

Table 32. Standard errors for money purchase pension plans: Employer contributions, private industry workers, National Compensation Survey, 2009

Characteristics	Fixed percent of earnings	Fixed percent of earnings					Other	Not determinable
		10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile (median)	75th percentile	90th percentile		
Worker characteristic								
All workers	4.1	—	—	—	—	—	4.1	1.4
Management, professional, and related	5.6	—	—	—	—	—	5.6	—
Management, business, and financial	7.3	—	—	—	—	—	7.3	—
Professional and related	6.4	0.75	0.10	0.81	1.69	0.00	6.4	—
Service	7.1	—	—	—	—	—	7.1	—
Sales and office	8.4	—	—	—	—	—	8.4	—
Office and administrative support	6.0	—	—	—	—	—	6.0	—
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.6	—
Construction, extraction, farming, fishing, and forestry	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.5	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair	9.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Production, transportation, and material moving	9.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Production	11.9	0.92	0.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—
Full time	3.9	—	—	—	—	—	4.0	1.6
Part time	12.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Union	6.6	—	—	—	—	—	11.0	6.4
Nonunion	4.5	0.05	0.00	0.86	1.23	1.69	4.5	—
Average wage within the following categories: ¹								
Lowest 25 percent	5.5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Second 25 percent	5.8	—	—	—	—	—	6.2	3.1
Third 25 percent	6.9	0.67	0.00	0.92	2.12	0.59	6.6	1.6
Highest 25 percent	4.9	—	—	—	—	—	5.0	0.3
Highest 10 percent	6.2	—	—	—	—	—	6.2	—
Establishment characteristic								
Goods-producing industries	10.3	—	—	—	—	—	7.5	5.8
Manufacturing	12.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service-providing industries	4.9	—	—	—	—	—	4.9	—
Education and health services	6.6	0.63	0.85	1.16	1.70	0.00	6.6	—
Educational services	4.4	1.53	0.90	0.93	1.12	0.00	4.4	—
Junior colleges, colleges, and universities	3.9	0.00	0.00	0.37	0.00	1.79	3.9	—
Health care and social assistance	9.8	0.00	0.45	0.97	2.88	2.72	9.8	—
1 to 99 workers	6.8	0.00	0.00	1.46	1.36	0.96	6.8	0.3
1 to 49 workers	7.9	0.00	0.00	1.17	1.77	1.80	7.9	0.4
100 workers or more	4.7	—	—	—	—	—	5.1	2.1
100 to 499 workers	8.5	—	—	—	—	—	8.6	4.2
500 workers or more	5.2	—	—	—	—	—	5.2	—
Geographic area								
Middle Atlantic	4.5	—	—	—	—	—	6.3	6.6
East North Central	11.1	0.00	0.55	0.36	0.65	2.96	11.1	—
West North Central	8.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Atlantic	9.6	0.92	0.36	1.10	0.53	0.48	9.6	—
West South Central	12.8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pacific	9.1	—	—	—	—	—	9.1	—

¹ The categories are based on the average wage for each occupation surveyed, which may include workers both above and below the threshold. The average wages are based on the estimates published in the "National Compensation Survey: Occupational Earnings in the United States, 2008." See Technical Note for more details.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data do 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/glossary20092010.htm.