Table 485. **Full-Time Federal Civilian Employment—Employees and Average Pay by Pay System: 2000 to 2008**

[As of March 31 (1,671 represents 1,671,000). Excludes employees of Congress and federal courts, maritime seamen of U.S. Department of Commerce, and small number for whom rates were not reported. See text, this section, for explanation of general schedule and wage system]

Pay system	Employees (1,000)				Average annual pay (dol.)			
	2000	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**	**2000**	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**
Total, excluding postal. . .	**1,671**	**1,740**	**1,845**	**1,885**	**50,429**	**65,253**	**65,825**	**69,061**
General Schedule	1,216	1,243	1,330	1,265	49,428	64,305	65,856	68,674
Wage system	205	185	200	200	37,082	45,522	46,317	47,652
Other	250	312	315	420	66,248	80,756	78,134	80,444
Postal pay system [1]	788	696	685	663	37,627	46,807	48,752	50,294

[1] Source: Career employees—U.S. Postal Service, *Annual Report of the Postmaster General.* See also <http://www.usps.com/financials/cspo/welcome.htm>; Average pay—U.S. Postal Service, *Comprehensive Statement of Postal Operations,* annual.

Source: Except as noted, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, "Pay Structure of the Federal Civil Service," annual (publication discontinued) and unpublished data; <http://www.opm.gov/feddata/>.