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Preface

The National Compensation Survey (NCS) provides comprehensive measures of occupational earnings, compensation cost trends, and detailed benefit provisions. It integrates three Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) programs—the Occupational Compensation Survey (OCS), the Employment Cost Index (ECI), and the Employee Benefits Survey (EBS). OCS provides data on occupational earnings; the ECI measures changes in labor costs, as well as average hourly employer costs for employee compensation; and the EBS provides information on detailed benefit provisions. When fully integrated, the NCS will provide data on benefit costs and provisions, as well as wages. This bulletin, a product of the first phase of the NCS, focuses on occupational earnings.

The NCS replaced the Occupational Compensation Survey (OCS) with the release of the 1997 data. The major difference between these two surveys is that the OCS used the same preselected list of occupations for all localities. The NCS uses a probability-based sample of establishments and occupations that is intended to more fully represent the employment patterns and occupational mix of each locality.

This bulletin presents aggregate pay data from the metropolitan and nonmetropolitan local area surveys conducted in the West South Central census division. (See the technical note.) It provides estimates of occupational pay for the census division, as well as selected data on worker and establishment characteristics.

NCS bulletins are published for each of the nine census divisions: New England, Middle Atlantic, East North Cen-

tral, West North Central, South Atlantic, East South Central, West South Central, Mountain, and Pacific. (See the technical note.) Data also are published for some individual localities, as well as for the entire United States. The census division publications may be useful to NCS data users in localities for which separate data were not published.

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TABLE 1. Summary, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours by selected characteristics, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,² 1999

Worker and establishment characteristics, and geographic areas	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error (percent)		Mean	Relative error (percent)		Mean	Relative error (percent)	
Total	\$14.38	3.5	36.8	\$13.98	4.0	36.6	\$16.38	2.0	38.0
Worker characteristics:³									
White-collar occupations ⁴	17.54	3.7	37.1	17.22	4.5	36.9	18.79	1.4	37.8
Professional specialty and technical ... Executive, administrative, and managerial	23.91	5.5	37.9	25.14	7.9	38.2	21.87	1.5	37.3
Sales	25.95	2.9	40.7	26.35	3.3	41.0	24.23	3.7	39.3
Administrative support	11.61	5.9	32.9	11.63	6.0	32.9	8.11	11.1	32.2
Blue-collar occupations ⁴	11.59	4.8	37.7	11.87	5.4	37.5	10.27	2.4	38.4
Precision production, craft, and repair Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	11.98	3.0	38.7	12.01	3.2	38.7	11.58	3.1	38.4
Transportation and material moving ... Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	15.23	2.7	39.6	15.34	2.9	39.6	13.71	3.7	39.8
Service occupations ⁴	9.75	5.4	39.1	9.75	5.5	39.1	10.10	13.1	39.4
Full time	11.69	9.3	38.9	11.84	10.4	39.4	10.75	3.6	36.1
Part time	8.54	3.3	36.6	8.51	3.5	36.5	9.00	5.2	39.1
Union	7.67	4.1	32.8	6.61	3.4	31.5	11.28	4.1	38.5
Nonunion	15.18	3.1	39.8	14.88	3.5	39.8	16.59	2.1	39.5
Time	7.44	4.7	22.4	7.22	4.5	22.6	10.96	7.4	18.9
Incentive	17.71	5.8	37.5	17.80	6.5	37.5	17.11	2.7	37.1
.....	14.21	3.7	36.8	13.78	4.3	36.5	16.36	2.2	38.1
.....	14.07	3.1	36.7	13.58	3.6	36.4	16.38	2.0	38.0
.....	19.36	15.0	38.6	19.36	15.0	38.6	-	-	-
Establishment characteristics:									
Goods producing	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)	14.98	3.7	39.8	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Service producing	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)	13.61	4.8	35.5	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
1 to 99 workers ⁶	12.94	6.2	36.3	12.90	6.4	36.3	14.33	10.8	37.0
100 to 499 workers	13.00	3.2	36.6	12.94	3.6	36.4	13.51	2.6	38.2
500 to 999 workers	17.48	5.3	37.7	17.31	6.4	37.7	17.99	5.4	37.7
1000 to 2499 workers	16.38	3.1	37.9	16.57	4.2	37.7	16.02	4.7	38.3
2500 workers or more	18.56	3.1	37.8	20.36	7.3	37.4	17.31	1.9	38.2
Geographic areas:⁷									
Metropolitan	14.42	3.7	36.8	14.04	4.1	36.5	16.70	2.2	38.2
Nonmetropolitan	13.90	5.1	37.3	13.00	12.0	37.3	15.18	4.7	37.4
New England	17.18	4.2	34.6	16.54	5.2	34.5	21.82	2.2	35.4
Middle Atlantic	17.84	3.7	34.8	17.05	4.5	34.7	22.45	1.6	35.5
East North Central	15.55	1.8	35.6	14.82	2.0	35.5	20.32	2.1	36.0
West North Central	14.37	2.8	35.3	13.84	3.2	35.1	18.11	2.2	36.9
South Atlantic	14.49	2.9	36.3	14.04	3.5	36.0	16.84	1.5	38.0
East South Central	12.13	5.0	37.6	11.76	5.5	37.6	16.23	2.7	37.0
West South Central	14.38	3.5	36.8	13.98	4.0	36.6	16.38	2.0	38.0
Mountain	14.10	2.9	35.7	13.26	3.2	35.5	19.00	3.5	36.9
Pacific	16.87	1.7	35.3	16.01	2.0	35.3	22.13	1.2	35.6

¹ 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, and 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.

² In this census division, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April 2000. The average reference period was August 1999. For the first time, estimates include workers in private establishments employing fewer than 50 workers.

³ 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.

⁴ A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See Technical Note for more information.

⁵ Classification of establishments into goods-producing and service-producing industries applies to private industry only.

⁶ Estimates include private establishments employing 1 to 99 workers and State and local government establishments employing 50 to 99 workers.

⁷ Data are presented for metropolitan and nonmetropolitan area divisions as well as nine census divisions. See Technical Note for a list of survey areas in each census division and the States comprising the nine census divisions.

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TABLE 2. Summary, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours by selected characteristics, metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999

Worker and establishment characteristics, and geographic areas	Total			Metropolitan areas			Nonmetropolitan areas		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error (percent)		Mean	Relative error (percent)		Mean	Relative error (percent)	
Total	\$14.38	3.5	36.8	\$14.42	3.7	36.8	\$13.90	5.1	37.3
Private Industry	13.98	4.0	36.6	14.04	4.1	36.5	13.00	12.0	37.3
State and local government	16.38	2.0	38.0	16.70	2.2	38.2	15.18	4.7	37.4
Worker characteristics:⁴									
White-collar occupations ⁵	17.54	3.7	37.1	17.53	3.9	37.0	17.66	2.5	37.3
Professional specialty and technical ...	23.91	5.5	37.9	24.50	6.0	37.9	19.63	1.3	37.5
Executive, administrative, and managerial	25.95	2.9	40.7	25.96	3.1	40.9	25.75	5.9	38.1
Sales	11.61	5.9	32.9	11.64	6.0	33.0	8.78	17.2	27.7
Administrative support	11.59	4.8	37.7	11.65	5.0	37.6	10.53	6.9	38.5
Blue-collar occupations ⁵	11.98	3.0	38.7	11.87	3.1	38.6	12.88	10.7	39.2
Precision production, craft, and repair	15.23	2.7	39.6	14.98	2.0	39.6	17.06	11.2	39.7
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	9.75	5.4	39.1	9.77	5.9	39.0	9.56	8.7	39.9
Transportation and material moving ...	11.69	9.3	38.9	11.80	9.9	38.9	10.35	2.2	38.9
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	8.54	3.3	36.6	8.50	3.3	36.5	8.85	8.9	37.8
Service occupations ⁵	7.67	4.1	32.8	7.67	4.5	32.7	7.66	3.4	34.2
Full time	15.18	3.1	39.8	15.27	3.3	39.8	14.30	5.5	39.4
Part time	7.44	4.7	22.4	7.42	4.9	22.5	7.83	8.0	20.5
Union	17.71	5.8	37.5	18.32	4.9	37.3	—	—	—
Nonunion	14.21	3.7	36.8	14.22	4.1	36.7	14.09	4.8	37.2
Time	14.07	3.1	36.7	14.09	3.4	36.6	13.87	5.3	37.3
Incentive	19.36	15.0	38.6	19.36	15.1	38.6	—	—	—
Establishment characteristics:									
Goods producing ⁶	14.98	3.7	39.8	15.05	3.6	39.8	14.45	13.7	40.0
Service producing ⁶	13.61	4.8	35.5	13.70	5.0	35.5	11.27	10.8	34.4
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500 to 999 workers	17.48	5.3	37.7	17.69	5.1	37.6	16.30	18.8	38.0
1000 to 2499 workers	16.38	3.1	37.9	16.05	3.0	37.9	—	—	—
2500 workers or more	18.56	3.1	37.8	18.56	3.1	37.8	—	—	—
Geographic areas:⁸									
New England	17.18	4.2	34.6	17.35	4.4	34.6	15.21	6.9	34.8
Middle Atlantic	17.84	3.7	34.8	17.93	3.8	34.8	14.93	3.6	35.6
East North Central	15.55	1.8	35.6	15.75	1.9	35.4	13.83	3.7	36.7
West North Central	14.37	2.8	35.3	14.73	3.0	35.1	12.70	5.8	36.5
South Atlantic	14.49	2.9	36.3	14.71	3.0	36.2	12.60	6.3	37.4
East South Central	12.13	5.0	37.6	12.87	1.5	37.4	9.72	9.6	38.1
West South Central	14.38	3.5	36.8	14.42	3.7	36.8	13.90	5.1	37.3
Mountain	14.10	2.9	35.7	13.94	3.2	35.6	15.78	2.4	36.2
Pacific	16.87	1.7	35.3	16.92	1.8	35.3	15.45	4.7	36.8

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² Metropolitan areas can be a Metropolitan Statistical Area or Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area as defined by the Office of Management and Budget, 1994. Nonmetropolitan areas are counties that do not fit the definitions above. For more information, see Technical Note.

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Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
All	\$14.38	3.5	36.8	\$15.18	3.1	39.8	\$7.44	4.7	22.4
All, excluding sales	14.72	3.3	37.4	15.37	3.0	39.8	7.69	5.3	22.5
White collar	17.54	3.7	37.1	18.39	3.3	39.7	8.78	5.2	21.8
White collar, excluding sales	19.05	3.0	38.3	19.40	3.0	39.8	11.69	4.3	21.4
Professional specialty and technical	23.91	5.5	37.9	24.18	5.6	39.5	17.20	6.5	18.5
Professional specialty	26.51	6.9	37.8	26.83	7.0	39.6	18.07	8.1	17.2
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	38.17	20.5	41.1	38.17	20.5	41.2	-	-	-
Petroleum engineers	32.97	9.4	40.1	32.97	9.4	40.1	-	-	-
Chemical engineers	33.74	5.2	40.4	33.74	5.2	40.4	-	-	-
Civil engineers	31.99	8.5	42.0	31.99	8.5	42.0	-	-	-
Electrical and electronic engineers	30.32	2.7	40.5	30.32	2.7	40.5	-	-	-
Industrial engineers	23.98	7.5	41.3	23.98	7.5	41.3	-	-	-
Mechanical engineers	27.66	4.5	40.6	27.66	4.5	40.6	-	-	-
Engineers, n.e.c.	49.70	31.5	41.8	49.70	31.5	41.8	-	-	-
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.37	10.1	40.2	31.36	10.2	40.2	-	-	-
Computer systems analysts and scientists	31.87	10.8	40.1	31.86	10.8	40.1	-	-	-
Operations and systems researchers and analysts	27.81	6.7	41.5	27.81	6.7	41.5	-	-	-
Natural scientists	27.03	5.3	40.0	27.03	5.3	40.0	-	-	-
Geologists and geodesists	39.61	6.8	40.2	39.61	6.8	40.2	-	-	-
Physical scientists, n.e.c.	20.27	5.9	40.0	20.27	5.9	40.0	-	-	-
Biological and life scientists	24.72	21.4	40.0	24.72	21.4	40.0	-	-	-
Medical scientists	13.37	6.3	39.5	13.37	6.3	39.5	-	-	-
Health related	26.96	15.1	36.9	27.27	15.8	39.6	23.20	9.9	20.3
Physicians	56.76	11.8	40.5	56.72	11.9	40.5	-	-	-
Registered nurses	19.56	1.6	36.2	19.50	1.6	39.3	20.15	4.3	19.8
Pharmacists	27.46	3.3	37.5	27.52	3.5	40.0	-	-	-
Dietitians	14.44	9.4	40.0	14.44	9.4	40.0	-	-	-
Respiratory therapists	16.40	3.6	33.7	16.26	4.2	39.7	17.14	7.6	18.5
Occupational therapists	21.10	33.3	38.4	21.00	34.2	39.6	-	-	-
Physical therapists	23.40	8.8	37.6	22.77	8.5	39.4	-	-	-
Speech therapists	25.89	6.3	34.1	25.43	6.2	39.4	30.02	15.6	15.6
Therapists, n.e.c.	29.35	26.9	29.5	18.91	15.4	39.5	-	-	-
Teachers, college and university	30.74	5.8	32.8	31.19	5.8	39.1	23.03	4.3	8.8
Mathematical science teachers	31.20	8.7	36.6	31.20	8.7	38.4	-	-	-
Medical science teachers	42.19	12.2	37.3	42.24	12.2	39.2	-	-	-
Health specialties teachers	25.81	14.5	34.6	26.12	14.8	36.5	-	-	-
Business, commerce, and marketing teachers ..	28.49	9.3	37.3	28.49	9.3	37.3	-	-	-
English teachers	25.50	5.6	23.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade and industrial teachers	22.73	9.2	32.3	23.69	10.3	39.3	-	-	-
Other post-secondary teachers	29.91	5.1	32.3	30.31	5.3	39.3	23.47	5.3	8.2
Teachers, except college and university	22.82	4.3	37.5	23.15	4.4	38.5	8.89	6.9	17.3
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	21.42	9.4	37.0	21.98	8.6	37.9	-	-	-
Elementary school teachers	23.79	2.0	38.1	23.80	2.0	38.3	18.13	26.2	12.9
Secondary school teachers	24.53	2.3	38.2	24.55	2.3	38.3	11.00	15.7	8.5
Teachers, special education	16.18	20.0	38.9	16.22	20.3	39.1	-	-	-
Teachers, n.e.c.	22.47	6.4	36.3	23.16	5.8	39.7	12.10	9.4	15.9
Substitute teachers	7.22	6.2	18.7	-	-	-	7.20	6.6	18.1
Vocational and educational counselors	21.75	9.8	39.2	21.80	9.9	39.6	-	-	-
Librarians, archivists, and curators	17.24	7.9	38.6	17.35	8.0	39.7	-	-	-
Librarians	16.55	9.5	38.3	16.66	9.8	39.6	-	-	-
Social scientists and urban planners	22.50	11.4	37.5	22.50	11.5	39.7	-	-	-
Economists	29.08	14.0	40.0	29.08	14.0	40.0	-	-	-
Psychologists	22.39	11.1	35.6	22.38	10.9	39.5	-	-	-
Social, recreation, and religious workers	13.16	2.0	39.6	13.17	2.0	40.0	12.77	3.6	21.1
Social workers	13.36	2.0	39.5	13.37	2.1	39.9	12.75	3.6	21.5
Recreation workers	10.95	8.5	39.1	10.94	8.5	39.2	-	-	-
Lawyers and judges	38.46	14.2	35.3	40.45	11.2	41.8	-	-	-
Lawyers	38.03	15.3	35.3	40.04	12.2	41.9	-	-	-
Judges	44.14	9.2	36.6	45.11	8.6	40.0	-	-	-
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	21.67	12.2	36.1	22.68	12.5	40.2	9.78	13.5	16.4
Technical writers	25.01	4.1	38.6	25.48	4.0	40.0	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Professional specialty and technical —Continued									
Professional specialty—Continued									
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.—Continued									
Designers	\$17.47	10.8	40.0	\$17.56	10.8	40.3	—	—	—
Actors and directors	22.35	30.9	40.8	22.59	31.1	41.4	—	—	—
Photographers	10.52	11.3	40.0	10.52	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
Artists, performers, and related workers, n.e.c.	9.96	18.8	27.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Editors and reporters	18.40	6.4	39.5	18.49	6.7	40.1	—	—	—
Public relations specialists	26.53	13.1	40.0	26.53	13.1	40.0	—	—	—
Announcers	—	—	—	58.53	49.4	40.6	—	—	—
Athletes	22.96	19.0	19.6	—	—	—	\$10.02	11.1	8.1
Professional, n.e.c.	22.53	14.7	39.2	22.84	14.5	40.1	—	—	—
Technical	16.70	3.3	38.1	16.77	3.5	39.4	15.09	8.5	22.3
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	14.24	2.8	38.5	14.24	3.0	40.0	14.29	9.5	20.5
Health record technologists and technicians	8.80	3.6	39.5	8.73	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Radiological technicians	15.34	4.9	38.9	15.47	5.2	40.1	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	12.95	2.7	38.0	12.91	2.9	39.6	13.60	8.3	23.7
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	12.99	3.6	36.8	13.00	3.8	39.9	12.82	6.5	16.2
Electrical and electronic technicians	17.43	4.9	39.8	17.45	4.9	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanical engineering technicians	18.06	14.2	38.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	18.09	9.5	40.0	18.09	9.5	40.0	—	—	—
Drafters	20.30	5.7	39.9	20.30	5.7	39.9	—	—	—
Chemical technicians	20.16	11.3	40.1	20.16	11.3	40.1	—	—	—
Science technicians, n.e.c.	13.71	13.2	40.0	13.71	13.2	40.0	—	—	—
Airplane pilots and navigators	59.34	24.5	28.9	59.34	24.5	28.9	—	—	—
Broadcast equipment operators	9.43	22.8	39.3	9.67	26.0	40.0	—	—	—
Computer programmers	17.84	10.7	40.1	17.84	10.7	40.1	—	—	—
Legal assistants	16.92	4.9	40.1	16.92	4.9	40.1	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	16.66	5.3	39.8	16.67	5.3	39.8	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	25.95	2.9	40.7	25.98	3.0	40.8	13.89	10.0	15.3
Executives, administrators, and managers	29.42	4.1	40.9	29.43	4.1	41.1	18.97	37.3	5.1
Legislators	3.98	23.7	37.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Administrators and officials, public administration	26.15	8.3	38.1	26.10	8.3	40.4	—	—	—
Financial managers	26.65	9.3	40.5	26.65	9.3	40.5	—	—	—
Personnel and labor relations managers	33.18	8.5	39.1	33.18	8.5	39.1	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	30.53	7.8	40.4	30.53	7.8	40.4	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	29.83	21.3	40.4	29.83	21.3	40.4	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	30.93	5.7	39.6	30.93	5.7	39.7	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	26.30	6.8	39.8	26.37	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	17.54	23.7	42.8	17.54	23.7	42.8	—	—	—
Managers, properties and real estate	29.72	13.0	40.0	29.72	13.0	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	20.96	12.8	39.7	20.96	12.8	39.7	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	31.40	5.7	41.9	31.40	5.7	41.9	—	—	—
Management related	19.99	2.9	40.3	20.02	3.0	40.5	13.02	8.2	23.5
Accountants and auditors	20.32	3.0	40.5	20.32	3.0	40.5	—	—	—
Underwriters	21.66	11.7	40.1	21.66	11.7	40.1	—	—	—
Other financial officers	20.00	8.8	41.6	20.00	8.8	41.6	—	—	—
Management analysts	25.28	7.0	40.2	25.28	7.0	40.2	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	18.36	11.2	39.9	18.37	11.2	40.1	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products	25.47	15.0	41.0	25.47	15.0	41.0	—	—	—
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.	20.15	7.8	40.6	20.15	7.8	40.6	—	—	—
Construction inspectors	18.83	2.5	40.0	18.83	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	20.66	7.0	40.0	20.66	7.0	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Executive, administrative, and managerial									
—Continued									
Management related —Continued									
Management related, n.e.c.	\$19.10	7.1	39.6	\$19.22	7.3	40.1	\$12.15	7.0	24.6
Sales									
Supervisors, sales	11.61	5.9	32.9	13.28	5.2	39.7	6.78	5.7	22.0
Real estate sales	15.22	11.5	41.0	15.22	11.5	41.0	—	—	—
Securities and financial services sales	—	—	—	18.34	26.8	40.0	—	—	—
Advertising and related sales	15.47	9.3	39.5	15.63	9.3	39.8	—	—	—
Sales, other business services	20.28	16.5	39.8	20.28	16.5	39.8	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	16.21	11.2	37.9	16.94	11.4	41.3	—	—	—
Sales workers, motor vehicles and boats	22.74	9.1	41.6	22.74	9.1	41.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	23.72	14.3	45.6	23.72	14.3	45.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, shoes	7.50	5.1	28.9	9.25	3.4	38.6	6.45	4.9	25.1
Sales workers, furniture and home furnishings ..	8.54	10.1	26.5	—	—	—	7.55	1.3	25.4
Sales workers, radio, tv, hi-fi, and appliances ...	10.84	23.6	32.7	12.51	27.8	39.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	15.00	27.4	39.2	15.35	26.4	40.9	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	9.36	5.3	33.4	9.92	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	8.70	17.1	35.1	9.49	14.9	40.4	—	—	—
Sales counter clerks	8.73	5.9	30.4	9.79	6.8	39.4	6.98	4.5	22.1
Cashiers	7.16	10.6	31.8	7.38	12.4	39.9	—	—	—
Demonstrators, promoters, and models, sales ..	6.59	2.8	28.5	6.93	3.7	37.5	6.02	2.9	20.3
Sales support, n.e.c.	10.42	14.8	26.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
	10.28	8.9	37.9	10.52	9.5	40.1	7.45	3.9	22.7
Administrative support, including clerical									
Supervisors, general office	11.59	4.8	37.7	11.79	4.9	39.5	8.90	6.5	23.4
Supervisors, financial records processing	14.99	6.0	39.9	15.04	6.0	40.2	—	—	—
Computer operators	13.90	11.5	40.2	13.90	11.5	40.2	—	—	—
Peripheral equipment operators	13.27	4.2	39.9	13.28	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Secretaries	11.26	11.4	40.0	11.26	11.4	40.0	—	—	—
Typists	11.86	2.8	38.7	11.86	2.9	39.6	—	—	—
Interviewers	10.03	3.5	37.7	10.04	3.8	39.2	—	—	—
Hotel clerks	8.79	12.2	28.8	10.29	9.3	39.3	—	—	—
Transportation ticket and reservation agents	7.17	3.9	37.5	7.26	3.5	40.0	—	—	—
Receptionists	12.20	4.3	38.5	12.29	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
Information clerks, n.e.c.	8.27	3.9	37.8	8.32	4.2	39.7	7.26	4.5	19.4
Correspondence clerks	9.65	4.1	39.3	9.69	4.3	39.7	9.04	6.7	34.0
Order clerks	14.12	19.7	38.4	14.43	19.4	40.0	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	11.47	11.9	37.8	12.00	11.0	39.9	—	—	—
Library clerks	11.20	5.9	34.8	11.19	7.4	39.9	—	—	—
File clerks	9.20	5.5	33.1	9.30	6.2	38.5	8.78	10.3	20.2
Records clerks, n.e.c.	8.70	5.2	36.8	8.93	5.6	39.8	6.47	5.3	21.3
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	10.74	5.9	38.3	10.78	6.2	39.4	9.55	11.5	20.3
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	10.60	3.6	38.0	10.76	3.6	39.6	7.44	2.6	21.2
Billing clerks	12.70	9.4	40.0	12.70	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Cost and rate clerks	11.00	5.0	36.8	11.33	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Billing, posting, and calculating machine operators	12.10	15.6	40.0	12.10	15.6	40.0	—	—	—
Duplicating machine operators	10.02	13.1	35.6	9.04	13.0	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone operators	8.88	6.4	32.7	—	—	—	8.42	8.5	30.6
Mail clerks, except postal service	9.40	5.4	34.9	9.88	8.9	39.7	—	—	—
Messengers	8.51	7.8	39.3	8.54	8.3	39.7	—	—	—
Dispatchers	8.22	8.6	22.1	9.42	9.3	40.0	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	11.46	4.8	38.6	11.58	4.4	40.0	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	10.93	9.2	39.5	11.03	9.4	40.0	8.07	2.5	30.2
Meter readers	9.99	5.5	39.4	10.04	5.5	40.0	7.62	6.2	23.5
Expeditors	11.49	10.6	39.8	11.50	10.6	40.1	—	—	—
Material recording, scheduling, and distribution clerks, n.e.c.	15.70	11.5	40.0	15.70	11.5	40.0	—	—	—
	11.96	25.9	39.9	11.98	26.0	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Administrative support, including clerical —Continued									
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	\$11.88	9.4	38.6	\$11.96	9.6	39.9	\$8.19	18.3	15.4
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	9.94	5.5	38.8	9.94	5.5	39.5	—	—	—
Bill and account collectors	14.49	4.1	38.4	14.40	3.5	39.9	—	—	—
General office clerks	9.84	3.0	35.8	10.16	2.8	39.8	7.25	4.4	19.7
Bank tellers	8.43	5.2	35.4	8.54	6.0	40.0	7.96	6.5	24.0
Data entry keyers	8.61	2.5	38.7	8.68	3.2	39.6	8.27	5.7	34.0
Statistical clerks	11.05	11.8	39.2	11.12	12.4	39.8	—	—	—
Teachers' aides	8.72	5.2	37.9	8.73	5.3	38.4	7.47	2.3	16.6
Administrative support, n.e.c.	9.93	4.4	36.8	9.98	4.6	39.6	9.32	5.8	19.2
Blue collar	11.98	3.0	38.7	12.24	3.0	40.1	7.42	3.6	23.5
Precision production, craft, and repair									
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	22.55	4.3	40.9	22.55	4.3	40.9	—	—	—
Automobile mechanics	14.59	6.3	40.0	14.59	6.3	40.0	—	—	—
Automobile mechanic apprentices	—	—	—	12.87	20.2	40.1	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	15.84	11.8	40.1	15.84	11.8	40.1	—	—	—
Aircraft engine mechanics	20.39	13.4	40.0	20.39	13.4	40.0	—	—	—
Aircraft mechanics, except engine	20.16	7.6	40.4	20.16	7.6	40.4	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics	16.27	9.9	40.0	16.27	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial machinery repairers	16.52	8.6	40.0	16.52	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance	11.65	10.2	40.0	11.65	10.2	40.0	—	—	—
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	16.85	10.4	38.4	17.88	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone line installers and repairers	16.27	8.1	40.0	16.27	8.1	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone installers and repairers	18.54	7.3	40.0	18.54	7.3	40.0	—	—	—
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	13.85	5.2	40.0	13.85	5.2	40.0	—	—	—
Office machine repairers	16.46	10.0	40.0	16.46	10.0	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.35	3.8	39.1	14.46	3.7	39.9	—	—	—
Supervisors, carpenters and related workers	13.60	9.2	41.0	13.60	9.2	41.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	19.29	5.2	40.0	19.29	5.2	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	16.32	9.8	40.0	16.32	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	18.46	15.0	40.4	18.46	15.0	40.4	—	—	—
Carpenters	11.38	10.2	39.7	11.41	10.4	40.1	—	—	—
Electricians	17.62	13.0	40.0	17.62	13.0	40.0	—	—	—
Electrician apprentices	10.07	5.2	40.0	10.07	5.2	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	17.72	13.3	40.0	17.72	13.3	40.0	—	—	—
Painters, construction and maintenance	10.40	3.9	38.1	10.40	3.9	38.1	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	14.34	8.4	40.0	14.34	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
Plumber, pipefitter, and steamfitter apprentices	9.20	5.2	40.0	9.20	5.2	40.0	—	—	—
Insulation workers	11.38	8.3	33.5	11.74	10.4	40.0	—	—	—
Structural metal workers	14.91	6.4	40.0	14.91	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	12.30	5.1	40.0	12.30	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, extractive	18.00	25.6	41.1	18.45	25.7	41.9	—	—	—
Drillers, oil well	14.53	33.7	40.2	14.53	33.7	40.2	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	20.33	6.5	40.1	20.32	6.5	40.2	—	—	—
Precision assemblers, metal	16.21	5.1	40.0	16.21	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Boilermakers	16.28	10.9	40.0	16.28	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	15.69	2.9	40.0	15.69	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
Cabinet makers and bench carpenters	9.98	9.4	40.0	9.98	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	9.49	4.8	40.0	9.49	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	18.27	13.0	39.2	18.50	11.8	39.9	—	—	—
Food batchmakers	8.77	7.9	34.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inspectors, testers, and graders	16.49	3.1	41.4	16.49	3.1	41.4	—	—	—
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	12.34	9.7	39.5	12.39	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Power plant operators	20.50	3.1	40.0	20.50	3.1	40.0	—	—	—
Stationary engineers	14.15	4.7	40.0	14.15	4.7	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar —Continued									
Precision production, craft, and repair —Continued									
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	\$21.59	2.3	39.9	\$21.59	2.3	39.9	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors									
Lathe and turning machine operators	9.75	5.4	39.1	9.81	5.4	39.8	\$6.09	4.6	18.3
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	11.46	9.0	40.0	11.46	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
Numerical control machine operators	10.31	7.0	40.0	10.31	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	14.12	5.5	40.0	14.12	5.5	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	12.47	8.4	40.0	12.47	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
Printing press operators	12.26	12.7	39.6	12.26	12.7	39.6	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	11.66	5.8	39.4	11.66	5.8	39.4	—	—	—
Pressing machine operators	7.65	3.7	40.0	7.65	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Laundrying and dry cleaning machine operators	6.33	7.3	34.6	6.31	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Packaging and filling machine operators	6.51	3.8	39.9	6.52	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
Mixing and blending machine operators	8.35	9.2	40.0	8.35	9.2	40.0	—	—	—
Painting and paint spraying machine operators	10.99	19.8	40.0	10.99	19.8	40.0	—	—	—
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	12.22	10.4	40.0	12.22	10.4	40.0	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	9.21	21.9	40.0	9.21	21.9	40.0	—	—	—
Photographic process machine operators	10.33	12.1	40.0	10.33	12.1	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	9.81	17.1	28.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	10.57	5.2	39.8	10.58	5.3	39.9	—	—	—
Assemblers	12.65	3.8	40.0	12.65	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	9.23	14.6	39.2	9.26	14.7	39.4	6.51	2.4	23.5
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	9.91	7.8	36.0	10.43	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	10.43	5.0	40.0	10.43	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving									
Supervisors, motor vehicle operators	11.69	9.3	38.9	12.22	9.4	41.7	8.06	6.9	26.5
Truck drivers	12.50	8.9	40.2	12.70	9.6	40.5	—	—	—
Driver-sales workers	10.44	4.4	40.7	10.92	3.8	44.4	7.90	12.4	28.6
Bus drivers	10.59	13.0	41.0	10.59	13.0	41.0	—	—	—
Taxicab drivers and chauffeurs	11.03	8.4	30.9	12.18	8.0	37.8	9.49	10.2	24.8
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	7.16	6.5	30.9	7.03	8.5	39.8	—	—	—
Ship captains and mates, except fishing boats ..	6.78	5.1	32.0	7.20	5.3	38.4	—	—	—
Sailors and deckhands	18.96	1.4	53.7	18.96	1.4	53.7	—	—	—
Supervisors, material moving equipment	8.03	2.5	55.5	8.03	2.5	55.5	—	—	—
Operating engineers	17.27	7.1	40.8	17.27	7.1	40.8	—	—	—
Crane and tower operators	12.80	6.0	40.0	12.80	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	15.66	6.9	40.0	15.66	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	9.94	4.5	40.0	9.94	4.5	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	11.52	5.2	40.0	11.52	5.2	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	10.03	9.2	39.7	10.03	9.2	39.7	—	—	—
Supervisors, material moving equipment	15.69	13.0	39.5	15.81	12.9	40.0	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers									
Supervisors, agriculture-related workers	8.54	3.3	36.6	8.78	3.8	39.8	6.88	3.4	23.4
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	11.11	17.2	39.2	11.19	17.8	40.0	—	—	—
Animal caretakers, except farm	8.44	6.2	37.8	8.54	6.0	39.2	5.96	2.4	20.2
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	7.85	8.8	38.6	8.12	8.1	39.7	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	12.64	8.4	39.0	12.59	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	8.72	7.5	38.0	8.93	7.3	39.7	—	—	—
Construction laborers	7.96	4.6	39.7	7.96	4.6	40.0	—	—	—
Production helpers	7.47	5.4	39.8	7.41	5.6	40.0	—	—	—
Garbage collectors	8.42	6.0	39.8	8.47	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
Stock handlers and baggers	9.04	5.7	36.9	9.21	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Machine feeders and offbearers	7.47	2.2	29.4	8.54	2.7	39.8	5.97	1.8	21.5
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	7.43	5.7	39.7	7.45	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
Garage and service station related	10.12	12.0	36.3	10.34	12.9	39.3	8.34	8.9	22.6
Garage and service station related	8.73	11.8	38.3	9.67	8.0	39.9	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers—Continued									
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	\$8.78	4.4	39.7	\$8.82	4.5	40.1	—	—	—
Hand packers and packagers	7.53	6.6	36.9	7.72	7.3	40.0	\$5.89	4.9	22.3
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	8.52	5.7	38.3	8.59	6.3	39.9	7.87	5.9	28.2
Service	7.67	4.1	32.8	8.32	4.0	39.0	5.83	3.8	22.7
Protective service	12.21	4.3	39.3	12.38	4.3	41.3	9.05	11.7	20.6
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	18.98	12.2	49.0	18.98	12.2	49.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, police and detectives	17.11	8.8	40.1	17.11	8.8	40.1	—	—	—
Supervisors, guards	12.87	11.3	40.1	12.87	11.3	40.1	—	—	—
Firefighting	13.28	9.0	50.7	13.28	9.0	51.0	—	—	—
Police and detectives, public service	16.63	4.8	40.0	16.82	4.9	40.3	—	—	—
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	14.13	6.2	39.8	14.11	6.3	40.3	—	—	—
Correctional institution officers	10.20	6.0	40.2	10.20	6.0	40.3	—	—	—
Crossing guards	6.44	8.0	17.3	—	—	—	6.44	8.0	17.3
Guards and police, except public service	8.41	6.3	35.3	8.24	5.8	39.7	9.47	14.4	20.7
Protective service, n.e.c.	8.04	9.0	34.5	8.21	9.4	40.0	6.38	1.5	14.7
Food service	5.97	3.3	31.5	6.34	4.1	37.6	5.34	2.8	24.5
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	3.63	5.6	30.7	3.57	6.9	36.4	3.76	8.8	22.3
Bartenders	5.36	6.0	29.8	5.49	8.7	39.7	5.11	8.4	20.2
Waiters and waitresses	3.14	6.0	30.4	2.95	7.1	35.7	3.61	12.2	22.4
Waiters'/Waitresses' assistants	5.07	13.3	32.1	5.49	17.4	38.4	3.99	7.3	22.6
Other food service	6.85	3.9	31.8	7.53	3.8	38.1	5.79	3.5	25.2
Supervisors, food preparation and service	10.80	7.3	38.6	11.84	5.9	42.2	6.92	1.8	29.4
Cooks	6.98	6.0	34.4	7.16	5.9	37.2	6.16	6.9	25.7
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.23	4.1	30.4	6.90	6.5	39.3	5.63	5.3	25.3
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.18	2.8	29.8	6.58	3.0	37.9	5.80	3.2	24.8
Health service	7.72	2.7	33.1	7.91	2.7	39.2	6.95	2.5	20.5
Health aides, except nursing	8.47	2.9	35.8	8.71	3.7	39.6	7.14	4.7	23.2
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	7.42	3.0	34.4	7.53	3.4	39.0	6.91	3.9	21.9
Cleaning and building service	7.55	2.9	35.3	7.80	3.0	39.5	5.74	2.5	20.2
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	10.81	4.2	39.8	10.86	4.2	40.3	—	—	—
Maids and housemen	6.07	2.1	34.4	6.15	1.6	39.1	5.50	2.6	17.4
Janitors and cleaners	7.55	3.0	35.1	7.84	3.1	39.5	5.77	2.8	20.8
Personal service	7.10	7.4	28.8	7.93	9.2	37.7	5.98	7.3	21.8
Supervisors, personal service	9.96	13.7	39.6	9.96	13.7	39.6	—	—	—
Attendants, amusement, and recreation facilities	7.11	7.6	33.3	7.64	8.3	40.0	5.53	2.3	22.3
Public transportation attendants	32.43	9.9	18.6	33.05	10.3	19.6	—	—	—
Baggage porters and bellhops	4.75	15.9	39.3	4.75	15.9	39.3	—	—	—
Welfare service aides	5.60	4.0	23.7	7.69	11.3	39.4	5.41	3.0	22.9
Early childhood teachers' assistants	6.20	6.2	33.5	6.35	8.2	39.7	5.77	4.1	23.0
Child care workers, n.e.c.	5.85	6.4	33.5	5.75	6.6	39.7	6.17	9.8	22.1
Service, n.e.c.	7.50	7.1	25.5	7.43	2.9	38.5	—	—	—

¹ 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, and 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.

² Total includes full-time and part-time workers. 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.

³ In this census division, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April

2000. The average reference period was August 1999. For the first time, estimates include workers in private establishments employing fewer than 50 workers.

⁴ A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. For more information, see Technical Note.

⁵ 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 Technical Note.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria, and n.e.c. means "not elsewhere classified." Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
All	\$13.98	4.0	36.6	\$14.88	3.5	39.8	\$7.22	4.5	22.6
All, excluding sales	14.34	3.9	37.2	15.08	3.5	39.8	7.41	5.6	22.9
White collar	17.22	4.5	36.9	18.23	4.1	39.9	8.45	4.8	22.2
White collar, excluding sales	19.12	3.8	38.4	19.54	3.9	39.9	11.33	5.2	22.5
Professional specialty and technical	25.14	7.9	38.2	25.48	7.9	39.9	17.65	9.7	20.0
Professional specialty	29.55	10.6	38.4	29.99	10.6	40.2	19.22	13.9	18.7
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	38.39	20.7	41.1	38.39	20.7	41.2	-	-	-
Petroleum engineers	32.97	9.4	40.1	32.97	9.4	40.1	-	-	-
Chemical engineers	33.74	5.2	40.4	33.74	5.2	40.4	-	-	-
Civil engineers	32.31	9.2	42.1	32.31	9.2	42.1	-	-	-
Electrical and electronic engineers	30.48	2.8	40.5	30.48	2.8	40.5	-	-	-
Industrial engineers	24.07	7.3	41.3	24.07	7.3	41.3	-	-	-
Mechanical engineers	27.66	4.5	40.6	27.66	4.5	40.6	-	-	-
Engineers, n.e.c.	50.01	31.5	41.8	50.01	31.5	41.8	-	-	-
Mathematical and computer scientists	32.44	10.3	40.2	32.44	10.4	40.2	-	-	-
Computer systems analysts and scientists	33.04	11.0	40.1	33.04	11.1	40.2	-	-	-
Operations and systems researchers and analysts	27.93	6.8	41.6	27.93	6.8	41.6	-	-	-
Natural scientists	31.15	5.0	40.0	31.15	5.0	40.0	-	-	-
Geologists and geodesists	39.61	6.8	40.2	39.61	6.8	40.2	-	-	-
Biological and life scientists	25.70	22.3	40.0	25.70	22.3	40.0	-	-	-
Health related	28.63	16.7	36.6	29.12	17.4	39.5	23.30	10.7	20.2
Physicians	59.34	9.6	39.9	59.30	9.6	40.0	-	-	-
Registered nurses	19.36	1.9	35.7	19.28	2.0	39.2	20.14	4.6	19.4
Pharmacists	28.46	1.2	36.8	28.66	1.3	40.0	-	-	-
Respiratory therapists	16.07	3.4	33.1	15.84	4.0	39.7	17.14	7.6	18.5
Occupational therapists	21.07	37.2	38.6	20.96	38.2	40.0	-	-	-
Physical therapists	23.74	8.6	37.5	23.10	8.5	39.4	-	-	-
Speech therapists	28.39	9.7	31.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Therapists, n.e.c.	30.14	28.8	28.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Teachers, college and university	37.26	14.3	36.7	37.23	14.4	38.1	-	-	-
Health specialties teachers	29.56	23.4	40.0	29.56	23.4	40.0	-	-	-
Other post-secondary teachers	26.66	6.7	27.8	25.88	7.3	33.5	-	-	-
Teachers, except college and university	13.84	7.5	38.6	-	-	-	11.44	7.7	20.2
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	9.74	10.9	35.9	9.72	13.3	40.1	-	-	-
Elementary school teachers	18.98	5.3	39.4	18.99	5.3	39.8	-	-	-
Secondary school teachers	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.21	26.8	14.6
Teachers, n.e.c.	14.77	13.0	33.4	15.42	16.1	39.8	11.87	9.6	19.5
Librarians, archivists, and curators	15.62	13.4	37.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Librarians	15.62	13.4	37.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social scientists and urban planners	24.00	17.8	36.3	24.70	17.4	40.0	-	-	-
Economists	29.65	14.3	40.0	29.65	14.3	40.0	-	-	-
Social, recreation, and religious workers	13.41	7.3	38.9	13.44	7.8	40.1	-	-	-
Social workers	14.14	8.9	38.3	14.22	9.7	39.9	-	-	-
Recreation workers	12.03	14.3	38.1	12.01	14.3	38.3	-	-	-
Lawyers and judges	44.71	11.2	37.4	44.51	11.4	42.3	-	-	-
Lawyers	44.71	11.2	37.4	44.51	11.4	42.3	-	-	-
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	21.87	13.1	36.2	22.86	13.4	40.3	9.19	15.9	15.8
Technical writers	25.01	4.1	38.6	25.48	4.0	40.0	-	-	-
Designers	17.45	10.9	40.0	17.53	10.9	40.3	-	-	-
Actors and directors	22.35	30.9	40.8	22.59	31.1	41.4	-	-	-
Photographers	10.52	11.3	40.0	10.52	11.3	40.0	-	-	-
Artists, performers, and related workers, n.e.c.	9.47	17.4	28.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Editors and reporters	18.62	8.3	39.9	18.63	8.3	40.1	-	-	-
Public relations specialists	27.93	14.4	40.0	27.93	14.4	40.0	-	-	-
Announcers	-	-	-	58.53	49.4	40.6	-	-	-
Athletes	19.26	20.3	17.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Professional, n.e.c.	23.34	17.6	40.1	23.37	17.6	40.1	-	-	-
Technical	17.36	3.6	38.0	17.47	3.8	39.3	15.17	8.7	22.5
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	14.41	2.7	38.3	14.42	2.9	40.0	14.29	9.5	20.5
Radiological technicians	15.71	6.9	38.1	15.97	7.0	40.3	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Professional specialty and technical —Continued									
Technical—Continued									
Licensed practical nurses	\$13.15	2.4	38.0	\$13.14	2.6	39.5	\$13.29	6.9	24.3
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	14.00	4.2	35.3	14.10	4.4	39.4	12.94	7.0	16.3
Electrical and electronic technicians	17.47	5.0	40.0	17.47	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanical engineering technicians	18.06	14.2	38.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	19.10	9.4	40.0	19.10	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Drafters	20.47	5.7	39.9	20.47	5.7	39.9	—	—	—
Chemical technicians	20.20	11.6	40.1	20.20	11.6	40.1	—	—	—
Airplane pilots and navigators	59.34	24.5	28.9	59.34	24.5	28.9	—	—	—
Broadcast equipment operators	9.25	24.0	39.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Computer programmers	17.79	10.9	40.1	17.79	10.9	40.1	—	—	—
Legal assistants	17.01	5.2	40.1	17.01	5.2	40.1	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	17.85	5.9	40.3	17.85	5.9	40.3	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.35	3.3	41.0	26.37	3.3	41.1	13.24	11.7	24.2
Executives, administrators, and managers	29.81	4.8	41.3	29.82	4.8	41.4	—	—	—
Financial managers	26.38	9.8	40.6	26.38	9.8	40.6	—	—	—
Personnel and labor relations managers	29.70	11.1	40.0	29.70	11.1	40.0	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	30.53	7.8	40.4	30.53	7.8	40.4	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	29.81	21.3	40.4	29.81	21.3	40.4	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	20.93	7.4	39.6	20.92	7.5	39.7	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	27.83	8.6	39.7	27.94	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	18.39	26.9	43.9	18.39	26.9	43.9	—	—	—
Managers, properties and real estate	30.20	13.3	40.6	30.20	13.3	40.6	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	21.25	16.3	39.6	21.25	16.3	39.6	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	31.76	5.8	41.9	31.76	5.8	41.9	—	—	—
Management related	20.59	3.6	40.5	20.61	3.6	40.6	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	21.05	3.2	40.7	21.05	3.1	40.7	—	—	—
Underwriters	21.66	11.7	40.1	21.66	11.7	40.1	—	—	—
Other financial officers	20.76	9.7	41.9	20.76	9.7	41.9	—	—	—
Management analysts	25.74	7.4	40.2	25.74	7.4	40.2	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	18.93	14.9	40.2	18.93	14.9	40.2	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products	25.47	15.0	41.0	25.47	15.0	41.0	—	—	—
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.	20.43	8.3	40.6	20.43	8.3	40.6	—	—	—
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	23.00	6.2	40.1	23.00	6.2	40.1	—	—	—
Management related, n.e.c.	19.23	8.6	39.9	19.29	8.7	40.1	—	—	—
Sales	11.63	6.0	32.9	13.30	5.3	39.7	6.78	5.7	22.0
Supervisors, sales	15.22	11.5	41.1	15.22	11.5	41.1	—	—	—
Real estate sales	—	—	—	18.63	27.4	40.0	—	—	—
Securities and financial services sales	15.47	9.3	39.5	15.63	9.3	39.8	—	—	—
Advertising and related sales	20.28	16.5	39.8	20.28	16.5	39.8	—	—	—
Sales, other business services	16.21	11.2	37.9	16.94	11.4	41.3	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	22.74	9.1	41.6	22.74	9.1	41.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, motor vehicles and boats	23.72	14.3	45.6	23.72	14.3	45.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	7.50	5.1	28.9	9.25	3.4	38.6	6.45	4.9	25.1
Sales workers, shoes	8.54	10.1	26.5	—	—	—	7.55	1.3	25.4
Sales workers, furniture and home furnishings ..	10.84	23.6	32.7	12.51	27.8	39.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, radio, tv, hi-fi, and appliances ...	15.00	27.4	39.2	15.35	26.4	40.9	—	—	—
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies ..	9.36	5.3	33.4	9.92	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	8.70	17.1	35.1	9.49	14.9	40.4	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	8.73	5.9	30.4	9.79	6.8	39.4	6.98	4.5	22.1
Sales counter clerks	7.16	10.6	31.8	7.38	12.4	39.9	—	—	—
Cashiers	6.57	2.8	28.5	6.91	3.7	37.5	6.00	2.8	20.2
Demonstrators, promoters, and models, sales ..	10.42	14.8	26.3	—	—	—	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Sales —Continued									
Sales support, n.e.c.	\$10.28	8.9	37.9	\$10.52	9.5	40.1	\$7.45	3.9	22.7
Administrative support, including clerical									
Supervisors, general office	11.87	5.4	37.5	12.12	5.4	39.5	8.90	7.1	23.6
Supervisors, financial records processing	15.27	7.0	40.0	15.34	7.0	40.4	—	—	—
Computer operators	13.91	11.7	40.2	13.91	11.7	40.2	—	—	—
Peripheral equipment operators	13.70	4.2	39.9	13.71	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Secretaries	11.31	11.8	40.0	11.31	11.8	40.0	—	—	—
Typists	12.31	2.9	38.4	12.36	3.2	39.6	—	—	—
Interviewers	10.22	4.7	37.0	10.25	4.9	39.1	—	—	—
Hotel clerks	8.73	14.1	26.9	10.97	6.3	39.0	—	—	—
Transportation ticket and reservation agents	7.12	3.9	37.4	7.20	3.5	40.0	—	—	—
Receptionists	12.20	4.4	38.5	12.29	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
Information clerks, n.e.c.	8.22	3.8	37.7	8.27	4.2	39.7	7.26	4.5	19.4
Correspondence clerks	9.58	3.9	39.4	9.61	4.1	39.8	9.10	6.8	34.8
Order clerks	15.84	20.7	38.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	11.43	12.2	37.8	11.96	11.3	39.9	—	—	—
File clerks	10.98	7.3	39.4	10.97	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.	8.69	5.6	36.9	8.95	6.4	39.9	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	11.32	8.4	37.7	11.40	9.0	39.5	9.73	12.5	20.2
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	10.56	4.2	37.9	10.75	4.5	39.8	7.44	2.6	21.2
Billing clerks	12.82	10.8	40.0	12.82	10.8	40.0	—	—	—
Cost and rate clerks	11.10	5.4	36.5	11.49	5.8	40.0	—	—	—
Billing, posting, and calculating machine operators	12.10	15.6	40.0	12.10	15.6	40.0	—	—	—
Duplicating machine operators	10.04	13.7	35.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Telephone operators	8.76	8.0	32.2	—	—	—	8.42	8.5	30.6
Mail clerks, except postal service	9.39	5.4	34.9	9.86	9.0	39.7	—	—	—
Messengers	8.53	8.5	39.3	8.56	9.0	39.7	—	—	—
Dispatchers	—	—	—	9.87	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	13.25	12.4	40.2	13.25	12.4	40.2	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	10.91	9.3	39.5	11.02	9.5	40.0	8.07	2.5	30.2
Meter readers	9.99	5.1	39.4	10.05	5.0	40.0	7.62	6.2	23.5
Expeditors	11.69	12.5	40.2	11.69	12.5	40.2	—	—	—
Material recording, scheduling, and distribution clerks, n.e.c.	15.70	11.5	40.0	15.70	11.5	40.0	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	11.92	26.1	39.9	11.94	26.2	40.0	—	—	—
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	11.87	9.7	38.6	11.95	10.0	39.9	8.19	18.3	15.4
Bill and account collectors	9.59	8.6	37.1	9.57	8.8	38.7	—	—	—
General office clerks	14.69	4.8	38.3	14.61	4.3	39.9	—	—	—
Bank tellers	9.93	3.9	34.7	10.38	3.7	39.8	7.23	4.6	19.6
Data entry keyers	8.43	5.2	35.4	8.54	6.0	40.0	7.96	6.5	24.0
Statistical clerks	8.61	3.0	38.7	8.67	3.7	39.8	8.27	5.7	34.0
Administrative support, n.e.c.	11.25	20.1	38.5	11.40	21.4	39.6	—	—	—
	9.91	4.8	36.8	9.95	5.1	39.6	9.27	6.2	18.8
Blue collar	12.01	3.2	38.7	12.28	3.3	40.2	7.29	3.8	23.6
Precision production, craft, and repair									
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	15.34	2.9	39.6	15.40	2.8	40.0	9.43	3.4	18.9
Automobile mechanics	23.29	5.3	41.0	23.29	5.3	41.0	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	14.78	7.4	40.0	14.78	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Aircraft engine mechanics	15.87	12.1	40.1	15.87	12.1	40.1	—	—	—
Aircraft mechanics, except engine	20.39	13.7	40.0	20.39	13.7	40.0	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics	20.16	7.6	40.4	20.16	7.6	40.4	—	—	—
Industrial machinery repairers	16.17	10.7	40.0	16.17	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance	16.57	8.8	40.0	16.57	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	11.64	10.3	40.0	11.64	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone line installers and repairers	16.97	10.1	38.6	17.98	9.6	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone installers and repairers	16.66	9.8	40.0	16.66	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
	18.54	7.3	40.0	18.54	7.3	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Precision production, craft, and repair—Continued									
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	\$13.76	5.5	40.0	\$13.76	5.5	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.80	4.2	39.0	14.94	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, carpenters and related workers	13.27	9.5	41.1	13.27	9.5	41.1	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	19.99	4.9	40.0	19.99	4.9	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	21.18	14.1	40.6	21.18	14.1	40.6	—	—	—
Carpenters	11.30	10.4	39.7	11.33	10.6	40.1	—	—	—
Electricians	17.86	13.7	40.0	17.86	13.7	40.0	—	—	—
Electrician apprentices	10.06	5.2	40.0	10.06	5.2	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	17.66	14.1	40.0	17.66	14.1	40.0	—	—	—
Painters, construction and maintenance	10.25	3.6	37.9	10.25	3.6	37.9	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	14.33	9.0	40.0	14.33	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
Plumber, pipefitter, and steamfitter apprentices	9.17	5.3	40.0	9.17	5.3	40.0	—	—	—
Insulation workers	11.38	8.3	33.5	11.74	10.4	40.0	—	—	—
Structural metal workers	14.91	6.4	40.0	14.91	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	12.28	6.0	40.0	12.28	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, extractive	18.00	25.6	41.1	18.45	25.7	41.9	—	—	—
Drillers, oil well	14.53	33.7	40.2	14.53	33.7	40.2	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	20.56	6.8	40.1	20.56	6.8	40.2	—	—	—
Precision assemblers, metal	16.21	5.1	40.0	16.21	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Boilermakers	16.28	10.9	40.0	16.28	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	15.69	2.9	40.0	15.69	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
Cabinet makers and bench carpenters	9.98	9.4	40.0	9.98	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	9.49	4.8	40.0	9.49	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	18.27	13.0	39.2	18.50	11.8	39.9	—	—	—
Food batchmakers	8.77	7.9	34.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inspectors, testers, and graders	16.19	3.1	41.8	16.19	3.1	41.8	—	—	—
Stationary engineers	14.80	2.4	40.0	14.80	2.4	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	21.61	2.4	39.9	21.61	2.4	39.9	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	9.75	5.5	39.1	9.80	5.5	39.8	\$6.09	4.6	18.3
Lathe and turning machine operators	11.46	9.0	40.0	11.46	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	10.31	7.0	40.0	10.31	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Numerical control machine operators	14.12	5.5	40.0	14.12	5.5	40.0	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	12.47	8.4	40.0	12.47	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	12.26	12.7	39.6	12.26	12.7	39.6	—	—	—
Printing press operators	11.51	7.1	39.8	11.51	7.1	39.8	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	7.65	3.7	40.0	7.65	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Pressing machine operators	6.33	7.3	34.6	6.31	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Laundrying and dry cleaning machine operators	6.47	3.8	39.9	6.47	3.9	40.0	—	—	—
Packaging and filling machine operators	8.35	9.2	40.0	8.35	9.2	40.0	—	—	—
Mixing and blending machine operators	10.99	19.8	40.0	10.99	19.8	40.0	—	—	—
Painting and paint spraying machine operators	12.07	10.3	40.0	12.07	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	9.21	21.9	40.0	9.21	21.9	40.0	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	10.33	12.1	40.0	10.33	12.1	40.0	—	—	—
Photographic process machine operators	9.81	17.1	28.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	10.59	5.3	39.8	10.60	5.3	39.9	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	12.67	3.9	40.0	12.67	3.9	40.0	—	—	—
Assemblers	9.23	14.6	39.2	9.26	14.7	39.4	6.51	2.4	23.5
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	9.91	7.8	36.0	10.43	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	10.43	5.1	40.0	10.43	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	11.84	10.4	39.4	12.45	10.4	42.2	7.74	7.6	27.0
Supervisors, motor vehicle operators	14.33	13.8	40.5	15.16	13.1	41.4	—	—	—
Truck drivers	10.44	4.5	40.8	10.95	4.0	44.6	7.90	12.4	28.6
Driver-sales workers	10.59	13.0	41.0	10.59	13.0	41.0	—	—	—
Bus drivers	11.52	15.3	31.6	14.10	8.5	40.0	8.93	17.5	26.1
Taxicab drivers and chauffeurs	7.03	7.7	30.6	—	—	—	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar —Continued									
Transportation and material moving —Continued									
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	\$6.78	5.1	32.0	\$7.20	5.3	38.4	—	—	—
Ship captains and mates, except fishing boats ..	19.11	1.9	54.4	19.11	1.9	54.4	—	—	—
Sailors and deckhands	8.03	2.5	55.5	8.03	2.5	55.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, material moving equipment	17.47	8.8	41.0	17.47	8.8	41.0	—	—	—
Operating engineers	13.82	6.0	40.0	13.82	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Crane and tower operators	15.84	6.8	40.0	15.84	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	9.87	5.0	40.0	9.87	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	12.85	5.9	40.0	12.85	5.9	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	10.02	9.5	39.7	10.02	9.5	39.7	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	16.87	11.3	39.4	17.06	11.0	40.0	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers									
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	8.51	3.5	36.5	8.75	4.0	39.7	\$6.88	3.4	23.4
Animal caretakers, except farm	7.68	4.4	37.3	7.78	4.2	39.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	8.05	12.4	38.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	12.64	8.8	38.9	12.58	9.2	40.1	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	8.70	7.9	37.9	8.93	7.8	39.7	—	—	—
Construction laborers	7.86	4.5	39.7	7.87	4.5	40.0	—	—	—
Production helpers	7.48	5.9	39.8	7.41	6.2	40.0	—	—	—
Stock handlers and baggers	8.42	6.0	39.8	8.46	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
Machine feeders and offbearers	7.47	2.2	29.4	8.54	2.7	39.8	5.97	1.8	21.5
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	7.43	5.7	39.7	7.45	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
Garage and service station related	10.17	12.1	36.3	10.40	13.1	39.3	8.34	8.9	22.6
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	8.04	10.1	38.0	8.93	6.1	39.9	—	—	—
Hand packers and packagers	8.76	4.4	39.7	8.80	4.5	40.2	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	7.53	6.6	36.9	7.72	7.3	40.0	5.89	4.9	22.3
	8.47	6.2	38.2	8.53	6.9	39.9	7.92	5.5	28.4
Service									
Protective service	6.61	3.4	31.5	7.02	3.2	38.4	5.75	3.8	22.9
Supervisors, guards	8.35	5.4	36.0	8.23	4.9	39.8	9.21	14.8	20.6
Guards and police, except public service	11.77	14.8	40.0	11.77	14.8	40.0	—	—	—
Protective service, n.e.c.	8.24	7.0	35.3	8.06	6.5	39.7	9.27	15.2	21.0
Food service	7.49	12.8	35.2	7.55	13.1	40.0	—	—	—
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	5.78	3.6	31.4	6.09	4.6	37.7	5.25	2.6	24.7
Bartenders	3.63	5.6	30.7	3.57	6.9	36.4	3.76	8.8	22.3
Waiters and waitresses	5.36	6.0	29.8	5.49	8.7	39.7	5.11	8.4	20.2
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	3.14	6.0	30.4	2.95	7.1	35.7	3.61	12.2	22.4
Other food service	5.07	13.3	32.1	5.49	17.4	38.4	3.99	7.3	22.6
Supervisors, food preparation and service	6.67	4.2	31.8	7.35	4.1	38.4	5.70	3.4	25.5
Cooks	10.64	7.4	38.6	11.98	4.6	43.5	6.92	1.8	29.4
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.91	6.3	34.4	7.11	6.2	37.2	6.01	6.7	25.6
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.14	3.8	30.2	6.81	7.6	39.6	5.60	5.2	25.3
Health service	5.83	2.2	30.4	6.11	2.5	38.8	5.60	2.8	25.8
Health aides, except nursing	7.28	1.9	32.4	7.39	2.1	39.1	6.92	2.5	20.4
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	7.84	1.9	34.7	8.01	2.2	39.5	7.14	4.7	23.2
Cleaning and building service	7.09	2.7	34.1	7.14	3.3	38.9	6.85	4.1	21.8
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	7.19	3.6	34.0	7.49	3.7	39.3	5.70	2.5	20.4
Maids and housemen	10.56	5.3	39.7	10.62	5.6	40.5	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	6.08	2.2	34.3	6.15	1.6	39.1	5.50	2.6	17.4
Personal service	7.23	4.3	33.4	7.61	4.5	39.2	5.72	2.8	21.1
Attendants, amusement, and recreation facilities	6.91	7.7	28.1	7.77	10.2	37.4	5.95	7.5	21.9
Public transportation attendants	6.50	5.2	31.0	6.98	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Baggage porters and bellhops	32.98	9.8	18.5	33.05	10.3	19.6	—	—	—
Welfare service aides	4.75	15.9	39.3	4.75	15.9	39.3	—	—	—
Early childhood teachers' assistants	5.43	3.0	23.1	—	—	—	5.41	3.0	22.9
	5.58	1.0	33.0	5.57	1.3	40.0	5.59	1.6	23.3

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Service —Continued									
Personal service—Continued									
Child care workers, n.e.c.	\$5.82	6.4	33.5	\$5.70	6.7	39.7	\$6.24	10.7	21.6
Service, n.e.c.	7.45	7.6	25.5	7.31	2.3	38.9	—	—	—

¹ 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, and 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.

² Total includes full-time and part-time workers. 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.

³ In this census division, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April

2000. The average reference period was August 1999. For the first time, estimates include workers in private establishments employing fewer than 50 workers.

⁴ A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. For more information, see Technical Note.

⁵ 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 Technical Note.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria, and n.e.c. means "not elsewhere classified." Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately.

TABLE 5. Selected occupations, West South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
All	\$16.38	2.0	38.0	\$16.59	2.1	39.5	\$10.96	7.4	18.9
All, excluding sales	16.41	2.1	38.1	16.60	2.1	39.5	11.17	8.1	18.6
White collar	18.79	1.4	37.8	18.96	1.5	39.2	13.09	6.9	17.5
White collar, excluding sales	18.84	1.4	37.9	18.99	1.5	39.2	13.65	6.7	17.0
Professional specialty and technical	21.87	1.5	37.3	22.05	1.6	39.0	16.12	9.9	15.7
Professional specialty	22.91	1.7	37.1	23.12	1.8	38.9	16.29	10.4	15.4
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	24.65	3.5	39.4	24.90	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	19.18	8.7	39.9	19.18	8.7	39.9	—	—	—
Computer systems analysts and scientists	19.22	9.3	39.9	19.22	9.3	39.9	—	—	—
Natural scientists	17.27	4.3	40.1	17.27	4.3	40.1	—	—	—
Health related	20.37	3.6	38.2	20.25	3.5	40.0	22.50	10.7	20.5
Registered nurses	20.17	2.7	37.9	20.17	2.7	39.6	20.24	8.9	22.0
Pharmacists	24.28	11.6	40.0	24.28	11.6	40.0	—	—	—
Speech therapists	24.51	4.6	36.1	23.83	2.9	39.4	—	—	—
Teachers, college and university	29.68	3.9	32.3	30.14	4.1	39.2	22.75	4.4	8.9
Mathematical science teachers	28.96	9.3	38.8	28.96	9.3	38.8	—	—	—
Medical science teachers	37.93	9.8	37.2	37.97	9.8	39.9	—	—	—
Trade and industrial teachers	24.61	4.8	31.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other post-secondary teachers	30.01	5.2	32.4	30.44	5.4	39.5	23.05	5.2	8.3
Teachers, except college and university	24.07	2.0	37.3	24.42	2.0	38.4	8.32	8.0	16.8
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	25.02	1.9	37.4	25.02	1.9	37.4	—	—	—
Elementary school teachers	23.89	2.1	38.1	23.90	2.1	38.2	—	—	—
Secondary school teachers	24.57	2.4	38.2	24.58	2.4	38.3	—	—	—
Teachers, special education	25.08	1.7	37.0	25.29	2.2	37.6	—	—	—
Teachers, n.e.c.	23.96	4.6	36.9	24.44	4.0	39.7	12.30	15.9	13.7
Substitute teachers	7.22	6.2	18.7	—	—	—	7.20	6.6	18.1
Vocational and educational counselors	27.69	4.7	39.3	27.69	4.7	39.3	—	—	—
Librarians, archivists, and curators	17.38	8.3	38.7	17.37	8.4	39.6	—	—	—
Librarians	16.66	10.2	38.4	16.63	10.4	39.5	—	—	—
Social scientists and urban planners	21.73	8.8	38.2	21.43	8.8	39.6	—	—	—
Psychologists	24.67	6.8	37.0	24.36	7.3	39.3	—	—	—
Social, recreation, and religious workers	13.10	2.0	39.8	13.11	2.0	40.0	—	—	—
Social workers	13.22	2.0	39.8	13.22	2.0	39.9	—	—	—
Lawyers and judges	31.66	7.4	33.4	34.12	6.9	41.0	—	—	—
Lawyers	29.50	4.3	32.9	31.25	4.7	41.2	—	—	—
Judges	44.14	9.2	36.6	45.11	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	19.29	7.3	35.4	20.33	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Professional, n.e.c.	17.99	4.6	35.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Technical	12.82	2.2	39.1	12.79	2.3	40.0	14.01	8.4	19.9
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	13.19	5.7	40.0	13.19	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
Radiological technicians	14.88	6.5	39.8	14.88	6.5	39.8	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	12.00	4.5	38.4	11.83	3.8	39.9	—	—	—
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	10.78	4.6	40.5	10.79	4.7	40.9	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic technicians	15.44	13.3	32.5	16.34	14.1	39.8	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	14.18	9.6	40.0	14.18	9.6	40.0	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	13.94	8.3	38.8	13.95	8.3	38.9	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	24.23	3.7	39.3	24.30	3.7	39.9	14.32	15.2	12.3
Executives, administrators, and managers	27.83	3.5	39.3	27.83	3.5	39.9	—	—	—
Legislators	3.98	23.7	37.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Administrators and officials, public administration	26.19	8.5	38.1	26.14	8.5	40.4	—	—	—
Financial managers	31.90	5.7	40.0	31.90	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
Personnel and labor relations managers	36.24	5.6	38.3	36.24	5.6	38.3	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	31.80	6.2	39.6	31.80	6.2	39.6	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	22.86	3.2	40.0	22.86	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	19.81	13.6	40.0	19.81	13.6	40.0	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	22.49	7.4	41.3	22.49	7.4	41.3	—	—	—
Management related	17.07	3.4	39.3	17.15	3.6	39.9	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	16.36	3.2	39.6	16.36	3.2	39.6	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5. Selected occupations, West South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999–Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar –Continued									
Executive, administrative, and managerial –Continued									
Management related –Continued									
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	\$16.09	6.5	39.0	\$16.07	6.5	39.9	–	–	–
Construction inspectors	19.05	5.7	40.0	19.05	5.7	40.0	–	–	–
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	17.68	6.3	39.9	17.68	6.3	39.9	–	–	–
Management related, n.e.c.	18.55	7.3	38.5	18.91	7.9	39.9	–	–	–
Sales	8.11	11.1	32.2	9.42	12.2	39.9	–	–	–
Cashiers	7.35	5.5	31.5	8.12	5.4	39.9	–	–	–
Administrative support, including clerical	10.27	2.4	38.4	10.31	2.4	39.4	\$8.96	7.3	21.2
Supervisors, general office	14.02	2.9	39.6	14.02	2.9	39.6	–	–	–
Secretaries	10.69	3.3	39.4	10.71	3.4	39.6	–	–	–
Interviewers	9.00	15.5	39.6	9.01	15.7	40.0	–	–	–
Receptionists	9.27	5.5	38.7	9.31	5.6	39.5	–	–	–
Information clerks, n.e.c.	10.35	5.5	38.3	10.44	5.6	39.2	–	–	–
Library clerks	9.20	5.7	32.8	9.30	6.5	38.4	8.78	10.3	20.2
File clerks	8.75	11.4	36.3	8.80	12.6	39.4	–	–	–
Records clerks, n.e.c.	9.89	4.4	39.1	9.91	4.4	39.3	–	–	–
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	10.83	7.5	39.0	10.83	7.5	39.0	–	–	–
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	11.88	3.6	40.0	11.88	3.6	40.0	–	–	–
Billing clerks	10.16	3.1	40.2	10.16	3.1	40.2	–	–	–
Dispatchers	10.92	4.1	38.1	11.06	3.3	40.0	–	–	–
Stock and inventory clerks	10.01	14.0	40.0	10.01	14.0	40.0	–	–	–
Meter readers	10.69	13.1	38.5	10.71	13.6	40.0	–	–	–
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	14.53	17.4	40.0	14.53	17.4	40.0	–	–	–
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	12.33	8.3	40.0	12.33	8.3	40.0	–	–	–
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	10.16	5.0	40.0	10.16	5.0	40.0	–	–	–
General office clerks	9.63	2.0	38.4	9.72	1.9	39.8	7.39	8.7	20.4
Data entry keyers	8.71	5.8	38.3	8.71	5.8	38.3	–	–	–
Statistical clerks	10.82	11.0	40.0	10.82	11.0	40.0	–	–	–
Teachers' aides	8.73	5.2	37.9	8.74	5.3	38.4	–	–	–
Administrative support, n.e.c.	10.11	4.8	36.7	10.17	5.0	39.9	9.54	7.1	21.7
Blue collar	11.58	3.1	38.4	11.66	3.3	39.6	9.70	5.5	23.2
Precision production, craft, and repair	13.71	3.7	39.8	13.72	3.7	39.9	–	–	–
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	15.74	9.9	39.6	15.74	9.9	39.6	–	–	–
Automobile mechanics	11.42	6.9	40.0	11.42	6.9	40.0	–	–	–
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	14.70	8.3	40.0	14.70	8.3	40.0	–	–	–
Industrial machinery repairers	13.96	6.0	40.0	13.96	6.0	40.0	–	–	–
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	14.73	5.4	40.0	14.73	5.4	40.0	–	–	–
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	11.88	7.3	39.8	11.88	7.3	39.8	–	–	–
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	17.03	8.6	39.9	17.03	8.6	39.9	–	–	–
Supervisors, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	16.20	12.1	40.0	16.20	12.1	40.0	–	–	–
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	12.91	7.3	40.0	12.91	7.3	40.0	–	–	–
Electricians	13.94	6.9	40.0	13.94	6.9	40.0	–	–	–
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	14.43	10.1	40.0	14.43	10.1	40.0	–	–	–
Construction trades, n.e.c.	12.39	8.2	40.0	12.39	8.2	40.0	–	–	–
Supervisors, production	16.21	19.2	40.0	16.21	19.2	40.0	–	–	–
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	12.34	9.7	39.5	12.39	9.4	40.0	–	–	–
Stationary engineers	11.07	13.6	40.0	11.07	13.6	40.0	–	–	–
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	10.10	13.1	39.4	10.10	13.1	39.4	–	–	–

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5. Selected occupations, West South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 1999—Continued

Occupation ⁴	Total			Full time			Part time		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Transportation and material moving	\$10.75	3.6	36.1	\$10.84	4.0	39.0	\$10.14	4.2	23.4
Truck drivers	10.40	3.9	39.5	10.43	3.9	39.8	—	—	—
Bus drivers	10.59	6.5	30.3	10.83	9.7	36.3	10.19	4.2	23.4
Operating engineers	10.26	3.8	40.0	10.26	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scrapper operators	10.63	4.4	40.0	10.63	4.4	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	10.57	10.6	40.0	10.57	10.6	40.0	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.00	5.2	39.1	9.06	5.4	39.8	6.68	2.1	22.3
Supervisors, agriculture-related workers	13.63	13.7	38.9	13.82	14.4	40.0	—	—	—
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	9.41	9.7	38.5	9.48	9.9	39.4	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	9.04	8.5	40.0	9.04	8.5	40.0	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	9.23	10.0	40.0	9.23	10.0	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	7.43	6.4	40.0	7.43	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Garbage collectors	9.04	5.7	36.9	9.21	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	9.08	6.4	38.7	9.20	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
Service	11.28	4.1	38.5	11.48	4.1	40.5	7.50	5.3	20.0
Protective service	14.11	4.4	41.2	14.21	4.4	42.0	8.54	12.9	20.4
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	18.98	12.2	49.0	18.98	12.2	49.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, police and detectives	17.19	9.0	40.1	17.19	9.0	40.1	—	—	—
Supervisors, guards	14.01	11.3	40.2	14.01	11.3	40.2	—	—	—
Firefighting	13.23	9.2	50.8	13.24	9.2	51.1	—	—	—
Police and detectives, public service	16.66	4.6	40.1	16.85	4.7	40.3	—	—	—
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	14.13	6.2	39.8	14.11	6.3	40.3	—	—	—
Correctional institution officers	10.80	4.9	40.2	10.80	4.9	40.2	—	—	—
Crossing guards	6.44	8.0	17.3	—	—	—	6.44	8.0	17.3
Guards and police, except public service	10.26	10.9	35.4	10.00	11.3	39.9	—	—	—
Protective service, n.e.c.	8.80	10.2	33.6	9.24	11.5	40.0	6.50	1.5	18.3
Food service	8.47	5.6	32.1	8.69	7.2	36.9	7.53	3.1	20.6
Other food service	8.47	5.6	32.1	8.69	7.2	36.9	7.53	3.1	20.6
Supervisors, food preparation and service	11.43	14.6	38.7	11.43	14.6	38.7	—	—	—
Cooks	7.98	4.9	35.2	7.76	4.8	36.6	—	—	—
Kitchen workers, food preparation	7.44	11.6	34.6	7.45	13.4	37.5	7.40	4.4	22.9
Food preparation, n.e.c.	7.84	2.6	27.6	8.14	4.3	35.3	7.28	2.9	19.7
Health service	10.29	7.6	38.7	10.39	7.8	39.9	—	—	—
Health aides, except nursing	10.51	7.4	39.9	10.51	7.4	39.9	—	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	10.13	10.5	37.6	10.31	11.2	39.8	—	—	—
Cleaning and building service	8.38	3.4	38.8	8.42	3.5	39.9	6.59	6.1	17.1
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	11.32	8.0	40.0	11.32	8.0	40.0	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	8.11	3.1	38.7	8.15	3.2	39.9	6.59	6.1	17.1
Personal service	8.40	5.0	34.7	8.61	4.3	38.8	6.88	10.9	19.5
Attendants, amusement, and recreation facilities	7.74	14.2	36.1	8.19	11.4	40.0	—	—	—
Welfare service aides	7.89	14.0	39.2	7.91	14.3	40.0	—	—	—
Early childhood teachers' assistants	8.72	5.1	35.4	8.80	4.9	38.8	—	—	—
Service, n.e.c.	8.17	6.1	25.4	8.43	6.0	35.3	—	—	—

¹ 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, and 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.

² Total includes full-time and part-time workers. 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.

³ In this census division, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April

2000. The average reference period was August 1999. For the first time, estimates include workers in private establishments employing fewer than 50 workers.

⁴ A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. For more information, see Technical Note.

⁵ 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 Technical Note.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria, and n.e.c. means "not elsewhere classified." Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
All	\$14.38	3.5	36.8	\$13.98	4.0	36.6	\$16.38	2.0	38.0
All, excluding sales	14.72	3.3	37.4	14.34	3.9	37.2	16.41	2.1	38.1
White collar	17.54	3.7	37.1	17.22	4.5	36.9	18.79	1.4	37.8
1	6.51	2.7	26.1	6.48	3.0	26.0	7.20	4.4	28.0
2	7.61	3.4	34.0	7.52	3.7	33.4	8.22	2.9	38.1
3	8.74	3.6	35.6	8.66	4.2	35.2	9.20	1.5	38.8
4	11.23	3.3	38.2	11.28	3.7	38.3	10.87	2.2	37.6
5	14.47	5.3	37.7	14.90	5.1	37.8	11.72	3.5	36.8
6	16.35	2.4	39.3	16.52	3.2	39.6	15.78	4.9	38.3
7	19.40	2.2	38.7	18.55	2.6	38.8	21.43	3.5	38.4
8	21.23	1.7	38.5	20.21	2.4	38.8	22.50	1.9	38.2
9	23.58	2.0	39.1	24.00	2.5	40.2	22.60	2.8	36.6
10	28.89	5.3	40.0	29.89	4.9	40.3	25.26	9.1	38.9
11	32.97	3.0	39.8	34.57	2.9	40.4	26.93	4.1	37.6
12	40.77	5.8	40.2	42.45	6.5	40.4	33.96	4.7	39.5
13	65.03	15.9	40.9	68.10	16.9	41.1	41.72	4.2	39.6
14	59.17	5.6	41.6	59.44	4.9	41.5	58.08	13.7	41.7
15	73.21	16.3	40.6	79.03	18.3	40.8	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	23.60	11.9	35.2	23.45	16.3	34.4	24.01	7.0	37.3
White collar, excluding sales	19.05	3.0	38.3	19.12	3.8	38.4	18.84	1.4	37.9
1	7.17	4.0	26.0	7.11	4.6	25.6	7.44	5.6	28.3
2	8.17	1.9	36.5	8.15	1.9	36.2	8.23	3.0	38.1
3	9.03	2.7	37.7	8.98	3.5	37.5	9.21	1.4	38.8
4	11.45	1.7	38.7	11.58	1.9	39.0	10.87	2.2	37.6
5	14.65	5.5	37.7	15.22	4.7	37.9	11.72	3.5	36.8
6	15.75	2.0	39.0	15.74	2.5	39.2	15.78	4.9	38.3
7	19.45	2.7	39.1	18.37	3.0	39.5	21.44	3.4	38.4
8	21.34	1.8	38.4	20.28	2.7	38.5	22.50	1.9	38.2
9	23.48	2.1	39.0	23.87	2.6	40.2	22.60	2.8	36.6
10	28.57	4.5	39.5	29.74	3.9	39.7	25.26	9.1	38.9
11	32.85	3.2	39.6	34.51	3.2	40.2	26.93	4.1	37.6
12	40.84	5.9	40.2	42.56	6.6	40.4	33.96	4.7	39.5
13	65.28	16.1	40.9	68.46	17.2	41.1	41.72	4.2	39.6
14	59.17	5.6	41.6	59.44	4.9	41.5	58.08	13.7	41.7
15	73.21	16.3	40.6	79.03	18.3	40.8	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	23.69	12.0	35.2	23.57	16.6	34.5	24.01	7.0	37.3
Professional specialty and technical	23.91	5.5	37.9	25.14	7.9	38.2	21.87	1.5	37.3
Professional specialty	26.51	6.9	37.8	29.55	10.6	38.4	22.91	1.7	37.1
3	8.29	5.3	33.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	7.60	2.0	26.5	-	-	-	7.49	5.1	15.2
5	12.60	8.0	35.8	12.95	7.9	39.3	12.10	10.2	31.7
6	17.68	4.8	37.8	16.64	7.3	37.9	18.68	5.4	37.8
7	21.13	3.8	38.0	18.53	6.6	38.0	22.75	3.1	38.1
8	22.17	2.3	37.5	20.30	3.6	36.7	23.30	2.0	38.0
9	23.92	2.8	37.8	24.81	4.0	39.3	22.91	3.2	36.3
10	28.91	3.7	39.1	30.32	4.6	39.4	25.96	4.5	38.3
11	31.81	4.0	38.8	33.81	2.6	39.7	25.43	5.4	36.1
12	41.41	11.1	40.1	42.74	12.6	40.3	35.88	4.4	39.3
13	70.10	21.7	41.0	71.32	22.3	41.0	46.38	9.8	40.0
14	56.13	7.6	40.6	54.25	8.8	40.7	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	24.83	20.0	31.8	26.05	26.8	30.1	21.91	8.9	37.0
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	38.17	20.5	41.1	38.39	20.7	41.1	24.65	3.5	39.4
5	18.34	13.0	40.2	18.34	13.0	40.2	-	-	-
6	20.25	4.5	40.0	20.25	4.5	40.0	-	-	-
7	23.14	4.3	41.4	23.27	4.6	41.6	-	-	-
8	27.78	3.8	40.4	27.78	3.8	40.4	-	-	-
9	26.98	7.0	40.2	26.98	7.0	40.2	-	-	-
10	30.71	2.8	39.9	31.44	3.0	39.9	-	-	-
11	33.49	2.1	41.8	33.64	2.1	41.9	-	-	-
12	37.18	2.7	41.5	37.23	2.7	41.5	-	-	-
13	116.44	34.2	44.9	116.44	34.2	44.9	-	-	-
Petroleum engineers	32.97	9.4	40.1	32.97	9.4	40.1	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Professional specialty and technical —Continued									
Professional specialty—Continued									
Engineers, architects, and surveyors—Continued									
Petroleum engineers—Continued									
12	\$43.90	1.7	40.6	\$43.90	1.7	40.6	—	—	—
13	46.91	3.8	40.1	46.91	3.8	40.1	—	—	—
Chemical engineers	33.74	5.2	40.4	33.74	5.2	40.4	—	—	—
9	27.33	1.8	40.0	27.33	1.8	40.0	—	—	—
Civil engineers	31.99	8.5	42.0	32.31	9.2	42.1	—	—	—
11	34.13	5.0	42.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic engineers	30.32	2.7	40.5	30.48	2.8	40.5	—	—	—
7	23.97	4.3	39.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	28.75	8.9	42.2	28.75	8.9	42.2	—	—	—
9	29.12	3.9	40.0	29.12	3.9	40.0	—	—	—
10	29.20	5.8	40.0	29.78	6.3	40.0	—	—	—
11	31.20	4.3	41.4	31.13	4.6	41.5	—	—	—
12	38.16	1.5	41.0	38.16	1.5	41.0	—	—	—
Industrial engineers	23.98	7.5	41.3	24.07	7.3	41.3	—	—	—
9	22.84	9.9	40.7	22.84	9.9	40.7	—	—	—
11	29.84	3.2	45.3	29.84	3.2	45.3	—	—	—
Mechanical engineers	27.66	4.5	40.6	27.66	4.5	40.6	—	—	—
9	27.59	4.0	40.7	27.59	4.0	40.7	—	—	—
Engineers, n.e.c.	49.70	31.5	41.8	50.01	31.5	41.8	—	—	—
5	21.28	5.7	40.7	21.28	5.7	40.7	—	—	—
7	23.35	4.1	44.0	23.35	4.1	44.0	—	—	—
8	31.52	5.6	40.0	31.52	5.6	40.0	—	—	—
9	26.84	18.7	40.1	26.84	18.7	40.1	—	—	—
10	32.12	3.3	40.5	32.99	2.8	40.6	—	—	—
11	34.56	5.8	42.1	34.63	5.9	42.1	—	—	—
12	36.33	4.9	41.2	36.33	4.9	41.2	—	—	—
13	135.07	29.4	46.3	135.07	29.4	46.3	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.37	10.1	40.2	32.44	10.3	40.2	\$19.18	8.7	39.9
6	17.66	12.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	23.40	4.4	40.0	23.53	4.3	40.0	—	—	—
8	21.11	6.7	40.1	21.25	7.1	40.2	—	—	—
9	26.76	3.4	40.2	27.56	3.0	40.2	20.24	2.7	40.0
10	30.07	4.8	39.8	30.11	4.9	39.8	—	—	—
11	31.56	5.3	40.1	32.22	5.1	40.2	—	—	—
12	50.64	20.2	40.5	50.64	20.2	40.5	—	—	—
13	45.55	6.9	40.0	45.55	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
Computer systems analysts and scientists	31.87	10.8	40.1	33.04	11.0	40.1	19.22	9.3	39.9
7	23.54	4.1	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	20.67	7.4	40.2	20.78	7.7	40.2	—	—	—
9	27.13	3.5	40.3	27.95	3.3	40.3	20.46	2.2	40.0
10	30.43	5.3	39.8	30.48	5.4	39.8	—	—	—
11	31.54	5.5	40.2	32.22	5.3	40.2	—	—	—
12	52.62	20.0	40.0	52.62	20.0	40.0	—	—	—
13	45.15	7.6	40.0	45.15	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Operations and systems researchers and analysts	27.81	6.7	41.5	27.93	6.8	41.6	—	—	—
Natural scientists	27.03	5.3	40.0	31.15	5.0	40.0	17.27	4.3	40.1
5	15.35	18.0	39.3	15.75	23.6	39.1	—	—	—
6	18.75	12.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	21.44	14.6	40.0	23.30	13.5	40.0	—	—	—
9	19.75	10.5	40.2	21.15	13.5	40.0	—	—	—
11	37.56	7.3	40.0	37.98	7.5	40.0	—	—	—
12	39.10	10.1	40.9	39.10	10.1	40.9	—	—	—
13	43.75	11.9	40.0	43.75	11.9	40.0	—	—	—
Geologists and geodesists	39.61	6.8	40.2	39.61	6.8	40.2	—	—	—
7	26.76	7.7	40.0	26.76	7.7	40.0	—	—	—
11	42.24	5.9	40.0	42.24	5.9	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Professional specialty and technical—Continued									
Professional specialty—Continued									
Natural scientists—Continued									
Geologists and geodesists—Continued									
12	\$42.98	8.1	41.4	\$42.98	8.1	41.4	—	—	—
13	51.82	4.2	40.0	51.82	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Physical scientists, n.e.c.	20.27	5.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biological and life scientists	24.72	21.4	40.0	25.70	22.3	40.0	—	—	—
Medical scientists	13.37	6.3	39.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health related	26.96	15.1	36.9	28.63	16.7	36.6	\$20.37	3.6	38.2
5	14.18	7.0	37.7	13.43	6.1	37.2	—	—	—
6	18.45	2.2	37.0	18.35	2.8	36.1	18.77	3.0	39.9
7	19.12	3.7	35.5	18.93	3.2	35.3	19.89	9.4	36.6
8	19.50	3.1	35.5	19.21	3.9	35.0	20.52	3.6	37.7
9	21.59	2.4	36.4	21.13	3.0	36.4	22.83	3.8	36.5
10	27.21	4.5	39.9	27.54	5.3	39.9	—	—	—
11	30.76	11.5	39.6	—	—	—	20.62	10.3	42.5
13	59.68	9.3	39.8	59.68	9.3	39.8	—	—	—
Physicians	56.76	11.8	40.5	59.34	9.6	39.9	—	—	—
13	60.17	9.4	39.9	60.17	9.4	39.9	—	—	—
Registered nurses	19.56	1.6	36.2	19.36	1.9	35.7	20.17	2.7	37.9
6	19.09	2.6	37.2	19.29	3.2	36.4	—	—	—
7	18.12	2.7	35.6	18.15	2.6	35.7	17.99	7.0	35.0
8	19.21	3.0	35.5	18.92	3.6	35.0	20.30	3.7	37.5
9	20.89	3.0	37.1	20.50	3.6	36.5	22.12	5.1	38.9
10	27.57	8.6	40.0	27.85	12.0	40.0	—	—	—
11	23.64	5.3	39.2	24.93	3.8	38.4	22.67	8.6	39.9
Pharmacists	27.46	3.3	37.5	28.46	1.2	36.8	24.28	11.6	40.0
7	27.40	6.9	37.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	29.15	4.9	35.7	29.09	5.2	35.4	—	—	—
9	24.73	7.9	40.0	27.29	4.0	40.0	—	—	—
10	27.82	3.7	40.0	28.74	1.9	40.0	—	—	—
11	28.56	2.6	34.5	28.56	2.6	34.5	—	—	—
Dietitians	14.44	9.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Respiratory therapists	16.40	3.6	33.7	16.07	3.4	33.1	—	—	—
5	14.99	4.1	34.4	14.99	4.1	34.4	—	—	—
6	17.07	4.1	31.4	17.07	4.1	31.4	—	—	—
7	16.82	5.5	33.7	15.95	4.7	32.0	—	—	—
Occupational therapists	21.10	33.3	38.4	21.07	37.2	38.6	—	—	—
Physical therapists	23.40	8.8	37.6	23.74	8.6	37.5	—	—	—
Speech therapists	25.89	6.3	34.1	28.39	9.7	31.0	24.51	4.6	36.1
Therapists, n.e.c.	29.35	26.9	29.5	30.14	28.8	28.6	—	—	—
Teachers, college and university	30.74	5.8	32.8	37.26	14.3	36.7	29.68	3.9	32.3
7	21.30	7.8	27.7	—	—	—	20.54	11.7	26.5
8	23.42	18.6	37.0	—	—	—	18.88	4.1	38.3
9	25.01	4.9	29.0	26.06	4.5	34.5	24.93	5.1	28.7
10	30.95	10.5	35.2	36.44	13.1	35.5	28.83	10.3	35.1
11	32.52	10.1	31.6	—	—	—	29.02	4.5	30.1
12	35.86	5.2	39.4	—	—	—	36.51	5.3	39.4
13	46.58	10.0	40.0	—	—	—	47.31	10.6	40.0
Mathematical science teachers	31.20	8.7	36.6	—	—	—	28.96	9.3	38.8
Medical science teachers	42.19	12.2	37.3	—	—	—	37.93	9.8	37.2
Health specialties teachers	25.81	14.5	34.6	29.56	23.4	40.0	—	—	—
Business, commerce, and marketing teachers ..	28.49	9.3	37.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
English teachers	25.50	5.6	23.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Trade and industrial teachers	22.73	9.2	32.3	—	—	—	24.61	4.8	31.2
Other post-secondary teachers	29.91	5.1	32.3	26.66	6.7	27.8	30.01	5.2	32.4
7	21.03	16.4	28.9	—	—	—	21.03	16.4	28.9
8	18.57	2.7	38.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	25.38	9.0	31.4	26.05	9.3	30.1	25.33	9.6	31.5
10	30.37	11.8	35.9	—	—	—	30.38	12.1	36.4

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Professional specialty and technical—Continued									
Professional specialty—Continued									
Teachers, college and university—Continued									
Other post-secondary teachers—Continued									
11	\$30.26	4.2	28.4	—	—	—	\$30.38	4.3	28.3
12	35.07	5.2	38.8	—	—	—	35.22	5.4	38.8
13	44.37	12.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Teachers, except college and university	22.82	4.3	37.5	\$13.84	7.5	38.6	24.07	2.0	37.3
3	7.72	5.2	24.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	7.61	5.9	15.3	—	—	—	7.49	5.1	15.2
5	10.63	13.2	30.7	—	—	—	11.08	30.1	20.5
6	22.63	3.6	36.7	13.22	9.9	31.8	24.30	3.3	37.8
7	22.49	6.7	38.5	—	—	—	24.18	3.5	38.3
8	24.22	2.5	38.0	17.16	16.0	39.0	24.65	2.6	38.0
9	23.84	2.1	38.5	23.66	7.3	38.4	23.84	2.1	38.5
10	28.98	2.4	39.4	—	—	—	28.97	2.5	39.5
11	30.66	7.5	38.7	26.88	5.2	39.4	31.25	7.9	38.6
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	21.42	9.4	37.0	9.74	10.9	35.9	25.02	1.9	37.4
7	20.36	9.6	35.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	19.58	21.4	38.1	—	—	—	25.86	1.4	37.1
9	24.93	2.6	37.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Elementary school teachers	23.79	2.0	38.1	18.98	5.3	39.4	23.89	2.1	38.1
5	23.11	10.0	24.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	25.13	3.3	38.2	—	—	—	25.27	3.4	38.2
7	23.36	4.5	38.4	22.79	7.4	38.9	23.36	4.5	38.4
8	24.05	2.2	38.2	18.68	6.2	40.0	24.21	2.4	38.1
9	22.60	3.7	38.4	21.43	5.6	39.3	22.61	3.8	38.4
Secondary school teachers	24.53	2.3	38.2	—	—	—	24.57	2.4	38.2
6	22.34	2.8	39.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	24.47	4.2	38.5	—	—	—	24.46	4.3	38.5
8	25.20	2.9	38.0	—	—	—	25.33	3.2	37.9
9	23.86	1.4	38.6	—	—	—	23.84	1.4	38.6
Teachers, special education	16.18	20.0	38.9	—	—	—	25.08	1.7	37.0
7	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.56	3.1	39.2
8	25.22	2.7	36.9	—	—	—	25.22	2.7	36.9
Teachers, n.e.c.	22.47	6.4	36.3	14.77	13.0	33.4	23.96	4.6	36.9
5	11.28	14.8	17.7	13.44	1.9	35.3	—	—	—
7	23.95	3.8	38.2	16.54	17.7	33.2	24.61	3.2	38.8
8	16.18	19.5	37.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	26.24	1.7	39.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Substitute teachers	7.22	6.2	18.7	—	—	—	7.22	6.2	18.7
5	7.05	10.7	21.3	—	—	—	7.05	10.7	21.3
Vocational and educational counselors	21.75	9.8	39.2	—	—	—	27.69	4.7	39.3
6	13.34	3.6	34.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	—	—	—	—	—	—	28.24	8.9	39.6
9	25.29	7.7	39.2	—	—	—	25.26	7.8	39.2
10	29.00	3.3	39.5	—	—	—	29.01	3.3	39.5
11	30.83	7.9	38.7	—	—	—	31.25	7.9	38.6
Librarians, archivists, and curators	17.24	7.9	38.6	15.62	13.4	37.7	17.38	8.3	38.7
7	17.78	10.9	36.3	—	—	—	17.71	12.3	35.8
8	15.95	5.2	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	22.17	3.1	39.3	—	—	—	22.20	3.4	39.2
Librarians	16.55	9.5	38.3	15.62	13.4	37.7	16.66	10.2	38.4
7	16.93	9.7	33.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	15.95	5.2	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	21.48	4.8	38.8	—	—	—	21.38	5.9	38.5
Social scientists and urban planners	22.50	11.4	37.5	24.00	17.8	36.3	21.73	8.8	38.2
8	21.25	13.7	34.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	17.55	13.7	39.8	—	—	—	16.86	12.3	39.7
10	23.51	12.1	36.9	—	—	—	25.86	5.5	39.6
11	33.52	11.6	36.4	—	—	—	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Professional specialty and technical—Continued									
Professional specialty—Continued									
Social scientists and urban planners—Continued									
Economists	\$29.08	14.0	40.0	\$29.65	14.3	40.0	—	—	—
Psychologists	22.39	11.1	35.6	—	—	—	\$24.67	6.8	37.0
9	20.54	10.1	39.5	—	—	—	22.37	7.8	39.3
10	23.51	12.1	36.9	—	—	—	25.86	5.5	39.6
Social, recreation, and religious workers	13.16	2.0	39.6	13.41	7.3	38.9	13.10	2.0	39.8
5	10.99	3.3	39.4	10.41	7.9	37.8	11.16	3.6	39.8
6	12.18	3.5	39.6	—	—	—	12.08	3.7	39.6
7	13.07	3.3	39.1	11.84	10.2	36.1	13.38	3.7	40.0
8	13.42	4.2	40.0	10.90	6.2	39.8	14.04	4.4	40.0
9	15.91	7.5	39.2	—	—	—	14.44	2.0	39.0
11	15.03	5.4	42.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Social workers	13.36	2.0	39.5	14.14	8.9	38.3	13.22	2.0	39.8
5	11.19	3.2	39.7	—	—	—	11.16	3.6	40.0
6	12.46	2.8	39.6	—	—	—	12.38	3.1	39.6
7	13.12	3.4	39.1	11.95	12.4	35.4	13.38	3.7	40.0
8	13.55	4.3	40.0	—	—	—	14.04	4.4	40.0
9	16.18	8.6	39.1	—	—	—	14.75	1.9	39.0
Recreation workers	10.95	8.5	39.1	12.03	14.3	38.1	—	—	—
Lawyers and judges	38.46	14.2	35.3	44.71	11.2	37.4	31.66	7.4	33.4
11	39.10	8.3	33.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	38.02	13.7	38.1	—	—	—	38.02	13.7	38.1
Lawyers	38.03	15.3	35.3	44.71	11.2	37.4	29.50	4.3	32.9
11	39.10	8.3	33.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Judges	44.14	9.2	36.6	—	—	—	44.14	9.2	36.6
Not able to be leveled	44.19	9.7	36.5	—	—	—	44.19	9.7	36.5
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	21.67	12.2	36.1	21.87	13.1	36.2	19.29	7.3	35.4
5	12.77	8.0	40.2	12.77	8.0	40.2	—	—	—
7	16.40	9.3	37.6	16.24	10.6	39.1	—	—	—
8	22.07	4.8	39.7	22.62	4.6	39.6	—	—	—
10	28.32	9.3	40.1	28.32	9.3	40.1	—	—	—
11	34.01	8.4	40.8	34.01	8.4	40.8	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	25.22	27.1	29.8	26.08	30.5	29.0	20.74	9.9	35.3
Technical writers	25.01	4.1	38.6	25.01	4.1	38.6	—	—	—
Designers	17.47	10.8	40.0	17.45	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Actors and directors	22.35	30.9	40.8	22.35	30.9	40.8	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	22.35	30.9	40.8	22.35	30.9	40.8	—	—	—
Photographers	10.52	11.3	40.0	10.52	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
Artists, performers, and related workers, n.e.c.	9.96	18.8	27.8	9.47	17.4	28.7	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	9.96	18.8	27.8	9.47	17.4	28.7	—	—	—
Editors and reporters	18.40	6.4	39.5	18.62	8.3	39.9	—	—	—
7	13.18	8.0	40.0	13.18	8.0	40.0	—	—	—
8	19.39	5.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public relations specialists	26.53	13.1	40.0	27.93	14.4	40.0	—	—	—
Athletes	22.96	19.0	19.6	19.26	20.3	17.4	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	22.96	19.0	19.6	19.26	20.3	17.4	—	—	—
Professional, n.e.c.	22.53	14.7	39.2	23.34	17.6	40.1	17.99	4.6	35.1
8	26.25	12.9	38.0	26.25	12.9	38.0	—	—	—
9	24.34	9.5	42.1	24.34	9.5	42.1	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	22.21	7.8	37.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Technical	16.70	3.3	38.1	17.36	3.6	38.0	12.82	2.2	39.1
2	8.84	3.5	37.2	8.76	3.9	36.6	—	—	—
3	9.00	9.5	36.5	9.10	10.3	36.6	7.68	.8	35.8
4	12.52	3.8	39.7	12.79	3.7	39.7	10.76	5.5	39.5
5	14.31	2.8	36.3	15.05	2.9	35.4	11.76	3.1	40.0
6	16.36	5.6	38.4	16.87	5.8	38.5	13.31	3.3	37.6
7	18.96	7.3	39.3	19.18	7.5	39.3	15.21	4.7	40.1
8	19.45	2.8	39.3	20.69	2.7	39.4	16.61	5.8	39.1

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Professional specialty and technical—Continued									
Technical—Continued									
9	\$22.97	6.3	38.4	\$23.76	5.8	38.2	\$16.64	8.9	39.8
10	38.92	24.2	37.2	39.11	24.3	37.2	—	—	—
11	88.80	22.3	25.4	88.80	22.3	25.4	—	—	—
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	14.24	2.8	38.5	14.41	2.7	38.3	13.19	5.7	40.0
2	8.11	6.4	37.6	8.11	6.4	37.6	—	—	—
3	8.35	5.1	38.0	8.57	4.1	37.7	—	—	—
4	12.03	13.2	39.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	12.69	8.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	16.34	4.1	37.3	16.83	4.5	37.0	—	—	—
8	15.29	4.0	38.5	16.17	1.9	37.6	—	—	—
9	18.49	6.7	36.6	19.90	2.8	35.4	—	—	—
Health record technologists and technicians	8.80	3.6	39.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Radiological technicians	15.34	4.9	38.9	15.71	6.9	38.1	14.88	6.5	39.8
5	13.12	5.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	14.47	4.5	35.8	14.68	7.8	32.7	14.26	4.8	39.7
7	16.84	4.3	39.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	18.66	14.4	41.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	12.95	2.7	38.0	13.15	2.4	38.0	12.00	4.5	38.4
4	13.03	4.4	39.5	—	—	—	11.91	4.9	39.6
5	12.77	3.6	36.6	13.35	3.4	35.7	10.84	1.8	40.0
6	12.87	2.6	37.0	12.63	2.5	37.8	13.54	3.4	35.1
7	14.24	3.5	37.6	14.24	3.5	37.6	—	—	—
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	12.99	3.6	36.8	14.00	4.2	35.3	10.78	4.6	40.5
2	9.17	7.5	33.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	9.31	5.1	29.1	9.76	7.1	27.0	—	—	—
4	10.11	4.5	39.5	11.08	5.0	38.5	9.00	1.7	40.8
5	13.75	3.0	36.3	14.15	3.7	35.0	—	—	—
6	13.85	6.2	36.7	14.89	3.9	34.9	11.89	8.9	40.8
Electrical and electronic technicians	17.43	4.9	39.8	17.47	5.0	40.0	15.44	13.3	32.5
5	15.82	3.9	39.8	15.87	4.0	39.8	—	—	—
6	19.16	5.6	40.0	19.18	5.6	40.0	—	—	—
7	19.29	6.3	40.3	19.33	6.4	40.3	—	—	—
8	21.17	4.0	40.2	21.41	4.0	40.2	—	—	—
9	23.25	4.2	40.0	23.14	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanical engineering technicians	18.06	14.2	38.0	18.06	14.2	38.0	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	18.09	9.5	40.0	19.10	9.4	40.0	14.18	9.6	40.0
5	13.00	7.3	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	19.75	12.4	40.0	20.06	12.5	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.53	10.3	40.0	24.26	7.7	40.0	—	—	—
8	21.58	2.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drafters	20.30	5.7	39.9	20.47	5.7	39.9	—	—	—
5	15.60	8.8	40.0	15.60	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
6	15.89	4.5	40.0	15.89	4.5	40.0	—	—	—
7	19.53	9.2	40.0	19.53	9.2	40.0	—	—	—
8	21.00	5.6	40.0	21.39	6.3	40.0	—	—	—
9	26.33	7.2	40.0	26.33	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
Chemical technicians	20.16	11.3	40.1	20.20	11.6	40.1	—	—	—
Science technicians, n.e.c.	13.71	13.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Airplane pilots and navigators	59.34	24.5	28.9	59.34	24.5	28.9	—	—	—
9	27.63	28.4	34.0	27.63	28.4	34.0	—	—	—
11	119.06	17.7	22.0	119.06	17.7	22.0	—	—	—
Broadcast equipment operators	9.43	22.8	39.3	9.25	24.0	39.3	—	—	—
Computer programmers	17.84	10.7	40.1	17.79	10.9	40.1	—	—	—
6	14.79	7.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	24.14	4.6	39.4	24.17	4.6	39.5	—	—	—
Legal assistants	16.92	4.9	40.1	17.01	5.2	40.1	—	—	—
8	19.48	3.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	16.66	5.3	39.8	17.85	5.9	40.3	13.94	8.3	38.8

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Professional specialty and technical —Continued									
Technical—Continued									
Technical and related, n.e.c.—Continued									
4	\$10.30	11.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	15.92	10.4	39.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	16.37	6.7	37.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	25.95	2.9	40.7	\$26.35	3.3	41.0	\$24.23	3.7	39.3
5	14.34	4.9	39.4	15.35	4.6	39.5	11.65	6.2	39.3
6	14.39	3.1	40.0	14.28	3.6	40.1	15.01	6.4	39.4
7	17.99	3.2	41.1	18.09	3.2	41.3	17.42	6.2	40.0
8	19.62	3.9	40.5	20.03	5.3	40.7	18.05	6.4	39.8
9	23.30	2.9	40.8	23.54	3.1	41.4	21.92	4.4	37.7
10	26.83	6.3	40.4	27.64	3.5	40.6	24.14	18.7	39.8
11	31.36	2.5	41.5	32.12	3.0	42.1	28.55	3.4	39.5
12	40.46	5.6	40.2	42.54	6.0	40.4	32.54	6.5	39.6
13	55.41	11.4	40.8	60.91	12.9	41.3	39.94	4.2	39.4
14	60.61	6.7	42.0	61.65	4.8	41.8	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	32.36	6.4	39.9	33.88	11.4	42.0	30.19	7.1	37.2
Executives, administrators, and managers	29.42	4.1	40.9	29.81	4.8	41.3	27.83	3.5	39.3
5	12.18	5.4	39.0	11.51	4.3	38.9	—	—	—
6	13.74	5.1	40.1	13.68	6.1	40.1	14.06	17.1	40.1
7	17.23	4.8	42.3	16.99	5.0	42.6	19.22	11.5	40.0
8	19.30	6.3	40.2	19.01	7.5	40.2	20.75	9.9	40.0
9	24.14	3.6	40.7	24.27	3.9	41.6	23.47	5.1	36.8
10	26.46	8.7	40.1	27.40	4.6	40.1	24.23	21.7	39.9
11	31.73	2.9	41.6	32.48	3.5	42.2	28.92	3.7	39.4
12	40.67	6.1	40.2	43.07	6.5	40.4	32.38	6.6	39.6
13	55.60	11.5	40.8	61.30	13.1	41.3	39.94	4.2	39.4
14	60.93	6.8	42.0	62.07	4.9	41.8	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	32.90	8.9	41.5	34.26	13.4	43.2	31.16	9.3	39.4
Legislators	3.98	23.7	37.1	—	—	—	3.98	23.7	37.1
Not able to be leveled	3.98	23.7	37.1	—	—	—	3.98	23.7	37.1
Administrators and officials, public administration	26.15	8.3	38.1	—	—	—	26.19	8.5	38.1
7	20.99	8.4	40.0	—	—	—	20.94	9.3	40.0
8	19.67	24.5	40.0	—	—	—	18.90	28.1	40.0
9	33.43	14.1	21.2	—	—	—	33.43	14.1	21.2
10	18.95	13.6	39.7	—	—	—	18.95	13.6	39.7
11	27.29	7.6	42.9	—	—	—	27.29	7.6	42.9
12	30.15	2.9	40.3	—	—	—	30.06	2.9	40.3
Financial managers	26.65	9.3	40.5	26.38	9.8	40.6	31.90	5.7	40.0
9	23.99	11.6	39.8	23.95	12.0	39.8	—	—	—
10	24.70	6.8	40.1	24.70	6.8	40.1	—	—	—
11	33.28	8.1	41.5	33.47	8.2	41.5	—	—	—
12	40.34	5.7	40.3	42.73	6.3	40.4	—	—	—
Personnel and labor relations managers	33.18	8.5	39.1	29.70	11.1	40.0	36.24	5.6	38.3
12	39.91	5.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	30.53	7.8	40.4	30.53	7.8	40.4	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	29.83	21.3	40.4	29.81	21.3	40.4	—	—	—
9	30.09	15.0	41.8	30.09	15.0	41.8	—	—	—
11	30.06	9.9	40.0	30.06	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
12	42.43	4.9	40.1	42.65	5.0	40.1	—	—	—
13	63.93	17.4	40.0	63.93	17.4	40.0	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	30.93	5.7	39.6	20.93	7.4	39.6	31.80	6.2	39.6
7	19.12	13.2	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	25.56	5.9	39.7	—	—	—	25.84	6.3	39.6
10	31.22	9.4	40.0	27.09	15.8	40.0	31.66	9.7	40.0
11	29.60	4.8	38.6	—	—	—	29.69	4.9	38.6
12	32.83	10.9	39.6	—	—	—	32.78	11.1	39.7

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Executive, administrative, and managerial—Continued									
Executives, administrators, and managers—Continued									
Managers, medicine and health	\$26.30	6.8	39.8	\$27.83	8.6	39.7	\$22.86	3.2	40.0
9	22.46	3.3	40.0	23.95	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
10	26.15	8.3	40.2	26.97	9.9	40.2	—	—	—
11	29.58	6.4	39.7	29.58	6.4	39.7	—	—	—
12	44.32	6.1	40.2	44.63	6.3	40.2	—	—	—
13	39.91	8.8	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	17.54	23.7	42.8	18.39	26.9	43.9	—	—	—
6	16.59	19.7	41.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers, properties and real estate	29.72	13.0	40.0	30.20	13.3	40.6	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	20.96	12.8	39.7	21.25	16.3	39.6	19.81	13.6	40.0
8	14.85	4.9	38.8	14.77	5.1	38.8	—	—	—
9	21.18	10.3	39.9	22.14	10.5	39.8	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	31.40	5.7	41.9	31.76	5.8	41.9	22.49	7.4	41.3
6	13.88	6.8	40.0	13.80	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
7	18.43	6.3	44.2	18.11	6.4	44.4	—	—	—
8	20.13	3.2	40.0	20.08	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
9	24.14	5.1	42.2	24.42	4.7	42.1	19.74	6.6	44.2
10	28.18	8.9	40.2	28.23	9.1	40.2	—	—	—
11	32.41	3.4	42.9	32.48	3.4	42.9	—	—	—
12	42.46	9.5	40.5	42.65	9.5	40.5	—	—	—
13	63.11	17.7	41.7	63.22	17.8	41.7	—	—	—
14	63.04	5.5	42.0	63.04	5.5	42.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	34.20	16.3	44.0	34.09	16.4	44.1	—	—	—
Management related	19.99	2.9	40.3	20.59	3.6	40.5	17.07	3.4	39.3
5	15.15	5.6	39.6	16.85	3.1	39.7	10.80	4.3	39.4
6	14.73	4.3	40.0	14.60	4.9	40.1	15.42	4.1	39.2
7	18.80	3.0	39.9	19.39	3.2	39.9	16.29	5.7	40.0
8	19.94	4.3	40.8	21.09	4.9	41.1	16.33	2.0	39.7
9	21.94	3.9	41.0	22.40	4.6	41.2	18.77	3.9	39.9
10	27.60	4.5	41.1	28.02	4.5	41.3	—	—	—
11	29.24	4.0	41.1	30.01	4.2	41.5	—	—	—
12	38.41	4.7	40.3	38.27	4.9	40.4	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	29.12	16.9	32.5	32.15	18.8	37.4	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	20.32	3.0	40.5	21.05	3.2	40.7	16.36	3.2	39.6
5	17.30	12.1	39.5	19.62	17.4	41.5	—	—	—
6	17.41	4.5	39.9	17.50	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
7	19.01	3.1	40.1	19.11	3.0	40.1	—	—	—
8	17.86	6.4	39.9	20.85	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
9	19.91	4.9	41.2	20.02	5.0	41.3	—	—	—
10	26.79	4.4	39.9	27.72	3.4	39.8	—	—	—
11	26.72	4.0	41.9	27.04	4.8	42.1	—	—	—
Underwriters	21.66	11.7	40.1	21.66	11.7	40.1	—	—	—
Other financial officers	20.00	8.8	41.6	20.76	9.7	41.9	—	—	—
6	12.69	4.1	40.0	12.69	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
7	16.98	4.5	39.8	16.79	7.0	39.7	—	—	—
8	23.81	9.8	43.0	24.55	10.4	43.3	—	—	—
11	32.01	6.9	43.0	32.01	6.9	43.0	—	—	—
Management analysts	25.28	7.0	40.2	25.74	7.4	40.2	—	—	—
7	17.57	12.7	39.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	24.04	12.0	39.5	24.04	12.0	39.5	—	—	—
9	27.95	7.0	39.9	28.52	6.9	39.9	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	18.36	11.2	39.9	18.93	14.9	40.2	16.09	6.5	39.0
5	12.83	4.3	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	17.02	11.3	40.7	18.91	15.5	41.2	14.19	4.4	40.0
8	20.97	8.1	40.3	21.86	8.5	40.4	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Executive, administrative, and managerial—Continued									
Management related—Continued									
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists—Continued									
9	\$24.55	8.9	40.3	\$24.59	10.4	40.3	—	—	—
11	33.17	7.2	39.5	33.17	7.2	39.5	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products									
9	25.47	15.0	41.0	25.47	15.0	41.0	—	—	—
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.									
7	20.15	7.8	40.6	20.43	8.3	40.6	—	—	—
9	14.50	9.1	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	21.70	5.0	40.6	21.55	4.8	40.6	—	—	—
Construction inspectors									
9	18.83	2.5	40.0	—	—	—	\$19.05	5.7	40.0
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction									
9	20.66	7.0	40.0	23.00	6.2	40.1	17.68	6.3	39.9
9	21.17	7.7	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Management related, n.e.c.									
5	19.10	7.1	39.6	19.23	8.6	39.9	18.55	7.3	38.5
6	13.31	9.7	39.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	16.22	4.0	39.7	—	—	—	15.03	7.5	38.5
8	19.37	5.2	39.5	19.87	5.4	39.4	17.52	4.2	40.0
9	19.68	5.4	40.0	19.88	6.1	40.3	17.70	11.5	37.9
10	24.44	7.3	40.1	25.71	4.8	40.2	—	—	—
11	28.47	8.7	39.9	28.52	9.0	39.9	—	—	—
11	28.30	6.8	41.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales									
1	11.61	5.9	32.9	11.63	6.0	32.9	8.11	11.1	32.2
2	6.35	3.2	26.1	6.35	3.2	26.1	—	—	—
3	6.17	3.2	28.6	6.16	3.2	28.6	—	—	—
4	8.20	5.6	32.4	8.20	5.6	32.3	—	—	—
5	10.59	10.5	36.8	10.59	10.6	36.8	—	—	—
6	13.48	9.9	37.2	13.48	9.9	37.2	—	—	—
7	19.70	7.8	41.5	19.70	7.8	41.5	—	—	—
8	19.70	5.3	40.8	19.70	5.3	40.8	—	—	—
9	26.80	10.9	41.4	26.80	11.0	41.4	—	—	—
10	30.40	14.8	42.3	30.40	14.8	42.3	—	—	—
11	35.59	12.0	44.2	35.59	12.0	44.2	—	—	—
12	33.98	8.9	40.0	33.98	8.9	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, sales									
4	15.22	11.5	41.0	15.22	11.5	41.1	—	—	—
5	9.38	10.9	40.6	9.38	10.9	40.6	—	—	—
6	11.21	7.6	41.4	11.21	7.6	41.4	—	—	—
7	14.39	12.0	42.9	14.39	12.0	42.9	—	—	—
8	16.03	4.9	41.2	16.03	5.3	41.3	—	—	—
9	18.35	3.9	40.4	18.35	3.9	40.4	—	—	—
11	24.30	22.0	41.5	24.30	22.0	41.5	—	—	—
11	43.03	6.9	40.6	43.03	6.9	40.6	—	—	—
Securities and financial services sales									
6	15.47	9.3	39.5	15.47	9.3	39.5	—	—	—
6	12.99	6.0	40.0	12.99	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Advertising and related sales									
6	20.28	16.5	39.8	20.28	16.5	39.8	—	—	—
Sales, other business services									
3	16.21	11.2	37.9	16.21	11.2	37.9	—	—	—
4	9.41	13.9	34.2	9.41	13.9	34.2	—	—	—
6	18.73	23.6	40.6	18.73	23.6	40.6	—	—	—
7	18.20	18.2	40.3	18.20	18.2	40.3	—	—	—
8	21.94	9.0	39.8	21.94	9.0	39.8	—	—	—
8	17.87	8.0	42.7	17.87	8.0	42.7	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale									
4	22.74	9.1	41.6	22.74	9.1	41.6	—	—	—
7	11.40	10.4	42.3	11.40	10.4	42.3	—	—	—
8	24.82	25.7	40.0	24.82	25.7	40.0	—	—	—
9	25.19	19.2	42.6	25.19	19.2	42.6	—	—	—
9	24.08	9.9	44.1	24.08	9.9	44.1	—	—	—
Sales workers, motor vehicles and boats									
8	23.72	14.3	45.6	23.72	14.3	45.6	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Sales—Continued									
Sales workers, motor vehicles and boats—Continued									
3	\$15.25	12.3	44.8	\$15.25	12.3	44.8	—	—	—
4	28.95	29.4	46.4	28.95	29.4	46.4	—	—	—
5	24.91	21.0	46.7	24.91	21.0	46.7	—	—	—
6	29.72	10.8	45.2	29.72	10.8	45.2	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel									
3	7.50	5.1	28.9	7.50	5.1	28.9	—	—	—
4	7.61	9.5	27.4	7.61	9.5	27.4	—	—	—
4	9.49	5.2	37.9	9.49	5.2	37.9	—	—	—
Sales workers, shoes									
3	8.54	10.1	26.5	8.54	10.1	26.5	—	—	—
3	8.70	13.5	27.5	8.70	13.5	27.5	—	—	—
3	10.84	23.6	32.7	10.84	23.6	32.7	—	—	—
3	15.00	27.4	39.2	15.00	27.4	39.2	—	—	—
3	9.36	5.3	33.4	9.36	5.3	33.4	—	—	—
3	8.70	17.1	35.1	8.70	17.1	35.1	—	—	—
4	12.96	13.2	41.6	12.96	13.2	41.6	—	—	—
3	8.73	5.9	30.4	8.73	5.9	30.4	—	—	—
1	6.40	6.7	22.2	6.40	6.7	22.2	—	—	—
2	7.27	6.2	23.4	7.27	6.2	23.4	—	—	—
3	7.55	5.8	34.2	7.55	5.8	34.2	—	—	—
Sales counter clerks									
1	7.16	10.6	31.8	7.16	10.6	31.8	—	—	—
1	6.11	3.6	22.4	6.11	3.6	22.4	—	—	—
Cashiers									
1	6.59	2.8	28.5	6.57	2.8	28.5	\$7.35	5.5	31.5
2	6.32	3.6	26.8	6.31	3.6	26.8	—	—	—
2	6.14	5.3	29.7	6.10	5.2	29.6	—	—	—
3	7.52	5.4	33.0	7.52	5.6	32.9	—	—	—
4	9.97	3.0	35.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Demonstrators, promoters, and models, sales ..									
3	10.42	14.8	26.3	10.42	14.8	26.3	—	—	—
Sales support, n.e.c.									
3	10.28	8.9	37.9	10.28	8.9	37.9	—	—	—
3	7.68	6.0	32.1	7.68	6.0	32.1	—	—	—
Administrative support, including clerical									
1	11.59	4.8	37.7	11.87	5.4	37.5	10.27	2.4	38.4
1	7.17	4.0	26.0	7.11	4.6	25.6	7.44	5.6	28.3
2	8.15	1.9	36.6	8.14	1.9	36.2	8.21	3.0	38.4
3	9.03	2.5	37.8	8.97	3.2	37.5	9.25	1.4	39.0
4	11.25	2.0	38.7	11.32	2.3	38.8	10.96	2.1	38.3
5	15.07	6.1	38.3	15.48	5.2	38.2	11.47	2.2	38.9
6	14.80	2.2	39.6	15.47	2.6	39.8	12.98	3.7	39.0
7	17.33	5.0	39.1	17.93	4.7	39.0	13.70	3.3	39.6
8	20.44	9.1	39.9	20.60	9.6	39.9	—	—	—
8	13.02	7.8	39.2	13.17	8.1	39.2	—	—	—
Supervisors, general office									
5	14.99	6.0	39.9	15.27	7.0	40.0	14.02	2.9	39.6
5	12.87	9.3	39.1	12.90	10.1	39.5	—	—	—
6	14.64	5.9	39.9	—	—	—	13.75	6.2	39.8
7	14.80	7.6	41.0	15.04	13.8	42.0	14.51	1.1	39.9
Supervisors, financial records processing									
Supervisors, distribution, scheduling, and adjusting clerks									
7	20.37	13.3	40.0	20.33	15.4	40.0	—	—	—
Computer operators									
4	13.27	4.2	39.9	13.70	4.2	39.9	—	—	—
4	12.51	4.1	39.7	12.51	4.1	39.7	—	—	—
5	12.98	6.1	40.0	14.70	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
Peripheral equipment operators									
7	11.26	11.4	40.0	11.31	11.8	40.0	—	—	—
Secretaries									
2	11.86	2.8	38.7	12.31	2.9	38.4	10.69	3.3	39.4
2	8.94	6.3	38.7	9.46	7.5	38.0	8.05	5.0	40.0
3	9.43	2.7	38.5	9.34	2.7	38.2	9.65	5.5	39.1
4	11.81	3.0	38.4	11.88	3.2	38.1	11.60	3.9	39.4
5	13.60	4.0	39.0	14.50	2.6	39.0	10.75	3.7	39.2
6	15.67	7.1	39.7	17.52	3.3	39.7	12.29	9.2	39.6
7	16.36	4.3	38.7	17.21	4.6	38.6	13.87	4.9	39.0

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Administrative support, including clerical—Continued									
Secretaries—Continued									
Not able to be leveled	\$16.00	14.3	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Typists	10.03	3.5	37.7	\$10.22	4.7	37.0	—	—	—
3	9.44	4.0	36.7	9.32	4.8	36.2	—	—	—
4	10.64	7.3	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interviewers	8.79	12.2	28.8	8.73	14.1	26.9	\$9.00	15.5	39.6
3	8.86	5.3	35.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	11.89	4.9	38.8	11.55	5.5	38.5	—	—	—
Hotel clerks	7.17	3.9	37.5	7.12	3.9	37.4	—	—	—
2	6.88	3.2	35.8	6.88	3.2	35.8	—	—	—
3	6.85	3.9	37.8	6.85	3.9	37.8	—	—	—
Transportation ticket and reservation agents	12.20	4.3	38.5	12.20	4.4	38.5	—	—	—
2	9.16	5.4	36.9	9.16	5.4	36.9	—	—	—
3	13.60	4.2	37.0	13.62	4.1	37.0	—	—	—
Receptionists	8.27	3.9	37.8	8.22	3.8	37.7	9.27	5.5	38.7
1	6.98	8.5	28.6	6.98	8.5	28.6	—	—	—
2	7.97	1.4	37.2	7.97	1.4	37.2	8.05	1.2	37.6
3	8.28	7.7	39.5	8.17	7.6	39.5	9.67	7.2	39.1
4	11.04	4.1	40.0	11.04	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
Information clerks, n.e.c.	9.65	4.1	39.3	9.58	3.9	39.4	10.35	5.5	38.3
3	9.45	3.3	37.2	9.26	3.7	37.2	—	—	—
4	10.33	3.1	39.7	10.20	2.6	39.6	—	—	—
Correspondence clerks	14.12	19.7	38.4	15.84	20.7	38.0	—	—	—
Order clerks	11.47	11.9	37.8	11.43	12.2	37.8	—	—	—
2	8.18	3.0	35.7	8.18	3.0	35.7	—	—	—
3	10.97	6.5	38.7	10.97	6.5	38.7	—	—	—
4	11.86	5.1	39.4	11.61	5.9	39.4	—	—	—
5	14.14	5.0	39.6	14.14	5.0	39.6	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	11.20	5.9	34.8	10.98	7.3	39.4	—	—	—
3	9.13	3.5	39.8	9.02	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
4	10.69	6.1	29.6	10.28	9.0	38.2	—	—	—
5	11.70	9.8	39.9	11.70	9.8	39.9	—	—	—
Library clerks	9.20	5.5	33.1	—	—	—	9.20	5.7	32.8
2	7.99	13.2	35.0	—	—	—	7.99	13.2	35.0
3	9.63	2.7	32.9	—	—	—	9.72	2.7	32.3
File clerks	8.70	5.2	36.8	8.69	5.6	36.9	8.75	11.4	36.3
1	6.74	11.0	30.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	7.80	4.7	39.1	7.88	5.8	39.0	—	—	—
3	10.16	3.1	38.6	10.17	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.	10.74	5.9	38.3	11.32	8.4	37.7	9.89	4.4	39.1
1	6.92	16.1	22.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	8.15	3.4	38.4	7.84	5.9	36.7	8.41	4.3	39.9
3	8.76	4.9	39.2	8.81	4.3	38.8	8.65	7.3	39.9
4	11.31	4.6	38.8	11.09	8.2	39.3	11.57	3.0	38.3
5	15.73	6.3	37.7	16.53	5.7	37.2	12.83	3.5	39.6
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	10.60	3.6	38.0	10.56	4.2	37.9	10.83	7.5	39.0
2	8.43	3.6	37.5	8.41	3.6	37.5	—	—	—
3	8.92	3.4	36.2	8.99	3.5	35.3	8.66	5.5	40.0
4	11.63	5.9	39.2	11.88	6.8	39.1	10.63	4.7	39.8
5	13.09	5.0	39.7	13.32	5.2	39.7	—	—	—
6	13.35	6.5	38.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	12.70	9.4	40.0	12.82	10.8	40.0	11.88	3.6	40.0
4	13.06	9.1	40.0	13.21	10.0	40.0	—	—	—
Billing clerks	11.00	5.0	36.8	11.10	5.4	36.5	10.16	3.1	40.2
3	9.92	9.1	40.1	9.82	10.1	40.0	—	—	—
4	10.61	6.0	40.0	10.74	6.6	40.0	—	—	—
5	13.24	10.2	40.0	13.24	10.2	40.0	—	—	—
Cost and rate clerks	12.10	15.6	40.0	12.10	15.6	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Administrative support, including clerical—Continued									
Billing, posting, and calculating machine operators	\$10.02	13.1	35.6	\$10.04	13.7	35.4	—	—	—
Duplicating machine operators	8.88	6.4	32.7	8.76	8.0	32.2	—	—	—
Telephone operators	9.40	5.4	34.9	9.39	5.4	34.9	—	—	—
3	9.80	10.2	38.6	9.80	10.2	38.6	—	—	—
Mail clerks, except postal service	8.51	7.8	39.3	8.53	8.5	39.3	—	—	—
2	8.76	12.7	39.9	8.87	16.0	40.0	—	—	—
3	8.82	2.4	38.0	8.82	2.4	38.0	—	—	—
Messengers	8.22	8.6	22.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dispatchers	11.46	4.8	38.6	13.25	12.4	40.2	\$10.92	4.1	38.1
2	8.27	4.5	36.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	9.14	5.5	36.0	—	—	—	9.14	6.3	35.3
4	13.20	7.1	40.0	—	—	—	12.73	6.7	40.0
5	11.73	5.5	40.0	—	—	—	11.53	6.4	40.0
Production coordinators									
5	14.30	10.9	40.0	14.39	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
6	16.52	5.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	10.93	9.2	39.5	10.91	9.3	39.5	—	—	—
2	8.79	8.5	37.6	8.82	8.5	37.8	—	—	—
3	8.93	5.0	39.5	8.93	5.0	39.5	—	—	—
4	13.20	12.9	39.7	13.18	13.2	39.7	—	—	—
5	12.37	5.1	40.0	12.37	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	9.99	5.5	39.4	9.99	5.1	39.4	10.01	14.0	40.0
2	8.69	3.8	38.5	8.82	3.8	38.3	—	—	—
3	9.60	4.0	39.0	9.15	7.2	38.9	—	—	—
4	9.75	8.2	40.0	9.65	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
5	12.69	4.7	40.0	12.57	4.5	40.0	—	—	—
Meter readers	11.49	10.6	39.8	11.69	12.5	40.2	10.69	13.1	38.5
Expeditors	15.70	11.5	40.0	15.70	11.5	40.0	—	—	—
Material recording, scheduling, and distribution clerks, n.e.c.	11.96	25.9	39.9	11.92	26.1	39.9	—	—	—
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	—	—	—	—	—	—	14.53	17.4	40.0
4	11.45	7.3	39.1	11.45	7.3	39.1	—	—	—
7	18.45	6.4	38.6	18.43	6.6	38.6	—	—	—
8	26.93	3.6	39.1	26.93	3.6	39.1	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	11.88	9.4	38.6	11.87	9.7	38.6	12.33	8.3	40.0
3	8.44	7.7	37.8	8.43	8.0	37.8	—	—	—
4	12.39	5.4	39.9	12.45	5.4	39.8	—	—	—
5	14.80	6.6	39.9	14.78	7.1	39.9	—	—	—
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	9.94	5.5	38.8	9.59	8.6	37.1	10.16	5.0	40.0
4	9.55	6.1	38.3	—	—	—	9.80	7.5	40.0
5	11.61	7.9	38.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bill and account collectors	14.49	4.1	38.4	14.69	4.8	38.3	—	—	—
4	11.58	7.0	40.0	11.64	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
5	18.85	20.3	40.0	19.45	22.2	40.0	—	—	—
General office clerks	9.84	3.0	35.8	9.93	3.9	34.7	9.63	2.0	38.4
1	7.58	9.7	26.7	7.74	10.7	27.7	6.28	6.3	20.7
2	8.28	4.8	29.5	8.00	6.7	27.5	9.15	3.8	38.2
3	8.85	1.9	38.9	8.86	3.2	38.5	8.84	1.7	39.5
4	10.68	3.9	38.1	10.75	4.5	37.8	10.39	4.1	39.2
5	12.92	5.4	38.5	13.90	5.0	37.0	12.01	5.1	40.0
6	12.71	5.7	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	15.01	5.5	39.3	15.50	5.5	39.3	—	—	—
Bank tellers	8.43	5.2	35.4	8.43	5.2	35.4	—	—	—
2	7.42	5.7	36.7	7.42	5.7	36.7	—	—	—
3	8.65	5.3	33.8	8.65	5.3	33.8	—	—	—
Data entry keyers	8.61	2.5	38.7	8.61	3.0	38.7	8.71	5.8	38.3
2	8.50	3.2	38.3	8.55	3.9	38.3	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar —Continued									
Administrative support, including clerical —Continued									
Data entry keyers—Continued									
4	\$9.50	6.6	39.3	\$9.47	7.8	39.8	—	—	—
Statistical clerks	11.05	11.8	39.2	11.25	20.1	38.5	\$10.82	11.0	40.0
3	8.12	2.1	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Teachers' aides	8.72	5.2	37.9	—	—	—	8.73	5.2	37.9
1	7.23	3.2	35.6	—	—	—	7.23	3.2	35.6
2	7.94	8.4	38.1	—	—	—	7.94	8.4	38.1
3	9.38	2.4	38.6	—	—	—	9.38	2.4	38.6
4	10.48	2.4	36.3	—	—	—	10.50	2.4	36.3
Administrative support, n.e.c.	9.93	4.4	36.8	9.91	4.8	36.8	10.11	4.8	36.7
1	7.87	19.5	23.0	6.25	6.8	26.1	—	—	—
2	7.91	3.0	34.9	7.86	2.9	35.5	—	—	—
3	8.39	2.7	36.5	8.26	3.2	35.9	9.20	5.0	39.9
4	9.83	6.0	37.8	9.85	6.5	37.8	9.63	8.2	37.8
5	13.30	4.9	38.3	13.37	4.9	38.3	—	—	—
6	14.29	3.6	39.0	14.35	4.5	38.7	14.11	7.7	39.7
7	20.27	8.4	37.3	20.27	8.4	37.3	—	—	—
Blue collar	11.98	3.0	38.7	12.01	3.2	38.7	11.58	3.1	38.4
1	6.91	2.3	35.9	6.89	2.4	35.9	7.41	3.9	36.4
2	8.19	3.9	37.4	8.17	4.1	37.5	8.75	5.6	37.0
3	9.92	3.6	39.1	9.88	3.7	39.3	10.56	5.2	36.7
4	11.47	2.9	40.3	11.54	3.1	40.5	10.31	3.4	37.5
5	13.72	3.6	39.6	13.88	3.7	39.6	11.69	4.9	39.7
6	15.30	2.8	40.1	15.67	2.7	40.1	12.79	6.0	40.0
7	19.18	2.6	40.0	19.61	2.4	40.1	14.57	4.8	39.8
8	22.38	2.2	41.0	22.76	2.0	41.1	—	—	—
9	25.83	8.3	41.2	25.96	8.7	41.2	23.89	6.3	40.0
Not able to be leveled	13.92	12.3	38.8	13.92	12.3	38.8	—	—	—
Precision production, craft, and repair	15.23	2.7	39.6	15.34	2.9	39.6	13.71	3.7	39.8
1	7.50	3.3	39.4	7.49	3.3	39.4	—	—	—
2	8.64	2.0	37.4	8.63	2.0	37.4	—	—	—
3	9.34	1.9	39.3	9.32	1.9	39.3	10.07	4.6	39.1
4	10.89	2.7	39.7	10.93	2.9	39.6	10.10	5.3	40.0
5	13.93	5.4	39.1	14.03	5.7	39.1	12.38	5.9	39.5
6	15.83	3.2	40.1	16.10	3.4	40.1	13.56	5.2	40.0
7	19.45	2.4	40.0	19.89	2.1	40.0	14.70	5.3	39.9
8	21.77	4.7	40.4	22.20	5.6	40.4	—	—	—
9	23.05	4.6	41.3	22.98	4.9	41.4	23.89	6.3	40.0
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	22.55	4.3	40.9	23.29	5.3	41.0	15.74	9.9	39.6
7	20.84	6.9	40.2	22.15	8.0	40.4	—	—	—
8	24.46	5.0	40.6	24.46	5.0	40.6	—	—	—
9	26.45	6.9	41.6	26.56	6.9	41.6	—	—	—
Automobile mechanics	14.59	6.3	40.0	14.78	7.4	40.0	11.42	6.9	40.0
5	13.92	4.0	42.1	14.01	4.3	42.3	—	—	—
7	16.78	5.8	40.7	17.99	4.6	40.9	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	15.84	11.8	40.1	15.87	12.1	40.1	14.70	8.3	40.0
5	12.45	7.8	40.0	12.48	7.9	40.0	—	—	—
6	15.61	3.6	41.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aircraft engine mechanics	20.39	13.4	40.0	20.39	13.7	40.0	—	—	—
7	22.75	13.5	40.0	22.75	13.5	40.0	—	—	—
Automobile body and related repairers									
5	14.49	8.8	42.6	14.49	8.8	42.6	—	—	—
Aircraft mechanics, except engine	20.16	7.6	40.4	20.16	7.6	40.4	—	—	—
5	14.15	6.9	40.0	14.15	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics	16.27	9.9	40.0	16.17	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
5	12.16	13.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	18.38	10.5	40.0	18.24	11.6	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Precision production, craft, and repair—Continued									
Industrial machinery repairers	\$16.52	8.6	40.0	\$16.57	8.8	40.0	\$13.96	6.0	40.0
4	12.38	4.8	40.0	12.38	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
5	12.25	5.4	40.0	12.09	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
6	16.59	9.3	40.0	16.75	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	19.58	4.9	40.0	19.58	4.9	40.0	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance	11.65	10.2	40.0	11.64	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	16.85	10.4	38.4	16.97	10.1	38.6	—	—	—
7	21.13	2.8	40.0	21.13	2.8	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone line installers and repairers	16.27	8.1	40.0	16.66	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
6	14.92	.0	40.0	14.92	.0	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone installers and repairers	18.54	7.3	40.0	18.54	7.3	40.0	—	—	—
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	13.85	5.2	40.0	13.76	5.5	40.0	14.73	5.4	40.0
5	11.76	8.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	14.39	7.9	40.0	14.34	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Office machine repairers	16.46	10.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.35	3.8	39.1	14.80	4.2	39.0	11.88	7.3	39.8
3	9.71	3.9	38.9	9.64	5.7	38.3	—	—	—
4	10.61	8.3	32.9	11.10	10.5	30.3	—	—	—
5	13.45	6.7	39.9	14.11	4.9	39.9	—	—	—
6	16.57	6.7	40.0	17.17	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.11	2.1	39.8	20.95	1.3	39.9	—	—	—
Supervisors, carpenters and related workers	13.60	9.2	41.0	13.27	9.5	41.1	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	19.29	5.2	40.0	19.99	4.9	40.0	17.03	8.6	39.9
7	19.64	6.1	40.0	20.61	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	16.32	9.8	40.0	—	—	—	16.20	12.1	40.0
7	17.51	10.3	40.0	—	—	—	17.65	13.0	40.0
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	18.46	15.0	40.4	21.18	14.1	40.6	12.91	7.3	40.0
6	14.25	14.4	40.2	—	—	—	11.41	2.9	40.0
7	20.28	21.0	40.2	23.40	16.3	40.2	13.11	13.0	40.0
Carpenters	11.38	10.2	39.7	11.30	10.4	39.7	—	—	—
5	12.48	5.2	40.0	12.50	5.5	40.0	—	—	—
6	13.00	6.6	37.7	13.00	6.6	37.7	—	—	—
7	15.27	9.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electricians	17.62	13.0	40.0	17.86	13.7	40.0	13.94	6.9	40.0
6	15.57	13.1	40.0	15.56	13.4	40.0	—	—	—
7	19.83	14.4	40.0	20.30	13.9	40.0	—	—	—
Electrician apprentices	10.07	5.2	40.0	10.06	5.2	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	17.72	13.3	40.0	17.66	14.1	40.0	—	—	—
Painters, construction and maintenance	10.40	3.9	38.1	10.25	3.6	37.9	—	—	—
4	10.48	3.2	37.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	11.25	5.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	14.34	8.4	40.0	14.33	9.0	40.0	14.43	10.1	40.0
5	13.08	6.7	40.0	13.08	6.7	40.0	—	—	—
6	13.67	7.7	40.0	13.90	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
7	16.60	3.4	40.0	16.55	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
Plumber, pipefitter, and steamfitter apprentices	9.20	5.2	40.0	9.17	5.3	40.0	—	—	—
Insulation workers	11.38	8.3	33.5	11.38	8.3	33.5	—	—	—
Structural metal workers	14.91	6.4	40.0	14.91	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	12.30	5.1	40.0	12.28	6.0	40.0	12.39	8.2	40.0
3	9.42	4.6	40.0	9.35	4.9	40.0	—	—	—
7	16.79	3.5	40.0	17.06	4.4	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, extractive	18.00	25.6	41.1	18.00	25.6	41.1	—	—	—
Drillers, oil well	14.53	33.7	40.2	14.53	33.7	40.2	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	20.33	6.5	40.1	20.56	6.8	40.1	16.21	19.2	40.0
5	12.45	6.0	40.0	12.45	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
6	13.35	11.1	41.1	—	—	—	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Precision production, craft, and repair—Continued									
Supervisors, production—Continued									
7	\$19.79	8.4	39.9	\$20.04	8.7	39.9	—	—	—
8	25.88	4.6	40.5	25.88	4.6	40.5	—	—	—
9	22.73	6.8	40.7	22.09	6.6	40.8	—	—	—
Precision assemblers, metal	16.21	5.1	40.0	16.21	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Machinists									
5	13.76	7.8	40.0	13.76	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
6	17.72	5.1	40.0	17.72	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
7	16.53	7.4	39.7	16.53	7.4	39.7	—	—	—
Boilermakers	16.28	10.9	40.0	16.28	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	15.69	2.9	40.0	15.69	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
Cabinet makers and bench carpenters	9.98	9.4	40.0	9.98	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	9.49	4.8	40.0	9.49	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
1	8.34	5.0	40.0	8.34	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
2	8.95	2.3	40.0	8.95	2.3	40.0	—	—	—
4	8.09	12.7	40.0	8.09	12.7	40.0	—	—	—
5	13.22	7.3	40.0	13.22	7.3	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	18.27	13.0	39.2	18.27	13.0	39.2	—	—	—
Butchers and meat cutters									
4	9.95	8.8	40.9	9.95	8.8	40.9	—	—	—
5	11.23	6.2	37.7	11.23	6.2	37.7	—	—	—
6	14.11	1.6	40.0	14.11	1.6	40.0	—	—	—
Food batchmakers	8.77	7.9	34.1	8.77	7.9	34.1	—	—	—
Inspectors, testers, and graders	16.49	3.1	41.4	16.19	3.1	41.8	—	—	—
4	17.44	10.9	44.6	17.44	10.9	44.6	—	—	—
5	15.27	10.2	43.1	14.44	9.2	44.1	—	—	—
6	16.15	3.8	40.0	15.60	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
7	18.77	17.1	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	12.34	9.7	39.5	—	—	—	\$12.34	9.7	39.5
3	9.52	8.7	36.5	—	—	—	9.52	8.7	36.5
5	11.74	1.8	40.0	—	—	—	11.74	1.8	40.0
6	14.55	6.2	40.0	—	—	—	14.55	6.2	40.0
Power plant operators	20.50	3.1	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stationary engineers	14.15	4.7	40.0	14.80	2.4	40.0	11.07	13.6	40.0
5	13.56	8.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.									
4	21.59	2.3	39.9	21.61	2.4	39.9	—	—	—
5	19.74	6.9	39.6	19.74	6.9	39.6	—	—	—
6	19.41	3.0	39.4	19.41	3.0	39.4	—	—	—
7	21.12	4.0	39.8	21.12	4.0	39.8	—	—	—
7	22.52	2.1	39.9	22.52	2.1	39.9	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors									
1	9.75	5.4	39.1	9.75	5.5	39.1	10.10	13.1	39.4
2	6.42	1.6	37.8	6.41	1.6	37.8	—	—	—
3	7.76	5.3	38.7	7.76	5.3	38.7	—	—	—
4	10.73	9.7	39.8	10.73	9.7	39.8	—	—	—
5	11.47	4.1	40.0	11.48	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
6	12.88	2.9	39.9	12.88	2.9	39.9	—	—	—
7	13.83	3.6	40.0	13.88	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
7	17.52	9.9	39.9	17.74	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
Lathe and turning machine operators	11.46	9.0	40.0	11.46	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	10.31	7.0	40.0	10.31	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Numerical control machine operators	14.12	5.5	40.0	14.12	5.5	40.0	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	12.47	8.4	40.0	12.47	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
3	10.00	7.8	40.0	10.00	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	12.26	12.7	39.6	12.26	12.7	39.6	—	—	—
Printing press operators	11.66	5.8	39.4	11.51	7.1	39.8	—	—	—
5	12.79	6.4	39.9	12.79	6.4	39.9	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	7.65	3.7	40.0	7.65	3.7	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors—Continued									
Textile sewing machine operators—Continued									
1	\$6.79	3.2	40.0	\$6.79	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
2	8.49	2.4	39.9	8.49	2.4	39.9	—	—	—
3	6.65	4.6	40.0	6.65	4.6	40.0	—	—	—
Pressing machine operators	6.33	7.3	34.6	6.33	7.3	34.6	—	—	—
1	6.16	6.1	34.2	6.16	6.1	34.2	—	—	—
Laundering and dry cleaning machine operators	6.51	3.8	39.9	6.47	3.8	39.9	—	—	—
1	6.09	3.7	39.9	6.04	3.5	39.9	—	—	—
Packaging and filling machine operators	8.35	9.2	40.0	8.35	9.2	40.0	—	—	—
3	10.19	3.7	40.0	10.19	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Mixing and blending machine operators	10.99	19.8	40.0	10.99	19.8	40.0	—	—	—
Painting and paint spraying machine operators	12.22	10.4	40.0	12.07	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
4	11.09	3.5	40.0	11.09	3.5	40.0	—	—	—
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	9.21	21.9	40.0	9.21	21.9	40.0	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	10.33	12.1	40.0	10.33	12.1	40.0	—	—	—
Photographic process machine operators	9.81	17.1	28.4	9.81	17.1	28.4	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	10.57	5.2	39.8	10.59	5.3	39.8	—	—	—
1	6.44	7.2	38.9	6.44	7.2	38.9	—	—	—
2	9.15	8.2	39.8	9.19	8.7	39.8	—	—	—
3	9.65	5.3	39.7	9.65	5.3	39.7	—	—	—
4	11.31	3.8	40.0	11.34	3.9	40.0	—	—	—
5	12.86	2.9	40.0	12.86	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	12.65	3.8	40.0	12.67	3.9	40.0	—	—	—
3	10.69	8.4	40.0	10.69	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
4	9.93	5.6	40.0	9.93	5.6	40.0	—	—	—
5	12.35	3.8	40.0	12.35	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
6	12.66	4.1	40.0	12.73	4.6	40.0	—	—	—
7	14.29	5.4	40.0	14.29	5.4	40.0	—	—	—
Assemblers	9.23	14.6	39.2	9.23	14.6	39.2	—	—	—
1	7.04	5.9	37.5	7.04	5.9	37.5	—	—	—
2	6.91	7.4	39.1	6.91	7.4	39.1	—	—	—
3	14.10	13.3	39.8	14.10	13.3	39.8	—	—	—
4	15.22	14.9	40.0	15.22	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
5	13.88	4.9	39.9	13.88	4.9	39.9	—	—	—
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	9.91	7.8	36.0	9.91	7.8	36.0	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	10.43	5.0	40.0	10.43	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
2	7.99	5.9	40.0	7.99	5.9	40.0	—	—	—
3	9.67	4.6	40.0	9.67	4.6	40.0	—	—	—
4	10.16	7.2	40.0	10.04	7.5	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	11.69	9.3	38.9	11.84	10.4	39.4	\$10.75	3.6	36.1
1	6.44	4.6	34.7	6.43	4.7	35.0	7.06	9.1	23.9
2	8.34	2.7	34.6	8.14	3.0	34.8	9.59	4.0	33.5
3	10.28	4.8	39.6	10.15	5.4	40.6	11.05	7.0	34.4
4	12.38	7.8	42.2	12.66	8.7	43.4	10.47	5.0	35.3
5	13.84	4.4	41.0	14.42	3.6	41.2	10.53	7.4	40.0
6	13.19	6.3	41.1	14.69	4.8	42.1	11.34	4.4	40.0
7	19.27	13.7	40.7	20.61	12.6	40.9	14.30	2.6	40.0
Supervisors, motor vehicle operators	12.50	8.9	40.2	14.33	13.8	40.5	—	—	—
Truck drivers	10.44	4.4	40.7	10.44	4.5	40.8	10.40	3.9	39.5
2	8.11	3.8	37.2	8.02	3.9	37.0	9.45	5.1	39.8
3	10.87	5.5	42.7	10.84	5.8	42.9	11.37	5.4	40.0
4	11.13	3.8	46.8	11.18	4.0	47.2	9.99	3.5	39.4
5	14.04	7.1	43.3	14.07	7.2	43.4	—	—	—
6	17.08	8.1	45.1	17.08	8.1	45.1	—	—	—
Driver-sales workers	10.59	13.0	41.0	10.59	13.0	41.0	—	—	—
4	13.13	4.6	41.7	13.13	4.6	41.7	—	—	—
Bus drivers	11.03	8.4	30.9	11.52	15.3	31.6	10.59	6.5	30.3
2	8.79	9.2	28.4	—	—	—	9.96	6.2	28.2

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Transportation and material moving—Continued									
Bus drivers—Continued									
3	\$10.61	7.4	32.1	—	—	—	\$10.92	8.5	33.3
4	11.94	8.2	29.5	—	—	—	10.81	12.2	25.4
Taxicab drivers and chauffeurs	7.16	6.5	30.9	\$7.03	7.7	30.6	—	—	—
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	6.78	5.1	32.0	6.78	5.1	32.0	—	—	—
1	6.78	2.9	36.3	6.78	2.9	36.3	—	—	—
2	6.71	15.2	25.1	6.71	15.2	25.1	—	—	—
Ship captains and mates, except fishing boats ..	18.96	1.4	53.7	19.11	1.9	54.4	—	—	—
Sailors and deckhands	8.03	2.5	55.5	8.03	2.5	55.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, material moving equipment	17.27	7.1	40.8	17.47	8.8	41.0	—	—	—
7	19.10	11.5	40.0	19.10	11.5	40.0	—	—	—
Operating engineers	12.80	6.0	40.0	13.82	6.0	40.0	10.26	3.8	40.0
5	13.76	14.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Crane and tower operators	15.66	6.9	40.0	15.84	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	9.94	4.5	40.0	9.87	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scrapper operators	11.52	5.2	40.0	12.85	5.9	40.0	10.63	4.4	40.0
5	11.32	9.9	40.0	—	—	—	9.80	4.9	40.0
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	10.03	9.2	39.7	10.02	9.5	39.7	—	—	—
2	9.84	5.5	39.8	9.95	6.2	39.7	—	—	—
3	9.20	8.4	39.6	9.20	8.4	39.6	—	—	—
4	11.01	1.9	40.0	10.98	2.1	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment									
operators, n.e.c.	15.69	13.0	39.5	16.87	11.3	39.4	10.57	10.6	40.0
3	9.83	7.4	38.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	14.24	2.9	39.0	14.45	4.1	38.7	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers									
1	8.54	3.3	36.6	8.51	3.5	36.5	9.00	5.2	39.1
2	7.15	3.4	35.2	7.14	3.5	35.1	7.45	3.9	36.9
3	8.50	5.8	37.3	8.54	6.1	37.0	8.03	5.6	40.0
4	9.29	3.9	37.6	9.21	4.2	37.4	9.98	9.1	39.8
5	11.59	5.7	39.6	11.65	5.8	39.6	10.16	6.7	40.0
6	13.74	2.6	39.0	14.18	2.8	38.7	12.42	3.8	40.0
7	15.40	8.7	37.0	15.47	9.0	36.8	—	—	—
Supervisors, agriculture-related workers	14.96	8.2	40.0	14.92	8.1	40.0	15.26	13.0	40.0
Supervisors, agriculture-related workers	11.11	17.2	39.2	—	—	—	13.63	13.7	38.9
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	8.44	6.2	37.8	7.68	4.4	37.3	9.41	9.7	38.5
1	7.42	2.8	37.8	7.37	2.9	38.8	7.61	5.1	34.5
2	7.75	3.8	36.1	7.55	3.6	32.8	—	—	—
3	11.19	5.5	40.0	—	—	—	11.23	5.5	40.0
Animal caretakers, except farm	7.85	8.8	38.6	8.05	12.4	38.2	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	12.64	8.4	39.0	12.64	8.8	38.9	—	—	—
5	12.48	3.3	37.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	8.72	7.5	38.0	8.70	7.9	37.9	9.04	8.5	40.0
1	7.69	6.8	36.7	7.69	6.9	36.7	—	—	—
2	8.94	19.5	40.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	10.20	8.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	10.86	2.7	41.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	7.96	4.6	39.7	7.86	4.5	39.7	9.23	10.0	40.0
1	7.49	7.3	39.4	7.50	7.5	39.4	—	—	—
2	8.09	4.9	40.0	8.09	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
3	8.80	7.0	40.0	8.77	7.5	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	7.47	5.4	39.8	7.48	5.9	39.8	7.43	6.4	40.0
1	6.98	7.9	40.0	6.97	8.0	40.0	—	—	—
2	7.85	8.0	39.5	8.02	9.1	39.4	7.04	5.5	40.0
Production helpers	8.42	6.0	39.8	8.42	6.0	39.8	—	—	—
1	7.50	6.9	39.7	7.50	6.9	39.7	—	—	—
2	8.63	8.7	40.0	8.63	8.7	40.0	—	—	—
Garbage collectors	9.04	5.7	36.9	—	—	—	9.04	5.7	36.9

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Blue collar—Continued									
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers—Continued									
Stock handlers and baggers	\$7.47	2.2	29.4	\$7.47	2.2	29.4	—	—	—
1	6.31	3.0	24.8	6.31	3.0	24.8	—	—	—
2	7.49	4.2	34.5	7.49	4.2	34.5	—	—	—
4	11.30	4.7	40.1	11.30	4.7	40.1	—	—	—
Machine feeders and offbearers	7.43	5.7	39.7	7.43	5.7	39.7	—	—	—
1	6.84	6.5	39.7	6.84	6.5	39.7	—	—	—
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	10.12	12.0	36.3	10.17	12.1	36.3	—	—	—
1	8.19	20.2	34.5	8.28	20.6	34.4	—	—	—
2	8.02	16.0	34.4	8.02	16.0	34.4	—	—	—
3	12.47	9.9	38.8	12.47	9.9	38.8	—	—	—
Garage and service station related	8.73	11.8	38.3	8.04	10.1	38.0	—	—	—
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	8.78	4.4	39.7	8.76	4.4	39.7	—	—	—
1	7.80	6.6	39.9	7.80	6.6	39.9	—	—	—
3	12.06	9.2	40.0	12.43	11.0	40.0	—	—	—
Hand packers and packagers	7.53	6.6	36.9	7.53	6.6	36.9	—	—	—
1	6.38	6.9	36.9	6.38	6.9	36.9	—	—	—
2	7.58	6.1	33.2	7.58	6.1	33.2	—	—	—
3	9.33	11.9	40.0	9.33	11.9	40.0	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	8.52	5.7	38.3	8.47	6.2	38.2	\$9.08	6.4	38.7
1	7.16	2.0	38.3	7.13	2.3	38.4	7.57	3.3	36.8
2	10.20	8.3	37.7	10.23	8.2	37.5	9.80	10.5	40.0
3	9.55	3.8	39.7	9.51	5.2	39.6	—	—	—
4	8.90	7.8	38.4	8.88	7.9	38.4	—	—	—
5	14.85	6.1	38.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service	7.67	4.1	32.8	6.61	3.4	31.5	11.28	4.1	38.5
1	5.81	2.4	30.1	5.60	2.0	29.6	7.56	5.5	34.2
2	6.50	3.2	32.8	6.15	3.2	32.1	8.54	3.1	37.1
3	7.17	7.8	35.9	6.78	10.4	35.6	8.59	2.9	37.2
4	9.78	3.2	32.4	9.24	2.8	30.6	11.62	3.3	40.8
5	13.09	7.1	36.8	16.95	14.5	31.9	11.23	4.5	39.7
6	12.99	3.4	41.6	11.64	6.2	40.6	13.39	3.9	41.9
7	16.85	2.6	40.1	18.98	10.5	33.4	16.30	2.1	42.3
8	16.76	4.7	42.6	16.09	4.1	40.6	16.89	5.5	43.0
9	19.05	5.0	40.5	—	—	—	19.18	4.8	40.5
10	23.47	2.1	41.9	—	—	—	23.15	1.6	42.1
Not able to be leveled	15.27	20.8	35.4	—	—	—	15.97	21.9	39.9
Protective service	12.21	4.3	39.3	8.35	5.4	36.0	14.11	4.4	41.2
1	7.48	4.1	37.7	7.22	3.2	38.4	9.15	5.7	33.7
2	6.72	3.7	34.2	6.67	4.4	31.9	6.82	7.1	39.8
3	8.92	7.6	38.0	9.20	8.9	38.2	7.92	6.6	37.6
4	11.73	3.4	38.5	10.36	3.1	33.1	12.44	4.2	42.1
5	10.92	3.4	40.1	11.42	5.6	40.6	10.89	3.7	40.1
6	13.43	4.0	41.2	—	—	—	13.38	4.0	41.9
7	16.19	2.1	42.3	—	—	—	16.28	2.2	42.3
8	16.89	5.5	43.0	—	—	—	16.89	5.5	43.0
9	18.96	5.5	40.5	—	—	—	19.09	4.9	40.5
10	23.47	2.1	41.9	—	—	—	23.15	1.6	42.1
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	18.98	12.2	49.0	—	—	—	18.98	12.2	49.0
8	15.22	10.3	53.0	—	—	—	15.22	10.3	53.0
Supervisors, police and detectives	17.11	8.8	40.1	—	—	—	17.19	9.0	40.1
7	13.46	8.1	40.1	—	—	—	13.54	8.6	40.1
8	15.90	6.5	40.6	—	—	—	15.90	6.5	40.6
9	18.75	4.3	40.0	—	—	—	18.75	4.3	40.0
10	24.30	2.9	40.0	—	—	—	24.30	2.9	40.0
Supervisors, guards	12.87	11.3	40.1	11.77	14.8	40.0	14.01	11.3	40.2
Firefighting	13.28	9.0	50.7	—	—	—	13.23	9.2	50.8
4	14.05	7.5	48.5	—	—	—	14.05	7.5	48.5
5	10.47	3.4	49.7	—	—	—	9.90	6.8	50.6

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Service—Continued									
Protective service—Continued									
Firefighting—Continued									
6	\$11.87	7.6	52.0	—	—	—	\$11.87	7.6	52.0
7	15.23	4.5	52.6	—	—	—	15.23	4.5	52.6
8	18.91	7.9	53.0	—	—	—	18.91	7.9	53.0
Police and detectives, public service	16.63	4.8	40.0	—	—	—	16.66	4.6	40.1
4	11.10	6.7	40.0	—	—	—	11.10	6.7	40.0
5	14.09	17.6	40.3	—	—	—	15.37	13.8	40.3
6	15.77	5.4	39.9	—	—	—	15.77	5.4	40.1
7	16.77	4.4	40.2	—	—	—	16.77	4.4	40.2
8	18.36	8.9	40.0	—	—	—	18.36	8.9	40.0
9	19.53	3.2	40.0	—	—	—	19.53	3.2	40.0
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	14.13	6.2	39.8	—	—	—	14.13	6.2	39.8
5	14.15	2.4	40.5	—	—	—	14.15	2.4	40.5
6	11.73	13.7	38.1	—	—	—	11.73	13.7	38.1
7	18.78	2.8	40.2	—	—	—	18.78	2.8	40.2
Correctional institution officers	10.20	6.0	40.2	—	—	—	10.80	4.9	40.2
3	7.69	6.2	41.2	—	—	—	7.85	9.6	41.0
4	10.89	10.2	39.4	—	—	—	12.11	2.5	40.1
5	10.49	4.0	40.3	—	—	—	10.49	4.0	40.3
Crossing guards	6.44	8.0	17.3	—	—	—	6.44	8.0	17.3
1	6.69	3.9	18.3	—	—	—	6.69	3.9	18.3
Guards and police, except public service	8.41	6.3	35.3	\$8.24	7.0	35.3	10.26	10.9	35.4
1	7.13	3.7	37.9	7.13	3.7	37.9	—	—	—
2	6.68	4.5	32.5	6.70	4.7	32.3	—	—	—
3	9.41	9.0	37.9	9.50	10.2	37.7	8.63	13.8	40.0
4	11.67	7.7	29.5	11.65	9.0	28.2	—	—	—
5	12.98	6.9	29.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Protective service, n.e.c.	8.04	9.0	34.5	7.49	12.8	35.2	8.80	10.2	33.6
2	6.08	2.0	22.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	7.73	4.9	37.7	—	—	—	7.36	3.1	35.3
4	10.76	1.9	39.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food service	5.97	3.3	31.5	5.78	3.6	31.4	8.47	5.6	32.1
1	5.22	2.3	29.3	5.11	2.3	29.3	7.16	6.2	29.0
2	5.79	6.5	31.8	5.59	7.3	31.9	7.99	3.7	30.8
3	5.69	12.9	35.3	5.46	14.2	35.2	8.44	3.6	36.0
4	8.79	7.3	36.7	8.74	7.4	36.8	9.67	9.2	36.2
5	10.96	9.5	39.1	9.74	12.9	40.2	11.69	15.6	38.5
6	10.69	7.3	44.7	10.66	7.4	44.7	—	—	—
7	15.49	3.3	45.0	15.49	3.3	45.0	—	—	—
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	3.63	5.6	30.7	3.63	5.6	30.7	—	—	—
1	3.79	5.9	29.4	3.79	5.9	29.4	—	—	—
2	3.25	8.6	29.5	3.25	8.6	29.5	—	—	—
3	2.86	18.6	36.0	2.86	18.6	36.0	—	—	—
4	4.97	17.6	31.3	4.97	17.6	31.3	—	—	—
Bartenders	5.36	6.0	29.8	5.36	6.0	29.8	—	—	—
3	5.40	12.0	39.5	5.40	12.0	39.5	—	—	—
Waiters and waitresses	3.14	6.0	30.4	3.14	6.0	30.4	—	—	—
1	3.39	9.2	28.7	3.39	9.2	28.7	—	—	—
2	3.10	6.8	29.5	3.10	6.8	29.5	—	—	—
3	2.61	14.9	35.8	2.61	14.9	35.8	—	—	—
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	5.07	13.3	32.1	5.07	13.3	32.1	—	—	—
1	4.56	10.1	31.9	4.56	10.1	31.9	—	—	—
Other food service	6.85	3.9	31.8	6.67	4.2	31.8	8.47	5.6	32.1
1	5.81	2.7	29.2	5.71	2.4	29.2	7.16	6.2	29.0
2	6.68	2.6	32.6	6.51	2.4	32.9	7.99	3.7	30.8
3	7.20	4.4	34.9	7.03	5.1	34.8	8.44	3.6	36.0
4	9.28	4.7	37.6	9.25	4.7	37.7	9.67	9.2	36.2
5	10.96	9.5	39.1	9.74	12.9	40.2	11.69	15.6	38.5
6	10.16	7.2	47.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	15.49	3.3	45.0	15.49	3.3	45.0	—	—	—

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Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Service—Continued									
Food service—Continued									
Other food service—Continued									
Supervisors, food preparation and service	\$10.80	7.3	38.6	\$10.64	7.4	38.6	\$11.43	14.6	38.7
3	7.10	3.3	31.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	11.03	3.0	41.3	11.07	3.0	41.4	—	—	—
5	11.36	11.2	39.5	10.60	13.8	42.1	11.69	16.0	38.5
7	15.49	3.3	45.0	15.49	3.3	45.0	—	—	—
Cooks	6.98	6.0	34.4	6.91	6.3	34.4	7.98	4.9	35.2
1	6.55	4.4	31.4	6.51	4.9	31.3	—	—	—
2	6.16	4.1	32.7	6.11	4.2	32.8	7.20	4.4	31.3
3	6.94	5.5	36.8	6.81	5.7	36.6	8.25	2.5	39.6
4	8.63	3.9	36.0	8.60	3.7	36.1	—	—	—
Food counter, fountain, and related	6.12	4.5	29.1	6.05	4.6	29.0	8.00	10.9	32.5
1	5.94	4.7	28.6	5.92	4.7	28.5	—	—	—
2	6.95	9.5	31.3	6.95	9.5	31.3	—	—	—
3	6.69	7.1	31.2	6.36	7.2	30.8	—	—	—
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.23	4.1	30.4	6.14	3.8	30.2	7.44	11.6	34.6
1	5.67	3.3	29.2	5.59	3.2	28.8	6.88	13.0	36.8
2	7.46	3.9	33.5	7.42	4.6	34.1	7.86	6.9	28.4
3	8.93	8.1	37.6	8.83	9.6	37.4	—	—	—
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.18	2.8	29.8	5.83	2.2	30.4	7.84	2.6	27.6
1	5.87	2.4	29.4	5.69	2.0	30.0	7.39	3.2	24.9
2	7.30	4.7	30.9	6.25	3.9	30.3	8.35	4.4	31.4
3	7.09	6.8	32.3	—	—	—	7.67	7.3	29.5
Health service	7.72	2.7	33.1	7.28	1.9	32.4	10.29	7.6	38.7
1	6.80	8.1	33.9	6.14	5.1	34.6	10.77	11.0	30.0
2	7.47	2.7	36.4	7.11	1.9	36.0	10.01	10.9	39.9
3	7.90	3.3	33.8	7.62	4.2	33.0	9.52	6.3	39.4
4	8.25	8.0	23.3	7.63	6.1	21.3	11.08	5.5	39.7
5	13.41	6.9	36.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health aides, except nursing	8.47	2.9	35.8	7.84	1.9	34.7	10.51	7.4	39.9
2	7.91	1.6	38.7	7.85	1.1	38.5	8.30	8.4	40.0
3	8.70	5.5	37.2	7.71	3.9	35.7	10.33	6.1	40.0
4	8.96	10.6	28.7	—	—	—	11.67	5.9	39.8
Nursing aides, orderlies and attendants	7.42	3.0	34.4	7.09	2.7	34.1	10.13	10.5	37.6
1	6.66	8.5	33.6	5.88	3.4	34.3	10.77	11.0	30.0
2	7.28	3.5	35.5	6.79	2.1	35.0	10.70	10.9	39.9
3	7.63	4.4	32.7	7.60	4.7	32.4	8.05	2.8	38.0
4	8.88	6.2	36.3	9.00	7.0	35.9	—	—	—
Cleaning and building service	7.55	2.9	35.3	7.19	3.6	34.0	8.38	3.4	38.8
1	6.48	3.3	33.4	6.23	2.6	32.3	7.30	6.0	37.8
2	7.35	2.9	35.8	6.74	3.5	34.3	8.54	4.9	39.2
3	8.76	1.7	39.5	8.75	1.6	39.2	8.77	3.0	39.7
4	9.84	3.7	39.4	9.75	4.3	39.2	10.15	6.3	40.0
5	12.36	6.1	40.0	12.66	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
6	12.60	7.2	41.2	12.33	7.4	41.3	—	—	—
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	10.81	4.2	39.8	10.56	5.3	39.7	11.32	8.0	40.0
3	8.24	4.2	36.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	9.11	5.2	40.0	8.88	5.6	40.0	—	—	—
5	11.35	7.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	13.19	7.5	41.6	12.91	7.9	41.8	—	—	—
Maids and housemen	6.07	2.1	34.4	6.08	2.2	34.3	—	—	—
1	5.95	2.1	34.0	5.95	2.1	33.9	—	—	—
2	6.11	3.4	35.9	6.11	3.4	35.9	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	7.55	3.0	35.1	7.23	4.3	33.4	8.11	3.1	38.7
1	6.66	3.6	33.2	6.36	3.2	31.6	7.33	6.2	37.7
2	7.62	4.4	35.8	6.97	4.8	33.7	8.54	4.9	39.2
3	8.80	1.9	39.7	—	—	—	8.81	3.2	39.7
4	10.20	5.9	38.7	10.35	6.4	38.2	9.91	8.8	40.0
Personal service	7.10	7.4	28.8	6.91	7.7	28.1	8.40	5.0	34.7
1	5.88	4.3	25.9	5.73	3.7	25.4	7.61	9.6	33.7

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 1999—Continued

Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
Service—Continued									
Personal service—Continued									
2	\$5.83	4.2	29.0	\$5.54	1.5	28.5	\$8.75	4.3	35.9
3	6.59	9.7	35.8	—	—	—	8.18	5.5	33.3
4	11.03	6.6	32.0	11.04	7.4	31.2	10.91	3.7	40.0
Supervisors, personal service	9.96	13.7	39.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Attendants, amusement, and recreation facilities	7.11	7.6	33.3	6.50	5.2	31.0	7.74	14.2	36.1
1	5.91	6.0	31.4	5.44	1.6	26.9	—	—	—
2	7.48	13.4	39.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	6.19	4.1	32.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public transportation attendants	32.43	9.9	18.6	32.98	9.8	18.5	—	—	—
Baggage porters and bellhops	4.75	15.9	39.3	4.75	15.9	39.3	—	—	—
1	4.03	16.5	40.0	4.03	16.5	40.0	—	—	—
Welfare service aides	5.60	4.0	23.7	5.43	3.0	23.1	7.89	14.0	39.2
1	5.45	3.0	25.6	5.44	3.2	25.5	—	—	—
Early childhood teachers' assistants	6.20	6.2	33.5	5.58	1.0	33.0	8.72	5.1	35.4
2	5.89	5.8	32.3	5.58	.0	31.9	9.35	3.2	38.7
3	6.40	10.5	36.4	—	—	—	8.37	7.2	33.4
Child care workers, n.e.c.	5.85	6.4	33.5	5.82	6.4	33.5	—	—	—
Service, n.e.c.	7.50	7.1	25.5	7.45	7.6	25.5	8.17	6.1	25.4
1	6.34	6.3	19.9	6.33	6.4	20.4	—	—	—
2	6.26	10.6	30.0	5.57	17.9	30.6	—	—	—
3	7.61	3.8	37.1	7.63	4.0	36.8	—	—	—

¹ A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. For more information, see Technical Note.

² Each occupation for which data are collected in an establishment is evaluated based on 10 factors, including knowledge, complexity, work environment, etc. Points are assigned based on the occupation's rank within each factor. The points are summed to determine the overall level of the occupation. See the Technical Note for more information.

³ 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, and 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.

⁴ In this census division, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April 2000. The average reference period was August 1999. For the first time, estimates include workers in private establishments employing fewer than 50 workers.

⁵ 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 Technical Note.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data did not meet publication criteria, and n.e.c. means "not elsewhere classified." Overall occupational groups may include data for categories not shown separately.

TABLE A. Number of workers¹ represented by the survey, by occupational group,² West South Central, National Compensation Survey,³ 1999

Occupational group	All industries	Private industry	State and local government
All	9,437,600	7,750,100	1,687,400
All, excluding sales	8,292,100	6,612,100	1,680,000
White collar	5,203,400	4,025,000	1,178,400
White collar, excluding sales	4,057,900	2,887,000	1,171,000
Professional specialty and technical	1,665,600	944,300	721,300
Professional specialty occupations	1,268,000	603,300	664,700
Technical occupations	397,700	341,000	56,600
Executive, administrative, and managerial	686,800	547,500	139,300
Sales	1,145,500	1,138,000	7,500
Administrative support, including clerical	1,705,500	1,395,200	310,300
Blue collar	2,632,600	2,456,100	176,500
Precision production, craft, and repair	1,024,500	956,400	68,100
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	588,200	582,800	5,300
Transportation and material moving	393,700	329,600	64,100
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	626,200	587,300	38,900
Service	1,601,600	1,269,000	332,500

¹ 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 with other statistical series to measure employment trends or levels. Both full-time and part-time workers were included in the survey.

² A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. For more information, see Technical Note.

³ In this census division, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April 2000. The average reference period was August 1999. For the first time, estimates include workers in private establishments employing fewer than 50 workers.

TABLE B. Number of establishments studied by industry group and establishment employment size, West South Central, National Compensation Survey,¹ 1999

Industry division	Number of establishments studied						
	Total	1 to 99 workers ²	100 to 499 workers	500 to 999 workers	1000 to 2,499 workers	2,500 to 4,999 workers	5,000 or more workers
All	2,055	782	745	201	186	77	64
Private Industry	1,742	747	649	152	125	43	26
Goods-producing industries	472	157	182	60	47	17	9
Mining	53	21	11	13	8	—	—
Construction	116	68	34	5	8	1	—
Manufacturing	303	68	137	42	31	16	9
Durable goods	181	43	78	21	17	13	9
Nondurable goods	122	25	59	21	14	3	—
Service-producing industries	1,270	590	467	92	78	26	17
Transportation and utilities	143	52	46	18	16	3	8
Wholesale trade	100	59	30	3	4	1	3
Retail trade	321	166	136	10	6	2	1
Finance, insurance and real estate	139	100	20	7	9	2	1
Services	567	213	235	54	43	18	4
State and local government	313	35	96	49	61	34	38

¹ In this census division, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April 2000. The average reference period was August 1999. For the first time, estimates include workers in private establishments employing fewer than 50 workers.

² Estimates include private establishments employing 1 to 99 workers and State and

local government establishments employing 50 to 99 workers.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported. Overall industry and industry groups may include data for categories not shown separately.

Technical Note

The data in these tables are based on the National Compensation Survey (NCS) conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics throughout the year. The surveys are locality-based and cover establishments in private industry and State and local governments. Bulletins are issued for individual localities, when sufficient data meet publication standards. Agriculture, private households, and the Federal Government are excluded from the scope of the survey.

Survey scope. In the West South Central census division, the NCS studied 2,055 establishments, representing approximately 9,437,600 workers within the scope of the survey. Beginning with the 1999 NCS, private sector establishments with 1 or more workers are included in the survey. State and local governments with 50 or more workers also are included. The number of workers represented by the survey is shown in table A, and the number of establishments is shown in table B. 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 entity.

Sampling frame. The list of establishments from which the survey sample was selected (sampling frame) was developed from the State unemployment insurance reports. The reference month for the public sector is June 1994. 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. The reference month for the private sector varied by area.

Sample design and data collection. The sample for this survey was selected using a three-stage design. The first stage consisted of the selection of areas. The nationwide NCS sample consists of 154 metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas that represent the Nation's 326 metropolitan statistical areas and the remaining portions of the 50 States. Metropolitan areas are designated Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) or Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Areas (CMSAs), as defined in 1994 by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. Nonmetropolitan areas are counties or parishes that do not fit the metropolitan area definition.

The NCS locality areas that contribute to the West South

Central census division are:

Amarillo, TX, MSA
Andrews County, TX
Austin-San Marcos, TX, MSA
Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito, TX, MSA
Corpus Christi, TX, MSA
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX, CMSA
Gillespie County, TX
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX, CMSA
New Orleans, LA, MSA
Oklahoma City, OK, MSA
Palo Pinto County, TX
Panola County, TX
Pope County, AR
Prairie County, AR
San Antonio, TX, MSA
St. Francis County, AR
Vermilion Parish, LA

In the second stage, the sample of establishments was drawn by first stratifying the sampling frame by ownership and industry. 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 the establishment's chance of selection. Weights were applied to each establishment when the data were tabulated so that the establishment represents similar units (by industry and employment size) in the economy that were not selected for collection.

The third stage of sample selection was a probability sample of occupations within a sampled establishment. In the West South Central region, collection was conducted between October 1998 and April 2000, with an average reference period of August 1999.

Occupational selection and classification. Identification of the occupations for which wage data were collected was a four-step process:

1. Probability-proportional-to-size selection of establishment jobs
2. Classification of jobs into occupations based on the Census of Population system
3. Characterization of jobs as full-time vs. part-time, union

vs. nonunion, and time vs. incentive

4. Determination of the level of work of each job

For each occupation, wage data were collected for those workers who met all the criteria identified in the last three steps. Special procedures were developed for jobs for which a correct classification or level could not be determined.

In step one, the jobs to be sampled were selected at each establishment by the BLS field economist during a personal visit. 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 second step of the process entailed classifying the selected jobs into occupations based on their duties. The National Compensation Survey occupational classification system is based on the 1990 Census of Population. A selected job may fall into any one of about 480 occupational classifications, from accountant to wood lathe operator. For cases in which a job's duties overlapped two or more census classification codes, the duties used to set the wage level were used to classify the job. Classification by primary duties was the fallback.

In step three, certain other job characteristics of the chosen workers 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.

The fourth step in the job classification procedure was to determine the work level of each of the establishment's selected jobs, using a *generic leveling* process. This process, involving discussions between the Bureau's field economist and the respondent, ranks and compares all selected establishment occupations using 10 leveling factors. For more information on generic leveling and an example of how to use the criteria for leveling a job, see appendix C and appendix D at <http://www.bls.gov/compub.htm> or any of our published NCS bulletins. The above website also has a link to the NCS job descriptions.

Data reliability. The data in these tables 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. Tables in this bulletin provide RSE data for indicated series.

The standard error can be used to calculate a "confidence interval" around a sample estimate. As an example, suppose the mean hourly earnings for all workers was \$15.09 per hour, with a relative standard error of 0.6 percent for this estimate. At the 90-percent level, the confidence interval for this estimate is \$15.24 to \$14.94 ($\$15.09 \times 1.645 \times 0.006 = \0.149 , rounded to \$0.15); ($\$15.09 + \$0.15 = \15.24; $\$15.09 - \$0.15 = \$14.94$). 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. A Technical Reinterview Program done in all survey areas will be used in the development of a formal quality assessment process to help compute nonsampling error. Although nonsampling errors also were not specifically measured, efforts were made to minimize them through the extensive training of field economists who gathered survey data by personal visit, computer editing of the data, and detailed data review.

Census area divisions. Data are tabulated by census divisions defined as follows: **New England** - Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, Vermont, and Rhode Island; **Middle Atlantic** - New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania; **East North Central** - Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin; **West North Central** - Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska; **South Atlantic** - Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia; **East South Central** - Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Tennessee; **West South Central** - Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas; **Mountain** - Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Nevada; and **Pacific** - Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii, and Alaska. Some census divisions include Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Areas (CMSAs) and Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) that cross State lines.