

Table 13. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers in constant (2002) dollars by race, Hispanic origin, and sex, 1979-2002 annual averages

Year	Total, both sexes				Women			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic origin	Total	White	Black	Hispanic origin
1979....	\$551	\$567	\$454	\$445	\$418	\$422	\$388	\$360
1980....	540	554	438	432	415	420	382	356
1981....	535	548	442	421	414	418	389	359
1982....	539	551	437	428	426	432	387	362
1983....	536	546	447	428	432	435	397	368
1984....	537	553	443	427	437	441	397	367
1985....	547	566	442	430	442	448	402	367
1986 ¹ ...	560	579	456	434	456	460	413	377
1987....	565	580	456	430	459	465	418	380
1988....	562	576	459	424	460	464	421	380
1989....	559	573	447	417	459	468	422	377
1990 ¹ ...	550	566	439	406	462	471	411	371
1991....	549	569	448	402	471	480	416	376
1992....	553	575	448	404	477	486	421	379
1993....	563	582	452	406	482	491	426	384
1994 ¹ ...	561	581	445	389	479	490	415	366
1995....	561	579	449	386	476	486	416	357
1996....	559	577	442	387	477	488	413	361
1997 ¹ ...	562	580	447	392	482	496	419	355
1998 ¹ ...	576	600	469	408	502	516	441	371
1999 ¹ ...	592	618	480	415	510	521	441	376
2000 ¹ ...	601	617	489	414	513	522	448	380
2001....	606	622	495	421	519	529	458	391
2002 ² ...	609	624	498	423	530	549	474	396

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 13. Median usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers in constant (2002) dollars by race, Hispanic origin, and sex, 1979-2002 annual averages—Continued

Year	Men				Women's earnings as a percent of men's			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic origin	Total	White	Black	Hispanic origin
1979....	\$670	\$684	\$521	\$503	62.3	61.7	74.4	71.7
1980....	647	661	504	484	64.2	63.4	75.8	73.5
1981....	642	661	506	474	64.4	63.1	76.9	75.7
1982....	649	669	496	480	65.7	64.5	78.1	75.5
1983....	649	663	504	469	66.5	65.6	78.9	78.5
1984....	646	661	499	473	67.6	66.8	79.5	77.7
1985....	649	666	486	472	68.1	67.2	82.6	77.7
1986 ¹ ...	656	678	499	468	69.5	67.9	82.8	80.6
1987....	657	681	495	463	69.8	68.2	84.4	82.0
1988....	656	679	508	450	70.2	68.4	82.8	84.4
1989....	655	675	487	441	70.1	69.3	86.5	85.4
1990 ¹ ...	642	659	482	424	71.9	71.5	85.3	87.4
1991....	635	652	483	416	74.2	73.7	86.1	90.4
1992....	629	646	477	426	75.8	75.3	88.2	89.1
1993....	625	642	480	424	77.1	76.5	88.8	90.5
1994 ¹ ...	627	657	480	412	76.4	74.6	86.5	88.9
1995....	630	663	482	410	75.5	73.3	86.4	87.1
1996....	636	662	470	406	75.0	73.8	87.9	88.8
1997 ¹ ...	647	665	483	415	74.4	74.6	86.8	85.7
1998 ¹ ...	659	678	516	430	76.3	76.1	85.5	86.4
1999 ¹ ...	667	688	527	438	76.5	75.7	83.8	85.7
2000 ¹ ...	675	699	525	432	76.0	74.7	85.3	87.9
2001....	683	705	526	445	76.0	75.1	87.1	87.9
2002 ² ...	680	702	523	449	77.9	78.2	90.6	88.2

¹ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error section of *Employment and Earnings*, a monthly BLS periodical.

² Data for 2002 are based on new population controls from the 2000 census. Data from 1990-2001 are based on 1990 population controls. For additional information, see "Revisions to the Current Population Survey Effective in January

2003" in the February 2003 issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

NOTE: Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race; thus, they are included in both the white and black population groups. The Consumer Price Index research series using current methods (CPI-U-RS) is used to convert current dollars to constant dollars.

SOURCE: Current Population Survey, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics