Highlights of Women's Earnings in 2010

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Introduction

In 2010, women who were full-time wage and salary workers had median weekly earnings of $669. Women earned 81 percent of the median weekly earnings of their male counterparts ($824). In 1979, the first year for which comparable earnings data are available, women earned 62 percent of what men earned. The women's-to-men's earnings ratio has been in the 80 to 81 percent range since 2004; prior to this time, the ratio had been gradually trending upward. (See chart 1 and tables 1 and 12.)

This report presents earnings data from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a national monthly survey of approximately 60,000 households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Information on earnings is collected from one-fourth of the CPS sample each month. Readers should note that the comparisons of earnings in this report are on a broad level and do not control for many factors that can be significant in explaining earnings differences. For a detailed description of the source of the data and an explanation of the concepts and definitions used, see the accompanying technical note.

Highlights

Full-time workers

- Median weekly earnings were highest for women age 35 to 64, with little difference between the earnings of 35- to 44-year-olds ($731), 45- to 54-year-olds ($730), and 55- to 64-year-olds ($736). Among men, those age 45 to 64 had the highest earnings, with 45- to 54-year-olds ($954) making nearly the same as 55- to 64-year-olds ($979). Young women and men age 16 to 24 had the lowest earnings ($422 and $443, respectively). (See table 1.)

- In the four age groupings of those 35 years and older, women had earnings that ranged from 75 to 80 percent of those of their male counterparts. Among younger workers, the earnings differences between women and men were not as great. Women earned 91 percent of what men earned among workers 25 to 34 years old and 95 percent as much as men among 16- to 24-year-olds. (See table 1.)

- Between 1979 and 2010, the earnings gap between women and men narrowed for most age groups. The women's-to-men's earnings ratio among 25- to 34-year-olds, for example, rose from 68 percent in 1979 to 91 percent in 2010, and the ratio for 45- to 54-year-olds increased from 57 percent to 77 percent. The long-term trends for teenagers and for workers age 65 and older fluctuated from 1979 to 2010 but have essentially remained flat. In 2010, the women's-to-men's earnings ratio for teenagers was 95 percent and for women and men age 65 and older it was 76 percent. (See table 12.)

- Asian women and men earned more than their White, Black, and Hispanic counterparts in 2010. Among women, Whites earned 88 percent as much as Asians, while Blacks and Hispanics earned 77 percent and 66 percent as much, respectively. In comparison, White men earned 91 percent as much as Asian men; Black men earned 68 percent as much; and Hispanic men, 60 percent. (See chart 2 and tables 1 and 14.)

- Earnings differences between women and men were widest for Whites and for Asians. White women earned 81 percent as much as their male counterparts in 2010, while Asian women earned 83 percent as much as their male counterparts. By comparison, Hispanic women had earnings that were 91 percent of those of their male counterparts, while Black women earned 94 percent as much as Black men. (See tables 1 and 14.)

- Across the major race and Hispanic ethnicity categories, women's inflation-adjusted earnings grew significantly from 1979 to 2010. Growth in real earnings for White women outpaced that of their Black and Hispanic counterparts. Between 1979 and 2010, inflation-adjusted earnings for White women rose by 33 percent, while earnings grew by 25 percent for Black women and by 15 percent for Hispanic women. In contrast, real earnings for White men edged up by just 2 percent over this period, while earnings for Black men showed no growth, and Hispanic men's earnings fell by 9 percent. (See table 15.) (Asians were not included

in this analysis because comparable data are available only back to 2003. See note in table 15.)

- Median weekly earnings vary significantly by educational level. Among both women and men age 25 and older, the weekly earnings of those without a high school diploma ($388 for women and $486 for men) were slightly under 40 percent of those with a bachelor's degree or higher ($986 for women and $1,330 for men) in 2010. Women and men with a high school diploma who had not attended college earned a little more than half of what women and men with a bachelor's degree or higher did and those with some college or an associate's degree earned just under 65 percent. (See tables 1 and 6.)

- At each level of education, women have fared better than men with respect to earnings growth. Although both women and men without a high school diploma have experienced declines in inflation-adjusted earnings since 1979, the drop for women was significantly less than that for men: a 9-percent drop for women as opposed to a 31-percent drop for men. On an inflation-adjusted basis, earnings for women with a college degree have increased by 33 percent since 1979, while those of male college graduates have risen by 20 percent. (Data pertain to workers age 25 and older.) (See chart 3 and table 17.)

- Women working full time in management, business, and financial operations jobs had median weekly earnings of $971 in 2010, more than women earned in any other major occupational category. Within management, business, and finance occupations, women who were chief executives and computer and information systems managers had the highest median weekly earnings ($1,598 and $1,415, respectively). The next highest paying job group was professional and related occupations, in which women earned $900 per week. Within professional and related occupations, women working as physicians or pharmacists had the highest earnings ($1,618 and $1,605, respectively). (See table 2.)

- The occupational distributions of female and male full-time workers differ significantly. Compared with men, relatively few women work in construction, production, or transportation occupations, and women are far more concentrated in administrative support jobs. (See chart 4 and table 2.)

- Women are more likely than men to work in professional and related occupations, but they are not as well represented in the higher paying job groups within this broad category. In 2010, only 8 percent of female professionals were employed in the relatively high-paying computer and engineering fields, compared with 43 percent of male professionals. Professional women were more likely to work in education and health care occupations, in which the pay is generally lower than for computer and engineering jobs. Sixty-nine percent of female professionals worked in the education and health care fields in 2010, compared with 31 percent of male professionals. (See table 2.)

- The ratio of female-to-male earnings varied by state of residence in 2010. The differences in the earnings ratios among the states reflect, in part, variation in the occupations and industries found in each state and in the age composition of each state's labor force. The sampling error for the state estimates is considerably larger than it is for the national estimates; thus, comparisons of state estimates should be made with caution. (See table 3.)

- Median weekly earnings for married women and men were higher than the earnings of those with other marital statuses (never married, divorced, separated, and widowed). As a group, married workers tend to be older than workers with other marital statuses and so are more likely to be in their prime earning years. Workers with other marital statuses were more likely to be under age 25, the age group with the lowest median earnings. (See table 8.)

- Among full-time workers (that is, those working 35 hours or more per week in their sole or principal job), men were more likely than women to have a longer workweek. In 2010, 25 percent of men in full-time jobs worked 41 or more hours per week, while 14 percent of females in full-time jobs worked the same number of hours. Women were more likely than men to work 35 to 39 hours per week: 13 percent as opposed to 5 percent. A large majority of both male and female full-time workers had a 40-hour workweek; among these workers, women earned 87 percent as much as men earned. (See table 5.)

Part-time workers

- Women are more likely than men to work part time—that is, fewer than 35 hours per week in the sole or principal job. Women who worked part time made up 26 percent of all female wage and salary workers in 2010. In contrast, 13 percent of men in wage and salary jobs worked part time. (See table 5.)

- Median weekly earnings of female part-time workers were $232 in 2010, slightly higher than the $223 median for their male counterparts. As compared with women, male part-timers were more concentrated in the youngest age groups, which typically have low earnings. Forty-two percent of male part-time workers were 16 to 24 years old, compared with 28 percent of female part-time workers. (See table 4.)

Workers paid by the hour

- Sixty-two percent of women and 56 percent of men employed in wage and salary jobs were paid by the hour in 2010. Women who were paid hourly rates had median

hourly earnings of $11.83, 86 percent of the median for men paid by the hour ($13.76). (See tables 9, 10, and 18–21.)

- Among workers who were paid hourly rates in 2010, 7 percent of women and 5 percent of men had hourly earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage of $7.25. (See tables 11 and 22.)

- Among both women and men, hourly paid workers age 16 to 19 were the most likely to have earnings at or below the minimum wage. In 2010, 25 percent of teenage workers paid hourly rates earned the prevailing federal minimum wage or less, compared with just 4 percent of hourly paid workers age 25 and older. Among 20- to 24-year-olds, 11 percent had earnings at or below the minimum wage. (See table 11.)

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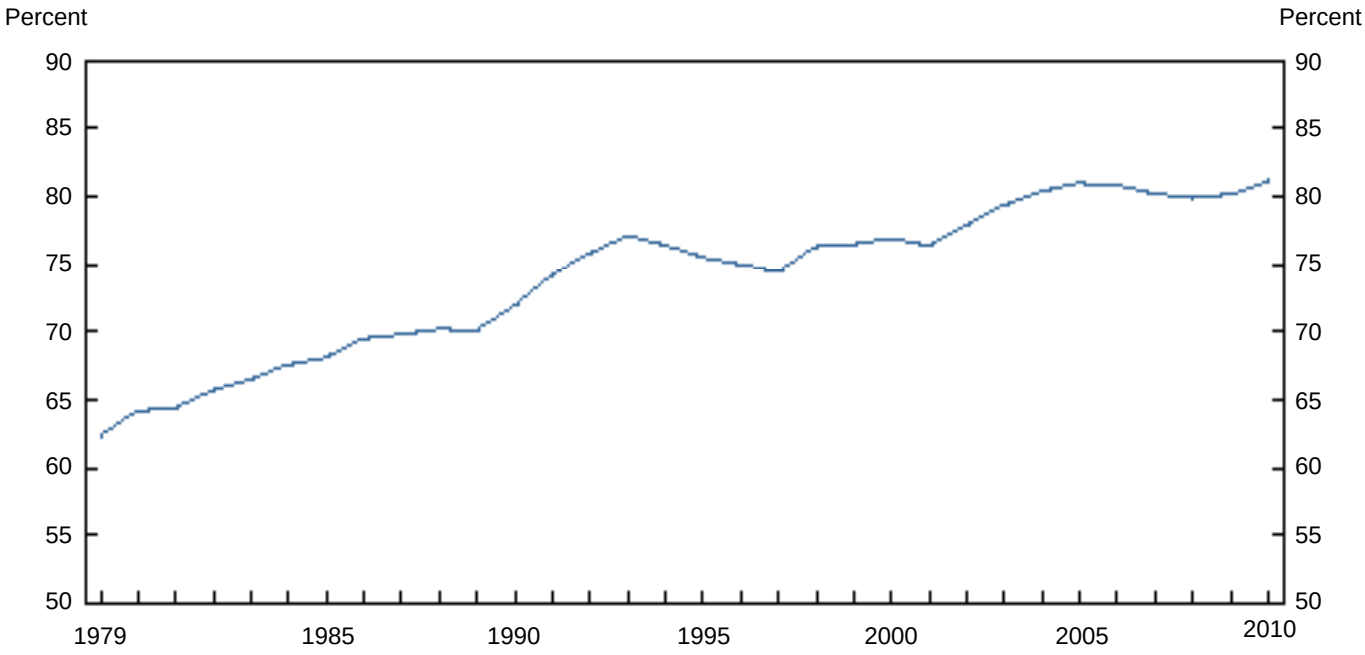
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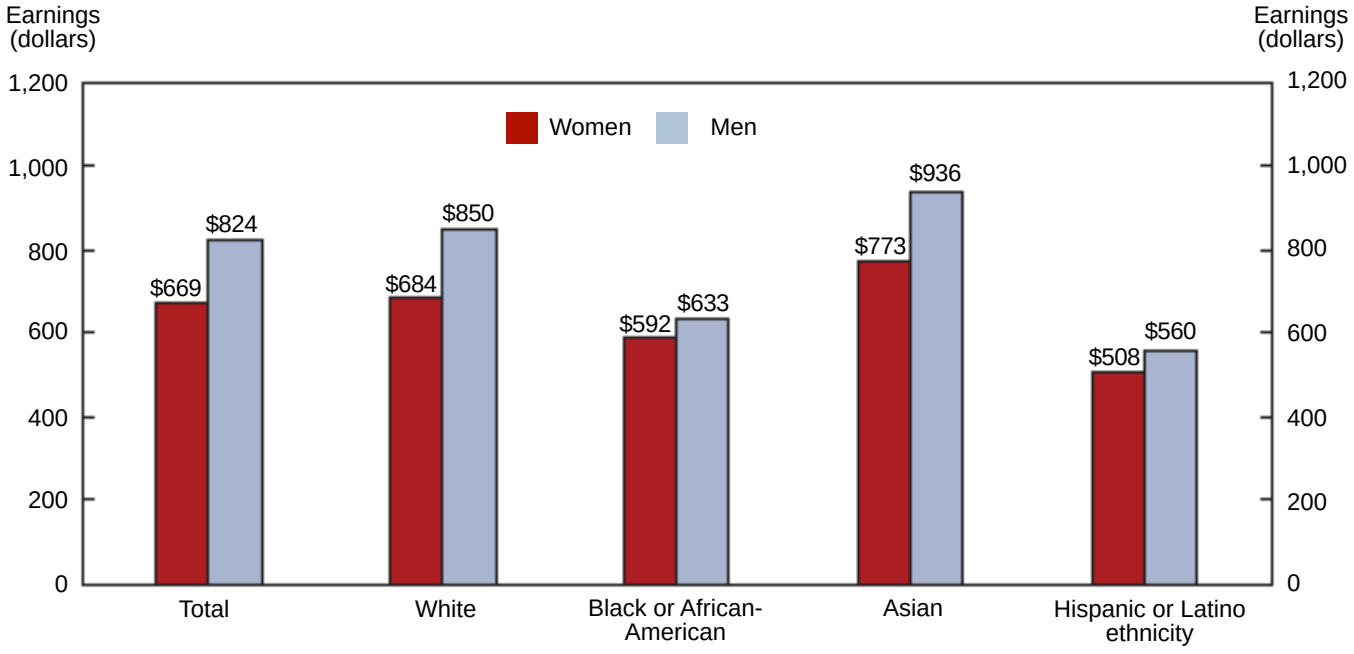
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Chart 1. **Women's earnings as a percent of men's, full-time wage and salary workers, 1979–2010 annual averages**



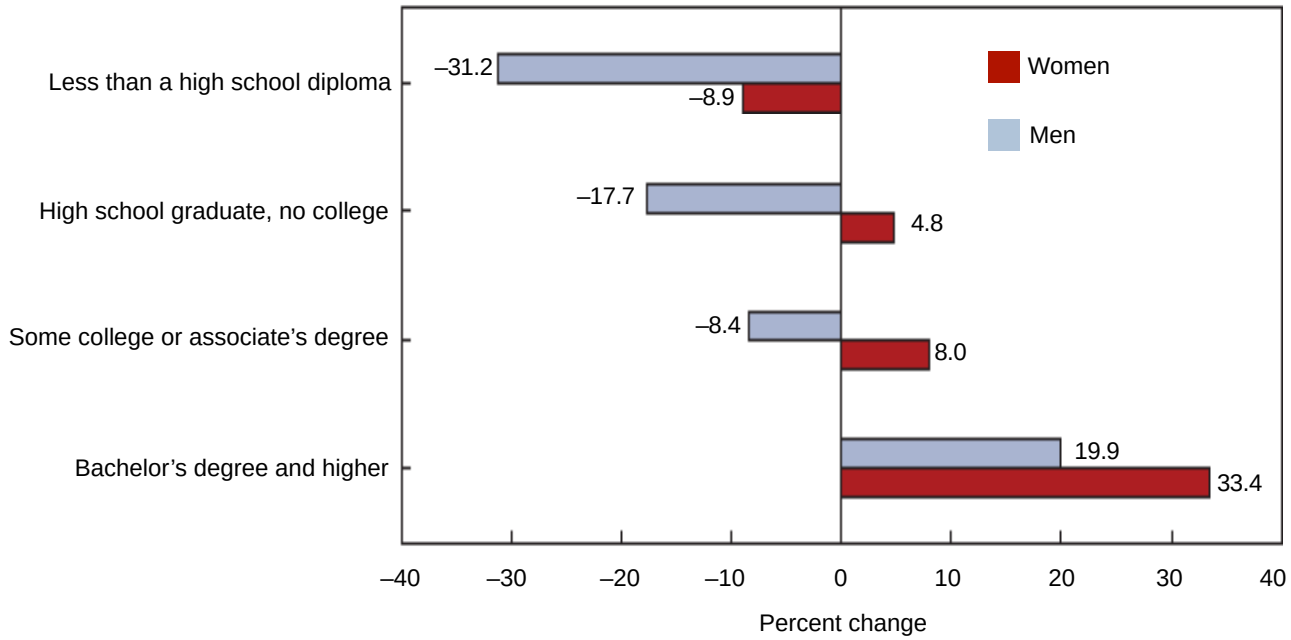
NOTE: Data relate to median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers.
SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Chart 2. **Median weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2010 annual averages**



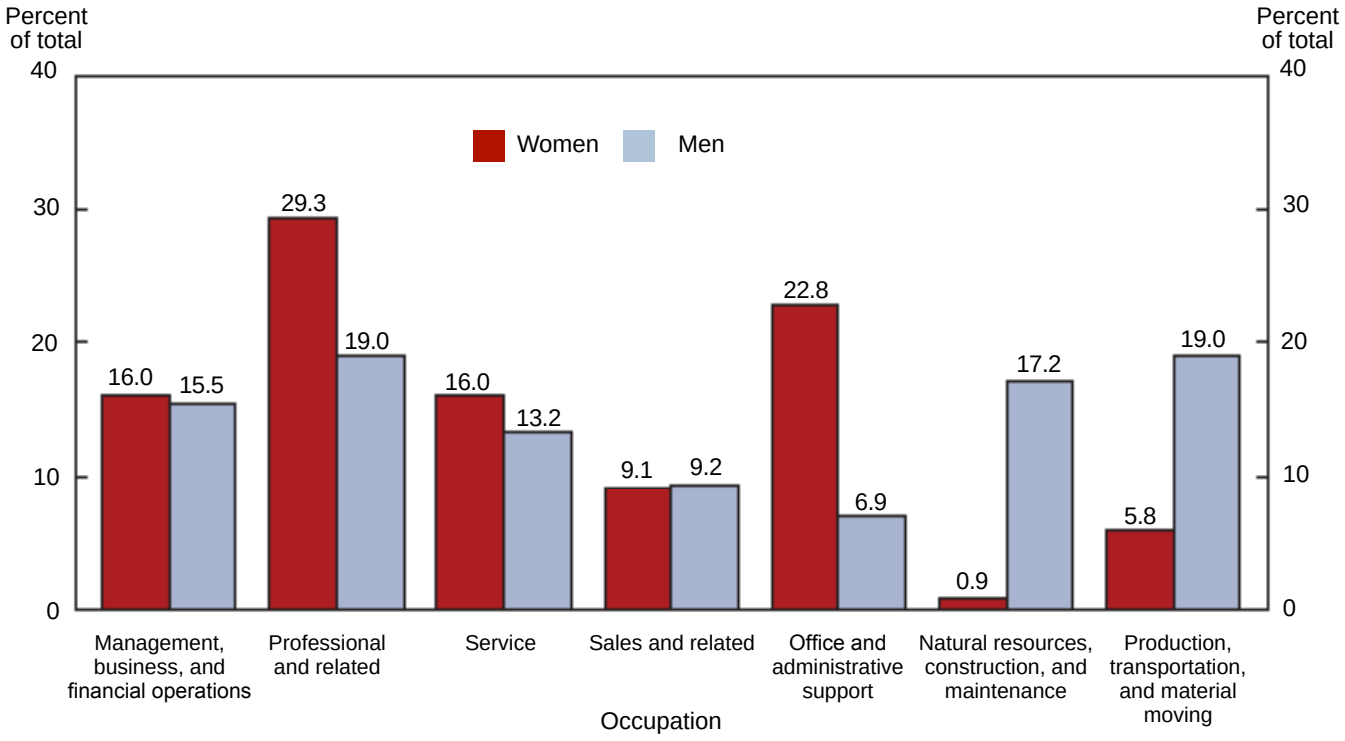
NOTE: Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.
SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Chart 3. **Percent change of constant-dollar median usual weekly earnings, by educational attainment and sex, 1979–2010**



NOTE: Data relate to earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older.
SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Chart 4. **Distribution of full-time wage and salary employment, by sex and major occupation group, 2010 annual averages**



SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 1. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages**

Characteristic	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
AGE						
Total, 16 years and older	99,531	$747	$2	44,472	$669	$3
16 to 24 years	8,552	432	4	3,782	422	4
16 to 19 years	1,037	347	5	406	336	8
20 to 24 years	7,514	454	4	3,376	439	5
25 years and older	90,979	782	2	40,691	704	3
25 to 34 years	24,101	682	4	10,462	648	4
35 to 44 years	23,822	824	5	10,265	731	5
45 to 54 years	25,206	844	5	11,631	730	5
55 to 64 years	15,141	860	6	7,140	736	6
65 years and older	2,710	684	14	1,193	601	10
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
White	80,656	765	2	34,971	684	3
Black or African American	11,658	611	3	6,283	592	5
Asian	4,946	855	12	2,193	773	15
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	14,837	535	5	5,598	508	4
MARITAL STATUS						
Never married	26,072	600	2	11,548	591	3
Married, spouse present	57,006	841	3	23,385	727	3
Other marital status	16,453	701	4	9,539	653	5
Divorced	10,911	738	5	6,366	686	6
Separated	3,919	604	7	1,951	564	11
Widowed	1,622	686	13	1,221	652	12
UNION AFFILIATION[1]						
Members of unions[2]	13,125	917	5	5,627	856	7
Represented by unions[3]	14,498	911	4	6,297	847	7
Not represented by a union	85,033	717	2	38,176	639	3
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT						
Total, 25 years and older	90,979	782	2	40,691	704	3
Less than a high school diploma	7,153	444	4	2,321	388	4
High school, no college	25,200	626	3	10,449	543	4
Some college or associate's degree	24,896	734	3	12,018	638	4
Bachelor's degree and higher	33,731	1,144	3	15,903	986	5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Characteristic	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
AGE				
Total, 16 years and older	55,059	$824	$3	81.2
16 to 24 years	4,770	443	6	95.3
16 to 19 years	632	355	7	94.6
20 to 24 years	4,139	468	6	93.8
25 years and older	50,289	874	3	80.5
25 to 34 years	13,639	714	5	90.8
35 to 44 years	13,558	915	6	79.9
45 to 54 years	13,575	954	6	76.5
55 to 64 years	8,001	979	8	75.2
65 years and older	1,516	794	22	75.7
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY				
White	45,685	850	4	80.5
Black or African American	5,376	633	7	93.5
Asian	2,753	936	17	82.6
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	9,239	560	6	90.7
MARITAL STATUS				
Never married	14,525	608	3	97.2
Married, spouse present	33,621	939	4	77.4
Other marital status	6,914	774	8	84.4
Divorced	4,545	818	9	83.9
Separated	1,968	646	13	87.3
Widowed	401	819	41	79.6
UNION AFFILIATION[1]				
Members of unions [2]	7,498	967	7	88.5
Represented by unions [3]	8,202	964	7	87.9
Not represented by a union	46,857	789	4	81.0
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Total, 25 years and older	50,289	874	3	80.5
Less than a high school diploma	4,832	486	4	79.8
High school, no college	14,751	710	4	76.5
Some college or associate's degree	12,878	845	5	75.5
Bachelor's degree and higher	17,828	1,330	10	74.1

[1] Differences in earnings levels between workers with and without union affiliation reflect a variety of factors in addition to coverage by a collective bargaining agreement, including the distribution of male and female employees by occupation, industry, firm size, and geographic region.

[2] Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

[3] Data refer to workers who report no union affiliation but whose jobs are covered by a union or an employee association contract, as well as to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

NOTE: Estimates for the race groups listed (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.

Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Total, 16 years and older	99,531	$747	$2	44,472	$669	$3
Management, professional, and related occupations	39,145	1,063	5	20,136	923	4
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	15,648	1,155	5	7,096	971	8
Management occupations	10,743	1,230	11	4,368	1,018	12
Chief executives	1,034	1,949	58	265	1,598	100
General and operations managers	884	1,237	23	258	972	49
Legislators	9	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Advertising and promotions managers	71	1,021	116	47	(1)	(1)
Marketing and sales managers	854	1,335	40	368	1,010	34
Public relations managers	76	1,163	39	43	(1)	(1)
Administrative services managers	96	1,241	81	29	(1)	(1)
Computer and information systems managers	505	1,600	76	152	1,415	125
Financial managers	1,046	1,227	34	552	1,022	26
Human resources managers	245	1,308	70	174	1,170	60
Industrial production managers	241	1,301	100	40	(1)	(1)
Purchasing managers	195	1,272	72	85	1,050	59
Transportation, storage, and distribution managers	248	919	31	40	(1)	(1)
Farm, ranch, and other agricultural managers	96	789	48	8	(1)	(1)
Construction managers	477	1,170	21	29	(1)	(1)
Education administrators	724	1,202	49	446	1,137	20
Engineering managers	106	1,885	32	8	(1)	(1)
Food service managers	598	709	28	290	626	30
Funeral directors	27	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Gaming managers	19	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Lodging managers	101	790	62	47	(1)	(1)
Medical and health services managers	494	1,251	38	356	1,163	40
Natural sciences managers	21	(1)	(1)	12	(1)	(1)
Postmasters and mail superintendents	27	(1)	(1)	19	(1)	(1)
Property, real estate, and community association managers	336	869	51	180	726	30
Social and community service managers	289	968	37	202	915	41
Managers, all other	1,922	1,242	22	703	1,045	26
Business and financial operations occupations	4,905	1,036	12	2,728	914	11
Agents and business managers of artists, performers, and athletes	21	(1)	(1)	12	(1)	(1)
Purchasing agents and buyers, farm products	11	(1)	(1)	5	(1)	(1)
Wholesale and retail buyers, except farm products	130	798	55	63	756	25
Purchasing agents, except wholesale, retail, and farm products	210	990	29	110	907	31
Claims adjusters, appraisers, examiners, and investigators	253	904	35	144	810	41
Compliance officers, except agriculture, construction, health and safety, and transportation	183	1,162	47	84	1,013	128
Cost estimators	102	1,064	54	10	(1)	(1)
Human resources, training, and labor relations specialists	743	941	19	531	874	27
Logisticians	57	907	41	26	(1)	(1)
Management analysts	398	1,335	39	186	1,164	27
Meeting and convention planners	49	(1)	(1)	39	(1)	(1)
Other business operations specialists	210	973	43	125	846	48

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Total, 16 years and older	55,059	$824	$3	81.2
Management, professional, and related occupations	19,009	1,256	7	73.5
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	8,552	1,363	11	71.2
Management occupations	6,376	1,414	14	72.0
Chief executives	769	2,217	148	72.1
General and operations managers	626	1,354	39	71.8
Legislators	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Advertising and promotions managers	24	(1)	(1)	(2)
Marketing and sales managers	485	1,534	23	65.8
Public relations managers	33	(1)	(1)	(2)
Administrative services managers	68	1,350	154	(2)
Computer and information systems managers	353	1,729	43	81.8
Financial managers	494	1,546	28	66.1
Human resources managers	71	1,458	92	80.2
Industrial production managers	201	1,331	35	(2)
Purchasing managers	110	1,394	39	75.3
Transportation, storage, and distribution managers	208	920	36	(2)
Farm, ranch, and other agricultural managers	88	780	52	(2)
Construction managers	448	1,189	50	(2)
Education administrators	278	1,396	76	81.4
Engineering managers	98	1,888	33	(2)
Food service managers	308	796	38	78.6
Funeral directors	21	(1)	(1)	(2)
Gaming managers	13	(1)	(1)	(2)
Lodging managers	54	952	142	(2)
Medical and health services managers	138	1,510	140	77.0
Natural sciences managers	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Postmasters and mail superintendents	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Property, real estate, and community association managers	156	1,111	83	65.3
Social and community service managers	87	1,163	220	78.7
Managers, all other	1,219	1,395	32	74.9
Business and financial operations occupations	2,177	1,227	25	74.5
Agents and business managers of artists, performers, and athletes	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Purchasing agents and buyers, farm products	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Wholesale and retail buyers, except farm products	67	895	85	84.5
Purchasing agents, except wholesale, retail, and farm products	101	1,127	66	80.5
Claims adjusters, appraisers, examiners, and investigators	108	1,055	28	76.8
Compliance officers, except agriculture, construction, health and safety, and transportation	99	1,295	184	78.2
Cost estimators	93	1,083	41	(2)
Human resources, training, and labor relations specialists	212	1,101	100	79.4
Logisticians	31	(1)	(1)	(2)
Management analysts	212	1,554	45	74.9
Meeting and convention planners	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Other business operations specialists	85	1,126	173	75.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Accountants and auditors	1,372	$1,065	$23	811	$953	$23
Appraisers and assessors of real estate	53	870	62	21	(1)	(1)
Budget analysts	47	(1)	(1)	29	(1)	(1)
Credit analysts	24	(1)	(1)	12	(1)	(1)
Financial analysts	88	1,421	109	39	(1)	(1)
Personal financial advisors	293	1,381	55	96	962	79
Insurance underwriters	120	1,102	118	72	970	81
Financial examiners	9	(1)	(1)	7	(1)	(1)
Loan counselors and officers	334	948	32	176	823	60
Tax examiners, collectors, and revenue agents	72	829	59	48	(1)	(1)
Tax preparers	54	1,061	284	37	(1)	(1)
Financial specialists, all other	71	830	88	47	(1)	(1)
Professional and related occupations	23,497	1,008	5	13,040	900	5
Computer and mathematical occupations	3,202	1,289	22	807	1,135	20
Computer scientists and systems analysts	681	1,220	61	207	1,013	39
Computer programmers	429	1,218	57	96	1,177	55
Computer software engineers	973	1,549	21	200	1,445	45
Computer support specialists	350	949	32	95	835	67
Database administrators	90	1,249	286	29	(1)	(1)
Network and computer systems administrators	215	1,207	39	37	(1)	(1)
Network systems and data communications analysts	298	1,171	46	69	1,010	114
Actuaries	21	(1)	(1)	7	(1)	(1)
Mathematicians	5	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Operations research analysts	105	1,339	109	47	(1)	(1)
Statisticians	31	(1)	(1)	15	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous mathematical science occupations	2	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Architecture and engineering occupations	2,366	1,255	17	293	1,040	51
Architects, except naval	122	1,209	113	36	(1)	(1)
Surveyors, cartographers, and photogrammetrists	29	(1)	(1)	5	(1)	(1)
Aerospace engineers	121	1,593	60	10	(1)	(1)
Agricultural engineers	1	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Biomedical engineers	11	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Chemical engineers	68	1,505	43	11	(1)	(1)
Civil engineers	276	1,332	38	26	(1)	(1)
Computer hardware engineers	63	1,519	74	6	(1)	(1)
Electrical and electronics engineers	298	1,459	33	21	(1)	(1)
Environmental engineers	32	(1)	(1)	7	(1)	(1)
Industrial engineers, including health and safety	157	1,239	62	30	(1)	(1)
Marine engineers and naval architects	13	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Materials engineers	38	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Mechanical engineers	282	1,337	34	17	(1)	(1)
Mining and geological engineers, including mining safety engineers	13	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Nuclear engineers	10	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Petroleum engineers	20	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Engineers, all other	294	1,318	48	41	(1)	(1)
Drafters	118	860	28	25	(1)	(1)
Engineering technicians, except drafters	348	918	27	43	(1)	(1)
Surveying and mapping technicians	53	821	104	6	(1)	(1)
Life, physical, and social science occupations	1,127	1,062	29	506	977	20
Agricultural and food scientists	22	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Accountants and auditors	561	$1,273	$54	74.9
Appraisers and assessors of real estate	33	(1)	(1)	(2)
Budget analysts	18	(1)	(1)	(2)
Credit analysts	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Financial analysts	49	(1)	(1)	(2)
Personal financial advisors	197	1,647	137	58.4
Insurance underwriters	48	(1)	(1)	(2)
Financial examiners	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Loan counselors and officers	158	1,154	31	71.3
Tax examiners, collectors, and revenue agents	24	(1)	(1)	(2)
Tax preparers	17	(1)	(1)	(2)
Financial specialists, all other	24	(1)	(1)	(2)
Professional and related occupations	10,457	1,179	10	76.3
Computer and mathematical occupations	2,395	1,349	14	84.1
Computer scientists and systems analysts	474	1,295	53	78.2
Computer programmers	333	1,243	72	94.7
Computer software engineers	773	1,590	54	90.9
Computer support specialists	256	979	39	85.3
Database administrators	61	1,411	147	(2)
Network and computer systems administrators	178	1,224	65	(2)
Network systems and data communications analysts	229	1,242	51	81.3
Actuaries	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Mathematicians	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Operations research analysts	58	1,444	65	(2)
Statisticians	16	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous mathematical science occupations	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Architecture and engineering occupations	2,073	1,293	21	80.4
Architects, except naval	85	1,329	79	(2)
Surveyors, cartographers, and photogrammetrists	25	(1)	(1)	(2)
Aerospace engineers	111	1,662	227	(2)
Agricultural engineers	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Biomedical engineers	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Chemical engineers	57	1,516	49	(2)
Civil engineers	250	1,363	41	(2)
Computer hardware engineers	57	1,525	60	(2)
Electrical and electronics engineers	277	1,500	95	(2)
Environmental engineers	25	(1)	(1)	(2)
Industrial engineers, including health and safety	127	1,300	142	(2)
Marine engineers and naval architects	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Materials engineers	34	(1)	(1)	(2)
Mechanical engineers	265	1,337	33	(2)
Mining and geological engineers, including mining safety engineers	13	(1)	(1)	(2)
Nuclear engineers	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Petroleum engineers	19	(1)	(1)	(2)
Engineers, all other	254	1,335	66	(2)
Drafters	93	876	33	(2)
Engineering technicians, except drafters	305	941	27	(2)
Surveying and mapping technicians	47	(1)	(1)	(2)
Life, physical, and social science occupations	622	1,158	26	84.4
Agricultural and food scientists	16	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Biological scientists	96	$928	$44	46	(1)	(1)
Conservation scientists and foresters	21	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Medical scientists	125	999	60	67	$952	$21
Astronomers and physicists	9	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Atmospheric and space scientists	4	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Chemists and materials scientists	99	1,423	118	33	(1)	(1)
Environmental scientists and geoscientists	94	1,209	112	25	(1)	(1)
Physical scientists, all other	122	1,077	73	46	(1)	(1)
Economists	27	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Market and survey researchers	118	1,162	55	68	1,009	64
Psychologists	92	1,122	128	59	1,041	60
Sociologists	4	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Urban and regional planners	18	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous social scientists and related workers	37	(1)	(1)	19	(1)	(1)
Agricultural and food science technicians	22	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Biological technicians	18	(1)	(1)	10	(1)	(1)
Chemical technicians	57	890	58	20	(1)	(1)
Geological and petroleum technicians	23	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Nuclear technicians	1	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Other life, physical, and social science technicians	119	786	64	67	721	42
Community and social services occupations	1,909	802	16	1,208	774	12
Counselors	517	808	35	363	818	33
Social workers	701	799	20	557	788	19
Miscellaneous community and social service specialists	249	740	21	174	727	27
Clergy	356	905	30	52	757	35
Directors, religious activities and education	37	(1)	(1)	32	(1)	(1)
Religious workers, all other	50	688	94	30	(1)	(1)
Legal occupations	1,248	1,213	31	667	974	22
Lawyers	668	1,757	44	234	1,461	152
Judges, magistrates, and other judicial workers	66	1,444	78	22	(1)	(1)
Paralegals and legal assistants	307	836	43	261	815	27
Miscellaneous legal support workers	207	762	30	151	715	38
Education, training, and library occupations	6,535	913	7	4,708	862	7
Postsecondary teachers	901	1,166	16	383	1,011	31
Preschool and kindergarten teachers	540	621	17	524	621	17
Elementary and middle school teachers	2,408	946	8	1,947	931	9
Secondary school teachers	1,116	987	15	612	962	16
Special education teachers	327	965	33	274	960	34
Other teachers and instructors	350	789	38	196	714	62
Archivists, curators, and museum technicians	42	(1)	(1)	23	(1)	(1)
Librarians	157	863	33	125	841	43
Library technicians	15	(1)	(1)	10	(1)	(1)
Teacher assistants	597	489	11	550	485	12
Other education, training, and library workers	81	956	38	64	943	46
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations	1,431	920	16	610	834	25
Artists and related workers	66	1,064	88	19	(1)	(1)
Designers	462	890	28	222	757	35
Actors	8	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Producers and directors	89	1,120	93	37	(1)	(1)
Athletes, coaches, umpires, and related workers	109	812	89	26	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Biological scientists	50	$898	$36	(2)
Conservation scientists and foresters	14	(1)	(1)	(2)
Medical scientists	58	1,227	181	77.6
Astronomers and physicists	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Atmospheric and space scientists	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Chemists and materials scientists	66	1,424	363	(2)
Environmental scientists and geoscientists	69	1,269	86	(2)
Physical scientists, all other	76	1,238	254	(2)
Economists	21	(1)	(1)	(2)
Market and survey researchers	50	1,414	143	71.4
Psychologists	33	(1)	(1)	(2)
Sociologists	-	-	-	(2)
Urban and regional planners	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous social scientists and related workers	18	(1)	(1)	(2)
Agricultural and food science technicians	14	(1)	(1)	(2)
Biological technicians	8	(1)	(1)	(2)
Chemical technicians	37	(1)	(1)	(2)
Geological and petroleum technicians	17	(1)	(1)	(2)
Nuclear technicians	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Other life, physical, and social science technicians	53	857	48	84.1
Community and social services occupations	702	864	27	89.6
Counselors	154	780	60	104.9
Social workers	144	865	55	91.1
Miscellaneous community and social service specialists	75	826	99	88.0
Clergy	304	920	30	82.3
Directors, religious activities and education	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Religious workers, all other	20	(1)	(1)	(2)
Legal occupations	581	1,674	120	58.2
Lawyers	435	1,895	23	77.1
Judges, magistrates, and other judicial workers	45	(1)	(1)	(2)
Paralegals and legal assistants	46	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous legal support workers	55	935	279	76.5
Education, training, and library occupations	1,826	1,065	16	80.9
Postsecondary teachers	518	1,308	80	77.3
Preschool and kindergarten teachers	16	(1)	(1)	(2)
Elementary and middle school teachers	461	1,024	27	90.9
Secondary school teachers	504	1,035	33	92.9
Special education teachers	54	993	78	96.7
Other teachers and instructors	154	927	44	77.0
Archivists, curators, and museum technicians	19	(1)	(1)	(2)
Librarians	32	(1)	(1)	(2)
Library technicians	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Teacher assistants	47	(1)	(1)	(2)
Other education, training, and library workers	17	(1)	(1)	(2)
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations	822	977	23	85.4
Artists and related workers	47	(1)	(1)	(2)
Designers	240	1,001	34	75.6
Actors	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Producers and directors	52	1,121	162	(2)
Athletes, coaches, umpires, and related workers	83	929	142	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Dancers and choreographers	6	(1)	(1)	5	(1)	(1)
Musicians, singers, and related workers	31	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Entertainers and performers, sports and related workers, all other	8	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Announcers	32	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
News analysts, reporters and correspondents	67	$840	$75	26	(1)	(1)
Public relations specialists	125	1,126	61	73	$1,034	$55
Editors	115	945	37	57	855	32
Technical writers	45	(1)	(1)	22	(1)	(1)
Writers and authors	77	987	56	43	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous media and communication workers	51	679	176	35	(1)	(1)
Broadcast and sound engineering technicians and radio operators	64	848	56	6	(1)	(1)
Photographers	45	(1)	(1)	15	(1)	(1)
Television, video, and motion picture camera operators and editors	28	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Media and communication equipment workers, all other	2	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations	5,678	986	8	4,241	933	9
Chiropractors	7	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Dentists	41	(1)	(1)	20	(1)	(1)
Dietitians and nutritionists	81	885	32	75	876	49
Optometrists	17	(1)	(1)	7	(1)	(1)
Pharmacists	185	1,880	39	88	1,605	136
Physicians and surgeons	605	1,975	134	189	1,618	146
Physician assistants	88	1,312	219	59	1,129	107
Podiatrists	3	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Registered nurses	2,177	1,055	16	1,970	1,039	16
Audiologists	17	(1)	(1)	13	(1)	(1)
Occupational therapists	65	1,059	86	57	1,094	133
Physical therapists	113	1,304	83	70	1,208	81
Radiation therapists	15	(1)	(1)	10	(1)	(1)
Recreational therapists	7	(1)	(1)	5	(1)	(1)
Respiratory therapists	111	1,000	26	70	996	25
Speech-language pathologists	91	1,207	150	88	1,184	129
Therapists, all other	96	878	39	72	846	59
Veterinarians	46	(1)	(1)	23	(1)	(1)
Health diagnosing and treating practitioners, all other	2	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	280	880	24	211	836	34
Dental hygienists	53	897	31	50	898	29
Diagnostic related technologists and technicians	278	980	28	192	956	34
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics	159	732	68	53	597	20
Health diagnosing and treating practitioner support technicians	360	613	11	271	606	13
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses	453	718	14	413	716	15
Medical records and health information technicians	97	590	39	85	572	28
Opticians, dispensing	48	(1)	(1)	25	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous health technologists and technicians	128	645	38	92	627	30
Other healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	57	1,078	123	26	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Dancers and choreographers	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Musicians, singers, and related workers	23	(1)	(1)	(2)
Entertainers and performers, sports and related workers, all other	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Announcers	27	(1)	(1)	(2)
News analysts, reporters and correspondents	41	(1)	(1)	(2)
Public relations specialists	52	$1,253	$86	82.5
Editors	58	968	32	88.3
Technical writers	23	(1)	(1)	(2)
Writers and authors	33	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous media and communication workers	16	(1)	(1)	(2)
Broadcast and sound engineering technicians and radio operators	58	842	53	(2)
Photographers	30	(1)	(1)	(2)
Television, video, and motion picture camera operators and editors	25	(1)	(1)	(2)
Media and communication equipment workers, all other	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations	1,437	1,233	33	75.7
Chiropractors	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Dentists	21	(1)	(1)	(2)
Dietitians and nutritionists	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Optometrists	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Pharmacists	97	1,930	70	83.2
Physicians and surgeons	416	2,278	109	71.0
Physician assistants	29	(1)	(1)	(2)
Podiatrists	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Registered nurses	207	1,201	76	86.5
Audiologists	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Occupational therapists	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Physical therapists	43	(1)	(1)	(2)
Radiation therapists	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Recreational therapists	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Respiratory therapists	41	(1)	(1)	(2)
Speech-language pathologists	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Therapists, all other	24	(1)	(1)	(2)
Veterinarians	22	(1)	(1)	(2)
Health diagnosing and treating practitioners, all other	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	69	997	74	83.9
Dental hygienists	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Diagnostic related technologists and technicians	87	1,038	136	92.1
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics	106	825	38	72.4
Health diagnosing and treating practitioner support technicians	89	639	34	94.8
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses	39	(1)	(1)	(2)
Medical records and health information technicians	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Opticians, dispensing	23	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous health technologists and technicians	36	(1)	(1)	(2)
Other healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	30	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Service occupations	14,424	$479	$3	7,129	$423	$3
Healthcare support occupations	2,219	471	6	1,949	465	6
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides	1,329	434	7	1,156	427	6
Occupational therapist assistants and aides	8	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Physical therapist assistants and aides	61	622	52	39	(1)	(1)
Massage therapists	31	(1)	(1)	22	(1)	(1)
Dental assistants	181	580	14	178	577	17
Medical assistants and other healthcare support occupations	609	502	9	548	500	9
Protective service occupations	2,872	747	10	568	606	13
First-line supervisors/managers of correctional officers	44	(1)	(1)	13	(1)	(1)
First-line supervisors/managers of police and detectives	103	1,116	101	17	(1)	(1)
First-line supervisors/managers of fire fighting and prevention workers	43	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Supervisors, protective service workers, all other	95	782	44	26	(1)	(1)
Fire fighters	280	1,044	44	12	(1)	(1)
Fire inspectors	16	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Bailiffs, correctional officers, and jailers	445	685	20	113	625	22
Detectives and criminal investigators	155	1,161	47	38	(1)	(1)
Fish and game wardens	4	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Parking enforcement workers	11	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Police and sheriff's patrol officers	704	961	34	96	772	44
Transit and railroad police	4	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Animal control workers	6	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Private detectives and investigators	65	791	94	23	(1)	(1)
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers	835	507	8	187	463	35
Crossing guards	17	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Lifeguards and other protective service workers	45	(1)	(1)	26	(1)	(1)
Food preparation and serving related occupations	3,823	406	3	1,825	387	4
Chefs and head cooks	275	602	16	38	(1)	(1)
First-line supervisors/managers of food preparation and serving workers	446	473	14	248	436	22
Cooks	1,173	393	4	442	381	7
Food preparation workers	296	381	7	143	367	13
Bartenders	199	484	18	101	405	20
Combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food	141	369	16	85	388	22
Counter attendants, cafeteria, food concession, and coffee shop	80	306	10	57	309	12
Waiters and waitresses	824	401	7	538	381	8
Food servers, nonrestaurant	85	405	18	48	(1)	(1)
Dining room and cafeteria attendants and bartender helpers	148	362	15	68	343	12
Dishwashers	106	339	12	22	(1)	(1)
Hosts and hostesses, restaurant, lounge, and coffee shop	47	(1)	(1)	35	(1)	(1)
Food preparation and serving related workers, all other	4	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	3,310	446	6	1,163	391	5
First-line supervisors/managers of housekeeping and janitorial workers	164	621	25	62	478	61

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Service occupations	7,294	$543	$7	77.9
Healthcare support occupations	270	515	16	90.3
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides	173	488	23	87.5
Occupational therapist assistants and aides	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Physical therapist assistants and aides	22	(1)	(1)	(2)
Massage therapists	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Dental assistants	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Medical assistants and other healthcare support occupations	61	518	38	96.5
Protective service occupations	2,304	800	17	75.8
First-line supervisors/managers of correctional officers	31	(1)	(1)	(2)
First-line supervisors/managers of police and detectives	86	1,137	65	(2)
First-line supervisors/managers of fire fighting and prevention workers	42	(1)	(1)	(2)
Supervisors, protective service workers, all other	69	828	63	(2)
Fire fighters	268	1,055	44	(2)
Fire inspectors	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Bailiffs, correctional officers, and jailers	333	724	22	86.3
Detectives and criminal investigators	116	1,261	41	(2)
Fish and game wardens	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Parking enforcement workers	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Police and sheriff's patrol officers	608	992	36	77.8
Transit and railroad police	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Animal control workers	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Private detectives and investigators	42	(1)	(1)	(2)
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers	648	519	9	89.2
Crossing guards	8	(1)	(1)	(2)
Lifeguards and other protective service workers	20	(1)	(1)	(2)
Food preparation and serving related occupations	1,998	423	5	91.5
Chefs and head cooks	237	618	17	(2)
First-line supervisors/managers of food preparation and serving workers	198	512	21	85.2
Cooks	731	401	6	95.0
Food preparation workers	153	390	9	94.1
Bartenders	98	533	39	76.0
Combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food	56	346	23	112.1
Counter attendants, cafeteria, food concession, and coffee shop	23	(1)	(1)	(2)
Waiters and waitresses	287	450	20	84.7
Food servers, nonrestaurant	36	(1)	(1)	(2)
Dining room and cafeteria attendants and bartender helpers	80	396	20	86.6
Dishwashers	84	327	13	(2)
Hosts and hostesses, restaurant, lounge, and coffee shop	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Food preparation and serving related workers, all other	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	2,146	493	6	79.3
First-line supervisors/managers of housekeeping and janitorial workers	103	700	53	68.3

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
First-line supervisors/managers of landscaping, lawn service, and groundskeeping workers	104	$732	$25	8	(1)	(1)
Janitors and building cleaners	1,536	463	9	437	$400	$7
Maids and housekeeping cleaners	745	387	6	627	376	7
Pest control workers	58	655	62	1	(1)	(1)
Grounds maintenance workers	701	433	13	30	(1)	(1)
Personal care and service occupations	2,199	455	9	1,624	432	9
First-line supervisors/managers of gaming workers	87	697	28	45	(1)	(1)
First-line supervisors/managers of personal service workers	58	510	25	37	(1)	(1)
Animal trainers	9	(1)	(1)	7	(1)	(1)
Nonfarm animal caretakers	78	455	43	50	458	33
Gaming services workers	86	679	31	37	(1)	(1)
Motion picture projectionists	7	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Ushers, lobby attendants, and ticket takers	16	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous entertainment attendants and related workers	83	369	17	38	(1)	(1)
Funeral service workers	8	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Barbers	31	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists	291	468	19	260	462	20
Miscellaneous personal appearance workers	146	430	34	124	420	18
Baggage porters, bellhops, and concierges	62	538	86	10	(1)	(1)
Tour and travel guides	10	(1)	(1)	7	(1)	(1)
Transportation attendants	71	729	69	50	613	32
Child care workers	388	400	9	361	398	9
Personal and home care aides	499	406	6	420	405	6
Recreation and fitness workers	192	492	34	121	470	30
Residential advisors	47	(1)	(1)	31	(1)	(1)
Personal care and service workers, all other	32	(1)	(1)	15	(1)	(1)
Sales and office occupations	23,060	631	3	14,220	597	2
Sales and related occupations	9,121	666	7	4,063	516	5
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers	2,142	676	11	975	578	10
First-line supervisors/managers of non-retail sales workers	740	960	18	228	801	45
Cashiers	1,298	376	5	928	366	5
Counter and rental clerks	87	524	40	41	(1)	(1)
Parts salespersons	108	623	59	15	(1)	(1)
Retail salespersons	1,745	527	13	734	421	6
Advertising sales agents	192	861	32	87	838	41
Insurance sales agents	342	741	19	184	649	20
Securities, commodities, and financial services sales agents	263	1,185	66	89	892	63
Travel agents	50	612	28	39	(1)	(1)
Sales representatives, services, all other	403	899	32	130	748	32
Sales representatives, wholesale and manufacturing	1,063	958	16	255	842	46
Models, demonstrators, and product promoters	16	(1)	(1)	13	(1)	(1)
Real estate brokers and sales agents	361	820	49	187	683	80
Sales engineers	22	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Telemarketers	63	481	38	40	(1)	(1)
Door-to-door sales workers, news and street vendors, and related workers	32	(1)	(1)	9	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
First-line supervisors/managers of landscaping, lawn service, and groundskeeping workers	97	$743	$26	(2)
Janitors and building cleaners	1,099	494	8	81.0
Maids and housekeeping cleaners	119	455	43	82.6
Pest control workers	57	647	63	(2)
Grounds maintenance workers	671	433	13	(2)
Personal care and service occupations	576	519	17	83.2
First-line supervisors/managers of gaming workers	43	(1)	(1)	(2)
First-line supervisors/managers of personal service workers	21	(1)	(1)	(2)
Animal trainers	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Nonfarm animal caretakers	28	(1)	(1)	(2)
Gaming services workers	49	(1)	(1)	(2)
Motion picture projectionists	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Ushers, lobby attendants, and ticket takers	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous entertainment attendants and related workers	45	(1)	(1)	(2)
Funeral service workers	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Barbers	28	(1)	(1)	(2)
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists	31	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous personal appearance workers	21	(1)	(1)	(2)
Baggage porters, bellhops, and concierges	52	564	111	(2)
Tour and travel guides	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Transportation attendants	21	(1)	(1)	(2)
Child care workers	27	(1)	(1)	(2)
Personal and home care aides	79	414	13	97.8
Recreation and fitness workers	71	541	179	86.9
Residential advisors	16	(1)	(1)	(2)
Personal care and service workers, all other	18	(1)	(1)	(2)
Sales and office occupations	8,840	736	6	81.1
Sales and related occupations	5,058	805	12	64.1
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers	1,168	782	18	73.9
First-line supervisors/managers of non-retail sales workers	512	1,035	34	77.4
Cashiers	370	400	9	91.5
Counter and rental clerks	47	(1)	(1)	(2)
Parts salespersons	93	676	56	(2)
Retail salespersons	1,011	651	19	64.7
Advertising sales agents	105	897	108	93.4
Insurance sales agents	158	973	59	66.7
Securities, commodities, and financial services sales agents	174	1,423	164	62.7
Travel agents	11	(1)	(1)	(2)
Sales representatives, services, all other	272	1,009	38	74.1
Sales representatives, wholesale and manufacturing	808	983	25	85.7
Models, demonstrators, and product promoters	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Real estate brokers and sales agents	174	978	55	69.8
Sales engineers	19	(1)	(1)	(2)
Telemarketers	23	(1)	(1)	(2)
Door-to-door sales workers, news and street vendors, and related workers	23	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Sales and related workers, all other	193	$837	$78	107	$808	$66
Office and administrative support occupations	13,939	619	2	10,158	612	2
First-line supervisors/managers of office and administrative support workers	1,329	761	9	889	726	11
Switchboard operators, including answering service	25	(1)	(1)	23	(1)	(1)
Telephone operators	24	(1)	(1)	20	(1)	(1)
Communications equipment operators, all other	4	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Bill and account collectors	201	612	17	122	634	27
Billing and posting clerks and machine operators	381	606	10	348	607	10
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks	842	630	11	752	628	10
Gaming cage workers	5	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	152	663	24	133	672	23
Procurement clerks	21	(1)	(1)	10	(1)	(1)
Tellers	332	487	8	297	490	8
Brokerage clerks	7	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Correspondence clerks	11	(1)	(1)	10	(1)	(1)
Court, municipal, and license clerks	82	674	46	66	661	45
Credit authorizers, checkers, and clerks	41	(1)	(1)	30	(1)	(1)
Customer service representatives	1,526	596	7	1,010	586	9
Eligibility interviewers, government programs	85	725	38	72	722	38
File clerks	240	577	20	194	583	18
Hotel, motel, and resort desk clerks	82	437	48	59	415	15
Interviewers, except eligibility and loan	121	590	15	95	587	14
Library assistants, clerical	38	(1)	(1)	30	(1)	(1)
Loan interviewers and clerks	126	674	34	97	650	27
New accounts clerks	31	(1)	(1)	26	(1)	(1)
Order clerks	89	612	52	53	613	53
Human resources assistants, except payroll and timekeeping	38	(1)	(1)	34	(1)	(1)
Receptionists and information clerks	881	530	8	815	529	8
Reservation and transportation ticket agents and travel clerks	85	661	48	52	644	45
Information and record clerks, all other	106	601	22	95	596	20
Cargo and freight agents	16	(1)	(1)	9	(1)	(1)
Couriers and messengers	180	715	34	26	(1)	(1)
Dispatchers	257	664	25	159	624	26
Meter readers, utilities	34	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Postal service clerks	115	915	33	50	882	49
Postal service mail carriers	283	936	21	94	897	60
Postal service mail sorters, processors, and processing machine operators	65	957	22	27	(1)	(1)
Production, planning, and expediting clerks	249	754	17	136	695	36
Shipping, receiving, and traffic clerks	480	542	20	130	518	31
Stock clerks and order fillers	943	482	8	327	495	11
Weighers, measurers, checkers, and samplers, recordkeeping	59	607	46	24	(1)	(1)
Secretaries and administrative assistants	2,399	659	7	2,297	657	7
Computer operators	104	751	47	54	654	70
Data entry keyers	293	591	14	232	585	15
Word processors and typists	114	634	21	103	627	23
Desktop publishers	3	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Insurance claims and policy processing clerks	208	629	19	173	626	17
Mail clerks and mail machine operators, except postal service	72	507	15	36	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Sales and related workers, all other	86	$892	$71	90.6
Office and administrative support occupations	3,782	656	8	93.3
First-line supervisors/managers of office and administrative support workers	440	890	29	81.6
Switchboard operators, including answering service	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Telephone operators	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Communications equipment operators, all other	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Bill and account collectors	79	579	34	109.5
Billing and posting clerks and machine operators	34	(1)	(1)	(2)
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks	89	677	41	92.8
Gaming cage workers	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	18	(1)	(1)	(2)
Procurement clerks	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Tellers	35	(1)	(1)	(2)
Brokerage clerks	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Correspondence clerks	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Court, municipal, and license clerks	17	(1)	(1)	(2)
Credit authorizers, checkers, and clerks	11	(1)	(1)	(2)
Customer service representatives	515	614	11	95.4
Eligibility interviewers, government programs	13	(1)	(1)	(2)
File clerks	46	(1)	(1)	(2)
Hotel, motel, and resort desk clerks	24	(1)	(1)	(2)
Interviewers, except eligibility and loan	26	(1)	(1)	(2)
Library assistants, clerical	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Loan interviewers and clerks	29	(1)	(1)	(2)
New accounts clerks	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Order clerks	37	(1)	(1)	(2)
Human resources assistants, except payroll and timekeeping	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Receptionists and information clerks	66	547	27	96.7
Reservation and transportation ticket agents and travel clerks	33	(1)	(1)	(2)
Information and record clerks, all other	11	(1)	(1)	(2)
Cargo and freight agents	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Couriers and messengers	153	755	81	(2)
Dispatchers	99	721	50	86.5
Meter readers, utilities	31	(1)	(1)	(2)
Postal service clerks	66	933	26	94.5
Postal service mail carriers	189	952	28	94.2
Postal service mail sorters, processors, and processing machine operators	37	(1)	(1)	(2)
Production, planning, and expediting clerks	113	855	50	81.3
Shipping, receiving, and traffic clerks	350	553	24	93.7
Stock clerks and order fillers	615	471	17	105.1
Weighers, measurers, checkers, and samplers, recordkeeping	35	(1)	(1)	(2)
Secretaries and administrative assistants	102	725	39	90.6
Computer operators	50	866	40	75.5
Data entry keyers	60	610	25	95.9
Word processors and typists	11	(1)	(1)	(2)
Desktop publishers	-	-	-	(2)
Insurance claims and policy processing clerks	35	(1)	(1)	(2)
Mail clerks and mail machine operators, except postal service	36	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Office clerks, general	705	$600	$9	595	$597	$9
Office machine operators, except computer	33	(1)	(1)	19	(1)	(1)
Proofreaders and copy markers	6	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Statistical assistants	15	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Office and administrative support workers, all other	399	659	24	309	632	28
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	9,869	719	5	406	537	20
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	729	416	7	151	369	10
First-line supervisors/managers of farming, fishing, and forestry workers	31	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Agricultural inspectors	25	(1)	(1)	11	(1)	(1)
Animal breeders	2	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Graders and sorters, agricultural products	84	399	14	54	381	20
Miscellaneous agricultural workers	528	400	8	81	349	12
Fishers and related fishing workers	11	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Hunters and trappers	2	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Forest and conservation workers	5	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Logging workers	40	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Construction and extraction occupations	5,020	709	6	102	646	37
First-line supervisors/managers of construction trades and extraction workers	494	955	26	18	(1)	(1)
Boilermakers	25	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Brickmasons, blockmasons, and stonemasons	106	701	32	-	-	-
Carpenters	669	623	15	10	(1)	(1)
Carpet, floor, and tile installers and finishers	115	536	29	-	-	-
Cement masons, concrete finishers, and terrazzo workers	63	556	30	-	-	-
Construction laborers	877	568	16	19	(1)	(1)
Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment operators	16	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Pile-driver operators	2	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Operating engineers and other construction equipment operators	328	859	37	4	(1)	(1)
Drywall installers, ceiling tile installers, and tapers	118	507	16	1	(1)	(1)
Electricians	560	888	20	8	(1)	(1)
Glaziers	35	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Insulation workers	28	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Painters, construction and maintenance	299	521	12	13	(1)	(1)
Paperhangers	1	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Pipelayers, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	396	796	25	6	(1)	(1)
Plasterers and stucco masons	29	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Reinforcing iron and rebar workers	2	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Roofers	146	521	17	-	-	-
Sheet metal workers	89	751	101	4	(1)	(1)
Structural iron and steel workers	51	767	46	-	-	-
Helpers, construction trades	42	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Construction and building inspectors	85	949	71	6	(1)	(1)
Elevator installers and repairers	32	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Fence erectors	30	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Hazardous materials removal workers	35	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Highway maintenance workers	102	715	63	3	(1)	(1)
Rail-track laying and maintenance equipment operators	12	(1)	(1)	-	-	-

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Office clerks, general	110	$632	$67	94.5
Office machine operators, except computer	14	(1)	(1)	(2)
Proofreaders and copy markers	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Statistical assistants	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Office and administrative support workers, all other	90	750	96	84.3
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	9,464	726	5	74.0
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	577	438	13	84.2
First-line supervisors/managers of farming, fishing, and forestry workers	26	(1)	(1)	(2)
Agricultural inspectors	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Animal breeders	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Graders and sorters, agricultural products	31	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous agricultural workers	447	415	9	84.1
Fishers and related fishing workers	11	(1)	(1)	(2)
Hunters and trappers	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Forest and conservation workers	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Logging workers	39	(1)	(1)	(2)
Construction and extraction occupations	4,918	710	6	91.0
First-line supervisors/managers of construction trades and extraction workers	477	960	25	(2)
Boilermakers	23	(1)	(1)	(2)
Brickmasons, blockmasons, and stonemasons	106	701	32	(2)
Carpenters	659	624	18	(2)
Carpet, floor, and tile installers and finishers	115	536	29	(2)
Cement masons, concrete finishers, and terrazzo workers	63	556	30	(2)
Construction laborers	858	569	15	(2)
Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment operators	16	(1)	(1)	(2)
Pile-driver operators	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Operating engineers and other construction equipment operators	325	864	36	(2)
Drywall installers, ceiling tile installers, and tapers	117	509	16	(2)
Electricians	552	890	20	(2)
Glaziers	35	(1)	(1)	(2)
Insulation workers	28	(1)	(1)	(2)
Painters, construction and maintenance	286	520	11	(2)
Paperhangers	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Pipelayers, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	389	793	25	(2)
Plasterers and stucco masons	29	(1)	(1)	(2)
Reinforcing iron and rebar workers	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Roofers	146	521	17	(2)
Sheet metal workers	85	733	87	(2)
Structural iron and steel workers	51	767	46	(2)
Helpers, construction trades	41	(1)	(1)	(2)
Construction and building inspectors	79	949	102	(2)
Elevator installers and repairers	32	(1)	(1)	(2)
Fence erectors	30	(1)	(1)	(2)
Hazardous materials removal workers	32	(1)	(1)	(2)
Highway maintenance workers	99	729	45	(2)
Rail-track laying and maintenance equipment operators	12	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Septic tank servicers and sewer pipe cleaners	12	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Miscellaneous construction and related workers	30	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Derrick, rotary drill, and service unit operators, oil, gas, and mining	38	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Earth drillers, except oil and gas	18	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Explosives workers, ordnance handling experts, and blasters	9	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Mining machine operators	60	$996	$97	2	(1)	(1)
Roof bolters, mining	4	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Roustabouts, oil and gas	10	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Helpers—extraction workers	6	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Other extraction workers	48	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	4,120	794	8	152	$683	$20
First-line supervisors/managers of mechanics, installers, and repairers	365	964	33	26	(1)	(1)
Computer, automated teller, and office machine repairers	231	804	20	23	(1)	(1)
Radio and telecommunications equipment installers and repairers	155	916	28	16	(1)	(1)
Avionics technicians	18	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Electric motor, power tool, and related repairers	25	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Electrical and electronics installers and repairers, transportation equipment	4	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Electrical and electronics repairers, industrial and utility	18	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Electronic equipment installers and repairers, motor vehicles	10	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Electronic home entertainment equipment installers and repairers	39	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Security and fire alarm systems installers	50	904	34	1	(1)	(1)
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians	129	980	41	4	(1)	(1)
Automotive body and related repairers	126	682	17	1	(1)	(1)
Automotive glass installers and repairers	17	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Automotive service technicians and mechanics	595	675	19	11	(1)	(1)
Bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine specialists	300	767	16	1	(1)	(1)
Heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics	216	879	23	3	(1)	(1)
Small engine mechanics	41	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics, installers, and repairers	78	521	21	-	-	-
Control and valve installers and repairers	22	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	311	824	29	3	(1)	(1)
Home appliance repairers	33	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Industrial and refractory machinery mechanics	417	858	26	14	(1)	(1)
Maintenance and repair workers, general	300	693	22	9	(1)	(1)
Maintenance workers, machinery	28	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Millwrights	43	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Electrical power-line installers and repairers	118	1,087	42	1	(1)	(1)
Telecommunications line installers and repairers	150	863	38	12	(1)	(1)
Precision instrument and equipment repairers	53	914	40	8	(1)	(1)
Coin, vending, and amusement machine servicers and repairers	28	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Septic tank servicers and sewer pipe cleaners	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous construction and related workers	29	(1)	(1)	(2)
Derrick, rotary drill, and service unit operators, oil, gas, and mining	37	(1)	(1)	(2)
Earth drillers, except oil and gas	18	(1)	(1)	(2)
Explosives workers, ordnance handling experts, and blasters	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Mining machine operators	58	$995	$96	(2)
Roof bolters, mining	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Roustabouts, oil and gas	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Helpers—extraction workers	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Other extraction workers	48	(1)	(1)	(2)
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	3,968	799	8	85.5
First-line supervisors/managers of mechanics, installers, and repairers	339	979	34	(2)
Computer, automated teller, and office machine repairers	208	814	20	(2)
Radio and telecommunications equipment installers and repairers	139	942	54	(2)
Avionics technicians	16	(1)	(1)	(2)
Electric motor, power tool, and related repairers	24	(1)	(1)	(2)
Electrical and electronics installers and repairers, transportation equipment	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Electrical and electronics repairers, industrial and utility	18	(1)	(1)	(2)
Electronic equipment installers and repairers, motor vehicles	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Electronic home entertainment equipment installers and repairers	39	(1)	(1)	(2)
Security and fire alarm systems installers	49	(1)	(1)	(2)
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians	126	986	39	(2)
Automotive body and related repairers	126	683	17	(2)
Automotive glass installers and repairers	17	(1)	(1)	(2)
Automotive service technicians and mechanics	585	680	18	(2)
Bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine specialists	298	768	16	(2)
Heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics	213	879	23	(2)
Small engine mechanics	40	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics, installers, and repairers	78	521	21	(2)
Control and valve installers and repairers	22	(1)	(1)	(2)
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	308	826	30	(2)
Home appliance repairers	32	(1)	(1)	(2)
Industrial and refractory machinery mechanics	403	866	26	(2)
Maintenance and repair workers, general	291	692	21	(2)
Maintenance workers, machinery	27	(1)	(1)	(2)
Millwrights	41	(1)	(1)	(2)
Electrical power-line installers and repairers	117	1,085	46	(2)
Telecommunications line installers and repairers	137	873	34	(2)
Precision instrument and equipment repairers	45	(1)	(1)	(2)
Coin, vending, and amusement machine servicers and repairers	27	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Locksmiths and safe repairers	15	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Manufactured building and mobile home installers	7	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Riggers	8	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Signal and track switch repairers	6	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Helpers—installation, maintenance, and repair workers	22	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Other installation, maintenance, and repair workers	142	$664	$28	6	(1)	(1)
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	13,034	599	3	2,581	$473	$5
Production occupations	6,861	599	4	1,776	481	4
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers	657	800	30	104	602	18
Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers	27	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Electrical, electronics, and electromechanical assemblers	130	507	16	72	481	16
Engine and other machine assemblers	30	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Structural metal fabricators and fitters	23	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators	713	519	9	264	475	12
Bakers	147	416	12	72	406	16
Butchers and other meat, poultry, and fish processing workers	281	498	7	64	478	10
Food and tobacco roasting, baking, and drying machine operators and tenders	10	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Food batchmakers	78	510	25	35	(1)	(1)
Food cooking machine operators and tenders	7	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Computer control programmers and operators	57	824	68	3	(1)	(1)
Extruding and drawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	8	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Forging machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	8	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Rolling machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	9	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	74	574	64	15	(1)	(1)
Drilling and boring machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	1	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Grinding, lapping, polishing, and buffing machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	49	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Lathe and turning machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	18	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Milling and planing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	5	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Machinists	355	794	24	10	(1)	(1)
Metal furnace and kiln operators and tenders	20	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Model makers and patternmakers, metal and plastic	9	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Molders and molding machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	45	(1)	(1)	9	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Locksmiths and safe repairers	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Manufactured building and mobile home installers	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Riggers	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Signal and track switch repairers	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Helpers—installation, maintenance, and repair workers	18	(1)	(1)	(2)
Other installation, maintenance, and repair workers	136	$671	$32	(2)
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	10,453	640	5	73.9
Production occupations	5,085	664	7	72.4
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers	552	846	20	71.2
Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers	20	(1)	(1)	(2)
Electrical, electronics, and electromechanical assemblers	58	622	82	77.3
Engine and other machine assemblers	23	(1)	(1)	(2)
Structural metal fabricators and fitters	21	(1)	(1)	(2)
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators	449	581	16	81.8
Bakers	74	435	109	93.3
Butchers and other meat, poultry, and fish processing workers	217	508	10	94.1
Food and tobacco roasting, baking, and drying machine operators and tenders	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Food batchmakers	43	(1)	(1)	(2)
Food cooking machine operators and tenders	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Computer control programmers and operators	54	834	66	(2)
Extruding and drawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Forging machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Rolling machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	58	637	27	(2)
Drilling and boring machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Grinding, lapping, polishing, and buffing machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	45	(1)	(1)	(2)
Lathe and turning machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Milling and planing machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Machinists	345	802	24	(2)
Metal furnace and kiln operators and tenders	20	(1)	(1)	(2)
Model makers and patternmakers, metal and plastic	8	(1)	(1)	(2)
Molders and molding machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	36	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Multiple machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	7	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Tool and die makers	62	$921	$31	-	-	-
Welding, soldering, and brazing workers	416	648	20	24	(1)	(1)
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	5	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Lay-out workers, metal and plastic	8	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Plating and coating machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	16	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Tool grinders, filers, and sharpeners	7	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Metalworkers and plastic workers, all other	302	599	14	64	$496	$24
Bookbinders and bindery workers	15	(1)	(1)	9	(1)	(1)
Job printers	48	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Prepress technicians and workers	36	(1)	(1)	16	(1)	(1)
Printing machine operators	137	625	28	29	(1)	(1)
Laundry and dry-cleaning workers	115	371	12	68	361	13
Pressers, textile, garment, and related materials	37	(1)	(1)	24	(1)	(1)
Sewing machine operators	125	429	30	92	410	28
Shoe and leather workers and repairers	4	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Shoe machine operators and tenders	6	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Tailors, dressmakers, and sewers	33	(1)	(1)	20	(1)	(1)
Textile bleaching and dyeing machine operators and tenders	5	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Textile cutting machine setters, operators, and tenders	5	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Textile knitting and weaving machine setters, operators, and tenders	9	(1)	(1)	5	(1)	(1)
Textile winding, twisting, and drawing out machine setters, operators, and tenders	12	(1)	(1)	9	(1)	(1)
Extruding and forming machine setters, operators, and tenders, synthetic and glass fibers	1	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Fabric and apparel patternmakers	2	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Upholsterers	14	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Textile, apparel, and furnishings workers, all other	19	(1)	(1)	8	(1)	(1)
Cabinetmakers and bench carpenters	45	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Furniture finishers	10	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood	30	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders, except sawing	17	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Woodworkers, all other	15	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Power plant operators, distributors, and dispatchers	40	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Stationary engineers and boiler operators	93	900	47	2	(1)	(1)
Water and liquid waste treatment plant and system operators	72	857	28	4	(1)	(1)
Miscellaneous plant and system operators	35	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Chemical processing machine setters, operators, and tenders	50	696	62	9	(1)	(1)
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers	76	620	30	10	(1)	(1)
Cutting workers	58	524	22	11	(1)	(1)
Extruding, forming, pressing, and compacting machine setters, operators, and tenders	41	(1)	(1)	7	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Multiple machine tool setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Tool and die makers	62	$922	$30	(2)
Welding, soldering, and brazing workers	391	661	20	(2)
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Lay-out workers, metal and plastic	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Plating and coating machine setters, operators, and tenders, metal and plastic	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Tool grinders, filers, and sharpeners	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Metalworkers and plastic workers, all other	237	629	26	78.9
Bookbinders and bindery workers	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Job printers	40	(1)	(1)	(2)
Prepress technicians and workers	19	(1)	(1)	(2)
Printing machine operators	108	657	24	(2)
Laundry and dry-cleaning workers	47	(1)	(1)	(2)
Pressers, textile, garment, and related materials	14	(1)	(1)	(2)
Sewing machine operators	33	(1)	(1)	(2)
Shoe and leather workers and repairers	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Shoe machine operators and tenders	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Tailors, dressmakers, and sewers	13	(1)	(1)	(2)
Textile bleaching and dyeing machine operators and tenders	4	(1)	(1)	(2)
Textile cutting machine setters, operators, and tenders	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Textile knitting and weaving machine setters, operators, and tenders	5	(1)	(1)	(2)
Textile winding, twisting, and drawing out machine setters, operators, and tenders	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Extruding and forming machine setters, operators, and tenders, synthetic and glass fibers	-	-	-	(2)
Fabric and apparel patternmakers	1	(1)	(1)	(2)
Upholsterers	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Textile, apparel, and furnishings workers, all other	11	(1)	(1)	(2)
Cabinetmakers and bench carpenters	43	(1)	(1)	(2)
Furniture finishers	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood	25	(1)	(1)	(2)
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders, except sawing	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Woodworkers, all other	15	(1)	(1)	(2)
Power plant operators, distributors, and dispatchers	39	(1)	(1)	(2)
Stationary engineers and boiler operators	91	899	46	(2)
Water and liquid waste treatment plant and system operators	68	859	28	(2)
Miscellaneous plant and system operators	34	(1)	(1)	(2)
Chemical processing machine setters, operators, and tenders	41	(1)	(1)	(2)
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers	66	671	53	(2)
Cutting workers	48	(1)	(1)	(2)
Extruding, forming, pressing, and compacting machine setters, operators, and tenders	34	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Furnace, kiln, oven, drier, and kettle operators and tenders	13	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers	602	$716	$22	195	$549	$27
Jewelers and precious stone and metal workers	12	(1)	(1)	4	(1)	(1)
Medical, dental, and ophthalmic laboratory technicians	69	624	37	37	(1)	(1)
Packaging and filling machine operators and tenders	233	472	16	114	438	24
Painting workers	121	647	37	12	(1)	(1)
Photographic process workers and processing machine operators	30	(1)	(1)	14	(1)	(1)
Semiconductor processors	4	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Cementing and gluing machine operators and tenders	10	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Cleaning, washing, and metal pickling equipment operators and tenders	9	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Cooling and freezing equipment operators and tenders	3	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Etchers and engravers	8	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Molders, shapers, and casters, except metal and plastic	22	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders	35	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Tire builders	24	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Helpers—production workers	37	(1)	(1)	5	(1)	(1)
Production workers, all other	839	543	12	238	486	10
Transportation and material moving occupations	6,172	599	4	805	447	10
Supervisors, transportation and material moving workers	230	743	18	57	615	63
Aircraft pilots and flight engineers	82	1,365	60	3	(1)	(1)
Air traffic controllers and airfield operations specialists	46	(1)	(1)	6	(1)	(1)
Ambulance drivers and attendants, except emergency medical technicians	11	(1)	(1)	2	(1)	(1)
Bus drivers	332	574	23	148	502	17
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers	2,386	686	10	79	492	53
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs	251	537	36	35	(1)	(1)
Motor vehicle operators, all other	23	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Locomotive engineers and operators	58	1,268	302	1	(1)	(1)
Railroad brake, signal, and switch operators	7	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Railroad conductors and yardmasters	56	1,198	111	3	(1)	(1)
Subway, streetcar, and other rail transportation workers	10	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Sailors and marine oilers	25	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Ship and boat captains and operators	30	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Ship engineers	7	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Bridge and lock tenders	2	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Parking lot attendants	41	(1)	(1)	3	(1)	(1)
Service station attendants	57	393	24	7	(1)	(1)
Transportation inspectors	40	(1)	(1)	5	(1)	(1)
Other transportation workers	12	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Conveyor operators and tenders	7	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Crane and tower operators	48	(1)	(1)	-	-	-

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Furnace, kiln, oven, drier, and kettle operators and tenders	11	(1)	(1)	(2)
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers	407	$792	$22	69.3
Jewelers and precious stone and metal workers	8	(1)	(1)	(2)
Medical, dental, and ophthalmic laboratory technicians	32	(1)	(1)	(2)
Packaging and filling machine operators and tenders	120	493	15	88.8
Painting workers	109	662	36	(2)
Photographic process workers and processing machine operators	16	(1)	(1)	(2)
Semiconductor processors	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Cementing and gluing machine operators and tenders	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Cleaning, washing, and metal pickling equipment operators and tenders	6	(1)	(1)	(2)
Cooling and freezing equipment operators and tenders	3	(1)	(1)	(2)
Etchers and engravers	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Molders, shapers, and casters, except metal and plastic	19	(1)	(1)	(2)
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders	28	(1)	(1)	(2)
Tire builders	22	(1)	(1)	(2)
Helpers—production workers	32	(1)	(1)	(2)
Production workers, all other	602	583	15	83.4
Transportation and material moving occupations	5,368	618	5	72.3
Supervisors, transportation and material moving workers	172	758	19	81.1
Aircraft pilots and flight engineers	79	1,360	57	(2)
Air traffic controllers and airfield operations specialists	41	(1)	(1)	(2)
Ambulance drivers and attendants, except emergency medical technicians	9	(1)	(1)	(2)
Bus drivers	184	660	27	76.1
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers	2,307	691	10	71.2
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs	216	570	35	(2)
Motor vehicle operators, all other	20	(1)	(1)	(2)
Locomotive engineers and operators	57	1,268	303	(2)
Railroad brake, signal, and switch operators	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Railroad conductors and yardmasters	53	1,230	59	(2)
Subway, streetcar, and other rail transportation workers	10	(1)	(1)	(2)
Sailors and marine oilers	24	(1)	(1)	(2)
Ship and boat captains and operators	30	(1)	(1)	(2)
Ship engineers	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Bridge and lock tenders	2	(1)	(1)	(2)
Parking lot attendants	37	(1)	(1)	(2)
Service station attendants	50	406	23	(2)
Transportation inspectors	35	(1)	(1)	(2)
Other transportation workers	12	(1)	(1)	(2)
Conveyor operators and tenders	7	(1)	(1)	(2)
Crane and tower operators	48	(1)	(1)	(2)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Dredge, excavating, and loading machine operators	35	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Hoist and winch operators	3	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Industrial truck and tractor operators	459	$559	$17	29	(1)	(1)
Cleaners of vehicles and equipment	235	448	16	31	(1)	(1)
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand	1,155	497	7	183	$419	$11
Machine feeders and offbearers	27	(1)	(1)	9	(1)	(1)
Packers and packagers, hand	346	400	8	187	389	11
Pumping station operators	21	(1)	(1)	-	-	-
Refuse and recyclable material collectors	77	481	27	4	(1)	(1)
Shuttle car operators	2	(1)	(1)	1	(1)	(1)
Material moving workers, all other	51	742	63	4	(1)	(1)

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Table 2. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by detailed occupation and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Occupation	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Dredge, excavating, and loading machine operators	33	([1])	([1])	([2])
Hoist and winch operators	3	([1])	([1])	([2])
Industrial truck and tractor operators	430	$556	$17	([2])
Cleaners of vehicles and equipment	204	452	16	([2])
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand	973	508	7	82.5
Machine feeders and offbearers	18	([1])	([1])	([2])
Packers and packagers, hand	159	413	12	94.2
Pumping station operators	20	([1])	([1])	([2])
Refuse and recyclable material collectors	74	491	26	([2])
Shuttle car operators	1	([1])	([1])	([2])
Material moving workers, all other	47	([1])	([1])	([2])

[1] Data not shown where base is less than 50,000.
[2] Data not shown where base for either the numerator or the denominator is less than 50,000.
NOTE: Dash indicates data not available or do not meet publication standards.

Table 3. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by state and sex, 2010 annual averages**

State	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
UNITED STATES	99,531	$747	$2	44,472	$669	$3
Alabama	1,478	661	20	678	597	18
Alaska	241	827	18	107	705	20
Arizona	2,028	723	11	878	667	17
Arkansas	911	594	9	416	530	14
California	10,999	793	8	4,712	747	9
Colorado	1,727	823	15	728	719	14
Connecticut	1,195	976	24	524	835	32
Delaware	293	760	16	137	735	16
District of Columbia	259	1,014	21	131	965	20
Florida	5,804	717	8	2,735	647	8
Georgia	3,198	725	14	1,458	637	13
Hawaii	401	732	16	185	658	15
Idaho	445	666	12	181	585	14
Illinois	4,264	771	10	1,865	678	13
Indiana	2,030	693	15	869	598	13
Iowa	1,056	700	14	481	622	13
Kansas	970	689	16	439	611	12
Kentucky	1,301	650	15	596	581	11
Louisiana	1,436	682	23	646	582	12
Maine	406	722	15	189	637	19
Maryland	2,148	867	19	1,006	798	43
Massachusetts	2,193	946	15	982	832	19
Michigan	2,848	768	11	1,290	684	14
Minnesota	1,856	823	17	819	749	18
Mississippi	854	618	11	406	564	18
Missouri	1,977	725	16	926	616	12
Montana	280	658	16	128	553	18
Nebraska	652	688	13	304	621	14
Nevada	811	687	12	359	614	8
New Hampshire	486	848	16	213	745	16
New Jersey	3,074	895	17	1,352	824	16
New Mexico	606	688	17	270	605	15
New York	6,602	798	10	3,062	747	7
North Carolina	3,049	671	12	1,418	622	10
North Dakota	249	689	13	112	603	13
Ohio	3,679	732	8	1,668	645	11
Oklahoma	1,202	661	12	542	579	12
Oregon	1,129	754	17	468	659	22
Pennsylvania	4,171	751	7	1,835	664	11
Rhode Island	335	805	22	152	700	26
South Carolina	1,416	664	10	679	586	16
South Dakota	280	651	12	131	598	10
Tennessee	2,001	639	15	926	589	15
Texas	8,381	665	8	3,575	611	7
Utah	853	717	9	324	620	12
Vermont	217	754	14	102	696	22
Virginia	2,892	831	18	1,351	719	18
Washington	2,193	870	18	938	748	16
West Virginia	566	705	15	244	572	17
Wisconsin	1,894	761	12	856	684	17
Wyoming	197	776	15	81	616	14

Table 3. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by state and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

State	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
UNITED STATES	55,059	$824	$3	81.2
Alabama	800	709	20	84.2
Alaska	134	948	28	74.4
Arizona	1,150	767	16	87.0
Arkansas	496	640	18	82.8
California	6,287	840	13	88.9
Colorado	998	925	22	77.7
Connecticut	672	1,101	56	75.8
Delaware	156	805	30	91.3
District of Columbia	128	1,103	58	87.5
Florida	3,069	773	11	83.7
Georgia	1,740	822	27	77.5
Hawaii	216	797	22	82.6
Idaho	264	754	20	77.6
Illinois	2,399	872	14	77.8
Indiana	1,160	772	22	77.5
Iowa	575	786	23	79.1
Kansas	531	763	18	80.1
Kentucky	705	743	19	78.2
Louisiana	790	834	20	69.8
Maine	217	810	30	78.6
Maryland	1,142	932	32	85.6
Massachusetts	1,212	1,033	23	80.5
Michigan	1,558	857	23	79.8
Minnesota	1,037	903	23	82.9
Mississippi	449	693	20	81.4
Missouri	1,051	819	22	75.2
Montana	152	730	19	75.8
Nebraska	348	748	18	83.0
Nevada	452	751	14	81.8
New Hampshire	273	966	27	77.1
New Jersey	1,722	972	19	84.8
New Mexico	336	780	25	77.6
New York	3,540	861	11	86.8
North Carolina	1,630	728	17	85.4
North Dakota	137	764	16	78.9
Ohio	2,012	817	16	78.9
Oklahoma	660	746	23	77.6
Oregon	661	828	29	79.6
Pennsylvania	2,336	822	15	80.8
Rhode Island	183	930	30	75.3
South Carolina	737	752	19	77.9
South Dakota	149	716	17	83.5
Tennessee	1,076	715	26	82.4
Texas	4,806	714	10	85.6
Utah	528	841	26	73.7
Vermont	116	807	18	86.2
Virginia	1,540	956	21	75.2
Washington	1,255	978	22	76.5
West Virginia	321	832	27	68.8
Wisconsin	1,037	826	18	82.8
Wyoming	116	891	17	69.1

Table 4. **Median usual weekly earnings of part-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages**

Characteristic	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
AGE						
Total, 16 years and older	24,351	$229	$1	15,992	$232	$2
16 to 24 years	8,063	169	1	4,552	165	2
16 to 19 years	3,237	137	2	1,812	135	2
20 to 24 years	4,827	196	2	2,741	195	3
25 years and older	16,288	270	2	11,440	269	2
25 to 34 years	4,221	266	3	2,741	263	3
35 to 44 years	3,496	283	5	2,646	279	6
45 to 54 years	3,608	292	4	2,789	290	5
55 to 64 years	3,025	276	4	2,147	277	5
65 years and older	1,938	215	4	1,117	201	5
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
White	20,222	230	1	13,441	234	2
Black or African American	2,521	219	3	1,559	219	3
Asian	948	251	6	590	255	8
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	3,418	229	3	2,016	222	3
MARITAL STATUS						
Never married	10,824	189	1	5,945	186	2
Married, spouse present	10,065	283	3	7,440	280	3
Other marital status	3,463	244	3	2,607	242	4
Divorced	1,899	257	4	1,403	259	5
Separated	842	236	6	584	230	7
Widowed	723	219	6	620	215	7

See note at end of table.

Table 4. **Median usual weekly earnings of part-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Characteristic	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
AGE				
Total, 16 years and older	8,359	$223	$2	104.0
16 to 24 years	3,511	174	2	94.8
16 to 19 years	1,425	138	3	97.8
20 to 24 years	2,086	198	3	98.5
25 years and older	4,849	273	3	98.5
25 to 34 years	1,479	271	4	97.0
35 to 44 years	851	292	8	95.5
45 to 54 years	820	295	8	98.3
55 to 64 years	878	275	8	100.7
65 years and older	821	238	7	84.5
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY				
White	6,781	223	2	104.9
Black or African American	962	218	4	100.5
Asian	358	245	10	104.1
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	1,402	240	5	92.5
MARITAL STATUS				
Never married	4,879	193	2	96.4
Married, spouse present	2,625	291	5	96.2
Other marital status	856	252	7	96.0
Divorced	496	253	9	102.4
Separated	258	254	14	90.6
Widowed	102	247	19	87.0

NOTE: Estimates for the race groups listed (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.

Table 5. **Median usual weekly earnings of wage and salary workers, by hours usually worked and sex, 2010 annual averages**

Hours of work	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
Total, 16 years and older	124,073	$631	$2	60,542	$552	$3
1 to 34 hours	21,802	233	1	14,452	236	2
1 to 4 hours	548	62	3	343	62	3
5 to 9 hours	1,203	69	1	824	71	2
10 to 14 hours	1,865	112	1	1,281	113	1
15 to 19 hours	2,729	156	2	1,821	158	2
20 to 24 hours	6,425	212	1	4,268	218	2
25 to 29 hours	2,953	262	2	1,977	265	3
30 to 34 hours	6,079	337	4	3,937	348	4
35 or more hours	94,452	750	2	42,616	675	3
35 to 39 hours	8,200	485	5	5,508	506	6
40 hours	67,195	700	2	31,196	650	3
41 or more hours	19,056	1,153	5	5,912	1,036	10
41 to 44 hours	1,084	867	18	435	798	36
45 to 48 hours	5,294	994	10	1,858	941	14
49 to 59 hours	8,450	1,246	9	2,585	1,134	14
60 or more hours	4,228	1,338	17	1,034	1,168	19
Hours vary	7,819	414	5	3,475	312	5
Usually less than 35 hours	2,549	196	4	1,540	196	5
Usually 35 or more hours	5,079	639	12	1,856	486	13

See note at end of table.

Table 5. **Median usual weekly earnings of wage and salary workers, by hours usually worked and sex, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Hours of work	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median	
Total, 16 years and older	63,531	$736	$3	75.0
1 to 34 hours	7,351	226	2	104.4
1 to 4 hours	204	62	5	100.0
5 to 9 hours	379	65	2	109.2
10 to 14 hours	584	110	2	102.7
15 to 19 hours	908	150	3	105.3
20 to 24 hours	2,157	201	2	108.5
25 to 29 hours	976	256	4	103.5
30 to 34 hours	2,142	320	3	108.8
35 or more hours	51,836	830	3	81.3
35 to 39 hours	2,692	449	7	112.7
40 hours	35,999	747	3	87.0
41 or more hours	13,144	1,210	11	85.6
41 to 44 hours	650	919	24	86.8
45 to 48 hours	3,436	1,025	13	91.8
49 to 59 hours	5,865	1,312	18	86.4
60 or more hours	3,194	1,381	19	84.6
Hours vary	4,345	556	18	56.1
Usually less than 35 hours	1,009	196	5	100.0
Usually 35 or more hours	3,223	739	12	65.8

NOTE: Data refer to the sole or principal job of full-time and part-time workers. Estimates for the "hours vary" groups do not sum to totals because data are not presented for a small number of multiple jobholders whose usual number of hours on the principal job is not identifiable.

Table 6. **Quartiles and selected deciles of usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages**

Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Upper limit of:				
		First decile	First quartile	Second quartile (median)	Third quartile	Ninth decile
SEX, RACE, AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
Total, 16 years and older	99,531	$353	$493	$747	$1,157	$1,769
Women	44,472	334	458	669	1,002	1,482
Men	55,059	375	524	824	1,288	1,923
White	80,656	359	504	765	1,179	1,833
Women	34,971	338	471	684	1,017	1,512
Men	45,685	380	544	850	1,334	1,990
Black or African American	11,658	324	422	611	913	1,314
Women	6,283	316	411	592	865	1,236
Men	5,376	337	445	633	958	1,420
Asian	4,946	378	533	855	1,423	2,082
Women	2,193	356	496	773	1,235	1,835
Men	2,753	394	584	936	1,560	2,295
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	14,837	300	382	535	806	1,241
Women	5,598	289	362	508	748	1,110
Men	9,239	308	393	560	854	1,335
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT						
Total, 25 years and older	90,979	377	520	782	1,203	1,848
Less than a high school diploma	7,153	282	342	444	605	824
High school, no college	25,200	345	453	626	901	1,236
Some college or associate's degree	24,896	387	518	734	1,037	1,444
Bachelor's degree and higher	33,731	554	773	1,144	1,732	2,460
Women, 25 years and older	40,691	351	484	704	1,041	1,535
Less than a high school diploma	2,321	252	308	388	502	633
High school, no college	10,449	318	405	543	739	997
Some college or associate's degree	12,018	356	476	638	889	1,203
Bachelor's degree and higher	15,903	515	717	986	1,427	1,922
Men, 25 years and older	50,289	397	577	874	1,357	2,004
Less than a high school diploma	4,832	295	370	486	661	898
High school, no college	14,751	378	502	710	1,001	1,381
Some college or associate's degree	12,878	427	593	845	1,169	1,608
Bachelor's degree and higher	17,828	594	871	1,330	1,915	2,888

NOTE: Ten percent of all full-time wage and salary workers earn less than the upper limit of the first decile; 25 percent earn less than the upper limit of the first quartile; 50 percent earn less than the upper limit of the second quartile, or median; 75 percent earn less than the upper limit of the third quartile; and 90 percent earn less than the upper limit of the ninth decile. Estimates for the race groups listed (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.

Table 7. **Distribution of full-time wage and salary workers, by usual weekly earnings and selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages**

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by usual weekly earnings							
		Under $150.00	$150.00 to $249.99	$250.00 to $349.99	$350.00 to $499.99	$500.00 to $749.99	$750.00 to $999.99	$1,000.00 to $1,499.99	$1,500.00 or more
AGE AND SEX									
Total, 16 years and older	99,531	882	1,322	6,892	16,307	23,551	17,462	18,158	14,957
16 to 24 years	8,552	175	353	1,828	2,883	2,009	794	400	109
16 to 19 years	1,037	67	92	368	327	127	33	15	7
20 to 24 years	7,514	107	261	1,460	2,556	1,881	761	385	102
25 years and older	90,979	707	969	5,064	13,423	21,542	16,668	17,758	14,848
25 to 34 years	24,101	164	303	1,745	4,495	6,654	4,560	4,046	2,134
35 to 44 years	23,822	161	229	1,248	3,202	5,383	4,357	4,780	4,461
45 to 54 years	25,206	198	234	1,187	3,227	5,618	4,677	5,181	4,884
55 to 64 years	15,141	116	127	662	1,971	3,329	2,698	3,313	2,925
65 years and older	2,710	68	77	222	527	558	376	438	443
Women, 16 years and older	44,472	466	739	3,803	8,409	11,633	7,879	7,109	4,435
16 to 24 years	3,782	81	173	885	1,265	890	334	134	20
16 to 19 years	406	29	38	153	123	45	8	9	1
20 to 24 years	3,376	52	134	732	1,142	845	325	125	20
25 years and older	40,691	385	566	2,919	7,144	10,742	7,545	6,975	4,415
25 to 34 years	10,462	78	171	875	2,047	3,080	2,000	1,531	679
35 to 44 years	10,265	94	125	727	1,752	2,543	1,903	1,811	1,312
45 to 54 years	11,631	116	152	752	1,941	2,944	2,156	2,102	1,468
55 to 64 years	7,140	64	80	431	1,146	1,878	1,293	1,378	870
65 years and older	1,193	33	39	134	258	297	193	154	86
Men, 16 years and older	55,059	416	583	3,089	7,898	11,918	9,584	11,049	10,522
16 to 24 years	4,770	94	180	944	1,619	1,118	460	266	89
16 to 19 years	632	38	53	216	204	83	25	6	6
20 to 24 years	4,139	56	127	728	1,414	1,036	436	260	82
25 years and older	50,289	323	403	2,145	6,280	10,800	9,123	10,783	10,433
25 to 34 years	13,639	85	132	870	2,448	3,574	2,560	2,515	1,455
35 to 44 years	13,558	68	105	521	1,451	2,840	2,454	2,969	3,149
45 to 54 years	13,575	82	82	435	1,286	2,674	2,521	3,079	3,416
55 to 64 years	8,001	52	47	230	826	1,451	1,405	1,935	2,055
65 years and older	1,516	35	38	89	269	261	182	284	357

See note at end of table.

Table 7. **Distribution of full-time wage and salary workers, by usual weekly earnings and selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by usual weekly earnings							
		Under $150.00	$150.00 to $249.99	$250.00 to $349.99	$350.00 to $499.99	$500.00 to $749.99	$750.00 to $999.99	$1,000.00 to $1,499.99	$1,500.00 or more
RACE, HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY, AND SEX									
White	80,656	700	995	5,322	12,444	18,815	14,376	15,219	12,786
Women	34,971	365	548	2,863	6,322	9,171	6,342	5,717	3,644
Men	45,685	335	447	2,459	6,122	9,644	8,033	9,502	9,142
Black or African American	11,658	119	233	1,101	2,673	3,163	1,918	1,629	823
Women	6,283	63	144	687	1,499	1,700	995	848	347
Men	5,376	56	89	415	1,174	1,463	923	781	476
Asian	4,946	41	51	272	713	977	806	947	1,138
Women	2,193	21	29	147	366	467	381	407	373
Men	2,753	19	22	125	348	510	425	540	765
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	14,837	172	357	2,101	3,906	3,905	1,893	1,551	951
Women	5,598	87	172	949	1,477	1,466	699	496	250
Men	9,239	85	186	1,151	2,429	2,439	1,194	1,055	700

NOTE: Estimates for the race groups listed (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.

Table 8. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, by sex, marital status, and presence and age of own children under 18 years old, 2010 annual averages**

Characteristic	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median weekly earnings	Standard error of median
WOMEN			
Total, all marital statuses	44,472	$669	$3
With children under 18 years	16,119	664	4
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	9,738	676	6
With children under 6 years	6,381	644	7
With no children under 18 years	28,353	672	3
Total, married, spouse present	23,385	727	3
With children under 18 years	10,731	737	4
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	6,419	723	7
With children under 6 years	4,312	756	7
With no children under 18 years	12,655	716	5
Total, other marital statuses[1]	21,087	614	3
With children under 18 years	5,388	555	6
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	3,319	609	7
With children under 6 years	2,069	487	6
With no children under 18 years	15,698	637	4
MEN			
Total, all marital statuses	55,059	824	3
With children under 18 years	20,577	907	5
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	10,922	962	7
With children under 6 years	9,655	841	8
With no children under 18 years	34,482	774	4
Total, married, spouse present	33,621	939	4
With children under 18 years	18,554	940	5
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	9,953	982	8
With children under 6 years	8,601	890	8
With no children under 18 years	15,067	938	5
Total, other marital statuses[1]	21,438	658	4
With children under 18 years	2,024	645	13
With children 6 to 17 years, none younger	969	778	19
With children under 6 years	1,054	565	16
With no children under 18 years	19,415	659	4

[1] Includes never-married, divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

NOTE: Children refer to "own" children and include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children. Excluded are other related children such as grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins, as well as unrelated children. Data for 2010 reflect improved methodology that provides more accurate estimates of the number of mothers and fathers and, as a result, are not strictly comparable with data for earlier years.

Table 9. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages**

Characteristic	Both sexes			Women		
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median hourly earnings	Standard error of median	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median hourly earnings	Standard error of median
AGE						
Total, 16 years and older	72,902	$12.50	$0.05	37,404	$11.83	$0.03
16 to 24 years	14,061	8.90	.02	7,148	8.62	.03
16 to 19 years	3,985	8.00	.02	2,096	7.91	.03
20 to 24 years	10,076	9.53	.06	5,052	9.08	.04
25 years and older	58,842	13.98	.03	30,256	12.88	.04
25 to 34 years	16,827	12.53	.08	8,008	12.04	.05
35 to 44 years	14,362	14.61	.11	7,239	13.12	.09
45 to 54 years	15,316	14.98	.04	8,183	13.50	.14
55 to 64 years	9,584	14.89	.05	5,317	13.68	.15
65 years and older	2,753	11.55	.24	1,510	11.18	.18
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY						
White	58,529	12.74	.04	29,580	11.88	.03
Black or African American	9,436	11.77	.08	5,299	11.20	.10
Asian	2,920	13.22	.24	1,513	12.41	.32
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	12,977	10.88	.06	5,503	10.11	.04
MARITAL STATUS						
Never married	25,988	10.08	.02	12,474	9.83	.03
Married, spouse present	34,519	14.79	.04	17,198	13.22	.07
Other marital status	12,395	12.94	.07	7,733	12.15	.05
Divorced	7,717	13.90	.08	4,746	12.87	.10
Separated	3,139	11.49	.24	1,741	10.82	.15
Widowed	1,539	12.12	.14	1,247	11.93	.14
UNION AFFILIATION[1]						
Members of unions[2]	8,752	18.21	.14	3,434	15.89	.17
Represented by a union[3]	9,579	18.07	.08	3,856	15.76	.21
Not represented by a union	63,323	11.96	.02	33,549	11.32	.05
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT						
Total, 25 years and older	58,842	13.98	.03	30,256	12.88	.04
Less than a high school diploma	7,058	10.13	.03	2,776	9.20	.05
High school, no college	21,561	13.16	.05	10,219	11.79	.05
Some college or associate's degree	19,035	14.80	.05	10,601	13.51	.12
Bachelor's degree and higher	11,187	18.18	.15	6,661	18.06	.11

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 9. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

Characteristic	Men			Women's earnings as percent of men's
	Number of workers (in thousands)	Median hourly earnings	Standard error of median	
AGE				
Total, 16 years and older	35,498	$13.76	$0.07	86.0
16 to 24 years	6,913	9.21	.04	93.6
16 to 19 years	1,889	8.09	.03	97.8
20 to 24 years	5,024	9.90	.03	91.7
25 years and older	28,585	15.04	.03	85.6
25 to 34 years	8,819	13.10	.07	91.9
35 to 44 years	7,123	15.83	.12	82.9
45 to 54 years	7,133	16.89	.10	79.9
55 to 64 years	4,267	16.45	.25	83.2
65 years and older	1,243	11.92	.16	93.8
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY				
White	28,949	13.97	.05	85.0
Black or African American	4,137	12.16	.08	92.1
Asian	1,406	14.11	.18	88.0
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	7,474	11.73	.14	86.2
MARITAL STATUS				
Never married	13,514	10.34	.07	95.1
Married, spouse present	17,321	15.98	.06	82.7
Other marital status	4,662	14.47	.21	84.0
Divorced	2,971	15.17	.10	84.8
Separated	1,399	12.22	.20	88.5
Widowed	293	14.24	.79	83.8
UNION AFFILIATION [1]				
Members of unions [2]	5,318	19.95	.08	79.6
Represented by a union [3]	5,723	19.85	.09	79.4
Not represented by a union	29,775	12.64	.07	89.6
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Total, 25 years and older	28,585	15.04	.03	85.6
Less than a high school diploma	4,282	11.11	.08	82.8
High school, no college	11,342	14.99	.05	78.7
Some college or associate's degree	8,434	16.19	.11	83.4
Bachelor's degree and higher	4,527	18.64	.34	96.9

[1] Differences in earnings levels between workers with and without union affiliation reflect a variety of factors in addition to coverage by a collective bargaining agreement, including the distribution of male and female employees by occupation, industry, firm size, and geographic region.

[2] Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

[3] Data refer to workers who report no union affiliation but whose jobs are covered by a union or an employee association contract, as well as to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

NOTE: Workers paid hourly rates represented 59 percent of all wage and salary workers in 2010. Estimates for the race groups listed (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.

Table 10. **Distribution of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by hourly earnings and selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages**

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by hourly earnings						
		Under $6.00	$6.00 to $7.99	$8.00 to $9.99	$10.00 to $11.99	$12.00 to $14.99	$15.00 to $19.99	$20.00 or more
AGE AND SEX								
Total, 16 years and older	72,902	1,291	6,064	13,687	11,490	12,151	12,752	15,467
16 to 24 years	14,061	555	3,108	4,934	2,578	1,578	859	450
16 to 19 years	3,985	161	1,561	1,545	469	161	58	31
20 to 24 years	10,076	394	1,547	3,389	2,108	1,417	800	419
25 years and older	58,842	736	2,956	8,753	8,913	10,573	11,894	15,017
25 to 34 years	16,827	379	989	2,992	2,989	3,278	3,218	2,982
35 to 44 years	14,362	162	691	1,962	1,978	2,537	2,984	4,048
45 to 54 years	15,316	123	629	1,894	2,067	2,674	3,296	4,633
55 to 64 years	9,584	38	396	1,305	1,347	1,627	2,010	2,860
65 years and older	2,753	34	250	600	532	457	387	494
Women, 16 years and older	37,404	899	3,682	7,850	6,206	6,409	5,840	6,520
16 to 24 years	7,148	401	1,767	2,627	1,155	705	310	185
16 to 19 years	2,096	122	873	820	207	52	15	7
20 to 24 years	5,052	279	894	1,807	948	653	294	177
25 years and older	30,256	499	1,916	5,222	5,051	5,704	5,530	6,335
25 to 34 years	8,008	249	597	1,536	1,427	1,585	1,361	1,253
35 to 44 years	7,239	100	450	1,229	1,164	1,313	1,305	1,679
45 to 54 years	8,183	97	440	1,272	1,325	1,544	1,586	1,920
55 to 64 years	5,317	29	275	855	833	997	1,069	1,258
65 years and older	1,510	23	153	330	303	265	209	226
Men, 16 years and older	35,498	392	2,381	5,837	5,285	5,742	6,913	8,947
16 to 24 years	6,913	154	1,341	2,307	1,423	873	549	266
16 to 19 years	1,889	38	687	724	263	109	43	24
20 to 24 years	5,024	116	654	1,582	1,160	764	506	242
25 years and older	28,585	239	1,040	3,530	3,862	4,869	6,364	8,682
25 to 34 years	8,819	130	392	1,456	1,562	1,693	1,856	1,729
35 to 44 years	7,123	62	241	733	815	1,225	1,679	2,370
45 to 54 years	7,133	26	189	622	742	1,130	1,710	2,713
55 to 64 years	4,267	10	121	450	514	629	941	1,602
65 years and older	1,243	11	96	270	229	192	178	268

See note at end of table.

Table 10. **Distribution of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, by hourly earnings and selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

(In thousands)

Characteristic	Total employed	Number of workers by hourly earnings						
		Under $6.00	$6.00 to $7.99	$8.00 to $9.99	$10.00 to $11.99	$12.00 to $14.99	$15.00 to $19.99	$20.00 or more
RACE, HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY, AND SEX								
White	58,529	1,096	4,743	10,776	8,967	9,641	10,360	12,947
Women	29,580	785	2,860	6,155	4,793	5,033	4,677	5,279
Men	28,949	311	1,883	4,621	4,174	4,608	5,683	7,668
Black or African American	9,436	119	951	1,954	1,734	1,725	1,535	1,419
Women	5,299	67	609	1,171	997	959	768	728
Men	4,137	52	341	783	737	766	767	691
Asian	2,920	44	164	520	458	446	535	751
Women	1,513	26	95	284	256	241	241	370
Men	1,406	19	69	235	202	205	294	381
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	12,977	187	1,162	3,420	2,405	2,299	1,930	1,575
Women	5,503	103	672	1,656	975	963	661	472
Men	7,474	82	489	1,764	1,430	1,336	1,269	1,103

NOTE: Workers paid hourly rates represented 59 percent of all wage and salary workers in 2010. Estimates for the race groups listed (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.

Table 11. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages**

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	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 workers paid hourly rates
AGE AND SEX					
Total, 16 years and older	72,902	2,541	1,820	4,361	6.0
16 to 24 years	14,061	1,180	955	2,135	15.2
16 to 19 years	3,985	480	514	994	24.9
20 to 24 years	10,076	700	441	1,141	11.3
25 years and older	58,842	1,360	865	2,225	3.8
25 to 34 years	16,827	573	271	844	5.0
35 to 44 years	14,362	314	216	530	3.7
45 to 54 years	15,316	257	200	457	3.0
55 to 64 years	9,584	124	103	227	2.4
65 years and older	2,753	92	75	167	6.1
Women, 16 years and older	37,404	1,598	1,151	2,749	7.3
16 to 24 years	7,148	743	543	1,286	18.0
16 to 19 years	2,096	304	277	581	27.7
20 to 24 years	5,052	439	265	704	13.9
25 years and older	30,256	855	608	1,463	4.8
25 to 34 years	8,008	349	186	535	6.7
35 to 44 years	7,239	191	147	338	4.7
45 to 54 years	8,183	183	146	329	4.0
55 to 64 years	5,317	76	73	149	2.8
65 years and older	1,510	55	56	111	7.4
Men, 16 years and older	35,498	943	669	1,612	4.5
16 to 24 years	6,913	438	413	851	12.3
16 to 19 years	1,889	176	236	412	21.8
20 to 24 years	5,024	261	176	437	8.7
25 years and older	28,585	505	257	762	2.7
25 to 34 years	8,819	223	85	308	3.5
35 to 44 years	7,123	123	69	192	2.7
45 to 54 years	7,133	74	54	128	1.8
55 to 64 years	4,267	48	30	78	1.8
65 years and older	1,243	37	19	56	4.5

See note at end of table.

Table 11. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by selected characteristics, 2010 annual averages—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	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 workers paid hourly rates
RACE, HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY, AND SEX					
White	58,529	2,015	1,414	3,429	5.9
Women	29,580	1,299	875	2,174	7.3
Men	28,949	716	538	1,254	4.3
Black or African American	9,436	349	301	650	6.9
Women	5,299	197	209	406	7.7
Men	4,137	152	92	244	5.9
Asian, 16 years and older	2,920	104	36	140	4.8
Women	1,513	57	24	81	5.4
Men	1,406	47	12	59	4.2
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	12,977	462	360	822	6.3
Women	5,503	261	207	468	8.5
Men	7,474	201	154	355	4.7
FULL- AND PART-TIME STATUS AND SEX[1]					
Full-time workers	52,803	1,039	595	1,634	3.1
Women	24,229	595	340	935	3.9
Men	28,574	444	255	699	2.4
Part-time workers	19,994	1,496	1,220	2,716	13.6
Women	13,123	998	807	1,805	13.8
Men	6,871	498	413	911	13.3

[1] The distinction between full-time and part-time workers is based on hours usually worked. These data do not sum to totals because full-time or part-time status on the principal or main job is not identifiable for a small number of multiple jobholders.

NOTE: The prevailing federal minimum wage was $7.25 in 2010. (See Technical Note for more information about minimum wage workers.) Estimates for the race groups listed (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.

Table 12. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979	$241	$172	$144	$186	$265	$255	$280	$276	$262	$198
1980	262	187	154	200	286	276	302	298	285	203
1981	284	200	161	213	308	296	326	320	309	222
1982	302	208	164	220	327	311	354	345	325	253
1983	313	211	164	223	343	321	370	367	346	261
1984	326	217	169	231	362	335	389	385	366	272
1985	344	224	174	240	379	349	406	400	381	297
1986[1]	359	232	178	248	391	360	419	416	397	298
1987	374	243	186	259	403	373	435	429	405	310
1988	385	249	196	266	414	383	450	453	419	323
1989	399	259	204	276	427	394	472	472	431	334
1990[1]	412	269	209	285	449	407	486	489	457	343
1991	426	277	213	291	467	415	498	507	469	381
1992	440	276	212	290	479	422	503	522	483	378
1993	459	282	214	297	491	436	517	542	492	393
1994[1]	467	286	221	300	500	439	537	566	501	384
1995	479	292	231	306	510	451	550	582	514	389
1996	490	298	240	312	520	463	559	594	535	384
1997[1]	503	306	252	321	540	481	579	607	558	393
1998[1]	523	319	268	339	572	502	597	620	592	405
1999[1]	549	341	281	363	592	518	611	652	604	404
2000[1]	576	361	297	383	609	549	625	669	620	463
2001	596	375	305	394	630	576	657	693	638	488
2002	608	381	305	399	646	591	668	706	674	502
2003[1]	620	387	311	402	662	594	687	723	708	516
2004	638	390	309	406	683	604	713	743	725	560
2005	651	397	318	411	696	610	731	748	742	569
2006	671	409	324	423	718	621	748	773	765	583
2007	695	424	337	450	738	643	769	790	803	605
2008[1]	722	443	349	467	761	666	804	822	825	644
2009	739	442	344	464	774	678	817	838	841	684
2010	747	432	347	454	782	682	824	844	860	684

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Table 12. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979	$182	$154	$132	$161	$195	$199	$196	$192	$189	$170
1980	201	167	145	175	213	218	214	209	205	175
1981	219	180	154	191	233	239	238	225	222	189
1982	239	192	158	201	255	258	258	252	245	211
1983	252	198	158	207	268	272	272	264	257	212
1984	265	203	162	213	283	285	292	279	270	219
1985	277	211	166	221	296	296	307	292	285	242
1986[1]	291	219	170	231	308	306	319	308	296	256
1987	303	227	172	242	321	316	337	324	308	261
1988	315	235	184	251	335	327	354	339	317	280
1989	328	246	197	260	351	340	370	357	333	292
1990[1]	346	254	198	269	369	356	390	377	348	300
1991	366	266	205	280	387	371	407	398	363	319
1992	380	267	205	280	400	382	418	417	376	328
1993	393	273	205	289	415	395	435	440	395	335
1994[1]	399	276	211	290	421	397	448	450	398	336
1995	406	275	215	291	428	403	453	464	403	353
1996	418	284	223	298	444	415	463	481	420	334
1997[1]	431	292	240	306	462	427	482	495	433	348
1998[1]	456	305	249	319	485	451	498	516	476	350
1999[1]	473	324	266	343	497	470	503	534	492	370
2000[1]	493	344	283	366	516	493	521	564	508	392
2001	512	353	288	375	543	512	547	587	536	390
2002	529	367	295	385	568	530	571	602	574	430
2003[1]	552	371	299	387	584	546	590	609	601	435
2004	573	375	293	391	599	561	608	625	615	478
2005	585	381	304	396	612	573	621	644	639	492
2006	600	395	305	413	627	583	645	659	658	510
2007	614	409	318	426	646	597	668	677	679	534
2008[1]	638	420	322	445	670	623	682	707	711	563
2009	657	424	323	445	687	634	709	712	727	602
2010	669	422	336	439	704	648	731	730	736	601

See footnote at end of table.

Table 12. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979	$292	$196	$155	$211	$314	$295	$336	$338	$312	$219
1980	313	208	162	224	339	314	367	367	345	229
1981	340	218	168	237	372	340	397	396	377	266
1982	364	225	170	244	393	358	422	419	399	300
1983	379	223	168	242	407	371	442	444	416	308
1984	392	231	174	250	422	382	471	470	439	328
1985	407	241	183	258	443	394	487	489	467	367
1986[1]	419	246	186	264	463	402	499	506	484	358
1987	434	257	196	275	477	412	510	520	495	380
1988	449	262	205	279	487	421	517	549	509	395
1989	468	271	209	290	500	434	542	569	521	393
1990[1]	481	282	218	298	512	449	560	591	546	403
1991	493	285	219	300	523	458	576	612	563	467
1992	501	284	218	297	536	466	581	634	579	421
1993	510	288	221	303	555	476	596	653	586	451
1994[1]	522	294	228	307	576	479	617	671	603	441
1995	538	303	244	315	588	490	624	685	623	441
1996	557	307	251	321	599	499	632	698	643	477
1997[1]	579	317	262	338	615	515	651	713	669	452
1998[1]	598	334	281	357	639	544	677	732	699	482
1999[1]	618	356	291	379	668	577	702	763	725	470
2000[1]	641	375	306	395	693	598	728	771	735	522
2001	670	391	319	408	720	617	754	799	760	565
2002	679	391	312	410	732	627	759	807	802	583
2003[1]	695	398	321	412	744	628	775	834	827	612
2004	713	400	318	417	762	639	804	857	843	641
2005	722	409	330	422	771	644	822	853	855	644
2006	743	418	348	435	797	661	836	897	902	658
2007	766	443	357	472	823	687	873	909	933	686
2008[1]	798	461	369	481	857	704	915	944	943	753
2009	819	458	356	479	873	715	916	967	965	791
2010	824	443	355	468	874	714	915	954	979	794

See footnote at end of table.

Table 12. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S										
1979	62.3	78.6	85.2	76.3	62.1	67.5	58.3	56.8	60.6	77.6
1980	64.2	80.3	89.5	78.1	62.8	69.4	58.3	56.9	59.4	76.4
1981	64.4	82.6	91.7	80.6	62.6	70.3	59.9	56.8	58.9	71.1
1982	65.7	85.3	92.9	82.4	64.9	72.1	61.1	60.1	61.4	70.3
1983	66.5	88.8	94.0	85.5	65.8	73.3	61.5	59.5	61.8	68.8
1984	67.6	87.9	93.1	85.2	67.1	74.6	62.0	59.4	61.5	66.8
1985	68.1	87.6	90.7	85.7	66.8	75.1	63.0	59.7	61.0	65.9
1986[1]	69.5	89.0	91.4	87.5	66.5	76.1	63.9	60.9	61.2	71.5
1987	69.8	88.3	87.8	88.0	67.3	76.7	66.1	62.3	62.2	68.7
1988	70.2	89.7	89.8	90.0	68.8	77.7	68.5	61.7	62.3	70.9
1989	70.1	90.8	94.3	89.7	70.2	78.3	68.3	62.7	63.9	74.3
1990[1]	71.9	90.1	90.8	90.3	72.1	79.3	69.6	63.8	63.7	74.4
1991	74.2	93.3	93.6	93.3	74.0	81.0	70.7	65.0	64.5	68.3
1992	75.8	94.0	94.0	94.3	74.6	82.0	71.9	65.8	64.9	77.9
1993	77.1	94.8	92.8	95.4	74.8	83.0	73.0	67.4	67.4	74.3
1994[1]	76.4	93.9	92.5	94.5	73.1	82.9	72.6	67.1	66.0	76.2
1995	75.5	90.8	88.1	92.4	72.8	82.2	72.6	67.7	64.7	80.0
1996	75.0	92.5	88.8	92.8	74.1	83.2	73.3	68.9	65.3	70.0
1997[1]	74.4	92.1	91.6	90.5	75.1	82.9	74.0	69.4	64.7	77.0
1998[1]	76.3	91.3	88.6	89.4	75.9	82.9	73.6	70.5	68.1	72.6
1999[1]	76.5	91.0	91.4	90.5	74.4	81.5	71.7	70.0	67.9	78.7
2000[1]	76.9	91.7	92.5	92.7	74.5	82.4	71.6	73.2	69.1	75.1
2001	76.4	90.3	90.3	91.9	75.4	83.0	72.5	73.5	70.5	69.0
2002	77.9	93.9	94.6	93.9	77.6	84.5	75.2	74.6	71.6	73.8
2003[1]	79.4	93.2	93.1	93.9	78.5	86.9	76.1	73.0	72.7	71.1
2004	80.4	93.8	92.1	93.8	78.6	87.8	75.6	72.9	73.0	74.6
2005	81.0	93.2	92.1	93.8	79.4	89.0	75.5	75.5	74.7	76.4
2006	80.8	94.5	87.6	94.9	78.7	88.2	77.2	73.5	72.9	77.5
2007	80.2	92.3	89.1	90.3	78.5	86.9	76.5	74.5	72.8	77.8
2008[1]	79.9	91.1	87.3	92.5	78.2	88.5	74.5	74.9	75.4	74.8
2009	80.2	92.6	90.7	92.9	78.7	88.7	77.4	73.6	75.3	76.1
2010	81.2	95.3	94.6	93.8	80.5	90.8	79.9	76.5	75.2	75.7

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

Table 13. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979	$675	$482	$403	$521	$742	$714	$784	$773	$734	$555
1980	660	471	388	504	720	695	761	751	718	511
1981	653	460	370	490	708	680	749	736	710	510
1982	655	451	356	477	709	675	768	748	705	549
1983	651	439	341	464	713	667	769	763	719	543
1984	651	433	337	461	723	669	776	768	731	543
1985	664	432	336	463	732	674	784	772	736	573
1986[1]	681	440	338	471	742	683	795	789	753	565
1987	686	446	341	475	739	684	798	787	743	569
1988	681	441	347	471	733	678	796	802	742	572
1989	677	440	346	469	725	669	801	801	732	567
1990[1]	666	435	338	460	725	658	785	790	738	554
1991	665	432	332	454	729	647	777	791	732	594
1992	670	420	323	441	729	642	766	795	735	575
1993	682	419	318	441	730	648	768	805	731	584
1994[1]	679	416	321	436	727	638	781	823	728	558
1995	680	415	328	435	724	641	781	827	730	553
1996	678	412	332	432	719	640	773	822	740	531
1997[1]	681	414	341	434	731	651	783	821	755	532
1998[1]	698	426	358	453	764	670	797	828	790	541
1999[1]	718	446	367	475	774	677	799	852	790	528
2000[1]	729	457	376	485	771	695	791	847	785	586
2001	734	462	376	485	776	709	809	853	786	601
2002	736	461	369	483	782	715	809	855	816	608
2003[1]	735	459	368	476	784	704	814	857	839	611
2004	736	450	356	468	788	697	822	857	836	646
2005	727	443	355	459	777	681	816	835	828	635
2006	725	442	350	457	776	671	809	836	827	630
2007	731	446	354	473	776	676	809	831	844	636
2008[1]	731	448	353	473	770	674	814	832	835	652
2009	751	449	350	472	787	689	830	852	855	695
2010	747	432	347	454	782	682	824	844	860	684

See footnote at end of table.

Table 13. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979	$510	$431	$370	$451	$546	$557	$549	$538	$529	$476
1980	506	421	365	441	537	549	539	526	516	441
1981	503	414	354	439	536	549	547	517	510	434
1982	518	416	343	436	553	560	560	547	531	458
1983	524	412	328	430	557	565	565	549	534	441
1984	529	405	323	425	565	569	583	557	539	437
1985	535	407	320	427	571	571	593	564	550	467
1986[1]	552	416	323	438	584	581	605	584	562	486
1987	556	417	316	444	589	580	618	594	565	479
1988	558	416	326	444	593	579	627	600	561	496
1989	557	418	334	441	596	577	628	606	565	496
1990[1]	559	410	320	435	596	575	630	609	562	485
1991	571	415	320	437	604	579	635	621	566	498
1992	578	406	312	426	609	581	636	635	572	499
1993	584	406	305	429	617	587	646	654	587	498
1994[1]	580	401	307	422	612	577	651	654	578	488
1995	577	391	305	413	608	572	643	659	572	501
1996	578	393	308	412	614	574	640	665	581	462
1997[1]	583	395	325	414	625	578	652	670	586	471
1998[1]	609	407	332	426	648	602	665	689	636	467
1999[1]	618	424	348	448	650	614	658	698	643	484
2000[1]	624	435	358	463	653	624	659	714	643	496
2001	631	435	355	462	669	631	674	723	660	480
2002	640	444	357	466	688	642	691	729	695	521
2003[1]	654	440	354	459	692	647	699	722	712	515
2004	661	433	338	451	691	647	701	721	709	551
2005	653	425	339	442	683	640	693	719	713	549
2006	649	427	330	446	678	630	697	712	711	551
2007	646	430	334	448	679	628	702	712	714	562
2008[1]	646	425	326	450	678	631	690	716	720	570
2009	668	431	328	452	698	644	721	724	739	612
2010	669	422	336	439	704	648	731	730	736	601

See footnote at end of table.

Table 13. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979	$818	$549	$434	$591	$880	$826	$941	$947	$874	$613
1980	788	524	408	564	854	791	924	924	869	577
1981	782	501	386	545	855	782	913	910	867	611
1982	790	488	369	529	852	777	915	909	866	651
1983	788	464	349	503	846	771	919	923	865	640
1984	782	461	347	499	842	762	940	938	876	655
1985	786	465	353	498	855	761	940	944	902	708
1986[1]	795	467	353	501	879	763	947	960	918	679
1987	796	472	360	505	875	756	936	954	908	697
1988	795	464	363	494	862	745	915	972	901	699
1989	795	460	355	492	849	737	920	966	885	667
1990[1]	777	456	352	481	827	725	905	955	882	651
1991	769	445	342	468	816	715	899	955	878	729
1992	763	432	332	452	816	709	884	965	881	641
1993	758	428	328	450	825	707	886	970	871	670
1994[1]	759	427	331	446	837	696	897	975	876	641
1995	764	430	347	447	835	696	886	973	885	626
1996	770	425	347	444	828	690	874	965	889	660
1997[1]	783	429	355	457	832	697	881	965	905	612
1998[1]	798	446	375	477	853	726	904	977	933	644
1999[1]	808	465	380	495	873	754	918	997	948	614
2000[1]	811	475	387	500	877	757	922	976	930	661
2001	825	482	393	502	887	760	929	984	936	696
2002	822	473	378	496	886	759	919	977	971	706
2003[1]	823	472	380	488	882	744	918	988	980	725
2004	822	461	367	481	879	737	927	988	972	739
2005	806	456	368	471	860	719	917	952	954	719
2006	803	452	376	470	862	715	904	970	975	711
2007	805	466	375	496	865	722	918	956	981	721
2008[1]	808	467	373	487	867	713	926	955	954	762
2009	832	465	362	487	887	727	931	983	981	804
2010	824	443	355	468	874	714	915	954	979	794

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NOTE: The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 14. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979	$241	$248	$199	-	$194
1980	262	269	212	-	209
1981	284	291	235	-	223
1982	302	310	245	-	240
1983	313	320	261	-	250
1984	326	336	269	-	259
1985	344	356	277	-	270
1986[1]	359	371	291	-	277
1987	374	384	301	-	285
1988	385	395	314	-	290
1989	399	409	319	-	298
1990[1]	412	424	329	-	304
1991	426	442	348	-	312
1992	440	458	357	-	321
1993	459	475	369	-	331
1994[1]	467	484	371	-	324
1995	479	494	383	-	329
1996	490	506	387	-	339
1997[1]	503	519	400	-	351
1998[1]	523	545	426	-	370
1999[1]	549	573	445	-	385
2000[1]	576	590	474	$615	399
2001	596	610	491	639	417
2002	608	623	498	658	424
2003[1]	620	636	514	693	440
2004	638	657	525	708	456
2005	651	672	520	753	471
2006	671	690	554	784	486
2007	695	716	569	830	503
2008[1]	722	742	589	861	529
2009	739	757	601	880	541
2010	747	765	611	855	535

See footnote at end of table.

Table 14. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979	$182	$184	$169	-	$157
1980	201	203	185	-	172
1981	219	221	206	-	190
1982	239	242	217	-	203
1983	252	254	232	-	215
1984	265	268	241	-	223
1985	277	281	252	-	230
1986[1]	291	294	264	-	241
1987	303	307	276	-	251
1988	315	318	288	-	260
1989	328	334	301	-	269
1990[1]	346	353	308	-	278
1991	366	373	323	-	292
1992	380	387	335	-	302
1993	393	401	348	-	313
1994[1]	399	408	346	-	305
1995	406	415	355	-	305
1996	418	428	362	-	316
1997[1]	431	444	375	-	318
1998[1]	456	468	400	-	337
1999[1]	473	483	409	-	348
2000[1]	493	502	429	$547	366
2001	512	522	454	563	388
2002	529	547	473	566	397
2003[1]	552	567	491	598	410
2004	573	584	505	613	419
2005	585	596	499	665	429
2006	600	609	519	699	440
2007	614	626	533	731	473
2008[1]	638	654	554	753	501
2009	657	669	582	779	509
2010	669	684	592	773	508

See footnote at end of table.

Table 14. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979	$292	$298	$227	-	$219
1980	313	320	244	-	234
1981	340	350	268	-	251
1982	364	375	278	-	269
1983	379	387	294	-	274
1984	392	401	303	-	287
1985	407	418	305	-	296
1986[1]	419	433	319	-	299
1987	434	450	327	-	306
1988	449	465	348	-	308
1989	468	482	348	-	315
1990[1]	481	494	361	-	318
1991	493	506	375	-	323
1992	501	514	380	-	339
1993	510	524	392	-	346
1994[1]	522	547	400	-	343
1995	538	566	411	-	350
1996	557	580	412	-	356
1997[1]	579	595	432	-	371
1998[1]	598	615	468	-	390
1999[1]	618	638	488	-	406
2000[1]	641	662	510	$685	417
2001	670	689	529	732	440
2002	679	702	524	756	451
2003[1]	695	715	555	772	464
2004	713	732	569	802	480
2005	722	743	559	825	489
2006	743	761	591	882	505
2007	766	788	600	936	520
2008[1]	798	825	620	966	559
2009	819	845	621	952	569
2010	824	850	633	936	560

See footnote at end of table.

Table 14. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S					
1979	62.3	61.7	74.4	-	71.7
1980	64.2	63.4	75.8	-	73.5
1981	64.4	63.1	76.9	-	75.7
1982	65.7	64.5	78.1	-	75.5
1983	66.5	65.6	78.9	-	78.5
1984	67.6	66.8	79.5	-	77.7
1985	68.1	67.2	82.6	-	77.7
1986[1]	69.5	67.9	82.8	-	80.6
1987	69.8	68.2	84.4	-	82.0
1988	70.2	68.4	82.8	-	84.4
1989	70.1	69.3	86.5	-	85.4
1990[1]	71.9	71.5	85.3	-	87.4
1991	74.2	73.7	86.1	-	90.4
1992	75.8	75.3	88.2	-	89.1
1993	77.1	76.5	88.8	-	90.5
1994[1]	76.4	74.6	86.5	-	88.9
1995	75.5	73.3	86.4	-	87.1
1996	75.0	73.8	87.9	-	88.8
1997[1]	74.4	74.6	86.8	-	85.7
1998[1]	76.3	76.1	85.5	-	86.4
1999[1]	76.5	75.7	83.8	-	85.7
2000[1]	76.9	75.8	84.1	79.9	87.8
2001	76.4	75.8	85.8	76.9	88.2
2002	77.9	77.9	90.3	74.9	88.0
2003[1]	79.4	79.3	88.5	77.5	88.4
2004	80.4	79.8	88.8	76.4	87.3
2005	81.0	80.2	89.3	80.6	87.7
2006	80.8	80.0	87.8	79.3	87.1
2007	80.2	79.4	88.8	78.1	91.0
2008[1]	79.9	79.3	89.4	78.0	89.6
2009	80.2	79.2	93.7	81.8	89.5
2010	81.2	80.5	93.5	82.6	90.7

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NOTE: As of 2003, estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) include persons who selected that race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Asian data for 2000–2002 are for Asians and Pacific Islanders. As of 2003, Asians constitute a separate category. Data for Asians were not tabulated prior to 2000. Dash indicates data not available.

Table 15. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979	$675	$695	$557	-	$543
1980	660	678	534	-	526
1981	653	669	540	-	513
1982	655	672	531	-	521
1983	651	665	543	-	520
1984	651	671	537	-	517
1985	664	687	535	-	521
1986[1]	681	704	552	-	526
1987	686	705	552	-	523
1988	681	699	556	-	513
1989	677	694	542	-	506
1990[1]	666	685	532	-	491
1991	665	690	543	-	487
1992	670	697	543	-	489
1993	682	706	548	-	492
1994[1]	679	703	539	-	471
1995	680	702	544	-	467
1996	678	700	535	-	469
1997[1]	681	702	541	-	475
1998[1]	698	728	569	-	494
1999[1]	718	749	582	-	503
2000[1]	729	747	600	$778	505
2001	734	751	605	787	514
2002	736	754	603	797	513
2003[1]	735	754	609	821	521
2004	736	758	606	817	526
2005	727	750	580	840	526
2006	725	746	599	848	525
2007	731	753	598	873	529
2008[1]	731	751	596	871	535
2009	751	769	611	894	550
2010	747	765	611	855	535

See footnote at end of table.

Table 15. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979	$510	$515	$473	-	$440
1980	506	511	466	-	433
1981	503	508	474	-	437
1982	518	525	471	-	440
1983	524	528	482	-	447
1984	529	535	481	-	445
1985	535	542	486	-	444
1986[1]	552	558	501	-	457
1987	556	563	506	-	461
1988	558	563	510	-	460
1989	557	567	511	-	457
1990[1]	559	570	498	-	449
1991	571	582	504	-	456
1992	578	589	510	-	460
1993	584	596	517	-	465
1994[1]	580	593	503	-	443
1995	577	589	504	-	433
1996	578	592	501	-	437
1997[1]	583	601	507	-	430
1998[1]	609	625	534	-	450
1999[1]	618	631	535	-	455
2000[1]	624	635	543	$692	463
2001	631	643	559	693	478
2002	640	662	573	685	481
2003[1]	654	672	582	709	486
2004	661	674	582	707	483
2005	653	665	557	742	479
2006	649	658	561	756	476
2007	646	658	560	769	497
2008[1]	646	662	561	762	507
2009	668	680	591	792	517
2010	669	684	592	773	508

See footnote at end of table.

Table 15. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979	$818	$835	$636	-	$613
1980	788	806	615	-	589
1981	782	805	616	-	577
1982	790	813	603	-	584
1983	788	805	611	-	570
1984	782	800	605	-	573
1985	786	807	589	-	571
1986[1]	795	822	605	-	567
1987	796	826	600	-	561
1988	795	823	616	-	545
1989	795	818	591	-	535
1990[1]	777	798	583	-	514
1991	769	789	585	-	504
1992	763	782	578	-	516
1993	758	779	582	-	514
1994[1]	759	795	581	-	499
1995	764	804	584	-	497
1996	770	802	570	-	492
1997[1]	783	805	585	-	502
1998[1]	798	821	625	-	521
1999[1]	808	834	638	-	531
2000[1]	811	838	646	$867	528
2001	825	849	651	901	542
2002	822	850	634	915	546
2003[1]	823	847	658	915	550
2004	822	844	656	925	554
2005	806	829	624	921	546
2006	803	823	639	954	546
2007	805	829	631	984	547
2008[1]	808	835	628	978	566
2009	832	859	631	967	578
2010	824	850	633	936	560

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

NOTE: As of 2003, estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) include persons who selected that race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Asian data for 2000–2002 are for Asians and Pacific Islanders. As of 2003, Asians constitute a separate category. Data for Asians were not tabulated prior to 2000. Dash indicates data not available. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 16. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
BOTH SEXES					
1979	$265	$210	$249	$282	$344
1980	286	222	266	304	376
1981	308	240	286	324	407
1982	327	248	302	351	438
1983	343	256	311	363	461
1984	362	263	323	382	486
1985	379	270	333	399	506
1986[1]	391	278	344	409	525
1987	403	284	356	421	564
1988	414	288	368	430	585
1989	427	297	375	452	609
1990[1]	449	303	386	476	638
1991	467	307	397	489	666
1992	479	311	403	484	696
1993	491	314	415	494	715
1994[1]	500	307	421	499	733
1995	510	309	432	508	747
1996	520	317	443	518	758
1997[1]	540	321	461	535	779
1998[1]	572	337	479	558	821
1999[1]	592	346	490	580	860
2000[1]	609	362	505	596	891
2001	630	382	520	617	921
2002	646	388	535	629	941
2003[1]	662	396	554	639	964
2004	683	401	574	661	986
2005	696	409	583	670	1,013
2006	718	419	595	692	1,039
2007	738	428	604	704	1,072
2008[1]	761	453	618	722	1,115
2009	774	454	626	726	1,137
2010	782	444	626	734	1,144

See footnote at end of table.

Table 16. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
WOMEN					
1979	$195	$152	$185	$211	$264
1980	213	164	201	231	290
1981	233	175	217	255	318
1982	255	184	236	274	346
1983	268	195	246	288	369
1984	283	200	259	305	390
1985	296	202	268	317	414
1986[1]	308	208	277	330	436
1987	321	214	288	347	466
1988	335	221	298	360	485
1989	351	231	304	379	507
1990[1]	369	240	315	395	535
1991	387	250	328	409	562
1992	400	256	337	407	594
1993	415	263	347	422	611
1994[1]	421	257	351	423	634
1995	428	262	356	427	644
1996	444	268	365	442	657
1997[1]	462	275	378	459	672
1998[1]	485	283	396	476	707
1999[1]	497	290	405	488	740
2000[1]	516	304	420	505	756
2001	543	316	443	520	786
2002	568	325	458	543	809
2003[1]	584	329	474	560	832
2004	599	334	488	577	860
2005	612	341	493	587	883
2006	627	358	500	602	905
2007	646	369	512	609	932
2008[1]	670	378	520	628	955
2009	687	382	542	630	970
2010	704	388	543	638	986

See footnote at end of table.

Table 16. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
MEN					
1979	$314	$252	$308	$329	$396
1980	339	267	327	358	427
1981	372	286	356	389	475
1982	393	293	374	411	503
1983	407	301	388	422	518
1984	422	308	399	446	562
1985	443	314	407	472	590
1986[1]	463	321	416	485	618
1987	477	324	423	497	653
1988	487	332	437	503	679
1989	500	346	450	517	705
1990[1]	512	349	459	542	741
1991	523	349	470	563	764
1992	536	351	479	555	791
1993	555	356	487	572	806
1994[1]	576	342	496	587	826
1995	588	347	507	596	845
1996	599	357	516	604	874
1997[1]	615	365	535	621	896
1998[1]	639	383	559	643	939
1999[1]	668	395	580	665	977
2000[1]	693	406	591	691	1,020
2001	720	419	609	723	1,067
2002	732	421	617	731	1,090
2003[1]	744	429	628	740	1,131
2004	762	446	645	761	1,143
2005	771	455	652	766	1,167
2006	797	469	678	796	1,205
2007	823	481	689	810	1,243
2008[1]	857	497	709	830	1,285
2009	873	500	716	835	1,327
2010	874	486	710	845	1,330

See footnote at end of table.

Table 16. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in current dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S					
1979	62.1	60.3	60.1	64.1	66.7
1980	62.8	61.4	61.5	64.5	67.9
1981	62.6	61.2	61.0	65.6	66.9
1982	64.9	62.8	63.1	66.7	68.8
1983	65.8	64.8	63.4	68.2	71.2
1984	67.1	64.9	64.9	68.4	69.4
1985	66.8	64.3	65.8	67.2	70.2
1986[1]	66.5	64.8	66.6	68.0	70.6
1987	67.3	66.0	68.1	69.8	71.4
1988	68.8	66.6	68.2	71.6	71.4
1989	70.2	66.8	67.6	73.3	71.9
1990[1]	72.1	68.8	68.6	72.9	72.2
1991	74.0	71.6	69.8	72.6	73.6
1992	74.6	72.9	70.4	73.3	75.1
1993	74.8	73.9	71.3	73.8	75.8
1994[1]	73.1	75.1	70.8	72.1	76.8
1995	72.8	75.5	70.2	71.6	76.2
1996	74.1	75.1	70.7	73.2	75.2
1997[1]	75.1	75.3	70.7	73.9	75.0
1998[1]	75.9	73.9	70.8	74.0	75.3
1999[1]	74.4	73.4	69.8	73.4	75.7
2000[1]	74.5	74.9	71.1	73.1	74.1
2001	75.4	75.4	72.7	71.9	73.7
2002	77.6	77.2	74.2	74.3	74.2
2003[1]	78.5	76.7	75.5	75.7	73.6
2004	78.6	74.9	75.7	75.8	75.2
2005	79.4	74.9	75.6	76.6	75.7
2006	78.7	76.3	73.7	75.6	75.1
2007	78.5	76.7	74.3	75.2	75.0
2008[1]	78.2	76.1	73.3	75.7	74.3
2009	78.7	76.4	75.7	75.4	73.1
2010	80.5	79.8	76.5	75.5	74.1

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.**

Table 17. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
BOTH SEXES					
1979	$742	$588	$697	$790	$964
1980	720	559	670	766	947
1981	708	552	657	745	936
1982	709	538	655	761	950
1983	713	532	647	755	958
1984	723	525	645	762	970
1985	732	521	643	770	977
1986[1]	742	528	653	776	996
1987	739	521	653	772	1,035
1988	733	510	651	761	1,035
1989	725	504	637	767	1,034
1990[1]	725	489	624	769	1,031
1991	729	479	619	763	1,039
1992	729	473	613	737	1,059
1993	730	467	617	734	1,062
1994[1]	727	446	612	725	1,065
1995	724	439	614	722	1,061
1996	719	438	613	716	1,048
1997[1]	731	434	624	724	1,054
1998[1]	764	450	640	745	1,096
1999[1]	774	452	641	758	1,124
2000[1]	771	458	639	754	1,128
2001	776	470	640	760	1,134
2002	782	470	648	762	1,139
2003[1]	784	469	656	757	1,142
2004	788	463	662	762	1,137
2005	777	456	651	748	1,131
2006	776	453	643	748	1,123
2007	776	450	635	740	1,127
2008[1]	770	459	626	731	1,129
2009	787	461	636	738	1,155
2010	782	444	626	734	1,144

See footnote at end of table.

Table 17. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
WOMEN					
1979	$546	$426	$518	$591	$739
1980	537	413	506	582	730
1981	536	402	499	586	731
1982	553	399	512	594	751
1983	557	405	511	599	767
1984	565	399	517	609	778
1985	571	390	517	612	799
1986[1]	584	395	526	626	827
1987	589	393	528	637	855
1988	593	391	527	637	858
1989	596	392	516	643	861
1990[1]	596	388	509	638	864
1991	604	390	512	638	877
1992	609	390	513	619	904
1993	617	391	516	627	908
1994[1]	612	374	510	615	922
1995	608	372	506	607	915
1996	614	371	505	611	909
1997[1]	625	372	512	621	909
1998[1]	648	378	529	636	944
1999[1]	650	379	529	638	967
2000[1]	653	385	532	639	957
2001	669	389	546	640	968
2002	688	393	554	657	979
2003[1]	692	390	562	664	986
2004	691	385	563	666	992
2005	683	381	550	655	985
2006	678	387	541	651	978
2007	679	388	538	640	980
2008[1]	678	383	526	636	967
2009	698	388	551	640	986
2010	704	388	543	638	986

See footnote at end of table.

Table 17. **Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers 25 years and older, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and educational attainment, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 25 years and older	Less than a high school diploma	High school, no college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree and higher
MEN					
1979	$880	$706	$863	$922	$1,109
1980	854	673	824	902	1,076
1981	855	657	818	894	1,092
1982	852	636	811	892	1,091
1983	846	626	807	877	1,077
1984	842	615	796	890	1,122
1985	855	606	786	911	1,139
1986[1]	879	609	789	920	1,173
1987	875	594	776	912	1,198
1988	862	588	773	890	1,202
1989	849	587	764	878	1,197
1990[1]	827	564	742	876	1,197
1991	816	544	733	878	1,192
1992	816	534	729	845	1,204
1993	825	529	724	850	1,198
1994[1]	837	497	721	853	1,201
1995	835	493	720	847	1,200
1996	828	494	714	835	1,209
1997[1]	832	494	724	840	1,212
1998[1]	853	511	746	858	1,254
1999[1]	873	516	758	869	1,277
2000[1]	877	514	748	875	1,291
2001	887	516	750	890	1,314
2002	886	510	747	885	1,320
2003[1]	882	508	744	877	1,340
2004	879	514	744	878	1,318
2005	860	508	728	855	1,302
2006	862	507	733	861	1,303
2007	865	506	725	852	1,307
2008[1]	867	503	718	840	1,301
2009	887	508	728	849	1,349
2010	874	486	710	845	1,330

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

NOTE: The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 18. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979	$4.44	$3.49	$3.10	$4.02	$5.11	$5.20	$5.29	$5.16	$4.97	$3.23
1980	4.82	3.71	3.22	4.29	5.55	5.66	5.76	5.65	5.39	3.56
1981	5.15	3.97	3.58	4.61	5.99	6.09	6.20	6.01	5.81	3.92
1982	5.40	4.05	3.60	4.66	6.28	6.35	6.61	6.42	6.11	4.12
1983	5.59	4.08	3.61	4.69	6.55	6.50	6.91	6.73	6.41	4.40
1984	5.83	4.18	3.65	4.82	6.84	6.77	7.17	7.08	6.62	4.63
1985	6.03	4.26	3.67	4.94	7.05	6.92	7.49	7.37	6.91	4.74
1986[1]	6.20	4.41	3.71	5.06	7.23	7.01	7.79	7.73	7.17	4.97
1987	6.47	4.59	3.81	5.21	7.46	7.19	7.94	7.86	7.42	5.08
1988	6.73	4.79	4.03	5.38	7.74	7.43	8.17	8.16	7.48	5.23
1989	6.99	4.95	4.22	5.65	7.94	7.64	8.56	8.42	7.82	5.42
1990[1]	7.23	5.16	4.49	5.91	8.16	7.90	8.82	8.79	8.02	5.75
1991	7.50	5.26	4.69	6.00	8.48	8.04	9.17	9.11	8.19	5.94
1992	7.72	5.37	4.73	6.03	8.73	8.17	9.38	9.52	8.48	6.14
1993	7.87	5.51	4.80	6.15	8.95	8.27	9.61	9.86	8.90	6.39
1994[1]	8.01	5.62	4.91	6.22	9.12	8.38	9.92	10.02	9.02	6.39
1995	8.17	5.80	5.04	6.42	9.36	8.71	10.02	10.13	9.20	6.65
1996	8.40	5.94	5.17	6.69	9.62	8.82	10.14	10.24	9.39	6.77
1997[1]	8.75	6.15	5.51	6.91	9.87	9.04	10.36	10.60	9.73	6.89
1998[1]	9.10	6.58	5.88	7.24	10.13	9.65	10.86	10.96	10.08	7.40
1999[1]	9.53	6.87	6.08	7.74	10.47	9.98	11.02	11.33	10.38	7.70
2000[1]	9.91	7.24	6.41	8.07	10.88	10.18	11.35	11.82	10.82	8.05
2001	10.19	7.69	6.76	8.38	11.40	10.67	11.97	12.17	11.37	8.53
2002	10.47	7.81	6.91	8.47	11.83	10.98	12.18	12.46	11.85	9.07
2003[1]	10.85	7.90	6.93	8.66	12.05	11.25	12.46	12.97	12.19	9.19
2004	11.00	7.98	7.00	8.78	12.23	11.37	12.89	13.23	12.58	9.62
2005	11.19	8.07	7.05	8.91	12.48	11.76	13.11	13.48	12.95	9.93
2006	11.76	8.24	7.23	9.16	12.94	11.95	13.49	14.03	13.33	10.15
2007	11.95	8.65	7.57	9.66	13.16	12.05	13.93	14.39	13.71	10.37
2008[1]	12.23	8.87	7.84	9.76	13.81	12.50	14.38	14.87	14.20	10.89
2009	12.44	8.90	7.92	9.77	13.91	12.60	14.59	14.85	14.70	11.49
2010	12.50	8.90	8.00	9.53	13.98	12.53	14.61	14.98	14.89	11.55

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Table 18. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979	$3.62	$3.19	$3.03	$3.52	$3.90	$4.04	$3.97	$3.84	$3.75	$3.12
1980	3.95	3.45	3.14	3.79	4.24	4.44	4.29	4.23	4.08	3.38
1981	4.28	3.71	3.52	4.09	4.69	4.89	4.77	4.59	4.43	3.71
1982	4.61	3.78	3.55	4.19	5.02	5.19	5.08	4.95	4.80	3.93
1983	4.80	3.82	3.55	4.26	5.23	5.44	5.31	5.19	5.07	4.16
1984	4.97	3.93	3.59	4.36	5.48	5.60	5.61	5.51	5.27	4.37
1985	5.13	4.01	3.61	4.56	5.73	5.79	5.91	5.76	5.46	4.43
1986[1]	5.33	4.11	3.65	4.71	5.95	5.95	6.13	5.99	5.75	4.73
1987	5.60	4.22	3.71	4.89	6.16	6.14	6.35	6.28	6.03	4.85
1988	5.84	4.48	3.91	5.05	6.44	6.36	6.76	6.59	6.08	5.12
1989	6.11	4.69	4.10	5.23	6.78	6.68	7.10	6.90	6.38	5.14
1990[1]	6.44	4.95	4.35	5.57	7.07	7.01	7.37	7.16	6.73	5.45
1991	6.75	5.08	4.64	5.71	7.34	7.19	7.73	7.61	6.95	5.76
1992	6.96	5.16	4.69	5.77	7.65	7.45	7.99	7.94	7.20	5.97
1993	7.12	5.27	4.73	5.96	7.87	7.61	8.16	8.18	7.56	6.18
1994[1]	7.25	5.32	4.83	5.98	8.05	7.78	8.44	8.46	7.82	6.24
1995	7.46	5.49	4.94	6.09	8.17	7.92	8.63	8.72	7.93	6.45
1996	7.73	5.68	5.09	6.26	8.43	8.06	8.89	8.94	8.07	6.45
1997[1]	7.94	5.95	5.42	6.55	8.75	8.20	9.14	9.26	8.31	6.83
1998[1]	8.23	6.24	5.78	6.93	9.13	8.80	9.66	9.78	8.85	7.21
1999[1]	8.64	6.60	5.98	7.22	9.53	9.10	9.83	9.95	9.33	7.50
2000[1]	9.06	7.00	6.23	7.80	9.89	9.69	10.03	10.18	9.84	7.87
2001	9.64	7.25	6.61	8.00	10.20	9.94	10.44	10.85	10.39	8.14
2002	9.89	7.45	6.80	8.11	10.71	10.12	10.98	11.18	10.81	8.73
2003[1]	10.08	7.59	6.85	8.19	11.01	10.51	11.17	11.79	11.05	8.84
2004	10.17	7.71	6.86	8.32	11.23	10.62	11.45	11.95	11.57	9.16
2005	10.31	7.80	6.92	8.50	11.58	10.86	11.84	12.13	11.86	9.82
2006	10.65	7.99	7.11	8.82	11.87	11.07	12.05	12.26	12.12	9.97
2007	10.98	8.15	7.41	9.00	12.05	11.21	12.36	12.85	12.23	10.15
2008[1]	11.49	8.43	7.71	9.16	12.48	11.72	12.89	13.16	13.00	10.53
2009	11.76	8.58	7.82	9.19	12.76	11.96	13.00	13.09	13.59	11.11
2010	11.83	8.62	7.91	9.08	12.88	12.04	13.12	13.50	13.68	11.18

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Table 18. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979	$5.65	$3.90	$3.19	$4.64	$6.69	$6.38	$7.12	$7.10	$6.59	$3.56
1980	6.10	4.10	3.37	4.92	7.22	6.93	7.81	7.78	7.24	3.79
1981	6.57	4.31	3.64	5.11	7.78	7.33	8.30	8.49	7.88	4.21
1982	6.85	4.38	3.66	5.12	8.08	7.67	8.89	8.88	8.14	4.46
1983	6.92	4.38	3.67	5.05	8.31	7.74	9.22	9.16	8.74	4.75
1984	7.12	4.57	3.72	5.16	8.60	7.88	9.51	9.69	8.86	4.91
1985	7.33	4.68	3.75	5.23	8.85	8.00	9.80	9.97	9.04	4.99
1986[1]	7.59	4.79	3.82	5.43	9.02	8.03	9.99	10.15	9.54	5.18
1987	7.77	4.91	3.95	5.68	9.16	8.26	10.10	10.24	9.72	5.32
1988	7.91	5.03	4.14	5.79	9.38	8.41	10.22	10.69	9.74	5.52
1989	8.10	5.17	4.39	6.02	9.71	8.56	10.59	10.88	10.00	5.90
1990[1]	8.27	5.44	4.64	6.18	9.84	8.83	10.73	11.13	10.17	6.08
1991	8.59	5.58	4.74	6.23	9.98	8.94	10.98	11.71	10.08	6.22
1992	8.67	5.65	4.80	6.24	10.06	9.02	10.93	12.02	10.39	6.45
1993	8.86	5.75	4.87	6.33	10.18	9.10	11.16	12.15	10.96	6.71
1994[1]	9.00	5.88	4.98	6.56	10.29	9.10	11.50	12.10	11.06	6.64
1995	9.23	6.04	5.14	6.82	10.73	9.46	11.89	12.32	11.11	6.85
1996	9.52	6.17	5.25	6.99	10.78	9.70	11.91	12.40	11.15	7.04
1997[1]	9.83	6.45	5.61	7.18	11.10	9.92	12.07	12.80	11.79	6.96
1998[1]	10.06	6.91	5.98	7.78	11.72	10.22	12.48	13.04	12.22	7.74
1999[1]	10.31	7.12	6.18	8.03	12.00	10.84	12.78	13.68	12.21	7.86
2000[1]	10.81	7.63	6.64	8.39	12.24	10.97	13.14	13.90	12.81	8.31
2001	11.32	8.01	6.90	8.92	12.88	11.58	13.92	14.25	12.95	9.00
2002	11.64	8.05	7.02	8.88	13.05	11.89	13.96	14.40	13.38	9.78
2003[1]	11.89	8.14	7.02	9.00	13.25	12.01	14.13	14.93	14.09	9.79
2004	12.02	8.21	7.15	9.07	13.74	12.03	14.60	15.11	14.54	9.90
2005	12.16	8.42	7.21	9.20	13.91	12.17	14.88	15.13	14.79	10.04
2006	12.68	8.79	7.43	9.75	14.27	12.63	15.06	16.04	15.04	10.72
2007	12.95	9.13	7.77	9.96	14.75	12.83	15.17	16.15	15.45	11.01
2008[1]	13.46	9.24	7.98	10.00	15.03	13.47	16.02	16.82	15.90	11.50
2009	13.76	9.22	8.05	9.99	15.07	13.20	16.10	16.99	16.09	12.00
2010	13.76	9.21	8.09	9.90	15.04	13.10	15.83	16.89	16.45	11.92

See footnote at end of table.

Table 18. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S										
1979	64.1	81.8	95.0	75.9	58.3	63.3	55.8	54.1	56.9	87.6
1980	64.8	84.1	93.2	77.0	58.7	64.1	54.9	54.4	56.4	89.2
1981	65.1	86.1	96.7	80.0	60.3	66.7	57.5	54.1	56.2	88.1
1982	67.3	86.3	97.0	81.8	62.1	67.7	57.1	55.7	59.0	88.1
1983	69.4	87.2	96.7	84.4	62.9	70.3	57.6	56.7	58.0	87.6
1984	69.8	86.0	96.5	84.5	63.7	71.1	59.0	56.9	59.5	89.0
1985	70.0	85.7	96.3	87.2	64.7	72.4	60.3	57.8	60.4	88.8
1986[1]	70.2	85.8	95.5	86.7	66.0	74.1	61.4	59.0	60.3	91.3
1987	72.1	85.9	93.9	86.1	67.2	74.3	62.9	61.3	62.0	91.2
1988	73.8	89.1	94.4	87.2	68.7	75.6	66.1	61.6	62.4	92.8
1989	75.4	90.7	93.4	86.9	69.8	78.0	67.0	63.4	63.8	87.1
1990[1]	77.9	91.0	93.8	90.1	71.8	79.4	68.7	64.3	66.2	89.6
1991	78.6	91.0	97.9	91.7	73.5	80.4	70.4	65.0	68.9	92.6
1992	80.3	91.3	97.7	92.5	76.0	82.6	73.1	66.1	69.3	92.6
1993	80.4	91.7	97.1	94.2	77.3	83.6	73.1	67.3	69.0	92.1
1994[1]	80.6	90.5	97.0	91.2	78.2	85.5	73.4	69.9	70.7	94.0
1995	80.8	90.9	96.1	89.3	76.1	83.7	72.6	70.8	71.4	94.2
1996	81.2	92.1	97.0	89.6	78.2	83.1	74.6	72.1	72.4	91.6
1997[1]	80.8	92.2	96.6	91.2	78.8	82.7	75.7	72.3	70.5	98.1
1998[1]	81.8	90.3	96.7	89.1	77.9	86.1	77.4	75.0	72.4	93.2
1999[1]	83.8	92.7	96.8	89.9	79.4	83.9	76.9	72.7	76.4	95.4
2000[1]	83.8	91.7	93.8	93.0	80.8	88.3	76.3	73.2	76.8	94.7
2001	85.2	90.5	95.8	89.7	79.2	85.8	75.0	76.1	80.2	90.4
2002	85.0	92.5	96.9	91.3	82.1	85.1	78.7	77.6	80.8	89.3
2003[1]	84.8	93.2	97.6	91.0	83.1	87.5	79.1	79.0	78.4	90.3
2004	84.6	93.9	95.9	91.7	81.7	88.3	78.4	79.1	79.6	92.5
2005	84.8	92.6	96.0	92.4	83.2	89.2	79.6	80.2	80.2	97.8
2006	84.0	90.9	95.7	90.5	83.2	87.6	80.0	76.4	80.6	93.0
2007	84.8	89.3	95.4	90.4	81.7	87.4	81.5	79.6	79.2	92.2
2008[1]	85.4	91.2	96.6	91.6	83.0	87.0	80.5	78.2	81.8	91.6
2009	85.5	93.1	97.1	92.0	84.7	90.6	80.7	77.0	84.5	92.6
2010	86.0	93.6	97.8	91.7	85.6	91.9	82.9	79.9	83.2	93.8

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

Table 19. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
BOTH SEXES										
1979	$12.44	$9.78	$8.68	$11.26	$14.31	$14.57	$14.82	$14.45	$13.92	$9.05
1980	12.14	9.35	8.11	10.81	13.98	14.26	14.51	14.23	13.58	8.97
1981	11.84	9.13	8.23	10.60	13.77	14.00	14.25	13.82	13.36	9.01
1982	11.71	8.79	7.81	10.11	13.62	13.77	14.34	13.93	13.25	8.94
1983	11.62	8.48	7.51	9.75	13.62	13.51	14.37	13.99	13.33	9.15
1984	11.64	8.34	7.29	9.62	13.65	13.51	14.31	14.13	13.21	9.24
1985	11.64	8.22	7.08	9.54	13.61	13.36	14.46	14.23	13.34	9.15
1986[1]	11.76	8.37	7.04	9.60	13.72	13.30	14.78	14.67	13.61	9.43
1987	11.87	8.42	6.99	9.56	13.69	13.19	14.57	14.42	13.61	9.32
1988	11.91	8.48	7.13	9.52	13.70	13.15	14.46	14.44	13.24	9.26
1989	11.87	8.40	7.16	9.59	13.48	12.97	14.53	14.30	13.28	9.20
1990[1]	11.68	8.34	7.25	9.55	13.18	12.76	14.25	14.20	12.96	9.29
1991	11.70	8.21	7.32	9.36	13.23	12.54	14.31	14.21	12.78	9.27
1992	11.75	8.17	7.20	9.18	13.29	12.44	14.28	14.49	12.91	9.35
1993	11.69	8.19	7.13	9.14	13.30	12.29	14.28	14.65	13.22	9.49
1994[1]	11.64	8.17	7.14	9.04	13.26	12.18	14.42	14.56	13.11	9.29
1995	11.61	8.24	7.16	9.12	13.30	12.37	14.23	14.39	13.07	9.45
1996	11.62	8.22	7.15	9.25	13.31	12.20	14.02	14.16	12.99	9.36
1997[1]	11.84	8.32	7.46	9.35	13.36	12.23	14.02	14.34	13.17	9.32
1998[1]	12.15	8.79	7.85	9.67	13.52	12.88	14.50	14.63	13.46	9.88
1999[1]	12.46	8.98	7.95	10.12	13.69	13.05	14.41	14.81	13.57	10.07
2000[1]	12.54	9.16	8.11	10.22	13.77	12.89	14.37	14.96	13.70	10.19
2001	12.55	9.47	8.33	10.32	14.04	13.14	14.74	14.99	14.00	10.50
2002	12.68	9.46	8.37	10.25	14.32	13.29	14.75	15.08	14.35	10.98
2003[1]	12.86	9.36	8.21	10.26	14.28	13.33	14.76	15.37	14.44	10.89
2004	12.69	9.20	8.07	10.13	14.11	13.11	14.87	15.26	14.51	11.10
2005	12.49	9.01	7.87	9.94	13.93	13.13	14.63	15.04	14.45	11.08
2006	12.71	8.91	7.82	9.90	13.99	12.92	14.58	15.17	14.41	10.97
2007	12.57	9.10	7.96	10.16	13.84	12.67	14.65	15.13	14.42	10.90
2008[1]	12.38	8.98	7.94	9.88	13.98	12.65	14.55	15.05	14.37	11.02
2009	12.64	9.04	8.05	9.93	14.14	12.80	14.83	15.09	14.94	11.68
2010	12.50	8.90	8.00	9.53	13.98	12.53	14.61	14.98	14.89	11.55

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Table 19. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
WOMEN										
1979	$10.14	$8.94	$8.49	$9.86	$10.92	$11.32	$11.12	$10.76	$10.50	$8.74
1980	9.95	8.69	7.91	9.55	10.68	11.18	10.81	10.65	10.28	8.51
1981	9.84	8.53	8.09	9.40	10.78	11.24	10.97	10.55	10.18	8.53
1982	10.00	8.20	7.70	9.09	10.89	11.26	11.02	10.74	10.41	8.52
1983	9.98	7.94	7.38	8.86	10.87	11.31	11.04	10.79	10.54	8.65
1984	9.92	7.84	7.17	8.70	10.94	11.18	11.20	11.00	10.52	8.72
1985	9.90	7.74	6.97	8.80	11.06	11.18	11.41	11.12	10.54	8.55
1986[1]	10.11	7.80	6.93	8.94	11.29	11.29	11.63	11.37	10.91	8.98
1987	10.28	7.74	6.81	8.97	11.30	11.27	11.65	11.52	11.06	8.90
1988	10.34	7.93	6.92	8.94	11.40	11.26	11.96	11.66	10.76	9.06
1989	10.37	7.96	6.96	8.88	11.51	11.34	12.05	11.71	10.83	8.73
1990[1]	10.40	8.00	7.03	9.00	11.42	11.32	11.91	11.57	10.87	8.80
1991	10.53	7.93	7.24	8.91	11.45	11.22	12.06	11.87	10.84	8.99
1992	10.59	7.85	7.14	8.78	11.64	11.34	12.16	12.09	10.96	9.09
1993	10.58	7.83	7.03	8.86	11.69	11.31	12.12	12.15	11.23	9.18
1994[1]	10.54	7.73	7.02	8.69	11.70	11.31	12.27	12.30	11.37	9.07
1995	10.60	7.80	7.02	8.65	11.61	11.25	12.26	12.39	11.26	9.16
1996	10.69	7.86	7.04	8.66	11.66	11.15	12.30	12.37	11.16	8.92
1997[1]	10.74	8.05	7.33	8.86	11.84	11.10	12.37	12.53	11.24	9.24
1998[1]	10.99	8.33	7.72	9.25	12.19	11.75	12.90	13.06	11.82	9.63
1999[1]	11.29	8.63	7.82	9.44	12.46	11.90	12.85	13.01	12.20	9.80
2000[1]	11.47	8.86	7.89	9.87	12.52	12.27	12.70	12.89	12.46	9.96
2001	11.87	8.93	8.14	9.85	12.56	12.24	12.86	13.36	12.80	10.02
2002	11.97	9.02	8.23	9.82	12.97	12.25	13.29	13.54	13.09	10.57
2003[1]	11.94	8.99	8.12	9.70	13.05	12.45	13.23	13.97	13.09	10.47
2004	11.73	8.89	7.91	9.60	12.95	12.25	13.21	13.78	13.34	10.57
2005	11.51	8.71	7.72	9.49	12.92	12.12	13.21	13.54	13.24	10.96
2006	11.51	8.64	7.69	9.54	12.83	11.97	13.03	13.25	13.10	10.78
2007	11.55	8.57	7.79	9.46	12.67	11.79	13.00	13.51	12.86	10.67
2008[1]	11.63	8.53	7.80	9.27	12.63	11.86	13.05	13.32	13.16	10.66
2009	11.95	8.72	7.95	9.34	12.97	12.15	13.21	13.30	13.81	11.29
2010	11.83	8.62	7.91	9.08	12.88	12.04	13.12	13.50	13.68	11.18

See footnote at end of table.

Table 19. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex and age, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	16 to 24 years			25 years and older					
		Total	16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	Total	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and older
MEN										
1979	$15.83	$10.92	$8.94	$13.00	$18.74	$17.87	$19.94	$19.89	$18.46	$9.97
1980	15.37	10.33	8.49	12.39	18.19	17.46	19.67	19.60	18.24	9.55
1981	15.10	9.91	8.37	11.75	17.89	16.85	19.08	19.52	18.11	9.68
1982	14.86	9.50	7.94	11.11	17.53	16.64	19.28	19.26	17.66	9.67
1983	14.39	9.11	7.63	10.50	17.28	16.09	19.17	19.04	18.17	9.88
1984	14.21	9.12	7.43	10.30	17.17	15.73	18.98	19.34	17.68	9.80
1985	14.15	9.03	7.24	10.10	17.08	15.44	18.92	19.25	17.45	9.63
1986[1]	14.40	9.09	7.25	10.30	17.12	15.24	18.96	19.26	18.10	9.83
1987	14.26	9.01	7.25	10.42	16.81	15.16	18.53	18.79	17.83	9.76
1988	14.00	8.90	7.33	10.25	16.60	14.88	18.09	18.92	17.24	9.77
1989	13.75	8.78	7.45	10.22	16.49	14.53	17.98	18.47	16.98	10.02
1990[1]	13.36	8.79	7.50	9.98	15.90	14.26	17.33	17.98	16.43	9.82
1991	13.40	8.71	7.39	9.72	15.57	13.95	17.13	18.27	15.73	9.70
1992	13.20	8.60	7.31	9.50	15.31	13.73	16.64	18.30	15.81	9.82
1993	13.16	8.54	7.24	9.41	15.13	13.52	16.58	18.05	16.29	9.97
1994[1]	13.08	8.55	7.24	9.53	14.96	13.23	16.72	17.59	16.08	9.65
1995	13.11	8.58	7.30	9.69	15.24	13.44	16.89	17.50	15.78	9.73
1996	13.17	8.53	7.26	9.67	14.91	13.42	16.47	17.15	15.42	9.74
1997[1]	13.30	8.73	7.59	9.72	15.02	13.42	16.33	17.32	15.95	9.42
1998[1]	13.43	9.23	7.98	10.39	15.65	13.64	16.66	17.41	16.32	10.33
1999[1]	13.48	9.31	8.08	10.50	15.69	14.17	16.71	17.88	15.96	10.27
2000[1]	13.68	9.66	8.41	10.62	15.49	13.89	16.63	17.59	16.22	10.52
2001	13.94	9.86	8.50	10.99	15.86	14.26	17.14	17.55	15.95	11.08
2002	14.09	9.75	8.50	10.75	15.80	14.39	16.90	17.43	16.20	11.84
2003[1]	14.09	9.64	8.32	10.66	15.70	14.23	16.74	17.69	16.69	11.60
2004	13.86	9.47	8.25	10.46	15.85	13.88	16.84	17.43	16.77	11.42
2005	13.57	9.40	8.05	10.27	15.52	13.58	16.61	16.89	16.51	11.21
2006	13.71	9.50	8.03	10.54	15.43	13.65	16.28	17.34	16.26	11.59
2007	13.62	9.60	8.17	10.47	15.51	13.49	15.95	16.98	16.25	11.58
2008[1]	13.62	9.35	8.08	10.12	15.21	13.63	16.21	17.02	16.09	11.64
2009	13.98	9.37	8.18	10.15	15.32	13.41	16.36	17.27	16.35	12.20
2010	13.76	9.21	8.09	9.90	15.04	13.10	15.83	16.89	16.45	11.92

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

NOTE: The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 20. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979	$4.44	$4.51	$4.11	-	$4.08
1980	4.82	4.88	4.44	-	4.44
1981	5.15	5.18	4.90	-	4.81
1982	5.40	5.47	5.06	-	5.01
1983	5.59	5.66	5.15	-	5.09
1984	5.83	5.90	5.36	-	5.27
1985	6.03	6.10	5.50	-	5.47
1986[1]	6.20	6.28	5.80	-	5.65
1987	6.47	6.56	5.99	-	5.82
1988	6.73	6.81	6.15	-	5.95
1989	6.99	7.08	6.43	-	6.07
1990[1]	7.23	7.33	6.81	-	6.28
1991	7.50	7.61	7.00	-	6.46
1992	7.72	7.82	7.06	-	6.65
1993	7.87	7.97	7.18	-	6.83
1994[1]	8.01	8.11	7.29	-	6.93
1995	8.17	8.32	7.66	-	7.00
1996	8.40	8.57	7.76	-	7.17
1997[1]	8.75	8.88	8.01	-	7.39
1998[1]	9.10	9.22	8.39	-	7.92
1999[1]	9.53	9.74	8.85	-	8.07
2000[1]	9.91	9.96	9.34	$10.07	8.54
2001	10.19	10.26	9.78	10.75	9.06
2002	10.47	10.71	9.93	10.36	9.22
2003[1]	10.85	10.97	10.15	11.12	9.76
2004	11.00	11.13	10.19	11.10	9.81
2005	11.19	11.48	10.17	12.01	9.95
2006	11.76	11.86	10.66	12.53	10.12
2007	11.95	12.08	10.89	12.22	10.24
2008[1]	12.23	12.54	11.20	13.01	10.97
2009	12.44	12.66	11.64	13.16	11.04
2010	12.50	12.74	11.77	13.22	10.88

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979	$3.62	$3.62	$3.55	-	$3.44
1980	3.95	3.96	3.88	-	3.78
1981	4.28	4.28	4.19	-	4.10
1982	4.61	4.61	4.49	-	4.33
1983	4.80	4.81	4.72	-	4.42
1984	4.97	4.98	4.87	-	4.65
1985	5.13	5.14	5.04	-	4.82
1986[1]	5.33	5.35	5.17	-	5.00
1987	5.60	5.62	5.40	-	5.11
1988	5.84	5.86	5.61	-	5.28
1989	6.11	6.13	5.88	-	5.53
1990[1]	6.44	6.46	6.23	-	5.80
1991	6.75	6.76	6.55	-	5.98
1992	6.96	6.99	6.64	-	6.17
1993	7.12	7.16	6.87	-	6.31
1994[1]	7.25	7.34	6.93	-	6.40
1995	7.46	7.54	7.12	-	6.60
1996	7.73	7.79	7.20	-	6.77
1997[1]	7.94	8.00	7.59	-	6.82
1998[1]	8.23	8.33	7.90	-	7.22
1999[1]	8.64	8.73	8.13	-	7.46
2000[1]	9.06	9.09	8.86	$9.77	7.89
2001	9.64	9.73	9.15	10.07	8.28
2002	9.89	9.94	9.45	10.10	8.54
2003[1]	10.08	10.11	9.91	10.68	8.88
2004	10.17	10.21	9.93	10.57	9.04
2005	10.31	10.50	9.93	11.64	9.18
2006	10.65	10.77	10.11	11.95	9.50
2007	10.98	11.06	10.45	11.83	9.80
2008[1]	11.49	11.70	10.78	12.25	10.07
2009	11.76	11.83	11.01	12.67	10.09
2010	11.83	11.88	11.20	12.41	10.11

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979	$5.65	$5.79	$4.89	-	$4.79
1980	6.10	6.23	5.18	-	5.03
1981	6.57	6.71	5.81	-	5.37
1982	6.85	6.98	5.97	-	5.73
1983	6.92	7.07	5.96	-	5.81
1984	7.12	7.26	6.16	-	6.04
1985	7.33	7.58	6.15	-	6.07
1986[1]	7.59	7.78	6.57	-	6.19
1987	7.77	7.93	6.74	-	6.37
1988	7.91	8.06	6.94	-	6.51
1989	8.10	8.28	7.07	-	6.66
1990[1]	8.27	8.55	7.37	-	6.74
1991	8.59	8.82	7.57	-	6.88
1992	8.67	8.89	7.62	-	6.99
1993	8.86	9.07	7.67	-	7.12
1994[1]	9.00	9.21	7.92	-	7.17
1995	9.23	9.62	8.16	-	7.26
1996	9.52	9.79	8.18	-	7.62
1997[1]	9.83	9.96	8.67	-	7.90
1998[1]	10.06	10.18	9.09	-	8.24
1999[1]	10.31	10.61	9.77	-	8.61
2000[1]	10.81	10.95	9.98	$10.79	9.04
2001	11.32	11.61	10.18	11.84	9.67
2002	11.64	11.86	10.24	11.02	9.92
2003[1]	11.89	12.03	10.81	11.89	10.03
2004	12.02	12.16	10.88	11.90	10.02
2005	12.16	12.47	10.90	12.75	10.19
2006	12.68	12.88	11.42	13.18	10.84
2007	12.95	13.22	11.57	13.22	11.07
2008[1]	13.46	13.85	11.99	14.03	11.83
2009	13.76	13.95	12.27	14.01	11.92
2010	13.76	13.97	12.16	14.11	11.73

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in current dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN'S EARNINGS AS PERCENT OF MEN'S					
1979	64.1	62.5	72.6	-	71.8
1980	64.8	63.6	74.9	-	75.1
1981	65.1	63.8	72.1	-	76.4
1982	67.3	66.0	75.2	-	75.6
1983	69.4	68.0	79.2	-	76.1
1984	69.8	68.6	79.1	-	77.0
1985	70.0	67.8	82.0	-	79.4
1986[1]	70.2	68.8	78.7	-	80.8
1987	72.1	70.9	80.1	-	80.2
1988	73.8	72.7	80.8	-	81.1
1989	75.4	74.0	83.2	-	83.0
1990[1]	77.9	75.6	84.5	-	86.1
1991	78.6	76.6	86.5	-	86.9
1992	80.3	78.6	87.1	-	88.3
1993	80.4	78.9	89.6	-	88.6
1994[1]	80.6	79.7	87.5	-	89.3
1995	80.8	78.4	87.3	-	90.9
1996	81.2	79.6	88.0	-	88.8
1997[1]	80.8	80.3	87.5	-	86.3
1998[1]	81.8	81.8	86.9	-	87.6
1999[1]	83.8	82.3	83.2	-	86.6
2000[1]	83.8	83.0	88.8	90.5	87.3
2001	85.2	83.8	89.9	85.1	85.6
2002	85.0	83.8	92.3	91.7	86.1
2003[1]	84.8	84.0	91.7	89.8	88.5
2004	84.6	84.0	91.3	88.8	90.2
2005	84.8	84.2	91.1	91.3	90.1
2006	84.0	83.6	88.5	90.7	87.6
2007	84.8	83.7	90.3	89.5	88.5
2008[1]	85.4	84.5	89.9	87.3	85.1
2009	85.5	84.8	89.7	90.4	84.6
2010	86.0	85.0	92.1	88.0	86.2

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

NOTE: As of 2003, estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) include persons who selected that race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Asian data for 2000–2002 are for Asians and Pacific Islanders. As of 2003, Asians constitute a separate category. Data for Asians were not tabulated prior to 2000. Dash indicates data not available.

Table 21. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
BOTH SEXES					
1979	$12.44	$12.63	$11.51	-	$11.43
1980	12.14	12.29	11.18	-	11.18
1981	11.84	11.91	11.26	-	11.06
1982	11.71	11.87	10.98	-	10.87
1983	11.62	11.77	10.71	-	10.58
1984	11.64	11.78	10.70	-	10.52
1985	11.64	11.78	10.62	-	10.56
1986[1]	11.76	11.92	11.01	-	10.72
1987	11.87	12.04	10.99	-	10.68
1988	11.91	12.05	10.88	-	10.53
1989	11.87	12.02	10.92	-	10.31
1990[1]	11.68	11.84	11.00	-	10.15
1991	11.70	11.87	10.92	-	10.08
1992	11.75	11.90	10.75	-	10.12
1993	11.69	11.84	10.67	-	10.15
1994[1]	11.64	11.79	10.60	-	10.07
1995	11.61	11.82	10.88	-	9.94
1996	11.62	11.85	10.73	-	9.92
1997[1]	11.84	12.02	10.84	-	10.00
1998[1]	12.15	12.31	11.20	-	10.57
1999[1]	12.46	12.73	11.57	-	10.55
2000[1]	12.54	12.61	11.82	$12.75	10.81
2001	12.55	12.64	12.04	13.24	11.16
2002	12.68	12.97	12.02	12.54	11.16
2003[1]	12.86	13.00	12.03	13.18	11.56
2004	12.69	12.84	11.75	12.80	11.31
2005	12.49	12.81	11.35	13.40	11.10
2006	12.71	12.82	11.52	13.55	10.94
2007	12.57	12.70	11.45	12.85	10.77
2008[1]	12.38	12.69	11.34	13.17	11.10
2009	12.64	12.87	11.83	13.37	11.22
2010	12.50	12.74	11.77	13.22	10.88

See footnote at end of table.

Table 21. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
WOMEN					
1979	$10.14	$10.14	$9.94	-	$9.64
1980	9.95	9.97	9.77	-	9.52
1981	9.84	9.84	9.63	-	9.43
1982	10.00	10.00	9.74	-	9.39
1983	9.98	10.00	9.81	-	9.19
1984	9.92	9.94	9.72	-	9.28
1985	9.90	9.92	9.73	-	9.31
1986[1]	10.11	10.15	9.81	-	9.49
1987	10.28	10.31	9.91	-	9.38
1988	10.34	10.37	9.93	-	9.35
1989	10.37	10.41	9.98	-	9.39
1990[1]	10.40	10.44	10.06	-	9.37
1991	10.53	10.55	10.22	-	9.33
1992	10.59	10.64	10.11	-	9.39
1993	10.58	10.64	10.21	-	9.38
1994[1]	10.54	10.67	10.07	-	9.30
1995	10.60	10.71	10.11	-	9.38
1996	10.69	10.77	9.96	-	9.36
1997[1]	10.74	10.83	10.27	-	9.23
1998[1]	10.99	11.12	10.55	-	9.64
1999[1]	11.29	11.41	10.63	-	9.75
2000[1]	11.47	11.51	11.22	$12.37	9.99
2001	11.87	11.98	11.27	12.40	10.20
2002	11.97	12.03	11.44	12.23	10.34
2003[1]	11.94	11.98	11.74	12.65	10.52
2004	11.73	11.78	11.45	12.19	10.43
2005	11.51	11.72	11.08	12.99	10.25
2006	11.51	11.64	10.93	12.92	10.27
2007	11.55	11.63	10.99	12.44	10.30
2008[1]	11.63	11.84	10.91	12.40	10.19
2009	11.95	12.02	11.19	12.88	10.25
2010	11.83	11.88	11.20	12.41	10.11

See footnote at end of table.

Table 21. **Median hourly earnings of wage and salary workers paid hourly rates, in constant (2010) dollars, by sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

Year and sex	Total, 16 years and older	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino
MEN					
1979	$15.83	$16.22	$13.70	-	$13.42
1980	15.37	15.69	13.05	-	12.67
1981	15.10	15.43	13.36	-	12.34
1982	14.86	15.14	12.95	-	12.43
1983	14.39	14.70	12.39	-	12.08
1984	14.21	14.49	12.30	-	12.06
1985	14.15	14.63	11.87	-	11.72
1986[1]	14.40	14.76	12.47	-	11.75
1987	14.26	14.55	12.37	-	11.69
1988	14.00	14.27	12.28	-	11.52
1989	13.75	14.06	12.00	-	11.31
1990[1]	13.36	13.81	11.91	-	10.89
1991	13.40	13.76	11.81	-	10.73
1992	13.20	13.53	11.60	-	10.64
1993	13.16	13.48	11.40	-	10.58
1994[1]	13.08	13.39	11.51	-	10.42
1995	13.11	13.66	11.59	-	10.31
1996	13.17	13.54	11.31	-	10.54
1997[1]	13.30	13.48	11.73	-	10.69
1998[1]	13.43	13.59	12.14	-	11.00
1999[1]	13.48	13.87	12.77	-	11.25
2000[1]	13.68	13.86	12.63	$13.66	11.44
2001	13.94	14.30	12.54	14.58	11.91
2002	14.09	14.36	12.40	13.34	12.01
2003[1]	14.09	14.25	12.81	14.09	11.88
2004	13.86	14.03	12.55	13.73	11.56
2005	13.57	13.92	12.17	14.23	11.37
2006	13.71	13.92	12.35	14.25	11.72
2007	13.62	13.90	12.17	13.90	11.64
2008[1]	13.62	14.02	12.14	14.20	11.97
2009	13.98	14.18	12.47	14.24	12.11
2010	13.76	13.97	12.16	14.11	11.73

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

NOTE: As of 2003, estimates for the race groups listed (White, Black or African American, and Asian) include persons who selected that race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Asian data for 2000–2002 are for Asians and Pacific Islanders. As of 2003, Asians constitute a separate category. Data for Asians were not tabulated prior to 2000. Dash indicates data not available. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. (See Technical Note.)

Table 22. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2010 annual averages**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year and sex	Total wage and salary workers	Workers paid hourly rates					
		Total	Percent of total wage and salary workers	Below prevailing federal minimum wage	At prevailing federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing federal minimum wage	
						Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
BOTH SEXES							
1979	87,529	51,721	59.1	2,916	3,997	6,912	13.4
1980	87,644	51,335	58.6	3,087	4,686	7,773	15.1
1981	88,516	51,869	58.6	3,513	4,311	7,824	15.1
1982	87,368	50,846	58.2	2,348	4,148	6,496	12.8
1983	88,290	51,820	58.7	2,077	4,261	6,338	12.2
1984	92,194	54,143	58.7	1,838	4,125	5,963	11.0
1985	94,521	55,762	59.0	1,639	3,899	5,538	9.9
1986[1]	96,903	57,529	59.4	1,599	3,461	5,060	8.8
1987	99,303	59,552	60.0	1,468	3,229	4,698	7.9
1988	101,407	60,878	60.0	1,319	2,608	3,927	6.5
1989	103,480	62,389	60.3	1,372	1,790	3,162	5.1
1990[1]	104,876	63,172	60.2	[2]2,132	[2]1,096	[2]3,228	[2]5.1
1991	103,723	62,627	60.4	[2]2,377	[2]2,906	[2]5,283	[2]8.4
1992	104,668	63,610	60.8	1,939	2,982	4,921	7.7
1993	106,101	64,274	60.6	1,707	2,625	4,332	6.7
1994[1]	107,989	66,549	61.6	1,995	2,132	4,128	6.2
1995	110,038	68,354	62.1	1,699	1,956	3,656	5.3
1996	111,960	69,255	61.9	[2]1,863	[2]1,861	[2]3,724	[2]5.4
1997[1]	114,533	70,735	61.8	[2]2,990	[2]1,764	[2]4,754	[2]6.7
1998[1]	116,730	71,440	61.2	2,834	1,593	4,427	6.2
1999[1]	118,963	72,306	60.8	2,194	1,146	3,340	4.6
2000[1]	122,089	73,496	60.2	1,752	898	2,650	3.6
2001	122,229	73,392	60.0	1,518	656	2,174	3.0
2002	121,826	72,508	59.5	1,579	567	2,146	3.0
2003[1]	122,358	72,946	59.6	1,555	545	2,100	2.9
2004	123,554	73,939	59.8	1,483	520	2,003	2.7
2005	125,889	75,609	60.1	1,403	479	1,882	2.5
2006	128,237	76,514	59.7	1,283	409	1,692	2.2
2007	129,767	75,873	58.5	[2]1,462	[2]267	[2]1,729	[2]2.3
2008[1]	129,377	75,305	58.2	[2]1,940	[2]286	[2]2,226	[2]3.0
2009	124,490	72,611	58.3	[2]2,592	[2]980	[2]3,572	[2]4.9
2010	124,073	72,902	58.8	2,541	1,820	4,361	6.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 22. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year and sex	Total wage and salary workers	Workers paid hourly rates					
		Total	Percent of total wage and salary workers	Below prevailing federal minimum wage	At prevailing federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing federal minimum wage	
						Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
WOMEN							
1979	38,129	23,329	61.2	2,070	2,644	4,714	20.2
1980	38,944	23,626	60.7	2,104	2,990	5,095	21.6
1981	39,672	24,294	61.2	2,394	2,778	5,172	21.3
1982	39,777	24,365	61.3	1,651	2,561	4,212	17.3
1983	40,433	24,989	61.8	1,492	2,603	4,095	16.4
1984	42,172	26,003	61.7	1,348	2,499	3,847	14.8
1985	43,506	26,869	61.8	1,198	2,356	3,554	13.2
1986[1]	44,961	27,863	62.0	1,192	2,125	3,317	11.9
1987	46,365	29,078	62.7	1,105	1,946	3,051	10.5
1988	47,495	29,820	62.8	1,008	1,542	2,550	8.6
1989	48,691	30,702	63.1	994	1,056	2,050	6.7
1990[1]	49,323	31,069	63.0	[2]1,420	[2]711	[2]2,131	[2]6.9
1991	49,105	30,988	63.1	[2]1,582	[2]1,792	[2]3,374	[2]10.9
1992	49,842	31,454	63.1	1,286	1,751	3,036	9.7
1993	50,626	31,937	63.1	1,133	1,534	2,667	8.4
1994[1]	51,419	33,021	64.2	1,322	1,241	2,563	7.8
1995	52,369	33,934	64.8	1,157	1,161	2,318	6.8
1996	53,488	34,418	64.3	[2]1,244	[2]1,106	[2]2,350	[2]6.8
1997[1]	54,708	35,214	64.4	[2]1,843	[2]1,092	[2]2,935	[2]8.3
1998[1]	55,757	35,680	64.0	1,794	965	2,760	7.7
1999[1]	57,050	36,233	63.5	1,426	700	2,126	5.9
2000[1]	58,427	36,777	62.9	1,170	579	1,749	4.8
2001	58,582	36,848	62.9	1,021	409	1,430	3.9
2002	58,555	36,508	62.3	997	350	1,347	3.7
2003[1]	59,122	37,093	62.7	1,062	332	1,394	3.8
2004	59,408	37,133	62.5	1,013	310	1,323	3.6
2005	60,423	37,957	62.8	944	290	1,234	3.3
2006	61,426	38,321	62.4	861	263	1,124	2.9
2007	62,299	38,082	61.1	[2]1,002	[2]181	[2]1,183	[2]3.1
2008[1]	62,532	37,972	60.7	[2]1,302	[2]196	[2]1,498	[2]3.9
2009	60,951	37,426	61.4	[2]1,603	[2]612	[2]2,215	[2]5.9
2010	60,542	37,404	61.8	1,598	1,151	2,749	7.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 22. **Wage and salary workers paid hourly rates with earnings at or below the prevailing federal minimum wage, by sex, 1979–2010 annual averages—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year and sex	Total wage and salary workers	Workers paid hourly rates					
		Total	Percent of total wage and salary workers	Below prevailing federal minimum wage	At prevailing federal minimum wage	Total at or below prevailing federal minimum wage	
						Number	Percent of workers paid hourly rates
MEN							
1979	49,400	28,392	57.5	846	1,353	2,199	7.7
1980	48,700	27,709	56.9	983	1,696	2,678	9.7
1981	48,844	27,576	56.5	1,119	1,533	2,652	9.6
1982	47,591	26,481	55.6	697	1,587	2,284	8.6
1983	47,856	26,831	56.1	585	1,658	2,243	8.4
1984	50,022	28,140	56.3	490	1,626	2,116	7.5
1985	51,015	28,893	56.6	440	1,544	1,984	6.9
1986[1]	51,942	29,666	57.1	408	1,336	1,743	5.9
1987	52,938	30,474	57.6	364	1,283	1,647	5.4
1988	53,912	31,058	57.6	311	1,066	1,377	4.4
1989	54,789	31,687	57.8	379	733	1,112	3.5
1990[1]	55,553	32,104	57.8	[2]712	[2]385	[2]1,097	[2]3.4
1991	54,618	31,639	57.9	[2]795	[2]1,114	[2]1,909	[2]6.0
1992	54,826	32,155	58.6	653	1,231	1,885	5.9
1993	55,475	32,337	58.3	573	1,091	1,664	5.1
1994[1]	56,570	33,528	59.3	674	891	1,565	4.7
1995	57,669	34,420	59.7	542	796	1,338	3.9
1996	58,473	34,838	59.6	[2]619	[2]755	[2]1,374	[2]3.9
1997[1]	59,825	35,521	59.4	[2]1,147	[2]673	[2]1,820	[2]5.1
1998[1]	60,973	35,761	58.7	1,039	628	1,667	4.7
1999[1]	61,914	36,073	58.3	768	446	1,214	3.4
2000[1]	63,662	36,720	57.7	582	319	901	2.5
2001	63,647	36,544	57.4	497	247	744	2.0
2002	63,272	36,000	56.9	582	217	799	2.2
2003[1]	63,236	35,853	56.7	493	213	706	2.0
2004	64,145	36,806	57.4	470	210	680	1.8
2005	65,466	37,652	57.5	459	189	648	1.7
2006	66,811	38,193	57.2	422	146	568	1.5
2007	67,468	37,790	56.0	[2]460	[2]86	[2]546	[2]1.4
2008[1]	66,846	37,334	55.9	[2]638	[2]90	[2]728	[2]1.9
2009	63,539	35,185	55.4	[2]990	[2]368	[2]1,358	[2]3.9
2010	63,531	35,498	55.9	943	669	1,612	4.5

[1] The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability section of the Household Data technical documentation provided at **www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.

[2] Data for 1990–91, 1996–97, and 2007–09 reflect changes in the minimum wage that took place in those years.

NOTE: The prevailing federal minimum wage was $2.90 in 1979, $3.10 in 1980, and $3.35 in 1981–89. The minimum wage rose to $3.80 in April 1990, to $4.25 in April 1991, to $4.75 in October 1996, to $5.15 in September 1997, to $5.85 in July 2007, to $6.55 in July 2008, and to $7.25 in July 2009. (See Technical Note for more information about minimum wage workers.)

Technical Note

The estimates in this report were obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), which provides a wide range of information on the labor force, employment, and unemployment. The survey is conducted monthly for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau, using a national sample of about 60,000 households, with coverage in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The earnings data are collected from one-fourth of the CPS monthly sample.

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Concepts and definitions

The principal concepts and de nitions used in connection with the earnings data in this report are described next.

Usual weekly earnings. Data are collected on wages and salaries before taxes and other deductions, and include any overtime pay, commissions, and tips usually received (at the principal job in the case of multiple jobholders). All self-employed workers are excluded, both those with incorporated businesses and those with unincorporated businesses. Prior to 1994, respondents were asked how much they usually earned per week. Since January 1994, respondents have been asked to identify the easiest way for them to report earnings (hourly, weekly, biweekly, twice monthly, monthly, annually, or other) and how much they usually earn in the period reported. Earnings reported on a basis other than weekly are converted to a weekly equivalent. The term "usual" is as perceived by the respondent. If the respondent asks for a de nition of "usual," interviewers are instructed to de ne the term as "more than half the weeks worked during the past 4 or 5 months."

Medians (and other quantiles) of weekly earnings. Most of the earnings estimates shown in this report are medians. The median (or upper limit of the second quartile) is the amount that divides a given earnings distribution into two equal groups, one having earnings above the median and the other having earnings below the median. Ten percent of workers in a given distribution have earnings below the upper limit of the rst decile (90 percent have higher earnings), 25 percent have earnings below the upper limit of the rst quartile (75 percent have higher earnings), 75 percent have earnings below the upper limit of the third quartile (25 percent have higher earnings), and 90 percent have earnings below the upper limit of the ninth decile (10 percent have higher earnings).

The BLS estimating procedure for determining the median of an earnings distribution places each reported or calculated weekly earnings value into a $50-wide interval that is centered around a multiple of $50. The median is estimated through the linear interpolation of the interval in which the median lies.

Over-the-year changes in the medians (and other quantile boundaries) for speci c groups may not necessarily be consistent with the movements estimated for the overall quantile boundary. The most common reasons for this possible anomaly are as follows:

- There could be a change in the relative weights of the subgroups. For example, the medians of both 16- to 24-year-olds and those 25 years and older may rise, but if the lower earning 16-to-24 age group accounts for a greatly increased share of the total, the overall median could actually fall.

- There could be a large change in the shape of the distribution of reported earnings, particularly near a quantile boundary. This change could be caused by survey observations that are clustered at rounded values—for example, $300, $400, or $500. An estimate lying in a $50-wide centered interval containing such a cluster, or "spike," tends to change more slowly than one in other intervals. Consider, for example, the calculation of the median for a multipeaked distribution that shifts over time. As such a distribution shifts, the median does not necessarily move at the same rate. Speci cally, the median takes relatively more time to move through a frequently reported earnings interval, but once above the upper limit of such an interval, it can move relatively quickly to the next frequently reported interval. BLS procedures for estimating medians (and other quantile boundaries) mitigate such irregular movements of the measures; however, users should be cautious of these effects when evaluating short-term changes in the medians and in ratios of the medians.

Constant dollars. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars. BLS has made numerous improvements to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) over the years. Although these improvements make the CPI more accurate, the of cial histories of price index series are not adjusted to re ect the improvements. Because many researchers need a historical series that measures price change consistently over time, BLS developed the CPI-U-RS to provide an estimate of the CPI that incorporates most of the methodological improvements made since 1978 into the entire series. (For further information, see Kenneth J. Stewart and Stephen B. Reed, "CPI research series using current methods, 1978–98," *Monthly Labor Review*, June 1999, on the Internet at **http://www.bls.gov/opub/mlr/1999/06/art4full.pdf**; and "Questions and Answers: Consumer Price Index Research Series Using Current Methods," on the Internet at **http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpirsdc.htm**.)

This report uses the most recent version of the CPI-U-RS available at the time of production. Users should note, however, that the CPI-U-RS is subject to periodic revision. As a result, the rate of in ation incorporated into the constant-dollar earnings estimates in this report may differ from that in previous reports in this series or in other publications.

Wage and salary workers. These are workers who receive wages, salaries, commissions, tips, payment in kind, or piece rates. The group includes employees in both the private and public sectors but, for purposes of the earnings series, excludes all self-employed persons, both those with incorporated businesses and those with unincorporated businesses.

Full-time workers. For the purpose of producing estimates of earnings, workers who usually work 35 hours or more per week at their sole or principal job are de ned as working full time.

Part-time workers. For the purpose of producing estimates of earnings, workers who usually work fewer than 35 hours per week at their sole or principal job are de ned as working part time.

Workers paid by the hour. Historically, workers paid an hourly wage have made up approximately three- fths of all wage and salary workers. Workers paid by the hour are included in the full- and part-time worker tables in this report, along with salaried workers and other workers not paid by the hour. Data for workers paid at hourly rates are presented separately in tables 9 to 11 and 18 to 22.

Workers paid at or below the federal minimum wage. The estimates of the numbers of workers with reported earnings at or below the federal minimum wage in tables 11 and 22 pertain only to workers who are paid hourly rates. Salaried workers and other workers who are not paid by the hour are not included, even though some have earnings that, if converted to hourly rates, would be at or below the minimum wage. Consequently, the estimates presented in this report likely understate the actual number of workers with hourly earnings at or below the minimum wage. Research has shown, however, that the degree of understatement is small. BLS does not routinely estimate the hourly earnings of workers not paid by the hour because of data quality concerns associated with such an estimation process.

The prevailing federal minimum wage was $2.90, effective January 1, 1979; $3.10, effective January 1, 1980; $3.35, effective January 1, 1981; $3.80, effective April 1, 1990; $4.25, effective April 1, 1991; $4.75, effective October 1, 1996; $5.15, effective September 1, 1997; $5.85, effective July 24, 2007; $6.55, effective July 24, 2008; and $7.25, effective July 24, 2009. Data for 1990–91, 1996–97, and 2007–09 re ect changes in the minimum wage that took place during those years. Note that some states have established minimum-wage standards that exceed the federal level.

The presence of workers with hourly earnings below the minimum wage does not necessarily indicate violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act, because there are a number of exemptions to the minimum-wage provisions of the law. In addition, some workers might have rounded their hourly earnings in response to survey questions. As a result, some might have reported hourly earnings below the minimum wage when, in fact, they earned the minimum wage or higher.

Reliability

Statistics based on the CPS are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. Whenever a sample, rather than an entire population, is surveyed, there is a chance that the sample estimates may differ from the "true" population values they represent. The exact difference, or sampling error, varies with the particular sample selected, and this variability is measured by the standard error of the estimate. There is about a 90-percent chance, or level of con dence, that an estimate based on a sample will differ by no more than 1.6 standard errors from the true population value because of sampling error. BLS analyses generally are conducted at the 90-percent level of con dence. Estimates of earnings and their standard errors can be used to construct approximate con dence intervals, or ranges of values, that include the true population value with known probabilities.

The CPS data also are affected by nonsampling error. This kind of error can occur for many reasons, including the failure to sample a segment of the population, inability to obtain information on all respondents in the sample, inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, and errors made in data collection or processing.

For a full discussion of the reliability of data from the CPS and for information on estimating standard errors, see the "Reliability of the estimates" section of Household Data technical documentation on the Internet at **http://www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf**.