

**HOUSEHOLD DATA
ANNUAL AVERAGES**

Table 45. Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing Federal minimum wage by occupation and industry

(Numbers in thousands)

Occupation and industry	1999				
	Workers paid hourly rates				
	Total	Below prevailing Federal minimum wage	At prevailing Federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing Federal minimum wage	
Number				Percent of hourly-paid workers	
OCCUPATION					
Managerial and professional specialty	10,078	91	37	129	1.3
Executive, administrative, and managerial	4,260	33	17	50	1.2
Professional specialty	5,818	58	21	79	1.4
Technical, sales, and administrative support	22,763	333	361	694	3.1
Technicians and related support	2,750	17	10	27	1.0
Sales occupations	7,445	186	231	417	5.6
Administrative support, including clerical	12,568	130	120	251	2.0
Service occupations	13,438	1,424	470	1,894	14.1
Private household	425	145	11	156	36.8
Protective service	1,574	19	14	33	2.1
Service, except private household and protective	11,440	1,260	445	1,705	14.9
Food service workers	5,451	1,047	253	1,299	23.8
Health service workers	2,213	52	40	92	4.2
Cleaning and building service workers	2,370	84	79	163	6.9
Personal service workers	1,406	77	73	150	10.7
Precision production, craft, and repair	9,781	51	14	64	.7
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	14,882	245	198	444	3.0
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	6,577	75	57	132	2.0
Transportation and material moving occupations	3,567	44	27	71	2.0
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	4,737	126	115	241	5.1
Farming, forestry, and fishing	1,364	50	65	114	8.4
INDUSTRY					
Private wage and salary workers	63,557	2,080	1,028	3,109	4.9
Agriculture	1,156	36	54	90	7.8
Nonagriculture industries	62,401	2,045	974	3,019	4.8
Mining	322	4	2	6	1.9
Construction	4,687	42	10	52	1.1
Manufacturing	13,000	98	63	160	1.2
Durable goods	8,023	42	21	63	.8
Nondurable goods	4,976	55	42	97	2.0
Transportation and public utilities	4,122	30	22	53	1.3
Transportation	2,604	25	17	42	1.6
Communication and public utilities	1,518	5	5	11	.7
Wholesale and retail trade	17,859	1,276	540	1,817	10.2
Wholesale trade	2,396	29	15	44	1.9
Retail trade	15,463	1,247	525	1,772	11.5
Eating and drinking places	5,209	1,008	268	1,276	24.5
Finance, insurance, and real estate	3,001	38	8	47	1.6
Services	19,410	557	328	885	4.6
Private households	487	152	11	163	33.5
Other service industries	18,922	405	317	722	3.8
Personal services, except private households	1,860	106	47	153	8.2
Entertainment and recreation services	1,310	67	55	122	9.3
Government workers	8,749	113	117	231	2.6
Federal	1,829	13	9	22	1.2
State	2,124	25	50	75	3.5
Local	4,796	75	58	133	2.8

NOTE: The prevailing Federal minimum wage was \$5.15 per hour in 1999. Data are for wage and salary workers, excluding the incorporated self-employed. They refer to a person's earnings on their sole or principal job, and pertain only to workers who are paid hourly rates. Salaried workers and other nonhourly workers are not included. The presence of workers with hourly earnings below the minimum wage does not

necessarily indicate violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act, as there are exceptions to the minimum wage provisions of the law. In addition, some survey respondents might have rounded hourly earnings to the nearest dollar, and, as a result, reported hourly earnings below the minimum wage even though they earned the minimum wage or higher.