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# Preface

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# Introduction

The tables in this bulletin summarize the NCS results for the Augusta–Aiken, GA–SC, metropolitan area. Data were collected between December 2006 and April 2007; the average reference month is February 2007. 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 an appendix with detailed information on occupational classifications.

Most of the earnings estimates in this bulletin are presented as mean hourly earnings. Mean weekly and annual earnings, and the corresponding hours, also are provided for full-time employees in specific occupations. Some occupations, such as teachers and fire fighters, typically have shorter or longer work schedules than do the majority of full-time workers. The weekly and annual estimates are useful for comparing the earnings of occupations having different work schedules.

## NCS products

The Bureau's National Compensation Survey provides comprehensive measures of occupational earnings, compensation cost trends, benefit incidence, and detailed plan provisions. The Employment Cost Index, a quarterly measure of the change in employer costs for wages and benefits, is derived from the NCS. Employer Costs for Employee Compensation measures employers' average hourly costs for wages and benefits. NCS also measures the incidence and provisions of benefit plans. This bulletin is limited to data on occupational wages and salaries.

## Changes to the publications

The locality wage publications have undergone a number of significant changes. Beginning with the 3135 bulletin series, the releases employ:

1. The 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system and the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)
2. An expanded scope of establishments, lowering the minimum establishment size for private industry from 50 workers to 1 worker
3. Imputation for temporary non-response situations
4. Benchmarking of estimated employment
5. Redesigned tables, to reflect the new classification system and to emphasize work levels

## 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 800 detailed occupations, listed in Appendix B, are used to describe all occupations in the civilian nonfarm economy (excluding the Federal Government and private households). 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 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 high-level and intermediate occupational aggregation, full-time or part-time status, union or nonunion status, and time or incentive pay. Establishment characteristics include goods producing, service providing, and size of establishment.

Table 2 presents mean hourly earnings data by work level for occupational major groups and for detailed occupations. Separate data are also shown for full-time and part-time workers. Table 3 provides work level data for private industry workers. Table 4 provides similar data for State and local government workers. Table 5 simplifies the work levels by combining them into broader groups within major and detailed occupations, and for full-time and part-time workers.

Tables 6 through 10 present hourly wage percentiles that describe the distribution of hourly earnings for individual workers within 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.

Table 11 presents mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings, and the associated hours, for major occupational groups and detailed occupations for full-time workers. Table 12 provides the same type of information for private industry workers. Table 13 provides similar data for State and local government workers.

Table 14 presents mean hourly earnings data for establishment employment sizes by high-level occupational aggregations in the private sector. Tables 15 and 16 provide mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings data for full-time employees in private establishments with fewer than 100 workers, and in private establishments with 100 workers or more.

Table 17 presents mean hourly earnings data for union and nonunion workers in all, private, and State and local government establishments by high-level occupational aggregation. Table 18 provides hourly earnings data for time

and incentive workers in all and private establishments by high-level occupational aggregation. Table 19 presents mean hourly earnings data for major industry divisions within the private sector.

Appendix table 1 presents the number of workers represented by the survey, by high-level occupational aggregation and for all industries, private industry, and State and local government. Appendix table 2 provides the number of establishments in the sampling frame and the number of responding and nonresponding establishments.

**Table 1. Summary: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> and weekly hours for selected worker and establishment characteristics, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007**

Worker and establishment characteristics	Civilian workers			Private industry workers			State and local government workers		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours <sup>3</sup>	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours <sup>3</sup>	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours <sup>3</sup>
	Mean	Relative error <sup>2</sup> (percent)		Mean	Relative error <sup>2</sup> (percent)		Mean	Relative error <sup>2</sup> (percent)	
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$21.88	11.3	37.2	\$21.84	13.7	36.6	\$22.07	8.0	40.1
<b>Worker characteristics<sup>4,5</sup></b>									
Management, professional, and related .....	38.87	17.1	39.7	42.12	20.4	38.9	29.72	10.2	41.9
Management, business, and financial .....	34.45	10.8	40.0	34.93	11.5	40.0	26.91	21.6	39.9
Professional and related .....	40.83	24.0	39.5	46.74	31.0	38.3	29.94	10.8	42.0
Service .....	9.74	9.4	33.0	7.98	8.0	31.4	14.38	7.9	38.3
Sales and office .....	12.51	2.9	35.8	12.31	2.9	35.5	14.17	5.5	38.5
Sales and related .....	12.73	5.4	34.8	12.73	5.4	34.8	—	—	—
Office and administrative support .....	12.35	4.9	36.5	11.92	5.4	36.1	14.17	5.5	38.5
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance .....	17.19	6.7	40.4	17.29	7.2	40.4	—	—	—
Construction and extraction .....	14.66	1.5	40.0	14.79	1.8	40.0	—	—	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	18.48	7.8	40.6	18.61	8.3	40.6	—	—	—
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	14.95	6.0	38.1	14.99	6.3	38.1	14.28	11.9	38.1
Production .....	16.40	7.1	39.3	16.40	7.1	39.3	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving .....	12.90	7.7	36.5	12.67	9.1	36.3	14.28	11.9	38.1
Full time .....	23.05	11.4	39.9	23.34	13.8	39.6	21.86	7.0	41.4
Part time .....	9.86	18.5	21.8	8.55	13.8	21.9	28.67	30.8	20.3
Union .....	18.13	9.1	39.7	18.13	9.1	39.7	—	—	—
Nonunion .....	22.05	11.6	37.1	22.04	14.3	36.5	22.07	8.0	40.1
Time .....	19.29	4.7	37.0	18.62	5.8	36.3	22.07	8.0	40.1
Incentive .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Establishment characteristics</b>									
Goods producing .....	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	24.92	7.4	39.7	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )
Service providing .....	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	20.04	24.4	35.0	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )	( <sup>6</sup> )
1-99 workers .....	13.02	7.2	34.4	13.02	7.2	34.5	—	—	—
100-499 workers .....	28.20	30.2	38.3	28.66	30.4	38.3	—	—	—
500 workers or more .....	25.89	6.1	39.3	28.52	7.8	38.6	22.46	8.5	40.2

<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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week, exclusive of overtime.

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

<sup>5</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>6</sup> Classification of establishments into goods-producing and service-providing industries applies to private industry only. Industries are determined by the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 2. **Civilian workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>2</sup> by work levels<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007**

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$21.88	11.3	\$23.05	11.4	\$9.86	18.5
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	33.44	13.2	33.44	13.2	—	—
Level 11 .....	36.64	21.2	36.64	21.2	—	—
Not able to be leveled .....	30.00	26.6	30.00	26.6	—	—
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	21.04	7.3	21.04	7.3	—	—
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	37.28	8.5	37.28	8.5	—	—
Engineers .....	40.68	3.3	40.68	3.3	—	—
<b>Community and social services occupations</b> .....	16.95	1.9	17.02	1.9	—	—
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	33.57	5.7	33.59	5.7	—	—
Level 9 .....	32.41	.1	32.41	.1	—	—
Postsecondary teachers .....	42.51	9.5	42.51	9.5	—	—
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....	31.44	2.4	31.44	2.4	—	—
Level 9 .....	32.41	.1	32.41	.1	—	—
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	30.71	3.7	30.71	3.7	—	—
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	30.88	2.3	30.88	2.3	—	—
Secondary school teachers .....	33.48	.5	33.48	.5	—	—
Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational education .....	33.48	.5	33.48	.5	—	—
Teacher assistants .....	11.13	3.0	11.14	3.0	—	—
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	51.41	46.2	53.56	48.4	31.59	11.4
Level 4 .....	15.58	3.9	15.47	5.3	—	—
Level 5 .....	16.45	5.5	15.70	3.8	—	—
Level 7 .....	26.53	2.2	26.18	2.9	—	—
Level 8 .....	27.60	1.7	27.60	1.7	—	—
Level 9 .....	34.98	10.3	32.79	12.6	—	—
Registered nurses .....	29.82	5.1	28.24	4.3	34.99	8.8
Level 9 .....	33.29	10.9	—	—	—	—
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses .....	14.58	1.4	14.38	2.0	—	—
Level 5 .....	14.28	2.0	14.25	2.2	—	—
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	13.57	12.3	13.64	12.4	—	—
Level 2 .....	8.66	8.2	8.66	8.3	—	—
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides .....	8.07	3.1	8.04	3.0	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.96	3.9	7.95	3.8	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants .....	7.81	3.7	7.77	3.6	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.95	3.8	7.95	3.8	—	—
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	14.15	12.4	14.58	9.9	—	—
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	8.54	17.5	8.41	7.7	—	—
Security guards .....	8.54	17.5	8.41	7.7	—	—
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	6.89	6.3	7.81	18.3	5.13	7.8
Level 1 .....	5.50	7.4	—	—	4.88	9.0
Food preparation workers .....	6.28	6.6	—	—	—	—
Food service, tipped .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Level 1 .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Waiters and waitresses .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Level 1 .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	8.13	4.9	8.24	5.0	7.23	15.1
Level 1 .....	7.67	5.2	7.60	4.7	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.85	8.4	—	—	—	—
Building cleaning workers .....	7.64	4.1	7.71	3.7	7.23	15.1
Level 1 .....	7.29	5.9	7.14	4.4	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.85	8.4	—	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	8.24	7.0	8.39	7.9	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. **Civilian workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>2</sup> by work levels<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007** — Continued

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners —Continued						
Level 1 .....	\$8.06	8.4	\$7.76	7.0	—	—
Maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	6.73	5.2	6.80	4.5	—	—
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	12.73	5.4	14.36	10.0	\$7.62	8.9
Level 2 .....	7.10	.4	—	—	7.63	.4
Level 3 .....	10.11	10.0	9.42	11.9	10.99	17.6
Level 4 .....	14.88	13.3	14.88	13.3	—	—
Level 5 .....	18.91	11.5	18.91	11.5	—	—
Not able to be leveled .....	12.33	19.5	14.29	8.5	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	12.28	7.8	12.28	7.8	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	12.28	7.8	12.28	7.8	—	—
Retail sales workers .....	10.14	13.0	11.80	6.8	6.96	4.4
Level 2 .....	7.10	.4	—	—	7.63	.4
Level 3 .....	9.10	5.2	9.42	11.9	—	—
Not able to be leveled .....	11.37	27.7	—	—	—	—
Cashiers, all workers .....	7.25	10.5	7.89	3.8	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.02	.6	—	—	7.47	.1
Cashiers .....	7.25	10.5	7.89	3.8	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.02	.6	—	—	7.47	.1
Retail salespersons .....	12.66	6.3	14.61	7.4	7.76	9.9
Level 3 .....	9.41	2.2	—	—	—	—
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	12.35	4.9	12.35	5.3	12.38	8.5
Level 2 .....	9.73	7.3	9.74	8.3	9.64	13.5
Level 3 .....	12.73	3.1	12.88	3.3	—	—
Level 4 .....	14.10	4.9	13.86	5.2	—	—
Level 5 .....	15.35	9.9	15.35	9.9	—	—
Not able to be leveled .....	13.38	17.8	—	—	—	—
Financial clerks .....	11.54	5.7	11.40	5.2	—	—
Level 4 .....	13.26	6.7	12.57	6.9	—	—
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	13.68	4.6	13.20	5.0	—	—
Level 4 .....	14.89	4.9	14.25	4.7	—	—
Customer service representatives .....	12.89	7.6	—	—	—	—
Receptionists and information clerks .....	11.56	10.3	11.60	10.3	—	—
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	11.54	8.1	12.41	8.3	—	—
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	15.31	5.0	15.02	7.1	—	—
Level 4 .....	15.21	5.8	14.62	8.1	—	—
Secretaries, except legal, medical, and executive .....	13.76	5.1	13.76	5.1	—	—
Office clerks, general .....	14.97	7.0	15.35	6.6	—	—
Level 4 .....	16.10	10.0	16.10	10.0	—	—
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b> .....	14.66	1.5	14.66	1.5	—	—
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	18.48	7.8	18.48	7.8	—	—
Level 5 .....	16.72	4.8	16.72	4.8	—	—
Level 7 .....	25.94	5.8	25.94	5.8	—	—
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	20.93	10.0	20.93	10.0	—	—
Level 5 .....	15.54	3.4	15.54	3.4	—	—
Level 7 .....	25.13	8.2	25.13	8.2	—	—
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	25.09	9.4	25.09	9.4	—	—
Maintenance and repair workers, general .....	17.04	16.6	17.04	16.6	—	—
Maintenance workers, machinery .....	18.75	4.7	18.75	4.7	—	—
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	16.40	7.1	16.58	7.0	—	—
Level 2 .....	12.76	11.5	12.99	11.6	—	—
Level 3 .....	13.02	2.5	13.02	2.5	—	—
Level 4 .....	13.42	8.4	13.42	8.4	—	—
Level 5 .....	21.40	7.4	21.40	7.4	—	—
Level 7 .....	23.41	15.7	23.41	15.7	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	23.63	34.1	23.63	34.1	—	—
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	13.52	4.1	13.52	4.1	—	—
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.06	.1	13.06	.1	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.



Table 2. **Civilian workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>2</sup> by work levels<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007** — Continued

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders ...	\$13.34	39.7	\$13.34	39.7	—	—
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood	13.34	39.7	13.34	39.7	—	—
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	14.53	25.6	14.53	25.6	—	—
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	18.73	16.0	18.73	16.0	—	—
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	21.18	24.2	21.18	24.2	—	—
Miscellaneous production workers .....	16.66	16.0	16.96	15.7	—	—
Level 2 .....	13.66	8.6	13.66	8.6	—	—
Level 3 .....	12.38	10.0	12.38	10.0	—	—
Level 4 .....	18.78	3.3	18.78	3.3	—	—
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders	16.16	1.9	16.16	1.9	—	—
Helpers--production workers .....	10.40	8.5	10.64	8.4	—	—
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations .....</b>	<b>12.90</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>13.54</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>\$7.06</b>	<b>2.9</b>
Level 1 .....	8.25	3.2	8.75	6.0	6.72	2.1
Level 2 .....	11.28	8.2	11.28	8.2	—	—
Level 3 .....	13.99	12.0	13.98	12.1	—	—
Level 4 .....	16.75	7.0	16.75	7.0	—	—
Level 5 .....	17.27	11.9	17.27	11.9	—	—
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	14.93	15.2	14.93	15.2	—	—
Level 3 .....	13.33	15.1	13.33	15.1	—	—
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	13.98	10.5	13.98	10.5	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor operators .....	15.30	7.9	15.30	7.9	—	—
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	10.02	7.9	10.79	7.3	6.93	2.8
Level 1 .....	8.25	3.2	8.75	6.1	6.72	2.1
Level 2 .....	10.51	8.2	10.51	8.2	—	—
Level 3 .....	14.37	5.3	14.37	5.3	—	—
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	9.47	11.0	10.56	10.6	—	—
Level 1 .....	8.35	5.9	—	—	—	—
Packers and packagers, hand .....	10.66	9.6	11.20	13.8	—	—

<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. See appendix A for more information.

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Table 3. Private industry workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>2</sup> by work levels<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$21.84	13.7	\$23.34	13.8	\$8.55	13.8
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	33.15	13.5	33.15	13.5	—	—
Level 11 .....	36.39	24.4	36.39	24.4	—	—
Not able to be leveled .....	29.33	27.2	29.33	27.2	—	—
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	21.04	7.3	21.04	7.3	—	—
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	37.57	8.6	37.57	8.6	—	—
Engineers .....	40.68	3.3	40.68	3.3	—	—
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	23.05	31.5	23.35	32.3	—	—
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	58.79	47.4	61.29	47.5	26.74	5.2
Level 4 .....	16.08	1.0	—	—	—	—
Level 5 .....	17.58	8.6	16.63	6.6	—	—
Level 7 .....	26.72	1.9	26.37	2.6	—	—
Level 9 .....	32.31	13.7	32.79	12.6	—	—
Registered nurses .....	28.77	3.7	28.61	4.2	—	—
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses .....	15.11	3.0	—	—	—	—
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	12.14	7.9	12.21	7.8	—	—
Level 2 .....	9.29	11.2	—	—	—	—
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides .....	7.84	5.1	—	—	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants .....	7.83	5.1	—	—	—	—
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	8.54	17.5	8.41	7.7	—	—
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	8.54	17.5	8.41	7.7	—	—
Security guards .....	8.54	17.5	8.41	7.7	—	—
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	6.75	7.1	7.67	19.4	5.01	6.0
Level 1 .....	5.28	8.7	—	—	4.73	6.3
Food preparation workers .....	6.28	6.6	—	—	—	—
Food service, tipped .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Level 1 .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Waiters and waitresses .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Level 1 .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	7.41	8.6	7.63	9.5	—	—
Level 1 .....	6.73	5.8	6.76	5.6	—	—
Building cleaning workers .....	6.60	6.5	6.69	7.6	—	—
Level 1 .....	6.30	6.2	6.28	6.1	—	—
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	6.93	10.5	—	—	—	—
Maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	6.26	6.5	—	—	—	—
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	12.73	5.4	14.36	10.0	7.62	8.9
Level 2 .....	7.10	.4	—	—	7.63	.4
Level 3 .....	10.11	10.0	9.42	11.9	10.99	17.6
Level 4 .....	14.88	13.3	14.88	13.3	—	—
Level 5 .....	18.91	11.5	18.91	11.5	—	—
Not able to be leveled .....	12.33	19.5	14.29	8.5	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	12.28	7.8	12.28	7.8	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	12.28	7.8	12.28	7.8	—	—
Retail sales workers .....	10.14	13.0	11.80	6.8	6.96	4.4
Level 2 .....	7.10	.4	—	—	7.63	.4
Level 3 .....	9.10	5.2	9.42	11.9	—	—
Not able to be leveled .....	11.37	27.7	—	—	—	—
Cashiers, all workers .....	7.25	10.5	7.89	3.8	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.02	.6	—	—	7.47	.1
Cashiers .....	7.25	10.5	7.89	3.8	—	—
Level 2 .....	7.02	.6	—	—	7.47	.1
Retail salespersons .....	12.66	6.3	14.61	7.4	7.76	9.9
Level 3 .....	9.41	2.2	—	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3. Private industry workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>2</sup> by work levels<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	\$11.92	5.4	\$11.84	5.9	\$12.49	8.4
Level 2 .....	9.74	7.5	9.75	8.5	9.68	14.0
Level 3 .....	12.74	3.4	12.91	3.7	—	—
Level 4 .....	14.42	8.3	14.05	9.6	—	—
Financial clerks .....	11.16	4.6	10.95	3.2	—	—
Level 4 .....	12.75	8.6	11.47	3.3	—	—
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	13.03	6.9	12.10	6.4	—	—
Customer service representatives .....	12.69	14.3	—	—	—	—
Receptionists and information clerks .....	11.70	10.3	11.70	10.3	—	—
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	11.54	8.1	12.41	8.3	—	—
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	—	—	16.07	7.4	—	—
Office clerks, general .....	15.45	9.0	16.04	9.1	—	—
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b> .....	14.79	1.8	14.79	1.8	—	—
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	18.61	8.3	18.61	8.3	—	—
Level 5 .....	16.94	5.0	16.94	5.0	—	—
Level 7 .....	26.99	3.9	26.99	3.9	—	—
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	21.60	10.7	21.60	10.7	—	—
Level 7 .....	26.40	6.0	26.40	6.0	—	—
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	25.09	9.4	25.09	9.4	—	—
Maintenance workers, machinery .....	18.63	6.9	18.63	6.9	—	—
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	16.40	7.1	16.58	7.0	—	—
Level 2 .....	12.76	11.5	12.99	11.6	—	—
Level 3 .....	13.02	2.5	13.02	2.5	—	—
Level 4 .....	13.42	8.4	13.42	8.4	—	—
Level 5 .....	21.40	7.4	21.40	7.4	—	—
Level 7 .....	23.41	15.7	23.41	15.7	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	23.63	34.1	23.63	34.1	—	—
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	13.52	4.1	13.52	4.1	—	—
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.06	.1	13.06	.1	—	—
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders ...	13.34	39.7	13.34	39.7	—	—
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood	13.34	39.7	13.34	39.7	—	—
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	14.53	25.6	14.53	25.6	—	—
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	18.73	16.0	18.73	16.0	—	—
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	21.18	24.2	21.18	24.2	—	—
Miscellaneous production workers .....	16.66	16.0	16.96	15.7	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3. Private industry workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>2</sup> by work levels<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
Miscellaneous production workers—Continued						
Level 2 .....	\$13.66	8.6	\$13.66	8.6	—	—
Level 3 .....	12.38	10.0	12.38	10.0	—	—
Level 4 .....	18.78	3.3	18.78	3.3	—	—
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders	16.16	1.9	16.16	1.9	—	—
Helpers--production workers .....	10.40	8.5	10.64	8.4	—	—
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations .....</b>	<b>12.67</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>13.41</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>\$6.93</b>	<b>2.8</b>
Level 1 .....	8.25	3.2	8.75	6.0	6.72	2.1
Level 2 .....	11.39	10.2	11.39	10.2	—	—
Level 3 .....	14.47	13.4	14.47	13.4	—	—
Level 4 .....	16.75	7.0	16.75	7.0	—	—
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	15.55	15.5	15.55	15.5	—	—
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	13.98	10.5	13.98	10.5	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor operators .....	15.30	7.9	15.30	7.9	—	—
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	9.94	8.7	10.78	8.2	6.93	2.8
Level 1 .....	8.25	3.2	8.75	6.1	6.72	2.1
Level 2 .....	10.39	11.4	10.39	11.4	—	—
Level 3 .....	14.37	5.3	14.37	5.3	—	—
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	9.47	11.0	10.56	10.6	—	—
Level 1 .....	8.35	5.9	—	—	—	—
Packers and packagers, hand .....	10.66	9.6	11.20	13.8	—	—

<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. See appendix A for more information.

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occupation's rank within each factor. The points are summed to determine the overall level of the occupation. See appendix A for more information.

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<sup>5</sup> 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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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 4. State and local government workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>2</sup> by work levels<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$22.07	8.0	\$21.86	7.0	\$28.67	30.8
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	34.07	6.0	34.07	6.0	—	—
Level 9 .....	32.41	.1	32.41	.1	—	—
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....	32.24	.6	32.24	.6	—	—
Level 9 .....	32.41	.1	32.41	.1	—	—
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	32.07	1.1	32.07	1.1	—	—
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	31.76	.5	31.76	.5	—	—
Teacher assistants .....	11.14	3.0	11.14	3.0	—	—
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	19.74	35.9	14.76	6.6	—	—
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	15.77	4.3	15.73	4.2	—	—
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	8.97	5.3	8.88	5.3	—	—
Level 1 .....	8.71	7.5	—	—	—	—
Building cleaning workers .....	8.91	6.8	8.78	6.7	—	—
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	9.35	11.5	9.21	12.3	—	—
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	14.17	5.5	14.24	5.5	—	—
Level 4 .....	13.60	2.8	13.60	2.8	—	—
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	14.09	7.7	14.09	7.7	—	—
Office clerks, general .....	13.41	9.5	13.41	9.5	—	—
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b> .....	14.28	11.9	—	—	—	—

<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. See appendix A for more information.

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occupation's rank within each factor. The points are summed to determine the overall level of the occupation. See appendix A for more information.

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<sup>5</sup> 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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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 5. Combined work levels<sup>1</sup> for civilian workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>2</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$21.88	11.3	\$23.05	11.4	\$9.86	18.5
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	33.44	13.2	33.44	13.2	—	—
Group III .....	32.35	10.5	—	—	—	—
<b>Business and financial operations occupations</b>						
Group II .....	18.13	12.4	—	—	—	—
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	21.04	7.3	21.04	7.3	—	—
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	37.28	8.5	37.28	8.5	—	—
Group II .....	28.42	1.7	—	—	—	—
Engineers .....	40.68	3.3	40.68	3.3	—	—
<b>Community and social services occupations</b> .....	16.95	1.9	17.02	1.9	—	—
Group II .....	17.43	2.9	—	—	—	—
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	33.57	5.7	33.59	5.7	—	—
Group I .....	11.13	3.0	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	29.83	4.7	—	—	—	—
Group III .....	32.55	.5	—	—	—	—
Postsecondary teachers .....	42.51	9.5	42.51	9.5	—	—
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....						
Group I .....	31.44	2.4	31.44	2.4	—	—
Group II .....	30.06	5.4	—	—	—	—
Group III .....	32.41	.1	—	—	—	—
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	30.71	3.7	30.71	3.7	—	—
Group II .....	28.79	9.3	—	—	—	—
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	30.88	2.3	30.88	2.3	—	—
Secondary school teachers .....	33.48	.5	33.48	.5	—	—
Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational education .....	33.48	.5	33.48	.5	—	—
Teacher assistants .....	11.13	3.0	11.14	3.0	—	—
Group I .....	11.13	3.0	11.14	3.0	—	—
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	51.41	46.2	53.56	48.4	31.59	11.4
Group I .....	15.58	3.9	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	24.69	3.6	—	—	—	—
Group III .....	124.33	32.9	—	—	—	—
Registered nurses .....	29.82	5.1	28.24	4.3	34.99	8.8
Group II .....	27.32	2.4	26.78	2.3	—	—
Group III .....	34.39	7.3	31.77	8.8	—	—
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses .....	14.58	1.4	14.38	2.0	—	—
Group II .....	14.28	2.0	14.25	2.2	—	—
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	13.57	12.3	13.64	12.4	—	—
Group I .....	10.82	8.0	—	—	—	—
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides .....	8.07	3.1	8.04	3.0	—	—
Group I .....	8.07	3.1	—	—	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants .....	7.81	3.7	7.77	3.6	—	—
Group I .....	7.81	3.7	7.77	3.6	—	—
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	14.15	12.4	14.58	9.9	—	—
Group I .....	9.15	13.4	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	15.93	3.4	—	—	—	—
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	8.54	17.5	8.41	7.7	—	—
Security guards .....	8.54	17.5	8.41	7.7	—	—
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	6.89	6.3	7.81	18.3	5.13	7.8
Group I .....	6.79	8.0	—	—	—	—
Food preparation workers .....	6.28	6.6	—	—	—	—
Group I .....	6.28	6.6	—	—	—	—
Food service, tipped .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Group I .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
Waiters and waitresses .....	3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Combined work levels<sup>1</sup> for civilian workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>2</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
Waiters and waitresses—Continued						
Group I .....	\$3.65	25.6	—	—	—	—
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b>						
Group I .....	8.13	4.9	\$8.24	5.0	\$7.23	15.1
Group I .....	7.87	3.8	—	—	—	—
Building cleaning workers .....	7.64	4.1	7.71	3.7	7.23	15.1
Group I .....	7.64	4.1	—	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	8.24	7.0	8.39	7.9	—	—
Group I .....	8.24	7.0	8.39	7.9	—	—
Maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	6.73	5.2	6.80	4.5	—	—
Group I .....	6.73	5.2	6.80	4.5	—	—
<b>Sales and related occupations</b>	12.73	5.4	14.36	10.0	7.62	8.9
Group I .....	9.95	12.5	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	20.27	6.6	—	—	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	12.28	7.8	12.28	7.8	—	—
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	12.28	7.8	12.28	7.8	—	—
Retail sales workers .....	10.14	13.0	11.80	6.8	6.96	4.4
Group I .....	9.02	10.9	—	—	—	—
Cashiers, all workers .....	7.25	10.5	7.89	3.8	—	—
Group I .....	7.02	1.6	—	—	—	—
Cashiers .....	7.25	10.5	7.89	3.8	—	—
Group I .....	7.02	1.6	—	—	7.20	.9
Retail salespersons .....	12.66	6.3	14.61	7.4	7.76	9.9
Group I .....	10.79	15.4	—	—	7.76	10.7
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b>	12.35	4.9	12.35	5.3	12.38	8.5
Group I .....	12.02	5.1	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	15.48	6.4	—	—	—	—
Financial clerks .....	11.54	5.7	11.40	5.2	—	—
Group I .....	11.34	5.2	—	—	—	—
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	13.68	4.6	13.20	5.0	—	—
Group I .....	13.16	6.2	12.46	6.7	—	—
Customer service representatives .....	12.89	7.6	—	—	—	—
Group I .....	12.62	9.5	—	—	—	—
Receptionists and information clerks .....	11.56	10.3	11.60	10.3	—	—
Group I .....	11.56	10.3	11.60	10.3	—	—
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	11.54	8.1	12.41	8.3	—	—
Group I .....	11.54	8.1	12.41	8.3	—	—
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	15.31	5.0	15.02	7.1	—	—
Group I .....	14.52	5.3	—	—	—	—
Secretaries, except legal, medical, and executive .....	13.76	5.1	13.76	5.1	—	—
Group I .....	13.76	5.1	13.76	5.1	—	—
Office clerks, general .....	14.97	7.0	15.35	6.6	—	—
Group I .....	14.53	6.9	14.89	6.4	—	—
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b>	14.66	1.5	14.66	1.5	—	—
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b>	18.48	7.8	18.48	7.8	—	—
Group I .....	10.94	10.8	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	21.12	7.3	—	—	—	—
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	20.93	10.0	20.93	10.0	—	—
Group II .....	22.32	9.1	—	—	—	—
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	25.09	9.4	25.09	9.4	—	—
Group II .....	25.27	9.4	25.27	9.4	—	—
Maintenance and repair workers, general .....	17.04	16.6	17.04	16.6	—	—
Maintenance workers, machinery .....	18.75	4.7	18.75	4.7	—	—
Group II .....	18.95	5.2	18.95	5.2	—	—
<b>Production occupations</b>	16.40	7.1	16.58	7.0	—	—
Group I .....	11.87	6.3	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	22.33	4.0	—	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Combined work levels<sup>1</sup> for civilian workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>2</sup> for full-time and part-time workers<sup>3</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>4</sup> and level	Total		Full-time workers		Part-time workers	
	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)	Mean	Relative error <sup>5</sup> (percent)
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	\$23.63	34.1	\$23.63	34.1	—	—
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	13.52	4.1	13.52	4.1	—	—
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.06	.1	13.06	.1	—	—
Group I .....	13.06	.1	—	—	—	—
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders ...	13.34	39.7	13.34	39.7	—	—
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood	13.34	39.7	13.34	39.7	—	—
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	14.53	25.6	14.53	25.6	—	—
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	18.73	16.0	18.73	16.0	—	—
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	21.18	24.2	21.18	24.2	—	—
Miscellaneous production workers .....	16.66	16.0	16.96	15.7	—	—
Group I .....	11.28	7.3	—	—	—	—
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders	16.16	1.9	16.16	1.9	—	—
Helpers—production workers .....	10.40	8.5	10.64	8.4	—	—
Group I .....	10.40	8.5	10.64	8.4	—	—
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations .....</b>	<b>12.90</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>13.54</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>\$7.06</b>	<b>2.9</b>
Group I .....	12.39	8.6	—	—	—	—
Group II .....	19.69	10.4	—	—	—	—
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	14.93	15.2	14.93	15.2	—	—
Group I .....	14.81	16.5	—	—	—	—
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	13.98	10.5	13.98	10.5	—	—
Group I .....	13.72	12.2	13.72	12.2	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor operators .....	15.30	7.9	15.30	7.9	—	—
Group I .....	14.60	6.2	14.60	6.2	—	—
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	10.02	7.9	10.79	7.3	6.93	2.8
Group I .....	10.32	6.0	—	—	—	—
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	9.47	11.0	10.56	10.6	—	—
Group I .....	9.99	10.6	10.56	10.6	—	—
Packers and packagers, hand .....	10.66	9.6	11.20	13.8	—	—
Group I .....	10.66	9.6	11.20	13.8	—	—

<sup>1</sup> Combined work levels simplify the presentation of work levels by combining levels 1 through 15 into four broad groups. Group I combines levels 1-4, group II combines levels 5-8, group III combines levels 9-12, and group IV combines levels 13-15.

<sup>2</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. See appendix A for more information.

<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.

<sup>4</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>5</sup> 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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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.



Table 6. Civilian workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>1</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$7.16	\$10.00	\$14.90	\$27.40	\$39.07
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	18.27	23.76	27.40	38.46	61.90
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	17.00	19.18	19.18	22.25	26.38
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	28.18	28.18	36.32	43.20	49.57
Engineers .....	30.93	35.00	39.58	45.23	53.75
<b>Community and social services occupations</b> .....	13.72	15.07	17.69	18.91	21.18
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	12.80	27.44	34.08	40.45	51.66
Postsecondary teachers .....	31.99	40.45	40.45	51.66	51.66
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....	23.16	27.08	32.28	36.04	39.61
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	23.07	26.65	31.95	35.17	38.87
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	23.08	26.34	31.89	35.93	38.74
Secondary school teachers .....	25.33	29.51	32.28	37.39	42.02
Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational education .....	25.33	29.51	32.28	37.39	42.02
Teacher assistants .....	9.42	10.13	11.05	12.27	12.86
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	13.72	18.56	28.18	33.64	157.90
Registered nurses .....	21.01	25.51	29.57	34.68	39.03
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses .....	11.83	13.30	14.50	16.09	17.00
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	7.25	7.98	11.86	14.90	20.06
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides .....	7.04	7.25	7.69	8.61	9.34
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants .....	7.00	7.18	7.34	8.18	8.88
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	7.66	10.98	13.08	18.23	21.19
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	5.96	5.96	7.66	10.44	15.00
Security guards .....	5.96	5.96	7.66	10.44	15.00
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	3.15	5.69	6.00	8.75	10.00
Food preparation workers .....	5.25	5.46	6.00	7.25	7.25
Food service, tipped .....	2.50	2.61	3.15	3.15	5.70
Waiters and waitresses .....	2.50	2.61	3.15	3.15	5.70
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	5.65	6.33	7.34	9.31	10.73
Building cleaning workers .....	5.65	6.00	6.81	9.05	10.59
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	5.75	6.00	7.34	10.00	11.45
Maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	5.65	5.65	6.58	7.21	8.03
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	6.00	7.00	10.63	15.54	24.44
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	10.63	10.63	11.27	14.00	14.65
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	10.63	10.63	11.27	14.00	14.65
Retail sales workers .....	6.00	6.85	8.19	11.91	16.11
Cashiers, all workers .....	6.00	6.00	6.85	7.75	9.57
Cashiers .....	6.00	6.00	6.85	7.75	9.57
Retail salespersons .....	6.50	8.35	10.61	13.20	24.44
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	7.40	10.01	12.02	14.18	16.50
Financial clerks .....	9.69	10.01	10.75	11.25	15.52
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	9.45	10.10	14.61	15.73	16.50
Customer service representatives .....	7.63	11.42	14.13	14.57	15.63
Receptionists and information clerks .....	7.26	10.24	10.24	14.50	14.65
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	7.85	8.00	11.00	14.18	14.80
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	11.37	13.12	16.00	17.31	19.60
Secretaries, except legal, medical, and executive .....	9.68	11.52	13.12	16.20	18.22
Office clerks, general .....	11.90	12.86	14.08	17.57	20.25
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b> .....	12.10	14.33	14.33	14.33	16.74
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	8.57	14.82	17.37	23.33	28.92

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6. **Civilian workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>1</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007** — Continued

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	\$12.38	\$16.43	\$19.03	\$28.45	\$29.65
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	17.09	21.96	28.45	29.65	29.65
Maintenance and repair workers, general .....	11.00	12.23	16.55	17.55	30.33
Maintenance workers, machinery .....	14.30	16.43	19.03	21.66	22.16
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	8.91	11.35	14.35	22.09	25.20
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	10.68	10.68	25.45	32.75	34.47
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	10.85	12.00	12.17	15.04	16.03
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	10.85	12.13	12.82	14.09	15.58
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders ...	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.44	28.39
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood .....	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.44	28.39
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	10.00	10.50	11.90	14.00	22.80
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.69	14.00	22.80	22.80	22.80
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	13.35	13.67	22.00	28.18	28.18
Miscellaneous production workers .....	7.91	9.63	16.17	25.20	25.20
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	8.91	13.26	16.17	20.60	22.44
Helpers--production workers .....	6.34	7.85	7.91	13.90	15.58
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b> .....	7.91	8.71	11.99	15.11	21.75
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	10.00	11.25	12.25	18.00	21.75
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	11.25	11.75	11.99	17.77	18.00
Industrial truck and tractor operators .....	11.11	11.63	13.90	15.30	22.70
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	7.16	7.91	8.51	12.32	15.00
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	7.16	7.16	7.91	11.00	15.00
Packers and packagers, hand .....	6.85	8.38	8.71	13.13	15.86

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles designate position in the earnings distribution and are calculated from individual-worker earnings and the hours they are scheduled to work. At the 50th percentile, the median, half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown, and half are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 25th percentile, one-fourth of the hours are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 75th percentile, one-fourth are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. The 10th 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, and holidays;

nonproduction bonuses; and tips.

<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 7. Private industry workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>1</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$6.81	\$9.69	\$14.65	\$27.23	\$38.05
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	18.27	23.76	27.40	38.46	61.90
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	17.00	19.18	19.18	22.25	26.38
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	27.93	28.18	36.53	43.50	49.57
Engineers .....	30.93	35.00	39.58	45.23	53.75
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	6.63	8.02	29.48	32.28	32.28
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	17.08	23.13	28.18	36.19	198.33
Registered nurses .....	21.28	25.51	29.17	31.51	36.37
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses .....	13.20	14.00	14.69	16.62	17.00
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	7.25	8.28	13.39	14.55	17.18
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides .....	7.00	7.25	7.40	8.16	8.88
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants .....	7.00	7.25	7.40	8.02	8.88
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	5.96	5.96	7.66	10.44	15.00
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	5.96	5.96	7.66	10.44	15.00
Security guards .....	5.96	5.96	7.66	10.44	15.00
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	3.15	5.69	5.75	8.37	10.00
Food preparation workers .....	5.25	5.46	6.00	7.25	7.25
Food service, tipped .....	2.50	2.61	3.15	3.15	5.70
Waiters and waitresses .....	2.50	2.61	3.15	3.15	5.70
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	5.65	6.00	6.44	7.61	10.00
Building cleaning workers .....	5.60	5.65	6.00	6.81	9.99
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	5.45	5.80	6.00	8.05	10.00
Maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	5.65	5.65	6.00	6.67	6.99
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	6.00	7.00	10.63	15.54	24.44
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	10.63	10.63	11.27	14.00	14.65
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	10.63	10.63	11.27	14.00	14.65
Retail sales workers .....	6.00	6.85	8.19	11.91	16.11
Cashiers, all workers .....	6.00	6.00	6.85	7.75	9.57
Cashiers .....	6.00	6.00	6.85	7.75	9.57
Retail salespersons .....	6.50	8.35	10.61	13.20	24.44
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	7.40	9.69	11.25	14.08	16.18
Financial clerks .....	9.69	10.01	10.55	11.03	15.15
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	9.45	10.00	12.18	16.50	16.50
Customer service representatives .....	7.50	7.63	14.13	14.64	14.73
Receptionists and information clerks .....	7.26	10.24	10.24	14.50	14.65
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	7.85	8.00	11.00	14.18	14.80
Office clerks, general .....	12.09	14.08	14.08	20.12	20.25
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b> .....	13.00	14.33	14.33	14.33	16.74
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	8.57	14.96	17.09	23.33	29.65
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	12.38	16.55	21.66	29.65	29.65
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	17.09	21.96	28.45	29.65	29.65
Maintenance workers, machinery .....	14.30	15.50	20.54	21.66	23.77
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	8.91	11.35	14.35	22.09	25.20
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	10.68	10.68	25.45	32.75	34.47
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	10.85	12.00	12.17	15.04	16.03
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	10.85	12.13	12.82	14.09	15.58
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.44	28.39
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood .....	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.44	28.39

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 7. Private industry workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>1</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	\$10.00	\$10.50	\$11.90	\$14.00	\$22.80
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.69	14.00	22.80	22.80	22.80
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	13.35	13.67	22.00	28.18	28.18
Miscellaneous production workers .....	7.91	9.63	16.17	25.20	25.20
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	8.91	13.26	16.17	20.60	22.44
Helpers--production workers .....	6.34	7.85	7.91	13.90	15.58
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations .....</b>	<b>7.45</b>	<b>8.38</b>	<b>11.99</b>	<b>15.00</b>	<b>20.42</b>
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	10.75	11.99	15.63	18.00	21.75
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	11.25	11.75	11.99	17.77	18.00
Industrial truck and tractor operators .....	11.11	11.63	13.90	15.30	22.70
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	7.16	7.91	8.38	12.85	15.00
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	7.16	7.16	7.91	11.00	15.00
Packers and packagers, hand .....	6.85	8.38	8.71	13.13	15.86

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles designate position in the earnings distribution and are calculated from individual-worker earnings and the hours they are scheduled to work. At the 50th percentile, the median, half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown, and half are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 25th percentile, one-fourth of the hours are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 75th percentile, one-fourth are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. The 10th 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, and holidays;

nonproduction bonuses; and tips.

<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 8. State and local government workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>1</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	10	25	Median 50	75	90
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$9.39	\$12.02	\$16.83	\$32.66	\$40.45
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	14.05	27.82	34.42	40.45	51.66
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....	23.74	27.47	32.99	36.73	39.71
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	24.04	27.47	32.96	35.98	39.34
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	23.84	27.16	32.26	36.02	38.90
Teacher assistants .....	9.42	10.15	11.05	12.27	12.86
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	13.55	13.72	13.72	22.68	39.03
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	11.35	12.15	13.85	18.60	22.23
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	6.63	7.35	8.65	9.75	11.48
Building cleaning workers .....	6.57	6.81	8.03	10.18	11.48
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	6.50	6.99	9.05	10.78	12.56
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	11.01	11.67	13.47	15.87	19.41
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	10.76	11.52	12.94	16.98	19.60
Office clerks, general .....	9.28	11.42	12.86	16.45	17.57
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b> .....	10.26	10.83	10.85	16.83	23.92

<sup>1</sup> Percentiles designate position in the earnings distribution and are calculated from individual-worker earnings and the hours they are scheduled to work. At the 50th percentile, the median, half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown, and half are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 25th percentile, one-fourth of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. At the 75th percentile, one-fourth are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. The 10th 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, and holidays;

nonproduction bonuses; and tips.

<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 9. Full-time<sup>1</sup> civilian workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>2</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Full-time workers				
	10	25	Median 50	75	90
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$7.91	\$10.98	\$15.65	\$27.93	\$39.71
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	18.27	23.76	27.40	38.46	61.90
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	17.00	19.18	19.18	22.25	26.38
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	28.18	28.18	36.32	43.20	49.57
Engineers .....	30.93	35.00	39.58	45.23	53.75
<b>Community and social services occupations</b> .....	13.78	15.07	17.69	18.91	21.18
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	12.80	27.47	34.08	40.45	51.66
Postsecondary teachers .....	31.99	40.45	40.45	51.66	51.66
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....	23.16	27.08	32.28	36.04	39.61
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	23.07	26.65	31.95	35.17	38.87
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	23.08	26.34	31.89	35.93	38.74
Secondary school teachers .....	25.33	29.51	32.28	37.39	42.02
Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational education .....	25.33	29.51	32.28	37.39	42.02
Teacher assistants .....	9.42	10.15	11.05	12.27	12.86
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	13.72	18.00	28.11	31.79	198.33
Registered nurses .....	19.91	24.77	28.35	31.09	36.37
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses .....	11.50	13.19	14.42	15.60	17.00
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	7.24	7.98	11.86	14.90	20.06
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides .....	7.04	7.25	7.67	8.52	9.34
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants .....	7.00	7.18	7.33	7.98	8.73
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	8.47	11.35	13.13	18.23	21.61
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	7.66	7.66	7.66	8.48	10.44
Security guards .....	7.66	7.66	7.66	8.48	10.44
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	5.69	5.69	7.33	9.75	10.51
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	5.65	6.44	7.50	9.31	10.56
Building cleaning workers .....	5.65	6.00	6.81	9.15	10.36
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	5.80	6.00	7.74	10.00	11.27
Maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	5.65	6.00	6.67	7.22	8.06
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	6.85	9.07	12.22	19.23	24.44
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	10.63	10.63	11.27	14.00	14.65
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	10.63	10.63	11.27	14.00	14.65
Retail sales workers .....	6.85	7.30	9.81	12.22	24.44
Cashiers, all workers .....	6.85	6.85	6.85	8.65	10.50
Cashiers .....	6.85	6.85	6.85	8.65	10.50
Retail salespersons .....	8.20	9.85	12.22	24.44	24.44
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	7.40	10.01	12.02	14.14	17.43
Financial clerks .....	9.90	10.01	10.75	11.25	15.15
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	9.45	10.00	13.44	15.15	15.73
Receptionists and information clerks .....	7.26	10.24	10.24	14.50	14.65
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	8.00	11.00	14.14	14.80	14.80
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	10.17	12.30	14.30	18.49	19.76
Secretaries, except legal, medical, and executive .....	9.68	11.52	13.12	16.20	18.22
Office clerks, general .....	12.86	14.08	14.08	17.57	20.25
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b> .....	12.10	14.33	14.33	14.33	16.74
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	8.57	14.82	17.37	23.33	28.92
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	12.38	16.43	19.03	28.45	29.65

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 9. Full-time<sup>1</sup> civilian workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>2</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Full-time workers				
	10	25	Median 50	75	90
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	\$17.09	\$21.96	\$28.45	\$29.65	\$29.65
Maintenance and repair workers, general .....	11.00	12.23	16.55	17.55	30.33
Maintenance workers, machinery .....	14.30	16.43	19.03	21.66	22.16
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	9.63	11.65	14.35	22.44	25.20
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	10.68	10.68	25.45	32.75	34.47
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	10.85	12.00	12.17	15.04	16.03
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	10.85	12.13	12.82	14.09	15.58
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders ... Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood .....	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.44	28.39
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	10.00	10.50	11.90	14.00	22.80
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.69	14.00	22.80	22.80	22.80
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	13.35	13.67	22.00	28.18	28.18
Miscellaneous production workers .....	7.91	10.32	16.27	25.20	25.20
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	8.91	13.26	16.17	20.60	22.44
Helpers--production workers .....	6.34	7.91	7.91	13.90	15.58
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b> .....	8.00	10.25	12.25	15.68	21.75
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	10.00	11.25	12.25	18.00	21.75
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	11.25	11.75	11.99	17.77	18.00
Industrial truck and tractor operators .....	11.11	11.63	13.90	15.30	22.70
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	7.91	8.17	10.25	13.23	15.00
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	7.91	7.91	8.89	13.30	15.00
Packers and packagers, hand .....	8.38	8.38	10.50	13.23	15.86

<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 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.

<sup>2</sup> Percentiles designate position in the earnings distribution and are calculated from individual-worker earnings and the hours they are scheduled to work. At the 50th percentile, the median, half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown, and half are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 25th percentile, one-fourth of the hours are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 75th percentile, one-fourth are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. The 10th 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, and holidays; nonproduction bonuses; and tips.

<sup>3</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 10. Part-time<sup>1</sup> civilian workers: Hourly wage percentiles<sup>2</sup>, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>3</sup>	Part-time workers				
	10	25	Median 50	75	90
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$3.15	\$5.75	\$7.16	\$9.74	\$18.76
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	17.99	25.32	32.00	38.51	42.45
Registered nurses .....	26.00	30.00	36.07	39.21	42.71
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	2.61	3.15	5.46	6.65	7.25
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	5.65	5.75	6.00	8.57	11.48
Building cleaning workers .....	5.65	5.75	6.00	8.57	11.48
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	5.60	6.00	6.25	8.36	10.00
Retail sales workers .....	5.60	6.00	6.25	8.08	9.00
Retail salespersons .....	6.00	6.30	7.80	8.75	10.00
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	7.63	8.74	11.90	16.00	16.50
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b> .....	6.32	6.32	7.16	7.16	7.45
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	6.32	6.32	7.16	7.16	7.45

<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 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.

<sup>2</sup> Percentiles designate position in the earnings distribution and are calculated from individual-worker earnings and the hours they are scheduled to work. At the 50th percentile, the median, half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown, and half are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 25th percentile, one-fourth of the hours are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 75th percentile, one-fourth are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. The 10th 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, and holidays; nonproduction bonuses; and tips.

<sup>3</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria. Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.



Table 11. Full-time<sup>1</sup> civilian workers: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$23.05	\$15.65	\$921	\$634	39.9	\$46,813	\$32,893	2,031
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	33.44	27.40	1,338	1,096	40.0	69,202	56,992	2,070
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	21.04	19.18	842	767	40.0	43,765	39,894	2,080
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	37.28	36.32	1,488	1,453	39.9	77,383	75,541	2,075
Engineers .....	40.68	39.58	1,627	1,583	40.0	84,608	82,322	2,080
<b>Community and social services occupations</b> .....	17.02	17.69	680	707	39.9	35,347	36,785	2,077
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	33.59	34.08	1,431	1,280	42.6	57,230	47,031	1,704
Postsecondary teachers .....	42.51	40.45	2,235	2,427	52.6	103,303	126,210	2,430
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....	31.44	32.28	1,208	1,203	38.4	45,751	45,676	1,455
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	30.71	31.95	1,179	1,193	38.4	44,692	45,330	1,456
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	30.88	31.89	1,179	1,193	38.2	44,775	45,330	1,450
Secondary school teachers .....	33.48	32.28	1,256	1,208	37.5	47,297	45,738	1,413
Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational education .....	33.48	32.28	1,256	1,208	37.5	47,297	45,738	1,413
Teacher assistants .....	11.14	11.05	406	401	36.4	15,040	14,832	1,350
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	53.56	28.11	2,202	1,119	41.1	114,359	58,200	2,135
Registered nurses .....	28.24	28.35	1,104	1,102	39.1	57,131	56,805	2,023
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses .....	14.38	14.42	574	577	39.9	29,837	29,994	2,074
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	13.64	11.86	538	474	39.4	27,985	24,669	2,051
Nursing, psychiatric, and home health aides .....	8.04	7.67	316	305	39.3	16,455	15,856	2,046
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants .....	7.77	7.33	304	290	39.2	15,830	15,059	2,037
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	14.58	13.13	602	567	41.3	30,752	27,887	2,110
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
Security guards .....	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	7.81	7.33	281	256	36.0	14,360	12,480	1,840
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	8.24	7.50	310	294	37.7	16,042	15,282	1,947
Building cleaning workers .....	7.71	6.81	284	265	36.9	14,658	13,851	1,902
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	8.39	7.74	328	309	39.1	16,829	15,972	2,007
Maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	6.80	6.67	233	204	34.2	12,110	10,619	1,780
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	14.36	12.22	591	528	41.2	30,739	27,458	2,141
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	12.28	11.27	494	451	40.2	25,686	23,442	2,092
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	12.28	11.27	494	451	40.2	25,686	23,442	2,092
Retail sales workers .....	11.80	9.81	483	385	40.9	25,101	20,020	2,127
Cashiers, all workers .....	7.89	6.85	315	274	40.0	16,403	14,248	2,080

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 11. Full-time<sup>1</sup> civilian workers: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
Cashiers .....	\$7.89	\$6.85	\$315	\$274	40.0	\$16,403	\$14,248	2,080
Retail salespersons .....	14.61	12.22	607	534	41.6	31,577	27,768	2,161
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	12.35	12.02	491	481	39.7	25,353	25,002	2,054
Financial clerks .....	11.40	10.75	453	430	39.7	23,516	22,360	2,063
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	13.20	13.44	515	504	39.0	26,711	26,208	2,024
Receptionists and information clerks ..	11.60	10.24	461	410	39.7	23,963	21,305	2,065
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	12.41	14.14	496	566	40.0	25,804	29,411	2,080
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	15.02	14.30	583	528	38.8	30,042	27,768	2,000
Secretaries, except legal, medical, and executive .....	13.76	13.12	529	522	38.4	27,159	27,298	1,973
Office clerks, general .....	15.35	14.08	609	563	39.7	30,096	29,295	1,961
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b> .....	14.66	14.33	587	573	40.0	30,499	29,802	2,080
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	18.48	17.37	750	704	40.6	38,990	36,616	2,110
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	20.93	19.03	828	770	39.5	42,972	40,019	2,053
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	25.09	28.45	976	1,081	38.9	50,761	56,217	2,024
Maintenance and repair workers, general .....	17.04	16.55	681	662	40.0	35,262	33,322	2,070
Maintenance workers, machinery ...	18.75	19.03	750	761	40.0	39,007	39,582	2,080
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	16.58	14.35	662	574	39.9	34,438	29,848	2,077
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	23.63	25.45	966	916	40.9	50,243	47,646	2,126
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	13.52	12.17	541	487	40.0	28,113	25,314	2,080
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.06	12.82	517	513	39.6	26,890	26,666	2,058
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.34	10.00	526	400	39.4	27,336	20,800	2,049
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood .....	13.34	10.00	526	400	39.4	27,336	20,800	2,049
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	14.53	11.90	581	476	40.0	30,213	24,752	2,080
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	18.73	22.80	749	912	40.0	38,954	47,418	2,080
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	21.18	22.00	847	880	40.0	44,047	45,760	2,080
Miscellaneous production workers .....	16.96	16.27	677	651	39.9	35,216	33,850	2,077

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 11. Full-time<sup>1</sup> civilian workers: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	\$16.16	\$16.17	\$646	\$647	40.0	\$33,605	\$33,634	2,080
Helpers--production workers .....	10.64	7.91	424	316	39.8	22,047	16,453	2,071
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations .....</b>	<b>13.54</b>	<b>12.25</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>27,874</b>	<b>24,939</b>	<b>2,058</b>
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	14.93	12.25	597	490	40.0	31,047	25,480	2,079
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	13.98	11.99	559	480	40.0	29,064	24,939	2,079
Industrial truck and tractor operators ..	15.30	13.90	612	556	40.0	31,818	28,912	2,080
Laborers and material movers, hand ..	10.79	10.25	431	410	40.0	22,434	21,320	2,080
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	10.56	8.89	423	356	40.0	21,973	18,497	2,080
Packers and packagers, hand .....	11.20	10.50	448	420	40.0	23,295	21,840	2,080

<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 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.

<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>3</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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>4</sup> Mean weekly earnings are the straight-time weekly wages or salaries

paid to employees. Median weekly earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week, exclusive of overtime.

<sup>5</sup> Mean annual earnings are the straight-time annual wages or salaries paid to employees. Median annual earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean annual hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a year, exclusive of overtime.

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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 12. Full-time<sup>1</sup> private industry workers: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$23.34	\$15.58	\$924	\$611	39.6	\$47,975	\$31,720	2,056
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	33.15	27.40	1,327	1,096	40.0	68,786	56,992	2,075
<b>Computer and mathematical science occupations</b> .....	21.04	19.18	842	767	40.0	43,765	39,894	2,080
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	37.57	36.53	1,503	1,461	40.0	78,147	75,974	2,080
Engineers .....	40.68	39.58	1,627	1,583	40.0	84,608	82,322	2,080
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	23.35	29.48	879	1,061	37.6	31,997	38,210	1,370
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	61.29	28.18	2,434	1,127	39.7	126,551	58,604	2,065
Registered nurses .....	28.61	28.43	1,119	1,119	39.1	58,190	58,200	2,034
<b>Healthcare support occupations</b> .....	12.21	13.39	479	536	39.3	24,924	27,851	2,042
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers .....	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
Security guards .....	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	7.67	7.33	277	246	36.1	14,379	12,813	1,875
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	7.63	6.50	272	240	35.6	14,126	12,480	1,852
Building cleaning workers .....	6.69	6.00	229	204	34.3	11,933	10,619	1,784
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	14.36	12.22	591	528	41.2	30,739	27,458	2,141
First-line supervisors/managers, sales workers .....	12.28	11.27	494	451	40.2	25,686	23,442	2,092
First-line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers .....	12.28	11.27	494	451	40.2	25,686	23,442	2,092
Retail sales workers .....	11.80	9.81	483	385	40.9	25,101	20,020	2,127
Cashiers, all workers .....	7.89	6.85	315	274	40.0	16,403	14,248	2,080
Cashiers .....	7.89	6.85	315	274	40.0	16,403	14,248	2,080
Retail salespersons .....	14.61	12.22	607	534	41.6	31,577	27,768	2,161
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	11.84	11.03	473	441	39.9	24,601	22,942	2,077
Financial clerks .....	10.95	10.55	438	422	40.0	22,783	21,944	2,080
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks .....	12.10	11.27	484	451	40.0	25,173	23,440	2,080
Receptionists and information clerks ..	11.70	10.24	465	410	39.7	24,163	21,305	2,065
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	12.41	14.14	496	566	40.0	25,804	29,411	2,080
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	16.07	17.31	643	692	40.0	33,429	36,005	2,080
Office clerks, general .....	16.04	14.08	637	563	39.7	33,099	29,295	2,063
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b> .....	14.79	14.33	592	573	40.0	30,771	29,802	2,080
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	18.61	17.09	756	704	40.6	39,312	36,616	2,113
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	21.60	21.66	852	866	39.5	44,315	45,051	2,052
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	25.09	28.45	976	1,081	38.9	50,761	56,217	2,024
Maintenance workers, machinery ...	18.63	20.54	745	822	40.0	38,752	42,723	2,080
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	16.58	14.35	662	574	39.9	34,438	29,848	2,077

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 12. Full-time<sup>1</sup> private industry workers: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007 — Continued

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
First-line supervisors/managers of production and operating workers .....	\$23.63	\$25.45	\$966	\$916	40.9	\$50,243	\$47,646	2,126
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	13.52	12.17	541	487	40.0	28,113	25,314	2,080
Textile machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.06	12.82	517	513	39.6	26,890	26,666	2,058
Woodworking machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	13.34	10.00	526	400	39.4	27,336	20,800	2,049
Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood .....	13.34	10.00	526	400	39.4	27,336	20,800	2,049
Crushing, grinding, polishing, mixing, and blending workers .....	14.53	11.90	581	476	40.0	30,213	24,752	2,080
Mixing and blending machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	18.73	22.80	749	912	40.0	38,954	47,418	2,080
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	21.18	22.00	847	880	40.0	44,047	45,760	2,080
Miscellaneous production workers .....	16.96	16.27	677	651	39.9	35,216	33,850	2,077
Paper goods machine setters, operators, and tenders .....	16.16	16.17	646	647	40.0	33,605	33,634	2,080
Helpers--production workers .....	10.64	7.91	424	316	39.8	22,047	16,453	2,071
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations .....</b>	<b>13.41</b>	<b>12.32</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>27,891</b>	<b>25,626</b>	<b>2,080</b>
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	15.55	15.63	622	625	40.0	32,326	32,500	2,079
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	13.98	11.99	559	480	40.0	29,064	24,939	2,079
Industrial truck and tractor operators ..	15.30	13.90	612	556	40.0	31,818	28,912	2,080
Laborers and material movers, hand ..	10.78	9.06	431	362	40.0	22,423	18,845	2,080
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	10.56	8.89	423	356	40.0	21,973	18,497	2,080
Packers and packagers, hand .....	11.20	10.50	448	420	40.0	23,295	21,840	2,080

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<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>3</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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>4</sup> Mean weekly earnings are the straight-time weekly wages or salaries

paid to employees. Median weekly earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week, exclusive of overtime.

<sup>5</sup> Mean annual earnings are the straight-time annual wages or salaries paid to employees. Median annual earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean annual hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a year, exclusive of overtime.

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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 13. Full-time<sup>1</sup> State and local government workers: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$21.86	\$16.77	\$905	\$712	41.4	\$42,211	\$35,420	1,931
<b>Education, training, and library occupations</b> .....	34.07	34.42	1,460	1,306	42.9	58,724	48,537	1,723
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers .....	32.24	32.99	1,241	1,242	38.5	47,186	47,181	1,464
Elementary and middle school teachers .....	32.07	32.96	1,230	1,223	38.3	46,731	46,482	1,457
Elementary school teachers, except special education .....	31.76	32.26	1,210	1,193	38.1	45,984	45,330	1,448
Teacher assistants .....	11.14	11.05	406	401	36.4	15,040	14,832	1,350
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	14.76	13.72	738	823	50.0	38,014	42,791	2,576
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	15.73	13.78	653	630	41.5	33,266	30,152	2,115
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	8.88	8.65	355	346	40.0	18,233	17,926	2,054
Building cleaning workers .....	8.78	7.83	351	313	40.0	17,945	16,251	2,045
Janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners .....	9.21	8.58	368	343	40.0	18,696	16,923	2,030
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> .....	14.24	13.48	556	531	39.0	28,048	26,706	1,969
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	14.09	12.94	533	485	37.9	27,243	25,233	1,934
Office clerks, general .....	13.41	12.86	532	502	39.7	23,046	22,298	1,719

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<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>3</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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>4</sup> Mean weekly earnings are the straight-time weekly wages or salaries

paid to employees. Median weekly earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week, exclusive of overtime.

<sup>5</sup> Mean annual earnings are the straight-time annual wages or salaries paid to employees. Median annual earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean annual hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a year, exclusive of overtime.

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Table 14. **Size of establishment: Mean hourly earnings<sup>1</sup> of private industry establishments for major occupational groups, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007**

Occupational group <sup>2</sup>	Total	1-99 workers	100-499 workers	500 workers or more
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$21.84	\$13.02	\$28.66	\$28.52
Management, professional, and related .....	42.12	25.07	72.65	34.45
Management, business, and financial .....	34.93	25.47	—	—
Professional and related .....	46.74	23.15	90.36	31.52
Service .....	7.98	6.97	10.41	9.01
Sales and office .....	12.31	12.27	12.20	13.01
Sales and related .....	12.73	13.12	12.31	—
Office and administrative support .....	11.92	11.36	12.12	14.28
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance .....	17.29	14.94	21.16	22.13
Construction and extraction .....	14.79	—	—	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	18.61	15.64	21.80	21.92
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	14.99	12.71	12.93	20.51
Production .....	16.40	13.00	13.49	21.14
Transportation and material moving .....	12.67	12.49	12.10	16.16
	Relative error <sup>3</sup> (percent)			
<b>All workers</b> .....	13.7	7.2	30.4	7.8
Management, professional, and related .....	20.4	9.7	30.4	10.9
Management, business, and financial .....	11.5	10.6	—	—
Professional and related .....	31.0	21.0	49.0	10.0
Service .....	8.0	5.4	13.2	12.0
Sales and office .....	2.9	2.8	6.1	14.5
Sales and related .....	5.4	5.5	9.4	—
Office and administrative support .....	5.4	8.2	6.5	10.7
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance .....	7.2	9.4	12.4	8.0
Construction and extraction .....	1.8	—	—	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	8.3	15.7	12.9	10.2
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	6.3	9.5	9.0	8.3
Production .....	7.1	3.0	9.7	8.8
Transportation and material moving .....	9.1	16.6	8.3	8.6

<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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>3</sup> 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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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 15. Establishments with fewer than 100 workers: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours for full-time<sup>1</sup> private industry workers, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$14.29	\$12.22	\$565	\$486	39.5	\$29,305	\$25,293	2,051
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	25.47	24.77	1,019	991	40.0	52,730	51,528	2,070
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	7.45	6.00	269	216	36.1	13,991	11,213	1,877
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	6.13	6.00	216	204	35.3	11,233	10,628	1,834
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	15.30	14.00	647	560	42.3	33,657	29,120	2,200
Retail sales workers .....	12.94	7.75	543	310	41.9	28,219	16,120	2,180
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> ....	11.09	11.00	443	440	40.0	23,039	22,880	2,078
Financial clerks .....	11.23	10.44	449	418	40.0	23,367	21,715	2,080
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	15.64	15.65	650	660	41.6	33,822	34,320	2,163
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	13.15	11.30	525	476	39.9	27,297	24,752	2,075
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b> .....	13.63	11.99	545	480	40.0	28,359	24,939	2,080
Driver/sales workers and truck drivers .....	15.44	14.75	618	590	40.0	32,118	30,680	2,080
Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer .....	13.71	11.99	548	480	40.0	28,519	24,939	2,080

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<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>3</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. See appendix A for more information.

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employees. Median weekly earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week, exclusive of overtime.

<sup>5</sup> Mean annual earnings are the straight-time annual wages or salaries paid to employees. Median annual earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean annual hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a year, exclusive of overtime.

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Table 16. Establishments with 100 workers or more: Mean and median hourly, weekly, and annual earnings and mean weekly and annual hours for full-time<sup>1</sup> private industry workers, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupation <sup>2</sup>	Hourly earnings <sup>3</sup>		Weekly earnings <sup>4</sup>			Annual earnings <sup>5</sup>		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean weekly hours	Mean	Median	Mean annual hours
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$29.22	\$22.77	\$1,159	\$898	39.7	\$60,173	\$46,634	2,059
<b>Management occupations</b> .....	43.09	35.32	1,726	1,442	40.1	89,696	74,990	2,082
<b>Architecture and engineering occupations</b> .....	37.57	36.53	1,503	1,461	40.0	78,147	75,974	2,080
Engineers .....	40.68	39.58	1,627	1,583	40.0	84,608	82,322	2,080
<b>Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations</b> .....	63.18	28.18	2,509	1,127	39.7	130,489	58,604	2,065
Registered nurses .....	28.07	28.35	1,093	1,090	38.9	56,826	56,680	2,025
<b>Protective service occupations</b> .....	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
Security guards and gaming surveillance officers ..	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
Security guards .....	8.41	7.66	336	306	40.0	17,487	15,929	2,080
<b>Food preparation and serving related occupations</b> .....	8.87	9.16	318	360	35.8	16,523	18,720	1,863
<b>Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations</b> .....	9.29	7.61	335	304	36.0	17,404	15,808	1,873
<b>Sales and related occupations</b> .....	12.80	11.61	505	464	39.4	26,240	24,145	2,050
Retail salespersons .....	10.68	10.08	422	403	39.5	21,935	20,958	2,054
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b> ....	12.62	11.03	504	441	39.9	26,216	22,942	2,077
Stock clerks and order fillers .....	13.23	14.14	529	566	40.0	27,513	29,411	2,080
Secretaries and administrative assistants .....	16.79	18.49	672	740	40.0	34,933	38,459	2,080
Office clerks, general .....	16.04	14.08	637	563	39.7	33,099	29,295	2,063
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b> .....	21.83	21.66	865	866	39.6	44,997	45,051	2,061
Industrial machinery installation, repair, and maintenance workers .....	21.74	21.66	857	866	39.4	44,561	45,051	2,050
Industrial machinery mechanics .....	25.75	28.45	1,000	1,081	38.8	52,010	56,217	2,020
Maintenance workers, machinery .....	17.83	17.05	713	682	40.0	37,079	35,464	2,080
<b>Production occupations</b> .....	17.59	15.66	703	626	40.0	36,547	32,573	2,077
Miscellaneous assemblers and fabricators .....	14.33	15.04	573	601	40.0	29,808	31,273	2,080
Inspectors, testers, sorters, samplers, and weighers .....	21.18	22.00	847	880	40.0	44,047	45,760	2,080
Miscellaneous production workers .....	17.42	16.27	697	651	40.0	36,243	33,850	2,080
Helpers--production workers .....	10.77	8.88	431	355	40.0	22,395	18,475	2,080
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b> .....	13.22	12.91	529	516	40.0	27,493	26,853	2,080
Industrial truck and tractor operators .....	15.30	13.90	612	556	40.0	31,818	28,912	2,080
Laborers and material movers, hand .....	10.95	10.50	438	420	40.0	22,783	21,840	2,080
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand .....	9.15	8.17	366	327	40.0	19,031	16,987	2,080

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employees. Median weekly earnings designates position - one-half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. Mean weekly hours are the hours an employee is scheduled to work in a week, exclusive of overtime.

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Table 17. Union<sup>1</sup> and nonunion workers: Mean hourly earnings<sup>2</sup> for major occupational groups, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupational group <sup>3</sup>	Union			Nonunion		
	Civilian workers	Private industry workers	State and local government workers	Civilian workers	Private industry workers	State and local government workers
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$18.13	\$18.13	—	\$22.05	\$22.04	\$22.07
Management, professional, and related .....	—	—	—	38.93	42.22	29.72
Management, business, and financial .....	—	—	—	34.45	34.93	26.91
Professional and related .....	—	—	—	40.92	46.94	29.94
Service .....	—	—	—	9.74	7.98	14.38
Sales and office .....	—	—	—	12.33	12.10	14.17
Sales and related .....	—	—	—	12.43	12.43	—
Office and administrative support .....	—	—	—	12.26	11.81	14.17
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance ....	25.32	25.32	—	16.35	16.40	—
Construction and extraction .....	—	—	—	14.65	14.78	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	25.39	25.39	—	17.37	17.42	—
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	15.63	15.63	—	14.83	14.87	14.28
Production .....	15.68	15.68	—	16.58	16.58	—
Transportation and material moving .....	15.52	15.52	—	12.60	12.29	14.28
	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)					
<b>All workers</b> .....	9.1	9.1	—	11.6	14.3	8.0
Management, professional, and related .....	—	—	—	17.1	20.5	10.2
Management, business, and financial .....	—	—	—	10.8	11.5	21.6
Professional and related .....	—	—	—	24.1	31.1	10.8
Service .....	—	—	—	9.4	8.0	7.9
Sales and office .....	—	—	—	2.6	2.5	5.5
Sales and related .....	—	—	—	5.4	5.4	—
Office and administrative support .....	—	—	—	4.9	5.4	5.5
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance ....	5.8	5.8	—	6.9	7.4	—
Construction and extraction .....	—	—	—	1.4	1.7	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	6.1	6.1	—	8.9	9.7	—
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	11.4	11.4	—	6.8	7.2	11.9
Production .....	13.7	13.7	—	8.7	8.7	—
Transportation and material moving .....	5.4	5.4	—	8.2	10.0	11.9

<sup>1</sup> Union workers are those whose wages are determined through collective bargaining.

<sup>2</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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>3</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more

information.

<sup>4</sup> 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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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 18. Time and incentive workers<sup>1</sup>: Mean hourly earnings<sup>2</sup> for major occupational groups, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupational group <sup>3</sup>	Time		Incentive	
	Civilian workers	Private industry workers	Civilian workers	Private industry workers
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$19.29	\$18.62	—	—
Management, professional, and related .....	31.75	32.52	—	—
Management, business, and financial .....	33.79	34.24	—	—
Professional and related .....	30.80	31.32	—	—
Service .....	9.70	7.89	—	—
Sales and office .....	11.64	11.27	\$17.90	\$17.90
Sales and related .....	10.54	10.54	18.43	18.43
Office and administrative support .....	12.25	11.78	—	—
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance .....	16.93	17.02	—	—
Construction and extraction .....	—	14.79	—	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	18.32	18.46	—	—
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	14.68	14.70	19.39	19.39
Production .....	16.32	16.32	—	—
Transportation and material moving .....	12.26	11.89	—	—
	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)			
<b>All workers</b> .....	4.7	5.8	—	—
Management, professional, and related .....	6.9	8.5	—	—
Management, business, and financial .....	10.8	11.4	—	—
Professional and related .....	6.8	8.7	—	—
Service .....	9.5	7.4	—	—
Sales and office .....	3.4	3.5	9.5	9.5
Sales and related .....	9.3	9.3	10.1	10.1
Office and administrative support .....	5.0	5.4	—	—
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance .....	7.1	7.7	—	—
Construction and extraction .....	—	1.8	—	—
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	9.0	9.9	—	—
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	6.4	6.8	9.4	9.4
Production .....	7.5	7.5	—	—
Transportation and material moving .....	6.5	7.8	—	—

<sup>1</sup> Wages of time workers are based solely on 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.

<sup>2</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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>3</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000

Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>4</sup> 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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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Table 19. Industry sector<sup>1</sup>: Mean hourly earnings<sup>2</sup> for private industry workers by major occupational group, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007

Occupational group <sup>3</sup>	Goods producing		Service providing						
	Construction	Manufacturing	Trade, transportation, and utilities	Information	Financial activities	Professional and business services	Education and health services	Leisure and hospitality	Other services
<b>All workers</b> .....	\$23.71	\$25.61	\$12.62	\$20.57	-	-	\$36.41	-	-
Management, professional, and related .....	-	-	-	24.02	-	-	57.81	-	-
Professional and related .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	64.26	-	-
Service .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.14	-	-
Sales and office .....	-	15.51	11.41	18.28	-	-	11.80	-	-
Sales and related .....	-	-	11.91	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office and administrative support .....	-	13.93	9.84	-	-	-	11.80	-	-
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance .....	-	23.86	16.64	-	-	-	-	-	-
Installation, maintenance, and repair ..	-	25.03	16.64	-	-	-	-	-	-
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	-	17.15	12.51	-	-	-	-	-	-
Production .....	-	17.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation and material moving ...	-	14.34	12.59	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Relative error <sup>4</sup> (percent)								
<b>All workers</b> .....	1.1	9.1	6.0	4.1	-	-	28.7	-	-
Management, professional, and related .....	-	-	-	.0	-	-	38.2	-	-
Professional and related .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	48.6	-	-
Service .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.9	-	-
Sales and office .....	-	1.7	2.6	12.7	-	-	8.6	-	-
Sales and related .....	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office and administrative support .....	-	7.8	12.6	-	-	-	8.6	-	-
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance .....	-	6.3	11.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Installation, maintenance, and repair ..	-	6.3	11.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	-	6.9	13.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Production .....	-	6.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation and material moving ...	-	16.1	14.5	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Industry sectors are determined by the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

<sup>2</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. See appendix A for more information.

<sup>3</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

<sup>4</sup> 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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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

# 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 of the steps required to produce the data.

## Planning for the survey

The overall design of the National Compensation Survey (NCS) includes questions of scope, frame, and sample selection.

### Survey scope

This survey covered establishments employing one worker or more in private goods-producing industries (mining, construction, and manufacturing); private service-providing industries (trade, transportation, and utilities, information, financial activities, professional and business services, education and health services, leisure and hospitality, and other services); State governments; and local governments employing 50 or more workers. Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, 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 agency within the sampled area.

The Augusta–Aiken, GA–SC, Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Columbia, McDuffie, and Richmond Counties, GA; and Aiken and Edgefield Counties, SC.

### 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. Approximately one-fifth of the sample is reselected each year.

### Sample design

The sample for this survey area was selected using a two-stage 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. 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 Bureau of Labor Statistics' (BLS) Regional Offices and visiting each establishment surveyed. Other contact methods, such as mail and telephone, were used to clarify 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 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system
3. Characterization of jobs as full-time or part-time, union or nonunion, and time or incentive
4. Determination of the level of work of each job

For each occupation, wage data were collected for those workers whose jobs could be characterized by the criteria

identified in the last three steps. If a specific work level could not be determined, wages were still collected.

In step one, the jobs to be sampled were selected at each establishment by the BLS field economist. 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 for which data were collected in each establishment was based on the establishment's employment size. The number of jobs selected followed this schedule:

<i>Number of employees</i>	<i>Number of selected jobs</i>
1-49	Up to 4
50-249	6
250 or more	8

The second step of the process entailed classifying the selected jobs into occupations based on their duties. NCS uses the 2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. A selected job may fall into any one of about 800 occupational classifications, from accountant to zoologist. When workers could be classified in more than one occupation, they were classified in the occupation that required the higher skill level. When there was no perceptible difference in skill level, the workers were classified in the occupation that described their primary activity.

Each occupational classification is an element of a broader classification known as a major group. Occupations can fall into any of 22 major groups. Appendix B contains a complete list of all individual occupations, classified by the major group 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.

**Occupational leveling**

In the last step before wage data were collected, the work level of each selected job was determined using a "point factor leveling" process. Point factor leveling matches certain aspects of a job to specific levels of work with assigned point values. Points for each factor are then totaled to determine the overall work level for the job.

The NCS program is in the process of converting from a nine-factor to a four-factor occupational leveling system. The conversion is being phased in via annual NCS sample replenishment groups and will require several years for full implementation. The four occupational leveling factors are:

- Knowledge
- Job controls and complexity
- Contacts (nature and purpose)
- Physical environment

Each factor consists of several levels, and each level has an associated description and assigned points. A knowledge guide for 24 families of closely related occupations contains short definitions of the point levels of knowledge expected for the occupations and presents relevant examples. The other three factors use identical descriptions for all occupational categories and contain a definition of each point level within each factor.

The description within each factor best matching the job is chosen. The point levels within each factor are designed to describe the thresholds of distinct levels of work. When a job does not meet the full description of a point level, the next lowest point level is used. Points for the four factors are totaled to determine the overall work level. NCS publishes data for up to 15 work levels.

Most supervisory occupations are evaluated based on their duties and responsibilities. A modified approach is used for professional and administrative supervisors when they direct professional work and are paid primarily to supervise. Such supervisory occupations are leveled based on the work level of the highest position reporting to them.

For a complete description of point factor leveling, refer to the publication "National Compensation Survey: Guide for Evaluating Your Firm's Jobs and Pay," available at the BLS National Compensation Survey Internet site at <http://www.bls.gov/ncs/ocs/sp/ncbr0004.pdf>.

**Combined work levels**

This bulletin includes a table which simplifies the presentation of work levels by combining them into four broad groups. The groups were determined by combinations of knowledge, job controls and complexity, contacts, physical environment, and supervisory duties, and are meant to be comparable across different occupations. The broad groups and the combined work levels are:

<i>Group designation</i>	<i>Levels combined</i>
Group I	Levels 1-4
Group II	Levels 5-8
Group III	Levels 9-12
Group IV	Levels 13-15

## 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 or subsidized room and board
- Payments made by third parties (for example, tips)
- 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 who are 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 whom the employer considers to be full time.

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

*Time-based worker.* Any employee whose earnings are solely tied to an hourly rate or salary.

*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.

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

*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

*Level.* A ranking within an occupation based on the requirements of the position.

## Processing and analyzing the data

Data were processed and analyzed at the BLS 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 data for 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 during the initial interview, 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 data for the nonrespondents equals the mean value of data for 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.

If average hourly earnings data were not provided by a sample member during the update interview, then missing average hourly earnings were imputed by multiplying prior average hourly earnings by the rate of change in the average hourly earnings of respondents. The regression model that takes into account available establishment characteris-

tics is used to derive the rate of change in the average hourly earnings.

Establishments that were determined to be out of business or outside the scope of the survey had their weights changed to zero.

### **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 sample weight reflects the inverse of each unit's probability of selection at each sample selection stage and four weight adjustment factors. The first factor adjusts for establishment nonresponse and the second factor adjusts for occupational nonresponse. The third factor adjusts for any special situations that may have occurred during data collection. The fourth factor, poststratification, also called benchmarking, is introduced to adjust estimated employment totals to the current counts of employment by industry. The latest available employment counts were used to derive average hourly earnings in this publication.

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.

### **Percentiles**

The percentiles presented in tables 6 through 10 are computed using earnings reported for individual workers in sampled establishment jobs and their scheduled hours of work. Establishments in the survey may report only individual-worker earnings for each sampled job. For the calculation of percentile estimates, the individual-worker hourly earnings are appropriately weighted and then arrayed from lowest to highest.

The published 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th percentiles designate position in the earnings distribution within

each published occupation. At the 50th percentile, the median, half of the hours are paid the same as or more than the rate shown, and half are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 25th percentile, one-fourth of the hours are paid the same as or less than the rate shown. At the 75th percentile, one-fourth are paid the same as or more than the rate shown. The 10th and 90th percentiles follow the same logic.

### **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 \$17.75, with a relative standard error of 1.0 percent for this estimate. At the 90-percent level, the confidence interval for this estimate is from \$17.46 to \$18.04 (\$17.75 minus and plus \$0.29, where \$0.29 is the product of 1.645 times 1.0 percent times \$17.75). 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. 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, computer edits of the data, and detailed data review.



Appendix table 1. **Number of workers<sup>1</sup> represented by the survey, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007**

Occupational group <sup>2</sup>	Civilian workers	Private industry workers	State and local government workers
<b>All workers</b> .....	180,500	147,600	33,000
Management, professional, and related .....	60,000	43,100	16,900
Management, business, and financial .....	17,400	16,300	1,100
Professional and related .....	42,600	26,800	15,800
Service .....	38,400	28,800	9,500
Sales and office .....	38,500	34,500	4,000
Sales and related .....	16,600	16,600	–
Office and administrative support .....	21,900	18,000	4,000
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance ....	12,900	12,200	–
Construction and extraction .....	4,200	4,000	–
Installation, maintenance, and repair .....	8,600	8,000	–
Production, transportation, and material moving .....	30,800	28,900	1,900
Production .....	17,400	17,400	–
Transportation and material moving .....	13,400	11,500	1,900

<sup>1</sup> The number of workers represented by the survey are 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.

<sup>2</sup> Workers are classified by occupation using the

2000 Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system. See appendix B for more information.

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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Compensation Survey.

Appendix table 2. **Survey establishment response, Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC, February 2007**

Establishments	Total	Private industry	State and local government
Total in sampling frame <sup>1</sup> .....	10,673	10,653	20
Total in sample .....	213	197	16
Responding .....	128	112	16
Refused or unable to provide data .....	45	45	0
Out of business or not in survey scope .....	40	40	0

<sup>1</sup> The list of establishments from which the survey sample was selected (sampling frame) was developed from State unemployment insurance reports and is based on the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). For private industries, an establishment is usually a single physical location. For State and local governments, an establishment is defined as all locations of a

government entity.

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