

**54. Median weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers by certification and licensing status and selected characteristics, 2015 annual averages**

Characteristic	Full-time wage and salary workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings				
		Total	With a certification or license <sup>1</sup>			Without a certification or license
			Total	With a certification, but no license	With a license <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Age and sex</b>						
Total, 16 years and over	109,080	\$809	\$1,004	\$1,052	\$998	\$747
16 to 24 years	9,790	487	549	590	539	480
25 to 54 years	77,105	845	1,002	1,064	995	780
25 to 34 years	26,611	735	881	912	877	690
35 to 44 years	24,917	900	1,069	1,172	1,055	831
45 to 54 years	25,577	923	1,111	1,162	1,100	862
55 years and over	22,186	916	1,155	1,201	1,150	836
55 to 64 years	18,108	927	1,161	1,224	1,155	847
65 years and over	4,078	873	1,134	1,127	1,135	785
Men, 16 years and over	60,746	895	1,122	1,176	1,108	829
16 to 24 years	5,476	510	603	656	596	503
25 to 54 years	43,192	921	1,111	1,182	1,093	866
55 years and over	12,078	1,054	1,269	1,336	1,258	985
Women, 16 years and over	48,334	726	923	886	926	659
16 to 24 years	4,314	450	500	488	501	436
25 to 54 years	33,912	757	928	902	931	693
55 years and over	10,108	774	1,035	999	1,040	704
<b>Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity</b>						
White, 16 years and over	85,443	835	1,026	1,071	1,020	765
Men	48,746	920	1,143	1,199	1,136	855
Women	36,698	743	943	910	945	669
Black or African American, 16 years and over	13,587	641	768	744	771	614
Men	6,445	680	830	826	830	643
Women	7,142	615	724	652	734	589
Asian, 16 years and over	6,638	993	1,238	1,400	1,185	926
Men	3,684	1,129	1,375	1,497	1,350	1,077
Women	2,954	877	1,136	1,336	1,125	774
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 16 years and over	18,311	604	822	823	822	580
Men	11,142	631	898	913	890	605
Women	7,168	566	751	655	765	528
<b>Educational attainment</b>						
Total, 25 years and over	99,291	860	1,030	1,096	1,022	793
Less than a high school diploma	7,289	493	596	627	593	488
High school graduates, no college <sup>3</sup>	25,221	678	772	851	761	662
Some college or associate degree	26,801	762	825	836	823	742
Some college, no degree	15,894	738	787	804	783	725
Associate degree	10,908	798	855	880	853	770
Bachelor's degree and higher	39,979	1,230	1,256	1,459	1,236	1,205
Bachelor's degree only	25,043	1,137	1,142	1,369	1,121	1,135
Advanced degree <sup>4</sup>	14,937	1,403	1,387	1,573	1,369	1,422
Men, 25 years and over	55,270	947	1,145	1,223	1,136	890
Less than a high school diploma	5,035	520	702	793	687	513
High school graduates, no college <sup>3</sup>	15,316	759	882	915	872	735
Some college or associate degree	14,109	883	957	990	949	857
Some college, no degree	8,741	850	923	926	923	823
Associate degree	5,368	931	996	1,076	983	907
Bachelor's degree and higher	20,811	1,420	1,490	1,628	1,460	1,391
Bachelor's degree only	13,295	1,304	1,342	1,544	1,285	1,288
Advanced degree <sup>4</sup>	7,516	1,637	1,631	1,827	1,609	1,642

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Women, 25 years and over	44,020	761	947	917	949	696
Less than a high school diploma	2,255	418	439	–	427	417
High school graduates, no college <sup>3</sup>	9,905	586	595	634	591	585
Some college or associate degree	12,692	664	715	689	720	647
Some college, no degree	7,153	637	653	666	651	632
Associate degree	5,539	703	766	706	773	668
Bachelor's degree and higher	19,169	1,064	1,138	1,233	1,133	1,003
Bachelor's degree only	11,748	975	1,016	1,158	1,005	954
Advanced degree <sup>4</sup>	7,420	1,204	1,239	1,338	1,235	1,151

- 1 A person may have more than one certification or license.
- 2 Persons with a license may also have a certification.
- 3 Includes persons with a high school diploma or equivalent.
- 4 Includes persons with master's, professional, and doctoral degrees.

NOTE: Certifications are issued by a non-governmental certification body and convey that an individual has the knowledge or skill to perform a specific job. A license is awarded by a government agency and conveys a legal authority to work in an occupation. Data are for wage and salary workers; all self-employed workers are excluded, both those with incorporated businesses and those with unincorporated businesses. Estimates for the above race groups (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 (values not shown where base is less than 50,000).