

Table 44. Unmarried domestic partner benefits: Access¹, State and local government workers, National Compensation Survey, March 2011

(All workers = 100 percent)

Characteristics	Defined benefit retirement survivor benefits		Health care benefits	
	Same sex	Opposite sex	Same sex	Opposite sex
All workers	50	49	33	28
Worker characteristics				
Management, professional, and related	54	52	34	29
Professional and related	54	53	34	29
Teachers	54	51	31	26
Primary, secondary, and special education school teachers	57	56	30	25
Service	42	42	30	24
Protective service	45	44	35	26
Sales and office	52	51	36	31
Office and administrative support	53	53	37	32
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	46	46	29	22
Production, transportation, and material moving ...	40	41	29	26
Full time	55	54	37	31
Part time	21	21	13	12
Union	54	51	53	45
Nonunion	47	48	17	14
Average wage within the following categories: ²				
Lowest 25 percent	38	38	15	13
Lowest 10 percent	30	30	8	7
Second 25 percent	51	50	35	29
Third 25 percent	52	52	37	31
Highest 25 percent	59	57	47	39
Highest 10 percent	61	55	57	49
Establishment characteristics				
Service-providing industries	50	49	33	28
Education and health services	53	51	32	27
Educational services	54	52	32	26
Elementary and secondary schools	53	52	28	24
Junior colleges, colleges, and universities	55	53	43	33
Health care and social assistance	43	44	35	31
Hospitals	39	42	36	32
Public administration	49	48	37	31
1 to 99 workers	34	34	16	15
1 to 49 workers	31	31	12	11
50 to 99 workers	40	39	22	21
100 workers or more	52	51	36	30
100 to 499 workers	42	42	22	19
500 workers or more	56	54	40	34

See footnotes at end of table.

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Characteristics	Defined benefit retirement survivor benefits		Health care benefits	
	Same sex	Opposite sex	Same sex	Opposite sex
State government	59	58	43	33
Local government	47	46	30	26
Geographic areas				
New England	32	27	34	28
Middle Atlantic	61	54	54	49
East North Central	—	—	23	—
South Atlantic	46	46	12	7
East South Central	67	68	2	3
West South Central	57	58	10	11
Mountain	61	60	51	36
Pacific	84	82	84	82

¹ The percentage of workers with access to the benefit reflects both the availability of the benefit and the employer's policy on providing the benefit to unmarried domestic partners.

² The categories are based on the average wage for each occupation surveyed, which may include workers with earnings both above and below the threshold. The average wages are based on the estimates published in the "National Compensation Survey: Occupational

Earnings in the United States, 2010." See Technical Note for more details.

NOTE: Dash indicates no workers in this category or data did not meet publication criteria. For definitions of major plans, key provisions, and related terms, see the "Glossary of Employee Benefit Terms" at www.bls.gov/ncs/ebs/glossary20102011.htm.