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TABLE 1. Summary, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours by selected characteristics, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,² 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	\$15.75	1.4	36.6	\$15.22	1.5	36.3	\$18.52	1.7	38.4
Worker characteristics:⁴									
White-collar occupations ⁵	19.62	1.9	37.2	19.22	2.2	36.9	21.21	2.0	38.4
Professional specialty and technical ...	26.56	4.3	37.6	27.50	6.4	37.4	24.95	1.4	38.0
Executive, administrative, and managerial	29.81	2.0	40.5	30.39	1.7	40.7	26.80	6.2	39.5
Sales	12.90	3.4	33.6	12.91	3.4	33.6	10.76	9.6	36.9
Administrative support	12.27	1.3	38.0	12.43	1.4	37.8	11.55	2.5	38.9
Blue-collar occupations ⁵	13.13	2.8	38.8	13.18	3.2	38.8	12.53	3.9	38.3
Precision production, craft, and repair	15.81	2.3	39.9	15.86	2.4	39.9	15.02	4.5	39.9
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	12.04	3.4	38.7	12.05	3.5	38.7	11.33	15.3	39.4
Transportation and material moving ...	13.18	8.1	40.7	13.32	8.5	41.5	12.07	2.8	35.7
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.36	3.4	35.7	9.31	3.8	35.4	9.93	5.8	39.3
Service occupations ⁵	8.58	3.0	32.5	7.55	2.5	31.4	13.23	4.7	38.7
Full time	16.67	1.8	39.9	16.23	1.8	40.0	18.69	1.8	39.6
Part time	8.03	4.8	21.7	7.88	4.8	21.8	11.72	5.6	18.2
Union	20.16	4.2	37.2	20.33	4.5	37.1	18.89	5.6	37.8
Nonunion	15.54	1.5	36.6	14.96	1.6	36.3	18.50	1.7	38.5
Time	15.54	1.4	36.5	14.92	1.5	36.1	18.52	1.7	38.4
Incentive	19.68	6.2	39.3	19.68	6.2	39.3	-	-	-
Establishment characteristics:									
Goods producing	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	17.11	2.0	39.3	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
Service producing	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	14.61	1.8	35.4	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
1 to 99 workers ⁷	13.34	1.6	35.8	13.31	1.7	35.8	14.62	8.3	38.0
100 to 499 workers	15.25	3.4	37.1	14.98	3.8	37.0	17.16	4.4	37.4
500 to 999 workers	18.02	4.5	37.1	17.92	6.1	36.7	18.35	3.1	38.4
1,000 to 2,499 workers	19.54	3.9	37.4	19.94	2.3	36.5	18.92	7.8	38.7
2,500 workers or more	21.79	2.7	38.2	24.73	5.5	37.5	19.46	1.2	38.8
Geographic areas:⁸									
Metropolitan	16.04	1.6	36.7	15.55	1.6	36.4	18.89	1.8	38.7
Nonmetropolitan	13.77	3.4	36.2	12.51	4.4	35.7	17.12	3.1	37.6
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, West 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	\$15.75	1.4	36.6	\$16.04	1.6	36.7	\$13.77	3.4	36.2
Private Industry	15.22	1.5	36.3	15.55	1.6	36.4	12.51	4.4	35.7
State and local government	18.52	1.7	38.4	18.89	1.8	38.7	17.12	3.1	37.6
Worker characteristics:⁵									
White-collar occupations ⁶	19.62	1.9	37.2	19.91	2.1	37.4	16.78	3.6	35.6
Professional specialty and technical ...	26.56	4.3	37.6	27.17	4.8	37.9	22.32	1.8	35.7
Executive, administrative, and managerial	29.81	2.0	40.5	30.34	2.1	40.6	22.73	4.7	38.6
Sales	12.90	3.4	33.6	13.16	3.6	33.7	8.92	10.0	31.7
Administrative support	12.27	1.3	38.0	12.44	1.3	38.1	10.49	3.5	36.6
Blue-collar occupations ⁶	13.13	2.8	38.8	13.16	3.4	38.6	13.01	4.9	39.7
Precision production, craft, and repair Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	15.81	2.3	39.9	15.83	1.7	39.9	15.72	10.7	40.2
Transportation and material moving ...	12.04	3.4	38.7	12.18	4.0	38.6	11.48	5.4	39.5
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	13.18	8.1	40.7	13.43	9.6	40.3	12.27	6.4	42.1
Service occupations ⁶	9.36	3.4	35.7	9.26	3.1	35.5	9.92	9.9	36.5
.....	8.58	3.0	32.5	8.51	3.2	32.7	9.05	9.0	31.2
Full time	16.67	1.8	39.9	17.01	1.9	39.9	14.29	3.3	39.8
Part time	8.03	4.8	21.7	7.92	4.6	21.9	8.87	18.3	19.7
Union	20.16	4.2	37.2	21.03	3.3	36.8	14.62	13.9	39.6
Nonunion	15.54	1.5	36.6	15.80	1.7	36.7	13.72	3.1	36.0
Time	15.54	1.4	36.5	15.82	1.6	36.5	13.54	3.8	36.2
Incentive	19.68	6.2	39.3	19.85	6.7	39.7	18.34	15.7	36.5
Establishment characteristics:									
Goods producing ⁷	17.11	2.0	39.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Service producing ⁷	14.61	1.8	35.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 to 99 workers ⁸	13.34	1.6	35.8	13.50	1.8	36.0	12.27	5.1	34.4
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1,000 to 2,499 workers	19.54	3.9	37.4	19.20	3.9	37.3	25.67	3.8	38.7
2,500 workers or more	21.79	2.7	38.2	21.79	2.7	38.2	-	-	-
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
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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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	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	\$15.75	1.4	36.6	\$16.67	1.8	39.9	\$8.03	4.8	21.7
All, excluding sales	16.10	1.7	37.0	16.88	2.0	39.8	8.28	5.8	21.7
White collar	19.62	1.9	37.2	20.44	2.4	39.9	10.13	7.4	20.7
White collar, excluding sales	21.35	2.9	38.3	21.63	3.0	39.8	14.47	6.2	19.5
Professional specialty and technical	26.56	4.3	37.6	26.81	4.6	39.6	20.83	7.0	17.2
Professional specialty	28.63	4.5	37.7	28.87	4.7	39.6	22.47	8.2	16.6
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	34.28	2.6	40.7	34.19	2.6	40.8	—	—	—
Architects	26.09	12.0	40.0	26.09	12.0	40.0	—	—	—
Petroleum engineers	46.75	7.0	40.0	46.75	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Chemical engineers	43.17	8.4	40.0	43.17	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
Civil engineers	27.55	10.5	40.0	27.55	10.5	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic engineers	33.88	6.7	42.0	33.88	6.7	42.0	—	—	—
Industrial engineers	27.50	8.7	41.5	27.50	8.7	41.5	—	—	—
Mechanical engineers	35.97	13.6	39.6	35.20	12.9	40.3	—	—	—
Engineers, n.e.c.	36.88	3.4	40.4	36.88	3.4	40.4	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.09	7.9	38.1	31.49	8.1	40.0	—	—	—
Computer systems analysts and scientists	30.72	7.3	37.6	31.20	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Natural scientists	31.80	15.3	40.5	31.80	15.3	40.5	—	—	—
Geologists and geodesists	47.52	13.3	41.4	47.52	13.3	41.4	—	—	—
Physical scientists, n.e.c.	20.98	17.6	40.0	20.98	17.6	40.0	—	—	—
Biological and life scientists	29.04	26.2	40.0	29.04	26.2	40.0	—	—	—
Medical scientists	19.02	14.5	39.6	19.02	14.5	39.6	—	—	—
Health related	30.99	12.6	36.7	31.15	13.6	40.3	29.13	5.5	18.0
Physicians	61.24	11.8	44.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Registered nurses	24.03	2.6	36.5	23.96	2.8	39.5	24.76	2.7	20.5
Pharmacists	40.01	3.9	31.1	40.54	3.9	40.0	—	—	—
Respiratory therapists	19.63	2.6	37.0	19.53	2.5	39.6	—	—	—
Occupational therapists	24.53	16.5	34.6	23.11	15.8	39.9	—	—	—
Physical therapists	28.73	7.6	26.7	25.60	2.5	39.3	—	—	—
Speech therapists	29.11	3.5	36.4	28.64	4.2	39.6	—	—	—
Therapists, n.e.c.	37.00	23.9	33.9	24.84	26.5	39.6	—	—	—
Teachers, college and university	36.14	4.5	35.6	36.30	4.6	39.2	29.70	6.2	7.8
Mathematical science teachers	32.48	5.4	37.6	32.55	5.5	39.1	—	—	—
Medical science teachers	46.86	16.1	36.5	46.98	16.0	39.9	—	—	—
Health specialties teachers	47.89	32.4	38.2	48.56	33.9	39.6	—	—	—
Business, commerce, and marketing teachers ..	26.93	14.0	36.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Art, drama, and music teachers	30.06	14.6	35.8	30.06	14.6	35.8	—	—	—
Trade and industrial teachers	23.48	12.4	36.0	23.73	13.9	39.6	—	—	—
Other post-secondary teachers	37.13	5.0	34.4	37.30	5.2	39.5	32.41	6.3	7.4
Teachers, except college and university	25.70	2.7	37.3	26.01	2.6	38.6	13.93	5.6	16.8
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	18.99	17.8	36.0	19.49	17.6	37.4	—	—	—
Elementary school teachers	26.66	1.7	38.3	26.67	1.7	38.5	21.13	8.7	13.3
Secondary school teachers	27.48	2.1	38.4	27.48	2.1	38.5	—	—	—
Teachers, special education	21.96	14.1	39.0	21.96	14.1	39.0	—	—	—
Teachers, n.e.c.	23.06	6.5	32.3	23.84	4.0	39.6	17.07	18.9	13.3
Substitute teachers	9.00	3.9	21.1	—	—	—	9.13	3.1	20.3
Vocational and educational counselors	25.90	6.5	38.3	25.98	7.3	39.5	—	—	—
Librarians, archivists, and curators	20.51	11.2	38.9	20.64	11.3	39.6	—	—	—
Librarians	19.78	13.2	38.8	19.91	13.4	39.5	—	—	—
Social scientists and urban planners	27.52	4.2	36.6	27.48	4.3	38.7	—	—	—
Economists	30.25	3.6	40.0	30.25	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
Psychologists	27.32	8.3	34.3	27.24	10.9	37.6	—	—	—
Social, recreation, and religious workers	14.71	4.0	39.5	14.70	4.2	39.9	—	—	—
Social workers	14.82	4.3	39.5	14.80	4.6	39.9	—	—	—
Lawyers and judges	46.16	13.2	42.1	46.23	13.0	42.3	—	—	—
Lawyers	46.22	13.7	42.5	46.22	13.7	42.5	—	—	—
Judges	45.09	7.3	36.5	46.36	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	22.53	11.9	35.3	23.56	12.4	39.6	9.95	10.1	15.1
Designers	22.76	19.4	39.9	22.91	19.9	40.3	—	—	—
Actors and directors	17.85	28.5	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Photographers	12.09	20.5	34.6	12.52	21.6	39.0	—	—	—
Editors and reporters	16.82	16.0	38.8	17.09	16.4	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Professional specialty and technical —Continued									
Professional specialty—Continued									
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.—Continued									
Public relations specialists	\$28.32	11.0	35.9	\$29.18	11.3	39.9	—	—	—
Athletes	26.51	7.0	22.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Professional, n.e.c.	18.72	11.2	38.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Technical	19.93	3.5	37.4	20.10	3.5	39.4	\$16.78	5.4	19.1
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	15.01	11.3	37.9	15.11	10.9	39.8	12.44	18.6	17.1
Health record technologists and technicians	—	—	—	16.37	15.8	39.4	—	—	—
Radiological technicians	20.67	5.6	39.8	20.71	5.6	40.1	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	15.56	3.0	36.8	15.47	2.9	39.8	16.39	11.6	21.8
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	18.62	12.6	36.7	18.94	12.7	39.8	13.37	6.0	16.1
Electrical and electronic technicians	21.63	9.4	39.7	21.68	9.3	39.9	—	—	—
Mechanical engineering technicians	24.11	16.0	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	18.85	7.7	40.0	18.85	7.7	40.0	—	—	—
Drafters	19.47	10.2	39.6	19.60	10.2	40.0	—	—	—
Airplane pilots and navigators	90.79	17.2	24.5	90.79	17.2	24.5	—	—	—
Computer programmers	24.79	7.0	39.5	24.76	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
Legal assistants	21.51	12.3	40.0	21.51	12.3	40.0	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	20.12	30.4	39.8	20.15	30.5	39.8	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	29.81	2.0	40.5	29.87	1.9	40.7	20.74	23.9	20.7
Executives, administrators, and managers	33.64	3.6	40.8	33.73	3.4	41.0	12.55	12.9	17.3
Administrators and officials, public administration	27.24	15.9	40.4	27.24	15.9	40.4	—	—	—
Financial managers	44.72	6.0	41.0	44.72	6.0	41.0	—	—	—
Personnel and labor relations managers	31.99	10.1	40.2	31.99	10.1	40.2	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	26.83	17.6	40.0	26.83	17.6	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	36.72	7.4	40.2	36.72	7.4	40.2	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	32.70	9.6	39.6	33.38	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	25.80	5.6	40.5	25.85	5.5	40.7	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	20.08	6.6	40.3	20.08	6.6	40.3	—	—	—
Managers, properties and real estate	22.41	7.4	39.3	22.41	7.4	39.3	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	20.95	8.1	39.8	20.95	8.1	39.8	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	35.29	5.2	41.8	35.29	5.2	41.8	—	—	—
Management related	23.61	2.5	40.0	23.59	2.4	40.3	25.83	17.1	23.6
Accountants and auditors	24.98	4.9	40.0	24.86	4.7	40.9	—	—	—
Other financial officers	26.70	10.4	41.0	26.70	10.4	41.0	—	—	—
Management analysts	23.83	7.3	40.0	23.72	6.9	40.2	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	21.80	7.8	39.3	21.80	7.8	39.3	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products	34.27	13.8	40.0	34.27	13.8	40.0	—	—	—
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.	21.84	13.5	40.0	21.84	13.5	40.0	—	—	—
Construction inspectors	17.98	3.2	40.0	17.98	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	21.41	6.9	39.8	21.41	6.9	39.8	—	—	—
Management related, n.e.c.	20.97	8.1	39.6	21.09	8.1	39.7	—	—	—
Sales	12.90	3.4	33.6	14.62	3.3	40.4	7.23	2.1	21.6
Supervisors, sales	17.55	6.4	41.2	17.59	6.6	41.7	—	—	—
Insurance sales	21.87	16.9	39.2	22.29	17.4	41.0	—	—	—
Real estate sales	24.95	19.5	41.4	24.95	19.5	41.4	—	—	—
Securities and financial services sales	20.36	12.4	39.8	20.36	12.4	39.8	—	—	—
Advertising and related sales	17.57	18.5	37.9	17.57	18.5	37.9	—	—	—
Sales, other business services	22.40	19.0	41.0	22.78	19.9	42.0	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	25.68	8.6	40.2	25.93	8.2	40.6	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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 —Continued									
Sales workers, motor vehicles and boats	\$16.20	7.8	49.3	\$16.20	7.8	49.3	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	8.24	3.6	28.1	9.28	3.1	37.1	\$7.16	4.0	22.5
Sales workers, shoes	8.15	8.8	23.5	—	—	—	8.04	11.2	23.3
Sales workers, furniture and home furnishings ..	13.96	16.5	32.2	17.98	10.7	41.1	—	—	—
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies ..	12.70	15.1	41.8	13.22	15.1	44.8	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	11.15	26.1	40.6	11.15	26.1	40.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	10.19	9.9	30.3	11.28	10.4	39.4	7.39	5.4	19.0
Sales counter clerks	10.55	19.4	34.1	11.87	19.0	40.0	6.23	6.9	23.1
Cashiers	7.61	2.5	28.6	8.24	2.9	38.9	6.84	2.5	21.7
Demonstrators, promoters, and models, sales ..	10.14	9.6	26.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales support, n.e.c.	11.39	14.5	37.6	11.66	16.0	40.2	8.19	7.0	21.3
Administrative support, including clerical									
Supervisors, general office	12.27	1.3	38.0	12.43	1.3	39.7	9.45	4.2	21.5
Supervisors, financial records processing	16.98	3.6	40.0	16.98	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, distribution, scheduling, and adjusting clerks	18.04	7.2	40.2	18.04	7.2	40.2	—	—	—
Computer operators	23.93	9.0	40.1	23.93	9.0	40.1	—	—	—
Secretaries	14.55	6.9	38.7	14.69	6.5	40.0	—	—	—
Stenographers	13.33	3.1	38.6	13.45	3.2	39.5	8.76	18.0	21.6
Typists	19.73	15.6	39.9	19.73	15.6	39.9	—	—	—
Interviewers	12.56	4.5	36.6	12.79	5.5	38.9	—	—	—
Hotel clerks	10.72	7.5	39.0	10.74	7.6	39.8	—	—	—
Transportation ticket and reservation agents	8.97	9.3	35.3	9.37	9.0	39.5	—	—	—
Receptionists	13.23	5.1	36.5	13.23	5.4	39.5	—	—	—
Information clerks, n.e.c.	9.69	3.8	37.2	9.84	3.5	39.8	7.68	6.0	20.0
Order clerks	11.59	4.0	39.4	11.76	4.9	39.6	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	12.12	9.8	37.5	12.23	9.3	39.9	—	—	—
Library clerks	13.06	4.6	39.9	13.07	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
File clerks	10.17	6.7	34.3	10.49	7.9	39.3	8.40	7.6	20.3
Records clerks, n.e.c.	10.61	6.5	37.5	10.93	5.5	39.8	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	11.79	3.2	39.1	11.81	3.2	39.5	—	—	—
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	12.77	2.5	38.5	12.83	2.4	39.8	11.39	13.4	22.3
Billing clerks	13.82	7.8	26.7	14.28	7.3	40.0	—	—	—
Telephone operators	12.54	3.9	39.9	12.54	3.9	39.9	—	—	—
Mail clerks, except postal service	11.26	17.0	38.7	11.31	16.9	39.1	—	—	—
Messengers	9.30	8.0	36.9	9.59	7.1	39.9	—	—	—
Dispatchers	9.33	4.2	35.2	9.77	5.4	40.0	—	—	—
Production coordinators	13.36	8.9	40.0	13.36	8.9	40.1	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	19.73	7.4	39.6	19.38	6.7	40.0	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	12.38	3.4	39.1	12.45	3.5	39.9	—	—	—
Meter readers	11.11	10.3	40.2	11.11	10.3	40.2	—	—	—
Material recording, scheduling, and distribution clerks, n.e.c.	12.28	10.6	39.7	12.28	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	9.57	2.7	40.0	9.57	2.7	40.0	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	16.68	2.8	37.7	16.70	2.7	39.6	—	—	—
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	13.44	7.8	38.4	13.59	7.6	40.0	9.27	24.6	18.3
Bill and account collectors	11.25	7.2	39.5	11.25	7.2	39.5	—	—	—
General office clerks	15.10	7.8	39.9	15.12	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Bank tellers	11.33	3.1	36.3	11.43	3.6	39.7	9.95	10.0	17.4
Data entry keyers	9.37	4.0	34.7	9.81	4.1	40.0	8.35	5.0	26.6
Statistical clerks	10.13	6.5	35.2	10.43	6.6	39.7	8.95	7.7	24.3
Teachers' aides	11.09	10.2	40.0	11.09	10.2	40.0	—	—	—
Administrative support, n.e.c.	9.52	2.6	38.1	9.55	2.5	38.7	—	—	—
Administrative support, n.e.c.	12.69	2.4	38.8	12.80	2.4	39.7	9.91	11.3	24.9
Blue collar									
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	13.13	2.8	38.8	13.40	2.6	40.4	7.95	3.1	22.0
Precision production, craft, and repair									
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	15.81	2.3	39.9	15.86	2.2	40.2	9.94	5.5	23.0
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	20.65	4.7	42.4	20.65	4.7	42.4	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Automobile mechanics	\$18.63	5.7	41.7	\$18.63	5.7	41.7	–	–	–
Automobile mechanic apprentices	11.23	5.0	43.6	11.23	5.0	43.6	–	–	–
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	16.43	6.8	40.0	16.43	6.8	40.0	–	–	–
Automobile body and related repairers	14.32	7.7	40.7	14.32	7.7	40.7	–	–	–
Aircraft mechanics, except engine	26.03	4.3	40.0	26.03	4.3	40.0	–	–	–
Heavy equipment mechanics	15.84	8.1	40.0	15.84	8.1	40.0	–	–	–
Industrial machinery repairers	18.38	10.1	40.0	18.38	10.1	40.0	–	–	–
Machinery maintenance	12.46	9.6	39.7	12.46	9.6	39.7	–	–	–
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	17.23	3.8	39.4	17.62	2.9	40.0	–	–	–
Data processing equipment repairers	14.43	11.7	40.0	14.43	11.7	40.0	–	–	–
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	18.01	6.6	40.0	18.01	6.6	40.0	–	–	–
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	12.66	8.0	39.7	12.67	8.0	40.0	–	–	–
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	21.04	5.0	39.9	21.04	5.0	39.9	–	–	–
Supervisors, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	24.58	10.1	40.0	24.58	10.1	40.0	–	–	–
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	18.15	3.7	40.3	18.15	3.7	40.3	–	–	–
Carpenters	12.46	10.8	40.0	12.46	10.8	40.0	–	–	–
Electricians	18.73	3.5	40.0	18.73	3.5	40.0	–	–	–
Electrician apprentices	11.73	2.6	40.0	11.73	2.6	40.0	–	–	–
Electrical power installers and repairers	21.65	8.0	40.0	21.65	8.0	40.0	–	–	–
Painters, construction and maintenance	10.50	6.4	40.0	10.50	6.4	40.0	–	–	–
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	18.60	6.6	40.0	18.60	6.6	40.0	–	–	–
Concrete and terrazzo finishers	10.86	20.4	40.0	10.86	20.4	40.0	–	–	–
Insulation workers	12.70	6.8	40.0	12.70	6.8	40.0	–	–	–
Construction trades, n.e.c.	13.96	8.8	39.7	13.96	8.8	39.7	–	–	–
Supervisors, extractive	24.60	16.3	41.4	24.60	16.3	41.4	–	–	–
Mining, n.e.c.	16.37	11.4	40.0	16.37	11.4	40.0	–	–	–
Supervisors, production	19.23	3.5	40.3	19.23	3.5	40.3	–	–	–
Tool and die makers	18.79	9.4	40.0	18.79	9.4	40.0	–	–	–
Precision assemblers, metal	19.73	6.4	40.0	19.73	6.4	40.0	–	–	–
Machinists	18.95	4.0	39.6	18.95	4.0	39.6	–	–	–
Sheet metal workers	14.98	9.1	40.0	14.98	9.1	40.0	–	–	–
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	10.96	4.4	38.3	11.07	5.4	40.0	\$10.15	1.7	29.2
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	10.47	11.5	38.0	10.63	12.1	40.0	–	–	–
Butchers and meat cutters	9.97	6.5	36.8	10.03	6.3	39.5	–	–	–
Bakers	10.90	5.9	40.0	10.90	5.9	40.0	–	–	–
Inspectors, testers, and graders	17.86	10.6	40.9	18.02	11.1	41.3	–	–	–
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	15.48	11.5	39.6	15.54	11.4	40.0	–	–	–
Power plant operators	26.98	11.8	40.0	26.98	11.8	40.0	–	–	–
Stationary engineers	15.94	10.8	40.0	15.94	10.8	40.0	–	–	–
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	24.66	4.6	39.8	24.66	4.6	39.8	–	–	–
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors									
Punching and stamping press operators	12.04	3.4	38.7	12.18	3.2	39.8	8.17	7.8	21.7
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	8.69	5.7	40.0	8.69	5.7	40.0	–	–	–
Numerical control machine operators	12.93	10.9	40.0	12.93	10.9	40.0	–	–	–
Numerical control machine operators	15.90	7.5	39.9	15.90	7.5	39.9	–	–	–
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	12.41	12.9	40.0	12.41	12.9	40.0	–	–	–
Molding and casting machine operators	11.45	7.7	38.9	11.45	7.7	38.9	–	–	–
Printing press operators	13.42	6.1	39.8	13.42	6.1	39.8	–	–	–
Textile sewing machine operators	8.23	5.3	39.0	8.23	5.3	39.0	–	–	–
Laundry and dry cleaning machine operators	7.90	2.4	39.3	7.77	2.5	39.8	–	–	–
Packaging and filling machine operators	10.05	8.3	40.0	10.05	8.3	40.0	–	–	–
Mixing and blending machine operators	11.33	11.5	40.0	11.33	11.5	40.0	–	–	–
Separating, filtering, and clarifying machine operators	18.18	6.5	40.0	18.18	6.5	40.0	–	–	–
Painting and paint spraying machine operators	13.13	11.6	40.8	13.13	11.6	40.8	–	–	–

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	\$13.12	8.9	40.0	\$13.12	8.9	40.0	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	10.96	3.0	40.0	10.96	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Photographic process machine operators	8.12	5.6	22.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	11.60	4.9	39.5	11.60	4.8	39.9	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	14.37	4.1	40.0	14.37	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
Solderers and brazers	10.01	6.7	40.0	10.01	6.7	40.0	—	—	—
Assemblers	14.17	13.3	39.0	14.36	13.5	40.0	\$9.24	10.0	24.0
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	9.18	11.6	32.9	10.08	9.5	40.0	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	10.68	7.6	39.6	10.65	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Production testers	11.84	7.0	40.0	11.84	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	13.18	8.1	40.7	13.40	8.0	42.2	8.81	9.0	24.2
Supervisors, motor vehicle operators	15.42	7.0	40.9	15.58	8.0	41.2	—	—	—
Truckdrivers	13.39	4.5	43.3	13.45	4.5	43.8	8.57	23.9	24.8
Driver-sales workers	12.32	11.2	38.5	13.34	8.9	41.8	—	—	—
Busdrivers	11.66	7.8	30.3	11.82	11.6	37.3	11.32	3.5	21.9
Taxicab drivers and chauffeurs	7.42	7.9	38.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	6.84	4.1	30.6	7.33	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
Sailors and deckhands	9.85	3.3	55.8	9.85	3.3	55.8	—	—	—
Supervisors, material moving equipment	18.35	14.0	40.0	18.35	14.0	40.0	—	—	—
Operating engineers	13.25	7.6	40.0	13.25	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Crane and tower operators	16.22	13.1	40.0	16.22	13.1	40.0	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	11.38	9.2	40.0	11.38	9.2	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	11.91	7.2	40.0	11.91	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	10.66	6.0	39.6	10.65	6.0	40.3	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	17.35	11.2	39.9	17.36	11.2	39.9	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.36	3.4	35.7	9.66	3.1	39.7	7.41	4.9	21.4
Supervisors, agriculture-related workers	15.74	21.3	41.2	15.81	21.6	41.7	—	—	—
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm	9.16	4.8	38.1	9.29	4.8	39.4	6.80	6.2	24.4
Animal caretakers, except farm	9.71	6.2	38.5	9.91	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	15.36	6.1	32.5	15.23	9.0	41.5	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	9.68	6.1	40.0	9.68	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	9.55	7.2	40.0	9.55	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	8.91	3.3	39.4	8.97	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
Production helpers	8.96	3.7	39.5	8.96	3.7	39.5	—	—	—
Garbage collectors	10.41	5.7	36.4	10.60	7.1	40.0	—	—	—
Stock handlers and baggers	8.15	5.0	27.9	9.39	6.2	39.3	6.58	4.3	20.4
Machine feeders and offbearers	9.27	10.7	40.0	9.27	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	11.45	12.1	33.2	12.21	12.1	39.7	8.51	12.4	20.3
Garage and service station related	10.02	6.9	38.0	10.19	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	8.91	3.6	38.5	9.01	3.6	40.1	6.45	5.9	18.8
Hand packers and packagers	7.74	7.3	34.0	7.91	8.7	38.3	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	9.11	6.6	37.1	9.30	7.0	39.9	7.92	2.4	25.5
Service	8.58	3.0	32.5	9.42	2.5	38.8	6.26	2.3	22.4
Protective service	14.50	3.2	37.9	14.80	2.9	41.1	10.41	7.2	18.5
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	23.96	6.5	48.5	23.96	6.5	48.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, police and detectives	21.46	10.0	40.2	21.46	10.0	40.2	—	—	—
Supervisors, guards	17.23	8.1	39.4	17.23	8.1	39.4	—	—	—
Firefighting	16.17	8.6	48.4	16.25	8.7	50.9	—	—	—
Police and detectives, public service	19.45	4.7	39.7	19.57	5.2	40.5	—	—	—
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	15.75	6.0	39.7	15.73	6.1	40.3	—	—	—
Correctional institution officers	12.12	3.3	39.9	12.16	3.3	40.1	—	—	—
Crossing guards	8.15	11.7	18.2	—	—	—	8.15	11.7	18.2

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Selected occupations, West South Central: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Protective service —Continued									
Guards and police, except public service	\$10.55	7.2	33.2	\$10.41	7.5	38.9	\$11.30	7.0	18.8
Protective service, n.e.c.	9.50	13.7	31.0	11.07	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Food service									
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	3.73	3.7	29.5	3.75	5.0	36.4	3.70	5.3	21.6
Bartenders	5.47	4.2	30.9	5.61	8.0	36.7	5.20	3.4	23.8
Waiters and waitresses	3.27	5.1	29.6	3.19	3.6	36.3	3.43	9.6	21.6
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	5.38	4.7	27.7	6.14	9.9	36.4	4.16	6.6	20.1
Other food service	7.41	1.9	32.0	8.11	2.0	38.5	6.07	1.9	24.2
Supervisors, food preparation and service	11.97	7.1	39.9	12.56	7.1	41.7	—	—	—
Cooks	7.40	2.5	35.9	7.51	2.1	38.3	6.44	6.3	23.0
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.58	4.4	32.8	7.12	5.5	38.2	5.71	7.9	26.7
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.89	2.4	29.1	7.66	2.3	38.5	6.24	2.3	24.2
Health service									
Dental assistants	9.53	7.4	31.6	10.40	7.4	39.2	6.97	8.5	20.2
Health aides, except nursing	13.72	9.8	34.4	13.72	9.8	34.4	—	—	—
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	10.65	16.0	32.4	11.52	14.0	39.9	7.43	27.9	19.2
Cleaning and building service	8.43	2.1	30.9	9.16	4.0	39.3	6.75	3.1	20.7
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	8.12	5.0	35.1	8.50	3.0	39.1	6.19	6.8	23.1
Maids and housemen	13.21	8.0	39.9	13.21	8.0	39.9	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	6.89	2.7	35.4	6.95	3.7	38.7	6.34	10.9	19.6
Personal service	8.28	10.2	34.7	8.82	7.3	39.2	6.15	6.3	24.0
Supervisors, personal service	8.51	4.0	29.3	9.38	4.6	37.3	7.23	7.0	22.3
Hairdressers and cosmetologists	10.87	11.6	40.7	10.87	11.6	40.7	—	—	—
Attendants, amusement and recreation facilities	10.82	10.3	32.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public transportation attendants	7.54	9.8	25.2	8.95	13.3	36.0	6.07	5.1	19.2
Baggage porters and bellhops	29.53	13.7	17.7	29.05	19.0	20.0	—	—	—
Welfare service aides	5.77	9.9	40.0	5.77	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
Early childhood teachers' assistants	6.44	2.1	24.7	8.60	10.1	39.3	6.28	1.4	24.1
Childcare workers, n.e.c.	7.99	4.8	35.6	8.01	4.6	39.6	7.79	11.2	16.4
Service, n.e.c.	7.43	9.8	33.8	7.60	9.7	39.7	6.69	9.4	20.6
	9.27	5.4	29.2	9.55	7.4	39.3	8.54	5.8	17.5

¹ Earnings are the straight-time hourly wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, and holidays; nonproduction bonuses; and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours.

² Total includes full-time and part-time workers. Employees are classified as working either a full-time or a part-time schedule based on the definition used by each establishment. Therefore, a worker with a 35-hour-per-week schedule might be considered a full-time employee in one establishment, but classified as part-time in another firm, where a 40-hour week is the minimum full-time schedule.

³ In this census division, 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, West 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	\$15.22	1.5	36.3	\$16.23	1.8	40.0	\$7.88	4.8	21.8
All, excluding sales	15.56	1.8	36.7	16.44	2.2	39.9	8.10	5.9	21.9
White collar	19.22	2.2	36.9	20.20	2.7	40.1	9.92	7.6	20.9
White collar, excluding sales	21.37	3.4	38.2	21.73	3.6	40.0	14.39	6.5	20.0
Professional specialty and technical	27.50	6.4	37.4	27.84	6.8	39.9	21.54	6.0	17.6
Professional specialty	30.78	7.0	37.5	31.16	7.4	40.2	23.83	6.7	17.0
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	34.41	2.6	40.7	34.32	2.6	40.8	—	—	—
Architects	26.09	12.0	40.0	26.09	12.0	40.0	—	—	—
Petroleum engineers	46.75	7.0	40.0	46.75	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Chemical engineers	43.17	8.4	40.0	43.17	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
Civil engineers	27.25	10.9	40.0	27.25	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic engineers	33.94	6.9	42.0	33.94	6.9	42.0	—	—	—
Industrial engineers	27.62	8.8	41.5	27.62	8.8	41.5	—	—	—
Mechanical engineers	35.97	13.6	39.6	35.20	12.9	40.3	—	—	—
Engineers, n.e.c.	37.27	3.4	40.4	37.27	3.4	40.4	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.73	8.1	38.0	32.18	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
Computer systems analysts and scientists	31.48	7.9	37.5	32.02	8.1	40.0	—	—	—
Natural scientists	37.79	16.1	40.6	37.79	16.1	40.6	—	—	—
Geologists and geodesists	47.52	13.3	41.4	47.52	13.3	41.4	—	—	—
Medical scientists	20.72	18.4	39.3	20.72	18.4	39.3	—	—	—
Health related	32.25	14.5	36.4	32.50	15.6	40.3	29.58	5.8	17.7
Registered nurses	24.06	2.8	36.2	23.97	3.1	39.5	24.85	2.7	20.4
Pharmacists	40.57	2.6	30.5	41.20	2.2	40.0	—	—	—
Respiratory therapists	19.50	2.7	36.7	19.39	2.6	39.5	—	—	—
Occupational therapists	24.64	16.9	34.6	23.21	16.4	40.0	—	—	—
Physical therapists	29.25	8.0	26.3	26.15	1.8	39.2	—	—	—
Teachers, college and university	41.60	16.6	37.1	41.71	16.5	38.7	25.41	2.9	5.3
Art, drama, and music teachers	44.93	11.4	39.7	44.93	11.4	39.7	—	—	—
Other post-secondary teachers	37.08	18.2	34.5	37.27	18.3	38.3	—	—	—
Teachers, except college and university	16.16	7.5	34.3	16.17	6.9	39.3	16.07	17.8	16.2
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	9.11	6.7	34.3	8.99	7.2	37.4	—	—	—
Elementary school teachers	21.17	5.1	37.5	21.14	4.8	39.6	—	—	—
Secondary school teachers	28.46	4.2	39.6	28.61	3.8	40.1	—	—	—
Teachers, n.e.c.	19.02	7.9	25.7	18.96	11.5	39.8	19.17	22.0	14.2
Vocational and educational counselors	14.76	2.2	38.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Librarians, archivists, and curators	25.66	14.9	37.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Librarians	25.69	14.9	38.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Social scientists and urban planners	27.24	5.1	35.2	27.12	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Economists	30.48	3.0	40.0	30.48	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Psychologists	20.97	10.5	28.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Social, recreation, and religious workers	16.73	11.0	38.6	16.70	12.0	39.7	—	—	—
Social workers	16.88	12.3	38.4	16.86	13.6	39.7	—	—	—
Lawyers and judges	50.08	15.7	42.8	50.08	15.7	42.8	—	—	—
Lawyers	50.08	15.7	42.8	50.08	15.7	42.8	—	—	—
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	22.28	13.7	35.5	23.32	14.1	39.6	8.80	15.3	15.2
Designers	22.80	19.6	39.9	22.95	20.1	40.3	—	—	—
Actors and directors	17.85	28.5	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Photographers	12.09	20.5	34.6	12.52	21.6	39.0	—	—	—
Editors and reporters	15.54	16.1	38.6	15.82	16.4	40.0	—	—	—
Public relations specialists	29.29	11.8	40.0	29.29	11.8	40.0	—	—	—
Technical	20.57	3.7	37.1	20.79	3.7	39.3	16.87	5.6	19.0
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	14.92	13.0	37.5	15.03	12.8	39.8	12.44	18.6	17.1
Health record technologists and technicians	—	—	—	16.45	15.8	39.4	—	—	—
Radiological technicians	20.14	6.2	39.7	20.20	6.3	40.2	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	15.67	3.3	36.8	15.59	3.2	39.8	16.43	12.8	22.0
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	19.52	14.4	36.1	19.97	14.5	39.8	13.37	6.0	16.1
Electrical and electronic technicians	21.95	10.2	40.0	21.96	10.1	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanical engineering technicians	24.11	16.0	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	20.52	15.5	40.0	20.52	15.5	40.0	—	—	—
Drafters	19.54	10.1	39.6	19.67	10.1	40.0	—	—	—
Airplane pilots and navigators	90.79	17.2	24.5	90.79	17.2	24.5	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Professional specialty and technical —Continued									
Technical—Continued									
Computer programmers	\$24.96	7.8	39.5	\$24.94	8.1	40.0	—	—	—
Legal assistants	21.62	12.8	40.0	21.62	12.8	40.0	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	25.25	17.8	40.1	25.25	17.8	40.1	—	—	—
Executive, administrative, and managerial	30.39	1.7	40.7	30.44	1.6	40.9	\$22.45	27.8	23.6
Executives, administrators, and managers	34.19	3.6	41.1	34.29	3.4	41.2	—	—	—
Financial managers	45.12	6.4	41.0	45.12	6.4	41.0	—	—	—
Personnel and labor relations managers	29.63	12.0	40.5	29.63	12.0	40.5	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	26.83	17.6	40.0	26.83	17.6	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	36.72	7.4	40.2	36.72	7.4	40.2	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	18.99	17.5	38.1	20.13	15.4	39.6	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	25.87	6.7	40.6	25.93	6.7	40.9	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	20.45	6.7	40.4	20.45	6.7	40.4	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	20.57	9.3	39.8	20.57	9.3	39.8	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	35.60	5.2	41.8	35.60	5.2	41.8	—	—	—
Management related	24.42	3.5	40.0	24.37	3.4	40.3	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	26.02	4.2	40.0	25.91	3.9	41.1	—	—	—
Other financial officers	27.43	10.6	41.0	27.43	10.6	41.0	—	—	—
Management analysts	23.98	7.6	40.0	23.87	7.2	40.2	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	21.45	8.1	39.3	21.45	8.1	39.3	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products	34.27	13.8	40.0	34.27	13.8	40.0	—	—	—
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.	22.13	15.0	40.0	22.13	15.0	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	26.47	6.5	39.3	26.47	6.5	39.3	—	—	—
Management related, n.e.c.	21.55	10.6	39.6	21.55	10.6	39.6	—	—	—
Sales	12.91	3.4	33.6	14.64	3.3	40.4	7.23	2.1	21.6
Supervisors, sales	17.55	6.4	41.3	17.59	6.6	41.7	—	—	—
Insurance sales	21.84	17.0	39.2	22.25	17.6	41.0	—	—	—
Securities and financial services sales	20.36	12.4	39.8	20.36	12.4	39.8	—	—	—
Advertising and related sales	17.57	18.5	37.9	17.57	18.5	37.9	—	—	—
Sales, other business services	22.40	19.0	41.0	22.78	19.9	42.0	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	25.68	8.6	40.2	25.93	8.2	40.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, motor vehicles and boats	16.20	7.8	49.3	16.20	7.8	49.3	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	8.24	3.6	28.1	9.28	3.1	37.1	7.16	4.0	22.5
Sales workers, shoes	8.15	8.8	23.5	—	—	—	8.04	11.2	23.3
Sales workers, furniture and home furnishings ..	13.96	16.5	32.2	17.98	10.7	41.1	—	—	—
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies ..	12.70	15.1	41.8	13.22	15.1	44.8	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	11.15	26.1	40.6	11.15	26.1	40.6	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	10.19	9.9	30.3	11.28	10.4	39.4	7.39	5.4	19.0
Sales counter clerks	10.55	19.4	34.1	11.87	19.0	40.0	6.23	6.9	23.1
Cashiers	7.54	2.3	28.4	8.15	2.7	38.9	6.83	2.6	21.7
Demonstrators, promoters, and models, sales ..	10.14	9.6	26.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales support, n.e.c.	11.39	14.5	37.6	11.66	16.0	40.2	8.19	7.0	21.3
Administrative support, including clerical	12.43	1.4	37.8	12.63	1.4	39.8	9.42	4.1	21.7
Supervisors, general office	17.73	2.4	40.0	17.73	2.4	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, financial records processing	18.12	7.3	40.2	18.12	7.3	40.2	—	—	—
Supervisors, distribution, scheduling, and adjusting clerks	23.81	8.9	40.1	23.81	8.9	40.1	—	—	—
Computer operators	15.51	6.1	40.0	15.51	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
Secretaries	13.73	4.3	38.4	13.90	4.5	39.5	8.50	18.7	21.1
Stenographers	18.68	22.9	40.0	18.68	22.9	40.0	—	—	—
Typists	12.74	4.4	36.4	13.01	5.7	39.0	—	—	—
Interviewers	10.49	7.7	38.8	10.52	7.8	39.8	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Hotel clerks	\$8.95	9.6	35.3	\$9.35	9.3	39.5	—	—	—
Transportation ticket and reservation agents	13.23	5.1	36.5	13.23	5.4	39.5	—	—	—
Receptionists	9.67	3.9	37.2	9.83	3.6	39.8	\$7.66	6.0	20.0
Information clerks, n.e.c.	11.56	4.1	39.6	11.74	4.9	39.8	—	—	—
Order clerks	12.12	9.8	37.5	12.23	9.3	39.9	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	13.04	4.7	39.9	13.05	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
Library clerks	12.15	7.8	38.6	12.15	7.8	38.6	—	—	—
File clerks	10.76	5.8	37.6	11.07	4.7	39.9	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.	11.96	4.1	38.8	11.99	4.0	39.4	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	12.80	2.6	38.2	12.88	2.5	39.8	11.39	13.4	22.3
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	13.92	8.8	25.7	14.45	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
Billing clerks	12.56	4.4	39.9	12.56	4.4	39.9	—	—	—
Telephone operators	11.23	17.4	38.6	11.27	17.3	39.1	—	—	—
Mail clerks, except postal service	9.50	8.2	36.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Messengers	9.43	4.5	34.9	9.93	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Dispatchers	14.03	14.6	40.2	14.03	14.6	40.2	—	—	—
Production coordinators	19.72	7.8	39.6	19.35	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	12.36	3.5	39.1	12.43	3.6	39.9	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	11.24	10.8	40.2	11.24	10.8	40.2	—	—	—
Material recording, scheduling, and distribution clerks, n.e.c.	9.51	3.2	40.0	9.51	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	16.58	3.1	37.6	16.58	3.1	39.6	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	13.47	8.1	38.4	13.62	7.9	40.0	9.27	24.6	18.3
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	11.29	9.1	39.3	11.29	9.1	39.3	—	—	—
Bill and account collectors	15.24	8.1	39.9	15.26	8.1	40.0	—	—	—
General office clerks	11.63	3.9	35.6	11.81	4.6	39.7	9.88	10.9	17.7
Bank tellers	9.37	4.0	34.7	9.81	4.1	40.0	8.35	5.0	26.6
Data entry keyers	10.05	6.8	35.2	10.35	6.9	39.9	8.95	7.7	24.3
Teachers' aides	6.85	4.6	32.9	6.75	4.7	39.4	—	—	—
Administrative support, n.e.c.	12.81	2.4	38.8	12.95	2.4	39.6	9.74	10.9	25.7
Blue collar	13.18	3.2	38.8	13.46	3.0	40.4	7.76	3.4	22.0
Precision production, craft, and repair	15.86	2.4	39.9	15.92	2.4	40.2	9.95	5.5	23.0
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	21.05	4.9	42.7	21.05	4.9	42.7	—	—	—
Automobile mechanics	19.21	4.8	41.9	19.21	4.8	41.9	—	—	—
Automobile mechanic apprentices	11.23	5.0	43.6	11.23	5.0	43.6	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	17.23	6.6	40.0	17.23	6.6	40.0	—	—	—
Automobile body and related repairers	14.23	7.9	40.7	14.23	7.9	40.7	—	—	—
Aircraft mechanics, except engine	26.03	4.3	40.0	26.03	4.3	40.0	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics	15.44	9.9	40.0	15.44	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial machinery repairers	18.39	10.3	40.0	18.39	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance	12.45	9.7	39.7	12.45	9.7	39.7	—	—	—
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment	17.26	3.9	39.4	17.66	3.1	40.0	—	—	—
Data processing equipment repairers	14.43	11.7	40.0	14.43	11.7	40.0	—	—	—
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics	18.23	8.5	39.9	18.23	8.5	39.9	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	12.50	9.1	39.7	12.51	9.1	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	21.89	3.6	40.0	21.89	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	18.87	2.5	40.4	18.87	2.5	40.4	—	—	—
Carpenters	12.38	11.0	40.0	12.38	11.0	40.0	—	—	—
Electricians	18.91	3.6	40.0	18.91	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
Electrician apprentices	11.72	2.7	40.0	11.72	2.7	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	21.57	8.2	40.0	21.57	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Painters, construction and maintenance	10.23	7.1	40.0	10.23	7.1	40.0	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	19.34	6.0	40.0	19.34	6.0	40.0	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Concrete and terrazzo finishers	\$10.76	21.0	40.0	\$10.76	21.0	40.0	—	—	—
Insulation workers	12.70	6.8	40.0	12.70	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	13.86	10.8	39.6	13.86	10.8	39.6	—	—	—
Supervisors, extractive	24.60	16.3	41.4	24.60	16.3	41.4	—	—	—
Mining, n.e.c.	16.37	11.4	40.0	16.37	11.4	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	19.33	3.4	40.3	19.33	3.4	40.3	—	—	—
Tool and die makers	18.79	9.4	40.0	18.79	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Precision assemblers, metal	19.73	6.4	40.0	19.73	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Machinists	18.95	4.0	39.6	18.95	4.0	39.6	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	14.98	9.1	40.0	14.98	9.1	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	10.96	4.4	38.3	11.07	5.4	40.0	\$10.15	1.7	29.2
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	10.47	11.5	38.0	10.63	12.1	40.0	—	—	—
Butchers and meat cutters	9.97	6.5	36.8	10.03	6.3	39.5	—	—	—
Bakers	10.90	5.9	40.0	10.90	5.9	40.0	—	—	—
Inspectors, testers, and graders	17.83	10.8	40.9	18.00	11.4	41.3	—	—	—
Power plant operators	28.17	11.3	40.0	28.17	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	24.88	4.6	39.8	24.88	4.6	39.8	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	12.05	3.5	38.7	12.19	3.3	39.8	8.17	7.8	21.7
Punching and stamping press operators	8.69	5.7	40.0	8.69	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	12.93	10.9	40.0	12.93	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Numerical control machine operators	15.90	7.5	39.9	15.90	7.5	39.9	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	12.41	12.9	40.0	12.41	12.9	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	11.45	7.7	38.9	11.45	7.7	38.9	—	—	—
Printing press operators	13.37	6.9	40.0	13.37	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	8.23	5.3	39.0	8.23	5.3	39.0	—	—	—
Laundry and dry cleaning machine operators	7.83	3.0	39.3	7.69	3.1	39.7	—	—	—
Packaging and filling machine operators	10.05	8.3	40.0	10.05	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
Mixing and blending machine operators	11.33	11.5	40.0	11.33	11.5	40.0	—	—	—
Separating, filtering, and clarifying machine operators	18.18	6.5	40.0	18.18	6.5	40.0	—	—	—
Painting and paint spraying machine operators	13.04	11.3	40.8	13.04	11.3	40.8	—	—	—
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	13.12	8.9	40.0	13.12	8.9	40.0	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	10.96	3.0	40.0	10.96	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Photographic process machine operators	8.12	5.6	22.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	11.62	4.9	39.5	11.62	4.8	39.9	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	14.47	4.2	40.0	14.47	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
Solderers and brazers	10.01	6.7	40.0	10.01	6.7	40.0	—	—	—
Assemblers	14.17	13.3	39.0	14.36	13.5	40.0	9.24	10.0	24.0
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	9.18	11.6	32.9	10.08	9.5	40.0	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	10.68	7.6	39.6	10.65	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Production testers	11.84	7.0	40.0	11.84	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	13.32	8.5	41.5	13.55	8.3	42.6	7.89	11.8	25.3
Supervisors, motor vehicle operators	18.44	7.3	42.6	19.25	5.5	43.7	—	—	—
Truckdrivers	13.45	4.6	43.5	13.52	4.6	43.9	8.57	23.9	24.8
Driver-sales workers	12.32	11.2	38.5	13.34	8.9	41.8	—	—	—
Busdrivers	11.21	16.7	30.7	11.15	29.1	39.4	—	—	—
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	6.84	4.1	30.6	7.33	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
Sailors and deckhands	9.85	3.3	55.8	9.85	3.3	55.8	—	—	—
Supervisors, material moving equipment	18.27	14.9	40.0	18.27	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
Operating engineers	14.11	12.6	40.0	14.11	12.6	40.0	—	—	—
Crane and tower operators	16.22	13.1	40.0	16.22	13.1	40.0	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	11.36	10.3	40.0	11.36	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	10.62	6.0	39.6	10.61	6.1	40.3	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	17.84	11.7	39.9	17.84	11.7	39.9	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 4. Selected occupations, West South Central, private industry: Mean hourly earnings¹ for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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	\$9.31	3.8	35.4	\$9.63	3.5	39.7	\$7.40	5.0	21.4
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	7.25	5.0	36.4	7.31	6.4	39.0	—	—	—
Animal caretakers, except farm	9.96	7.3	38.2	10.21	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	15.51	6.9	31.4	15.41	11.1	42.0	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	9.59	7.8	40.0	9.59	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	9.50	8.3	40.0	9.50	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	8.94	3.5	39.4	9.01	3.4	40.0	—	—	—
Production helpers	8.95	3.7	39.5	8.95	3.7	39.5	—	—	—
Stock handlers and baggers	8.15	5.0	27.9	9.39	6.2	39.3	6.58	4.3	20.4
Machine feeders and offbearers	9.32	11.7	40.0	9.32	11.7	40.0	—	—	—
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	11.52	12.2	33.1	12.31	12.3	39.7	8.51	12.4	20.3
Garage and service station related	9.59	6.6	37.8	9.77	5.3	40.0	—	—	—
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	8.90	3.7	38.4	8.99	3.7	40.1	6.45	5.9	18.8
Hand packers and packagers	7.74	7.3	34.0	7.91	8.7	38.3	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	8.99	8.1	36.9	9.18	8.5	39.9	7.87	2.7	25.5
Service	7.55	2.5	31.4	8.18	2.4	38.3	6.20	2.3	22.5
Protective service	10.78	7.7	33.4	10.79	7.8	38.9	10.76	8.1	19.4
Supervisors, guards	17.30	16.5	38.6	17.30	16.5	38.6	—	—	—
Guards and police, except public service	10.58	7.6	33.1	10.41	8.1	38.8	11.43	6.9	19.1
Food service	6.26	.7	31.1	6.72	.9	38.0	5.41	2.5	23.5
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	3.73	3.7	29.5	3.75	5.0	36.4	3.70	5.3	21.6
Bartenders	5.47	4.2	30.9	5.61	8.0	36.7	5.20	3.4	23.8
Waiters and waitresses	3.27	5.1	29.6	3.19	3.6	36.3	3.43	9.6	21.6
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	5.38	4.7	27.7	6.14	9.9	36.4	4.16	6.6	20.1
Other food service	7.22	2.3	31.8	7.90	2.5	38.7	6.02	1.9	24.2
Supervisors, food preparation and service	11.52	7.6	40.1	12.19	7.7	42.5	—	—	—
Cooks	7.33	2.6	35.9	7.43	2.2	38.4	6.43	6.3	23.0
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.42	5.5	32.7	6.96	6.2	38.3	5.64	7.7	27.0
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.65	2.8	28.8	7.37	3.5	39.3	6.16	2.3	24.3
Health service	9.24	8.6	31.1	10.11	8.7	39.1	6.94	8.6	20.1
Dental assistants	13.89	10.5	34.1	13.89	10.5	34.1	—	—	—
Health aides, except nursing	10.39	19.6	31.7	11.31	17.9	39.9	7.43	27.9	19.2
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	8.11	2.1	30.5	8.78	3.4	39.3	6.70	3.1	20.7
Cleaning and building service	7.72	6.3	34.0	8.13	3.4	38.8	6.16	6.7	23.1
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	12.42	10.0	39.7	12.42	10.0	39.7	—	—	—
Maids and housemen	6.89	2.7	35.4	6.95	3.7	38.7	6.34	10.9	19.6
Janitors and cleaners	7.98	14.3	33.0	8.73	10.1	38.9	6.12	6.0	24.0
Personal service	8.26	4.4	28.9	9.10	5.3	37.1	7.18	7.6	22.6
Supervisors, personal service	10.64	13.4	40.8	10.64	13.4	40.8	—	—	—
Hairdressers and cosmetologists	10.82	10.3	32.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Attendants, amusement and recreation facilities	7.45	12.2	25.0	8.86	17.8	34.9	5.89	5.0	19.0
Public transportation attendants	31.39	12.4	17.1	31.12	17.4	19.3	—	—	—
Baggage porters and bellhops	5.77	9.9	40.0	5.77	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
Welfare service aides	6.34	1.4	24.5	—	—	—	6.28	1.4	24.1
Early childhood teachers' assistants	6.44	2.2	35.8	6.46	2.1	39.9	6.05	5.5	13.5
Childcare workers, n.e.c.	7.42	9.8	33.9	7.59	9.7	39.7	6.68	9.4	20.7
Service, n.e.c.	8.61	3.1	29.7	8.75	5.0	39.6	8.28	5.1	18.5

¹ Earnings are the straight-time hourly wages or salaries paid to employees. They include incentive pay, cost-of-living adjustments, and hazard pay. Excluded are premium pay for overtime, vacations, and holidays; nonproduction bonuses; and tips. The mean is computed by totaling the pay of all workers and dividing by the number of workers, weighted by hours.

² Total includes full-time and part-time workers. Employees are classified as working either a full-time or a part-time schedule based on the definition used by each establishment. Therefore, a worker with a 35-hour-per-week schedule might be considered a full-time employee in one establishment, but classified as part-time in another firm, where a 40-hour week is the minimum full-time schedule.

³ In this census division, 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, West South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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	\$18.52	1.7	38.4	\$18.69	1.8	39.6	\$11.72	5.6	18.2
All, excluding sales	18.55	1.7	38.5	18.72	1.8	39.6	11.82	6.2	18.1
White collar	21.21	2.0	38.4	21.32	2.1	39.3	14.72	5.4	16.4
White collar, excluding sales	21.27	2.0	38.4	21.37	2.1	39.3	15.14	7.1	16.1
Professional specialty and technical	24.95	1.4	38.0	25.09	1.7	39.0	17.23	12.5	15.5
Professional specialty	25.85	1.6	37.9	26.01	1.8	38.9	17.42	13.7	15.2
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	25.74	7.7	40.0	25.74	7.7	40.0	-	-	-
Mathematical and computer scientists	18.80	7.0	39.7	18.80	7.0	39.7	-	-	-
Computer systems analysts and scientists	18.80	7.0	39.7	18.80	7.0	39.7	-	-	-
Natural scientists	17.31	2.8	40.1	17.31	2.8	40.1	-	-	-
Health related	24.74	5.0	38.7	24.74	5.1	40.2	24.58	9.9	21.0
Registered nurses	23.94	3.2	37.9	23.93	3.1	39.7	24.09	10.6	21.3
Speech therapists	29.46	1.6	39.6	29.46	1.6	39.6	-	-	-
Teachers, college and university	35.15	4.0	35.3	35.31	4.2	39.4	29.88	6.5	7.9
Medical science teachers	46.86	16.1	36.5	46.98	16.0	39.9	-	-	-
Trade and industrial teachers	26.92	6.4	34.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other post-secondary teachers	37.14	5.2	34.4	37.30	5.4	39.6	32.55	6.5	7.4
Teachers, except college and university	26.92	1.6	37.8	27.17	1.6	38.5	12.20	20.2	17.3
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	26.89	2.9	37.4	26.89	2.9	37.4	-	-	-
Elementary school teachers	26.79	1.9	38.3	26.80	1.9	38.5	-	-	-
Secondary school teachers	27.45	2.1	38.4	27.45	2.1	38.4	-	-	-
Teachers, special education	27.64	1.2	38.2	27.64	1.2	38.2	-	-	-
Teachers, n.e.c.	24.70	5.7	35.9	25.27	4.9	39.5	10.54	25.7	11.1
Substitute teachers	9.11	3.6	20.8	-	-	-	9.24	1.8	20.0
Vocational and educational counselors	30.97	3.3	38.1	31.03	3.4	39.4	-	-	-
Librarians, archivists, and curators	19.93	12.4	39.1	19.94	12.5	39.6	-	-	-
Librarians	19.03	13.4	38.9	19.02	13.5	39.5	-	-	-
Social scientists and urban planners	27.73	7.9	37.8	27.73	7.9	37.8	-	-	-
Psychologists	29.64	5.8	37.0	29.64	5.8	37.0	-	-	-
Social, recreation, and religious workers	14.18	1.5	39.7	14.18	1.5	39.9	-	-	-
Social workers	14.34	2.1	39.8	14.35	2.2	39.9	-	-	-
Lawyers and judges	35.07	5.9	40.1	35.26	6.0	40.9	-	-	-
Lawyers	32.33	6.1	41.2	32.33	6.1	41.2	-	-	-
Judges	45.09	7.3	36.5	46.36	6.9	40.0	-	-	-
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	25.83	22.0	31.8	27.15	28.4	39.8	-	-	-
Technical	16.16	3.4	39.2	16.18	3.5	39.8	-	-	-
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	15.46	6.1	40.0	15.46	6.1	40.0	-	-	-
Radiological technicians	21.33	6.5	39.9	21.33	6.5	39.9	-	-	-
Licensed practical nurses	14.67	3.8	37.2	14.57	3.7	39.6	-	-	-
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	14.22	7.1	39.9	14.22	7.1	39.9	-	-	-
Electrical and electronic technicians	17.59	10.7	37.2	17.91	12.2	39.0	-	-	-
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	16.33	7.6	40.0	16.33	7.6	40.0	-	-	-
Technical and related, n.e.c.	12.99	2.8	39.3	13.00	2.8	39.5	-	-	-
Executive, administrative, and managerial	26.80	6.2	39.5	26.90	6.3	40.1	14.49	22.3	14.3
Executives, administrators, and managers	30.99	6.6	39.4	31.00	6.7	40.2	-	-	-
Administrators and officials, public administration	24.99	14.5	40.5	24.99	14.5	40.5	-	-	-
Administrators, education and related fields	37.16	3.8	40.1	37.16	3.8	40.1	-	-	-
Managers, medicine and health	25.54	6.9	40.0	25.54	6.9	40.0	-	-	-
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	26.24	9.1	41.6	26.24	9.1	41.6	-	-	-
Management related	18.96	2.7	39.7	19.08	2.6	39.9	-	-	-
Accountants and auditors	18.27	2.8	39.6	18.27	2.8	39.6	-	-	-
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	28.54	22.8	39.7	28.54	22.8	39.7	-	-	-
Construction inspectors	17.37	4.4	40.0	17.37	4.4	40.0	-	-	-
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction	18.44	9.4	40.0	18.44	9.4	40.0	-	-	-
Management related, n.e.c.	18.98	7.9	39.5	19.40	8.6	40.0	-	-	-
Sales	10.76	9.6	36.9	11.32	8.9	40.0	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5. Selected occupations, West South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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 —Continued									
Cashiers	\$10.01	8.2	36.6	\$10.50	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Administrative support, including clerical	11.55	2.5	38.9	11.58	2.5	39.5	\$9.99	6.6	18.3
Supervisors, general office	15.51	3.4	39.9	15.51	3.4	39.9	—	—	—
Secretaries	12.21	3.0	39.4	12.22	3.1	39.6	—	—	—
Interviewers	11.84	15.7	40.0	11.84	15.7	40.0	—	—	—
Receptionists	10.35	11.8	39.5	10.35	12.0	39.5	—	—	—
Information clerks, n.e.c.	12.27	13.9	34.9	12.27	13.9	34.9	—	—	—
Library clerks	9.71	7.0	33.5	10.01	8.1	39.4	8.40	7.6	20.3
File clerks	8.71	7.3	35.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.	11.47	3.1	39.6	11.47	3.1	39.6	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	12.52	8.0	40.0	12.52	8.0	40.0	—	—	—
Billing clerks	12.28	7.9	40.0	12.28	7.9	40.0	—	—	—
Dispatchers	12.25	4.4	39.6	12.26	4.4	40.0	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	9.89	11.3	40.0	9.89	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
Meter readers	12.13	5.5	38.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	12.93	3.4	40.0	12.93	3.4	40.0	—	—	—
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	11.15	5.1	40.0	11.15	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
General office clerks	10.49	2.1	38.5	10.49	2.0	39.8	10.83	7.1	14.5
Data entry keyers	11.71	7.1	36.9	11.71	7.1	36.9	—	—	—
Teachers' aides	9.70	2.5	38.6	9.71	2.5	38.6	—	—	—
Administrative support, n.e.c.	11.70	6.4	38.8	11.66	6.4	39.8	—	—	—
Blue collar	12.53	3.9	38.3	12.60	4.2	39.6	10.93	4.3	21.7
Precision production, craft, and repair	15.02	4.5	39.9	15.03	4.5	39.9	—	—	—
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers	17.49	10.2	39.8	17.49	10.2	39.8	—	—	—
Automobile mechanics	13.02	6.5	40.0	13.02	6.5	40.0	—	—	—
Bus, truck, and stationary engine mechanics	13.95	12.9	40.0	13.95	12.9	40.0	—	—	—
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	13.91	8.3	39.8	13.91	8.3	39.8	—	—	—
Supervisors, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	18.45	7.4	40.0	18.45	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	15.15	9.5	40.0	15.15	9.5	40.0	—	—	—
Electricians	16.19	4.3	40.0	16.19	4.3	40.0	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	11.25	8.2	40.0	11.25	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	14.46	8.8	40.0	14.46	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	13.92	9.1	39.5	13.98	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	11.33	15.3	39.4	11.33	15.3	39.4	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	12.07	2.8	35.7	12.17	3.0	39.0	11.31	4.2	21.6
Truckdrivers	11.74	4.1	39.8	11.74	4.1	39.8	—	—	—
Busdrivers	11.81	5.2	30.1	12.03	7.3	36.7	11.33	4.1	21.6
Operating engineers	11.19	3.0	40.0	11.19	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	11.78	6.2	40.0	11.78	6.2	40.0	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	12.63	15.5	40.0	12.63	15.5	40.0	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.93	5.8	39.3	9.96	6.0	39.9	—	—	—
Supervisors, agriculture-related workers	14.93	24.4	38.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	10.04	5.6	39.0	10.08	5.7	39.5	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	9.90	3.7	40.0	9.90	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	8.65	8.1	40.0	8.65	8.1	40.0	—	—	—
Garbage collectors	10.41	5.7	36.4	10.60	7.1	40.0	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	10.00	10.0	38.8	10.06	10.4	40.0	—	—	—
Service	13.23	4.7	38.7	13.44	4.6	40.5	8.31	7.4	19.2
Protective service	16.45	3.8	40.8	16.60	4.0	42.1	8.81	12.3	15.4
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	23.96	6.5	48.5	23.96	6.5	48.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, police and detectives	21.58	9.9	40.2	21.58	9.9	40.2	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5. Selected occupations, West South Central, State and local government: Mean hourly earnings¹ and weekly hours for full-time and part-time workers,² National Compensation Survey,³ 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									
Protective service –Continued									
Supervisors, guards	\$17.16	9.4	40.0	\$17.16	9.4	40.0	–	–	–
Firefighting	16.17	8.6	48.4	16.25	8.7	50.9	–	–	–
Police and detectives, public service	19.47	4.7	39.7	19.58	5.2	40.5	–	–	–
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	15.75	6.0	39.7	15.73	6.1	40.3	–	–	–
Correctional institution officers	12.37	2.9	40.0	12.37	2.9	40.1	–	–	–
Crossing guards	8.15	11.7	18.2	–	–	–	\$8.15	11.7	18.2
Guards and police, except public service	10.12	10.1	34.1	10.32	10.9	40.0	–	–	–
Protective service, n.e.c.	9.55	8.0	33.8	10.42	10.4	40.0	–	–	–
Food service	9.73	5.1	34.5	9.91	5.5	36.9	8.15	3.6	21.7
Other food service	9.73	5.1	34.5	9.91	5.5	36.9	8.15	3.6	21.7
Supervisors, food preparation and service	14.04	9.5	39.0	14.04	9.5	39.0	–	–	–
Cooks	9.03	2.5	36.1	9.04	2.5	36.4	–	–	–
Kitchen workers, food preparation	7.98	2.6	34.2	8.01	3.2	37.4	7.81	4.3	21.2
Food preparation, n.e.c.	8.71	2.9	31.7	8.78	3.4	35.4	8.40	4.7	22.0
Health service	12.53	9.9	38.5	12.72	9.9	39.9	–	–	–
Health aides, except nursing	12.78	11.5	39.9	12.78	11.5	39.9	–	–	–
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	12.38	11.8	37.2	12.79	12.4	39.9	–	–	–
Cleaning and building service	9.47	5.4	39.5	9.50	5.6	39.9	7.46	4.4	24.4
Janitors and cleaners	8.95	3.3	39.4	8.97	3.4	39.9	7.46	4.4	24.4
Personal service	10.37	4.8	32.8	10.78	3.8	38.9	8.31	13.7	18.3
Attendants, amusement and recreation facilities	7.80	8.0	25.7	–	–	–	6.53	5.0	19.6
Welfare service aides	10.11	7.1	37.4	10.22	7.3	40.0	–	–	–
Early childhood teachers' assistants	10.41	2.1	35.4	10.56	2.3	39.2	–	–	–
Service, n.e.c.	13.04	16.1	26.8	13.53	15.7	38.0	–	–	–

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 West 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	\$15.75	1.4	36.6	\$15.22	1.5	36.3	\$18.52	1.7	38.4
All, excluding sales	16.10	1.7	37.0	15.56	1.8	36.7	18.55	1.7	38.5
White collar	19.62	1.9	37.2	19.22	2.2	36.9	21.21	2.0	38.4
1	7.21	1.8	27.0	7.17	1.8	26.8	8.28	8.2	34.3
2	8.66	2.0	32.8	8.49	2.4	32.0	9.74	1.9	38.4
3	9.72	2.0	35.7	9.66	2.3	35.1	10.04	1.0	38.9
4	12.50	1.9	38.5	12.49	2.2	38.4	12.54	1.0	39.1
5	15.36	1.5	38.7	15.75	1.8	39.2	13.39	5.0	36.1
6	17.36	2.3	39.1	17.39	3.4	39.1	17.28	5.4	39.1
7	22.20	2.0	38.4	21.25	1.4	38.5	24.02	3.5	38.3
8	24.67	2.1	39.0	24.18	3.4	39.1	25.34	1.2	38.9
9	27.64	1.2	38.8	28.34	2.3	39.1	26.37	1.5	38.1
10	32.77	4.3	37.3	34.76	3.4	36.8	26.78	7.9	38.7
11	37.99	1.4	39.9	39.52	1.4	40.2	31.68	4.9	38.6
12	44.23	2.2	39.9	45.72	3.0	40.0	39.49	2.7	39.5
13	57.54	4.2	40.3	58.47	3.8	40.3	47.09	9.0	41.0
14	72.55	3.2	46.1	72.99	4.0	46.7	66.68	13.0	40.0
15	97.55	13.6	40.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	19.24	3.2	37.8	19.05	3.1	37.9	26.97	18.3	34.7
White collar, excluding sales	21.35	2.9	38.3	21.37	3.4	38.2	21.27	2.0	38.4
1	7.89	6.7	28.7	7.82	6.4	27.8	8.33	10.0	35.5
2	9.29	2.0	36.1	9.18	2.3	35.6	9.73	1.9	38.4
3	10.16	1.1	38.2	10.19	1.5	37.9	10.05	1.0	38.9
4	12.53	1.6	38.3	12.52	1.9	38.1	12.55	1.0	39.1
5	15.29	.9	38.2	15.77	1.1	38.8	13.39	5.0	36.1
6	17.00	3.0	39.0	16.86	4.0	39.0	17.28	5.4	39.1
7	21.74	1.9	38.1	20.39	2.3	38.0	24.03	3.4	38.3
8	24.70	2.3	38.8	24.17	3.8	38.6	25.34	1.2	38.9
9	27.52	1.1	38.7	28.19	2.2	39.1	26.37	1.5	38.1
10	32.24	4.7	37.1	34.24	4.1	36.6	26.78	7.9	38.7
11	37.54	1.4	39.8	39.07	1.4	40.1	31.68	4.9	38.6
12	44.06	2.2	39.9	45.52	2.9	40.0	39.49	2.7	39.5
13	57.54	4.2	40.3	58.47	3.8	40.3	47.09	9.0	41.0
14	72.55	3.2	46.1	72.99	4.0	46.7	66.68	13.0	40.0
15	97.55	13.6	40.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	21.42	3.3	38.1	21.22	3.5	38.3	26.97	18.3	34.7
Professional specialty and technical	26.56	4.3	37.6	27.50	6.4	37.4	24.95	1.4	38.0
Professional specialty	28.63	4.5	37.7	30.78	7.0	37.5	25.85	1.6	37.9
2	8.29	6.9	29.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	9.82	8.1	29.3	-	-	-	7.57	1.9	22.4
4	8.96	2.3	34.9	9.13	2.9	35.7	-	-	-
5	14.48	7.3	35.6	15.09	8.7	38.6	13.46	12.3	31.5
6	19.02	5.0	38.2	18.32	7.0	37.3	19.59	7.5	39.0
7	23.29	3.3	36.8	19.83	5.7	35.3	25.57	2.9	37.9
8	25.47	3.2	38.3	24.56	5.7	37.8	26.12	2.3	38.8
9	27.67	.8	37.9	28.47	1.2	38.1	26.88	1.4	37.7
10	32.80	2.7	34.2	34.34	3.0	32.4	29.85	3.4	38.0
11	35.88	1.9	39.4	37.62	1.9	40.1	29.48	6.2	37.1
12	43.40	2.7	39.0	44.10	3.0	38.9	40.75	5.0	39.6
13	56.83	4.0	39.9	57.09	4.2	39.9	52.70	15.3	40.0
14	68.45	4.4	48.0	68.21	5.8	48.7	-	-	-
Not able to be leveled	32.26	11.0	35.8	33.07	12.4	35.6	23.88	29.6	38.4
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	34.28	2.6	40.7	34.41	2.6	40.7	25.74	7.7	40.0
5	20.53	6.8	41.1	20.53	6.8	41.1	-	-	-
6	23.03	5.4	40.0	23.03	5.4	40.0	-	-	-
7	23.22	11.7	45.8	23.22	11.7	45.8	-	-	-
8	28.36	6.3	40.6	28.36	6.3	40.6	-	-	-
9	28.93	3.7	40.3	28.95	3.6	40.3	-	-	-
10	34.13	3.3	39.6	35.56	3.0	39.5	-	-	-
11	37.80	5.7	40.6	37.83	5.8	40.7	-	-	-
12	47.37	1.6	41.0	47.51	1.6	41.0	-	-	-
13	51.38	2.0	40.4	51.38	2.0	40.4	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Not able to be leveled	\$37.95	2.3	40.0	\$37.95	2.3	40.0	—	—	—
Architects	26.09	12.0	40.0	26.09	12.0	40.0	—	—	—
Petroleum engineers	46.75	7.0	40.0	46.75	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Chemical engineers	43.17	8.4	40.0	43.17	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
Civil engineers	27.55	10.5	40.0	27.25	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic engineers	33.88	6.7	42.0	33.94	6.9	42.0	—	—	—
9	30.87	1.3	40.1	30.87	1.3	40.1	—	—	—
11	34.63	3.6	41.9	34.63	3.6	41.9	—	—	—
12	48.49	9.8	42.0	48.49	9.8	42.0	—	—	—
Industrial engineers	27.50	8.7	41.5	27.62	8.8	41.5	—	—	—
9	25.32	3.5	41.2	25.32	3.5	41.2	—	—	—
11	29.82	7.3	42.4	29.82	7.3	42.4	—	—	—
Mechanical engineers	35.97	13.6	39.6	35.97	13.6	39.6	—	—	—
Engineers, n.e.c.	36.88	3.4	40.4	37.27	3.4	40.4	—	—	—
5	25.85	3.6	40.5	25.85	3.6	40.5	—	—	—
8	37.63	6.9	40.0	37.63	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
9	27.51	7.8	40.0	27.51	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
10	33.74	3.9	40.5	35.65	1.6	40.6	—	—	—
11	45.55	10.5	40.0	45.77	10.6	40.0	—	—	—
12	46.34	2.9	41.2	46.34	2.9	41.2	—	—	—
Mathematical and computer scientists	31.09	7.9	38.1	31.73	8.1	38.0	\$18.80	7.0	39.7
6	17.78	4.7	39.4	19.77	6.5	38.4	—	—	—
7	19.52	14.3	26.4	19.53	14.5	26.4	—	—	—
8	26.88	6.9	40.0	27.35	8.0	40.1	—	—	—
9	30.50	1.8	40.0	30.63	1.9	40.0	—	—	—
10	33.62	1.9	40.1	33.62	1.9	40.1	—	—	—
11	38.15	5.0	40.1	38.23	5.0	40.1	—	—	—
12	41.28	3.5	38.7	41.28	3.5	38.7	—	—	—
13	49.13	5.7	40.0	49.13	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
14	54.15	7.9	40.0	54.15	7.9	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	34.30	17.5	40.0	34.30	17.5	40.0	—	—	—
Computer systems analysts and scientists	30.72	7.3	37.6	31.48	7.9	37.5	18.80	7.0	39.7
6	17.78	4.7	39.4	19.77	6.5	38.4	—	—	—
7	19.46	14.7	26.3	19.47	14.9	26.2	—	—	—
8	27.58	5.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	30.86	2.4	40.0	31.05	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
10	33.70	2.1	40.1	33.70	2.1	40.1	—	—	—
11	40.01	4.6	40.1	40.16	4.3	40.2	—	—	—
12	42.54	4.5	37.3	42.54	4.5	37.3	—	—	—
13	49.13	5.7	40.0	49.13	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
14	54.15	7.9	40.0	54.15	7.9	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	34.23	18.2	40.0	34.23	18.2	40.0	—	—	—
Natural scientists	31.80	15.3	40.5	37.79	16.1	40.6	17.31	2.8	40.1
7	22.21	31.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	17.98	6.7	40.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	42.35	10.1	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	43.62	15.3	40.0	43.62	15.3	40.0	—	—	—
Geologists and geodesists	47.52	13.3	41.4	47.52	13.3	41.4	—	—	—
Physical scientists, n.e.c.	20.98	17.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biological and life scientists	29.04	26.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Medical scientists	19.02	14.5	39.6	20.72	18.4	39.3	—	—	—
Health related	30.99	12.6	36.7	32.25	14.5	36.4	24.74	5.0	38.7
5	15.17	10.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	22.04	2.7	39.2	22.18	3.6	38.9	—	—	—
7	22.45	2.5	36.0	22.59	2.0	35.7	22.01	4.7	36.9
8	24.02	2.8	36.4	23.72	4.9	36.1	25.24	5.4	37.9
9	26.97	2.1	35.5	26.50	3.4	34.6	28.53	4.7	38.8
10	32.13	5.3	26.3	32.10	5.4	25.5	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Health related—Continued									
11	\$34.27	8.2	39.9	—	—	—	\$20.61	20.1	45.2
Not able to be leveled	34.47	23.3	36.1	\$34.47	23.3	36.1	—	—	—
Physicians	61.24	11.8	44.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Registered nurses	24.03	2.6	36.5	24.06	2.8	36.2	23.94	3.2	37.9
6	22.56	4.9	39.1	23.43	4.7	38.6	—	—	—
7	21.91	1.9	36.3	22.38	1.9	36.5	20.25	2.7	35.8
8	23.51	3.7	36.2	23.32	4.6	35.9	24.36	3.3	37.5
9	24.92	3.3	35.9	24.42	2.2	35.2	27.26	7.0	39.3
10	29.23	6.7	40.0	28.16	6.3	40.0	—	—	—
11	33.96	10.0	39.6	35.99	8.8	39.5	—	—	—
Pharmacists	40.01	3.9	31.1	40.57	2.6	30.5	—	—	—
9	39.95	3.2	35.2	39.94	3.2	35.1	—	—	—
Respiratory therapists	19.63	2.6	37.0	19.50	2.7	36.7	—	—	—
7	19.94	4.0	37.7	19.71	5.0	37.2	—	—	—
Occupational therapists	24.53	16.5	34.6	24.64	16.9	34.6	—	—	—
Physical therapists	28.73	7.6	26.7	29.25	8.0	26.3	—	—	—
9	26.44	4.4	33.3	26.44	4.4	33.3	—	—	—
Speech therapists	29.11	3.5	36.4	—	—	—	29.46	1.6	39.6
Therapists, n.e.c.	37.00	23.9	33.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Teachers, college and university	36.14	4.5	35.6	41.60	16.6	37.1	35.15	4.0	35.3
7	29.01	3.1	28.8	—	—	—	29.48	2.7	28.3
8	26.40	3.3	39.5	26.45	16.5	37.9	—	—	—
9	28.58	6.1	33.2	—	—	—	28.78	6.7	33.4
10	30.36	6.4	35.9	—	—	—	31.36	8.6	36.8
11	33.53	6.9	33.5	43.90	4.2	38.6	32.28	6.0	32.9
12	41.59	5.3	39.7	—	—	—	41.70	5.6	39.7
13	52.15	10.7	40.2	50.32	23.5	41.1	52.47	15.6	40.0
Not able to be leveled	37.42	5.3	38.6	44.14	5.7	38.8	—	—	—
Mathematical science teachers	32.48	5.4	37.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Medical science teachers	46.86	16.1	36.5	—	—	—	46.86	16.1	36.5
Health specialties teachers	47.89	32.4	38.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Business, commerce, and marketing teachers ..	26.93	14.0	36.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Art, drama, and music teachers	30.06	14.6	35.8	44.93	11.4	39.7	—	—	—
Trade and industrial teachers	23.48	12.4	36.0	—	—	—	26.92	6.4	34.5
Teachers, except college and university	25.70	2.7	37.3	16.16	7.5	34.3	26.92	1.6	37.8
3	8.50	9.2	18.8	—	—	—	7.57	1.9	22.4
4	8.81	1.7	35.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	14.25	11.5	28.4	14.18	4.9	34.8	14.36	26.2	21.7
6	22.65	8.2	36.2	13.07	8.8	31.0	26.22	2.4	38.5
7	25.64	4.5	38.1	—	—	—	26.73	3.6	38.0
8	27.47	2.6	38.7	23.79	11.8	39.5	27.68	2.8	38.7
9	26.92	1.4	38.1	30.21	1.7	41.3	26.90	1.4	38.1
10	32.11	3.0	29.0	—	—	—	31.16	1.5	39.4
11	31.84	4.1	39.6	—	—	—	31.58	5.4	39.5
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	18.99	17.8	36.0	9.11	6.7	34.3	26.89	2.9	37.4
7	29.33	3.2	35.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	24.39	13.3	38.6	—	—	—	29.09	3.9	38.4
Elementary school teachers	26.66	1.7	38.3	21.17	5.1	37.5	26.79	1.9	38.3
5	25.33	11.2	24.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	26.07	2.5	38.8	—	—	—	26.71	3.4	38.8
7	26.52	3.7	37.8	23.79	10.6	30.8	26.55	3.8	37.9
8	26.97	2.4	38.9	22.11	3.3	39.6	27.12	2.7	38.9
9	26.35	1.9	38.2	—	—	—	26.35	1.9	38.2
Secondary school teachers	27.48	2.1	38.4	28.46	4.2	39.6	27.45	2.1	38.4
6	24.92	1.5	39.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	27.25	4.8	38.3	—	—	—	27.23	4.8	38.3
8	28.44	2.9	38.6	—	—	—	28.43	3.0	38.5
9	26.99	1.8	38.2	—	—	—	26.94	1.9	38.2

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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	\$21.96	14.1	39.0	—	—	—	\$27.64	1.2	38.2
7	19.32	17.5	39.6	—	—	—	27.68	2.2	38.9
8	27.36	1.9	38.6	—	—	—	27.46	2.2	38.4
9	27.24	2.0	37.4	—	—	—	27.24	2.0	37.4
Teachers, n.e.c.	23.06	6.5	32.3	\$19.02	7.9	25.7	24.70	5.7	35.9
5	13.56	11.6	25.0	14.44	13.0	29.3	—	—	—
7	22.43	4.5	38.3	19.53	13.3	35.8	23.18	5.8	39.0
8	20.48	11.3	35.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	28.19	2.5	39.9	—	—	—	28.19	2.5	39.9
Substitute teachers	9.00	3.9	21.1	—	—	—	9.11	3.6	20.8
5	9.95	.7	21.1	—	—	—	9.95	.7	21.1
Vocational and educational counselors	25.90	6.5	38.3	14.76	2.2	38.9	30.97	3.3	38.1
6	15.57	14.0	36.2	14.58	14.7	36.2	—	—	—
7	21.20	24.1	39.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	32.38	1.8	39.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	28.01	4.9	35.2	—	—	—	27.99	4.9	35.2
10	31.66	2.3	39.7	—	—	—	31.73	2.2	39.7
11	33.43	6.2	39.1	—	—	—	33.43	6.2	39.1
Librarians, archivists, and curators	20.51	11.2	38.9	25.66	14.9	37.8	19.93	12.4	39.1
8	19.01	6.7	39.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	29.81	4.8	38.9	—	—	—	29.64	5.4	38.5
Librarians	19.78	13.2	38.8	25.69	14.9	38.1	19.03	13.4	38.9
8	19.01	6.7	39.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	30.85	4.0	38.6	—	—	—	31.14	5.6	37.8
Social scientists and urban planners	27.52	4.2	36.6	27.24	5.1	35.2	27.73	7.9	37.8
8	20.11	10.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	27.57	7.4	39.9	—	—	—	24.67	7.4	39.4
10	29.44	7.7	35.7	—	—	—	29.91	7.2	36.8
11	31.69	6.4	37.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Economists	30.25	3.6	40.0	30.48	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Psychologists	27.32	8.3	34.3	20.97	10.5	28.5	29.64	5.8	37.0
9	23.39	8.8	39.5	—	—	—	24.69	8.1	39.3
10	31.04	3.8	35.0	—	—	—	31.67	1.8	36.2
Social, recreation, and religious workers	14.71	4.0	39.5	16.73	11.0	38.6	14.18	1.5	39.7
5	12.37	4.0	39.7	—	—	—	12.47	4.8	39.9
6	13.23	3.6	39.7	—	—	—	13.18	3.4	39.7
7	14.83	3.2	39.8	13.80	4.7	39.5	15.42	3.6	40.0
8	15.92	4.2	40.0	17.27	4.0	39.9	15.45	6.2	40.0
9	20.86	14.8	35.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Social workers	14.82	4.3	39.5	16.88	12.3	38.4	14.34	2.1	39.8
5	12.38	4.1	39.8	—	—	—	12.47	4.8	40.0
6	13.59	2.8	39.7	—	—	—	13.60	2.3	39.7
7	15.03	3.7	39.8	13.46	6.3	39.3	15.68	3.0	40.0
8	15.86	4.3	40.0	17.07	3.4	40.0	15.45	6.2	40.0
9	21.59	14.8	34.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lawyers and judges	46.16	13.2	42.1	50.08	15.7	42.8	35.07	5.9	40.1
11	36.45	7.2	46.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	44.78	8.1	36.2	—	—	—	44.78	8.1	36.2
Lawyers	46.22	13.7	42.5	50.08	15.7	42.8	32.33	6.1	41.2
11	36.45	7.2	46.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Judges	45.09	7.3	36.5	—	—	—	45.09	7.3	36.5
Not able to be leveled	44.78	8.1	36.2	—	—	—	44.78	8.1	36.2
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.	22.53	11.9	35.3	22.28	13.7	35.5	25.83	22.0	31.8
7	16.44	5.8	38.7	15.93	7.7	39.5	—	—	—
8	24.75	9.3	40.0	24.86	11.6	40.0	—	—	—
9	23.85	6.3	40.5	23.85	6.3	40.5	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Writers, authors, entertainers, athletes, and professionals, n.e.c.—Continued									
11	\$37.78	19.3	41.3	\$37.78	19.3	41.3	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	27.95	22.1	30.3	27.67	26.7	29.6	—	—	—
Designers	22.76	19.4	39.9	22.80	19.6	39.9	—	—	—
Actors and directors	17.85	28.5	39.4	17.85	28.5	39.4	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	17.85	28.5	39.4	17.85	28.5	39.4	—	—	—
Photographers	12.09	20.5	34.6	12.09	20.5	34.6	—	—	—
Editors and reporters	16.82	16.0	38.8	15.54	16.1	38.6	—	—	—
7	12.07	10.4	40.0	12.07	10.4	40.0	—	—	—
Public relations specialists	28.32	11.0	35.9	29.29	11.8	40.0	—	—	—
8	26.31	8.8	40.0	26.31	8.8	40.0	—	—	—
Athletes	26.51	7.0	22.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	26.51	7.0	22.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Professional, n.e.c.	18.72	11.2	38.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Technical	19.93	3.5	37.4	20.57	3.7	37.1	\$16.16	3.4	39.2
2	10.58	6.9	39.3	10.58	6.9	39.3	—	—	—
3	10.32	6.0	34.4	10.36	6.2	34.3	9.71	4.9	35.7
4	13.60	5.3	38.9	13.57	6.2	38.8	13.79	4.4	39.6
5	16.22	1.7	37.4	16.50	2.0	37.0	14.64	5.1	40.0
6	16.23	2.2	37.4	16.33	2.5	37.1	16.00	5.7	38.2
7	21.62	6.1	37.1	21.77	7.5	36.8	20.07	9.6	40.1
8	23.27	5.6	40.0	23.84	6.9	40.2	20.35	8.8	39.2
9	30.67	19.5	36.9	31.99	19.0	36.6	19.19	11.3	39.8
10	46.40	23.4	36.3	50.47	22.2	35.9	—	—	—
11	60.51	24.4	30.8	62.02	26.4	30.6	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	22.28	9.5	36.8	22.53	9.6	36.7	—	—	—
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians									
3	15.01	11.3	37.9	14.92	13.0	37.5	15.46	6.1	40.0
5	9.10	5.9	35.4	9.09	6.2	35.2	—	—	—
6	15.36	5.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	20.00	7.2	37.6	19.97	7.3	37.5	—	—	—
8	17.72	3.6	38.8	17.99	2.9	38.7	—	—	—
9	18.86	3.9	39.3	19.38	4.4	39.0	—	—	—
10	21.35	6.3	37.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Radiological technicians	20.67	5.6	39.8	20.14	6.2	39.7	21.33	6.5	39.9
5	19.11	1.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	19.70	4.7	38.9	—	—	—	19.85	4.2	40.0
8	25.91	7.9	40.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Licensed practical nurses	15.56	3.0	36.8	15.67	3.3	36.8	14.67	3.8	37.2
4	15.11	5.6	39.4	15.21	6.1	39.5	14.72	5.9	39.4
5	15.83	4.3	36.3	15.98	4.5	36.2	13.16	7.2	40.0
6	15.01	3.0	34.8	14.89	3.0	35.0	15.51	2.6	33.9
7	18.20	4.6	39.1	18.20	4.6	39.1	—	—	—
Health technologists and technicians, n.e.c.	18.62	12.6	36.7	19.52	14.4	36.1	14.22	7.1	39.9
3	10.41	12.3	37.3	10.49	13.5	37.0	—	—	—
4	14.69	13.0	36.8	15.11	13.0	36.5	—	—	—
5	16.57	6.6	35.1	16.66	7.6	33.4	16.35	11.6	40.0
6	14.79	10.5	37.6	15.35	9.7	36.3	—	—	—
7	20.13	2.8	40.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic technicians	21.63	9.4	39.7	21.95	10.2	40.0	17.59	10.7	37.2
4	14.08	3.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	15.47	3.2	39.7	15.47	3.2	39.7	—	—	—
6	18.12	10.6	40.0	18.06	10.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	21.00	3.3	40.0	21.04	3.4	40.0	—	—	—
8	25.89	3.6	39.6	26.62	2.6	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	23.64	24.0	39.9	23.64	24.0	39.9	—	—	—
Mechanical engineering technicians	24.11	16.0	39.4	24.11	16.0	39.4	—	—	—
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.	18.85	7.7	40.0	20.52	15.5	40.0	16.33	7.6	40.0

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Engineering technicians, n.e.c.—Continued									
5	\$14.72	7.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	22.83	18.7	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drafters	19.47	10.2	39.6	\$19.54	10.1	39.6	—	—	—
4	13.25	7.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	17.76	16.3	40.1	17.76	16.3	40.1	—	—	—
Airplane pilots and navigators	90.79	17.2	24.5	90.79	17.2	24.5	—	—	—
Computer programmers	24.79	7.0	39.5	24.96	7.8	39.5	—	—	—
9	23.68	15.8	38.8	23.66	16.8	38.8	—	—	—
Legal assistants	21.51	12.3	40.0	21.62	12.8	40.0	—	—	—
8	25.27	8.5	40.0	25.26	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
Technical and related, n.e.c.	20.12	30.4	39.8	25.25	17.8	40.1	\$12.99	2.8	39.3
Executive, administrative, and managerial									
5	29.81	2.0	40.5	30.39	1.7	40.7	26.80	6.2	39.5
6	17.19	7.1	39.7	17.55	7.7	39.8	14.75	8.9	39.2
7	16.84	2.5	40.3	16.89	2.6	40.5	16.63	8.6	39.4
8	21.10	2.9	40.3	21.45	3.7	40.4	19.23	5.6	40.0
9	23.25	3.8	39.3	24.03	4.7	39.1	20.46	9.9	39.9
10	26.65	2.6	41.0	27.10	3.1	41.1	24.19	4.0	40.5
11	30.33	7.0	40.8	32.21	4.2	41.0	22.60	18.3	39.9
12	36.73	2.8	41.8	37.34	3.5	42.2	34.55	3.0	40.5
13	44.77	2.8	40.8	47.16	2.8	41.4	38.48	4.3	39.5
14	58.20	7.1	40.7	59.79	6.5	40.7	44.11	9.5	41.6
Not able to be leveled	84.69	6.3	41.4	87.55	8.0	41.6	—	—	—
Executives, administrators, and managers	28.83	5.0	39.8	28.41	5.2	40.6	37.78	18.3	28.6
5	33.64	3.6	40.8	34.19	3.6	41.1	30.99	6.6	39.4
6	18.18	11.8	39.7	18.35	13.2	39.7	—	—	—
7	16.17	4.5	40.3	16.12	5.2	40.3	—	—	—
8	23.85	4.0	41.0	24.37	3.7	41.2	20.83	12.9	39.9
9	23.89	4.8	40.0	23.70	5.7	40.0	25.11	11.4	40.0
10	27.04	4.4	41.7	27.31	5.0	41.9	25.66	5.1	40.7
11	28.61	11.3	40.7	30.95	7.1	41.0	22.67	19.0	39.9
12	36.77	3.1	42.1	37.40	4.0	42.6	34.80	2.6	40.5
13	44.60	2.6	41.0	47.41	2.3	41.7	38.09	3.8	39.5
14	58.27	7.0	40.8	59.89	6.4	40.7	44.11	9.5	41.6
Not able to be leveled	85.91	5.8	41.5	89.17	7.6	41.7	—	—	—
Administrators and officials, public administration	29.94	5.2	38.7	29.23	5.2	39.9	39.30	19.4	28.0
9	27.24	15.9	40.4	—	—	—	24.99	14.5	40.5
11	28.00	13.4	39.9	—	—	—	24.00	20.5	39.8
12	32.31	3.8	43.9	—	—	—	32.31	3.8	43.9
Financial managers	33.92	4.6	40.4	—	—	—	33.75	5.0	40.4
9	44.72	6.0	41.0	45.12	6.4	41.0	—	—	—
10	30.42	9.9	40.0	30.46	10.5	40.0	—	—	—
11	31.53	14.1	39.8	31.53	14.1	39.8	—	—	—
12	44.73	9.8	41.3	45.07	9.9	41.4	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	50.97	10.7	42.6	54.41	10.1	43.1	—	—	—
Personnel and labor relations managers	46.94	9.0	39.4	46.94	9.0	39.4	—	—	—
8	31.99	10.1	40.2	29.63	12.0	40.5	—	—	—
Purchasing managers	24.64	11.2	40.0	24.55	11.4	40.0	—	—	—
Managers, marketing, advertising, and public relations	26.83	17.6	40.0	26.83	17.6	40.0	—	—	—
9	36.72	7.4	40.2	36.72	7.4	40.2	—	—	—
12	36.21	25.0	40.0	36.21	25.0	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	47.29	4.8	40.2	47.29	4.8	40.2	—	—	—
Administrators, education and related fields	39.62	6.0	39.9	39.62	6.0	39.9	—	—	—
7	32.70	9.6	39.6	18.99	17.5	38.1	37.16	3.8	40.1
8	22.94	7.6	39.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
	23.79	14.7	39.9	19.47	29.9	39.8	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Executives, administrators, and managers—Continued									
Administrators, education and related fields—Continued									
9	\$27.61	7.1	39.4	—	—	—	\$28.00	7.2	39.4
10	31.65	4.9	40.0	—	—	—	31.58	5.0	40.0
11	36.39	3.4	39.8	—	—	—	36.00	3.1	40.0
12	39.15	5.2	39.6	—	—	—	39.20	5.4	39.6
Not able to be leveled	49.72	21.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers, medicine and health	25.80	5.6	40.5	\$25.87	6.7	40.6	25.54	6.9	40.0
8	20.42	13.3	39.2	20.42	13.3	39.2	—	—	—
9	24.12	5.0	40.3	23.76	8.1	40.5	24.62	5.0	40.0
10	34.93	16.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers, food servicing and lodging establishments	20.08	6.6	40.3	20.45	6.7	40.4	—	—	—
Managers, properties and real estate	22.41	7.4	39.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers, service organizations, n.e.c.	20.95	8.1	39.8	20.57	9.3	39.8	—	—	—
9	26.14	5.3	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managers and administrators, n.e.c.	35.29	5.2	41.8	35.60	5.2	41.8	26.24	9.1	41.6
5	23.25	7.4	40.0	23.25	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
6	16.46	9.2	42.5	16.44	10.3	42.7	—	—	—
7	26.25	3.7	41.6	26.41	3.6	41.6	—	—	—
8	26.81	11.1	41.0	28.03	12.8	41.2	—	—	—
9	28.61	9.4	43.2	28.59	9.5	42.9	—	—	—
10	29.70	6.5	41.8	29.60	6.8	41.8	—	—	—
11	35.48	8.3	43.3	35.53	8.4	43.3	—	—	—
12	45.71	1.8	41.9	46.24	1.6	41.9	—	—	—
13	56.80	11.6	41.1	56.78	11.7	41.1	—	—	—
14	92.65	10.2	42.1	92.65	10.2	42.1	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	26.77	7.6	40.0	26.71	7.7	40.0	—	—	—
Management related	23.61	2.5	40.0	24.42	3.5	40.0	18.96	2.7	39.7
5	16.48	6.5	39.8	16.93	6.7	39.9	—	—	—
6	17.29	4.3	40.4	17.55	5.3	40.8	16.57	9.8	39.3
7	19.32	3.0	39.8	19.52	3.7	39.8	18.29	4.2	40.0
8	22.60	4.2	38.7	24.45	4.2	38.2	18.48	3.7	39.9
9	25.96	7.4	39.7	26.73	9.2	39.7	21.21	3.4	39.9
10	33.89	2.2	41.0	34.12	2.5	41.0	—	—	—
11	36.47	4.2	40.5	37.08	4.4	40.5	—	—	—
12	46.20	9.2	39.5	45.57	9.9	39.6	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	27.21	9.5	41.6	27.29	9.6	41.6	—	—	—
Accountants and auditors	24.98	4.9	40.0	26.02	4.2	40.0	18.27	2.8	39.6
5	17.78	7.5	39.5	17.98	7.9	39.9	—	—	—
6	22.29	7.4	39.9	22.28	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.46	8.4	41.8	20.82	8.4	42.0	—	—	—
8	21.54	12.4	37.0	25.48	10.4	34.3	—	—	—
9	22.03	4.7	38.7	22.15	4.4	38.7	—	—	—
10	31.51	7.3	40.0	32.00	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
11	35.94	4.5	40.4	36.51	4.4	40.4	—	—	—
Other financial officers	26.70	10.4	41.0	27.43	10.6	41.0	—	—	—
7	19.71	4.2	40.0	20.37	8.5	40.0	—	—	—
8	22.88	2.4	40.0	23.16	1.6	40.0	—	—	—
9	30.45	20.5	41.1	30.45	20.5	41.1	—	—	—
10	34.46	6.3	42.5	34.46	6.3	42.5	—	—	—
11	41.58	7.6	39.3	41.58	7.6	39.3	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	21.30	15.8	40.4	21.30	15.8	40.4	—	—	—
Management analysts	23.83	7.3	40.0	23.98	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
9	26.76	10.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists	21.80	7.8	39.3	21.45	8.1	39.3	28.54	22.8	39.7

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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—Continued									
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists—Continued									
7	\$19.77	4.7	38.0	\$19.83	4.8	38.0	—	—	—
8	22.31	6.0	39.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	27.64	11.6	40.7	27.48	12.8	40.7	—	—	—
Buyers, wholesale and retail trade, except farm products									
7	34.27	13.8	40.0	34.27	13.8	40.0	—	—	—
Purchasing agents and buyers, n.e.c.									
7	21.84	13.5	40.0	22.13	15.0	40.0	—	—	—
9	30.94	18.2	40.0	30.94	18.2	40.0	—	—	—
Construction inspectors									
7	17.98	3.2	40.0	—	—	—	\$17.37	4.4	40.0
Inspectors and compliance officers, except construction									
7	21.41	6.9	39.8	26.47	6.5	39.3	18.44	9.4	40.0
9	21.99	5.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	23.88	9.1	39.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Management related, n.e.c.									
5	20.97	8.1	39.6	21.55	10.6	39.6	18.98	7.9	39.5
6	22.85	21.2	39.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	16.88	9.8	39.5	—	—	—	15.73	15.3	38.9
8	19.01	7.0	39.9	19.39	9.3	39.9	18.19	5.9	40.0
10	22.20	13.7	39.9	21.87	16.3	39.9	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	37.40	11.0	39.8	37.40	11.0	39.8	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	20.89	7.6	40.0	21.08	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
Sales									
1	12.90	3.4	33.6	12.91	3.4	33.6	10.76	9.6	36.9
2	7.01	2.9	26.6	7.00	2.9	26.6	—	—	—
3	7.37	3.0	27.5	7.35	3.1	27.4	—	—	—
4	8.82	3.6	31.5	8.82	3.7	31.5	—	—	—
5	12.43	6.2	39.1	12.43	6.3	39.1	—	—	—
6	15.68	5.0	40.9	15.68	5.0	40.9	—	—	—
7	19.64	11.1	39.6	19.64	11.1	39.6	—	—	—
8	27.41	8.9	42.2	27.48	8.9	42.2	—	—	—
9	24.21	7.1	43.2	24.21	7.1	43.2	—	—	—
10	32.23	9.6	40.2	32.23	9.7	40.2	—	—	—
11	40.04	29.7	40.1	40.04	29.7	40.1	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	46.03	10.6	41.9	46.03	10.6	41.9	—	—	—
Supervisors, sales									
3	13.90	6.8	37.2	13.90	6.8	37.2	—	—	—
4	17.55	6.4	41.2	17.55	6.4	41.3	—	—	—
5	9.78	8.1	43.4	9.78	8.1	43.4	—	—	—
6	11.22	20.0	39.9	11.22	20.0	39.9	—	—	—
7	14.64	12.3	40.9	14.64	12.3	40.9	—	—	—
8	15.84	7.0	41.0	15.84	7.0	41.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	22.89	17.8	42.2	23.02	18.0	42.2	—	—	—
Insurance sales	19.79	11.1	45.0	19.79	11.1	45.0	—	—	—
Real estate sales	22.65	11.4	40.4	22.65	11.4	40.4	—	—	—
Securities and financial services sales	21.87	16.9	39.2	21.84	17.0	39.2	—	—	—
Advertising and related sales	24.95	19.5	41.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	20.36	12.4	39.8	20.36	12.4	39.8	—	—	—
Sales, other business services	17.57	18.5	37.9	17.57	18.5	37.9	—	—	—
3	13.69	22.7	40.0	13.69	22.7	40.0	—	—	—
4	22.40	19.0	41.0	22.40	19.0	41.0	—	—	—
6	10.62	18.7	39.2	10.62	18.7	39.2	—	—	—
8	20.50	26.1	40.7	20.50	26.1	40.7	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	16.49	10.7	40.0	16.49	10.7	40.0	—	—	—
Sales representatives, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale	26.95	10.3	40.0	26.95	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
5	25.68	8.6	40.2	25.68	8.6	40.2	—	—	—
6	18.21	8.3	39.0	18.21	8.3	39.0	—	—	—
11	17.55	10.8	40.0	17.55	10.8	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	49.76	10.2	41.8	49.76	10.2	41.8	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Sales workers, motor vehicles and boats	\$16.20	7.8	49.3	\$16.20	7.8	49.3	—	—	—
3	13.96	8.7	45.5	13.96	8.7	45.5	—	—	—
4	14.66	5.4	53.0	14.66	5.4	53.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, apparel	8.24	3.6	28.1	8.24	3.6	28.1	—	—	—
2	6.54	4.6	23.6	6.54	4.6	23.6	—	—	—
3	7.78	7.4	26.9	7.78	7.4	26.9	—	—	—
4	9.94	1.0	35.0	9.94	1.0	35.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, shoes	8.15	8.8	23.5	8.15	8.8	23.5	—	—	—
Sales workers, furniture and home furnishings ..	13.96	16.5	32.2	13.96	16.5	32.2	—	—	—
3	7.34	4.0	24.4	7.34	4.0	24.4	—	—	—
Sales workers, hardware and building supplies ..	12.70	15.1	41.8	12.70	15.1	41.8	—	—	—
Sales workers, parts	11.15	26.1	40.6	11.15	26.1	40.6	—	—	—
4	13.91	26.5	41.0	13.91	26.5	41.0	—	—	—
Sales workers, other commodities	10.19	9.9	30.3	10.19	9.9	30.3	—	—	—
1	6.79	3.4	21.9	6.79	3.4	21.9	—	—	—
2	8.75	7.9	26.2	8.75	7.9	26.2	—	—	—
3	8.50	4.4	34.1	8.50	4.4	34.1	—	—	—
4	11.70	9.7	34.1	11.70	9.7	34.1	—	—	—
5	12.12	11.5	32.9	12.12	11.5	32.9	—	—	—
Sales counter clerks	10.55	19.4	34.1	10.55	19.4	34.1	—	—	—
1	6.36	10.0	22.9	6.36	10.0	22.9	—	—	—
3	7.34	8.6	36.0	7.34	8.6	36.0	—	—	—
Cashiers	7.61	2.5	28.6	7.54	2.3	28.4	\$10.01	8.2	36.6
1	7.12	2.8	29.3	7.11	2.9	29.3	—	—	—
2	7.34	3.5	26.1	7.28	3.6	25.9	—	—	—
3	8.56	3.1	30.0	8.55	3.2	29.7	—	—	—
4	12.46	8.5	34.9	12.65	12.9	32.5	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	8.34	3.6	29.5	8.34	3.6	29.5	—	—	—
Demonstrators, promoters, and models, sales ..	10.14	9.6	26.4	10.14	9.6	26.4	—	—	—
Sales support, n.e.c.	11.39	14.5	37.6	11.39	14.5	37.6	—	—	—
Administrative support, including clerical	12.27	1.3	38.0	12.43	1.4	37.8	11.55	2.5	38.9
1	7.94	6.3	28.5	7.87	6.0	27.5	8.33	10.0	35.5
2	9.29	2.1	36.2	9.17	2.4	35.6	9.74	1.9	38.7
3	10.16	1.1	38.5	10.19	1.4	38.3	10.07	1.0	39.1
4	12.43	1.4	38.2	12.43	1.7	38.0	12.43	1.1	39.2
5	14.70	1.4	39.3	15.17	1.7	39.6	12.66	3.1	37.7
6	16.01	6.1	39.8	16.50	7.9	39.8	14.27	6.1	39.7
7	18.14	2.9	39.9	18.63	3.5	39.9	15.85	4.2	39.7
8	21.71	2.8	40.0	21.89	2.5	40.1	—	—	—
9	25.03	5.1	36.4	25.38	6.2	36.1	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	12.86	2.4	38.5	12.87	2.5	38.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, general office	16.98	3.6	40.0	17.73	2.4	40.0	15.51	3.4	39.9
5	13.92	6.2	40.0	13.84	7.9	40.0	—	—	—
6	15.28	2.6	39.9	16.21	5.4	40.0	14.69	4.6	39.9
7	18.19	6.5	40.2	19.13	5.1	40.3	16.21	2.9	40.1
8	21.24	1.3	40.0	21.28	1.3	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, financial records processing	18.04	7.2	40.2	18.12	7.3	40.2	—	—	—
6	15.19	7.5	40.5	15.19	7.5	40.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, distribution, scheduling, and adjusting clerks	23.93	9.0	40.1	23.81	8.9	40.1	—	—	—
7	23.02	6.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Computer operators	14.55	6.9	38.7	15.51	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
Secretaries	13.33	3.1	38.6	13.73	4.3	38.4	12.21	3.0	39.4
2	9.24	13.4	35.8	8.49	16.9	33.1	10.18	4.4	40.0
3	9.81	2.9	38.6	9.50	6.0	38.3	10.49	4.7	39.2
4	13.21	2.5	38.3	13.35	3.2	37.8	12.92	3.9	39.4
5	15.29	5.2	39.5	16.11	5.5	39.7	12.32	7.1	38.8
6	12.32	27.2	39.9	12.15	30.1	40.0	13.75	10.5	39.6
7	19.05	4.3	39.3	19.79	4.4	39.4	16.11	3.7	39.2

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Occupations and levels	Total			Private industry			State and local government		
	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours	Hourly earnings		Mean weekly hours
	Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)		Mean	Relative error ⁵ (percent)	
White collar—Continued									
Administrative support, including clerical—Continued									
Secretaries—Continued									
Not able to be leveled	\$17.39	14.0	39.7	\$17.58	14.5	39.7	—	—	—
Stenographers	19.73	15.6	39.9	18.68	22.9	40.0	—	—	—
Typists	12.56	4.5	36.6	12.74	4.4	36.4	—	—	—
Interviewers	10.72	7.5	39.0	10.49	7.7	38.8	\$11.84	15.7	40.0
3	9.52	3.4	36.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	11.32	12.2	39.8	10.85	12.5	39.8	—	—	—
Hotel clerks	8.97	9.3	35.3	8.95	9.6	35.3	—	—	—
2	9.00	7.3	36.4	9.00	7.3	36.4	—	—	—
Transportation ticket and reservation agents	13.23	5.1	36.5	13.23	5.1	36.5	—	—	—
2	11.42	10.9	36.1	11.42	10.9	36.1	—	—	—
Receptionists	9.69	3.8	37.2	9.67	3.9	37.2	10.35	11.8	39.5
1	8.54	9.0	24.5	8.54	9.0	24.5	—	—	—
2	9.12	3.0	38.3	9.09	3.0	38.2	—	—	—
3	10.07	4.6	39.1	10.06	4.7	39.1	10.27	13.6	39.6
4	11.77	7.6	40.0	11.77	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	9.82	8.6	40.0	9.82	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
Information clerks, n.e.c.	11.59	4.0	39.4	11.56	4.1	39.6	12.27	13.9	34.9
3	10.50	5.8	37.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	11.02	1.2	40.0	11.02	1.2	40.0	—	—	—
5	14.37	7.2	38.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Order clerks	12.12	9.8	37.5	12.12	9.8	37.5	—	—	—
2	8.30	8.9	35.9	8.30	8.9	35.9	—	—	—
3	10.43	8.4	37.9	10.43	8.4	37.9	—	—	—
4	10.72	8.5	38.0	10.72	8.5	38.0	—	—	—
Personnel clerks, except payroll and timekeeping	13.06	4.6	39.9	13.04	4.7	39.9	—	—	—
4	13.38	7.8	40.0	13.36	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Library clerks	10.17	6.7	34.3	12.15	7.8	38.6	9.71	7.0	33.5
3	9.66	4.6	35.5	—	—	—	9.68	5.3	35.3
File clerks	10.61	6.5	37.5	10.76	5.8	37.6	8.71	7.3	35.7
1	7.19	3.4	31.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	11.13	12.6	36.7	11.42	10.9	36.4	—	—	—
3	11.14	3.7	40.0	11.14	4.0	40.0	—	—	—
Records clerks, n.e.c.	11.79	3.2	39.1	11.96	4.1	38.8	11.47	3.1	39.6
2	10.16	2.5	38.8	8.94	6.2	34.9	10.46	2.4	39.9
3	9.98	3.9	38.8	9.99	3.5	38.4	9.98	7.8	39.8
4	11.98	5.4	39.6	11.01	6.0	39.9	14.24	6.9	38.9
5	15.48	4.0	39.8	15.75	5.4	39.9	14.63	3.2	39.5
6	12.50	15.4	40.0	15.41	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	13.36	20.7	38.3	13.31	21.0	38.3	—	—	—
Bookkeepers, accounting and auditing clerks ...	12.77	2.5	38.5	12.80	2.6	38.2	12.52	8.0	40.0
2	9.28	4.7	35.0	9.28	4.7	35.0	—	—	—
3	10.79	3.3	37.7	10.98	3.7	37.1	10.20	6.4	40.0
4	12.78	2.0	39.1	12.75	2.0	39.0	13.14	5.5	39.8
5	13.29	3.6	38.8	13.38	3.9	38.8	—	—	—
6	16.58	4.4	39.6	17.26	5.2	39.4	—	—	—
7	14.94	9.7	40.0	14.94	9.7	40.0	—	—	—
Payroll and timekeeping clerks	13.82	7.8	26.7	13.92	8.8	25.7	—	—	—
4	12.66	6.2	21.7	12.61	7.7	20.7	—	—	—
Billing clerks	12.54	3.9	39.9	12.56	4.4	39.9	12.28	7.9	40.0
3	11.36	5.1	40.0	11.26	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
4	12.52	3.4	39.8	12.57	3.9	39.8	—	—	—
Telephone operators	11.26	17.0	38.7	11.23	17.4	38.6	—	—	—
2	8.24	5.1	39.2	8.04	6.2	39.1	—	—	—
3	11.90	6.3	39.3	11.90	6.3	39.3	—	—	—
Mail clerks, except postal service	9.30	8.0	36.9	9.50	8.2	36.6	—	—	—
Messengers	9.33	4.2	35.2	9.43	4.5	34.9	—	—	—
1	8.90	7.3	33.2	8.89	7.2	33.1	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Dispatchers	\$13.36	8.9	40.0	\$14.03	14.6	40.2	\$12.25	4.4	39.6
3	9.61	6.1	38.4	—	—	—	10.29	4.8	40.0
4	13.51	1.3	39.4	—	—	—	14.18	9.0	40.0
5	14.52	11.6	43.6	—	—	—	12.92	11.7	40.0
Production coordinators	19.73	7.4	39.6	19.72	7.8	39.6	—	—	—
5	16.80	12.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Traffic, shipping and receiving clerks	12.38	3.4	39.1	12.36	3.5	39.1	—	—	—
2	9.81	9.0	40.0	9.81	9.0	40.0	—	—	—
3	10.25	4.1	36.9	10.25	4.1	36.9	—	—	—
4	12.56	2.5	39.9	12.52	2.7	39.9	—	—	—
5	14.31	4.3	40.0	14.31	4.3	40.0	—	—	—
Stock and inventory clerks	11.11	10.3	40.2	11.24	10.8	40.2	9.89	11.3	40.0
2	9.49	8.0	40.0	9.53	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
3	10.57	7.3	40.0	10.68	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
4	11.66	10.2	40.0	11.48	11.0	40.0	—	—	—
Meter readers	12.28	10.6	39.7	—	—	—	12.13	5.5	38.5
Material recording, scheduling, and distribution clerks, n.e.c.	9.57	2.7	40.0	9.51	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
Insurance adjusters, examiners, and investigators	16.68	2.8	37.7	16.58	3.1	37.6	—	—	—
5	15.06	9.1	39.4	15.06	9.2	39.4	—	—	—
7	17.87	3.1	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	16.99	14.8	35.9	16.99	14.8	35.9	—	—	—
Investigators and adjusters, except insurance ...	13.44	7.8	38.4	13.47	8.1	38.4	12.93	3.4	40.0
3	9.10	5.9	40.0	9.09	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
4	14.12	5.4	36.0	14.27	5.2	35.2	—	—	—
5	14.25	.9	40.0	14.57	1.9	40.0	—	—	—
Eligibility clerks, social welfare	11.25	7.2	39.5	11.29	9.1	39.3	11.15	5.1	40.0
4	11.50	8.5	39.3	—	—	—	10.60	9.4	40.0
Bill and account collectors	15.10	7.8	39.9	15.24	8.1	39.9	—	—	—
4	11.96	1.3	40.0	11.96	1.3	40.0	—	—	—
5	18.01	7.5	40.0	18.13	7.7	40.0	—	—	—
General office clerks	11.33	3.1	36.3	11.63	3.9	35.6	10.49	2.1	38.5
1	7.64	7.6	23.8	7.85	5.8	21.2	—	—	—
2	8.96	2.3	29.8	8.74	2.6	28.9	9.91	3.0	34.6
3	9.71	1.7	39.1	9.77	2.4	38.7	9.64	1.1	39.6
4	12.44	5.9	37.8	12.66	6.8	37.4	11.59	2.3	39.6
5	14.18	4.0	37.4	16.81	6.1	40.0	12.68	3.0	36.0
6	15.93	8.6	40.0	18.04	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.88	7.6	40.0	20.88	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
Bank tellers	9.37	4.0	34.7	9.37	4.0	34.7	—	—	—
2	8.71	3.9	34.8	8.71	3.9	34.8	—	—	—
3	8.72	4.8	33.9	8.72	4.8	33.9	—	—	—
4	11.03	4.7	40.0	11.03	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	10.54	4.2	33.2	10.54	4.2	33.2	—	—	—
Data entry keyers	10.13	6.5	35.2	10.05	6.8	35.2	11.71	7.1	36.9
2	9.57	5.1	33.7	9.48	5.5	33.5	—	—	—
3	10.62	3.3	37.9	10.57	3.0	37.9	—	—	—
4	12.03	9.8	39.2	12.08	11.6	39.6	—	—	—
Statistical clerks	11.09	10.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Teachers' aides	9.52	2.6	38.1	6.85	4.6	32.9	9.70	2.5	38.6
1	8.47	7.7	36.2	—	—	—	8.85	6.4	35.9
2	9.18	1.3	38.9	—	—	—	9.29	2.2	39.0
3	10.02	2.1	38.8	—	—	—	10.02	2.1	38.8
4	9.94	9.0	35.3	—	—	—	10.82	4.8	37.4
Administrative support, n.e.c.	12.69	2.4	38.8	12.81	2.4	38.8	11.70	6.4	38.8
1	6.49	14.7	32.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	10.41	6.2	38.2	10.41	6.3	38.1	—	—	—
3	10.40	3.1	39.4	10.37	1.6	39.2	10.48	8.4	39.8

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Administrative support, n.e.c.—Continued									
4	\$12.45	3.7	38.6	\$12.56	4.1	38.7	\$11.75	5.0	37.7
5	15.54	4.4	40.0	15.61	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
6	15.29	3.1	39.3	15.21	3.2	39.2	15.56	8.9	40.0
7	18.56	3.9	40.7	18.56	3.9	40.7	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	11.59	5.3	38.0	11.63	5.3	38.0	—	—	—
Blue collar									
1	8.03	4.4	34.3	8.02	4.7	34.2	8.35	5.6	37.5
2	9.50	4.5	38.2	9.48	5.1	38.2	9.89	5.4	37.8
3	11.80	3.2	38.4	11.85	3.1	38.6	11.30	4.6	36.8
4	13.09	2.6	40.8	13.16	2.6	41.1	11.79	2.0	35.8
5	14.65	2.6	41.5	14.78	3.1	41.6	12.96	7.3	40.0
6	17.56	4.3	40.3	18.00	4.7	40.3	14.95	4.1	40.0
7	19.85	2.5	40.3	20.31	2.2	40.4	16.09	3.6	39.8
8	24.73	5.0	40.6	25.20	4.6	40.7	16.43	3.7	39.8
9	26.14	11.4	40.8	26.21	11.4	40.9	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	12.90	6.2	39.2	12.94	6.2	39.2	—	—	—
Precision production, craft, and repair									
1	8.40	2.8	39.5	8.40	2.9	39.5	—	—	—
2	10.31	2.6	38.2	10.31	2.6	38.2	—	—	—
3	10.97	4.5	39.9	10.98	4.7	40.0	10.83	3.5	39.5
4	11.67	3.6	39.7	11.65	3.7	39.7	11.97	2.3	40.0
5	14.45	3.8	40.2	14.51	4.0	40.2	13.67	11.5	40.0
6	18.01	5.1	40.2	18.25	5.5	40.3	16.01	3.2	40.0
7	19.96	2.4	40.3	20.41	2.1	40.4	16.18	3.7	39.9
8	24.54	4.1	40.4	25.06	4.5	40.5	16.43	3.7	39.8
9	24.93	6.5	41.1	24.98	6.7	41.1	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	14.44	8.8	39.4	14.44	8.8	39.4	—	—	—
Supervisors, mechanics and repairers									
7	18.43	17.9	44.0	18.99	22.3	45.6	16.68	12.5	39.7
8	22.58	7.4	41.7	22.58	7.4	41.7	—	—	—
9	26.76	5.4	42.1	27.05	5.4	42.2	—	—	—
Automobile mechanics									
5	12.87	11.3	43.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	17.50	7.8	40.7	17.51	8.1	40.7	—	—	—
7	19.85	12.3	41.4	21.17	12.6	41.7	—	—	—
Automobile mechanic apprentices									
5	14.92	6.5	40.0	14.71	7.4	40.0	—	—	—
7	18.96	5.6	40.0	19.03	6.6	40.0	—	—	—
Automobile body and related repairers									
7	14.32	7.7	40.7	14.23	7.9	40.7	—	—	—
Aircraft mechanics, except engine									
7	24.08	7.7	40.0	24.08	7.7	40.0	—	—	—
Heavy equipment mechanics									
7	17.26	11.9	40.0	16.50	15.4	40.0	—	—	—
Industrial machinery repairers									
4	12.56	8.2	40.0	12.54	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
5	16.00	6.1	40.0	15.72	6.1	40.0	—	—	—
7	17.65	7.8	40.0	17.65	7.8	40.0	—	—	—
Machinery maintenance									
Electronic repairers, communications and industrial equipment									
7	22.42	7.0	40.0	22.42	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Data processing equipment repairers									
7	14.43	11.7	40.0	14.43	11.7	40.0	—	—	—
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics									
6	17.82	8.1	40.0	17.80	8.5	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Mechanics and repairers, n.e.c.	\$12.66	8.0	39.7	\$12.50	9.1	39.7	\$13.91	8.3	39.8
3	8.13	15.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	12.38	4.1	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	11.29	19.9	39.9	11.31	22.7	39.9	—	—	—
6	15.41	5.7	40.0	15.11	7.6	40.0	15.97	4.3	40.0
7	20.39	6.8	39.6	22.53	2.1	40.0	15.62	4.2	38.9
Supervisors, electricians and power transmission installers	21.04	5.0	39.9	21.89	3.6	40.0	—	—	—
7	20.64	8.3	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	21.52	7.0	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Supervisors, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	24.58	10.1	40.0	—	—	—	18.45	7.4	40.0
Supervisors, construction trades, n.e.c.	18.15	3.7	40.3	18.87	2.5	40.4	15.15	9.5	40.0
7	17.53	8.6	40.0	18.44	7.3	40.0	—	—	—
Carpenters	12.46	10.8	40.0	12.38	11.0	40.0	—	—	—
5	14.66	7.3	40.0	14.66	7.5	40.0	—	—	—
6	12.41	18.7	40.0	12.41	18.7	40.0	—	—	—
7	15.13	13.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electricians	18.73	3.5	40.0	18.91	3.6	40.0	16.19	4.3	40.0
6	19.45	4.9	40.0	19.78	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
7	18.93	3.9	40.0	19.06	3.7	40.0	—	—	—
Electrician apprentices	11.73	2.6	40.0	11.72	2.7	40.0	—	—	—
3	11.07	4.7	40.0	11.07	4.7	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical power installers and repairers	21.65	8.0	40.0	21.57	8.2	40.0	—	—	—
Painters, construction and maintenance	10.50	6.4	40.0	10.23	7.1	40.0	—	—	—
4	9.99	5.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Plumbers, pipefitters and steamfitters	18.60	6.6	40.0	19.34	6.0	40.0	11.25	8.2	40.0
5	14.94	10.1	40.0	14.94	10.1	40.0	—	—	—
6	17.46	3.8	40.0	17.69	3.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	22.04	6.8	40.0	22.81	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
Concrete and terrazzo finishers	10.86	20.4	40.0	10.76	21.0	40.0	—	—	—
Insulation workers	12.70	6.8	40.0	12.70	6.8	40.0	—	—	—
Construction trades, n.e.c.	13.96	8.8	39.7	13.86	10.8	39.6	14.46	8.8	40.0
3	11.85	11.8	37.7	11.84	12.5	37.6	—	—	—
5	15.01	5.6	40.0	—	—	—	15.64	3.2	40.0
7	18.34	3.0	40.0	18.85	2.2	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, extractive	24.60	16.3	41.4	24.60	16.3	41.4	—	—	—
Mining, n.e.c.	16.37	11.4	40.0	16.37	11.4	40.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, production	19.23	3.5	40.3	19.33	3.4	40.3	—	—	—
5	15.49	12.3	40.1	15.49	12.3	40.1	—	—	—
6	17.58	5.7	40.2	18.27	8.4	40.3	—	—	—
7	19.12	3.5	40.3	19.15	3.6	40.3	—	—	—
8	28.64	3.5	40.3	28.64	3.5	40.3	—	—	—
9	23.97	15.7	41.0	23.97	15.7	41.0	—	—	—
Tool and die makers	18.79	9.4	40.0	18.79	9.4	40.0	—	—	—
Precision assemblers, metal	19.73	6.4	40.0	19.73	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Machinists	18.95	4.0	39.6	18.95	4.0	39.6	—	—	—
6	18.60	11.8	40.0	18.60	11.8	40.0	—	—	—
7	21.77	3.0	40.0	21.77	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Sheet metal workers	14.98	9.1	40.0	14.98	9.1	40.0	—	—	—
Electrical and electronic equipment assemblers	10.96	4.4	38.3	10.96	4.4	38.3	—	—	—
1	9.25	10.2	39.9	9.25	10.2	39.9	—	—	—
2	9.96	5.1	39.8	9.96	5.1	39.8	—	—	—
4	13.43	5.3	39.9	13.43	5.3	39.9	—	—	—
5	13.16	5.1	37.8	13.16	5.1	37.8	—	—	—
Miscellaneous precision workers, n.e.c.	10.47	11.5	38.0	10.47	11.5	38.0	—	—	—
Butchers and meat cutters	9.97	6.5	36.8	9.97	6.5	36.8	—	—	—
2	7.30	4.1	26.6	7.30	4.1	26.6	—	—	—
4	13.41	3.4	36.9	13.41	3.4	36.9	—	—	—
Bakers	10.90	5.9	40.0	10.90	5.9	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Inspectors, testers, and graders	\$17.86	10.6	40.9	\$17.83	10.8	40.9	—	—	—
6	16.87	5.3	40.3	16.87	5.3	40.3	—	—	—
7	23.26	6.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Water and sewer treatment plant operators	15.48	11.5	39.6	—	—	—	\$13.92	9.1	39.5
3	10.15	11.1	36.5	—	—	—	10.15	11.1	36.5
5	13.31	5.5	40.0	—	—	—	13.31	5.5	40.0
6	15.98	5.8	40.0	—	—	—	15.98	5.8	40.0
Power plant operators	26.98	11.8	40.0	28.17	11.3	40.0	—	—	—
Stationary engineers	15.94	10.8	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	14.42	11.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous plant and system operators, n.e.c.	24.66	4.6	39.8	24.88	4.6	39.8	—	—	—
5	21.50	11.0	39.3	21.50	11.0	39.3	—	—	—
7	26.20	2.2	39.9	26.20	2.2	39.9	—	—	—
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	12.04	3.4	38.7	12.05	3.5	38.7	11.33	15.3	39.4
1	7.49	2.9	37.1	7.49	3.1	37.1	—	—	—
2	9.31	5.2	38.4	9.30	5.3	38.4	—	—	—
3	13.19	7.6	38.0	13.19	7.6	38.0	—	—	—
4	13.02	4.1	40.0	13.04	4.1	40.0	—	—	—
5	14.09	3.2	40.0	14.09	3.2	40.0	—	—	—
6	15.85	5.2	40.0	16.04	4.4	40.0	—	—	—
7	18.47	3.0	39.8	18.66	3.1	39.9	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	12.70	7.2	39.8	12.70	7.2	39.8	—	—	—
Punching and stamping press operators	8.69	5.7	40.0	8.69	5.7	40.0	—	—	—
Grinding, abrading, buffing, and polishing machine operators	12.93	10.9	40.0	12.93	10.9	40.0	—	—	—
Numerical control machine operators	15.90	7.5	39.9	15.90	7.5	39.9	—	—	—
7	21.40	6.4	40.0	21.40	6.4	40.0	—	—	—
Fabricating machine operators, n.e.c.	12.41	12.9	40.0	12.41	12.9	40.0	—	—	—
4	11.44	5.1	40.0	11.44	5.1	40.0	—	—	—
Molding and casting machine operators	11.45	7.7	38.9	11.45	7.7	38.9	—	—	—
Printing press operators	13.42	6.1	39.8	13.37	6.9	40.0	—	—	—
5	15.07	4.9	39.9	15.07	4.9	39.9	—	—	—
Textile sewing machine operators	8.23	5.3	39.0	8.23	5.3	39.0	—	—	—
2	8.04	2.2	37.6	8.04	2.2	37.6	—	—	—
Laundry and dry cleaning machine operators	7.90	2.4	39.3	7.83	3.0	39.3	—	—	—
1	7.64	3.8	39.7	7.65	3.9	39.7	—	—	—
Packaging and filling machine operators	10.05	8.3	40.0	10.05	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
2	10.32	7.2	40.0	10.32	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
3	11.25	1.0	40.0	11.25	1.0	40.0	—	—	—
Mixing and blending machine operators	11.33	11.5	40.0	11.33	11.5	40.0	—	—	—
Separating, filtering, and clarifying machine operators	18.18	6.5	40.0	18.18	6.5	40.0	—	—	—
Painting and paint spraying machine operators	13.13	11.6	40.8	13.04	11.3	40.8	—	—	—
Furnace, kiln, and oven operators, except food	13.12	8.9	40.0	13.12	8.9	40.0	—	—	—
Slicing and cutting machine operators	10.96	3.0	40.0	10.96	3.0	40.0	—	—	—
Photographic process machine operators	8.12	5.6	22.3	8.12	5.6	22.3	—	—	—
Miscellaneous machine operators, n.e.c.	11.60	4.9	39.5	11.62	4.9	39.5	—	—	—
1	7.78	4.0	37.5	7.78	4.0	37.5	—	—	—
2	9.43	3.1	40.0	9.42	3.3	40.0	—	—	—
3	12.29	11.2	39.4	12.29	11.2	39.4	—	—	—
4	13.49	6.6	40.0	13.59	6.7	40.0	—	—	—
5	12.74	9.3	40.0	12.74	9.3	40.0	—	—	—
Welders and cutters	14.37	4.1	40.0	14.47	4.2	40.0	—	—	—
3	13.16	13.2	40.0	13.16	13.2	40.0	—	—	—
5	13.84	4.8	40.0	13.84	4.8	40.0	—	—	—
6	15.58	2.5	40.0	16.70	7.2	40.0	—	—	—
7	15.19	9.8	40.0	15.19	9.8	40.0	—	—	—
Solderers and brazers	10.01	6.7	40.0	10.01	6.7	40.0	—	—	—

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors—Continued									
Assemblers	\$14.17	13.3	39.0	\$14.17	13.3	39.0	—	—	—
1	7.62	11.6	33.5	7.62	11.6	33.5	—	—	—
2	8.96	6.3	39.0	8.96	6.3	39.0	—	—	—
3	18.16	20.1	39.9	18.16	20.1	39.9	—	—	—
4	18.54	12.6	40.4	18.54	12.6	40.4	—	—	—
Miscellaneous hand working, n.e.c.	9.18	11.6	32.9	9.18	11.6	32.9	—	—	—
Production inspectors, checkers and examiners	10.68	7.6	39.6	10.68	7.6	39.6	—	—	—
2	7.70	8.4	40.0	7.70	8.4	40.0	—	—	—
3	10.07	2.5	40.0	10.07	2.5	40.0	—	—	—
Production testers	11.84	7.0	40.0	11.84	7.0	40.0	—	—	—
Transportation and material moving	13.18	8.1	40.7	13.32	8.5	41.5	\$12.07	2.8	35.7
1	8.04	6.4	36.7	8.02	6.5	36.8	—	—	—
2	9.27	3.4	38.1	9.00	4.0	38.7	10.86	2.7	34.9
3	11.54	3.3	38.1	11.42	4.2	39.4	11.95	6.1	34.1
4	14.36	4.5	42.1	14.54	4.9	43.0	11.84	3.5	32.9
5	15.18	5.3	45.4	15.48	5.0	45.9	11.56	12.1	40.0
6	15.05	5.4	41.2	17.95	2.2	43.4	—	—	—
7	21.61	11.6	41.1	23.46	8.1	41.5	15.41	2.1	40.0
Not able to be leveled	11.30	8.5	40.7	11.30	8.5	40.7	—	—	—
Supervisors, motor vehicle operators	15.42	7.0	40.9	18.44	7.3	42.6	—	—	—
Truckdrivers	13.39	4.5	43.3	13.45	4.6	43.5	11.74	4.1	39.8
1	8.64	7.4	38.9	8.64	7.5	38.9	—	—	—
2	9.30	4.3	38.5	9.11	5.5	38.2	10.30	3.5	39.8
3	11.64	3.4	40.4	11.52	4.0	40.4	12.54	3.9	40.0
4	14.12	4.2	43.7	14.17	4.3	43.8	11.36	8.1	39.4
5	15.69	6.8	48.3	15.70	6.8	48.4	—	—	—
Driver-sales workers	12.32	11.2	38.5	12.32	11.2	38.5	—	—	—
4	15.84	11.1	42.2	15.84	11.1	42.2	—	—	—
Busdrivers	11.66	7.8	30.3	11.21	16.7	30.7	11.81	5.2	30.1
2	10.51	9.0	31.4	—	—	—	11.49	5.1	29.6
3	11.56	7.1	31.8	—	—	—	11.87	7.8	33.1
Taxicab drivers and chauffeurs	7.42	7.9	38.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motor transportation, n.e.c.	6.84	4.1	30.6	6.84	4.1	30.6	—	—	—
1	6.89	4.5	31.9	6.89	4.5	31.9	—	—	—
2	6.73	9.5	28.4	6.73	9.5	28.4	—	—	—
Sailors and deckhands	9.85	3.3	55.8	9.85	3.3	55.8	—	—	—
Supervisors, material moving equipment	18.35	14.0	40.0	18.27	14.9	40.0	—	—	—
Operating engineers	13.25	7.6	40.0	14.11	12.6	40.0	11.19	3.0	40.0
Crane and tower operators	16.22	13.1	40.0	16.22	13.1	40.0	—	—	—
Excavating and loading machine operators	11.38	9.2	40.0	11.36	10.3	40.0	—	—	—
Grader, dozer, and scraper operators	11.91	7.2	40.0	—	—	—	11.78	6.2	40.0
5	11.18	14.6	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Industrial truck and tractor equipment operators	10.66	6.0	39.6	10.62	6.0	39.6	—	—	—
2	8.77	4.8	39.1	8.77	4.8	39.1	—	—	—
3	11.53	8.5	40.4	11.53	8.5	40.4	—	—	—
4	13.61	8.8	38.7	13.65	10.5	38.5	—	—	—
Miscellaneous material moving equipment operators, n.e.c.	17.35	11.2	39.9	17.84	11.7	39.9	12.63	15.5	40.0
4	18.71	15.7	40.0	19.90	14.1	40.0	—	—	—
5	15.93	10.7	40.0	15.99	11.8	40.0	—	—	—
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	9.36	3.4	35.7	9.31	3.8	35.4	9.93	5.8	39.3
1	8.10	6.0	33.1	8.09	6.3	33.0	8.40	5.6	37.3
2	9.41	5.8	38.1	9.44	7.0	37.9	9.12	7.0	40.0
3	10.97	2.8	37.5	11.03	2.9	37.0	10.66	8.7	39.9
4	11.65	4.9	40.0	11.68	5.5	40.0	11.49	5.0	40.0
5	15.19	7.4	39.5	15.57	8.2	39.4	13.59	2.9	40.0

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
7	\$16.87	12.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	10.19	3.0	38.0	\$10.22	3.1	38.0	—	—	—
Supervisors, agriculture-related workers	15.74	21.3	41.2	—	—	—	\$14.93	24.4	38.8
Groundskeepers and gardeners, except farm ...	9.16	4.8	38.1	7.25	5.0	36.4	10.04	5.6	39.0
1	7.66	8.1	36.5	6.88	4.5	36.1	8.59	6.0	36.9
2	9.22	3.1	40.0	—	—	—	9.40	3.8	40.0
3	10.74	8.1	39.2	—	—	—	10.96	8.4	40.0
Animal caretakers, except farm	9.71	6.2	38.5	9.96	7.3	38.2	—	—	—
2	9.24	8.8	37.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Supervisors, handlers, equipment cleaners, and laborers, n.e.c.	15.36	6.1	32.5	15.51	6.9	31.4	—	—	—
5	15.15	2.4	37.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Helpers, mechanics and repairers	9.68	6.1	40.0	9.59	7.8	40.0	9.90	3.7	40.0
1	9.79	21.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	9.66	4.2	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Helpers, construction trades	9.55	7.2	40.0	9.50	8.3	40.0	—	—	—
1	9.43	5.9	40.0	9.44	6.0	40.0	—	—	—
2	8.70	5.8	40.0	8.70	5.9	40.0	—	—	—
Construction laborers	8.91	3.3	39.4	8.94	3.5	39.4	8.65	8.1	40.0
1	8.08	1.7	38.9	8.04	1.9	38.8	—	—	—
2	9.52	4.4	40.0	9.79	3.4	40.0	7.99	7.7	40.0
3	9.96	1.3	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Production helpers	8.96	3.7	39.5	8.95	3.7	39.5	—	—	—
1	7.94	7.6	40.0	7.94	7.6	40.0	—	—	—
2	9.23	7.7	38.9	9.23	7.7	38.9	—	—	—
Garbage collectors	10.41	5.7	36.4	—	—	—	10.41	5.7	36.4
Stock handlers and baggers	8.15	5.0	27.9	8.15	5.0	27.9	—	—	—
1	6.94	5.3	23.8	6.94	5.3	23.8	—	—	—
2	8.57	9.9	36.5	8.57	9.9	36.5	—	—	—
3	10.08	6.9	28.3	10.08	6.9	28.3	—	—	—
Machine feeders and offbearers	9.27	10.7	40.0	9.32	11.7	40.0	—	—	—
1	6.90	8.6	40.0	6.90	8.6	40.0	—	—	—
Freight, stock, and material handlers, n.e.c.	11.45	12.1	33.2	11.52	12.2	33.1	—	—	—
1	10.42	23.5	30.7	10.54	23.9	30.5	—	—	—
2	11.31	8.6	33.7	11.31	8.6	33.7	—	—	—
3	12.04	3.2	39.3	12.04	3.2	39.3	—	—	—
5	17.55	10.3	39.7	17.56	10.5	39.7	—	—	—
Garage and service station related	10.02	6.9	38.0	9.59	6.6	37.8	—	—	—
Vehicle washers and equipment cleaners	8.91	3.6	38.5	8.90	3.7	38.4	—	—	—
1	7.31	7.4	36.5	7.31	7.4	36.5	—	—	—
3	10.87	16.4	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hand packers and packagers	7.74	7.3	34.0	7.74	7.3	34.0	—	—	—
1	6.94	11.4	32.1	6.94	11.4	32.1	—	—	—
2	7.24	4.0	37.1	7.24	4.0	37.1	—	—	—
3	10.92	8.7	40.0	10.92	8.7	40.0	—	—	—
Laborers, except construction, n.e.c.	9.11	6.6	37.1	8.99	8.1	36.9	10.00	10.0	38.8
1	7.67	2.0	34.9	7.61	2.0	34.7	8.26	7.8	36.8
2	10.05	14.5	39.2	9.94	15.5	39.1	11.04	14.2	40.0
3	11.42	10.0	39.6	11.79	13.5	39.4	—	—	—
4	9.39	10.9	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service	8.58	3.0	32.5	7.55	2.5	31.4	13.23	4.7	38.7
1	6.36	1.7	29.7	6.18	1.7	29.3	8.41	3.7	36.1
2	7.03	4.3	33.1	6.70	4.7	32.8	9.70	3.8	35.6
3	8.81	2.6	33.6	8.54	3.3	32.8	9.89	3.4	37.1
4	10.88	3.4	35.5	10.43	4.7	34.9	13.56	2.5	39.4
5	13.57	3.2	36.3	13.54	6.5	32.8	13.59	4.3	40.3
6	15.29	2.4	38.0	15.19	15.8	27.4	15.32	3.7	41.7

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TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
7	\$17.90	4.9	41.5	\$16.07	13.0	39.5	\$18.67	2.7	42.4
8	22.53	9.9	38.3	—	—	—	19.75	5.3	43.8
9	22.28	5.2	40.8	—	—	—	22.12	4.7	40.5
10	27.56	2.5	41.5	—	—	—	27.10	1.8	41.9
Not able to be leveled	8.72	10.9	32.0	8.72	10.9	32.0	—	—	—
Protective service	14.50	3.2	37.9	10.78	7.7	33.4	16.45	3.8	40.8
1	8.93	9.6	37.1	8.94	10.3	39.2	8.87	2.2	21.8
2	7.40	9.1	31.9	6.77	10.5	31.0	8.69	11.8	34.1
3	10.29	7.5	37.5	10.70	10.0	37.5	9.18	9.7	37.5
4	13.39	3.0	35.4	12.73	5.9	32.4	14.15	3.1	39.5
5	12.56	2.1	40.5	12.52	4.6	38.4	12.58	2.9	41.1
6	15.82	3.8	38.0	17.62	10.3	22.8	15.56	4.1	42.0
7	18.35	3.7	42.2	—	—	—	18.67	2.7	42.4
8	19.75	5.4	43.9	—	—	—	19.75	5.4	43.9
9	22.02	5.0	40.5	—	—	—	22.12	4.7	40.5
10	27.56	2.5	41.5	—	—	—	27.10	1.8	41.9
Supervisors, firefighters and fire prevention	23.96	6.5	48.5	—	—	—	23.96	6.5	48.5
8	19.22	11.7	53.5	—	—	—	19.22	11.7	53.5
Supervisors, police and detectives	21.46	10.0	40.2	—	—	—	21.58	9.9	40.2
7	16.78	5.9	40.6	—	—	—	16.78	5.9	40.6
8	18.81	8.9	40.8	—	—	—	18.81	8.9	40.8
10	27.85	2.5	40.0	—	—	—	27.85	2.5	40.0
Supervisors, guards	17.23	8.1	39.4	17.30	16.5	38.6	17.16	9.4	40.0
Firefighting	16.17	8.6	48.4	—	—	—	16.17	8.6	48.4
4	16.12	5.5	38.4	—	—	—	16.12	5.5	38.4
5	11.81	5.9	49.2	—	—	—	11.81	5.9	49.2
6	16.65	20.0	52.1	—	—	—	16.65	20.0	52.1
7	17.06	4.6	52.8	—	—	—	17.06	4.6	52.8
8	20.97	2.6	53.0	—	—	—	20.97	2.6	53.0
Police and detectives, public service	19.45	4.7	39.7	—	—	—	19.47	4.7	39.7
4	12.41	10.4	40.0	—	—	—	12.41	10.4	40.0
5	15.93	11.0	40.5	—	—	—	15.93	11.0	40.5
6	18.14	5.4	41.2	—	—	—	18.14	5.4	41.2
7	19.87	4.6	40.0	—	—	—	19.87	4.6	40.0
8	22.24	11.9	40.0	—	—	—	22.24	11.9	40.0
9	22.27	4.4	40.0	—	—	—	22.27	4.4	40.0
Sheriffs, bailiffs, and other law enforcement officers	15.75	6.0	39.7	—	—	—	15.75	6.0	39.7
5	17.16	4.4	40.5	—	—	—	17.16	4.4	40.5
6	13.89	17.6	37.8	—	—	—	13.89	17.6	37.8
7	20.07	1.8	40.3	—	—	—	20.07	1.8	40.3
Correctional institution officers	12.12	3.3	39.9	—	—	—	12.37	2.9	40.0
2	10.29	3.4	40.3	—	—	—	10.29	3.4	40.3
4	12.36	10.8	39.0	—	—	—	14.47	2.0	40.1
5	12.32	3.4	40.1	—	—	—	12.32	3.4	40.1
Crossing guards	8.15	11.7	18.2	—	—	—	8.15	11.7	18.2
Guards and police, except public service	10.55	7.2	33.2	10.58	7.6	33.1	10.12	10.1	34.1
1	8.91	10.3	39.2	8.94	10.3	39.2	—	—	—
2	6.80	11.3	31.3	6.78	12.2	32.1	—	—	—
3	10.79	9.2	37.6	10.84	10.5	37.3	10.45	10.5	40.0
5	12.75	4.8	38.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	18.68	6.8	21.5	18.68	6.8	21.5	—	—	—
Protective service, n.e.c.	9.50	13.7	31.0	—	—	—	9.55	8.0	33.8
3	8.87	9.6	36.1	—	—	—	8.87	9.6	36.1
Food service	6.45	1.2	31.3	6.26	.7	31.1	9.73	5.1	34.5
1	5.66	2.5	28.8	5.54	2.4	28.6	8.03	3.3	34.0
2	5.80	5.4	32.5	5.65	5.5	32.6	8.76	1.5	31.1
3	7.22	4.0	32.2	7.05	3.7	31.9	9.55	1.9	36.9
4	8.83	4.6	37.9	8.81	4.7	37.9	—	—	—
5	12.28	7.4	38.2	10.34	5.0	37.7	14.36	9.1	38.8
Not able to be leveled	8.96	31.8	34.2	8.96	31.8	34.2	—	—	—
Waiters, waitresses, and bartenders	3.73	3.7	29.5	3.73	3.7	29.5	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
1	\$3.76	9.4	28.1	\$3.76	9.4	28.1	—	—	—
2	3.31	4.7	31.3	3.31	4.7	31.3	—	—	—
3	4.71	14.6	28.0	4.71	14.6	28.0	—	—	—
4	6.04	7.4	36.3	6.04	7.4	36.3	—	—	—
Bartenders	5.47	4.2	30.9	5.47	4.2	30.9	—	—	—
3	5.46	9.5	26.5	5.46	9.5	26.5	—	—	—
4	6.04	7.4	36.3	6.04	7.4	36.3	—	—	—
Waiters and waitresses	3.27	5.1	29.6	3.27	5.1	29.6	—	—	—
1	3.38	12.3	28.0	3.38	12.3	28.0	—	—	—
2	3.05	7.5	31.4	3.05	7.5	31.4	—	—	—
3	4.13	19.3	28.8	4.13	19.3	28.8	—	—	—
Waiters/Waitresses' assistants	5.38	4.7	27.7	5.38	4.7	27.7	—	—	—
1	4.98	4.8	28.2	4.98	4.8	28.2	—	—	—
Other food service	7.41	1.9	32.0	7.22	2.3	31.8	\$9.73	5.1	34.5
1	6.31	1.8	29.1	6.19	1.8	28.8	8.03	3.3	34.0
2	7.16	1.8	33.3	7.03	1.9	33.5	8.76	1.5	31.1
3	7.98	4.0	33.8	7.83	3.8	33.5	9.55	1.9	36.9
4	9.05	4.8	38.0	9.03	4.9	38.0	—	—	—
5	13.01	6.0	38.8	11.58	5.9	38.8	14.36	9.1	38.8
Not able to be leveled	9.59	32.3	36.7	9.59	32.3	36.7	—	—	—
Supervisors, food preparation and service	11.97	7.1	39.9	11.52	7.6	40.1	14.04	9.5	39.0
4	10.50	6.5	42.6	10.44	6.7	42.6	—	—	—
5	13.24	5.1	38.8	11.77	3.7	38.7	14.42	9.1	38.9
Cooks	7.40	2.5	35.9	7.33	2.6	35.9	9.03	2.5	36.1
1	6.26	4.6	31.5	6.22	4.6	31.5	—	—	—
2	7.06	5.2	36.2	7.01	5.5	36.3	8.51	1.2	33.3
3	8.27	2.0	38.8	8.10	1.8	38.7	9.79	3.3	39.3
4	7.66	11.4	35.3	7.65	11.5	35.3	—	—	—
Food counter, fountain, and related	6.62	4.1	27.1	6.62	4.1	27.1	—	—	—
1	6.33	3.9	26.3	6.32	3.8	26.3	—	—	—
2	6.64	7.0	27.5	6.64	7.0	27.5	—	—	—
3	7.54	8.3	29.0	7.54	8.3	29.0	—	—	—
Kitchen workers, food preparation	6.58	4.4	32.8	6.42	5.5	32.7	7.98	2.6	34.2
1	6.16	3.6	32.9	5.98	5.0	32.6	7.78	3.6	36.7
2	7.79	8.3	30.1	7.70	9.5	31.3	8.38	5.7	24.4
3	8.56	7.8	35.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food preparation, n.e.c.	6.89	2.4	29.1	6.65	2.8	28.8	8.71	2.9	31.7
1	6.46	2.9	27.5	6.29	2.2	27.2	8.37	7.3	31.3
2	7.42	3.0	32.8	7.11	2.5	32.9	8.95	1.2	32.3
3	8.51	1.5	31.9	—	—	—	8.74	6.7	30.9
Health service	9.53	7.4	31.6	9.24	8.6	31.1	12.53	9.9	38.5
1	6.26	6.8	23.5	5.99	7.2	23.3	12.01	15.6	29.2
2	8.90	1.9	34.1	8.56	2.3	33.6	12.22	13.7	40.0
3	9.21	6.2	32.7	8.99	6.5	32.2	11.38	8.7	39.4
4	11.00	4.7	33.6	10.69	5.4	33.0	13.24	8.3	38.7
5	13.06	13.1	39.2	11.73	8.6	39.0	—	—	—
Dental assistants	13.72	9.8	34.4	13.89	10.5	34.1	—	—	—
Health aides, except nursing	10.65	16.0	32.4	10.39	19.6	31.7	12.78	11.5	39.9
2	9.40	4.4	37.7	9.31	5.0	37.5	—	—	—
3	10.70	7.7	36.7	10.01	7.6	35.3	12.05	11.7	40.0
4	10.59	6.2	32.4	9.99	6.1	31.4	13.92	10.3	39.5
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	8.43	2.1	30.9	8.11	2.1	30.5	12.38	11.8	37.2
1	6.87	2.8	24.7	6.45	2.4	24.4	12.01	15.6	29.2
2	8.59	3.3	32.1	8.08	4.0	31.4	13.03	13.0	40.0
3	8.67	7.0	31.6	8.65	7.2	31.5	—	—	—
4	9.75	6.9	37.5	9.66	7.8	37.7	—	—	—
Cleaning and building service	8.12	5.0	35.1	7.72	6.3	34.0	9.47	5.4	39.5
1	7.19	2.6	33.6	6.99	2.6	32.8	8.38	4.6	39.6
2	8.10	3.7	37.4	7.59	3.9	36.5	8.85	3.2	39.0
3	10.98	10.3	39.6	—	—	—	9.78	6.4	39.7

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 6. Occupations¹ and levels,² West South Central: Mean hourly earnings³ and weekly hours, private industry and State and local government, National Compensation Survey,⁴ 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									
Cleaning and building service—Continued									
4	\$10.79	12.9	39.6	\$10.68	13.9	39.5	—	—	—
5	15.85	7.9	39.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	14.26	5.3	40.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Not able to be leveled	9.07	11.9	39.5	9.07	11.9	39.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, cleaning and building service workers	13.21	8.0	39.9	12.42	10.0	39.7	—	—	—
Maids and housemen	6.89	2.7	35.4	6.89	2.7	35.4	—	—	—
1	6.89	2.9	35.3	6.88	2.8	35.2	—	—	—
2	6.92	5.0	36.6	6.92	5.0	36.6	—	—	—
Janitors and cleaners	8.28	10.2	34.7	7.98	14.3	33.0	\$8.95	3.3	39.4
1	7.39	5.2	32.7	7.07	6.5	31.0	8.40	4.6	39.6
2	8.37	3.4	37.7	7.90	4.5	36.4	8.85	3.2	39.0
3	11.01	11.0	39.8	—	—	—	9.86	6.6	39.7
4	12.10	14.1	39.2	12.25	16.7	39.0	—	—	—
Personal service	8.51	4.0	29.3	8.26	4.4	28.9	10.37	4.8	32.8
1	6.68	5.6	27.0	6.62	5.8	27.0	8.23	8.9	25.9
2	6.74	3.8	31.3	6.39	3.4	31.4	10.51	6.8	31.0
3	8.53	4.0	30.8	7.57	2.2	29.1	9.89	3.9	33.7
4	12.86	11.1	31.6	12.96	12.7	31.2	11.51	7.0	39.2
5	17.45	22.8	26.2	17.40	24.7	25.5	—	—	—
Supervisors, personal service	10.87	11.6	40.7	10.64	13.4	40.8	—	—	—
Hairdressers and cosmetologists	10.82	10.3	32.7	10.82	10.3	32.7	—	—	—
Attendants, amusement and recreation facilities	7.54	9.8	25.2	7.45	12.2	25.0	7.80	8.0	25.7
1	5.77	4.2	18.6	5.72	4.2	19.7	—	—	—
2	10.62	30.3	25.3	10.62	31.4	25.6	—	—	—
3	7.46	12.8	33.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	8.75	5.4	34.7	8.70	5.8	34.2	—	—	—
Public transportation attendants	29.53	13.7	17.7	31.39	12.4	17.1	—	—	—
Baggage porters and bellhops	5.77	9.9	40.0	5.77	9.9	40.0	—	—	—
1	5.63	14.1	40.0	5.63	14.1	40.0	—	—	—
Welfare service aides	6.44	2.1	24.7	6.34	1.4	24.5	10.11	7.1	37.4
Early childhood teachers' assistants	7.99	4.8	35.6	6.44	2.2	35.8	10.41	2.1	35.4
2	6.98	3.9	36.7	6.39	2.1	36.4	10.78	4.8	39.1
3	10.12	2.3	33.9	—	—	—	10.34	1.1	33.9
Childcare workers, n.e.c.	7.43	9.8	33.8	7.42	9.8	33.9	—	—	—
2	5.87	4.2	35.0	5.87	4.2	35.0	—	—	—
4	9.53	4.1	35.1	9.53	4.1	35.1	—	—	—
Service, n.e.c.	9.27	5.4	29.2	8.61	3.1	29.7	13.04	16.1	26.8
1	6.30	8.2	26.8	6.23	9.0	26.5	—	—	—
2	9.06	7.6	24.3	8.56	6.5	27.6	—	—	—
3	8.46	5.6	32.5	8.48	5.7	32.4	—	—	—
4	11.07	4.6	30.2	—	—	—	—	—	—

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 West South Central Census Division, the NCS studied 2,418 establishments representing approximately 8,967,000 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 West South Central Census Division are:

Amarillo, TX, MSA
Andrews County, TX
Austin-San Marcos, TX, MSA

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

In the second stage, the sample of establishments was drawn by first stratifying the sampling frame by ownership and industry. The number of sample establishments allocated to each stratum 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 which 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 or 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 estimates is called the standard error or sampling error. It indicates the precision with which an estimate from a particular sample approximates the average of estimates 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. The Memphis MSA, which consists of parts of Arkansas, is included in the East South Central Census Division.

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

Occupational group	All industries	Private industry	State and local government
All	8,967,000	7,424,700	1,542,300
All, excluding sales	7,926,200	6,390,100	1,536,100
White collar	4,780,100	3,705,800	1,074,300
White collar, excluding sales	3,739,200	2,671,100	1,068,100
Professional specialty and technical	1,626,700	953,800	673,000
Professional specialty occupations	1,267,300	643,100	624,300
Technical occupations	359,400	310,700	48,700
Executive, administrative, and managerial	628,600	517,800	110,800
Sales	1,040,900	1,034,700	6,200
Administrative support, including clerical	1,483,900	1,199,600	284,300
Blue collar	2,328,100	2,160,500	167,600
Precision production, craft, and repair	886,800	831,000	55,800
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	420,500	415,200	5,300
Transportation and material moving	426,400	363,200	63,200
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers	594,400	551,100	43,300
Service	1,858,900	1,558,400	300,500

¹ Number of workers represented by the survey are rounded to the nearest 100. Estimates of the number of workers provide a description of size and composition of the labor force included in the survey. Estimates are not intended, however, for comparison with other statistical series to measure employment trends or levels. Both full-time and part-time workers were included in the survey.

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

³ In this census division, data were collected between December 2002 and January 2004. The average reference period was June 2003.

TABLE B. Number of establishments studied by industry group and establishment employment size, West 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	2,418	1,123	688	203	213	96	95
Private Industry	2,101	1,084	592	159	138	71	57
Goods-producing industries	482	209	169	44	29	18	13
Mining	55	30	9	8	3	5	—
Construction	116	75	28	7	5	1	—
Manufacturing	311	104	132	29	21	12	13
Durable goods	186	63	78	13	11	8	13
Nondurable goods	125	41	54	16	10	4	—
Service-producing industries	1,619	875	423	115	109	53	44
Transportation and utilities	175	80	37	15	20	11	12
Wholesale trade	120	75	25	7	5	3	5
Retail trade	392	254	115	12	9	1	1
Finance, insurance and real estate	173	112	24	14	10	7	6
Services	759	354	222	67	65	31	20
State and local government	317	39	96	44	75	25	38

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.