

Table 626. Average Annual Wage by State: 2004 and 2005

[In dollars, except percent change. For workers covered by state unemployment insurance laws and for federal civilian workers covered by unemployment compensation for federal employees, approximately 97 percent of employees on nonfarm payrolls in 2005. Excludes most agricultural workers on small farms, all Armed Forces, elected officials in most states, railroad employees, most domestic workers, most student workers at school, employees of certain nonprofit organizations, and most self-employed individuals. Pay includes bonuses, stock options, cash value of meals and lodging, and tips and other gratuities]

State	Average annual pay		Percent change, 2004-05	State	Average annual pay		Percent change, 2004-05
	2004	2005			2004	2005	
United States	39,354	40,677	3.4	Missouri	34,845	35,951	3.2
Alabama	33,414	34,598	3.5	Montana	27,830	29,150	4.7
Alaska	39,062	40,216	3.0	Nebraska	31,507	32,422	2.9
Arizona	36,646	38,154	4.1	Nevada	37,106	38,763	4.5
Arkansas	30,245	31,266	3.4	New Hampshire	39,176	40,551	3.5
California	44,641	46,211	3.5	New Jersey	48,064	49,471	2.9
Colorado	40,276	41,601	3.3	New Mexico	31,411	32,605	3.8
Connecticut	51,007	52,954	3.8	New York	49,941	51,937	4.0
Delaware	42,487	44,622	5.0	North Carolina	34,791	35,912	3.2
District of Columbia	63,887	66,696	4.4	North Dakota	28,987	29,956	3.3
Florida	35,186	36,800	4.6	Ohio	36,441	37,333	2.4
Georgia	37,866	39,096	3.2	Oklahoma	30,743	31,721	3.2
Hawaii	35,198	36,353	3.3	Oregon	35,630	36,588	2.7
Idaho	29,871	30,777	3.0	Pennsylvania	38,555	39,661	2.9
Illinois	42,277	43,744	3.5	Rhode Island	37,651	38,751	2.9
Indiana	34,694	35,431	2.1	South Carolina	31,839	32,927	3.4
Iowa	32,097	33,070	3.0	South Dakota	28,281	29,149	3.1
Kansas	32,738	33,864	3.4	Tennessee	34,925	35,879	2.7
Kentucky	33,165	33,965	2.4	Texas	38,511	40,150	4.3
Louisiana	31,880	33,566	5.3	Utah	32,171	33,328	3.6
Maine	31,906	32,701	2.5	Vermont	33,274	34,197	2.8
Maryland	42,579	44,368	4.2	Virginia	40,534	42,287	4.3
Massachusetts	48,916	50,095	2.4	Washington	39,361	40,721	3.5
Michigan	40,373	41,214	2.1	West Virginia	30,382	31,347	3.2
Minnesota	40,398	40,800	1.0	Wisconsin	34,743	35,471	2.1
Mississippi	28,535	29,763	4.3	Wyoming	31,210	33,251	6.5

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. "Employment and Wages, Annual Averages," 2004 and 2005. See Internet site <<http://www.bls.gov/cew/home.htm>>.