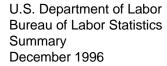
Occupational Compensation Survey: Pay and Benefits Harrisburg–Lebanon–Carlisle, PA August 1996



This summary presents results of an August 1996 survey of occupational pay in the Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle Metropolitan Statistical Area, which consists of Cumberland, Dauphin, Lebanon, and Perry Counties. This is 1 of over 120 areas which the Bureau of Labor Statistics surveys at the request of the Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, for use in administering the Service Contract Act of 1965. In addition, the Bureau conducts more extensive studies of occupational wages and related benefits in other areas throughout the United States. For information on these reports and other Bureau publications, contact any BLS regional office identified on the back page.

This study covered establishments employing 50 workers or more in manufacturing; transportation, communications, and other public utilities; wholesale trade; retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; and selected services. A sample of 99 establishments employing 52,167 workers was selected to represent 537 establishments employing 126,703 workers in the area. Data collected from the sample of establishments were appropriately weighted to represent all establishments within the survey. Labor-management coverage for white-collar workers was 1 percent and 35 percent for blue-collar workers.

Table 1 presents the weekly hours and pay of selected professional, administrative, technical, and clerical workers. Table 2 presents the hourly pay of maintenance, toolroom, material movement, and custodial workers.

Classification of workers by occupation is based on a uniform set of job descriptions designed to take account of variation among establishments in duties within the same job. Data are not shown if employment in the occupation is insufficient to merit presentation or if there is a possibility that data for an individual establishment may be disclosed.

Tables 3, 4, and 5 present information on paid holidays, vacation pay provisions, and insurance, health, and retirement plans for blue-collar and white-collar workers. See table 6 and the Scope and Method of Survey for further information on the composition of the occupational groups studied and the scope of the survey. The job descriptions used in for the survey are available upon request.

For additional information regarding this survey or similar surveys conducted in this regional area, please contact the Philadelphia Regional Office at (215) 596-1154. You may also write to the Bureau of Labor Statistics at: Compensation Levels and Trends, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Room 4175, Washington, D.C. 20212-0001 or call the Occupational Compensation Survey Program information line at (202) 606-6220.

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Occupation and level	Number of workers	weekly hours ¹ (stan- dard)	Mean	Median	Middle ra	ange	225 and under 250	250 - 300	300 - 350	350 - 400	400 - 450	450 - 500	500 - 550	550 - 600	600 - 650	650 - 700	700 - 750	750 - 800	800 - 850	850 - 900	900 - 950	950 - 1000	1000 - 1050	1050 - 1100	1100 - 1150	1150 - 1200	1200 and over
ADMINISTRATIVE OCCUPATIONS																											
Computer Programmers Level 2 Level 3	557 191 160	38.5 38.5 39.0	\$751 616 754	\$751 615 754	\$623 — 558 — 673 —	\$861 662 803	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	(³) _ _	9 23 -	8 22 -	13 25 11	13 17 22	7 5 14	13 4 27	9 2 12	12 2 5	7 - 7	5 - 1	2 - -	- - -	1 - -	1 - -	1 - -
Computer Systems Analysts Level 2 Level 3	854 360 311	39.2 39.4 39.0	903 818 996	877 815 1,004	774 – 741 – 906 –	1,015 883 1,080	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	1 - -	3 3 -	7 11 1	8 13 -	12 20 6	12 16 10	9 16 6	10 13 13	8 5 14	9 1 19	6 (³) 13	5 2 8	3 1 6	6 (³) 6
TECHNICAL OCCUPATIONS																											l
Computer Operators Level 2 Level 3	171 79 62	39.3 39.3 39.1	486 450 527	468 444 533	404 – 399 – 452 –	555 507 578	- - -	4 4 -	5 6 –	13 15 6	20 29 16	15 16 21	16 19 15	12 8 21	5 3 8	5 - 10	2 - -	2 _ 3	- - -	- - -	- - -		- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	_ _ _
Drafters Level 2 Level 3	167 71 58	40.0 40.0 40.0	549 490 608	536 490 598	456 – 452 – 546 –	608 522 654	- - -	- - -	3 - -	2 1 _	10 17 2	20 39 3	22 31 22	13 7 22	11 3 24	8 1 12	8 _ 9	1 - -	1 - 3	- - -	1 _ 2		- - -	- - -	- - -		_ _ _
Engineering Technicians Level 3 Level 4	179 64 69	40.0 40.0 40.0	680 613 696	663 604 712	577 – 552 – 673 –	740 678 788	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	1 - -	2 2 -	17 22 13	11 9 12	18 38 -	14 9 25	15 20 19	8 _ 20	- - -	7 - 12	2 - -		7 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	_ _ _
CLERICAL OCCUPATIONS																											l
Clerks, Accounting Level 1 Level 2 Level 3	463 57 236 162	39.2 38.3 39.0 39.8	403 303 390 450	410 306 385 445	343 – 290 – 343 – 420 –	445 314 431 470	1 5 - -	6 42 3 -	21 46 30 -	19 7 28 12	33 - 29 52	9 - 5 17	6 _ 1 14	2 (³) 4	2 - 4 -		- - -	- - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Clerks, General Level 2	507 226	37.6 37.4	325 287	315 284	290 – 274 –	357 300	1 -	32 70	41 30	17 -	8 _	2 _	-			-		- -							-	-	_
Key Entry Operators Level 1	165 148	39.5 39.6	331 321	330 330	285 - 280 -	350 342	4 4	25 28	46 51	14 14	7 1	5 3				-									-	-	_
Secretaries Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Level 4	748 170 141 321 78	38.9 38.3 39.1 39.1 39.6	479 367 437 504 627	465 359 426 496 654	394 – 332 – 388 – 453 – 548 –	548 396 490 555 728	- - - -	2 6 - 1 -	9 35 6 1 -	15 35 31 3 -	15 16 26 13 10	20 8 13 34 13	13 - 18 21 4	11 - 6 16 12	4 - 4 9	4 - 2 24	2 - - 3 5	2 - - 23	_ _ _ _ _	_ _ _ _	- - - -	- - - -	_ _ _ _ _	- - - -	- - - -		- - - -

Table 1. Weekly hours and pay of professional, administrative, technical, and clerical occupations, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Weekly hours and pay of professional, administrative, technical, and clerical occupations, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996 — Continued

		Average			kly pay ollars)²																						
Occupation and level	Number of workers	weekly hours ¹ (stan- dard)	Mean	Median	Middle ra	ange	225 and under 250	250 - 300	300 - 350	350 - 400	400 - 450	450 - 500	500 - 550	550 - 600	600 - 650	650 - 700	700 - 750	750 - 800	800 - 850	850 - 900	900 - 950	950 - 1000	1000 - 1050	1050 - 1100	1100 - 1150	-	1200 and over
Switchboard-Operator-Receptionists	159	39.4	\$356	\$345	\$304 –	\$405	4	14	33	21	20	4	1	1	_	-	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Word Processors Level 1 Level 2	115 27 69	38.6 38.2 39.1	406 350 399	400 - 400	347 – – – 360 –	449 _ 425	- - -		25 67 16	19 11 28	32 22 39	10 - 14	12 - 3	- - -	1 - -				- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	

¹ Standard hours reflect the workweek for which employees receive their regular straight-time salaries (exclusive of pay for overtime at regular and/or premium rates), and the earnings correspond to these weekly hours.

² Excludes premium pay for overtime and for work on weekends, holidays, and late shifts. Also excluded are performance bonuses and lump-sum payments of the type negotiated in the auto and aerospace industries, as well as profit-sharing payments, attendance bonuses, Christmas or year-end bonuses, and other nonproduction bonuses. Pay increases, but not bonuses, under cost-of-living clauses, and incentive payments, however, are included. See Scope and Method of Survey for definitions and

methods used to compute means, medians, and middle ranges. ³ Less than 0.5 percent.

NOTE: Because of rounding, sums of individual intervals may not equal 100 percent. Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria. Overall occupation or occupational levels may include data for categories not shown separately.

	Number			rly pay ollars) ¹				-					Percent	of work	kers rec	eiving s	traight-t	ime hou	irly pay	(in dolla	ars) of—	-						
Occupation and level	Number of workers	Mean	Median	Middle	e range	4.75 and under 5.00	5.00 - 5.50	5.50 - 6.00	6.00 - 7.00	7.00 - 8.00	8.00 - 9.00	9.00 - 10.00	10.00 	11.00 _ 12.00	-	-	-	15.00 - 16.00	-	-	18.00 - 19.00	-	-	-	-	-	24.00 	25.00 - 26.00
MAINTENANCE AND TOOLROOM OCCUPATIONS																												
General Maintenance Workers Level 1 Level 2	687 375 312	\$10.77 8.87 13.07	\$10.00 8.00 12.62	7.75	- \$12.62 - 9.30 - 15.87		- - -	- - -	- - -	14 26 -	22 39 -	14 14 13	12 13 11	7 2 13	10 1 20	4 (²) 9	2 1 4	7 1 14	6 1 12	1 1 -	2 - 4	- - -	- - -		- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Maintenance Electricians	360	17.90	16.54	15.88	- 22.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	31	24	11	6	(2)	(2)	-	13	12	-	-
Maintenance Electronics Technicians	323	20.15	19.16		- 24.44		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	34	3	10	10	2	-	2	-	36	1
Maintenance Machinists	89	15.97	17.52	12.60			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	12	3	9	-	-	39	2	19	-	-	_	-	-	-
Maintenance Mechanics, Machinery Maintenance Mechanics, Motor Vehicle	571 137	17.15 15.47	17.58 15.50	14.83 12.74	- 17.91 - 17.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	6	1	3 22	1 12	31	1 16	2	31 12	6 8	-	1	_	5 14	13	-	_
MATERIAL MOVEMENT AND CUSTODIAL OCCUPATIONS	137	15.47	15.50	12.74	- 17.75	-	-	_	-	-	-	0	_	3	22	12	4	10	I	12	o	-	-	I	14		_	-
Guards	506 497	6.81 6.72	6.00 6.00	5.50 5.50			17 17	17 17	35 36	16 16	2 2	$\binom{2}{2}$	4 4	6 5	1 1	(²) _	1 1	-	-		-	-	- -	-	-		- -	-
Janitors	953	8.28	6.94	6.00	- 10.81	2	9	10	29	10	8	5	5	1	6	13	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Material Movement and Storage Workers Level 1 Level 2 Forklift Operators Shipping/Receiving Clerks	4,852 555 4,288 1,293 406	12.02 10.82 12.18 12.65 10.31	12.38 10.27 12.49 13.46 10.25	8.00 11.03 11.10	- 13.71 - 13.71 - 13.71 - 13.77 - 13.77 - 12.51	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	1 6 (²) 1 -	3 1 3 3 21	9 32 7 5 18	7 8 6 9	7 6 7 8 6	19 1 21 10 13	14 1 16 11 18	30 43 28 38 10	4 2 4 8 4	4 1 4 -	2 - 2 7 -	1 - 1 -		- - -	- - -		- - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Truckdrivers Medium Truck Heavy Truck Tractor Trailer		13.02 10.59 11.13 14.45	13.77 9.00 11.00 14.85	7.65 10.00	- 14.85 - 15.30 - 11.51 - 14.85	-	- - - -	- - - -	2 - - -	7 27 - -	3 8 7 -	6 26 17 (²)	6 5 25 3	6 4 30 3	4 _ 6 5	17 - 5 24	35 - 10 50	8 30 - 6	3 _ 1 4	(²) _ _ (²)	3 _ _ 4	(²) _ (²)	- - -		- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -

Table 2. Hourly pay of maintenance, toolroom, material movement, and custodial occupations, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996

¹ Excludes premium pay for overtime and for work on weekends, holidays, and late shifts. Also excluded are performance bonuses and lump-sum payments of the type negotiated in the auto and aerospace industries, as well as profit-sharing payments, attendance bonuses, Christmas or year-end bonuses, and other nonproduction bonuses. Pay increases, but not bonuses, under cost-of-living clauses, and incentive payments, however, are included. See Scope and Method of Survey for definitions and methods used to compute means, medians, and middle ranges.

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² Less than 0.5 percent.

Table 3. Annual paid holidays for full-time workers, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996

In establishments not providing paid holidays In establishments providing paid holidays Number of holidays: 2 holidays	White-collar workers	Blue-collar workers
In establishments providing paid holidays	100	100
Number of holidays: 2 holidays 9 Plus 4 half days 3 holidays 6 6 holidays 9 9 9 holidays 9 10 10 holidays 11 10 11 holidays 11 11 12 holidays 11 13 13 holidays 13 14 14 holidays 17 14 15 holidays 17 17 16 holidays 17 17 17 holidays 17 17 18 holidays or more 3 3 days or more 3 days or more 3 3 days or more 2 days or more 3 3 days or more 3 days or more 10 4 14 days or more 10 10 15 days or more 10 10 10 days or more 11 12 <td>1</td> <td>3</td>	1	3
2 holidays Plus 4 half days 3 holidays 6 holidays 6 holidays Plus 1 half day Plus 1 half day Plus 2 half days Plus 1 half day Plus 1 half day 9 holidays 10 holidays 10 holidays 11 holidays 11 holidays 13 holidays 13 holidays 14 holidays 14 holidays 15 holidays 15 holidays 16 holidays 16 holidays 17 holidays 17 holidays 17 holidays 18 days or more 3 days or more 2 days or more 3 days or more 4 days or more 6 days or more 9 days or more 9 days or more 10 days or more 10 days or more 11 days or more 12 days or more 12 days or more 13 days or more	99	97
Plus 4 half days 3 holidays 6 holidays Plus 1 half day Plus 2 half days 7 holidays Plus 1 half day 8 holidays Plus 1 half day 9 holidays 10 holidays 11 holidays 12 holidays 13 holidays 17 holidays 18 oblidays 19 holidays 11 holidays 12 holidays 13 holidays 17 holidays 18 oblidays 19 oblidays 11 holidays 12 holidays 13 holidays 14 days or more 3 days or more 3 days or more 4 days or more 5 days or more 6 days or more 8 days or more 9 days or more 10 days or more 11 days or more 12 days or more 13 days or more 13 days or more 12 days or more 13 days or more 13 days or more 13 days o		
3 days or more 4 days or more 5 days or more 6 days or more 7 days or more 8 days or more 9 days or more 10 days or more 11 days or more 12 days or more 13 days or more	$\binom{1}{1}$ $\binom{1}{9}$ 1 1 1 2 9 $\binom{1}{1}$ 30 14 15 6 1 1	5 1 (1) 14 - 17 1 6 13 8 15 10 2 3
15 days or more 16 days or more 17 days or more	99 98 98 98 89 75 66 36 22 7 1 1 1 1 1	97 92 91 91 76 59 52 38 30 15 5 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3

¹ Less than 0.5 percent.
² Full and half days are combined. For example, the proportion of workers receiving 10 or more days includes those receiving *at least* 10 full days, or 9 full days plus 2 half days, or 8 full days and 4 half days, and so on.

NOTE: Because of rounding, sums of individual items may not equal totals. Dashes indicate that no data were reported.

Item	White-collar workers	Blue-collar workers
All full-time workers (in percent)	100	100
n establishments providing paid vacations Length-of-time payment	100 100	100 100
y vacation pay provisions for:1		
Six months of service:		
Under 1 week	6	3
1 week	35	17
Over 1 and under 2 weeks 2 weeks	28 1	$\binom{2}{2}$
2 weeks	1	()
1 year of service:		
1 week	23	65
Over 1 and under 2 weeks	-	(²)
2 weeks Over 2 and under 3 weeks	49 28	31
3 weeks	(²)	(²) 2
	()	-
2 years of service:		
1 week Over 1 and under 2 weeks	9 5	23 9
2 weeks	55	57
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	28	8
3 weeks	1	2
Over 3 and under 4 weeks	1	1
3 years of service:		
1 week	4	4
Over 1 and under 2 weeks	(²)	7
2 weeks	64	75
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	27	10
3 weeks Over 3 and under 4 weeks	2 3	5
Over 3 and under 4 weeks	3	1
4 years of service:		
1 week Over 1 and under 2 weeks	4 (²)	3
2 weeks	57	75
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	26	8
3 weeks	3	7
Over 3 and under 4 weeks	11	1
5 years of service:		
1 week	-	1
Over 1 and under 2 weeks	(2)	4
2 weeks	31	61
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	4	4
3 weeks	36	23
Over 3 and under 4 weeks	29	8

Table 4. Annual paid vacation provisions for full-time workers, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996

See footnotes at end of table.

ltem	White-collar workers	Blue-collar workers
By vacation pay provisions for:1		
8 years of service:		
1 week	-	1
Over 1 and under 2 weeks	(²)	-
2 weeks	Ì14	25
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	6	9
3 weeks	44	54
Over 3 and under 4 weeks	32	10
4 weeks Over 4 and under 5 weeks	1 3	(²) (²)
10 years of service:		
2 weeks	2	6
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	4	4
3 weeks	43	76
Over 3 and under 4 weeks	30	10
4 weeks Over 4 and under 5 weeks	11 9	3
Over 5 and under 5 weeks	9	- '
12 years of service:		
2 weeks	1	6
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	4	2
3 weeks	38	73
Over 3 and under 4 weeks 4 weeks	33 13	12
Over 4 and under 5 weeks	9	1
Over 5 and under 6 weeks	2	- '
15 years of service:		
2 weeks	(2)	3
Over 2 and under 3 weeks	2	2
3 weeks Over 3 and under 4 weeks	14 28	37
4 weeks	43	49
Over 4 and under 5 weeks	43	49
5 weeks	1	(2)
Over 6 and under 7 weeks	2	-
20 years of service:	(2)	
2 weeks	(²)	3
3 weeks	11	26
Over 3 and under 4 weeks 4 weeks	18 47	(²) 46
Over 4 and under 5 weeks	47	10
5 weeks	8	14
Over 5 and under 6 weeks	7	(2)
6 weeks	(²)	(²)
Over 6 and under 7 weeks	ź) `-´

Table 4. Annual paid vacation provisions for full-time workers, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996 — Continued

See footnotes at end of table.

ltem	White-collar workers	Blue-collar workers
By vacation pay provisions for:1		
25 years of service: 2 weeks 3 weeks 4 weeks Over 4 and under 5 weeks 5 weeks Over 5 and under 6 weeks 6 weeks 7 weeks 7 weeks 7 weeks	(²) 11 30 13 36 7 1 2 (²)	3 26 25 4 32 2 7 - (²)
30 years of service: 2 weeks 3 weeks 4 weeks Over 4 and under 5 weeks 5 weeks Over 5 and under 6 weeks 6 weeks Over 6 and under 7 weeks 7 weeks	(²) 11 30 2 47 7 1 2 (²)	3 26 25 1 26 9 9 9 (²)
Maximum vacation available: 2 weeks 3 weeks 4 weeks Over 4 and under 5 weeks 5 weeks Over 5 and under 6 weeks 6 weeks Over 6 and under 7 weeks 7 weeks	(²) 11 30 2 39 7 9 2 (²)	3 26 25 1 22 2 20 (²)

Table 4. Annual paid vacation provisions for full-time workers, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996 — Continued

¹ Payments other than "length of time" are converted to an equivalent time basis; for example, 2 percent of annual earnings was considered as 1 week's pay. Periods of service are chosen arbitrarily and do not necessarily reflect individual provisions for progression; for example, changes in proportions at 20 years include changes between 15 and 20 years. Estimates are cumulative. Thus, the proportion eligible for at least 3 weeks' pay for 20 years include those eligible for at least 3 weeks' pay after fewer years of service. ² Less than 0.5 percent.

NOTE: Because of rounding, sums of individual items may not equal totals. Dashes indicate that no data were reported.

Type of plan	White-collar workers	Blue-collar workers
All full-time workers (in percent)	100	100
n establishments offering at least one of the benefits shown below ¹	100	99
Life insurance	97	96
Wholly employer financed	90	74
Accidental death and dismemberment insurance Wholly employer financed	78 72	82 65
Sickness and accident insurance or sick leave or both	90	83
Sickness and accident insurance	61	48
Wholly employer financed	38	40
Sick leave (full pay, no waiting period)	68	38
Sick leave (partial pay or waiting period)	5	9
Long-term disability insurance	76	42
Wholly employer financed	56	27
Hospitalization, surgical, and medical insurance	98	94
Wholly employer financed	40	45
Health maintenance organizations	77	62
Wholly employer financed	27	28
Dental care	85	79
Wholly employer financed	36	35
Vision care	54	37
Wholly employer financed	10	8
Hearing care	2	1
Wholly employer financed	2	1
Alcohol and drug abuse treatment	93	92
Wholly employer financed	35	45
Retirement benefits ²	94	89
Wholly employer financed	71	53
Defined benefit	65	49
Wholly employer financed	65	49
Defined contribution	84	69
Wholly employer financed	6	4

Table 5. Insurance, health, and retirement plans offered to full-time workers, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA, August 1996

¹ Estimates listed after type of benefit are for all plans for which the employer pays at least part of the cost. Excluded are plans required by the Federal Government such as Social Security and Railroad Retirement.

and Railroad Retirement. ² Establishments providing more than one type of retirement plan may cause the sum of the separate plans to be greater than the total for all retirement plans.

NOTE: Because of rounding, sums of individual items may not equal totals. Dashes indicate that no data were reported.

Table 6. Establishments and workers within scope of survey and number studied, Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA¹, August 1996

	Number of es	stablishments	Workers in establishments							
Industry division ²	Within scope of survey ³	Studied	То	tal ⁴	Full-time	Full-time	Studied ⁴			
			Number	Percent	white-collar workers ⁵	blue-collar workers ⁶				
All divisions	537	99	126,703	100	44,305	59,357	52,167			
Manufacturing Service producing ⁷	139 398	27 72	36,865 89,838	29 71	9,687 34,618	26,848 32,509	18,892 33,275			

¹ The Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle Metropolitan Statistical Area, as defined by the Office of Management and Budget through June 1994, consists of Cumberland, Dauphin, Lebanon, and Perry Counties. The "workers within scope of survey" estimates provide a reasonably accurate description of the size and composition of the labor force included in the survey. Estimates are not intended, however, for comparison with other statistical series to measure employment trends or levels since (1) planning of wage surveys requires establishment data compiled considerably in advance of the payroll period studied, and (2) establishments employing fewer than 50 workers are excluded from the scope of the survey.

² The Standard Industrial Classification Manual was used in classifying establishments by industry. All government operations were excluded from the scope of the survey.

³ Includes all establishments with total employment at or above the minimum limitation. All outlets (within a metropolitan area or nonmetropolitan county) of service producing companies are considered as one establishment when located within the same industry division.

⁴ Includes part-time, seasonal, temporary, and other workers excluded from separate whiteand blue-collar categories.

⁵ Full-time, year-round permanent workers in professional, technical, and related occupations; executive, administrative, and managerial occupations; sales occupations; and administrative support occupations, including clerical.

¹⁶ Full-time, year-round permanent workers in precision, craft, and repair occupations; machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors; handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers; and service occupations, except households.

⁷ Includes transportation, communications, and other public utilities (excluding taxicabs and services incidental to water transportation); wholesale trade; retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; hotels and other lodging places; personal services; business services; automotive repair services and garages; motion pictures; membership organizations (excluding religious organizations); and miscellaneous services.

Scope and Method of Survey

Sampling procedures

The survey was conducted on a sample basis, using a listing of establishments (sampling frame) which fell within the designated scope of the survey. The sampling frame was developed using data from unemployment insurance reports and checked for accuracy and completeness. Establishments known to be missing were added; out-of-business and out-of-scope establishments were removed; some units were combined or split to meet the establishment/collection unit definitions; and, for some, address, employment, type of industry, or other information was corrected.

A sample of establishments was selected after a detailed stratification by industry and number of employees of all establishments within the scope of the survey. From this stratified universe, a probability sample was selected, with each establishment having a predetermined chance of selection. To obtain optimum accuracy at minimum cost, a greater proportion of large than small establishments was selected. When data were combined, each establishment was weighted according to its probability of selection so that unbiased estimates were generated. If data were not available for an establishment originally selected, the weights of other similar establishments were increased to account for the missing unit.

Data for the survey were obtained primarily by personal visits of Bureau field economists. Collection of the survey was from July 1996 through October 1996 and reflects an average payroll reference of August 1996. Data obtained for a payroll period prior to the end of August 1996 were updated to include general wage changes, if granted, scheduled to be effective through that date.

Occupations and pay

Occupational employment and pay data are shown for full-time workers, i.e., those hired to work a regular weekly schedule. Pay data exclude premium pay for overtime and for work on weekends, holidays, and late shifts. Also excluded are performance bonuses and lump-sum payments of the type negotiated in the auto and aerospace industries, as well as profit-sharing payments, attendance bonuses, Christmas or year-end bonuses, and other nonproduction bonuses. Pay increases, but not bonuses, under cost-of-living allowance clauses, and incentive payments, however, are included. Weekly hours in table 1 refer to the standard workweek (rounded to the nearest tenth of an hour) for which employees receive regular straight-time pay. Average weekly pay are rounded to the nearest dollar. Tables 1 and 2 provide distributions of workers by pay.

The *mean* is computed for each job by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers. The *median* designates position—one-half of the workers receive the same as or more and one-half receive the same as or less than the rate shown. The *middle range* is defined by two rates of pay; one-fourth of the workers earn the same as or less than the lower of these rates and one-fourth earn the same as or more than the higher rate. Medians and middle ranges are not provided when they do not meet reliability criteria.

Occupational employment estimates represent the total in all establishments within the scope of the study and not the number actually studied, and are intended as a general guide to the size and composition of the labor force rather than as precise measures of employment. Each group of establishments of a certain size, however, is given its proper weight in the combined data.

Employee benefits

The incidence of employee benefits is studied for full-time, year-round permanent white-collar and blue-collar workers. Provisions which apply to a majority of the white- and blue-collar categories are considered to apply to all white- and blue-collar workers in the establishment. Similarly, if fewer than half of the workers are covered, the benefits are considered nonexistent in the establishment. Holidays, vacations, insurance and health plans are considered applicable to employees currently eligible for the benefits. Retirement plans are considered applicable to employees currently eligible for participation and those who will eventually become eligible.

Paid holidays (table 3). Holidays are included if workers who are not required to work are paid for the time off and those required to work receive premium pay or compensatory time off. They are included only if they are granted annually on a formal basis (provided for in written form or established by custom). Holidays are included even though in a particular year they fall on a nonworkday and employees are not granted another day off. Data are tabulated to show the percent of workers who are granted specific numbers of whole and half holidays.

Paid vacations (table 4). Establishments report their method of calculating vacation (time basis, percent of annual pay, flat-sum payment, etc.) and the amount of vacation pay granted. Only basic formal plans are reported. Vacation bonuses, vacation-saving plans, and "extended" or "sabbatical" benefits beyond basic plans are excluded. For tabulating vacation pay granted, all provisions are

expressed on a time basis. Vacation pay calculated on other than a time basis is converted to its equivalent time period. Two percent of annual pay, for example, is tabulated as 1 week's vacation pay. Periods of service are chosen arbitrarily and do not necessarily reflect individual provisions for progression; for example, changes in proportions at 20 years include changes between 15 and 20 years. Estimates are cumulative. Thus, the proportion eligible for at least 3 week's pay after 20 years includes those eligible for at least 3 week's pay after fewer years of service. Provisions after each specified length of service are related to all white-or blue-collar workers in an establishment regardless of length of service. Counts of white- or blue-collar workers by length of service were not obtained. The tabulations present, therefore, statistical measures of these provisions rather than proportions of workers actually receiving specific benefits.

Insurance, health, and retirement plans (table 5). Plans are included for which the employer pays either all or part of the cost. The benefits may be underwritten by an insurance company, paid directly by an employer or union, or provided by a health maintenance organization (HMO). Workers provided the option of an insurance plan or an HMO are reported under both types of plans. A

plan is included even though a majority of the employees in an establishment do not choose to participate in it because they are required to bear part of its cost (provided the choice to participate is available to the majority). Federally required plans such as Social Security and railroad retirement are excluded. Benefit plans legally required by State governments, however, are included.

Labor-management coverage

This survey collected the percent of workers covered by labor-management agreements in this area. An establishment is considered to have an agreement covering all white-collar or blue-collar workers if a majority of such workers is covered by a labor-management agreement determining wages and salaries. Therefore, all other white- or blue-collar workers are employed in establishments that either do no have labor-management agreements in effect, or have agreements that apply to fewer than half of their white- or blue-collar workers. Because establishments with fewer than 50 workers are excluded from the survey, estimates are not necessarily representative of the extent to which all workers in the area may be covered by the provisions of labor-management agreements.