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TABLE 1. Summary, East South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours by selected characteristics, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,² June 2003

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 ³ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ³ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ³ (percent)	
Total	\$14.45	6.6	36.2	\$13.97	7.3	36.1	\$18.34	2.7	36.9
Worker characteristics:⁴									
White-collar occupations ⁵	17.56	3.9	36.3	16.79	4.3	36.2	21.76	3.7	36.5
Professional specialty and technical ...	22.63	2.8	36.8	21.14	3.2	37.2	25.08	2.5	36.3
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.41	2.6	40.2	26.36	3.0	40.5	26.92	9.1	36.6
Sales	12.19	9.5	35.4	12.20	9.7	35.4	10.40	10.1	38.8
Administrative support	12.30	3.4	34.6	12.42	3.6	34.3	11.25	1.6	36.9
Blue-collar occupations ⁵	14.55	7.0	36.7	14.57	7.1	36.6	14.16	5.9	37.9
Precision production, craft, and repair	18.17	9.9	39.7	18.24	9.9	39.7	16.74	8.0	39.6
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	13.19	6.6	39.7	13.18	6.6	39.7	–	–	–
Transportation and material moving ...	14.72	6.7	33.9	14.82	6.7	33.9	12.94	3.9	33.5
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	10.58	5.1	32.8	10.56	5.3	32.5	11.22	3.3	39.9
Service occupations ⁵	8.51	2.8	35.6	7.94	2.6	35.3	12.36	4.6	37.5
Full time	14.98	7.7	39.9	14.49	8.5	40.0	18.61	3.0	38.9
Part time	10.06	9.4	20.5	9.97	9.8	20.7	12.06	6.1	17.0
Union	17.50	8.0	38.1	16.65	9.3	38.5	21.18	4.4	36.5
Nonunion	14.12	6.3	36.0	13.71	7.2	35.9	17.76	1.9	37.0
Time	13.75	5.3	37.1	13.09	5.7	37.2	18.34	2.7	36.9
Establishment characteristics:									
Goods producing	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	15.70	5.5	39.9	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
Service producing	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	13.30	12.0	34.9	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
1 to 99 workers ⁷	12.40	3.3	35.3	12.40	3.5	35.2	12.52	2.9	36.6
100 to 499 workers	15.13	2.2	38.1	14.72	2.5	38.2	17.85	3.3	37.4
500 to 999 workers	14.06	9.1	39.1	13.30	9.3	39.6	18.59	3.4	36.1
1,000 to 2,499 workers	13.96	20.2	38.3	13.84	23.5	38.3	14.84	7.2	38.6
2,500 workers or more	17.22	17.1	33.6	16.37	21.5	33.0	20.70	3.4	36.4
Geographic areas:⁸									
Metropolitan	15.57	5.7	35.0	15.14	6.4	34.8	18.98	4.1	37.2
Nonmetropolitan	12.43	12.9	38.6	11.88	13.6	38.8	17.10	1.4	36.5
New England	19.55	1.4	34.3	18.70	1.5	34.1	25.45	2.5	35.6
Middle Atlantic	20.03	1.1	34.9	19.08	1.0	34.8	25.53	.6	35.6
East North Central	17.97	1.5	35.5	17.16	1.8	35.4	23.33	2.5	36.0
West North Central	17.03	4.4	35.1	16.30	4.8	34.7	21.09	4.4	37.4
South Atlantic	16.46	1.6	36.2	15.88	2.0	35.8	19.34	1.3	38.2
East South Central	14.45	6.6	36.2	13.97	7.3	36.1	18.34	2.7	36.9
West South Central	15.75	1.4	36.6	15.22	1.5	36.3	18.52	1.7	38.4
Mountain	16.63	3.0	35.8	15.65	1.8	35.6	22.34	3.6	37.2
Pacific	20.12	1.1	35.8	19.11	1.6	35.8	25.76	1.1	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, data were collected between December 2002 and January 2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

³ 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.

⁴ 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.

⁵ A classification system including about 480 individual occupations is used to cover all workers in the civilian economy. See Technical Note for more information.

⁶ Classification of establishments into goods-producing and service-producing industries applies to private industry only.

⁷ Estimates include private establishments employing 1 to 99 workers and State and local government establishments employing 50 to 99 workers.

⁸ Data are presented for metropolitan and nonmetropolitan area divisions as well as nine census divisions. See Appendix E for a list of States making up the nine census divisions.

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TABLE 2. Summary, East South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours by selected characteristics, metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003

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 ⁴ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁴ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁴ (percent)	
Total	\$14.45	6.6	36.2	\$15.57	5.7	35.0	\$12.43	12.9	38.6
Private Industry	13.97	7.3	36.1	15.14	6.4	34.8	11.88	13.6	38.8
State and local government	18.34	2.7	36.9	18.98	4.1	37.2	17.10	1.4	36.5
Worker characteristics:⁵									
White-collar occupations ⁶	17.56	3.9	36.3	17.77	4.3	35.5	16.92	9.8	38.5
Professional specialty and technical ...	22.63	2.8	36.8	23.46	2.0	36.6	20.59	7.8	37.5
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.41	2.6	40.2	27.21	2.3	40.0	24.49	6.2	40.6
Sales	12.19	9.5	35.4	12.39	11.7	34.4	11.67	8.6	38.6
Administrative support	12.30	3.4	34.6	12.60	3.6	33.8	11.00	7.5	38.2
Blue-collar occupations ⁶	14.55	7.0	36.7	15.11	8.3	35.5	13.37	8.1	39.5
Precision production, craft, and repair Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	18.17	9.9	39.7	19.12	10.2	39.5	16.03	10.9	40.1
Transportation and material moving ...	13.19	6.6	39.7	13.40	7.8	39.6	13.01	10.4	39.7
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	14.72	6.7	33.9	14.56	8.0	33.5	15.99	18.9	37.1
Service occupations ⁶	10.58	5.1	32.8	11.11	5.2	30.7	9.31	5.1	39.0
Full time	8.51	2.8	35.6	8.96	5.4	32.4	8.22	.3	38.0
Part time	14.98	7.7	39.9	16.45	6.7	39.8	12.61	12.9	39.9
Union	10.06	9.4	20.5	10.33	9.9	20.4	8.31	17.1	21.6
Nonunion	17.50	8.0	38.1	18.41	7.4	37.4	15.72	18.9	39.6
Time	14.12	6.3	36.0	15.25	5.2	34.8	12.09	12.3	38.5
Incentive	13.75	5.3	37.1	14.62	3.3	36.3	12.37	12.3	38.5
	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.56	20.6	40.6
Establishment characteristics:									
Goods producing ⁷	15.70	5.5	39.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Service producing ⁷	13.30	12.0	34.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 to 99 workers ⁸	12.40	3.3	35.3	12.51	4.2	34.9	12.00	4.7	36.6
100 to 499 workers	15.13	2.2	38.1	15.34	1.4	38.0	14.69	6.3	38.5
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2,500 workers or more	17.22	17.1	33.6	20.82	3.0	31.1	-	-	-
Geographic areas:⁹									
New England	19.55	1.4	34.3	20.10	1.0	34.3	14.80	4.0	34.1
Middle Atlantic	20.03	1.1	34.9	20.24	1.1	34.9	16.15	7.4	35.3
East North Central	17.97	1.5	35.5	18.40	1.7	35.5	15.16	2.3	35.6
West North Central	17.03	4.4	35.1	17.98	5.2	35.1	13.64	3.4	35.2
South Atlantic	16.46	1.6	36.2	16.92	1.8	36.1	13.55	2.5	36.8
East South Central	14.45	6.6	36.2	15.57	5.7	35.0	12.43	12.9	38.6
West South Central	15.75	1.4	36.6	16.04	1.6	36.7	13.77	3.4	36.2
Mountain	16.63	3.0	35.8	16.77	3.7	35.8	15.95	3.3	35.8
Pacific	20.12	1.1	35.8	20.35	1.2	35.8	16.08	2.2	34.6

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² A metropolitan area can be a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) or Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area (CMSA) as defined by the Office of Management and Budget, 1994. Nonmetropolitan areas are counties that do not fit the definitions above.

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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	\$14.45	6.6	36.2	\$14.98	7.7	39.9	\$10.06	9.4	20.5
All, excluding sales	14.67	6.4	36.3	15.14	7.5	39.8	10.50	8.6	20.3
White collar	17.56	3.9	36.3	18.28	5.1	39.7	11.18	5.0	20.5
White collar, excluding sales	18.92	2.3	36.5	19.47	3.7	39.6	13.07	7.9	19.8
Professional specialty and technical	22.63	2.8	36.8	22.66	3.1	39.1	21.84	10.0	15.8
Professional specialty	24.56	2.1	36.4	24.66	2.1	38.9	22.19	11.2	14.4
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	30.53	1.4	40.6	30.37	1.5	41.0	—	—	—
Aerospace engineers	38.47	9.8	34.3	36.17	6.7	40.0	—	—	—
Civil engineers	23.79	5.7	40.6	23.79	5.7	40.6	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic engineers	31.72	5.2	41.4	31.72	5.2	41.4	—	—	—
Industrial engineers	33.61	3.3	42.4	33.74	3.4	42.5	—	—	—
Mechanical engineers	26.73	3.8	41.3	26.73	3.8	41.3	—	—	—
Engineers, n.e.c.	32.16	4.8	40.7	32.16	4.8	40.7	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	26.48	5.5	39.9	26.39	5.5	40.1	—	—	—
Computer systems analysts and scientists	26.36	6.0	40.0	26.26	6.0	40.1	—	—	—
Natural scientists	26.47	15.4	39.7	26.47	15.4	39.7	—	—	—
Health related	22.92	1.1	35.9	22.85	1.4	39.1	23.74	7.6	18.6
Physicians	28.20	30.7	30.9	25.79	37.6	39.8	—	—	—
Registered nurses	21.85	2.7	36.1	21.69	2.2	38.9	23.54	12.3	20.3
Pharmacists	42.29	1.8	39.6	42.38	1.8	40.0	—	—	—
Dietitians	18.08	1.7	39.8	18.08	1.7	39.8	—	—	—
Physical therapists	27.53	1.3	29.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Teachers, college and university	32.26	4.8	37.3	32.27	4.8	38.8	—	—	—
Art, drama, and music teachers	—	—	—	24.67	19.8	40.0	—	—	—
Other post-secondary teachers	29.66	7.0	39.2	29.66	7.0	39.2	—	—	—
Teachers, except college and university	26.18	5.6	36.0	26.39	5.4	37.6	11.30	8.8	8.8
Elementary school teachers	26.51	2.9	37.8	26.51	2.9	37.8	—	—	—
Secondary school teachers	26.53	4.5	36.6	26.52	4.5	37.0	—	—	—
Teachers, special education	26.13	6.7	37.3	26.13	6.7	37.3	—	—	—
Teachers, n.e.c.	29.63	7.1	37.1	29.84	7.6	37.4	—	—	—
Substitute teachers	8.13	6.6	7.6	—	—	—	8.13	6.6	7.6
Vocational and educational counselors	28.40	9.8	38.8	28.40	9.8	38.8	—	—	—
Librarians, archivists, and curators	23.34	4.4	37.0	23.79	4.8	38.1	15.06	8.4	24.4
Librarians	24.01	5.2	36.2	24.60	5.4	37.5	—	—	—
Social scientists and urban planners	—	—	—	19.63	15.7	40.0	—	—	—
Social, recreation, and religious workers	13.22	10.5	39.5	13.20	10.5	39.7	—	—	—
Social workers	13.13	12.3	39.6	13.11	12.4	39.7	—	—	—
Lawyers and judges	41.82	19.7	27.6	—	—	—	47.54	26.8	16.3
Lawyers	41.82	19.7	27.6	—	—	—	47.54	26.8	16.3
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	19.73	14.3	34.2	20.44	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
Designers	20.13	18.0	40.0	20.13	18.0	40.0	—	—	—
Editors and reporters	21.70	10.0	40.3	21.70	10.0	40.3	—	—	—
Public relations specialists	14.09	2.7	39.9	14.09	2.7	40.0	—	—	—
Professional, n.e.c.	21.95	2.8	38.9	21.14	5.6	39.1	—	—	—
Technical	17.36	6.9	38.3	17.20	8.0	39.7	20.93	16.6	21.3
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	17.51	7.5	37.0	17.37	7.8	39.9	—	—	—
Radiological technicians	19.47	4.6	37.5	19.51	4.8	39.5	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	14.33	4.5	36.4	14.40	4.9	38.3	13.57	4.0	22.8
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	14.55	5.4	39.7	14.57	5.4	39.9	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	21.33	6.8	39.7	21.33	6.8	39.7	—	—	—
Drafters	16.70	9.1	40.0	16.70	9.1	40.0	—	—	—
Chemical technicians	20.76	11.3	39.7	20.76	11.3	39.7	—	—	—
Science technicians, n.e.c.	19.97	8.8	42.9	19.97	8.8	42.9	—	—	—
Computer programmers	—	—	—	25.91	9.6	40.0	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	14.11	7.8	39.5	14.27	8.3	39.8	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.41	2.6	40.2	26.37	2.8	40.5	34.41	27.4	15.3
Executives, administrators, and managers	27.62	4.0	40.1	27.63	4.0	40.5	25.50	8.1	9.2
Legislators	24.18	29.4	5.9	—	—	—	31.71	19.7	4.3
Administrators and officials, public administration	28.14	18.7	40.3	28.14	18.7	40.3	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, East South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003—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									
Executives, administrators, and managers									
—Continued									
Financial managers	\$28.86	9.5	39.7	\$28.99	9.7	40.9	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	27.35	10.4	41.6	27.35	10.4	41.6	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	24.88	7.3	41.5	24.88	7.3	41.5	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	21.91	25.1	38.6	21.92	25.1	38.6	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	27.32	10.4	40.3	27.32	10.4	40.3	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	22.18	14.2	43.1	22.21	14.2	43.3	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	19.15	5.9	43.5	19.15	5.9	43.5	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	30.16	2.0	40.5	30.16	2.0	40.5	—	—	—
Management related	23.79	7.6	40.4	23.63	7.2	40.6	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	18.06	16.0	39.3	17.16	13.3	39.9	—	—	—
Other financial officers	22.31	3.3	40.2	22.11	4.1	40.5	—	—	—
Management analysts	35.44	4.0	40.1	35.44	4.0	40.1	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	22.80	8.7	41.8	22.80	8.7	41.8	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products	30.54	9.0	40.0	30.54	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
Management related, n.e.c.	22.68	14.3	39.9	22.68	14.3	39.9	—	—	—
Sales	12.19	9.5	35.4	13.16	11.0	40.3	\$7.23	3.3	22.0
Supervisors, sales	15.56	21.6	42.1	15.56	21.6	42.1	—	—	—
Insurance sales	17.13	13.4	41.6	17.13	13.4	41.6	—	—	—
Sales, other business services	—	—	—	16.90	29.9	39.5	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	19.94	12.2	40.6	19.94	12.2	40.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	10.19	24.4	28.0	11.97	22.6	39.0	8.05	20.0	20.9
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	17.27	36.1	37.6	18.95	40.5	40.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	11.86	4.6	38.9	12.12	3.9	41.2	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	9.47	11.3	32.4	10.39	16.3	40.0	7.13	6.0	21.9
Sales counter clerks	6.71	2.8	29.9	—	—	—	6.27	2.4	20.4
Cashiers	8.97	11.8	35.3	9.40	11.1	39.7	6.71	1.9	22.6
Sales support, n.e.c.	10.22	13.2	39.7	10.30	13.4	40.0	—	—	—
Administrative support, including clerical	12.30	3.4	34.6	12.54	3.6	39.5	11.02	7.5	20.9
Supervisors, general office	16.60	13.9	38.5	16.60	13.9	38.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, financial records processing	19.04	2.0	39.3	19.04	2.0	39.3	—	—	—
Supervisors, distribution, scheduling, and adjusting clerks	19.86	11.7	41.2	19.86	11.7	41.2	—	—	—
Secretaries	13.15	5.2	38.4	13.38	4.6	39.6	9.10	12.6	25.0
Stenographers	11.54	3.8	37.1	11.54	3.8	37.1	—	—	—
Typists	10.04	15.2	39.9	10.04	15.2	39.9	—	—	—
Hotel clerks	8.03	5.0	38.3	8.04	5.3	39.5	—	—	—
Receptionists	10.57	6.0	35.5	10.57	5.7	39.9	10.60	12.0	22.4
Information clerks, n.e.c.	10.25	12.7	39.4	10.25	12.9	39.9	—	—	—
Order clerks	10.34	8.1	39.6	10.68	11.6	40.0	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	13.07	8.0	39.9	13.07	8.0	39.9	—	—	—
Library clerks	10.23	6.9	30.4	10.97	5.4	35.2	7.55	1.8	20.3
File clerks	10.20	.6	39.1	10.20	.6	39.1	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.	12.77	6.0	38.2	13.24	6.1	39.9	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	13.69	5.0	37.7	13.81	4.7	39.5	11.46	8.8	20.7
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	12.62	7.1	40.0	12.62	7.1	40.0	—	—	—
Billing clerks	11.90	3.7	22.3	11.91	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone operators	10.66	12.4	32.3	11.79	14.0	39.3	—	—	—
Mail clerks, except postal service	9.49	7.6	32.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dispatchers	13.57	8.2	37.1	14.09	8.0	40.0	—	—	—
Production coordinators	14.68	11.1	40.0	14.68	11.1	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, East South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003—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									
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	—	—	—	\$14.59	14.1	40.0	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	\$11.92	4.4	39.1	11.98	4.0	40.0	—	—	—
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	14.17	6.5	33.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	16.08	7.4	39.9	16.11	7.3	40.0	—	—	—
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	10.84	5.5	39.4	10.84	5.5	39.4	—	—	—
Bill and account collectors	10.99	7.1	36.6	10.99	7.1	36.7	—	—	—
General office clerks	10.89	3.3	35.8	11.15	2.8	39.3	\$9.09	6.0	22.3
Bank tellers	10.06	4.4	36.9	10.11	4.9	39.1	9.46	6.6	22.8
Data entry keyers	10.71	2.2	39.9	10.78	2.5	39.9	—	—	—
Teachers' aides	9.41	3.4	34.4	9.40	3.7	36.9	—	—	—
Administrative support, n.e.c.	11.65	6.2	36.6	11.86	6.5	39.8	9.00	19.0	18.2
Blue collar	14.55	7.0	36.7	14.83	7.7	40.1	—	—	—
Precision production, craft, and repair									
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	18.17	9.9	39.7	18.28	10.1	40.1	9.12	14.9	22.5
Automobile mechanics	20.42	9.3	41.9	20.42	9.3	41.9	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	14.70	6.7	41.0	14.79	7.0	41.4	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics	14.68	6.9	40.2	14.68	6.9	40.2	—	—	—
Industrial machinery repairers	15.94	13.3	40.0	15.94	13.3	40.0	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance	20.20	7.1	39.9	20.20	7.1	39.9	—	—	—
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	13.89	3.7	40.0	13.89	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	21.18	14.6	40.0	21.18	14.6	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.69	3.0	40.0	14.69	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.26	3.3	39.6	14.29	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	26.94	8.5	40.1	26.94	8.5	40.1	—	—	—
Carpenters	14.60	10.7	40.0	14.60	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
Electricians	18.19	6.8	40.0	18.19	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	23.22	5.3	40.0	23.22	5.3	40.0	—	—	—
Painters, construction and maintenance	17.07	7.9	40.0	17.07	7.9	40.0	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	13.19	8.2	40.0	13.19	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Structural metal workers	15.39	6.0	40.0	15.39	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	16.64	2.4	37.1	16.65	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	17.81	5.8	40.1	17.81	5.8	40.1	—	—	—
Tool and die makers	18.09	8.3	40.0	18.09	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
Machinists	14.91	9.8	40.0	14.91	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	16.42	.9	40.0	16.42	.9	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	9.60	10.8	38.8	9.86	10.1	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	11.00	6.4	40.0	11.00	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Butchers and meat cutters	9.51	11.8	30.7	12.14	2.4	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors, testers, and graders	13.47	11.2	39.9	13.47	11.2	39.9	—	—	—
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	14.63	11.7	40.0	14.63	11.7	40.0	—	—	—
Power plant operators	24.26	2.9	40.0	24.26	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	19.64	9.5	40.0	19.64	9.5	40.0	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors									
Punching and stamping press operators	13.19	6.6	39.7	13.24	6.5	39.9	6.83	6.3	22.2
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	12.67	5.0	40.0	12.67	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	13.89	22.0	40.0	13.89	22.0	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	12.50	10.2	40.0	12.50	10.2	40.0	—	—	—
Sawing machine operators	11.23	5.1	39.9	11.23	5.1	39.9	—	—	—
Printing press operators	9.32	10.9	40.0	9.32	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	17.17	4.8	39.9	17.17	4.8	39.9	—	—	—
Laundrying and dry cleaning machine operators	9.16	4.3	39.9	9.16	4.3	39.9	—	—	—
	8.88	8.9	38.2	9.10	8.9	39.6	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, East South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003–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									
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors –Continued									
Packaging and filling machine operators	\$17.24	13.0	39.9	\$17.24	13.0	39.9	–	–	–
Extruding and forming machine operators	12.80	9.2	40.0	12.80	9.2	40.0	–	–	–
Mixing and blending machine operators	15.47	8.4	38.7	15.85	8.4	39.7	–	–	–
Separating, filtering, and clarifying machine operators	16.07	19.6	39.5	16.07	19.6	39.5	–	–	–
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	11.81	7.4	40.0	11.81	7.4	40.0	–	–	–
Slicing and cutting machine operators	10.12	10.2	33.0	10.67	6.5	38.5	–	–	–
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	15.00	14.9	40.0	15.00	14.9	40.0	–	–	–
Welders and cutters	14.14	9.8	40.0	14.14	9.8	40.0	–	–	–
Assemblers	13.30	15.7	39.6	13.37	15.3	39.9	–	–	–
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	8.23	7.8	40.0	8.23	7.8	40.0	–	–	–
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	15.54	14.8	40.0	15.54	14.8	40.0	–	–	–
Transportation and material moving	14.72	6.7	33.9	15.30	5.7	40.7	\$12.68	15.1	21.3
Truckdrivers	–	–	–	15.79	8.3	40.8	–	–	–
Driver-sales workers	11.55	15.1	34.6	14.35	6.0	40.6	–	–	–
Busdrivers	10.86	9.8	23.6	12.46	19.9	45.3	10.03	3.5	18.9
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	11.02	17.8	31.3	–	–	–	–	–	–
Excavating and loading machine operators	17.32	12.2	39.8	17.32	12.2	39.8	–	–	–
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	12.60	13.7	40.0	12.60	13.7	40.0	–	–	–
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	12.33	3.3	39.6	12.61	3.0	40.0	–	–	–
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	14.30	4.1	32.4	15.10	5.7	40.0	–	–	–
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers									
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	10.38	6.2	39.4	10.48	6.6	39.9	–	–	–
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	15.16	12.3	40.3	15.16	12.3	40.3	–	–	–
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	11.63	2.3	32.0	12.74	3.6	40.0	–	–	–
Helpers, construction trades	11.03	3.8	39.8	11.09	3.6	40.0	–	–	–
Construction laborers	9.96	6.5	39.9	9.97	6.5	39.9	–	–	–
Production helpers	10.76	10.6	40.0	10.76	10.6	40.0	–	–	–
Stock handlers and baggers	9.27	4.4	34.3	9.94	4.1	39.6	6.48	4.3	21.9
Machine feeders and offbearers	10.53	8.8	40.0	10.53	8.8	40.0	–	–	–
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	–	–	–	9.95	5.2	39.4	–	–	–
Garage and service station related	8.00	6.9	38.5	7.91	7.7	41.6	–	–	–
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	8.29	13.6	29.5	8.79	18.2	40.0	–	–	–
Hand packers and packagers	9.56	5.9	37.3	9.71	5.2	40.0	–	–	–
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	9.50	6.6	39.7	9.50	6.6	40.0	–	–	–
Service									
Protective service	11.81	6.4	39.1	12.03	7.1	41.2	7.66	8.5	20.2
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	19.86	7.7	52.6	19.86	7.7	52.6	–	–	–
Supervisors, police and detectives	19.65	8.6	40.2	19.65	8.6	40.2	–	–	–
Supervisors, guards	11.76	2.2	39.7	11.76	2.2	39.7	–	–	–
Firefighting	13.10	7.7	52.1	13.16	7.7	52.7	–	–	–
Police and detectives, public service	17.53	6.5	38.1	17.59	6.3	39.9	–	–	–
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	13.97	4.0	40.2	13.97	4.0	40.2	–	–	–
Correctional institution officers	11.29	4.3	37.3	11.43	3.9	38.6	–	–	–
Guards and police, except public service	8.99	3.1	38.0	9.11	2.3	40.0	7.53	11.8	23.6
Protective service, n.e.c.	10.34	5.5	26.5	11.25	8.1	39.3	–	–	–
Food service	6.68	4.7	31.8	7.16	7.0	39.3	5.45	9.2	21.3
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	4.67	15.9	32.9	4.95	13.5	39.4	3.85	14.4	22.1
Bartenders	6.67	3.9	32.6	–	–	–	5.74	4.6	18.1
Waiters and waitresses	4.50	17.6	33.5	4.77	14.2	39.5	3.63	17.9	22.5
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	4.49	9.1	25.9	–	–	–	4.32	8.4	21.7
Other food service	8.33	3.5	30.9	9.09	3.2	39.2	6.56	4.2	20.8

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, East South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003—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									
Food service —Continued									
Other food service —Continued									
Supervisors, food preparation and service	\$11.98	10.1	43.5	\$11.98	10.1	43.5	—	—	—
Cooks	9.27	5.9	35.0	9.46	6.2	39.0	\$8.33	7.5	23.4
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.20	3.7	34.1	8.59	4.5	38.3	7.08	3.2	25.8
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.91	4.5	24.5	7.77	5.6	38.2	6.01	6.4	17.8
Health service	8.71	6.9	34.7	8.84	6.0	39.2	7.90	9.4	20.2
Health aides, except nursing	10.06	4.2	37.2	9.76	4.5	39.5	—	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	8.26	7.4	34.0	8.43	6.8	39.1	7.37	6.9	20.2
Cleaning and building service	9.77	4.9	38.5	9.87	4.4	39.5	7.53	5.6	25.0
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	15.85	9.2	39.9	15.86	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
Maids and housemen	7.53	2.0	38.9	7.49	2.3	39.7	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	8.36	3.3	37.7	8.43	3.4	39.1	7.18	10.8	22.2
Personal service	7.66	2.2	35.9	7.77	3.1	39.8	6.39	6.6	17.5
Supervisors, personal service	16.88	15.5	40.4	17.20	13.3	41.3	—	—	—
Attendants, amusement and recreation facilities	6.69	.8	38.1	6.75	.6	40.0	—	—	—
Ushers	6.35	4.1	7.9	—	—	—	6.35	4.1	7.9
Baggage porters and bellhops	8.10	5.4	34.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Early childhood teachers' assistants	8.24	8.5	35.0	8.45	10.3	38.5	6.89	2.1	22.3
Childcare workers, n.e.c.	7.09	3.1	33.9	6.96	2.0	37.4	8.41	15.4	17.2
Service, n.e.c.	7.34	9.3	29.3	7.44	11.5	39.4	7.02	4.4	16.1

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, data were collected between December 2002 and January

2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

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, East South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003

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	\$13.97	7.3	36.1	\$14.49	8.5	40.0	\$9.97	9.8	20.7
All, excluding sales	14.17	7.2	36.2	14.63	8.4	39.9	10.42	9.1	20.5
White collar	16.79	4.3	36.2	17.53	5.7	40.0	11.02	5.0	20.8
White collar, excluding sales	18.21	2.4	36.5	18.78	4.1	40.0	12.99	8.4	20.3
Professional specialty and technical	21.14	3.2	37.2	21.03	3.4	39.8	23.25	10.8	16.7
Professional specialty	23.30	3.8	36.6	23.26	3.8	39.9	24.04	12.9	15.2
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	30.72	2.2	40.7	30.55	2.3	41.1	-	-	-
Aerospace engineers	38.47	9.8	34.3	36.17	6.7	40.0	-	-	-
Electrical and electronic engineers	31.55	5.9	41.5	31.55	5.9	41.5	-	-	-
Industrial engineers	33.74	3.2	42.5	33.87	3.2	42.5	-	-	-
Mechanical engineers	26.73	3.8	41.3	26.73	3.8	41.3	-	-	-
Engineers, n.e.c.	32.16	4.8	40.7	32.16	4.8	40.7	-	-	-
Mathematical and computer scientists	26.52	5.2	40.0	26.42	5.2	40.1	-	-	-
Computer systems analysts and scientists	26.30	5.8	40.0	26.19	5.8	40.1	-	-	-
Natural scientists	27.10	21.4	40.0	27.10	21.4	40.0	-	-	-
Health related	23.45	1.3	35.6	23.28	1.7	39.0	25.36	4.5	18.3
Registered nurses	22.29	3.1	35.8	22.11	2.2	38.8	24.09	13.2	20.5
Pharmacists	42.88	1.4	40.0	42.88	1.4	40.0	-	-	-
Teachers, college and university	28.59	6.1	32.1	28.53	6.2	38.4	-	-	-
Teachers, except college and university	14.36	16.5	36.8	14.04	18.6	38.7	22.97	18.9	15.7
Elementary school teachers	20.98	6.6	36.3	20.97	6.7	36.9	-	-	-
Secondary school teachers	21.00	19.6	33.0	20.21	20.3	37.9	-	-	-
Teachers, n.e.c.	16.77	16.4	31.5	16.82	18.7	39.3	-	-	-
Vocational and educational counselors	12.35	7.2	39.9	12.35	7.2	39.9	-	-	-
Librarians, archivists, and curators	15.25	5.2	39.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social scientists and urban planners	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social, recreation, and religious workers	12.41	11.4	39.7	12.38	11.4	39.9	-	-	-
Lawyers and judges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	20.15	15.2	33.9	21.06	10.6	40.1	-	-	-
Designers	20.13	18.0	40.0	20.13	18.0	40.0	-	-	-
Editors and reporters	22.24	10.0	40.3	22.24	10.0	40.3	-	-	-
Technical	17.49	7.7	38.3	17.31	8.9	39.7	21.48	18.2	21.4
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	17.10	8.4	38.1	17.10	8.7	39.9	-	-	-
Radiological technicians	19.30	6.4	37.4	19.35	6.7	39.2	-	-	-
Licensed practical nurses	14.20	4.7	35.8	14.27	5.3	37.9	13.53	4.0	23.4
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	14.77	7.1	39.9	14.80	7.2	40.0	-	-	-
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	22.80	3.5	40.0	22.80	3.5	40.0	-	-	-
Drafters	16.70	9.1	40.0	16.70	9.1	40.0	-	-	-
Chemical technicians	20.76	11.3	39.7	20.76	11.3	39.7	-	-	-
Computer programmers	-	-	-	26.87	10.7	40.0	-	-	-
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.36	3.0	40.5	26.32	3.1	40.7	34.82	33.1	25.2
Executives, administrators, and managers	27.36	4.5	40.5	27.37	4.5	40.6	-	-	-
Financial managers	29.06	9.7	39.7	29.21	9.8	40.9	-	-	-
Purchasing managers	27.35	10.4	41.6	27.35	10.4	41.6	-	-	-
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	24.82	7.5	41.6	24.82	7.5	41.6	-	-	-
Administrators, education and related fields	14.93	11.9	39.6	14.92	11.9	39.6	-	-	-
Managers, medicine and health	26.44	9.9	40.3	26.44	9.9	40.3	-	-	-
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	21.64	13.9	43.9	21.68	14.0	44.1	-	-	-
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	30.29	1.8	40.5	30.29	1.8	40.5	-	-	-
Management related	24.25	8.7	40.5	24.09	8.3	40.7	-	-	-
Accountants and auditors	17.94	18.9	39.4	16.92	15.0	40.0	-	-	-
Other financial officers	22.22	3.6	40.3	22.00	4.6	40.7	-	-	-
Management analysts	35.54	4.3	40.0	35.54	4.3	40.0	-	-	-
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	22.32	11.8	42.5	22.32	11.8	42.5	-	-	-
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products	30.54	9.0	40.0	30.54	9.0	40.0	-	-	-
Management related, n.e.c.	23.27	14.6	40.0	23.27	14.6	40.0	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, East South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003—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	\$12.20	9.7	35.4	\$13.18	11.2	40.3	\$7.23	3.3	22.0
Supervisors, sales	15.56	21.8	42.2	15.56	21.8	42.2	—	—	—
Insurance sales	17.13	13.4	41.6	17.13	13.4	41.6	—	—	—
Sales, other business services	—	—	—	16.90	29.9	39.5	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	19.94	12.2	40.6	19.94	12.2	40.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	10.19	24.4	28.0	11.97	22.6	39.0	8.05	20.0	20.9
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	17.27	36.1	37.6	18.95	40.5	40.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	11.86	4.6	38.9	12.12	3.9	41.2	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	9.46	11.5	32.3	10.40	16.5	40.0	7.13	6.0	21.9
Sales counter clerks	6.71	2.8	29.9	—	—	—	6.27	2.4	20.4
Cashiers	8.96	12.1	35.3	9.40	11.3	39.7	6.70	1.9	22.5
Sales support, n.e.c.	10.22	13.2	39.7	10.30	13.4	40.0	—	—	—
Administrative support, including clerical	12.42	3.6	34.3	12.70	3.8	39.6	—	—	—
Supervisors, general office	17.85	10.1	38.1	17.85	10.1	38.1	—	—	—
Supervisors, financial records processing	19.34	1.6	39.3	19.34	1.6	39.3	—	—	—
Supervisors, distribution, scheduling, and adjusting clerks	20.59	9.6	41.4	20.59	9.6	41.4	—	—	—
Secretaries	13.26	6.3	38.2	13.55	5.5	39.7	9.04	13.4	24.9
Stenographers	11.53	4.1	37.0	11.53	4.1	37.0	—	—	—
Hotel clerks	8.03	5.0	38.3	8.04	5.3	39.5	—	—	—
Receptionists	10.60	6.2	36.1	10.55	5.8	39.9	10.92	11.6	22.8
Information clerks, n.e.c.	10.10	13.0	39.4	10.10	13.2	39.9	—	—	—
Order clerks	10.34	8.1	39.6	10.68	11.6	40.0	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	13.69	9.5	39.9	13.69	9.5	39.9	—	—	—
File clerks	10.20	.8	38.9	10.20	.8	38.9	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.	13.20	4.9	38.3	13.52	6.0	39.8	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	13.81	5.3	37.6	13.95	4.9	39.5	11.46	8.8	20.7
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	12.50	8.2	40.0	12.50	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Billing clerks	12.01	4.1	23.3	11.91	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone operators	10.74	13.4	31.9	12.07	14.7	39.2	—	—	—
Mail clerks, except postal service	9.49	7.6	32.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Production coordinators	14.67	11.3	40.0	14.67	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	—	—	—	14.64	14.2	40.0	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	12.17	3.8	39.0	12.25	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	14.17	6.5	33.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	16.08	7.4	39.9	16.11	7.3	40.0	—	—	—
Bill and account collectors	10.98	7.2	36.5	10.98	7.2	36.6	—	—	—
General office clerks	11.01	4.1	35.1	11.36	3.1	39.3	9.15	7.0	22.3
Bank tellers	10.06	4.4	36.9	10.11	4.9	39.1	9.46	6.6	22.8
Data entry keyers	10.71	2.2	39.9	10.78	2.5	39.9	—	—	—
Administrative support, n.e.c.	11.32	6.8	36.4	11.53	7.2	39.9	9.00	19.0	18.2
Blue collar	14.57	7.1	36.6	14.86	7.8	40.1	—	—	—
Precision production, craft, and repair	18.24	9.9	39.7	18.35	10.1	40.1	8.95	15.0	22.7
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	20.48	9.7	42.0	20.48	9.7	42.0	—	—	—
Automobile mechanics	14.88	6.1	41.1	14.98	6.3	41.5	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	14.67	7.2	40.2	14.67	7.2	40.2	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics	16.55	14.3	40.0	16.55	14.3	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial machinery repairers	20.20	7.1	39.9	20.20	7.1	39.9	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance	14.19	3.4	40.0	14.19	3.4	40.0	—	—	—
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	21.56	14.2	40.0	21.56	14.2	40.0	—	—	—
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	14.97	5.0	40.0	14.97	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.37	3.8	39.6	14.40	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	24.38	11.6	40.0	24.38	11.6	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, East South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003—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									
Carpenters	\$14.66	11.1	40.0	\$14.66	11.1	40.0	—	—	—
Electricians	18.09	7.4	40.0	18.09	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	23.06	2.8	40.0	23.06	2.8	40.0	—	—	—
Painters, construction and maintenance	13.09	3.8	40.0	13.09	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	17.68	9.4	40.0	17.68	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Structural metal workers	15.39	6.0	40.0	15.39	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	17.77	5.8	40.1	17.77	5.8	40.1	—	—	—
Tool and die makers	18.09	8.3	40.0	18.09	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
Machinists	14.91	9.8	40.0	14.91	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	16.42	.9	40.0	16.42	.9	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	9.60	10.8	38.8	9.86	10.1	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	10.99	6.3	40.0	10.99	6.3	40.0	—	—	—
Butchers and meat cutters	9.51	11.8	30.7	12.14	2.4	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors, testers, and graders	13.47	11.2	39.9	13.47	11.2	39.9	—	—	—
Power plant operators	24.46	2.9	40.0	24.46	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	19.64	9.5	40.0	19.64	9.5	40.0	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	13.18	6.6	39.7	13.23	6.5	39.9	\$6.83	6.3	22.2
Punching and stamping press operators	12.67	5.0	40.0	12.67	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	13.89	22.0	40.0	13.89	22.0	40.0	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	12.50	10.2	40.0	12.50	10.2	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	11.23	5.1	39.9	11.23	5.1	39.9	—	—	—
Sawing machine operators	9.32	10.9	40.0	9.32	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Printing press operators	17.58	5.2	39.9	17.58	5.2	39.9	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	9.16	4.3	39.9	9.16	4.3	39.9	—	—	—
Laundering and dry cleaning machine operators	8.86	9.2	38.1	9.09	9.2	39.6	—	—	—
Packaging and filling machine operators	17.24	13.0	39.9	17.24	13.0	39.9	—	—	—
Extruding and forming machine operators	12.80	9.2	40.0	12.80	9.2	40.0	—	—	—
Mixing and blending machine operators	15.47	8.4	38.7	15.85	8.4	39.7	—	—	—
Separating, filtering, and clarifying machine operators	16.07	19.6	39.5	16.07	19.6	39.5	—	—	—
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	11.81	7.4	40.0	11.81	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	10.12	10.2	33.0	10.67	6.5	38.5	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	15.00	14.9	40.0	15.00	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	13.96	8.7	40.0	13.96	8.7	40.0	—	—	—
Assemblers	13.30	15.7	39.6	13.37	15.3	39.9	—	—	—
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	8.23	7.8	40.0	8.23	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	15.55	14.9	40.0	15.55	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	14.82	6.7	33.9	15.44	5.5	40.7	12.70	15.6	21.5
Truckdrivers	—	—	—	15.87	8.1	40.8	—	—	—
Driver-sales workers	11.55	15.1	34.6	14.35	6.0	40.6	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	17.16	13.5	40.0	17.16	13.5	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	15.08	14.1	40.0	15.08	14.1	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	12.17	3.6	39.6	12.45	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	14.44	3.9	32.1	15.33	4.9	40.0	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	10.56	5.3	32.5	10.15	2.9	39.9	—	—	—
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	9.73	10.2	39.3	9.84	11.1	39.9	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	15.19	13.8	40.4	15.19	13.8	40.4	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	11.51	1.6	31.9	12.63	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	11.02	3.9	39.8	11.08	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	9.99	6.8	39.9	9.99	6.8	39.9	—	—	—
Production helpers	10.76	10.6	40.0	10.76	10.6	40.0	—	—	—
Stock handlers and baggers	9.27	4.5	34.2	9.94	4.2	39.6	6.48	4.3	21.9
Machine feeders and offbearers	10.53	8.8	40.0	10.53	8.8	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, East South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003–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									
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	–	–	–	\$9.95	5.2	39.4	–	–	–
Garage and service station related	\$8.00	6.9	38.5	7.91	7.7	41.6	–	–	–
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	8.20	13.2	29.4	8.70	17.9	40.0	–	–	–
Hand packers and packagers	9.56	5.9	37.3	9.71	5.2	40.0	–	–	–
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	9.40	7.4	39.7	9.40	7.4	40.0	–	–	–
Service	7.94	2.6	35.3	8.25	1.2	39.7	\$5.95	5.1	20.6
Protective service	9.05	3.2	37.0	9.20	2.3	40.0	7.59	9.1	21.0
Supervisors, guards	10.59	5.3	39.6	10.59	5.3	39.6	–	–	–
Guards and police, except public service	8.95	3.3	38.0	9.07	2.4	40.0	7.48	11.8	23.7
Food service	6.50	4.2	31.6	6.96	5.4	39.5	5.34	9.9	21.0
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	4.67	15.9	32.9	4.95	13.5	39.4	3.85	14.4	22.1
Bartenders	6.67	3.9	32.6	–	–	–	5.74	4.6	18.1
Waiters and waitresses	4.50	17.6	33.5	4.77	14.2	39.5	3.63	17.9	22.5
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	4.49	9.1	25.9	–	–	–	4.32	8.4	21.7
Other food service	8.20	4.6	30.4	9.01	4.4	39.6	6.44	4.9	20.3
Supervisors, food preparation and service	12.02	10.8	44.7	12.02	10.8	44.7	–	–	–
Cooks	9.19	7.8	35.0	9.39	8.4	39.5	8.20	8.2	22.7
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.19	7.0	33.5	8.65	8.4	39.4	6.75	4.0	22.8
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.87	4.6	24.4	7.73	6.0	38.3	5.99	6.5	17.8
Health service	8.57	7.3	34.5	8.72	6.4	39.1	7.69	8.7	20.3
Health aides, except nursing	10.09	4.9	37.0	9.75	5.2	39.7	–	–	–
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	8.09	7.5	33.8	8.28	7.1	39.0	7.10	4.9	20.3
Cleaning and building service	9.54	6.2	38.6	9.66	5.7	39.6	7.05	5.6	25.3
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	16.15	7.6	40.0	16.17	7.4	40.0	–	–	–
Maids and housemen	7.53	2.0	38.9	7.49	2.3	39.7	–	–	–
Janitors and cleaners	7.91	4.1	37.9	7.99	4.5	39.2	6.10	2.8	21.9
Personal service	7.59	1.7	36.4	7.73	2.6	40.0	6.09	5.9	18.2
Supervisors, personal service	17.01	16.4	40.6	17.35	14.1	41.6	–	–	–
Attendants, amusement and recreation facilities	6.67	1.0	38.5	6.74	.7	40.0	–	–	–
Baggage porters and bellhops	8.10	5.4	34.3	–	–	–	–	–	–
Early childhood teachers' assistants	7.91	8.7	34.5	–	–	–	–	–	–
Childcare workers, n.e.c.	6.81	2.2	34.7	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service, n.e.c.	7.13	9.1	29.0	7.16	11.3	39.4	7.04	5.2	15.4

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, data were collected between December 2002 and January

2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

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, East South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003

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	\$18.34	2.7	36.9	\$18.61	3.0	38.9	\$12.06	6.1	17.0
All, excluding sales	18.39	2.8	36.9	18.67	3.0	38.9	12.09	6.2	17.0
White collar	21.76	3.7	36.5	22.05	3.6	38.4	14.01	10.7	15.7
White collar, excluding sales	21.89	3.7	36.5	22.18	3.7	38.4	14.07	11.2	15.7
Professional specialty and technical	25.08	2.5	36.3	25.30	2.6	38.1	17.73	11.1	13.7
Professional specialty	26.00	3.0	36.1	26.23	3.1	38.0	17.67	12.9	12.8
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	26.86	15.8	38.9	26.86	15.8	38.9	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	25.50	21.6	38.3	25.56	22.1	38.7	—	—	—
Natural scientists	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health related	21.41	3.9	36.7	21.65	4.4	39.3	18.27	8.5	19.6
Registered nurses	20.58	4.4	37.2	20.57	4.8	39.2	20.83	5.4	19.4
Teachers, college and university	33.08	5.8	38.7	33.08	5.8	38.9	—	—	—
Other post-secondary teachers	29.74	7.1	39.2	29.74	7.1	39.2	—	—	—
Teachers, except college and university	27.18	4.3	35.9	27.41	4.1	37.6	8.35	8.9	7.9
Elementary school teachers	26.73	3.2	37.9	26.73	3.2	37.9	—	—	—
Secondary school teachers	26.94	3.9	36.9	26.94	3.9	36.9	—	—	—
Teachers, special education	26.18	6.7	37.3	26.18	6.7	37.3	—	—	—
Teachers, n.e.c.	30.20	6.9	37.4	30.33	7.3	37.4	—	—	—
Substitute teachers	8.17	7.4	7.5	—	—	—	8.17	7.4	7.5
Vocational and educational counselors	30.33	12.1	38.7	30.33	12.1	38.7	—	—	—
Librarians, archivists, and curators	23.58	5.2	37.0	24.01	5.6	38.0	—	—	—
Librarians	24.31	5.9	36.1	24.93	6.3	37.4	—	—	—
Social scientists and urban planners	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Social, recreation, and religious workers	16.20	3.2	39.0	16.20	3.2	39.0	—	—	—
Social workers	16.20	3.2	39.0	16.20	3.2	39.0	—	—	—
Lawyers and judges	32.52	30.3	14.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lawyers	32.52	30.3	14.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	15.10	13.1	38.4	13.07	4.6	38.9	—	—	—
Technical	16.53	6.2	37.8	16.45	6.0	39.6	17.98	12.4	20.4
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	19.37	6.9	32.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	14.80	6.1	38.7	14.80	6.1	39.6	—	—	—
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	13.60	15.7	38.9	13.63	15.9	39.6	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.92	9.1	36.6	26.88	9.1	38.9	31.71	19.7	4.3
Executives, administrators, and managers	30.17	7.0	35.9	30.15	7.1	38.8	31.71	19.7	4.3
Legislators	24.18	29.4	5.9	—	—	—	31.71	19.7	4.3
Administrators and officials, public administration	28.83	20.2	40.3	28.83	20.2	40.3	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	35.97	6.5	36.7	35.97	6.5	36.7	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	25.30	16.0	39.1	25.30	16.0	39.1	—	—	—
Management related	17.67	10.8	39.0	17.67	10.8	39.0	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	18.97	11.9	38.9	18.97	11.9	38.9	—	—	—
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	13.82	3.4	39.4	13.82	3.4	39.4	—	—	—
Sales	10.40	10.1	38.8	10.51	10.0	39.4	—	—	—
Cashiers	9.24	8.1	37.9	9.35	8.6	38.9	—	—	—
Administrative support, including clerical	11.25	1.6	36.9	11.40	1.6	38.7	9.09	1.0	22.1
Supervisors, financial records processing	17.03	1.6	39.3	17.03	1.6	39.3	—	—	—
Secretaries	12.67	1.5	39.0	12.71	1.4	39.3	—	—	—
Receptionists	10.07	7.8	26.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Library clerks	10.36	7.0	31.1	10.97	5.4	35.2	7.61	2.2	20.4
Records clerks, n.e.c.	10.37	1.1	37.8	10.83	4.0	40.0	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks	11.73	11.5	39.6	11.73	11.5	39.6	—	—	—
Dispatchers	11.13	8.8	34.3	11.93	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
General office clerks	10.54	3.2	38.1	10.64	2.9	39.4	—	—	—
Teachers' aides	9.46	3.5	34.1	9.46	3.8	36.7	—	—	—
Administrative support, n.e.c.	14.83	16.0	39.1	14.83	16.0	39.1	—	—	—
Blue collar	14.16	5.9	37.9	14.24	6.1	39.8	12.12	4.3	17.2

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5. Selected occupations, East South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003—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	\$16.74	8.0	39.6	\$16.74	8.0	39.9	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	12.78	4.3	39.6	12.78	4.3	39.6	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	30.07	6.3	40.1	30.07	6.3	40.1	—	—	—
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	17.96	3.5	40.0	17.96	3.5	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	23.56	14.9	40.0	23.56	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	15.36	12.1	40.0	15.36	12.1	40.0	—	—	—
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	14.62	11.9	40.0	14.62	11.9	40.0	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	12.94	3.9	33.5	13.10	4.3	39.5	\$11.88	3.2	17.1
Truckdrivers	11.26	7.6	39.9	11.26	7.6	39.9	—	—	—
Busdrivers	12.79	7.0	21.9	—	—	—	11.88	3.2	17.1
Excavating and loading machine operators	17.94	9.4	39.0	17.94	9.4	39.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	10.18	10.5	40.0	10.18	10.5	40.0	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	11.22	3.3	39.9	11.23	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	12.21	7.8	39.8	12.21	7.8	39.9	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	14.97	.5	40.0	14.97	.5	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	9.40	11.5	39.5	9.46	11.9	40.0	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	10.18	4.5	40.0	10.18	4.5	40.0	—	—	—
Service	12.36	4.6	37.5	12.54	4.8	40.0	9.40	8.7	19.0
Protective service	14.83	7.7	41.8	14.88	7.7	42.5	8.54	8.6	12.9
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	19.86	7.7	52.6	19.86	7.7	52.6	—	—	—
Supervisors, police and detectives	19.65	8.6	40.2	19.65	8.6	40.2	—	—	—
Firefighting	13.10	7.7	52.1	13.16	7.7	52.7	—	—	—
Police and detectives, public service	17.53	6.5	38.1	17.59	6.3	39.9	—	—	—
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	13.97	4.0	40.2	13.97	4.0	40.2	—	—	—
Correctional institution officers	11.55	3.6	38.5	11.55	3.6	38.5	—	—	—
Guards and police, except public service	10.93	5.5	37.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Protective service, n.e.c.	11.54	10.6	37.9	11.64	10.3	39.0	—	—	—
Food service	9.33	5.0	35.3	9.59	3.9	36.5	8.11	7.7	30.9
Other food service	9.33	5.0	35.3	9.59	3.9	36.5	8.11	7.7	30.9
Cooks	9.99	1.4	35.3	10.04	1.7	35.4	—	—	—
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.21	2.4	34.9	8.51	1.4	37.2	—	—	—
Health service	9.75	4.0	35.8	9.69	4.1	39.4	—	—	—
Health aides, except nursing	9.85	3.1	38.4	9.85	3.1	38.4	—	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	9.60	4.8	35.0	9.51	4.8	39.6	—	—	—
Cleaning and building service	11.64	9.8	37.3	11.72	10.5	38.9	10.41	6.3	22.9
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	14.09	18.4	39.7	14.09	18.4	39.7	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	10.78	11.5	36.6	10.81	12.9	38.6	10.44	6.2	22.9
Personal service	8.79	8.6	29.4	8.59	8.4	35.9	10.49	8.4	11.5
Early childhood teachers' assistants	8.97	13.5	36.2	8.97	13.5	36.3	—	—	—
Childcare workers, n.e.c.	7.38	11.1	33.0	—	—	—	—	—	—

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, data were collected between December 2002 and January

2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

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 East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003

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	\$14.45	6.6	36.2	\$13.97	7.3	36.1	\$18.34	2.7	36.9
All, excluding sales	14.67	6.4	36.3	14.17	7.2	36.2	18.39	2.8	36.9
White collar	17.56	3.9	36.3	16.79	4.3	36.2	21.76	3.7	36.5
1	7.34	4.2	31.2	7.32	4.4	31.2	8.25	3.6	34.2
2	9.73	8.9	28.8	9.75	9.6	28.6	9.41	1.4	31.5
3	10.00	1.5	33.9	9.99	1.5	34.2	10.13	3.0	29.9
4	12.72	2.2	38.4	12.90	2.6	38.5	11.21	3.1	37.9
5	15.01	3.3	39.4	14.90	3.8	39.5	16.36	5.2	37.5
6	16.46	4.8	38.4	16.92	4.3	38.4	13.77	5.9	38.4
7	20.88	4.8	38.9	19.75	4.3	39.4	23.58	11.2	37.7
8	24.64	9.5	39.0	24.51	14.3	39.5	24.94	4.2	38.0
9	26.07	4.2	39.0	26.15	6.3	39.6	25.82	3.5	37.2
10	32.59	2.6	39.5	32.51	2.2	41.0	32.74	4.9	36.6
11	36.81	5.2	37.5	38.41	6.3	38.6	32.04	9.4	34.5
12	38.92	3.3	33.6	39.71	5.2	32.0	36.63	6.5	39.3
13	52.27	13.0	39.7	55.34	12.3	39.7	-	-	-
14	66.00	8.3	38.8	66.11	8.5	38.8	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	16.84	10.5	37.0	16.01	12.1	37.6	34.46	18.1	28.1
White collar, excluding sales	18.92	2.3	36.5	18.21	2.4	36.5	21.89	3.7	36.5
1	8.74	2.0	32.1	8.76	2.0	32.1	8.17	6.8	32.2
2	10.28	8.3	28.3	10.36	8.9	28.0	9.42	1.4	31.5
3	10.50	2.0	35.6	10.54	2.2	36.7	10.13	3.4	29.0
4	12.77	1.9	37.6	13.05	2.2	37.6	11.21	3.1	37.9
5	14.96	3.4	38.9	14.80	4.3	39.0	16.41	5.2	37.4
6	16.55	5.4	38.0	17.11	5.1	37.9	13.77	5.9	38.4
7	20.96	4.6	38.8	19.79	3.8	39.3	23.58	11.2	37.7
8	24.96	6.1	38.8	24.97	9.3	39.2	24.94	4.2	38.0
9	26.09	4.2	39.0	26.18	6.2	39.6	25.82	3.5	37.2
10	32.63	3.0	39.5	32.58	3.0	41.0	32.74	4.9	36.6
11	35.50	2.7	37.3	36.77	3.5	38.5	32.04	9.4	34.5
12	39.74	2.6	33.0	40.93	3.9	31.1	36.63	6.5	39.3
13	52.27	13.0	39.7	55.34	12.3	39.7	-	-	-
14	66.00	8.3	38.8	66.11	8.5	38.8	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	17.56	9.7	36.8	16.58	11.6	37.4	34.46	18.1	28.1
Professional specialty and technical	22.63	2.8	36.8	21.14	3.2	37.2	25.08	2.5	36.3
Professional specialty	24.56	2.1	36.4	23.30	3.8	36.6	26.00	3.0	36.1
5	14.69	6.5	38.8	13.34	7.1	39.6	19.74	7.8	36.0
6	15.07	12.8	37.9	15.35	15.7	38.3	13.40	5.3	35.7
7	23.05	6.3	37.6	21.19	4.3	38.0	24.86	11.8	37.2
8	23.98	4.1	37.5	21.67	2.8	37.2	25.71	4.0	37.7
9	25.68	2.2	37.3	25.42	2.0	37.4	25.92	4.0	37.3
10	34.65	6.6	39.7	36.07	8.8	41.0	32.41	3.7	37.7
11	33.96	5.1	35.1	36.85	7.1	36.9	29.59	9.3	32.8
12	32.02	11.1	26.2	32.51	14.1	24.0	30.28	14.3	38.5
13	39.72	8.9	39.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	53.68	10.5	37.2	53.56	11.0	37.2	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	21.10	28.4	29.5	16.15	37.3	27.9	43.73	19.2	39.4
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	30.53	1.4	40.6	30.72	2.2	40.7	26.86	15.8	38.9
7	26.02	6.4	40.1	26.98	4.1	40.0	-	-	-
8	25.91	6.0	43.2	26.18	9.1	43.8	-	-	-
9	27.81	4.3	40.7	27.59	4.2	40.7	-	-	-
10	32.68	5.2	41.0	32.68	5.2	41.0	-	-	-
11	36.79	3.4	40.9	36.81	3.6	41.2	-	-	-
12	39.33	6.7	40.6	39.33	6.7	40.6	-	-	-
Aerospace engineers	38.47	9.8	34.3	38.47	9.8	34.3	-	-	-
Civil engineers	23.79	5.7	40.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Electrical and electronic engineers	31.72	5.2	41.4	31.55	5.9	41.5	-	-	-
8	32.22	4.2	41.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
9	30.62	8.8	40.1	28.94	10.1	40.1	-	-	-
Industrial engineers	33.61	3.3	42.4	33.74	3.2	42.5	-	-	-
9	30.14	6.8	42.8	30.42	7.1	42.8	-	-	-
Mechanical engineers	26.73	3.8	41.3	26.73	3.8	41.3	-	-	-

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
Mechanical engineers—Continued									
9	\$28.41	5.4	40.0	\$28.41	5.4	40.0	—	—	—
Engineers, n.e.c.	32.16	4.8	40.7	32.16	4.8	40.7	—	—	—
8	26.33	3.8	43.1	26.33	3.8	43.1	—	—	—
9	28.33	2.5	40.0	28.33	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
10	32.82	3.0	40.0	32.82	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
11	37.39	8.1	40.0	37.39	8.1	40.0	—	—	—
12	42.44	1.2	40.0	42.44	1.2	40.0	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	26.48	5.5	39.9	26.52	5.2	40.0	\$25.50	21.6	38.3
7	17.82	7.6	39.7	17.76	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
9	26.11	5.6	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	35.74	4.0	39.0	35.74	4.0	39.0	—	—	—
11	32.02	4.4	39.7	31.65	5.2	39.7	—	—	—
Computer systems analysts and scientists	26.36	6.0	40.0	26.30	5.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	17.77	8.5	39.9	17.76	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
10	35.38	4.3	39.0	35.38	4.3	39.0	—	—	—
11	32.02	4.4	39.7	31.65	5.2	39.7	—	—	—
Natural scientists	26.47	15.4	39.7	27.10	21.4	40.0	—	—	—
Health related	22.92	1.1	35.9	23.45	1.3	35.6	21.41	3.9	36.7
5	16.16	8.9	35.7	16.71	12.9	39.1	—	—	—
6	20.14	8.4	36.3	20.14	8.4	36.3	—	—	—
7	19.29	4.9	36.2	20.20	4.0	36.7	16.53	8.0	34.8
8	20.98	4.0	35.4	20.87	4.1	35.2	21.57	5.8	36.7
9	22.61	2.3	35.6	23.42	3.3	33.6	21.76	3.5	37.8
10	40.84	15.7	39.9	41.48	15.4	40.0	—	—	—
11	37.94	13.3	30.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Physicians	28.20	30.7	30.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Registered nurses	21.85	2.7	36.1	22.29	3.1	35.8	20.58	4.4	37.2
6	20.14	8.4	36.3	20.14	8.4	36.3	—	—	—
7	19.85	5.9	36.9	21.03	3.6	37.0	16.58	10.4	36.5
8	20.97	3.9	35.1	20.86	4.0	34.8	21.50	5.8	37.0
9	22.53	3.1	36.4	23.08	4.1	35.4	21.89	4.4	37.5
Pharmacists	42.29	1.8	39.6	42.88	1.4	40.0	—	—	—
10	42.23	1.1	40.0	42.23	1.1	40.0	—	—	—
Dietitians	18.08	1.7	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Physical therapists	27.53	1.3	29.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Teachers, college and university	32.26	4.8	37.3	28.59	6.1	32.1	33.08	5.8	38.7
7	27.96	12.0	35.5	15.32	15.2	30.2	29.47	8.7	36.3
9	32.14	8.2	36.3	30.37	11.6	37.0	34.42	3.3	35.4
10	27.95	8.2	38.3	—	—	—	30.22	10.4	37.3
11	30.70	4.5	39.4	—	—	—	30.55	4.1	39.4
13	33.45	4.6	39.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	44.24	19.0	33.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Teachers, except college and university	26.18	5.6	36.0	14.36	16.5	36.8	27.18	4.3	35.9
5	21.60	14.3	36.2	15.06	21.3	35.5	—	—	—
6	12.01	7.9	35.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	28.45	11.3	37.5	18.14	10.3	37.1	28.91	12.3	37.5
8	26.19	3.7	37.7	—	—	—	26.26	3.7	37.7
9	26.94	5.9	36.8	24.70	5.2	32.7	27.11	6.8	37.1
10	33.92	7.1	39.0	—	—	—	33.94	7.1	39.0
Elementary school teachers	26.51	2.9	37.8	20.98	6.6	36.3	26.73	3.2	37.9
7	27.01	11.9	38.7	—	—	—	27.31	13.7	38.8
8	25.37	4.1	37.8	—	—	—	25.48	4.2	37.8
9	26.61	6.2	37.2	—	—	—	26.93	7.3	37.2
Secondary school teachers	26.53	4.5	36.6	21.00	19.6	33.0	26.94	3.9	36.9
7	28.87	11.6	35.3	21.42	17.5	36.1	—	—	—
8	25.84	4.4	37.3	—	—	—	25.84	4.4	37.3
9	27.41	5.3	36.0	—	—	—	27.57	6.6	37.3

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003–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, except college and university –Continued									
Teachers, special education	\$26.13	6.7	37.3	–	–	–	\$26.18	6.7	37.3
Teachers, n.e.c.	29.63	7.1	37.1	\$16.77	16.4	31.5	30.20	6.9	37.4
7	30.42	9.2	37.3	–	–	–	–	–	–
Substitute teachers	8.13	6.6	7.6	–	–	–	8.17	7.4	7.5
Vocational and educational counselors	28.40	9.8	38.8	12.35	7.2	39.9	30.33	12.1	38.7
Librarians, archivists, and curators	23.34	4.4	37.0	15.25	5.2	39.0	23.58	5.2	37.0
7	16.59	5.2	36.5	–	–	–	–	–	–
8	25.18	1.6	38.5	–	–	–	–	–	–
Librarians	24.01	5.2	36.2	–	–	–	24.31	5.9	36.1
7	16.59	5.2	36.5	–	–	–	–	–	–
8	25.27	1.7	38.5	–	–	–	–	–	–
Social scientists and urban planners	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Social, recreation, and religious workers	13.22	10.5	39.5	12.41	11.4	39.7	16.20	3.2	39.0
5	11.66	6.8	39.8	–	–	–	14.20	6.9	39.6
7	17.52	3.7	39.5	–	–	–	16.26	3.5	38.9
Social workers	13.13	12.3	39.6	–	–	–	16.20	3.2	39.0
5	–	–	–	–	–	–	14.20	6.9	39.6
7	17.40	4.1	39.4	–	–	–	16.26	3.5	38.9
Lawyers and judges	41.82	19.7	27.6	–	–	–	32.52	30.3	14.1
Lawyers	41.82	19.7	27.6	–	–	–	32.52	30.3	14.1
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	19.73	14.3	34.2	20.15	15.2	33.9	15.10	13.1	38.4
5	13.68	13.0	39.9	12.60	8.3	40.1	–	–	–
8	17.44	6.4	40.0	17.44	6.4	40.0	–	–	–
9	24.47	3.3	39.9	24.49	3.3	40.0	–	–	–
Designers	20.13	18.0	40.0	20.13	18.0	40.0	–	–	–
Editors and reporters	21.70	10.0	40.3	22.24	10.0	40.3	–	–	–
Public relations specialists	14.09	2.7	39.9	–	–	–	–	–	–
Professional, n.e.c.	21.95	2.8	38.9	–	–	–	–	–	–
Technical	17.36	6.9	38.3	17.49	7.7	38.3	16.53	6.2	37.8
3	9.69	3.3	33.7	9.69	3.3	33.7	–	–	–
4	12.65	1.9	38.6	12.72	2.2	38.6	11.74	4.1	38.7
5	14.64	3.6	38.5	14.77	3.8	38.7	13.76	3.8	37.2
6	16.33	5.5	35.9	16.48	6.3	35.9	15.21	5.6	35.8
7	19.18	3.7	39.5	19.04	3.5	39.4	19.70	5.0	39.8
8	19.16	1.9	40.4	19.94	4.4	40.5	17.53	6.1	40.0
9	26.63	17.3	32.0	27.86	16.0	33.1	–	–	–
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	17.51	7.5	37.0	17.10	8.4	38.1	19.37	6.9	32.5
5	13.55	8.3	40.0	–	–	–	–	–	–
9	20.96	4.9	34.9	–	–	–	–	–	–
Radiological technicians	19.47	4.6	37.5	19.30	6.4	37.4	–	–	–
6	19.08	3.9	37.0	18.92	4.1	40.0	–	–	–
Licensed practical nurses	14.33	4.5	36.4	14.20	4.7	35.8	14.80	6.1	38.7
4	13.56	6.3	34.2	13.43	4.2	33.0	–	–	–
5	13.94	2.2	35.6	14.03	3.2	35.1	13.70	1.1	37.2
6	13.48	6.2	36.3	13.03	6.8	35.6	–	–	–
7	16.77	6.9	38.8	–	–	–	–	–	–
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	14.55	5.4	39.7	14.77	7.1	39.9	13.60	15.7	38.9
4	12.67	2.8	39.7	13.24	2.1	40.0	–	–	–
5	16.10	3.8	39.7	–	–	–	–	–	–
Electrical and electronic technicians									
5	16.54	4.7	40.9	16.54	4.7	40.9	–	–	–
7	21.46	7.1	40.2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	21.33	6.8	39.7	22.80	3.5	40.0	–	–	–
Drafters	16.70	9.1	40.0	16.70	9.1	40.0	–	–	–
Chemical technicians	20.76	11.3	39.7	20.76	11.3	39.7	–	–	–

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
Science technicians, n.e.c.	\$19.97	8.8	42.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Computer programmers									
8	22.65	6.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	14.11	7.8	39.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial									
5	26.41	2.6	40.2	\$26.36	3.0	40.5	\$26.92	9.1	36.6
6	14.36	4.2	40.1	14.23	4.3	40.1	15.78	16.4	39.9
7	16.33	8.2	40.1	17.13	7.0	40.2	—	—	—
8	19.86	3.8	40.6	19.67	6.0	40.9	20.81	23.4	39.2
9	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.07	6.6	39.5
10	26.53	8.0	40.7	26.55	8.4	40.8	26.19	4.4	39.6
11	29.82	8.1	39.0	28.41	9.4	41.2	33.54	13.1	34.2
12	36.09	2.6	40.1	35.62	3.0	40.1	38.63	7.8	40.0
13	42.75	3.9	40.9	44.14	4.2	41.5	39.93	2.2	39.8
Not able to be leveled	47.66	2.4	40.5	47.80	2.6	40.5	—	—	—
Executives, administrators, and managers	24.73	21.6	37.5	24.29	23.2	40.4	38.32	25.5	11.7
5	27.62	4.0	40.1	27.36	4.5	40.5	30.17	7.0	35.9
6	14.40	8.7	40.4	13.54	9.9	40.5	—	—	—
7	13.51	5.8	38.9	13.89	8.6	38.9	—	—	—
8	19.56	7.9	40.5	18.75	5.2	40.7	23.76	32.2	39.8
9	—	—	—	—	—	—	21.92	9.9	40.2
10	25.48	5.7	40.6	25.37	6.1	40.6	27.39	4.7	39.7
11	30.00	10.4	38.8	28.16	13.2	41.7	33.60	13.3	34.2
12	35.99	2.5	40.4	35.50	2.8	40.5	38.63	7.8	40.0
13	43.37	3.9	41.1	45.53	3.3	41.9	39.93	2.2	39.8
Not able to be leveled	47.66	2.5	40.5	47.81	2.6	40.5	—	—	—
Legislators	24.32	25.3	37.6	23.76	27.3	41.0	41.19	26.5	10.6
Not able to be leveled	24.18	29.4	5.9	—	—	—	24.18	29.4	5.9
Administrators and officials, public administration	24.18	29.4	5.9	—	—	—	24.18	29.4	5.9
7	28.14	18.7	40.3	—	—	—	28.83	20.2	40.3
8	23.73	31.4	39.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	21.20	13.0	43.2	—	—	—	21.20	13.0	43.2
11	25.83	10.9	39.1	—	—	—	25.83	10.9	39.1
12	41.00	6.5	40.3	—	—	—	41.00	6.5	40.3
13	36.73	3.6	40.0	—	—	—	36.73	3.6	40.0
Financial managers	28.86	9.5	39.7	29.06	9.7	39.7	—	—	—
8	22.02	11.0	39.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	25.58	6.2	39.2	25.58	6.2	39.2	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	27.35	10.4	41.6	27.35	10.4	41.6	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	24.88	7.3	41.5	24.82	7.5	41.6	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	21.91	25.1	38.6	14.93	11.9	39.6	35.97	6.5	36.7
9	18.68	6.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	31.03	10.7	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	40.18	2.6	39.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	27.32	10.4	40.3	26.44	9.9	40.3	—	—	—
9	25.02	4.7	41.0	25.02	4.7	41.0	—	—	—
11	33.38	4.0	40.0	33.38	4.0	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	22.18	14.2	43.1	21.64	13.9	43.9	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	19.15	5.9	43.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	30.16	2.0	40.5	30.29	1.8	40.5	25.30	16.0	39.1
9	28.96	7.9	40.2	28.92	8.0	40.2	—	—	—
10	27.86	20.4	42.9	28.38	20.9	43.2	—	—	—
11	37.38	3.4	40.7	37.75	4.5	40.8	—	—	—
12	47.75	3.2	41.7	48.71	3.0	42.1	—	—	—
13	47.17	1.9	40.5	47.17	1.9	40.5	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	34.21	12.9	42.8	34.21	12.9	42.8	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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	\$23.79	7.6	40.4	\$24.25	8.7	40.5	\$17.67	10.8	39.0
6	17.63	12.2	40.7	18.56	10.7	40.9	—	—	—
7	20.38	5.2	40.7	21.30	4.0	41.2	15.55	3.3	38.2
8	23.35	4.3	39.5	23.51	5.3	39.8	22.48	2.5	37.8
9	27.65	10.1	40.9	27.77	10.3	41.0	23.90	8.0	39.4
10	29.08	2.5	40.1	29.10	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	27.41	11.3	37.2	27.68	12.1	37.1	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	18.06	16.0	39.3	17.94	18.9	39.4	18.97	11.9	38.9
7	17.50	5.7	39.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	21.52	7.7	39.4	21.45	8.4	39.6	—	—	—
9	23.55	6.6	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other financial officers	22.31	3.3	40.2	22.22	3.6	40.3	—	—	—
5	14.27	10.5	40.0	14.27	10.5	40.0	—	—	—
9	27.52	14.3	40.0	27.73	16.6	40.0	—	—	—
Management analysts	35.44	4.0	40.1	35.54	4.3	40.0	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	22.80	8.7	41.8	22.32	11.8	42.5	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products	30.54	9.0	40.0	30.54	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.82	3.4	39.4
Management related, n.e.c.	22.68	14.3	39.9	23.27	14.6	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.48	15.6	39.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	21.47	8.7	40.0	21.47	8.7	40.0	—	—	—
9	29.91	2.2	40.0	29.98	2.1	40.0	—	—	—
Sales	12.19	9.5	35.4	12.20	9.7	35.4	10.40	10.1	38.8
1	6.43	3.9	30.6	6.40	3.7	30.5	—	—	—
2	7.87	2.5	30.6	7.87	2.5	30.6	—	—	—
3	9.12	3.2	31.1	9.09	3.3	30.9	10.09	5.2	40.0
4	12.61	7.2	40.2	12.61	7.2	40.2	—	—	—
5	15.17	7.2	40.8	15.17	7.3	40.8	—	—	—
6	15.80	8.3	41.8	15.80	8.3	41.8	—	—	—
7	19.06	16.0	41.0	19.06	16.0	41.0	—	—	—
8	21.96	39.0	41.2	21.96	39.0	41.2	—	—	—
11	55.88	29.1	40.2	55.88	29.1	40.2	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	13.71	33.7	38.1	13.71	33.7	38.1	—	—	—
Supervisors, sales	15.56	21.6	42.1	15.56	21.8	42.2	—	—	—
4	10.57	6.5	43.4	10.57	6.5	43.4	—	—	—
5	12.62	6.6	41.0	12.57	7.1	41.0	—	—	—
6	14.57	8.5	44.5	14.57	8.5	44.5	—	—	—
8	26.90	13.3	43.0	26.90	13.3	43.0	—	—	—
Insurance sales	17.13	13.4	41.6	17.13	13.4	41.6	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	19.94	12.2	40.6	19.94	12.2	40.6	—	—	—
5	20.18	12.9	40.0	20.18	12.9	40.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	10.19	24.4	28.0	10.19	24.4	28.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies	17.27	36.1	37.6	17.27	36.1	37.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	11.86	4.6	38.9	11.86	4.6	38.9	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	9.47	11.3	32.4	9.46	11.5	32.3	—	—	—
2	7.33	7.6	33.1	7.33	7.6	33.1	—	—	—
3	8.21	7.8	30.0	8.03	9.3	29.4	—	—	—
4	11.28	1.2	38.1	11.28	1.2	38.1	—	—	—
Sales counter clerks	6.71	2.8	29.9	6.71	2.8	29.9	—	—	—
1	6.51	7.4	23.9	6.51	7.4	23.9	—	—	—
Cashiers	8.97	11.8	35.3	8.96	12.1	35.3	9.24	8.1	37.9
1	6.51	4.5	32.9	6.47	4.3	32.8	—	—	—
2	8.24	4.2	30.1	8.24	4.3	30.1	—	—	—
3	8.73	6.0	35.5	8.69	6.3	35.4	10.07	9.1	40.0

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
Cashiers—Continued									
Not able to be leveled	\$7.75	5.1	35.4	\$7.75	5.1	35.4	—	—	—
Sales support, n.e.c.	10.22	13.2	39.7	10.22	13.2	39.7	—	—	—
Administrative support, including clerical									
	12.30	3.4	34.6	12.42	3.6	34.3	\$11.25	1.6	36.9
1	8.70	2.1	32.0	8.71	2.1	32.0	8.17	6.8	32.2
2	10.30	8.4	28.3	10.38	9.0	27.9	9.49	1.1	33.6
3	10.53	2.1	36.8	10.56	2.3	36.7	10.24	3.0	37.0
4	12.81	2.4	37.4	13.16	2.6	37.3	11.16	3.2	37.8
5	15.32	4.0	38.7	15.37	4.2	38.7	14.44	3.4	38.4
6	17.43	8.8	38.2	18.32	5.6	37.8	14.02	7.9	39.7
7	18.36	2.9	39.5	18.57	3.4	39.5	14.43	8.2	39.4
Not able to be leveled	11.95	4.1	38.3	11.79	4.9	38.4	—	—	—
Supervisors, general office									
6	16.60	13.9	38.5	17.85	10.1	38.1	—	—	—
7	16.14	22.9	38.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Supervisors, financial records processing									
6	19.04	2.0	39.3	19.34	1.6	39.3	17.03	1.6	39.3
7	19.16	.3	39.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Supervisors, distribution, scheduling, and adjusting clerks									
	19.86	11.7	41.2	20.59	9.6	41.4	—	—	—
Secretaries									
	13.15	5.2	38.4	13.26	6.3	38.2	12.67	1.5	39.0
2	10.74	2.0	38.9	10.75	1.9	38.9	—	—	—
3	9.84	7.3	34.8	9.46	8.2	34.5	13.14	6.8	38.3
4	13.30	3.1	39.4	13.73	3.9	39.4	12.00	2.7	39.4
5	14.72	5.3	38.7	14.90	5.7	38.9	13.92	4.1	37.9
6	16.65	6.2	39.8	17.27	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	16.47	4.9	38.7	16.96	4.5	38.5	—	—	—
Stenographers									
	11.54	3.8	37.1	11.53	4.1	37.0	—	—	—
Typists									
	10.04	15.2	39.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hotel clerks									
	8.03	5.0	38.3	8.03	5.0	38.3	—	—	—
2	7.71	4.8	39.5	7.71	4.8	39.5	—	—	—
3	8.86	10.8	35.9	8.86	10.8	35.9	—	—	—
Receptionists									
	10.57	6.0	35.5	10.60	6.2	36.1	10.07	7.8	26.4
2	9.35	11.3	33.9	9.39	12.2	35.2	—	—	—
3	11.34	5.5	37.7	11.34	5.9	37.7	—	—	—
4	10.74	3.3	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Information clerks, n.e.c.									
	10.25	12.7	39.4	10.10	13.0	39.4	—	—	—
Order clerks									
	10.34	8.1	39.6	10.34	8.1	39.6	—	—	—
3	12.61	9.4	39.4	12.61	9.4	39.4	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping									
	13.07	8.0	39.9	13.69	9.5	39.9	—	—	—
4	13.41	3.8	39.8	13.41	3.8	39.8	—	—	—
Library clerks									
	10.23	6.9	30.4	—	—	—	10.36	7.0	31.1
1	8.01	10.9	22.2	—	—	—	8.01	10.9	22.2
2	7.80	8.2	24.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	9.89	5.9	30.1	—	—	—	9.89	5.9	30.1
4	12.25	7.9	38.8	—	—	—	12.25	7.9	38.8
File clerks									
	10.20	.6	39.1	10.20	.8	38.9	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.									
	12.77	6.0	38.2	13.20	4.9	38.3	10.37	1.1	37.8
3	9.63	1.1	36.1	9.63	1.6	36.2	—	—	—
4	12.46	3.8	39.9	12.92	3.6	39.9	—	—	—
5	17.62	10.4	39.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...									
	13.69	5.0	37.7	13.81	5.3	37.6	11.73	11.5	39.6
2	12.60	16.4	33.2	12.60	16.4	33.2	—	—	—
3	10.58	3.0	38.7	10.55	2.9	38.7	—	—	—
4	14.35	7.9	37.9	—	—	—	10.64	8.7	39.9
5	15.70	4.6	37.5	15.70	4.8	37.4	—	—	—
6	17.08	3.9	37.0	17.09	4.6	37.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	13.53	4.9	36.5	13.53	4.9	36.5	—	—	—
Payroll and timekeeping clerks									
	12.62	7.1	40.0	12.50	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Billing clerks	11.90	3.7	22.3	12.01	4.1	23.3	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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 clerks—Continued									
4	\$11.52	4.1	34.0	\$11.67	4.5	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone operators	10.66	12.4	32.3	10.74	13.4	31.9	—	—	—
Mail clerks, except postal service	9.49	7.6	32.8	9.49	7.6	32.8	—	—	—
Dispatchers	13.57	8.2	37.1	—	—	—	\$11.13	8.8	34.3
4	11.43	12.7	31.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Production coordinators	14.68	11.1	40.0	14.67	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
4	13.54	1.7	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks									
3	11.30	3.4	39.7	11.30	3.4	39.7	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	11.92	4.4	39.1	12.17	3.8	39.0	—	—	—
3	11.60	6.5	40.0	11.79	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
4	13.60	3.6	40.0	13.60	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	14.17	6.5	33.8	14.17	6.5	33.8	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance	16.08	7.4	39.9	16.08	7.4	39.9	—	—	—
4	13.10	4.3	39.9	13.10	4.3	39.9	—	—	—
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	10.84	5.5	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bill and account collectors	10.99	7.1	36.6	10.98	7.2	36.5	—	—	—
General office clerks	10.89	3.3	35.8	11.01	4.1	35.1	10.54	3.2	38.1
2	9.86	1.8	33.5	10.02	1.8	32.4	9.55	3.7	35.7
3	10.49	2.8	38.4	10.71	3.4	38.2	9.50	3.1	39.1
4	11.24	4.2	37.0	11.07	7.1	35.7	11.56	2.3	39.4
5	12.46	14.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bank tellers	10.06	4.4	36.9	10.06	4.4	36.9	—	—	—
2	9.69	2.9	37.8	9.69	2.9	37.8	—	—	—
3	10.06	1.4	36.7	10.06	1.4	36.7	—	—	—
4	10.35	10.5	38.7	10.35	10.5	38.7	—	—	—
Data entry keyers	10.71	2.2	39.9	10.71	2.2	39.9	—	—	—
2	9.21	3.8	39.4	9.21	3.8	39.4	—	—	—
3	11.73	4.0	40.0	11.77	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Teachers' aides	9.41	3.4	34.4	—	—	—	9.46	3.5	34.1
2	9.41	2.6	33.7	—	—	—	9.41	2.7	33.6
Administrative support, n.e.c.	11.65	6.2	36.6	11.32	6.8	36.4	14.83	16.0	39.1
3	11.61	6.3	40.0	11.61	6.3	40.0	—	—	—
4	12.37	6.3	37.6	12.44	8.1	37.4	12.01	2.8	38.6
6	19.02	5.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	13.05	12.8	38.4	11.79	3.2	38.1	—	—	—
Blue collar	14.55	7.0	36.7	14.57	7.1	36.6	14.16	5.9	37.9
1	8.84	3.5	32.6	8.84	3.6	32.5	8.99	3.1	39.8
2	10.57	6.1	37.2	10.54	6.1	37.2	11.17	6.7	37.4
3	12.40	4.2	39.6	12.42	4.3	39.6	11.64	5.2	38.4
4	14.92	6.7	31.8	15.06	6.3	31.6	12.53	4.9	35.1
5	15.16	3.5	40.5	15.20	3.5	40.6	14.28	3.7	39.8
6	18.82	3.6	40.4	19.04	3.8	40.5	15.50	5.3	38.7
7	19.08	4.4	40.3	19.07	4.2	40.3	19.22	7.9	39.9
8	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.58	16.6	40.2
Not able to be leveled	12.27	4.1	39.8	12.27	4.1	39.8	—	—	—
Precision production, craft, and repair	18.17	9.9	39.7	18.24	9.9	39.7	16.74	8.0	39.6
1	8.91	12.5	33.8	8.91	12.5	33.8	—	—	—
2	15.06	10.6	39.1	15.10	10.7	39.1	—	—	—
3	11.65	7.7	37.8	11.64	7.7	37.7	—	—	—
4	12.79	2.3	39.0	12.82	2.6	39.0	12.50	1.9	39.0
5	14.65	5.1	40.3	14.67	5.3	40.3	14.26	3.3	39.7
6	18.51	3.0	40.1	18.75	3.3	40.2	14.64	8.1	38.8
7	19.18	3.6	40.3	19.16	3.5	40.3	19.37	7.4	39.9
8	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.58	16.6	40.2

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
9	\$26.50	3.6	40.0	\$26.28	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	12.29	4.1	39.6	12.29	4.1	39.6	—	—	—
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	20.42	9.3	41.9	20.48	9.7	42.0	—	—	—
7	18.35	6.0	42.4	18.37	6.3	42.5	—	—	—
Automobile mechanics	14.70	6.7	41.0	14.88	6.1	41.1	—	—	—
5	11.68	5.3	45.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	19.44	11.6	40.6	19.74	11.9	40.6	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	14.68	6.9	40.2	14.67	7.2	40.2	—	—	—
5	15.02	11.0	40.0	14.99	11.4	40.0	—	—	—
7	17.81	16.8	41.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics	15.94	13.3	40.0	16.55	14.3	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial machinery repairers	20.20	7.1	39.9	20.20	7.1	39.9	—	—	—
5	19.32	2.7	40.0	19.32	2.7	40.0	—	—	—
6	19.86	4.8	39.8	19.86	4.8	39.8	—	—	—
7	21.18	4.6	40.0	21.18	4.6	40.0	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance	13.89	3.7	40.0	14.19	3.4	40.0	—	—	—
4	12.66	4.4	40.0	12.98	4.6	40.0	—	—	—
5	14.73	6.0	40.0	14.73	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	21.18	14.6	40.0	21.56	14.2	40.0	—	—	—
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	14.69	3.0	40.0	14.97	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	14.26	3.3	39.6	14.37	3.8	39.6	\$12.78	4.3	39.6
4	13.11	3.3	39.5	13.13	3.6	39.5	—	—	—
5	15.28	13.0	39.9	15.57	12.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	21.24	4.3	38.8	21.23	4.6	38.7	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	26.94	8.5	40.1	24.38	11.6	40.0	30.07	6.3	40.1
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.96	3.5	40.0
7	—	—	—	—	—	—	18.21	3.7	40.0
Carpenters	14.60	10.7	40.0	14.66	11.1	40.0	—	—	—
Electricians	18.19	6.8	40.0	18.09	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
7	21.17	6.0	40.0	21.03	5.3	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	23.22	5.3	40.0	23.06	2.8	40.0	23.56	14.9	40.0
7	24.53	5.7	40.0	—	—	—	25.59	4.9	40.0
Painters, construction and maintenance	13.15	3.9	40.0	13.09	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	17.07	7.9	40.0	17.68	9.4	40.0	15.36	12.1	40.0
7	20.25	15.5	40.0	20.21	15.7	40.0	—	—	—
Plumber, pipefitter, and steamfitter apprentices	13.19	8.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Structural metal workers	15.39	6.0	40.0	15.39	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	16.64	2.4	37.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	17.81	5.8	40.1	17.77	5.8	40.1	—	—	—
5	13.44	2.9	40.0	13.44	2.9	40.0	—	—	—
6	19.32	10.7	40.0	19.32	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.65	7.8	40.1	20.65	7.8	40.1	—	—	—
8	22.88	4.2	40.0	22.88	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Tool and die makers	18.09	8.3	40.0	18.09	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
7	18.26	9.7	40.0	18.26	9.7	40.0	—	—	—
Machinists	14.91	9.8	40.0	14.91	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
5	14.25	4.7	40.0	14.25	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	16.42	.9	40.0	16.42	.9	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	9.60	10.8	38.8	9.60	10.8	38.8	—	—	—
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	11.00	6.4	40.0	10.99	6.3	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	10.96	6.2	40.0	10.96	6.2	40.0	—	—	—
Butchers and meat cutters	9.51	11.8	30.7	9.51	11.8	30.7	—	—	—
4	11.83	3.7	40.0	11.83	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors, testers, and graders	13.47	11.2	39.9	13.47	11.2	39.9	—	—	—
7	15.21	4.8	40.0	15.21	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	14.63	11.7	40.0	—	—	—	14.62	11.9	40.0
Power plant operators	24.26	2.9	40.0	24.46	2.9	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	\$19.64	9.5	40.0	\$19.64	9.5	40.0	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors									
1	13.19	6.6	39.7	13.18	6.6	39.7	—	—	—
2	8.49	4.0	38.3	8.48	4.0	38.3	—	—	—
3	9.80	4.6	40.0	9.80	4.6	40.0	—	—	—
4	13.56	7.0	39.9	13.56	7.0	39.9	—	—	—
5	14.71	5.7	40.0	14.72	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
6	15.11	4.1	40.0	15.11	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.38	6.7	40.0	20.38	6.7	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	18.35	15.1	39.9	18.20	14.9	39.9	—	—	—
Punching and stamping press operators	13.14	9.0	39.9	13.14	9.0	39.9	—	—	—
3	12.67	5.0	40.0	12.67	5.0	40.0	—	—	—
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	12.56	5.9	40.0	12.56	5.9	40.0	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	13.89	22.0	40.0	13.89	22.0	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	12.50	10.2	40.0	12.50	10.2	40.0	—	—	—
3	11.23	5.1	39.9	11.23	5.1	39.9	—	—	—
Sawing machine operators	10.94	3.9	39.6	10.94	3.9	39.6	—	—	—
Printing press operators	9.32	10.9	40.0	9.32	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	17.17	4.8	39.9	17.58	5.2	39.9	—	—	—
2	9.16	4.3	39.9	9.16	4.3	39.9	—	—	—
Laundry and dry cleaning machine operators	8.43	7.4	39.9	8.43	7.4	39.9	—	—	—
1	8.88	8.9	38.2	8.86	9.2	38.1	—	—	—
Packaging and filling machine operators	8.42	7.3	37.8	8.38	7.6	37.7	—	—	—
Extruding and forming machine operators	17.24	13.0	39.9	17.24	13.0	39.9	—	—	—
Mixing and blending machine operators	12.80	9.2	40.0	12.80	9.2	40.0	—	—	—
Separating, filtering, and clarifying machine operators	15.47	8.4	38.7	15.47	8.4	38.7	—	—	—
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	16.07	19.6	39.5	16.07	19.6	39.5	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	11.81	7.4	40.0	11.81	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	10.12	10.2	33.0	10.12	10.2	33.0	—	—	—
2	15.00	14.9	40.0	15.00	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
4	9.75	6.9	40.0	9.75	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
5	14.85	3.9	40.0	14.85	3.9	40.0	—	—	—
7	16.62	5.5	40.0	16.62	5.5	40.0	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	17.17	14.8	40.0	17.17	14.8	40.0	—	—	—
5	14.14	9.8	40.0	13.96	8.7	40.0	—	—	—
Assemblers	14.23	5.6	40.0	14.23	5.6	40.0	—	—	—
1	13.30	15.7	39.6	13.30	15.7	39.6	—	—	—
2	8.72	9.5	39.1	8.72	9.5	39.1	—	—	—
3	10.45	7.9	40.0	10.45	7.9	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	16.51	8.3	39.7	16.51	8.3	39.7	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	8.23	7.8	40.0	8.23	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
4	15.54	14.8	40.0	15.55	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
5	15.62	7.1	40.0	15.62	7.1	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	13.62	9.7	40.0	13.62	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
1	14.72	6.7	33.9	14.82	6.7	33.9	\$12.94	3.9	33.5
2	9.24	5.1	36.3	9.18	5.3	36.3	—	—	—
3	10.53	5.0	30.0	10.50	5.3	30.0	11.46	12.4	28.8
4	11.30	2.7	39.7	11.31	2.9	39.9	11.10	4.5	36.5
5	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.66	8.6	32.1
6	18.23	3.5	42.9	18.46	3.1	43.1	14.67	15.9	40.0
7	18.35	2.8	42.4	18.60	2.6	43.1	—	—	—
Truckdrivers	18.60	1.7	40.1	19.09	2.5	40.2	—	—	—
1	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.26	7.6	39.9
2	9.50	5.9	36.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	9.52	8.1	39.2	9.52	8.4	39.1	—	—	—
	11.62	3.9	40.0	11.60	3.9	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
Truckdrivers—Continued									
5	\$19.81	5.6	48.3	\$20.43	5.9	49.1	—	—	—
Driver-sales workers	11.55	15.1	34.6	11.55	15.1	34.6	—	—	—
Busdrivers	10.86	9.8	23.6	—	—	—	\$12.79	7.0	21.9
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	11.02	17.8	31.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	17.32	12.2	39.8	17.16	13.5	40.0	17.94	9.4	39.0
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	12.60	13.7	40.0	15.08	14.1	40.0	10.18	10.5	40.0
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	12.33	3.3	39.6	12.17	3.6	39.6	—	—	—
2	11.99	2.5	40.0	11.99	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
3	11.21	8.4	39.8	11.21	8.4	39.8	—	—	—
4	13.37	6.5	38.6	12.93	9.9	38.1	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	14.30	4.1	32.4	14.44	3.9	32.1	—	—	—
4	15.35	13.2	37.8	15.79	15.2	37.6	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers									
.....	10.58	5.1	32.8	10.56	5.3	32.5	11.22	3.3	39.9
1	8.94	5.1	30.8	8.94	5.2	30.6	8.82	3.2	39.8
2	10.35	5.1	39.4	10.29	4.7	39.4	11.00	9.7	39.9
3	11.33	4.4	39.8	11.29	4.3	39.7	11.90	9.1	40.0
4	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.79	11.7	40.0
5	12.86	3.6	40.4	12.72	4.5	40.5	13.98	3.4	40.0
6	15.84	7.2	40.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	19.10	5.3	41.6	19.96	3.8	41.8	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	11.54	6.6	40.0	11.54	6.6	40.0	—	—	—
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	10.38	6.2	39.4	9.73	10.2	39.3	12.21	7.8	39.8
1	10.65	3.1	38.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	9.78	12.3	39.9	—	—	—	12.28	8.8	39.6
3	10.17	9.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	15.16	12.3	40.3	15.19	13.8	40.4	14.97	.5	40.0
7	19.10	5.3	41.6	19.96	3.8	41.8	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	11.63	2.3	32.0	11.51	1.6	31.9	—	—	—
5	14.89	4.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	11.03	3.8	39.8	11.02	3.9	39.8	—	—	—
1	8.36	6.0	39.1	8.36	6.0	39.1	—	—	—
Construction laborers	9.96	6.5	39.9	9.99	6.8	39.9	9.40	11.5	39.5
1	8.60	11.0	39.9	8.68	12.4	40.0	—	—	—
3	10.30	3.5	39.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Production helpers	10.76	10.6	40.0	10.76	10.6	40.0	—	—	—
1	12.52	20.0	40.0	12.52	20.0	40.0	—	—	—
2	10.02	4.3	40.0	10.02	4.3	40.0	—	—	—
Stock handlers and baggers	9.27	4.4	34.3	9.27	4.5	34.2	—	—	—
1	8.32	5.4	31.8	8.32	5.4	31.8	—	—	—
3	12.35	2.8	40.0	12.35	2.8	40.0	—	—	—
Machine feeders and offbearers	10.53	8.8	40.0	10.53	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
3	11.17	2.4	40.0	11.17	2.4	40.0	—	—	—
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	10.92	3.7	38.2	10.97	3.8	38.2	—	—	—
2	10.96	9.7	39.2	10.96	9.7	39.2	—	—	—
3	12.86	7.8	40.9	12.86	7.8	40.9	—	—	—
5	8.00	6.9	38.5	8.00	6.9	38.5	—	—	—
Garage and service station related	8.29	13.6	29.5	8.20	13.2	29.4	—	—	—
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	7.46	10.8	27.6	7.46	10.8	27.6	—	—	—
Hand packers and packagers	9.56	5.9	37.3	9.56	5.9	37.3	—	—	—
1	7.61	7.7	37.5	7.61	7.7	37.5	—	—	—
2	12.04	12.0	37.0	12.04	12.0	37.0	—	—	—
3	11.33	7.5	40.0	11.33	7.5	40.0	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	9.50	6.6	39.7	9.40	7.4	39.7	10.18	4.5	40.0

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.—Continued									
1	\$8.23	10.8	39.4	\$8.14	11.6	39.4	\$9.23	5.7	40.0
2	9.65	6.6	40.0	9.68	8.0	40.0	9.53	.7	40.0
3	10.81	9.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	12.94	6.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service	8.51	2.8	35.6	7.94	2.6	35.3	12.36	4.6	37.5
1	6.58	.8	32.2	6.43	2.2	32.4	10.26	11.9	27.9
2	7.02	6.2	34.9	6.86	6.0	34.8	8.84	3.9	35.8
3	7.74	5.7	37.6	7.56	3.7	37.8	9.41	10.4	36.1
4	11.36	3.6	37.7	11.34	3.5	38.2	11.44	7.3	36.1
5	12.98	5.0	39.3	12.91	8.3	38.2	13.03	4.1	40.0
6	14.64	4.7	43.7	—	—	—	14.76	4.9	44.7
7	17.61	5.8	41.6	—	—	—	17.33	10.1	42.7
8	18.69	3.3	41.1	—	—	—	18.50	8.1	44.1
Not able to be leveled	7.80	8.9	34.6	7.80	8.9	34.6	—	—	—
Protective service	11.81	6.4	39.1	9.05	3.2	37.0	14.83	7.7	41.8
1	8.48	5.5	32.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	8.39	2.9	37.7	8.34	2.8	37.8	—	—	—
3	10.03	5.2	37.7	9.77	3.6	37.3	12.52	10.5	41.2
4	11.31	7.7	38.4	10.30	3.4	39.5	12.25	9.6	37.4
5	12.75	3.1	39.9	—	—	—	12.74	3.1	40.2
6	14.71	5.4	45.7	—	—	—	14.72	5.5	45.8
7	17.36	9.7	42.7	—	—	—	17.33	10.1	42.7
8	17.43	8.0	45.1	—	—	—	17.43	8.0	45.1
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	19.86	7.7	52.6	—	—	—	19.86	7.7	52.6
7	18.67	3.8	52.7	—	—	—	18.67	3.8	52.7
Supervisors, police and detectives	19.65	8.6	40.2	—	—	—	19.65	8.6	40.2
7	21.04	11.7	40.0	—	—	—	21.04	11.7	40.0
8	18.21	6.2	40.8	—	—	—	18.21	6.2	40.8
Supervisors, guards	11.76	2.2	39.7	10.59	5.3	39.6	—	—	—
Firefighting	13.10	7.7	52.1	—	—	—	13.10	7.7	52.1
5	13.27	11.3	52.3	—	—	—	13.27	11.3	52.3
6	13.00	10.2	53.0	—	—	—	13.00	10.2	53.0
Police and detectives, public service	17.53	6.5	38.1	—	—	—	17.53	6.5	38.1
5	15.14	5.4	36.1	—	—	—	15.14	5.4	36.1
6	17.53	4.7	40.3	—	—	—	17.53	4.7	40.3
7	17.55	9.6	39.9	—	—	—	17.55	9.6	39.9
8	20.20	7.7	39.4	—	—	—	20.20	7.7	39.4
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	13.97	4.0	40.2	—	—	—	13.97	4.0	40.2
7	15.29	13.4	41.6	—	—	—	15.29	13.4	41.6
Correctional institution officers	11.29	4.3	37.3	—	—	—	11.55	3.6	38.5
4	11.52	5.3	40.0	—	—	—	11.52	5.3	40.0
Guards and police, except public service	8.99	3.1	38.0	8.95	3.3	38.0	10.93	5.5	37.3
2	8.38	2.7	39.2	8.37	2.8	39.2	—	—	—
3	9.85	3.7	38.2	9.81	3.9	38.2	—	—	—
Protective service, n.e.c.	10.34	5.5	26.5	—	—	—	11.54	10.6	37.9
4	10.70	14.8	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food service	6.68	4.7	31.8	6.50	4.2	31.6	9.33	5.0	35.3
1	5.54	4.5	30.2	5.50	4.5	30.1	9.25	3.8	34.9
2	5.37	15.7	27.5	4.90	17.9	26.8	8.45	7.8	32.7
3	7.96	9.4	36.0	7.73	10.0	36.0	9.58	4.2	35.8
4	10.37	5.0	38.9	10.68	3.8	39.4	—	—	—
5	11.58	9.4	42.9	11.25	9.0	43.8	—	—	—
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	4.67	15.9	32.9	4.67	15.9	32.9	—	—	—
1	4.85	11.2	34.1	4.85	11.2	34.1	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
Food service—Continued									
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders—Continued									
2	\$2.74	11.0	25.6	\$2.74	11.0	25.6	—	—	—
3	5.23	24.2	34.5	5.23	24.2	34.5	—	—	—
Bartenders	6.67	3.9	32.6	6.67	3.9	32.6	—	—	—
Waiters and waitresses	4.50	17.6	33.5	4.50	17.6	33.5	—	—	—
1	4.87	12.0	35.0	4.87	12.0	35.0	—	—	—
2	2.71	11.5	26.9	2.71	11.5	26.9	—	—	—
3	3.46	27.9	31.7	3.46	27.9	31.8	—	—	—
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	4.49	9.1	25.9	4.49	9.1	25.9	—	—	—
1	4.49	9.1	25.9	4.49	9.1	25.9	—	—	—
Other food service	8.33	3.5	30.9	8.20	4.6	30.4	\$9.33	5.0	35.3
1	6.66	3.2	25.5	6.58	2.9	25.3	9.25	3.8	34.9
2	7.17	10.2	29.0	6.80	13.5	28.1	8.45	7.8	32.7
3	9.41	3.8	36.8	9.37	4.0	37.0	9.58	4.2	35.8
4	10.43	4.8	39.1	10.76	3.3	39.7	—	—	—
5	11.58	9.4	42.9	11.25	9.0	43.8	—	—	—
Supervisors, food preparation and service	11.98	10.1	43.5	12.02	10.8	44.7	—	—	—
4	10.05	7.6	40.1	9.94	9.8	41.3	—	—	—
5	11.52	11.8	45.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cooks	9.27	5.9	35.0	9.19	7.8	35.0	9.99	1.4	35.3
1	7.07	6.6	29.8	6.64	5.1	28.9	—	—	—
2	8.55	8.5	27.8	8.18	12.6	26.7	—	—	—
3	9.26	3.7	36.2	9.08	5.6	36.4	—	—	—
4	10.85	3.4	39.4	10.86	3.4	39.5	—	—	—
Food counter, fountain, and related	6.02	2.6	28.0	5.92	2.3	27.7	—	—	—
1	6.01	1.9	27.6	6.01	1.9	27.6	—	—	—
2	5.23	1.7	26.5	5.23	1.7	26.5	—	—	—
Kitchen workers, food preparation	8.20	3.7	34.1	8.19	7.0	33.5	8.21	2.4	34.9
1	7.26	8.9	29.8	7.12	9.8	29.4	—	—	—
2	8.03	3.4	34.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.91	4.5	24.5	6.87	4.6	24.4	—	—	—
1	6.74	3.9	23.5	6.73	4.0	23.5	—	—	—
2	5.23	9.5	28.3	5.21	9.4	28.3	—	—	—
Health service	8.71	6.9	34.7	8.57	7.3	34.5	9.75	4.0	35.8
1	7.34	4.9	36.5	7.10	3.8	36.2	—	—	—
2	8.20	3.9	35.4	8.07	4.4	34.9	9.16	5.4	40.0
3	8.28	9.2	33.2	8.15	9.1	33.0	9.47	4.9	35.7
4	11.02	4.3	36.7	11.21	6.8	38.7	10.50	4.1	32.3
Health aides, except nursing	10.06	4.2	37.2	10.09	4.9	37.0	9.85	3.1	38.4
3	8.59	2.4	38.1	8.51	1.8	38.1	—	—	—
4	11.91	3.3	37.2	12.81	8.0	36.7	—	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	8.26	7.4	34.0	8.09	7.5	33.8	9.60	4.8	35.0
1	7.44	7.3	34.8	7.07	5.6	34.2	—	—	—
2	8.07	3.6	35.1	7.92	4.4	34.6	—	—	—
3	8.14	9.9	32.7	8.00	9.7	32.4	9.43	4.8	35.7
4	10.37	5.2	35.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cleaning and building service	9.77	4.9	38.5	9.54	6.2	38.6	11.64	9.8	37.3
1	7.66	1.4	38.1	7.48	2.0	38.3	10.37	17.6	35.3
2	8.33	5.7	37.8	8.13	7.6	37.3	9.16	5.2	39.7
3	10.76	1.2	38.1	10.65	4.6	39.6	10.94	4.8	36.0
4	13.72	3.9	39.9	13.44	2.4	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	15.85	9.2	39.9	16.15	7.6	40.0	14.09	18.4	39.7
Maids and housemen	7.53	2.0	38.9	7.53	2.0	38.9	—	—	—
1	7.54	1.7	38.9	7.55	1.7	38.9	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	8.36	3.3	37.7	7.91	4.1	37.9	10.78	11.5	36.6
1	7.75	3.2	37.6	7.42	2.4	37.9	10.38	17.6	35.4
2	8.50	8.2	37.1	8.49	9.9	36.7	8.53	4.6	39.4
3	10.99	5.4	36.9	11.27	11.6	39.7	10.87	4.5	35.8
4	11.17	21.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Personal service	7.66	2.2	35.9	7.59	1.7	36.4	8.79	8.6	29.4

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² East South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ June 2003—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									
1	\$6.17	7.2	17.0	\$5.81	2.9	18.6	\$11.47	20.1	7.6
2	6.41	11.1	36.0	6.33	10.6	36.2	8.23	7.2	32.0
3	6.86	5.6	39.4	6.80	4.3	39.7	—	—	—
4	9.84	8.3	32.6	9.80	8.5	32.8	—	—	—
Supervisors, personal service	16.88	15.5	40.4	17.01	16.4	40.6	—	—	—
Attendants, amusement and recreation facilities	6.69	.8	38.1	6.67	1.0	38.5	—	—	—
3	6.69	.2	40.0	6.68	.1	40.0	—	—	—
Ushers	6.35	4.1	7.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	6.35	4.1	7.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Baggage porters and bellhops	8.10	5.4	34.3	8.10	5.4	34.3	—	—	—
Early childhood teachers' assistants	8.24	8.5	35.0	7.91	8.7	34.5	8.97	13.5	36.2
2	8.03	6.2	36.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Childcare workers, n.e.c.	7.09	3.1	33.9	6.81	2.2	34.7	7.38	11.1	33.0
2	7.34	9.3	32.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service, n.e.c.	7.34	9.3	29.3	7.13	9.1	29.0	—	—	—
1	5.79	7.8	29.9	5.76	8.4	30.1	—	—	—

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, and so forth. 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, data were collected between December 2002 and January 2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

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.

Technical Note

The data in this bulletin are based on the National Compensation Survey (NCS) conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) 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 East South Central Census Division, the NCS studied 1,328 establishments representing approximately 5,815,100 workers within the scope of the survey. Private sector establishments with 1 or more workers are included in the survey. State and local governments with 50 or more workers within a survey area are also 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. 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 that do not fit the metropolitan area definition.

The NCS locality areas that contribute to the East South Central Census Division are:

Birmingham, AL, MSA
Bradley County, TN
Choctaw County, AL

Harrison County, KY
Henry County, AL
Huntsville, AL, MSA
Knoxville, TN, MSA
Lee County, MS
Louisville, KY-IN, MSA
Memphis, TN-AR-MS, MSA
Mobile, AL, MSA
Taylor County, KY
Tunica County, MS
Wayne County, TN
Winston County, MS

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 was approximately proportional to the stratum employment. Each sampled establishment was 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 data collection.

The third stage of sample selection was a probability sample of occupations within a sampled establishment.

Data collection. Collection was the responsibility of field economists, working out of the BLS regional offices, who contacted each establishment surveyed. Collection was conducted between December 2002 and January 2004. The average payroll reference month was June 2003. For each establishment in the survey, the data reflect the establishment's practices on the day of collection.

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 NCS occupational classification system is based on that used in 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, 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. The worker was also identified as being in a union 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 an *occupational leveling* process. This process, involving discussions between the BLS field economist and the respondent, ranks and compares all selected establishment occupations using 10 leveling factors. For more information on occupational leveling and an example of how to use the criteria for leveling a job, see appendixes C and D of any published NCS locality bulletin or visit <http://www.bls.gov/ncs/ocs/compub.htm> on the World Wide Web. The Web site 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 esti-

mates is called the standard error or sampling error. It indicates the precision with which an estimate from a particular sample approximates the average of estimate from 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 relative 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 were \$17.75 per hour, with a relative standard error of 0.9 percent for this estimate. At the 90-percent level, the confidence interval for this estimate is \$17.49 to \$18.01 ($\$17.75 \times 1.645 \times 0.009 = \0.2628 , round to \$0.26); ($\$17.75 - .26 = \17.49 ; $\$17.75 + .26 = \18.01). 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. These errors can stem from many sources, such as inability to obtain information for some establishments, difficulties with survey definitions, inability of the respondents to provide correct information, or mistakes in recording or coding the data obtained. Although such errors were not specifically measured, efforts were made to minimize nonsampling errors by 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 CMSAs and MSAs that cross State lines. In the East South Central Census Division, the Louisville MSA includes parts of Kentucky and Indiana and the Memphis MSA includes parts of Tennessee, Arkansas, and Mississippi. The Cincinnati-Hamilton CMSA, which consists of part of Kentucky, is included in the East North Central Census Division.

TABLE A. Number of workers¹ represented by the survey, by occupational group,² East South Central, National Compensation Survey,³ June 2003

Occupational group	All industries	Private industry	State and local government
All	5,815,100	5,111,200	704,000
All, excluding sales	5,300,800	4,601,000	699,800
White collar	2,563,100	2,110,500	452,600
White collar, excluding sales	2,048,700	1,600,400	448,400
Professional specialty and technical	709,700	403,000	306,700
Professional specialty occupations	542,700	259,100	283,600
Technical occupations	167,100	143,900	23,100
Executive, administrative, and managerial	407,000	366,600	40,400
Sales	514,400	510,200	4,200
Administrative support, including clerical	932,100	830,800	101,300
Blue collar	1,870,300	1,803,000	67,300
Precision production, craft, and repair	597,500	570,500	26,900
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	394,300	393,100	-
Transportation and material moving	365,800	344,400	21,300
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	512,700	494,900	17,800
Service	1,381,800	1,197,600	184,200

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, data were collected between December 2002 and January 2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

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

TABLE B. Number of establishments studied by industry group and establishment employment size, East South Central, National Compensation Survey,¹ June 2003

Industry division	Number of establishments studied						
	Total	1 to 99 workers ²	100 to 499 workers	500 to 999 workers	1,000 to 2,499 workers	2,500 to 4,999 workers	5,000 or more workers
All	1,328	611	437	115	105	43	17
Private Industry	1,160	586	358	91	87	30	8
Goods-producing industries	345	146	126	34	28	9	2
Mining	8	6	2	—	—	—	—
Construction	55	47	8	—	—	—	—
Manufacturing	282	93	116	34	28	9	2
Durable goods	159	51	55	20	23	8	2
Nondurable goods	123	42	61	14	5	1	—
Service-producing industries	815	440	232	57	59	21	6
Transportation and utilities	97	40	32	10	9	2	4
Wholesale trade	60	42	15	2	1	—	—
Retail trade	199	141	45	6	5	2	—
Finance, insurance and real estate	76	48	14	8	2	4	—
Services	383	169	126	31	42	13	2
State and local government	168	25	79	24	18	13	9

¹ In this census division, collection was conducted between December 2002 and January 2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

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.