

Table 7. Defined benefit frozen retirement plans:¹ Plan alternatives, civilian workers,² March 2018

(All workers participating in frozen defined benefit plans = 100 percent)

Characteristics	No alternative to frozen plans	Alternatives to frozen plans	Alternatives to frozen plans ³			
			Modified existing defined benefit plan	New defined benefit plan	Enhanced existing defined contribution plan	New defined contribution plan
All workers	4	96	58	12	15	23
Worker characteristics						
Management, professional, and related	3	97	64	10	16	22
Management, business, and financial	4	96	44	13	28	25
Professional and related	3	97	71	9	13	20
Service	3	97	77	7	5	22
Sales and office	8	92	46	12	20	26
Sales and related	23	77	–	–	42	22
Office and administrative support	6	94	53	12	16	27
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	5	95	47	24	13	18
Production, transportation, and material moving ...	7	93	29	24	17	30
Full time	3	97	59	12	16	23
Part time	17	83	52	9	7	21
Union	2	98	76	12	5	20
Nonunion	6	94	46	12	23	25
Average wage within the following categories: ⁴						
Lowest 25 percent	15	85	59	7	12	19
Second 25 percent	4	96	60	12	13	24
Third 25 percent	5	95	55	14	11	26
Highest 25 percent	2	98	59	12	20	21
Highest 10 percent	3	97	54	12	24	24
Establishment characteristics						
Goods-producing industries	4	96	14	28	39	30
Service-providing industries	4	96	64	10	12	22
Education and health services	2	98	82	5	4	21
Health care and social assistance	7	93	41	–	15	34
Public administration	–	100	89	8	–	20

See footnotes at end of table.

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			Modified existing defined benefit plan	New defined benefit plan	Enhanced existing defined contribution plan	New defined contribution plan
1 to 99 workers	4	96	58	14	12	24
1 to 49 workers	3	97	51	13	13	25
50 to 99 workers	5	95	66	14	10	21
100 workers or more	4	96	58	12	16	23
100 to 499 workers	8	92	56	13	14	24
500 workers or more	3	97	59	11	17	22
Geographic areas						
Northeast	5	95	62	6	14	24
Middle Atlantic	5	95	64	7	14	24
South	4	96	58	15	14	26
South Atlantic	6	94	46	17	20	38
Midwest	5	95	52	14	15	24
East North Central	5	95	50	14	15	28
West	4	96	60	11	19	16
Pacific	5	95	58	12	19	18

¹ Plans closed to new workers or plans that cease accruals for some or all plan participants.

² Includes workers in private industry and state and local government. See Technical Note for further explanation.

³ The sum of the individual components may be greater than the total because some employers offer more than one alternative.

⁴ 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 2018.

Note: Because of rounding, sums of individual items may not equal totals. 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/national-compensation-survey-glossary-of-employee-benefit-terms.htm.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.