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## Differences Between Incomes of White and Negro Families by Work Experience of Wife and Region: 1970, 1969, and 1959

This report presents statistics on white and Negro husband-wife families by family income, earnings of the husband and of the wife, work experience and occupation group of the wife, age of the husband and region, for 1970, 1969, and 1959. The focus of this report is young husband-wife families in the North and West.

Since 1959, the gap between the median incomes of white and Negro families has narrowed substantially. The overall ratio of Negro to white family income was about 61 percent in 1970 as compared with only about 51 percent in 1959 (Table 1). In the North and West, the median income of Negro families was more comparable to that of white families than was the case in the South in both 1970 and 1959. In 1970, the incomes of Negro families outside the South averaged about 74 percent that of whites as compared to 57 percent in the South.

In the North and West, the relative disparity between the 1970 median income of Negro and white husband-wife families was smaller than that for other types of families (most of which were headed by a woman). In this area, the ratio of Negro to white income for husband-wife families was about 88 percent in 1970. There was no apparent difference in 1970 between the incomes of white and Negro husband-wife families outside the South where the head was under 35 years old. For these young families, the ratio of Negro to white income was about 96 percent in 1970, up from 78 percent in 1959.

Negro families whose incomes about equalled that of whites comprised a relatively small proportion of all Negro families in the United States. In March 1971, young Negro husband-wife families outside the South accounted for only about 10 percent of the approximately 4.9 million Negro families in the United States. Also, Negro husband-wife families as a percent of all Negro families decreased from about 75 percent in 1960 to 66 percent in 1971. The proportion of all white families having both husband and wife present was about the same in both 1960 and 1971 (about 88 percent).

An important part of the explanation of the narrowing gap between white and Negro incomes

is the working wife. The income parity observed for young white and Negro families in the North and West holds true only for families in which both the husband and the wife worked. For these families, the ratio of Negro to white income was approximately 104 percent in 1970; the comparable figure was 85 percent in 1959. Young Negro families in which only the husband worked were making only about three-fourths as much money as comparable white families in both 1959 and 1970.

Negro wives were more likely to have worked than their white counterparts in both 1959 and 1970. In the North and West, the number of young Negro families in which both the husband and wife worked has increased by about 95 percent since 1959. By 1970, approximately 63 percent of young Negro wives in this area contributed to the family income by working (Table 2) and about 52 percent of these wives worked all year (Table 3). About 54 percent of the young white wives in the North and West worked in 1970 and only about 36 percent of these worked year round.

Between 1959 and 1970, the proportion of working wives in white-collar occupations<sup>1</sup> increased for both whites and Negroes (Table 4). For the United States, the rate of increase between 1959 and 1970 in the number of Negro wives in white-collar occupations was considerably larger than that of white wives, but the proportion of working wives in white-collar jobs in 1970 was still greater for whites than for Negroes (50 percent and 30 percent, respectively). For young husband-wife families in the North and West, the proportion of Negro wives in white-collar occupations (47 percent) was not statistically different from that of white wives (45 percent). The comparable proportions a decade earlier were 19 percent for Negroes and 39 percent for whites.

For the United States as a whole, Negro wives earned less on the average than white wives in 1970 (\$3,330 and \$3,490, respectively), but their earnings accounted for a greater percentage of the family income (31 percent and 26 percent, respectively). On the other hand, young Negro wives in the North and West were earning approximately 30 percent more than did their white

<sup>1</sup>Professional, managerial, clerical, and sales workers combined.

counterparts (\$3,900 and \$3,010, respectively), as well as making a larger contribution to the family income. The ratio of young wives' earnings to the family income was 35 percent for Negroes and 27 percent for whites. In 1959, although young white and Negro wives earned about the same, there is some evidence that Negro wives contributed more to their family income than did white wives.

While Negro wives overall earned 95 percent as much as did white wives, the comparable ratio for husbands was only about 71 percent (Table 5). For those young Negro families in the North and West whose family incomes reached parity with whites and whose wives earned more than did comparable white wives, Negro husbands earned 90 percent as much as did comparable whites. This ratio of Negro to white earnings for husbands represents a major improvement since 1959, when the ratio was 76 percent. For families with husbands in the other age groups, there were no significant gains. For example, in families with both husband and wife working and the husband between 45 and 54 years old, the ratio of Negro to white husband's earnings remained unchanged between 1959 and 1970. However, there is some evidence that for these families the ratio of Negro to white median family income increased between 1959 and 1970 (from 74 percent to 86 percent). This difference in 1970 between the Negro to white family income ratio (86 percent) and the comparable ratio for the husband's earnings (75 percent) illustrates the important contribution of the Negro wives' earnings to their family income.

## RELATED REPORTS

Data showing differences between incomes of white and Negro families by type of family, age of head, and region have been published in Current Population Reports, Series P-23, No. 35, "Differences Between Incomes of White and Negro Families by Region, 1969 and 1959." Similar data, with the addition of work experience, have been published in Current Population Reports, Series P-23, No. 38, "The Social and Economic Status of Negroes in the United States, 1970."

## DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

Population coverage. This report includes the civilian noninstitutional population of the United States and members of the Armed Forces in the United States living off post or with their families on post, but excludes all other members of the Armed Forces.

Geographic regions. The four major regions of the United States represent groups of States, as follows:

Northeast: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont.

North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin.

South: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia.

West: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.

North and West: Northeast, North Central, and West Regions combined.

Income. Each person 14 years old and over in the sample was asked the amount of money income received in the preceding calendar year from such sources as money wages or salary, net income from farm self-employment, Social Security, dividends, interest (on savings or bonds), net rental income, public assistance or welfare payments, and other periodic income.

The amounts received represent income before deductions for personal taxes, Social Security, bonds, etc. When an indefinite amount was reported by the respondent, a specific value was assigned during processing whenever possible.

It should be noted that although the income statistics refer to receipts during the calendar years 1970, 1969, and 1959 the characteristics of the population such as age, labor force status, and family composition refer to the time of the enumeration, i.e., March 1971, March 1970, and April 1960. Family income does not include amounts received by persons who were members of the family during all or part of the income year if these persons no longer resided with the family at the time of enumeration. On the other hand, family income includes amounts reported by related persons who did not reside with the family during the income year but who were members of the family at the time of enumeration.

Receipts not counted as income. Receipts from the following sources were not included as income: (1) Money received from the sale of property, such as stocks, bonds, a house, or a car (unless the person was engaged in the business of selling such property, in which case the net proceeds would be counted as income from self-employment); (2) withdrawals of bank deposits; (3) money borrowed; (4) tax refunds; (5) gifts;

and (6) lump sum inheritances or insurance payments.

All sources of income may be combined into two major types:

Total money earnings--the algebraic sum of money wages or salary and net income from farm and nonfarm self-employment; and

Income other than earnings--the algebraic sum of all sources of money income except wages and salaries and income from self-employment.

Total money income. The algebraic sum of money wages and salaries, net income from self-employment, and income other than earnings represents total money income. The total income of a family is the algebraic sum of the amounts received by all income recipients in the family.

The income figures presented in the tables of this report are in current dollars. In order to make comparisons over time, the 1959 and 1969 income figures should be adjusted to 1970 constant dollars. This can be done by multiplying the 1959 income figures by the change in Consumer Price Index (CPI) between 1959 and 1970 (1.3330) and the 1969 income figures by the change in CPI between 1969 and 1970 (1.0595).

Median income. The median income is the amount which divides the distribution into two equal groups, one having incomes above the median, and the other having incomes below the median.

Mean income. The mean income is the amount obtained by dividing the total income of a group by the number of families or unrelated individuals (as appropriate) in that group.

Earner. A person with \$1 or more in wages and salary, or \$1 or more or a loss in net income from farm or nonfarm self-employment.

Family. The term "family," as used here, refers to a group of two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption and residing together; all such persons are considered as members of one family. A lodger and his wife who are not related to the head of the household, or a resident employee and his wife, are considered as separate families and not as part of the head's family. Thus, a household may contain more than one family. However, if the son of the head of the household and the son's wife are members of the household, they are treated as part of the head's family.

Husband-wife family. A husband-wife family is one with a married head and his wife residing in the same household.

Age. The age classification is based on the age of the person as of his last birthday.

Race. The population is divided into three groups on the basis of race: white, Negro, and "other races." The last category includes Indians, Japanese, Chinese, and any other race except white and Negro. The data in this report are for whites and Negroes only.

Current occupation group. The data on occupation refer to the job held during the survey week. Persons employed at more than one job were reported in the job at which they worked the greatest number of hours during the week. The occupation groups used for 1969 and 1959 data are mainly the groups used in the 1960 Census of Population. The groups used for 1970 data are based essentially on the classification system used in the 1970 Census of Population. In the major groups there is relatively little difference in comparability between the systems used in the 1960 and 1970 Censuses of Population.

Work experience. A person with work experience is one who did any civilian work for pay or profit or worked without pay on a family-operated farm or business at any time during the preceding calendar year, on a part-time or full-time basis. However, in this report persons who worked but reported no earnings are excluded.

Weeks worked. Persons are classified according to the number of different weeks during the preceding calendar year in which they did any civilian work for pay or profit (including paid vacations and sick leave).

Rounding. Percentages are rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent; therefore, the percentages in a distribution do not always add to exactly 100.0 percent. The totals, however, are always shown as 100.0.

Base figures. An estimate of the size of the base (number of persons, number of families, etc.) of each percent is shown in most of the tables in this report. The base figures shown in this report were prepared by inflating the sample results to agree with independent estimates of the population based on statistics updated from the 1960 census.

## SOURCE AND RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

Source of 1969 and 1970 data. The estimates for 1969 and 1970 are based on data obtained in the March 1970 and in the March 1971 Current Population Survey (CPS) of the Bureau of the

Census. The sample was spread over 449 areas comprising 863 counties and independent cities, with coverage in each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Approximately 50,000 households are eligible for interview each month. Of this number, 2,250 occupied units, on the average, are visited but interviews are not obtained because the occupants are not found at home after repeated calls or are unavailable for some other reason. In addition to the 50,000, there are also about 8,500 sample units in an average month which are visited but are found to be vacant or otherwise not to be interviewed.

The estimation procedure used in this survey involved the inflation of the weighted sample results to independent estimates of the civilian noninstitutional population of the United States by age, race, and sex. These independent estimates were based on statistics from the 1960 Census of Population; statistics of births, deaths, immigration and emigration; and statistics on the strength of the Armed Forces. To these totals were added the population in the Armed Forces living off post or with their families on post.

Source of 1959 data. The estimates for 1959 are based on data from the 1-in-1,000 sample of the 1960 census; approximately 53,000 households were in sample. See U.S. Censuses of Population and Housing: 1960 - One-in-one-thousand, One-in-ten-thousand; Two National Samples of the Population of the United States: Description and Technical Documentation for more information about this sample.

Reliability of the estimates. Since the estimates in this report are based on samples, they differ somewhat from the figures that would have been obtained from complete censuses, using the same schedules, instructions, and enumerators. As in any survey work, the results are subject to errors of response and of reporting as well as being subject to sampling variability.

In most cases, the schedule entries for income are based on memory rather than on records, and, in the majority of cases, on the memory or knowledge of one person, usually the wife of the family head. The memory factor in data derived from field surveys of income probably produces underestimates because the tendency is to forget minor or irregular sources of income. Other errors of reporting are due to misrepresentation or to misunderstanding as to the scope of the income concept.

The standard error is primarily a measure of sampling variability; that is, of the variations that occur by chance because a sample rather than the whole of the population is surveyed.

The chances are about 68 out of 100 that an estimate from the survey differs from a complete census figure by less than the standard error. The chances are about 90 out of 100 that this difference would be less than 1.6 times the standard error, and the chances are about 95 out of 100 that the difference would be less than twice the standard error.

All statements of comparison appearing in the text are significant at a 1.6 standard error level or better, and most are significant at a level of more than 2.0 standard errors. This means that for most differences cited in the text, the estimated difference is greater than twice the standard error of the difference. Statements of comparison qualified in some way (e.g., by the use of the phrase, "some evidence") have a level of significance between 1.6 and 2.0 standard errors.

The figures presented in tables A, B, C, and D are approximations to the standard errors of various estimates shown in this report. In order to derive standard errors that would be applicable to a wide variety of items and could be prepared at a moderate cost, a number of approximations were required. As a result, the tables of standard errors provided are an indication of the order of magnitude rather than the precise standard error for any specific item. As calculated for this report, the standard error also partially measures the effect of response and interviewer errors but does not measure any systematic biases in the data.

Table A contains the standard errors of estimates of the number of families for the years 1969 and 1970. Table B contains the standard errors of estimates of the number of families for 1959.

**Table A. Standard Errors of Estimated Numbers of Families: 1970 and 1969**

(68 chances out of 100)

Size of estimate	Standard error	Size of estimate	Standard error
25,000.....	8,000	2,500,000...	74,000
50,000.....	10,000	5,000,000...	103,000
100,000....	15,000	10,000,000..	143,000
500,000....	33,000	25,000,000..	210,000
1,000,000...	47,000		

The reliability of an estimated percentage, computed by using sample data for both numerator and denominator, depends upon both the size of the percentage and the size of the total upon which the percentage is based. Estimated per-

**Table B. Standard Errors of Estimated Numbers of Families: 1959**

(68 chances out of 100)

Size of estimate	Standard error	Size of estimate	Standard error
25,000.....	4,000	1,000,000...	27,000
50,000.....	6,000	2,500,000...	42,000
100,000.....	9,000	5,000,000...	57,000
500,000.....	19,000	10,000,000..	76,000

centages are relatively more reliable than the corresponding absolute estimates of the numerator of the percentage, particularly if the percent is 50 percent or more.

Table C shows the standard errors of estimated percentages of families for the years 1969 and 1970. Table D shows the standard errors of estimated percentages of families for 1959.

Illustration of the use of tables of standard errors. Table 1 of this report shows that in 1970,

there were 2,969,000 husband-wife families with a husband 14 to 24 years old. Table A shows the standard error on an estimate of this size to be approximately 79,000. The chances are 68 out of 100 that the estimate would have shown a figure differing from a complete census figure by less than 79,000. The chances are 95 out of 100 that the estimate would have shown a figure differing from a complete census figure by less than 158,000, i.e., this 95 percent confidence interval would be from 2,811,000 to 3,127,000.

Of these 2,969,000, 857,000 or 28.9 percent were families in which only the husband worked. Interpolation in table C shows the standard error of 28.9 percent on a base of 2,969,000 to be approximately 1.2 percent. Consequently, chances are 68 out of 100 that the 28.9 percent would be within 1.2 percentage points of a complete census figure, and chances are 95 out of 100 that the estimate would be within 2.4 percentage points of a complete census figure, i.e., this 95 percent confidence interval would be from 26.5 to 31.3 percent.

**Table C. Standard Errors of Estimated Percentages of Families: 1970 and 1969**

(68 chances out of 100)

Estimated percentage	Base of percentage (thousands)								
	100	250	500	1,000	2,500	5,000	10,000	25,000	50,000
2 or 98.....	2.0	1.3	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1
5 or 95.....	3.1	2.0	1.4	1.0	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
10 or 90.....	4.3	2.7	1.9	1.3	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2
25 or 75.....	6.2	3.9	2.8	2.0	1.3	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.3
50.....	7.2	4.5	3.2	2.3	1.4	1.0	0.7	0.4	0.4

**Table D. Standard Errors of Estimated Percentages of Families: 1959**

(68 chances out of 100)

Estimated percentage	Base of percentage (thousands)								
	100	250	500	1,000	2,500	5,000	10,000	25,000	50,000
2 or 98.....	1.2	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
5 or 95.....	1.9	1.2	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1
10 or 90.....	2.6	1.6	1.2	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
25 or 75.....	3.7	2.4	1.7	1.2	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2
50.....	4.3	2.7	1.9	1.4	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2

**Table 1. NUMBER OF FAMILIES AND MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME BY WORK EXPERIENCE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HEAD: 1970, 1969, AND 1959**

(Numbers in thousands. Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Age of head	1970				1969				1959			
	All families	Husband-wife families			All families	Husband-wife families			All families	Husband-wife families		
		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked
<b>United States</b>												
White												
Total.....	46,535	41,092	14,001	18,401	46,022	40,802	14,291	18,177	40,831	36,473	17,089	12,282
Under 35 years.....	12,705	11,516	4,905	6,387	12,437	11,412	5,042	6,146	10,212	9,576	5,392	3,849
14 to 24 years.....	3,327	2,969	857	2,070	3,056	2,715	782	1,880	2,140	1,997	854	1,084
25 to 34 years.....	9,378	8,547	4,048	4,317	9,381	8,697	4,260	4,266	8,072	7,579	4,538	2,765
35 to 44 years.....	9,630	8,632	3,152	4,193	9,752	8,833	3,242	4,313	10,042	9,227	4,779	3,363
45 to 54 years.....	9,951	8,725	2,167	4,386	9,803	8,696	2,228	4,393	8,759	7,796	3,120	3,035
55 to 64 years.....	7,696	6,811	2,431	2,810	7,516	6,590	2,372	2,719	6,165	5,390	2,420	1,618
65 years and over.....	6,554	5,409	1,347	625	6,515	5,272	1,406	606	5,653	4,484	1,378	417
Median age.....	45.9	45.5	41.6	41.7	45.8	45.2	41.5	41.8	45.2	44.4	41.6	41.8
Negro												
Total.....	4,928	3,235	774	1,880	4,774	3,249	737	1,961	3,863	2,885	1,015	1,273
Under 35 years.....	1,565	965	296	651	1,559	1,046	271	740	1,049	779	334	392
14 to 24 years.....	404	221	59	156	443	279	75	197	209	156	77	68
25 to 34 years.....	1,161	744	237	495	1,116	767	196	543	840	623	257	324
35 to 44 years.....	1,101	710	151	480	1,044	682	147	470	999	747	263	383
45 to 54 years.....	998	671	140	412	936	658	119	419	835	643	214	308
55 to 64 years.....	704	502	107	265	729	536	132	274	516	384	126	151
65 years and over.....	560	388	81	73	507	326	67	57	464	332	78	39
Median age.....	43.2	44.2	41.0	41.0	42.9	43.5	41.6	40.1	43.8	43.9	41.6	41.4
North and West												
White												
Total.....	33,144	29,175	9,910	12,969	32,777	28,996	10,242	12,758	29,656	26,490	12,352	9,040
Under 35 years.....	8,956	8,054	3,528	4,359	8,694	7,927	3,632	4,134	7,203	6,749	3,825	2,699
14 to 24 years.....	2,282	2,013	581	1,402	1,984	1,734	501	1,201	1,450	1,343	565	741
25 to 34 years.....	6,674	6,041	2,947	2,957	6,710	6,193	3,131	2,933	5,753	5,406	3,260	1,958
35 to 44 years.....	6,824	6,100	2,242	2,907	6,944	6,296	2,347	3,020	7,311	6,761	3,496	2,471
45 to 54 years.....	7,170	6,290	1,481	3,183	7,050	6,238	1,546	3,146	6,486	5,762	2,225	2,327
55 to 64 years.....	5,577	4,928	1,745	2,068	5,453	4,781	1,734	2,035	4,512	3,942	1,767	1,223
65 years and over.....	4,618	3,803	913	452	4,636	3,754	983	422	4,144	3,276	1,039	320
Median age.....	46.1	45.7	41.4	42.3	46.1	45.4	41.3	42.4	45.5	44.6	41.7	42.4
Negro												
Total.....	2,390	1,545	438	864	2,298	1,533	403	894	1,614	1,209	479	514
Under 35 years.....	878	515	182	323	824	532	147	366	486	348	157	166
14 to 24 years.....	242	123	44	75	247	144	39	101	94	59	21	31
25 to 34 years.....	636	392	138	248	577	388	108	265	392	289	136	135
35 to 44 years.....	577	375	99	230	575	365	99	230	464	358	136	180
45 to 54 years.....	476	324	81	189	444	307	74	183	336	263	97	116
55 to 64 years.....	274	190	44	104	303	218	58	103	171	128	56	37
65 years and over.....	185	140	33	17	151	110	24	12	157	112	33	15
Median age.....	40.5	41.9	38.7	39.7	40.7	41.4	40.5	38.5	41.9	42.2	41.1	40.1
South												
White												
Total.....	13,391	11,918	4,091	5,432	13,245	11,806	4,049	5,419	11,175	9,983	4,737	3,242
Under 35 years.....	3,749	3,463	1,377	2,028	3,743	3,485	1,410	2,012	3,009	2,827	1,567	1,150
14 to 24 years.....	1,045	956	276	668	1,072	981	281	679	690	654	289	343
25 to 34 years.....	2,704	2,507	1,101	1,360	2,671	2,504	1,129	1,333	2,319	2,173	1,278	807
35 to 44 years.....	2,806	2,532	909	1,286	2,807	2,536	895	1,292	2,731	2,466	1,283	892
45 to 54 years.....	2,781	2,435	686	1,203	2,753	2,458	682	1,247	2,273	2,034	895	708
55 to 64 years.....	2,119	1,882	686	742	2,064	1,809	638	685	1,653	1,448	653	395
65 years and over.....	1,936	1,606	434	173	1,877	1,518	424	183	1,509	1,208	339	97
Median age.....	45.5	44.9	42.4	40.3	45.3	44.5	41.9	40.4	44.4	43.8	41.2	40.3

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1. NUMBER OF FAMILIES AND MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME BY WORK EXPERIENCE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HEAD: 1970, 1969, AND 1959—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands. Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Age of head	1970				1969				1959			
	All families	Husband-wife families			All families	Husband-wife families			All families	Husband-wife families		
		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked
<b>South--Continued</b>												
<b>Negro</b>												
Total.....	2,538	1,690	336	1,016	2,477	1,716	334	1,066	2,249	1,676	536	759
Under 35 years.....	687	450	114	327	734	514	124	375	563	431	177	226
14 to 24 years.....	162	98	15	80	195	135	36	96	115	97	56	37
25 to 34 years.....	525	352	99	247	539	379	88	279	448	334	121	189
35 to 44 years.....	524	335	52	249	469	317	48	240	535	389	127	203
45 to 54 years.....	521	347	59	223	491	351	45	236	499	380	117	192
55 to 64 years.....	430	311	63	161	426	317	74	170	345	256	70	114
65 years and over.....	376	247	48	56	356	216	42	45	307	220	45	24
Median age.....	46.1	46.7	45.3	42.3	45.7	45.8	44.0	41.6	45.5	45.5	42.2	42.6
<b>MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME</b>												
<b>United States</b>												
<b>White</b>												
Total.....	\$10,216	\$10,662	\$9,357	\$12,348	\$9,794	\$10,217	\$8,992	\$11,711	\$5,928	\$6,129	\$5,450	\$6,984
Under 35 years.....	9,402	9,796	9,065	10,396	9,032	9,384	8,805	9,926	5,535	5,658	5,233	6,013
14 to 24 years.....	7,294	7,698	6,395	8,472	6,885	7,222	6,037	7,754	4,270	4,373	3,715	4,854
25 to 34 years.....	10,167	10,526	9,695	11,409	9,818	10,119	9,344	10,924	5,855	5,975	5,516	6,490
35 to 44 years.....	11,769	12,306	10,797	13,207	11,188	11,653	10,441	12,470	6,742	6,938	6,193	7,489
45 to 54 years.....	12,576	13,237	10,010	14,718	12,005	12,542	9,640	13,632	6,811	7,057	5,653	7,889
55 to 64 years.....	10,678	10,987	9,152	13,401	10,004	10,381	8,757	12,743	5,976	6,143	5,076	7,178
65 years and over.....	5,263	5,107	5,740	9,726	4,951	4,821	5,494	8,503	3,377	3,276	2,764	5,229
<b>Negro</b>												
Total.....	\$6,278	\$7,816	\$6,024	\$9,727	\$5,998	\$7,329	\$5,574	\$8,954	\$3,010	\$3,521	\$3,017	\$4,174
Under 35 years.....	6,103	8,032	5,965	9,267	6,001	7,488	5,792	8,423	2,972	3,534	3,025	3,845
14 to 24 years.....	5,012	6,720	(B)	7,774	4,468	6,421	4,280	7,630	2,291	2,650	2,250	(B)
25 to 34 years.....	6,604	8,445	6,313	9,686	6,453	7,777	6,396	8,742	3,234	3,831	3,339	4,100
35 to 44 years.....	7,568	9,406	6,892	10,612	6,931	8,785	6,400	9,964	3,639	4,185	3,177	4,983
45 to 54 years.....	7,357	9,093	6,533	10,596	6,862	8,241	6,130	9,476	3,323	3,856	3,146	4,260
55 to 64 years.....	6,437	7,134	6,305	8,889	5,690	6,470	4,862	8,111	2,900	3,153	2,833	3,193
65 years and over.....	3,281	3,358	3,378	(B)	3,044	3,153	(B)	(B)	1,755	1,865	1,643	(B)
<b>Negro as a percent of white</b>												
Total.....	61.5	73.3	64.4	78.8	61.2	71.7	62.0	76.5	50.8	57.4	55.4	59.8
Under 35 years.....	64.9	82.0	65.8	89.1	66.4	79.8	65.8	84.9	53.7	62.5	57.8	63.9
14 to 24 years.....	68.7	87.3	(X)	91.8	64.9	88.9	70.9	98.4	53.7	60.6	60.6	(X)
25 to 34 years.....	65.0	80.2	65.1	84.9	65.7	76.9	68.5	80.0	55.2	64.1	60.5	63.2
35 to 44 years.....	64.3	76.4	63.8	80.4	62.0	75.4	61.3	79.9	54.0	60.3	51.3	66.5
45 to 54 years.....	58.5	68.7	65.3	72.0	57.2	65.7	63.7	69.5	48.8	54.6	55.7	54.0
55 to 64 years.....	60.3	64.9	68.9	66.3	56.9	62.3	55.5	63.7	48.5	51.3	55.8	44.5
65 years and over.....	62.3	65.8	58.9	(X)	61.5	65.4	(X)	(X)	52.0	56.9	59.4	(X)
<b>North and West</b>												
<b>White</b>												
Total.....	\$10,584	\$11,043	\$9,680	\$12,798	\$10,202	\$10,598	\$9,402	\$12,139	\$6,247	\$6,438	\$5,667	\$7,252
Under 35 years.....	9,595	10,002	9,373	10,578	9,330	9,703	9,137	10,267	5,778	5,897	5,467	6,246
14 to 24 years.....	7,466	7,910	6,808	8,678	7,154	7,536	6,605	8,048	4,620	4,730	4,096	5,163
25 to 34 years.....	10,301	10,671	9,906	11,606	10,037	10,340	9,602	11,202	6,073	6,201	5,715	6,681
35 to 44 years.....	12,129	12,656	11,215	13,651	11,563	12,012	10,719	12,834	6,951	7,150	6,395	7,684
45 to 54 years.....	13,066	13,743	10,135	15,218	12,455	12,961	10,060	13,985	7,204	7,448	5,875	8,158
55 to 64 years.....	11,294	11,639	9,524	14,027	10,628	10,948	9,157	13,230	6,382	6,526	5,287	7,483
65 years and over.....	5,556	5,335	6,210	9,910	5,272	5,007	6,010	9,017	3,760	3,644	3,212	5,586

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1. NUMBER OF FAMILIES AND MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME BY WORK EXPERIENCE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HEAD: 1970, 1969, AND 1959—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands. Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Age of head	1970				1969				1959			
	All families	Husband-wife families			All families	Husband-wife families			All families	Husband-wife families		
		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked		Total <sup>1</sup>	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked
<b>MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME--</b>												
<b>Continued</b>												
<b>North and West--Continued</b>												
<b>Negro</b>												
Total.....	\$7,790	\$9,749	\$7,329	\$11,725	\$7,408	\$9,142	\$6,681	\$11,064	\$4,407	\$4,893	\$4,106	\$5,835
Under 35 years.....	6,754	9,560	7,104	11,045	6,938	8,859	6,500	10,130	3,913	4,594	4,080	5,320
14 to 24 years.....	5,159	7,540	(B)	9,777	5,074	8,028	(B)	9,103	2,637	(B)	(B)	(B)
25 to 34 years.....	7,658	10,059	7,598	11,392	7,378	9,360	6,963	10,482	4,215	4,815	4,237	5,550
35 to 44 years.....	8,970	10,458	7,637	12,317	8,162	10,336	7,196	11,998	4,763	5,272	4,130	6,357
45 to 54 years.....	9,663	11,063	8,269	13,077	8,444	9,672	(B)	11,802	4,882	5,250	4,107	6,048
55 to 64 years.....	8,360	9,563	(B)	11,384	7,909	9,243	(B)	11,315	4,720	4,869	(B)	(B)
65 years and over.....	4,199	4,157	(B)	(B)	3,999	3,863	(B)	(B)	2,822	3,000	(B)	(B)
<b>Negro as a percent of white</b>												
Total.....	73.6	88.3	75.7	91.6	72.6	86.3	71.1	91.1	70.5	76.0	72.4	80.5
Under 35 years.....	70.4	95.6	75.8	104.4	74.4	91.1	71.1	98.7	67.7	77.9	74.6	85.2
14 to 24 years.....	69.1	95.3	(X)	112.7	70.9	106.5	(X)	113.1	57.1	(B)	(X)	(X)
25 to 34 years.....	74.3	94.3	76.7	98.2	73.5	90.5	72.5	93.6	69.4	77.6	74.1	83.1
35 to 44 years.....	74.0	82.6	68.1	90.2	70.6	86.0	67.1	93.5	68.5	73.7	64.6	82.7
45 to 54 years.....	74.0	80.5	81.6	85.9	67.8	74.6	(X)	84.4	67.8	70.5	69.9	74.1
55 to 64 years.....	74.0	82.2	(X)	81.2	74.4	84.4	(X)	85.5	74.0	74.6	(X)	(X)
65 years and over.....	75.6	77.9	(X)	(X)	75.9	77.2	(X)	(X)	75.1	82.3	(X)	(X)
<b>South</b>												
<b>White</b>												
Total.....	\$9,240	\$9,700	\$8,520	\$11,276	\$8,763	\$9,192	\$8,108	\$10,681	\$5,027	\$5,239	\$4,686	\$6,174
Under 35 years.....	8,888	9,229	8,210	9,948	8,367	8,649	7,927	9,227	4,839	4,987	4,436	5,420
14 to 24 years.....	6,905	7,217	5,599	8,049	6,405	6,665	5,244	7,313	3,547	3,610	3,108	4,060
25 to 34 years.....	9,772	10,133	8,891	11,056	9,245	9,510	8,642	10,342	5,268	5,404	4,935	5,983
35 to 44 years.....	10,769	11,168	9,787	12,139	10,409	10,768	9,497	11,653	6,014	6,300	5,569	6,948
45 to 54 years.....	11,334	12,000	9,738	13,292	10,797	11,346	8,677	12,714	5,688	5,909	4,837	6,896
55 to 64 years.....	9,092	9,442	8,169	11,467	8,445	8,797	7,785	10,792	4,761	4,923	4,186	5,750
65 years and over.....	4,587	4,543	4,577	9,068	4,150	4,156	3,957	6,828	2,527	2,517	1,483	4,214
<b>Negro</b>												
Total.....	\$5,226	\$6,427	\$4,370	\$7,773	\$4,987	\$5,944	\$4,341	\$6,998	\$2,306	\$2,621	\$2,191	\$3,127
Under 35 years.....	5,486	6,788	5,196	7,464	5,146	6,286	5,059	6,670	2,423	2,735	2,311	3,060
14 to 24 years.....	4,782	6,070	(B)	6,372	4,177	5,065	(B)	5,533	2,189	2,323	(B)	(B)
25 to 34 years.....	5,730	7,011	5,221	7,748	5,534	6,718	5,480	6,939	2,505	2,894	2,404	3,214
35 to 44 years.....	6,074	7,918	(B)	8,993	5,882	7,128	(B)	7,892	2,691	3,175	2,143	3,625
45 to 54 years.....	5,660	7,192	(B)	8,196	5,600	6,812	(B)	7,789	2,514	2,813	2,411	2,925
55 to 64 years.....	5,634	6,154	(B)	7,385	4,750	5,149	(B)	6,496	2,250	2,428	(B)	2,819
65 years and over.....	2,939	2,993	(B)	(B)	2,654	2,768	(B)	(B)	1,455	1,575	(B)	(B)
<b>Negro as a percent of white</b>												
Total.....	56.6	66.3	51.3	68.9	56.9	64.7	53.5	65.5	45.9	50.0	46.8	50.6
Under 35 years.....	61.7	73.6	63.3	75.0	61.5	72.7	63.8	72.3	50.1	54.8	52.1	56.5
14 to 24 years.....	69.3	84.1	(X)	79.2	65.2	76.0	(X)	75.7	61.7	64.3	(X)	(X)
25 to 34 years.....	58.6	69.2	58.7	70.1	59.9	70.6	63.4	67.1	47.6	53.6	48.7	53.7
35 to 44 years.....	56.4	70.9	(X)	74.1	56.5	66.2	(X)	67.7	44.7	50.4	38.5	52.2
45 to 54 years.....	49.9	59.9	(X)	61.7	51.9	60.0	(X)	61.3	44.2	47.6	49.8	42.4
55 to 64 years.....	62.0	65.2	(X)	64.4	56.2	58.7	(X)	60.2	47.3	49.3	(X)	49.0
65 years and over.....	64.1	65.9	(X)	(X)	64.0	66.6	(X)	(X)	57.6	62.6	(X)	(X)

B Base less than 75,000.

X Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup>Includes other worker combinations not shown separately.

**Table 2. DISTRIBUTION OF HUSBAND-WIFE FAMILIES BY WORK EXPERIENCE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Year and age of husband	White					Negro				
	Husband-wife families (thous.)	Percent distribution				Husband-wife families (thous.)	Percent distribution			
		Total	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked	Other worker combinations		Total	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked	Other worker combinations
<b>1970</b>										
<b>United States</b>										
Total.....	41,092	100.0	34.1	44.8	21.1	3,235	100.0	23.9	58.1	18.0
Under 35 years.....	11,516	100.0	42.6	55.5	1.9	965	100.0	30.7	67.5	1.8
14 to 24 years.....	2,969	100.0	28.9	69.7	1.4	221	100.0	26.7	70.6	2.7
25 to 34 years.....	8,547	100.0	47.4	50.5	2.1	744	100.0	31.9	66.5	1.6
35 to 44 years.....	8,632	100.0	36.5	48.6	14.9	710	100.0	21.3	67.6	11.1
45 to 54 years.....	8,725	100.0	24.8	50.3	24.9	671	100.0	20.9	61.4	17.7
55 to 64 years.....	6,811	100.0	35.7	41.3	23.0	502	100.0	21.3	52.8	25.9
65 years and over.....	5,409	100.0	24.9	11.6	63.5	388	100.0	20.9	18.8	60.3
<b>North and West</b>										
Total.....	29,175	100.0	34.0	44.5	21.5	1,545	100.0	28.3	55.9	15.8
Under 35 years.....	8,054	100.0	43.8	54.1	2.1	515	100.0	35.3	62.7	2.0
14 to 24 years.....	2,013	100.0	28.9	69.6	1.5	123	100.0	35.8	61.0	3.2
25 to 34 years.....	6,041	100.0	48.8	48.9	2.3	392	100.0	35.2	63.3	1.5
35 to 44 years.....	6,100	100.0	36.8	47.7	15.5	375	100.0	26.4	61.3	12.3
45 to 54 years.....	6,290	100.0	23.5	50.6	25.9	324	100.0	25.0	58.3	16.7
55 to 64 years.....	4,928	100.0	35.4	42.0	22.6	190	100.0	23.2	54.7	22.1
65 years and over.....	3,803	100.0	24.0	11.9	64.1	140	100.0	23.6	12.1	64.3
<b>South</b>										
Total.....	11,918	100.0	34.3	45.5	20.2	1,690	100.0	19.9	60.1	20.0
Under 35 years.....	3,463	100.0	39.8	58.6	1.6	450	100.0	25.3	72.7	2.0
14 to 24 years.....	956	100.0	28.9	69.9	1.2	98	100.0	15.3	81.6	3.1
25 to 34 years.....	2,507	100.0	43.9	54.2	1.9	352	100.0	28.1	70.2	1.7
35 to 44 years.....	2,532	100.0	35.9	50.8	13.3	335	100.0	15.5	74.3	10.2
45 to 54 years.....	2,435	100.0	28.2	49.4	22.4	347	100.0	17.0	64.3	18.7
55 to 64 years.....	1,882	100.0	36.5	39.4	24.1	311	100.0	20.3	51.8	27.9
65 years and over.....	1,606	100.0	27.0	10.8	62.2	247	100.0	19.4	22.7	57.9
<b>1969</b>										
<b>United States</b>										
Total.....	40,802	100.0	35.0	44.5	20.5	3,249	100.0	22.7	60.4	16.9
Under 35 years.....	11,412	100.0	44.2	53.8	2.0	1,048	100.0	25.9	70.7	3.4
14 to 24 years.....	2,715	100.0	28.8	69.2	2.0	279	100.0	26.9	70.6	2.5
25 to 34 years.....	8,697	100.0	49.0	49.1	1.9	767	100.0	25.6	70.8	3.6
35 to 44 years.....	8,833	100.0	36.7	48.8	14.5	682	100.0	21.6	68.9	9.5
45 to 54 years.....	8,696	100.0	25.6	50.5	23.9	658	100.0	18.1	63.7	18.2
55 to 64 years.....	6,590	100.0	36.0	41.3	22.7	536	100.0	24.6	51.1	24.3
65 years and over.....	5,272	100.0	26.7	11.5	61.8	326	100.0	20.6	17.5	61.9
<b>North and West</b>										
Total.....	28,996	100.0	35.3	44.0	20.7	1,533	100.0	26.3	58.3	15.4
Under 35 years.....	7,927	100.0	45.8	52.2	2.0	532	100.0	27.6	68.8	3.6
14 to 24 years.....	1,734	100.0	28.9	69.3	1.8	144	100.0	27.1	70.1	2.8
25 to 34 years.....	6,193	100.0	50.6	47.4	2.0	388	100.0	27.8	68.3	3.9
35 to 44 years.....	6,296	100.0	37.3	48.0	14.7	365	100.0	27.1	63.0	9.9
45 to 54 years.....	6,238	100.0	24.8	50.4	24.8	307	100.0	24.1	59.6	16.3
55 to 64 years.....	4,781	100.0	36.3	42.6	21.1	218	100.0	26.6	47.2	26.3
65 years and over.....	3,754	100.0	26.2	11.2	62.6	110	100.0	21.8	10.9	67.3
<b>South</b>										
Total.....	11,806	100.0	34.3	45.9	19.8	1,716	100.0	19.5	62.1	18.4
Under 35 years.....	3,485	100.0	40.5	57.7	1.8	514	100.0	24.1	73.0	2.9
14 to 24 years.....	981	100.0	28.6	69.2	2.2	135	100.0	26.7	71.1	2.2
25 to 34 years.....	2,504	100.0	45.1	53.2	1.7	379	100.0	23.2	73.6	3.2
35 to 44 years.....	2,536	100.0	35.3	50.9	13.8	317	100.0	15.1	75.7	9.2
45 to 54 years.....	2,458	100.0	27.7	50.7	21.6	351	100.0	12.8	67.2	20.0
55 to 64 years.....	1,809	100.0	35.3	37.9	26.8	317	100.0	23.3	53.6	23.1
65 years and over.....	1,518	100.0	27.9	12.1	60.0	216	100.0	19.4	20.8	59.8

See footnote at end of table.

**Table 2. DISTRIBUTION OF HUSBAND-WIFE FAMILIES BY WORK EXPERIENCE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959—Continued**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Year and age of husband	White					Negro				
	Husband-wife families (thous.)	Percent distribution				Husband-wife families (thous.)	Percent distribution			
		Total	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked	Other worker combinations		Total	Only husband worked	Husband and wife worked	Other worker combinations
<b>1959</b>										
<b>United States</b>										
Total.....	36,473	100.0	46.9	33.7	19.4	2,885	100.0	35.2	44.1	20.7
Under 35 years.....	9,576	100.0	56.3	40.2	3.5	779	100.0	42.9	50.3	6.8
14 to 24 years.....	1,997	100.0	42.8	54.3	2.9	156	100.0	49.4	43.6	7.0
25 to 34 years.....	7,579	100.0	59.9	36.5	3.6	623	100.0	41.3	52.0	6.7
35 to 44 years.....	9,227	100.0	51.8	36.4	11.8	747	100.0	35.2	51.3	13.5
45 to 54 years.....	7,796	100.0	40.0	38.9	21.1	643	100.0	33.3	47.9	18.8
55 to 64 years.....	5,390	100.0	44.9	30.0	25.1	384	100.0	32.8	39.3	27.9
65 years and over.....	4,484	100.0	30.7	9.3	60.0	332	100.0	23.5	11.7	64.8
<b>North and West</b>										
Total.....	26,490	100.0	46.6	34.1	19.3	1,209	100.0	39.6	42.5	17.9
Under 35 years.....	6,749	100.0	56.7	40.0	3.3	348	100.0	45.1	47.7	7.2
14 to 24 years.....	1,343	100.0	42.1	55.2	2.7	59	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
25 to 34 years.....	5,406	100.0	60.3	36.2	3.5	289	100.0	47.1	46.7	6.2
35 to 44 years.....	6,761	100.0	51.7	36.5	11.8	358	100.0	38.0	50.3	11.7
45 to 54 years.....	5,762	100.0	38.6	40.4	21.0	263	100.0	36.9	44.1	19.0
55 to 64 years.....	3,942	100.0	44.8	31.0	24.2	128	100.0	43.8	28.9	27.3
65 years and over.....	3,276	100.0	31.7	9.8	58.8	112	100.0	29.5	13.4	57.1
<b>South</b>										
Total.....	9,983	100.0	47.5	32.5	20.0	1,676	100.0	32.0	45.3	22.7
Under 35 years.....	2,827	100.0	55.4	40.7	3.9	431	100.0	41.1	52.4	6.5
14 to 24 years.....	654	100.0	44.2	52.4	3.4	97	100.0	57.7	38.1	4.2
25 to 34 years.....	2,173	100.0	58.8	37.1	4.1	334	100.0	36.2	56.6	7.2
35 to 44 years.....	2,466	100.0	52.0	36.2	11.8	389	100.0	32.6	52.2	15.2
45 to 54 years.....	2,034	100.0	44.0	34.8	21.2	380	100.0	30.8	50.5	18.7
55 to 64 years.....	1,448	100.0	45.1	27.3	27.6	256	100.0	27.3	44.5	28.2
65 years and over.....	1,208	100.0	28.1	8.0	63.9	220	100.0	20.5	10.9	68.6

B Base less than 75,000.

**Table 3. WEEKS WORKED OF WIFE FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY CURRENT OCCUPATION GROUP OF WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Year, age of husband, and current occupation group of wife	White					Negro				
	Number (thous.)	Work experience of wife				Number (thous.)	Work experience of wife			
		Total	50 to 52 weeks	27 to 49 weeks	1 to 26 weeks		Total	50 to 52 weeks	27 to 49 weeks	1 to 26 weeks
<b>1970</b>										
<b>United States</b>										
Total.....	18,401	100.0	49.6	21.8	28.5	1,880	100.0	55.2	22.0	22.8
Age of husband:										
Under 35 years.....	6,387	100.0	36.4	23.9	39.7	651	100.0	46.7	22.4	30.9
35 to 44 years.....	4,193	100.0	48.2	22.3	29.5	480	100.0	60.5	20.9	18.6
45 to 54 years.....	4,386	100.0	59.5	21.2	19.3	412	100.0	60.0	24.7	15.3
55 to 64 years.....	2,810	100.0	64.8	17.7	17.4	265	100.0	61.0	18.9	20.1
65 years and over.....	625	100.0	57.3	20.2	22.6	73	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Current occupation group of wife:										
Professional and managerial workers...	3,110	100.0	69.8	18.4	11.9	239	100.0	76.3	14.2	9.6
Clerical and sales workers.....	6,065	100.0	64.9	20.0	15.1	329	100.0	67.2	18.5	14.3
Craftsmen and operatives.....	2,407	100.0	52.7	29.0	18.3	303	100.0	54.8	29.7	15.5
Service workers.....	2,376	100.0	46.2	27.9	25.9	673	100.0	62.7	22.4	14.9
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	4,443	100.0	14.9	19.6	65.5	337	100.0	13.6	23.1	63.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 3. WEEKS WORKED OF WIFE FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY CURRENT OCCUPATION GROUP OF WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959—Continued**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Year, age of husband, and current occupation group of wife	White					Negro				
	Number (thous.)	Work experience of wife				Number (thous.)	Work experience of wife			
		Total	50 to 52 weeks	27 to 49 weeks	1 to 26 weeks		Total	50 to 52 weeks	27 to 49 weeks	1 to 26 weeks
1970—Continued										
North and West										
Total.....	12,969	100.0	48.9	22.6	28.5	864	100.0	56.9	21.4	21.6
Age of husband:										
Under 35 years.....	4,359	100.0	35.5	24.3	40.2	323	100.0	52.2	20.7	27.2
35 to 44 years.....	2,907	100.0	46.3	23.9	29.8	230	100.0	57.8	23.0	19.1
45 to 54 years.....	3,183	100.0	58.4	22.1	19.4	189	100.0	63.0	22.8	14.3
55 to 64 years.....	2,068	100.0	64.0	18.8	17.2	104	100.0	58.3	19.4	22.3
65 years and over.....	452	100.0	57.7	20.1	22.1	17	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Current occupation group of wife:										
Professional and managerial workers..	2,138	100.0	68.2	20.1	11.7	115	100.0	76.5	15.7	7.8
Clerical and sales workers.....	4,295	100.0	63.9	20.8	15.3	210	100.0	70.8	18.2	11.0
Craftsmen and operatives.....	1,677	100.0	51.4	30.3	18.2	145	100.0	54.2	26.4	19.4
Service workers.....	1,723	100.0	45.4	28.7	25.8	261	100.0	62.8	22.2	14.9
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	3,135	100.0	15.6	19.4	64.9	133	100.0	9.8	24.2	65.9
South										
Total.....	5,432	100.0	51.5	19.9	28.6	1,016	100.0	53.7	22.4	23.8
Age of husband:										
Under 35 years.....	2,088	100.0	38.2	23.2	38.6	327	100.0	41.3	24.2	34.6
35 to 44 years.....	1,286	100.0	52.6	18.7	28.6	249	100.0	62.7	18.9	18.5
45 to 54 years.....	1,203	100.0	62.3	18.6	19.1	223	100.0	57.7	26.6	15.8
55 to 64 years.....	742	100.0	67.3	14.7	18.1	161	100.0	62.7	18.6	18.6
65 years and over.....	173	100.0	56.1	20.2	23.7	56	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Current occupation group of wife:										
Professional and managerial workers..	972	100.0	73.1	14.6	12.2	124	100.0	76.6	12.1	11.3
Clerical and sales workers.....	1,769	100.0	67.2	18.1	14.6	119	100.0	61.9	18.6	19.5
Craftsmen and operatives.....	730	100.0	55.8	25.9	18.4	158	100.0	55.1	32.9	12.0
Service workers.....	653	100.0	48.4	25.6	26.0	411	100.0	62.6	22.6	14.8
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	1,308	100.0	13.2	20.0	66.8	204	100.0	16.2	22.5	61.3
1969										
United States										
Total.....	18,177	100.0	49.8	21.9	28.3	1,961	100.0	50.2	22.0	27.8
Age of husband:										
Under 35 years.....	6,146	100.0	37.4	24.6	38.0	740	100.0	38.1	22.3	39.6
35 to 44 years.....	4,313	100.0	47.4	22.0	30.6	470	100.0	52.8	23.0	24.3
45 to 54 years.....	4,393	100.0	59.8	20.3	19.9	419	100.0	58.6	22.0	19.4
55 to 64 years.....	2,719	100.0	64.3	18.7	17.0	274	100.0	64.8	18.7	16.5
65 years and over.....	606	100.0	56.6	19.0	24.4	57	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Current occupation group of wife:										
Professional and managerial workers..	2,959	100.0	68.2	18.6	13.2	213	100.0	74.6	17.4	8.0
Clerical and sales workers.....	6,137	100.0	64.8	19.5	15.8	312	100.0	57.6	22.5	19.9
Craftsmen and operatives.....	2,593	100.0	56.2	27.8	16.0	314	100.0	56.1	23.9	20.1
Service workers.....	2,205	100.0	46.2	29.6	24.3	697	100.0	58.1	21.8	20.1
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	4,284	100.0	13.8	20.1	66.2	425	100.0	15.1	23.1	61.9
North and West										
Total.....	12,758	100.0	49.1	22.0	28.9	894	100.0	52.0	24.0	23.9
Age of husband:										
Under 35 years.....	4,134	100.0	34.7	24.9	40.4	366	100.0	41.6	24.1	34.2
35 to 44 years.....	3,020	100.0	46.3	22.1	31.6	230	100.0	54.3	23.5	22.2
45 to 54 years.....	3,146	100.0	59.2	20.5	20.2	183	100.0	60.3	23.4	16.3
55 to 64 years.....	2,035	100.0	64.4	19.0	16.6	103	100.0	69.2	24.0	6.7
65 years and over.....	422	100.0	60.3	19.1	20.6	12	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Current occupation group of wife:										
Professional and managerial workers..	2,102	100.0	67.0	19.1	13.8	108	100.0	73.1	20.4	6.5
Clerical and sales workers.....	4,300	100.0	64.2	20.3	15.5	217	100.0	57.1	24.4	18.4
Craftsmen and operatives.....	1,696	100.0	54.1	28.4	17.5	146	100.0	61.0	21.9	17.1
Service workers.....	1,643	100.0	46.0	29.5	24.5	265	100.0	57.4	24.9	17.7
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	3,016	100.0	13.9	18.9	67.2	158	100.0	13.9	25.9	60.1

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**Table 3. WEEKS WORKED OF WIFE FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY CURRENT OCCUPATION GROUP OF WIFE AND AGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959—Continued**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Year, age of husband, and current occupation group of wife	White					Negro				
	Number (thous.)	Work experience of wife				Number (thous.)	Work experience of wife			
		Total	50 to 52 weeks	27 to 49 weeks	1 to 26 weeks		Total	50 to 52 weeks	27 to 49 weeks	1 to 26 weeks
<b>1969—Continued</b>										
<b>South</b>										
Total.....	5,419	100.0	51.6	21.5	26.9	1,066	100.0	48.6	20.4	31.1
<b>Age of husband:</b>										
Under 35 years.....	2,012	100.0	42.9	24.0	33.2	375	100.0	34.7	20.5	44.8
35 to 44 years.....	1,292	100.0	49.9	21.9	28.2	240	100.0	51.3	22.5	26.3
45 to 54 years.....	1,247	100.0	61.2	19.6	19.2	236	100.0	57.2	20.8	22.0
55 to 64 years.....	685	100.0	64.1	17.7	18.2	170	100.0	61.8	15.3	22.9
65 years and over.....	183	100.0	48.1	18.6	33.3	45	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
<b>Current occupation group of wife:</b>										
Professional and managerial workers..	857	100.0	71.0	17.2	11.8	105	100.0	76.2	14.3	9.5
Clerical and sales workers.....	1,837	100.0	66.2	17.5	16.3	94	100.0	58.5	18.1	23.4
Craftsmen and operatives.....	396	100.0	60.3	26.6	13.2	168	100.0	51.8	25.6	22.6
Service workers.....	562	100.0	46.7	29.7	23.6	432	100.0	58.6	19.9	21.5
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	1,267	100.0	13.5	22.9	63.6	267	100.0	16.1	21.0	62.9
<b>1959</b>										
<b>United States</b>										
Total.....	12,282	100.0	38.8	27.5	33.7	1,273	100.0	33.5	30.4	36.1
<b>Age of husband:</b>										
Under 35 years.....	3,849	100.0	29.3	27.1	43.6	392	100.0	27.0	27.3	45.7
35 to 44 years.....	3,363	100.0	40.1	26.5	33.4	383	100.0	37.9	29.8	32.4
45 to 54 years.....	3,035	100.0	45.5	28.1	26.5	308	100.0	34.7	34.4	30.8
55 to 64 years.....	1,618	100.0	45.5	29.5	25.0	151	100.0	37.1	31.1	31.8
65 years and over.....	417	100.0	43.2	26.6	30.2	39	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
<b>Current occupation group of wife:</b>										
Professional and managerial workers..	1,590	100.0	44.8	38.1	17.1	79	100.0	34.2	53.2	12.7
Clerical and sales workers.....	3,830	100.0	60.4	21.3	18.3	88	100.0	59.1	21.6	19.3
Craftsmen and operatives.....	1,961	100.0	42.4	36.8	20.8	154	100.0	39.6	37.7	22.7
Service workers.....	1,314	100.0	35.7	37.0	27.3	541	100.0	41.4	30.7	27.9
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	3,586	100.0	12.4	20.9	66.8	411	100.0	15.1	24.8	60.1
<b>North and West</b>										
Total.....	9,040	100.0	38.7	27.4	33.9	514	100.0	34.8	30.9	34.2
<b>Age of husband:</b>										
Under 35 years.....	2,699	100.0	28.5	26.7	44.9	166	100.0	25.9	30.1	44.0
35 to 44 years.....	2,471	100.0	39.2	26.6	34.2	180	100.0	36.1	30.0	33.9
45 to 54 years.....	2,327	100.0	45.6	28.0	26.4	116	100.0	44.0	31.0	25.0
55 to 64 years.....	1,223	100.0	46.0	30.3	23.8	37	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
65 years and over.....	320	100.0	42.2	25.3	32.5	15	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
<b>Current occupation group of wife:</b>										
Professional and managerial workers..	1,151	100.0	45.2	37.0	17.8	24	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Clerical and sales workers.....	2,799	100.0	60.9	20.9	18.2	67	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Craftsmen and operatives.....	1,422	100.0	41.2	38.4	20.4	96	100.0	38.5	42.7	18.8
Service workers.....	1,020	100.0	35.3	37.6	27.1	160	100.0	39.4	29.4	31.3
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	2,647	100.0	12.3	20.3	67.4	167	100.0	20.4	26.9	52.7
<b>South</b>										
Total.....	3,242	100.0	39.3	27.7	33.0	759	100.0	32.5	30.0	37.4
<b>Age of husband:</b>										
Under 35 years.....	1,150	100.0	31.2	28.3	40.5	226	100.0	27.9	25.2	46.9
35 to 44 years.....	892	100.0	42.5	26.2	31.3	203	100.0	39.4	29.6	31.0
45 to 54 years.....	708	100.0	44.9	28.4	26.7	192	100.0	29.2	36.5	34.4
55 to 64 years.....	395	100.0	44.1	27.1	28.9	114	100.0	36.8	30.7	32.5
65 years and over.....	97	100.0	46.4	30.9	22.7	24	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
<b>Current occupation group of wife:</b>										
Professional and managerial workers..	439	100.0	43.7	41.0	15.3	55	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Clerical and sales workers.....	1,031	100.0	59.2	22.2	18.6	21	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Craftsmen and operatives.....	539	100.0	45.6	32.7	21.7	58	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
Service workers.....	294	100.0	37.1	34.7	28.2	381	100.0	42.3	31.2	26.5
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	939	100.0	12.6	22.4	65.1	244	100.0	11.5	23.4	65.2

B Base less than 75,000.

<sup>1</sup>Includes wives who did not work during the survey week.

**Table 4. CURRENT OCCUPATION GROUP AND MEAN EARNINGS OF WIFE FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Current occupation group of wife	1970				1969				1959			
	Number (thousands)	Mean family income	Mean earnings of wife	Earnings as percent of family income	Number (thousands)	Mean family income	Mean earnings of wife	Earnings as percent of family income	Number (thousands)	Mean family income	Mean earnings of wife	Earnings as percent of family income
<b>UNITED STATES</b>												
<b>White</b>												
Total.....	18,401	\$13,563	\$3,490	25.7	18,177	\$12,744	\$3,237	25.4	12,282	\$7,814	\$2,097	26.8
White collar workers.....	9,175	15,428	4,638	30.1	9,096	14,472	4,235	29.3	5,420	9,064	2,819	31.1
Professional and managerial wkrs.	3,110	17,478	5,795	33.2	2,959	16,244	5,318	32.7	1,590	9,959	3,347	33.6
Clerical and sales workers.....	6,065	14,377	4,044	28.1	6,137	13,617	3,713	27.3	3,830	8,692	2,600	29.9
Craftsmen and operatives.....	2,407	12,162	3,648	30.0	2,593	11,787	3,525	29.9	1,961	7,340	2,311	31.5
Service workers.....	2,376	11,152	2,347	21.0	2,205	10,376	2,163	20.8	1,314	6,423	1,440	22.4
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	4,443	11,760	1,645	14.0	4,284	10,875	1,497	13.8	3,586	6,696	1,129	16.9
Husband under 35 years.....	6,387	\$10,969	\$2,973	27.1	6,146	\$10,385	\$2,782	26.8	3,849	\$6,407	\$1,749	27.3
White collar workers.....	2,910	12,384	4,207	34.0	2,908	11,519	3,768	32.7	1,508	7,323	2,525	34.5
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	3,476	9,784	1,940	19.8	3,239	9,366	1,896	20.2	2,341	5,817	1,249	21.5
<b>Negro</b>												
Total.....	1,880	\$10,581	\$3,327	31.4	1,961	\$9,577	\$2,845	29.7	1,273	\$4,769	\$1,323	27.7
White collar workers.....	568	13,835	5,394	39.0	525	12,740	4,729	37.1	167	7,397	2,879	38.9
Professional and managerial wkrs.	239	16,054	6,839	42.6	213	15,181	6,285	41.4	79	7,119	3,110	43.7
Clerical and sales workers.....	329	12,923	4,344	35.5	312	11,073	3,666	33.1	88	7,646	2,671	34.9
Craftsmen and operatives.....	303	10,343	3,470	33.5	314	10,348	3,373	32.6	154	6,192	2,143	34.6
Service workers.....	673	9,127	2,388	26.2	697	8,460	2,151	25.4	541	4,040	965	23.9
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	337	8,208	1,585	19.3	425	6,924	1,260	18.2	411	4,128	856	20.7
Husband under 35 years.....	651	\$9,905	\$3,307	33.4	740	\$8,842	\$2,702	30.6	392	\$4,560	\$1,340	29.4
White collar workers.....	249	12,172	4,821	39.6	234	11,418	4,362	38.2	49	(B)	(B)	(X)
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	401	8,490	2,363	27.8	507	7,657	1,939	25.3	343	4,193	1,132	27.0
<b>NORTH AND WEST</b>												
<b>White</b>												
Total.....	12,969	\$14,022	\$3,537	25.2	12,758	\$13,216	\$3,259	24.7	9,040	\$8,112	\$2,144	26.4
White collar workers.....	6,433	15,859	4,682	29.5	6,402	14,911	4,267	28.6	3,950	9,314	2,878	30.8
Professional and managerial wkrs.	2,138	17,925	5,908	33.0	2,102	16,696	5,402	32.4	1,151	10,279	3,440	33.5
Clerical and sales workers.....	4,295	14,831	4,072	27.5	4,300	14,038	3,712	26.4	2,799	8,917	2,636	29.6
Craftsmen and operatives.....	1,677	12,835	3,753	29.2	1,696	12,595	3,624	28.8	1,422	7,871	2,436	30.9
Service workers.....	1,723	11,613	2,417	20.8	1,643	10,756	2,208	20.5	1,020	6,722	1,501	22.3
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	3,135	12,210	1,688	13.8	3,016	11,310	1,488	13.2	2,647	6,982	1,150	16.5
Husband under 35 years.....	4,359	\$11,215	\$3,008	26.8	4,134	\$10,754	\$2,752	25.6	2,699	\$6,662	\$1,777	26.7
White collar workers.....	1,943	12,681	4,319	34.1	1,925	11,892	3,792	31.9	1,041	7,515	2,560	34.1
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	2,416	10,035	1,953	19.5	2,210	9,762	1,846	18.9	1,658	6,126	1,285	21.0
<b>Negro</b>												
Total.....	864	\$12,403	\$4,015	32.4	894	\$11,555	\$3,544	30.7	514	\$6,237	\$1,804	28.9
White collar workers.....	325	14,667	5,602	38.2	325	13,119	4,735	36.1	91	7,557	2,692	35.6
Professional and managerial wkrs.	115	17,178	7,192	41.9	108	16,133	6,358	39.4	24	(B)	(B)	(X)
Clerical and sales workers.....	210	13,292	4,731	35.6	217	11,619	3,927	33.8	67	(B)	(B)	(X)
Craftsmen and operatives.....	145	11,898	3,846	32.3	146	12,508	3,958	31.6	96	7,513	2,726	36.3
Service workers.....	261	11,048	3,126	28.3	265	10,694	2,949	27.6	160	5,423	1,315	24.2
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	133	10,063	2,055	20.4	158	8,912	1,706	19.1	167	5,563	1,259	22.6
Husband under 35 years.....	323	\$11,309	\$3,903	34.5	366	\$10,315	\$3,250	31.5	166	\$5,863	\$1,881	32.1
White collar workers.....	152	12,735	5,107	40.1	162	11,754	4,409	37.5	31	(B)	(B)	(X)
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	171	10,040	2,830	28.2	203	9,168	2,326	25.4	135	5,617	1,710	30.4
<b>SOUTH</b>												
<b>White</b>												
Total.....	5,432	\$12,467	\$3,376	27.1	5,419	\$11,632	\$3,184	27.4	3,242	\$6,986	\$1,967	28.2
White collar workers.....	2,741	14,417	4,532	31.4	2,694	13,428	4,158	31.0	1,470	8,392	2,682	32.0
Professional and managerial wkrs.	972	16,494	5,545	33.6	857	15,134	5,112	33.8	439	9,121	3,102	34.0
Clerical and sales workers.....	1,769	13,275	3,975	29.9	1,837	12,632	3,713	29.4	1,031	8,081	2,503	31.0
Craftsmen and operatives.....	730	10,614	3,409	32.1	896	10,257	3,337	32.5	539	5,938	1,982	33.4
Service workers.....	653	9,935	2,165	21.8	562	9,262	2,032	21.9	294	5,387	1,227	22.8
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	1,308	10,682	1,541	14.4	1,267	9,838	1,517	15.4	939	5,889	1,071	18.2
Husband under 35 years.....	2,028	\$10,439	\$2,898	27.8	2,012	\$9,626	\$2,842	29.5	1,150	\$5,809	\$1,683	29.0
White collar workers.....	967	11,786	3,981	33.8	982	10,789	3,722	34.5	467	6,895	2,449	35.5
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	1,061	9,211	1,912	20.8	1,029	8,515	2,002	23.5	683	5,065	1,158	22.9

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 4. CURRENT OCCUPATION GROUP AND MEAN EARNINGS OF WIFE FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959—Continued**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Current occupation group of wife	1970				1969				1959			
	Number (thousands)	Mean family income	Mean earnings of wife	Earnings as percent of family income	Number (thousands)	Mean family income	Mean earnings of wife	Earnings as percent of family income	Number (thousands)	Mean family income	Mean earnings of wife	Earnings as percent of family income
<b>SOUTH--Continued</b>												
<b>Negro</b>												
Total.....	1,016	\$9,032	\$2,742	30.4	1,066	\$7,918	\$2,258	28.5	759	\$3,776	\$998	26.4
White collar workers.....	243	12,722	5,115	40.2	199	12,130	4,723	38.9	76	7,206	3,104	43.1
Professional and managerial wkrs.	124	15,005	6,509	43.4	105	14,202	6,209	43.7	55	(B)	(B)	(X)
Clerical and sales workers.....	119	10,343	3,663	35.4	94	9,815	3,063	31.2	21	(B)	(B)	(X)
Craftsmen and operatives.....	158	8,921	3,126	35.0	168	8,474	2,865	33.8	58	(B)	(B)	(X)
Service workers.....	411	7,905	1,920	24.3	432	7,095	1,661	23.4	381	3,459	818	23.6
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	204	7,001	1,280	18.3	267	5,749	996	17.3	244	3,146	581	18.5
Husband under 35 years.....	327	\$8,516	\$2,719	31.9	375	\$7,406	\$2,168	29.3	226	\$3,603	\$942	26.1
White collar workers.....	98	11,283	4,368	38.7	72	(B)	(B)	(X)	18	(B)	(B)	(X)
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	230	7,331	2,013	27.5	303	6,644	1,680	25.3	208	3,267	757	23.2

B Base less than 75,000.

X Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup>Includes wives who did not work during the survey week.

**Table 5. EARNINGS OF HUSBAND AND OF WIFE AS A PERCENT OF FAMILY INCOME FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY AGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959**

Age of husband	Mean earnings						Mean earnings as a percent of mean family income					
	1970		1969		1959		1970		1969		1959	
	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro
<b>UNITED STATES</b>												
<b>Husband</b>												
Total.....	\$8,786	\$6,209	\$8,328	\$5,812	\$5,006	\$2,887	64.8	58.7	65.3	60.7	64.1	60.5
Under 35 years.....	7,607	6,225	7,270	5,864	4,370	2,883	69.3	62.8	70.0	66.3	68.2	63.2
35 to 44 years.....	10,023	6,874	9,457	6,635	5,541	3,393	70.1	59.4	70.2	62.3	67.2	63.1
45 to 54 years.....	9,919	6,419	9,249	5,711	5,480	2,765	62.1	56.6	62.7	56.1	62.0	57.8
55 to 64 years.....	8,745	5,600	8,365	5,111	4,908	2,260	58.4	53.9	59.1	53.6	57.9	57.1
65 years and over.....	4,782	(B)	4,186	(B)	3,498	(B)	40.2	(B)	39.8	(B)	47.7	(B)
<b>Wife</b>												
Total.....	\$3,490	\$3,327	\$3,237	\$2,845	\$2,097	\$1,323	25.7	31.4	25.4	29.7	26.8	27.7
Under 35 years.....	2,973	3,307	2,782	2,702	1,749	1,340	27.1	33.4	26.8	30.6	27.3	29.4
35 to 44 years.....	3,276	3,673	3,041	3,109	2,126	1,488	22.9	31.8	22.6	29.2	25.8	27.7
45 to 54 years.....	4,041	3,412	3,685	2,871	2,357	1,303	25.2	30.1	25.0	28.2	26.7	27.3
55 to 64 years.....	4,159	3,050	3,886	2,934	2,388	942	27.8	29.3	27.5	30.8	28.2	23.8
65 years and over.....	3,326	(B)	3,095	(B)	2,062	(B)	28.0	(B)	29.4	(B)	28.1	(B)
<b>NORTH AND WEST</b>												
<b>Husband</b>												
Total.....	\$9,100	\$7,247	\$8,701	\$7,038	\$5,212	\$3,764	64.9	58.4	65.8	60.9	64.3	60.4
Under 35 years.....	7,777	6,978	7,641	6,773	4,589	3,510	69.3	61.7	71.1	65.7	68.9	59.9
35 to 44 years.....	10,410	7,849	9,780	7,802	5,794	4,173	70.8	59.3	70.8	61.9	67.8	63.2
45 to 54 years.....	10,299	7,743	9,623	7,062	5,624	3,843	62.7	56.3	63.2	56.7	61.8	59.1
55 to 64 years.....	9,061	6,574	8,680	6,622	5,059	(B)	58.1	52.4	59.2	53.4	57.9	(B)
65 years and over.....	5,171	(B)	4,600	(B)	3,563	(B)	41.4	(B)	41.7	(B)	47.7	(B)
<b>Wife</b>												
Total.....	\$3,537	\$4,015	\$3,259	\$3,544	\$2,144	\$1,804	25.2	32.4	24.7	30.7	26.4	28.9
Under 35 years.....	3,008	3,903	2,752	3,250	1,777	1,881	26.8	34.5	25.6	31.5	26.7	32.1
35 to 44 years.....	3,241	4,040	3,023	3,771	2,151	1,904	22.0	30.5	21.9	29.9	25.2	28.9
45 to 54 years.....	4,041	4,260	3,700	3,490	2,402	1,694	24.6	31.0	24.3	28.0	26.4	26.1
55 to 64 years.....	4,319	4,223	3,965	4,267	2,451	(B)	27.7	33.6	27.0	34.4	28.0	(B)
65 years and over.....	3,418	(B)	3,228	(B)	2,134	(B)	27.3	(B)	29.2	(B)	28.6	(B)

See footnote at end of table.

**Table 5. EARNINGS OF HUSBAND AND OF WIFE AS A PERCENT OF FAMILY INCOME FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY AGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959—Con.**

Age of husband	Mean earnings						Mean earnings as a percent of mean family income					
	1970		1969		1959		1970		1969		1959	
	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro
<b>SOUTH</b>												
<b>Husband</b>												
Total.....	\$8,037	\$5,326	\$7,450	\$4,784	\$4,432	\$2,293	64.5	59.0	64.0	60.4	63.4	60.7
Under 35 years.....	7,243	5,481	6,508	4,977	3,855	2,422	69.4	64.4	67.6	67.2	66.4	67.1
35 to 44 years.....	9,148	5,972	8,702	5,518	4,841	2,701	68.6	59.6	68.6	62.8	65.3	62.8
45 to 54 years.....	8,913	5,293	8,305	4,660	5,006	2,114	60.3	57.0	61.2	55.3	62.6	56.5
55 to 64 years.....	7,864	4,973	7,428	4,194	4,440	1,941	59.3	55.2	58.7	53.9	57.9	57.0
65 years and over.....	3,767	(B)	3,233	(B)	3,286	(B)	36.6	(B)	34.8	(B)	47.8	(B)
<b>Wife</b>												
Total.....	\$3,376	\$2,742	\$3,184	\$2,258	\$1,967	\$998	27.1	30.4	27.4	28.5	28.2	26.4
Under 35 years.....	2,898	2,719	2,842	2,168	1,683	942	27.8	31.9	29.5	29.3	29.0	26.1
35 to 44 years.....	3,355	3,333	3,081	2,475	2,057	1,118	25.1	33.3	24.3	28.2	27.8	26.0
45 to 54 years.....	4,039	2,692	3,647	2,389	2,210	1,067	27.3	29.0	26.9	28.4	27.6	28.5
55 to 64 years.....	3,713	2,295	3,649	2,125	2,190	815	28.0	25.5	28.8	27.3	28.6	23.9
65 years and over.....	3,087	(B)	2,789	(B)	1,823	(B)	30.0	(B)	30.0	(B)	26.5	(B)

B Base less than 75,000.

**Table 6. PERCENT OF AGGREGATE FAMILY INCOME CONTRIBUTED BY THE EARNINGS OF FAMILY MEMBERS FOR FAMILIES IN WHICH BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE WORKED, BY RACE OF HUSBAND: 1970, 1969, AND 1959**

(Families as of March 1971 and 1970 and April 1960)

Distribution of aggregate family income	Total						Husband under 35 years					
	1970		1969		1959		1970		1969		1959	
	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro
<b>UNITED STATES</b>												
Total.....thousands..	18,401	1,880	18,177	1,961	12,282	1,273	6,387	651	6,146	740	3,849	392
Aggregate family income....billions..	\$249.6	\$19.9	\$231.6	\$18.8	\$96.0	\$6.1	\$70.1	\$6.4	\$63.8	\$6.5	\$24.7	\$1.8
Percent.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Husband's earnings.....	64.8	58.7	65.3	60.7	64.1	60.5	69.3	62.8	70.0	66.3	68.2	63.2
Wife's earnings.....	25.7	31.4	25.4	29.7	26.8	27.7	27.1	33.4	26.8	30.6	27.3	29.4
Other family members' earnings.....	3.5	4.9	3.5	4.7	3.7	5.2	0.6	1.3	0.7	1.3	1.6	3.2
Income other than earnings.....	6.0	5.0	5.8	4.9	5.4	6.5	3.0	2.4	2.5	1.8	2.9	4.3
<b>NORTH AND WEST</b>												
Total.....thousands..	12,969	864	12,758	894	9,039	514	4,358	324	4,134	365	2,699	166
Aggregate family income....billions..	\$181.9	\$10.7	\$168.6	\$10.3	\$73.3	\$3.2	\$48.9	\$3.7	\$44.5	\$3.8	\$18.0	\$1.0
Percent.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Husband's earnings.....	64.9	58.4	65.8	60.9	64.3	60.4	69.3	61.7	71.1	65.7	68.9	59.9
Wife's earnings.....	25.2	32.4	24.7	30.7	26.4	28.9	26.8	34.5	25.6	31.5	26.7	32.1
Other family members' earnings.....	3.6	4.7	3.6	4.4	3.9	5.4	0.5	1.3	0.6	1.2	1.5	3.4
Income other than earnings.....	6.3	4.5	5.9	4.0	5.4	5.3	3.3	2.5	2.7	1.6	3.0	4.6
<b>SOUTH</b>												
Total.....thousands..	5,432	1,016	5,419	1,066	3,242	759	2,028	327	2,012	375	1,150	226
Aggregate family income....billions..	\$67.7	\$9.2	\$63.0	\$8.4	\$22.6	\$2.9	\$21.2	\$2.8	\$19.4	\$2.8	\$6.7	\$0.8
Percent.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Husband's earnings.....	64.5	59.0	64.0	60.4	63.4	60.7	69.4	64.4	67.6	67.2	66.4	67.1
Wife's earnings.....	27.1	30.4	27.4	28.5	28.2	26.4	27.8	31.9	29.5	29.3	29.0	26.1
Other family members' earnings.....	3.1	5.3	3.1	5.2	3.1	5.5	0.6	1.4	0.8	1.4	2.1	2.9
Income other than earnings.....	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.9	5.3	7.4	2.2	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.5	3.9

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