

Men's real hourly wage by education, 1973-2003 (2003 dollars)

	Less than High school	High school	Some college	College	Advanced degree
1973	\$13.83	\$16.39	\$16.76	\$22.62	\$25.12
1974	13.49	15.91	16.22	22.02	25.93
1975	13.01	15.81	16.31	21.80	25.85
1976	13.27	15.88	16.39	21.90	25.47
1977	13.34	15.82	16.16	21.65	25.59
1978	13.52	16.21	16.79	22.14	26.07
1979	13.93	16.32	16.98	22.19	25.24
1980	13.48	15.80	16.62	21.92	24.90
1981	13.16	15.58	16.42	22.03	24.75
1982	12.93	15.47	16.44	22.29	25.71
1983	12.59	15.29	16.31	22.55	26.14
1984	12.49	15.14	16.31	22.87	26.74
1985	12.37	15.21	16.56	23.19	27.68
1986	12.44	15.30	16.96	23.87	28.76
1987	12.23	15.28	16.94	24.35	29.11
1988	12.20	15.29	16.75	24.38	29.57
1989	11.76	14.68	16.19	22.84	28.40
1990	11.43	14.37	16.27	22.96	28.80
1991	11.16	14.25	16.11	22.66	29.21
1992	11.01	14.13	15.76	22.92	28.67
1993	10.83	14.05	15.71	22.90	28.91
1994	10.55	14.18	15.71	23.14	29.95
1995	10.34	14.01	15.63	23.18	30.15
1996	10.32	13.95	15.60	23.08	30.02
1997	10.31	14.27	16.00	23.79	30.43
1998	10.71	14.48	16.27	24.80	30.82
1999	10.80	14.69	16.58	25.57	32.43
2000	10.72	14.83	16.91	26.04	32.53
2001	10.69	14.91	17.12	26.66	32.59
2002	10.99	15.08	17.05	26.68	33.67
2003	11.04	15.07	17.03	26.63	33.31

Source: *The State of Working America 2004-05*, table 2.18.

Based on authors' analysis of CPS wage data described in Appendix B.