The District of Columbia had the highest average wage for protective service occupations, and Mississippi had the lowest.



## FIGURE 34

- Other States with a high annual mean wage included New Jersey, California, Washington, New York, and Massachusetts. States with a low annual mean wage included Mississippi, West Virginia, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Alabama.
- Wages for the protective service occupations group were related in part to the wages for detailed occupations, and in part due to the composition of the group. For example, Louisiana and Mississippi had high concentrations of correctional officers, a relatively low-paying protective service occupation.

