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SYMBOLS USED IN TABLES

- Represents zero or rounds to zero.
- B Base less than 75,000.
- ... Not applicable.
- NA Not available.
- r Revised.

Money Income and Poverty Status of Families and Persons in the United States: 1978 (Advance Report)

NOTE

As part of the March 1979 Current Population Survey, the Bureau of the Census conducted an experiment in an effort to improve the reporting of income. For the purpose of the experiment, the full CPS sample was divided into two samples—each representative of the U.S. population. An experimental questionnaire was used for one sample consisting of three-eighths of the full sample, and the traditional questionnaire was used for the remaining five-eighths of the full sample. In this text, the income and poverty estimates cited for 1978 are based on the full sample. In addition, the full sample for 1978 was also used to measure changes from 1977, except for women with income, as described below. A discussion of the experiment and its impact on 1978 income and poverty data is provided in a later section entitled, "The March 1979 CPS Income Experiment."

INTRODUCTION

The median income of all families in the United States was \$17,640 in 1978, according to results of the Current Population Survey (CPS) conducted in March 1979 by the Bureau of the Census. In 1978, median family income was 10 percent higher than the 1977 median (\$16,010). After adjusting for the 7.6-percent increase in prices between 1977 and 1978,¹ there was an increase in real median income of \$410 (or 2 percent) for that period. The survey also indicated that there were about 24.5 million persons below the poverty level in 1978 comprising 11.4 percent of the U.S. population². The size of the poverty population did not change significantly from the 1977 level. The poverty threshold for a nonfarm family of four was \$6,662 in 1978.

MONEY INCOME IN 1978

Median family income in 1978 (\$17,640) was 6 percent higher than the 1970 level (\$16,570) after adjusting for inflation. This represents an average annual increase since 1970 of 0.8 percent, which was much less than the average annual increase experienced between 1960 and 1970 (3.0 percent). The slower growth in real median income during the current decade is in part related to slower overall economic growth during the 1970's and the severe recession from November 1973 to March 1975. There was an increase in real median family income of 7 percent between 1970 and 1973, when the 1973 median (in 1978 dollars) reached \$17,680. However, median income declined by 6 percent in real terms between 1973 and 1975. The increase of 6 percent since 1975 resulted in a median family income for 1978 that was not significantly different than the peak reached in 1973. (See table A.)

¹ The percentage increase in prices between 1977 and 1978 is computed by dividing the annual average Consumer Price Index (CPI) for 1978 by the annual average value of the CPI for 1977.

² See appendix A for an explanation of the poverty concept.

In addition to the economic problems of recession and high-level inflation during the 1970's, there were also changes in family structure which have affected income levels. From March 1970 to March 1979, there was a substantial increase in the proportion of families maintained by a female householder with no husband present (from 11 to 15 percent). There was also an increase, from 28 to 30 percent, in the proportion of families maintained by younger persons (under 35 years of age). These changes have exerted a downward influence on overall median income since families maintained by women and younger persons tend to have lower incomes.

White families had a median income of \$18,370 in 1978, an increase of 2 percent above their 1977 median in real terms. The 1978 median income for Black families (\$10,880) represented an increase of about 6 percent above the 1977 median. However, there was no statistically significant difference between the percentage increase experienced by White and Black families. The increase in the real median income of Black families between 1977 and 1978 is related to the 8-percent increase in real median income experienced by Black husband-wife families. In contrast, Black families with a female householder did not experience a significant change in real median income during this period. (See table 1.) The 1978 median income of Spanish families (\$12,570) was not significantly different than their 1977 median in real terms.

In 1978, median income of families in the South (\$15,940) was 87 percent of the median for families in the non-South regions (\$18,410). Among families in regions outside of the South, median income in the Northeast (\$18,190) was lower than the median in the North Central Region (\$18,600), but not significantly lower than the median income in the West (\$18,410). Median income of families in the West represented an increase in real terms of 4 percent over the 1977

Table A. Median Family Income in 1960 and 1970 to 1978 in Current and Constant Dollars, and Percent Change

Year	Median family income		Year	Median family income	
	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars		In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
1978.....	\$17,640	\$17,640	PERCENT CHANGE		
1977.....	16,009	17,226	1970 to 1978.....	*78.8	*6.5
1976.....	14,958	17,134	1977 to 1978.....	*10.2	*2.4
1975.....	13,719	16,621	1976 to 1977.....	*7.0	0.5
1974 ^r	12,902	17,060	1975 to 1976.....	*9.0	*3.1
1974.....	12,836	16,973	1974 ^r to 1975.....	*6.3	*-2.6
1973.....	12,051	17,683	1973 to 1974.....	*6.5	*-4.0
1972.....	11,116	17,326	1972 to 1973.....	*8.4	*2.1
1971.....	10,285	16,559	1971 to 1972.....	*8.1	*4.6
1970.....	9,867	16,569	1970 to 1971.....	*4.2	-0.1
1960.....	5,620	12,374	1960 to 1970.....	*75.6	*33.9
			ANNUAL AVERAGE PERCENT CHANGE		
			1970 to 1978.....	*7.5	*0.8
			1960 to 1970.....	*5.8	*3.0

^rBased on revised methodology.

*Significant at the 95-percent confidence level.

Table B. Families and Unrelated Individuals, by Total Money Income in 1978

(Families and unrelated individuals as of March 1979. For meaning of symbols, see text)

Total money income	Families		Unrelated individuals	
	Number (thousands)	Percent distribution	Number (thousands)	Percent distribution
Total.....	57,804	100.0	24,585	100.0
Under \$2,000.....	1,027	1.8	2,061	8.4
\$2,000 to \$2,999.....	852	1.5	2,569	10.4
\$3,000 to \$3,999.....	1,336	2.3	2,801	11.4
\$4,000 to \$4,999.....	1,504	2.6	2,058	8.4
\$5,000 to \$5,999.....	1,711	3.0	1,762	7.2
\$6,000 to \$6,999.....	1,783	3.1	1,479	6.0
\$7,000 to \$7,999.....	1,925	3.3	1,401	5.7
\$8,000 to \$8,999.....	1,876	3.2	1,220	5.0
\$9,000 to \$9,999.....	1,859	3.2	1,067	4.3
\$10,000 to \$10,999.....	2,038	3.5	1,151	4.7
\$11,000 to \$11,999.....	1,873	3.2	913	3.7
\$12,000 to \$12,999.....	1,992	3.4	861	3.5
\$13,000 to \$13,999.....	1,937	3.4	613	2.5
\$14,000 to \$14,999.....	1,816	3.1	548	2.2
\$15,000 to \$15,999.....	2,143	3.7	628	2.6
\$16,000 to \$16,999.....	1,985	3.4	489	2.0
\$17,000 to \$17,999.....	1,948	3.4	413	1.7
\$18,000 to \$19,999.....	3,693	6.4	681	2.8
\$20,000 to \$24,999.....	8,392	14.5	936	3.8
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	14,033	24.3	787	3.2
\$50,000 and over.....	2,082	3.6	148	0.6
Median income.....	\$17,640	...	\$6,705	...
Standard error.....	\$81	...	\$70	...
Mean income.....	\$20,091	...	\$8,919	...
Standard income.....	\$80	...	\$74	...

level³. While the change in real median income of Black families in regions other than North Central was not statistically significant, there was some evidence that Black families living in the North Central Region experienced a relatively large increase in real median income between 1977 and 1978. (See table 1.) It should be noted, however, that at least part of the measured 19-percent increase is possibly the result of sampling variability.

The survey also showed that families residing on a farm experienced a larger increase in real income than nonfarm families. The 1978 median income for farm families (\$15,280) represented a 12-percent increase in real terms over the 1977 median, whereas the median for nonfarm families (\$17,730) represented only a 2-percent increase.

The change in income from 1977 for men and women is complicated by the fact that the experimental questionnaire yielded a significantly lower estimate of median income for women but not for men. The difference in median income for women is due to the addition of many more women who reported small amounts of unearned income⁴. Because of this complication, the results obtained from the traditional questionnaire only (rather than the full sample) give the best measure of change in the income of women⁵. After adjustment for inflation, the 1978 median income for women was not significantly different from their 1977 median. For men, the best measure of change in income is obtained by using the full sample for 1978. The median income for men in 1978 (\$10,940) was not significantly different from the 1977 value in real terms.

For men and women with earnings, the full sample for 1978 gives the best measure of change from 1977. The survey showed that, for civilians, about 65 percent of men and 43 percent of women worked year round full time. The median earnings in 1978 for year-round full-time workers were \$15,730 for men and \$9,350 for women. These medians do not represent a significant change in real terms from the previous year.

POVERTY STATUS IN 1978

For the second year in a row, there was no significant change in the size of the poverty population. In 1978, there were about 24.5 million persons below the poverty level, essentially the same as the 1977 figure of 24.7 million. In addition, none of the major subgroups within the population experienced significant changes in either the number of poor or the poverty rate.

Overall, about 11.4 percent of the U.S. population was below the poverty level in 1978; however, poverty rates varied widely among the various subgroups. For example, the poverty rate in 1978 for White families (6.9 percent) was much lower than the rates for Black families (27.5 percent)

³ However, the gain in median family income in the West Region was not significantly larger than the gain in the North Central Region.

⁴ A more detailed discussion of the impact of the new questionnaire on female incomes can be found in the section, "The March 1979 CPS Income Experiment."

⁵ It should be noted that the percent change column for income shown in table 8 is based on the five-eighths sample for 1978 for all women with income.

and for families of Spanish origin (20.4 percent). The difference in poverty rates by race and Spanish origin narrows when comparisons are made for husband-wife families. The poverty rates for Black and Spanish-origin families of this type (11.3 and 11.9 percent, respectively) were higher than the rate for comparable White families (4.7 percent), but were not significantly different from each other. (See table 16). Families maintained by women with no husband present had a poverty rate of 31.4 percent, far higher than those of husband-wife families or families with a male householder and no wife present (5.2 and 9.2 percent, respectively).

Because some groups have much higher poverty rates than others, the composition of the poverty population differs considerably from that of the population as a whole. Groups with higher than average poverty rates, such as children, Blacks, and the aged, make up larger proportions of the poverty population than of the total population. (See table C.)

About three-fifths of all poor persons in 1978 lived in metropolitan areas and within metropolitan areas a similar proportion lived in central cities. Of all poor persons in central cities, 40 percent resided in poverty areas. About 42 percent of the poor in 1978 lived in the South Region compared to 32 percent of the total population.

THE MARCH 1979 CPS INCOME EXPERIMENT

As part of a continuing effort to improve the quality of its income statistics, the Census Bureau tested a modified income supplement questionnaire in the March 1979 CPS. The new questionnaire was administered to a representative sample consisting of three-eighths of the full sample households. Another representative sample consisting of the remaining five-eighths of the full sample were interviewed using the traditional questionnaire.

The experimental questionnaire contained a number of modifications designed to improve income reporting. First, probes were added to identify circumstances which could result in the receipt of specific income types. For example, a question concerning injuries or work-related illnesses was added to identify persons likely to have received worker's compensation payments. Second, more detailed sources of income were enumerated. Third, the questionnaire was designed to facilitate the recording of income received jointly between husbands and wives, such as interest from savings accounts. Fourth, because of the additional probing, most questions concerning "unearned" income sources were asked using household screener questions in order to reduce respondent burden.

It should be noted here that even though the new questionnaire obtained more detailed income data, these data were collapsed to make them consistent with those obtained from the traditional questionnaire for processing purposes. Following is a discussion of the survey results obtained from using the two different questionnaires (facsimiles of both will appear in the forthcoming Current Population Reports, Series P-60, Nos. 121, 123, and 124).

Overall, the experimental questionnaire yielded results very similar to the traditional supplement for key summary

Table C. Selected Characteristics of Persons, Families, and Unrelated Individuals, by Poverty Status in 1978

(Numbers in thousands. Persons, families, and unrelated individuals as of March 1979)

Selected characteristics	All income levels	Below poverty level		Percent distribution	
		Number	Rate	All income levels	Below poverty level
PERSONS					
Total.....	215,656	24,497	11.4	100.0	100.0
White.....	186,450	16,259	8.7	86.5	66.4
Black.....	24,956	7,625	32.6	11.6	31.1
Other races.....	4,250	613	14.4	2.0	2.5
Spanish origin ¹	12,079	2,607	21.6	5.6	10.6
Under 65 years.....	192,481	21,264	11.0	89.3	86.8
65 years and over.....	23,175	3,233	13.9	10.7	13.2
Related children under 18 years.....	61,987	9,722	15.7	28.7	39.7
Related children 5 to 17 years.....	46,504	7,052	15.2	21.6	28.8
North and West.....	145,746	14,242	9.8	67.6	58.1
South.....	69,910	10,255	14.7	32.4	41.9
Inside metropolitan areas.....	145,730	15,090	10.4	67.6	61.6
Inside central cities.....	60,453	9,285	15.4	28.0	37.9
Outside central cities.....	85,277	5,805	6.8	39.5	23.7
Outside metropolitan areas.....	69,926	9,407	13.5	32.4	38.4
FAMILIES					
Total.....	57,804	5,280	9.1	100.0	100.0
White.....	50,910	3,523	6.9	88.1	66.7
Black.....	5,906	1,622	27.5	10.2	30.7
Other races.....	997	135	13.5	1.7	2.6
Spanish origin ¹	2,741	559	20.4	4.7	10.6
Husband-wife.....	47,692	2,474	5.2	82.5	46.9
Male householder, no wife present.....	1,654	152	9.2	2.9	2.9
Female householder, no husband present...	8,458	2,654	31.4	14.6	50.3
UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS					
Total.....	24,585	5,435	22.1	100.0	100.0
Male.....	10,688	1,824	17.1	43.5	33.6
Female.....	13,897	3,611	26.0	56.5	66.4

¹Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

statistics such as median family income and the number of persons below the poverty level. Table 1 compares median family incomes obtained from the experimental and traditional questionnaires. Under the new approach, median income for all families was \$17,670, very similar to the \$17,620 yielded by the conventional approach. The two questionnaires also produced similar medians for most subgroups of families. There were a few scattered exceptions, as shown in the table, but these did not appear to follow any particular pattern and may be the result of normal sampling variability.

A comparison of income data for persons shows that while the median income of men was not significantly

affected, the median income of women was lowered dramatically by the new approach, from \$4,250 to \$3,820 (table 8). The difference was due primarily to the large increase, under the new approach with its more detailed probes, in the number of women reporting receipt of small amounts of income (primarily interest from joint savings accounts). If the traditional questionnaire had been used, many of these women would likely have reported that they received no income and therefore would not have been included in the calculation of median income. Since these women did report at least some small amount of income under the new approach, this tended to lower the overall median income for women. The new questionnaire did not

appreciably change the median income of women with earnings since all of these women were already included in the calculation of the median. Table 8 shows the number of female income recipients under both approaches (69.7 million for the old versus 75.6 million for the new). The difference was due entirely to increased reciprocity of income other than earnings; both questionnaires produced estimates of 48.4 million for the number of women receiving earnings.

Although the new questionnaire had some impact on the income data, it had no significant effect on the poverty data. The three-eighths sample produced an estimate of 24.4 million poor persons, essentially the same as the 24.6 million yielded by the five-eighths sample. Table 16 compares the traditional and experimental poverty data for selected population subgroups; none of these estimates differ significantly.

The new approach brought about some improvements in reporting for certain types of income, particularly property income and some government transfer payments. There was an increase in reciprocity for interest, dividends, rent, veterans' payments, unemployment compensation, and worker's compensation. A detailed discussion of the improvements will be presented in the forthcoming report on 1978 money income.

In summary, the 1978 estimates based on the full sample give the best estimate of income and poverty in 1978 as well as the best measure of change from 1977 for all categories except all women with income. Although the 1978 estimates based on the five-eighths sample were collected using the same questionnaire as used for the 1977 estimates, the smaller sample size results in a greater degree of sampling variability and a less accurate measure of change for most categories. For women with income, the lower median income based on the full sample gives a misleading measure

of change from 1977, so it is preferable to use the five-eighths sample for this purpose. However, the 1978 income and poverty data cited in the text are based on the full sample in order to ensure agreement with the estimates shown in the tables.

HEAD VERSUS HOUSEHOLDER

In the 1980 census the Census Bureau plans to discontinue the use of the terms "head of family" and "head of household." Recent social changes have resulted in a trend toward more nearly equal status for adult members of a household and, therefore, have made the term "head" increasingly inappropriate in the analysis of household and family data. Specifically, the Bureau is planning to change its longtime practice of always classifying the husband as head when he and his wife are living together.

In the 1980 census, a "householder" will be designated as the household reference person. The householder is to be the first adult household member listed on the census questionnaire. The instructions call for listing first the person (or one of the persons) in whose name the home is owned or rented. If a home is owned jointly by a married couple, either the husband or the wife may be listed first and thereby becomes the reference person, or householder, to whom the relationship of other household members is to be recorded. However, in order to provide some comparability with earlier years, the husband will be shown as the householder in a selected number of tables.

The Bureau is planning to implement the collection of information based on the householder concept beginning in October 1978. The user of this report is cautioned that the term "householder" as used in the text refers to the "head," as defined in earlier reports; the term "head" is retained in the detailed tables.

NOTE

In the past the Census Bureau has designated a head of household to serve as the central reference person for the collection and tabulation of data for individual members of the household (or family). However, recent social changes have resulted in a trend toward recognition of more equal status for all members of the household (or family), making the term "head" less relevant in the analysis of household and family data. As a result, the Bureau is currently developing new techniques of enumeration and data presentation which will eliminate the concept of "head." While much of the data in this report are based on the concept of "head," methodology for future Census Bureau reports will reflect a gradual movement away from this traditional practice.

Table 1. Selected Characteristics of All Families—Number of Families and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head

(Families as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
ALL RACES														
All families.....	57,804	17,640	81	57,535	17,623	109	58,252	17,671	120	48	57,215	16,009	*10.2	*2.4
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	55,753	17,732	82	55,453	17,712	109	56,250	17,768	122	56	55,042	16,140	*9.9	*2.1
Farm.....	2,051	15,284	423	2,082	15,236	624	2,003	15,286	604	50	2,172	12,637	*20.9	*12.4
Inside metropolitan areas.....	38,581	18,910	144	38,480	18,900	178	38,742	18,944	246	44	37,841	17,371	*8.9	1.2
1,000,000 or more.....	21,586	19,835	216	21,689	19,328	265	21,405	19,964	332	184	21,572	18,196	*9.0	1.3
Inside central cities.....	7,991	15,893	305	8,043	15,972	375	7,900	15,784	531	-188	7,993	14,677	*8.3	0.6
Outside central cities.....	13,595	21,746	226	13,646	21,705	291	13,505	21,818	361	113	13,579	20,110	*8.1	0.5
Under 1,000,000.....	16,995	17,976	195	16,792	17,964	252	17,337	18,009	311	45	16,269	16,329	*10.1	2.3
Inside central cities.....	7,642	16,625	291	7,596	16,552	340	7,721	16,794	521	242	7,367	15,192	*9.4	1.7
Outside central cities.....	9,353	18,940	259	9,196	18,973	333	9,615	18,903	411	-70	8,902	17,252	*9.8	2.0
Outside metropolitan areas.....	19,223	15,287	161	19,054	15,229	207	19,511	15,374	260	145	19,374	13,789	*10.9	3.0
Region														
Northeast.....	12,895	18,190	161	12,846	18,335	204	12,958	17,975	239	-360	12,936	16,804	*8.2	0.6
North Central.....	15,390	18,599	151	15,355	18,550	193	15,456	18,680	247	130	15,308	16,845	*10.4	*2.6
South.....	19,037	15,944	133	18,947	15,849	158	19,201	16,119	247	270	18,724	14,567	*9.5	1.7
West.....	10,482	18,410	181	10,386	18,493	221	10,637	18,282	319	-211	10,247	16,512	*11.5	*3.6
Type of Family														
Male head.....	49,346	19,229	88	49,081	19,221	111	49,811	19,248	147	27	48,979	17,517	*9.8	*2.0
Married, wife present.....	47,692	19,340	90	47,494	19,328	114	48,047	19,362	150	34	47,385	17,616	*9.8	*2.0
Wife in paid labor force.....	23,005	22,109	112	22,921	22,062	141	23,170	22,190	185	128	21,936	20,268	*9.1	*1.4
Wife not in paid labor force.....	24,686	16,156	125	24,572	16,103	152	24,877	16,249	213	146	25,449	15,063	*7.3	-0.3
Other marital status.....	1,655	15,966	436	1,587	16,140	614	1,764	15,749	577	-391	1,594	14,518	*10.0	2.2
Female head.....	8,458	8,537	126	8,453	8,516	168	8,441	8,584	190	68	8,236	7,765	*9.9	2.2
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	57,095	17,710	82	56,889	17,704	110	57,438	17,726	121	22	56,448	16,060	*10.3	*2.5
No earners.....	7,028	6,718	90	6,852	6,585	116	7,326	6,930	148	345	7,083	6,019	*11.6	*3.7
1 earner.....	18,346	14,239	135	18,344	14,148	166	18,331	14,424	233	276	18,621	13,148	*8.3	0.6
2 earners.....	23,333	20,468	85	23,231	20,459	109	23,505	20,492	138	33	22,414	18,704	*9.4	*1.7
3 earners.....	5,454	25,741	151	5,421	25,583	187	5,516	26,006	258	423	5,533	23,511	*9.5	1.7
4 earners or more.....	2,934	29,103	285	3,041	29,062	363	2,761	29,160	459	98	2,797	27,236	*6.9	-0.7
Size of Family														
2 persons.....	22,485	14,165	131	22,242	14,123	161	22,898	14,236	221	113	22,033	12,890	*9.9	2.1
3 persons.....	12,975	18,073	158	12,883	18,074	205	13,119	18,075	255	1	12,629	16,364	*10.4	*2.6
4 persons.....	12,037	20,428	133	11,899	20,412	171	12,271	20,456	214	44	11,774	18,723	*9.1	1.4
5 persons.....	6,089	20,868	208	6,191	20,697	260	5,910	21,202	347	505	6,269	19,116	*9.2	1.5
6 persons.....	2,524	20,791	395	2,633	20,737	451	2,345	20,891	786	154	2,649	19,256	*8.0	0.3
7 persons or more.....	1,694	20,132	493	1,687	20,476	538	1,710	19,320	1,044	-1,156	1,861	17,196	*17.1	*8.8
Employment Status and Occupation of Head²														
Head in civilian labor force.....	44,561	20,144	68	44,394	20,107	87	44,824	20,219	112	112	44,122	18,262	*10.3	*2.5
Head employed.....	42,871	20,400	71	42,681	20,368	90	43,186	20,462	117	94	42,277	18,582	*9.8	*2.0
White-collar workers.....	20,133	23,683	159	19,987	23,634	201	20,365	23,783	259	149	19,611	21,619	*9.5	*1.8
Professional, technical, and kindred workers.....	7,078	25,414	165	7,073	25,476	213	7,080	25,323	263	-153	6,678	23,047	*10.3	*2.5
Salaried.....	6,359	25,100	174	6,318	25,167	203	6,419	24,998	342	-169	5,963	22,566	*11.2	*3.4
Self-employed.....	719	31,417	1,346	755	31,654	1,872	661	30,960	1,873	-694	715	29,170	7.7	0.1
Managers and administrators, except farm.....	6,883	25,722	177	6,750	25,687	225	7,104	25,797	289	110	6,817	23,791	*8.1	0.5
Salaried.....	5,695	26,521	199	5,616	26,582	252	5,830	26,435	326	-147	5,547	25,152	*5.4	*-2.0
Self-employed.....	1,188	19,064	750	1,135	17,785	819	1,274	21,270	888	*3,485	1,270	17,433	9.4	1.6
Sales workers.....	2,494	22,535	409	2,443	22,433	482	2,577	22,737	762	304	2,545	20,988	*7.4	-0.2
Clerical and kindred workers.....	3,678	17,640	322	3,720	17,658	415	3,604	17,613	473	-45	3,571	15,851	*11.3	3.4
Blue-collar workers.....	17,840	18,944	110	17,859	18,963	140	17,813	18,923	178	-40	17,787	17,161	*10.4	*2.6
Craft and kindred workers.....	8,832	20,369	126	8,797	20,444	159	8,904	20,241	206	-203	8,739	18,658	*9.2	1.5
Operatives, incl. transport.....	7,146	18,155	148	7,173	18,149	198	7,094	18,180	229	31	7,121	16,070	*13.0	*5.0
Operatives, exc. transport.....	4,814	17,826	180	4,804	17,658	261	4,832	18,043	261	385	4,800	15,509	*14.9	*6.8
Transport equip. oper.....	2,333	18,945	312	2,369	19,274	432	2,262	18,493	436	-781	2,321	17,457	*8.5	0.9
Laborers, except farm.....	1,861	15,522	303	1,889	14,967	347	1,815	16,463	476	*1,496	1,926	14,737	*5.3	-2.1
Service workers.....	3,441	14,008	263	3,341	13,785	328	3,608	14,260	351	475	3,420	12,570	*11.4	3.6
Private household workers.....	142	5,691	479	126	6,273	709	169	5,204	546	-1,069	157	5,571	2.2	-5.1
Service workers, except private household.....	3,299	14,387	247	3,215	14,160	350	3,439	14,622	332	462	3,263	12,972	*10.9	3.1
Farm workers.....	1,459	13,109	396	1,495	12,622	419	1,400	13,695	439	1,073	1,459	10,637	*23.2	*14.5
Farmers and farm managers.....	1,070	14,410	539	1,093	14,164	952	1,037	14,662	693	518	1,077	10,865	*32.6	*23.3
Farm lab. and supervisors.....	388	11,298	366	402	11,202	564	362	11,503	689	301	382	10,416	8.5	0.8
Head unemployed.....	1,689	11,342	378	1,713	11,383	497	1,638	11,251	548	-132	1,845	10,334	*9.8	2.0
Head not in civilian labor force.....	13,243	9,177	78	13,140	9,165	126	13,429	9,208	157	43	13,093	8,289	*10.7	*2.9

¹Excludes families with members who are in the Armed Forces.

²Employment status and occupation of head as of March of the following year.

Table 1. Selected Characteristics of All Families—Number of Families and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head—Continued

(Families as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
ALL RACES--Continued														
Tenure Status³														
Total.....	57,498	17,707	81	57,215	17,699	109	57,971	17,726	120	27	56,958	16,067	*10.2	*2.4
Owner occupied.....	43,037	20,017	86	42,768	20,082	95	43,489	19,875	166	-207	41,427	18,301	*9.4	*1.6
Renter occupied.....	13,287	11,802	133	13,190	11,536	166	13,438	12,260	215	*724	14,410	10,919	*8.1	0.4
Occupier paid no cash rent.....	1,174	11,779	364	1,257	12,318	411	1,044	10,790	460	*-1,528	1,121	10,883	8.2	0.6
Educational Attainment of Head														
Total, 25 years and over..	53,967	18,178	80	53,682	18,181	102	54,448	18,181	133	-	53,364	16,574	*9.7	*1.9
Elementary: Total.....	9,770	10,465	133	9,832	10,488	169	9,671	10,433	211	-55	10,228	9,606	*8.9	1.2
Less than 8 years.....	5,094	9,334	194	5,179	9,474	221	4,948	9,042	349	-432	5,374	8,649	*7.9	0.3
8 years.....	4,676	11,831	218	4,653	11,760	267	4,723	11,948	367	188	4,854	10,732	*10.2	2.5
High school: Total.....	26,002	17,434	111	25,647	17,396	156	26,593	17,494	157	98	25,878	15,892	*9.7	*2.0
1 to 3 years.....	7,581	14,183	196	7,298	14,058	262	8,065	14,332	273	274	7,746	13,030	*8.8	1.2
4 years.....	18,420	18,627	127	18,348	18,665	160	18,528	18,584	207	-81	18,132	17,110	*8.9	1.2
College: Total.....	18,195	23,766	170	18,203	23,818	221	18,184	23,691	266	-127	17,258	21,799	*9.0	1.3
1 to 3 years.....	8,150	20,421	162	8,189	20,311	213	8,092	20,582	249	271	7,697	19,033	*7.3	-0.3
4 years or more.....	10,046	26,458	160	10,014	26,546	207	10,092	26,334	251	-212	9,561	24,852	*6.5	-1.1
4 years.....	5,422	25,529	185	5,417	25,603	238	5,421	25,435	294	-168	5,173	23,409	*9.1	1.4
5 years or more.....	4,623	27,751	279	4,597	27,881	366	4,671	27,550	431	-331	4,389	26,042	*6.6	-1.0
WHITE														
All families.....	50,910	18,368	82	50,709	18,356	103	51,252	18,391	135	35	50,530	16,740	*9.7	*2.0
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	48,951	18,471	84	48,731	18,447	106	49,324	18,517	138	70	48,467	16,892	*9.3	*1.6
Farm.....	1,959	15,562	399	1,978	15,646	616	1,928	15,428	558	-218	2,063	13,082	*19.0	*10.6
Inside metropolitan areas.....	33,265	19,862	163	33,137	19,844	200	33,480	19,905	254	61	32,824	18,211	*9.1	1.4
1,000,000 or more.....	18,173	20,792	185	18,275	20,759	236	18,012	20,851	297	92	18,333	19,207	*8.3	0.6
Inside central cities.....	5,544	17,486	368	5,652	17,525	477	5,368	17,453	584	-72	5,694	16,255	*7.6	-
Outside central cities.....	12,629	22,049	239	12,623	22,054	307	12,643	22,038	382	-16	12,639	20,413	*8.0	0.4
Under 1,000,000.....	15,092	18,657	201	14,862	18,651	256	15,468	18,678	324	27	14,491	17,025	*9.6	1.8
Inside central cities.....	6,317	17,869	339	6,225	17,844	455	6,465	17,917	509	73	6,123	16,315	*9.5	1.8
Outside central cities.....	8,774	19,206	272	8,637	19,219	352	9,003	19,188	428	-31	8,368	17,503	*9.7	2.0
Outside metropolitan areas.....	17,645	15,792	165	17,572	15,693	212	17,772	15,945	300	252	17,706	14,403	*9.6	1.9
Region														
Northeast.....	11,592	18,765	177	11,528	18,939	227	11,691	18,502	284	-437	11,797	17,302	*8.5	0.8
North Central.....	14,049	19,044	167	14,000	19,051	214	14,129	19,028	268	-23	14,045	17,231	*10.5	*2.7
South.....	15,899	17,149	163	15,904	16,923	201	15,903	17,500	252	577	15,521	15,721	*9.1	1.4
West.....	9,370	18,859	197	9,277	18,881	240	9,529	18,820	339	-61	9,167	16,985	*11.0	*3.2
Type of Family														
Male head.....	44,992	19,561	95	44,792	19,530	120	45,343	19,615	158	85	44,701	17,848	*9.6	*1.9
Married, wife present.....	43,636	19,638	97	43,508	19,607	122	43,868	19,691	160	84	43,423	17,916	*9.6	*1.9
Wife in paid labor force.....	20,624	22,372	120	20,590	22,274	149	20,697	22,543	203	269	19,662	20,518	*9.0	1.3
Wife not in paid labor force	23,012	16,533	131	22,918	16,443	159	23,171	16,693	229	250	23,761	15,389	*7.4	-0.2
Other marital status.....	1,355	16,914	483	1,284	16,997	648	1,475	16,818	740	-179	1,278	15,630	8.2	0.6
Female head.....	5,918	9,911	177	5,917	9,906	223	5,909	9,922	285	16	5,828	8,799	*12.6	*4.7
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	50,312	18,432	82	50,170	18,427	104	50,555	18,446	136	19	49,898	16,782	*9.8	*2.1
No earners.....	5,937	7,395	99	5,797	7,258	126	6,176	7,619	162	361	5,959	6,608	*11.9	*4.0
1 earner.....	15,940	15,223	110	15,931	15,152	145	15,940	15,345	171	193	16,350	14,077	*8.1	0.5
2 earners.....	20,913	20,745	91	20,872	20,729	116	20,989	20,773	148	44	20,086	19,019	*9.1	*1.4
3 earners.....	4,883	26,150	165	4,850	25,877	202	4,941	26,606	284	*729	4,988	24,058	*8.7	1.0
4 earners or more.....	2,640	29,430	306	2,720	29,398	391	2,508	29,463	490	65	2,514	27,689	*6.3	-1.2
BLACK														
All families.....	5,906	10,879	218	5,854	10,813	258	5,988	11,039	416	226	5,806	9,563	*13.8	*5.7
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	5,827	10,940	230	5,770	10,891	272	5,920	11,070	431	179	5,721	9,649	*13.4	5.4
Farm.....	78	6,813	1,828	84	5,822	1,904	68	(B)	(B)	...	86	5,561	22.5	13.9
Inside metropolitan areas.....	4,551	11,819	427	4,603	11,725	514	4,462	12,037	758	312	4,358	10,431	*13.3	5.3
1,000,000 or more.....	2,913	12,274	486	2,932	11,960	648	2,870	12,756	788	796	2,821	10,796	*13.7	5.7
Inside central cities.....	2,179	11,299	602	2,140	11,054	719	2,244	11,666	880	612	2,069	10,012	12.9	4.9
Outside central cities.....	733	15,668	1,030	793	14,432	1,511	626	17,820	1,455	3,388	751	13,104	19.6	11.1
Under 1,000,000.....	1,638	10,868	701	1,671	11,320	868	1,592	10,348	1,037	-972	1,537	9,910	9.7	1.9
Inside central cities.....	1,202	9,869	929	1,258	10,605	1,175	1,117	8,907	1,028	-1,698	1,119	8,922	10.6	2.8
Outside central cities.....	437	13,397	1,463	413	13,312	2,016	475	13,539	2,054	227	418	12,858	4.2	-3.2
Outside metropolitan areas.....	1,355	8,814	572	1,251	8,360	754	1,527	9,425	805	1,065	1,448	7,512	17.3	9.0

¹Excludes families with members who are in the Armed Forces.
²Restricted to primary families.

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Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
BLACK--Continued														
Region														
Northeast.....	1,141	11,674	676	1,160	11,281	834	1,104	12,093	834	812	1,035	10,285	13.5	5.5
North Central.....	1,209	13,695	739	1,236	12,799	826	1,175	14,729	672	1,930	1,152	10,690	*28.1	*19.1
South.....	3,006	9,853	292	2,919	9,870	366	3,153	9,871	467	1	3,067	8,962	*9.9	2.2
West.....	549	10,815	571	539	11,425	901	556	10,356	738	-1,069	552	9,917	9.1	1.3
Type of Family														
Male head.....	3,516	15,578	264	3,478	15,695	350	3,589	15,426	415	-269	3,529	13,443	*15.9	*7.7
Married, wife present.....	3,244	15,913	290	3,206	15,978	413	3,319	15,838	440	-140	3,260	13,716	*16.0	*7.8
Wife in paid labor force.....	1,934	19,073	443	1,911	19,578	563	1,984	18,297	614	-1,281	1,892	17,008	*12.1	4.2
Wife not in paid labor force	1,310	11,180	373	1,295	10,891	457	1,335	11,627	598	736	1,368	9,697	*15.3	7.1
Other marital status.....	272	12,080	723	272	11,800	886	270	12,474	1,464	674	269	10,296	17.3	9.0
Female head.....	2,390	5,888	177	2,376	5,871	205	2,400	5,974	350	103	2,277	5,598	5.2	-2.3
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	5,824	10,820	215	5,771	10,753	252	5,909	10,978	414	225	5,699	9,485	*14.1	*6.0
No earners.....	1,002	3,870	101	978	3,877	127	1,039	3,887	172	10	1,053	3,669	5.5	-2.0
1 earner.....	2,111	8,462	196	2,109	8,351	226	2,109	8,745	377	394	2,029	7,761	*9.0	1.3
2 earners.....	2,016	16,798	337	1,946	16,988	483	2,125	16,608	491	-380	1,948	14,984	*12.1	4.2
3 earners.....	474	19,723	790	492	20,733	988	451	18,044	912	*-2,689	442	18,222	8.2	0.6
4 earners or more.....	222	25,398	1,064	247	25,673	1,159	183	24,732	2,304	-941	228	20,629	*23.1	14.4
SPANISH ORIGIN OF HEAD²														
All families.....	2,741	12,566	318	2,768	12,536	392	2,696	12,636	558	100	2,764	11,421	*10.0	2.3
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	2,720	12,589	317	2,745	12,576	391	2,678	12,624	559	48	2,744	11,453	*9.9	2.2
Farm.....	21	(B)	(B)	23	(B)	(B)	18	(B)	(B)	...	20	(B)	...	...
Inside metropolitan areas.....														
1,000,000 or more.....	1,504	12,712	565	1,517	12,773	732	1,486	12,625	1,033	-168	1,535	11,651	9.1	1.4
Inside central cities.....	868	10,861	753	871	10,985	805	864	10,585	1,647	-400	898	10,026	8.3	0.7
Outside central cities.....	635	15,509	1,290	645	15,866	1,686	622	14,919	1,799	-947	637	14,301	8.4	0.8
Under 1,000,000.....	829	12,674	1,063	805	12,476	1,242	867	13,111	1,874	635	824	11,455	10.6	2.8
Inside central cities.....	531	12,439	1,173	501	12,091	1,508	580	12,944	2,028	853	514	10,866	14.5	6.4
Outside central cities.....	298	13,388	1,951	305	13,233	2,008	287	14,433	3,013	1,200	310	12,273	9.1	1.4
Outside metropolitan areas.....	409	11,675	1,256	446	11,730	1,511	343	11,529	2,233	-201	405	10,752	8.6	0.9
Region														
Northeast.....	556	9,754	632	582	10,438	829	515	8,593	1,223	-1,845	572	8,304	17.5	9.2
North Central.....	239	14,460	1,194	222	13,128	1,842	268	15,085	999	1,957	234	15,584	-7.2	-13.8
South.....	847	12,400	431	872	12,096	555	805	13,034	774	938	836	10,956	*13.2	5.2
West.....	1,099	13,709	447	1,091	13,854	534	1,108	13,286	918	-568	1,122	12,249	*11.9	4.0
Type of Family														
Male head.....	2,199	14,528	471	2,234	14,286	591	2,139	14,893	649	607	2,203	13,037	*11.4	3.6
Married, wife present.....	2,089	14,720	473	2,127	14,491	619	2,026	15,060	659	569	2,104	13,063	*12.7	4.7
Wife in paid labor force.....	961	17,888	574	1,005	17,542	787	885	18,291	810	749	927	16,106	*11.1	3.2
Wife not in paid labor force	1,128	11,812	446	1,122	11,679	521	1,141	12,080	799	401	1,177	11,031	7.1	-0.5
Other marital status.....	110	12,051	1,877	107	10,084	2,624	113	13,294	1,931	3,210	99	12,628	-6.6	-11.3
Female head.....	542	5,578	349	533	5,859	500	557	5,163	468	-696	561	5,454	2.3	-5.0
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	2,715	12,611	326	2,751	12,573	398	2,655	12,698	583	125	2,737	11,408	*10.5	2.7
No earners.....	366	4,390	194	342	4,547	266	404	4,193	279	-354	380	4,351	0.9	-6.2
1 earner.....	947	10,068	393	954	9,850	489	935	10,393	562	543	973	9,381	7.3	-0.3
2 earners.....	1,000	15,627	443	1,026	15,365	658	956	15,980	661	615	1,020	14,571	7.2	-0.3
3 earners.....	271	21,088	1,048	284	20,481	1,285	249	22,288	2,054	1,807	228	19,416	8.6	0.9
4 earners or more.....	131	25,685	1,315	144	25,861	949	110	23,816	3,669	-2,045	137	22,256	15.4	7.3

¹Excludes families with members who are in the Armed Forces.

²Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

Table 2. Selected Characteristics of Families With Heads Working Year Round Full Time—Number of Families and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head

(Families as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text.)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Differ- ence-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
ALL RACES														
All families.....	35,062	21,714	86	34,727	21,681	109	35,610	21,776	138	95	34,083	20,082	*8.1	0.5
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	33,621	21,861	88	33,294	21,825	113	34,157	21,929	142	104	32,619	20,235	*8.0	0.4
Farm.....	1,440	17,080	816	1,433	17,402	1,088	1,453	16,769	1,082	-633	1,463	14,915	14.5	6.4
Inside metropolitan areas.....														
1,000,000 or more.....	23,870	23,027	173	23,665	23,015	223	24,210	23,054	275	39	23,106	21,198	*8.6	1.0
Inside central cities.....	13,505	24,073	262	13,467	24,059	340	13,563	24,096	410	37	13,344	22,042	*9.2	1.5
Outside central cities.....	4,324	21,050	363	4,344	20,957	463	4,277	21,190	587	233	4,333	19,672	*7.0	-0.6
Under 1,000,000.....	9,181	25,336	184	9,123	25,368	237	9,277	25,287	292	-81	9,011	23,413	*8.2	0.6
Inside central cities.....	10,365	21,876	222	10,198	21,883	283	10,646	21,878	360	-5	9,762	20,220	*8.2	0.5
Outside central cities.....	4,396	21,190	318	4,351	21,058	395	4,477	21,421	537	363	4,196	19,789	*7.1	-0.5
Outside metropolitan areas.....	5,969	22,401	307	5,848	22,533	398	6,170	22,212	483	-321	5,565	20,507	*9.2	1.5
Region	11,192	19,352	233	11,062	19,308	301	11,400	19,421	370	113	10,977	17,473	*10.8	2.9
Region														
Northeast.....	7,752	22,306	196	7,679	22,465	258	7,866	22,087	303	-378	7,624	20,795	*7.3	-0.3
North Central.....	9,799	21,999	160	9,767	21,899	205	9,860	22,155	257	256	9,598	20,376	*8.0	0.3
South.....	11,374	20,509	142	11,271	20,430	183	11,540	20,631	226	201	10,975	18,638	*10.0	*2.3
West.....	6,136	22,878	230	6,009	22,742	277	6,343	23,139	411	397	5,886	20,860	*9.7	1.9
Type of Family														
Male head.....	32,112	22,479	95	31,810	22,449	121	32,607	22,539	153	90	31,355	20,679	*8.7	1.0
Married, wife present.....	31,162	22,549	97	30,865	22,506	123	31,649	22,630	157	124	30,496	20,756	*8.6	1.0
Wife in paid labor force.....	16,874	24,474	154	16,717	24,426	197	17,137	24,563	250	137	15,816	22,128	*10.6	*2.8
Wife not in paid labor force.....	14,288	20,542	116	14,148	20,509	148	14,512	20,596	189	87	14,680	19,067	*7.7	0.1
Other marital status.....	950	20,227	527	945	20,328	740	958	20,145	852	-183	859	18,001	*12.4	4.4
Female head.....	2,949	13,203	217	2,917	13,197	270	3,003	13,185	357	-12	2,728	12,134	*8.8	-1.1
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	35,036	21,709	86	34,698	21,677	110	35,588	21,770	138	93	34,068	20,079	*8.1	0.5
No earners.....	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)	(B)
1 earner.....	10,879	17,318	145	10,720	17,212	202	11,135	17,460	209	248	11,079	15,949	*8.6	0.9
2 earners.....	17,447	22,003	110	17,261	21,977	141	17,749	22,055	176	78	16,468	20,368	*8.0	0.4
3 earners.....	4,311	26,639	179	4,227	26,484	221	4,454	26,881	304	397	4,235	25,089	*6.2	-1.3
4 earners or more.....	2,398	29,843	322	2,490	29,944	412	2,249	29,637	515	-307	2,284	28,087	*6.3	-1.3
Size of Family														
2 persons.....	10,463	20,492	130	10,265	20,430	173	10,801	20,575	197	145	9,947	18,799	*9.0	1.3
3 persons.....	8,377	21,241	167	8,294	21,108	204	8,502	21,491	290	383	7,960	19,546	*8.7	1.0
4 persons.....	8,875	22,543	183	8,740	22,568	237	9,109	22,499	288	-69	8,537	20,700	*8.9	1.2
5 persons.....	4,445	23,152	279	4,472	23,133	356	4,393	23,245	455	112	4,530	21,341	*8.5	0.8
6 persons.....	1,778	24,127	565	1,812	23,850	644	1,718	24,702	870	852	1,890	21,939	*10.0	2.2
7 persons or more.....	1,122	23,491	657	1,143	23,483	775	1,086	23,575	1,216	92	1,219	20,494	*14.6	6.5
Employment Status and Occupation of Head²														
Head in civilian labor force....	34,692	21,742	86	34,366	21,706	110	35,220	21,809	140	103	33,754	20,092	*8.2	0.6
Head employed.....	34,353	21,790	87	34,033	21,747	111	34,874	21,868	141	121	33,383	20,141	*8.2	0.5
White-collar workers.....	17,173	25,105	101	16,978	25,093	143	17,495	25,133	175	40	16,532	22,842	*9.9	*2.1
Professional, technical, and kindred workers.....	6,044	26,206	182	6,014	26,318	236	6,089	26,037	286	-281	5,676	24,175	*8.4	0.7
Salaried.....	5,514	25,768	164	5,470	25,846	208	5,581	25,645	268	-201	5,133	23,604	*9.2	1.5
Self-employed.....	530	36,259	1,986	544	38,225	3,031	508	33,680	2,429	-4,545	542	31,948	13.5	5.5
Managers and administrators, except farm.....	6,233	26,288	191	6,122	26,191	239	6,418	26,457	317	266	6,059	24,673	*6.5	-1.0
Salaried.....	5,268	26,989	212	5,194	27,001	266	5,395	26,977	350	-24	5,074	25,584	*5.5	*-2.0
Self-employed.....	965	20,089	737	928	18,137	966	1,023	22,481	1,090	*4,344	985	18,309	*9.7	2.0
Sales workers.....	2,004	24,134	490	1,971	23,734	576	2,058	24,874	714	1,140	2,018	22,498	*7.3	-0.3
Clerical and kindred workers.....	2,893	19,247	274	2,870	19,435	340	2,930	18,901	463	-534	2,779	17,494	*10.0	2.2
Blue-collar workers.....	13,687	20,255	92	13,595	20,281	118	13,827	20,228	146	-53	13,428	18,482	*9.6	-1.8
Craft and kindred workers.....	7,026	21,316	149	6,991	21,396	191	7,087	21,190	238	-206	6,854	19,895	*7.1	-0.4
Operatives, incl. transport.....	5,405	19,358	193	5,355	19,401	248	5,475	19,317	312	-84	5,266	17,252	*12.2	*6.3
Operatives, exc. transport.....	3,642	19,048	215	3,571	18,961	271	3,761	19,223	362	262	3,532	16,651	*14.4	*6.3
Transport equip. oper.....	1,763	20,083	291	1,784	20,299	306	1,714	19,548	577	*-751	1,734	18,504	*8.5	0.9
Laborers, except farm.....	1,256	17,292	301	1,249	16,849	393	1,266	17,966	490	*1,117	1,308	16,364	*5.7	-1.8
Service workers.....	2,338	16,756	292	2,274	16,404	353	2,444	17,399	563	*995	2,277	15,420	*8.7	1.0
Private household workers.....	28	(B)	(B)	23	(B)	(B)	35	(B)	(B)	(B)	21	(B)	(B)	(B)
Service workers, except private household.....	2,310	16,854	301	2,252	16,507	351	2,408	17,502	561	995	2,256	15,483	*8.9	1.2
Farm workers.....	1,155	14,017	475	1,185	13,572	724	1,108	14,506	695	934	1,145	11,372	*23.3	*14.5
Farmers and farm managers.....	905	14,813	615	927	14,411	1,008	871	15,133	752	722	894	11,263	*31.5	*22.2
Farm lab. and supervisors.....	251	12,203	673	259	12,255	781	237	12,372	1,150	117	251	11,766	3.7	-3.6
Head unemployed.....	338	16,669	1,005	333	16,997	1,331	346	16,294	1,355	-703	371	15,870	5.0	-2.4
Head not in civilian labor force.....	370	18,854	781	361	18,661	1,504	389	19,004	975	343	329	18,620	1.3	-5.9

¹Excludes families with members who are in the Armed Forces.

²Employment status and occupation of head as of March of the following year.

Table 2. Selected Characteristics of Families With Heads Working Year Round Full Time—Number of Families and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head—Continued

(Families as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Differ- ence-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
ALL RACES--Continued														
Tenure Status³														
Total.....	34,950	21,745	86	34,615	21,711	110	35,499	21,806	139	95	34,011	20,099	*8.2	0.5
Owner occupied.....	27,852	23,325	112	27,563	23,346	142	28,321	23,300	180	-46	26,604	21,376	*9.1	*1.4
Renter occupied.....	6,393	16,421	170	6,300	16,009	200	6,550	17,137	267	*1,128	6,764	15,157	*8.3	0.7
Occupier paid no cash rent.....	705	14,317	657	751	15,518	726	628	13,124	711	*-2,394	644	12,868	11.3	3.4
Educational Attainment of Head														
Total, 25 years and over..	32,991	22,215	93	32,663	22,182	118	33,531	22,277	151	95	32,213	20,467	*8.5	0.9
Elementary:	3,323	16,680	251	3,329	16,744	274	3,308	16,510	543	-234	3,485	15,141	*10.2	2.4
Less than 8 years.....	1,577	15,366	322	1,625	15,497	472	1,500	15,191	549	-306	1,706	13,761	*11.7	3.8
8 years.....	1,746	17,738	318	1,704	17,833	446	1,808	17,658	414	-175	1,779	16,231	*9.3	1.6
High school:	16,083	20,734	99	15,780	20,666	125	16,580	20,851	164	185	15,877	19,072	*8.7	1.0
1 to 3 years.....	3,826	19,060	244	3,595	18,787	302	4,214	19,477	413	690	3,874	17,236	*10.6	2.8
4 years.....	12,256	21,173	117	12,186	21,109	144	12,367	21,295	200	186	12,003	19,717	*7.4	-0.2
College:	13,586	25,964	121	13,554	26,026	154	13,643	25,862	194	-164	12,851	23,992	*8.2	0.6
Total.....	5,777	22,899	226	5,752	22,998	304	5,831	22,732	335	-266	5,407	21,172	*8.2	0.5
1 to 3 years.....	7,809	28,005	196	7,802	28,043	252	7,812	27,961	313	-82	7,444	26,223	*6.8	-0.8
4 years or more....	4,225	26,885	223	4,250	26,938	284	4,178	26,814	361	-124	4,102	25,224	*6.6	-0.9
5 years or more....	3,583	29,561	349	3,551	29,621	456	3,634	29,482	543	-139	3,342	27,745	*6.5	-1.0
WHITE														
All families.....	31,705	22,085	92	31,420	22,023	117	32,182	22,189	150	166	30,889	20,423	*8.1	0.5
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	30,306	22,256	96	30,042	22,187	122	30,750	22,372	155	185	29,474	20,595	*8.1	0.4
Farm.....	1,400	17,320	856	1,379	17,950	1,164	1,432	16,772	1,079	-1,178	1,415	15,165	14.2	6.1
Inside metropolitan areas.....	21,159	23,592	191	20,944	23,571	245	21,518	23,632	304	61	20,588	21,690	*8.8	1.1
1,000,000 or more.....	11,701	24,892	253	11,660	24,886	320	11,772	24,902	384	16	11,684	22,723	*9.5	1.8
Inside central cities.....	3,124	22,262	476	3,149	22,204	611	3,080	22,361	758	157	3,205	20,671	*7.7	0.1
Outside central cities.....	8,578	25,482	194	8,510	25,497	250	8,692	25,461	307	-36	8,479	23,711	*7.5	-0.1
Under 1,000,000.....	9,458	22,249	238	9,284	22,230	302	9,746	22,286	388	56	8,904	20,555	*8.2	0.6
Inside central cities.....	3,803	21,837	362	3,735	21,674	449	3,920	22,116	612	442	3,624	20,459	*6.7	-0.8
Outside central cities.....	5,655	22,531	315	5,549	22,617	406	5,827	22,399	502	218	5,279	20,623	*9.3	1.5
Outside metropolitan areas.....	10,546	19,693	245	10,476	19,601	314	10,664	19,830	354	229	10,301	17,810	*10.6	2.8
Region														
Northeast.....	7,096	22,632	210	7,015	22,767	273	7,231	22,433	330	-334	7,061	21,046	*7.5	-0.1
North Central.....	9,086	22,207	167	9,052	22,135	212	9,140	22,321	271	186	8,975	20,550	*8.1	0.4
South.....	9,932	21,088	160	9,901	20,951	206	9,993	21,299	255	348	9,480	19,376	*8.8	1.1
West.....	5,591	23,040	240	5,453	22,824	287	5,818	23,438	432	614	5,373	20,991	*9.8	2.0
Type of Family														
Male head.....	29,514	22,697	100	29,256	22,630	127	29,948	22,808	163	178	28,845	20,904	*8.6	0.9
Married, wife present.....	28,723	22,746	102	28,499	22,659	129	29,097	22,892	167	233	28,169	20,961	*8.5	0.8
Wife in paid labor force....	15,343	24,627	163	15,236	24,475	205	15,529	24,889	231	414	14,330	22,353	*10.2	*2.4
Wife not in paid labor force	13,380	20,834	123	13,263	20,793	157	13,568	20,896	198	103	13,839	19,413	*7.3	-0.3
Other marital status.....	791	20,944	534	757	21,370	846	851	20,524	694	-846	676	18,619	*12.5	4.5
Female head.....	2,191	13,873	250	2,164	13,871	308	2,234	13,865	446	-6	2,044	12,808	*8.3	0.7
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	31,687	22,080	92	31,403	22,019	117	32,161	22,182	150	163	30,880	20,420	*8.1	0.5
No earners.....	-	(B)	(B)	-	(B)	(B)	-	(B)	(B)	...	2	(B)	...	...
1 earner.....	9,732	17,999	146	9,596	17,948	201	9,955	18,066	224	118	9,978	16,348	*8.8	1.1
2 earners.....	15,826	22,209	117	15,712	22,171	150	16,015	22,271	187	100	14,924	20,567	*8.0	0.4
3 earners.....	3,942	26,920	193	3,847	26,668	237	4,102	27,323	328	655	3,877	25,308	*6.4	-1.1
4 earners or more.....	2,186	30,052	341	2,248	30,170	440	2,089	29,831	539	-339	2,100	28,439	*5.7	-1.8
BLACK														
All families.....	2,756	16,909	304	2,711	17,125	429	2,823	16,676	423	-449	2,681	14,914	*13.4	*5.4
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	2,723	16,956	305	2,667	17,219	438	2,809	16,678	422	-541	2,639	15,020	*12.9	4.9
Farm.....	33	(B)	(B)	44	(B)	(B)	15	(B)	(B)	...	42	(B)	...	...
Inside metropolitan areas.....	2,226	17,824	472	2,238	18,032	604	2,207	17,551	715	-481	2,092	15,818	*12.7	4.7
1,000,000 or more.....	1,473	18,352	628	1,467	18,352	825	1,479	18,291	1,027	-61	1,374	16,123	*13.8	5.8
Inside central cities.....	1,036	17,495	746	1,028	17,601	964	1,049	17,298	1,128	-303	969	15,400	*13.6	5.6
Outside central cities.....	436	20,478	1,184	439	20,728	1,976	429	20,302	1,445	-426	405	18,347	11.6	3.7
Under 1,000,000.....	754	17,039	797	772	17,521	998	729	16,386	1,066	-1,135	718	15,320	11.2	3.4
Inside central cities.....	527	16,468	959	556	16,739	1,305	483	16,262	1,346	-477	501	14,509	13.5	5.5
Outside central cities.....	227	17,963	1,379	216	18,923	1,849	245	16,585	2,130	-2,338	217	17,354	3.5	-3.8
Outside metropolitan areas.....	530	14,002	974	473	14,281	1,243	616	13,702	1,309	-579	589	11,508	*21.7	13.1

¹Excludes families with members who are in the Armed Forces.

³Restricted to primary families.

Table 2. Selected Characteristics of Families With Heads Working Year Round Full Time—Number of Families and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head—Continued

(Families as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income		Number (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
BLACK--Continued														
Region														
Northeast.....	550	17,680	765	557	18,007	1,056	534	17,246	1,127	-761	485	16,125	9.6	1.9
North Central.....	634	18,643	565	642	18,424	607	633	19,236	1,140	812	552	16,931	10.1	2.3
South.....	1,351	15,657	376	1,288	15,620	453	1,441	15,748	666	128	1,423	13,763	*13.8	5.7
West.....	221	16,539	1,215	224	18,993	1,326	215	15,156	756	*-3,837	221	15,465	6.9	-0.6
Type of Family														
Male head.....	2,057	19,142	362	2,025	19,528	453	2,103	18,548	615	-980	2,050	16,975	*12.8	4.8
Married, wife present.....	1,916	19,427	376	1,859	19,877	455	2,005	18,739	631	-1,138	1,888	17,276	*12.5	4.5
Wife in paid labor force.....	1,228	22,125	461	1,194	22,940	670	1,283	21,207	614	-1,733	1,222	19,766	*11.9	4.0
Wife not in paid labor force	688	15,222	399	664	15,248	598	723	15,206	525	-42	666	13,126	*16.0	7.8
Other marital status.....	141	15,460	869	166	16,047	1,103	97	14,798	1,374	-1,249	162	14,554	6.2	-1.3
Female head.....	699	10,803	399	686	10,605	529	721	10,938	606	333	631	9,829	9.9	2.1
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	2,751	16,913	306	2,703	17,135	431	2,823	16,676	423	-459	2,675	14,903	*13.5	*5.5
No earners.....	-	(B)	(B)	-	(B)	(B)	-	(B)	(B)	...	-	(B)	...	...
1 earner.....	972	11,402	499	955	10,977	520	996	12,006	665	1,029	966	10,146	*12.4	4.4
2 earners.....	1,316	19,279	431	1,236	19,466	507	1,441	19,020	837	-446	1,279	17,415	*10.7	2.9
3 earners.....	306	22,309	936	324	23,950	1,311	281	20,225	1,063	*-3,725	276	19,679	*13.4	5.4
4 earners or more.....	156	26,684	972	187	26,961	1,103	106	25,713	2,694	-1,248	153	23,263	14.7	6.6
SPANISH ORIGIN OF HEAD²														
All families.....	1,577	16,537	397	1,594	16,395	473	1,551	16,817	744	422	1,495	15,058	*9.8	2.1
Type of Residence														
Nonfarm.....	1,559	16,573	395	1,575	16,449	469	1,538	16,811	741	362	1,480	15,095	*9.8	2.0
Farm.....	17	(B)	(B)	19	(B)	(B)	14	(B)	(B)	...	15	(B)	...	...
Inside metropolitan areas.....														
1,000,000 or more.....	1,351	16,710	659	1,348	16,583	820	1,361	16,942	1,098	359	1,277	15,297	9.2	1.5
Inside central cities.....	860	16,509	896	866	16,556	1,199	852	16,416	1,416	-140	830	15,586	5.9	-1.6
Outside central cities.....	459	14,698	1,123	459	14,938	1,560	460	14,609	1,540	-229	460	14,586	0.8	-6.4
Under 1,000,000.....	401	19,128	1,509	408	19,130	2,000	392	18,976	2,265	-214	370	16,554	14.2	6.1
Inside central cities.....	491	16,973	985	482	16,616	1,205	509	17,770	1,520	1,154	447	14,662	15.8	7.6
Outside central cities.....	315	16,857	1,226	297	16,690	1,367	346	17,401	2,163	711	278	14,332	17.6	9.3
Outside metropolitan areas.....	176	17,250	1,531	185	16,479	2,300	162	18,104	2,013	1,625	169	15,116	14.1	6.1
226	15,453	1,539	246	15,281	1,957	190	15,716	2,843	435	218	13,224	16.9	8.6	
Region														
Northeast.....	268	15,789	949	284	16,102	1,029	242	14,849	1,505	-1,253	252	14,795	6.7	-0.8
North Central.....	144	17,975	1,199	135	16,894	1,457	161	18,755	1,640	1,861	150	16,850	6.7	-0.9
South.....	531	15,787	564	547	15,463	645	505	16,524	1,232	1,061	493	14,005	*12.7	4.8
West.....	634	17,381	601	628	17,452	790	644	17,325	876	-127	599	15,152	*14.7	6.6
Type of Family														
Male head.....	1,442	17,059	496	1,464	16,767	558	1,408	17,660	788	893	1,385	15,337	*11.2	3.4
Married, wife present.....	1,386	17,120	519	1,406	16,782	561	1,355	17,796	806	1,014	1,334	15,375	*11.3	3.5
Wife in paid labor force.....	683	19,907	633	714	19,633	874	633	20,253	939	620	639	18,060	*10.2	2.4
Wife not in paid labor force	703	14,345	774	692	13,776	1,156	722	14,762	834	986	695	13,095	9.5	1.8
Other marital status.....	56	(B)	(B)	58	(B)	(B)	53	(B)	(B)	...	52	(B)	...	...
Female head.....	135	11,448	689	130	11,621	1,240	143	11,105	1,372	-516	109	10,403	10.0	2.3
Number of Earners¹														
Total.....	1,577	16,537	397	1,594	16,395	473	1,551	16,817	744	422	1,494	15,053	*9.9	2.1
No earners.....	-	(B)	(B)	-	(B)	(B)	-	(B)	(B)	...	-	(B)	...	...
1 earner.....	568	11,861	469	582	11,625	536	545	12,379	837	754	557	11,174	6.1	-1.4
2 earners.....	721	17,207	546	709	17,149	705	742	17,243	829	94	679	16,099	6.9	-0.7
3 earners.....	196	23,224	1,525	199	22,377	1,693	190	25,006	2,037	2,629	161	20,483	13.4	5.4
4 earners or more.....	92	26,640	1,494	104	26,253	1,259	74	(B)	(B)	...	97	24,331	9.5	1.8

¹Excludes families with members who are in the Armed Forces.
²Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

Table 3. Family Income in 1947, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, and 1970 to 1978—Families, by Total Money Income, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head

(IN CURRENT DOLLARS. FAMILIES AS OF MARCH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	1978	1977	1976	1975	1974 ^F	1974	1973	1972	1971	1970	1965	1960	1955	1950	1947
ALL RACES															
NUMBER THOUSANDS . .	57 804	57 215	56 710	56 245	55 698	55 712	55 053	54 373	53 296	52 227	48 509	45 539	42 889	39 929	37 237
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
UNDER \$1,000	1.8	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.4	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.6	2.9	5.0	7.7	11.5	10.7
\$1,000 TO \$1,999	1.5	1.6	1.9	2.4	2.6	1.4	1.8	2.2	2.5	3.0	6.0	8.0	9.8	13.2	16.6
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	2.3	2.7	3.1	3.4	3.6	2.7	3.2	3.7	4.2	4.3	7.2	8.7	11.0	17.8	22.0
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	2.6	3.1	3.4	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.5	4.9	5.4	5.3	7.9	10.5	15.5	13.6	11.7
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	3.0	3.5	3.9	4.1	4.4	4.4	4.6	5.0	5.7	5.8	9.3	12.9	12.7	9.0	7.7
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	3.1	3.7	3.9	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.8	5.2	5.5	6.0	9.5	10.8	9.5	5.2	4.1
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	3.3	3.7	3.9	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.9	5.6	6.2	6.3	9.7	8.7	6.6	2.9	2.4
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	6.5	7.2	7.9	8.6	9.4	9.3	10.0	11.2	12.3	13.6	14.6	11.3	6.3	2.9	2.4
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	16.7	18.4	20.2	22.3	24.2	24.4	25.5	26.1	26.9	26.8	17.7	10.6	4.8	3.2	2.8
\$10,000 TO \$14,999	31.4	31.7	32.0	30.3	28.6	28.3	26.2	23.0	19.5	17.7	6.2	2.8	0.9	3.2	2.8
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	27.9	22.4	17.8	14.1	11.9	11.5	9.3	7.3	5.3	4.6	1.4	0.9	0.5		
\$25,000 AND OVER															
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . .	17 640	16 009	14 958	13 719	12 902	12 836	12 051	11 116	10 285	9 867	6 957	5 620	4 418	3 319	3 031
WHITE															
NUMBER THOUSANDS . .	50 910	50 530	50 083	49 873	49 440	49 451	48 919	48 477	47 641	46 535	43 497	41 123	38 982	(NA)	34 120
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
UNDER \$1,000	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.4	2.4	4.1	6.6	10.0	9.0
\$1,000 TO \$1,999	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.9	2.0	1.0	1.3	1.7	2.0	2.4	5.1	6.8	8.7	12.1	14.9
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.9	3.0	2.1	2.6	3.1	3.5	3.8	6.4	8.1	10.4	17.3	22.3
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	2.2	2.6	2.9	3.6	3.6	3.7	4.1	4.5	5.0	4.9	7.6	10.5	16.0	14.5	12.4
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	2.7	3.2	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.7	5.4	5.5	9.3	13.3	13.4	9.6	8.1
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	2.9	3.4	3.7	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.5	5.0	5.4	5.8	9.8	11.2	9.9	5.5	4.4
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	3.2	3.5	3.7	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.7	5.4	6.1	6.3	10.1	9.2	7.1	3.0	2.5
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	6.2	6.9	7.8	8.4	9.2	9.2	10.0	11.3	12.5	13.8	15.4	12.1	6.9	3.1	2.6
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	16.6	18.5	20.4	22.6	24.8	25.1	26.3	27.1	28.0	27.9	18.8	11.2	5.3	3.6	2.9
\$10,000 TO \$14,999	32.5	33.0	33.4	31.7	29.9	29.7	27.6	24.2	20.6	18.7	6.7	3.1	1.0		
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	29.5	23.9	19.1	15.1	12.9	12.3	10.0	7.9	5.8	5.0	1.6	1.0	0.5		
\$25,000 AND OVER															
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . .	18 368	16 740	15 537	14 268	13 408	13 356	12 595	11 549	10 672	10 236	7 251	5 835	4 613	3 445	3 157
BLACK AND OTHER RACES															
NUMBER THOUSANDS . .	6 894	6 685	6 627	6 372	6 258	6 262	6 134	5 896	5 655	5 413	4 782	4 333	3 907	(NA)	3 117
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
UNDER \$1,000	4.0	4.7	4.1	4.9	5.9	2.2	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.4	7.2	13.4	19.0	28.1	28.8
\$1,000 TO \$1,999	4.3	4.9	5.5	6.4	6.9	4.4	5.3	6.3	6.5	7.7	13.6	18.3	20.8	25.3	33.6
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	6.3	6.7	8.0	7.3	8.1	8.2	8.4	9.1	8.7	8.8	14.6	14.8	17.6	23.4	18.7
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	5.9	6.5	6.9	7.6	7.6	7.8	8.3	8.5	8.9	8.2	10.8	10.4	11.1	4.4	4.3
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	4.9	6.3	6.0	6.0	6.4	6.3	7.2	7.5	8.1	9.0	9.5	8.7	5.8	1.9	3.1
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	4.6	6.1	5.8	5.8	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.5	7.1	7.4	6.8	6.7	4.8	1.5	2.0
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	4.6	4.7	5.5	5.3	5.6	6.1	6.5	6.9	7.3	6.9	6.5	4.5	1.8	1.0	0.7
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	8.7	9.5	8.9	10.0	10.2	10.1	10.4	10.2	10.6	11.3	7.2	4.2	1.3	0.7	0.4
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	17.4	17.9	19.1	20.2	19.6	19.0	19.1	18.0	17.9	17.3	7.6	4.4	0.6		
\$10,000 TO \$14,999	23.4	22.0	21.8	20.0	18.6	17.9	14.4	13.2	10.5	9.4	1.3	0.6		0.2	0.1
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	16.0	10.8	8.3	6.4	4.6	4.4	3.5	2.4	1.7	1.5	0.1				
\$25,000 AND OVER															
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . .	11 754	10 142	9 821	9 321	8 578	8 265	7 596	7 106	6 714	6 516	3 993	3 230	2 544	1 869	1 614
BLACK															
NUMBER THOUSANDS . .	5 906	5 806	5 804	5 586	5 491	5 498	5 440	5 265	5 157	4 928	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
PERCENT	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
UNDER \$1,000	4.2	4.8	4.3	5.2	6.5	2.3	2.5	2.8	2.9	3.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 TO \$1,999	4.8	5.1	5.8	7.0	7.4	4.8	5.7	6.6	6.7	8.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	6.9	7.2	8.6	7.9	8.8	8.9	9.1	9.4	9.0	9.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	6.5	6.7	7.4	8.3	8.0	8.2	8.5	8.7	9.4	8.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	5.1	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	7.4	7.6	8.3	9.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	4.7	6.5	6.2	5.9	7.1	7.2	6.7	6.5	7.1	7.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	4.9	5.9	5.9	5.4	5.8	6.1	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	9.1	10.1	9.0	10.1	10.6	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.9	11.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	17.6	18.0	18.9	20.6	19.7	19.1	19.0	17.5	17.2	16.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 TO \$14,999	22.7	20.9	20.8	18.4	16.7	16.2	13.0	12.2	9.5	8.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	13.4	9.0	6.8	5.0	3.1	3.2	2.7	2.1	1.1	1.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$25,000 AND OVER															
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . .	10 879	9 563	9 242	8 779	8 006	7 808	7 269	6 864	6 440	6 279	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPANISH ORIGIN OF HEAD²															
NUMBER THOUSANDS . .	2 741	2 764	2 583	2 499	2 475	2 477	2 365	2 312	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
PERCENT	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
UNDER \$1,000	2.4	2.9	3.5	4.4	3.4	1.5	1.9	1.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 TO \$1,999	2.7	2.6	3.6	4.9	4.7	4.5	4.7	5.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	4.4	5.0	6.4	6.2	6.5	6.4	6.4	7.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	5.0	5.4	5.7	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.3	8.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	4.5	5.9	6.1	6.5	7.0	6.8	7.3	6.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	4.7	5.1	6.4	6.8	5.9	5.9	7.6	7.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	5.2	5.4	5.8	6.0	6.3	6.3	7.8	7.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	8.8	10.2	11.3	11.0	12.0	12.2	12.3	13.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	21.2	22.8	21.4	22.7	24.8	24.3	23.7	23.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 TO \$14,999	27.5	25.0	23.0	20.0	18.1	18.2	15.6	12.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	13.5	9.7	6												

Table 4. Family Income in 1947, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, and 1970 to 1978—Families, by Total Money Income in Constant Dollars, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head

(IN 1978 DOLLARS. FAMILIES AS OF MARCH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	1978	1977	1976	1975	1974 [†]	1974	1973	1972	1971	1970	1965	1960	1955	1950	1947
ALL RACES															
NUMBER THOUSANDS	57 804	57 215	56 710	56 245	55 698	55 712	55 053	54 373	53 296	52 227	48 509	45 539	42 889	39 929	37 237
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
UNDER \$3,000	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	5.4	7.9	10.3	13.1	11.3
\$3,000 TO \$4,999	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.1	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.9	5.2	4.9	6.5	7.7	7.9	9.7	11.4
\$5,000 TO \$6,999	6.0	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.0	6.1	6.3	6.1	7.3	8.0	9.1	12.5	17.1
\$7,000 TO \$9,999	9.8	10.2	10.4	10.6	10.0	10.1	9.6	9.7	10.3	9.8	11.4	13.7	17.7	22.6	19.4
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	6.8	6.7	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.9	6.7	6.9	7.3	7.3	8.8	13.9	15.2	17.1	17.1
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	9.9	10.4	10.6	11.2	11.3	11.6	10.4	10.7	11.4	11.8	13.9	12.9	13.0	12.5	12.5
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	31.4	31.7	32.6	32.3	32.3	34.3	32.2	33.7	33.5	33.5	31.9	26.6	21.1	41.9	40.8
\$25,000 AND OVER	27.9	26.2	24.8	23.6	25.5	22.6	25.4	25.2	22.4	22.7	14.8	9.4	5.6	5.6	5.6
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . . .	17 640	17 226	17 134	16 621	17 060	16 973	17 663	17 326	16 559	16 569	14 378	12 374	10 759	8 991	8 848
WHITE															
NUMBER THOUSANDS	56 910	56 530	56 063	49 873	49 440	49 451	48 919	48 477	47 641	46 535	43 497	41 123	38 982	(NA)	34 120
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
UNDER \$3,000	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.4	2.6	3.0	3.2	4.5	6.5	8.8	11.5	9.5
\$3,000 TO \$4,999	3.9	4.1	4.0	4.3	3.8	4.1	3.9	4.1	4.4	4.2	5.6	6.9	7.1	8.9	10.2
\$5,000 TO \$6,999	5.6	5.8	5.8	6.2	5.5	5.7	5.3	5.5	5.8	5.6	6.5	7.4	8.5	12.0	17.0
\$7,000 TO \$9,999	6.3	6.7	6.9	10.2	9.5	9.5	8.9	9.1	9.7	9.2	10.6	13.3	17.5	23.0	20.0
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	6.6	6.6	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.7	7.1	7.1	8.8	14.2	15.8	15.8	15.8
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	10.0	10.3	10.7	11.2	11.4	11.8	10.4	10.7	11.4	11.9	14.3	13.3	13.6	13.6	13.6
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	32.5	32.9	33.6	33.4	33.4	35.5	35.5	34.5	34.9	34.8	33.6	28.2	22.5	44.7	43.3
\$25,000 AND OVER	29.5	28.0	26.5	25.1	27.1	24.1	27.1	26.7	23.8	24.0	16.0	10.1	6.2	6.2	6.2
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . . .	18 368	18 013	17 797	17 286	17 729	17 660	18 481	18 001	17 183	17 189	14 986	12 848	11 235	9 331	9 217
BLACK AND OTHER RACES															
NUMBER THOUSANDS	6 894	6 685	6 627	6 372	6 258	6 262	6 134	5 896	5 655	5 413	4 782	4 333	3 907	(NA)	3 117
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
UNDER \$3,000	8.3	8.8	7.8	8.4	8.2	8.6	8.2	8.6	8.5	9.4	13.1	21.3	25.3	31.5	30.1
\$3,000 TO \$4,999	12.2	12.0	12.6	11.4	11.3	11.5	10.8	11.5	11.9	10.6	14.1	15.1	15.7	18.6	24.3
\$5,000 TO \$6,999	9.4	11.6	10.9	11.3	11.2	11.5	11.4	11.3	11.1	10.6	14.2	13.1	14.6	18.5	18.2
\$7,000 TO \$9,999	13.2	13.9	13.9	13.6	14.1	14.6	14.5	14.3	15.2	15.2	18.1	16.8	20.6	19.2	13.1
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	7.6	8.0	7.6	8.2	7.9	8.1	8.7	8.6	9.0	8.9	9.4	10.5	9.7	9.7	9.7
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	9.7	9.9	10.0	11.3	10.7	10.4	10.6	10.1	11.2	11.4	10.3	8.5	6.7	12.3	14.2
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	23.4	22.7	24.8	23.6	23.3	24.6	23.8	23.4	22.5	22.8	16.3	12.1	6.8	6.8	6.8
\$25,000 AND OVER	16.0	13.1	12.4	12.0	13.4	10.7	11.9	12.2	10.7	11.1	4.5	2.5	0.6	0.6	0.6
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . . .	11 754	10 913	11 250	11 293	11 342	10 929	11 146	11 076	10 810	10 942	8 253	7 113	6 195	5 062	4 711
BLACK															
NUMBER THOUSANDS	5 906	5 806	5 804	5 586	5 491	5 498	5 440	5 265	5 157	4 928	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
PERCENT	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
UNDER \$3,000	9.0	9.1	8.2	9.0	8.8	9.3	8.6	8.9	8.6	9.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$3,000 TO \$4,999	13.4	12.8	13.5	12.4	12.2	12.4	11.7	12.1	12.8	11.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 TO \$6,999	9.8	12.2	11.4	12.1	11.7	11.9	12.0	11.6	11.5	10.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$7,000 TO \$9,999	14.0	14.8	14.7	14.0	14.9	15.1	14.7	14.6	15.7	15.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	7.7	8.3	7.6	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.7	9.0	9.2	9.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	10.0	10.0	9.8	11.8	10.8	10.6	10.5	10.3	11.5	11.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	22.7	21.8	24.1	22.7	22.6	23.9	23.4	22.6	21.8	22.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$25,000 AND OVER	13.4	11.1	10.7	9.9	10.8	8.6	10.1	11.1	9.0	9.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . . .	10 879	10 290	10 586	10 636	10 586	10 324	10 666	10 699	10 369	10 544	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPANISH ORIGIN OF HEAD²															
NUMBER THOUSANDS	2 741	2 764	2 583	2 499	2 475	2 477	2 365	2 312	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
PERCENT	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
UNDER \$3,000	5.2	5.0	5.9	7.0	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$3,000 TO \$4,999	9.4	9.1	9.8	9.4	8.5	8.5	7.2	7.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 TO \$6,999	9.2	10.4	10.3	10.8	10.3	10.3	9.6	10.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$7,000 TO \$9,999	14.0	14.5	15.7	15.7	14.4	14.2	15.1	14.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	9.6	9.9	9.5	9.0	9.1	9.1	10.3	9.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	11.6	12.2	11.9	12.2	13.3	13.4	12.6	13.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$15,000 TO \$24,999	27.5	26.8	25.9	26.2	27.8	28.2	29.1	28.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$25,000 AND OVER	13.5	12.1	10.9	9.6	11.7	11.4	11.5	11.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS . . .	12 566	12 289	11 751	11 571	12 615	12 640	12 788	12 755	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

[†]BASED ON REVISED METHODOLOGY.

¹SINCE MEDIANS WERE CALCULATED USING MORE DETAILED INTERVALS THAN THOSE SHOWN ABOVE, THEY WILL NOT BE THE SAME AS THOSE CALCULATED USING THE ABOVE INTERVALS.

²PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.

NOTE: FOR THE YEARS 1960 TO 1970, THE NUMBER OF WHITE AND BLACK AND OTHER RACES FAMILIES WILL NOT ADD TO ALL RACES BECAUSE THE NUMBERS FOR ALL RACES WERE ADJUSTED TO POPULATION CONTROLS BASED ON THE 1970 CENSUS. THESE CONTROLS ARE NOT AVAILABLE BY RACE.

Table 5. Number of Families and Unrelated Individuals, Income at Selected Positions, and Percentage Share of Aggregate Income in 1978 Received by Each Fifth and Top 5 Percent of Families and Unrelated Individuals, by Race of Head and Region

(FAMILIES AND UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS AS OF MARCH 1979)

RACE OF HEAD AND REGION	NUMBER (THOUS.)	INCOME AT SELECTED POSITIONS (DOLLARS)					PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF AGGREGATE INCOME						MEAN INCOME (DOLS.)
		UPPER LIMIT OF EACH FIFTH				TOP 5 PERCENT	LOWEST FIFTH	SECOND FIFTH	THIRD FIFTH	FOURTH FIFTH	HIGHEST FIFTH	TOP 5 PERCENT	
		LOWEST	SECOND	THIRD	FOURTH								
FAMILIES													
RACE OF HEAD													
TOTAL	57 804	8 720	14 700	20 600	28 632	44 878	5.2	11.6	17.5	24.1	41.5	15.6	20 091
WHITE	50 910	9 500	15 443	21 284	29 332	46 272	5.6	12.0	17.6	23.9	41.0	15.5	20 860
BLACK AND OTHER RACES	6 894	4 879	9 081	14 665	22 195	35 416	4.2	9.6	16.3	25.1	44.7	15.9	14 417
BLACK	5 906	4 536	8 438	13 800	20 984	32 958	4.3	9.7	16.3	25.3	44.4	15.4	13 409
REGION													
NORTHEAST	12 895	9 094	15 324	21 050	29 200	44 934	5.6	11.9	17.7	24.0	40.8	15.3	20 612
NORTH CENTRAL	15 390	9 672	15 740	21 500	29 172	44 170	5.7	12.4	18.0	24.1	39.9	14.7	20 685
SOUTH	19 037	7 572	13 000	19 000	26 776	42 797	4.8	11.1	17.1	24.3	42.8	16.4	18 614
WEST	10 482	9 203	15 205	21 493	30 500	48 400	5.2	11.5	17.2	24.0	42.1	15.9	21 261
UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS													
RACE													
TOTAL	24 585	3 040	5 090	8 335	13 309	22 890	4.1	9.0	14.9	23.9	48.2	19.5	8 919
WHITE	21 257	3 226	5 402	8 762	13 738	23 300	4.3	9.2	15.1	23.8	47.7	19.5	9 237
BLACK AND OTHER RACES	3 328	2 309	3 528	6 000	11 000	20 000	3.6	8.3	13.5	24.0	50.6	18.8	6 889
BLACK	2 929	2 273	3 416	5 694	10 660	19 449	3.8	8.4	13.4	24.1	50.4	18.5	6 628
REGION													
NORTHEAST	5 458	3 166	5 128	8 282	13 324	23 400	4.5	9.0	14.7	23.5	48.3	19.7	9 041
NORTH CENTRAL	6 195	3 063	5 191	8 175	13 020	21 134	4.1	9.5	15.5	24.3	46.7	17.6	8 609
SOUTH	7 120	2 628	4 600	7 846	12 656	22 200	3.9	8.4	14.5	24.0	49.3	20.4	8 434
WEST	5 813	3 541	5 648	9 204	14 511	24 100	4.1	9.1	15.2	23.8	47.8	19.7	9 731

Table 6. Race and Farm-Nonfarm Residence—Families and Unrelated Individuals, by Total Money Income in 1978

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. FAMILIES AND UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS AS OF MARCH 1979)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	FAMILIES					UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS				
	TOTAL			NONFARM	FARM	TOTAL			NONFARM	FARM
	ALL RACES	WHITE	BLACK			ALL RACES	WHITE	BLACK		
TOTAL	57 804	50 910	5 906	55 753	2 051	24 585	21 257	2 929	24 197	388
TOTAL	57 804	50 910	5 906	55 753	2 051	24 585	21 257	2 929	24 197	388
UNDER \$2,000	1 027	751	246	917	110	2 061	1 598	410	2 029	31
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	852	556	285	808	44	2 569	1 976	564	2 526	44
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	1 336	899	409	1 292	44	2 801	2 360	401	2 744	57
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	1 504	1 098	382	1 445	59	2 058	1 611	218	2 025	32
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	1 711	1 375	300	1 649	62	1 762	1 523	206	1 733	26
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	1 783	1 468	278	1 689	94	1 479	1 323	133	1 451	27
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	1 925	1 608	288	1 854	71	1 401	1 245	132	1 384	18
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	1 876	1 541	301	1 804	72	1 220	1 078	112	1 205	16
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	1 859	1 597	239	1 788	71	1 067	963	90	1 048	19
\$10,000 TO \$10,999	2 038	1 745	255	1 952	86	1 151	1 048	88	1 127	23
\$11,000 TO \$11,999	1 873	1 639	199	1 815	57	913	796	102	907	6
\$12,000 TO \$12,999	1 992	1 754	210	1 919	73	861	792	58	846	15
\$13,000 TO \$13,999	1 937	1 722	186	1 862	75	613	565	48	596	17
\$14,000 TO \$14,999	1 816	1 597	192	1 737	80	548	497	36	542	6
\$15,000 TO \$15,999	2 143	1 902	205	2 044	99	628	573	51	622	5
\$16,000 TO \$16,999	1 985	1 777	177	1 911	74	489	425	59	478	11
\$17,000 TO \$17,999	1 948	1 743	176	1 901	46	413	373	29	408	5
\$18,000 TO \$18,999	3 693	3 368	261	3 583	110	681	614	55	675	6
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	8 392	7 757	524	8 139	253	936	826	88	930	6
\$25,000 TO \$49,999	14 033	12 998	757	13 635	398	787	729	47	774	13
\$50,000 AND OVER	2 082	2 015	35	2 009	73	148	144	2	146	2
MEDIAN INCOME DOLLARS	17 640	18 368	10 879	17 732	15 284	6 705	7 030	4 411	6 717	6 042
STANDARD ERROR DOLLARS	81	82	218	81	423	70	75	170	70	622
MEAN INCOME DOLLARS	20 091	20 860	13 409	20 158	18 285	8 919	9 237	6 628	8 926	8 507
STANDARD ERROR DOLLARS	80	87	192	81	625	74	82	157	75	880
HEAD YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKER										
PERCENT OF TOTAL EXCLUDING ARMED FORCES										
MEDIAN INCOME DOLLARS	21 714	22 085	16 909	21 861	17 080	12 124	12 339	10 685	12 150	10 121
STANDARD ERROR DOLLARS	86	92	304	88	816	108	109	332	108	1 235
MEAN INCOME DOLLARS	24 576	25 066	18 718	24 761	20 249	14 067	14 325	12 041	14 081	13 080
STANDARD ERROR DOLLARS	105	112	298	107	794	139	154	302	140	2 161

Table 7. Age of Head—Families and Unrelated Individuals, by Total Money Income in 1978

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. FAMILIES AND UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS AS OF MARCH 1979)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	AGE OF HEAD (YEARS)							
	TOTAL	14 TO 24		25 TO 34	35 TO 44	45 TO 54	55 TO 64	65 AND OVER
		TOTAL	18 TO 24					
FAMILIES								
TOTAL								
TOTAL	57 864	3 637	3 784	13 478	11 754	10 883	9 342	8 510
UNDER \$2,000	1 927	201	180	293	178	135	125	94
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	1 652	131	128	228	127	117	97	152
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	1 326	196	188	276	178	133	156	397
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	1 504	144	140	322	196	147	186	510
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	1 711	177	173	310	206	198	208	612
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	1 783	151	148	303	240	178	248	663
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	1 925	212	212	411	266	187	239	610
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	1 876	196	195	383	251	164	256	626
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	1 859	175	171	391	279	207	281	526
\$10,000 TO \$10,999	2 038	179	179	513	322	246	322	456
\$11,000 TO \$11,999	1 873	167	166	403	341	242	297	422
\$12,000 TO \$12,999	1 992	205	207	541	285	311	301	345
\$13,000 TO \$13,999	1 937	180	180	492	342	284	285	356
\$14,000 TO \$14,999	1 816	167	167	460	357	232	299	302
\$15,000 TO \$15,999	2 143	208	208	621	393	337	359	225
\$16,000 TO \$16,999	1 965	144	144	588	423	342	302	196
\$17,000 TO \$17,999	1 948	124	124	549	393	337	325	209
\$18,000 TO \$18,999	3 693	257	257	1 134	853	621	563	284
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	8 392	380	380	2 421	1 969	1 735	1 332	555
\$25,000 TO \$49,999	14 033	227	227	2 648	3 644	4 020	2 673	821
\$50,000 AND OVER	2 082	12	12	192	512	709	491	168
MEDIAN INCOMEDOLLARS . .	17 640	11 936	12 066	17 374	20 479	22 615	19 330	10 141
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS . .	81	225	211	139	143	203	234	133
MEAN INCOMEDOLLARS	20 091	12 570	12 693	18 205	22 575	25 363	22 408	13 754
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS . .	80	172	173	127	162	211	221	176
HEAD YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKER								
PERCENT OF TOTAL EXCLUDING ARMED FORCES								
ARMED FORCES	61.4	56.4	55.9	72.1	76.0	76.1	60.9	8.8
MEDIAN INCOMEDOLLARS	21 714	15 289	15 324	19 750	22 693	25 322	23 345	20 937
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS	86	196	190	153	189	134	278	720
MEAN INCOMEDOLLARS	24 576	15 916	15 966	20 922	25 436	28 381	26 750	26 278
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS	105	227	228	148	211	239	296	957
UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS								
TOTAL								
TOTAL	24 585	4 578	4 413	4 981	2 068	2 119	3 228	7 610
UNDER \$1,000	1 022	393	278	196	65	112	172	84
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	454	152	146	51	29	37	76	108
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	585	161	154	50	26	42	105	201
\$2,000 TO \$2,499	1 260	217	206	67	55	80	199	643
\$2,500 TO \$2,999	1 309	160	151	68	38	72	177	793
\$3,000 TO \$3,499	1 476	234	229	98	45	72	193	834
\$3,500 TO \$3,999	1 325	183	178	98	36	69	110	829
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	2 058	331	327	261	81	134	223	1 029
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	1 762	367	382	237	91	154	211	682
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	1 479	331	331	236	84	106	179	543
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	1 401	332	332	267	79	115	209	400
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	1 220	317	317	261	84	105	160	274
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	1 067	302	302	252	100	89	135	188
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	2 064	421	420	682	212	197	244	308
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	2 022	343	343	710	210	213	276	271
\$15,000 TO \$19,999	2 211	237	237	873	395	229	272	205
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	936	59	59	314	186	153	119	105
\$25,000 AND OVER	935	20	20	242	253	139	169	112
MEDIAN INCOMEDOLLARS	6 705	6 220	6 466	10 853	12 110	8 624	6 828	4 303
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS	70	134	132	133	347	289	206	56
MEAN INCOMEDOLLARS	8 919	6 872	7 093	11 758	14 335	10 992	9 520	5 989
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS	74	111	112	155	369	309	264	83
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKER								
PERCENT OF TOTAL EXCLUDING ARMED FORCES								
ARMED FORCES	37.4	40.1	41.5	63.8	67.3	58.7	40.0	3.5
MEDIAN INCOMEDOLLARS	12 115	9 603	9 606	13 062	15 336	12 090	12 109	10 128
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS	101	124	124	173	238	328	302	731
MEAN INCOMEDOLLARS	14 067	10 246	10 255	14 343	17 367	14 509	14 901	13 450
STANDARD ERRORDOLLARS	139	155	156	184	474	421	477	884

Table 8. Selected Characteristics of All Persons 14 Years Old and Over—Number With Income and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Sex

(Persons 14 years old and over as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change— median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference— median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number with income (thous.)	Median income		Number with income (thous.)	Median income		Number with income (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)		Value (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
MALE														
All males.....	75,609	10,935	63	75,288	10,954	80	76,205	10,889	100	-65	74,015	10,123	*8.0	0.4
Area, Race, and Spanish Origin¹														
United States: All races.....	75,609	10,935	63	75,288	10,954	80	76,205	10,889	100	-65	74,015	10,123	*8.0	0.4
White.....	67,273	11,453	72	66,964	11,473	93	67,787	11,413	115	-60	65,974	10,603	*8.0	0.4
Black.....	6,971	6,861	144	7,006	6,960	201	6,994	6,702	196	-258	6,777	6,292	*9.0	1.3
Spanish origin..	3,447	8,380	233	3,514	8,339	284	3,304	8,500	407	161	3,376	7,797	7.5	-0.1
Northeast: All races.....	16,913	11,162	129	16,868	11,273	166	16,986	11,005	209	-268	16,641	10,572	*5.6	-1.9
White.....	15,512	11,382	142	15,472	11,497	182	15,592	11,215	232	-282	15,321	10,809	*5.3	-2.1
Black.....	1,212	8,309	437	1,216	8,418	524	1,199	8,108	812	-310	1,111	7,201	15.4	7.2
Spanish origin..	536	8,501	394	587	8,364	440	1,460	8,845	749	481	544	7,679	10.7	2.9
North Central: All races.....	20,318	11,759	151	20,224	11,842	185	20,554	11,565	245	-277	19,850	10,818	*8.7	1.0
White.....	18,676	12,056	123	18,593	12,104	148	18,828	11,920	237	-184	18,428	11,046	*9.1	1.4
Black.....	1,443	8,750	498	1,465	8,826	639	1,468	8,568	1,006	-258	1,262	8,046	8.7	1.1
Spanish origin..	315	10,247	802	310	9,535	1,020	317	11,652	1,146	2,117	311	10,219	0.3	-6.8
South: All races.....	24,241	9,863	114	24,224	9,727	138	24,301	10,056	165	329	23,643	9,948	*10.2	2.4
White.....	20,367	10,718	118	20,322	10,608	155	20,433	10,871	184	263	19,744	9,941	*7.8	0.2
Black.....	3,674	6,011	166	3,709	5,779	220	3,657	6,207	217	428	3,721	5,673	6.0	-1.5
Spanish origin..	1,156	7,565	261	1,189	7,573	300	1,092	7,515	564	-58	1,101	6,951	8.8	1.1
West: All races.....	14,137	11,696	163	13,971	11,753	210	14,364	11,616	258	-137	13,881	10,540	*11.0	3.1
White.....	12,718	12,040	158	12,577	12,030	201	12,933	12,039	261	9	12,409	10,929	*10.2	2.4
Black.....	642	6,979	602	616	7,430	902	670	6,366	754	-1,064	682	6,764	3.2	-4.1
Spanish origin..	1,440	8,752	277	1,428	8,845	360	1,455	8,600	481	-245	1,420	8,207	6.6	-0.9
Relationship to Family Head														
In families.....	65,087	11,326	74	64,890	11,369	95	65,500	11,253	119	-116	64,160	10,471	*8.2	0.5
Head.....	49,120	14,232	84	48,871	14,229	105	49,558	14,242	140	13	48,789	13,020	*9.3	*1.6
Married, wife present.....	47,489	14,357	87	47,300	14,350	108	47,829	14,374	145	24	47,217	13,110	*9.5	*1.8
Other marital status.....	1,631	11,170	351	1,571	11,124	429	1,729	11,256	614	132	1,142	10,173	*9.8	2.0
Relative of head.....	15,966	2,970	56	16,019	3,023	68	15,942	2,861	88	-162	15,371	2,533	*17.3	*9.0
Unrelated individuals.....	10,523	9,029	149	10,398	8,940	186	10,705	9,105	256	165	9,855	7,966	*13.3	*5.3
Age														
14 to 19 years.....	7,806	1,315	38	7,562	1,322	47	8,215	1,302	67	-20	7,496	1,129	*16.5	8.2
20 to 24 years.....	9,355	7,059	101	9,326	6,969	125	9,399	7,164	162	195	9,099	6,288	*12.3	*4.3
25 to 34 years.....	16,508	13,410	102	16,479	13,379	129	16,555	13,469	170	90	16,069	12,361	*8.5	0.8
35 to 44 years.....	11,852	16,572	119	11,829	16,491	150	11,904	16,698	198	207	11,492	15,604	*6.2	-1.3
45 to 54 years.....	10,929	16,574	153	10,927	16,464	187	10,923	16,765	264	301	11,026	15,331	*8.1	0.5
55 to 64 years.....	9,658	13,624	190	9,661	13,473	239	9,670	13,856	315	383	9,689	12,243	*11.3	3.4
65 years and over.....	9,501	5,966	74	9,504	5,975	99	9,539	5,926	111	-49	9,145	5,526	*8.0	0.3
Occupation Group of Longest Job² (Earnings)														
Total with earnings.....	62,903	12,133	59	62,856	12,132	73	62,864	12,157	101	25	61,704	11,037	*9.9	*2.2
White-collar workers.....	24,902	16,066	93	24,629	16,021	115	25,287	16,161	159	140	24,066	15,112	*6.3	-1.2
Professional, technical, and kindred workers.....	9,124	17,391	177	9,019	17,370	226	9,293	17,438	287	68	8,546	16,212	*7.3	-0.3
Salaried.....	8,268	17,153	172	8,147	17,098	216	8,463	17,257	286	159	7,709	15,967	*7.4	-0.2
Self-employed.....	856	22,511	1,532	872	24,210	1,919	830	20,384	1,884	-3,826	837	22,567	1.0	-6.2
Managers and administrators, except farm.....	8,186	18,234	229	8,010	18,005	276	8,468	18,649	406	644	8,193	16,850	*8.2	0.6
Salaried.....	6,791	19,380	263	6,679	19,268	324	6,967	19,581	441	313	6,702	17,803	*8.9	1.2
Self-employed.....	1,395	11,640	430	1,331	11,163	533	1,501	12,382	862	1,219	1,491	11,258	3.4	-3.9
Sales workers.....	3,830	12,061	336	3,795	12,242	375	3,851	11,707	569	-535	3,701	11,685	3.2	-4.1
Clerical and kindred workers.....	3,762	11,909	272	3,805	12,295	283	3,675	11,263	387	-1,032	3,625	10,822	*10.0	2.3
Blue-collar workers.....	29,289	11,096	90	29,464	11,110	113	28,986	11,111	148	1	28,659	10,202	*8.8	1.1
Craft and kindred workers.....	12,770	13,583	136	12,782	13,668	176	12,762	13,491	213	-177	12,337	12,313	*10.3	*2.5
Operatives, incl. transport workers.....	11,035	10,980	128	11,171	10,919	160	10,785	11,103	210	184	10,737	10,066	*9.1	1.4
Operatives, exc. transport workers.....	7,353	10,653	146	7,370	10,548	184	7,329	10,838	240	290	7,157	9,823	*8.4	0.8
Transport equip. operatives.....	3,681	11,704	252	3,801	11,715	311	3,457	11,722	387	7	3,580	10,512	*11.3	3.5
Laborers, except farm.....	5,484	4,476	192	5,511	4,504	251	5,438	4,443	291	-61	5,185	4,566	-2.0	-8.9
Service workers.....	6,132	5,505	172	6,184	5,396	198	6,057	5,738	327	342	6,182	4,961	*11.0	3.1
Private household workers.....	45	(B)	(B)	58	(B)	(B)	26	(B)	(B)	...	80	573	...	...
Service workers, except private household.....	6,088	5,563	173	6,106	5,472	199	6,031	5,765	328	293	6,102	5,077	*9.6	1.8
Farm workers.....	2,579	4,475	261	2,600	4,158	314	2,534	4,702	406	544	2,797	2,985	*49.9	*39.3
Farmers and farm managers.....	1,314	7,537	495	1,344	7,238	726	1,262	7,767	654	509	1,376	4,317	*74.6	*62.3
Farm laborers and supervisors.....	1,265	2,744	267	1,256	2,637	420	1,272	2,830	372	193	1,421	1,998	*37.3	27.6
Educational Attainment														
Total, 25 years and over.....	58,448	13,377	72	58,400	13,323	88	58,591	13,454	123	131	57,421	12,375	*8.1	0.5
Elementary.....	10,814	6,520	90	11,000	6,553	117	10,565	6,438	144	-115	11,248	6,134	*6.3	-1.2
Less than 8 years.....	5,810	5,641	103	6,060	5,641	133	5,482	5,548	167	-93	6,126	5,402	4.4	-3.0
8 years.....	5,004	7,604	137	4,940	7,723	166	5,083	7,428	236	-295	5,122	7,155	*6.3	-1.2
High school: Total.....	26,630	13,174	90	26,452	13,205	110	26,948	13,110	152	-95	26,219	12,311	*7.0	-0.6
1 to 3 years.....	7,510	10,419	135	7,248	10,511	177	7,938	10,297	215	-214	7,715	10,023	*4.0	*-3.4
4 years.....	19,119	14,341	121	19,204	14,286	148	18,989	14,397	209	111	18,505	13,207	*8.5	0.9
College: Total.....	21,004	17,577	121	20,948	17,543	155	21,079	17,636	196	93	19,953	16,346	*7.5	-0.1
1 to 3 years.....	9,046	15,459	114	9,078	15,287	148	9,002	15,702	181	415	8,611	14,247	*8.5	0.8
4 years or more.....	11,958	20,151	153	11,870	20,189	197	12,077	20,127	280	-62	11,342	18,530	*8.7	1.1
4 years.....	6,384	18,774	263	6,382	18,730	324	6,382	18,872	452	142	6,118	17,391	*8.0	0.3
5 years or more.....	5,574	21,428	255	5,488	21,572	323	5,695	21,255	419	-317	5,224	20,108	*6.6	-1.0

¹Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

²Amounts shown are median earnings.

Table 8. Selected Characteristics of All Persons 14 Years Old and Over—Number With Income and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Sex—Continued

(Persons 14 years old and over as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 five-eighths sample		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
										Value	Value	Value		
FEMALE														
All females.....	71,864	4,068	36	69,663	4,245	45	75,562	3,823	47	*-422	65,407	3,941	*7.7	0.1
Area, Race, and Spanish Origin¹														
United States: All races.....	71,864	4,068	36	69,663	4,245	45	75,562	3,823	47	*-422	65,407	3,941	*7.7	0.1
White.....	62,695	4,117	38	60,559	4,304	49	66,266	3,845	52	*-459	56,813	4,001	*7.6	-
Black.....	7,959	3,707	84	7,957	3,757	121	7,980	3,657	111	-100	7,562	3,455	*8.7	1.1
Spanish origin.....	2,949	3,788	154	2,947	3,852	211	2,949	3,692	230	-160	2,780	3,669	5.0	-2.4
Northeast: All races.....	16,445	4,402	73	15,901	4,668	89	17,346	3,957	94	*-711	15,151	4,209	*10.9	3.1
White.....	14,752	4,313	77	14,177	4,592	96	15,700	3,897	88	*-695	13,638	4,105	*11.9	4.0
Black.....	1,522	5,123	249	1,551	5,171	262	1,480	4,990	615	-181	1,394	4,923	5.0	-2.4
Spanish origin.....	609	4,384	220	646	4,605	323	551	4,125	287	-480	584	4,265	8.0	0.3
North Central: All races.....	19,238	4,003	66	18,675	4,079	89	20,189	3,900	101	-179	17,397	3,903	4.5	-2.9
White.....	17,472	3,984	69	16,889	4,067	92	18,446	3,860	110	-207	15,638	3,895	4.4	-3.0
Black.....	1,611	4,271	249	1,652	4,313	310	1,554	4,261	383	-52	1,457	3,933	9.7	1.9
Spanish origin.....	223	3,676	499	222	3,698	680	224	3,678	686	-20	190	4,319	-14.4	-20.4
South: All races.....	22,722	3,723	66	22,005	3,839	83	23,944	3,531	96	*-308	20,998	3,608	*6.4	-1.1
White.....	18,426	3,977	76	17,819	4,144	101	19,457	3,695	131	*-449	16,829	3,908	6.0	-1.5
Black.....	4,144	2,999	81	4,058	2,950	96	4,293	3,098	149	148	4,034	2,765	6.7	-0.8
Spanish origin.....	922	3,163	201	929	3,204	205	911	3,028	506	-176	875	2,957	8.4	0.7
West: All races.....	13,459	4,302	75	13,083	4,556	95	14,084	3,915	87	*-641	11,862	4,176	*9.1	1.4
White.....	12,045	4,262	80	11,673	4,490	101	12,663	3,913	99	*-577	10,540	4,175	*7.5	-0.1
Black.....	682	4,392	274	696	4,889	383	653	3,850	141	*-1,039	677	4,276	14.3	6.3
Spanish origin.....	1,195	3,847	164	1,151	3,975	263	1,262	3,691	213	-284	1,131	3,734	6.5	-1.1
Relationship to Family Head														
In families.....	58,248	3,626	38	55,891	3,816	50	62,215	3,384	45	*-432	52,527	3,622	*5.4	-2.1
Head.....	8,275	5,804	100	8,283	5,834	122	8,240	5,752	175	-82	8,056	5,401	*8.0	0.4
Wife of head.....	36,945	3,973	57	34,768	4,305	73	40,622	3,486	75	*-819	31,907	4,124	*4.4	-3.0
Other relative of head.....	13,029	2,189	33	12,840	2,220	43	13,353	2,142	50	-78	12,563	2,200	*11.0	3.2
Unrelated individuals.....	13,615	5,614	80	13,772	5,622	100	13,347	5,595	132	-27	12,880	4,929	*14.1	*6.0
Age														
14 to 19 years.....	7,159	1,118	33	6,875	1,130	43	7,642	1,097	53	-33	6,825	948	*19.2	*10.8
20 to 24 years.....	8,907	4,588	96	8,784	4,591	124	9,119	4,581	154	-10	8,354	4,107	*11.8	3.9
25 to 34 years.....	14,282	5,839	99	13,640	6,168	117	15,361	5,330	155	*-838	12,667	5,902	4.5	-2.9
35 to 44 years.....	10,243	5,804	98	9,866	6,079	122	10,866	5,318	173	*-761	8,981	5,538	8.8	2.0
45 to 54 years.....	9,306	5,672	105	8,923	5,948	137	9,959	5,199	179	*-749	8,384	5,670	4.9	-2.5
55 to 64 years.....	8,758	4,473	114	8,434	4,823	152	9,295	3,985	158	*-838	7,875	4,533	6.4	-1.1
65 years and over.....	13,208	3,360	30	13,141	3,342	39	13,319	3,390	50	48	12,322	3,088	*8.2	0.6
Occupation Group of Longest Job² (Earnings)														
Total with earnings ³	48,398	5,249	48	48,409	5,261	60	48,406	5,222	79	-39	46,194	4,674	*12.6	*4.6
White-collar workers.....	29,793	6,797	59	29,679	6,787	75	30,004	6,803	94	16	27,822	6,218	*9.2	1.4
Professional, technical, and kindred workers.....	7,434	9,909	139	7,438	9,952	158	7,430	9,815	251	-137	6,826	9,161	*8.6	1.0
Managers and administrators, except farm.....	2,756	8,598	186	2,723	8,556	247	2,882	8,658	283	102	2,620	7,817	*9.5	1.7
Sales workers.....	3,438	2,840	158	3,454	2,817	185	3,413	2,894	249	77	3,281	2,425	16.2	8.0
Clerical and kindred workers.....	16,135	6,470	65	16,063	6,424	83	16,279	6,538	104	114	15,095	6,053	*6.1	-1.4
Blue-collar workers.....	7,172	5,411	82	7,275	5,515	103	7,011	5,232	137	-283	6,769	5,028	*9.7	1.9
Craft and kindred workers.....	791	6,617	315	810	7,033	402	762	5,800	551	-1,233	761	5,600	*25.6	16.7
Operatives, incl. transport workers.....	5,709	5,490	84	5,790	5,565	104	5,581	5,357	142	-208	5,421	5,109	*8.9	1.2
Laborers, except farm.....	672	3,146	303	675	3,142	382	669	3,145	591	3	588	2,857	10.0	2.2
Service workers.....	10,940	2,200	47	10,992	2,226	61	10,855	2,166	73	-60	11,009	1,971	*12.9	5.0
Private household workers.....	1,860	780	25	1,843	759	31	1,881	815	43	56	2,012	736	3.1	-4.2
Service workers, except private household.....	9,080	2,770	83	9,149	2,799	102	8,974	2,729	141	-70	8,996	2,463	*13.6	5.6
Educational Attainment														
Total, 25 years and over..	55,797	4,636	39	54,005	4,836	50	58,801	4,313	64	*-523	50,228	4,556	*6.1	-1.4
Elementary: Total.....	10,092	2,882	32	9,966	2,945	42	10,300	2,786	50	*-159	10,008	2,769	*6.4	-1.2
Less than 8 years.....	5,238	2,709	41	5,172	2,734	54	5,337	2,668	65	-66	5,238	2,524	*8.3	0.7
8 years.....	4,855	3,113	58	4,794	3,209	65	4,963	2,931	79	*-278	4,769	3,061	5.5	-1.9
High school: Total.....	29,822	4,698	50	28,758	4,894	64	31,625	4,392	81	*-502	26,716	4,694	*4.3	*-3.1
1 to 3 years.....	7,918	3,701	73	7,662	3,728	95	8,359	3,663	115	-65	7,733	3,679	1.3	*-5.8
4 years.....	21,904	5,221	68	21,096	5,509	84	23,266	4,762	103	*-747	18,982	5,276	*4.4	-3.0
College: Total.....	15,883	7,517	101	15,281	7,797	124	16,877	7,028	177	*-769	13,505	7,447	*4.7	-2.7
1 to 3 years.....	8,071	6,204	131	7,984	6,339	163	8,693	5,985	220	-354	6,840	6,239	1.6	-5.6
4 years or more.....	7,813	9,273	149	7,598	9,709	191	8,184	8,557	265	*-1,152	6,664	9,095	*6.8	-0.8
4 years.....	4,812	8,090	198	4,653	8,508	254	5,069	7,215	428	*-1,293	4,144	8,077	5.3	-2.1
5 years or more.....	3,001	11,365	267	2,931	11,716	329	3,115	10,736	429	-980	2,521	11,081	5.7	-1.7

¹Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.
²Amounts shown are median earnings.
³Includes other occupational groupings, not shown separately.

Table 9. Selected Characteristics of Persons 14 Years Old and Over Working Year Round Full Time—Number With Income and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Sex

(Persons 14 years old and over as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (doll.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (doll.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number with income (thous.)	Median income		Number with income (thous.)	Median income		Number with income (thous.)	Median income						
		Value (doll.)	Stand- ard error (doll.)		Value (doll.)	Stand- ard error (doll.)		Value (doll.)	Stand- ard error (doll.)					
MALE														
All males.....	41,044	16,062	58	40,705	16,026	73	41,518	16,131	97	105	39,287	15,070	+6.6	+0.9
Area, Race, and Spanish Origin¹														
United States: All races.....	41,044	16,062	58	40,705	16,026	73	41,518	16,131	97	105	39,287	15,070	+6.6	+0.9
White.....	37,218	16,360	64	36,918	16,303	80	37,627	16,466	107	161	35,591	15,378	+6.4	+1.1
Black.....	3,098	12,530	198	3,071	12,600	250	3,152	12,463	317	-137	3,082	10,602	+18.2	+9.8
Spanish origin..	1,878	11,943	322	1,924	11,677	409	1,787	12,361	483	684	1,771	10,935	+9.2	1.5
Northeast: All races.....	9,290	16,149	116	9,246	16,221	148	9,352	16,056	189	-165	8,987	15,362	+5.1	+2.3
White.....	8,556	16,376	126	8,515	16,429	161	8,614	16,327	204	-102	8,364	15,547	+5.3	+2.1
Black.....	609	13,314	391	616	13,581	554	603	12,885	496	-696	531	11,946	+11.5	3.6
Spanish origin..	315	11,369	589	341	11,187	643	269	11,800	1,140	613	305	10,293	10.5	2.6
North Central: All races.....	11,351	16,456	113	11,366	16,414	141	11,323	16,510	189	96	10,934	15,491	+6.2	-1.3
White.....	10,578	16,581	120	10,585	16,530	150	10,540	16,664	203	134	10,242	15,646	+6.0	-1.5
Black.....	685	15,054	438	699	15,076	556	685	14,881	707	-195	613	12,855	+17.1	8.8
Spanish origin..	182	13,566	903	176	12,974	1,375	191	14,111	1,129	1,137	187	13,197	2.8	-4.5
South: All races.....	13,103	15,009	130	12,930	14,889	185	13,333	15,152	170	263	12,474	13,502	+11.2	+3.3
White.....	11,416	15,518	116	11,304	15,431	145	11,574	15,673	194	-242	10,705	14,400	+7.8	0.1
Black.....	1,575	10,754	274	1,523	10,787	325	1,635	10,764	520	-23	1,689	9,086	+18.4	+10.0
Spanish origin..	628	10,923	403	659	10,559	463	567	11,755	776	1,196	568	10,001	9.2	1.5
West: All races.....	7,300	17,286	163	7,163	17,147	201	7,509	17,511	278	364	6,891	15,797	+9.4	1.7
White.....	6,668	17,465	176	6,514	17,267	213	6,900	17,782	306	515	6,279	15,970	+9.4	1.6
Black.....	229	14,520	694	232	14,460	786	230	14,400	1,484	-60	250	13,544	7.2	-0.4
Spanish origin..	754	12,561	363	748	12,720	501	760	12,388	549	-332	711	11,575	8.5	0.9
Relationship to Family Head														
In families.....	36,060	16,315	65	35,772	16,283	82	36,492	16,379	108	96	34,875	15,315	+6.5	-1.0
Head.....	32,109	17,083	74	31,806	17,048	93	32,607	17,149	123	101	31,353	15,925	+7.3	-0.3
Married, wife present.....	31,159	17,137	76	30,861	17,103	95	31,649	17,202	125	99	30,494	15,971	+7.3	-0.3
Other marital status.....	950	15,333	374	945	15,224	539	958	15,513	588	289	859	13,778	+11.3	3.4
Relative of head.....	3,951	9,705	167	3,966	10,051	160	3,885	9,053	273	-998	3,522	8,742	+11.0	3.2
Unrelated individuals.....	4,984	14,182	216	4,933	14,081	270	5,026	14,308	361	227	4,412	12,698	+11.7	3.8
Age														
14 to 19 years.....	661	7,079	226	665	7,239	258	657	6,787	357	-452	584	6,042	+17.2	8.9
20 to 24 years.....	4,073	10,410	120	4,028	10,443	156	4,137	10,371	190	-72	3,622	9,800	+6.2	-1.3
25 to 34 years.....	11,811	15,376	75	11,745	15,407	96	11,918	15,330	122	-77	11,267	14,129	+8.8	1.1
35 to 44 years.....	9,303	18,046	152	9,249	17,964	193	9,371	18,182	252	218	8,899	16,863	+7.0	-0.5
45 to 54 years.....	8,490	18,684	204	8,426	18,641	249	8,540	19,142	358	681	8,425	17,029	+9.7	2.0
55 to 64 years.....	5,876	17,292	193	5,796	17,197	240	6,017	17,441	325	244	5,733	15,669	+10.4	2.6
65 years and over.....	830	14,315	667	795	13,307	695	878	16,148	1,043	-2,841	758	13,815	3.6	-3.7
Occupation Group of Longest Job² (Earnings)														
Total with earnings.....	41,036	15,730	54	40,696	15,695	67	41,507	15,801	91	106	39,263	14,626	+7.5	-0.1
White-collar workers.....	19,266	18,270	121	19,009	18,132	149	19,627	18,545	209	413	18,325	17,095	+6.9	-0.7
Professional, technical, and kindred workers.....	7,121	19,729	232	7,023	19,717	293	7,275	19,775	344	58	6,626	18,224	+8.3	0.6
Salaried.....	6,521	19,289	223	6,437	19,183	279	6,655	19,490	373	307	6,023	17,810	+8.3	0.7
Self-employed.....	599	28,542	1,442	586	30,741	2,053	620	25,517	2,362	-5,224	603	26,946	5.9	-1.6
Managers and administrators, except farm.....	7,128	19,633	272	6,961	19,252	327	7,392	20,180	314	+928	6,950	18,086	+8.6	0.9
Salaried.....	6,033	20,479	196	5,925	20,384	255	6,204	20,627	308	243	5,828	19,023	+7.7	-
Self-employed.....	1,095	12,553	488	1,036	11,708	529	1,189	14,845	1,314	+3,137	1,122	12,428	1.0	-6.1
Sales workers.....	2,456	16,839	308	2,430	16,680	387	2,470	17,144	525	464	2,321	16,067	+4.8	-2.6
Clerical and kindred workers..	2,561	15,289	116	2,595	15,394	142	2,490	15,126	276	-268	2,428	13,966	+9.5	1.7
Blue-collar workers.....	17,469	14,698	112	17,415	14,739	143	17,554	14,661	185	-78	16,717	13,228	+11.1	+3.3
Craft and kindred workers.....	8,768	15,776	95	8,731	15,871	120	8,837	15,618	154	-253	8,335	14,517	+8.7	1.0
Operatives, incl. transport workers.....	6,827	13,660	143	6,821	13,606	177	6,816	13,774	249	168	6,411	12,612	+8.3	0.7
Operatives exc. transport.....	4,483	13,470	166	4,430	13,280	194	4,564	13,855	317	575	4,240	12,384	+8.8	1.1
Transport equip. operatives.....	2,344	14,071	277	2,391	14,387	380	2,252	13,624	403	-763	2,171	13,180	+6.8	-0.8
Laborers, except farm.....	1,873	12,031	233	1,863	12,124	252	1,900	11,819	428	-305	1,972	10,824	+11.2	3.3
Service workers.....	2,821	11,057	191	2,801	10,921	245	2,856	11,206	303	285	2,740	10,332	+7.0	-0.5
Private household workers.....	9	(B)	(B)	9	(B)	(B)	9	(B)	(B)	...	3	(B)	...	...
Service workers, except private household.....	2,813	11,076	192	2,791	10,949	247	2,847	11,220	303	271	2,737	10,338	+7.1	-0.4
Farm workers.....	1,480	7,948	325	1,471	7,984	420	1,470	7,786	535	-198	1,481	6,412	+24.0	+15.2
Farmers and farm managers.....	1,050	8,985	537	1,059	8,969	631	1,032	8,860	1,007	-129	1,063	5,601	+60.4	+49.1
Farm laborers and supervisors..	430	6,813	294	412	6,922	418	438	6,634	363	-288	419	7,278	-6.4	-13.0
Educational Attainment														
Total, 25 years and over..	36,310	16,882	68	36,012	16,815	85	36,724	17,005	113	190	35,081	15,726	+7.4	-0.2
Elementary: Total.....	3,706	11,765	193	3,748	11,611	221	3,625	12,068	297	457	3,886	10,509	+12.0	4.0
Less than 8 years.....	1,796	10,474	196	1,881	10,521	229	1,654	10,357	376	-164	1,971	9,419	+11.2	3.3
8 years.....	1,910	12,965	232	1,866	12,767	279	1,971	13,375	429	608	1,915	12,083	+7.3	-0.3
High school: Total.....	16,994	15,935	73	16,805	15,878	90	17,282	16,039	127	161	16,570	15,038	+6.0	+1.5
1 to 3 years.....	4,029	14,199	228	3,831	14,199	276	4,358	14,288	408	89	4,108	13,120	+8.2	0.6
4 years.....	12,964	16,396	90	12,974	16,316	111	12,925	16,539	155	223	12,462	15,434	+6.2	-1.3
College: Total.....	15,611	20,078	116	15,460	20,087	151	15,816	20,072	202	-15	14,625	18,412	+9.0	1.3
1 to 3 years.....	6,454	17,411	157	6,385	17,398	204	6,568	17,426	248	28	5,996	16,235	+7.2	-0.3
4 years or more.....	9,156	22,095	195	9,075	22,097	248	9,248	22,135	317	38	8,629	20,625	+7.1	-0.4
4 years.....	4,937	20,941	235	4,947	20,831	306	4,895	21,126	375	295	4,750	19,603	+6.8	-0.7
5 years or more.....	4,220	23,578	327	4,128	23,664	409	4,353	23,492	548	-172	3,878	21,941	+7.5	-0.1

¹Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.
²Amounts shown are median earnings.

Table 9. Selected Characteristics of Persons 14 Years Old and Over Working Year Round Full Time—Number With Income and Median Income in 1978 and 1977, by Sex—Continued

(Persons 14 years old and over as of March 1979. An asterisk (*) preceding percent change and difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths samples for 1978 and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978									1977		Percent change-- median income, 1977 to 1978 (full sample)		
	Full sample			Five-eighths sample			Three-eighths sample			Difference-- median, three- eighths minus five- eighths (dol.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	In current dollars	In 1978 dollars
	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)	Number with income (thous.)	Median income (dol.)	Stand- ard error (dol.)					
FEMALE														
All females.....	20,992	9,641	51	20,940	9,637	66	21,110	9,643	83	6	19,278	8,814	+9.4	+1.7
Area, Race, and Spanish Origin¹														
United States: All races.....	20,992	9,641	51	20,940	9,637	66	21,110	9,643	83	6	19,278	8,814	+9.4	+1.7
White.....	18,043	9,732	56	17,976	9,714	71	18,177	9,755	91	41	16,610	8,870	+9.7	+2.0
Black.....	2,499	9,020	139	2,525	9,070	180	2,465	8,943	224	-127	2,296	8,290	+8.8	1.1
Spanish origin..	859	8,331	303	889	8,320	376	808	8,345	481	25	795	7,599	9.6	1.9
Northeast: All races.....	4,917	9,959	97	4,997	10,004	113	4,790	9,864	174	-140	4,387	9,433	+5.6	-1.9
White.....	4,290	10,003	101	4,345	10,025	121	4,203	9,932	189	-93	3,849	9,485	+5.5	-2.0
Black.....	563	9,700	242	579	9,778	309	536	9,591	372	-187	497	8,995	7.8	0.2
Spanish origin..	178	8,473	420	199	8,455	495	145	8,493	835	38	155	7,861	7.8	0.2
North Central: All races.....	5,500	9,681	104	5,463	9,588	129	5,581	9,832	174	244	5,108	8,877	+9.1	1.4
White.....	4,892	9,627	110	4,851	9,553	137	4,976	9,745	185	192	4,615	8,858	+8.7	1.0
Black.....	543	10,052	325	564	9,742	376	509	10,736	670	994	4,610	8,964	+12.1	4.2
Spanish origin..	67	(B)	(B)	65	(B)	(B)	70	(B)	(B)	...	65	(B)	...	...
South: All races.....	6,795	8,940	88	6,634	8,862	116	7,070	9,050	137	188	6,462	8,161	+9.8	2.1
White.....	5,556	9,159	105	5,435	9,022	136	5,759	9,341	152	319	5,247	8,287	+10.5	2.7
Black.....	1,197	7,919	201	1,168	8,059	262	1,249	7,639	345	-420	1,169	7,255	+9.2	1.4
Spanish origin..	282	7,311	321	293	7,089	421	266	7,591	430	502	258	6,858	6.6	-0.9
West: All races.....	3,780	10,380	108	3,845	10,408	131	3,670	10,326	193	-82	3,322	9,509	+9.2	1.4
White.....	3,305	10,449	121	3,345	10,477	144	3,239	10,388	223	-89	2,899	9,509	+9.9	2.1
Black.....	197	10,305	348	213	10,332	510	170	10,284	542	-48	190	9,798	5.2	-2.3
Spanish origin..	332	9,285	308	332	9,485	368	328	8,916	594	-569	316	7,759	+19.7	11.2
Relationship to Family Head														
In families.....	16,822	9,415	57	16,657	9,436	74	17,126	9,376	89	-60	15,548	8,648	+8.9	1.2
Head.....	2,949	10,310	129	2,917	10,466	166	3,003	10,030	204	-436	2,728	9,770	+5.5	-1.9
Wife of head.....	11,569	9,483	69	11,424	9,472	90	11,840	9,496	109	24	10,695	8,649	+9.6	1.9
Other relative of head.....	2,304	8,065	122	2,317	8,105	161	2,284	7,980	182	-125	2,125	7,554	+6.8	-0.8
Unrelated individuals.....	4,170	10,489	105	4,283	10,336	123	3,984	10,794	196	*458	3,730	9,672	+8.4	0.8
Age														
14 to 19 years.....	457	5,928	152	455	5,897	175	462	5,996	329	99	419	5,632	5.3	-2.2
20 to 24 years.....	3,121	8,116	88	3,067	8,120	115	3,213	8,101	135	-19	2,760	7,497	+8.3	0.6
25 to 34 years.....	5,836	10,148	69	5,806	10,166	86	5,901	10,109	118	-57	5,365	9,543	+6.3	-1.2
35 to 44 years.....	4,257	10,200	106	4,260	10,169	133	4,261	10,259	174	90	3,904	9,282	+9.9	2.1
45 to 54 years.....	4,090	10,004	114	4,107	9,973	149	4,061	10,044	181	71	3,836	9,142	+9.4	1.7
55 to 64 years.....	2,871	10,101	130	2,879	10,094	165	2,860	10,096	240	2	2,684	8,846	+14.2	+6.1
65 years and over.....	360	10,187	630	365	9,769	637	352	11,822	1,481	2,053	309	7,838	+30.0	+20.8
Occupation Group of Longest Job² (Earnings)														
Total with earnings ³	20,914	9,350	53	20,891	9,371	66	20,979	9,308	88	-63	19,238	8,618	+8.5	0.8
White-collar workers.....	15,004	10,137	48	14,872	10,180	62	15,235	10,061	79	-119	13,630	9,467	+7.1	-0.5
Professional, technical, and kindred workers.....	3,977	12,647	101	4,030	12,620	123	3,888	12,685	177	65	3,627	11,995	+5.4	-2.0
Managers and administrators, except farm.....	1,836	10,689	180	1,797	10,583	230	1,898	10,849	291	266	1,660	9,799	+9.1	1.4
Sales workers.....	870	7,644	204	874	7,498	253	890	7,909	403	411	782	6,825	+12.0	4.1
Clerical and kindred workers.....	8,311	9,158	63	8,171	9,264	79	8,560	8,976	91	*-288	7,561	8,601	+6.5	-1.0
Blue-collar workers.....	3,120	8,140	104	3,217	8,120	127	2,966	8,164	179	44	2,975	7,524	+8.2	0.5
Craft and kindred workers.....	390	9,584	383	431	9,704	396	325	9,068	873	-636	365	8,902	7.7	0.1
Operatives, incl. transport workers.....	2,530	8,005	104	2,596	7,959	127	2,424	8,091	185	132	2,441	7,350	+8.9	1.2
Laborers, except farm.....	199	7,452	427	191	7,283	423	217	7,850	763	567	170	7,441	0.1	-6.9
Service workers.....	2,699	6,832	90	2,718	6,857	119	2,680	6,786	141	-71	2,535	6,108	+11.9	3.9
Private household workers.....	166	2,830	346	173	3,293	563	154	2,467	326	-826	172	2,714	4.3	-3.1
Service workers, except private household.....	2,533	7,010	100	2,545	7,055	132	2,526	6,945	150	-110	2,363	6,330	+10.7	2.9
Educational Attainment														
Total, 25 years and over..	17,414	10,121	47	17,417	10,110	59	17,435	10,136	79	26	16,099	9,257	+9.3	1.6
Elementary: Total.....	1,209	7,079	145	1,215	7,058	192	1,203	7,077	223	19	1,249	6,283	+12.7	4.7
Less than 8 years.....	588	6,648	194	600	6,617	212	569	6,670	411	53	577	6,074	+9.5	1.7
8 years.....	621	7,489	195	616	7,558	257	634	7,378	306	-180	671	6,564	+14.1	6.0
High school: Total.....	9,860	9,427	71	9,858	9,434	91	9,885	9,406	115	-28	9,259	8,589	+9.8	+2.0
1 to 3 years.....	1,828	7,996	140	1,809	7,930	160	1,869	8,137	258	207	1,918	7,387	+8.2	0.6
4 years.....	8,032	9,769	79	8,050	9,803	100	8,017	9,704	129	-99	7,342	8,894	+9.8	2.1
College: Total.....	6,345	12,115	92	6,344	12,026	129	6,347	12,275	162	249	5,591	11,417	+6.1	-1.4
1 to 3 years.....	2,991	10,634	121	2,895	10,548	151	3,160	10,772	204	224	2,661	10,157	+4.7	-2.7
4 years or more.....	3,354	13,395	157	3,448	13,195	185	3,187	13,787	290	592	2,930	12,656	+5.8	-1.6
4 years.....	1,907	12,347	145	1,951	12,171	170	1,829	12,696	270	525	1,735	11,605	+6.4	-1.1
5 years or more.....	1,447	15,310	189	1,497	15,182	253	1,358	15,536	321	354	1,196	14,338	+6.8	-0.8

¹Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

²Amounts shown are median earnings.

³Includes other occupational groupings, not shown separately.

Table 10. Race and Farm-Nonfarm Residence—Persons 14 Years Old and Over, by Total Money Income in 1978, by Sex

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS, PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER AS OF MARCH 1979)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	MALE					FEMALE					
	TOTAL			NONFARM	FARM	TOTAL			NONFARM	FARM	
	ALL RACES	WHITE	BLACK			ALL RACES	WHITE	BLACK			
TOTAL											
TOTAL	80 969	71 308	8 148	77 905	3 064	88 617	77 091	9 902	85 712	2 905	
WITHOUT INCOME	5 360	4 035	1 177	5 199	160	16 753	14 396	1 942	15 957	796	
WITH INCOME	75 609	67 273	6 971	72 706	2 904	71 864	62 695	7 959	69 755	2 109	
\$1 TO \$999 OR LOSS	4 900	4 193	615	4 578	323	11 679	10 657	819	11 117	563	
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	1 608	1 338	231	1 544	64	4 160	3 510	577	3 951	210	
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	1 501	1 237	241	1 429	72	4 042	3 476	506	3 884	158	
\$2,000 TO \$2,499	2 083	1 640	413	1 990	93	4 817	3 950	807	4 666	151	
\$2,500 TO \$2,999	1 818	1 497	282	1 708	110	3 701	3 102	560	3 600	101	
\$3,000 TO \$3,499	2 059	1 684	342	1 974	85	4 084	3 462	549	4 003	81	
\$3,500 TO \$3,999	1 769	1 540	201	1 702	67	3 096	2 653	392	3 019	77	
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	3 354	2 923	373	3 201	154	5 164	4 496	589	5 037	128	
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	3 354	2 853	422	3 207	149	4 557	3 988	507	4 457	100	
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	3 247	2 760	425	3 106	141	4 125	3 608	443	4 027	98	
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	3 232	2 757	411	3 104	127	3 710	3 261	366	3 627	83	
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	3 109	2 732	295	2 969	141	3 299	2 866	375	3 238	60	
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	2 712	2 430	227	2 600	112	2 711	2 378	298	2 655	46	
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	5 099	5 341	534	5 737	263	4 532	4 008	441	4 429	103	
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	7 890	7 135	634	7 630	260	3 941	3 530	345	3 881	60	
\$15,000 TO \$19,999	11 583	10 599	798	11 293	290	2 826	2 446	308	2 767	60	
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	7 079	6 622	334	6 892	187	820	728	62	807	13	
\$25,000 AND OVER	8 313	7 990	193	8 044	269	599	566	15	580	19	
MEDIAN INCOME, . . . DOLLARS	10 935	11 453	6 861	11 046	8 495	4 068	4 117	3 707	4 127	2 410	
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	63	72	144	66	517	36	38	84	36	232	
MEAN INCOME, DOLLARS	13 113	13 609	8 541	13 191	11 154	5 599	5 631	5 212	5 640	4 264	
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	61	67	130	62	638	29	32	76	30	322	
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKERS											
PERCENT OF CIVILIAN INCOME											
RECIPIENTS,	54.9	55.9	45.0	54.6	61.5	29.2	28.8	31.4	29.4	24.0	
MEDIAN INCOME, . . . DOLLARS	16 062	16 360	12 530	16 200	11 624	9 641	9 732	9 020	9 672	7 914	
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	58	64	198	60	637	51	56	139	52	654	
MEAN INCOME, DOLLARS	18 305	18 755	13 239	18 489	14 241	10 403	10 485	9 653	10 443	8 789	
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	87	93	198	88	908	53	58	140	54	740	

Table 11. Marital Status—Persons 18 Years Old and Over, by Total Money Income in 1978, by Sex

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS, PERSONS 18 YEARS OLD AND OVER AS OF MARCH 1979)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	MALE						FEMALE					
	TOTAL	SINGLE	MARRIED		WIDOWED	DIVORCED	TOTAL	SINGLE	MARRIED		WIDOWED	DIVORCED
			WIFE PRESENT	WIFE ABSENT					HUSBAND PRESENT	HUSBAND ABSENT		
TOTAL												
TOTAL	72 716	16 970	48 233	2 097	1 945	3 471	80 629	13 644	48 129	3 052	10 449	5 356
WITHOUT INCOME	1 399	1 079	206	44	29	41	12 905	1 124	10 887	195	158	141
WITH INCOME	71 317	15 891	48 027	2 053	1 916	3 430	68 124	12 520	37 242	2 857	10 291	5 214
\$1 TO \$999 OR LOSS	2 190	1 385	640	54	28	83	9 144	1 310	7 304	186	230	114
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	1 162	763	256	40	40	55	3 724	817	2 437	136	231	103
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	1 199	739	332	43	30	54	3 826	750	2 357	146	434	138
\$2,000 TO \$2,499	1 802	906	581	99	142	74	4 633	917	2 226	222	996	273
\$2,500 TO \$2,999	1 636	686	705	65	105	76	3 600	647	1 468	176	1 080	229
\$3,000 TO \$3,499	1 933	802	777	121	119	115	3 963	769	1 695	200	1 042	258
\$3,500 TO \$3,999	1 714	627	809	59	136	84	3 035	513	1 185	161	941	236
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	3 250	1 120	1 650	97	226	157	5 120	991	2 321	266	1 179	362
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	3 310	1 025	1 753	146	161	225	4 542	845	2 355	214	792	336
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	3 233	957	1 832	120	140	185	4 121	718	2 196	189	676	342
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	3 221	831	1 944	152	148	146	3 706	728	1 941	160	500	379
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	3 105	845	1 948	89	77	147	3 299	600	1 784	166	399	350
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	2 705	622	1 815	84	58	125	2 703	541	1 441	112	300	309
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	5 996	1 213	4 173	158	118	334	4 527	864	2 457	199	470	536
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	7 890	1 213	6 017	173	118	369	3 941	693	2 090	149	443	566
\$15,000 TO \$19,999	11 583	1 289	9 396	269	94	535	8 225	562	1 380	114	319	451
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	7 079	466	6 087	129	79	317	820	146	368	39	123	144
\$25,000 AND OVER	8 312	401	7 314	150	97	349	595	108	240	23	136	89
MEDIAN INCOME, . . . DOLLARS	11 693	5 894	14 275	8 289	5 822	11 041	4 417	4 541	3 979	4 758	4 162	7 572
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	69	84	85	337	187	245	35	77	56	138	59	131
MEAN INCOME, DOLLARS	13 835	7 655	16 201	11 691	8 884	13 380	5 854	5 953	5 390	6 146	5 935	8 611
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	63	80	80	419	321	292	30	68	40	136	76	123
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKERS												
PERCENT OF CIVILIAN INCOME												
RECIPIENTS,	58.1	39.4	66.3	51.2	19.6	56.7	30.8	35.7	31.4	33.1	12.3	49.8
MEDIAN INCOME, . . . DOLLARS	16 075	11 104	17 096	14 246	15 383	15 261	9 649	9 382	9 470	9 440	10 153	10 741
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	58	133	75	635	771	243	51	107	68	236	201	152
MEAN INCOME, DOLLARS	18 328	12 502	19 572	17 036	18 655	17 457	10 414	10 264	10 057	10 265	11 463	11 820
STANDARD ERROR, . . . DOLLARS	87	142	101	702	1 035	406	53	113	69	232	266	162

Table 12. Age—Persons 14 Years Old and Over, by Total Money Income in 1978, by Sex

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER AS OF MARCH 1979)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	TOTAL	AGE (YEARS)														70 AND OVER	
		14 TO 19	20 TO 24	25 TO 34		35 TO 44		45 TO 54		55 TO 64		65 TO 69					
				TOTAL	25 TO 29	30 TO 34	TOTAL	35 TO 39	40 TO 44	TOTAL	45 TO 49		50 TO 54	TOTAL	55 TO 59		60 TO 64
MALE																	
TOTAL	80 969	12 270	9 713	16 718	8 812	7 907	11 940	6 458	5 482	11 036	5 421	5 615	9 744	5 342	4 402	3 776	5 772
WITHOUT INCOME	5 360	4 464	354	211	152	58	88	40	48	106	65	41	86	45	41	24	23
WITH INCOME	75 609	7 606	9 359	16 508	8 659	7 848	11 852	6 418	5 434	10 929	5 356	5 573	9 658	5 297	4 361	3 752	5 749
\$1 TO \$999 OR LOSS	4 900	3 407	531	297	164	133	170	97	73	206	102	104	198	109	87	43	51
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	1 608	788	357	104	78	26	68	32	73	32	41	70	27	43	38	110	
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	1 501	599	317	141	82	59	61	38	23	66	34	32	80	40	40	87	
\$2,000 TO \$2,499	2 083	571	436	175	96	79	94	44	50	133	62	70	187	86	101	153	
\$2,500 TO \$2,999	1 818	405	311	145	92	53	100	48	52	136	64	72	170	67	103	172	
\$3,000 TO \$3,499	2 059	400	363	232	139	93	129	56	73	154	72	82	204	94	110	204	
\$3,500 TO \$3,999	1 769	220	332	166	106	61	56	30	27	85	34	52	183	85	98	214	
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	3 354	396	626	421	260	161	227	99	128	254	100	154	420	170	251	275	
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	3 354	264	677	562	346	216	249	130	118	273	149	124	376	180	196	318	
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	3 247	192	689	616	383	232	305	165	139	287	123	164	362	170	192	302	
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	3 232	161	653	648	392	256	328	165	163	313	125	188	412	203	210	292	
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	3 109	103	692	783	501	282	329	191	138	273	122	150	376	174	202	278	
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	2 712	79	486	731	439	292	380	202	179	323	155	168	333	165	168	186	
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	5 999	107	908	1 845	1 150	695	904	540	364	786	401	385	806	423	383	315	
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	7 890	77	938	2 588	1 446	1 142	1 396	746	650	1 267	636	631	1 099	596	503	259	
\$15,000 TO \$19,999	11 583	22	763	3 785	1 869	1 916	2 790	1 542	1 249	2 121	1 041	1 080	1 674	991	683	234	
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	7 079	10	193	1 890	719	1 161	1 860	990	870	1 763	858	905	1 141	736	404	138	
\$25,000 AND OVER	8 313	6	77	1 390	400	990	2 406	1 298	1 108	2 417	1 244	1 173	1 571	981	590	246	
MEDIAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	10 935	1 315	7 059	13 410	12 161	15 245	16 572	16 555	16 593	16 574	16 821	16 345	13 624	15 212	11 997	7 247	5 361
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	63	38	101	102	101	107	119	158	182	153	226	207	190	181	296	144	82
MEAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	13 113	2 264	7 732	14 305	12 663	16 117	18 571	18 606	18 530	18 874	19 175	18 584	16 334	17 385	15 057	10 007	7 586
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	61	45	79	98	112	161	170	235	247	193	276	269	203	267	307	238	156
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKERS																	
PERCENT OF CIVILIAN INCOME RECIPIENTS																	
MEDIAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	16 062	7 079	10 410	15 376	14 075	16 505	18 046	17 921	18 201	18 684	18 807	18 565	17 292	17 810	16 578	14 149	14 690
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	58	226	120	75	136	153	152	200	235	204	295	282	193	273	266	795	1 217
MEAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	18 305	7 215	10 963	16 409	14 795	18 002	20 523	20 457	20 600	21 254	21 367	21 142	20 467	20 604	20 244	19 513	20 282
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	87	202	114	113	132	179	196	273	281	217	311	303	275	329	485	978	1 498
FEMALE																	
TOTAL	88 617	12 172	10 136	17 334	9 128	8 206	12 671	6 827	5 844	11 790	5 739	6 051	10 887	5 869	5 018	4 728	6 899
WITHOUT INCOME	16 753	5 013	1 229	3 052	1 432	1 620	2 428	1 290	1 138	2 484	1 153	1 331	2 129	1 330	799	162	257
WITH INCOME	71 864	7 159	8 907	14 282	7 696	6 586	10 243	5 537	4 706	9 306	4 586	4 720	8 758	4 539	4 219	4 566	6 642
\$1 TO \$999 OR LOSS	11 679	3 374	1 154	2 368	1 133	1 235	1 609	889	719	1 517	724	793	1 255	757	498	187	216
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	4 160	874	546	601	330	272	425	256	169	348	142	200	497	230	267	363	
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	4 042	547	465	497	260	237	340	206	134	331	148	183	537	202	334	531	
\$2,000 TO \$2,499	4 817	546	565	347	301	246	451	216	235	433	179	254	616	250	367	539	
\$2,500 TO \$2,999	3 701	308	424	439	218	221	310	172	138	352	181	171	451	178	273	433	
\$3,000 TO \$3,499	4 084	425	515	620	319	301	430	232	198	366	198	168	434	193	241	355	
\$3,500 TO \$3,999	3 096	204	388	420	213	207	326	162	164	279	134	145	322	145	177	292	
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	5 164	319	673	950	532	418	661	340	322	604	294	311	564	264	300	418	
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	4 557	208	770	832	456	376	708	356	353	630	335	295	537	278	259	304	
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	4 125	139	759	875	520	355	675	376	299	549	258	291	491	271	220	229	
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	3 710	79	689	903	548	355	606	349	258	479	247	232	471	234	238	200	
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	3 299	51	563	831	489	342	580	317	263	540	265	276	390	212	178	153	
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	2 711	41	416	795	475	320	449	247	202	452	238	214	374	188	146	88	
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	4 532	22	515	1 397	805	592	854	443	412	787	408	378	594	70	136	226	
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	3 941	13	320	1 173	662	511	791	427	364	765	400	365	566	348	218	144	
\$15,000 TO \$19,999	2 826	4	107	762	339	423	671	355	316	584	286	297	431	255	176	121	
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	820	3	20	165	51	113	204	112	91	179	92	87	142	84	58	62	
\$25,000 AND OVER	599	3	14	107	45	62	152	83	70	111	51	60	123	80	42	23	
MEDIAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	4 068	1 118	4 588	5 839	6 164	5 417	5 804	5 829	5 779	5 672	5 860	5 458	4 473	5 179	3 866	3 322	
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	36	33	96	99	116	148	98	144	134	105	139	160	114	166	126	65	
MEAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	5 599	1 769	5 104	6 557	6 543	6 572	6 936	6 877	7 004	6 806	6 962	6 653	6 237	6 607	5 772	4 818	
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	29	36	66	65	83	102	88	118	133	89	128	125	98	138	138	92	
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKERS																	
PERCENT OF CIVILIAN INCOME RECIPIENTS																	
MEDIAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	9 641	5 928	8 116	10 148	9 932	10 473	10 200	10 255	10 141	10 004	10 031	9 967	10 101	10 234	9 805	10 338	9 407
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	51	152	88	89	101	127	106	149	150	114	153	173	130	152	248	709	
MEAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS	10 403	6 094	8 403	10 642	10 222	11 167	11 127	11 141	11 112	10 713	10 676	10 751	11 022	11 007	11 945	13 537	
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	53	188	86	89	103	151	133	174	205	126	177	178	164	199	285	588	

Table 13. Work Experience in 1978—Civilians 14 Years Old and Over, by Total Money Earnings in 1978, by Sex

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER AS OF MARCH 1979. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

TOTAL MONEY EARNINGS	WORKED LAST YEAR								
	TOTAL	WORKED AT FULL-TIME JOBS				WORKED AT PART-TIME JOBS			
		TOTAL	50 TO 52 WEEKS	27 TO 49 WEEKS	26 WEEKS OR LESS	TOTAL	50 TO 52 WEEKS	27 TO 49 WEEKS	26 WEEKS OR LESS
MALE									
TOTAL	63 101	54 640	41 078	7 843	5 718	8 461	2 705	1 968	3 788
WITHOUT EARNINGS	198	75	42	3	30	123	68	11	84
WITH EARNINGS	62 903	54 565	41 036	7 841	5 688	8 338	2 637	1 957	3 704
\$1 TO \$999 OR LOSS	5 086	1 642	487	93	1 262	3 244	398	250	2 597
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	1 676	910	104	74	732	766	173	194	399
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	1 324	735	104	75	556	590	155	199	236
\$2,000 TO \$2,499	1 457	807	125	143	539	650	247	263	140
\$2,500 TO \$2,999	1 128	633	110	146	377	495	192	205	97
\$3,000 TO \$3,499	1 406	907	219	256	432	499	263	162	74
\$3,500 TO \$3,999	912	553	139	213	262	359	187	125	47
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	1 861	1 423	476	538	408	439	245	130	63
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	2 051	1 813	885	616	312	238	189	81	8
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	2 210	2 041	1 192	625	224	169	102	53	14
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	2 277	2 151	1 449	560	142	126	68	46	12
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	2 246	2 190	1 534	559	97	96	51	34	11
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	2 246	2 178	1 630	442	106	67	22	37	8
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	5 138	5 027	4 121	802	104	111	73	33	5
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	7 057	6 929	5 922	912	95	128	77	44	7
\$15,000 TO \$19,999	10 995	10 881	9 772	1 057	52	114	71	32	11
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	6 602	6 496	6 060	394	21	106	79	25	2
\$25,000 AND OVER	7 190	7 048	6 687	333	28	142	86	45	12
MEDIAN EARNINGS . . . DOLLARS	12 133	13 588	15 730	9 048	2 273	1 635	3 293	2 677	721
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	59	71	54	126	48	53	67	74	16
MEAN EARNINGS . . . DOLLARS	13 514	15 073	17 526	10 770	3 312	3 308	5 439	4 620	1 121
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	66	70	81	139	75	96	199	254	61
FEMALE									
TOTAL	49 214	32 600	21 131	5 904	5 865	16 314	5 391	4 252	6 670
WITHOUT EARNINGS	816	297	217	31	50	519	333	47	139
WITH EARNINGS	48 398	32 303	20 914	5 873	5 815	15 795	5 058	4 205	6 531
\$1 TO \$999 OR LOSS	8 045	2 160	213	105	1 842	5 885	589	722	4 575
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	2 836	1 131	107	127	897	1 705	346	515	844
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	2 016	877	87	98	693	1 139	259	482	398
\$2,000 TO \$2,499	2 260	931	121	225	585	1 329	469	569	291
\$2,500 TO \$2,999	1 541	724	102	228	394	816	335	359	122
\$3,000 TO \$3,499	2 243	1 046	202	447	397	1 197	627	452	118
\$3,500 TO \$3,999	1 407	773	200	379	195	634	354	241	39
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	3 051	2 006	777	893	335	1 055	663	336	56
\$5,000 TO \$5,999	3 174	2 511	1 519	813	179	663	438	184	41
\$6,000 TO \$6,999	3 290	2 894	2 123	674	97	397	261	125	10
\$7,000 TO \$7,999	2 959	2 687	2 161	473	53	272	191	70	10
\$8,000 TO \$8,999	2 807	2 588	2 180	353	55	219	167	39	13
\$9,000 TO \$9,999	2 269	2 157	1 895	233	29	112	85	25	2
\$10,000 TO \$11,999	3 670	3 810	3 450	334	26	160	117	42	1
\$12,000 TO \$14,999	3 368	3 276	2 983	275	18	91	75	14	3
\$15,000 TO \$19,999	2 272	2 206	2 026	165	16	65	42	20	3
\$20,000 TO \$24,999	516	496	475	19	2	20	16	4	-
\$25,000 AND OVER	365	328	292	32	4	37	22	8	6
MEDIAN EARNINGS . . . DOLLARS	5 249	7 464	9 350	5 534	1 622	1 635	3 423	2 338	714
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	48	46	52	65	38	38	39	40	12
MEAN EARNINGS . . . DOLLARS	6 092	7 868	9 929	6 217	2 124	2 425	4 082	2 806	898
STANDARD ERROR . . . DOLLARS	34	42	49	75	39	36	80	61	31

Table 14. Total Money Income in 1947, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, and 1970 to 1978—Persons 14 Years Old and Over, by Sex

(PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER AS OF MARCH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

TOTAL MONEY INCOME	1978	1977	1976	1975	1974 [†]	1974	1973	1972	1971	1970	1965	1960	1955	1950	1947
BOTH SEXES															
NUMBER OF PERSONS . . . THOUS.	169 586	167 262	164 935	162 542	159 962	159 948	157 284	154 468	152 034	148 241	135 627	125 641	116 293	109 492	107 412
NUMBER OF PERSONS WITH INCOME . . . THOUS.	147 473	139 422	135 945	132 041	130 505	129 840	126 416	121 961	119 089	116 655	101 317	91 696	81 237	72 236	68 292
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
\$1 to \$999 OR LOSS . . .	11.2	10.6	11.3	11.8	13.0	13.2	14.1	15.2	16.6	18.0	23.8	27.7	29.2	31.7	30.4
\$1,000 TO \$1,999 . . .	7.7	8.5	9.3	9.8	10.6	10.6	11.5	12.2	12.7	13.1	13.7	14.2	15.7	18.9	25.0
\$2,000 TO \$2,999 . . .	8.4	8.7	9.2	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.1	10.4	11.8	14.2	20.4	22.3
\$3,000 TO \$3,999 . . .	7.5	7.8	7.8	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.7	8.0	8.3	8.3	9.7	11.0	14.3	15.2	12.3
\$4,000 TO \$4,999 . . .	5.4	6.2	6.4	6.8	6.7	6.8	7.0	7.0	7.5	7.3	8.5	9.8	11.1	6.7	4.6
\$5,000 TO \$5,999 . . .	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.7	6.8	8.3	8.8	6.9	3.1	2.1
\$6,000 TO \$6,999 . . .	5.0	5.2	5.4	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.9	6.1	6.8	5.8	3.5	1.3	0.9
\$7,000 TO \$7,999 . . .	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.5	5.8	6.0	5.5	3.6	1.6	0.6	0.6
\$8,000 TO \$9,999 . . .	8.0	8.3	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.0	6.1	3.4	1.7	0.7	0.7
\$10,000 TO \$14,999 . . .	15.2	15.4	15.2	15.3	14.9	14.9	14.4	13.4	12.0	10.9	5.0	2.5	1.2		
\$15,000 TO \$24,999 . . .	15.1	13.7	12.1	10.4	9.0	8.8	7.6	6.0	4.8	4.0	1.7	0.9	0.4	1.4	
\$25,000 AND OVER . . .	6.0	4.9	3.9	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.3	2.0	1.5	1.3	0.5	0.4	0.3		1.2
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS.	6 813	6 429	6 002	5 664	5 335	5 312	5 004	4 683	4 366	4 178	3 187	2 639	2 324	1 971	1 787
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKERS															
PERCENT OF CIVILIAN INCOME RECIPIENTS . . .	42.3	42.3	41.7	41.8	42.4	44.2	45.3	45.4	44.8	44.7	47.1	46.0	51.1	(NA)	(NA)
MEDIAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS.	13 333	12 433	11 723	10 968	10 292	10 066	9 537	8 839	8 188	7 846	5 751	4 770	3 809	(NA)	(NA)
MALE															
NUMBER OF PERSONS . . . THOUS.	80 969	79 863	78 782	77 560	76 363	76 349	75 040	73 572	72 469	70 592	64 630	60 359	55 878	52 592	52 459
NUMBER OF PERSONS WITH INCOME . . . THOUS.	75 609	74 015	72 775	71 234	70 863	70 627	69 387	67 474	66 486	65 008	59 157	55 172	51 446	47 585	46 813
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
\$1 to \$999 OR LOSS . . .	6.1	7.0	7.3	7.5	8.1	8.2	8.4	8.9	9.9	10.4	13.5	16.2	18.2	20.7	21.4
\$1,000 TO \$1,999 . . .	4.1	4.6	5.0	5.4	5.8	5.8	6.4	7.1	7.6	8.3	10.2	11.4	12.8	16.4	21.8
\$2,000 TO \$2,999 . . .	5.2	5.4	5.8	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.6	6.8	7.2	6.9	8.6	10.4	13.1	21.7	26.2
\$3,000 TO \$3,999 . . .	5.1	5.5	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.7	6.4	6.7	6.8	8.6	11.0	16.5	21.0	16.8
\$4,000 TO \$4,999 . . .	4.4	4.7	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.8	5.9	6.5	6.2	8.9	12.0	15.8	9.6	6.3
\$5,000 TO \$5,999 . . .	4.4	4.9	5.1	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.7	6.0	6.4	6.7	10.6	12.7	10.3	4.6	3.0
\$6,000 TO \$6,999 . . .	4.3	4.6	4.9	5.0	5.4	5.4	5.5	6.1	6.4	7.0	9.8	8.9	5.4	2.0	1.2
\$7,000 TO \$7,999 . . .	4.3	4.5	4.8	5.0	5.2	5.4	5.5	6.2	7.3	7.8	8.4	5.8	2.5	0.9	0.8
\$8,000 TO \$9,999 . . .	7.7	8.2	8.9	9.6	10.1	10.3	11.1	12.0	12.5	13.2	9.7	5.5	2.6	1.1	0.9
\$10,000 TO \$14,999 . . .	18.4	19.5	20.6	21.8	22.3	22.3	22.3	20.9	19.0	17.7	8.2	4.1	1.9		
\$15,000 TO \$24,999 . . .	24.7	22.5	20.2	17.5	15.2	14.8	12.9	10.2	8.1	6.8	2.7	1.4	0.6	2.7	1.5
\$25,000 AND OVER . . .	11.0	8.6	6.8	5.4	4.7	4.5	4.0	3.4	2.5	2.3	0.9	0.6	0.4		
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS.	10 935	10 123	9 426	8 853	8 452	8 379	8 056	7 450	6 903	6 670	5 023	4 080	3 358	2 570	2 230
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKERS															
PERCENT OF CIVILIAN INCOME RECIPIENTS . . .	54.9	53.7	53.2	53.0	54.4	55.9	58.0	57.4	56.4	56.6	59.8	58.3	63.1	(NA)	(NA)
MEDIAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS.	16 062	15 070	13 859	12 934	12 162	12 152	11 468	10 538	9 631	9 148	6 598	5 435	4 246	(NA)	(NA)
FEMALE															
NUMBER OF PERSONS . . . THOUS.	88 617	87 399	86 153	84 982	83 599	83 599	82 244	80 896	79 565	77 649	71 997	65 282	60 415	56 900	54 953
NUMBER OF PERSONS WITH INCOME . . . THOUS.	71 864	65 407	63 170	60 807	59 642	59 213	57 029	54 487	52 603	51 647	42 160	36 526	29 791	24 651	21 479
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	100.0	100.0	100.0
\$1 to \$999 OR LOSS . . .	16.3	14.6	15.9	16.9	18.8	19.0	21.1	22.9	24.9	27.5	38.4	44.4	47.2	51.9	49.5
\$1,000 TO \$1,999 . . .	11.4	13.0	14.2	15.0	16.3	16.2	17.7	18.5	19.2	19.2	18.6	18.4	20.6	23.6	31.6
\$2,000 TO \$2,999 . . .	11.9	12.5	13.2	13.5	13.9	13.8	13.5	13.1	12.3	11.8	13.0	14.0	15.8	18.1	14.2
\$3,000 TO \$3,999 . . .	10.0	10.5	10.4	10.5	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.3	10.3	11.2	11.0	10.7	4.5	3.0
\$4,000 TO \$4,999 . . .	7.2	7.9	7.7	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.7	8.8	7.9	6.7	3.4	1.2	0.9
\$5,000 TO \$5,999 . . .	6.3	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.2	7.2	6.9	7.1	7.2	6.9	5.1	3.1	1.2	0.3	0.3
\$6,000 TO \$6,999 . . .	5.7	5.9	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.5	5.4	4.9	2.6	1.7	0.4	0.1	0.1
\$7,000 TO \$7,999 . . .	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.8	4.8	4.5	4.6	4.4	3.7	1.3	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.1
\$8,000 TO \$9,999 . . .	8.4	8.4	7.9	7.3	6.7	6.7	5.8	4.6	4.4	3.8	1.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1
\$10,000 TO \$14,999 . . .	11.8	10.7	9.0	7.8	6.2	6.1	4.8	4.0	3.0	2.4	0.6	0.2	0.1		
\$15,000 TO \$24,999 . . .	5.1	3.8	2.9	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.1	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1		
\$25,000 AND OVER . . .	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	-	-	0.1	0.2	0.3
MEDIAN INCOME ¹ . . . DOLLARS.	4 068	3 941	3 576	3 385	3 082	3 079	2 796	2 599	2 408	2 237	1 521	1 261	1 120	953	1 017
YEAR-ROUND FULL-TIME WORKERS															
PERCENT OF CIVILIAN INCOME RECIPIENTS . . .	29.2	29.5	28.7	28.7	28.5	30.4	30.2	30.7	30.5	30.0	29.4	28.3	31.1	(NA)	(NA)
MEDIAN INCOME . . . DOLLARS.	9 641	8 814	8 312	7 719	7 174	6 957	6 488	6 053	5 701	5 440	3 815	3 296	2 734	(NA)	(NA)

[†]BASED ON REVISED METHODOLOGY.

¹SINCE MEDIANS WERE CALCULATED USING MORE DETAILED INTERVALS THAN THOSE SHOWN ABOVE, THEY WILL NOT BE THE SAME AS THOSE CALCULATED USING THE ABOVE INTERVALS.

Table 15. Selected Characteristics of Households—Households, by Total Money Income in 1978

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. HOUSEHOLDS AS OF MARCH 1979. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS	TOTAL	UNDER \$4,000	\$4,000 TO \$6,999	\$7,000 TO \$9,999	\$10,000 TO \$11,999	\$12,000 TO \$14,999	\$15,000 TO \$17,499	\$17,500 TO \$19,999	\$20,000 TO \$24,999	\$25,000 TO \$29,999	\$30,000 TO \$49,999	\$50,000 AND OVER	MEDIAN INCOME		MEAN INCOME	
													VALUE (DOLS.)	STANDARD ERROR (DOLS.)	VALUE (DOLS.)	STANDARD ERROR (DOLS.)
ALL HOUSEHOLDS	77 330	8 331	8 890	8 373	5 453	7 424	6 420	5 406	9 451	6 368	8 921	2 293	15 064	61	17 730	68
TYPE OF RESIDENCE																
NONFARM	74 934	8 029	8 598	8 110	5 285	7 159	6 201	5 268	9 195	6 194	8 679	2 216	15 098	62	17 753	69
FARM	2 396	302	292	263	168	265	219	138	256	174	242	77	13 841	514	17 016	566
INSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS																
1,000,000 OR MORE	30 102	2 703	3 169	2 977	1 977	2 637	2 405	2 088	3 771	2 729	4 389	1 259	16 562	175	19 603	167
INSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	12 363	1 624	1 721	1 517	906	1 202	995	780	1 238	834	1 184	362	12 839	223	16 298	244
OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	17 740	1 080	1 448	1 460	1 071	1 435	1 409	1 308	2 532	1 894	3 205	897	19 280	251	21 906	222
UNDER 1,000,000	22 697	2 421	2 465	2 438	1 547	2 200	1 964	1 699	2 825	1 955	2 593	588	15 304	157	17 687	173
INSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	11 000	1 496	1 401	1 246	772	1 107	937	750	1 208	793	1 020	272	13 378	260	16 312	250
OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	11 696	925	1 064	1 193	775	1 093	1 028	949	1 617	1 163	1 573	316	16 868	266	18 979	236
OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS	24 531	3 207	3 256	2 957	1 929	2 587	2 050	1 619	2 855	1 684	1 939	447	12 951	163	15 471	150
REGION																
NORTHEAST	17 227	1 643	2 063	1 862	1 137	1 578	1 426	1 261	2 151	1 500	2 083	523	15 509	140	18 147	146
NORTH CENTRAL	20 551	1 993	2 292	2 110	1 363	1 985	1 750	1 512	2 710	1 803	2 476	598	15 673	127	18 003	129
SOUTH	24 738	3 205	2 968	2 842	1 852	2 457	2 008	1 642	2 814	1 851	2 408	681	13 655	139	16 652	123
WEST	14 813	1 491	1 567	1 559	1 102	1 403	1 225	991	1 775	1 204	1 954	542	15 511	143	18 666	160
RACE AND SPANISH ORIGIN OF HEAD¹																
WHITE	68 028	6 401	7 413	7 178	4 746	6 571	5 734	4 887	8 737	5 853	8 292	2 215	15 660	69	18 387	74
BLACK	8 066	1 798	1 352	1 065	613	751	589	424	585	404	445	41	9 411	199	12 027	157
SPANISH ORIGIN	3 291	428	473	456	319	364	291	217	335	184	192	31	11 803	286	13 942	282
MARITAL STATUS AND SEX OF HEAD																
MALE HEAD	57 342	2 810	4 491	5 313	3 871	5 702	5 301	4 708	8 504	5 916	8 516	2 209	18 059	77	20 629	82
MARRIED, WIFE PRESENT	47 662	1 380	3 097	4 066	2 999	4 682	4 441	4 106	7 633	5 404	7 845	2 010	19 360	94	21 846	90
MARRIED, WIFE ABSENT	1 233	226	162	160	104	106	114	79	108	56	79	40	11 017	487	15 138	634
WIDOWED	1 551	345	384	222	125	118	63	33	96	39	95	30	7 460	253	11 798	431
DIVORCED	2 359	287	277	250	189	252	240	142	301	160	201	59	14 014	388	16 424	374
SINGLE	4 538	572	571	615	454	544	443	348	366	257	296	71	12 248	196	14 538	225
FEMALE HEAD	19 987	5 521	4 399	3 060	1 582	1 722	1 119	698	946	452	404	84	7 063	79	9 412	78
MARRIED, HUSBAND ABSENT	2 352	770	553	354	167	170	120	60	93	41	18	5	6 017	200	8 025	196
WIDOWED	8 821	2 999	2 294	1 202	527	562	339	229	306	157	177	29	5 649	88	8 315	115
DIVORCED	4 379	860	746	750	440	525	336	198	268	127	101	27	9 275	189	11 012	170
SINGLE	4 436	892	805	753	449	465	323	212	279	127	108	23	8 965	195	10 750	170
RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD																
ALL MEMBERS RELATED	73 715	8 146	8 564	7 989	5 170	7 030	6 049	5 132	8 961	6 020	8 469	2 186	14 979	81	17 655	70
ALL MEMBERS UNRELATED	2 630	137	248	287	221	280	291	217	347	222	322	59	16 101	286	18 510	335
SOME MEMBERS UNRELATED	985	48	79	97	62	114	80	58	143	127	130	48	18 032	825	21 240	687
AGE OF HEAD																
14 TO 24 YEARS	6 342	850	917	1 069	632	861	659	429	531	225	146	21	11 014	166	12 161	138
25 TO 34 YEARS	16 996	1 003	1 267	1 649	1 350	1 992	1 916	1 696	2 783	1 590	1 507	242	16 502	117	17 704	113
35 TO 44 YEARS	13 328	632	768	966	813	1 146	1 213	1 155	2 158	1 673	2 234	570	19 928	176	22 021	172
45 TO 54 YEARS	12 585	724	792	825	627	996	967	867	1 878	1 451	2 710	750	21 181	187	23 698	197
55 TO 64 YEARS	12 284	1 264	1 189	1 250	839	1 148	1 003	814	1 438	1 088	1 719	531	16 028	177	19 434	192
65 YEARS AND OVER	15 795	3 859	3 957	2 613	1 192	1 281	661	445	662	341	605	179	7 081	82	10 291	111
SIZE OF HOUSEHOLD																
1 PERSON	17 201	5 176	3 762	2 519	1 364	1 421	967	591	676	293	306	127	6 669	85	9 154	93
2 PERSONS	23 928	1 654	2 940	3 207	1 973	2 600	2 002	1 746	2 942	1 817	2 380	605	14 453	131	17 330	117
3 PERSONS	13 392	707	936	1 195	819	1 450	1 247	1 110	2 037	1 507	1 946	430	18 174	160	20 349	156
4 PERSONS	12 274	436	638	770	707	1 103	1 195	1 058	2 129	1 539	2 184	515	20 462	151	22 562	176
5 PERSONS	6 187	210	338	341	325	470	603	560	1 046	725	1 217	355	21 002	222	23 686	260
6 PERSONS	2 573	98	128	190	152	219	218	210	368	298	540	152	20 808	389	23 956	434
7 PERSONS OR MORE	1 774	51	149	149	115	154	125	131	253	189	349	111	20 216	488	23 272	515
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF HEAD																
ELEMENTARY: TOTAL	14 468	3 510	3 228	2 116	1 066	1 244	852	571	886	477	453	62	7 628	100	10 377	98
0 TO 7 YEARS	7 599	2 139	1 790	1 080	564	578	379	256	404	207	177	25	6 756	108	9 430	128
8 YEARS	6 869	1 371	1 439	1 036	503	667	474	315	482	270	276	36	8 752	160	11 425	148
HIGH SCHOOL: TOTAL	36 911	3 693	4 087	4 324	2 864	3 924	3 348	2 820	4 786	2 982	3 553	529	14 606	111	16 481	81
1 TO 3 YEARS	10 902	1 739	1 661	1 490	903	1 094	818	700	1 028	621	757	92	11 205	159	13 697	136
4 YEARS	26 009	1 954	2 426	2 834	1 961	2 830	2 530	2 120	3 758	2 361	2 796	437	15 884	100	17 648	98
COLLEGE: TOTAL	25 951	1 128	1 574	1 934	1 523	2 255	2 219	2 014	3 779	2 909	4 914	1 703	20 366	120	23 605	142
1 TO 3 YEARS	12 037	710	991	1 176	810	1 192	1 144	1 074	1 770	1 212	1 640	319	17 488	165	19 407	160
4 YRS OR MORE	13 913	418	583	758	712	1 063	1 076	940	2 009	1 697	3 275	1 384	23 295	202	27 237	218
TENURE																
OWNER OCCUPIED	52 283	4 048	4 744	4 671	3 183	4 616	4 283	3 917	7 439	5 374	7 939	2 069	17 836	86	20 264	87
RENTER OCCUPIED	23 356	3 923	3 857	3 463	2 123	2 634	2 006	1 415	1 877	933	920	205	10 378	87	12 471	90
OCCUPIER PAID NO CASH RENT	1 690	360	290	239	147	174	128	75	135	61	62	20	9 485	323	12 000	389

¹PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.

Table 16. Number, Poverty Rate, and Standard Errors—Persons, Families, and Unrelated Individuals Below the Poverty Level in 1978 and 1977

(Numbers in thousands. Persons, families, and unrelated individuals as of March of the following year. An asterisk (*) preceding a difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths sample and for meaning of symbols, see text)

Selected characteristics	1978						Difference- three-eighths minus five-eighths	1977	Difference- 1978 minus 1977 (full sample)
	Full sample		Five-eighths sample		Three-eighths sample				
	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error			
NUMBER BELOW POVERTY LEVEL									
Persons									
All persons.....	24,497	420	24,568	531	24,401	684	-167	24,720	-223
Race and Spanish origin									
White.....	16,259	348	16,265	440	16,264	568	-1	16,416	-157
Black.....	7,625	212	7,642	268	7,613	346	-29	7,726	-101
Other races.....	613	69	661	91	524	104	-137	579	34
Spanish origin ¹	2,607	172	2,635	219	2,567	279	-68	2,700	-93
Age									
Under 14 years.....	7,583	207	7,770	265	7,302	332	-468	7,856	-273
14 to 21 years.....	4,384	108	4,327	136	4,469	178	142	4,346	38
22 to 44 years.....	5,794	119	5,858	151	5,651	193	-207	5,780	14
45 to 54 years.....	1,638	69	1,618	87	1,689	114	71	1,672	-34
55 to 59 years.....	900	52	908	66	861	82	-47	944	-44
60 to 64 years.....	964	53	949	67	1,031	90	82	946	18
65 years and over.....	3,233	91	3,138	114	3,398	152	260	3,177	56
Total, under 18 years.....	9,931	235	10,119	299	9,652	378	-467	10,228	-297
Related children under 18 years.....	9,722	232	9,895	296	9,469	375	-426	10,028	-306
Total, 5 to 17 years.....	7,261	203	7,395	259	7,059	327	-336	7,449	-188
Related children 5 to 17 years.....	7,052	200	7,172	255	6,876	323	-296	7,249	-197
Residence									
Inside metropolitan areas.....	15,090	336	15,223	427	14,879	545	-344	14,859	231
Inside central cities.....	9,285	267	9,380	339	9,155	432	-225	9,203	82
In poverty areas.....	3,798	172	3,828	219	3,747	280	-81	4,132	-334
Outside central cities.....	5,805	212	5,843	269	5,724	344	-119	5,657	148
In poverty areas.....	879	83	825	102	971	143	146	972	-93
Outside metropolitan areas.....	9,407	268	9,345	338	9,522	441	177	9,861	-454
In poverty areas.....	4,835	194	4,900	247	4,741	314	-159	5,236	-401
Families									
Race and sex of head									
All families.....	5,280	106	5,253	133	5,299	173	46	5,311	-31
Husband-wife.....	2,474	69	2,441	86	2,521	113	80	2,524	-50
Male head, no wife present.....	152	16	150	20	157	27	7	177	-25
Female head, no husband present.....	2,654	71	2,663	91	2,621	116	-42	2,610	44
White families.....	3,523	84	3,499	105	3,552	137	53	3,540	-17
Husband-wife.....	2,033	62	1,990	77	2,101	103	111	2,028	5
Male head, no wife present.....	99	13	103	17	93	21	-10	112	-13
Female head, no husband present.....	1,391	50	1,406	64	1,359	81	-47	1,400	-9
Black families.....	1,622	57	1,616	72	1,618	93	2	1,637	-15
Husband-wife.....	366	26	375	34	349	42	-26	429	*-63
Male head, no wife present.....	48	10	43	11	57	17	14	46	2
Female head, no husband present.....	1,208	49	1,199	61	1,212	80	13	1,162	46
Unrelated Individuals									
All unrelated individuals.....	5,435	108	5,423	136	5,493	177	70	5,216	219
Male.....	1,824	58	1,789	73	1,923	98	134	1,796	28
Female.....	3,611	85	3,635	108	3,570	138	-65	3,419	192
POVERTY RATE									
Persons									
All persons.....	11.4	0.2	11.4	0.2	11.3	0.3	-0.1	11.6	-0.2
Race and Spanish origin									
White.....	8.7	0.2	8.7	0.2	8.7	0.3	-	8.9	-0.2
Black.....	30.6	0.8	30.6	1.0	30.4	1.3	-0.2	31.3	-0.7
Other races.....	14.4	1.5	15.7	2.0	12.2	2.3	-3.5	14.8	-0.4
Spanish origin ¹	21.6	1.3	21.3	1.6	22.1	2.1	0.8	22.4	-0.8

¹Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

Table 16. Number, Poverty Rate, and Standard Errors—Persons, Families, and Unrelated Individuals Below the Poverty Level in 1978 and 1977—Continued

(Numbers in thousands. Persons, families, and unrelated individuals as of March of the following year. An asterisk (*) preceding a difference indicates statistically significant change at the 95-percent confidence level. For a discussion of the three-eighths and five-eighths sample and for meaning of symbols, see text).

Selected characteristics	1978						1977	Difference-1978 minus 1977 (full sample)	
	Full sample		Five eighths sample		Three-eighths sample				Difference-three-eighths minus five-eighths
	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error			
POVERTY RATE--Continued									
Persons--Continued									
Age									
Under 14 years.....	16.5	0.4	16.9	0.5	15.8	0.7	-1.1	16.9	-0.4
14 to 21 years.....	13.4	0.3	13.3	0.4	13.7	0.6	0.4	13.2	0.2
22 to 44 years.....	8.2	0.2	8.3	0.2	8.0	0.3	-0.3	8.5	-0.3
45 to 54 years.....	7.2	0.3	7.1	0.4	7.4	0.5	0.3	7.2	-
55 to 59 years.....	8.0	0.4	8.1	0.6	7.7	0.7	-0.4	8.6	-0.6
60 to 64 years.....	10.2	0.5	10.1	0.7	10.9	0.9	0.8	10.0	0.2
65 years and over.....	13.9	0.4	13.5	0.5	14.6	0.7	1.1	14.1	-0.2
Total, under 18 years.....	15.9	0.4	16.3	0.5	15.5	0.6	-0.8	16.2	-0.3
Related children under 18 years.....	15.7	0.4	16.0	0.5	15.2	0.6	-0.8	16.0	-0.3
Total, 5 to 17 years.....	15.5	0.4	15.8	0.5	15.1	0.7	-0.7	15.5	-
Related children 5 to 17 years.....	15.2	0.4	15.4	0.5	14.8	0.7	-0.6	15.2	-
Residence									
Inside metropolitan areas.....	10.4	0.2	10.4	0.3	10.2	0.4	-0.2	10.4	-
Inside central cities.....	15.4	0.4	15.4	0.5	15.3	0.7	-0.1	15.4	-
In poverty areas.....	34.7	1.3	35.4	1.6	33.4	2.0	-2.0	36.4	-1.7
Outside central cities.....	6.8	0.2	6.9	0.3	6.7	0.4	-0.2	6.8	-
In poverty areas.....	19.8	1.7	18.6	2.1	21.9	2.9	3.3	21.5	-1.7
Outside metropolitan areas.....	13.5	0.4	13.5	0.5	13.5	0.6	-	13.9	-0.4
In poverty areas.....	19.8	0.7	19.8	0.9	19.9	1.2	0.1	21.4	*-1.6
Families									
Race and sex of head									
All families.....	9.1	0.2	9.1	0.2	9.1	0.3	-	9.3	-0.2
Husband-wife.....	5.2	0.1	5.1	0.2	5.2	0.2	0.1	5.3	-0.1
Male head, no wife present.....	9.2	0.9	9.4	1.2	8.9	1.5	-0.5	11.1	-1.9
Female head, no husband present.....	31.4	0.7	31.5	0.8	31.0	1.1	-0.5	31.7	-0.3
White families.....	6.9	0.1	6.9	0.2	6.9	0.2	-	7.0	-0.1
Husband-wife.....	4.7	0.1	4.6	0.2	4.8	0.2	0.2	4.7	-
Male head, no wife present.....	7.3	0.9	8.0	1.3	6.3	1.4	-1.7	8.7	-1.4
Female head, no husband present.....	23.5	0.7	23.8	0.9	23.0	1.2	-0.8	24.0	-0.5
Black families.....	27.5	0.8	27.6	1.0	27.0	1.3	-0.6	28.2	-0.7
Husband-wife.....	11.3	0.8	11.7	1.0	10.5	1.2	-1.2	13.1	*-1.8
Male head, no wife present.....	17.7	3.2	15.8	3.8	21.3	5.6	5.5	17.3	0.4
Female head, no husband present.....	50.6	1.4	50.5	1.8	50.5	2.3	-	51.0	-0.4
Unrelated Individuals									
All unrelated individuals.....	22.1	0.3	22.0	0.4	22.4	0.6	0.4	22.6	-0.5
Male.....	17.1	0.5	16.9	0.6	17.7	0.8	0.8	18.0	-0.9
Female.....	26.0	0.5	25.9	0.6	26.2	0.8	0.3	26.1	-0.1

Table 17. Weighted Average Thresholds—Poverty Cutoffs in 1978, by Size of Family and Sex of Head, by Farm-Nonfarm Residence

SIZE OF FAMILY UNIT	TOTAL (DOLLARS)	NONFARM			FARM		
		TOTAL (DOLLARS)	MALE HEAD (DOLLARS)	FEMALE HEAD (DOLLARS)	TOTAL (DOLLARS)	MALE HEAD (DOLLARS)	FEMALE HEAD (DOLLARS)
1 PERSON (UNRELATED INDIVIDUAL)	3 302	3 311	3 460	3 196	2 795	2 898	2 690
14 TO 64 YEARS	3 366	3 392	3 516	3 253	2 913	2 987	2 764
65 YEARS AND OVER	3 116	3 127	3 159	3 118	2 661	2 685	2 650
2 PERSONS	4 225	4 249	4 258	4 206	3 578	3 582	3 497
HEAD 14 TO 64 YEARS	4 363	4 383	4 407	4 286	3 731	3 737	3 614
HEAD 65 YEARS AND OVER	3 917	3 944	3 948	3 923	3 352	3 354	3 313
3 PERSONS	5 178	5 201	5 231	5 065	4 413	4 430	4 216
4 PERSONS	6 628	6 662	6 665	6 632	5 681	5 683	5 622
5 PERSONS	7 833	7 880	7 888	7 806	6 714	6 714	6 700
6 PERSONS	8 825	8 891	8 895	8 852	7 541	7 543	7 462
7 PERSONS OR MORE	10 926	11 002	11 038	10 765	9 373	9 386	8 813

Table 18. Persons Below the Poverty Level, by Family Status, Sex of Head, Race, and Spanish Origin: 1959 to 1978

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. PERSONS AS OF MARCH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

YEAR, SEX OF HEAD, RACE, AND SPANISH ORIGIN	NUMBER BELOW POVERTY LEVEL							POVERTY RATE						
	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES				UNRE- LATED INDI- VIDUALS	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES			UNRE- LATED INDI- VIDUALS	
	ALL PERSONS	65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18	OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS		ALL PERSONS	65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18		OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS
ALL PERSONS														
ALL RACES														
1978	24 497	3 233	19 062	5 280	9 722	4 059	5 435	11.4	14.0	10.0	9.1	15.7	5.7	22.1
1977	24 720	3 177	19 505	5 311	10 028	4 165	5 216	11.6	14.1	10.2	9.3	16.0	5.9	22.6
1976	24 975	3 313	19 632	5 311	10 081	4 240	5 344	11.8	15.0	10.3	9.4	15.8	6.0	24.9
1975	25 877	3 317	20 789	5 450	10 882	4 457	5 088	12.3	15.3	10.9	9.7	16.8	6.4	25.1
1974 [†]	23 370	3 085	18 817	4 922	9 967	3 928	4 553	11.2	14.6	9.9	8.8	15.1	5.7	24.1
1974	24 260	3 308	19 440	5 109	10 196	4 135	4 820	11.6	15.7	10.2	9.2	15.5	6.0	25.5
1973	22 973	3 354	18 299	4 828	9 453	4 018	4 674	11.1	16.3	9.7	8.8	14.2	5.9	25.6
1972	24 460	3 738	19 577	5 075	10 082	4 420	4 883	11.9	16.6	10.3	9.3	14.9	6.6	29.0
1971	25 559	4 273	20 405	5 303	10 344	4 787	5 154	12.5	21.6	10.8	10.0	15.1	7.2	31.6
1970	25 420	4 709	20 330	5 260	10 235	4 835	5 090	12.6	24.5	10.9	10.1	14.9	7.4	32.9
1969	24 147	4 787	19 175	5 008	9 501	4 687	4 972	12.1	25.3	10.4	9.7	13.8	7.2	34.0
1968	25 389	4 632	20 695	5 047	10 739	4 909	4 694	12.8	25.0	11.3	10.0	15.3	7.8	34.0
1967	27 769	5 388	22 771	5 657	11 427	5 677	4 998	14.2	29.5	12.5	11.4	16.3	9.1	38.1
1966 [†]	28 510	5 114	23 869	5 784	12 146	5 879	4 701	14.7	28.5	13.1	11.8	17.4	9.5	38.3
1966	30 424	(NA)	25 614	6 200	12 676	6 538	4 810	15.7	(NA)	14.2	12.7	16.4	10.5	36.9
1965	33 185	(NA)	28 358	6 721	14 388	7 249	4 827	17.3	(NA)	15.8	13.9	20.7	11.8	39.8
1964	36 058	(NA)	30 912	7 160	15 736	8 016	5 143	19.0	(NA)	17.4	15.0	22.7	13.3	42.7
1963	36 436	(NA)	31 498	7 554	15 691	8 253	4 938	19.5	(NA)	17.9	15.9	22.8	13.8	44.2
1962	36 625	(NA)	33 623	8 077	16 630	8 916	5 002	21.0	(NA)	19.4	17.2	24.7	15.1	45.4
1961	36 628	(NA)	34 509	8 391	16 577	9 541	5 119	21.9	(NA)	20.3	18.1	25.2	16.5	45.9
1960	39 851	(NA)	34 925	8 243	17 288	9 394	4 926	22.2	(NA)	20.7	18.1	26.5	16.2	45.2
1959	39 490	5 481	34 562	8 320	17 208	9 034	4 928	22.4	35.2	20.8	18.5	26.9	15.9	46.1
WHITE														
1978	16 259	2 530	12 050	3 523	5 674	2 852	4 209	8.7	12.1	7.3	6.9	11.0	4.5	19.8
1977	16 416	2 426	12 364	3 540	5 943	2 882	4 051	8.9	11.9	7.5	7.0	11.4	4.6	20.4
1976	16 713	2 633	12 500	3 560	6 034	2 906	4 213	9.1	13.2	7.5	7.1	11.3	4.7	22.7
1975	17 770	2 634	13 799	3 836	6 748	3 213	3 972	9.7	13.4	8.3	7.7	12.5	5.2	22.7
1974 [†]	15 736	2 460	12 181	3 352	6 079	2 750	3 555	8.6	12.8	7.3	6.8	11.0	4.5	21.8
1974	16 290	2 642	12 517	3 482	6 180	2 855	3 773	8.9	13.8	7.5	7.0	11.2	4.7	23.2
1973	15 142	2 698	11 412	3 219	5 462	2 731	3 730	8.4	14.4	6.9	6.6	9.7	4.5	23.7
1972	16 203	3 072	12 268	3 441	5 784	3 043	3 935	9.0	16.8	7.4	7.1	10.1	5.1	27.1
1971	17 780	3 605	13 566	3 751	6 341	3 474	4 214	9.9	19.9	8.2	7.9	10.9	5.8	29.6
1970	17 484	3 984	13 323	3 708	6 138	3 477	4 161	9.9	22.5	8.1	8.0	10.5	5.9	30.8
1969	16 659	4 052	12 623	3 575	5 667	3 381	4 036	9.5	23.3	7.8	7.7	9.7	5.8	32.1
1968	17 395	3 939	13 546	3 616	6 373	3 557	3 849	10.0	23.1	8.4	8.0	10.7	6.3	32.2
1967	18 983	4 446	14 851	4 056	6 729	4 066	4 132	11.0	27.7	9.2	9.0	11.3	7.2	36.5
1966 [†]	19 290	4 357	15 430	4 174	7 204	4 120	3 860	11.3	26.4	9.7	9.3	12.1	7.4	36.1
1966	20 751	(NA)	16 732	4 481	7 649	4 602	4 019	12.2	(NA)	10.5	10.2	12.8	8.2	37.3
1965	22 496	(NA)	18 508	4 824	8 595	5 089	3 988	13.3	(NA)	11.7	11.1	14.4	9.2	38.1
1964	24 957	(NA)	20 716	5 258	9 573	5 885	4 241	14.9	(NA)	13.2	12.2	16.1	10.8	40.7
1963	25 238	(NA)	21 149	5 466	9 749	5 934	4 089	15.3	(NA)	13.6	12.8	16.5	11.0	42.0
1962	26 672	(NA)	22 613	5 887	10 382	6 344	4 059	16.4	(NA)	14.7	13.9	17.9	12.0	42.7
1961	27 890	(NA)	23 747	6 205	10 614	6 926	4 143	17.4	(NA)	15.8	14.8	18.7	13.3	43.2
1960	28 309	(NA)	24 262	6 115	11 229	6 918	4 047	17.8	(NA)	16.2	14.9	20.0	13.3	43.0
1959	28 484	4 744	24 443	6 185	11 386	6 872	4 041	18.1	33.1	16.5	15.2	20.6	13.3	44.1
BLACK														
1978	7 625	662	6 493	1 622	3 781	1 094	1 132	30.6	33.9	29.5	27.5	41.2	15.7	38.6
1977	7 726	701	6 667	1 637	3 850	1 181	1 059	31.3	36.3	30.5	28.2	41.6	17.4	37.0
1976	7 595	644	6 576	1 617	3 758	1 201	1 019	31.1	34.8	30.1	27.9	40.4	17.8	39.8
1975	7 545	652	6 533	1 513	3 884	1 136	1 011	31.3	36.3	30.1	27.1	41.4	16.9	42.1
1974 [†]	7 182	591	6 255	1 479	3 713	1 063	927	30.3	34.3	29.3	26.9	39.6	16.4	39.3
1974	7 467	626	6 506	1 530	3 819	1 157	961	31.4	36.4	30.3	27.8	40.7	17.6	41.0
1973	7 388	620	6 560	1 527	3 822	1 211	828	31.4	37.1	30.8	28.1	40.6	18.7	37.9
1972	7 710	640	6 841	1 529	4 025	1 287	870	33.3	39.9	32.4	29.0	42.7	20.0	42.9
1971	7 396	673	6 530	1 484	3 836	1 210	866	32.5	39.3	31.2	28.8	40.7	19.1	46.0
1970	7 548	603	6 833	1 481	3 922	1 279	865	33.5	40.0	32.2	29.5	41.5	20.5	48.3
1969	7 095	649	6 245	1 366	3 677	1 202	850	32.2	50.2	30.9	27.9	39.6	20.0	46.7
1968	7 616	655	6 839	1 366	4 188	1 285	777	34.7	47.7	33.7	29.4	43.1	21.7	46.3
1967	8 486	715	7 677	1 555	4 558	1 584	809	39.3	53.3	36.4	33.9	47.4	27.1	49.3
1966 [†]	8 867	722	8 090	1 620	4 774	1 696	777	41.8	55.1	40.9	35.5	50.6	29.4	54.4
1966	9 927	711	9 112	1 860	5 022	2 230	815	55.1	62.5	54.9	48.1	65.5	44.1	57.0
SPANISH ORIGIN[‡]														
1978	2 607	125	2 343	556	1 354	429	264	21.6	23.2	20.9	20.4	27.2	12.3	29.8
1977	2 700	113	2 463	591	1 402	469	237	22.4	21.9	21.9	21.4	26.0	13.5	29.8
1976	2 783	128	2 516	598	1 424	494	266	24.7	27.7	23.8	23.1	30.1	15.3	37.2
1975	2 961	137	2 755	627	1 619	508	236	26.9	32.6	26.3	25.1	33.1	16.5	36.6
1974 [†]	2 575	117	2 374	526	1 414	435	201	23.0	28.9	24.4	21.2	28.6	13.7	32.6
1974	2 601	116	2 394	527	1 433	434	207	23.2	28.5	22.6	21.3	29.0	13.7	33.7
1973	2 364	95	2 209	468	1 364	377	157	21.9	24.9	21.5	19.8	27.8	12.6	29.9
1972	2 414	(NA)	2 252	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	162	22.8	(NA)	22.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	33.2

[†]BASED ON REVISED METHODOLOGY.
[‡]PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.

NOTE: FOR THE YEAR 1959, DATA FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS AND OVER AND FOR BLACKS ARE BASED ON 1-IN-1,000 SAMPLE OF THE 1960 CENSUS. FOR THE YEARS 1966 TO 1978, DATA ARE BASED ON 1970 CENSUS POPULATION CONTROLS.

Table 18. Persons Below the Poverty Level, by Family Status, Sex of Head, Race, and Spanish Origin: 1959 to 1978—Continued

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. PERSONS AS OF MARCH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

YEAR, SEX OF HEAD, RACE, AND SPANISH ORIGIN	NUMBER BELOW POVERTY LEVEL							POVERTY RATE								
	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES					UNRE- LATED INDI- VIDUALS	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES					UNRE- LATED INDI- VIDUALS
	ALL PERSONS	65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18	OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS	ALL PERSONS		65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDEF 18	OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS			
PERSONS IN FAMILIES WITH MALE HEAD¹																
ALL RACES																
1978	11 617	1 342	4 763	2 626	4 035	3 131	1 824	6.6	2.8	5.9	5.3	7.9	4.0	17.1		
1977	12 096	1 350	10 300	2 701	4 371	3 228	1 796	6.9	9.1	6.2	5.5	6.5	5.0	16.0		
1976	12 390	1 379	10 603	2 768	4 497	3 337	1 787	7.1	9.4	6.4	5.6	6.5	5.2	19.7		
1975	13 609	1 411	11 943	3 026	5 284	3 638	1 667	7.8	9.8	7.1	6.2	7.8	5.7	19.9		
1974 ^F	11 901	1 290	10 355	2 598	4 605	3 151	1 507	6.8	9.0	6.2	5.4	6.3	5.0	19.5		
1974	12 484	1 425	10 877	2 757	4 809	3 310	1 607	7.1	10.0	6.5	5.7	6.7	5.2	20.4		
1973	11 616	1 461	10 121	2 635	4 282	3 204	1 495	6.6	10.5	6.0	5.5	7.6	5.1	19.8		
1972	12 873	1 535	11 463	2 917	4 988	3 556	1 410	7.4	11.4	6.8	6.1	8.6	5.7	21.1		
1971	14 151	1 627	12 608	3 203	5 494	3 910	1 543	8.1	13.6	7.5	6.8	9.3	6.3	23.9		
1970	14 266	2 198	12 828	3 309	5 546	3 973	1 436	8.2	16.7	7.7	7.2	9.2	6.5	24.0		
1969	13 735	2 305	12 296	3 181	5 253	3 862	1 439	8.0	17.9	7.4	6.9	8.6	6.4	26.2		
1968	15 025	2 243	13 705	3 292	6 330	4 083	1 320	8.8	17.6	8.3	7.3	10.2	7.0	25.4		
1967	17 178	2 759	15 873	3 893	7 161	4 799	1 305	10.1	21.8	9.6	8.7	11.5	8.3	26.9		
1966 ^F	18 260	2 710	16 948	4 063	7 884	5 001	1 312	10.8	21.7	10.3	9.3	12.6	8.7	29.3		
1966	19 579	(NA)	18 314	4 384	8 374	5 556	1 265	11.6	(NA)	11.2	10.0	15.4	9.6	27.7		
1965	22 127	(NA)	20 834	4 805	9 826	6 203	1 293	13.2	(NA)	12.8	11.1	15.7	10.9	28.9		
1964	25 084	(NA)	23 615	5 338	11 314	6 963	1 469	15.1	(NA)	14.6	12.5	18.2	12.4	32.0		
1963	25 339	(NA)	23 852	5 582	11 137	7 133	1 487	15.4	(NA)	14.9	13.1	18.0	12.9	34.8		
1962	27 394	(NA)	25 842	6 043	12 124	7 675	1 552	16.9	(NA)	16.4	14.3	19.9	14.1	36.5		
1961	28 830	(NA)	27 257	6 437	12 533	8 287	1 573	18.1	(NA)	17.6	15.4	21.0	15.4	36.0		
1960	29 188	(NA)	27 678	6 286	13 193	8 197	1 510	18.5	(NA)	18.0	15.4	22.3	15.3	36.1		
1959	29 100	3 450	27 548	6 404	13 063	8 081	1 552	18.7	30.2	16.2	15.8	22.4	15.3	36.8		
WHITE																
1978	8 997	1 034	7 679	2 132	3 047	2 499	1 318	5.7	7.4	5.2	4.7	6.8	4.3	14.7		
1977	9 195	990	7 890	2 140	3 250	2 501	1 305	5.9	7.3	5.3	4.8	7.1	4.3	15.7		
1976	9 357	1 061	8 037	2 182	3 321	2 534	1 321	6.0	7.9	5.4	4.9	7.1	4.4	17.3		
1975	10 446	1 106	9 221	2 444	3 934	2 843	1 225	6.6	8.4	6.1	5.5	8.2	4.9	17.4		
1974 ^F	9 063	1 025	7 902	2 063	3 396	2 444	1 161	5.8	7.8	5.2	4.7	6.9	4.3	17.7		
1974	9 437	1 133	8 238	2 185	3 500	2 553	1 200	6.0	8.6	5.5	4.9	7.1	4.5	18.3		
1973	8 500	1 134	7 409	2 025	3 001	2 379	1 091	5.4	8.9	4.9	4.6	6.0	4.2	17.5		
1972	9 521	1 225	8 469	2 306	3 511	2 681	1 022	6.0	9.9	5.6	5.3	6.8	4.8	18.6		
1971	10 635	1 494	9 468	2 560	3 889	3 019	1 167	6.8	12.1	6.2	5.9	7.4	5.4	21.5		
1970	10 653	1 820	9 562	2 606	3 891	3 065	1 091	6.8	15.0	6.3	5.9	7.3	5.6	21.8		
1969	10 128	1 932	9 046	2 506	3 598	2 941	1 083	6.5	16.3	6.0	6.2	7.0	5.4	24.1		
1968	10 995	1 673	9 995	2 595	4 298	3 102	1 000	7.1	15.9	6.7	6.3	7.8	5.8	23.3		
1967	12 383	2 318	11 398	3 619	4 799	3 580	985	8.1	19.8	7.7	7.4	8.7	6.8	24.9		
1966 ^F	12 779	2 258	11 784	3 070	5 092	3 622	995	8.5	19.6	8.0	7.7	9.2	7.0	26.6		
1966	13 837	(NA)	12 840	3 365	5 411	4 064	997	9.2	(NA)	8.7	8.4	9.8	7.8	26.1		
1965	15 411	(NA)	14 416	3 628	6 274	4 514	995	10.3	(NA)	9.8	9.2	11.4	8.7	27.2		
1964	17 911	(NA)	16 805	4 133	7 373	5 299	1 106	12.0	(NA)	11.6	10.5	13.4	10.4	29.4		
1963	18 256	(NA)	17 098	4 275	7 498	5 325	1 158	12.4	(NA)	11.9	11.0	13.7	10.6	32.2		
1962	19 657	(NA)	18 524	4 657	8 170	5 697	1 133	13.5	(NA)	13.0	12.0	15.1	11.5	32.5		
1961	20 842	(NA)	19 685	4 997	8 450	6 238	1 157	14.5	(NA)	14.1	13.1	16.0	12.8	32.4		
1960	21 102	(NA)	19 966	4 863	8 872	6 231	1 136	14.9	(NA)	14.4	13.0	17.0	12.8	33.3		
1959	21 369	2 965	20 211	4 952	8 966	6 293	1 158	15.2	28.0	14.7	13.3	17.4	13.0	33.8		
BLACK																
1978	2 233	284	1 781	414	633	534	452	15.1	24.9	13.4	11.8	17.6	10.5	30.9		
1977	2 495	325	2 072	475	965	633	423	16.6	28.2	15.3	13.5	19.9	12.3	28.8		
1976	2 571	296	2 161	495	980	686	410	16.9	27.0	15.5	13.5	19.4	13.2	31.7		
1975	2 761	292	2 365	509	1 161	694	396	18.2	27.6	16.9	14.2	22.1	13.4	34.0		
1974 ^F	2 477	241	2 140	470	1 062	608	338	16.5	23.6	15.4	13.2	20.0	12.2	28.5		
1974	2 671	261	2 320	506	1 151	663	351	17.7	25.7	16.6	14.2	21.7	13.0	29.9		
1973	2 824	299	2 496	553	1 188	756	328	18.5	29.6	17.7	15.4	21.7	14.9	29.1		
1972	3 040	295	2 701	558	1 338	865	338	20.3	31.7	19.3	16.2	24.1	16.2	33.7		
1971	3 267	296	2 943	605	1 507	831	324	21.2	30.0	20.3	17.2	25.5	16.4	36.5		
1970	3 334	345	3 030	646	1 542	840	304	21.7	38.6	20.9	18.6	26.0	16.5	35.9		
1969	3 328	347	3 020	629	1 539	852	308	21.5	41.2	20.6	17.9	25.0	17.1	36.5		
1968	3 809	349	3 527	660	1 947	920	282	24.7	41.0	24.1	19.9	29.8	19.2	35.1		
1967	4 594	416	4 315	839	2 293	1 183	279	30.0	48.7	29.7	25.3	35.3	25.1	36.0		
1966 ^F	5 210	420	4 930	946	2 667	1 317	280	33.4	49.7	33.0	27.6	39.9	27.3	43.2		
1966	7 021	467	6 696	1 305	3 547	1 840	325	50.7	59.2	50.9	43.3	60.6	43.0	46.4		
SPANISH ORIGIN¹																
1978	1 448	75	1 319	272	692	355	129	14.6	18.4	14.1	12.4	17.2	11.2	24.4		
1977	1 497	67	1 386	290	716	380	111	15.3	17.6	14.8	13.2	17.9	12.1	25.2		
1976	1 639	76	1 516	323	789	404	123	17.9	22.6	17.3	15.6	20.8	13.8	32.6		
1975	1 862	78	1 702	348	925	429	100	20.1	26.6	19.7	17.6	23.8	15.5	28.8		
1974 ^F	1 563	69	1 460	297	793	370	103	16.9	23.3	16.5	14.7	20.0	12.9	27.8		
1974	1 580	70	1 475	296	813	364	107	17.1	23.6	16.6	14.7	20.5	12.7	29.0		
1973	1 395	54	1 328	256	758	314	67	15.4	19.2	15.2	13.1	18.8	11.4	21.6		
1972	1 592	(NA)	1 519	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	73	18.4	(NA)	17.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	28.0		

¹BASED ON REVISED METHODOLOGY.
²PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.
³FOR UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS, SEX OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

NOTE: FOR THE YEAR 1959, DATA FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS AND OVER AND FOR BLACKS ARE BASED ON 1-IN-1,000 SAMPLE OF THE 1960 CENSUS. FOR THE YEARS 1969 TO 1978, DATA ARE BASED ON 1970 CENSUS POPULATION CONTROLS.

Table 18. Persons Below the Poverty Level, by Family Status, Sex of Head, Race, and Spanish Origin: 1959 to 1978—Continued

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. PERSONS AS OF MARCH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

YEAR, SEX OF HEAD, RACE, AND SPANISH ORIGIN	NUMBER BELOW POVERTY LEVEL							POVERTY RATE						
	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES				UNRE- LATED INDI- VIDUALS	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES				UNRE- LATED INDI- VIDUALS
	ALL PERSONS	65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18	OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS		ALL PERSONS	65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18	OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS	
PERSONS IN FAMILIES WITH FEMALE HEAD*														
ALL RACES														
1976	12 880	1 891	9 269	2 654	5 687	928	3 611	32.3	23.9	35.6	31.4	50.6	14.6	26.0
1977	12 624	1 827	9 205	2 610	5 658	938	3 419	32.8	24.1	36.2	31.7	50.3	15.8	26.1
1978	12 586	1 934	9 209	2 543	5 583	903	3 557	34.4	26.1	37.3	33.0	52.0	15.7	28.7
1975	12 268	1 905	8 846	2 430	5 597	819	3 422	34.6	26.4	37.5	32.5	52.7	15.0	28.9
1974	11 469	1 795	8 462	2 324	5 361	777	3 007	33.6	26.3	36.5	32.1	51.5	14.1	27.3
1974	11 775	1 884	8 563	2 351	5 387	825	3 212	34.4	27.6	36.8	32.5	51.5	14.9	29.3
1973	11 357	1 893	8 178	2 193	5 171	814	3 179	34.9	28.4	37.5	32.2	52.1	16.0	29.7
1972	11 527	2 204	8 114	2 156	5 094	862	3 473	36.6	33.2	36.2	32.7	53.1	17.0	34.3
1971	11 409	2 445	7 767	2 100	4 850	847	3 611	38.0	36.4	36.7	33.9	53.1	17.5	36.6
1970	11 154	2 511	7 503	1 951	4 689	862	3 652	38.2	41.1	36.1	32.5	53.0	17.9	38.4
1969	10 412	2 482	6 870	1 877	4 247	805	3 532	38.4	41.1	36.2	32.7	54.4	17.8	38.7
1968	10 364	2 389	6 990	1 755	4 409	826	3 374	36.9	41.1	36.7	32.3	55.2	17.8	36.2
1967	10 591	2 625	6 896	1 774	4 246	878	3 693	40.6	47.5	36.8	33.3	54.5	18.9	44.7
1966	10 250	2 404	6 861	1 721	4 262	876	3 389	41.0	44.2	39.6	33.1	56.2	18.6	43.5
1966	10 845	(NA)	7 300	1 816	4 502	982	3 545	43.8	(NA)	43.1	35.1	61.5	22.2	45.4
1965	11 058	(NA)	7 524	1 916	4 562	1 046	3 534	46.0	(NA)	46.0	38.4	64.2	24.5	46.2
1964	10 971	(NA)	7 247	1 822	4 422	1 053	3 674	45.9	(NA)	44.4	36.4	62.3	24.3	45.3
1963	11 097	(NA)	7 646	1 972	4 254	1 120	3 451	48.4	(NA)	47.7	40.4	66.6	26.0	50.0
1962	11 231	(NA)	7 761	2 034	4 506	1 241	3 450	50.5	(NA)	51.3	42.9	70.2	28.8	51.0
1961	10 798	(NA)	7 252	1 954	4 044	1 254	3 546	49.5	(NA)	48.1	42.1	65.1	29.8	52.4
1960	10 663	(NA)	7 247	1 955	4 095	1 197	3 416	49.5	(NA)	46.9	42.4	68.4	28.3	50.9
1959	10 390	2 031	7 014	1 916	4 145	953	3 376	50.2	49.2	49.4	42.6	72.2	24.0	52.1
WHITE														
1978	7 262	1 495	4 371	1 391	2 627	353	2 891	24.9	21.3	25.9	23.5	39.9	8.1	23.6
1977	7 221	1 435	4 474	1 400	2 653	381	2 747	25.5	21.3	26.8	24.0	40.3	9.0	23.7
1976	7 356	1 572	4 463	1 379	2 713	372	2 892	27.3	23.7	26.0	25.2	42.7	9.0	26.4
1975	7 324	1 527	4 577	1 394	2 813	370	2 747	26.1	23.7	29.4	25.9	44.2	9.7	26.3
1974	6 673	1 435	4 278	1 288	2 683	306	2 394	26.5	23.6	27.7	24.8	42.9	7.7	24.6
1974	6 852	1 508	4 279	1 297	2 680	302	2 573	27.2	24.8	27.6	24.9	42.6	7.6	26.5
1973	6 642	1 564	4 003	1 190	2 461	352	2 639	27.9	26.3	26.0	24.5	42.1	9.8	27.7
1972	6 682	1 847	3 770	1 135	2 273	362	2 913	29.4	31.2	27.4	24.3	41.1	10.2	32.3
1971	7 146	2 111	4 099	1 191	2 452	456	3 047	32.1	36.8	30.4	26.5	44.6	13.0	34.7
1970	6 832	2 164	3 761	1 102	2 247	413	3 070	31.4	38.9	28.4	25.0	43.1	11.5	36.1
1969	6 531	2 121	3 577	1 069	2 068	440	2 953	32.1	38.7	29.1	25.7	45.2	12.4	36.6
1968	6 400	2 066	3 551	1 021	2 075	455	2 849	32.3	39.2	29.1	25.2	44.4	13.1	37.1
1967	6 600	2 327	3 453	1 037	1 930	486	3 147	33.9	46.0	28.5	25.9	42.1	13.7	42.8
1966	6 511	2 099	3 646	1 036	2 112	496	2 865	33.9	42.3	29.7	25.7	40.9	13.4	41.2
1966	6 914	(NA)	3 892	1 116	2 238	538	3 022	36.5	(NA)	32.4	27.8	49.7	15.4	43.4
1965	7 085	(NA)	4 092	1 196	2 321	575	2 993	38.5	(NA)	35.4	31.0	52.9	17.3	43.9
1964	7 046	(NA)	3 911	1 125	2 200	586	3 135	38.3	(NA)	33.4	29.0	49.7	17.2	47.1
1963	6 982	(NA)	4 051	1 191	2 251	609	2 931	39.9	(NA)	35.6	31.4	54.1	17.6	47.8
1962	7 015	(NA)	4 089	1 230	2 212	647	2 926	41.8	(NA)	37.9	33.9	57.6	19.5	48.7
1961	7 048	(NA)	4 062	1 208	2 164	690	2 986	41.9	(NA)	37.6	33.5	54.6	21.4	49.6
1960	7 207	(NA)	4 296	1 252	2 357	687	2 911	42.3	(NA)	39.0	34.0	59.9	20.1	48.6
1959	7 115	1 779	4 232	1 233	2 420	579	2 883	43.8	47.2	40.2	34.8	64.6	17.9	50.3
BLACK														
1978	5 392	378	4 712	1 208	2 948	556	679	53.1	46.6	54.2	50.6	66.4	29.9	46.4
1977	5 230	376	4 595	1 162	2 885	548	636	53.9	48.2	55.3	51.0	65.7	33.3	45.8
1976	5 024	348	4 415	1 122	2 778	515	609	54.7	45.4	55.7	52.2	65.6	33.4	48.1
1975	4 784	360	4 168	1 004	2 724	441	616	53.6	48.7	54.3	50.1	66.0	28.5	49.7
1974	4 705	350	4 116	1 010	2 651	455	589	54.3	50.0	55.0	52.2	65.0	31.0	50.1
1974	4 796	365	4 166	1 024	2 668	494	611	55.4	51.8	55.9	52.8	65.7	33.3	51.9
1973	4 564	321	4 064	974	2 635	455	500	55.4	48.5	56.5	52.7	67.2	32.2	47.3
1972	4 670	346	4 139	972	2 686	481	531	57.3	51.4	58.1	53.3	69.5	33.4	51.9
1971	4 129	327	3 587	879	2 329	379	542	55.8	54.7	56.1	53.5	66.6	30.2	54.4
1970	4 213	337	3 656	834	2 363	439	560	56.8	63.9	56.7	54.3	67.7	37.5	59.3
1969	3 766	341	3 225	737	2 137	350	541	57.8	64.2	56.2	53.3	68.2	34.4	55.5
1968	3 807	307	3 312	706	2 241	365	495	58.6	58.9	58.9	53.2	70.5	32.6	56.6
1967	3 892	297	3 362	716	2 265	381	530	61.6	61.5	61.6	56.3	74.4	36.1	61.3
1966	3 657	302	3 160	674	2 107	379	497	65.1	64.8	65.3	59.2	76.6	39.9	63.7
1959	2 906	244	2 416	551	1 475	390	490	70.0	69.9	70.6	65.4	81.6	50.4	67.1
SPANISH ORIGIN†														
1978	1 158	49	1 024	288	663	74	134	53.3	37.1	56.4	53.1	68.9	23.6	37.7
1977	1 204	46	1 077	301	686	89	127	53.3	34.0	56.7	53.6	66.6	26.5	35.3
1976	1 144	53	1 000	275	636	79	143	54.3	40.9	56.6	53.1	67.3	29.5	42.3
1975	1 189	59	1 053	275	694	79	136	56.6	46.8	57.2	53.6	64.4	26.0	45.8
1974	1 012	48	915	229	621	65	98	51.4	43.7	53.1	49.6	64.3	21.8	39.8
1974	1 021	47	921	231	619	71	100	51.6	42.3	53.2	49.6	63.9	23.9	40.7
1973	971	42	881	211	606	64	90	55.5	41.1	57.4	51.4	68.7	26.6	42.0
1972	822	(NA)	733	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69	51.5	(NA)	53.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	39.2

*BASED ON REVISED METHODOLOGY.

†PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.

‡FOR UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS, SEX OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

NOTE: FOR THE YEAR 1959, DATA FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS AND OVER AND FOR BLACKS ARE BASED ON 1-IN-1,000 SAMPLE OF THE 1960 CENSUS. FOR THE YEARS 1969 TO 1978, DATA ARE BASED ON 1970 CENSUS POPULATION CONTROLS.

Table 19. Persons Below 125 Percent of the Poverty Level, by Family Status, Sex of Head, Race, and Spanish Origin: 1959, 1969, and 1976 to 1978

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. PERSONS AS OF MARCH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

SEX OF HEAD, RACE, AND SPANISH ORIGIN	NUMBER BELOW POVERTY LEVEL							POVERTY RATE						
	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES				UNRE-RELATED INDIVIDUALS	TOTAL		IN FAMILIES				UNRE-RELATED INDIVIDUALS
	ALL PERSONS	65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18	OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS		ALL PERSONS	65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL	HEAD	RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18	OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS	
ALL PERSONS														
ALL RACES														
1978	34 155	5 421	26 552	7 417	12 814	6 321	7 602	15.8	23.4	13.9	12.8	20.7	8.9	30.9
1977	35 659	5 502	28 176	7 713	13 780	6 682	7 484	16.7	24.5	14.8	13.5	21.9	9.4	32.4
1976	35 509	5 521	28 108	7 647	13 691	6 771	7 401	16.7	25.0	14.7	13.5	21.5	9.6	34.5
1969	34 665	6 647	28 550	7 353	13 920	7 277	6 115	17.4	35.2	15.4	14.3	20.2	11.3	41.8
1959	54 942	(NA)	49 303	11 790	24 271	13 242	5 639	31.1	(NA)	29.7	26.2	37.9	23.3	52.7
WHITE														
1978	23 727	4 360	17 672	5 202	7 905	4 564	6 056	12.7	20.9	10.7	10.2	15.4	7.3	28.5
1977	24 636	4 451	18 597	5 344	8 544	4 709	6 036	13.3	21.9	11.2	10.6	16.3	7.5	30.4
1976	24 736	4 560	18 708	5 359	8 545	4 803	6 029	13.4	22.8	11.3	10.7	16.1	7.7	32.4
1969	24 524	5 739	19 403	5 393	8 742	5 358	5 631	14.0	33.0	12.0	11.7	14.9	9.2	40.0
1959	41 849	(NA)	37 199	9 209	17 462	10 528	4 650	26.7	(NA)	25.2	22.6	31.6	20.4	50.8
BLACK														
1978	9 596	972	8 176	2 032	4 557	1 586	1 426	38.5	49.8	37.1	34.4	49.7	22.8	48.5
1977	10 135	976	8 827	2 162	4 885	1 780	1 308	41.0	50.6	40.4	37.2	52.8	26.2	45.7
1976	9 877	908	8 641	2 110	4 753	1 778	1 235	40.5	49.0	39.6	36.3	51.2	26.4	48.3
1969	9 507	843	8 527	1 854	4 898	1 775	980	43.2	61.4	42.2	37.9	52.7	29.5	53.9
SPANISH ORIGIN¹														
1978	3 583	201	3 238	765	1 811	661	345	29.7	37.3	28.9	27.9	36.4	19.0	39.0
1977	3 666	173	3 370	796	1 865	709	316	30.6	33.5	30.0	28.8	37.3	20.3	39.7
1976	3 771	177	3 447	812	1 895	740	324	33.5	38.2	32.7	31.4	40.0	22.9	45.2
PERSONS IN FAMILIES WITH MALE HEAD²														
ALL RACES														
1978	17 939	2 425	15 381	4 170	6 209	5 002	2 558	10.2	15.9	9.3	8.5	12.2	7.7	23.9
1977	19 291	2 443	16 749	4 408	6 993	5 348	2 542	11.0	16.4	10.1	9.0	13.6	8.3	25.4
1976	19 542	2 458	17 167	4 513	7 165	5 489	2 375	11.1	16.7	10.3	9.2	13.5	8.5	26.2
1969	21 691	3 430	19 910	5 030	8 753	6 127	1 781	12.6	26.7	11.9	10.9	14.4	10.2	32.4
1959	43 132	(NA)	41 328	9 555	19 712	12 061	1 804	27.7	(NA)	27.3	23.6	33.8	22.8	42.8
WHITE														
1978	14 104	1 941	12 190	3 435	4 756	3 999	1 914	9.0	13.9	8.2	7.6	10.6	6.8	21.3
1977	14 810	1 911	12 889	3 522	5 229	4 138	1 922	9.4	14.1	8.7	7.9	11.5	7.1	23.2
1976	14 986	1 994	13 162	3 612	5 318	4 235	1 826	9.5	14.9	8.8	8.1	11.4	7.3	23.9
1969	16 243	2 956	14 894	4 002	6 176	4 716	1 349	10.5	24.9	9.9	9.5	11.4	8.7	30.0
1959	33 577	(NA)	32 215	7 721	14 724	9 770	1 362	23.9	(NA)	23.5	20.7	28.6	20.1	39.8
BLACK														
1978	3 289	443	2 715	618	1 240	857	574	22.2	38.8	20.4	17.6	26.2	16.8	39.2
1977	3 840	482	3 306	751	1 520	1 034	534	25.6	41.9	24.4	21.3	31.3	20.1	36.3
1976	3 904	431	3 421	771	1 561	1 089	483	25.7	39.4	24.6	21.1	30.9	20.9	37.4
1969	4 981	432	4 612	949	2 375	1 288	369	32.1	51.2	31.5	27.1	38.6	25.8	43.7
SPANISH ORIGIN¹														
1978	2 269	130	2 094	441	1 090	563	175	22.9	31.9	22.3	20.1	27.2	17.8	33.1
1977	2 304	105	2 156	454	1 106	595	148	23.5	27.5	23.1	20.6	27.7	18.9	33.7
1976	2 404	112	2 258	481	1 159	618	146	26.2	33.3	25.7	23.3	30.6	21.1	38.7
PERSONS IN FAMILIES WITH FEMALE HEAD²														
ALL RACES														
1978	16 215	2 997	11 171	3 247	6 605	1 319	5 044	40.6	37.9	42.9	38.4	58.8	20.8	36.3
1977	16 368	3 059	11 427	3 306	6 768	1 334	4 941	42.5	40.4	45.0	40.1	60.4	22.5	37.7
1976	15 968	3 063	10 941	3 134	6 526	1 282	5 027	43.6	41.3	45.2	40.6	60.6	22.3	40.6
1969	12 973	3 217	8 639	2 323	5 167	1 149	4 334	47.8	53.2	48.0	41.5	66.2	25.0	47.5
1959	11 811	(NA)	7 976	2 235	4 559	1 182	3 835	57.1	(NA)	56.2	49.7	79.4	29.8	59.1
WHITE														
1978	9 623	2 439	5 481	1 767	3 149	565	4 142	33.0	34.7	32.5	29.9	47.8	12.9	33.7
1977	9 826	2 540	5 708	1 822	3 315	571	4 118	34.7	37.7	34.1	31.3	49.6	13.6	35.6
1976	9 749	2 566	5 546	1 748	3 229	569	4 203	36.2	38.7	34.8	32.0	50.9	13.8	38.3
1969	8 281	2 784	4 599	1 391	2 566	642	3 682	40.7	50.8	37.4	33.4	56.1	18.1	45.6
1959	8 271	(NA)	4 983	1 488	2 737	758	3 288	50.9	(NA)	47.4	42.0	73.1	23.5	57.4
BLACK														
1978	6 307	530	5 461	1 414	3 317	729	846	62.1	65.3	62.8	59.2	74.7	39.2	57.8
1977	6 296	495	5 521	1 411	3 365	746	774	64.9	63.4	66.4	62.0	76.6	45.4	55.8
1976	5 973	476	5 220	1 338	3 192	689	752	65.0	62.9	65.9	62.2	75.4	44.7	59.4
1969	4 526	409	3 916	905	2 523	488	610	69.5	77.0	70.7	65.5	80.5	47.8	62.6
SPANISH ORIGIN¹														
1978	1 314	71	1 144	324	721	98	170	60.4	53.8	63.0	59.8	75.0	31.4	47.8
1977	1 382	66	1 214	342	758	113	168	61.2	50.2	63.9	60.9	75.8	33.6	47.0
1976	1 366	66	1 189	331	736	122	176	64.9	51.2	67.3	64.0	77.9	39.9	52.4

¹PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.
²FOR UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS, SEX OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

NOTE: FOR THE YEARS 1969 TO 1978, DATA ARE BASED ON 1970 CENSUS POPULATION CONTROLS.

Table 20. Age, Type of Residence, Region, and Work Experience—Poverty Status in 1978 of Persons, by Race and Spanish Origin

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. PERSONS AS OF MARCH 1979. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS	TOTAL			WHITE			BLACK			SPANISH ORIGIN ¹		
	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL			BELOW POVERTY LEVEL			BELOW POVERTY LEVEL			BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		
	TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL	TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL	TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL	TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
AGE												
BOTH SEXES												
TOTAL	215 656	24 497	11.4	186 450	16 259	8.7	24 956	7 625	30.6	12 079	2 607	21.6
UNDER 3 YEARS	9 456	1 645	17.4	7 780	969	12.4	1 423	623	43.8	940	237	25.2
3 TO 5 YEARS	9 039	1 538	17.0	7 405	911	12.3	1 399	577	41.3	858	260	30.3
6 TO 13 YEARS	27 575	4 400	16.0	22 867	2 588	11.3	4 085	1 698	41.6	2 223	618	27.8
14 AND 15 YEARS	8 006	1 231	15.4	6 695	722	10.8	1 165	480	41.2	485	128	26.5
16 TO 21 YEARS	24 610	3 153	12.8	20 889	1 988	9.5	3 254	1 083	33.3	1 527	352	23.0
22 TO 44 YEARS	70 338	5 794	8.2	61 125	4 004	6.6	7 623	1 596	20.9	3 973	674	17.0
45 TO 54 YEARS	22 826	1 638	7.2	20 145	1 154	5.7	2 277	455	20.0	961	125	13.0
55 TO 59 YEARS	11 211	900	8.0	10 070	664	6.6	972	226	23.3	341	56	16.5
60 TO 64 YEARS	9 420	964	10.2	8 525	729	8.6	804	224	27.9	233	32	13.9
65 YEARS AND OVER	23 175	3 233	13.9	20 950	2 530	12.1	1 954	662	33.9	539	125	23.1
TOTAL, UNDER 18 YEARS	62 311	9 931	15.9	51 669	5 831	11.3	9 228	3 830	41.5	5 012	1 384	27.6
RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18 YRS.	61 987	9 722	15.7	51 409	5 674	11.0	9 168	3 781	41.2	4 972	1 354	27.2
TOTAL, 5 TO 17 YEARS	46 828	7 261	15.5	38 948	4 258	10.9	6 878	2 821	41.0	3 494	975	27.9
RELATED CHILDREN 5 TO 17 YEARS	46 504	7 052	15.2	38 689	4 100	10.6	6 817	2 771	40.6	3 455	946	27.4
MALE												
TOTAL, 16 YEARS & OVER	76 894	5 630	7.3	67 892	4 079	6.0	7 565	1 387	18.3	3 647	542	14.9
16 TO 21 YEARS	12 188	1 334	10.9	10 416	824	7.9	1 544	468	30.3	792	184	23.3
22 TO 44 YEARS	34 378	2 030	5.9	30 263	1 547	5.1	3 358	400	11.9	1 879	234	12.5
45 TO 54 YEARS	11 036	646	5.9	9 804	486	5.0	1 053	148	14.0	457	44	9.6
55 TO 59 YEARS	5 342	304	5.7	4 815	225	4.7	438	73	16.7	169	19	11.1
60 TO 64 YEARS	4 402	367	8.3	3 996	282	7.1	359	81	22.6	101	9	9.1
65 YEARS AND OVER	9 548	991	10.0	8 598	714	8.3	812	217	26.7	250	52	20.9
TOTAL, UNDER 18 YEARS	31 764	4 918	15.5	26 412	2 874	10.9	4 638	1 907	41.1	2 556	724	28.3
RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18 YRS.	31 661	4 836	15.3	26 330	2 809	10.7	4 616	1 891	41.0	2 542	711	28.0
FEMALE												
TOTAL, 16 YEARS & OVER	84 686	10 052	11.9	73 812	6 990	9.5	9 319	2 859	30.7	3 926	822	20.9
16 TO 21 YEARS	12 822	1 819	14.6	10 473	1 164	11.1	1 710	615	36.0	1 735	167	22.8
22 TO 44 YEARS	35 960	3 764	10.5	30 862	2 457	8.0	4 265	1 197	28.1	2 095	440	21.0
45 TO 54 YEARS	11 790	993	8.4	10 341	668	6.5	1 225	307	25.1	503	61	16.1
55 TO 59 YEARS	5 869	596	10.2	5 255	438	8.3	534	153	28.7	173	38	21.8
60 TO 64 YEARS	5 018	598	11.9	4 529	447	9.9	445	143	32.2	131	23	17.6
65 YEARS AND OVER	13 627	2 282	16.7	12 352	1 816	14.7	1 142	445	38.9	289	72	25.1
TOTAL, UNDER 18 YEARS	30 546	5 014	16.4	25 257	2 957	11.7	4 591	1 923	41.9	2 456	660	26.9
RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18 YRS.	30 325	4 886	16.1	25 078	2 865	11.4	4 552	1 890	41.5	2 430	644	26.5
TYPE OF RESIDENCE												
TOTAL	215 656	24 497	11.4	186 450	16 259	8.7	24 956	7 625	30.6	12 079	2 607	21.6
NONFARM	208 186	23 586	11.3	179 393	15 472	8.6	24 603	7 507	30.5	11 978	2 590	21.6
FARM	7 470	911	12.2	7 057	787	11.2	353	118	33.3	101	17	16.6
INSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS	145 730	15 090	10.4	123 427	9 222	7.5	19 034	5 423	28.5	10 144	2 099	20.7
INSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	60 453	9 285	15.4	44 877	4 590	10.2	14 028	4 417	31.5	5 925	1 430	24.1
IN POVERTY AREAS	10 950	3 798	34.7	8 401	1 158	26.3	6 300	2 570	40.8	1 783	674	37.8
OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	85 277	5 805	6.8	78 550	4 632	5.9	5 006	1 006	20.1	4 220	669	15.8
IN POVERTY AREAS	4 441	879	19.8	3 243	548	16.9	1 129	322	28.5	701	186	26.6
OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS	69 926	9 407	13.5	63 023	7 036	11.2	5 923	2 202	37.2	1 934	508	26.3
IN POVERTY AREAS	24 363	4 835	19.8	19 803	3 073	15.5	4 187	1 654	39.5	953	321	33.7
REGION												
TOTAL	215 656	24 497	11.4	186 450	16 259	8.7	24 956	7 625	30.6	12 079	2 607	21.6
NORTHEAST	48 876	5 050	10.4	43 218	3 547	8.2	4 738	1 377	29.1	2 262	730	32.3
NORTH CENTRAL	57 313	5 192	9.1	51 670	3 826	7.4	5 074	1 258	24.8	1 122	195	17.4
SOUTH	69 910	10 255	14.7	56 275	5 737	10.2	13 001	4 429	34.1	3 865	847	21.9
WEST	39 858	4 000	10.0	35 287	3 148	8.9	2 143	560	26.1	4 830	834	17.3
WORK EXPERIENCE IN 1978												
TOTAL, 14 YEARS & OVER	169 586	16 914	10.0	148 399	11 791	7.9	18 050	4 727	26.2	8 058	1 492	18.5
WORKED	112 314	6 599	5.9	99 481	4 806	4.8	10 784	1 636	15.2	5 171	576	11.1
50 TO 52 WEEKS	70 306	1 905	2.7	62 751	1 466	2.3	6 256	395	6.3	3 017	157	5.2
FULL TIME	62 209	1 309	2.1	55 431	1 047	1.9	5 599	235	4.2	2 741	125	4.6
49 WEEKS OR LESS	42 009	4 695	11.2	36 730	3 340	9.1	4 528	1 242	27.4	2 154	420	19.5
DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT:												
1 TO 4 WEEKS	4 127	497	12.1	3 685	386	10.5	362	102	28.1	258	47	18.1
5 TO 14 WEEKS	5 642	620	11.0	4 762	427	9.0	773	178	23.0	324	60	18.4
15 TO 26 WEEKS	3 263	459	14.1	2 624	293	11.2	580	158	27.2	230	42	18.3
27 WEEKS OR MORE	2 127	464	21.8	1 656	313	18.9	412	137	33.3	133	33	24.8
DID NOT WORK	56 448	10 279	18.2	48 213	6 955	14.4	7 175	3 089	43.0	2 857	914	32.0
MAIN REASON DID NOT WORK:												
ILL OR DISABLED	7 813	2 334	29.9	6 090	1 547	25.4	1 634	759	46.4	324	123	38.1
KEEPING HOUSE	23 156	3 571	15.4	21 030	2 675	12.7	1 737	823	47.4	1 297	405	31.2
GOING TO SCHOOL	11 859	2 147	18.1	9 175	1 173	12.8	2 323	890	38.3	849	253	29.9
UNABLE TO FIND WORK	1 163	482	41.4	710	236	33.2	424	231	54.5	90	47	51.7
RETIRED	10 723	1 247	11.6	9 870	996	10.1	709	225	31.8	199	44	21.9
ALL OTHER REASONS	1 733	498	28.7	1 340	328	24.4	348	161	46.2	98	42	42.4
IN ARMED FORCES	824	35	4.3	704	31	4.4	90	2	1.7	30	2	(8)

¹PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE. ²INCLUDES 'NO WEEKS' UNEMPLOYED, NOT SHOWN SEPARATELY.

Table 21. Selected Characteristics of Families—Poverty Status in 1978 of All Families and Families With Female Head, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. FAMILIES AS OF MARCH 1979. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS	TOTAL			WHITE			BLACK			SPANISH ORIGIN ¹		
	TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL	
		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
ALL FAMILIES												
TOTAL	57 804	5 280	9.1	50 910	3 523	6.9	5 906	1 622	27.5	2 741	559	20.4
AGE OF HEAD												
14 TO 24 YEARS	3 837	710	18.5	3 239	427	13.2	542	266	49.0	316	97	30.6
25 TO 34 YEARS	13 478	1 485	11.0	11 601	961	8.3	1 879	480	25.6	837	187	22.4
35 TO 44 YEARS	11 754	1 081	9.2	10 256	707	6.9	1 259	335	26.6	662	131	19.8
45 TO 54 YEARS	10 883	729	6.7	9 644	502	5.2	1 076	212	19.7	457	64	14.0
55 TO 59 YEARS	5 150	276	5.4	4 671	192	4.1	401	80	19.9	162	23	14.3
60 TO 64 YEARS	4 192	288	6.9	3 797	213	5.6	348	72	20.6	92	9	10.1
65 YEARS AND OVER	8 510	712	8.4	7 703	520	6.8	701	178	25.4	214	47	22.0
SIZE OF FAMILY												
2 PERSONS	22 485	1 806	8.0	20 430	1 368	6.7	1 804	411	22.8	674	144	21.3
3 PERSONS	12 975	1 114	8.6	11 360	738	6.5	1 412	346	24.5	638	109	17.1
4 PERSONS	6 089	522	8.1	5 573	630	6.0	1 224	316	25.8	617	101	16.3
5 PERSONS	2 524	352	10.7	2 232	388	7.4	693	241	34.7	393	85	21.6
6 PERSONS	1 694	387	13.9	1 120	211	9.9	353	135	38.3	206	46	22.1
7 PERSONS OR MORE	1 694	387	22.8	1 195	188	15.7	420	174	41.3	213	76	35.5
MEAN SIZE OF FAMILY	3.31	3.6	...	3.25	3.42	...	3.74	3.99	...	4.08	4.19	...
NUMBER OF RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS												
NO CHILDREN	26 069	1 220	4.7	24 003	1 010	4.2	1 746	192	11.0	739	77	10.4
1 CHILD	12 345	1 189	9.6	10 611	807	7.6	1 522	359	23.6	674	123	18.2
2 CHILDREN	11 329	1 239	10.9	9 834	801	8.1	1 262	402	31.8	630	117	18.5
3 CHILDREN	5 129	793	15.5	4 303	502	11.7	683	260	38.1	377	113	30.1
4 CHILDREN	1 944	469	24.1	1 495	226	15.1	401	231	57.6	171	55	32.1
5 CHILDREN OR MORE	989	370	37.4	665	177	26.6	291	179	61.4	150	75	50.1
MEAN NUMBER OF CHILDREN PER FAMILY WITH CHILDREN	1.95	2.39	...	1.91	2.26	...	2.20	2.64	...	2.48	2.80	...
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF HEAD												
TOTAL 25 YRS. OLD & OVER	53 967	4 570	8.5	47 671	3 096	6.5	5 364	1 357	25.3	2 425	483	19.1
NO YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED	365	122	33.5	263	75	28.7	76	32	42.0	119	45	37.5
ELEMENTARY: LESS THAN 8 YEARS	4 729	960	20.3	3 654	638	17.5	978	307	31.4	718	185	25.8
8 YEARS	4 676	569	12.2	4 217	430	10.2	415	130	31.3	198	41	20.8
HIGH SCHOOL: 1 TO 3 YEARS	7 581	1 091	14.4	6 250	614	9.8	1 233	454	36.9	390	90	23.1
4 YEARS	18 420	1 216	6.6	16 566	887	5.4	1 629	304	18.6	879	73	12.5
COLLEGE: 1 YR. OR MORE	18 195	612	3.4	16 721	451	2.7	1 033	130	12.6	421	29	6.8
PERCENT A HIGH SCHOOL GRAD.	67.8	40.0	...	69.8	43.2	...	49.6	32.0	...	41.2	22.0	...
NUMBER OF WORKERS²												
TOTAL	57 131	5 246	9.2	50 337	3 493	6.9	5 832	1 621	27.8	2 716	558	20.5
NO WORKERS	7 198	2 143	29.8	6 092	1 357	22.3	1 013	741	73.2	368	261	71.0
1 WORKER	17 848	2 032	11.4	15 452	1 350	8.7	2 109	628	29.8	936	197	21.0
2 WORKERS	23 470	838	3.6	21 044	625	3.0	2 018	186	9.2	1 007	76	7.6
3 WORKERS OR MORE	8 615	233	2.7	7 748	161	2.1	693	66	9.5	405	23	5.8
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF HEAD												
EMPLOYED	42 871	2 095	4.9	38 436	1 533	4.0	3 679	507	13.8	2 011	215	10.7
UNEEMPLOYED	1 689	421	24.9	1 327	263	19.8	335	147	43.9	135	42	31.2
NOT IN LABOR FORCE	12 570	2 730	21.7	10 574	1 697	16.0	1 617	966	59.2	970	300	30.7
IN ARMED FORCES	673	35	5.1	573	30	5.2	74	2	(8)	25	2	(8)
WORK EXPERIENCE OF HEAD IN 1978³												
TOTAL	57 131	5 246	9.2	50 337	3 493	6.9	5 832	1 621	27.8	2 716	558	20.5
WORKED	46 072	2 589	5.6	41 113	1 827	4.4	4 162	690	16.6	2 189	258	11.8
WORKED 50 TO 52 WEEKS	36 374	995	2.7	32 813	736	2.2	2 935	234	8.0	1 626	105	6.5
FULL TIME	35 062	849	2.4	31 705	656	2.1	2 756	175	6.4	1 577	90	5.7
WORKED 1 TO 49 WEEKS	9 699	1 594	16.4	8 299	1 091	13.1	1 227	456	37.2	563	153	27.2
REASON FOR WORKING												
PART YEAR:												
LOOKING FOR WORK	3 885	585	15.1	3 277	383	11.7	535	184	34.4	266	57	21.5
ALL OTHER REASONS	5 814	1 009	17.4	5 022	709	14.1	692	272	39.3	297	94	32.4
DID NOT WORK	11 059	2 657	24.0	9 224	1 666	18.1	1 670	930	55.7	527	300	56.8
OCCUPATION OF LONGEST JOB OF HEAD												
HEAD WORKED	46 072	2 589	5.6	41 113	1 827	4.4	4 162	690	16.6	2 189	258	11.8
PROFESSIONAL & MANAGERIAL WKRS	14 502	326	2.2	13 614	283	2.1	582	33	5.6	328	17	5.2
CLERICAL AND SALES WORKERS	6 550	325	5.0	5 857	217	3.7	593	98	16.5	229	26	11.5
CRAFT AND KINDRED WORKERS	9 500	316	3.3	8 772	261	3.0	605	46	7.7	469	35	7.4
OPERATIVES, INCL. TRANSPORT WKRS	7 823	517	6.6	6 693	356	5.3	1 020	144	14.2	572	63	11.0
SERVICE WORKERS, INCL. PVT. HSHLD LABORERS, EXCEPT FARM.	3 987	617	15.5	2 970	338	11.4	917	262	28.6	281	52	18.4
LABORERS, EXCEPT FARM.	2 115	211	10.0	1 733	147	8.5	347	59	17.0	202	39	19.1
FARMERS AND FARM LABORERS	1 594	277	17.4	1 473	226	15.3	98	48	48.7	107	27	28.1

¹PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.
²RESTRICTED TO FAMILIES WITH CIVILIAN HEADS.

Table 21. Selected Characteristics of Families—Poverty Status in 1978 of All Families and Families With Female Head, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head—Continued

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS. FAMILIES AS OF MARCH 1979. FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS	TOTAL			WHITE			BLACK			SPANISH ORIGIN ¹		
	TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL	
		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
FAMILIES WITH FEMALE HEAD												
TOTAL	8 458	2 654	31.4	5 918	1 391	23.5	2 390	1 208	50.6	542	288	53.1
AGE OF HEAD												
14 TO 24 YEARS	801	483	60.2	468	251	53.6	316	220	69.5	79	58	72.9
25 TO 34 YEARS	2 128	963	45.2	1 366	529	38.7	726	414	57.0	178	112	63.0
35 TO 44 YEARS	1 851	590	31.9	1 296	304	23.5	526	274	52.2	127	67	53.2
45 TO 54 YEARS	1 518	310	20.4	1 105	159	14.4	378	147	39.0	90	31	34.0
55 TO 59 YEARS	565	96	17.0	422	46	10.8	128	50	39.1	22	7	(8)
60 TO 64 YEARS	399	66	16.6	294	26	8.7	102	40	39.6	12	3	(8)
65 YEARS AND OVER	1 196	146	12.2	967	76	7.9	214	63	29.4	34	10	(8)
SIZE OF FAMILY												
2 PERSONS	3 906	829	21.2	3 056	521	17.0	787	292	37.1	200	84	41.7
3 PERSONS	2 287	713	31.2	1 643	422	25.7	608	276	45.3	147	76	51.5
4 PERSONS	1 209	533	44.1	746	264	35.4	442	260	58.8	100	61	60.9
5 PERSONS	596	291	48.8	299	98	32.9	276	185	67.0	53	38	(8)
6 PERSONS	246	149	60.7	107	49	46.1	136	98	72.0	23	17	(8)
7 PERSONS OR MORE	214	138	64.3	68	36	(8)	140	98	69.9	19	13	(8)
MEAN SIZE OF FAMILY	3.09	3.49	...	2.86	3.15	...	3.63	3.90	...	3.38	3.56	...
NUMBER OF RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS												
NO CHILDREN	2 621	192	7.3	2 138	122	5.7	444	64	14.4	97	18	18.3
1 CHILD	2 558	748	29.3	1 848	456	24.7	665	281	42.2	174	78	44.8
2 CHILDREN	1 820	782	43.0	1 216	423	34.7	571	342	59.8	122	75	61.7
3 CHILDREN	857	478	55.8	494	252	50.9	337	214	63.4	88	64	72.8
4 CHILDREN	372	267	71.6	143	78	54.9	224	185	82.5	34	29	(8)
5 CHILDREN OR MORE	231	187	80.9	79	60	75.8	148	123	83.2	27	24	(8)
MEAN NUMBER OF CHILDREN PER FAMILY WITH CHILDREN	1.92	2.31	...	1.74	2.07	...	2.23	2.58	...	2.16	2.46	...
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF HEAD												
TOTAL, 25 YRS. OLD & OVER	7 657	2 171	28.4	5 451	1 140	20.9	2 074	989	47.7	463	230	49.7
NO YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED	76	33	43.1	54	18	(8)	18	11	(8)	32	16	(8)
ELEMENTARY: LESS THAN 8 YEARS	857	337	39.4	518	173	33.3	319	156	48.8	134	73	54.4
8 YEARS	706	222	31.5	530	123	23.1	166	96	57.6	38	25	(8)
HIGH SCHOOL: 1 TO 3 YEARS	1 507	656	43.5	866	271	31.3	613	374	61.0	93	52	56.0
4 YEARS	2 819	652	23.1	2 171	396	18.2	614	247	40.2	115	48	41.5
COLLEGE: 1 YR. OR MORE	1 692	272	16.1	1 311	159	12.1	343	105	30.7	51	16	(8)
PERCENT A HIGH SCHOOL GRAD.	58.9	42.6	...	63.9	46.7	...	46.1	35.6	...	35.9	27.8	...
NUMBER OF WORKERS²												
TOTAL	8 458	2 654	31.4	5 918	1 391	23.5	2 390	1 208	50.6	542	288	53.1
NO WORKERS	1 937	1 301	67.2	1 191	671	56.4	707	602	85.1	228	197	86.4
1 WORKER	4 030	1 100	27.3	2 834	603	21.3	1 138	475	41.7	201	76	37.9
2 WORKERS	1 761	184	10.4	1 352	88	6.5	376	91	24.2	73	8	(8)
3 WORKERS OR MORE	730	69	9.5	542	28	5.3	169	41	24.1	40	6	(8)
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF HEAD												
EMPLOYED	4 608	786	17.1	3 406	456	13.4	1 118	316	28.3	220	53	23.9
UNEMPLOYED	425	236	55.6	255	106	41.6	166	127	76.5	31	17	(8)
NOT IN LABOR FORCE	3 425	1 632	47.7	2 257	828	36.7	1 106	766	69.2	291	218	74.8
IN ARMED FORCES	-	-	(8)	-	-	(8)	-	-	(8)	-	-	(8)
WORK EXPERIENCE OF HEAD IN 1978³												
TOTAL	8 458	2 654	31.4	5 918	1 391	23.5	2 390	1 208	50.6	542	288	53.1
WORKED	5 290	1 077	20.4	3 842	584	15.2	1 351	470	34.8	257	70	27.1
WORKED 50 TO 52 WEEKS	3 342	243	7.3	2 461	102	4.1	819	137	16.8	151	16	10.7
FULL TIME	2 949	149	5.1	2 191	61	2.8	699	86	12.3	139	11	8.3
WORKED 1 TO 49 WEEKS	1 947	834	42.8	1 381	483	35.0	531	333	62.7	107	54	50.2
REASON FOR WORKING PART YEAR:												
LOOKING FOR WORK	560	224	40.0	379	97	25.6	174	124	71.3	29	7	(8)
ALL OTHER REASONS	1 387	610	44.0	1 002	386	38.5	357	209	58.5	77	47	60.5
DID NOT WORK	3 168	1 577	49.8	2 076	806	38.8	1 039	738	71.0	285	218	76.5
OCCUPATION OF LONGEST JOB OF HEAD												
HEAD WORKED	5 290	1 077	20.4	3 842	584	15.2	1 351	470	34.8	257	70	27.1
PROFESSIONAL & MANAGERIAL WKRS	978	73	7.5	811	51	6.2	141	22	15.7	25	2	(8)
CLERICAL AND SALES WORKERS	1 950	256	13.1	1 543	152	9.9	386	98	25.3	78	20	26.0
CRAFT AND KINDRED WORKERS	105	16	15.3	87	9	10.6	17	7	(8)	3	1	(8)
OPERATIVES, INCL TRANSPORT WKRLD	824	206	24.9	552	103	18.6	252	98	38.8	73	18	(8)
SERVICE WORKERS, INCL PVT. HSHLD	1 353	494	36.5	797	254	31.8	527	230	43.7	71	26	(8)
LABORERS, EXCEPT FARM	53	17	(8)	34	9	(8)	18	7	(8)	2	5	(8)
FARMERS AND FARM LABORERS	28	15	(8)	20	7	(8)	8	8	(8)	5	2	(8)

¹PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.
²RESTRICTED TO FAMILIES WITH CIVILIAN HEADS.

Table 22. Type of Residence and Region—Poverty Status in 1978 of Families and Unrelated Individuals, by Race and Spanish Origin of Head

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS, FAMILIES AND UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS AS OF MARCH 1979, FOR MEANING OF SYMBOLS, SEE TEXT)

TYPE OF RESIDENCE AND REGION	TOTAL			WHITE			BLACK			SPANISH ORIGIN ¹		
	TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		TOTAL	BELOW POVERTY LEVEL	
		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL		NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
FAMILIES												
ALL FAMILIES	57 804	5 280	9.1	50 910	3 523	6.9	5 906	1 622	27.5	2 741	559	20.4
TYPE OF RESIDENCE												
NONFARM	55 753	5 056	9.1	48 951	3 329	6.8	5 827	1 594	27.4	2 720	557	20.5
FARM	2 051	224	10.9	1 959	194	9.9	78	28	36.3	21	3	(B)
INSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS												
INSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	15 632	1 983	12.7	11 862	956	8.1	3 381	971	28.7	1 399	330	23.6
IN POVERTY AREAS	2 567	805	31.3	1 048	240	22.9	1 487	551	37.8	430	154	35.8
OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITIES												
OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	22 949	1 222	5.3	21 404	980	4.6	1 170	202	17.2	933	136	14.6
IN POVERTY AREAS	1 102	170	15.4	840	105	12.5	252	62	24.6	144	35	24.1
OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS												
OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS	19 223	2 076	10.8	17 645	1 586	9.0	1 355	450	33.2	409	94	23.0
IN POVERTY AREAS	6 684	1 081	16.2	5 654	710	12.6	947	345	36.5	207	63	30.3
REGION												
NORTHEAST	12 895	1 095	8.5	11 592	762	6.6	1 141	301	26.4	556	182	32.8
NORTH CENTRAL	15 390	1 089	7.1	14 049	809	5.8	1 209	257	21.3	239	40	16.8
SOUTH	19 037	2 230	11.7	15 899	1 279	8.0	3 006	932	31.0	847	160	18.9
WEST	10 482	866	8.3	9 370	673	7.2	549	132	24.0	1 099	177	16.1
UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS												
ALL UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS	24 585	5 435	22.1	21 257	4 209	19.8	2 929	1 132	38.6	886	264	29.8
TYPE OF RESIDENCE												
NONFARM	24 197	5 381	22.2	20 903	4 161	19.9	2 899	1 125	38.8	883	262	29.6
FARM	388	54	14.0	355	47	13.4	30	6	(B)	3	2	(B)
INSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS												
INSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	9 783	2 094	21.4	7 783	1 364	17.5	1 827	684	37.5	512	148	28.9
IN POVERTY AREAS	1 944	712	36.6	956	270	28.3	944	426	45.1	133	59	44.6
OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITIES												
OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITIES	8 411	1 419	16.9	7 693	1 259	16.4	577	140	24.3	272	70	25.7
IN POVERTY AREAS	529	155	29.2	367	103	27.9	49	49	32.5	48	18	(B)
OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS												
OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS	6 391	1 922	30.1	5 782	1 586	27.4	1 50	307	58.6	102	46	44.9
IN POVERTY AREAS	2 126	871	41.0	1 728	628	36.4	364	226	62.1	56	28	(B)
REGION												
NORTHEAST	5 458	1 132	20.7	4 812	916	19.0	600	202	33.8	175	52	29.7
NORTH CENTRAL	6 195	1 338	21.6	5 477	1 083	19.8	643	228	35.5	78	24	31.0
SOUTH	7 120	1 937	27.2	5 704	1 313	23.0	1 339	606	45.3	269	92	34.3
WEST	5 813	1 028	17.7	5 265	896	17.0	348	95	27.3	363	95	26.2

¹PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE.

Table 23. Size of Income Deficit—Families and Unrelated Individuals Below the Poverty Level in 1978, by Sex, Race and Spanish Origin of Head

(NUMBERS IN THOUSANDS, FAMILIES AND UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS AS OF MARCH 1979)

SIZE OF INCOME DEFICIT	TOTAL			WHITE			BLACK			SPANISH ORIGIN ¹		
	TOTAL	MALE HEAD ²	FEMALE HEAD ²	TOTAL	MALE HEAD ²	FEMALE HEAD ²	TOTAL	MALE HEAD ²	FEMALE HEAD ²	TOTAL	MALE HEAD ²	FEMALE HEAD ²
FAMILIES												
TOTAL	5 280	2 626	2 654	3 523	2 132	1 391	1 622	414	1 208	559	272	288
LESS THAN \$250	377	221	157	276	182	94	91	29	62	31	19	13
\$250 TO \$499	431	302	129	317	237	80	105	57	48	44	25	20
\$500 TO \$999	734	395	338	534	326	208	184	60	125	96	49	47
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	626	311	314	448	256	193	168	50	118	75	26	49
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	549	256	294	367	194	174	164	53	111	66	33	33
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	852	350	502	506	282	224	320	54	266	79	39	40
\$3,000 TO \$3,999	707	293	415	426	237	189	261	45	215	65	28	38
\$4,000 TO \$4,999	457	204	253	303	172	131	146	29	117	42	20	22
\$5,000 AND OVER	547	294	254	346	246	99	182	37	145	61	33	28
MEDIAN INCOME DEFICIT, DOLS.	1 930	1 664	2 190	1 753	1 668	1 848	2 306	1 607	2 524	1 748	1 754	1 742
STANDARD ERROR	44	66	68	53	79	71	86	133	90	139	192	201
MEAN INCOME DEFICIT, DOLS.	2 370	2 255	2 483	2 267	2 278	2 257	2 567	2 119	2 720	2 321	2 307	2 334
STANDARD ERROR	34	50	45	41	56	59	62	122	71	127	186	173
DEFICIT PER FAM. MEMBER, DOLS.	656	605	711	664	634	715	643	495	698	573	499	664
UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS												
TOTAL	5 435	1 824	3 611	4 209	1 318	2 891	1 132	452	679	264	129	134
LESS THAN \$250	766	200	566	636	146	490	119	46	73	31	13	18
\$250 TO \$499	652	154	498	525	117	409	120	34	86	17	8	9
\$500 TO \$999	1 365	394	971	1 022	274	748	324	108	216	56	22	34
\$1,000 TO \$1,499	801	284	517	600	187	412	193	90	102	35	15	20
\$1,500 TO \$1,999	547	229	318	442	186	256	98	41	58	26	17	9
\$2,000 TO \$2,999	642	276	366	479	196	283	142	66	76	36	22	14
\$3,000 AND OVER	662	286	376	504	212	291	136	68	68	64	33	31
MEDIAN INCOME DEFICIT, DOLS.	976	1 288	882	961	1 327	865	1 008	1 214	918	1 404	1 704	1 161
STANDARD ERROR	18	49	21	21	64	24	50	81	41	198	267	213
MEAN INCOME DEFICIT, DOLS.	1 288	1 511	1 175	1 268	1 527	1 150	1 323	1 472	1 223	1 667	1 811	1 528
STANDARD ERROR	18	34	21	21	40	24	42	70	51	112	165	151

¹PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN MAY BE OF ANY RACE. ²FOR UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS, SEX OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

Appendix A. Definitions and Explanations

Money income. Data on income collected in the CPS are limited to money income received before payments for personal income taxes and deductions for Social Security, union dues, Medicare premiums, etc. Money income is the sum of the amounts received from earnings (including losses which occurred among the self-employed from their own farm or nonfarm operations); Social Security and public assistance payments; Supplemental Security income; dividends, interest, and rent (including losses); unemployment and workmen's compensation; government and private employee pensions; and other periodic income. (Certain money receipts such as capital gains are not included.) Therefore, money income does not reflect the fact that many families receive part of their income in the form of nonmoney transfers such as food stamps, health benefits, and subsidized housing; that many farm families receive nonmoney income in the form of rent-free housing and goods produced and consumed on the farm; or that nonmoney incomes are also received by some nonfarm residents such as the use of business transportation and facilities, full or partial payments by business for retirement programs, medical and educational expenses, etc. These elements should be considered when comparing income levels.

As in most household surveys, the estimated total amount of income received by persons derived from the March CPS is somewhat less than estimated amounts derived from independent sources such as the Bureau of Economic Analysis, the Social Security Administration, Veterans' Administration, etc. The difference between the survey estimate and the independent estimate is termed "underreporting." Underreporting tends to be more pronounced for income sources that are not derived from earnings, such as Social Security, public assistance, and net income from interest, dividends, rentals, etc. Overall, income earned from wages or salary is much better reported than other sources of income and,

when dollar imputations are assigned for nonreporting, total wage and salary income approximates independently derived estimates. By contrast, 1977 income data (both reported and allocated) for Social Security and public assistance payments to beneficiaries were approximately 90 and 78 percent, respectively, of independently derived estimates. For further details, see *Current Population Reports*, Series P-60, No. 118.

Poverty (low-income) classification. Families and unrelated individuals are classified as being above or below the poverty level using the poverty index adopted by a Federal Interagency Committee in 1969. This index is based on the Department of Agriculture's 1961 Economy Food Plan and reflects the different consumption requirements of families based on their size and composition, sex and age of the family head, and farm-nonfarm residence. It was determined from the Department of Agriculture's 1955 survey of food consumption that families of three or more persons spend approximately one-third of their income on food; the poverty level for these families was, therefore, set at three times the cost of the economy food plan. For smaller families and persons living alone, the cost of the economy food plan was multiplied by factors that were slightly higher in order to compensate for the relatively larger fixed expenses of these smaller households. The poverty thresholds are updated every year to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The poverty threshold for a nonfarm family of four was \$6,662 in 1978, about 7.6 percent higher than the comparable 1977 cutoff of \$6,191. For further details, see *Current Population Reports*, Series P-60, No. 119.

Symbols. A dash (—) represents zero or rounds to zero, and the symbol "B" means that the base is less than 75,000. Three dots (. . .) mean not applicable, "NA" means not available, and the symbol "r" means revised.

Appendix B. Source and Reliability of the Estimates

SOURCE OF DATA

The estimates are based on data obtained annually in March of 1948 through 1979 from the Current Population Survey (CPS) conducted by the Bureau of Census and from supplementary questions to the CPS. The monthly CPS deals mainly with labor force data for the civilian noninstitutional population. Questions relating to labor force participation are asked about each member 14 years old and over in every sample household. In addition, supplementary questions are asked every March about money income and work experience for the previous year. For this report, persons in the Armed Forces living off post or with their families on post are also included. In an effort to improve income and poverty estimates, a new income questionnaire was tested on three-eighths of the March 1979 sample. A more detailed discussion of this questionnaire and its impact on the estimates is given in the text of this report.

The present CPS sample was initially selected from the 1970 census files with coverage in all 50 States and the District of Columbia. The sample is continuously updated to reflect new construction. A supplementary sample of housing units in 24 States and the District of Columbia was incorporated with the monthly CPS sample to produce the March 1979, 1978, and 1977 data. The expanded CPS sample is located in 614 areas comprising 1,113 counties, independent cities, and divisions in the Nation. In this sample, approximately 56,000 occupied households were eligible for interview. Of this number, about 2,500 occupied units were visited but interviews were not obtained because the occupants were not found at home after repeated calls or were unavailable for some other reason. In addition to the 56,000, there were also about 9,500 sample units which were visited but were found to be vacant or otherwise not to be interviewed. For a description of the CPS sample design prior to March 1977, see the detailed reports for 1977 in this series, Current Population Reports, Series P-60, Nos. 118 and 119.

The estimating procedure used in this survey involved the inflation of the weighted sample results to independent estimates of the total civilian noninstitutional population of the United States by age, race, and sex. These independent estimates are based on statistics from the 1970 Census of Population; statistics on births, deaths, immigration and emigration; and statistics on the strength of the Armed Forces. The estimation procedure for the data also involved a further adjustment so that the husband and wife of a household received the same weight.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

Since the CPS estimates are based on a sample, they may differ somewhat from the figures that would have been obtained if a complete census had been taken using the same schedules, instructions, and enumerators. There are two types of errors possible in an estimate based on a sample survey—sampling and nonsampling. The standard errors primarily indicate the magnitude of the sampling error. They also partially measure the effect of some nonsampling errors in response and enumeration, but do not measure any systematic biases in the data. The full extent of nonsampling error is unknown. Consequently, particular care should be exercised in the interpretation of figures based on a relatively small number of cases or on small differences between estimates.

Sampling variability. The standard errors given in the following table are primarily measures of sampling variability, that is, of the variation that occurred by chance because a sample rather than the entire population was surveyed. The sample estimate and its estimated standard error enable one to construct confidence intervals, ranges that would include the average result of all possible samples with a known probability. For example, if all possible samples were selected, each of these surveyed under essentially the same general conditions and using the same sample design, and an estimate and its estimated standard error were calculated from each sample, then:

1. Approximately 68 percent of the intervals from one standard error below the estimate to one standard error above the estimate would include the average result of all possible samples.
2. Approximately 90 percent of the intervals from 1.6 standard errors below the estimate to 1.6 standard errors above the estimate would include the average result of all possible samples.
3. Approximately 95 percent of the intervals from two standard errors below the estimate to two standard errors above the estimate would include the average result of all possible samples.

The average estimate derived from all possible samples is or is not contained in any particular computed interval. However, for a particular sample, one can say with a specified confidence that the average estimate derived from all possible samples is included in the confidence interval.

All the 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 use of the phrase, "some evidence") have a level of significance between 1.6 and 2.0 standard errors.

Note when using small estimates. Summary measures (such as means, medians, and percent distributions) are shown only when the base is 75,000 or greater. Because of the large standard errors involved, there is little chance that summary measures would reveal useful information when computed on a smaller base. Estimated numbers are shown, however, even though the relative standard errors of these numbers are larger than those for corresponding percentages. These smaller estimates are provided primarily to permit such combinations of the categories as serve each user's needs.

Standard errors for data based on CPS. Since this is an advance report, standard error parameters are provided in table B-1 for estimated numbers of persons or families and estimated percentages for only certain characteristics which are considered the most important among the data in the report.

Standard error tables for each characteristic of interest for estimated numbers of persons or families and estimated

percentages are provided in the detailed reports for 1977 in this series, Current Population Reports, P-60, Nos. 118 and 119. A more complete source and reliability statement will be published in the forthcoming detailed reports on income and poverty for 1978.

Standard errors of estimated numbers and estimated percentages. Standard errors of estimated numbers and estimated percentages can be computed directly with formulas (1) and (2) below, respectively. The formulas are:

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{ax^2 + bx} \tag{1}$$

Here x is the size of the estimate and a and b are the parameters associated with the characteristic.

$$\sigma_{(x,p)} = \sqrt{\frac{b}{x} \cdot p(100-p)} \tag{2}$$

Here x is the size of the subclass of the population which is the base of the percentage, p is the percentage (0 < p < 100), and b is the parameter associated with the characteristic in the numerator of the percentage.

Table B-1 provides the values of the a and b parameters that are used in formulas (1) and (2) to create standard errors of estimated numbers of persons or families and estimated percentages.

Table B-1. Parameters for Direct Computation of Standard Errors of Estimated Numbers and Percentages: 1966 to 1978

Characteristic	Parameters	
	a	b
FAMILIES AND UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS		
All races or White.....	-.000010	1,721
Black and/or other races.....	-.000089	1,876
Spanish origin.....	-.000014	2,420
ALL PERSONS		
All races or White.....	-.000013	1,885
Black and/or other races.....	-.000100	2,155
Spanish origin.....	-.000020	3,000
PERSONS BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		
All races or White.....	-.000031	7,946
Black and/or other races.....	-.000270	7,946
Spanish origin.....	-.000063	11,528

Note: For years prior to 1966, a standard error estimate computed with these parameters must be adjusted. For 1947 to 1954, multiply the standard error by 1.8; for 1955 to 1964, multiply by 1.4; and for 1965 multiply by 1.2.

For estimates based on three-eighths and five-eighths of the March 1979 sample, a standard error computed with these parameters must be adjusted. For an estimate based on the three-eighths sample, multiply the standard error by 1.6; and for an estimate based on the five-eighths sample, multiply the standard error by 1.3.

Standard error of a difference. The formula for approximate standard errors of the difference between two estimates x and y , is given by

$$\sigma_{(x-y)} = \sqrt{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 - 2\rho\sigma_x\sigma_y} \quad (3)$$

For the year-to-year comparisons of poverty estimates the correlation coefficient, ρ , can be determined from table A-14

of the detailed poverty report, Current Population Reports, Series P-60, No. 119. For other comparisons assume ρ equals zero. Making this assumption will result in accurate estimates of the difference between two estimates of the same characteristic in two different areas, or for the difference between separate and uncorrelated characteristics in the same area. If, however, there is a high positive correlation between the two characteristics, the formula will overestimate the true standard error.