

Table 41. Standard errors for financial benefits: Access, private industry workers, National Compensation Survey, March 2015

Characteristics	Health savings account	Section 125 cafeteria benefits			Savings plans with no employer contribution ³	Payroll deduction IRA ⁴	Financial planning
		Flexible benefits	Dependent care flexible spending account ¹	Health care flexible spending account ²			
All workers	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.6
Worker characteristics							
Management, professional, and related	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.3	0.9	1.3
Management, business, and financial	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.6	0.8	1.9
Professional and related	1.4	1.3	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.2	1.5
Service	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.3	1.0	0.5	1.1
Protective service	4.2	3.6	4.5	5.0	1.6	1.0	3.1
Sales and office	1.0	0.7	1.1	1.0	0.7	0.4	0.8
Sales and related	1.3	1.0	1.4	1.3	0.8	0.4	1.2
Office and administrative support	1.2	1.0	1.5	1.3	1.0	0.6	1.0
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.7	1.2	0.6	1.1
Construction, extraction, farming, fishing, and forestry	1.5	0.9	1.5	1.5	1.8	1.0	1.2
Installation, maintenance, and repair	1.6	1.5	2.2	2.5	1.7	0.8	1.8
Production, transportation, and material moving ...	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	0.6	0.9
Production	1.7	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.3	1.0	1.3
Transportation and material moving	1.1	1.2	1.8	1.8	1.5	0.6	1.2
Full time	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.8
Part time	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.6
Union	1.5	1.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.2	2.1
Nonunion	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.7
Average wage within the following categories: ⁵							
Lowest 25 percent	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.6
Lowest 10 percent	0.6	0.5	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.5	0.9
Second 25 percent	1.0	0.8	1.1	1.2	0.8	0.6	0.9
Third 25 percent	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.6	1.0
Highest 25 percent	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	0.7	1.3
Highest 10 percent	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.0	2.1
Establishment characteristics							
Goods-producing industries	1.3	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.0	0.7	1.1
Construction	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.6	1.5	0.9	1.2
Manufacturing	1.7	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.3	0.9	1.4
Service-providing industries	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.7
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1.1	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	1.0
Wholesale trade	2.7	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.5	1.6
Retail trade	1.2	0.7	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.4	1.1
Transportation and warehousing	2.2	2.7	3.4	3.7	2.7	1.6	2.5
Utilities	5.5	4.8	4.6	4.4	2.3	1.4	5.3
Information	3.0	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.8	1.1	3.4
Financial activities	1.6	1.5	2.0	1.9	1.5	1.2	1.8
Finance and insurance	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.7

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Table 41. Standard errors for financial benefits: Access, private industry workers, National Compensation Survey, March 2015—continued

Characteristics	Stock options			
	Total	Performance	Signing	Other
All workers	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3
Worker characteristics				
Management, professional, and related	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.5
Management, business, and financial	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.9
Professional and related	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.5
Service	0.6	0.3	—	0.6
Protective service	—	—	—	—
Sales and office	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.5
Sales and related	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.6
Office and administrative support	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.7
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	0.8	0.5	—	0.7
Construction, extraction, farming, fishing, and forestry	0.9	—	—	0.9
Installation, maintenance, and repair	1.2	0.8	—	1.1
Production, transportation, and material moving ...	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.7
Production	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.9
Transportation and material moving	1.1	0.3	0.2	1.1
Full time	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.4
Part time	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.4
Union	1.4	1.1	0.8	1.1
Nonunion	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.4
Average wage within the following categories: ⁵				
Lowest 25 percent	0.4	0.1	—	0.3
Lowest 10 percent	0.8	0.1	—	0.5
Second 25 percent	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.5
Third 25 percent	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.6
Highest 25 percent	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.5
Highest 10 percent	1.4	1.0	0.4	0.8
Establishment characteristics				
Goods-producing industries	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.8
Construction	0.9	—	—	0.8
Manufacturing	1.3	0.7	0.3	1.1
Service-providing industries	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.4
Trade, transportation, and utilities	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.5
Wholesale trade	1.0	0.4	0.3	1.0
Retail trade	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.8
Transportation and warehousing	2.4	—	0.9	2.3
Utilities	2.9	—	—	1.9
Information	3.6	3.1	0.9	1.9
Financial activities	1.6	0.8	1.1	1.7
Finance and insurance	1.6	1.0	1.0	1.6

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Table 41. Standard errors for financial benefits: Access, private industry workers, National Compensation Survey, March 2015—continued

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		Flexible benefits	Dependent care flexible spending account ¹	Health care flexible spending account ²			
Credit intermediation and related activities	2.0	2.3	2.0	1.9	2.2	2.0	2.4
Insurance carriers and related activities	2.5	2.8	2.2	2.3	2.5	1.8	2.3
Real estate and rental and leasing	4.1	2.8	5.0	4.6	3.7	2.3	—
Professional and business services	2.2	1.9	2.2	2.1	1.4	1.0	1.8
Professional and technical services	3.5	3.2	3.4	3.7	2.7	1.8	3.4
Administrative and waste services	2.3	2.1	2.5	3.5	2.7	1.0	1.4
Education and health services	1.6	1.7	2.2	2.4	1.8	1.3	2.0
Educational services	2.1	2.5	2.7	2.2	2.4	2.2	2.0
Junior colleges, colleges, and universities	2.7	3.0	2.2	1.7	2.5	1.9	2.0
Health care and social assistance	1.8	2.0	2.6	2.9	2.0	1.4	2.4
Leisure and hospitality	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.2	0.6	1.0
Accommodation and food services	1.0	0.9	1.7	1.4	1.4	0.7	1.2
Other services	1.3	1.5	2.0	2.1	3.1	1.9	1.8
1 to 99 workers	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.3	0.6
1 to 49 workers	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.7
50 to 99 workers	1.6	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.5	0.9	1.3
100 workers or more	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	1.0
100 to 499 workers	1.4	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.8	1.3
500 workers or more	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.4
Geographic areas							
Northeast	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.6	0.9	1.5
New England	1.4	1.9	2.5	2.9	2.6	1.6	2.4
Middle Atlantic	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.9	0.9	1.8
South	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.0	0.7	1.2
South Atlantic	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.3	1.0	1.6
East South Central	3.7	2.9	3.1	3.4	3.6	2.1	3.6
West South Central	2.1	1.7	2.1	2.4	1.3	0.5	2.0
Midwest	1.5	1.1	1.7	1.6	1.1	0.5	1.2
East North Central	1.7	1.2	2.0	1.9	1.3	0.6	1.5
West North Central	2.9	2.5	3.2	2.8	1.5	0.8	1.7
West	1.4	0.8	1.2	1.3	1.2	0.8	1.1
Mountain	2.3	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	0.8	2.9
Pacific	1.8	0.9	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.1

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Table 41. Standard errors for financial benefits: Access, private industry workers, National Compensation Survey, March 2015—continued

Characteristics	Stock options			
	Total	Performance	Signing	Other
Credit intermediation and related activities	2.1	1.4	1.6	2.1
Insurance carriers and related activities	2.2	1.0	0.6	2.2
Real estate and rental and leasing	—	—	—	—
Professional and business services	1.5	0.7	0.6	1.3
Professional and technical services	1.9	1.1	0.9	1.7
Administrative and waste services	2.1	—	—	2.0
Education and health services	0.9	—	0.1	0.8
Educational services	0.7	—	0.4	—
Junior colleges, colleges, and universities	0.6	—	—	—
Health care and social assistance	1.0	—	—	1.0
Leisure and hospitality	—	—	—	—
Accommodation and food services	—	—	—	—
Other services	1.0	—	—	—
1 to 99 workers	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.4
1 to 49 workers	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.4
50 to 99 workers	1.1	0.3	0.4	1.1
100 workers or more	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.7
100 to 499 workers	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.5
500 workers or more	1.4	0.7	0.5	1.3
Geographic areas				
Northeast	0.9	0.3	0.4	0.9
New England	1.1	0.6	0.3	1.3
Middle Atlantic	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.9
South	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.5
South Atlantic	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.7
East South Central	1.1	1.0	0.6	1.3
West South Central	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.5
Midwest	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.5
East North Central	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.6
West North Central	1.1	0.6	0.2	0.9
West	1.0	0.6	0.4	0.8
Mountain	2.1	0.4	0.4	2.1
Pacific	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.6

¹ Formerly referred to as Dependent care reimbursement account.

² Formerly referred to as Health care reimbursement account.

³ Savings plans established by the employer on behalf of the employee, but with no employer contribution.

These are cash or deferred arrangement plans or individual retirement accounts used to fund savings and retirement plans authorized by section 401(k), 403(b), or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code. The employees' contributions can be pre- and post-tax. Employees may authorize a payroll deduction by the employer to fund the established plan.

⁴ An individual retirement plan that can be sponsored by the employer, but with no employer contributions. The employee establishes either a traditional (with tax-deductible contributions) or Roth (contributions are made post-tax but accumulate tax-free until retirement) IRA plan with a financial institution, and authorizes the payroll deduction by the employer.

⁵ Surveyed occupations are classified into wage categories based on the average wage for the occupation, which may include workers with earnings both above and below the threshold. The categories were formed using percentile estimates generated using wage data for March 2015.

Note: Dash indicates no workers in this category or data did not meet publication criteria. For definitions of major plans, key provisions, and related terms, see the "Glossary of Employee Benefit Terms" at www.bls.gov/ncs/ebs/glossary20142015.htm.