

Table 625. Average Annual Wage by State: 2005 and 2006

[In dollars, except percent change. For workers covered by state unemployment insurance laws and for federal civilian workers covered by unemployment compensation for federal employees, approximately 97 percent of employees on nonfarm payrolls in 2006. Excludes most agricultural workers on small farms, all Armed Forces, elected officials in most states, railroad employees, most domestic workers, most student workers at school, value of meals and lodging, and tips and other gratuities]

State	Average wage per employee		Percent change, 2005-06	State	Average wage per employee		Percent change, 2005-06
	2005	2006			2005	2006	
United States	40,677	42,535	4.6	Missouri	35,951	37,143	3.3
Alabama	34,598	36,204	4.6	Montana	29,150	30,596	5.0
Alaska	40,216	41,750	3.8	Nebraska	32,422	33,814	4.3
Arizona	38,154	40,019	4.9	Nevada	38,763	40,070	3.4
Arkansas	31,266	32,389	3.6	New Hampshire	40,551	42,447	4.7
California	46,211	48,345	4.6	New Jersey	49,471	51,645	4.4
Colorado	41,601	43,506	4.6	New Mexico	32,605	34,567	6.0
Connecticut	52,954	54,814	3.5	New York	51,937	55,479	6.8
Delaware	44,622	46,285	3.7	North Carolina	35,912	37,439	4.3
District of Columbia	66,696	70,151	5.2	North Dakota	29,956	31,316	4.5
Florida	36,800	38,485	4.6	Ohio	37,333	38,568	3.3
Georgia	39,096	40,370	3.3	Oklahoma	31,721	34,022	7.3
Hawaii	36,353	37,799	4.0	Oregon	36,588	38,077	4.1
Idaho	30,777	32,580	5.9	Pennsylvania	39,661	41,349	4.3
Illinois	43,744	45,650	4.4	Rhode Island	38,751	40,454	4.4
Indiana	35,431	36,553	3.2	South Carolina	32,927	34,281	4.1
Iowa	33,070	34,320	3.8	South Dakota	29,149	30,291	3.9
Kansas	33,864	35,696	5.4	Tennessee	35,879	37,564	4.7
Kentucky	33,965	35,201	3.6	Texas	40,150	42,458	5.7
Louisiana	33,566	36,604	9.1	Utah	33,328	35,130	5.4
Maine	32,701	33,794	3.3	Vermont	34,197	35,542	3.9
Maryland	44,368	46,162	4.0	Virginia	42,287	44,051	4.2
Massachusetts	50,095	52,435	4.7	Washington	40,721	42,897	5.3
Michigan	41,214	42,157	2.3	West Virginia	31,347	32,728	4.4
Minnesota	40,800	42,185	3.4	Wisconsin	35,471	36,821	3.8
Mississippi	29,763	31,194	4.8	Wyoming	33,251	36,662	10.3

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. "Employment and Wages, Annual Averages", 2005 and 2006; and computed by U.S. Census Bureau. See Internet site <<http://www.bls.gov/cew/home.htm>>.