

Table 675. Share of Aggregate Income Received by Each Fifth and Top 5 Percent of Households: 1980 to 2005

[Families as of March of the following year (82,368 represents 82,368,000). Income in constant 2005 CPI-U-RS adjusted dollars. Based on the Current Population Survey; see text, Sections 1 and 13, and Appendix III. For data collection changes over time, see <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/income/histinc/hstchg.html>>]

Year	Number of households (1,000)	Income at selected positions (dollars)					Percent distribution of aggregate income					
		Upper limit of each fifth				Top 5 percent	Lowest 5th	Second 5th	Third 5th	Fourth 5th	Highest 5th	Top 5 percent
		Lowest	Second	Third	Fourth							
1980 . . .	82,368	16,780	31,468	48,243	70,637	113,677	4.2	10.2	16.8	24.7	44.1	16.5
1990 . . .	94,312	18,104	34,270	52,428	79,953	137,223	3.8	9.6	15.9	24.0	46.6	18.5
1995 ¹ . .	99,627	18,317	34,236	53,428	82,840	143,740	3.7	9.1	15.2	23.3	48.7	21.0
1997 . . .	102,528	18,678	35,416	55,793	86,721	153,490	3.6	8.9	15.0	23.2	49.4	21.7
1998 . . .	103,874	19,275	36,369	57,813	89,703	158,116	3.6	9.0	15.0	23.2	49.2	21.4
1999 ² . .	106,434	20,073	37,391	59,020	92,813	166,340	3.6	8.9	14.9	23.2	49.4	21.5
2000 ³ . .	108,209	20,314	37,408	59,143	92,688	164,617	3.6	8.9	14.8	23.0	49.8	22.1
2001 . . .	109,297	19,817	36,738	58,448	92,083	165,969	3.5	8.7	14.6	23.0	50.1	22.4
2002 . . .	111,278	19,448	36,232	57,709	91,202	162,831	3.5	8.8	14.8	23.3	49.7	21.7
2003 . . .	112,000	19,085	36,081	57,786	92,185	163,555	3.4	8.7	14.8	23.4	49.8	21.4
2004 ⁴ . .	113,343	19,104	35,835	57,077	90,945	162,408	3.4	8.7	14.7	23.2	50.1	21.8
2005 . . .	114,384	19,178	36,000	57,660	91,705	166,000	3.4	8.6	14.6	23.0	50.4	22.2

¹ Data reflect full implementation of the 1990 census-based sample design and metropolitan definitions, 7,000 household sample reduction, and revised race edits. ² Implementation of Census 2000-based population controls. ³ Implementation of a 28,000 household sample expansion. ⁴ Data have been revised to reflect a correction to the weights in the 2005 ASEC.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Current Population Reports*, P60-231; and Internet sites <<http://www.census.gov/prod/2006pubs/p60-231.pdf>> (released August 2006), <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/income/histinc/h01ar.html>>, and <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/income/histinc/h02ar.html>>.