



[B24082. SEX BY CLASS OF WORKER AND MEDIAN EARNINGS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS \(IN 2009 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS\) FOR THE CIVILIAN EMPLOYED POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER - Universe: CIVILIAN EMPLOYED POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER WITH EARNINGS](#)

Data Set: [2009 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates](#)

Survey: American Community Survey

NOTE. Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the [official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties](#).

For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

	Alaska	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
Male:	43,162	+/-1,517
Private for-profit wage and salary workers:	40,897	+/-1,655
Employee of private company workers	40,028	+/-2,335
Self-employed in own incorporated business workers	58,900	+/-3,349
Private not-for-profit wage and salary workers	36,610	+/-9,934
Local government workers	52,086	+/-6,331
State government workers	52,101	+/-3,689
Federal government workers	56,331	+/-4,374
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers and unpaid family workers	32,582	+/-4,791
Female:	29,177	+/-1,155
Private for-profit wage and salary workers:	26,435	+/-1,376
Employee of private company workers	26,117	+/-1,400
Self-employed in own incorporated business workers	38,425	+/-24,283
Private not-for-profit wage and salary workers	34,347	+/-3,365
Local government workers	32,494	+/-4,571
State government workers	42,904	+/-4,137
Federal government workers	36,677	+/-9,886
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers and unpaid family workers	12,336	+/-2,096

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2009 American Community Survey

Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The value shown here is the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. In addition to sampling variability, the ACS estimates are subject to nonsampling error (for a discussion of nonsampling variability, see [Accuracy of the Data](#)). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.

The Class of Worker status "unpaid family workers" may have earnings. Earnings reflect any earnings from all jobs held during the 12 months prior to the ACS interview. The Class of Worker status reflects the job or business held the week prior to the ACS interview, or the last job held by the respondent.

The methodology for calculating median income and median earnings changed between 2008 and 2009. Medians over \$75,000 were most likely affected. The underlying income and earning distribution now uses \$2,500 increments up to \$250,000 for households, non-family households, families, and individuals and employs a linear interpolation method for median calculations. Before 2009 the highest income category was \$200,000 for households, families and non-family households (\$100,000 for individuals) and portions of the income and earnings distribution contained intervals wider than \$2,500. Those cases used a Pareto Interpolation Method.

While the 2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas; in certain instances the names, codes, and boundaries of the principal cities shown in ACS tables may differ from the OMB definitions due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural population, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2000 data. Boundaries for urban areas have not been updated since Census 2000. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.

Explanation of Symbols:

1. An "***" entry in the margin of error column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the margin of error. A statistical test is not appropriate.
2. An "-" entry in the estimate column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute an estimate, or a ratio of medians cannot be calculated because one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
3. An "-" following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
4. An "+" following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
5. An "***" entry in the margin of error column indicates that the median falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution. A statistical test is not appropriate.
6. An "*****" entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.

Standard Error/Variance documentation for this dataset:

[Accuracy of the Data](#)