

Table 42. Number of earners in families by type of family, selected years, 1989-99

(In thousands)

Characteristic	1989	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Total, all families	66,623	69,211	69,971	70,174	70,840	71,443	72,056	72,574
Married-couple families	52,385	53,246	53,927	53,621	53,654	54,361	54,829	55,352
No earners	6,812	7,280	7,227	7,278	7,148	7,289	7,257	7,163
One earner	11,748	11,842	11,772	11,739	11,556	11,728	12,279	12,328
Husband	9,212	8,745	8,719	8,821	8,671	8,792	9,198	9,093
Wife	1,840	2,411	2,372	2,253	2,214	2,302	2,419	2,595
Other family member	695	687	681	664	671	634	662	640
Two earners	26,011	26,957	27,472	27,361	27,474	27,935	27,801	28,254
Husband and wife	23,929	24,806	25,377	25,478	25,536	25,959	25,928	26,401
Husband and other family member	1,657	1,540	1,533	1,365	1,443	1,412	1,288	1,307
Husband is not an earner	425	612	562	518	496	564	586	546
Three earners or more	7,815	7,166	7,455	7,243	7,476	7,409	7,492	7,607
Husband and wife	6,950	6,496	6,748	6,582	6,870	6,805	6,883	6,959
Husband is an earner, not wife	716	511	516	514	456	441	438	509
Families maintained by women ¹ ..	11,309	12,974	12,768	12,998	13,269	13,112	13,198	13,148
No earner	2,510	3,111	2,855	2,679	2,586	2,342	2,156	1,889
One earner	5,530	6,495	6,581	6,868	7,112	7,146	7,433	7,515
Householder	4,468	5,367	5,495	5,657	5,906	5,903	6,253	6,207
Other family member	1,063	1,128	1,086	1,211	1,205	1,243	1,180	1,308
Two earners or more	3,268	3,368	3,332	3,452	3,572	3,623	3,609	3,744
Householder and other family member(s)	2,903	3,049	3,044	3,156	3,341	3,332	3,313	3,420
Householder is not an earner	365	319	289	296	230	291	296	324
Families maintained by men ¹	2,929	2,992	3,276	3,555	3,916	3,970	4,030	4,074
No earner	281	332	382	357	359	346	387	377
One earner	1,376	1,615	1,705	1,821	1,982	2,106	2,039	2,076
Householder	1,127	1,372	1,437	1,568	1,683	1,806	1,751	1,758
Other family member	249	242	268	253	298	301	288	318
Two earners or more	1,272	1,045	1,189	1,377	1,576	1,518	1,604	1,621
Householder and other family member(s)	1,201	983	1,118	1,278	1,454	1,413	1,506	1,481
Householder is not an earner	72	63	71	98	122	105	99	139

¹ Families maintained by widowed, divorced, separated, or single persons.

NOTE: Data on the number and type of families are collected in March of the subsequent year. Earner status refers to the preceding calendar year. The comparability of histori-

cal labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes. For an explanation, see the Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error section of *Employment and Earnings*, a monthly periodical published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.