

# Occupations with similar average wages could still have had different ranges of wages.

- Although these occupations had the same wage at the 10th percentile, they had very different wages at the higher percentiles
- The lowest, or 10th percentile, wages for real estate sales agents and word processors were both about \$10.00. However, there was a large difference in the high wage earners in these occupations. The 90th percentile wages were \$53.61 for real estate sales agents and \$20.83 for word processors and typists.

Figure 5 Occupations with different wage variation, May 2006

