
16 to 24 years.....	3,943	105	215	854	1,329	922	326	155	38
16 to 19 years.....	448	25	46	181	143	36	13	2	1
20 to 24 years.....	3,496	80	169	674	1,185	886	313	152	37
25 years and older.....	40,769	365	638	3,037	7,245	11,125	7,480	6,814	4,067
25 to 34 years.....	10,412	73	190	977	2,039	3,090	1,990	1,429	623
35 to 44 years.....	10,582	92	143	729	1,892	2,746	1,905	1,856	1,220
45 to 54 years.....	11,695	102	164	758	2,018	3,124	2,083	2,089	1,358
55 to 64 years.....	6,943	65	108	433	1,081	1,855	1,339	1,280	781
65 years and older.....	1,138	33	34	139	215	309	163	159	86
Men, 16 years and older.....	55,108	415	655	3,042	7,743	12,109	9,679	11,302	10,162
16 to 24 years.....	5,014	91	225	891	1,710	1,273	443	292	88
16 to 19 years.....	674	36	59	213	236	107	11	9	3
20 to 24 years.....	4,340	55	166	678	1,475	1,165	433	284	85
25 years and older.....	50,094	324	430	2,151	6,032	10,836	9,236	11,010	10,074
25 to 34 years.....	13,448	92	137	908	2,233	3,659	2,580	2,449	1,390
35 to 44 years.....	13,786	87	102	527	1,467	2,798	2,566	3,107	3,133
45 to 54 years.....	13,627	70	102	384	1,271	2,652	2,472	3,347	3,329
55 to 64 years.....	7,786	50	58	247	824	1,433	1,396	1,884	1,894
65 years and older.....	1,446	26	31	85	237	293	223	223	327

See note at end of table.

Table 7. Distribution of full-time wage and salary workers, by usual weekly earnings and selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages—Continued

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by usual weekly earnings							
		Under \$150.00	\$150.00 to \$249.99	\$250.00 to \$349.99	\$350.00 to \$499.99	\$500.00 to \$749.99	\$750.00 to \$999.99	\$1,000.00 to \$1,499.99	\$1,500.00 or more
RACE, HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY, AND SEX									
White.....	80,873	689	1,120	5,295	12,539	19,302	14,375	15,336	12,216
Women.....	35,144	373	626	2,891	6,505	9,506	6,223	5,664	3,355
Men.....	45,730	316	494	2,404	6,034	9,796	8,152	9,672	8,861
Black or African American....	11,713	121	255	1,174	2,671	3,294	1,917	1,520	762
Women.....	6,327	56	144	738	1,534	1,771	1,041	712	332
Men.....	5,386	65	111	435	1,137	1,523	876	808	430
Asian.....	4,923	56	87	247	641	956	830	1,038	1,069
Women.....	2,196	29	55	144	306	476	386	444	357
Men.....	2,727	27	32	103	335	480	444	594	712
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity...	14,624	128	373	2,134	3,747	3,862	1,884	1,558	939
Women.....	5,474	66	177	1,016	1,376	1,450	629	516	243
Men.....	9,150	62	196	1,118	2,371	2,411	1,255	1,042	695

NOTE: Estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Table 8. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by sex, marital status, and presence and age of own children under 18 years old, 2009 annual averages**

Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
WOMEN			
Total, all marital statuses.....	44,712	\$657	\$2
With children under 18 years.....	16,003	646	4
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger.....	9,847	653	5
With children under 6 years.....	6,156	635	7
With no children under 18 years.....	28,709	663	3
Total, married, spouse present.....	23,828	708	4
With children under 18 years.....	10,891	705	5
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger.....	6,558	687	7
With children under 6 years.....	4,333	730	7
With no children under 18 years.....	12,937	710	5
Total, other marital statuses ¹	20,884	607	3
With children under 18 years.....	5,112	546	6
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger.....	3,289	597	6
With children under 6 years.....	1,823	472	7
With no children under 18 years.....	15,772	625	4
MEN			
Total, all marital statuses.....	55,108	819	3
With children under 18 years.....	20,190	920	5
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger.....	10,898	963	7
With children under 6 years.....	9,292	873	8
With no children under 18 years.....	34,918	764	3
Total, married, spouse present.....	33,964	936	4
With children under 18 years.....	18,685	939	6
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger.....	10,021	978	7
With children under 6 years.....	8,663	897	8
With no children under 18 years.....	15,280	934	5
Total, other marital statuses ¹	21,143	653	4
With children under 18 years.....	1,505	702	13
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger.....	877	809	15
With children under 6 years.....	629	592	12
With no children under 18 years.....	19,638	649	4

¹ Includes never-married, divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

NOTE: Children refer to "own" children and include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children. Excluded are other related children such as grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins, as well as unrelated children.

Table 9. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages**

Characteristic	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median hourly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median hourly earnings	Standard error of median
AGE						
Total, 16 years and older.....	72,611	\$12.44	\$0.04	37,426	\$11.76	\$0.04
16 to 24 years.....	14,389	8.90	.03	7,344	8.58	.04
16 to 19 years.....	4,397	7.92	.02	2,345	7.82	.02
20 to 24 years.....	9,991	9.77	.04	4,999	9.19	.04
25 years and older.....	58,222	13.91	.03	30,082	12.76	.05
25 to 34 years.....	16,363	12.60	.08	7,827	11.96	.05
35 to 44 years.....	14,575	14.59	.11	7,385	13.00	.07
45 to 54 years.....	15,468	14.85	.05	8,381	13.09	.06
55 to 64 years.....	9,151	14.70	.11	5,017	13.59	.16
65 years and older.....	2,665	11.49	.17	1,473	11.11	.16
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
White.....	58,633	12.66	.04	29,760	11.83	.03
Black or African American.....	9,269	11.64	.10	5,231	11.01	.09
Asian.....	2,718	13.16	.24	1,460	12.67	.27
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	12,740	11.04	.06	5,449	10.09	.04
MARITAL STATUS						
Never married.....	25,437	10.06	.02	12,220	9.76	.04
Married, spouse present.....	34,919	14.62	.07	17,535	13.03	.05
Other marital status.....	12,254	12.89	.06	7,672	12.09	.05
Divorced.....	7,663	13.75	.11	4,752	12.80	.11
Separated.....	3,121	11.50	.24	1,736	10.56	.21
Widowed.....	1,470	12.02	.16	1,184	11.81	.18
UNION AFFILIATION¹						
Members of unions ²	9,150	18.24	.13	3,489	15.78	.19
Represented by a union ³	10,020	18.09	.08	3,939	15.76	.19
Not represented by a union.....	62,591	11.92	.02	33,487	11.21	.04
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT						
Total, 25 years and older.....	58,222	13.91	.03	30,082	12.76	.05
Less than a high school diploma.....	7,206	10.18	.03	2,850	9.21	.06
High school, no college.....	21,446	13.09	.04	10,272	11.66	.07
Some college or associate's degree.....	18,893	14.72	.08	10,598	13.32	.10
Bachelor's degree and higher.....	10,678	18.19	.16	6,362	17.89	.16

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 9. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages—Continued

Characteristic	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median hourly earnings	Standard error of median	
AGE				
Total, 16 years and older.....	35,185	\$13.76	\$0.07	85.5
16 to 24 years.....	7,045	9.22	.05	93.1
16 to 19 years.....	2,053	8.05	.03	97.1
20 to 24 years.....	4,992	9.99	.03	92.0
25 years and older.....	28,140	15.07	.03	84.7
25 to 34 years.....	8,536	13.20	.09	90.6
35 to 44 years.....	7,191	16.10	.10	80.7
45 to 54 years.....	7,087	16.99	.11	77.0
55 to 64 years.....	4,134	16.09	.19	84.5
65 years and older.....	1,192	12.00	.16	92.6
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY				
White.....	28,873	13.95	.05	84.8
Black or African American.....	4,038	12.27	.12	89.7
Asian.....	1,258	14.01	.18	90.4
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	7,291	11.92	.05	84.6
MARITAL STATUS				
Never married.....	13,218	10.45	.10	93.4
Married, spouse present.....	17,384	16.00	.07	81.4
Other marital status.....	4,583	14.44	.23	83.7
Divorced.....	2,912	15.13	.09	84.6
Separated.....	1,385	12.32	.20	85.7
Widowed.....	286	13.84	.90	85.3
UNION AFFILIATION ¹				
Members of unions ²	5,661	19.98	.08	79.0
Represented by a union ³	6,081	19.87	.07	79.3
Not represented by a union.....	29,103	12.65	.06	88.6
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Total, 25 years and older.....	28,140	15.07	.03	84.7
Less than a high school diploma.....	4,356	11.81	.06	78.0
High school, no college.....	11,174	15.01	.04	77.7
Some college or associate's degree.....	8,295	16.24	.15	82.0
Bachelor's degree and higher.....	4,316	19.21	.37	93.1

¹ Differences in earnings levels between workers with and without union affiliation reflect a variety of factors in addition to coverage by a collective bargaining agreement, including the distribution of male and female employees by occupation, industry, firm size, and geographic region.

² Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

³ Data refer to workers who report no union affiliation but whose jobs are covered by a union or an employee association contract, as well as to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

NOTE: Workers paid hourly rates represented 58 percent of all wage and salary workers in 2009. Estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Table 10. Distribution of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by hourly earnings and selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by hourly earnings								
		Under \$4.00	\$4.00 to \$4.99	\$5.00 to \$5.99	\$6.00 to \$7.99	\$8.00 to \$9.99	\$10.00 to \$11.99	\$12.00 to \$14.99	\$15.00 to \$19.99	\$20.00 or more
AGE AND SEX										
Total, 16 years and older.....	72,611	779	258	307	6,811	12,921	11,345	12,513	12,496	15,182
16 to 24 years.....	14,389	352	107	136	3,397	4,653	2,648	1,693	954	450
16 to 19 years.....	4,397	105	30	70	1,810	1,604	503	182	72	22
20 to 24 years.....	9,991	247	77	66	1,587	3,049	2,144	1,511	882	428
25 years and older.....	58,222	427	151	171	3,413	8,268	8,697	10,820	11,542	14,732
25 to 34 years.....	16,363	213	69	67	1,194	2,807	2,669	3,290	3,152	2,901
35 to 44 years.....	14,575	108	45	45	747	1,908	2,024	2,579	3,041	4,079
45 to 54 years.....	15,468	69	22	38	696	1,841	2,177	2,852	3,177	4,595
55 to 64 years.....	9,151	25	13	13	472	1,181	1,296	1,654	1,779	2,717
65 years and older.....	2,665	12	2	7	304	531	531	445	393	439
Women, 16 years and older.....	37,426	570	167	162	4,128	7,603	6,254	6,601	5,744	6,197
16 to 24 years.....	7,344	271	68	77	1,913	2,511	1,199	736	375	196
16 to 19 years.....	2,345	73	20	42	1,033	851	230	64	19	13
20 to 24 years.....	4,999	198	48	34	880	1,660	969	672	356	183
25 years and older.....	30,082	299	99	86	2,215	5,091	5,055	5,865	5,369	6,002
25 to 34 years.....	7,827	150	45	32	701	1,502	1,337	1,553	1,281	1,225
35 to 44 years.....	7,385	72	26	22	482	1,231	1,198	1,411	1,358	1,584
45 to 54 years.....	8,381	47	17	23	515	1,296	1,429	1,673	1,533	1,847
55 to 64 years.....	5,017	21	8	5	322	761	788	980	986	1,146
65 years and older.....	1,473	10	2	4	195	302	303	248	211	199
Men, 16 years and older.....	35,185	209	91	144	2,682	5,318	5,091	5,912	6,752	8,985
16 to 24 years.....	7,045	81	39	59	1,484	2,142	1,449	957	579	254
16 to 19 years.....	2,053	32	10	27	777	753	274	118	53	9
20 to 24 years.....	4,992	49	29	32	707	1,389	1,175	840	526	245
25 years and older.....	28,140	128	52	85	1,198	3,176	3,642	4,955	6,173	8,730
25 to 34 years.....	8,536	63	24	36	493	1,305	1,332	1,737	1,871	1,675
35 to 44 years.....	7,191	36	18	23	265	677	826	1,168	1,682	2,495
45 to 54 years.....	7,087	22	5	15	181	545	748	1,179	1,644	2,748
55 to 64 years.....	4,134	5	5	8	150	420	508	674	794	1,572
65 years and older.....	1,192	2	-	3	109	229	229	197	183	240

See note at end of table.

Table 10. **Distribution of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by hourly earnings and selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages—Continued**

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by hourly earnings								
		Under \$4.00	\$4.00 to \$4.99	\$5.00 to \$5.99	\$6.00 to \$7.99	\$8.00 to \$9.99	\$10.00 to \$11.99	\$12.00 to \$14.99	\$15.00 to \$19.99	\$20.00 or more
RACE, HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY, AND SEX										
White.....	58,633	676	233	240	5,341	10,157	8,968	9,992	10,197	12,829
Women.....	29,760	502	151	138	3,202	5,923	4,901	5,260	4,592	5,092
Men.....	28,873	173	82	102	2,139	4,234	4,068	4,732	5,605	7,737
Black or African American.....	9,269	59	5	40	1,085	1,900	1,644	1,755	1,512	1,270
Women.....	5,231	38	2	12	700	1,184	954	950	779	611
Men.....	4,038	21	3	28	385	716	690	805	733	658
Asian.....	2,718	32	8	19	179	454	410	444	447	725
Women.....	1,460	20	7	8	106	265	228	236	222	367
Men.....	1,258	12	1	10	73	189	182	208	225	358
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	12,740	93	26	51	1,345	3,076	2,297	2,322	1,913	1,617
Women.....	5,449	57	13	22	768	1,554	954	911	701	470
Men.....	7,291	37	13	29	577	1,522	1,343	1,411	1,211	1,148

NOTE: Workers paid hourly rates represented 58 percent of all wage and salary workers in 2009. Estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Dash indicates data not available or do not meet publication standards.

Table 11. Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing Federal minimum wage, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	Workers paid hourly rates				
	Total	Below prevailing Federal minimum wage	At prevailing Federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing Federal minimum wage	
				Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
AGE AND SEX					
Total, 16 years and older.....	72,611	2,592	980	3,572	4.9
16 to 24 years.....	14,389	1,229	508	1,737	12.1
16 to 19 years.....	4,397	530	288	818	18.6
20 to 24 years.....	9,991	699	220	919	9.2
25 years and older.....	58,222	1,363	472	1,835	3.2
25 to 34 years.....	16,363	557	159	716	4.4
35 to 44 years.....	14,575	336	104	440	3.0
45 to 54 years.....	15,468	250	100	350	2.3
55 to 64 years.....	9,151	140	69	209	2.3
65 years and older.....	2,665	80	40	120	4.5
Women, 16 years and older.....	37,426	1,603	612	2,215	5.9
16 to 24 years.....	7,344	769	295	1,064	14.5
16 to 19 years.....	2,345	329	167	496	21.2
20 to 24 years.....	4,999	440	127	567	11.3
25 years and older.....	30,082	833	318	1,151	3.8
25 to 34 years.....	7,827	341	96	437	5.6
35 to 44 years.....	7,385	194	71	265	3.6
45 to 54 years.....	8,381	168	79	247	2.9
55 to 64 years.....	5,017	83	46	129	2.6
65 years and older.....	1,473	48	26	74	5.0
Men, 16 years and older.....	35,185	990	368	1,358	3.9
16 to 24 years.....	7,045	460	214	674	9.6
16 to 19 years.....	2,053	201	121	322	15.7
20 to 24 years.....	4,992	259	93	352	7.1
25 years and older.....	28,140	530	154	684	2.4
25 to 34 years.....	8,536	216	63	279	3.3
35 to 44 years.....	7,191	142	33	175	2.4
45 to 54 years.....	7,087	82	21	103	1.5
55 to 64 years.....	4,134	57	23	80	1.9
65 years and older.....	1,192	32	14	46	3.9

Table 11. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing Federal minimum wage, by selected characteristics, 2009 annual averages—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	Workers paid hourly rates				
	Total	Below prevailing Federal minimum wage	At prevailing Federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing Federal minimum wage	
				Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
RACE, HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY, AND SEX					
White.....	58,633	2,094	763	2,857	4.9
Women.....	29,760	1,320	463	1,783	6.0
Men.....	28,873	774	300	1,074	3.7
Black or African American.....	9,269	327	168	495	5.3
Women.....	5,231	185	117	302	5.8
Men.....	4,038	142	50	192	4.8
Asian, 16 years and older.....	2,718	96	21	117	4.3
Women.....	1,460	55	15	70	4.8
Men.....	1,258	41	6	47	3.7
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	12,740	439	183	622	4.9
Women.....	5,449	229	102	331	6.1
Men.....	7,291	210	80	290	4.0
FULL- AND PART-TIME STATUS AND SEX¹					
Full-time workers.....	52,454	952	320	1,272	2.4
Women.....	24,066	511	183	694	2.9
Men.....	28,388	442	137	579	2.0
Part-time workers.....	20,027	1,625	656	2,281	11.4
Women.....	13,307	1,085	428	1,513	11.4
Men.....	6,721	540	229	769	11.4

¹ The distinction between full- and part-time workers is based on hours usually worked. These data do not sum to totals because full- or part-time status on the principal or main job is not identifiable for a small number of multiple jobholders.

NOTE: Estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Table 12. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979.....	\$241	\$172	\$144	\$186	\$265	\$255	\$280	\$276	\$262	\$198
1980.....	262	187	154	200	286	276	302	298	285	203
1981.....	284	200	161	213	308	296	326	320	309	222
1982.....	302	208	164	220	327	311	354	345	325	253
1983.....	313	211	164	223	343	321	370	367	346	261
1984.....	326	217	169	231	362	335	389	385	366	272
1985.....	344	224	174	240	379	349	406	400	381	297
1986 ¹	359	232	178	248	391	360	419	416	397	298
1987.....	374	243	186	259	403	373	435	429	405	310
1988.....	385	249	196	266	414	383	450	453	419	323
1989.....	399	259	204	276	427	394	472	472	431	334
1990 ¹	412	269	209	285	449	407	486	489	457	343
1991.....	426	277	213	291	467	415	498	507	469	381
1992.....	440	276	212	290	479	422	503	522	483	378
1993.....	459	282	214	297	491	436	517	542	492	393
1994 ¹	467	286	221	300	500	439	537	566	501	384
1995.....	479	292	231	306	510	451	550	582	514	389
1996.....	490	298	240	312	520	463	559	594	535	384
1997 ¹	503	306	252	321	540	481	579	607	558	393
1998 ¹	523	319	268	339	572	502	597	620	592	405
1999 ¹	549	341	281	363	592	518	611	652	604	404
2000 ¹	576	361	297	383	609	549	625	669	620	463
2001.....	596	375	305	394	630	576	657	693	638	488
2002.....	608	381	305	399	646	591	668	706	674	502
2003 ¹	620	387	311	402	662	594	687	723	708	516
2004.....	638	390	309	406	683	604	713	743	725	560
2005.....	651	397	318	411	696	610	731	748	742	569
2006.....	671	409	324	423	718	621	748	773	765	583
2007.....	695	424	337	450	738	643	769	790	803	605
2008 ¹	722	443	349	467	761	666	804	822	825	644
2009.....	739	442	344	464	774	678	817	838	841	684

See footnote at end of table.

Table 12. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979.....	\$182	\$154	\$132	\$161	\$195	\$199	\$196	\$192	\$189	\$170
1980.....	201	167	145	175	213	218	214	209	205	175
1981.....	219	180	154	191	233	239	238	225	222	189
1982.....	239	192	158	201	255	258	258	252	245	211
1983.....	252	198	158	207	268	272	272	264	257	212
1984.....	265	203	162	213	283	285	292	279	270	219
1985.....	277	211	166	221	296	296	307	292	285	242
1986 ¹	291	219	170	231	308	306	319	308	296	256
1987.....	303	227	172	242	321	316	337	324	308	261
1988.....	315	235	184	251	335	327	354	339	317	280
1989.....	328	246	197	260	351	340	370	357	333	292
1990 ¹	346	254	198	269	369	356	390	377	348	300
1991.....	366	266	205	280	387	371	407	398	363	319
1992.....	380	267	205	280	400	382	418	417	376	328
1993.....	393	273	205	289	415	395	435	440	395	335
1994 ¹	399	276	211	290	421	397	448	450	398	336
1995.....	406	275	215	291	428	403	453	464	403	353
1996.....	418	284	223	298	444	415	463	481	420	334
1997 ¹	431	292	240	306	462	427	482	495	433	348
1998 ¹	456	305	249	319	485	451	498	516	476	350
1999 ¹	473	324	266	343	497	470	503	534	492	370
2000 ¹	493	344	283	366	516	493	521	564	508	392
2001.....	512	353	288	375	543	512	547	587	536	390
2002.....	529	367	295	385	568	530	571	602	574	430
2003 ¹	552	371	299	387	584	546	590	609	601	435
2004.....	573	375	293	391	599	561	608	625	615	478
2005.....	585	381	304	396	612	573	621	644	639	492
2006.....	600	395	305	413	627	583	645	659	658	510
2007.....	614	409	318	426	646	597	668	677	679	534
2008 ¹	638	420	322	445	670	623	682	707	711	563
2009.....	657	424	323	445	687	634	709	712	727	602

See footnote at end of table.

Table 12. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979.....	\$292	\$196	\$155	\$211	\$314	\$295	\$336	\$338	\$312	\$219
1980.....	313	208	162	224	339	314	367	367	345	229
1981.....	340	218	168	237	372	340	397	396	377	266
1982.....	364	225	170	244	393	358	422	419	399	300
1983.....	379	223	168	242	407	371	442	444	416	308
1984.....	392	231	174	250	422	382	471	470	439	328
1985.....	407	241	183	258	443	394	487	489	467	367
1986 ¹	419	246	186	264	463	402	499	506	484	358
1987.....	434	257	196	275	477	412	510	520	495	380
1988.....	449	262	205	279	487	421	517	549	509	395
1989.....	468	271	209	290	500	434	542	569	521	393
1990 ¹	481	282	218	298	512	449	560	591	546	403
1991.....	493	285	219	300	523	458	576	612	563	467
1992.....	501	284	218	297	536	466	581	634	579	421
1993.....	510	288	221	303	555	476	596	653	586	451
1994 ¹	522	294	228	307	576	479	617	671	603	441
1995.....	538	303	244	315	588	490	624	685	623	441
1996.....	557	307	251	321	599	499	632	698	643	477
1997 ¹	579	317	262	338	615	515	651	713	669	452
1998 ¹	598	334	281	357	639	544	677	732	699	482
1999 ¹	618	356	291	379	668	577	702	763	725	470
2000 ¹	641	375	306	395	693	598	728	771	735	522
2001.....	670	391	319	408	720	617	754	799	760	565
2002.....	679	391	312	410	732	627	759	807	802	583
2003 ¹	695	398	321	412	744	628	775	834	827	612
2004.....	713	400	318	417	762	639	804	857	843	641
2005.....	722	409	330	422	771	644	822	853	855	644
2006.....	743	418	348	435	797	661	836	897	902	658
2007.....	766	443	357	472	823	687	873	909	933	686
2008 ¹	798	461	369	481	857	704	915	944	943	753
2009.....	819	458	356	479	873	715	916	967	965	791

See footnote at end of table.

Table 12. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S										
1979.....	62.3	78.6	85.2	76.3	62.1	67.5	58.3	56.8	60.6	77.6
1980.....	64.2	80.3	89.5	78.1	62.8	69.4	58.3	56.9	59.4	76.4
1981.....	64.4	82.6	91.7	80.6	62.6	70.3	59.9	56.8	58.9	71.1
1982.....	65.7	85.3	92.9	82.4	64.9	72.1	61.1	60.1	61.4	70.3
1983.....	66.5	88.8	94.0	85.5	65.8	73.3	61.5	59.5	61.8	68.8
1984.....	67.6	87.9	93.1	85.2	67.1	74.6	62.0	59.4	61.5	66.8
1985.....	68.1	87.6	90.7	85.7	66.8	75.1	63.0	59.7	61.0	65.9
1986 ¹	69.5	89.0	91.4	87.5	66.5	76.1	63.9	60.9	61.2	71.5
1987.....	69.8	88.3	87.8	88.0	67.3	76.7	66.1	62.3	62.2	68.7
1988.....	70.2	89.7	89.8	90.0	68.8	77.7	68.5	61.7	62.3	70.9
1989.....	70.1	90.8	94.3	89.7	70.2	78.3	68.3	62.7	63.9	74.3
1990 ¹	71.9	90.1	90.8	90.3	72.1	79.3	69.6	63.8	63.7	74.4
1991.....	74.2	93.3	93.6	93.3	74.0	81.0	70.7	65.0	64.5	68.3
1992.....	75.8	94.0	94.0	94.3	74.6	82.0	71.9	65.8	64.9	77.9
1993.....	77.1	94.8	92.8	95.4	74.8	83.0	73.0	67.4	67.4	74.3
1994 ¹	76.4	93.9	92.5	94.5	73.1	82.9	72.6	67.1	66.0	76.2
1995.....	75.5	90.8	88.1	92.4	72.8	82.2	72.6	67.7	64.7	80.0
1996.....	75.0	92.5	88.8	92.8	74.1	83.2	73.3	68.9	65.3	70.0
1997 ¹	74.4	92.1	91.6	90.5	75.1	82.9	74.0	69.4	64.7	77.0
1998 ¹	76.3	91.3	88.6	89.4	75.9	82.9	73.6	70.5	68.1	72.6
1999 ¹	76.5	91.0	91.4	90.5	74.4	81.5	71.7	70.0	67.9	78.7
2000 ¹	76.9	91.7	92.5	92.7	74.5	82.4	71.6	73.2	69.1	75.1
2001.....	76.4	90.3	90.3	91.9	75.4	83.0	72.5	73.5	70.5	69.0
2002.....	77.9	93.9	94.6	93.9	77.6	84.5	75.2	74.6	71.6	73.8
2003 ¹	79.4	93.2	93.1	93.9	78.5	86.9	76.1	73.0	72.7	71.1
2004.....	80.4	93.8	92.1	93.8	78.6	87.8	75.6	72.9	73.0	74.6
2005.....	81.0	93.2	92.1	93.8	79.4	89.0	75.5	75.5	74.7	76.4
2006.....	80.8	94.5	87.6	94.9	78.7	88.2	77.2	73.5	72.9	77.5
2007.....	80.2	92.3	89.1	90.3	78.5	86.9	76.5	74.5	72.8	77.8
2008 ¹	79.9	91.1	87.3	92.5	78.2	88.5	74.5	74.9	75.4	74.8
2009.....	80.2	92.6	90.7	92.9	78.7	88.7	77.4	73.6	75.3	76.1

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Table 13. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979.....	\$664	\$474	\$397	\$512	\$730	\$702	\$771	\$760	\$722	\$545
1980.....	649	463	381	495	708	683	748	738	705	502
1981.....	643	452	364	482	697	670	738	724	699	502
1982.....	644	443	350	469	697	663	755	736	693	539
1983.....	640	431	335	456	701	656	757	751	708	534
1984.....	640	426	332	454	711	658	764	756	719	534
1985.....	654	426	331	456	721	663	772	760	724	565
1986 ¹	670	433	332	463	729	672	782	776	741	556
1987.....	675	439	336	468	727	673	785	774	731	560
1988.....	671	434	341	463	721	667	784	789	730	563
1989.....	666	432	341	461	713	658	788	788	720	558
1990 ¹	655	428	332	453	714	647	773	777	727	545
1991.....	654	425	327	447	717	637	765	779	720	585
1992.....	659	413	317	434	717	632	753	781	723	566
1993.....	671	412	313	434	718	637	756	792	719	575
1994 ¹	668	409	316	429	715	628	768	810	717	549
1995.....	669	408	323	427	712	630	768	813	718	543
1996.....	667	405	327	424	707	630	761	808	728	522
1997 ¹	670	407	336	427	719	640	771	808	743	523
1998 ¹	687	419	352	445	752	660	784	815	778	532
1999 ¹	707	439	362	467	762	667	786	839	777	520
2000 ¹	717	450	370	477	758	684	778	833	772	577
2001.....	722	454	369	477	763	697	795	839	772	591
2002.....	725	454	364	476	770	704	796	841	803	598
2003 ¹	723	451	362	469	772	692	801	843	825	601
2004.....	724	443	351	461	775	686	809	843	823	636
2005.....	715	436	349	452	765	670	803	822	815	625
2006.....	714	435	345	450	764	661	796	822	814	620
2007.....	719	438	349	465	763	665	795	817	830	626
2008 ¹	719	441	348	465	758	663	801	819	822	641
2009.....	739	442	344	464	774	678	817	838	841	684

See footnote at end of table.

Table 13. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979.....	\$501	\$424	\$364	\$444	\$537	\$548	\$540	\$529	\$521	\$468
1980.....	498	413	359	433	527	540	530	517	507	433
1981.....	495	407	348	432	527	541	538	509	502	428
1982.....	510	409	337	429	544	550	550	537	522	450
1983.....	515	405	323	423	548	556	556	540	526	434
1984.....	521	399	318	418	556	560	574	548	530	430
1985.....	527	401	316	420	563	563	584	555	542	460
1986 ¹	543	409	317	431	575	571	595	575	552	478
1987.....	547	410	310	437	579	570	608	585	556	471
1988.....	549	409	321	437	584	570	617	591	552	488
1989.....	548	411	329	434	586	568	618	596	556	487
1990 ¹	550	404	315	428	587	566	620	599	553	477
1991.....	562	409	315	430	594	570	625	611	558	490
1992.....	569	400	307	419	599	572	626	624	563	491
1993.....	575	399	300	423	607	577	636	643	577	490
1994 ¹	571	395	302	415	602	568	641	644	569	481
1995.....	567	384	300	406	598	563	633	648	563	493
1996.....	569	386	303	405	604	565	630	654	571	454
1997 ¹	574	389	320	407	615	569	642	659	577	463
1998 ¹	599	401	327	419	637	593	654	678	625	460
1999 ¹	609	417	342	441	640	605	647	687	633	476
2000 ¹	614	428	352	456	643	614	649	702	633	488
2001.....	620	427	349	454	657	620	662	711	649	472
2002.....	631	437	352	459	677	632	681	718	684	513
2003 ¹	643	432	348	451	681	636	688	710	700	507
2004.....	650	426	333	444	680	637	690	709	698	543
2005.....	643	419	334	435	673	630	682	708	702	541
2006.....	638	420	324	439	667	620	686	701	700	543
2007.....	635	423	329	441	668	617	691	700	702	552
2008 ¹	635	418	321	443	667	621	679	704	708	561
2009.....	657	424	323	445	687	634	709	712	727	602

See footnote at end of table.

Table 13. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979.....	\$804	\$540	\$427	\$581	\$865	\$813	\$926	\$931	\$860	\$603
1980.....	775	515	401	554	839	777	908	908	854	567
1981.....	769	493	380	536	842	769	898	896	853	602
1982.....	776	480	362	520	838	763	900	893	851	640
1983.....	775	456	344	495	832	759	904	908	851	630
1984.....	770	454	342	491	829	750	925	923	862	644
1985.....	774	458	348	490	842	749	926	930	888	698
1986 ¹	782	459	347	493	864	750	931	944	903	668
1987.....	783	464	354	496	861	744	921	939	894	686
1988.....	782	456	357	486	848	733	901	956	887	688
1989.....	781	452	349	484	835	725	905	950	870	656
1990 ¹	765	448	347	474	814	714	890	940	868	641
1991.....	757	438	336	461	803	704	885	940	865	717
1992.....	750	425	326	445	802	698	870	949	867	630
1993.....	746	421	323	443	811	696	871	955	857	659
1994 ¹	747	421	326	439	824	685	883	960	863	631
1995.....	751	423	341	440	821	684	872	957	870	616
1996.....	758	418	341	437	815	679	860	950	875	649
1997 ¹	771	422	349	450	819	686	867	949	891	602
1998 ¹	786	439	369	469	840	715	890	962	919	633
1999 ¹	795	458	375	488	860	743	903	982	933	605
2000 ¹	798	467	381	492	863	745	907	960	915	650
2001.....	811	473	386	494	872	747	913	967	920	684
2002.....	809	466	372	489	872	747	905	962	956	695
2003 ¹	810	464	374	480	867	732	903	972	964	713
2004.....	809	454	361	473	865	725	913	973	957	728
2005.....	793	449	363	464	847	708	903	937	940	708
2006.....	790	445	370	463	848	703	889	954	960	700
2007.....	792	458	369	488	851	710	903	940	965	709
2008 ¹	795	459	368	479	854	701	911	940	939	750
2009.....	819	458	356	479	873	715	916	967	965	791

¹ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

NOTE: The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 14. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979.....	\$241	\$248	\$199	-	\$194
1980.....	262	269	212	-	209
1981.....	284	291	235	-	223
1982.....	302	310	245	-	240
1983.....	313	320	261	-	250
1984.....	326	336	269	-	259
1985.....	344	356	277	-	270
1986 ¹	359	371	291	-	277
1987.....	374	384	301	-	285
1988.....	385	395	314	-	290
1989.....	399	409	319	-	298
1990 ¹	412	424	329	-	304
1991.....	426	442	348	-	312
1992.....	440	458	357	-	321
1993.....	459	475	369	-	331
1994 ¹	467	484	371	-	324
1995.....	479	494	383	-	329
1996.....	490	506	387	-	339
1997 ¹	503	519	400	-	351
1998 ¹	523	545	426	-	370
1999 ¹	549	573	445	-	385
2000 ¹	576	590	474	\$615	399
2001.....	596	610	491	639	417
2002.....	608	623	498	658	424
2003 ¹	620	636	514	693	440
2004.....	638	657	525	708	456
2005.....	651	672	520	753	471
2006.....	671	690	554	784	486
2007.....	695	716	569	830	503
2008 ¹	722	742	589	861	529
2009.....	739	757	601	880	541

See footnote at end of table.

Table 14. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979.....	\$182	\$184	\$169	-	\$157
1980.....	201	203	185	-	172
1981.....	219	221	206	-	190
1982.....	239	242	217	-	203
1983.....	252	254	232	-	215
1984.....	265	268	241	-	223
1985.....	277	281	252	-	230
1986 ¹	291	294	264	-	241
1987.....	303	307	276	-	251
1988.....	315	318	288	-	260
1989.....	328	334	301	-	269
1990 ¹	346	353	308	-	278
1991.....	366	373	323	-	292
1992.....	380	387	335	-	302
1993.....	393	401	348	-	313
1994 ¹	399	408	346	-	305
1995.....	406	415	355	-	305
1996.....	418	428	362	-	316
1997 ¹	431	444	375	-	318
1998 ¹	456	468	400	-	337
1999 ¹	473	483	409	-	348
2000 ¹	493	502	429	\$547	366
2001.....	512	522	454	563	388
2002.....	529	547	473	566	397
2003 ¹	552	567	491	598	410
2004.....	573	584	505	613	419
2005.....	585	596	499	665	429
2006.....	600	609	519	699	440
2007.....	614	626	533	731	473
2008 ¹	638	654	554	753	501
2009.....	657	669	582	779	509

See footnote at end of table.

Table 14. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979.....	\$292	\$298	\$227	-	\$219
1980.....	313	320	244	-	234
1981.....	340	350	268	-	251
1982.....	364	375	278	-	269
1983.....	379	387	294	-	274
1984.....	392	401	303	-	287
1985.....	407	418	305	-	296
1986 ¹	419	433	319	-	299
1987.....	434	450	327	-	306
1988.....	449	465	348	-	308
1989.....	468	482	348	-	315
1990 ¹	481	494	361	-	318
1991.....	493	506	375	-	323
1992.....	501	514	380	-	339
1993.....	510	524	392	-	346
1994 ¹	522	547	400	-	343
1995.....	538	566	411	-	350
1996.....	557	580	412	-	356
1997 ¹	579	595	432	-	371
1998 ¹	598	615	468	-	390
1999 ¹	618	638	488	-	406
2000 ¹	641	662	510	\$685	417
2001.....	670	689	529	732	440
2002.....	679	702	524	756	451
2003 ¹	695	715	555	772	464
2004.....	713	732	569	802	480
2005.....	722	743	559	825	489
2006.....	743	761	591	882	505
2007.....	766	788	600	936	520
2008 ¹	798	825	620	966	559
2009.....	819	845	621	952	569

See footnote at end of table.

Table 14. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S					
1979.....	62.3	61.7	74.4	-	71.7
1980.....	64.2	63.4	75.8	-	73.5
1981.....	64.4	63.1	76.9	-	75.7
1982.....	65.7	64.5	78.1	-	75.5
1983.....	66.5	65.6	78.9	-	78.5
1984.....	67.6	66.8	79.5	-	77.7
1985.....	68.1	67.2	82.6	-	77.7
1986 ¹	69.5	67.9	82.8	-	80.6
1987.....	69.8	68.2	84.4	-	82.0
1988.....	70.2	68.4	82.8	-	84.4
1989.....	70.1	69.3	86.5	-	85.4
1990 ¹	71.9	71.5	85.3	-	87.4
1991.....	74.2	73.7	86.1	-	90.4
1992.....	75.8	75.3	88.2	-	89.1
1993.....	77.1	76.5	88.8	-	90.5
1994 ¹	76.4	74.6	86.5	-	88.9
1995.....	75.5	73.3	86.4	-	87.1
1996.....	75.0	73.8	87.9	-	88.8
1997 ¹	74.4	74.6	86.8	-	85.7
1998 ¹	76.3	76.1	85.5	-	86.4
1999 ¹	76.5	75.7	83.8	-	85.7
2000 ¹	76.9	75.8	84.1	79.9	87.8
2001.....	76.4	75.8	85.8	76.9	88.2
2002.....	77.9	77.9	90.3	74.9	88.0
2003 ¹	79.4	79.3	88.5	77.5	88.4
2004.....	80.4	79.8	88.8	76.4	87.3
2005.....	81.0	80.2	89.3	80.6	87.7
2006.....	80.8	80.0	87.8	79.3	87.1
2007.....	80.2	79.4	88.8	78.1	91.0
2008 ¹	79.9	79.3	89.4	78.0	89.6
2009.....	80.2	79.2	93.7	81.8	89.5

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NOTE: As of 2003, estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) include persons who selected that race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Asian data for 2000–2002 are for Asians and Pacific Islanders. As of 2003, Asians constitute a separate category. Data for Asians were not tabulated prior to 2000. Dash indicates data not available.

Table 15. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979.....	\$664	\$683	\$548	-	\$534
1980.....	649	666	525	-	517
1981.....	643	658	532	-	505
1982.....	644	661	522	-	512
1983.....	640	654	534	-	511
1984.....	640	660	528	-	509
1985.....	654	677	527	-	513
1986 ¹	670	692	543	-	517
1987.....	675	693	543	-	514
1988.....	671	688	547	-	505
1989.....	666	683	533	-	497
1990 ¹	655	674	523	-	483
1991.....	654	679	535	-	479
1992.....	659	686	534	-	481
1993.....	671	694	539	-	484
1994 ¹	668	692	531	-	464
1995.....	669	690	535	-	459
1996.....	667	688	527	-	461
1997 ¹	670	691	533	-	467
1998 ¹	687	716	560	-	486
1999 ¹	707	737	573	-	495
2000 ¹	717	735	590	\$766	497
2001.....	722	738	594	774	505
2002.....	725	743	594	784	505
2003 ¹	723	741	599	808	513
2004.....	724	746	596	804	518
2005.....	715	738	571	827	518
2006.....	714	734	589	834	517
2007.....	719	740	588	858	520
2008 ¹	719	739	587	858	527
2009.....	739	757	601	880	541

See footnote at end of table.

Table 15. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979.....	\$501	\$507	\$466	-	\$433
1980.....	498	502	458	-	426
1981.....	495	500	466	-	430
1982.....	510	516	463	-	433
1983.....	515	519	474	-	440
1984.....	521	527	473	-	438
1985.....	527	534	479	-	437
1986 ¹	543	549	493	-	450
1987.....	547	554	498	-	453
1988.....	549	554	502	-	453
1989.....	548	558	503	-	449
1990 ¹	550	561	490	-	442
1991.....	562	573	496	-	449
1992.....	569	579	501	-	452
1993.....	575	586	509	-	458
1994 ¹	571	584	495	-	436
1995.....	567	580	496	-	426
1996.....	569	582	493	-	430
1997 ¹	574	591	499	-	423
1998 ¹	599	615	526	-	443
1999 ¹	609	622	526	-	448
2000 ¹	614	625	534	\$681	456
2001.....	620	632	550	682	470
2002.....	631	652	564	675	473
2003 ¹	643	661	572	697	478
2004.....	650	663	573	696	476
2005.....	643	655	548	731	471
2006.....	638	648	552	744	468
2007.....	635	647	551	756	489
2008 ¹	635	651	552	750	499
2009.....	657	669	582	779	509

See footnote at end of table.

Table 15. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979.....	\$804	\$821	\$625	-	\$603
1980.....	775	792	604	-	579
1981.....	769	792	606	-	568
1982.....	776	800	593	-	574
1983.....	775	791	601	-	560
1984.....	770	788	595	-	564
1985.....	774	795	580	-	563
1986 ¹	782	808	595	-	558
1987.....	783	812	590	-	552
1988.....	782	810	606	-	537
1989.....	781	805	581	-	526
1990 ¹	765	785	574	-	506
1991.....	757	777	576	-	496
1992.....	750	769	569	-	507
1993.....	746	766	573	-	506
1994 ¹	747	783	572	-	491
1995.....	751	791	574	-	489
1996.....	758	789	561	-	484
1997 ¹	771	792	575	-	494
1998 ¹	786	808	615	-	512
1999 ¹	795	821	628	-	523
2000 ¹	798	824	635	\$853	519
2001.....	811	834	640	886	533
2002.....	809	837	625	901	538
2003 ¹	810	833	647	900	541
2004.....	809	831	646	910	545
2005.....	793	816	614	907	537
2006.....	790	810	629	938	537
2007.....	792	815	620	968	538
2008 ¹	795	822	618	962	557
2009.....	819	845	621	952	569

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NOTE: As of 2003, estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) include persons who selected that race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Asian data for 2000–2002 are for Asians and Pacific Islanders. As of 2003, Asians constitute a separate category. Data for Asians were not tabulated prior to 2000. Dash indicates data not available. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 16. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2009 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
BOTH SEXES					
1979.....	\$265	\$210	\$249	\$282	\$344
1980.....	286	222	266	304	376
1981.....	308	240	286	324	407
1982.....	327	248	302	351	438
1983.....	343	256	311	363	461
1984.....	362	263	323	382	486
1985.....	379	270	333	399	506
1986 ¹	391	278	344	409	525
1987.....	403	284	356	421	564
1988.....	414	288	368	430	585
1989.....	427	297	375	452	609
1990 ¹	449	303	386	476	638
1991.....	467	307	397	489	666
1992.....	479	311	403	484	696
1993.....	491	314	415	494	715
1994 ¹	500	307	421	499	733
1995.....	510	309	432	508	747
1996.....	520	317	443	518	758
1997 ¹	540	321	461	535	779
1998 ¹	572	337	479	558	821
1999 ¹	592	346	490	580	860
2000 ¹	609	362	505	596	891
2001.....	630	382	520	617	921
2002.....	646	388	535	629	941
2003 ¹	662	396	554	639	964
2004.....	683	401	574	661	986
2005.....	696	409	583	670	1,013
2006.....	718	419	595	692	1,039
2007.....	738	428	604	704	1,072
2008 ¹	761	453	618	722	1,115
2009.....	774	454	626	726	1,137

See footnote at end of table.

Table 16. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
WOMEN					
1979.....	\$195	\$152	\$185	\$211	\$264
1980.....	213	164	201	231	290
1981.....	233	175	217	255	318
1982.....	255	184	236	274	346
1983.....	268	195	246	288	369
1984.....	283	200	259	305	390
1985.....	296	202	268	317	414
1986 ¹	308	208	277	330	436
1987.....	321	214	288	347	466
1988.....	335	221	298	360	485
1989.....	351	231	304	379	507
1990 ¹	369	240	315	395	535
1991.....	387	250	328	409	562
1992.....	400	256	337	407	594
1993.....	415	263	347	422	611
1994 ¹	421	257	351	423	634
1995.....	428	262	356	427	644
1996.....	444	268	365	442	657
1997 ¹	462	275	378	459	672
1998 ¹	485	283	396	476	707
1999 ¹	497	290	405	488	740
2000 ¹	516	304	420	505	756
2001.....	543	316	443	520	786
2002.....	568	325	458	543	809
2003 ¹	584	329	474	560	832
2004.....	599	334	488	577	860
2005.....	612	341	493	587	883
2006.....	627	358	500	602	905
2007.....	646	369	512	609	932
2008 ¹	670	378	520	628	955
2009.....	687	382	542	630	970

See footnote at end of table.

Table 16. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
MEN					
1979.....	\$314	\$252	\$308	\$329	\$396
1980.....	339	267	327	358	427
1981.....	372	286	356	389	475
1982.....	393	293	374	411	503
1983.....	407	301	388	422	518
1984.....	422	308	399	446	562
1985.....	443	314	407	472	590
1986 ¹	463	321	416	485	618
1987.....	477	324	423	497	653
1988.....	487	332	437	503	679
1989.....	500	346	450	517	705
1990 ¹	512	349	459	542	741
1991.....	523	349	470	563	764
1992.....	536	351	479	555	791
1993.....	555	356	487	572	806
1994 ¹	576	342	496	587	826
1995.....	588	347	507	596	845
1996.....	599	357	516	604	874
1997 ¹	615	365	535	621	896
1998 ¹	639	383	559	643	939
1999 ¹	668	395	580	665	977
2000 ¹	693	406	591	691	1,020
2001.....	720	419	609	723	1,067
2002.....	732	421	617	731	1,090
2003 ¹	744	429	628	740	1,131
2004.....	762	446	645	761	1,143
2005.....	771	455	652	766	1,167
2006.....	797	469	678	796	1,205
2007.....	823	481	689	810	1,243
2008 ¹	857	497	709	830	1,285
2009.....	873	500	716	835	1,327

See footnote at end of table.

Table 16. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S					
1979.....	62.1	60.3	60.1	64.1	66.7
1980.....	62.8	61.4	61.5	64.5	67.9
1981.....	62.6	61.2	61.0	65.6	66.9
1982.....	64.9	62.8	63.1	66.7	68.8
1983.....	65.8	64.8	63.4	68.2	71.2
1984.....	67.1	64.9	64.9	68.4	69.4
1985.....	66.8	64.3	65.8	67.2	70.2
1986 ¹	66.5	64.8	66.6	68.0	70.6
1987.....	67.3	66.0	68.1	69.8	71.4
1988.....	68.8	66.6	68.2	71.6	71.4
1989.....	70.2	66.8	67.6	73.3	71.9
1990 ¹	72.1	68.8	68.6	72.9	72.2
1991.....	74.0	71.6	69.8	72.6	73.6
1992.....	74.6	72.9	70.4	73.3	75.1
1993.....	74.8	73.9	71.3	73.8	75.8
1994 ¹	73.1	75.1	70.8	72.1	76.8
1995.....	72.8	75.5	70.2	71.6	76.2
1996.....	74.1	75.1	70.7	73.2	75.2
1997 ¹	75.1	75.3	70.7	73.9	75.0
1998 ¹	75.9	73.9	70.8	74.0	75.3
1999 ¹	74.4	73.4	69.8	73.4	75.7
2000 ¹	74.5	74.9	71.1	73.1	74.1
2001.....	75.4	75.4	72.7	71.9	73.7
2002.....	77.6	77.2	74.2	74.3	74.2
2003 ¹	78.5	76.7	75.5	75.7	73.6
2004.....	78.6	74.9	75.7	75.8	75.2
2005.....	79.4	74.9	75.6	76.6	75.7
2006.....	78.7	76.3	73.7	75.6	75.1
2007.....	78.5	76.7	74.3	75.2	75.0
2008 ³	78.2	76.1	73.3	75.7	74.3
2009.....	78.7	76.4	75.7	75.4	73.1

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Table 17. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2009 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
BOTH SEXES					
1979.....	\$730	\$579	\$686	\$777	\$948
1980.....	708	550	658	752	931
1981.....	697	543	647	733	921
1982.....	697	529	644	748	934
1983.....	701	524	636	742	943
1984.....	711	517	635	750	955
1985.....	721	513	633	759	962
1986 ¹	729	519	642	763	979
1987.....	727	513	643	760	1,018
1988.....	721	502	641	749	1,019
1989.....	713	496	626	755	1,017
1990 ¹	714	482	614	757	1,014
1991.....	717	472	610	751	1,023
1992.....	717	466	603	725	1,042
1993.....	718	459	607	722	1,045
1994 ¹	715	439	602	714	1,049
1995.....	712	432	603	709	1,043
1996.....	707	431	603	705	1,031
1997 ¹	719	427	614	712	1,037
1998 ¹	752	443	629	733	1,079
1999 ¹	762	445	631	746	1,107
2000 ¹	758	451	629	742	1,110
2001.....	763	462	630	747	1,115
2002.....	770	462	638	750	1,122
2003 ¹	772	462	646	745	1,124
2004.....	775	455	652	750	1,119
2005.....	765	449	641	736	1,113
2006.....	764	446	633	736	1,105
2007.....	763	443	625	728	1,109
2008 ¹	758	451	616	719	1,111
2009.....	774	454	626	726	1,137

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 17. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
WOMEN					
1979.....	\$537	\$419	\$510	\$581	\$727
1980.....	527	406	498	572	718
1981.....	527	396	491	577	719
1982.....	544	392	503	584	738
1983.....	548	399	503	589	755
1984.....	556	393	509	599	766
1985.....	563	384	510	603	787
1986 ¹	575	388	517	616	813
1987.....	579	386	520	626	841
1988.....	584	385	519	627	845
1989.....	586	386	508	633	846
1990 ¹	587	382	501	628	851
1991.....	594	384	504	628	863
1992.....	599	383	504	609	889
1993.....	607	385	507	617	893
1994 ¹	602	368	502	605	907
1995.....	598	366	497	596	899
1996.....	604	365	497	601	894
1997 ¹	615	366	503	611	895
1998 ¹	637	372	520	625	929
1999 ¹	640	373	521	628	952
2000 ¹	643	379	523	629	941
2001.....	657	383	536	630	952
2002.....	677	387	546	647	964
2003 ¹	681	383	552	653	970
2004.....	680	379	554	655	976
2005.....	673	375	542	645	970
2006.....	667	381	532	640	963
2007.....	668	382	529	630	964
2008 ¹	667	376	518	625	951
2009.....	687	382	542	630	970

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 17. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
MEN					
1979.....	\$865	\$694	\$848	\$906	\$1,091
1980.....	839	661	809	886	1,057
1981.....	842	647	805	880	1,075
1982.....	838	625	797	876	1,072
1983.....	832	616	793	863	1,059
1984.....	829	605	784	876	1,104
1985.....	842	597	774	897	1,122
1986 ¹	864	599	776	905	1,153
1987.....	861	585	764	897	1,179
1988.....	848	578	761	876	1,183
1989.....	835	578	751	863	1,177
1990 ¹	814	555	730	862	1,178
1991.....	803	536	722	865	1,174
1992.....	802	525	717	831	1,184
1993.....	811	520	712	836	1,178
1994 ¹	824	489	710	840	1,182
1995.....	821	485	708	832	1,180
1996.....	815	486	702	822	1,189
1997 ¹	819	486	712	827	1,193
1998 ¹	840	503	735	845	1,234
1999 ¹	860	508	746	856	1,257
2000 ¹	863	506	736	861	1,270
2001.....	872	507	737	875	1,292
2002.....	872	502	735	871	1,299
2003 ¹	867	500	732	862	1,318
2004.....	865	506	732	864	1,297
2005.....	847	500	716	842	1,282
2006.....	848	499	721	847	1,282
2007.....	851	497	713	838	1,285
2008 ¹	854	495	706	827	1,280
2009.....	873	500	716	835	1,327

¹ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

NOTE: The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 18. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979.....	\$4.44	\$3.49	\$3.10	\$4.02	\$5.11	\$5.20	\$5.29	\$5.16	\$4.97	\$3.23
1980.....	4.82	3.71	3.22	4.29	5.55	5.66	5.76	5.65	5.39	3.56
1981.....	5.15	3.97	3.58	4.61	5.99	6.09	6.20	6.01	5.81	3.92
1982.....	5.40	4.05	3.60	4.66	6.28	6.35	6.61	6.42	6.11	4.12
1983.....	5.59	4.08	3.61	4.69	6.55	6.50	6.91	6.73	6.41	4.40
1984.....	5.83	4.18	3.65	4.82	6.84	6.77	7.17	7.08	6.62	4.63
1985.....	6.03	4.26	3.67	4.94	7.05	6.92	7.49	7.37	6.91	4.74
1986 ¹	6.20	4.41	3.71	5.06	7.23	7.01	7.79	7.73	7.17	4.97
1987.....	6.47	4.59	3.81	5.21	7.46	7.19	7.94	7.86	7.42	5.08
1988.....	6.73	4.79	4.03	5.38	7.74	7.43	8.17	8.16	7.48	5.23
1989.....	6.99	4.95	4.22	5.65	7.94	7.64	8.56	8.42	7.82	5.42
1990 ¹	7.23	5.16	4.49	5.91	8.16	7.90	8.82	8.79	8.02	5.75
1991.....	7.50	5.26	4.69	6.00	8.48	8.04	9.17	9.11	8.19	5.94
1992.....	7.72	5.37	4.73	6.03	8.73	8.17	9.38	9.52	8.48	6.14
1993.....	7.87	5.51	4.80	6.15	8.95	8.27	9.61	9.86	8.90	6.39
1994 ¹	8.01	5.62	4.91	6.22	9.12	8.38	9.92	10.02	9.02	6.39
1995.....	8.17	5.80	5.04	6.42	9.36	8.71	10.02	10.13	9.20	6.65
1996.....	8.40	5.94	5.17	6.69	9.62	8.82	10.14	10.24	9.39	6.77
1997 ¹	8.75	6.15	5.51	6.91	9.87	9.04	10.36	10.60	9.73	6.89
1998 ¹	9.10	6.58	5.88	7.24	10.13	9.65	10.86	10.96	10.08	7.40
1999 ¹	9.53	6.87	6.08	7.74	10.47	9.98	11.02	11.33	10.38	7.70
2000 ¹	9.91	7.24	6.41	8.07	10.88	10.18	11.35	11.82	10.82	8.05
2001.....	10.19	7.69	6.76	8.38	11.40	10.67	11.97	12.17	11.37	8.53
2002.....	10.47	7.81	6.91	8.47	11.83	10.98	12.18	12.46	11.85	9.07
2003 ¹	10.85	7.90	6.93	8.66	12.05	11.25	12.46	12.97	12.19	9.19
2004.....	11.00	7.98	7.00	8.78	12.23	11.37	12.89	13.23	12.58	9.62
2005.....	11.19	8.07	7.05	8.91	12.48	11.76	13.11	13.48	12.95	9.93
2006.....	11.76	8.24	7.23	9.16	12.94	11.95	13.49	14.03	13.33	10.15
2007.....	11.95	8.65	7.57	9.66	13.16	12.05	13.93	14.39	13.71	10.37
2008 ¹	12.23	8.87	7.84	9.76	13.81	12.50	14.38	14.87	14.20	10.89
2009.....	12.44	8.90	7.92	9.77	13.91	12.60	14.59	14.85	14.70	11.49

See footnote at end of table.

Table 18. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979.....	\$3.62	\$3.19	\$3.03	\$3.52	\$3.90	\$4.04	\$3.97	\$3.84	\$3.75	\$3.12
1980.....	3.95	3.45	3.14	3.79	4.24	4.44	4.29	4.23	4.08	3.38
1981.....	4.28	3.71	3.52	4.09	4.69	4.89	4.77	4.59	4.43	3.71
1982.....	4.61	3.78	3.55	4.19	5.02	5.19	5.08	4.95	4.80	3.93
1983.....	4.80	3.82	3.55	4.26	5.23	5.44	5.31	5.19	5.07	4.16
1984.....	4.97	3.93	3.59	4.36	5.48	5.60	5.61	5.51	5.27	4.37
1985.....	5.13	4.01	3.61	4.56	5.73	5.79	5.91	5.76	5.46	4.43
1986 ¹	5.33	4.11	3.65	4.71	5.95	5.95	6.13	5.99	5.75	4.73
1987.....	5.60	4.22	3.71	4.89	6.16	6.14	6.35	6.28	6.03	4.85
1988.....	5.84	4.48	3.91	5.05	6.44	6.36	6.76	6.59	6.08	5.12
1989.....	6.11	4.69	4.10	5.23	6.78	6.68	7.10	6.90	6.38	5.14
1990 ¹	6.44	4.95	4.35	5.57	7.07	7.01	7.37	7.16	6.73	5.45
1991.....	6.75	5.08	4.64	5.71	7.34	7.19	7.73	7.61	6.95	5.76
1992.....	6.96	5.16	4.69	5.77	7.65	7.45	7.99	7.94	7.20	5.97
1993.....	7.12	5.27	4.73	5.96	7.87	7.61	8.16	8.18	7.56	6.18
1994 ¹	7.25	5.32	4.83	5.98	8.05	7.78	8.44	8.46	7.82	6.24
1995.....	7.46	5.49	4.94	6.09	8.17	7.92	8.63	8.72	7.93	6.45
1996.....	7.73	5.68	5.09	6.26	8.43	8.06	8.89	8.94	8.07	6.45
1997 ¹	7.94	5.95	5.42	6.55	8.75	8.20	9.14	9.26	8.31	6.83
1998 ¹	8.23	6.24	5.78	6.93	9.13	8.80	9.66	9.78	8.85	7.21
1999 ¹	8.64	6.60	5.98	7.22	9.53	9.10	9.83	9.95	9.33	7.50
2000 ¹	9.06	7.00	6.23	7.80	9.89	9.69	10.03	10.18	9.84	7.87
2001.....	9.64	7.25	6.61	8.00	10.20	9.94	10.44	10.85	10.39	8.14
2002.....	9.89	7.45	6.80	8.11	10.71	10.12	10.98	11.18	10.81	8.73
2003 ¹	10.08	7.59	6.85	8.19	11.01	10.51	11.17	11.79	11.05	8.84
2004.....	10.17	7.71	6.86	8.32	11.23	10.62	11.45	11.95	11.57	9.16
2005.....	10.31	7.80	6.92	8.50	11.58	10.86	11.84	12.13	11.86	9.82
2006.....	10.65	7.99	7.11	8.82	11.87	11.07	12.05	12.26	12.12	9.97
2007.....	10.98	8.15	7.41	9.00	12.05	11.21	12.36	12.85	12.23	10.15
2008 ¹	11.49	8.43	7.71	9.16	12.48	11.72	12.89	13.16	13.00	10.53
2009.....	11.76	8.58	7.82	9.19	12.76	11.96	13.00	13.09	13.59	11.11

See footnote at end of table.

Table 18. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979.....	\$5.65	\$3.90	\$3.19	\$4.64	\$6.69	\$6.38	\$7.12	\$7.10	\$6.59	\$3.56
1980.....	6.10	4.10	3.37	4.92	7.22	6.93	7.81	7.78	7.24	3.79
1981.....	6.57	4.31	3.64	5.11	7.78	7.33	8.30	8.49	7.88	4.21
1982.....	6.85	4.38	3.66	5.12	8.08	7.67	8.89	8.88	8.14	4.46
1983.....	6.92	4.38	3.67	5.05	8.31	7.74	9.22	9.16	8.74	4.75
1984.....	7.12	4.57	3.72	5.16	8.60	7.88	9.51	9.69	8.86	4.91
1985.....	7.33	4.68	3.75	5.23	8.85	8.00	9.80	9.97	9.04	4.99
1986 ¹	7.59	4.79	3.82	5.43	9.02	8.03	9.99	10.15	9.54	5.18
1987.....	7.77	4.91	3.95	5.68	9.16	8.26	10.10	10.24	9.72	5.32
1988.....	7.91	5.03	4.14	5.79	9.38	8.41	10.22	10.69	9.74	5.52
1989.....	8.10	5.17	4.39	6.02	9.71	8.56	10.59	10.88	10.00	5.90
1990 ¹	8.27	5.44	4.64	6.18	9.84	8.83	10.73	11.13	10.17	6.08
1991.....	8.59	5.58	4.74	6.23	9.98	8.94	10.98	11.71	10.08	6.22
1992.....	8.67	5.65	4.80	6.24	10.06	9.02	10.93	12.02	10.39	6.45
1993.....	8.86	5.75	4.87	6.33	10.18	9.10	11.16	12.15	10.96	6.71
1994 ¹	9.00	5.88	4.98	6.56	10.29	9.10	11.50	12.10	11.06	6.64
1995.....	9.23	6.04	5.14	6.82	10.73	9.46	11.89	12.32	11.11	6.85
1996.....	9.52	6.17	5.25	6.99	10.78	9.70	11.91	12.40	11.15	7.04
1997 ¹	9.83	6.45	5.61	7.18	11.10	9.92	12.07	12.80	11.79	6.96
1998 ¹	10.06	6.91	5.98	7.78	11.72	10.22	12.48	13.04	12.22	7.74
1999 ¹	10.31	7.12	6.18	8.03	12.00	10.84	12.78	13.68	12.21	7.86
2000 ¹	10.81	7.63	6.64	8.39	12.24	10.97	13.14	13.90	12.81	8.31
2001.....	11.32	8.01	6.90	8.92	12.88	11.58	13.92	14.25	12.95	9.00
2002.....	11.64	8.05	7.02	8.88	13.05	11.89	13.96	14.40	13.38	9.78
2003 ¹	11.89	8.14	7.02	9.00	13.25	12.01	14.13	14.93	14.09	9.79
2004.....	12.02	8.21	7.15	9.07	13.74	12.03	14.60	15.11	14.54	9.90
2005.....	12.16	8.42	7.21	9.20	13.91	12.17	14.88	15.13	14.79	10.04
2006.....	12.68	8.79	7.43	9.75	14.27	12.63	15.06	16.04	15.04	10.72
2007.....	12.95	9.13	7.77	9.96	14.75	12.83	15.17	16.15	15.45	11.01
2008 ¹	13.46	9.24	7.98	10.00	15.03	13.47	16.02	16.82	15.90	11.50
2009.....	13.76	9.22	8.05	9.99	15.07	13.20	16.10	16.99	16.09	12.00

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Table 18. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S										
1979.....	64.1	81.8	95.0	75.9	58.3	63.3	55.8	54.1	56.9	87.6
1980.....	64.8	84.1	93.2	77.0	58.7	64.1	54.9	54.4	56.4	89.2
1981.....	65.1	86.1	96.7	80.0	60.3	66.7	57.5	54.1	56.2	88.1
1982.....	67.3	86.3	97.0	81.8	62.1	67.7	57.1	55.7	59.0	88.1
1983.....	69.4	87.2	96.7	84.4	62.9	70.3	57.6	56.7	58.0	87.6
1984.....	69.8	86.0	96.5	84.5	63.7	71.1	59.0	56.9	59.5	89.0
1985.....	70.0	85.7	96.3	87.2	64.7	72.4	60.3	57.8	60.4	88.8
1986 ¹	70.2	85.8	95.5	86.7	66.0	74.1	61.4	59.0	60.3	91.3
1987.....	72.1	85.9	93.9	86.1	67.2	74.3	62.9	61.3	62.0	91.2
1988.....	73.8	89.1	94.4	87.2	68.7	75.6	66.1	61.6	62.4	92.8
1989.....	75.4	90.7	93.4	86.9	69.8	78.0	67.0	63.4	63.8	87.1
1990 ¹	77.9	91.0	93.8	90.1	71.8	79.4	68.7	64.3	66.2	89.6
1991.....	78.6	91.0	97.9	91.7	73.5	80.4	70.4	65.0	68.9	92.6
1992.....	80.3	91.3	97.7	92.5	76.0	82.6	73.1	66.1	69.3	92.6
1993.....	80.4	91.7	97.1	94.2	77.3	83.6	73.1	67.3	69.0	92.1
1994 ¹	80.6	90.5	97.0	91.2	78.2	85.5	73.4	69.9	70.7	94.0
1995.....	80.8	90.9	96.1	89.3	76.1	83.7	72.6	70.8	71.4	94.2
1996.....	81.2	92.1	97.0	89.6	78.2	83.1	74.6	72.1	72.4	91.6
1997 ¹	80.8	92.2	96.6	91.2	78.8	82.7	75.7	72.3	70.5	98.1
1998 ¹	81.8	90.3	96.7	89.1	77.9	86.1	77.4	75.0	72.4	93.2
1999 ¹	83.8	92.7	96.8	89.9	79.4	83.9	76.9	72.7	76.4	95.4
2000 ¹	83.8	91.7	93.8	93.0	80.8	88.3	76.3	73.2	76.8	94.7
2001.....	85.2	90.5	95.8	89.7	79.2	85.8	75.0	76.1	80.2	90.4
2002.....	85.0	92.5	96.9	91.3	82.1	85.1	78.7	77.6	80.8	89.3
2003 ¹	84.8	93.2	97.6	91.0	83.1	87.5	79.1	79.0	78.4	90.3
2004.....	84.6	93.9	95.9	91.7	81.7	88.3	78.4	79.1	79.6	92.5
2005.....	84.8	92.6	96.0	92.4	83.2	89.2	79.6	80.2	80.2	97.8
2006.....	84.0	90.9	95.7	90.5	83.2	87.6	80.0	76.4	80.6	93.0
2007.....	84.8	89.3	95.4	90.4	81.7	87.4	81.5	79.6	79.2	92.2
2008 ¹	85.4	91.2	96.6	91.6	83.0	87.0	80.5	78.2	81.8	91.6
2009.....	85.5	93.1	97.1	92.0	84.7	90.6	80.7	77.0	84.5	92.6

¹ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

Table 19. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2009 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979.....	\$12.23	\$9.61	\$8.54	\$11.07	\$14.08	\$14.33	\$14.57	\$14.21	\$13.69	\$8.90
1980.....	11.93	9.18	7.97	10.62	13.74	14.01	14.26	13.99	13.34	8.81
1981.....	11.65	8.98	8.10	10.43	13.55	13.78	14.03	13.60	13.14	8.87
1982.....	11.51	8.64	7.68	9.94	13.39	13.54	14.09	13.69	13.03	8.78
1983.....	11.43	8.34	7.38	9.59	13.39	13.29	14.13	13.76	13.11	9.00
1984.....	11.45	8.21	7.17	9.47	13.44	13.30	14.09	13.91	13.01	9.10
1985.....	11.46	8.10	6.98	9.39	13.40	13.16	14.24	14.01	13.14	9.01
1986 ¹	11.57	8.23	6.92	9.44	13.49	13.08	14.53	14.42	13.38	9.27
1987.....	11.68	8.29	6.88	9.40	13.47	12.98	14.33	14.19	13.39	9.17
1988.....	11.72	8.34	7.02	9.37	13.48	12.94	14.23	14.22	13.03	9.11
1989.....	11.67	8.26	7.05	9.43	13.26	12.75	14.29	14.06	13.06	9.05
1990 ¹	11.49	8.20	7.14	9.40	12.97	12.56	14.02	13.97	12.75	9.14
1991.....	11.52	8.08	7.20	9.22	13.03	12.35	14.09	13.99	12.58	9.12
1992.....	11.56	8.04	7.08	9.03	13.07	12.23	14.04	14.25	12.69	9.19
1993.....	11.51	8.06	7.02	8.99	13.08	12.09	14.05	14.42	13.01	9.34
1994 ¹	11.46	8.04	7.02	8.90	13.05	11.99	14.19	14.33	12.90	9.14
1995.....	11.41	8.10	7.04	8.97	13.07	12.16	13.99	14.15	12.85	9.29
1996.....	11.43	8.08	7.03	9.10	13.09	12.00	13.80	13.93	12.78	9.21
1997 ¹	11.65	8.19	7.34	9.20	13.14	12.04	13.79	14.11	12.96	9.17
1998 ¹	11.96	8.65	7.73	9.51	13.31	12.68	14.27	14.40	13.25	9.72
1999 ¹	12.27	8.84	7.82	9.96	13.47	12.84	14.18	14.58	13.36	9.91
2000 ¹	12.34	9.02	7.98	10.05	13.55	12.68	14.13	14.72	13.47	10.02
2001.....	12.34	9.31	8.18	10.15	13.80	12.92	14.49	14.73	13.77	10.33
2002.....	12.48	9.31	8.24	10.10	14.10	13.09	14.52	14.85	14.12	10.81
2003 ¹	12.65	9.21	8.08	10.09	14.04	13.11	14.52	15.12	14.21	10.71
2004.....	12.49	9.06	7.95	9.97	13.88	12.91	14.63	15.02	14.28	10.92
2005.....	12.30	8.87	7.75	9.79	13.71	12.92	14.41	14.81	14.23	10.91
2006.....	12.51	8.77	7.69	9.74	13.77	12.71	14.35	14.93	14.18	10.80
2007.....	12.36	8.95	7.83	9.99	13.61	12.46	14.41	14.88	14.18	10.72
2008 ¹	12.18	8.83	7.81	9.72	13.75	12.45	14.32	14.81	14.14	10.85
2009.....	12.44	8.90	7.92	9.77	13.91	12.60	14.59	14.85	14.70	11.49

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Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979.....	\$9.97	\$8.79	\$8.35	\$9.70	\$10.74	\$11.13	\$10.94	\$10.58	\$10.33	\$8.60
1980.....	9.78	8.54	7.77	9.38	10.50	10.99	10.62	10.47	10.10	8.37
1981.....	9.68	8.39	7.96	9.25	10.61	11.06	10.79	10.38	10.02	8.39
1982.....	9.83	8.06	7.57	8.93	10.70	11.07	10.83	10.55	10.23	8.38
1983.....	9.82	7.81	7.26	8.71	10.70	11.12	10.86	10.61	10.37	8.51
1984.....	9.76	7.72	7.05	8.57	10.77	11.00	11.02	10.83	10.35	8.59
1985.....	9.75	7.62	6.86	8.67	10.89	11.01	11.24	10.95	10.38	8.42
1986 ¹	9.94	7.67	6.81	8.79	11.10	11.10	11.44	11.18	10.73	8.82
1987.....	10.11	7.62	6.70	8.83	11.12	11.08	11.46	11.34	10.88	8.75
1988.....	10.17	7.80	6.81	8.80	11.22	11.08	11.78	11.48	10.59	8.92
1989.....	10.20	7.83	6.84	8.73	11.32	11.15	11.85	11.52	10.65	8.58
1990 ¹	10.24	7.87	6.92	8.86	11.24	11.14	11.72	11.38	10.70	8.66
1991.....	10.37	7.80	7.13	8.77	11.27	11.04	11.87	11.69	10.68	8.85
1992.....	10.42	7.72	7.02	8.64	11.45	11.15	11.96	11.89	10.78	8.94
1993.....	10.41	7.70	6.92	8.71	11.51	11.13	11.93	11.96	11.05	9.04
1994 ¹	10.37	7.61	6.91	8.56	11.52	11.13	12.07	12.10	11.19	8.93
1995.....	10.42	7.67	6.90	8.51	11.41	11.06	12.05	12.18	11.08	9.01
1996.....	10.52	7.73	6.93	8.52	11.47	10.97	12.10	12.16	10.98	8.78
1997 ¹	10.57	7.92	7.22	8.72	11.65	10.92	12.17	12.33	11.07	9.09
1998 ¹	10.81	8.20	7.60	9.11	12.00	11.56	12.69	12.85	11.63	9.47
1999 ¹	11.12	8.49	7.70	9.29	12.27	11.71	12.65	12.81	12.01	9.65
2000 ¹	11.28	8.72	7.76	9.71	12.32	12.07	12.49	12.68	12.25	9.80
2001.....	11.67	8.78	8.00	9.69	12.35	12.03	12.64	13.14	12.58	9.85
2002.....	11.79	8.88	8.10	9.67	12.77	12.06	13.09	13.33	12.88	10.41
2003 ¹	11.75	8.85	7.98	9.55	12.83	12.25	13.02	13.74	12.88	10.30
2004.....	11.54	8.75	7.79	9.44	12.75	12.05	13.00	13.56	13.13	10.40
2005.....	11.33	8.57	7.60	9.34	12.73	11.93	13.01	13.33	13.03	10.79
2006.....	11.33	8.50	7.56	9.38	12.63	11.78	12.82	13.04	12.89	10.61
2007.....	11.35	8.43	7.66	9.31	12.46	11.59	12.78	13.29	12.65	10.50
2008 ¹	11.44	8.40	7.68	9.12	12.43	11.67	12.84	13.11	12.95	10.49
2009.....	11.76	8.58	7.82	9.19	12.76	11.96	13.00	13.09	13.59	11.11

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Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979.....	\$15.56	\$10.74	\$8.79	\$12.78	\$18.43	\$17.58	\$19.61	\$19.56	\$18.15	\$9.81
1980.....	15.10	10.15	8.34	12.18	17.87	17.15	19.33	19.26	17.92	9.38
1981.....	14.86	9.75	8.24	11.56	17.60	16.58	18.78	19.21	17.83	9.52
1982.....	14.61	9.34	7.80	10.92	17.23	16.35	18.96	18.93	17.36	9.51
1983.....	14.15	8.96	7.51	10.33	16.99	15.83	18.85	18.73	17.87	9.71
1984.....	13.99	8.98	7.31	10.14	16.90	15.48	18.68	19.04	17.41	9.65
1985.....	13.94	8.90	7.13	9.94	16.83	15.21	18.63	18.95	17.19	9.49
1986 ¹	14.16	8.94	7.13	10.13	16.83	14.98	18.64	18.94	17.80	9.66
1987.....	14.03	8.86	7.13	10.25	16.53	14.91	18.23	18.48	17.55	9.60
1988.....	13.78	8.76	7.21	10.09	16.34	14.65	17.80	18.62	16.97	9.62
1989.....	13.52	8.63	7.33	10.05	16.21	14.29	17.68	18.16	16.69	9.85
1990 ¹	13.15	8.65	7.38	9.83	15.64	14.04	17.06	17.69	16.17	9.67
1991.....	13.20	8.57	7.28	9.57	15.33	13.73	16.87	17.99	15.48	9.55
1992.....	12.98	8.46	7.19	9.34	15.06	13.50	16.36	17.99	15.55	9.66
1993.....	12.95	8.41	7.12	9.25	14.88	13.30	16.32	17.76	16.02	9.81
1994 ¹	12.88	8.41	7.12	9.38	14.72	13.02	16.45	17.31	15.82	9.50
1995.....	12.89	8.44	7.18	9.53	14.99	13.21	16.61	17.21	15.52	9.57
1996.....	12.95	8.39	7.14	9.51	14.67	13.20	16.20	16.87	15.17	9.58
1997 ¹	13.09	8.59	7.47	9.56	14.78	13.21	16.07	17.04	15.70	9.27
1998 ¹	13.22	9.08	7.86	10.22	15.40	13.43	16.40	17.14	16.06	10.17
1999 ¹	13.27	9.16	7.95	10.33	15.44	13.95	16.45	17.61	15.71	10.12
2000 ¹	13.46	9.50	8.27	10.45	15.24	13.66	16.36	17.31	15.95	10.35
2001.....	13.70	9.70	8.35	10.80	15.59	14.02	16.85	17.25	15.68	10.90
2002.....	13.87	9.59	8.37	10.58	15.55	14.17	16.64	17.16	15.95	11.66
2003 ¹	13.86	9.49	8.18	10.49	15.44	14.00	16.47	17.40	16.42	11.41
2004.....	13.64	9.32	8.12	10.30	15.60	13.65	16.57	17.15	16.50	11.24
2005.....	13.36	9.25	7.92	10.11	15.29	13.37	16.35	16.63	16.25	11.03
2006.....	13.49	9.35	7.90	10.37	15.18	13.44	16.02	17.06	16.00	11.40
2007.....	13.39	9.44	8.04	10.30	15.25	13.27	15.69	16.70	15.98	11.39
2008 ¹	13.41	9.20	7.95	9.96	14.97	13.42	15.96	16.75	15.84	11.45
2009.....	13.76	9.22	8.05	9.99	15.07	13.20	16.10	16.99	16.09	12.00

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NOTE: The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 20. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979.....	\$4.44	\$4.51	\$4.11	-	\$4.08
1980.....	4.82	4.88	4.44	-	4.44
1981.....	5.15	5.18	4.90	-	4.81
1982.....	5.40	5.47	5.06	-	5.01
1983.....	5.59	5.66	5.15	-	5.09
1984.....	5.83	5.90	5.36	-	5.27
1985.....	6.03	6.10	5.50	-	5.47
1986 ¹	6.20	6.28	5.80	-	5.65
1987.....	6.47	6.56	5.99	-	5.82
1988.....	6.73	6.81	6.15	-	5.95
1989.....	6.99	7.08	6.43	-	6.07
1990 ¹	7.23	7.33	6.81	-	6.28
1991.....	7.50	7.61	7.00	-	6.46
1992.....	7.72	7.82	7.06	-	6.65
1993.....	7.87	7.97	7.18	-	6.83
1994 ¹	8.01	8.11	7.29	-	6.93
1995.....	8.17	8.32	7.66	-	7.00
1996.....	8.40	8.57	7.76	-	7.17
1997 ¹	8.75	8.88	8.01	-	7.39
1998 ¹	9.10	9.22	8.39	-	7.92
1999 ¹	9.53	9.74	8.85	-	8.07
2000 ¹	9.91	9.96	9.34	\$10.07	8.54
2001.....	10.19	10.26	9.78	10.75	9.06
2002.....	10.47	10.71	9.93	10.36	9.22
2003 ¹	10.85	10.97	10.15	11.12	9.76
2004.....	11.00	11.13	10.19	11.10	9.81
2005.....	11.19	11.48	10.17	12.01	9.95
2006.....	11.76	11.86	10.66	12.53	10.12
2007.....	11.95	12.08	10.89	12.22	10.24
2008 ¹	12.23	12.54	11.20	13.01	10.97
2009.....	12.44	12.66	11.64	13.16	11.04

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979.....	\$3.62	\$3.62	\$3.55	-	\$3.44
1980.....	3.95	3.96	3.88	-	3.78
1981.....	4.28	4.28	4.19	-	4.10
1982.....	4.61	4.61	4.49	-	4.33
1983.....	4.80	4.81	4.72	-	4.42
1984.....	4.97	4.98	4.87	-	4.65
1985.....	5.13	5.14	5.04	-	4.82
1986 ¹	5.33	5.35	5.17	-	5.00
1987.....	5.60	5.62	5.40	-	5.11
1988.....	5.84	5.86	5.61	-	5.28
1989.....	6.11	6.13	5.88	-	5.53
1990 ¹	6.44	6.46	6.23	-	5.80
1991.....	6.75	6.76	6.55	-	5.98
1992.....	6.96	6.99	6.64	-	6.17
1993.....	7.12	7.16	6.87	-	6.31
1994 ¹	7.25	7.34	6.93	-	6.40
1995.....	7.46	7.54	7.12	-	6.60
1996.....	7.73	7.79	7.20	-	6.77
1997 ¹	7.94	8.00	7.59	-	6.82
1998 ¹	8.23	8.33	7.90	-	7.22
1999 ¹	8.64	8.73	8.13	-	7.46
2000 ¹	9.06	9.09	8.86	\$9.77	7.89
2001.....	9.64	9.73	9.15	10.07	8.28
2002.....	9.89	9.94	9.45	10.10	8.54
2003 ¹	10.08	10.11	9.91	10.68	8.88
2004.....	10.17	10.21	9.93	10.57	9.04
2005.....	10.31	10.50	9.93	11.64	9.18
2006.....	10.65	10.77	10.11	11.95	9.50
2007.....	10.98	11.06	10.45	11.83	9.80
2008 ¹	11.49	11.70	10.78	12.25	10.07
2009.....	11.76	11.83	11.01	12.67	10.09

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979.....	\$5.65	\$5.79	\$4.89	-	\$4.79
1980.....	6.10	6.23	5.18	-	5.03
1981.....	6.57	6.71	5.81	-	5.37
1982.....	6.85	6.98	5.97	-	5.73
1983.....	6.92	7.07	5.96	-	5.81
1984.....	7.12	7.26	6.16	-	6.04
1985.....	7.33	7.58	6.15	-	6.07
1986 ¹	7.59	7.78	6.57	-	6.19
1987.....	7.77	7.93	6.74	-	6.37
1988.....	7.91	8.06	6.94	-	6.51
1989.....	8.10	8.28	7.07	-	6.66
1990 ¹	8.27	8.55	7.37	-	6.74
1991.....	8.59	8.82	7.57	-	6.88
1992.....	8.67	8.89	7.62	-	6.99
1993.....	8.86	9.07	7.67	-	7.12
1994 ¹	9.00	9.21	7.92	-	7.17
1995.....	9.23	9.62	8.16	-	7.26
1996.....	9.52	9.79	8.18	-	7.62
1997 ¹	9.83	9.96	8.67	-	7.90
1998 ¹	10.06	10.18	9.09	-	8.24
1999 ¹	10.31	10.61	9.77	-	8.61
2000 ¹	10.81	10.95	9.98	\$10.79	9.04
2001.....	11.32	11.61	10.18	11.84	9.67
2002.....	11.64	11.86	10.24	11.02	9.92
2003 ¹	11.89	12.03	10.81	11.89	10.03
2004.....	12.02	12.16	10.88	11.90	10.02
2005.....	12.16	12.47	10.90	12.75	10.19
2006.....	12.68	12.88	11.42	13.18	10.84
2007.....	12.95	13.22	11.57	13.22	11.07
2008 ¹	13.46	13.85	11.99	14.03	11.83
2009.....	13.76	13.95	12.27	14.01	11.92

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S					
1979.....	64.1	62.5	72.6	-	71.8
1980.....	64.8	63.6	74.9	-	75.1
1981.....	65.1	63.8	72.1	-	76.4
1982.....	67.3	66.0	75.2	-	75.6
1983.....	69.4	68.0	79.2	-	76.1
1984.....	69.8	68.6	79.1	-	77.0
1985.....	70.0	67.8	82.0	-	79.4
1986 ¹	70.2	68.8	78.7	-	80.8
1987.....	72.1	70.9	80.1	-	80.2
1988.....	73.8	72.7	80.8	-	81.1
1989.....	75.4	74.0	83.2	-	83.0
1990 ¹	77.9	75.6	84.5	-	86.1
1991.....	78.6	76.6	86.5	-	86.9
1992.....	80.3	78.6	87.1	-	88.3
1993.....	80.4	78.9	89.6	-	88.6
1994 ¹	80.6	79.7	87.5	-	89.3
1995.....	80.8	78.4	87.3	-	90.9
1996.....	81.2	79.6	88.0	-	88.8
1997 ¹	80.8	80.3	87.5	-	86.3
1998 ¹	81.8	81.8	86.9	-	87.6
1999 ¹	83.8	82.3	83.2	-	86.6
2000 ¹	83.8	83.0	88.8	90.5	87.3
2001.....	85.2	83.8	89.9	85.1	85.6
2002.....	85.0	83.8	92.3	91.7	86.1
2003 ¹	84.8	84.0	91.7	89.8	88.5
2004.....	84.6	84.0	91.3	88.8	90.2
2005.....	84.8	84.2	91.1	91.3	90.1
2006.....	84.0	83.6	88.5	90.7	87.6
2007.....	84.8	83.7	90.3	89.5	88.5
2008 ¹	85.4	84.5	89.9	87.3	85.1
2009.....	85.5	84.8	89.7	90.4	84.6

¹ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

NOTE: As of 2003, estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) include persons who selected that race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Asian data for 2000–2002 are for Asians and Pacific Islanders. As of 2003, Asians constitute a separate category. Data for Asians were not tabulated prior to 2000. Dash indicates data not available.

Table 21. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979.....	\$12.23	\$12.42	\$11.32	-	\$11.24
1980.....	11.93	12.08	10.99	-	10.99
1981.....	11.65	11.72	11.09	-	10.88
1982.....	11.51	11.66	10.79	-	10.68
1983.....	11.43	11.57	10.53	-	10.41
1984.....	11.45	11.59	10.53	-	10.35
1985.....	11.46	11.60	10.46	-	10.40
1986 ¹	11.57	11.72	10.82	-	10.54
1987.....	11.68	11.84	10.81	-	10.51
1988.....	11.72	11.86	10.71	-	10.37
1989.....	11.67	11.82	10.73	-	10.13
1990 ¹	11.49	11.65	10.83	-	9.98
1991.....	11.52	11.69	10.75	-	9.92
1992.....	11.56	11.71	10.57	-	9.96
1993.....	11.51	11.65	10.50	-	9.99
1994 ¹	11.46	11.60	10.43	-	9.91
1995.....	11.41	11.62	10.70	-	9.78
1996.....	11.43	11.66	10.56	-	9.76
1997 ¹	11.65	11.82	10.67	-	9.84
1998 ¹	11.96	12.12	11.02	-	10.41
1999 ¹	12.27	12.54	11.39	-	10.39
2000 ¹	12.34	12.40	11.63	\$12.54	10.64
2001.....	12.34	12.42	11.84	13.01	10.97
2002.....	12.48	12.77	11.84	12.35	10.99
2003 ¹	12.65	12.79	11.83	12.96	11.38
2004.....	12.49	12.63	11.57	12.60	11.14
2005.....	12.30	12.62	11.18	13.20	10.93
2006.....	12.51	12.62	11.34	13.33	10.77
2007.....	12.36	12.49	11.26	12.64	10.59
2008 ¹	12.18	12.49	11.16	12.96	10.93
2009.....	12.44	12.66	11.64	13.16	11.04

See footnote at end of table.

Table 21. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979.....	\$9.97	\$9.97	\$9.78	-	\$9.48
1980.....	9.78	9.80	9.60	-	9.36
1981.....	9.68	9.68	9.48	-	9.28
1982.....	9.83	9.83	9.57	-	9.23
1983.....	9.82	9.84	9.65	-	9.04
1984.....	9.76	9.78	9.57	-	9.14
1985.....	9.75	9.77	9.58	-	9.16
1986 ¹	9.94	9.98	9.65	-	9.33
1987.....	10.11	10.14	9.75	-	9.22
1988.....	10.17	10.21	9.77	-	9.20
1989.....	10.20	10.23	9.82	-	9.23
1990 ¹	10.24	10.27	9.90	-	9.22
1991.....	10.37	10.38	10.06	-	9.19
1992.....	10.42	10.46	9.94	-	9.24
1993.....	10.41	10.47	10.04	-	9.23
1994 ¹	10.37	10.50	9.91	-	9.16
1995.....	10.42	10.53	9.94	-	9.22
1996.....	10.52	10.60	9.80	-	9.21
1997 ¹	10.57	10.65	10.11	-	9.08
1998 ¹	10.81	10.95	10.38	-	9.49
1999 ¹	11.12	11.24	10.46	-	9.60
2000 ¹	11.28	11.32	11.03	\$12.17	9.83
2001.....	11.67	11.78	11.08	12.19	10.02
2002.....	11.79	11.85	11.26	12.04	10.18
2003 ¹	11.75	11.78	11.55	12.45	10.35
2004.....	11.54	11.59	11.27	12.00	10.26
2005.....	11.33	11.54	10.91	12.79	10.09
2006.....	11.33	11.46	10.76	12.71	10.11
2007.....	11.35	11.44	10.81	12.23	10.13
2008 ¹	11.44	11.65	10.74	12.20	10.03
2009.....	11.76	11.83	11.01	12.67	10.09

See footnote at end of table.

Table 21. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2009) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979.....	\$15.56	\$15.95	\$13.47	-	\$13.20
1980.....	15.10	15.42	12.82	-	12.45
1981.....	14.86	15.18	13.14	-	12.15
1982.....	14.61	14.88	12.73	-	12.22
1983.....	14.15	14.46	12.19	-	11.88
1984.....	13.99	14.26	12.10	-	11.87
1985.....	13.94	14.41	11.69	-	11.54
1986 ¹	14.16	14.51	12.26	-	11.55
1987.....	14.03	14.31	12.17	-	11.50
1988.....	13.78	14.04	12.09	-	11.34
1989.....	13.52	13.82	11.80	-	11.12
1990 ¹	13.15	13.59	11.72	-	10.72
1991.....	13.20	13.55	11.63	-	10.57
1992.....	12.98	13.31	11.41	-	10.46
1993.....	12.95	13.26	11.21	-	10.41
1994 ¹	12.88	13.18	11.33	-	10.26
1995.....	12.89	13.44	11.40	-	10.14
1996.....	12.95	13.32	11.13	-	10.37
1997 ¹	13.09	13.26	11.54	-	10.52
1998 ¹	13.22	13.38	11.94	-	10.83
1999 ¹	13.27	13.66	12.57	-	11.08
2000 ¹	13.46	13.64	12.43	\$13.44	11.26
2001.....	13.70	14.06	12.32	14.33	11.71
2002.....	13.87	14.14	12.21	13.13	11.82
2003 ¹	13.86	14.02	12.60	13.86	11.69
2004.....	13.64	13.80	12.35	13.51	11.37
2005.....	13.36	13.70	11.98	14.01	11.20
2006.....	13.49	13.70	12.15	14.02	11.53
2007.....	13.39	13.67	11.96	13.67	11.45
2008 ¹	13.41	13.79	11.94	13.97	11.78
2009.....	13.76	13.95	12.27	14.01	11.92

¹ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

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Table 22. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing Federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2009 annual averages**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year and sex	Total wage and salary workers	Workers paid hourly rates					
		Total	Percent of total wage and salary workers	Below prevailing Federal minimum wage	At prevailing Federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing Federal minimum wage	
						Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
BOTH SEXES							
1979.....	87,529	51,721	59.1	2,916	3,997	6,912	13.4
1980.....	87,644	51,335	58.6	3,087	4,686	7,773	15.1
1981.....	88,516	51,869	58.6	3,513	4,311	7,824	15.1
1982.....	87,368	50,846	58.2	2,348	4,148	6,496	12.8
1983.....	88,290	51,820	58.7	2,077	4,261	6,338	12.2
1984.....	92,194	54,143	58.7	1,838	4,125	5,963	11.0
1985.....	94,521	55,762	59.0	1,639	3,899	5,538	9.9
1986 ¹	96,903	57,529	59.4	1,599	3,461	5,060	8.8
1987.....	99,303	59,552	60.0	1,468	3,229	4,698	7.9
1988.....	101,407	60,878	60.0	1,319	2,608	3,927	6.5
1989.....	103,480	62,389	60.3	1,372	1,790	3,162	5.1
1990 ¹	104,876	63,172	60.2	² 2,132	² 1,096	² 3,228	² 5.1
1991.....	103,723	62,627	60.4	² 2,377	² 2,906	² 5,283	² 8.4
1992.....	104,668	63,610	60.8	1,939	2,982	4,921	7.7
1993.....	106,101	64,274	60.6	1,707	2,625	4,332	6.7
1994 ¹	107,989	66,549	61.6	1,995	2,132	4,128	6.2
1995.....	110,038	68,354	62.1	1,699	1,956	3,656	5.3
1996.....	111,960	69,255	61.9	² 1,863	² 1,861	² 3,724	² 5.4
1997 ¹	114,533	70,735	61.8	² 2,990	² 1,764	² 4,754	² 6.7
1998 ¹	116,730	71,440	61.2	2,834	1,593	4,427	6.2
1999 ¹	118,963	72,306	60.8	2,194	1,146	3,340	4.6
2000 ¹	122,089	73,496	60.2	1,752	898	2,650	3.6
2001.....	122,229	73,392	60.0	1,518	656	2,174	3.0
2002.....	121,826	72,508	59.5	1,579	567	2,146	3.0
2003 ¹	122,358	72,946	59.6	1,555	545	2,100	2.9
2004.....	123,554	73,939	59.8	1,483	520	2,003	2.7
2005.....	125,889	75,609	60.1	1,403	479	1,882	2.5
2006.....	128,237	76,514	59.7	1,283	409	1,692	2.2
2007.....	129,767	75,873	58.5	² 1,462	² 267	² 1,729	² 2.3
2008 ¹	129,377	75,305	58.2	² 1,940	² 286	² 2,226	² 3.0
2009.....	124,490	72,611	58.3	² 2,592	² 980	² 3,572	² 4.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 22. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing Federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year and sex	Total wage and salary workers	Workers paid hourly rates					
		Total	Percent of total wage and salary workers	Below prevailing Federal minimum wage	At prevailing Federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing Federal minimum wage	
						Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
WOMEN							
1979.....	38,129	23,329	61.2	2,070	2,644	4,714	20.2
1980.....	38,944	23,626	60.7	2,104	2,990	5,095	21.6
1981.....	39,672	24,294	61.2	2,394	2,778	5,172	21.3
1982.....	39,777	24,365	61.3	1,651	2,561	4,212	17.3
1983.....	40,433	24,989	61.8	1,492	2,603	4,095	16.4
1984.....	42,172	26,003	61.7	1,348	2,499	3,847	14.8
1985.....	43,506	26,869	61.8	1,198	2,356	3,554	13.2
1986 ¹	44,961	27,863	62.0	1,192	2,125	3,317	11.9
1987.....	46,365	29,078	62.7	1,105	1,946	3,051	10.5
1988.....	47,495	29,820	62.8	1,008	1,542	2,550	8.6
1989.....	48,691	30,702	63.1	994	1,056	2,050	6.7
1990 ¹	49,323	31,069	63.0	² 1,420	² 711	² 2,131	² 6.9
1991.....	49,105	30,988	63.1	² 1,582	² 1,792	² 3,374	² 10.9
1992.....	49,842	31,454	63.1	1,286	1,751	3,036	9.7
1993.....	50,626	31,937	63.1	1,133	1,534	2,667	8.4
1994 ¹	51,419	33,021	64.2	1,322	1,241	2,563	7.8
1995.....	52,369	33,934	64.8	1,157	1,161	2,318	6.8
1996.....	53,488	34,418	64.3	² 1,244	² 1,106	² 2,350	² 6.8
1997 ¹	54,708	35,214	64.4	² 1,843	² 1,092	² 2,935	² 8.3
1998 ¹	55,757	35,680	64.0	1,794	965	2,760	7.7
1999 ¹	57,050	36,233	63.5	1,426	700	2,126	5.9
2000 ¹	58,427	36,777	62.9	1,170	579	1,749	4.8
2001.....	58,582	36,848	62.9	1,021	409	1,430	3.9
2002.....	58,555	36,508	62.3	997	350	1,347	3.7
2003 ¹	59,122	37,093	62.7	1,062	332	1,394	3.8
2004.....	59,408	37,133	62.5	1,013	310	1,323	3.6
2005.....	60,423	37,957	62.8	944	290	1,234	3.3
2006.....	61,426	38,321	62.4	861	263	1,124	2.9
2007.....	62,299	38,082	61.1	² 1,002	² 181	² 1,183	² 3.1
2008 ¹	62,532	37,972	60.7	² 1,302	² 196	² 1,498	² 3.9
2009.....	60,951	37,426	61.4	² 1,603	² 612	² 2,215	² 5.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 22. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing Federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2009 annual averages—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year and sex	Total wage and salary workers	Workers paid hourly rates					
		Total	Percent of total wage and salary workers	Below prevailing Federal minimum wage	At prevailing Federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing Federal minimum wage	
						Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
MEN							
1979.....	49,400	28,392	57.5	846	1,353	2,199	7.7
1980.....	48,700	27,709	56.9	983	1,696	2,678	9.7
1981.....	48,844	27,576	56.5	1,119	1,533	2,652	9.6
1982.....	47,591	26,481	55.6	697	1,587	2,284	8.6
1983.....	47,856	26,831	56.1	585	1,658	2,243	8.4
1984.....	50,022	28,140	56.3	490	1,626	2,116	7.5
1985.....	51,015	28,893	56.6	440	1,544	1,984	6.9
1986 ¹	51,942	29,666	57.1	408	1,336	1,743	5.9
1987.....	52,938	30,474	57.6	364	1,283	1,647	5.4
1988.....	53,912	31,058	57.6	311	1,066	1,377	4.4
1989.....	54,789	31,687	57.8	379	733	1,112	3.5
1990 ¹	55,553	32,104	57.8	² 712	² 385	² 1,097	² 3.4
1991.....	54,618	31,639	57.9	² 795	² 1,114	² 1,909	² 6.0
1992.....	54,826	32,155	58.6	653	1,231	1,885	5.9
1993.....	55,475	32,337	58.3	573	1,091	1,664	5.1
1994 ¹	56,570	33,528	59.3	674	891	1,565	4.7
1995.....	57,669	34,420	59.7	542	796	1,338	3.9
1996.....	58,473	34,838	59.6	² 619	² 755	² 1,374	² 3.9
1997 ¹	59,825	35,521	59.4	² 1,147	² 673	² 1,820	² 5.1
1998 ¹	60,973	35,761	58.7	1,039	628	1,667	4.7
1999 ¹	61,914	36,073	58.3	768	446	1,214	3.4
2000 ¹	63,662	36,720	57.7	582	319	901	2.5
2001.....	63,647	36,544	57.4	497	247	744	2.0
2002.....	63,272	36,000	56.9	582	217	799	2.2
2003 ¹	63,236	35,853	56.7	493	213	706	2.0
2004.....	64,145	36,806	57.4	470	210	680	1.8
2005.....	65,466	37,652	57.5	459	189	648	1.7
2006.....	66,811	38,193	57.2	422	146	568	1.5
2007.....	67,468	37,790	56.0	² 460	² 86	² 546	² 1.4
2008 ¹	66,846	37,334	55.9	² 638	² 90	² 728	² 1.9
2009.....	63,539	35,185	55.4	² 990	² 368	² 1,358	² 3.9

¹ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

² Data for 1990–91, 1996–97, and 2007–09 reflect changes in the minimum wage that took place in those years.

NOTE: The prevailing Federal minimum wage was \$2.90 in 1979, \$3.10 in 1980, and \$3.35 in 1981–89. The minimum wage rose to \$3.80 in April 1990, to \$4.25 in April 1991, to \$4.75 in October 1996, to \$5.15 in September 1997, to \$5.85 in July 2007, to \$6.55 in July 2008, and to \$7.25 in July 2009. (See Technical Note for more information about minimum-wage workers.)

Technical Note

The estimates in this report were obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), which provides a wide range of information on the labor force, employment, and unemployment. The survey is conducted monthly for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau, using a national sample of about 60,000 households, with coverage in all 50 States and the District of Columbia. The earnings data are collected from one-fourth of the CPS monthly sample.

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Concepts and definitions

The principal concepts and definitions used in connection with the earnings data in this report are described next.

Usual weekly earnings. Data are collected on wages and salaries before taxes and other deductions, and include any overtime pay, commissions, and tips usually received (at the principal job in the case of multiple jobholders). All self-employed workers are excluded, both those with incorporated businesses and those with unincorporated businesses. Prior to 1994, respondents were asked how much they usually earned per week. Since January 1994, respondents have been asked to identify the easiest way for them to report earnings (hourly, weekly, biweekly, twice monthly, monthly, annually, or other) and how much they usually earn in the period reported. Earnings reported on a basis other than weekly are converted to a weekly equivalent. The term “usual” is as perceived by the respondent. If the respondent asks for a definition of “usual,” interviewers are instructed to define the term as “more than half the weeks worked during the past 4 or 5 months.”

Medians (and other quantiles) of weekly earnings. Most of the earnings estimates shown in this report are medians. The median (or upper limit of the second quartile) is the amount that divides a given earnings distribution into two equal groups, one having earnings above the median and the other having earnings below the median. Ten percent of workers in a given distribution have earnings below the upper limit of the first decile (90 percent have higher earnings), 25 percent have earnings below the upper limit of the first quartile (75 percent have higher earnings), 75 percent have earnings below the upper limit of the third quartile (25 percent have higher earnings), and 90 percent have earnings below the upper limit of the ninth decile (10 percent have higher earnings).

The BLS estimating procedure for determining the median of an earnings distribution places each reported or calculated weekly earnings value into a \$50-wide interval that is centered around a multiple of \$50. The median is estimated through the linear interpolation of the interval in which the median lies.

Over-the-year changes in the medians (and other quantile boundaries) for specific groups may not necessarily be consistent with the movements estimated for the overall quantile boundary. The most common reasons for this possible anomaly are as follows:

- There could be a change in the relative weights of the subgroups. For example, the medians of both 16- to 24-year-olds and those 25 years and older may rise, but if the lower earning 16-to-24 age group accounts for a greatly increased share of the total, the overall median could actually fall.
- There could be a large change in the shape of the distribution of reported earnings, particularly near a quantile boundary. This change could be caused by survey observations that are clustered at rounded values—for example, \$300, \$400, or \$500. An estimate lying in a \$50-wide centered interval containing such a cluster, or “spike,” tends to change more slowly than one in other intervals. Consider, for example, the calculation of the median for a multi-peaked distribution that shifts over time. As such a distribution shifts, the median does not necessarily move at the same rate. Specifically, the median takes relatively more time to move through a frequently reported earnings interval, but once above the upper limit of such an interval, it can move relatively quickly to the next frequently reported interval. BLS procedures for estimating medians (and other quantile boundaries) mitigate such irregular movements of the measures; however, users should be cautious of these effects when evaluating short-term changes in the medians and in ratios of the medians.

Constant dollars. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. BLS has made numerous improvements to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) over the years. Although these improvements make the CPI more accurate, the official histories of price index series are not adjusted to reflect the improvements. Because many researchers need a historical series that measures price change consistently over time, BLS developed the CPI-U-RS to provide an estimate of the CPI that incorporates most of the methodological improvements made since 1978 into the entire series. (For further information, see Kenneth J. Stewart and Stephen B. Reed, “CPI research series using current methods, 1978–98,” *Monthly Labor Review*, June 1999, on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/opub/mlr/1999/06/art4full.pdf>; and “Questions and Answers: Consumer Price Index Research Series Using Current Methods,” on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpirsdc.htm>.)

This report uses the most recent version of the CPI-U-RS available at the time of production. Users should note, however, that the CPI-U-RS is subject to periodic revision. As a result, the rate of inflation incorporated into the constant-dollar earnings estimates in this report may differ from that in previous reports in this series or in other publications.

Wage and salary workers. These are workers who receive wages, salaries, commissions, tips, payment in kind, or piece rates. The group includes employees in both the private and public sectors but, for purposes of the earnings series, excludes all self-employed persons, both those with incorporated businesses and those with unincorporated businesses.

Full-time workers. For the purpose of producing estimates of earnings, workers who usually work 35 hours or more per week at their sole or principal job are defined as working full time.

Part-time workers. For the purpose of producing estimates of earnings, workers who usually work fewer than 35 hours per week at their sole or principal job are defined as working part time.

Workers paid by the hour. Historically, workers paid an hourly wage have made up approximately three-fifths of all wage and salary workers. Workers paid by the hour are included in the full- and part-time worker tables in this report, along with salaried workers and other workers not paid by the hour. Data for workers paid at hourly rates are presented separately in tables 9 to 11 and 18 to 22.

Workers paid at or below the Federal minimum wage. The estimates of the numbers of workers with reported earnings at or below the Federal minimum wage in tables 11 and 22 pertain only to workers who are paid hourly rates. Salaried workers and other workers who are not paid by the hour are not included, even though some have earnings that, if converted to hourly rates, would be at or below the minimum wage. Consequently, the estimates presented in this report likely understate the actual number of workers with hourly earnings at or below the minimum wage. Research has shown, however, that the degree of understatement is small. BLS does not routinely estimate the hourly earnings of workers not paid by the hour because of data quality concerns associated with such an estimation process.

The prevailing Federal minimum wage was \$2.90, effective January 1, 1979; \$3.10, effective January 1, 1980; \$3.35, effective January 1, 1981; \$3.80, effective April 1, 1990; \$4.25, effective April 1, 1991; \$4.75, effective October 1, 1996; \$5.15, effective September 1, 1997; \$5.85, effective July 24, 2007; \$6.55, effective July 24, 2008; and \$7.25, effective July 24, 2009. Data for 1990–91, 1996–97, and 2007–09 reflect changes in the minimum wage that took place during those years. Note that some States

have established minimum-wage standards that exceed the Federal level.

The presence of workers with hourly earnings below the minimum wage does not necessarily indicate violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act, because there are a number of exemptions to the minimum-wage provisions of the law. In addition, some workers might have rounded their hourly earnings in response to survey questions. As a result, some might have reported hourly earnings below the minimum wage when, in fact, they earned the minimum wage or higher.

Reliability

Statistics based on the CPS are subject to both sampling and non-sampling error. Whenever a sample, rather than an entire population, is surveyed, there is a chance that the sample estimates may differ from the “true” population values they represent. The exact difference, or sampling error, varies with the particular sample selected, and this variability is measured by the standard error of the estimate. There is about a 90-percent chance, or level of confidence, that an estimate based on a sample will differ by no more than 1.6 standard errors from the true population value because of sampling error. BLS analyses generally are conducted at the 90-percent level of confidence. Estimates of earnings and their standard errors can be used to construct approximate confidence intervals, or ranges of values, that include the true population value with known probabilities.

The CPS data also are affected by nonsampling error. This kind of error can occur for many reasons, including the failure to sample a segment of the population, inability to obtain information on all respondents in the sample, inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, and errors made in data collection or processing.

For a full discussion of the reliability of data from the CPS and for information on estimating standard errors, see the “Reliability of the estimates” section of Household Data technical documentation on the Internet at http://www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.