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## Introduction

The tables in this bulletin summarize the NCS results for the Huntsville, AL, metropolitan area. Tabulations provide information on earnings of workers in a variety of occupations and at different work levels. Also contained in this bulletin are information on the program, a technical note describing survey procedures, and several appendixes with detailed information on occupational classifications and the generic leveling methodology.

#### **NCS** products

The Bureau's National Compensation Survey provides data on occupational wages and employee benefits for localities, broad geographic regions, and the Nation as a whole. The Employment Cost Index, a quarterly measure of the change in employer costs for wages and benefits, is derived from the NCS. Another product, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation, measures employers' average hourly costs for total compensation, that is, wages and benefits. Still another NCS product measures the incidence of benefit plans and their provisions. This bulletin is limited to data on occupational wages and salaries.

#### About the tables

The tables that follow present data on straight-time occupational earnings, which include wages and salaries, incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. These earnings exclude premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips. About 480 detailed occupations are used to describe all occupations in the civilian nonfarm economy (excluding the Federal Government and private households), as explained in Appendix A. Data are not shown for any occupations if they would raise concerns about the confidentiality of the survey respondents or if the data are insufficient to support reliable estimates.

Table 1–1 presents an overview of all tables in this bulletin. Mean hourly earnings, weekly hours, and relative standard errors are given for all industries, private industry, and State and local government for selected worker and establishment characteristics. The worker characteristics include major occupational group, full-time or part-time status, union or nonunion status, and time or incentive pay. Establishment characteristics include goods and service producing and size of establishment.

Table 2–1 presents estimates of mean hourly earnings, and the relative standard errors associated with them, for

detailed occupations within all industries, private industry, and State and local government. Table 2–2 presents the same type of information for full-time workers only. Table 2–3 provides similar data for workers designated as part-time.

Table 3–1 provides mean weekly earnings data, with relative standard errors, and weekly hours for full-time employees in specific occupations across all industries, private industry, and State and local government. Table 3–2 provides annual earnings, relative standard errors, and annual hours for full-time employees in specific occupations.

Table 4–1 provides mean hourly earnings data by work level for occupational groups and for detailed occupations. Separate data are also shown for private industry and government workers. Table 4–2 provides work level data for full-time workers. Table 4–3 provides similar data for workers designated as part-time.

Table 5–1 presents mean hourly earnings data for selected worker characteristics by major occupational groups. The worker characteristics include full-time or part-time designation, union or nonunion status, and time or incentive pay. Table 5–2 presents mean hourly earnings data for major industry divisions by occupational groups; these estimates are limited to the private sector. Table 5–3 presents mean hourly earnings data for establishment employment sizes by major occupational groups; these estimates also are limited to the private sector.

Tables 6–1 through 6–5 present hourly wage percentiles that describe the distribution of hourly earnings for each published occupation. Data are provided for the 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles for detailed occupations within all industries, private industry, State and local government, full-time workers, and part-time workers. These iterations correspond to those presented in tables 2–1, 2–2, and 2–3. For each published occupation, these percentiles relate to the average hourly earnings of jobs surveyed in establishments. The percentiles do not relate to the hourly earnings of individual workers in these establishment jobs.

Appendix table 1 provides the employment scope of this survey. The occupation employment estimates relate to all employers in the area, rather than just to those surveyed. Appendix table 2 presents the number of establishments studied by industry group and employment size. The median work levels for published occupations are presented in appendix table 3.

Table 1-1. Summary: Mean hourly earnings1 and weekly hours by selected characteristics, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

		Total		Priv	ate industry	,	State and	l local gover	nment
	Hourly e	arnings	Mean	Hourly e	arnings		Hourly e	arnings	
Worker and establishment characteristics	Mean	Relative error <sup>2</sup> (percent)	weekly hours <sup>3</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>2</sup> (percent)	Mean weekly hours <sup>3</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>2</sup> (percent)	Mean weekly hours <sup>3</sup>
Total	\$16.85	2.8	38.3	\$16.20	2.5	38.2	\$19.03	6.3	38.7
Worker characteristics: <sup>4</sup>									
White-collar occupations <sup>5</sup> Professional specialty and technical Executive, administrative, and managerial Sales Administrative support Blue-collar occupations <sup>5</sup> Precision production, craft, and repair Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors Transportation and material moving Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers Service occupations <sup>5</sup> Full time Part time Union Nonunion	21.00 24.75 26.75 12.06 10.88 13.85 14.62 14.77 11.57 9.56 8.33 17.50 6.81 20.28 16.37	3.3 3.2 5.0 10.2 3.6 3.9 5.9 6.3 8.7 4.2 5.1 2.7 5.6	39.1 39.7 40.3 35.1 38.6 39.0 39.3 39.5 37.2 37.7 34.1 40.0 23.4 39.8 38.1	20.10 24.11 26.66 12.38 10.82 13.89 14.36 14.79 11.17 9.43 6.18 16.91 6.53 20.28 15.42	3.3 4.1 6.1 10.9 4.2 2.4 6.9 6.3 11.9 5.0 4.7 2.5 5.2	39.2 40.2 40.4 36.1 38.5 39.1 39.2 39.5 39.5 37.2 31.1 40.1 23.5 39.8 37.9	23.39 25.85 27.03 - 11.16 13.42 16.14 - 12.17 - 11.24 19.39 8.67	6.0 4.4 7.6 - 6.5 5.0 6.1 - 10.5 - 4.5 6.2 17.2	38.7 39.0 40.1 - 39.5 38.0 40.3 - 34.1 - 39.1 39.7 22.7 - 38.7
Time Incentive  Establishment characteristics:	16.83 18.88	2.8 19.7	38.3 43.3	16.15 18.88	2.5 19.7	38.1 43.3	19.03	6.3	38.7
Goods producing	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	17.74 14.11	2.7 4.5	40.1 36.0	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )
50-99 workers <sup>7</sup>	11.00 14.54 19.66	7.7 3.8 3.1	36.2 37.6 39.3	10.80 14.53 19.90	7.9 4.0 3.4	36.2 37.6 39.8	- - 19.30	- - 6.2	- - 38.7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Earnings are the straight-time hourly wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, and holidays; nonproduction bonuses; and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours.

The relative standard error (RSE) is the standard error expressed as a percent of

based on productivity payments such as piece rates, commissions, and production

industries applies to private industry only.

7 Establishments classified with 50-99 workers may contain establishments with

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the estimate. It can be used to calculate a "confidence interval" around a sample estimate. For more information about RSEs, see appendix A.  $^{\rm 3}$  Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Employees are classified as working either a full-time or a part-time schedule based on the definition used by each establishment. Union workers are those whose wages are determined through collective bargaining. Wages of time workers are based solely on hourly rate or salary; incentive workers are those whose wages are at least partially

bonuses.

5 A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

6 Classification of establishments into goods-producing and service-producing

fewer than 50 due to staff reductions between survey sampling and collection.

Table 2-1. Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup>, all workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	To	otal	Private	industry		and local rnment
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percen
	\$16.85	2.8	\$16.20	2.5	\$19.03	6.3
All excluding sales	17.13	2.8	16.46	2.5	19.23	6.2
/hite collar	21.00	3.3	20.10	3.3	23.39	6.0
White collar excluding sales	22.03	3.1	21.26	3.2	23.85	5.6
Professional specialty and technical	24.75	3.2	24.11	4.1	25.85	4.4
Professional specialty	27.40	2.5	28.24	2.8	26.36	4.3
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	28.37	3.4	28.88	3.2	_	-
Aerospace engineers	30.82	5.9	30.82	5.9	_	-
Electrical and electronic engineers	26.87	4.4	27.02	4.4	_	_
Engineers, n.e.c.	28.08	6.0	28.08	6.0	-	_
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.06	3.1	31.15	3.2	_	_
Computer systems analysts and scientists	31.41	3.3	31.53	3.4	_	_
Natural scientists	_	-	_	_	_	_
Health related	35.58	23.7	_	_	_	_
Teachers, college and university	_	_	_	_	_	_
Teachers, except college and university	26.09	1.9	15.31	13.8	_	_
Elementary school teachers	26.37	.9	_	_	_	-
Librarians, archivists, and curators	_	-	_	_	_	_
Social scientists and urban planners	_	_	_	_	_	_
Social, recreation, and religious workers Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and	11.58	10.8	-	-	-	_
professionals, n.e.c.	17.20	4.1	17.57	4.9	_	_
Technical	14.89	5.9	14.89	6.4	14.86	6.1
Licensed practical nurses	10.82	3.5	_		_	-
Electrical and electronic technicians	14.57	7.2	14.49	7.4	_	_
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	18.36	11.7	18.36	11.7	_	_
Drafters	19.64	5.7	19.64	5.7	_	l _
Chemical technicians	15.01	7.2	15.01	7.2	_	_
Computer programmers	20.88	10.7	-	_	-	_
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.75	5.0	26.66	6.1	27.03	7.6
Executives, administrators, and managers	31.39	6.1	33.32	7.8	27.89	8.6
Administrators and officials, public administration	21.16	6.6	_	_	21.16	6.6
Financial managers	36.24	15.1	36.24	15.1	_	_
Managers and administrators, n.e.c	31.67	5.6	31.48	5.7	_	_
Management related	21.03	5.0	20.90	5.4	_	_
Accountants and auditors	23.40	7.4	23.88	10.3	_	_
Management analysts  Personnel, training, and labor relations	21.44	8.8	21.34	9.1	_	_
specialists	17.54	5.9	17.54	5.9	_	_
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	15.99	17.0	15.99	17.0	-	_
Management related, n.e.c.	21.01	12.2	21.01	12.2	-	_
Sales	12.06	10.2	12.38	10.9	-	_
Supervisors, sales	15.14	8.0	15.14	8.0	_	_
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	9.84	9.1	9.84	9.1	_	_
Sales workers, other commodities	9.94	14.8	9.94	14.8	_	_
Cashiers	7.44	5.7	7.13	4.4	_	_
Administrative support, including clerical	10.88	3.6	10.82	4.2	11.16	6.5
Secretaries	12.68	7.0	11.41	5.9	-	_
Receptionists	7.97	4.3	7.97	4.3	_	_
Order clerks	11.28	5.7	11.28	5.7	_	_
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	11.43	5.7	10.90	6.5	_	_
Dispatchers	11.35	3.9	-	-	_	-
Production coordinators	14.60	17.4	14.67	18.5	_	_
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	10.85	8.9	10.85	8.9	_	-
Stock and inventory clerks	10.32	8.7	10.32	8.7	_	-
General office clerks	9.03	4.7	8.90	7.2	_	-
Bank tellers	8.44	3.0	8.44	3.0	_	-
Data entry keyers	8.19	5.5	7.97	6.5	_	_
Administrative support, n.e.c.	14.31	19.5	14.31	19.5	_	_
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Table 2-1. Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup>, all workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	To	otal	Private	industry		nd local rnment
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)
Blue collar -Continued						
Precision production, craft, and repair	\$14.62	5.9	\$14.36	6.9	\$16.14	6.1
Industrial machinery repairers	21.63	7.7	21.63	7.7	-	_
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.68	11.6	_		_	_
Supervisors, production	18.38	4.6	18.38	4.6	_	_
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	14.77	6.3	14.79	6.3	_	_
Punching and stamping press operators	11.90	4.6	11.90	4.6	_	_
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	9.84	8.9	9.84	8.9	_	_
Textile sewing machine operators	6.57	5.0	6.57	5.0	_	_
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	17.62	8.3	17.62	8.3	_	_
Welders and cutters	18.46	22.0	18.46	22.0	_	_
Assemblers	13.10	9.0	13.10	9.0	_	_
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	12.19	18.8	12.19	18.8	_	_
Transportation and material moving	11.57	8.7	11.17	11.9	12.17	10.5
Truck drivers	12.32	7.7	11.85	12.5	-	-
Handlers assissment cleaners halvers and laborers	0.56	4.2	0.42	F 0		
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers  Construction laborers	9.56 9.81	8.9	9.43 8.75	5.0 4.9	_	_
Stock handlers and baggers	7.01	7.6	7.01	7.6	_	_
Machine feeders and offbearers	9.12	5.2	9.12	5.2		_
		8.4		8.4	_	_
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	9.64 12.64	17.2	9.64 12.64	17.2	_	_
	7.10	8.1	7.10	8.1	_	_
Hand packers and packagersLaborers, except construction, n.e.c.	9.44	7.8	9.44	7.8	_	_
Labororo, oxoopt correction, m.c.c.	0.11	7.0	0.11	1.0		
Service	8.33	5.1	6.18	4.7	11.24	4.5
Protective service	12.47	6.2			13.25	3.9
Food service	6.42	8.7	5.42	8.0	9.18	4.6
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	3.33	11.7	3.28	11.8	-	_
Waiters and waitresses	2.92	16.4	2.86	16.6		_
Other food service	7.64	7.0	6.72	6.5	9.26	4.5
Cooks	8.10	5.2	7.90	5.3	_	_
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.64	6.7			_	_
Food preparation, n.e.c.	5.97	5.5	5.99	5.7	_	_
Health service	6.99	1.3	6.87	1.4	_	_
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	6.98	1.3	6.84	1.4	_	_
Cleaning and building service	7.29	5.2	6.87	5.0	_	_
Maids and housemen	6.08	3.1	5.93	2.3	_	_
Janitors and cleaners	7.21	5.5	6.66	4.1	_	_
Personal service	7.12	11.2	_	_	_	_

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2 All workers include full-time and part-time workers.

3 A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

4 The relative standard error (RSE) is the standard error expressed as a percent of the estimate. It can be used to calculate a "confidence interval" around

a sample estimate. For more information about RSEs, see appendix A.

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Table 2-2. Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup>, full-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	To	otal	Private	industry		ind local rnment
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent
II	\$17.50	2.7	\$16.91	2.5	\$19.39	6.2
All excluding sales	17.67	2.7	17.07	2.5	19.52	6.2
White collar	21.61	3.1	20.78	3.2	23.74	5.8
White collar excluding sales	22.31	3.1	21.58	3.2	24.03	5.6
Professional specialty and technical	25.00	3.0	24.36	3.8	26.09	4.3
Professional specialty	27.54	2.5	28.29	2.8	26.58	4.3
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	28.37	3.4	28.88	3.2	_	
Aerospace engineers	30.82	5.9	30.82	5.9	_	_
Electrical and electronic engineers	26.87	4.4	27.02	4.4	_	_
Engineers, n.e.c.	28.08	6.0	28.08	6.0	_	_
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.06	3.1	31.15	3.2	_	_
Computer systems analysts and scientists	31.41	3.3	31.53	3.4	_	_
Natural scientists	-	-	-	-	_	_
Health related	35.58	23.7	_	_	_	_
Teachers, college and university	-		_	_	_	_
Teachers, except college and university	26.12	1.9	_	_	_	_
Elementary school teachers	26.37	.9	_	_	_	_
Librarians, archivists, and curators	_		_		_	_
Social scientists and urban planners	_	_	_		_	_
Social, recreation, and religious workers	_	_	_		_	_
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and						
professionals, n.e.c.	17.41	4.6	17.82	5.5	_	_
Technical	15.21	5.1	15.22	5.4	_	_
Electrical and electronic technicians	14.57	7.2	14.49	7.4	_	_
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	18.36	11.7	18.36	11.7	_	_
Drafters	19.64	5.7	19.64	5.7	_	_
Chemical technicians	15.01	7.2	15.01	7.2	_	_
Computer programmers	20.88	10.7	-	-	_	_
Everythic administrative and managerial	20.00	5.0	26.72	6.0	27.02	7.6
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.80	5.0	26.73	6.2	27.03	7.6
Executives, administrators, and managers	31.60	6.1	33.68	7.8	27.89	8.6
Administrators and officials, public administration	21.16	6.6	-		21.16	6.6
Financial managers	36.24	15.1	36.24	15.1	_	_
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	31.67	5.6	31.48	5.7		_
Management related	20.89	5.0	20.74	5.4	_	_
Accountants and auditors	23.40	7.4	23.88	10.3	_	_
Management analysts	20.97	8.9	20.85	9.3	_	_
Personnel, training, and labor relations	47.54		47.54			
specialists	17.54	5.9	17.54	5.9	_	_
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.	15.99	17.0	15.99	17.0	_	_
Management related, n.e.c.	21.01	12.2	21.01	12.2	_	_
Sales	13.84	10.6	14.16	10.9	_	_
Supervisors, sales	15.14	8.0	15.14	8.0	_	_
Sales workers, other commodities	11.10	16.7	11.10	16.7	_	_
Cashiers	8.28	5.2	7.83	4.6	_	_
Administrative support, including clerical	11.05	3.7	11.00	4.4	11.23	6.5
Secretaries	12.93	6.9	11.74	6.3	11.23	0.5
Receptionists	8.02	4.7	8.02	4.7	_	-
Order clerks	11.28	5.7	11.28	5.7	_	_
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	11.20	5.7	10.86	6.6	_	
Dispatchers	11.41	3.9	-	5.0	_	-
Production coordinators	14.60	17.4	- 14.67	18.5	_	1 -
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	10.85	8.9	10.85	8.9	_	I _
Stock and inventory clerks	10.52	9.0	10.52	9.0	_	_
General office clerks	9.11	4.9	9.03	7.8	_	_
Data entry keyers	8.29	5.8	J.03 -	'.0	_	_
Administrative support, n.e.c.	14.65	19.8	14.65	19.8	_	_
Blue collar	14.08	2.1	14.15	2.3	13.36	5.2
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Precision production, craft, and repair Industrial machinery repairers	14.87 21.63	5.7 7.7	14.65 21.63	6.7 7.7	16.14 –	6.1
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Table 2-2. Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup>, full-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	To	otal	Private	industry		nd local nment
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)
Blue collar -Continued						
Precision production, craft, and repair -Continued						
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	\$14.68	11.6	_	_	_	_
Supervisors, production	18.38	4.6	\$18.38	4.6	-	-
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	14.86	6.3	14.88	6.3	_	_
Punching and stamping press operators	11.90	4.6	11.90	4.6	_	_
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c	9.84	8.9	9.84	8.9	_	_
Textile sewing machine operators	6.57	5.0	6.57	5.0	_	_
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	17.63	8.3	17.63	8.3	_	_
Welders and cutters	18.46	22.0	18.46	22.0	_	_
Assemblers	13.30	9.3	13.30	9.3	_	_
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	12.19	18.8	12.19	18.8	_	_
Transportation and material moving	11.89	7.0	12.00	9.7	\$11.73	9.7
Truck drivers	12.45	7.6	12.05	12.5	-	-
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.84	4.2	9.77	5.0	_	_
Construction laborers	9.81	8.9	8.75	4.9	_	_
Stock handlers and baggers	7.65	10.7	7.65	10.7	_	_
Machine feeders and offbearers	9.12	5.2	9.12	5.2	_	_
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c	9.80	8.5	9.80	8.5	_	_
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	12.64	17.2	12.64	17.2	_	_
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c	9.44	7.8	9.44	7.8	_	_
Service	8.99	6.2	6.43	7.0	11.55	4.5
Protective service	12.56	5.8		_	13.25	3.9
Food service	6.82	11.7	5.48	12.0	_	_
Other food service	8.12	8.3	7.08	10.0	_	_
Cooks	8.10	5.2	7.90	5.3	_	_
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.64	6.7	_	_	_	_
Health service	7.00	1.3	6.88	1.5	_	-
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	6.98	1.3	6.85	1.5	_	_
Cleaning and building service	7.99	6.5	7.49	7.5	_	-
Janitors and cleaners	7.99	7.1	7.28	7.5	_	-
Personal service	_	_	_	_	_	-

<sup>1</sup> Earnings are the straight-time hourly wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours.

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Table 2-3. Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup>, part-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	To	otal	Private	industry		nd local nment
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)
All excluding sales	\$6.81 6.96	5.6 6.9	\$6.53 6.60	5.2 6.4	\$8.67 9.22	17.2 18.7
White collar	7.81 9.68	8.8 13.1	7.78 9.73	10.1 15.4	7.96 9.43	11.8 10.8
Professional specialty and technical	8.84 10.06 – –	9.5 11.8 – –	8.17 - - -	8.5 - - -	- - - -	- - - -
professionals, n.e.c	- 8.09	- 8.8	_ _	_ _	_ _	_ _
Executive, administrative, and managerial  Executives, administrators, and managers	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
SalesCashiers	6.23 6.18	4.5 4.4	6.23 6.17	4.8 4.1	_ _	_ _
Administrative support, including clerical	7.96	4.2	8.04	4.3	_	_
Blue collar	7.32	16.8	6.06	3.3	_	_
Precision production, craft, and repair	-	_	_	_	_	_
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	-	_	_	-	-	-
Transportation and material moving	-	-	-	-	-	_
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers Stock handlers and baggers	6.02 5.76	2.6 4.9	6.02 5.76	2.6 4.9	_ _	_ _
Service Protective service Food service Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders Waiters and waitresses Other food service Food preparation, n.e.c. Health service	5.65 - 5.30 4.35 4.23 5.96 6.10	3.1 - 3.1 8.4 11.5 6.1 7.9	5.61 - 5.29 4.28 4.15 5.98 - -	3.4 - 3.3 8.8 12.3 6.4 - -	5.95 - - - - - - -	3.0 - - - - - -
Cleaning and building service Personal service	-	_	_	_	_	

<sup>1</sup> Earnings are the straight-time hourly wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours.

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Table 3-1. Mean weekly earnings<sup>1</sup>, full-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

		Total		Priv	ate industry	/		ate and local povernment	
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Weekly 6	earnings	Mean	Weekly e	arnings	Mean	Weekly 6	earnings	Mean
	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	weekly hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	weekly hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	weekly hours
All excluding sales	\$700 705	2.6 2.6	40.0 39.9	\$677 683	2.6 2.6	40.1 40.0	\$770 775	5.3 5.2	39.7 39.7
White collarWhite collar excluding sales	870 897	3.0 2.9	40.3 40.2	843 873	3.2 3.2	40.6 40.5	938 949	5.1 4.9	39.5 39.5
Professional specialty and									
technical  Professional specialty  Engineers, architects, and	1,002 1,103	2.9 2.8	40.1 40.1	989 1,153	3.9 2.8	40.6 40.8	1,024 1,041	4.3 4.4	39.2 39.2
surveyorsAerospace engineers	1,167 1,235	3.6 5.9	41.1 40.1	1,189 1,235	3.3 5.9	41.2 40.1			-   -
Electrical and electronic engineers Engineers, n.e.c	1,141 1,123	5.6 6.0	42.5 40.0	1,146 1,123	5.8 6.0	42.4 40.0	<u>-</u>		-   -
Mathematical and computer scientists  Computer systems analysts	1,257	3.1	40.5	1,261	3.2	40.5	-	_	_
and scientistsNatural scientists	1,274	3.3	40.6 -	1,280 -	3.4	40.6 -	_	-	-   -
Health related Teachers, college and university Teachers, except college and	1,415 –	24.0	39.8	-	_	_	_	_	_
university  Elementary school teachers	1,008 1,019	1.3 1.6	38.6 38.6	_	-	_	_	_	-   -
Librarians, archivists, and curatorsSocial scientists and urban	-	_	-	-	_	-	-	_	-
planners Social, recreation, and religious workers	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals,									
n.e.c Technical	697 612	4.6 4.8	40.0 40.2	713 612	5.5 5.1	40.0 40.2	_	_	_
Electrical and electronic technicians	583	7.2	40.2	580	7.4	40.2	_	_	_
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	734	11.7	40.0	734	11.7	40.0	-	-	-
Drafters Chemical technicians	786 601	5.7 7.2	40.0 40.0	786 601	5.7 7.2	40.0 40.0	_	_	[
Computer programmers	835	10.7	40.0	-	-	-	_	_	-
Executive, administrative, and managerial	1,089	5.1	40.6	1,091	6.2	40.8	1,084	7.6	40.1
Executives, administrators, and managers	1,292	6.0	40.9	1,394	7.6	41.4	1,116	8.6	40.0
public administration Financial managers	847 1,614	6.6 13.7	40.0 44.5	- 1,614	- 13.7	- 44.5	847 -	6.6 -	40.0 -
Managers and administrators, n.e.c	1,301	5.5	41.1	1,294	5.6	41.1	_	_	_
Management related	843	5.1	40.4	837	5.5	40.3	-	_	-
Accountants and auditors	960	7.9	41.0	990	11.3	41.5	-	_	-
Management analysts Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	842 712	9.0	40.2 40.6	834 712	9.3	40.0	_	_	_
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.	639	17.0	40.0	639	17.0	40.0	_	_	_
Management related, n.e.c	840	12.2	40.0	840	12.2	40.0	-	_	-
SalesSupervisors, sales	570 625	11.8 7.4	41.2 41.2	584 625	12.2 7.4	41.3 41.2			_
Sales workers, other commodities	446	16.9	40.1	446	16.9	40.1	_	_	_

Table 3-1. Mean weekly earnings<sup>1</sup>, full-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

Weekly 6						State and local government			
Weekly earnings		Mean	Weekly e	arnings	Mean	Weekly 6	earnings	Mean	
Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	weekly hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	weekly hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	weekl	
\$327	6.2	39.4	\$307	6.1	39.2	-	_	-	
444	2.0	20.0	420	4.4	20.0	¢440	6.5	40.0	
				1		\$449	6.5	40.0	
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						_	_	-	
451	5.7	40.0	451	5.7	40.0	-	_	-	
								1	
450	6.1	39.4	427	7.0	39.3	_	-	-	
454	3.9	40.0	_	_	-	_	-	-	
586	17.5	40.1	589	18.6	40.2	-	-	-	
438	8.9	40.4	438	8.9	40.4	-	_	-	
421	9.0	40.0	421	9.0	40.0	_	_	_	
						_	_	_	
		1	_	_		_	_	_	
582	19.9	39.7	582	19.9	39.7	-	_	-	
561	2.2	39.8	564	2.4	39.8	532	5.6	39.8	
593	5.7	39.9	583	6.8	39.8	651	6.3	40.3	
865	7.7	40.0	865	7.7	40.0	_	_	-	
570 735	12.7 4.6	38.8 40.0	- 735	4.6	- 40.0	_	-	_	
590	6.4	39.7	591	6.4	39.7	_	_	-	
476	4.6	40.0	476	4.6	40.0	_	_	_	
						_	_	_	
263	5.1	40.0	263	5.1	40.0	_	_	_	
704	8.3	39.9	704	8.3	39.9	_	_	_	
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002	0.0	10.0	002	0.0	10.0				
487	18.8	39.9	487	18.8	39.9	-	_	-	
474	8.4	39.9	486	11.5	40.5	456	12.1	38.9	
506	9.3	40.6	494	15.5	41.0	-	_	-	
	1	1		1		_	-	-	
						-	_	-	
306	10.7	40.0	306	10.7	40.0	-	_	-	
365	5.2	400	365	5.2	400	_	_		
300	5.2	40.0	300	3.2	40.0	_	-	-	
396	9.1	40.4	396	9.1	40.4	-	_	-	
506	17.2	40.0	506	17.2	40.0	-	_	-	
378	7.8	40.0	378	7.8	40.0	_	_	_	
	441 517 321 451 450 454 586 438 421 364 331 582 561 590 476 393 263 704 738 532 487 474 506	441       3.8         517       6.9         321       4.7         451       5.7         450       6.1         454       3.9         586       17.5         438       8.9         421       9.0         364       4.9         331       5.8         582       19.9         561       2.2         593       5.7         570       7.7         570       12.7         735       4.6         590       6.4         476       4.6         393       8.9         263       5.1         704       8.3         738       22.0         532       9.3         487       18.8         474       8.4         506       9.3         394       4.4         384       10.0         306       10.7         365       5.2         396       9.1         506       17.2	441       3.8       39.9         517       6.9       40.0         321       4.7       40.0         451       5.7       40.0         450       6.1       39.4         454       3.9       40.0         586       17.5       40.1         438       8.9       40.4         421       9.0       40.0         364       4.9       40.0         331       5.8       40.0         582       19.9       39.7         561       2.2       39.8         593       5.7       39.9         865       7.7       40.0         570       12.7       38.8         735       4.6       40.0         590       6.4       39.7         476       4.6       40.0         393       8.9       40.0         263       5.1       40.0         704       8.3       39.9         738       22.0       40.0         532       9.3       40.0         487       18.8       39.9         474       8.4       39.9         506	441       3.8       39.9       439         517       6.9       40.0       470         321       4.7       40.0       321         451       5.7       40.0       451         450       6.1       39.4       427         454       3.9       40.0       -         586       17.5       40.1       589         438       8.9       40.4       438         421       9.0       40.0       361         364       4.9       40.0       361         331       5.8       40.0       -         582       19.9       39.7       582         561       2.2       39.8       564         593       5.7       39.9       583         865       7.7       40.0       865         570       12.7       38.8       -         735       4.6       40.0       476         393       8.9       40.0       393         263       5.1       40.0       263         704       8.3       39.9       704         738       22.0       40.0       738         5	441       3.8       39.9       439       4.4         517       6.9       40.0       470       6.3         321       4.7       40.0       321       4.7         451       5.7       40.0       451       5.7         450       6.1       39.4       427       7.0         454       3.9       40.0       -       -         586       17.5       40.1       589       18.6         438       8.9       40.4       438       8.9         421       9.0       40.0       421       9.0         364       4.9       40.0       361       7.8         331       5.8       40.0       -       -       -         582       19.9       39.7       582       19.9         561       2.2       39.8       564       2.4         593       5.7       39.9       583       6.8         7.7       40.0       865       7.7         570       12.7       38.8       -       -         735       4.6       40.0       476       4.6         393       8.9       40.0       393	441         3.8         39.9         439         4.4         39.9           517         6.9         40.0         470         6.3         40.0           321         4.7         40.0         321         4.7         40.0           450         6.1         39.4         427         7.0         39.3           454         3.9         40.0         -         -         -           586         17.5         40.1         589         18.6         40.2           438         8.9         40.4         438         8.9         40.4           421         9.0         40.0         361         7.8         40.0           364         4.9         40.0         361         7.8         40.0           331         5.8         40.0         -         -         -         -           582         19.9         39.7         582         19.9         39.7           561         2.2         39.8         564         2.4         39.8           865         7.7         40.0         865         7.7         40.0           570         12.7         38.8         -         -	441         3.8         39.9         439         4.4         39.9         \$449           517         6.9         40.0         470         6.3         40.0         —           321         4.7         40.0         321         4.7         40.0         —           451         5.7         40.0         451         5.7         40.0         —           450         6.1         39.4         427         7.0         39.3         —           454         3.9         40.0         —         —         —         —         —           586         17.5         40.1         589         18.6         40.2         —           438         8.9         40.4         438         8.9         40.4         —           421         9.0         40.0         361         7.8         40.0         —           364         4.9         40.0         361         7.8         40.0         —           582         19.9         39.7         582         19.9         39.7         —           561         2.2         39.8         564         2.4         39.8         532           593	441         3.8         39.9         439         4.4         39.9         \$449         6.5           517         6.9         40.0         470         6.3         40.0         —         —           321         4.7         40.0         —         —         —         —           451         5.7         40.0         451         5.7         40.0         —         —           450         6.1         39.4         427         7.0         39.3         —         —           454         3.9         40.0         —         —         —         —         —           586         17.5         40.1         589         18.6         40.2         —         —           438         8.9         40.4         438         8.9         40.4         —         —           421         9.0         40.0         361         7.8         40.0         —	

Table 3-1. Mean weekly earnings1, full-time workers:2 Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

		Total		Priv	ate industry	,	State and local government			
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Weekly earnings			Weekly earnings			Weekly e	earnings		
	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean weekly hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean weekly hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean weekly hours <sup>5</sup>	
Service	\$352	6.7	39.1	\$246	7.5	38.3	\$463	5.9	40.1	
Protective service	526	5.6	41.9	-	_	_	558	2.9	42.2	
Food service	251	10.7	36.9	205	12.2	37.3	_	_		
Other food service	301	6.2	37.1	269	8.0	38.0	_	_	_	
CooksKitchen workers, food	306	5.3	37.7	296	5.1	37.5	-	_	_	
preparation	316	5.1	36.6	-	_	_	_	_	_	
Health service Nursing aides, orderlies and	274	3.0	39.2	268	3.6	38.9	-	_	_	
attendants	274	3.1	39.2	266	3.7	38.9	_	_	_	
Cleaning and building service	314	6.8	39.3	293	7.6	39.1	_	_	_	
Janitors and cleaners	317	7.2	39.7	288	7.3	39.6	_	_	-	
Personal service	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	

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percent of the estimate. It can be used to calculate a "confidence interval" around a sample estimate. For more information about RSEs, see appendix A.  $^5\,$  Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week, exclusive of overtime.

Table 3-2. Mean annual earnings<sup>1</sup>, full-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

		Total		Priv	ate industry	<u> </u>		te and local overnment	
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Annual e	arnings	Mean	Annual ea	arnings	Mean	Annual e	arnings	Mear
	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	annual hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	annual hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	annua
All excluding sales	\$35,920 36,196	2.6 2.6	2,052 2,048	\$35,156 35,418	2.6 2.6	2,079 2,075	\$38,236 38,457	5.3 5.2	1,971 1,970
White collar White collar excluding sales	44,379 45,652	3.0 2.9	2,054 2,046	43,731 45,303	3.2 3.2	2,104 2,099	45,908 46,402	5.1 4.9	1,934 1,931
Professional specialty and									
technical  Professional specialty  Engineers, architects, and	50,261 54,809	2.9 2.8	2,011 1,991	51,323 59,787	3.9 2.8	2,107 2,113	48,632 49,276	4.3 4.4	1,864 1,854
surveyorsAerospace engineers	60,698 64,205	3.6 5.9	2,139 2,083	61,821 64,205	3.3 5.9	2,141 2,083	- -	- -	_ _
Electrical and electronic engineers Engineers, n.e.c.	59,329 58,399	5.6 6.0	2,208 2,080	59,573 58,399	5.8 6.0	2,205 2,080		_ _	_ _
Mathematical and computer scientists	65,359	3.1	2,105	65,584	3.2	2,105	_	_	_
Computer systems analysts and scientists  Natural scientists	66,236 -	3.3	2,109	66,538 -	3.4	2,110	_	_ _	_ _
Health related Teachers, college and university	73,590 -	24.0 -	2,068	-	- -	-	_	_ _	_ _
Teachers, except college and university  Elementary school teachers	44,507 45,373	1.3 1.6	1,704 1,720	_	_ _	- -	_	_ _	_ _
Librarians, archivists, and curatorsSocial scientists and urban	-	_	_	-	_	-	-	_	_
plannersSocial, recreation, and religious	-	_	-	-	_	-	-	_	-
workers Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	_	_
n.e.c	36,220	4.6	2,080	37,061	5.5	2,080	-	_	_
Technical  Electrical and electronic  technicians	31,832 30,309	4.8 7.2	2,093 2,080	31,821 30,135	5.1 7.4	2,091	-	-	_
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	38,193	11.7	2,080	38,193	11.7	2,080	_	_	
Drafters	40,857	5.7	2,080	40,857	5.7	2,080	_	_	_
Chemical technicians Computer programmers	31,229 43,420	7.2 10.7	2,080 2,080	31,229	7.2 -	2,080	_	_ _	_ _
Executive, administrative, and managerial	56,635	5.1	2,113	56,723	6.2	2,122	56,355	7.6	2,08
Executives, administrators, and managers	67,163	6.0	2,125	72,481	7.6	2,152	58,007	8.6	2,08
Administrators and officials, public administration Financial managers	44,022 83,904	6.6 13.7	2,080 2,315	- 83,904	- 13.7	– 2,315	44,022 -	6.6 -	2,08
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	67,632	5.5	2,136	67,275	5.6	2,137	_	_	_
Management related	43,842	5.5	2,130	43,505	5.5	2,137	_	_	
Accountants and auditors	49,904	7.9	2,133	51,494	11.3	2,156	_	_	_
Management analysts Personnel, training, and labor	43,791	9.0	2,088	43,361	9.3	2,080	-	-	-
relations specialists Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	37,016 33,250	6.5 17.0	2,111	37,016 33,250	6.5 17.0	2,111	_	_	_
Management related, n.e.c	43,697	12.2	2,080	43,697	12.2	2,080	_	_	_
Sales	29,624	11.8	2,141	30,377	12.2	2,145	_	_	-
Supervisors, sales Sales workers, other commodities	32,477 23,171	7.4 16.9	2,145 2,087	32,477 23,171	7.4 16.9	2,145 2,087	_	_	_

Table 3-2. Mean annual earnings<sup>1</sup>, full-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

		Total		Priv	ate industry	,		te and local overnment	
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Annual e	arnings	Mean	Annual ea	arnings	Mean	Annual e	arnings	Mear
	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	annual hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	annual hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	annua
White collar –Continued									
0.1									
Sales –Continued Cashiers	\$16,980	6.2	2,051	\$15,959	6.1	2,038	-	_	_
Administrative support, including									
clerical	22,827	3.8	2,067	22,694	4.4	2,063	\$23,351	6.5	2,080
Secretaries	26,903	6.9	2,080	24,422	6.3	2,080	_	_	-
Receptionists	16,690	4.7	2,080	16,690	4.7	2,080	_	_	-
Order clerks	23,455	5.7	2,080	23,455	5.7	2,080	_	_	-
Bookkeepers, accounting and									
auditing clerks	23,390	6.1	2,050	22,201	7.0	2,043	_	-	-
Dispatchers	23,614	3.9	2,080		-	-	_	-	-
Production coordinators  Traffic, shipping and receiving	30,473	17.5	2,088	30,640	18.6	2,088	-	_	_
clerks	22,786	8.9	2,101	22,786	8.9	2,101	_	_	-
Stock and inventory clerks	21,883	9.0	2,080	21,883	9.0	2,080	_	_	-
General office clerks	18,541	4.9	2,036	18,123	7.8	2,008	_	_	-
Data entry keyers	17,235	5.8	2,080	_	_	-	_	_	-
Administrative support, n.e.c.	30,254	19.9	2,065	30,254	19.9	2,065	-	_	-
Blue collar	29,099	2.2	2,067	29,255	2.4	2,067	27,647	5.6	2,07
Precision production, craft, and									
repair	30,815	5.7	2,072	30,289	6.8	2,068	33,829	6.3	2,09
Industrial machinery repairers Mechanics and repairers,	44,989	7.7	2,080	44,989	7.7	2,080	_	_	-
n.e.c	29,623	12.7	2,017	_	_	-	_	_	-
Supervisors, production	38,243	4.6	2,081	38,243	4.6	2,081	_	-	-
Machine operators, assemblers,									
and inspectors Punching and stamping press	30,680	6.4	2,065	30,724	6.4	2,065	_	_	_
operatorsFabricating machine	24,753	4.6	2,080	24,753	4.6	2,080	-	_	-
operators, n.e.c.	20,459	8.9	2,080	20,459	8.9	2,080	_	-	-
Textile sewing machine operators	13,669	5.1	2,080	13,669	5.1	2,080	_	_	_
Miscellaneous machine									
operators, n.e.c	36,609	8.3	2,077	36,609	8.3	2,077	_	_	-
Welders and cutters	38,394	22.0	2,080	38,394	22.0	2,080	_	_	-
Assemblers	27,671	9.3	2,080	27,671	9.3	2,080	_	_	-
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	25,328	18.8	2,077	25,328	18.8	2,077	_	_	_
	20,020	10.0	2,011	20,020	10.0	2,011			
Transportation and material									
moving Truck drivers	24,425 25,932	8.4 9.3	2,054 2,083	24,886 25,112	11.5 15.5	2,074 2,085	23,707 -	12.1	2,02
Handlers, equipment cleaners,									
helpers, and laborers	20,410	4.4	2,074	20,237	5.2	2,072	_		_
Construction laborers	19,312	10.0	1,970	16,943	7.0	1,936	_	<u>-</u>	[
Stock handlers and baggers	15,913	10.0	2,080	15,913	10.7	2,080	_	_	[
Machine feeders and	13,513	10.7	2,000	13,513	10.7	2,000		-	-
offbearers	18,962	5.2	2,080	18,962	5.2	2,080	-	_	-
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	20,582	9.1	2,101	20,582	9.1	2,101	_	_	_
Vehicle washers and									
equipment cleaners  Laborers, except construction,	26,296	17.2	2,080	26,296	17.2	2,080	_	_	_
n.e.c	19,633	7.8	2,080	19,633	7.8	2,080	_	l _	l –

Table 3-2. Mean annual earnings1, full-time workers:2 Selected occupations, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	Total		Private industry			State and local government				
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Annual e	arnings		Annual ea			Annual earnings Annual earnings		arnings	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean annual hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean annual hours <sup>5</sup>	Mean	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)	Mean annua hours	
Service	\$17,982 27,345 12,545 14,838 15,899	6.7 5.6 10.7 6.2 5.3	2,000 2,178 1,840 1,828 1,962	\$12,761 - 10,639 14,000 15,383	7.5 - 12.2 8.0 5.1	1,984 - 1,940 1,977 1,948	\$23,270 29,041 - - -	5.9 2.9 - - -	2,016 2,192 - - -	
Kitchen workers, food preparation  Health service Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	15,387 14,263 14,223	5.1 3.0 3.1	1,781 2,038 2,037	_ 13,916 13,847	- 3.6 3.7	_ 2,024 2,022	- - -	- -	- -	
Cleaning and building service Janitors and cleaners Personal service	16,209 16,496 -	6.8 7.2 –	2,029 2,065 –	15,048 14,968 –	7.6 7.3 –	2,008 2,057 –	- - -	- - -	-   -   -	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Earnings are the straight-time annual wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the

percent of the estimate. It can be used to calculate a "confidence interval" around a sample estimate. For more information about RSEs, see appendix A.

5 Mean annual hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a year, which is destribed.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria, and n.e.c. means not elsewhere classified. Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately. IN THIS SURVEY, THE NONRESPONSE RATE FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXCEED-ED REGULAR SURVEY STANDARDS FOR PUBLICATION. ACCORDINGLY, U-SERS SHOULD INTERPRET THESE RESULTS WITH THIS LIMITATION IN

number of workers, weighted by hours.

2 Employees are classified as working either a full-time or a part-time schedule based on the definition used by each establishment. Therefore, a worker with a 35-hour-per-week schedule might be considered a full-time employee in one establishment, but classified as part-time in another firm, where a 40-hour week is the principum full time exhedule.

establishment, but classified as part-urine in anomer limit, where a 40-1000 week is the minimum full-time schedule.

3 A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

4 The relative standard error (RSE) is the standard error expressed as a

exclusive of overtime.

Table 4-1.Selected occupations<sup>1</sup> and levels,<sup>2</sup> all workers:<sup>3</sup> Mean hourly earnings,<sup>4</sup> private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	T(	otal	Private	industry		ind local rnment
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percen
II	\$16.85	2.8	\$16.20	2.5	\$19.03	6.3
All excluding sales	17.13	2.8	16.46	2.5	19.23	6.2
White collar	21.00	3.3	20.10	3.3	23.39	6.0
1	7.19	4.8	7.10	4.1	_	-
2	8.62	5.0	8.43	6.3	_	-
3	9.60	4.9	9.12	3.9	11.03	11.0
4	10.73	4.0	10.69	4.3	11.20	7.5
5	14.41	5.3	14.53	6.1	_	_
6	16.44	8.5	17.01	9.1	_	_
7	21.77	9.0	18.14	5.4	24.61	6.6
8	24.93	2.7	23.87	4.4	26.36	2.5
9	28.25	3.3	27.79	3.4	30.26	8.7
10 11	28.68 33.19	3.2	28.82 34.39	3.2	_	_
12	39.51	6.8	34.39	7.4	_	I -
13	42.31	5.9	42.31	5.9	_	I -
Not able to be leveled	29.64	12.7	29.64	12.7	_	_
White collar excluding sales	22.03	3.1	21.26	3.2	23.85	5.6
1	8.06	7.8	7.40	3.3	_	_
2	8.91	4.5	8.77	5.8	_	_
3	10.14	5.6	9.63	4.4	11.57	11.6
4	10.86	4.4	10.82	4.8	11.20	7.5
5	14.42	5.6	14.55	6.5	_	_
6	14.99	3.8	15.41	4.0	_	_
7	22.05	8.7	18.54	5.5	24.61	6.6
8	25.04	2.7	24.04	4.4	26.36	2.5
9	28.31	3.3	27.86	3.4	30.26	8.7
10	28.02	2.9	28.15	2.9	_	_
11	33.15	3.4	34.53	3.9	_	_
12 13	39.74 42.31	6.8 5.9	38.33 42.31	7.5 5.9	_	_
Not able to be leveled	29.64	12.7	29.64	12.7	_	_
Professional anasialty and technical	24.75	3.2	24.11	4.1	25.85	4.4
Professional specialty and technical  Professional specialty	27.40	2.5	28.24	2.8	26.36	4.3
5	13.47	7.9	-	_	-	
6	15.47	12.7	_	_	_	_
7	24.32	5.9	20.79	6.1	26.02	3.2
8	26.68	2.6	25.98	6.0	27.11	2.1
9	29.57	4.3	29.75	4.3	_	-
10	28.86	2.6	28.86	2.6	_	_
11	32.86	4.3	32.86	4.3	_	-
12	38.53	5.9	35.59	2.2	_	_
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	28.37	3.4	28.88	3.2	_	_
7	22.42	6.3	23.62	5.6	_	-
9	25.13 27.68	4.5 7.7	25.13 27.68	4.5 7.7		_
11	30.36	3.6	30.36	3.6		
12	35.40	3.0	35.40	3.0	_	_
Aerospace engineers	30.82	5.9	30.82	5.9	_	_
Electrical and electronic engineers	26.87	4.4	27.02	4.4	_	_
8	25.69	5.6	25.69	5.6	_	_
Engineers, n.e.c.	28.08	6.0	28.08	6.0	_	-
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.06	3.1	31.15	3.2	-	_
9	31.04	4.5	31.04	4.5	_	_
10	29.75	2.5	29.75	2.5	_	-
Computer systems analysts and scientists	31.41	3.3	31.53	3.4	_	_
10	29.65	2.7	29.65	2.7	_	_
Natural scientists	- 25 50	- 22.7	_	_	_	_
Health related	35.58	23.7	_	_	_	-
Teachers, college and university	26.09	1.0	15 21	12.9	_	_
Teachers, except college and university	26.09 25.92	1.9 3.7	15.31	13.8		
Elementary school teachers	26.37	.9	_	_	l	I -
			_	_	_	_
Librarians, archivists, and curators	-	_	_	_	-	

 $\label{thm:continuous} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table 4-1. \textbf{Selected occupations}^1 \ and \ levels, & 2 \ all \ workers; & 3 \ Mean hourly earnings, & 4 \ private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued & 4 \ AL, October 1999 &$ 

	To	otal	Private	industry		ind local rnment
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percen
White collar –Continued						
Professional specialty and technical –Continued Professional specialty –Continued						
Social scientists and urban planners Social, recreation, and religious workers Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and	- \$11.58	10.8	_	-	_	_
professionals, n.e.c.	17.20	4.1	\$17.57	4.9	_	_
Technical	14.89	5.9	14.89	6.4	\$14.86	6.1
2	9.53	17.0	9.53	17.0	· –	_
4	11.13	6.9	11.13	7.1	_	_
5	15.11	8.0	15.11	8.0	_	_
6	15.68	5.3	16.48	5.4	_	_
7	15.36	7.5	15.17	8.0	-	-
8	20.86	7.3	21.92	7.0	-	-
9	20.22	6.2	20.22	6.2	-	-
Licensed practical nurses	10.82	3.5	_	-	_	_
Electrical and electronic technicians	14.57	7.2	14.49	7.4	-	-
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	18.36	11.7	18.36	11.7	-	-
Drafters	19.64	5.7	19.64	5.7	_	-
Chemical technicians	15.01	7.2	15.01	7.2	_	-
Computer programmers	20.88	10.7	_	-	_	_
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.75 14.08	5.0 7.6	26.66 14.08	6.1 7.6	27.03	7.6
7	17.57	3.9	16.50	6.1	_	
8	22.52	6.5	22.71	7.0	_	
9	28.34	5.0	26.79	4.4	_	
10	26.09	7.4	-	-	_	_
11	33.30	4.6	36.08	5.4	_	_
12	42.36	15.8	44.01	16.8	_	_
13	46.22	6.4	46.22	6.4	_	_
Executives, administrators, and managers	31.39	6.1	33.32	7.8	27.89	8.6
8	25.64	11.0	_	-	_	_
9	29.98	5.3	27.47	5.3	_	_
11	33.92	5.4	_	-	_	_
12	42.73	16.4	44.54	17.5	_	_
13	49.05	8.2	49.05	8.2	_	-
Administrators and officials, public administration	21.16	6.6	_	-	21.16	6.6
Financial managers	36.24	15.1	36.24	15.1	_	-
Managers and administrators, n.e.c	31.67	5.6	31.48	5.7	_	-
9	26.06	5.9	26.06	5.9	-	-
Management related	35.11	8.6	34.40	10.0	-	-
Management related	21.03	5.0	20.90	5.4	_	-
6	14.15	8.2	14.15	8.2	_	-
7 8	17.12 21.18	5.6 7.1	17.12 21.38	5.6 7.3	_	-
9	21.18 25.11	5.2	21.38 25.66	7.3	_	1 -
Accountants and auditors	23.40	7.4	23.88	10.3	_	1 -
Management analysts	21.44	8.8	21.34	9.1	_	_
8	21.11	10.7	21.11	10.7	-	_
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	17.54	5.9	17.54	5.9	_	_
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	15.99	17.0	15.99	17.0	_	-
Management related, n.e.c.	21.01	12.2	21.01	12.2	-	-
Sales	12.06	10.2	12.38	10.9	-	_
1	6.80	5.1	6.97	5.3	-	-
3	8.21	4.6	7.92	5.1	-	-
4	10.34	9.3	10.34	9.3	-	-
5	14.29	10.0	14.29	10.0	_	_
Supervisors, sales Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	15.14 9.84	8.0 9.1	15.14 9.84	8.0 9.1	_	
	9.04	J.1	3.04	J.1	_	_
Sales workers, other commodities	9.94	14.8	9.94	14.8	_	_

 $\label{thm:continuous} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table 4-1. \textbf{Selected occupations}^1 \ and \ levels, & 2 \ all \ workers; & 3 \ Mean hourly earnings, & 4 \ private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued & 4 \ AL, October 1999 &$ 

	T	otal	Private	industry	State and local government	
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relativ error <sup>5</sup> (percen
White collar -Continued						
Salan Continued						
Sales –Continued Cashiers –Continued						
1	\$6.72	8.2	\$7.07	8.4	-	_
3	7.88	8.1	7.06	6.6	_	_
Administrative support, including clerical	10.88	3.6	10.82	4.2	\$11.16	6.5
1	8.06	7.8	7.40	3.3	_	_
2	8.81	2.9	8.61	3.5	_	-
3	10.27	5.7 5.5	9.75	4.5	11.57	11.6
4 5	10.82 14.62	12.9	10.66 14.62	6.2 12.9	11.73	7.3
6	14.17	7.8	14.17	7.8	_	_
7	15.10	5.1	15.22	6.4	-	-
Secretaries	12.68	7.0	11.41	5.9	-	-
4	11.13	11.8	11.26	12.9	-	_
Receptionists	7.97	4.3	7.97	4.3	_	_
Order clerks  Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	11.28 11.43	5.7 5.7	11.28 10.90	5.7 6.5	_	_
3	12.64	5.7	10.90	0.5	_	_
4	10.91	7.2	10.55	7.8	_	_
Dispatchers	11.35	3.9	-	_	_	_
Production coordinators	14.60	17.4	14.67	18.5	_	_
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	10.85	8.9	10.85	8.9	_	_
Stock and inventory clerks	10.32	8.7	10.32	8.7	_	_
General office clerks	9.03	4.7	8.90	7.2	-	_
2 3	9.22 9.00	3.9 6.1	8.87	8.1	_	_
Bank tellers	8.44	3.0	8.44	3.0	_	_
Data entry keyers	8.19	5.5	7.97	6.5	_	_
Administrative support, n.e.c	14.31	19.5	14.31	19.5	-	_
Blue collar	13.85	3.9	13.89	2.4	13.42	5.0
1	7.14	3.3	6.89	2.5	_	_
2	8.65	3.3	8.57	3.4	-	_
3	15.80	5.4	16.02	5.6	-	_
4	10.85	3.0	10.64	2.3	-	_
5 6	15.19 16.73	4.4 3.3	15.55 17.51	5.2 2.8	_	_
7	20.24	3.7	20.47	3.7	_	_
		"		"		
Precision production, craft, and repair	14.62	5.9	14.36	6.9	16.14	6.1
3	8.72	4.4	8.72	4.4	_	_
4	10.79 14.55	3.2	10.97 14.91	3.0	_	_
6	14.55	5.5 7.3	15.63	7.5 8.7	_	_
7	20.68	4.5	21.07	4.6	_	_
8	21.53	2.9	_	_	_	_
Industrial machinery repairers	21.63	7.7	21.63	7.7	-	_
7	22.17	8.3	22.17	8.3	-	-
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c	14.68 18.38	11.6 4.6	_ 18.38	4.6	_	_
7	17.63	4.7	17.63	4.7	_	_
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	14.77	6.3	14.79	6.3	_	-
1	6.87	1.7	6.87	1.7	_	-
2 3	8.24 17.11	4.6	8.24 17.20	4.6 6.5	_	_
4	17.11 10.71	6.4 2.9	17.20 10.71	6.5 2.9	_	-
5	15.79	6.9	15.79	6.9	_	_
Punching and stamping press operators	11.90	4.6	11.90	4.6	_	_
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c	9.84	8.9	9.84	8.9	_	-
Textile sewing machine operators	6.57	5.0	6.57	5.0	_	_
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	17.62	8.3	17.62	8.3	_	I –

Table 4-1. Selected occupations and levels, all workers: Mean hourly earnings, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	To	otal	Private	industry		ind local rnment
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relativ error <sup>5</sup> (percen
Blue collar –Continued						
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors						
-Continued						
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.						
-Continued	A.= ==		<b>0.17.5</b> 0			
5	\$17.58	9.9	\$17.58	9.9	_	_
Welders and cutters	18.46	22.0	18.46	22.0	_	_
Assemblers	13.10 7.82	9.0 6.8	13.10 7.82	9.0 6.8	_	_
3	15.99	15.0	15.99	15.0	_	_
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	12.19	18.8	12.19	18.8	_	_
5	17.57	13.8	17.57	13.8	_	_
0	17.07	10.0	17.57	10.0		
Transportation and material moving	11.57	8.7	11.17	11.9	\$12.17	10.5
3	8.81	2.9	9.06	2.6	_	-
4	12.94	10.2	11.61	5.9	_	_
Truck drivers	12.32	7.7	11.85	12.5	_	_
3	9.10	3.1	9.10	3.1	_	_
4	11.30	5.6	11.63	6.2	_	_
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.56	4.2	9.43	5.0	_	_
1	8.03	4.5	7.78	4.9	_	_
2	8.84	6.4	_	-	_	_
3	10.43	6.6	9.82	5.4	_	-
4	9.74	5.6	9.74	5.6	_	-
Construction laborers	9.81	8.9	8.75	4.9	_	_
Stock handlers and baggers	7.01	7.6	7.01	7.6	_	_
1	6.86	8.4	6.86	8.4	_	-
Machine feeders and offbearers	9.12	5.2	9.12	5.2	_	-
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c	9.64	8.4	9.64	8.4	_	_
1	9.12	9.4	9.12	9.4	_	_
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	12.64	17.2	12.64	17.2	_	-
Hand packers and packagers	7.10	8.1	7.10	8.1	_	-
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c	9.44	7.8	9.44	7.8	-	-
ervice	8.33	5.1	6.18	4.7	11.24	4.5
1	6.69	4.7	6.09	3.7	8.25	3.6
2	7.29	6.8	6.62	4.4	_	-
3	5.77	17.6	4.78	19.1	_	-
4	10.83	8.8	8.42	6.9	_	-
Protective service	12.47	6.2			13.25	3.9
Food service	6.42	8.7	5.42	8.0	9.18	4.6
1	6.57	9.2	5.55	3.2	_	_
2	7.18	14.7	_		_	_
3	4.34	23.3	3.99	24.8	_	_
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	3.33	11.7	3.28	11.8	_	_
3	2.99	20.6	2.92	20.9	_	_
3	2.92 2.95	16.4 21.0	2.86	16.6	_	
Other food service	7.64	7.0	6.72	6.5	9.26	4.5
1	6.99	9.4	6.00	6.0	-	-
2	7.59	13.1	-	-	_	_
Cooks	8.10	5.2	7.90	5.3	_	_
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.64	6.7	-	-	_	_
Food preparation, n.e.c.	5.97	5.5	5.99	5.7	_	_
Health service	6.99	1.3	6.87	1.4	_	_
3	7.36	1.3	-		_	_
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	6.98	1.3	6.84	1.4	_	_
Cleaning and building service	7.29	5.2	6.87	5.0	_	-
1	6.78	5.9	6.26	3.4	_	-
2	7.91	9.3	7.91	9.3	_	-
Maids and housemen	6.08	3.1	5.93	2.3	-	-
Janitors and cleaners	7.21	5.5	6.66	4.1	_	1 -

Table 4-1.Selected occupations1 and levels,2 all workers:3 Mean hourly earnings,4 private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 -

Occupation and level	Total		Private industry		State and local government	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
Service –Continued Cleaning and building service –Continued Janitors and cleaners –Continued 1	\$6.88 7.12	6.3 11.2	-	-	_ _	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria, and n.e.c. means not elsewhere classified. Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately. IN THIS SURVEY, THE NONRESPONSE RATE FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXCEEDED REGULAR SURVEY STANDARDS FOR PUB-LICATION. ACCORDINGLY, USERS SHOULD INTERPRET THESE RESULTS WITH THIS LIMITATION IN MIND.

A classification system intotuning about 460 intollibration occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

2 Each occupation for which data are collected in an establishment is evaluated based on 10 factors, including knowledge, complexity, work environment, etc. Points are assigned based on the occupation's rank within each factor. The points are summed to determine the overall level of the occupation. See appendixes C and D for more information.

<sup>3</sup> All workers include full-time and part-time workers.
4 Earnings are the straight-time hourly wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay

of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours.  $^5$  The relative standard error (RSE) is the standard error expressed as a percent of the estimate. It can be used to calculate a "confidence interval" around a sample estimate. For more information about RSEs, see appendix

Table 4-2. Selected occupations<sup>1</sup> and levels,<sup>2</sup> full-time workers;<sup>3</sup> Mean hourly earnings,<sup>4</sup> private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	To	otal	Private	industry		and local rnment
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent
II	\$17.50 17.67	2.7 2.7	\$16.91 17.07	2.5 2.5	\$19.39 19.52	6.2 6.2
White collar	21.61	3.1	20.78	3.2	23.74	5.8
1	7.98	4.6	7.67	3.2	_	_
2	9.06	5.0	8.91	6.7	_	_
3	9.85	4.9	9.40	4.0	11.03	11.0
4	10.95	4.1	10.88	4.3	11.83	7.4
5 6	14.42 16.72	5.3 8.7	14.55 17.15	6.1 9.1	_	
7	21.89	8.8	18.33	5.4	24.61	6.6
8	24.93	2.7	23.87	4.4	26.36	2.5
9	28.28	3.3	27.79	3.4	_	_
10	28.68	3.2	28.82	3.2	_	_
11	33.19	3.1	34.39	3.4	_	_
12	39.58	6.9	38.15	7.6	_	-
Mhite celler eveluding celes	42.31	5.9	42.31	5.9	-	-
White collar excluding sales	22.31 8.38	3.1 8.7	21.58 7.62	3.2 2.6	24.03	5.6
2	9.05	5.1	8.90	6.7	_	_
3	10.22	5.6	9.71	4.4	11.57	11.6
4	11.04	4.4	10.96	4.8	11.83	7.4
5	14.43	5.7	14.57	6.6	_	_
6	15.22	3.8	15.54	4.0	_	_
7	22.18	8.5	18.75	5.4	24.61	6.6
8	25.04	2.7	24.04	4.4	26.36	2.5
9	28.34	3.3	27.86	3.4	_	_
10 11	28.02 33.15	2.9 3.4	28.15 34.53	2.9 3.9	_	_
12	39.81	6.9	38.39	7.6	_	_
13	42.31	5.9	42.31	5.9	-	_
Professional specialty and technical	25.00	3.0	24.36	3.8	26.09	4.3
Professional specialty	27.54	2.5	28.29	2.8	26.58	4.3
5	13.45	7.9	-	_	-	_
7 8	24.32 26.68	5.9 2.6	20.79 25.98	6.1 6.0	26.02 27.11	3.2 2.1
9	29.64	4.3	29.75	4.3	27.11	2.1
10	28.86	2.6	28.86	2.6	_	_
11	32.86	4.3	32.86	4.3	_	_
12	38.53	5.9	35.59	2.2	_	_
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	28.37	3.4	28.88	3.2	_	_
7	22.42	6.3	23.62	5.6	_	_
8	25.13	4.5	25.13	4.5	_	_
9 11	27.68 30.36	7.7 3.6	27.68 30.36	7.7 3.6	_	_
12	35.40	3.0	35.40	3.0		-
Aerospace engineers	30.82	5.9	30.82	5.9	_	_
Electrical and electronic engineers	26.87	4.4	27.02	4.4	_	_
8	25.69	5.6	25.69	5.6	_	_
Engineers, n.e.c.	28.08	6.0	28.08	6.0	_	-
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.06	3.1	31.15	3.2	_	-
9 10	31.04	4.5	31.04	4.5	_	_
Computer systems analysts and scientists	29.75 31.41	2.5 3.3	29.75 31.53	2.5 3.4	_	
10	29.65	2.7	29.65	2.7	_	-
Natural scientists	-		-		_	_
Health related	35.58	23.7	_	-	_	-
Teachers, college and university	_	_	_	-	_	-
Teachers, except college and university	26.12	1.9	_	-	_	-
7	25.92	3.7	_	-	_	_
Elementary school teachers Librarians, archivists, and curators	26.37	.9	_	_	_	_
Social scientists and urban planners	_		_	_	_	-
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Table 4-2. Selected occupations<sup>1</sup> and levels,<sup>2</sup> full-time workers;<sup>3</sup> Mean hourly earnings,<sup>4</sup> private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	To	otal	Private	industry		nd local nment
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percen
Vhite collar –Continued						
Professional specialty and technical –Continued Professional specialty –Continued Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and						
professionals, n.e.c.	\$17.41	4.6	\$17.82	5.5	_	_
Technical	15.21	5.1	15.22	5.4	_	_
2	9.82	17.5	9.82	17.5	_	_
4	11.42	5.9	11.42	5.9	-	_
5	15.11	8.0	15.11	8.0	_	_
6	15.90	5.4	16.81	5.6	_	_
7	15.36	7.5	15.17	8.0	_	_
8	20.86	7.3	21.92	7.0	_	_
9	20.22	6.2	20.22	6.2	-	-
Electrical and electronic technicians	14.57 18.36	7.2	14.49	7.4	_	-
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	19.64	11.7 5.7	18.36 19.64	11.7 5.7	_	_
Drafters Chemical technicians	15.01	7.2	15.01	7.2	_	_
Computer programmers	20.88	10.7	-	7.2	_	
Computer programmers	20.00	10.7				
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.80	5.0	26.73	6.2	\$27.03	7.6
6	14.08	7.6	14.08	7.6	_	_
7	17.92	3.2	17.09	5.2	_	_
8	22.52	6.5	22.71	7.0	_	_
9	28.34	5.0	26.79	4.4	_	_
10	26.09	7.4			_	_
11	33.30	4.6	36.08	5.4	_	_
12	42.73	16.4	44.54	17.5	_	_
Type utilizes administrators and managers	46.22	6.4	46.22	6.4 7.8	_ 27.00	_
Executives, administrators, and managers	31.60 25.64	6.1 11.0	33.68	7.6	27.89	8.6
9	29.98	5.3	27.47	5.3	_	_
11	33.92	5.4		-	_	_
12	42.73	16.4	44.54	17.5	_	_
13	49.05	8.2	49.05	8.2	_	_
Administrators and officials, public administration	21.16	6.6	_	_	21.16	6.6
Financial managers	36.24	15.1	36.24	15.1	_	_
Managers and administrators, n.e.c	31.67	5.6	31.48	5.7	_	_
9	26.06	5.9	26.06	5.9	_	_
12	35.11	8.6	34.40	10.0	-	_
Management related	20.89 14.15	5.0 8.2	20.74 14.15	5.4	-	_
7	17.12	5.6	17.12	8.2 5.6	_	_
8	21.18	7.1	21.38	7.3	_	_
9	25.11	5.2	25.66	7.5	_	_
Accountants and auditors	23.40	7.4	23.88	10.3	_	-
Management analysts	20.97	8.9	20.85	9.3	_	_
8	21.11	10.7	21.11	10.7	-	_
Personnel, training, and labor relations		<u>.</u> .		<u>.</u> .		
specialists	17.54	5.9	17.54	5.9	-	_
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	15.99	17.0	15.99	17.0	_	-
Management related, n.e.c.	21.01	12.2	21.01	12.2	_	_
Sales	13.84	10.6	14.16	10.9	_	_
1	7.70	4.9	7.70	4.9	-	_
3	8.62	4.7	8.34	5.9	-	-
4	10.66	9.4	10.66	9.4	-	_
5	14.29	10.0	14.29	10.0	-	-
Supervisors, sales	15.14	8.0	15.14	8.0	-	_
Sales workers, other commodities	11.10	16.7	11.10	16.7	-	-
Cashiers	8.28	5.2	7.83	4.6	-	_
Administrative support, including clerical	11.05	3.7	11.00	4.4	11.23	6.5
	8.38	8.7	7.62	2.6	- 11.23	- 0.5
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Table 4-2. Selected occupations<sup>1</sup> and levels,<sup>2</sup> full-time workers;<sup>3</sup> Mean hourly earnings,<sup>4</sup> private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	To	otal	Private	industry	State and local government	
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relativ error <sup>5</sup> (percer
White collar -Continued						
Administrative support, including clerical –Continued						
3	\$10.30	5.8	\$9.79	4.6	\$11.57	11.6
4	10.86	5.6	10.70	6.3	11.83	7.4
5	14.68	13.0	14.68	13.0	_	_
6	14.17	7.8	14.17	7.8	_	_
7	15.35	5.2	15.58	6.7	_	_
Secretaries	12.93	6.9	11.74	6.3	_	_
Receptionists	8.02	4.7	8.02	4.7	_	_
Order clerks	11.28	5.7	11.28	5.7	_	_
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	11.41	5.8	10.86	6.6	_	_
3	12.64	5.4	-	- 7.0	_	_
4	10.91	7.2	10.55	7.8	_	-
Dispatchers	11.35	3.9	-	-	_	-
Production coordinators	14.60	17.4	14.67	18.5	_	-
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	10.85	8.9	10.85	8.9	_	-
Stock and inventory clerks	10.52	9.0	10.52	9.0	_	_
General office clerks	9.11	4.9	9.03	7.8	_	_
2	9.35	3.8	9.13	8.9	_	_
_ 3	9.00	6.1	_	_	_	_
Data entry keyers	8.29	5.8	-	-	_	_
Administrative support, n.e.c.	14.65	19.8	14.65	19.8	_	_
lue collar	14.08	2.1	14.15	2.3	13.36	5.2
1	7.37	3.4	7.08	2.6	_	_
2	8.65	3.3	8.57	3.4	_	_
3	15.87	5.4	16.05	5.6	_	_
4	10.62	2.2	10.64	2.3	_	_
5	15.19	4.4	15.55	5.2	_	_
6 7	16.73 20.24	3.3	17.51 20.47	2.8 3.7	_	_
					40.44	
Precision production, craft, and repair	14.87	5.7	14.65	6.7	16.14	6.1
3	8.72	4.4	8.72	4.4	_	_
4	10.79	3.2	10.97	3.0	_	_
5 6	14.55	5.5	14.91	7.5	_	_
-	14.73 20.68	7.3 4.5	15.63 21.07	8.7 4.6	_	_
7 8		2.9	21.07	4.0	_	_
Industrial machinery repairers	21.53 21.63	7.7	21.63	7.7	_	_
	22.17	I I	22.17	8.3	_	_
7 Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.68	8.3 11.6		0.3	_	_
Supervisors, production	18.38	4.6	- 18.38	4.6	_	-
7	17.63	4.7	17.63	4.7	_	_
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	14.86	6.3	14.88	6.3	_	_
1	6.90	1.9	6.90	1.9	_	-
2	8.23	4.6	8.23	4.6	l _	_
3	17.11	6.4	17.20	6.5	_	_
4	10.71	2.9	10.71	2.9	_	_
5	15.79	6.9	15.79	6.9	l –	_
Punching and stamping press operators	11.90	4.6	11.90	4.6	_	_
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c	9.84	8.9	9.84	8.9	_	_
Textile sewing machine operators	6.57	5.0	6.57	5.0	_	-
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	17.63	8.3	17.63	8.3	_	-
5	17.58	9.9	17.58	9.9	_	-
Welders and cutters	18.46	22.0	18.46	22.0	_	-
Assemblers	13.30	9.3	13.30	9.3	_	-
2	7.82	6.8	7.82	6.8	_	-
3	15.99	15.0	15.99	15.0	_	-
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	12.19	18.8	12.19	18.8	_	-
5	17.57	13.8	17.57	13.8	-	-
	11.89	7.0	12.00	9.7	11.73	9.7

Table 4-2. Selected occupations<sup>1</sup> and levels,<sup>2</sup> full-time workers:<sup>3</sup> Mean hourly earnings,<sup>4</sup> private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	To	otal	Private	industry	State and local government	
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent
Blue collar -Continued						
Transportation and material moving -Continued						
3	\$9.04	2.5	\$9.23	2.1	l –	_
4	11.30	5.4	11.61	5.9	l –	_
Truck drivers	12.45	7.6	12.05	12.5	l _	_
4	11.30	5.6	11.63	6.2	_	l _
T	11.50	3.0	11.00	0.2	_	
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.84	4.2	9.77	5.0	_	_
1	8.39	4.7	8.17	5.5	-	-
3	10.43	6.6	9.82	5.4	_	_
4	9.74	5.6	9.74	5.6	_	_
Construction laborers	9.81	8.9	8.75	4.9	_	_
Stock handlers and baggers	7.65	10.7	7.65	10.7	_	_
1	7.83	14.5	7.83	14.5	_	_
Machine feeders and offbearers	9.12	5.2	9.12	5.2	_	_
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c	9.80	J		8.5		
9 ' '		8.5	9.80		_	_
1	9.36	9.5	9.36	9.5	_	-
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	12.64	17.2	12.64	17.2	_	_
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c	9.44	7.8	9.44	7.8	_	_
Service	8.99	6.2	6.43	7.0	\$11.55	4.5
1	7.38	5.8	6.62	5.4	_	_
2	7.81	8.2	6.98	3.8	_	_
3	5.80	20.2	4.66	21.7	_	_
4	10.83	8.8	8.42	6.9	l _	_
Protective service	12.56	5.8	-	_	13.25	3.9
Food service	6.82	11.7	5.48	12.0		_
1	7.31	11.5	- 0.40	12.0	_	_
3	4.08	27.0	3.67	27.3	_	_
Other food service	8.12	8.3	7.08	10.0	_	_
1	7.31	11.5	7.00	10.0	_	-
			7.00			_
Cooks	8.10	5.2	7.90	5.3	_	_
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.64	6.7	-		_	_
Health service	7.00	1.3	6.88	1.5	_	_
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	6.98	1.3	6.85	1.5	_	_
Cleaning and building service	7.99	6.5	7.49	7.5	_	-
1	7.53	7.3	6.90	6.4	-	-
Janitors and cleaners	7.99	7.1	7.28	7.5	_	-
1	7.78	7.8	7.15	8.3	_	-
Personal service	_	-	_	-	l –	-

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hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours

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information.  $^2$  Each occupation for which data are collected in an establishment is evaluated based on 10 factors, including knowledge, complexity, work environment, etc. Points are assigned based on the occupation's rank within each factor. The points are summed to determine the overall level of the occupation. See appendixes C and D for more information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Employees are classified as working either a full-time or a part-time schedule based on the definition used by each establishment. Therefore, a worker with a 35-hour-per-week schedule might be considered a full-time employee in one establishment, but classified as part-time in another firm, where a 40-hour week is the minimum full-time schedule.

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Table 4-3. Selected occupations¹ and levels,² part-time workers:³ Mean hourly earnings,⁴ private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	T	otal	Private	industry		and local rnment
Occupation and level	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent
All	\$6.81	5.6	\$6.53	5.2	\$8.67	17.2
All excluding sales	6.96	6.9	6.60	6.4	9.22	18.7
White caller	7.04		7.70	404	7.00	44.0
White collar	7.81 5.88	8.8 3.6	7.78 6.00	10.1	7.96 –	11.8
2	7.02	8.3	6.96	8.8		
3	7.12	4.5	7.12	4.5	_	
4	7.89	7.2	7.65	8.2	_	_
White collar excluding sales	9.68	13.1	9.73	15.4	9.43	10.8
2	7.94	4.7	8.06	4.7	_	_
4	8.38	6.3	8.25	6.3	-	-
Professional specialty and technical	8.84	9.5	8.17	8.5	_	_
Professional specialty	10.06	11.8	-	-	-	-
Teachers, except college and university	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social, recreation, and religious workers Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and	-	_	-	_	-	_
professionals, n.e.c	- 8.09	8.8	_	_	_	_
Executive, administrative, and managerial	_	_	_	-	_	_
Executives, administrators, and managers  Management related	_	_	_	_	_	_
Color	0.00	4.5	0.00	4.0		
Sales	6.23 5.79	4.5 4.1	6.23 5.91	4.8 4.5	_	_
3	7.09	5.5	7.09	5.5	_	
Cashiers	6.18	4.4	6.17	4.1	-	_
Administrative support, including clerical	7.96	4.2	8.04	4.3	_	_
2	8.04	5.0	8.18	5.0	_	-
Blue collar	7.32	16.8	6.06	3.3	_	_
1	6.00	3.7	6.00	3.7	_	_
Precision production, craft, and repair	-	_	-	-	-	_
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	_	_	-	-	-	-
Transportation and material moving	-	_	-	-	-	_
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	6.02	2.6	6.02	2.6	_	_
1	5.93	2.5	5.93	2.5	_	_
Stock handlers and baggers	5.76 5.76	4.9 4.9	5.76 5.76	4.9 4.9	_	_
Service	5.65	3.1	5.61	3.4	5.95	3.0
Service	5.65 5.52	2.6	5.44	2.7	J.95 -	3.0
2	5.96	11.0	J.44 –		_	_
Protective service	-	-	_	_	_	-
Food service	5.30	3.1	5.29	3.3	_	-
1	5.36	5.0	5.36	5.0	-	-
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	4.35	8.4	4.28	8.8	-	-
Waiters and waitresses	4.23	11.5	4.15	12.3	-	-
Other food service	5.96	6.1	5.98	6.4	-	-
1	6.22	9.0	6.22	9.0	_	-
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.10	7.9	-	-	-	-
Health service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cleaning and building service	_	-	_	-	_	-

Table 4-3. Selected occupations<sup>1</sup> and levels,<sup>2</sup> part-time workers:<sup>3</sup> Mean hourly earnings,<sup>4</sup> private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

Occupation and level	Total		Private industry		State and local government	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
Service –Continued Personal service	-	_	-	_	-	_

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hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours.

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employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and

Table 5-1. Selected worker characteristics: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> by occupational group,<sup>2</sup> National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

		Private indu	stry and Sta	ate and local	government	
Occupational group	Full-time workers <sup>3</sup>	Part-time workers <sup>3</sup>	Union <sup>4</sup>	Nonunion <sup>4</sup>	Time <sup>5</sup>	Incentive <sup>5</sup>
			M	lean		
All occupations All excluding sales		\$6.81 6.96	\$20.28 20.31	\$16.37 16.65	\$16.83 17.15	\$18.88 9.62
White collar		7.81 9.68	16.74 17.04	21.07 22.12	20.98 22.03	21.71
Professional specialty and technical Professional specialty Technical Executive, administrative, and managerial Sales Administrative support, including clerical	26.80	8.84 10.06 8.09 - 6.23 7.96	- - - - - 17.46	24.83 27.40 14.84 26.81 12.07 10.54	24.75 27.40 14.89 26.75 9.86 10.88	_ _ _ _ 21.71
Blue collar Precision production, craft, and repair Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors Transportation and material moving Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers  Service	14.87 14.86	7.32 - - - 6.02 5.65	20.59 23.30 20.67 - 11.92	10.61 12.22 9.65 11.27 9.17 8.33	13.87 14.62 14.77 11.53 9.62 8.33	9.83 - - - -
			Relative er	ror <sup>6</sup> (percent)		
All occupations  All excluding sales  White collar	2.7 3.1	5.6 6.9 8.8	1.5 1.4 11.0	3.3 3.3 3.3	2.8 2.8 3.3	19.7 10.4 18.9
White-collar excluding sales  Professional specialty and technical	3.0 2.5 5.1 5.0	9.5 11.8 8.8 - 4.5 4.2	11.0 - - - - - 16.3	3.1 3.2 2.5 6.2 5.0 10.3 3.1	3.1 3.2 2.5 5.9 5.0 6.5 3.6	- - - - 18.9
Blue collar	5.7	16.8 - - - 2.6	1.4 2.9 1.0 – 11.3	2.7 5.3 2.8 9.5 4.1	2.2 5.9 6.3 9.1 4.3	15.7 - - - -
Service	6.2	3.1	-	5.1	5.1	_

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information.

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4 Union workers are those whose wages are determined through

collective bargaining.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\scriptsize 5}}$  Time workers' wages are based solely on an hourly rate or salary; incentive workers are those whose wages are at least partially based on productivity payments such as piece rates, commissions, and production

bonuses.

6 The relative standard error (RSE) is the standard error expressed as a calculate a "confidence interval" around a sample estimate. For more information about RSEs, see appendix

Table 5-2. Major industry division: Mean hourly earnings1 by occupational group,2 private industry, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

				Fu	II-time an	d part-tin	ne workers			
		Good	s-produc	ing indus	stries <sup>3</sup>		Service-	producing in	dustries <sup>4</sup>	
Occupational group	All private industries	Total	Mining	Con- struc- tion	Manu- factur- ing	Total	Transport- ation and public util- ities	Wholesale and retail trade	Finance, insurance, and real estate	Serv- ices
	Mean									
All occupations	\$16.20	\$17.74	_	\$11.11	\$17.98	\$14.11	\$13.95	_	\$10.61	\$17.19
	16.46	17.63	_	11.11	17.88	14.66	13.96	_	9.70	17.30
White collar	20.10	23.11	-	14.54	23.23	17.68	13.20	_	10.90	21.35
	21.26	23.05	-	14.54	23.18	19.53	13.14	_	9.94	21.59
Professional specialty and technical Professional specialty Technical	24.11 28.24 14.89	25.98 28.78 17.17	_ _ _	_ _	26.06 28.78 17.32	22.46 27.65 13.58	_ _ _	_ _ _	_ _	23.67 28.00 14.71
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.66	27.24	_	_	27.20	25.87	_	-	-	26.68
	12.38	24.54	_	_	24.54	10.42	_	-	-	-
	10.82	12.28	_	_	12.30	9.61	_	-	9.41	9.34
Blue collar  Precision production, craft, and repair	13.89	14.59	_	10.48	14.80	9.88	15.67	_	-	8.84
	14.36	14.38	_	12.62	14.53	14.20	—	_	-	13.21
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors  Transportation and material moving  Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and	14.79	15.44	_	_	15.45	7.35	_	_	_	7.35
	11.17	11.31	_	_	12.51	11.02	_	_	_	-
laborers	9.43	10.12	-	8.78	10.48	8.28	_	_	_	7.32
Service	6.18	_	_	-	_	6.15	_	_	_	6.73
					Relative	e error <sup>5</sup> ( <sub>l</sub>	percent)	,	<u> </u>	
All occupations	2.5	2.7	-	9.6	2.7	4.5	10.3	_	4.6	5.3
	2.5	2.7	-	9.6	2.7	4.7	10.7	_	4.2	5.3
White collar	3.3	4.5	-	16.7	4.6	4.4	10.6	_	4.7	4.5
	3.2	4.7	-	16.7	4.7	4.1	10.9	_	4.2	4.5
Professional specialty and technical	4.1	4.3	-	-	4.3	6.5	-	-	-	5.7
Professional specialty	2.8	3.6	-	-	3.6	4.3	-	-	-	4.3
Technical	6.4	7.3	-	-	7.3	8.2	-	-	-	5.8
Executive, administrative, and managerial	6.1	9.6	-	-	9.7	5.4	-	-	-	5.8
	10.9	14.6	-	-	14.6	10.0	-	-	-	-
	4.2	7.4	-	-	7.7	2.9	-	-	3.8	4.4
Blue collar  Precision production, craft, and repair  Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	2.4	2.1	-	8.2	2.1	9.2	4.1	-	-	8.9
	6.9	7.6	-	8.4	8.1	16.1	-	-	-	24.7
	6.3	5.7	-	–	5.7	4.0	-	-	-	4.0
Transportation and material moving Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	11.9 5.0	10.7 5.6	_ _	4.4	10.7 6.6	22.2 8.7	_ _		_ _	6.8
Service	4.7	_	_	_	_	5.1	_	_	_	3.8

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Goods-producing industries include mining, construction, and manufacturing.

Service-producing industries include transportation and public utilities; wholesale and retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; and services.

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Table 5-3. Establishment employment size: Mean hourly earnings1 by occupational group,2 private industry, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	Full-time and part-time workers						
			100 workers or more				
Occupational group	All private industry workers	50 - 99 workers <sup>3</sup>	Total	100 - 499 workers	500 workers or more		
			Mean				
All occupations All excluding sales	\$16.20 16.46	\$10.80 10.98	\$17.29 17.41	\$14.53 14.67	\$19.90 19.82		
White collar	20.10	13.01	21.54	19.28	24.00		
White-collar excluding sales	21.26	14.73	22.18	20.39	23.88		
Professional specialty and technical	28.24 14.89 26.66 12.38	14.10 20.57 10.98 27.61 9.99 9.53	25.13 28.58 15.88 26.56 14.48 11.15	23.17 28.02 15.00 27.43 12.90 10.22	27.09 29.01 17.79 26.03 - 12.42		
Blue collar Precision production, craft, and repair Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors Transportation and material moving Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers  Service	14.36 14.79 11.17 9.43	11.00 13.97 8.67 14.00 8.74	14.25 14.42 15.14 10.08 9.71 6.40	10.31 15.35 9.62 9.17 8.95	16.69 14.16 18.27 - 12.33		
Service	0.10						
		Relat	ive error <sup>4</sup> (p	ercent)			
All occupations	2.5 2.5	7.9 9.2	2.7 2.7	4.0 3.9	3.4 3.4		
White collar	3.3 3.2	9.5 11.6	3.7 3.4	4.9 4.1	4.9 4.9		
Professional specialty and technical Professional specialty Technical Executive, administrative, and managerial Sales Administrative support, including clerical	2.8 6.4	19.6 35.6 6.5 10.0 8.7 5.4	3.8 2.5 7.3 6.7 18.0 5.1	5.9 3.2 9.0 5.2 16.9 3.7	4.4 3.7 9.9 10.4 - 9.6		
Blue collar  Precision production, craft, and repair  Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors  Transportation and material moving  Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	6.9 6.3 11.9 5.0	6.7 6.7 6.9 11.4 5.8	2.7 7.8 6.3 12.7 6.5	3.4 3.6 3.7 9.9 5.5	3.5 10.1 4.4 – 15.0		
Service	4.7	7.1	6.1	6.7	_		

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3 Establishments classified with 50-99 workers may contain establishments with fewer than 50 due to staff reductions between survey sampling and collection.

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Table 6-1. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs<sup>1</sup>, all workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, all industries, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
11	\$6.61	\$8.87	\$14.39	\$23.19	\$29.56
All excluding sales	6.73	9.05	15.00	23.96	29.88
White collar	8.00	11.38	20.60	27.36	33.77
White collar excluding sales	9.00	13.17	22.33	28.03	34.79
Professional specialty and technical	12.50	18.12	26.50	29.18	35.57
Professional specialty Engineers, architects, and surveyors	18.12 20.83	24.09 22.60	26.84 27.06	31.00 32.98	36.32 38.02
Aerospace engineers	22.42	25.45	28.38	34.96	41.54
Electrical and electronic engineers	22.33	22.35	26.54	30.22	35.57
Engineers, n.e.c.	17.66	25.48	28.48	33.45	35.58
Mathematical and computer scientists	21.98	28.28	31.47	35.70	36.66
Computer systems analysts and scientists	24.00	28.32	32.00	35.70	36.66
Natural scientists	_	_	_	_	_
Health related	15.30	15.30	47.66	53.35	53.35
Teachers, college and university	_	_	_	_	_
Teachers, except college and university	25.60	26.49	26.65	26.85	27.36
Elementary school teachers	25.60	26.50	26.65	26.84	26.85
Librarians, archivists, and curators	_	_	_	_	_
Social scientists and urban planners	-	_	_	_	-
Social, recreation, and religious workers	9.05	9.24	11.78	13.84	13.84
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and					
professionals, n.e.c.	12.25	16.31	17.54	18.12	19.47
Technical	8.73	11.07	13.99	17.70	21.58
Licensed practical nurses	9.50	10.40	10.40	11.75	11.89
Electrical and electronic technicians	10.15	13.06	13.99	17.67	17.70
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	13.70	14.78	16.17	24.81	25.78
Drafters	14.60	16.68	21.23	22.00	24.77
Chemical technicians	10.50	12.50	15.28	17.78	17.78
Computer programmers	15.18	17.97	19.18	23.75	29.18
Executive, administrative, and managerial	15.92	18.99	24.46	32.67	38.33
Executives, administrators, and managers	18.99	23.55	31.21	35.18	41.78
Administrators and officials, public administration	18.31	18.31	19.25	22.25	28.32
Financial managers	23.42	23.64	31.21	54.14	56.70
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	18.99	25.23	31.18	38.33	41.51
Management related	14.15	16.35	19.42	24.20	32.67
Accountants and auditors	17.48	17.48	23.96	26.46	33.02
Management analysts	16.35	16.35	19.24	24.46	32.67
Personnel, training, and labor relations	15.60	45.07	45.07	10.05	20.74
specialists	15.63 10.69	15.87 10.69	15.87 12.98	19.25 24.55	20.74
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	14.15	16.11	17.95	19.88	28.96 37.26
0.1	5.50	7.00	0.04	40.75	00.40
Sales	5.50 8.54	7.00 10.10	8.94 13.90	13.75 16.28	26.12 26.12
Supervisors, sales		8.55	9.35	10.28	10.01
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies Sales workers, other commodities	7.79 5.17	6.15	9.35 7.96	15.71	15.71
Cashiers	5.35	6.30	7.10	8.92	9.32
Administrative support, including clerical	7 20	0.05	0.76	12.00	14.06
Secretaries	7.38 8.55	8.25 9.58	9.76 14.40	12.89 14.82	14.96 14.93
Receptionists	6.50	7.00	7.64	8.80	9.00
Order clerks	8.65	9.38	11.33	12.39	14.26
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	7.95	9.19	12.89	13.52	13.52
Dispatchers	9.66	10.37	11.51	12.27	12.89
Production coordinators	9.06	10.09	13.40	17.05	25.00
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	8.64	9.00	9.36	13.74	13.74
Stock and inventory clerks	7.40	7.46	9.63	12.39	14.96
General office clerks	6.36	7.70	9.54	10.28	11.25
Bank tellers	7.29	7.51	8.41	9.33	9.33
Data entry keyers	5.68	7.50	8.35	9.08	10.00
Administrative support, n.e.c.	8.01	10.67	11.42	15.15	25.38
Blue collar	6.50	8.03	12.15	20.18	22.02
Precision production, craft, and repair	6.34	7.38	13.28	20.18	25.07
			24.87	25.58	25.58
Industrial machinery repairers	15.12	20.18	24.07	25.50	25.50

Table 6-1. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs1, all workers:2 Selected occupations, all industries, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

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Occupation <sup>3</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
Blue collar -Continued					
Precision production, craft, and repair -Continued					
Supervisors, production	\$13.56	\$15.29	\$18.18	\$21.63	\$22.60
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Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	7.13	8.35	13.71	21.02	21.68
Punching and stamping press operators	10.21	11.28	12.32	12.32	12.32
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c	6.85	7.58	9.79	12.52	12.52
Textile sewing machine operators	5.56	5.85	6.89	7.01	7.75
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	8.72	12.61	21.02	21.02	21.68
Welders and cutters	10.40	10.75	25.51	25.51	25.51
Assemblers	6.50	7.50	9.89	21.45	21.45
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	6.76	7.28	8.03	18.25	22.22
Transportation and material moving	6.09	8.75	11.57	13.67	16.85
Truck drivers	8.75	9.72	12.75	13.67	16.85
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	6.03	7.00	9.40	11.20	13.07
Construction laborers	7.91	8.25	9.40	9.78	13.07
Stock handlers and baggers	5.38	5.55	6.25	7.49	10.14
Machine feeders and offbearers	7.33	7.75	7.75	10.59	11.29
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c	6.29	6.67	11.20	11.31	11.46
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	7.70	7.70	12.27	17.72	17.72
Hand packers and packagers	6.00	6.03	6.25	8.45	8.47
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c	6.47	6.47	10.28	10.49	13.38
Service	5.15	5.97	7.50	10.12	13.12
Protective service	7.50	10.12	13.12	15.72	16.02
Food service	2.13	5.25	6.05	8.62	9.74
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	2.13	2.13	2.13	5.15	6.50
Waiters and waitresses	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.15	5.15
Other food service	5.50	5.97	8.00	8.92	9.89
Cooks	6.00	7.28	8.00	9.25	9.74
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.05	8.62	8.62	8.62	10.96
Food preparation, n.e.c.	5.50	5.50	5.54	6.00	7.25
Health service	6.40	6.68	7.20	7.29	7.50
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	6.40	6.68	7.20	7.29	7.50
Cleaning and building service	5.44	5.44	6.56	8.87	10.24
Maids and housemen	5.50	5.73	6.06	6.08	7.35
Janitors and cleaners	5.44	5.44	6.56	8.87	10.15
Personal service	5.35	6.09	6.09	9.20	9.20

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles are calculated from average hourly wages for sampled establishment jobs within each occupation. The percentiles describe the distribution of an occupation's employment by the average wage rates for its jobs. For example, at the 10th percentile hourly wage for an occupation, on exhemit the whose patient's employment are found in sampled establishment jobs whose average wages are the same or less, and nine-tenths are in jobs averaging the same or more. The calculations of the 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles follow the same logic. Hourly wages are the straight-time wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips.

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 $<sup>^2\,</sup>$  All workers include full-time and part-time workers.  $^3\,$  A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

Table 6-2. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs<sup>1</sup>, all workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, private industry, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	Private industry						
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90		
II	\$6.34	\$8.00	\$13.38	\$21.45	\$30.22		
All excluding sales	6.36	8.03	13.81	21.84	30.22		
White collar	7.75	10.40	17.67	28.03	34.96		
White collar excluding sales	8.64	11.83	19.25	29.17	35.70		
Professional specialty and technical	11.75	16.69	23.59	31.47	36.32		
Professional specialty	18.12	22.42	28.38	33.34	36.78		
Engineers, architects, and surveyors  Aerospace engineers	22.33 22.42	23.08 25.45	27.44 28.38	33.45 34.96	38.83 41.54		
Electrical and electronic engineers	22.33	22.35	26.54	30.22	35.57		
Engineers, n.e.c.	17.66	25.48	28.48	33.45	35.58		
Mathematical and computer scientists	21.98	28.28	32.08	35.70	36.66		
Computer systems analysts and scientists	24.00	29.52	32.08	35.70	38.19		
Natural scientists	-	-	_	-	_		
Health related							
Teachers, except college and university	8.97	8.97	16.69	19.48	22.43		
Social scientists and urban planners	-	-	-	_	_		
Social, recreation, and religious workers	-	_	_	_	_		
professionals, n.e.c.	12.25	16.59	18.12	19.47	19.47		
Technical	7.86	10.39	13.99	17.78	22.00		
Electrical and electronic technicians	10.15	13.06	13.81	17.67	17.70		
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	13.70	14.78	16.17	24.81	25.78		
Drafters	14.60	16.68	21.23	22.00	24.77		
Chemical technicians	10.50	12.50	15.28	17.78	17.78		
Executive, administrative, and managerial	15.87	17.95	24.46	32.64	41.51		
Executives, administrators, and managers	19.75	25.00	31.21	38.87	54.40		
Financial managers	23.42	23.64	31.21	54.14	56.70		
Managers and administrators, n.e.c	18.99	25.23	31.18	36.75	41.5		
Management related	12.98	16.35	19.22	24.46	32.67		
Accountants and auditors  Management analysts	17.48 16.35	17.48 16.35	22.30 19.24	28.28 24.46	39.97 32.67		
Personnel, training, and labor relations			15.87		20.74		
specialistsPurchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.	15.63 10.69	15.87 10.69	12.98	19.25 24.55	28.96		
Management related, n.e.c.	14.15	16.11	17.95	19.88	37.26		
Sales	5.55	7.00	8.91	15.00	28.56		
Supervisors, sales	8.54	10.10	13.90	16.28	26.12		
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	7.79	8.55	9.35	10.01	10.01		
Sales workers, other commodities	5.17	6.15	7.96	15.71	15.71		
Cashiers	5.55	6.30	6.50	8.00	8.40		
Administrative support, including clerical	7.29	7.98	10.00	12.39	15.15		
Secretaries	9.02	9.46	11.88	14.19	14.40		
Receptionists Order clerks	6.50 8.65	7.00 9.38	7.64 11.33	8.80 12.39	9.00 14.26		
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	7.80	9.00	10.00	13.52	13.52		
Production coordinators	9.06	10.09	10.00	17.05	25.00		
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	8.64	9.00	9.36	13.74	13.74		
Stock and inventory clerks	7.40	7.46	9.63	12.39	14.96		
General office clerks	6.36	7.36	8.00	10.66	11.38		
Bank tellers	7.29	7.51	8.41	9.33	9.33		
Data entry keyers	5.68	7.50	8.35	9.10	10.00		
Administrative support, n.e.c.	8.01	10.67	11.42	15.15	25.38		
Blue collar	6.48	7.75	11.94	21.02	22.02		
Precision production, craft, and repair	6.34	6.73	12.58	20.18	25.07		
Industrial machinery repairersSupervisors, production	15.12 13.56	20.18 15.29	24.87 18.18	25.58 21.63	25.58 22.60		
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors  Punching and stamping press operators	7.13 10.21	8.27 11.28	13.74 12.32	21.02 12.32	21.68 12.32		
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	6.85	7.58	9.79	12.32	12.52		
Textile sewing machine operators	5.56	7.36 5.85	6.89	7.01	7.75		
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Table 6-2. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs1, all workers:2 Selected occupations, private industry, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

	Private industry							
Occupation <sup>3</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90			
Blue collar –Continued								
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors  -Continued								
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	\$8.72	\$12.61	\$21.02	\$21.02	\$21.68			
Welders and cutters	10.40	10.75	25.51	25.51	25.51			
Assemblers	6.50	7.50	9.89	21.45	21.45			
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	6.76	7.28	8.03	18.25	22.22			
Transportation and material moving	5.25	8.75	9.83	15.38	16.85			
Truck drivers	8.75	9.25	10.25	16.85	16.85			
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	6.00	6.47	8.50	11.29	14.13			
Construction laborers	7.91	7.91	8.34	9.78	9.78			
Stock handlers and baggers	5.38	5.55	6.25	7.49	10.14			
Machine feeders and offbearers	7.33	7.75	7.75	10.59	11.29			
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c	6.29	6.67	11.20	11.31	11.46			
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	7.70	7.70	12.27	17.72	17.72			
Hand packers and packagers	6.00	6.03	6.25	8.45	8.47			
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c	6.47	6.47	10.28	10.49	13.38			
Service	2.13	5.44	6.05	7.28	8.56			
Protective service	_	_	_	_	_			
Food service	2.13	2.15	5.54	6.62	8.00			
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	2.13	2.13	2.13	5.15	6.50			
Waiters and waitresses	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.15	5.15			
Other food service	5.50	5.54	6.00	8.00	9.25			
Cooks	6.00	6.62	8.00	9.25	9.25			
Food preparation, n.e.c.	5.50	5.50	5.54	6.00	7.25			
Health service	6.40	6.68	6.68	7.25	7.50			
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	6.25	6.68	6.68	7.25	7.50			
Cleaning and building service	5.44	5.44	6.00	7.28	10.15			
Maids and housemen	5.50	5.73	6.06	6.08	6.50			
Janitors and cleaners	5.44	5.44	6.00	7.00	9.94			
Personal service	-	_	_	_	_			

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles are calculated from average hourly wages for sampled establishment jobs within each occupation. The percentiles describe the distribution of an occupation's employment by the average wage rates for its jobs. For example, at the 10th percentile hourly wage for an occupation, one-tenth of the occupation's employment are found in sampled establishment jobs whose average wages are the same or less, and nine-tenths are in jobs averaging the same or more. The calculations of the 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles follow the same logic. Hourly wages are the straight-time wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips.

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 $<sup>^2</sup>$  All workers include full-time and part-time workers.  $^3$  A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

Table 6-3. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs1, all workers:2 Selected occupations, State and local government, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	State and local government							
Оссираноп-	10	25	Median 50	75	90			
All	\$8.87	\$10.96	\$16.11	\$26.65	\$28.32			
All excluding sales	8.87	11.13	16.12	26.65	28.32			
White collar	9.54	16.31	26.49	27.36	31.91			
White collar excluding sales	10.02	18.31	26.50	27.36	32.47			
Professional specialty and technical	16.29	25.44	26.65	27.36	29.88			
Professional specialty	16.31	25.60	26.65	27.36	29.88			
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	_	_	_	_	-			
Mathematical and computer scientists	_	_	_	_	_			
Health related	_	_	_	_	_			
Teachers, college and university	_	_	_	_	_			
Teachers, except college and university	_	_	_	_	_			
Librarians, archivists, and curators	_	_	_	_	_			
Social, recreation, and religious workers	_	_	_	_	_			
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and								
professionals, n.e.c.	-	-	45.40	45.40	_			
Technical	11.89	11.89	15.18	15.18	20.05			
Executive, administrative, and managerial	18.31	19.73	28.32	33.77	35.18			
Executives, administrators, and managers	18.31	19.25	31.91	33.77	35.18			
Administrators and officials, public administration	18.31	18.31	19.25	22.25	28.32			
Management related	-	_	_	_	-			
Sales	_	-	_	-	_			
Administrative support, including clerical	8.25	9.54	9.54	13.52	14.82			
Blue collar	9.37	9.92	12.75	16.02	20.06			
Precision production, craft, and repair	11.09	12.30	16.02	20.06	22.91			
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	-	-	-	-	-			
Transportation and material moving	7.00	9.95	12.75	13.67	16.11			
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	-	-	-	-	-			
Service	7.59	8.87	10.12	13.12	15.72			
Protective service	10.12	10.12	13.12	15.72	16.02			
Food service	8.62	8.62	8.62	9.89	10.96			
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	_	_	_	_	_			
Other food service	8.62	8.62	8.62	9.89	10.96			
Health service	_	-	_	_	_			
Cleaning and building service	_	_	_	_	_			
Personal service	_	_	_	_	_			

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles are calculated from average hourly wages for sampled establishment jobs within each occupation. The percentiles describe the distribution of an occupation's employment by the average wage rates for its jobs. For example, at the 10th percentile hourly wage for an occupation, one-tenth of the occupation's employment are found in sampled establishment jobs whose average wages are the same or less, and nine-tenths are in jobs averaging the same or more. The calculations of the 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles follow the same logic. Hourly wages are the straight-time wages or salaries paid to employees. They wages are the straight-time wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips.

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 $<sup>^2</sup>_{\ \ 3}$  All workers include full-time and part-time workers.  $^3_{\ \ 4}$  A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

Table 6-4. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs<sup>1</sup>, full-time workers:<sup>2</sup> Selected occupations, all industries, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
II	\$7.28	\$9.40	\$15.69	\$24.46	\$30.22
All excluding sales	7.28	9.62	15.96	24.87	30.22
White collar	8.90	12.39	21.23	27.81	34.13
White collar excluding sales	9.25	13.57	22.50	28.06	34.96
Professional specialty and technical	13.06	19.09	26.50	29.52	35.58
Professional specialty	18.12	24.86	26.84	31.00	36.32
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	20.83 22.42	22.60 25.45	27.06 28.38	32.98 34.96	38.02 41.54
Aerospace engineers  Electrical and electronic engineers	22.42	22.35	26.54	30.22	35.57
Engineers, n.e.c.	17.66	25.48	28.48	33.45	35.58
Mathematical and computer scientists	21.98	28.28	31.47	35.70	36.66
Computer systems analysts and scientists	24.00	28.32	32.00	35.70	36.66
Natural scientists	-	-		_	_
Health related	15.30	15.30	47.66	53.35	53.35
Teachers, college and university  Teachers, except college and university	- 25.60	26.50	26.65	26.85	27.36
Elementary school teachers	25.60	26.50	26.65	26.84	26.85
Librarians, archivists, and curators	-	_	_	_	_
Social scientists and urban planners	-	_	_	_	_
Social, recreation, and religious workers	-	-	_	_	_
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and					
professionals, n.e.c.	12.25	16.31	17.54	18.12	19.47
Technical	8.73	11.89	14.42	17.78	21.58
Electrical and electronic technicians Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	10.15 13.70	13.06 14.78	13.99 16.17	17.67 24.81	17.70 25.78
Drafters	14.60	16.68	21.23	22.00	24.77
Chemical technicians	10.50	12.50	15.28	17.78	17.78
Computer programmers	15.18	17.97	19.18	23.75	29.18
Executive, administrative, and managerial	16.11	18.99	24.46	32.64	38.35
Executives, administrators, and managers	18.99	23.64	31.31	35.18	41.78
Administrators and officials, public administration	18.31	18.31	19.25	22.25	28.32
Financial managers	23.42	23.64	31.21	54.14	56.70
Managers and administrators, n.e.c	18.99	25.23	31.18	38.33	41.51
Management related	14.15	16.35	19.25	24.20	32.67
Accountants and auditors	17.48	17.48	23.96	26.46	33.02
Management analysts  Personnel, training, and labor relations	16.35	16.35	19.24	24.46	32.67
specialists	15.63	15.87	15.87	19.25	20.74
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	10.69	10.69	12.98	24.55	28.96
Management related, n.e.c.	14.15	16.11	17.95	19.88	37.26
Sales	7.10	8.24	10.00	15.71	29.97
Supervisors, sales	8.54	10.10	13.90	16.28	26.12
Sales workers, other commodities	7.96	7.96	8.24	15.71	15.71
Cashiers	6.50	7.10	8.40	9.32	9.43
Administrative support, including clerical	7.45	8.41	10.00	13.40	14.96
Secretaries	8.55	10.15	14.40	14.82	14.96
Receptionists	6.50	7.00	8.50	8.80	9.00
Order clerks	8.65	9.38	11.33	12.39	14.26 13.52
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks  Dispatchers	7.95 9.66	9.19 10.37	12.89 11.51	13.52 12.27	12.89
Production coordinators	9.06	10.09	13.40	17.05	25.00
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	8.64	9.00	9.36	13.74	13.74
Stock and inventory clerks	7.40	7.46	10.00	12.39	14.96
General office clerks	6.36	7.75	9.54	10.35	11.25
Data entry keyers	5.68	7.50	8.35	9.08	10.00
Administrative support, n.e.c.	8.01	11.42	11.42	15.15	25.38
Blue collar	6.73	8.45	12.52	20.22	22.02
Precision production, craft, and repair	6.34	9.35	14.64	20.18	25.07
Industrial machinery repairers	15.12	20.18	24.87	25.58	25.58
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	10.86	12.30	13.26	20.17	20.17
Supervisors, production	13.56	15.29	18.18	21.63	22.60
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	7.28	8.45	13.74	21.02	21.68

Table 6-4. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs1, full-time workers:2 Selected occupations, all industries, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	10	25	Median	75	90
Occupation	10	20	50	''	30
Blue collar –Continued					
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors					
-Continued					
Punching and stamping press operators	\$10.21	\$11.28	\$12.32	\$12.32	\$12.32
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	6.85	7.58	9.79	12.52	12.52
Textile sewing machine operators	5.56	5.85	6.89	7.01	7.75
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	8.72	12.61	21.02	21.02	21.68
Welders and cutters	10.40	10.75	25.51	25.51	25.51
Assemblers	6.50	7.50	9.89	21.45	21.45
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	6.76	7.28	8.03	18.25	22.22
Transportation and material moving	7.83	9.02	11.75	13.67	16.85
Truck drivers	9.00	9.83	12.75	13.67	16.85
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	6.25	7.70	9.72	11.31	13.38
Construction laborers	7.91	8.25	9.40	9.78	13.07
Stock handlers and baggers	5.55	6.00	6.25	9.91	10.97
Machine feeders and offbearers	7.33	7.75	7.75	10.59	11.29
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c	6.29	6.82	11.20	11.31	11.46
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	7.70	7.70	12.27	17.72	17.72
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	6.47	6.47	10.28	10.49	13.38
Laborors, except constitution, n.c.c.	0.47	0.47	10.20	10.43	10.00
Service	5.50	6.62	8.62	10.96	14.67
Protective service	7.50	10.12	13.12	15.72	16.02
Food service	2.13	5.50	8.00	8.62	9.89
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	_	_	-	_	-
Other food service	5.50	6.05	8.62	9.62	9.94
Cooks	6.00	7.28	8.00	9.25	9.74
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.05	8.62	8.62	8.62	10.96
Health service	6.68	6.68	7.20	7.29	7.50
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	6.68	6.68	7.20	7.29	7.50
Cleaning and building service	6.00	6.06	7.28	8.87	11.22
Janitors and cleaners	6.00	6.56	7.61	8.87	10.24
Personal service	_	_	_	_	_

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles are calculated from average hourly wages for sampled 1 Percentiles are calculated from average hourly wages for sampled establishment jobs within each occupation. The percentiles describe the distribution of an occupation's employment by the average wage rates for its jobs. For example, at the 10th percentile hourly wage for an occupation, one-tenth of the occupation's employment are found in sampled establishment jobs whose average wages are the same or less, and nine-tenths are in jobs averaging the same or more. The calculations of the 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles follow the same logic. Hourly wages are the straight-time wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips.
2 Employees are classified as working either a full-time or a part-time schedule based on the definition used by each establishment. Therefore,

a worker with a 35-hour-per-week schedule might be considered a full-time employee in one establishment, but classified as part-time in another firm, where a 40-hour week is the minimum full-time schedule.

3 A classification system including about 480 individual occupations

A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See appendix B for more information.

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Table 6-5. Hourly wage percentiles for establishment jobs1, part-time workers:2 Selected occupations, all industries, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
All excluding sales	\$5.17	\$5.44	\$6.00	\$7.24	\$8.92
	5.15	5.44	6.00	7.25	9.78
White collar	5.34	5.55	7.02	8.24	11.00
	6.62	7.25	8.10	9.58	11.21
Professional specialty and technical Professional specialty	7.02	7.25	7.41	11.13	11.21
	7.25	7.25	11.13	11.13	14.00
Teachers, except college and universitySocial, recreation, and religious workersWriters, authors, entertainers, athletes, and	-	_ _	_ _		_ _
professionals, n.e.c	-	-	-	-	-
	7.02	7.14	7.41	8.88	11.21
Executive, administrative, and managerial Executives, administrators, and managers	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
SalesCashiers	5.25	5.35	5.84	6.55	7.79
	5.34	5.35	6.20	6.30	8.14
Administrative support, including clerical	6.00	6.75	8.10	8.40	9.58
Blue collar	5.25	5.88	6.00	6.95	16.11
Precision production, craft, and repair	-	-	-	-	-
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	-	_	-	_	-
Transportation and material moving	-	-	-	-	-
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers Stock handlers and baggers	5.38	5.38	6.00	6.38	6.50
	5.15	5.38	5.38	6.25	6.38
Service Protective service	4.60	5.44 –	5.50	5.97	7.25
Food service	2.15	5.15	5.54	5.97	7.25
	2.15	2.15	5.15	5.15	7.00
	2.15	2.15	5.15	5.15	7.38
	5.25	5.54	5.59	5.97	7.25
Food preparation, n.e.c.  Health service  Cleaning and building service  Personal service	5.25	5.54	5.54	7.24	7.25
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles are calculated from average hourly wages for sampled establishment jobs within each occupation. The percentiles describe the distribution of an occupation's employment by the average wage rates for its jobs. For example, at the 10th percentile hourly wage for an occupation, one-tenth of the occupation's employment are found in sampled establishment jobs whose average wages are the same or less, sampled establishment jobs whose average wages are the same or less, and nine-tenths are in jobs averaging the same or more. The calculations of the 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles follow the same logic. Hourly wages are the straight-time wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, holidays, nonproduction bonuses, and tips.

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## **Appendix A: Technical Note**

This section provides basic information on the procedures and concepts used to produce the data contained in this bulletin. It is divided into three parts: Planning for the survey; data collection; and processing and analyzing the data. Although this section answers some questions commonly asked by data users, it is not a comprehensive description of all the steps required to produce the data.

### Planning for the survey

The overall design of the survey includes questions of scope, frame, and sample selection.

#### Survey scope

This survey covered establishments employing 50 workers or more in goods-producing industries (mining, construction and manufacturing); service-producing industries (transportation, communications, electric, gas, and sanitary services; wholesale trade; retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; and services industries); and State and local governments. Agriculture, private households, and the Federal Government were excluded from the scope of the survey. For purposes of this survey, an establishment is an economic unit that produces goods or services, a central administrative office, or an auxiliary unit providing support services to a company. For private industries in this survey, the establishment is usually at a single physical location. For State and local governments, an establishment is defined as all locations of a government entity.

The Huntsville, AL, Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Limestone and Madison Counties.

#### Sampling frame

The list of establishments from which the survey sample was selected (sampling frame) was developed from State unemployment insurance reports. Due to the volatility of industries within the private sector, sampling frames were developed using the most recent month of reference available at the time the sample was selected. The sampling frame was reviewed prior to the survey and, when necessary, missing establishments were added, out-of-business and out-of-scope establishments were removed, and addresses, employment levels, industry classification, and other information were updated.

#### Sample design

The sample for this survey area was selected using a twostage stratified design with probability proportional to employment sampling at each stage. The first stage of sample selection was a probability sample of establishments. The sample of establishments was drawn by first stratifying the sampling frame by industry and ownership. The number of sample establishments allocated to each stratum is approximately proportional to the stratum employment. Each sampled establishment is selected within a stratum with a probability proportional to its employment. Use of this technique means that the larger an establishment's employment, the greater its chance of selection. Weights were applied to each establishment when the data were tabulated so that it represents similar units (by industry and employment size) in the economy that were not selected for collection. See appendix table 2 for a count of establishments in the survey by employment size. The second stage of sample selection, detailed below, was a probability sample of occupations within a sampled establishment.

#### **Data collection**

The collection of data from survey respondents required detailed procedures. Field economists collected the data, working out of the Regional Office and visiting each establishment surveyed. Other contact methods, such as mail and telephone, were used to follow-up and update data.

#### Occupational selection and classification

Identification of the occupations for which wage data were to be collected was a multistep process:

- 1. Probability-proportional-to-size selection of establishment jobs
- 2. Classification of jobs into occupations based on the Census of Population system
- 3. Characterization of jobs as full-time v. part-time, union v. nonunion, and time v. incentive
- 4. Determination of the level of work of each job

For each occupation, wage data were collected for those workers who met all the criteria identified in the last three steps. Special procedures were developed for jobs for which a correct classification or level could not be determined.

In step one, the jobs to be sampled were selected at each establishment by the BLS field economist during a personal visit. A complete list of employees was used for sampling, with each selected worker representing a job within the establishment.

As with the selection of establishments, the selection of a job was based on probability proportional to its size in the establishment. The greater the number of people working in a job in the establishment, the greater its chance of selection.

The number of jobs collected in each establishment was based on an establishment's employment size as shown in the following schedule:

Number of employees	Number of selected jobs
50-99	8
100-249	10
250-999	12
1000-2,499	16
2,500+	20

The second step of the process entailed classifying the selected jobs into occupations based on their duties. The National Compensation Survey occupational classification system is based on the 1990 Census of Population. A selected job may fall into any one of about 480 occupational classifications, from accountant to wood lathe operator. In cases where a job's duties overlapped two or more census classification codes, the duties used to set the wage level were used to classify the job. Classification by primary duties was the fallback.

Each occupational classification is an element of a broader classification known as a major occupational group (MOG). Occupations can fall into any of the following MOGs:

- Professional specialty and technical
- Executive, administrative, and managerial
- Sales
- Administrative support, including clerical
- Precision production, craft, and repair
- Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors
- Transportation and material moving
- Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers
- Service occupations

Appendix B contains a complete list of all individual occupations, classified by the MOG to which they belong.

In step three, certain other job characteristics of the chosen worker were identified. First, the worker was identified as holding either a full-time or part-time job, based on the establishment's definition of those terms. Then, the worker was classified as having a time versus incentive job, depending on whether any part of pay was directly based on the actual production of the worker, rather than solely on hours worked. Finally, the worker was identified as being in a union job or a nonunion job. See the "Definition of Terms" section on the following page for more detail.

#### Generic leveling through point factor analysis

In the last step before wage data were collected, the work level of each selected job was determined using a "generic leveling" process. Generic leveling ranks and compares all occupations randomly selected in an establishment using the same criteria.

For this survey, the level of each occupation in an establishment was determined by an analysis of each of 10 leveling factors. Nine of these factors are drawn from the U.S. Government Office of Personnel Management's Factor Evaluation System, which is the underlying structure for evaluation of General Schedule Federal employees. The tenth factor, supervisory duties, attempts to account for the effect of supervisory duties. It is considered experimental. The 10 factors are:

- Knowledge
- Supervision received
- Guidelines
- Complexity
- Scope and effect
- Personal contacts
- Purpose of contactsPhysical demands
- Work environment
- Supervisory duties

Each factor contains a number of levels, and each level has an associated written description and point value. The number and range of points differ among the factors. For each factor, an occupation was assigned a level based on the written description that best matched the job. Within each occupation, the points for nine factors (supervisory duties was excluded) were recorded and totaled. The total determines the overall level of the occupation. Appendix table 3 presents median work levels for published occupational groups and selected occupations. A description of the levels for each factor is shown in appendix C.

Tabulations of levels of work for occupations in the survey follow the Federal Government's white-collar General Schedule. Point ranges for each of the 15 levels are shown in appendix D. It also includes an example of a job with its associated leveling factors, and a guide to help data users evaluate jobs in their firms

Wage data collected in prior surveys using the new generic leveling method were evaluated by BLS researchers using regression techniques. For each of the major occupational groups, wages were compared to the 10 generic level factors (and levels within those factors). The analysis showed that several of the generic level factors, most notably knowledge and supervision received, had strong explanatory power for wages. That is, as the levels within a given factor increased, the wages also increased. For additional information on generic leveling see Brooks Pierce, "Using the National Compensation Survey to Predict Wage Rates," *Compensation and Working Conditions*, Winter 1999, pp. 8–16.

#### **Collection period**

Survey data were collected over a 13-month period for 60 metropolitan areas in the NCS program. For 20 small metropolitan areas, data were collected over a 4-month period. For each establishment in the survey, the data reflect the establishment's most recent information at the time of collection. The payroll reference month shown in the tables reflects the average date of this information for all sample units.

#### **Earnings**

Earnings were defined as regular payments from the employer to the employee as compensation for straight-time hourly work, or for any salaried work performed. The following components were included as part of earnings:

- Incentive pay, including commissions, production bonuses, and piece rates
- Cost-of-living allowances
- Hazard pay
- Payments of income deferred due to participation in a salary reduction plan
- Deadhead pay, defined as pay given to transportation workers returning in a vehicle without freight or passengers

The following forms of payments were *not* considered part of straight-time earnings:

- Shift differentials, defined as extra payment for working a schedule that varies from the norm, such as night or weekend work
- Premium pay for overtime, holidays, and weekends
- Bonuses not directly tied to production (such as Christmas and profit-sharing bonuses)
- Uniform and tool allowances
- Free room and board
- Payments made by third parties (for example, bonuses given by manufacturers to department store salespeople, referral incentives in real estate)
- On-call pay

To calculate earnings for various periods (hourly, weekly, and annual), data on work schedules also were collected. For hourly workers, scheduled hours worked per day and per week, exclusive of overtime, were recorded. Annual weeks worked were determined. Because salaried workers, exempt from overtime provisions, often work beyond the assigned work schedule, their typical number of hours actually worked was collected.

#### **Definition of terms**

*Full-time worker*. Any employee that the employer considers to be full time.

*Incentive worker.* Any employee whose earnings are tied, at least in part, to commissions, piece rates, production bonuses, or other incentives based on production or sales.

*Level.* A ranking of an occupation based on the requirements of the position. (See the description in the technical note on generic leveling through point factor analysis for more details on the leveling process.)

*Nonunion worker.* An employee in an occupation not meeting the conditions for union coverage (see below).

*Part-time worker*. Any employee that the employer considers to be part time.

*Straight-time*. Time worked at the standard rate of pay for the job.

*Time-based worker*. Any employee whose earnings are tied to an hourly rate or salary, and not to a specific level of production.

*Union worker.* Any employee is in a union occupation when all of the following conditions are met:

- A labor organization is recognized as the bargaining agent for all workers in the occupation
- Wage and salary rates are determined through collective bargaining or negotiations
- Settlement terms, which must include earnings provisions and may include benefit provisions, are embodied in a signed, mutually binding collective bargaining agreement

### Processing and analyzing the data

Data were processed and analyzed at the Bureau's National Office following collection.

#### Weighting and nonresponse

Sample weights were calculated for each establishment and occupation in the survey. These weights reflected the relative size of the occupation within the establishment and of the establishment within the sample universe. Weights were used to aggregate the individual establishments or occupations into the various data series. Some of the establishments surveyed could not supply or refused to supply information. If data were not provided by a sample member, the weights of responding sample members in the same or similar "cells" were adjusted to account for the missing data. This technique assumes that the mean value of the nonrespondents equals the mean value of the respondents at some detailed "cell" level. Responding and nonresponding establishments were classified into these cells according to industry and employment size. Responding and nonresponding occupations within responding establishments were classified into cells that were additionally defined by major occupation group and job level.

Establishments that were determined to be out of business or outside the scope of the survey had their weights changed to zero. If only partial data were given by a sam-

ple establishment or occupation, or data were missing, the response was treated as a refusal.

#### Survey response

	Establish-
	ments
Total in sample	235
Responding	164
Out of business or not in	
survey scope	21
Unable or refused to pro-	
vide data	50

Some surveys may have a high nonresponse rate for the all industries or private industry iterations. Such instances are noted in the bulletin table footnotes.

#### **Estimation**

The wage series in the tables are computed by combining the wages for each sampled occupation. Before being combined, individual wage rates are weighted by: the number of workers; the sample weight, adjusted for nonresponding establishments and other factors; and the occupation's scheduled hours of work.

The percentiles presented in tables 6–1 through 6–5 are computed using average hourly wages for sampled establishment jobs within each occupation. Establishments in the survey may report either individual-worker earnings or average wage rates for each sampled job. If individual-worker earnings are provided, an average hourly wage rate is computed for the job and used in the calculation of percentile estimates. The average hourly wages for each sampled job are appropriately weighted and then arrayed from lowest to highest.

The published 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles describe the distribution of an occupation's employment by the average wage rates for its jobs. For example, at the 10th percentile, 10 percent of a published occupation's employment is in sampled establishment jobs that had average hourly wages at the 10th percentile or less for that occupation. Note that the percentiles in previous NCS bulletins for this area were calculated from individual-worker earnings rather than from average wages for sampled establishment jobs. Data users should keep this difference in mind.

Not all calculated series met the criteria for publication. Before any series was published, it was reviewed to make sure that the number of observations underlying it was sufficient. This review prevented the publication of a series that could have revealed information about a specific establishment.

Estimates of the number of workers represent the total in all establishments within the scope of the study, and not the number actually surveyed. Because occupational structures among establishments differ, estimates of the number of workers obtained from the sample of establishments serve to indicate only the relative importance of the occupational groups studied.

#### Data reliability

The data in this bulletin are estimates from a scientifically selected probability sample. There are two types of errors possible in an estimate based on a sample survey, sampling and nonsampling.

Sampling errors occur because observations come only from a sample and not from an entire population. The sample used for this survey is one of a number of possible samples of the same size that could have been selected using the sample design. Estimates derived from the different samples would differ from each other.

A measure of the variation among these differing estimates is called the standard error or sampling error. It indicates the precision with which an estimate from a particular sample approximates the average result of all possible samples. The relative standard error (RSE) is the standard error divided by the estimate. RSE data are provided alongside the earnings data in the bulletin tables.

The standard error can be used to calculate a "confidence interval" around a sample estimate. As an example, suppose a table shows that mean hourly earnings for all workers were \$12.79, with a relative standard error of 3.6 percent for this estimate. At the 90-percent level, the confidence interval for this estimate is \$13.55 to \$12.03 (1.645 times 3.6 percent = 5.922 percent times \$12.27, plus or minus \$0.76). If all possible samples were selected to estimate the population value, the interval from each sample would include the true population value approximately 90 percent of the time.

Nonsampling errors also affect survey results. They can stem from many sources, such as inability to obtain information for some establishments, difficulties with survey definitions, inability of the respondents to provide correct information, or mistakes in recording or coding the data obtained. A Technical Reinterview Program done in all survey areas will be used in the development of a formal quality assessment process to help compute nonsampling error. Although they were not specifically measured, the nonsampling errors were expected to be minimal due to the extensive training of the field economists who gathered the survey data by personal visit, computer edits of the data, and detailed data review.

Appendix table 1. Number of workers<sup>1</sup> represented by the survey, by occupational group,<sup>2</sup> National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	Full-time and part-time workers			
Occupational group	Total	Private industry	State and local government	
All occupations	75,200	57,000	18,200	
All excluding sales	70,800	53,100	17,700	
White collar	38,500	27,400	11,200	
White-collar excluding sales	34,200	23,500	10,700	
Professional specialty and technical	18,800	11,400	7,500	
Professional specialty	14,900	7,800	7,100	
Technical	3,900	3,600	300	
Executive, administrative, and managerial	7,500	5,700	1,800	
Sales	4,400	3,900	_	
Administrative support, including clerical	7,900	6,400	1,500	
Blue collar	25,600	22,900	2,700	
Precision production, craft, and repair	7,200	6,200	1,000	
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	12,900	12,800		
Transportation and material moving	2,300	1,300	_	
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	3,100	2,600	_	
Service	11,000	6,700	4,300	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The number of workers represented by the survey are rounded to the nearest 100. Estimates of the number of workers rounded to the nearest 100. Estimates of the number of workers provide a description of size and composition of the labor force included in the survey. Estimates are not intended, however, for comparison to other statistical series to measure employment trends or levels. Both full-time and part-time workers were included in the survey.

2 A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy.

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Appendix table 2. Number of establishments represented by survey and the number studied by industry division and establishment employment size, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

	N		Number o	of establishments studied			
Industry	Number of establish-	establish-			O workers or mo	kers or more	
,	ments repre- sented <sup>1</sup>	'a l Lotal Studied L		tudied 50 - 99 workers <sup>2</sup>	Total	100 - 499 workers	500 workers or more
All the second	400	404		407	0.5		
All industries	400	164	57	107	85	22	
Private industry		152	56	96	82	14	
Goods-producing industries	100	69	24	45	34	11	
Construction	( )	6	5	1	1	_	
Manufacturing		63	19	44	33	11	
Service-producing industries	200	83	32	51	48	3	
Transportation and public utilities	(3)	/	2	5	5	_	
		24	14	10	10		
Finance, insurance and real estate		6	2	4	3	1	
Services		46	14	32	30	2	
State and local government	(3)	12	1	11	3	8	

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported. Overall industry and industry groups may include data for categories not shown separately.

Number of establishments represented by the survey rounded to the nearest 100.
Establishments classified with 50-99 workers may contain establishments with fewer than 50 due to staff reductions between survey sampling and collection.
Number of establishments represented by the survey is fewer than 50.

Appendix table 3. Median work levels for all workers, full-time and part-time workers: Selected occupations, all industries, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	All workers	Full-time workers	Part-tin worker
I	4	5	1
All excluding sales	5	5	1
	_		
White collar		7	2
White collar excluding sales	7	7	4
Professional specialty and technical	8	8	4
Professional specialty		8	5
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	9	9	
Aerospace engineers	-	10	_
Electrical and electronic engineers		8	_
Engineers, n.e.c.		9	_
Mathematical and computer scientists		9	_
Computer systems analysts and scientists	_	9	_
Natural scientists			_
Health related	1	12	_
Teachers, college and university	_	_	_
Teachers, except college and university	1	7	_
Elementary school teachers		7	_
Librarians, archivists, and curators		-	_
Social scientists and urban planners		-	_
Social, recreation, and religious workers	5	_	_
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals,			
n.e.c	6	7	_
Technical	5	5	4
Licensed practical nurses	5	_	_
Electrical and electronic technicians		5	_
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.		5	_
Drafters	1	7	_
Chemical technicians		5	_
Computer programmers	8	8	_
Executive, administrative, and managerial  Executives, administrators, and managers  Administrators and officials, public administration  Financial managers  Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	9 7 12 9	9 9 7 12 9	- - -
Management related	8	8	_
Accountants and auditors	1	9	_
Management analysts		8	_
		7	
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists			_
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	6	6	_
	6	6 7	- - -
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c	6 7	_	- - - 2
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.  Management related, n.e.c.  Sales	6 7 3	7	- - - 2
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c. Management related, n.e.c.  Sales Supervisors, sales	6 7 3 7	7	_ _ _ 2 _ _
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.  Management related, n.e.c.  Sales	6 7 3 7 3	7	2 - -
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.  Management related, n.e.c.  Sales  Supervisors, sales  Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	6 7 3 7 3	7 4 7 -	2 - - 1
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.  Management related, n.e.c.  Sales  Supervisors, sales  Sales workers, hardware and building supplies  Sales workers, other commodities	6 7 3 7 3 4 2	7 4 7 - 4	- - -
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.  Management related, n.e.c.  Sales  Supervisors, sales  Sales workers, hardware and building supplies  Sales workers, other commodities	6 7 3 7 3 4	7 4 7 - 4	- - -
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.  Management related, n.e.c.  Sales  Supervisors, sales  Sales workers, hardware and building supplies  Sales workers, other commodities  Cashiers	6 7 3 7 3 4 2 3	7 4 7 - 4 3	- - - 1
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c. Management related, n.e.c.  Sales Supervisors, sales Sales workers, hardware and building supplies Sales workers, other commodities Cashiers  Administrative support, including clerical	6 7 3 7 3 4 2 3 4	7 4 7 - 4 3	- - - 1
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c. Management related, n.e.c.  Sales  Supervisors, sales Sales workers, hardware and building supplies Sales workers, other commodities Cashiers  Administrative support, including clerical Secretaries Receptionists Order clerks	6 7 3 7 3 4 2 3 4 3 5	7 4 7 - 4 3 3 4 3 5	- - - 1
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Appendix table 3. Median work levels for all workers, full-time and part-time workers: 1 Selected occupations, all industries, National Compensation Survey, Huntsville, AL, October 1999 — Continued

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Occupation <sup>2</sup>	All workers	Full-time workers	Part-time workers
Blue collar -Continued			
Bide Collai -Condinued			
Precision production, craft, and repair -Continued			
Supervisors, production	7	7	_
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Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors		3	_
Punching and stamping press operators		5	-
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c		4	_
Textile sewing machine operators		1	_
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c	3	3	_
Welders and cutters	7	7	_
Assemblers	3	3	_
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	4	4	_
Transportation and material moving	4	4	_
Truck drivers		4	_
		_	
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers		2	1
Construction laborers		3	
Stock handlers and baggers		1	1
Machine feeders and offbearers	1	3	_
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c		1	_
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	3	3	_
Hand packers and packagers	1	_	_
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	3	3	_
Service	2	3	1
Protective service		5	
Food service		3	1
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	_	3	2
Waiters and waitresses		_	3
Other food service		2	1
	_	4	'
Cooks		2	_
Kitchen workers, food preparation	_	4	_
Food preparation, n.e.c.		_	2
Health service	1	2	_
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants		2	_
Cleaning and building service	1	1	_
Maids and housemen	1	-	_
Janitors and cleaners	1 .	1	_
Personal service	1	-	_
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<sup>1</sup> Employees are classified as working either a full-time or a part-time schedule based on the definition used by each establishment. Therefore, a worker with a 35-hour-per-week schedule might be considered a a 33-indur-per-week schedule flight be considered a full-time employee in one establishment, but classified as part-time in another firm, where a 40-hour week is the minimum full-time schedule.

2 A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in

musicians, actors, painters, photographers, dancers, artists, athletes, and legislators cannot be assigned a work level. See appendix B for more information.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria, and n.e.c. means "not elsewhere classified." Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately.

the civilian economy. The occupations titled authors,