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Highlights of Women's Earnings in 2012



n 2012, women who were full-time wage and salary workers had median usual weekly earnings of \$691. On average in 2012, women made about 81 percent of the median earnings of male full-time wage and salary workers (\$854). In 1979, the first year for which comparable earnings data are available, women earned 62 percent of what men earned. (See chart 1 and tables 1 and 12.)

This report presents data highlights and statistical tables of 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 (BLS). Information on earnings is collected from one-fourth of the CPS sample each month. It is important to 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 in this report, see the accompanying technical notes section.

Earnings of full-time workers

Age

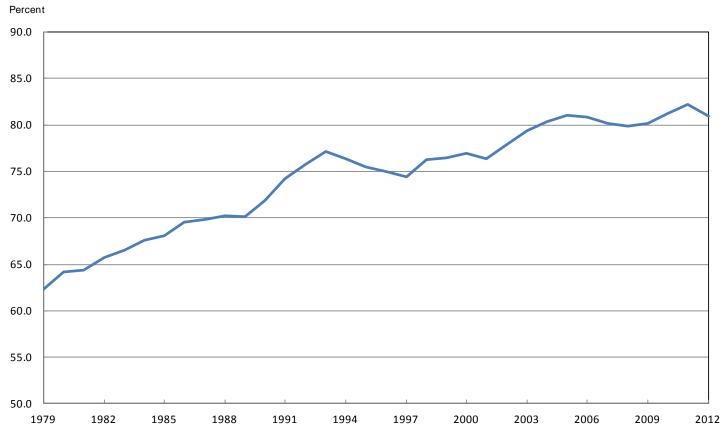
Median weekly earnings were highest for women age 35 to 64 in 2012, with little difference in the earnings of 35- to 44-year-olds (\$747), 45- to 54-year-olds (\$746), and 55- to 64-year-olds (\$766). Among men, workers who were age 45 to 64 had the highest earnings, with 45- to 54-year-olds (\$994) making about the same as 55- to 64-year-olds (\$1,005). Young women and men age 16 to 24 had the lowest earnings (\$416 and \$468, respectively). (See table 1.)

Among the age groupings of those 35 years and older, women had earnings that ranged from 75 percent to 78

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Chart 1
Women's earnings as a percentage of men's, full-time wage and salary workers, 1979–2012 annual averages



Note: Data relate to annual averages of median usual weekly earnings for full-time wage and salary workers. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

percent of the earnings of their male counterparts. Among younger workers, the earnings differences between women and men were not as great. Among workers who were 25 to 34 years old, women earned 90 percent of what men earned; among 16- to 24-year-olds, women earned 89 percent as much as men. (See table 1.)

Between 1979 and 2012, women's-to-men's earnings ratios rose for most age groups. Among 25- to 34-year-olds, for example, the ratio increased from 68 percent in 1979 to 90 percent in 2012. The women's-to-men's earnings ratio for 45- to 54-year-olds increased from 57 percent to 75 percent. (See table 12.)

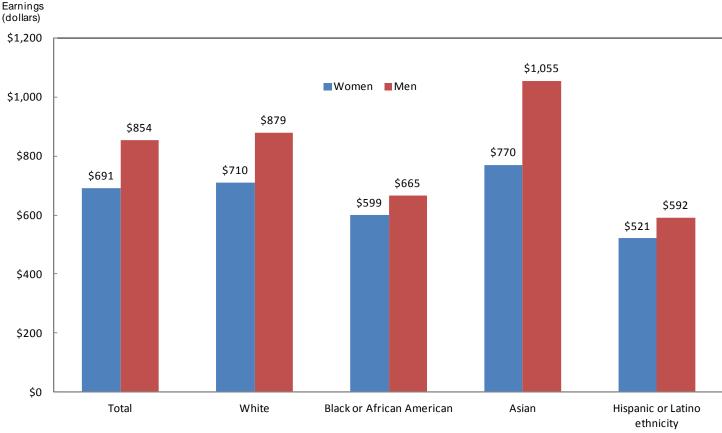
Race and ethnicity

Asian women and men earned more than their White, Black, and Hispanic or Latino counterparts in 2012. Among women, Whites (\$710) earned 92 percent as much as Asians (\$770), while Blacks (\$599) and Hispanics (\$521) earned 78 percent and 68 percent as much as Asians, respectively. In comparison, White men (\$879) earned 83 percent as much as Asian men (\$1,055); Black men (\$665) earned 63 percent as much as Asians; and Hispanic men (\$592), 56 percent. (See chart 2 and table 1.)

Earnings differences between women and men were the most pronounced for Whites and for Asians. White women earned 81 percent as much as White men in 2012, while Asian women earned 73 percent as much as their male counterparts. In comparison, Black and Hispanic women had median earnings that were 90 percent and 88 percent, respectively, of those of their male counterparts. (See table 1.)

When adjusted for inflation, women's earnings since 1979 have increased considerably across the major race and

Chart 2
Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2012 annual averages



Note: Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics..

Hispanic ethnicity categories. Earnings growth has been largest for White women, outpacing that of their Black and Hispanic counterparts. Between 1979 and 2012, inflation-adjusted earnings (also called constant-dollar earnings) rose by 31 percent for White women, compared with an increase of 20 percent for Black women and 13 percent for Hispanic women. In contrast, earnings for White and Black men in 2012 showed little or no change from their 1979 constant-dollar levels, while Hispanic men's earnings were down by 8 percent after adjusting for inflation. (See table 18.) Asians were not included in this analysis because comparable data for the group are not available until 2003. (See note in table 18.)

Education

Median weekly earnings vary significantly by level of educational attainment. Among both women and men age 25 and older, the weekly earnings of those without a high school diploma (\$386 for women and \$508 for men) were about two-fifths of those with a bachelor's degree or higher (\$1,001 for women and \$1,371 for men) in 2012. Women and men with a high school diploma who had not attended college earned a little more than half of what women and men with a bachelor's degree or higher did, and those with some college or an associate's degree earned around two-thirds as much as those with a bachelor's. (See table 1.)

At each level of education, women have fared better than men with respect to earnings growth. Although both women and men without a high school diploma have experienced declines in inflation-adjusted earnings since 1979, the drop for women was significantly less than that for men: a 14-percent decrease for women as opposed to a 32-percent decline for men. On an inflation-adjusted

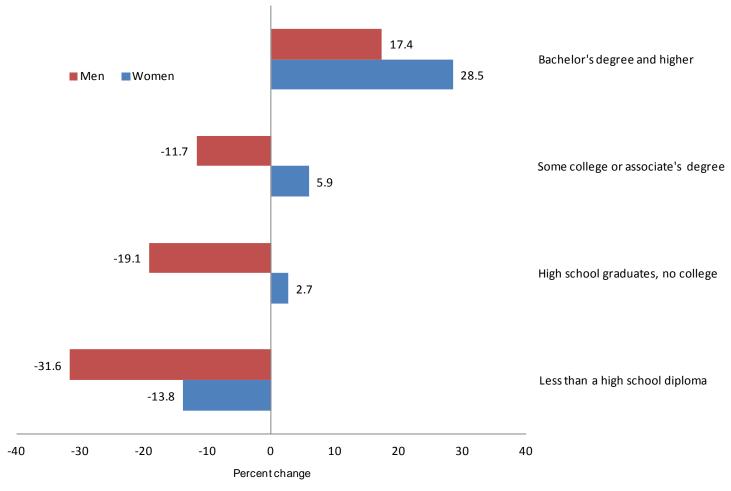
basis, earnings for women with a college degree have increased by 28 percent since 1979, while those of male college graduates have risen by 17 percent. (Data pertain to workers age 25 and older.) (See chart 3 and table 19.)

Occupation

Among both women and men, median weekly earnings for those working full time in management, business, and financial operations jobs were higher than in any other major occupational category in 2012 (\$993 for women and \$1,387 for men). Of women in management, business, and financial operations occupations, those who were chief executives, computer and information

systems managers, and management analysts had the highest median weekly earnings (\$1,730, \$1,527, and \$1,325, respectively). Among men in this job group, chief executives and architectural and engineering managers had the highest earnings (\$2,275 and \$2,116, respectively). The second highest paying occupational group for women and men was professional and related occupations (\$928 for women and \$1,267 for men). Among women in professional and related occupations, those who were pharmacists (\$1,871) and lawyers (\$1,636) had the highest earnings. For men in professional and related occupations, those who were physicians and surgeons (\$2,099), lawyers (\$2,055), and pharmacists (\$1,879) earned the most. (See table 2.)

Chart 3
Percent change in constant-dollar median usual weekly earnings, by educational attainment and sex, 1979–2012



Note: Data relate to earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, 25 years and older. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The occupational distributions of female and male fulltime workers differ significantly. 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.)

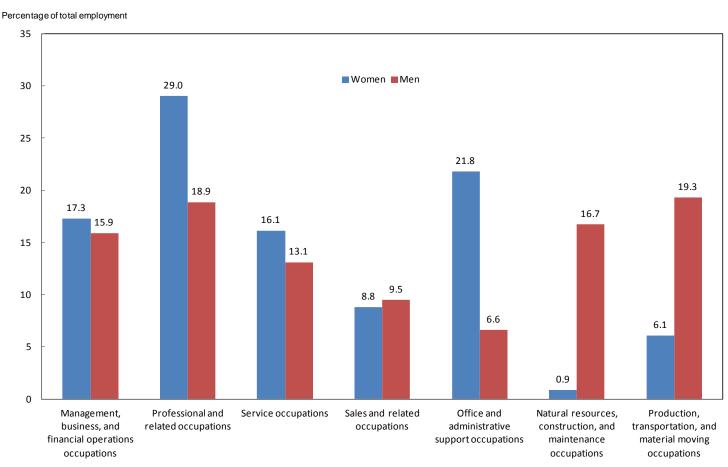
Women are more likely than men to work in professional and related occupations. Within this occupational category, though, the proportion of women employed in the higher paying job groups is much smaller than the proportion of men employed in them. In 2012, 9 percent of women in professional and related occupations were employed in the relatively high-paying computer and engineering fields, compared with 45 percent of men in this field. Women in professional and related occupations were more likely to

work in education and healthcare jobs, in which the pay is generally lower than that for computer and engineering jobs. Sixty-eight percent of women in this occupational category worked in the education and healthcare fields in 2012, compared with 30 percent of men. (See table 2.)

Status as a parent

In 2012, a little more than one-third of full-time wage and salary workers were parents of children under age 18 (36 percent of women and 37 percent of men). Among women, median weekly earnings for mothers of children under age 18 were \$680, slightly below the earnings for women without children under 18 (\$697). Among men, earnings for fathers with children under 18 were \$946, compared with \$799 for men without children under 18. (See table 7.)

Chart 4
Distribution of full-time wage and salary employment, by sex and major occupational group, 2012 annual averages



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

State of residence

Median weekly earnings and women's-to-men's earnings ratios vary by state of residence. The differences among the states reflect, in part, variation in the occupations and industries found in each state and diversity in the age composition of each state's labor force. In general, 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.)

Weekly work hours

Among full-time workers (that is, those working at a job 35 hours or more per week), men are more likely than women to have a longer workweek. Twenty-six percent of men worked 41 or more hours per week in 2012, compared with 14 percent of women who did so. Women were more likely than men to work 35 to 39 hours per week: 12 percent of women worked those hours in 2012, while 5 percent of men did. A large majority of both male and female full-time workers had a 40-hour workweek; among these workers, women earned 88 percent as much as men earned. (People who usually work 35 or more hours per week but whose hours vary were excluded from this analysis.) (See table 5.)

Earnings of part-time workers

Women are more likely than men to work part time—that is, less than 35 hours per week on a sole, or principal, job. Women who worked part time made up 26 percent of all female wage and salary workers in 2012. In contrast, 13 percent of men in wage and salary jobs worked part time. (See tables 4 and 5.)

Women and men who worked part time had similar median earnings. Median weekly earnings for female part-timers were \$236 in 2012, just slightly above the \$226 median for their male counterparts. (See table 4.)

Men who work part time tend to be younger than women who work part time. In 2012, 43 percent of male part-time workers were 16 to 24 years old, compared with 29 percent of female part-time workers who were that age. (See table 4.)

Earnings of workers paid by the hour

Sixty-two percent of women and 56 percent of men employed in wage and salary jobs were paid by the hour in 2012. Women who were paid hourly rates had median hourly earnings of \$11.99, which was 86 percent of the median for men paid by the hour (\$13.88). (See tables 8 and 11.)

Among workers who were paid hourly rates in 2012, 6 percent of women and 3 percent of men had hourly earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage of \$7.25. (See table 10.)

Among both women and men, hourly paid workers age 16 to 19 were the most likely to have earnings at or below the minimum wage. Twenty-one percent of teenage workers who were paid hourly rates earned the prevailing federal minimum wage or less in 2012, compared with just 3 percent of hourly paid workers age 25 and older. Nine percent of hourly paid workers who were age 20 to 24 had earnings at or below the minimum wage. (See table 10.)

Statistical Tables

Table 1. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages

Characteristic	Number of			Women			
	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	. 102,749	\$768	\$2	45,462	\$691	\$3	
16 to 24 years		444	4	3,866	416	3	
16 to 19 years		356	5	415	330	8	
20 to 24 years		464	4	3,450	429	6	
25 years and older		815	2	41,597	727	2	
25 to 34 years		707	3	10,617	666	4	
35 to 44 years		858	5	10,410	747	5	
45 to 54 years		878	5	11,505	746	5	
55 to 64 years		897	6	7,680	766	5	
65 years and older		757	13	1,385	667	15	
Race and Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity							
White	. 81,779	792	3	35,108	710	3	
Black or African American	. 12,230	621	4	6,474	599	4	
Asian	5,790	920	12	2,560	770	13	
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity		568	5	6,414	521	4	
Marital Status							
Never married	. 27,428	609	2	11,993	594	3	
Married, spouse present		880	3	23,718	751	3	
Other marital status		735	4	9,752	675	6	
Divorced	. 11,531	774	5	6,462	720	6	
Separated	The state of the s	620	8	2,081	570	10	
Widowed	. 1,620	691	18	1,208	645	15	
Union Affiliation ¹							
Members of unions ²	. 12,847	943	6	5,494	877	7	
Represented by unions ³		933	5	6.174	865	7	
Not represented by a union		742	2	39,289	663	3	
Educational Attainment							
Total, 25 years and older	. 93,719	815	2	41,597	727	2	
Less than a high school diploma		471	4	2,236	386	4	
High school graduates, no college		652	3	10,152	561	4	
Some college or associate's degree		749	3	12,310	659	4	
Bachelor's degree and higher		1,165	4	16,899	1,001	5	

Table 1. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men		
Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's
Age				
Total, 16 years and older	57,286	\$854	\$4	80.9
16 to 24 years	5,164	468	5	88.9
16 to 19 years	603	373	7	88.5
20 to 24 years	4,561	482	3	89.0
25 years and older	52,122	910	3	79.9
25 to 34 years	13,968	738	4	90.2
35 to 44 years	13,675	957	6	78.1
45 to 54 years	13,840	994	6	75.1
55 to 64 years	8,838	1,005	7	76.2
65 years and older	1,801	860	26	77.6
Race and Hispanic or				
Latino Ethnicity				
White	46,672	879	4	80.8
Black or African American	5,756	665	8	90.1
Asian	3,231	1,055	23	73.0
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	9,887	592	4	88.0
Marital Status				
Never married	15,435	620	4	95.8
Married, spouse present	34,370	981	4	76.6
Other marital status	7,481	815	7	82.8
Divorced	5,069	858	10	83.9
Separated	2,001	696	14	81.9
Widowed	411	847	39	76.2
Union Affiliation ¹				
Members of unions ²	7,353	997	7	88.0
Represented by unions ³	8,000	990	7	87.4
Not represented by a union	49,287	821	4	80.8
Educational Attainment				
Total, 25 years and older	52,122	910	3	79.9
Less than a high school diploma	4,773	508	3	76.0
High school graduates, no college	15,087	735	4	76.3
Some college or associate's degree	13,517	857	6	76.9
Bachelor's degree and higher	18,745	1,371	7	73.0

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.

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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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.

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Fotal, 16 years and older	102,749	\$768	\$2	45,462	\$691	\$3	
Management, professional, and related occupations	40,984	1,108	5	21,059	951	4	
Management, business, and financial							
operations occupations	16,991	1,171	8	7,869	993	7	
Management occupations	11,547	1,248	7	4,765	1,036	12	
Chief executives	1,004	2,060	72	265	1,730	89	
General and operations managers	983	1,264	22	278	971	37	
Legislators	7	_	_	3	_	_	
Advertising and promotions managers	65	1,334	54	29	_	_	
Marketing and sales managers	916	1,396	48	402	1,110	53	
Public relations and fundraising managers	56	1,237	53	39	_	_	
Administrative services managers	133	1,103	74	57	1,038	55	
Computer and information systems managers	568	1,672	60	145	1,527	78	
Financial managers	1,125	1,169	28	616	988	28	
Compensation and benefits managers	16	_	_	9	_	_	
Human resources managers	216	1,271	73	160	1,208	80	
Training and development managers	33	_	_	17	_	_	
Industrial production managers	219	1,183	72	34	_	_	
Purchasing managers	204	1,319	83	99	1,072	169	
Transportation, storage, and							
distribution managers	276	953	37	36	_	_	
Farmers, ranchers, and other							
agricultural managers	104	708	74	14	_	_	
Construction managers	460	1,208	66	35	_	_	
Education administrators	704	1,255	34	454	1,052	64	
Architectural and engineering managers	111	2,122	184	9	_	_	
Food service managers	678	689	21	327	601	20	
Funeral service managers	8	_	_	4	_	_	
Gaming managers	21	_	_	6	_	_	
Lodging managers	100	774	184	47	_	_	
Medical and health services managers	502	1,280	42	358	1,190	66	
Natural sciences managers	18	_	_	11	_	_	
Postmasters and mail superintendents	35	_	_	21	_	_	
Property, real estate, and							
community association managers	353	907	43	200	817	35	
Social and community service managers	260	947	28	184	883	55	
Emergency management directors	5	_	_	2	_	_	
Managers, all other	2,367	1,258	16	902	1,078	27	
Business and financial operations occupations	5,443	1,058	12	3,105	952	9	
Agents and business managers of							
artists, performers, and athletes	31	_	_	16	_	_	
Buyers and purchasing agents, farm products	8	_	_	2	_	_	
Wholesale and retail buyers,							
except farm products	141	850	47	75	847	76	
Purchasing agents, except wholesale, retail, and							
farm products	239	987	29	130	942	69	
Claims adjusters, appraisers, examiners,			1				
and investigators	307	909	36	203	803	21	
Compliance officers	192	1,183	80	91	999	32	
Cost estimators	91	1,154	38	10	_	_	
Human resources workers	559	994	27	401	944	21	
Compensation, benefits, and job							
analysis specialists	72	961	67	59	866	124	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's
Total, 16 years and older	57,286	\$854	\$4	80.9
Management, professional, and related occupations Management, business, and financial	19,926	1,328	8	71.6
operations occupations	9,121	1,387	12	71.6
Management occupations	6,783	1,428	12	72.5
Chief executives	739	2,275	88	76.0
General and operations managers	705	1,436	35	67.6
Legislators	4	_	_	_
Advertising and promotions managers	36		_	
Marketing and sales managers	514	1,640	31	67.7
Public relations and fundraising managers	17	_	-	
Administrative services managers	76	1,212	166	85.6
Computer and information systems managers	423	1,740	49	87.8
Financial managers	509	1,405	34	70.3
Compensation and benefits managers	7		_	_
Human resources managers	56	1,447	61	83.5
Training and development managers	16			_
Industrial production managers	185	1,181	67	
Purchasing managers	104	1,467	35	73.1
Transportation, storage, and				
distribution managers	240	938	41	_
Farmers, ranchers, and other				
agricultural managers	89	699	84	_
Construction managers	425	1,233	31	_
Education administrators	250	1,566	45	67.2
Architectural and engineering managers	101	2,116	148	_
Food service managers	351	744	21	80.8
Funeral service managers	5	_	_	_
Gaming managers	15	.	_	_
Lodging managers	53	1,131	249	_
Medical and health services managers	144	1,544	63	77.1
Natural sciences managers	7	_	_	_
Postmasters and mail superintendents	14	_	_	_
Property, real estate, and				
community association managers	153	1,045	66	78.2
Social and community service managers		1,151	39	76.7
Emergency management directors	3	_	_	_
Managers, all other	1,465	1,409	35	76.5
Business and financial operations occupations	2,339	1,274	35	74.7
Agents and business managers of				
artists, performers, and athletes	15	_	_	_
Buyers and purchasing agents, farm products	6	_	_	_
Wholesale and retail buyers,				
except farm products	66	853	55	99.3
Purchasing agents, except wholesale, retail, and				
farm products	109	1,057	111	89.1
Claims adjusters, appraisers, examiners,				
and investigators	104	1,158	84	69.3
Compliance officers	101	1,304	101	76.6
	81	1,164	43	_
Cost estimators				
Cost estimators Human resources workers	158	1,249	36	75.6
	158	1,249	36	75.6

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Training and development specialists	120	\$983	\$55	69	\$866	\$49	
Logisticians		1,009	78	30	_		
Management analysts	479	1,452	42	202	1,325	159	
Meeting, convention, and event planners	86	819	30	72	824	76	
Fundraisers	61	1,058	51	45	_	_	
Market research analysts and marketing	175	1 1 1 0	44	00	1.072	47	
specialists	175 220	1,148 970	33	90 147	1,073 904	37	
Business operations specialists, all other	1,471	1,110	24	886	996	19	
Appraisers and assessors of real estate	48	1,110	_	25	990	19	
Budget analysts	52	1,207	88	28			
Credit analysts		1,207	-	18	_	I _	
Financial analysts	77	1,487	88	30	_	_ _	
Personal financial advisors		1,327	72	96	1.016	- 79	
Insurance underwriters	91	954	29	66	933	26	
Financial examiners	11	-	_	6	_	_	
Credit counselors and loan officers	310	934	22	181	850	26	
Tax examiners and collectors, and revenue	0.10	001		101	000		
agents	87	937	63	54	849	53	
Tax preparers	48	-	_	25	-	_	
Financial specialists, all other		1,025	105	48	_	_	
rofessional and related occupations	23,993	1,053	6	13,189	928	5	
Computer and mathematical occupations	3,416	1,349	13	872	1,146	18	
Computer and information research scientists	27	-	_	6	-	_	
Computer systems analysts	440	1,406	53	145	1,254	39	
Information security analysts	51	1,592	60	8	, -	_	
Computer programmers	439	1,324	37	100	1,148	49	
Software developers, applications and systems							
software	1,005	1,591	36	197	1,362	44	
Web developers	123	1,082	181	36	_	_	
Computer support specialists	429	960	21	116	881	38	
Database administrators	97	1,376	82	40	_	_	
Network and computer systems administrators	204	1,191	108	51	1,056	36	
Computer network architects	115	1,548	72	11	_	_	
Computer occupations, all other	288	1,110	76	65	887	110	
Actuaries		_	_	6	_	_	
Mathematicians		_	_	1	_	_	
Operations research analysts		1,334	82	70	1,169	86	
Statisticians	44	_	_	18	_	_	
Miscellaneous mathematical	_			_			
science occupations		–		3		_	
Architecture and engineering occupations	2,588	1,337	14	319	1,136	28	
Architects, except naval	130	1,325	202	29	_	-	
Surveyors, cartographers, and	45			40			
photogrammetrists	45	-	_	12	_	-	
Aerospace engineers	120	1,645	50	10	_	-	
Agricultural engineers		_	_	1	_	_	
Biomedical engineers		4.500	400	1	_	-	
Chemical engineers		1,509	166	10	_	_	
Civil engineers		1,367	27	47	_	-	
Computer hardware engineers		1,548	56 50	7	_	-	
Electrical and electronics engineers	311	1,550	50	27 6	_	_	
Environmental engineers	39	1 202	_ /E	6	_	_	
Industrial engineers, including health and safety	202	1,393	45	34	_	I -	

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Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent o men's
Training and development specialists		\$1,144	\$53	75.7
Logisticians		1,225	123	
Management analysts		1,535	83	86.3
Meeting, convention and event planners		_	_	_
Fundraisers		4.407	-	-
specialists		1,197	98	89.6
Business operations specialists, all other		1,271	242 18	71.1 73.8
		1,350	10	73.0
Appraisers and assessors of real estate	23 24	_	_	_
Budget analysts		_	_	_
Credit analysts		_	_	_
Financial analysts Personal financial advisors		1,532	109	66.3
Insurance underwriters	_	1,552	109	00.3
Financial examiners		_	_	_
Credit counselors and loan officers	130	1,074	120	79.1
Tax examiners and collectors, and revenue		1,074	120	79.1
agents		_	_	_
Tax preparers		_	_	_
Financial specialists, all other		-	_	70.0
Professional and related occupations		1,267	10	73.2
Computer and mathematical occupations	2,544	1,414	18	81.0
Computer and information research scientists		-	_	-
Computer systems analysts Information security analysts	43	1,477	42	84.9
Computer programmersSoftware developers, applications and systems		1,363	35	84.2
software	808	1,674	53	81.4
Web developers		1,204	67	_
Computer support specialists		985	30	89.4
Database administrators	57	1,657	48	
Network and computer systems administrators		1,253	31	84.3
Computer network architects		1,569	80	
Computer occupations, all other		1,155	45	76.8
Actuaries	14	_	_	_
Mathematicians			_	
Operations research analysts		1,551	87	75.4
Statisticians	26	_	_	_
Miscellaneous mathematical				
science occupations		_	_	_
Architecture and engineering occupations		1,358	14	83.7
Architects, except naval	102	1,415	67	_
Surveyors, cartographers, and				
photogrammetrists				_
Aerospace engineers		1,665	48	_
Agricultural engineers	3	_	_	_
Biomedical engineers			_	_
Chemical engineers		1,582	289	_
Civil engineers		1,428	54	_
Computer hardware engineers		1,571	71	_
Electrical and electronics engineers		1,614	103	_
Environmental engineers		-	_	_
Industrial engineers, including health and safety	167	1,408	48	ı –

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Marine engineers and naval architects	10	_	_	2	_	_	
Materials engineers	36	_	_	6	_	_	
Mechanical engineers	280	\$1,434	\$40	10	_	_	
Mining and geological engineers, including							
mining safety engineers	9	_	_	_	_	_	
Nuclear engineers	10	_	_	_	_	_	
Petroleum engineers	33	_	_	3	_	_	
Engineers, all other		1,439	48	40	_	_	
Drafters	129	962	52	21	_	_	
Engineering technicians, except drafters	360	989	21	48	_	_	
Surveying and mapping technicians	67	885	54	4	_		
Life, physical, and social science occupations	1,098	1,134	16	467	\$1,015	\$25	
Agricultural and food scientists	34			10	_	-	
Biological scientists		1,181	40	43	_	_	
Conservation scientists and foresters	18	_	_	2	_	_	
Medical scientists	123	1,163	37	59	1,060	50	
Life scientists, all other	1	_	_	_	_	_	
Astronomers and physicists	22	_	_	3	_	_	
Atmospheric and space scientists	14	-	_	2	_	_	
Chemists and materials scientists	98	1,163	33	42	_	_	
Environmental scientists and geoscientists	93	1,266	202	25	-	-	
Physical scientists, all other		1,456	164	50	1,171	225	
Economists	23	_	_	5	_	_	
Survey researchers		1,228	186	2 72	1 155	29	
PsychologistsSociologists	4	1,220	100	1	1,155	29	
Urban and regional planners	28		_	12		_	
Miscellaneous social scientists and related	-	_	_		_		
workers	44	_	_	22	_	_	
Agricultural and food science technicians	29	_	_	15	_	_	
Biological technicians		_	-	6	_	_	
Chemical technicians	62	779	128	17	_	_	
Geological and petroleum technicians	22	_	_	10	_	_	
Nuclear technicians	4	_	_	_	_	_	
Social science research assistants	3	_	_	3	_	_	
Miscellaneous life, physical, and social science	128	745	33	66	620	17	
technicians	1,891	838	11	66 1 177	820	17	
Community and social services occupations Counselors	519	848	20	1,177 347	855	23	
Social workers	668	847	16	535	845	19	
Probation officers and correctional treatment	000	047	10	333	043	13	
specialists	85	948	37	40	_	_	
Social and human service assistants	124	637	79	99	656	76	
Miscellaneous community and social service	127	337	l '		550	'	
specialists, including health educators and							
community health workers	74	667	55	51	642	102	
Clergy	344	895	65	63	777	58	
Directors, religious activities and education	37	_	_	23		_	
Religious workers, all other	40	_	_	20	_	_	
Legal occupations	1,315	1,328	46	716	1,013	28	
Lawyers	690	1,909	19	228	1,636	75	
Judicial law clerks	9	,	-	5		-	
Judges, magistrates, and other judicial workers	64	1,637	352	26	_	_	
Paralegals and legal assistants	372	872	26	317	865	28	
Miscellaneous legal support workers	181	815	63	139	754	37	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings a a percent men's
Marine engineers and naval architects		_	_	_
Materials engineers		_	_	_
Mechanical engineersMining and geological engineers, including	270	\$1,442	\$41	_
mining safety engineers	8			
Nuclear engineers		_	_	_
Petroleum engineers				
Engineers, all other		1,456	45	_
			45 47	_
Drafters Engineering technicians, except drafters		958 1,008	22	_
• •				_
Surveying and mapping technicians		891	53	-
Life, physical, and social science occupations		1,226	51	82.8
Agricultural and food scientists		-	_	_
Biological scientists		1,331	44	_
Conservation scientists and foresters		_	_	
Medical scientists	_	1,331	256	79.6
Life scientists, all other		_	_	_
Astronomers and physicists		_	_	_
Atmospheric and space scientists		_	_	_
Chemists and materials scientists		1,226	158	_
Environmental scientists and geoscientists		1,390	80	_
Physical scientists, all other		1,522	72	76.9
Economists	18	_	_	_
Survey researchers		_	_	_
Psychologists	21	_	_	_
Sociologists		_	_	_
Urban and regional planners	16	_	_	_
Miscellaneous social scientists and related workers	22	_	_	_
Agricultural and food science technicians	14	_	_	_
Biological technicians		_	_	_
Chemical technicians	45	_	_	_
Geological and petroleum technicians	12	_	_	_
Nuclear technicians		_	_	_
Social science research assistants	_	_	_	_
Miscellaneous life, physical, and social science				
technicians	62	825	66	75.2
Community and social services occupations	714	869	25	94.4
Counselors	172	833	38	102.6
Social workers	134	856	29	98.7
Probation officers and correctional treatment				
specialists	44	_	_	_
Social and human service assistants	25	_	_	_
Miscellaneous community and social service				
specialists, including health educators and				
community health workers	24	_	_	_
Clergy		959	44	81.0
Directors, religious activities and education		_	_	-
Religious workers, all other		_	l –	_
Legal occupations		1,884	24	53.8
Lawyers		2,055	85	79.6
Judicial law clerks		_,555	_	
Judges, magistrates, and other judicial workers		_	l –	_
		040	100	94.1
Paralegals and legal assistants	54	919	109	94 1

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes			Women	
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standar error of median
Education, training, and library occupations	6,454	\$915	\$7	4,687	\$858	\$7
Postsecondary teachers		1,216	37	424	1,055	35
Preschool and kindergarten teachers	494	589	23	485	588	23
Elementary and middle school teachers	2,435	942	8	1,971	921	9
Secondary school teachers		1,009	18	578	978	21
Special education teachers		944	29	264	940	26
Other teachers and instructors	372	785	30	220	729	52
Archivists, curators, and museum technicians	40	-	_	21	-	_
Librarians	143	966	31	120	960	30
Library technicians		_	_	17	_	_
Teacher assistants		458	12	515	452	13
Other education, training, and library workers		1,011	71	72	932	54
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media	'''	1,011	''	, ,	552] -
occupations	1,440	969	15	631	885	23
Artists and related workers	· ·	1,131	33	24	- 005	
Designers	467	953	27	226	855	42
Actors		900		5	000	42
Producers and directors		1,048	37	34	_	_
	89	958	61	25	_	_
Athletes, coaches, umpires, and related workers		936			_	_
Dancers and choreographers	5 49	_	_	5 13	_	_
Musicians, singers, and related workers Entertainers and performers, sports and related		_	_		_	_
workers, all other		_	_	5	_	_
Announcers	_	_	_	3	_	_
News analysts, reporters and correspondents		1,021	70	24	_	-
Public relations specialists		1,127	65	79	989	67
Editors	121	946	26	62	889	71
Technical writers		1,227	102	27	_	_
Writers and authors	86 43	899 –	43	46 28	_ _	_
Broadcast and sound engineering technicians	70	075	450	_		
and radio operators		875	150	5	_	_
Photographers	37	_	_	14	_	_
Television, video, and motion picture camera	34			_		
operators and editors	34	_	-	5	_	-
Media and communication equipment workers,	3			2		
all other	5,791	- 1,028	11	2 4,320	980	9
Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations		1,020	''		900	9
Chiropractors		_	_	3 13	_	-
Dentists Dietitians and nutritionists	49 79	840	109	73	- 845	97
	_	040	109	3	UHJ	91
Optometrists		- 1,877	48	_	- 1,871	89
Physicians and surgeons	655	1,877	48 27	116 226		98
Physician assistants			147	61	1,418 1,364	69
Physician assistants		1,329	14/	_	1,304	69
Podiatrists		_	_	1	_	_
Audiologists		1 100		6	1 200	-
Occupational therapists		1,189	92	82	1,200	90
Physical therapists		1,287	38	88	1,190	114
Radiation therapists		_	_	9	_	_
Recreational therapists		070	- 04	9	-	
Respiratory therapists		979	81	56	936	39
Speech-landilade nathologists	88	1,128	40	86	1,121	56

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men				
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women' earnings a a percent men's		
Education, training, and library occupations Postsecondary teachers	497	\$1,133 1,366	\$12 34	75.7 77.2		
Preschool and kindergarten teachers	9	_	_			
Elementary and middle school teachers		1,128	24	81.6		
Secondary school teachers	465	1,050	31	93.1		
Special education teachers	43	- 047	_	70.5		
Other teachers and instructors	151	917	50	79.5		
Archivists, curators, and museum technicians Librarians	20 24	_	_	_		
Library technicians	4	_	_	_		
Teacher assistants	51	493	16	91.7		
Other education, training, and library workers	_	455	_	31.7		
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media	00					
occupations	809	1,055	23	83.9		
Artists and related workers	44	-		-		
Designers	241	1,028	58	83.2		
Actors	5	_	_	_		
Producers and directors	41	_	_	_		
Athletes, coaches, umpires, and related workers	63	1,018	58	_		
Dancers and choreographers	_	_	_	_		
Musicians, singers, and related workers	36	_	_	-		
Entertainers and performers, sports and related						
workers, all other	9	_	_	-		
Announcers	17	_	_	_		
News analysts, reporters and correspondents	39	_	_	_		
Public relations specialists	55	1,351	70	73.2		
Editors	59	993	121	89.5		
Technical writers	24	_	_	_		
Writers and authors	40	_	_	_		
Miscellaneous media and communication workers. Broadcast and sound engineering technicians	15	_		_		
and radio operators	64	924	177	_		
Photographers	24	_	_	_		
Television, video, and motion picture camera	20					
operators and editors	29	_	_	-		
Media and communication equipment workers, all other	1					
Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations	1,471	1,245	23	78.7		
Chiropractors	4	1,243	25	70.7		
Dentists	37	_	_	I _		
Dietitians and nutritionists	6	_	_	_		
Optometrists	_	_	_	_		
Pharmacists	107	1,879	25	99.6		
Physicians and surgeons	429	2,099	146	67.6		
Physician assistants			_	-		
Podiatrists	_	_	_	_		
Audiologists	1	_	_	-		
Occupational therapists	3	_	_	-		
Physical therapists	56	1,362	36	87.4		
Radiation therapists	1	_	_	-		
Recreational therapists	1	_	_	-		
Respiratory therapists	36	_	_	-		
Speech-language pathologists						

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes			Women	
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Therapists, all other	88	\$926	\$60	71	\$877	\$93
Veterinarians	-	_	_	29	_	_
Registered nurses	2,176	1,097	13	1,946	1,086	13
Nurse anesthetists		_	_	12	_	_
Nurse midwives	2	_	_	2		_
Nurse practitioners	77	1,610	52	65	1,530	90
Health diagnosing and treating practitioners,	2					
all other	3 256	960	34	100	842	34
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians Dental hygienists	∠56 51	869 1,045	41	180 50	1,047	39
Diagnostic related technologists and technicians	241	961	32	174	912	36
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics	145	780	33	44	912	
Health practitioner support technologists and	140	700				
technicians	403	615	16	322	621	18
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses.	433	731	17	400	730	17
Medical records and health information						
technicians	74	618	57	65	663	65
Opticians, dispensing	41	_	_	24	_	_
Miscellaneous health technologists and						
technicians	113	772	53	71	714	34
Other healthcare practitioners and technical						
occupations	69	900	69	34	_	
Service occupations	14,839	485	2	7,328	435	4
Healthcare support occupations	2,350	482	5	2,060	477	5
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides Occupational therapy assistants and aides	1,458 11	451	6	1,285 11	445	6
Physical therapist assistants and aides		_	_	26	_	_
Massage therapists		_	_	32	_	_
Dental assistants		579	14	172	581	13
Medical assistants		514	9	302	515	9
Medical transcriptionists		_	_	29	_	_
Pharmacy aides	30	_	_	28	_	_
Veterinary assistants and laboratory animal						
caretakers	22	_	_	15	-	_
Phlebotomists	101	520	27	82	516	27
Miscellaneous healthcare support occupations,	440	407	00		400	00
including medical equipment preparers	112	487	32	77 500	462	32 13
Protective service occupations First-line supervisors of correctional officers	2,655 51	791 820	14 44	500 17	658	13
First-line supervisors of police and detectives		1,216	124	16	_	_
First-line supervisors of fire fighting and	103	1,210	124	10		
prevention workers	59	1,271	114	_	_	_
First-line supervisors of protective service		,				
workers, all other	80	881	37	26	_	_
Firefighters		1,068	38	8	_	_
Fire inspectors		_	_	2	_	_
Bailiffs, correctional officers, and jailers		722	23	102	643	27
Detectives and criminal investigators		1,062	52	37	_	_
Fish and game wardens		_	-	1	_	_
Parking enforcement workers		-	-	1	-	
Police and sheriff's patrol officers		979	32	76	815	77
Transit and railroad police		_	_	3	_	_
		848	- 53		_	
Private detectives and investigators	76	848	53	34	_	_

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

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Veterinarians.	Occupation	workers (in	weekly	error of	a percent of
Registered nurses. 230 \$1,189 \$29 91.3	·	_	_	_	_
Nurse anesthetists				_	
Nurse midwives. Nurse practitioners. Health diagnosing and treating practitioners, all other. Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians. Diagnostic related technologists and technicians. Emergency medical technicians and paramedics. Health practitioner support technologists and technicians. Emergency medical technicians and paramedics. Health practitioner support technologists and technicians. Health practitioner support technologists and technicians. Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses. Medical records and health information technicians, support technologists and technicians. Opticians, dispensing. 17			\$1,189	\$29	91.3
Nurse practitioners		11	_	_	_
Health diagnosing and treating practitioners, all other		_	_	_	_
all other.		12	_	_	_
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians. 76		2			
Dental hygienists		_	043	- 50	80.3
Diagnostic related technologists and technicians.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		943	59	09.3
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics 100 809 31 -			1 131	43	80.6
Health practitioner support technologists and technicians	•			_	-
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Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses Medical records and health information technicians		82	599	26	103.7
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Service occupations		26			
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Animal control workers 5 – – –			1,016	34	80.2
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Private detectives and investigators			_	_	_
	Private detectives and investigators	42			_

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standar error o mediar	
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers	742	\$528	\$14	138	\$501	\$20	
Crossing guards	17	_	_	9	_	_	
Transportation security screeners	18	_	_	6	_	_	
Lifeguards and other recreational, and all							
other protective service workers	55	472	66	24	_	_	
Food preparation and serving related occupations	4,164	410	3	1,975	389	4	
Chefs and head cooks	318	562	21	56	462	49	
First-line supervisors of food preparation							
and serving workers	415	491	15	245	451	21	
Cooks	1,240	389	5	408	361	6	
Food preparation workers	432	383	8	241	357	12	
Bartenders	209	460	22	112	421	18	
Combined food preparation and serving workers,	209	400	22	112	421	10	
including fast food	166	382	16	109	368	31	
Counter attendants, cafeteria, food concession,							
and coffee shop	56	350	18	40	_	_	
Waiters and waitresses	891	411	7	569	396	8	
Food servers, nonrestaurant	112	456	27	63	434	40	
Dining room and cafeteria attendants and							
bartender helpers	137	370	13	67	366	15	
Dishwashers	127	345	13	21	_	_	
Hosts and hostesses, restaurant, lounge, and							
coffee shop	59	391	19	44	_	_	
Food preparation and serving related workers, all other	1	_	_	_	_	_	
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance							
occupations	3,430	465	6	1,156	407	4	
First-line supervisors of housekeeping and							
janitorial workers	159	569	19	72	505	22	
First-line supervisors of landscaping, lawn							
service, and groundskeeping workers	109	745	25	4	_	_	
Janitors and building cleaners	1,514	484	7	380	408	8	
Maids and housekeeping cleaners	791	399	5	668	395	6	
Pest control workers	62	571	29	3	_		
Grounds maintenance workers		455	14	29	_	_	
Personal care and service occupations	2,241	468	9	1,637	428	_	
•			_	•	420	8	
First-line supervisors of gaming workers	92	752	48	34	-	_	
First-line supervisors of personal service workers.	83	600	29	53	518	19	
Animal trainers	11	_	_	8	_	_	
Nonfarm animal caretakers	78	414	17	57	417	17	
Gaming services workers	74	604	34	38	_	_	
Ushers, lobby attendants, and ticket takers Miscellaneous entertainment attendants and	10	_	_	5	-	_	
related workers	61	470	40	26	_	-	
Embalmers and funeral attendents	8	_	_	2	_	l –	
Morticians, undertakers, and funeral directors	23	_	l _	3	_	l –	
Barbers	57	466	67	15	_	l _	
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists	294	473	18	272	468	20	
						50	
Miscellaneous personal appearance workers	154	427	42	123	430	ا عن	
Baggage porters, bellhops, and concierges		_	_	7	_	_	
Tour and travel guides	20] -	8		-	
Childcare workers		390	9	395	386	9	
Personal care aides	549	422	8	450	412	8	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men				
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's		
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers	603	\$537	\$15	93.3		
Crossing guards	8	_	_	_		
Transportation security screeners	12	_	_	_		
Lifeguards and other recreational, and all						
other protective service workers		-	_	-		
Food preparation and serving related occupations	2,189	433	8	89.8		
Chefs and head cooks	261	582	19	79.4		
First-line supervisors of food preparation						
and serving workers	170	561	25	80.4		
Cooks	833	403	6	89.6		
Food preparation workers	191	408	11	87.5		
Bartenders	97	520	47	81.0		
Combined food preparation and serving workers,						
including fast food	57	406	30	90.6		
Counter attendants, cafeteria, food concession,						
and coffee shop	17	_	_	_		
Waiters and waitresses	322	456	24	86.8		
Food servers, nonrestaurant	49	_	_	_		
Dining room and cafeteria attendants and						
bartender helpers	70	374	26	97.9		
Dishwashers	106	337	15	_		
Hosts and hostesses, restaurant, lounge, and						
coffee shop	15	_	_	_		
Food preparation and serving related workers,						
all other	1	_	_	_		
building and grounds cleaning and maintenance						
occupations First-line supervisors of housekeeping and	2,275	501	5	81.2		
janitorial workers	88	687	37	73.5		
First-line supervisors of landscaping, lawn						
service, and groundskeeping workers	105	748	29	_		
Janitors and building cleaners		511	8	79.8		
Maids and housekeeping cleaners		425	24	92.9		
Pest control workers		570	28	_		
Grounds maintenance workers	766	452	15	_		
Personal care and service occupations		569	27	75.2		
First-line supervisors of gaming workers		864	58	_		
First-line supervisors of personal service workers.		_	_	_		
Animal trainers		_	_	_		
Nonfarm animal caretakers	21	_	_	_		
Gaming services workers		_	_	_		
Ushers, lobby attendants, and ticket takers	5	_	_	_		
Miscellaneous entertainment attendants and						
related workers	35	_	_	_		
Embalmers and funeral attendents	6	_	_	_		
Morticians, undertakers, and funeral directors		_	_	_		
Barbers	·-	_	_	_		
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists	22	_	_	_		
Miscellaneous personal appearance workers		_	_	_		
Baggage porters, bellhops, and concierges		_	_	_		
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Tour and travel guides		_	_	_		
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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Recreation and fitness workers	174	\$575	\$26	102	\$542	\$25	
Residential advisors	48	_	_	27	_	_	
Personal care and service workers, all other	32	_	_	13	_	_	
Sales and office occupations	23,115	655	3	13,914	610	2	
Sales and related occupations	9,433	689	8	4,005	521	6	
First-line supervisors of retail sales workers	2,295	711	11	977	598	9	
First-line supervisors of non-retail sales workers	791	1,045	21	220	847	27	
Cashiers	1,348	376	5	941	368	6	
Counter and rental clerks	96	495	22	42	_	_	
Parts salespersons	88	643	37	9	_	_	
Retail salespersons	1,842	576	13	707	436	15	
Advertising sales agents	191	909	47	91	842	57	
Insurance sales agents	389	827	35	191	641	41	
Securities, commodities, and financial services			ĺ				
sales agents	220	1,131	86	64	862	69	
Travel agents	44	_	_	33	_	_	
Sales representatives, services, all other	415	935	30	130	825	52	
Sales representatives, wholesale and							
manufacturing	1,091	1,064	34	285	822	33	
Models, demonstrators, and product promoters	18	_	_	12	_	_	
Real estate brokers and sales agents	328	789	99	194	680	57	
Sales engineers	26	_	_	1	_	_	
Telemarketers	65	464	80	29	_	_	
Door-to-door sales workers, news and street							
vendors, and related workers	43	_	_	16	_	_	
Sales and related workers, all other	144	785	54	62	653	48	
Office and administrative support occupations First-line supervisors of office and administrative	13,683	643	3	9,909	629	3	
support workers Switchboard operators, including answering	1,274	795	13	858	760	11	
service	28	_	_	20	_	_	
Telephone operators	35	_	_	30	_	_	
Communications equipment operators, all other	8	_	_	4	_	_	
Bill and account collectors		640	17	122	633	15	
Billing and posting clerks		627	14	347	615	13	
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks	857	677	11	755	672	11	
Gaming cage workers			_	5		_	
Payroll and timekeeping clerks		702	23	116	707	22	
Procurement clerks	26	-	_	11	-	_	
Tellers		497	8	238	499	9	
Financial clerks, all other		_	_	32	_	_	
Brokerage clerks		_	_	1	_	_	
Court municipal, and license clarks		-	-	4	-	- -	
Court, municipal, and license clerks	77 42	699	63	63 31	693	54	
Credit authorizers, checkers, and clerks		-	_		_ E0E	_	
Customer service representatives		608 769	8 44	1,033	585 730	8 40	
Eligibility interviewers, government programs File clerks	78 204		15	61 150	730 635	_	
Hotel, motel, and resort desk clerks	204 73	645 522	40	159 44	บงจ	18	
·		522 593	40 22	91	_ 501	23	
Interviewers, except eligibility and loan	34	ეყა	22	28	581	23	
Library assistants, clerical	133	692	18	28 107	682	17	
New accounts clerks		092	10	107	002	''	
			40	53		61	
Order clerks	90	561	40	ეა	595	64	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men				
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings a a percent o men's		
Recreation and fitness workers	71	\$675	\$68	80.3		
Residential advisors	21	_	_	_		
Personal care and service workers, all other	19	_	_			
Sales and office occupations	9,202	768	6	79.4		
Sales and related occupations	5,428	838 792	12 18	62.2 75.5		
First-line supervisors of retail sales workers First-line supervisors of non-retail sales workers	1,317 571	1,130	23	75.5 75.0		
Cashiers	407	400	12	92.0		
Counter and rental clerks	54	591	22	52.0		
Parts salespersons	79	661	60	_		
Retail salespersons	1,135	678	21	64.3		
Advertising sales agents	100	945	51	89.1		
Insurance sales agents	197	1,026	53	62.5		
Securities, commodities, and financial services						
sales agents	156	1,247	59	69.1		
Travel agents	11	_	_	_		
Sales representatives, services, all other	286	992	54	83.2		
manufacturing	806	1,161	27	70.8		
Models, demonstrators, and product promoters	6	_	_	_		
Real estate brokers and sales agents	134	1,031	58	66.0		
Sales engineers	25	_	_	_		
Telemarketers	35	_	_	_		
Door-to-door sales workers, news and street	07					
vendors, and related workers Sales and related workers, all other	27 81	996	- 85	65.6		
Office and administrative support occupations	3,774	700	9	89.9		
First-line supervisors of office and administrative support workers	416	895	23	84.9		
Switchboard operators, including answering service.	8	_	_	- 04.5		
Telephone operators	5	_	_	_		
Communications equipment operators, all other	_	_	_	_		
Bill and account collectors		681	51	93.0		
Billing and posting clerks	47	_	_	_		
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks	102	740	39	90.8		
Gaming cage workers	2	_	_	_		
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	9	_	_	_		
Procurement clerks	15	_	_	_		
Tellers	30	_	_	_		
Financial clerks, all other	12	_	_	_		
Brokerage clerks		_	_	_		
Correspondence clerks		_	_	_		
Court, municipal, and license clerks	14	_	_	_		
Credit authorizers, checkers, and clerks		-	- 24	OF E		
Customer service representatives	502 17	684	21	85.5		
Eligibility interviewers, government programs File clerks	44	_	_	-		
Hotel, motel, and resort desk clerks	29	_		I _		
Interviewers, except eligibility and loan	13	_	_	_		
Library assistants, clerical	_	_	_	_		
Loan interviewers and clerks	26	_	_	_		
New accounts clerks	7	_	_	_		
Order clerks	37	_	l –	I –		

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

	_	Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Human resources assistants, except payroll and			4				
timekeeping	105	\$759	\$35	88	\$724	\$37	
Receptionists and information clerks	831	531	12	758	524	9	
Reservation and transportation ticket agents and							
travel clerks	99	738	39	54	634	38	
Information and record clerks, all other	87	661	102	73	677	56	
Cargo and freight agents		_	_	5	_	_	
Couriers and messengers	139	737	32	19	_	_	
Dispatchers	252	648	34	159	605	17	
Meter readers, utilities	25	_	_	5	_	_	
Postal service clerks	137	980	11	73	910	34	
Postal service mail carriers	279	990	18	93	907	33	
Postal service mail sorters, processors, and							
processing machine operators	56	891	38	23	_	_	
Production, planning, and expediting clerks	242	858	42	131	765	28	
Shipping, receiving, and traffic clerks	458	556	23	125	522	11	
Stock clerks and order fillers	936	505	8	310	484	14	
Weighers, measurers, checkers, and samplers,							
recordkeeping	64	638	33	29	_	_	
Secretaries and administrative assistants	2,251	669	7	2,146	665	7	
Computer operators	87	785	31	45	_	_	
Data entry keyers	259	591	13	202	586	14	
Word processors and typists	90	624	27	82	622	22	
Desktop publishers	3	_	_	_	_	_	
Insurance claims and policy processing clerks	226	643	18	182	631	21	
Mail clerks and mail machine operators,							
except postal service	72	580	41	27	_	_	
Office clerks, general	798	601	9	667	600	9	
Office machine operators, except computer	34	_	_	16	_	_	
Proofreaders and copy markers	5	_	_	4	_	_	
Statistical assistants	25	_	_	14	_	_	
Office and administrative support workers, all							
other	452	707	18	349	686	19	
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance							
occupations	9,968	740	6	389	550	23	
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	777	435	10	166	377	14	
First-line supervisors of farming, fishing, and							
forestry workers	39	_	_	5	_	_	
Agricultural inspectors	17	_	_	5	_	_	
Animal breeders	1	_	_	_	_	_	
Graders and sorters, agricultural products	108	410	14	70	396	17	
Miscellaneous agricultural workers	560	426	9	81	350	11	
Fishers and related fishing workers	8	_	_	1	_	_	
Hunters and trappers	2	_	-	2	_	_	
Forest and conservation workers	5	_	-	_	_	_	
Logging workers	37	_	-	2	_	_	
Construction and extraction occupations		740	10	98	723	41	
First-line supervisors of construction trades			ĺ				
and extraction workers	488	1,019	26	13	_	_	
Boilermakers	23		l –	_	_	_	
Brickmasons, blockmasons, and stonemasons	94	641	93	_	_	-	
Carpenters	750	675	18	7	_	_	
•	84	599	29	l 1	I	I	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men				
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's		
Human resources assistants, except payroll and						
_timekeeping			_			
Receptionists and information clerks	73	\$604	\$33	86.8		
Reservation and transportation ticket agents and						
travel clerks		_	_	_		
Information and record clerks, all other		_	_	_		
Cargo and freight agents		_	_	_		
Couriers and messengers		744	29	_		
Dispatchers		796	71	76.0		
Meter readers, utilities		_	_	_		
Postal service clerks		1,000	14	91.0		
Postal service mail carriers	. 186	1,026	19	88.4		
Postal service mail sorters, processors, and						
processing machine operators		_	_	_		
Production, planning, and expediting clerks	. 111	946	28	80.9		
Shipping, receiving, and traffic clerks	. 333	577	17	90.5		
Stock clerks and order fillers	625	516	10	93.8		
Weighers, measurers, checkers, and samplers, recordkeeping	. 35	_	_	_		
Secretaries and administrative assistants		803	60	82.8		
Computer operators		000	_	02.0		
Data entry keyers		611	35	95.9		
Word processors and typists			_	55.5		
Desktop publishers						
Insurance claims and policy processing clerks	_			_		
Mail clerks and mail machine operators,						
except postal service	44					
Office clerks, general		607	19	98.8		
		007	19	90.0		
Office machine operators, except computer Proofreaders and copy markers	_	_	_	_		
Statistical assistants		_	_	_		
	1 ''	_	_	_		
Office and administrative support workers, all	102	788	34	87.1		
other Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	103	700	34	07.1		
•	9,579	749	6	73.4		
occupationsFarming, fishing, and forestry occupations	· ·	457	12	82.5		
First-line supervisors of farming, fishing, and	011	457	12	02.3		
forestry workers	. 34					
		_	_	_		
Agricultural inspectors		_	_	_		
Animal breeders		_	_	_		
Graders and sorters, agricultural products		_	-	70.0		
Miscellaneous agricultural workers		444	12	78.8		
Fishers and related fishing workers		_	_	_		
Hunters and trappers		_	_	_		
Forest and conservation workers	_	_	-	_		
Logging workers	. 36	744	-	-		
Construction and extraction occupations First-line supervisors of construction trades	5,004	741	10	97.6		
and extraction workers	475	1,018	25	_		
Boilermakers	23	_	_	_		
	94	641	93	l –		
Brickmasons, blockmasons, and stonemasons	_	• • • •				
Brickmasons, blockmasons, and stonemasons Carpenters Carpet, floor, and tile installers and finishers	. 743	673	19	_		

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Cement masons, concrete finishers, and							
terrazzo workers	53	\$601	\$36	_	_	_	
Construction laborers	937	607	9	24	_	_	
Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment							
operators	15	_	_	_	_	_	
Pile-driver operators	2	_	_	_	_	_	
Operating engineers and other construction							
equipment operators	321	805	22	5	_	_	
Drywall installers, ceiling tile installers, and tapers.	94	568	36	-	_	_	
Electricians	574	932	23	11	_	_	
Glaziers	38	_	_	_	_	_	
Insulation workers	33	_	_	_	_	l –	
Painters, construction and maintenance		568	29	8	_	l _	
Paperhangers		_	I	_	_	_	
Pipelayers, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters.	436	878	25	6	_	_	
Plasterers and stucco masons	14	-		_	_	_	
Reinforcing iron and rebar workers		_	_				
<u> </u>			48	2	_	_	
Roofers	123	533	_		_	_	
Sheet metal workers	103	885	54	3	_	_	
Structural iron and steel workers		759	62	1	_	_	
Solar photovoltaic installers		_	_	_	_	_	
Helpers, construction trades			_	1	_	_	
Construction and building inspectors		932	88	4	_	_	
Elevator installers and repairers		_	_	1	_	_	
Fence erectors	26	_	_	_	_	_	
Hazardous materials removal workers	28	_	_	4	_	_	
Highway maintenance workers	98	683	40	1	_	_	
operators	7	_	_	_	_	_	
Septic tank servicers and sewer pipe cleaners	6	_	_	_	_	_	
Miscellaneous construction and related workers	24	_	_	1	_	_	
Derrick, rotary drill, and service unit operators,							
oil, gas, and mining	32	_	_	1	_	_	
Earth drillers, except oil and gas	28	_	_	_	_	_	
Explosives workers, ordnance handling experts,	20						
and blasters	5	_	_	_	_	_	
Mining machine operators	65	997	37		_	_	
•		991	37		_	_	
Roof bolters, mining		_	_	_	_	_	
Roustabouts, oil and gas		_	_	1	_	_	
Helpers—extraction workers		-	_	_	_	_	
Other extraction workers	84	985	33	1	— 0757		
nstallation, maintenance, and repair occupations	4,088	808	7	125	\$757	\$37	
First-line supervisors of mechanics, installers,							
and repairers	280	936	25	17	_	_	
Computer, automated teller, and office machine							
repairers	218	854	60	26	_	_	
Radio and telecommunications equipment			1				
installers and repairers	142	885	46	10	_	-	
Avionics technicians	10	_	_	3	_	-	
Electric motor, power tool, and related repairers	37	_	-	_	_	-	
Electrical and electronics installers and							
repairers, transportation equipment	5	_	_	_	_	l –	
Electrical and electronics repairers, industrial	-		1				
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Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent o men's
Cement masons, concrete finishers, and				
terrazzo workers	53	\$601	\$36	_
Construction laborers	913	609	9	_
Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment				
operators		_	_	_
Pile-driver operators	2	_	_	_
Operating engineers and other construction				
equipment operators		805	22	_
Drywall installers, ceiling tile installers, and tapers.		567	37	_
Electricians		929	23	_
Glaziers		_	_	_
Insulation workers	32	_	_	_
Painters, construction and maintenance	252	559	32	_
Paperhangers		_	_	_
Pipelayers, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters.	430	876	30	_
Plasterers and stucco masons	14	_	_	_
Reinforcing iron and rebar workers	8	_	_	_
Roofers	121	524	33	_
Sheet metal workers	100	880	58	_
Structural iron and steel workers	59	767	60	_
Solar photovoltaic installers	4	_	_	_
Helpers, construction trades		_	_	_
Construction and building inspectors		940	104	_
Elevator installers and repairers		_	_	_
Fence erectors		_	_	_
Hazardous materials removal workers	23	_	_	_
Highway maintenance workers	97	683	39	_
Rail-track laying and maintenance equipment				
operators		_	_	_
Septic tank servicers and sewer pipe cleaners		_	_	_
Miscellaneous construction and related workers Derrick, rotary drill, and service unit operators,	23	_	_	_
oil, gas, and mining	32	_	_	_
Earth drillers, except oil and gas		_	_	_
Explosives workers, ordnance handling experts,				
and blasters	5	_	_	_
Mining machine operators		996	37	_
Roof bolters, mining		_	_	_
Roustabouts, oil and gas		_	_	_
Helpers—extraction workers		_	_	_
Other extraction workers		981	32	_
nstallation, maintenance, and repair occupations		809	7	93.6
First-line supervisors of mechanics, installers,	3,903	009	'	93.0
and repairers	262	934	24	
•	202	934	24	_
Computer, automated teller, and office machine repairers	193	880	51	_
Radio and telecommunications equipment				
installers and repairers	132	898	44	_
Avionics technicians		_	_	_
Electric motor, power tool, and related repairers	37	_	_	_
Electrical and electronics installers and				1
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	5	_	_	_
repairers, transportation equipment	5	_	_	_

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes			Women	
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Electronic equipment installers and repairers, motor vehicles	15	_	_	1	_	_
Electronic home entertainment equipment						
installers and repairers		_	_	_	_	_
Security and fire alarm systems installers		_ 	_ 		_	_
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians		\$993 619	\$42 20	2 2	_	_
Automotive body and related repairers		619	20		_	_
Automotive glass installers and repairers	17	700	45	_ 7	_	_
Automotive service technicians and mechanics Bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine	691	702	15	7	_	_
specialists	271	843	28	1	_	_
technicians and mechanics	174	941	47	3	_	_
Small engine mechanics	42	-	_	1	-	_
mechanics, installers, and repairers	67	493	22	1	_	_
Control and valve installers and repairers Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration		-	_	1	_	_
	200	007	27	4		
mechanics and installers	280 35	827	27	4	_	_
Home appliance repairers		067	- 26	3 10	_	_
Industrial and refractory machinery mechanics	424	867			_	_
Maintenance and repair workers, general	371	731	23	6	_	_
Maintenance workers, machinery		938	400	3	_	_
Millwrights			109	3	_	_
Electrical power-line installers and repairers	117 171	988 915	48 47	2	_	_
Telecommunications line installers and repairers	44	915	47	8 5	_	_
Precision instrument and equipment repairers Wind turbine service technicians	1	_	_	5	_	_
Coin, vending, and amusement machine	ļ	_	_	_	_	_
servicers and repairers	23			1		
Locksmiths and safe repairers		_	_	_	_	_
Manufactured building and mobile home installers.	4	_	_	_	_	_
Riggers	10	_	_	_	_	_
Signal and track switch repairers		_	_	_	_	_
Helpers—installation, maintenance, and repair		_	_	_	_	
workers Other installation, maintenance, and repair	20	_	-	_	_	_
, , , ,	4.47	077	50	-		
workers	147	677	58	5	_	_
Production, transportation, and material moving						
occupations	13,842	624	4	2,773	\$493	\$5
Production occupations	7,427	627	5	1,930	496	5
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers	734	917	24	132	674	32
Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers	22	_	_	5	_	_
Electrical, electronics, and electromechanical					_	_
assemblers	155	564	29	78	520	22
Engine and other machine assemblers	32	_	-	5	_	-
Structural metal fabricators and fitters		_	-	2	_	-
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators	833	557	15	320	499	9
Bakers	121	474	23	55	450	31
Butchers and other meat, poultry, and fish			ĺ			
processing workers	273	507	12	64	417	25

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Electronic equipment installers and repairers, motor vehicles	Men		
motor vehicles	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's
Electronic home entertainment equipment installers and repairers			
Security and fire alarm systems installers	_	_	_
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians	_	_	_
Automotive body and related repairers			_
Automotive glass installers and repairers	\$986	\$41	_
Automotive service technicians and mechanics. Bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine specialists	618	20	_
Bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine specialists. 271 Heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics. 171 Small engine mechanics. 41 Miscellaneous vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics, installers, and repairers. 66 Control and valve installers and repairers. 24 Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers. 276 Home appliance repairers. 33 Industrial and refractory machinery mechanics. 415 Maintenance and repair workers, general 364 Maintenance workers, machinery. 22 Millwrights. 46 Electrical power-line installers and repairers. 115 Telecommunications line installers and repairers. 38 Wind turbine service technicians. 1 Coin, vending, and amusement machine servicers and repairers. 22 Locksmiths and safe repairers. 17 Manufactured building and mobile home installers. Riggers. 10 Signal and track switch repairers. 30 Helpers—installation, maintenance, and repair workers. 20 Other installation, and material moving occupations 5,497 First-line supervisors of production and operating workers. 5497 First-line supervisors of production and operating workers. 77 Electrical, electronics, and electromechanical assemblers. 77 Engine and other machine assemblers. 26 Structural metal fabricators and fitters. 17 Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators. 513	_	_	_
Heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics	704	15	_
Small engine mechanics	844	28	_
Miscellaneous vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics, installers, and repairers	942	50	_
Control and valve installers and repairers	_	_	_
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	496	21	_
Home appliance repairers	_	_	_
Industrial and refractory machinery mechanics	829	26	_
Maintenance and repair workers, general.364Maintenance workers, machinery.22Millwrights.46Electrical power-line installers and repairers.115Telecommunications line installers and repairers.164Precision instrument and equipment repairers.38Wind turbine service technicians.1Coin, vending, and amusement machine22servicers and repairers.22Locksmiths and safe repairers.17Manufactured building and mobile home installers.4Riggers.10Signal and track switch repairers.3Helpers—installation, maintenance, and repair20Other installation, maintenance, and repair20Workers.20Other installation, maintenance, and repair20Production, transportation, and material moving11,069Production occupations.5,497First-line supervisors of production and operating workers.601Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers.601Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers.17Electrical, electronics, and electromechanical assemblers.77Engine and other machine assemblers.26Structural metal fabricators and fitters.17Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators.513	_	_	_
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Electrical power-line installers and repairers	_	_	_
Telecommunications line installers and repairers Precision instrument and equipment repairers Wind turbine service technicians	_	_	_
Precision instrument and equipment repairers	990	56	_
Wind turbine service technicians	910	46	_
servicers and repairers	_	_	_
Locksmiths and safe repairers			
Manufactured building and mobile home installers. Riggers	_	_	_
Riggers	_	_	_
Signal and track switch repairers	_	_	_
Helpers—installation, maintenance, and repair workers	_	_	_
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Other installation, maintenance, and repair workers			
workers	_	_	_
occupations	671	44	_
Production occupations			
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers	675	5	73.0
operating workers	695	6	71.4
Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers			
assemblers	954	17	70.6
assemblers	_	_	_
Engine and other machine assemblers	620	30	83.9
Structural metal fabricators and fitters	_	_	_
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators 513	_	-	_
Pokoro 65	606	12	82.3
Butchers and other meat, poultry, and fish	501	39	89.8
processing workers	537	19	77.7

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standa error o media	
Food and tobacco roasting, baking, and drying							
machine operators and tenders	10	_	_	4	_	_	
Food batchmakers	59	\$512	\$23	32	_	_	
Food cooking machine operators and tenders	13	_	_	4	_	-	
Food processing workers, all other	90	529	30	23	_	_	
Computer control programmers and operators	67	710	27	5	_	_	
Extruding and drawing machine setters,							
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	10	_	_	3	_	_	
Forging machine setters, operators, and tenders,							
metal and plastic	10	_	_	_	_	_	
Rolling machine setters, operators, and tenders,							
metal and plastic	7	_	_	_	_	-	
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters,							
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	80	556	38	15	_	_	
Drilling and boring machine tool setters,							
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	3	_	_	1	_	_	
Grinding, lapping, polishing, and buffing machine							
tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and							
plastic	53	588	25	5	_	_	
Lathe and turning machine tool setters, operators,							
and tenders, metal and plastic	15	_	_	4	_	-	
Milling and planing machine setters, operators,							
and tenders, metal and plastic	3			_	_	_	
Machinists	381	760	19	16	_	_	
Metal furnace operators, tenders, pourers, and							
casters	12	_	_	1	_	_	
Model makers and patternmakers, metal and	7			4			
plastic	7	_	_	1	_	_	
Molders and molding machine setters,	20			0			
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	38	_	_	9	_	_	
Multiple machine tool setters, operators, and	7						
tenders, metal and plastic		1,005	_	_	_	_	
Tool and die makers		,	44	_	_	_	
Welding, soldering, and brazing workers	551	712	15	26	_	_	
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and	-						
tenders, metal and plastic		_	_	_	_	_	
Layout workers, metal and plastic	6	_	_	_	_	_	
Plating and coating machine setters, operators,	4.0			•			
and tenders, metal and plastic		_	_	2	_	_	
Tool grinders, filers, and sharpeners		_		_	_	_	
Metal workers and plastic workers, all other		618	15	70	\$544	\$30	
Prepress technicians and workers		<u> </u>		9	_	_	
Printing press operators		628	31	28	_	-	
Print binding and finishing workers	17	_		9			
Laundry and dry-cleaning workers		410	12	66	359	14	
Pressers, textile, garment, and related materials	41		_	29			
Sewing machine operators	127	385	18	86	369	11	
Shoe and leather workers and repairers	5	_	_	2	_	_	
Shoe machine operators and tenders	10	_	_	5	_	_	
Tailors, dressmakers, and sewers	42	_	_	30	_	-	
Textile bleaching and dyeing machine operators	_			,			
and tenders	5	_	_	1	_	-	
Textile cutting machine setters, operators, and	_						
tenders	9	_	-	4	_	1 -	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings a a percent o men's
Food and tobacco roasting, baking, and drying				
machine operators and tenders		_	_	_
Food batchmakers		_	_	_
Food cooking machine operators and tenders			_	_
Food processing workers, all other		\$549	\$32	_
Computer control programmers and operators	62	728	62	_
Extruding and drawing machine setters,	7			
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	,	_	_	_
Forging machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	10			
Rolling machine setters, operators, and tenders,	10	_	_	_
metal and plastic	7	_	_	_
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters,	,	_		
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	65	575	57	_
Orilling and boring machine tool setters,	03	373	37	
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	2	_	_	_
Grinding, lapping, polishing, and buffing machine	_			
tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and				
plastic	48	_	_	_
_athe and turning machine tool setters, operators,				
and tenders, metal and plastic	11	_	_	_
Milling and planing machine setters, operators,				
and tenders, metal and plastic	3	_	_	_
Machinists	366	762	19	_
Metal furnace operators, tenders, pourers, and				
casters	12	_	_	_
Model makers and patternmakers, metal and				
plastic	6	_	_	_
Molders and molding machine setters,	00			
operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	30	_	_	_
Multiple machine tool setters, operators, and	7			
tenders, metal and plastic		1 005	44	_
	~ .	1,005	14	_
Welding, soldering, and brazing workers	525	722	14	_
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and	F			
tenders, metal and plastic	5	_	_	_
Layout workers, metal and plastic	6	_	_	_
Plating and coating machine setters, operators,	40			
and tenders, metal and plastic		_	_	_
Tool grinders, filers, and sharpeners		- 0.45	-	040
Metal workers and plastic workers, all other		645	25	84.3
Prepress technicians and workers		-	- 24	_
Printing press operators		666	34	_
Print binding and finishing workers		- 462	32	77.7
Laundry and dry-cleaning workers		402	32	11.1
Pressers, textile, garment, and related materials Sewing machine operators	41	_	_	_
Sewing macrime operatorsShoe and leather workers and repairers		_] _
Shoe machine operators and tenders		_	_	l _
Tailors, dressmakers, and sewers		_	_	_
Textile bleaching and dyeing machine operators				
and tenders	5	_	_	_
Textile cutting machine setters, operators, and				
	5			

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Both sexes		Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standar error o mediar	
Textile knitting and weaving machine setters, operators, and tenders	6	_	_	5	_	_	
Textile winding, twisting, and drawing out machine setters, operators, and tenders	15	_	_	5	_	_	
Extruding and forming machine setters, operators, and tenders, synthetic and glass fibers	2	_	_	_	_	_	
Fabric and apparel patternmakers	1	_	-	1	_	_	
Upholsterers		_	_	1	_	_	
Textile, apparel, and furnishings workers, all other		_	_	10	_	_	
Cabinetmakers and bench carpenters Furniture finishers		_	_	2 2	_	_	
Sawing machine setters, operators, and							
tenders, wood	26	_	-	1	_	_	
tenders, except sawing	21	_	_	3	_	_	
Woodworkers, all other Power plant operators, distributors, and		_	-	_	_	_	
dispatchers	43	_	_	2	_	_	
Stationary engineers and boiler operators Water and wastewater treatment plant and		\$830	\$41	6	_	_	
system operators	70	862	44	3	_	_	
Miscellaneous plant and system operators Chemical processing machine setters,		_	_	4	_	_	
operators, and tenders	72	851	158	10	_	-	
blending workers	86	628	36	12	_	_	
Cutting workers Extruding, forming, pressing, and compacting	60	524	44	11	_	-	
machine setters, operators, and tenders Furnace, kiln, oven, drier, and kettle operators	38	-	_	10	-	-	
and tendersInspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and	14	_	_	1	_	_	
weighers	621	729	21	206	\$570	\$26	
Jewelers and precious stone and metal workers Medical, dental, and ophthalmic laboratory	22	_	_	9	_	_	
techniciansPackaging and filling machine operators and	76	585	52	42	_	_	
tenders	242	481	18	131	431	17	
Painting workersPhotographic process workers and processing	135	626	20	24	_	_	
machine operators	39	_	_	15	_	-	
Semiconductor processors	6	_	-	3	_	-	
Adhesive bonding machine operators and tenders. Cleaning, washing, and metal pickling	8	_	_	2	_	_	
equipment operators and tenders Cooling and freezing equipment operators and	8	_	_	1	_	_	
tenders	2	_	_	1	_	-	
Etchers and engravers	4	_	_	1	_	_	
and plasticPaper goods machine setters, operators, and	26	-	_	5	-	_	
tenders	32	_	_	9	_	_	
Tire builders	17	_	_	3	_	I -	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Womer earnings a percer men's
Textile knitting and weaving machine setters,				
operators, and tenders Textile winding, twisting, and drawing out	_	_	_	_
machine setters, operators, and tenders	10	_	_	_
Extruding and forming machine setters, operators, and tenders, synthetic and glass fibers	2	_	_	_
Fabric and apparel patternmakers				
Upholsterers		_	_	_
Textile, apparel, and furnishings workers, all other.				
Cabinetmakers and bench carpenters		_	_	_
Furniture finishers				
Sawing machine setters, operators, and	3	_		
tenders, wood	25	_	_	_
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and	20			
tenders, except sawing	18	_	_	_
Woodworkers, all other		_	_	_
Power plant operators, distributors, and				
dispatchers	41	_	_	_
Stationary engineers and boiler operators		\$831	\$41	_
Water and wastewater treatment plant and		*	,	
system operators	67	870	41	_
Miscellaneous plant and system operators		_	_	_
Chemical processing machine setters,				
operators, and tenders	62	890	65	_
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and				
blending workers	74	651	35	_
Cutting workers	49	_	_	_
Extruding, forming, pressing, and compacting				
machine setters, operators, and tenders Furnace, kiln, oven, drier, and kettle operators	28	-	_	_
and tenders	12	_	_	_
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and				
weighers	416	824	31	69.2
Jewelers and precious stone and metal workers	13	_	_	_
Medical, dental, and ophthalmic laboratory				
technicians	35	_	_	_
Packaging and filling machine operators and				
tenders		553	19	77.9
Painting workers	111	654	27	_
Photographic process workers and processing	0.4			
machine operators		_	_	-
Semiconductor processors		_	_	-
Adhesive bonding machine operators and tenders. Cleaning, washing, and metal pickling		_	_	_
equipment operators and tenders	7	_	_	-
Cooling and freezing equipment operators and				
tenders	1	_	-	-
Etchers and engravers	3	_	-	-
Molders, shapers, and casters, except metal	<u> </u>			
and plastic	21	_	_	_
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and				
tenders		_	_	_
Tire builders	14	_	-	ı –

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

	Both sexes			Women			
Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Helpers—production workers	40	_	_	13	_	_	
Production workers, all other		\$584	\$11	223	\$504	\$19	
Transportation and material moving occupations	6,415	621	5	843	487	8	
Supervisors of transportation and material moving							
workers	189	812	60	42	_	_	
Aircraft pilots and flight engineers	90	1,440	133	4	_	_	
Air traffic controllers and airfield operations		.,		·			
specialists	47	_	_	3	_	_	
Flight attendants	59	775	37	42	_	_	
Ambulance drivers and attendants, except]	· <u>-</u>			
emergency medical technicians	16	_	_	3	_	_	
Bus drivers		601	19	126	516	33	
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers		730	9	101	537	33	
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs		554	39	22	557	33	
		554	39	7	_	_	
Motor vehicle operators, all other		_	_		_	_	
Locomotive engineers and operators		_	_	2	_	_	
Railroad brake, signal, and switch operators		_	_	_	_	_	
Railroad conductors and yardmasters Subway, streetcar, and other rail transportation		_	_	2	_	_	
workers		_	_		_	_	
Sailors and marine oilers		_	_	1	_	_	
Ship and boat captains and operators		_	_	1	_	_	
Ship engineers		_	_	_	_	_	
Bridge and lock tenders		_	_	_	_	_	
Parking lot attendants		404	22	5	_	_	
Automotive and watercraft service attendants	67	428	43	4	_	_	
Transportation inspectors		_	_	4	_	_	
Transportation attendants, except flight attendants	23	_	_	15	_	_	
Other transportation workers	14	_	_	1	_	_	
Conveyor operators and tenders	3	_	_	2	_	_	
Crane and tower operators	61	753	101	3	_	_	
Dredge, excavating, and loading machine							
operators	32	_	_	1	_	_	
Hoist and winch operators	5	_	_	_	_	_	
Industrial truck and tractor operators	498	562	18	31	_	_	
Cleaners of vehicles and equipment		425	18	30	_	l –	
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand	1,322	510	7	218	476	18	
Machine feeders and offbearers	26	310		8	7/0	10	
		404	10	160	394	10	
Packers and packagers, hand		404	10		394	10	
Pumping station operators		- 504	_	1	_	_	
Refuse and recyclable material collectors		501	44	3	_	_	
Mine shuttle car operators		_	_	_	_	_	
Tank car, truck, and ship loaders		_	_	_	_	_	
Material moving workers, all other	40	_	-	1	_	_	

Table 2. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Occupation	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's
Helpers—production workers	26	_	-	_
Production workers, all other		\$619	\$15	81.4
Transportation and material moving occupations	5,572	650	7	74.9
Supervisors of transportation and material moving				
workers	146	873	47	_
Aircraft pilots and flight engineers	86	1,444	120	_
Air traffic controllers and airfield operations				
specialists	44	_	_	_
Flight attendants		_	_	_
Ambulance drivers and attendants, except				
emergency medical technicians	13	_	_	_
Bus drivers	177	652	17	79.1
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers	2,433	736	9	73.0
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs	161	572	39	_
Motor vehicle operators, all other		_	_	_
Locomotive engineers and operators		_	_	_
Railroad brake, signal, and switch operators		_	_	_
Railroad conductors and yardmasters		_	_	_
Subway, streetcar, and other rail transportation				
workers	12	_	_	_
Sailors and marine oilers	14	_	_	_
Ship and boat captains and operators		_	_	_
Ship engineers		_	_	_
Bridge and lock tenders		_	_	_
Parking lot attendants		_	_	_
Automotive and watercraft service attendants		453	49	_
Transportation inspectors		_	_	_
Transportation attendants, except flight attendants		_	_	_
Other transportation workers		_	_	_
Conveyor operators and tenders		_	_	_
Crane and tower operators		777	112	_
Dredge, excavating, and loading machine				
operators	31	_	_	_
Hoist and winch operators		_	_	_
Industrial truck and tractor operators	467	566	17	_
Cleaners of vehicles and equipment	187	431	24	_
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers,	101			
hand	1,103	519	8	91.7
Machine feeders and offbearers	18	_	_	-
Packers and packagers, hand	146	426	24	92.5
Pumping station operators	20	.20		
Refuse and recyclable material collectors		497	51	_
Mine shuttle car operators	1 1		_	_
Tank car, truck, and ship loaders	3	_	_	_
Material moving workers, all other	39	_	_	_
	33		_	

Note: Median earnings not shown where employment is less than 50,000. Women's earnings as a percent of men's not shown where employment for either women or men is less than 50,000.

Dash indicates no data or data that do not meet publication criteria.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 3. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by state and sex, 2012 annual averages

		Both sexes		Women			
State	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Jnited States	102,749	\$768	\$2	45,462	\$691	\$3	
Alabama	1,522	724	14	683	620	15	
Alaska	248	888	16	110	757	14	
Arizona	1.969	732	9	878	670	14	
Arkansas	971	651	15	438	603	10	
California	11,570	820	10	4,890	754	9	
Colorado	1,714	850	18	725	750	15	
Connecticut	1,714	988	22	519	868	29	
	309	807	20	146	737	29	
Delaware District of Columbia	276	1,102	37	138	1,072	43	
Florida	6,299	735	6	2,992	676	9	
	•		_	•		_	
Georgia	3,287	737	13	1,503	640	17	
Hawaii	430	753	14	192	689	16	
Idaho	478	706	13	187	614	11	
Illinois	4,368	809	11	1,958	708	13	
Indiana	2,158	716	14	936	632	16	
lowa	1,096	744	14	491	654	17	
Kansas	988	738	14	428	649	14	
Kentucky	1,414	663	12	644	596	13	
Louisiana	1,449	676	18	637	573	17	
Maine	423	741	13	191	654	25	
Maryland	2,198	921	20	1,056	842	23	
Massachusetts	2,167	935	12	980	840	19	
Michigan	2,876	783	14	1,237	687	18	
Minnesota	1,897	865	15	816	779	23	
Mississippi	922	677	14	413	582	19	
Missouri	2,013	750	18	913	660	19	
Montana	293	658	21	137	566	18	
Nebraska	680	728	14	312	663	17	
Nevada	897	690	11	399	620	10	
New Hampshire	478	883	21	214	772	24	
New Jersey	3,142	935	13	1 /25	818	26	
New Mexico	3,142 614	737	17	1,425 274	645	25	
New York	6,513	819	10	2,951	746	9	
North Carolina	3,124	727	10	1,392	641	13	
North Dakota	266	735	12	116	651	12	
Ohio	3,662	739	9	1,589	664	10	
Oklahoma	1,299	695	11	570	631	15	
Oregon	1,144	823	19	480	756	17	
Pennsylvania	4,320	774 706	8	1,898	694	11	
Rhode Island	342	796	21	158	733	23	
South Carolina	1,462	669	15	677	603	17	
South Dakota	282	664	10	129	604	9	
Tennessee	2,125	675	12	922	611	12	
Texas	8,904	718	7	3,852	633	9	
Utah	879	760	14	326	661	18	
Vermont	216	767	16	96	692	19	
Virginia	2,974	846	17	1,335	756	21	
Washington	2,204	870	21	935	746	20	
West Virginia	574	740	14	257	614	14	
Wisconsin	1,929	783	16	833	696	25	
Wyoming	207	808	17	81	645	22	

Table 3. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by state and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men		
State	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's
United States	57,286	\$854	\$4	80.9
AlabamaAlaskaArizonaArizonaArkansasArkansas	839	812	27	76.4
	138	1,025	27	73.9
	1,090	772	18	86.8
	534	717	21	84.1
	6,680	877	12	86.0
Colorado Connecticut Delaware District of Columbia	989	958	24	78.3
	659	1,127	40	77.0
	163	888	36	83.0
	138	1,131	38	94.8
	3,307	796	13	84.9
Georgia	1,784	838	26	76.4
	238	839	35	82.1
	291	785	15	78.2
	2,411	895	16	79.1
	1,221	809	19	78.1
lowa	605	823	20	79.5
Kansas	560	825	22	78.7
Kentucky	770	733	18	81.3
Louisiana	812	796	20	72.0
Maine	232	823	25	79.5
Maryland	1,141	988	27	85.2
	1,187	1,040	28	80.8
	1,639	889	20	77.3
	1,081	948	24	82.2
	509	776	23	75.0
Missouri	1,099	841	30	78.5
	156	733	23	77.2
	369	787	21	84.2
	497	768	19	80.7
	264	975	29	79.2
New Jersey New Mexico New York North Carolina North Dakota	1,717	1,030	25	79.4
	340	802	22	80.4
	3,562	900	14	82.9
	1,732	792	13	80.9
	149	834	23	78.1
OhioOklahomaOregonPennsylvaniaRhode Island	2,073	802	15	82.8
	729	760	16	83.0
	664	901	28	83.9
	2,423	849	13	81.7
	184	886	42	82.7
South Carolina	785	724	18	83.3
	153	737	16	82.0
	1,203	740	15	82.6
	5,051	795	15	79.6
	552	870	25	76.0
Vermont	120 1,640 1,269 317 1,095	859 951 982 846 863 984	29 24 28 28 20 19	80.6 79.5 76.0 72.6 80.6 65.5

Note: In general, 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.

Table 4. Median usual weekly earnings of part-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages

		Both sexes			Women	
Characteristic	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	24,614	\$233	\$1	16,120	\$236	\$2
16 to 24 years	8,367	174	1	4,710	172	2
16 to 19 years	3,303	139	2	1,827	135	3
20 to 24 years	5,065	202	2	2,883	198	2
25 years and older	16,246	272	2	11,409	272	2
25 to 34 years	4,238	265	3	2,771	267	4
35 to 44 years	3,308	293	4	2,525	290	5
45 to 54 years	3,371	285	4	2,638	284	5
55 to 64 years	3,139	280	5	2,272	281	6
65 years and older	2,190	236	4	1,204	222	6
Race and Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity						
White	19,892	234	1	13,120	239	2
Black or African American	2,728	222	3	1,742	221	3
Asian	1,154	250	8	739	258	9
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	3,822	228	3	2,306	223	3
Marital Status						
Never married	11,317	194	1	6,273	192	2
Married, spouse present	9,850	285	2	7,278	284	3
Other marital status	3,446	252	3	2,569	249	3
Divorced	1,913	265	4	1,398	262	5
Separated	835	246	6	583	242	8
Widowed	698	224	7	588	225	8

Table 4. Median usual weekly earnings of part-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men		
Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's
Age				
Total, 16 years and older	3,657 1,476 2,181 4,837 1,467 783 733 867	\$226 178 144 206 273 263 302 292 278 256	\$2 2 3 3 4 7 12 9	104.4 96.6 93.8 96.1 99.6 101.5 96.0 97.3 101.1 86.7
Race and Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity				
White Black or African American Asian Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	986 414	227 225 234 235	2 5 13 4	105.3 98.2 110.3 94.9
Marital Status				
Never married	2,572 878 515	197 288 262 273 255 221	2 4 6 10 11	97.5 98.6 95.0 96.0 94.9 101.8

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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

 ${\sf Table\ 5.}\ \ \textbf{Median\ usual\ weekly\ earnings\ of\ wage\ and\ salary\ workers,\ by\ hours\ usually\ worked\ and\ sex,}\\ \textbf{2012\ annual\ averages}$

		Both sexes			Women	
Hours of work	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
T	407.577	\$055	ФО.	04.070	ΦΕ70	# 0
Total, 16 years and older	127,577	\$655	\$2	61,679	\$572	\$2
1 to 34 hours	22,121	236	1	14,596	240	2
1 to 4 hours	518	59	3	359	54	3
5 to 9 hours	1,215	74	2	800	81	4
10 to 14 hours	1,911	113	1	1,290	114	2
15 to 19 hours	2,708	157	1	1,809	160	2
20 to 24 hours	6,528	215	1	4,304	222	2
25 to 29 hours	3,129	261	2	2,065	266	3
30 to 34 hours	6,112	335	4	3,969	350	4
35 or more hours	97,235	775	2	43,356	701	3
35 to 39 hours	8,222	486	4	5,373	501	5
40 hours	68,770	726	2	31,751	677	3
41 or more hours	20,243	1,168	6	6,232	1,059	9
41 to 44 hours	1,155	882	18	455	811	29
45 to 48 hours	5,383	1,049	10	1,940	969	14
49 to 59 hours	9,145	1,247	8	2,754	1,146	11
60 or more hours	4,559	1,338	16	1,083	1,173	25
Hours vary	8,221	419	6	3,727	319	5
Usually less than 35 hours		203	4	1,524	198	4
Usually 35 or more hours	5,513	602	8	2,106	469	11

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Table 5. Median usual weekly earnings of wage and salary workers, by hours usually worked and sex, 2012 annual averages (continued)

Number of workers (in thousands)						
Hours of work Number of workers (in thousands) Median weekly earnings Standard error of median Median weekly Standard error of median Median Median weekly Standard error of median Median			Men			
1 to 34 hours	Hours of work	workers (in	weekly	error of	earnings as a percent of	
1 to 34 hours						
1 to 4 hours 160 77 19 70.1 5 to 9 hours 415 68 2 119.1 10 to 14 hours 621 110 2 103.6 15 to 19 hours 899 152 2 105.3 20 to 24 hours 2,224 203 2 109.4 25 to 29 hours 1,064 254 3 104.7 30 to 34 hours 2,143 315 3 111.1 35 or more hours 53,879 863 4 81.2 35 to 39 hours 2,849 450 8 111.3 40 hours 37,020 772 3 87.7 41 or more hours 14,010 1,238 8 85.5 41 to 44 hours 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary 4,493 548 18 58.2	Total, 16 years and older	65,898	\$760	\$3	75.3	
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10 to 14 hours 621 110 2 103.6 15 to 19 hours 899 152 2 105.3 20 to 24 hours 2,224 203 2 109.4 25 to 29 hours 1,064 254 3 104.7 30 to 34 hours 2,143 315 3 111.1 35 or more hours 53,879 863 4 81.2 35 to 39 hours 2,849 450 8 111.3 40 hours 37,020 772 3 87.7 41 or more hours 14,010 1,238 8 85.5 41 to 44 hours 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours 968 212 6 93.4	1 to 4 hours	. 160	77	19	70.1	
15 to 19 hours. 899 152 2 105.3 20 to 24 hours. 2,224 203 2 109.4 25 to 29 hours. 1,064 254 3 104.7 30 to 34 hours. 2,143 315 3 111.1 35 or more hours. 53,879 863 4 81.2 35 to 39 hours. 2,849 450 8 111.3 40 hours. 37,020 772 3 87.7 41 or more hours. 14,010 1,238 8 85.5 41 to 44 hours. 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours. 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours. 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours. 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary. 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours. 968 212 6 93.4	5 to 9 hours	415	68	2	119.1	
20 to 24 hours. 2,224 203 2 109.4 25 to 29 hours. 1,064 254 3 104.7 30 to 34 hours. 2,143 315 3 111.1 35 or more hours. 53,879 863 4 81.2 35 to 39 hours. 2,849 450 8 111.3 40 hours. 37,020 772 3 87.7 41 or more hours. 14,010 1,238 8 85.5 41 to 44 hours. 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours. 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours. 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours. 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary. 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours. 968 212 6 93.4	10 to 14 hours	621	110	2	103.6	
25 to 29 hours 1,064 254 3 104.7 30 to 34 hours 2,143 315 3 111.1 35 or more hours 53,879 863 4 81.2 35 to 39 hours 2,849 450 8 111.3 40 hours 37,020 772 3 87.7 41 or more hours 14,010 1,238 8 85.5 41 to 44 hours 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours. 968 212 6 93.4	15 to 19 hours	. 899	152	2	105.3	
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35 to 39 hours. 2,849 450 8 111.3 40 hours. 37,020 772 3 87.7 41 or more hours. 14,010 1,238 8 85.5 41 to 44 hours. 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours. 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours. 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours. 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary. 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours. 968 212 6 93.4	30 to 34 hours	2,143	315	3	111.1	
40 hours	35 or more hours	53,879	863	4	81.2	
41 or more hours 14,010 1,238 8 85.5 41 to 44 hours 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours 968 212 6 93.4	35 to 39 hours	2,849	450	8	111.3	
41 to 44 hours 701 928 24 87.4 45 to 48 hours 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours 968 212 6 93.4	40 hours	37,020	772	3	87.7	
45 to 48 hours 3,443 1,104 15 87.8 49 to 59 hours 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours 968 212 6 93.4	41 or more hours	14,010	1,238	8	85.5	
49 to 59 hours 6,391 1,312 21 87.3 60 or more hours 3,476 1,380 19 85.0 Hours vary 4,493 548 18 58.2 Usually less than 35 hours 968 212 6 93.4	41 to 44 hours	701	928	24	87.4	
60 or more hours	45 to 48 hours	3,443	1,104	15	87.8	
Hours vary	49 to 59 hours	6,391	1,312	21	87.3	
Usually less than 35 hours	60 or more hours	3,476	1,380	19	85.0	
Usually less than 35 hours	Hours vary	4,493	548	18	58.2	
Usually 35 or more hours	•	· ·	212	6	93.4	
	Usually 35 or more hours	3,407	716	14	65.5	

Note: Data refer to the sole or principal job of full-time 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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 6. Distribution of full-time wage and salary workers, by usual weekly earnings and selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages

(In thousands)

				Number	of workers	by usual we	ekly earning	gs	
Characteristic	Total employed	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 \$1,499.00	\$1,500.00 or more
Age and Sex									
Total, 16 years and older	102,749	882	1,346	6,600	15,956	23,787	17,693	19,446	17,038
16 to 24 years		214	387	1,737	3,069	2,275	779	451	117
16 to 19 years		65	75	326	349	147	36	15	5
20 to 24 years		149	312	1,411	2,721	2,128	743	436	111
25 years and older	93,719	668	959	4,863	12,887	21,512	16,914	18,994	16,921
25 to 34 years	24,585	159	247	1,655	4,424	6,590	4,654	4,401	2,453
35 to 44 years	24,084	146	228	1,181	3,081	5,220	4,292	4,997	4,940
45 to 54 years	25,345	170	231	1,198	3,042	5,382	4,562	5,394	5,367
55 to 64 years	16,518	119	183	663	1,849	3,564	2,909	3,684	3,546
65 years and older	3,186	74	70	165	490	756	497	518	615
Women, 16 years and older	45,462	497	785	3,676	8,110	11,721	8,001	7,554	5,117
16 to 24 years	3,866	124	193	838	1,319	970	263	134	24
16 to 19 years		39	38	147	129	50	10	3	_
20 to 24 years		85	155	691	1,190	919	254	131	24
25 years and older	41,597	373	593	2,838	6,791	10,751	7,738	7,420	5,093
25 to 34 years	10,617	85	145	862	1,990	3,038	2,071	1,654	771
35 to 44 years	10,410	80	147	717	1,624	2,556	1,948	1,901	1,438
45 to 54 years	11,505	111	155	756	1,808	2,857	2,092	2,131	1,595
55 to 64 years		62	109	411	1,111	1,937	1,379	1,526	1,144
65 years and older	1,385	35	37	93	258	363	249	207	144
Men, 16 years and older	57,286	385	561	2,924	7,846	12,066	9,692	11,892	11,921
16 to 24 years		90	195	899	1,750	1,306	516	317	92
16 to 19 years	603	26	38	180	220	97	26	12	5
20 to 24 years	4,561	64	157	719	1,530	1,209	490	305	87
25 years and older	52,122	295	366	2,025	6,096	10,760	9,176	11,575	11,829
25 to 34 years	13,968	74	102	793	2,434	3,552	2,584	2,747	1,682
35 to 44 years	13,675	66	81	465	1,458	2,664	2,344	3,095	3,502
45 to 54 years		59	76	442	1,234	2,525	2,470	3,262	3,772
55 to 64 years		57	74	253	737	1,626	1,531	2,158	2,402
65 years and older	1,801	39	34	73	233	393	248	311	471

See note at end of table.

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Table 6. Distribution of full-time wage and salary workers, by usual weekly earnings and selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages (continued)

(In thousands)

				Number	of workers	by usual we	ekly earning	gs	
Characteristic	Total employed	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 \$1,499.00	\$1,500.00 or more
Race, Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity, and Sex									
White	81,779	699	954	4,854	11,919	18,769	14,335	16,004	14,246
Women	35,108	397	557	2,623	5,956	9,054	6,337	6,070	4,115
Men	46,672	302	398	2,231	5,963	9,715	7,998	9,934	10,131
Black or African American	12,230	116	276	1,159	2,611	3,246	2,018	1,762	1,042
Women	6,474	60	160	707	1,470	1,748	1,057	811	461
Men	5,756	57	116	452	1,141	1,498	961	951	581
Asian	5,790	36	73	320	795	1,051	847	1,223	1,445
Women	2,560	24	50	188	393	551	408	487	458
Men	3,231	12	24	131	403	500	439	735	988
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	16,302	174	320	2,107	4,101	4,304	2,271	1,898	1,127
Women	· ·	88	169	1,023	1,670	1,691	798	654	321
Men	9,887	86	151	1,084	2,430	2,613	1,473	1,245	806

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. Dash indicates no data or data that do not meet publication criteria.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 7. 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, 2012 annual averages

Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Women			
Total, all marital statuses	45,462 16,415	\$691 680	\$3 4
With children under 18 years With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	9,864	698	6
With children under 6 years	6,551	653	7
With no children under 18 years	29,047	697	3
Total, married, spouse present	23,718	751	3
With children under 18 years	10,763	754	4
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	6,338	746	6
With children under 6 years	4,425	765	7
With no children under 18 years	12,955	748	4
Total, other marital statuses ¹	21,745	625	3
With children under 18 years	5,652	559	6
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger		614	7
With children under 6 years	2,126	490	5
With no children under 18 years	16,092	654	4
Men			
Total, all marital statuses	57,286	854	4
With children under 18 years	21,227	946	5
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	11,317	1,004	7
With children under 6 years	9,910	880	8
With no children under 18 years	36,059	799	4
Total, married, spouse present	34,370	981	4
With children under 18 years	18,681	988	6
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	10,105	1,035	10
With children under 6 years	8,576	935	8
With no children under 18 years	15,689	973	6
Total, other marital statuses ¹	22,916	685	4
With children under 18 years	2,546	673	10
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	1,213	790	17
With children under 6 years	1,333	595	9
With no children under 18 years	20,370	687	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 8. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages

		Both sexes			Women	
Characteristic	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	75,276	\$12.80	\$0.03	38,163	\$11.99	\$0.03
16 to 24 years		9.05	.02	7,455	8.78	.03
16 to 19 years	· ·	8.10	.02	2,122	8.02	.03
20 to 24 years		9.70	.05	5,333	9.17	.03
25 years and older	60,367	14.25	.05	30,708	13.17	.05
25 to 34 years	17,167	12.82	.06	8,090	12.15	.05
35 to 44 years		14.86	.04	7,243	13.46	.14
45 to 54 years	· ·	15.07	.04	8,034	13.80	.10
55 to 64 years	10,642	15.39	.15	5,745	14.36	.14
65 years and older	· ·	12.21	.11	1,597	11.84	.11
Race and Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity						
White	59,180	13.04	.03	29,490	12.08	.03
Black or African American	10,049	11.84	.05	5,527	11.23	.10
Asian	3,403	13.23	.30	1,835	12.75	.25
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	14,404	11.12	.06	6,290	10.21	.04
Marital Status						
Never married	27,453	10.16	.02	13,060	9.92	.02
Married, spouse present	<i>'</i>	14.99	.03	17,307	13.81	.07
Other marital status	· '	13.28	.10	7,796	12.43	.10
Divorced	,	14.25	.12	4,807	13.23	.14
Separated	-, -	11.87	.08	1,848	11.02	.13
Widowed	1,457	12.05	.17	1,142	11.62	.31
Union Affiliation ¹	, -			,		
Members of unions ²	0.570	40.00	4.4	2 220	10 17	24
Represented by unions ³		18.92	.14	3,328	16.47 16.12	.24 .15
		18.52	.18	3,765	_	_
Not represented by a union	65,844	12.14	.02	34,398	11.73	.05
Educational Attainment						
Total, 25 years and older	60,367	14.25	.05	30,708	13.17	.05
Less than a high school diploma	6,899	10.34	.08	2,693	9.31	.09
High school graduates, no college	21,418	13.58	.08	9,862	11.97	.04
Some college or associate's degree	19,878	14.86	.04	10,891	13.78	.08
Bachelor's degree and higher	12,172	18.88	.18	7,262	18.18	.18
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Table 8. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Men		
Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median hourly earnings	Standard error of median	Women's earnings as a percent of men's
Age				
Total, 16 years and older	37,113	\$13.88	\$0.04	86.4
16 to 24 years		9.44	.07	93.0
16 to 19 years	1,922	8.19	.03	97.9
20 to 24 years	5,532	9.97	.03	92.0
25 years and older		15.17	.03	86.8
25 to 34 years	9,078	13.28	.11	91.5
35 to 44 years	7,140	16.05	.10	83.9
45 to 54 years	7,135	16.99	.11	81.2
55 to 64 years	4,897	17.28	.18	83.1
65 years and older	1,409	13.03	.17	90.9
Race and Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity				
White	29,691	14.17	.06	85.3
Black or African American	4,522	12.20	.08	92.0
Asian	1,568	14.15	.42	90.1
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	8,114	11.96	.05	85.4
Marital Status				
Never married	14,394	10.75	.07	92.3
Married, spouse present	17,620	16.24	.10	85.0
Other marital status	5,100	14.88	.07	83.5
Divorced	3,325	15.32	.20	86.4
Separated	1,461	12.89	.22	85.5
Widowed	315	14.12	.36	82.3
Union Affiliation ¹				
Members of unions ²	5,242	20.20	.18	81.5
Represented by unions ³		20.08	.08	80.3
Not represented by a union		12.93	.04	90.7
Educational Attainment				
Total, 25 years and older	29,659	15.17	.03	86.8
Less than a high school diploma		11.83	.06	78.7
High school graduates, no college	,	15.09	.04	79.3
Some college or associate's degree	8,987	16.15	.12	85.3
Bachelor's degree and higher		19.87	.11	91.5

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.

Note: Workers paid hourly rates represented 59 percent of all wage and salary workers in 2012. 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.

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.

Table 9. Distribution of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by hourly earnings and selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages

(In thousands)

			N	umber of w	orkers by h	ourly earni	ings	
Characteristic	Total employed	Under \$6.00	\$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	75,276	1,225	5,300	14,030	11,706	12,888	13,469	16,659
16 to 24 years	14,909	560	2,883	5,411	2,840	1,841	944	429
16 to 19 years	4,044	162	1,450	1,657	499	178	67	31
20 to 24 years	10,865	397	1,433	3,755	2,341	1,662	878	398
25 years and older	60,367	665	2,417	8,619	8,866	11,047	12,524	16,230
25 to 34 years	17,167	320	822	3,087	2,904	3,449	3,381	3,204
35 to 44 years	14,383	145	545	1,914	1,925	2,586	3,048	4,219
45 to 54 years	15,169	133	539	1,811	2,012	2,707	3,290	4,677
55 to 64 years	10,642	42	348	1,282	1,370	1,769	2,298	3,534
65 years and older	3,006	26	163	524	654	536	508	596
Women, 16 years and older	38,163	860	3,215	7,975	6,358	6,545	6,269	6,940
16 to 24 years	7,455	396	1,646	2,823	1,340	756	343	152
16 to 19 years	2,122	108	797	885	230	67	27	7
20 to 24 years	5,333	288	849	1,938	1,110	689	315	145
25 years and older	30,708	464	1,569	5,152	5,018	5,789	5,927	6,788
25 to 34 years	8,090	228	491	1,615	1,389	1,573	1,405	1,388
35 to 44 years	7,243	100	377	1,210	1,089	1,352	1,412	1,703
45 to 54 years	8,034	89	377	1,184	1,284	1,547	1,661	1,891
55 to 64 years	5,745	30	224	832	891	1,027	1,213	1,527
65 years and older	1,597	17	100	310	365	291	235	278
Men, 16 years and older	37,113	364	2,084	6,055	5,347	6,343	7,199	9,719
16 to 24 years	7,454	164	1,237	2,588	1,500	1,085	602	278
16 to 19 years	1,922	53	653	772	268	112	39	24
20 to 24 years	5,532	110	584	1,817	1,231	974	563	253
25 years and older	29,659	201	847	3,467	3,847	5,258	6,597	9,442
25 to 34 years	9,078	92	331	1,472	1,515	1,877	1,976	1,815
35 to 44 years	7,140	46	168	704	836	1,234	1,636	2,516
45 to 54 years	7,135	44	162	627	728	1,160	1,629	2,786
55 to 64 years	4,897	12	123	450	479	742	1,084	2,006
65 years and older	1,409	9	63	214	289	245	272	318

See note at end of table.

Table 9. Distribution of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by hourly earnings and selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages (continued)

(In thousands)

			N	umber of w	orkers by h	ourly earn	ings	
Characteristic	Total employed	Under \$6.00	\$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	59,180	1,030	3,957	10,766	8,809	10,003	10,902	13,714
Women	29,490	729	2,389	6,084	4,755	5,026	4,945	5,562
Men	29,691	302	1,568	4,682	4,053	4,977	5,956	8,153
Black or African American	10,049	122	961	2,037	1,882	1,921	1,571	1,555
Women	5,527	79	605	1,206	1,070	998	838	731
Men	4,522	43	356	830	813	923	734	824
Asian	3,403	34	166	619	546	535	583	920
Women	1,835	26	99	348	312	309	291	450
Men	1,568	9	67	271	234	225	293	470
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	14,404	208	1,054	3,770	2,605	2,570	2,267	1,931
Women	6,290	126	621	1,876	1,152	1,080	827	607
Men	8,114	81	433	1,893	1,453	1,490	1,440	1,324

Note: Workers paid hourly rates represented 59 percent of all wage and salary workers in 2012. 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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 10. Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages

		Work	ers paid hourly	rates	
Characteristic		Below prevailing	At prevailing	prevailin	or below ng federal nm wage
Characteristic	Total	federal minimum wage	federal minimum wage	Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
Age and Sex					
Total, 16 years and older	75,276	1,984	1,566	3,550	4.7
16 to 24 years		935	862	1,797	12.1
16 to 19 years		370	484	854	21.1
20 to 24 years		565	377	942	8.7
25 years and older	60,367	1,049	704	1,753	2.9
25 to 34 years	17,167	477	243	720	4.2
35 to 44 years	14,383	234	154	388	2.7
45 to 54 years	15,169	204	164	368	2.4
55 to 64 years	10,642	90	100	190	1.8
65 years and older	3,006	44	44	88	2.9
Women, 16 years and older	38,163	1,288	999	2,287	6.0
16 to 24 years	7,455	595	529	1,124	15.1
16 to 19 years	2,122	211	278	489	23.0
20 to 24 years	5,333	384	251	635	11.9
25 years and older	30,708	693	470	1,163	3.8
25 to 34 years	8,090	311	156	467	5.8
35 to 44 years	7,243	159	109	268	3.7
45 to 54 years	8,034	140	114	254	3.2
55 to 64 years	5,745	57	67	124	2.2
65 years and older	1,597	26	24	50	3.1
Men, 16 years and older	37,113	696	567	1,263	3.4
16 to 24 years	7,454	340	333	673	9.0
16 to 19 years	1,922	159	207	366	19.0
20 to 24 years	5,532	181	126	307	5.5
25 years and older	29,659	356	235	591	2.0
25 to 34 years	9,078	166	86	252	2.8
35 to 44 years		75	45	120	1.7
45 to 54 years	7,135	64	50	114	1.6
55 to 64 years	4,897	33	34	67	1.4
65 years and older	1,409	17	20	37	2.6

See note at end of table.

Table 10. Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by selected characteristics, 2012 annual averages (continued)

		Work	ers paid hourly	/ rates		
Characteristic		Below prevailing	At prevailing	Total at or below prevailing federal minimum wage		
Cildiaciensiic	Total	federal minimum wage	federal minimum wage	Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates	
Race and Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity						
White	59,180	1,575	1,185	2,760	4.7	
Women	29,490	1,035	741	1,776	6.0	
Men	29,691	540	444	984	3.3	
Black or African American	10,049	256	277	533	5.3	
Women	5,527	157	193	350	6.3	
Men	4,522	98	85	183	4.0	
Asian	3,403	69	48	117	3.4	
Women	1,835	46	32	78	4.3	
Men	1,568	23	16	39	2.5	
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	14,404	381	337	718	5.0	
Women	6,290	213	210	423	6.7	
Men	8,114	168	127	295	3.6	
Full- and Part-time Status and Sex ¹						
Full-time workers	54,745	760	501	1,261	2.3	
Women	24,693	466	304	770	3.1	
Men	30,052	294	197	491	1.6	
Part-time workers	20,411	1,223	1,063	2,286	11.2	
Women	13,413	820	693	1,513	11.3	
Men	6,998	402	370	772	11.0	

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

Note: The prevailing federal minimum wage was \$7.25 in 2012. See the technical notes section for more information about minimum wage workers. 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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 11. Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2012 annual averages

		Workers paid hourly rates								
Year and sex	Total wage and salary	Total workers	Percent of total wage	Below prevailing	At prevailing	prevaili	or below ng federal um wage			
	workers	paid hourly rates	and salary workers	federal minimum wage	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	96,903	57,529	59.4	1,599	3,461	5,060	8.8			
1987 1988	99,303	59,552	60.0 60.0	1,468	3,229	4,698	7.9 6.5			
1989	101,407 103,480	60,878 62,389	60.3	1,319 1,372	2,608 1,790	3,927 3,162	5.1			
1990	104,876	63,172	60.2	¹ 2,132	¹ 1,096	¹ 3,228	¹ 5.1			
1991	103,723	62,627	60.4	¹ 2,377	¹ 2,906	¹ 5,283	¹ 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	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	¹ 1,863	¹ 1,861	¹ 3,724	¹ 5.4			
1997	114,533	70,735	61.8	¹ 2,990	¹ 1,764	¹ 4,754	¹ 6.7			
1998	116,730	71,440	61.2	2,834	1,593	4,427	6.2			
1999	118,963	72,306	60.8	2,194	1,146	3,340	4.6			
2000	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	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		76,514	59.7	1,283	409	1,692	2.2			
2007		75,873	58.5	¹ 1,462 ¹ 1,940	¹ 267 ¹ 286	¹ 1,729	¹ 2.3 ¹ 3.0			
2008 2009	129,377 124,490	75,305 72,611	58.2 58.3	1,940 12,592	1980	¹ 2,226 ¹ 3,572	13.0 14.9			
2010 2011	124,073 125,187	72,902 73,926	58.8 59.1	2,541 2,152	1,820 1,677	4,361 3,829	6.0 5.2			
2012	125,167	75,926 75,276	59.1 59.0	2,152 1,984	1,566	3,550	5.2 4.7			

See footnote at end of table.

Table 11. Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

				Workers pa	aid hourly rate	es	
Year and sex	Total wage and salary	Total workers	Percent of	Below prevailing	At prevailing	prevailir	or below ng federal um wage
	workers	paid hourly rates	total wage and salary workers	federal minimum wage	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	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	49,323	31,069	63.0	¹ 1,420	¹ 711	¹ 2,131	¹ 6.9
1991	49,105	30,988	63.1	¹ 1,582	¹ 1,792	¹ 3,374	¹ 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	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	¹ 1,244	¹ 1,106	¹ 2,350	¹ 6.8
1997	54,708	35,214	64.4	¹ 1,843	¹ 1,092	¹ 2,935	¹ 8.3
1998	55,757	35,680	64.0	1,794	965	2,760	7.7
1999	57,050	36,233	63.5	1,426	700	2,126	5.9
2000	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	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	¹ 1,002	¹ 181	¹ 1,183	¹ 3.1
2008	62,532	37,972	60.7	¹ 1,302	¹ 196	¹ 1,498	¹ 3.9
2009	60,951	37,426	61.4	¹ 1,603	¹ 612	¹ 2,215	¹ 5.9
2010	60,542	37,404	61.8	1,598	1,151	2,749	7.3
2011	60,502	37,469	61.9	1,366	1,029	2,395	6.4
2012	61,679	38,163	61.9	1,288	999	2,287	6.0

See footnote at end of table.

Table 11. Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

				Workers pa	aid hourly rate	es	
Year and sex	Total wage and salary	Total workers	Percent of total wage	Below prevailing	At prevailing	prevaili	t or belowing federalium wage
	workers	paid hourly rates	and salary workers	federal minimum wage	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	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	55,553	32,104	57.8	¹ 712	¹ 385	¹ 1,097	¹ 3.4
1991	54,618	31,639	57.9	¹ 795	¹ 1,114	¹ 1,909	¹ 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	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	¹ 619	¹ 755	¹ 1,374	¹ 3.9
1997	59,825	35,521	59.4	¹ 1,147	¹ 673	¹ 1,820	¹ 5.1
1998	60,973	35,761	58.7	1,039	628	1,667	4.7
1999	61,914	36,073	58.3	768	446	1,214	3.4
2000	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	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	¹ 460	¹ 86	¹ 546	¹ 1.4
2008	66,846	37,334	55.9	¹ 638	¹ 90	¹ 728	¹ 1.9
2009	63,539	35,185	55.4	¹ 990	¹ 368	¹ 1,358	¹ 3.9
2010	63,531	35,498	55.9	943	669	1,612	4.5
2011	64,686	36,457	56.4	785	648	1,433	3.9
2012	65,898	37,113	56.3	696	567	1,263	3.4

 $^{^{1}}$ Data for 1990–1991, 1996–1997, and 2007–2009 reflect changes in the minimum wage that took place in those years.

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at **www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp**. The prevailing federal minimum wage was \$2.90 in 1979, \$3.10 in 1980, and \$3.35 in 1981–1989. 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 the technical notes section for more information about minimum wage workers.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 12. Women's earnings as a percent of men's, by age, for full-time wage and salary workers, 1979–2012

		1	6 to 24 year	rs .			25 years	and older		
Year	Total, 16 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
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	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	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	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	74.4	92.1	91.6	90.5	75.1	82.9	74.0	69.4	64.7	77.0
1998	76.3	91.3	88.6	89.4	75.9	82.9	73.6	70.5	68.1	72.6
1999	76.5	91.0	91.4	90.5	74.4	81.5	71.7	70.0	67.9	78.7
2000	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	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	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
2010	81.2	95.3	94.6	93.8	80.5	90.8	79.9	76.5	75.2	75.7
2011	82.2	92.5	88.6	93.2	81.0	92.3	78.5	76.0	75.1	80.9
2012	80.9	88.9	88.5	89.0	79.9	90.2	78.1	75.1	76.2	77.6

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at

www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp. The women's-to-men's earnings ratios shown here are calculated from the current-dollar median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers in table 22.

Table 13. Women's earnings as a percent of men's, by race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, for full-time wage and salary workers, 1979–2012

Year	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
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	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	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	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	74.4	74.6	86.8	_	85.7
1998	76.3	76.1	85.5	_	86.4
1999	76.5	75.7	83.8	_	85.7
2000	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	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	79.9	79.3	89.4	78.0	89.6
2009	80.2	79.2	93.7	81.8	89.5
2010	81.2	80.5	93.5	82.6	90.7
2011	82.2	82.1	91.1	77.4	90.7
2012	80.9	80.8	90.1	73.0	88.0

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp. The women's-to-men's earnings ratios shown here are calculated from the current-dollar median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers in table 23. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. 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. 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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 14. Women's earnings as a percent of men's, by educational attainment, for full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, 1979–2012

Year	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school graduates, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
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	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	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	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	75.1	75.3	70.7	73.9	75.0
1998	75.9	73.9	70.8	74.0	75.3
1999	74.4	73.4	69.8	73.4	75.7
2000	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	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	78.2	76.1	73.3	75.7	74.3
2009	78.7	76.4	75.7	75.4	73.1
2010	80.5	79.8	76.5	75.5	74.1
2011	81.0	80.9	76.9	76.8	74.9
2012	79.9	76.0	76.3	76.9	73.0

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at **www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp.** The women's-to-men's earnings ratios shown here are caculated from the current-dollar median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older in table 24.

Table 15. Women's earnings as a percent of men's, by age, for wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, 1979–2012

		1	6 to 24 year	rs .			25 years	and older		
Year	Total, 16 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
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	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	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	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	80.8	92.2	96.6	91.2	78.8	82.7	75.7	72.3	70.5	98.1
1998	81.8	90.3	96.7	89.1	77.9	86.1	77.4	75.0	72.4	93.2
1999	83.8	92.7	96.8	89.9	79.4	83.9	76.9	72.7	76.4	95.4
2000	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	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	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
2010	86.0	93.6	97.8	91.7	85.6	91.9	82.9	79.9	83.2	93.8
2011	86.8	94.6	97.5	92.5	86.7	92.0	83.8	81.5	82.2	91.5
2012	86.4	93.0	97.9	92.0	86.8	91.5	83.9	81.2	83.1	90.9

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information on historical comparability is online at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp. The women's-to-men's earnings ratios shown here are calculated from the current-dollar median hourly earnings of workers paid hourly rates in table 25.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 16. Women's earnings as a percent of men's, by race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, for wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, 1979–2012

Year	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
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	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	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	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	80.8	80.3	87.5	_	86.3
1998	81.8	81.8	86.9	_	87.6
1999	83.8	82.3	83.2	_	86.6
2000	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	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	85.4	84.5	89.9	87.3	85.1
2009	85.5	84.8	89.7	90.4	84.6
2010	86.0	85.0	92.1	88.0	86.2
2011	86.8	85.9	93.5	89.8	86.8
2012	86.4	85.3	92.0	90.1	85.4

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp. The women's-to-men's earnings ratios shown here are calculated from the current-dollar median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates in table 26. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. 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. 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 17. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages

Page			1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
1979	Year and sex	,	Total			Total					65 years and older
1980. 695	Both Sexes										
1981 688 484 390 516 746 717 789 775 748 1982 689 475 374 502 747 710 808 788 742 1983 686 463 360 489 752 704 811 805 759 1984 686 457 356 486 762 705 819 811 771 1985 701 456 354 489 772 711 827 815 776 1986 718 464 356 496 782 720 838 332 794 1987 723 470 360 501 779 721 841 830 783 1988 718 465 366 496 772 715 840 845 782 1989 701 456 350 479 768 683 828	1979	\$711	\$507	\$425	\$549	\$782	\$752	\$826	\$814	\$773	\$584
1982 689 475 374 502 747 710 808 788 742 1983 686 463 360 489 752 704 811 805 759 1984 686 457 356 486 762 705 819 811 771 1985 701 456 354 489 772 711 827 815 776 1986 718 464 356 496 782 720 838 832 794 1987 723 470 360 501 779 721 841 830 783 1988 718 465 366 496 772 715 840 845 782 1989 714 463 356 486 765 693 828 833 779 1991 702 458 356 486 765 693 828	1980	695	496	408	531	759	732	801	790	756	538
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	2010	786	455	365	478	823	718	867	888	905	720
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Table 17. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

		1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	\$537	\$454	\$389	\$475	\$575	\$587	\$578	\$566	\$558	\$501
1980	533	443	385	464	565	578	568	554	544	464
1981	530	436	373	462	564	579	576	545	538	458
1982	546	438	361	459	582	589	589	575	559	482
1983	553	434	346	454	588	596	596	579	564	465
1984	558	427	341	448	596	600	615	587	568	461
1985	564	430	338	450	603	603	625	595	580	493
1986	582	438	340	462	616	612	638	616	592	512
1987	586	439	333	468	621	611	652	627	596	505
1988	588	438	343	468	625	610	660	632	591	522
1989	587	440	352	465	628	608	662	639	596	522
1990	589	433	337	458	629	606	664	642	593	511
1991	602	438	337	461	637	610	669	655	597	525
1992	609	428	329	449	641	612	670	668	603	526
1993	615	427	321	452	649	618	681	689	618	524
1994	611	423	323	444	645	608	686	689	609	515
1995	608	412	322	436	641	603	678	695	603	528
1996	609	414	325	434	647	605	675	701	612	487
1997	615	417	342	437	659	609	688	706	618	496
1998	641	429	350	449	682	634	700	726	669	492
1999	652	446	366	472	685	647	693	736	678	510
2000	657	459	377	488	688	657	695	752	677	523
2001	664	458	374	486	704	664	709	761	695	506
2002	675	468	376	491	724	676	728	768	732	548
2003	689	463	373	483	729	682	737	760	750	543
2004	696	456	356	475	728	682	739	759	747	581
2005	688	448	358	466	720	674	731	758	752	579
2006	683	450	347	470	714	664	735	751	749	581
2007	680	453	352	472	715	661	740	750	752	591
2008	680	448	343	474	714	664	727	754	758	600
2009	703	454	346	476	736	679	759	762	778	645
2010	704	444	354	462	741	682	769	768	775	633
2011	698	430	335	447	733	676	749	759	764	678
2012	691	416	330	429	727	666	747	746	766	667

Table 17. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

		1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	\$861	\$578	\$457	\$622	\$926	\$870	\$991	\$997	\$920	\$646
1980	830	552	430	594	899	833	973	973	915	607
1981	823	528	407	574	901	823	961	959	913	644
1982	831	514	388	557	897	817	963	957	911	685
1983	831	489	368	531	893	814	969	974	912	675
1984	825	486	366	526	888	804	992	989	924	691
1985	829	491	373	525	902	802	992	996	951	747
1986	838	492	372	528	926	804	998	1,012	968	716
1987	839	497	379	532	923	797	986	1,006	957	735
1988	838	489	382	521	909	785	965	1,024	950	737
1989	837	485	374	519	894	776	970	1,018	932	703
1990	819	480	371	508	872	765	954	1,007	930	687
1991	811	469	360	493	860	753	947	1,007	926	768
1992	803	455	349	476	859	747	931	1,016	928	675
1993	798	451	346	474	869	745	933	1,022	917	706
1994	799	450	349	470	882	734	945	1,028	923	675
1995	805	454	365	472	880	734	934	1,025	933	660
1996	812	448	366	468	873	727	921	1,017	937	695
1997	826	452	374	482	877	735	929	1,017	954	645
1998	841	470	395	502	899	765	952	1,030	983	678
1999	851	490	401	522	920	795	967	1,051	999	647
2000	855	500	408	527	924	797	971	1,028	980	696
2001	869	507	414	529	934	800	978	1,036	986	733
2002	866	499	398	523	934	800	968	1,029	1,023	744
2003	868	497	401	514	929	784	968	1,041	1,032	764
2004	866	486	386	507	926	776	977	1,041	1,024	779
2005	849	481	388	496	907	758	967	1,004	1,006	758
2006	846	476	396	495	908	753	952	1,022	1,027	749
2007	848	491	395	523	911	761	967	1,007	1,033	760
2008	851	491	393	513	914	751	975	1,006	1,005	803
2009	877	490	381	513	935	766	981	1,035	1,033	847
2010	867	466	374	493	920	752	963	1,004	1,031	836
2011	849	464	378	480	904	732	954	999	1,017	838
2012	854	468	373	482	910	738	957	994	1,005	860

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at

www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. See the technical notes section.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 18. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
Both Sexes					
1979	\$711	\$732	\$587	_	\$572
1980	695	714	562	_	554
1981	688	705	569	_	540
1982	689	708	559	_	548
1983	686	702	572	_	548
1984	686	707	566	_	545
1985	701	725	564	_	550
1986	718	742	582	_	554
1987	723	743	582	_	551
1988	718	737	586	_	541
1989	714	732	571	_	533
1990	702	722	560	_	518
1991	701	727	572	_	513
1992	705	734	572	_	514
1993	718	743	577	_	518
1994	715	741	568	_	496
1995	717	740	573	_	493
1996	714	738	564	_	494
1997	718	740	571	_	501
1998	736	767	599	_	520
1999	756	789	613	_	530
2000	768	787	632	\$820	532
2001	773	791	637	829	541
2002	776	795	635	839	541
2003	774	794	642	865	549
2004	775	798	638	860	554
2005	766	791	612	886	554
2006	764	786	631	893	554
2007	770	793	630	919	557
2008	770	791	628	918	564
2009	791	810	643	942	579
2010	786	805	643	900	563
2011	771	791	628	884	560
2012	768	792	621	920	568
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Table 18. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
Women					
1979	\$537	\$543	\$499	_	\$463
1980	533	538	491	_	456
1981	530	535	499	_	460
1982	546	553	495	_	463
1983	553	557	509	_	471
1984	558	564	507	_	469
1985	564	572	513	_	468
1986	582	588	528	_	482
1987	586	594	534	_	485
1988	588	593	537	_	485
1989	587	597	538	_	481
1990	589	601	525	_	474
1991	602	613	531	_	480
1992	609	620	537	_	484
1993	615	628	545	_	490
1994	611	625	530	_	467
1995	608	621	531	_	457
1996	609	624	528	_	461
1997	615	633	535	_	454
1998	641	658	563	_	474
1999	652	665	563	_	479
2000	657	669	572	\$729	488
2001	664	677	589	730	503
2002	675	698	603	722	506
2003	689	708	613	747	512
2004	696	710	614	745	509
2005	688	701	587	782	505
2006	683	694	591	796	501
2007	680	693	590	810	524
2008	680	697	591	803	534
2009	703	716	623	834	545
2010	704	720	623	814	535
2011	698	717	607	766	529
2012	691	710	599	770	521

Table 18. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
Men					
1979	\$861	\$879	\$670	_	\$646
1980	830	849	647	_	621
1981	823	847	649	_	608
1982	831	856	635	_	614
1983	831	849	645	_	601
1984	825	844	638	_	604
1985	829	851	621	_	603
1986	838	866	638	_	598
1987	839	870	632	_	592
1988	838	868	649	_	575
1989	837	862	623	_	564
1990	819	842	615	_	542
1991	811	832	617	_	531
1992	803	824	609	_	543
1993	798	820	613	_	541
1994	799	838	613	_	525
1995	805	847	615	_	524
1996	812	845	601	_	519
1997	826	849	616	_	529
1998	841	865	658	_	549
1999	851	879	672	_	559
2000	855	883	680	\$913	556
2001	869	894	686	949	571
2002	866	895	668	964	575
2003	868	893	693	964	579
2004	866	889	691	974	583
2005	849	874	658	971	575
2006	846	867	673	1,005	575
2007	848	873	664	1,037	576
2008	851	880	661	1,030	596
2009	877	905	665	1,019	609
2010	867	895	666	985	589
2011	849	873	666	990	583
2012	854	879	665	1,055	592

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. 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. 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. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. See the technical notes section.

Dash indicates data not available.

Table 19. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2012 annual averages

Both Sexes 1979	\$ 782				
1980	\$782				
	Ψ1 02	\$619	\$735	\$832	\$1,015
4004	759	589	706	806	997
1981	746	581	692	785	985
1982	747	566	689	801	1,000
1983	752	561	682	796	1,011
1984	762	554	680	804	1,023
1985	772	550	678	813	1,031
1986	782	556	688	818	1,050
1987	779	549	689	814	1,091
1988	772	537	687	802	1,091
1989	764	531	671	809	1,089
1990	765	516	658	811	1,087
1991	768	505	653	804	1,095
1992	768	498	646	776	1,115
1993	768	491	649	773	1,119
1994	766	470	645	764	1,123
1995	763	463	647	760	1,118
1996	758	462	646	755	1,105
1997	770	458	658	763	1,111
1998	805	474	674	785	1,155
1999	815	477	675	799	1,185
2000	812	483	673	795	1,188
2001	817	495	674	800	1,195
2002	824	495	682	802	1,200
2003	826	494	692	798	1,203
2004	830	487	697	803	1,198
2005	819	481	686	788	1,192
2006	818	477	678	788	1,183
2007	817	474	669	780	1,187
2008	811	483	659	770	1,189
2009	829	486	670	777	1,217
2010	823	467	659	773	1,204
2011	813	460	651	754	1,173
2012	815	471	652	749	1,165

Table 19. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school graduates, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
Women					
1979	\$575	\$448	\$546	\$622	\$779
1980	565	435	533	613	769
1981	564	424	525	617	770
1982	582	420	539	626	790
1983	588	428	539	632	809
1984	596	421	545	642	821
1985	603	411	546	646	843
1986	616	416	554	660	872
1987	621	414	557	671	901
1988	625	412	556	672	905
1989	628	413	544	678	907
1990	629	409	537	673	911
1991	637	411	539	673	924
1992	641	410	540	652	952
1993	649	412	543	660	956
1994	645	394	538	648	971
1995	641	392	533	639	964
1996	647	391	532	644	958
1997	659	392	539	655	959
1998	682	398	557	669	994
1999	685	399	558	672	1,019
2000	688	405	560	673	1,008
2001	704	410	575	674	1,019
2002	724	415	584	693	1,032
2003	729	411	592	699	1,039
2004	728	406	593	701	1,045
2005	720	401	580	691	1,039
2006	714	408	569	686	1,031
2007	715	409	567	674	1,032
2008	714	403	554	670	1,018
2009	736	409	580	675	1,039
2010	741	408	572	672	1,038
2011	733	403	565	658	1,018
2012	727	386	561	659	1,001

Table 19. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school graduates, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
Men					
1979	\$926	\$743	\$909	\$971	\$1,168
1980	899	708	867	950	1,133
1981	901	692	862	942	1,150
1982	897	669	854	938	1,148
1983	893	660	851	925	1,136
1984	888	648	840	939	1,183
1985	902	640	829	961	1,202
1986	926	642	832	970	1,236
1987	923	627	818	961	1,263
1988	909	619	815	938	1,267
1989	894	619	805	925	1,261
1990	872	595	782	923	1,262
1991	860	574	773	926	1,257
1992	859	563	768	889	1,268
1993	869	557	762	895	1,261
1994	882	524	760	899	1,265
1995	880	519	759	892	1,265
1996	873	520	752	880	1,274
1997	877	521	763	886	1,278
1998	899	539	786	904	1,321
1999	920	544	799	916	1,346
2000	924	541	788	921	1,360
2001	934	543	790	938	1,384
2002	934	537	787	932	1,390
2003	929	536	784	924	1,412
2004	926	542	784	925	1,389
2005	907	535	767	901	1,373
2006	908	534	772	907	1,372
2007	911	533	763	897	1,377
2008	914	530	756	885	1,370
2009	935	535	767	894	1,421
2010	920	512	747	889	1,400
2011	904	498	735	857	1,359
2012	910	508	735	857	1,371

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at **www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp**. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. See the technical notes section.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 20. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages

		1	6 to 24 year	·s			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	\$13.10	\$10.29	\$9.14	\$11.86	\$15.07	\$15.34	\$15.60	\$15.22	\$14.66	\$9.53
1980	12.79	9.84	8.54	11.38	14.72	15.01	15.28	14.99	14.30	9.44
1981	12.47	9.61	8.67	11.16	14.50	14.75	15.01	14.55	14.07	9.49
1982	12.33	9.25	8.22	10.64	14.34	14.50	15.09	14.66	13.95	9.41
1983	12.26	8.95	7.92	10.29	14.36	14.25	15.15	14.76	14.06	9.65
1984	12.27	8.80	7.68	10.15	14.40	14.25	15.09	14.91	13.94	9.75
1985	12.28	8.68	7.47	10.06	14.36	14.09	15.25	15.01	14.07	9.65
1986	12.40	8.82	7.42	10.12	14.46	14.02	15.58	15.46	14.34	9.94
1987	12.51	8.88	7.37	10.08	14.43	13.91	15.36	15.20	14.35	9.83
1988	12.56	8.94	7.52	10.04	14.44	13.86	15.24	15.22	13.96	9.76
1989	12.50	8.86	7.55	10.11	14.20	13.67	15.31	15.06	13.99	9.70
1990	12.32	8.79	7.65	10.07	13.90	13.46	15.03	14.97	13.66	9.80
1991	12.34	8.65	7.71	9.87	13.95	13.22	15.08	14.98	13.47	9.77
1992	12.37	8.61	7.58	9.66	13.99	13.09	15.03	15.26	13.59	9.84
1993	12.32	8.62	7.51	9.62	14.01	12.94	15.04	15.43	13.93	10.00
1994	12.27	8.61	7.52	9.53	13.97	12.83	15.19	15.34	13.81	9.79
1995	12.23	8.68	7.54	9.61	14.01	13.04	15.00	15.16	13.77	9.96
1996	12.24	8.66	7.54	9.75	14.02	12.86	14.78	14.93	13.69	9.87
1997	12.48	8.77	7.86	9.86	14.08	12.90	14.78	15.12	13.88	9.83
1998	12.80	9.25	8.27	10.18	14.25	13.57	15.27	15.41	14.18	10.41
1999	13.13	9.46	8.37	10.66	14.42	13.75	15.18	15.61	14.30	10.61
2000	13.21	9.65	8.55	10.76	14.51	13.57	15.13	15.76	14.43	10.73
2001	13.22	9.97	8.77	10.87	14.79	13.84	15.53	15.78	14.75	11.06
2002	13.35	9.96	8.81	10.80	15.09	14.01	15.54	15.89	15.11	11.57
2003	13.55	9.86	8.65	10.81	15.04	14.04	15.56	16.19	15.22	11.47
2004	13.37	9.70	8.51	10.67	14.86	13.82	15.66	16.08	15.29	11.69
2005	13.16	9.49	8.29	10.48	14.68	13.84	15.42	15.86	15.24	11.68
2006	13.39	9.38	8.23	10.43	14.74	13.61	15.36	15.98	15.18	11.56
2007	13.23	9.58	8.38	10.70	14.57	13.34	15.43	15.94	15.18	11.48
2008	13.04	9.46	8.36	10.41	14.72	13.33	15.33	15.85	15.14	11.61
2009	13.32	9.53	8.48	10.46	14.89	13.49	15.62	15.90	15.74	12.30
2010	13.16	9.37	8.42	10.03	14.72	13.19	15.38	15.77	15.67	12.16
2011	12.97	9.15	8.22	9.81	14.41	12.97	15.13	15.31	15.38	12.44
2012	12.80	9.05	8.10	9.70	14.25	12.82	14.86	15.07	15.39	12.21

Table 20. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

		1	6 to 24 year	'S			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	\$10.68	\$9.41	\$8.94	\$10.38	\$11.50	\$11.92	\$11.71	\$11.33	\$11.06	\$9.20
1980	10.48	9.15	8.33	10.05	11.25	11.78	11.38	11.22	10.82	8.97
1981		8.98	8.52	9.90	11.36	11.84	11.55	11.11	10.73	8.98
1982		8.63	8.11	9.57	11.46	11.85	11.60	11.30	10.96	8.97
1983	10.53	8.38	7.79	9.34	11.47	11.93	11.64	11.38	11.12	9.12
1984	10.46	8.27	7.56	9.18	11.54	11.79	11.81	11.60	11.09	9.20
1985	10.45	8.17	7.35	9.29	11.67	11.79	12.04	11.73	11.12	9.02
1986	10.66	8.22	7.30	9.42	11.90	11.90	12.26	11.98	11.50	9.46
1987	10.83	8.16	7.18	9.46	11.91	11.88	12.28	12.15	11.66	9.38
1988		8.36	7.29	9.42	12.01	11.87	12.61	12.29	11.34	9.55
1989	10.93	8.39	7.33	9.36	12.13	11.95	12.70	12.34	11.41	9.19
1990	10.97	8.43	7.41	9.49	12.04	11.94	12.56	12.20	11.47	9.28
1991	11.10	8.36	7.63	9.39	12.07	11.83	12.71	12.52	11.43	9.47
1992	11.15	8.27	7.52	9.25	12.26	11.94	12.80	12.72	11.54	9.57
1993	11.14	8.25	7.40	9.33	12.32	11.91	12.77	12.80	11.83	9.67
1994	11.10	8.15	7.40	9.16	12.33	11.91	12.92	12.96	11.98	9.56
1995	11.17	8.22	7.40	9.12	12.23	11.86	12.92	13.05	11.87	9.66
1996		8.28	7.42	9.13	12.29	11.75	12.96	13.03	11.76	9.40
1997	11.33	8.49	7.73	9.34	12.48	11.70	13.04	13.21	11.85	9.74
1998	11.58	8.78	8.13	9.75	12.84	12.38	13.59	13.76	12.45	10.14
1999	11.90	9.09	8.24	9.94	13.13	12.53	13.54	13.71	12.85	10.33
2000	12.08	9.33	8.31	10.40	13.19	12.92	13.37	13.57	13.12	10.49
2001	12.50	9.40	8.57	10.38	13.23	12.89	13.54	14.07	13.48	10.56
2002	12.61	9.50	8.67	10.34	13.66	12.91	14.01	14.26	13.79	11.14
2003	12.58	9.48	8.55	10.22	13.75	13.12	13.95	14.72	13.80	11.04
2004	12.36	9.37	8.34	10.11	13.65	12.90	13.91	14.52	14.06	11.13
2005	12.13	9.18	8.14	10.00	13.62	12.78	13.93	14.27	13.95	11.55
2006	12.13	9.10	8.10	10.05	13.52	12.61	13.72	13.96	13.80	11.36
2007	12.16	9.03	8.21	9.97	13.34	12.41	13.69	14.23	13.54	11.24
2008		8.99	8.22	9.77	13.30	12.49	13.74	14.03	13.86	11.23
2009	12.59	9.19	8.37	9.84	13.66	12.81	13.92	14.01	14.55	11.90
2010	12.45	9.07	8.33	9.56	13.56	12.67	13.81	14.21	14.40	11.77
2011	12.22	8.91	8.12	9.35	13.37	12.37	13.71	14.04	14.32	12.00
2012	11.99	8.78	8.02	9.17	13.17	12.15	13.46	13.80	14.36	11.84

Table 20. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

		1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	\$16.67	\$11.50	\$9.41	\$13.69	\$19.73	\$18.82	\$21.00	\$20.94	\$19.44	\$10.50
1980	16.18	10.88	8.94	13.05	19.15	18.38	20.72	20.64	19.20	10.05
1981	15.91	10.44	8.81	12.37	18.84	17.75	20.10	20.56	19.08	10.19
1982	15.64	10.00	8.36	11.69	18.45	17.51	20.30	20.27	18.58	10.18
1983	15.18	9.61	8.05	11.07	18.22	16.97	20.22	20.09	19.17	10.42
1984	14.99	9.62	7.83	10.86	18.11	16.59	20.02	20.40	18.65	10.34
1985	14.93	9.53	7.64	10.65	18.02	16.29	19.96	20.31	18.41	10.16
1986	15.18	9.58	7.64	10.86	18.04	16.06	19.98	20.30	19.08	10.36
1987	15.03	9.50	7.64	10.99	17.72	15.98	19.54	19.81	18.80	10.29
1988	14.76	9.38	7.72	10.80	17.50	15.69	19.07	19.94	18.17	10.30
1989	14.49	9.25	7.85	10.77	17.37	15.31	18.94	19.46	17.89	10.55
1990	14.09	9.27	7.90	10.53	16.76	15.04	18.28	18.96	17.33	10.36
1991	14.13	9.18	7.80	10.25	16.41	14.70	18.06	19.26	16.58	10.23
1992	13.89	9.05	7.69	10.00	16.12	14.46	17.52	19.26	16.65	10.34
1993	13.87	9.00	7.62	9.91	15.93	14.24	17.46	19.01	17.15	10.50
1994	13.78	9.00	7.63	10.05	15.76	13.94	17.61	18.53	16.94	10.17
1995	13.82	9.04	7.69	10.21	16.06	14.16	17.80	18.44	16.63	10.25
1996	13.88	8.99	7.65	10.19	15.71	14.14	17.36	18.08	16.25	10.26
1997	14.02	9.20	8.00	10.24	15.83	14.15	17.22	18.26	16.82	9.93
1998 1999	14.15	9.72 9.81	8.41	10.94 11.06	16.48 16.53	14.37	17.55 17.60	18.34	17.19 16.82	10.89 10.83
1999	14.20	9.01	8.51	11.00	10.55	14.93	17.00	18.84	10.02	10.63
2000		10.17	8.85	11.19	16.32	14.63	17.52	18.53	17.08	11.08
2001	14.68	10.39	8.95	11.57	16.71	15.02	18.05	18.48	16.80	11.67
2002	14.85	10.27	8.95	11.33	16.65	15.17	17.81	18.37	17.07	12.47
2003	14.84	10.16	8.76	11.24	16.54	14.99	17.64	18.64	17.59	12.22
2004	14.61	9.98	8.69	11.02	16.70	14.62	17.74	18.36	17.67	12.03
2005	14.31	9.91	8.48	10.82	16.36	14.32	17.51	17.80	17.40	11.81
2006	14.44	10.01	8.46	11.10	16.25	14.38	17.15	18.27	17.13	12.21
2007	14.34	10.11	8.60	11.03	16.33	14.21	16.80	17.88	17.11	12.19 12.26
2008 2009	14.35 14.73	9.85 9.87	8.51 8.62	10.66 10.70	16.02 16.13	14.36 14.13	17.08 17.24	17.93 18.19	16.95 17.23	12.26
2009	14.73	9.07	0.02	10.70	10.13	14.13	17.24	10.19	17.23	12.00
2010		9.69	8.52	10.42	15.83	13.79	16.66	17.78	17.32	12.55
2011	14.08	9.42	8.33	10.10	15.42	13.45	16.36	17.22	17.42	13.11
2012	13.88	9.44	8.19	9.97	15.17	13.28	16.05	16.99	17.28	13.03

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at

www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. See the technical notes section.

Table 21. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 annual averages

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
Both Sexes					
1979	\$13.10	\$13.30	\$12.12	_	\$12.04
1980	12.79	12.94	11.78	_	11.78
1981	12.47	12.54	11.86	_	11.65
1982	12.33	12.49	11.55	_	11.44
1983	12.26	12.41	11.29	_	11.16
1984	12.27	12.42	11.28	_	11.09
1985	12.28	12.42	11.20	_	11.14
1986	12.40	12.56	11.60	_	11.30
1987	12.51	12.69	11.59	_	11.26
1988	12.56	12.71	11.47	_	11.10
1989	12.50	12.67	11.50	_	10.86
1990	12.32	12.49	11.60	_	10.70
1991	12.34	12.52	11.51	_	10.63
1992	12.37	12.53	11.31	_	10.66
1993	12.32	12.47	11.24	_	10.69
1994	12.27	12.42	11.16	_	10.61
1995	12.23	12.46	11.47	_	10.48
1996	12.24	12.49	11.31	_	10.45
1997	12.48	12.67	11.43	_	10.54
1998	12.80	12.97	11.80	_	11.14
1999	13.13	13.42	12.19	_	11.12
2000	13.21	13.28	12.45	\$13.43	11.39
2001	13.22	13.31	12.68	13.94	11.75
2002	13.35	13.66	12.67	13.21	11.76
2003	13.55	13.70	12.67	13.88	12.18
2004	13.37	13.52	12.38	13.49	11.92
2005	13.16	13.51	11.96	14.13	11.71
2006	13.39	13.51	12.14	14.27	11.53
2007	13.23	13.38	12.06	13.53	11.34
2008	13.04	13.37	11.94	13.87	11.70
2009	13.32	13.55	12.46	14.09	11.82
2010	13.16	13.41	12.39	13.92	11.45
2011	12.97	13.17	12.03	13.62	11.28
2012	12.80	13.04	11.84	13.23	11.12

Table 21. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
Women					
1979	\$10.68	\$10.68	\$10.47	_	\$10.15
1980	10.48	10.50	10.29	_	10.03
1981	10.36	10.36	10.15	_	9.93
1982	10.53	10.53	10.25	_	9.89
1983	10.53	10.55	10.35	_	9.69
1984	10.46	10.48	10.25	_	9.79
1985	10.45	10.47	10.26	_	9.82
1986	10.66	10.70	10.34	_	10.00
1987	10.83	10.87	10.44	_	9.88
1988	10.90	10.93	10.47	_	9.85
1989	10.93	10.97	10.52	_	9.89
1990	10.97	11.01	10.61	_	9.88
1991	11.10	11.12	10.77	_	9.84
1992	11.15	11.20	10.64	_	9.89
1993	11.14	11.21	10.75	_	9.87
1994	11.10	11.24	10.61	_	9.80
1995	11.17	11.29	10.66	_	9.88
1996	11.27	11.36	10.50	_	9.87
1997	11.33	11.41	10.83	_	9.73
1998	11.58	11.72	11.11	_	10.15
1999	11.90	12.02	11.20	_	10.28
2000	12.08	12.12	11.81	\$13.03	10.52
2001	12.50	12.62	11.87	13.06	10.74
2002	12.61	12.68	12.05	12.88	10.89
2003	12.58	12.62	12.37	13.33	11.09
2004	12.36	12.41	12.07	12.84	10.98
2005	12.13	12.35	11.68	13.69	10.80
2006	12.13	12.27	11.51	13.61	10.82
2007	12.16	12.25	11.57	13.10	10.85
2008	12.25	12.47	11.49	13.06	10.74
2009	12.59	12.67	11.79	13.57	10.80
2010	12.45	12.51	11.79	13.06	10.64
2011	12.22	12.30	11.51	13.06	10.46
2012	11.99	12.08	11.23	12.75	10.21

Table 21. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2012) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	6 years and White		Asian	Hispanic or Latino
Men					
1979	\$16.67	\$17.08	\$14.42	_	\$14.13
1980	16.18	16.53	13.74	_	13.34
1981	15.91	16.25	14.07	_	13.00
1982	15.64	15.94	13.63	_	13.08
1983	15.18	15.50	13.07	_	12.74
1984	14.99	15.28	12.97	_	12.72
1985	14.93	15.44	12.53	_	12.36
1986	15.18	15.56	13.14	_	12.38
1987	15.03	15.34	13.04	_	12.32
1988	14.76	15.04	12.95	_	12.15
1989	14.49	14.81	12.65	_	11.91
1990	14.09	14.57	12.56	_	11.48
1991	14.13	14.51	12.45	_	11.32
1992	13.89	14.25	12.21	_	11.20
1993	13.87	14.19	12.00	_	11.14
1994	13.78	14.10	12.13	_	10.98
1995	13.82	14.40	12.22	_	10.87
1996	13.88	14.27	11.92	_	11.11
1997	14.02	14.21	12.37	_	11.27
1998	14.15	14.32	12.78	_	11.59
1999	14.20	14.61	13.46	_	11.86
2000	14.41	14.60	13.31	\$14.39	12.05
2001	14.68	15.06	13.20	15.36	12.54
2002	14.85	15.13	13.06	14.06	12.65
2003	14.84	15.02	13.50	14.84	12.52
2004	14.61	14.78	13.22	14.46	12.17
2005	14.31	14.67	12.82	15.00	11.99
2006	14.44	14.67	13.01	15.01	12.35
2007	14.34	14.64	12.81	14.64	12.26
2008	14.35	14.77	12.78	14.96	12.61
2009	14.73	14.94	13.14	15.00	12.76
2010	14.48	14.71	12.80	14.85	12.35
2011	14.08	14.31	12.31	14.54	12.05
2012	13.88	14.17	12.20	14.15	11.96

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at **www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp**. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. 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. 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. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. See the technical notes section.

Dash indicates data not available.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 22. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages

		1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	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	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	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	503	306	252	321	540	481	579	607	558	393
1998	523	319	268	339	572	502	597	620	592	405
1999	549	341	281	363	592	518	611	652	604	404
2000	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	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	722	443	349	467	761	666	804	822	825	644
2009	739	442	344	464	774	678	817	838	841	684
2010	747	432	347	454	782	682	824	844	860	684
2011	756	440	352	457	797	693	837	866	881	742
2012	768	444	356	464	815	707	858	878	897	757

Table 22. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

	T	1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	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	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	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	431	292	240	306	462	427	482	495	433	348
1998	456	305	249	319	485	451	498	516	476	350
1999	473	324	266	343	497	470	503	534	492	370
2000	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	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	638	420	322	445	670	623	682	707	711	563
2009	657	424	323	445	687	634	709	712	727	602
2010	669	422	336	439	704	648	731	730	736	601
2011	684	421	328	438	718	662	734	744	749	664
2012	691	416	330	429	727	666	747	746	766	667

Table 22. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

		1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	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	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	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	579	317	262	338	615	515	651	713	669	452
1998	598	334	281	357	639	544	677	732	699	482
1999	618	356	291	379	668	577	702	763	725	470
2000	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	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	798	461	369	481	857	704	915	944	943	753
2009	819	458	356	479	873	715	916	967	965	791
2010	_	443	355	468	874	714	915	954	979	794
2011	832	455	370	470	886	717	935	979	997	821
2012	854	468	373	482	910	738	957	994	1,005	860

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 23. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 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	359	371	291	_	277
1987	374	384	301	_	285
1988	385	395	314	_	290
1989	399	409	319	_	298
1990	412	424	329	_	304
1991	426	442	348	_	312
1992	440	458	357	_	321
1993	459	475	369	_	331
1994	467	484	371	_	324
1995	479	494	383	_	329
1996	490	506	387	_	339
1997	503	519	400	_	351
1998	523	545	426	_	370
1999	549	573	445	_	385
2000	576	590	474	\$615	399
2001	596	610	491	639	417
2002	608	623	498	658	424
2003	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	722	742	589	861	529
2009	739	757	601	880	541
2010	747	765	611	855	535
2011	756	775	615	866	549
2012	768	792	621	920	568

Table 23. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 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	291	294	264	_	241
1987	303	307	276	_	251
1988	315	318	288	_	260
1989	328	334	301	_	269
1990	346	353	308	_	278
1991	366	373	323	_	292
1992	380	387	335	_	302
1993	393	401	348	_	313
1994	399	408	346	_	305
1995	406	415	355	_	305
1996	418	428	362	_	316
1997	431	444	375	_	318
1998	456	468	400	_	337
1999	473	483	409	_	348
2000	493	502	429	\$547	366
2001	512	522	454	563	388
2002	529	547	473	566	397
2003	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	638	654	554	753	501
2009	657	669	582	779	509
2010	669	684	592	773	508
2011	684	703	595	751	518
2012	691	710	599	770	521

Table 23. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 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	419	433	319	_	299
1987	434	450	327	_	306
1988	449	465	348	_	308
1989	468	482	348	_	315
1990	481	494	361	_	318
1991	493	506	375	_	323
1992	501	514	380	_	339
1993	510	524	392	_	346
1994	522	547	400	_	343
1995	538	566	411	_	350
1996	557	580	412	_	356
1997	579	595	432	_	371
1998	598	615	468	_	390
1999	618	638	488	_	406
2000	641	662	510	\$685	417
2001	670	689	529	732	440
2002	679	702	524	756	451
2003	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	798	825	620	966	559
2009	819	845	621	952	569
2010	824	850	633	936	560
2011	832	856	653	970	571
2012	854	879	665	1,055	592

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at **www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp**. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. 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. 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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 24. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2012 annual averages

Year and sex	Total,	Less than a	High school	Some college	Bachelor's
	25 years	high school	graduates, no	or associate's	degree and
	and older	diploma	college	degree	higher
Both Sexes					
1979	\$265	\$210	\$249	\$282	\$344
1980	286	222	266	304	376
	308	240	286	324	407
	327	248	302	351	438
	343	256	311	363	461
	362	263	323	382	486
	379	270	333	399	506
	391	278	344	409	525
	403	284	356	421	564
	414	288	368	430	585
	427	297	375	452	609
	449	303	386	476	638
	467	307	397	489	666
	479	311	403	484	696
1993	491	314	415	494	715
	500	307	421	499	733
	510	309	432	508	747
	520	317	443	518	758
	540	321	461	535	779
	572	337	479	558	821
	592	346	490	580	860
2000	609	362	505	596	891
	630	382	520	617	921
	646	388	535	629	941
	662	396	554	639	964
	683	401	574	661	986
	696	409	583	670	1,013
	718	419	595	692	1,039
	738	428	604	704	1,072
	761	453	618	722	1,115
	774	454	626	726	1,144
2011	797	451	638	739	1,150
2012	815	471	652	749	1,165

Table 24. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school graduates, 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	308	208	277	330	436
1987	321	214	288	347	466
1988	335	221	298	360	485
1989	351	231	304	379	507
1990	369	240	315	395	535
1991	387	250	328	409	562
1992	400	256	337	407	594
1993	415	263	347	422	611
1994	421	257	351	423	634
1995	428	262	356	427	644
1996	444	268	365	442	657
1997	462	275	378	459	672
1998	485	283	396	476	707
1999	497	290	405	488	740
2000	516	304	420	505	756
2001	543	316	443	520	786
2002	568	325	458	543	809
2003	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	670	378	520	628	955
2009	687	382	542	630	970
2010	704	388	543	638	986
2011	718	395	554	645	998
2012	727	386	561	659	1,001

Table 24. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school graduates, 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	463	321	416	485	618
1987	477	324	423	497	653
1988	487	332	437	503	679
1989	500	346	450	517	705
1990	512	349	459	542	741
1991	523	349	470	563	764
1992	536	351	479	555	791
1993	555	356	487	572	806
1994	576	342	496	587	826
1995	588	347	507	596	845
1996	599	357	516	604	874
1997	615	365	535	621	896
1998	639	383	559	643	939
1999	668	395	580	665	977
2000	693	406	591	691	1,020
2001	720	419	609	723	1,067
2002	732	421	617	731	1,090
2003	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	857	497	709	830	1,285
2009	873	500	716	835	1,327
2010	874	486	710	845	1,330
2011	886	488	720	840	1,332
2012	910	508	735	857	1,371

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 25. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages

		1	6 to 24 year	'S			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	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	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	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	8.75	6.15	5.51	6.91	9.87	9.04	10.36	10.60	9.73	6.89
1998	9.10	6.58	5.88	7.24	10.13	9.65	10.86	10.96	10.08	7.40
1999	9.53	6.87	6.08	7.74	10.47	9.98	11.02	11.33	10.38	7.70
2000	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	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	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
2010	12.50	8.90	8.00	9.53	13.98	12.53	14.61	14.98	14.89	11.55
2011	12.71	8.97	8.06	9.61	14.12	12.71	14.83	15.00	15.07	12.19
2012	12.80	9.05	8.10	9.70	14.25	12.82	14.86	15.07	15.39	12.21

Table 25. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

		1	6 to 24 year	rs			25 years	and older		
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	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	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	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	7.94	5.95	5.42	6.55	8.75	8.20	9.14	9.26	8.31	6.83
1998	8.23	6.24	5.78	6.93	9.13	8.80	9.66	9.78	8.85	7.21
1999	8.64	6.60	5.98	7.22	9.53	9.10	9.83	9.95	9.33	7.50
2000	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	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	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
2010	11.83	8.62	7.91	9.08	12.88	12.04	13.12	13.50	13.68	11.18
2011	11.98	8.73	7.96	9.16	13.10	12.12	13.44	13.76	14.03	11.76
2012	11.99	8.78	8.02	9.17	13.17	12.15	13.46	13.80	14.36	11.84

Table 25. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2012 annual averages (continued)

		16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
Year and sex	Total, 16 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	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	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	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	9.83	6.45	5.61	7.18	11.10	9.92	12.07	12.80	11.79	6.96
1998	10.06	6.91	5.98	7.78	11.72	10.22	12.48	13.04	12.22	7.74
1999	10.31	7.12	6.18	8.03	12.00	10.84	12.78	13.68	12.21	7.86
2000	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	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	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
2010	13.76	9.21	8.09	9.90	15.04	13.10	15.83	16.89	16.45	11.92
2011	13.80	9.23	8.16	9.90	15.11	13.18	16.03	16.88	17.07	12.85
2012	13.88	9.44	8.19	9.97	15.17	13.28	16.05	16.99	17.28	13.03

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 26. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 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	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	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	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	8.75	8.88	8.01	_	7.39
1998	9.10	9.22	8.39	_	7.92
1999	9.53	9.74	8.85	_	8.07
2000	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	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	12.23	12.54	11.20	13.01	10.97
2009	12.44	12.66	11.64	13.16	11.04
2010	12.50	12.74	11.77	13.22	10.88
2011	12.71	12.91	11.79	13.35	11.05
2012	12.80	13.04	11.84	13.23	11.12

Table 26. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 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	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	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	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	7.94	8.00	7.59	_	6.82
1998	8.23	8.33	7.90	_	7.22
1999	8.64	8.73	8.13	_	7.46
2000	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	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	11.49	11.70	10.78	12.25	10.07
2009	11.76	11.83	11.01	12.67	10.09
2010	11.83	11.88	11.20	12.41	10.11
2011	11.98	12.05	11.28	12.80	10.25
2012	11.99	12.08	11.23	12.75	10.21

Table 26. Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2012 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	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	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	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	9.83	9.96	8.67	_	7.90
1998	10.06	10.18	9.09	_	8.24
1999	10.31	10.61	9.77	_	8.61
2000	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	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	13.46	13.85	11.99	14.03	11.83
2009	13.76	13.95	12.27	14.01	11.92
2010	13.76	13.97	12.16	14.11	11.73
2011	13.80	14.02	12.06	14.25	11.81
2012	13.88	14.17	12.20	14.15	11.96

Note: The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and other changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Information about historical comparability is online at **www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#comp**. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. 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. 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.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Technical Notes

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 scientifically selected national sample of about 60,000 eligible 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 and are limited to wage and salary workers. (Self-employed workers, both incorporated and unincorporated, are excluded from CPS earnings estimates.) The data, therefore, exclude self-employment income.

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Concepts and definitions

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

Usual weekly earnings. The data represent earnings before taxes and other deductions and include any overtime pay, commissions, or tips usually received (at the main job in the case of multiple jobholders). 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 reported time period. Earnings reported on a basis other than weekly are converted to a weekly equivalent. The definition of the term "usual" is determined by each respondent's own understanding of the term. 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 midpoint in a given earnings distribution, with half of workers having earnings above the median and the other half having earnings below the median. Ten percent of 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 procedure for estimating 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 calculated 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 median earnings of 16- to 24-year-olds and the median earnings of 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, such as \$400 or \$500. An estimate lying in a

\$50-wide centered interval containing such a cluster tends to change more slowly than one in other intervals. Consider, for example, the calculation of the median for a multipeaked 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; 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, available at www.bls.gov/opub/mlr/1999/06/ art4full.pdf; and "Questions and Answers: Consumer Price Index Research Series Using Current Methods," at www. bls.gov/cpi/cpirsqa.pdf.

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, it 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 8–11, 15–16, 20–21, and 25–26.

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 10 and 11 pertain only to workers who are paid hourly rates. Salaried workers and other workers who are not paid by the hour are excluded, 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 1990–1991, 1996–1997, and 2007–2009 reflect changes in the minimum wage that took place during those years. It should be noted that a number of states have established minimum-wage rates 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 (FLSA), 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.

Race. In the survey process, race is determined by the household respondent. In accordance with the Office of Management and Budget guidelines, White, Black or African American, and Asian are terms used to describe a person's race. Beginning in 2003, people in these categories are those who selected that race group only. Those who identify multiple race groups are categorized as persons of two or more races. Previously, people identified a group as their main race. More information on the 2003 changes to questions on race is available at www.bls.gov/cps/rvcps03.pdf. Data for American Indians and Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders, and persons of two or more races are not included in this report because the number of survey respondents is too small to develop estimates of sufficient quality.

Hispanic or Latino ethnicity. This refers to people who identified themselves in the survey process as being Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino. People whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

Reliability

Statistics based on the CPS are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. When a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed, there is a chance that the sample estimates may differ from the true population values they represent. The component of this difference that occurs because samples differ by chance is known as sampling error, and its 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 are generally 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. Nonsampling 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 the collection or processing of the data.

Additional information about reliability of data from the CPS and guidance on estimating standard errors is available at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.
htm#reliability.