

Hourly wage decile cutoffs for male workers, 1973-2005 (2005 dollars)

	Percentile										Ratios				
	10th	20th	30th	40th	50th	60th	70th	80th	90th	95th	50/10	90/50	90/10	95/90	95/50
1973	\$8.02	\$10.29	\$12.13	\$13.90	\$15.76	\$17.87	\$19.67	\$22.63	\$28.83	\$34.74	2.0	1.8	3.6	1.2	2.2
1974	7.95	10.12	11.93	13.68	15.61	17.37	19.36	21.95	27.84	33.99	2.0	1.8	3.5	1.2	2.2
1975	7.73	9.83	11.75	13.68	15.61	17.32	19.40	22.53	27.90	33.78	2.0	1.8	3.6	1.2	2.2
1976	7.92	9.90	11.80	13.86	15.57	17.58	19.65	22.75	28.79	33.82	2.0	1.8	3.6	1.2	2.2
1977	7.78	9.75	11.75	13.86	15.71	17.56	20.13	22.85	28.36	34.35	2.0	1.8	3.6	1.2	2.2
1978	8.04	10.12	12.29	14.07	16.19	18.49	20.76	23.63	29.09	34.50	2.0	1.8	3.6	1.2	2.1
1979	8.11	10.31	12.40	14.43	16.51	18.75	21.03	24.43	29.74	35.67	2.0	1.8	3.7	1.2	2.2
1980	7.89	10.11	11.94	13.89	16.27	18.31	20.88	23.59	28.59	34.70	2.1	1.8	3.6	1.2	2.1
1981	7.67	9.86	11.84	13.87	15.95	18.25	20.64	23.71	29.02	35.45	2.1	1.8	3.8	1.2	2.2
1982	7.36	9.52	11.51	13.75	15.85	18.52	20.87	24.09	29.45	36.17	2.2	1.9	4.0	1.2	2.3
1983	7.11	9.19	11.17	13.47	15.65	18.34	20.66	23.87	29.98	37.34	2.2	1.9	4.2	1.2	2.4
1984	7.09	9.12	11.08	13.41	15.60	18.00	20.88	24.02	30.62	37.84	2.2	2.0	4.3	1.2	2.4
1985	7.06	9.05	11.17	13.46	15.76	18.03	21.07	24.43	30.93	39.71	2.2	2.0	4.4	1.3	2.5
1986	7.11	9.21	11.51	13.63	16.20	18.47	21.29	25.18	31.35	38.65	2.3	1.9	4.4	1.2	2.4
1987	7.11	9.28	11.46	13.50	16.11	18.24	21.06	24.82	32.02	39.87	2.3	2.0	4.5	1.2	2.5
1988	7.21	9.27	11.35	13.37	15.80	18.28	21.06	24.91	31.78	39.94	2.2	2.0	4.4	1.3	2.5
1989	7.25	9.08	11.14	13.19	15.35	18.07	20.90	24.49	30.67	38.08	2.1	2.0	4.2	1.2	2.5
1990	7.14	8.96	11.07	13.08	15.11	17.78	20.83	24.57	31.25	38.20	2.1	2.1	4.4	1.2	2.5
1991	7.01	8.83	10.93	12.93	15.08	17.60	20.80	24.46	31.18	38.60	2.2	2.1	4.4	1.2	2.6
1992	6.91	8.72	10.75	12.89	14.95	17.44	20.53	24.38	31.20	38.88	2.2	2.1	4.5	1.2	2.6
1993	6.86	8.77	10.68	12.99	14.83	17.40	20.40	24.38	31.57	39.62	2.2	2.1	4.6	1.3	2.7
1994	6.82	8.76	10.44	12.63	14.57	17.21	20.31	24.49	31.53	39.69	2.1	2.2	4.6	1.3	2.7
1995	6.98	8.82	10.49	12.61	14.79	17.28	20.30	24.28	31.66	39.59	2.1	2.1	4.5	1.3	2.7
1996	7.04	8.77	10.52	12.44	14.69	17.26	20.26	24.47	31.32	39.66	2.1	2.1	4.4	1.3	2.7
1997	7.18	8.92	10.75	12.48	14.79	17.52	20.65	24.48	32.06	40.65	2.1	2.2	4.5	1.3	2.7
1998	7.40	9.35	11.07	13.06	15.31	17.96	21.15	25.33	33.33	41.41	2.1	2.2	4.5	1.2	2.7
1999	7.72	9.52	11.54	13.47	15.70	18.31	21.58	26.01	34.10	42.60	2.0	2.2	4.4	1.2	2.7
2000	7.78	9.54	11.40	13.51	15.81	18.39	21.64	26.26	34.98	43.80	2.0	2.2	4.5	1.3	2.8
2001	7.88	9.79	11.42	13.59	16.03	18.76	21.99	26.65	35.42	45.01	2.0	2.2	4.5	1.3	2.8
2002	7.87	9.78	11.54	13.59	16.11	18.81	21.95	27.03	36.26	45.93	2.0	2.3	4.6	1.3	2.9
2003	7.92	9.79	11.57	13.63	15.97	18.88	22.29	27.08	36.15	46.16	2.0	2.3	4.6	1.3	2.9
2004	7.86	9.67	11.44	13.57	15.78	18.68	22.03	26.93	36.83	47.15	2.0	2.3	4.7	1.3	3.0
2005	7.79	9.64	11.24	13.37	15.64	18.33	21.79	26.71	36.08	46.40	2.0	2.3	4.6	1.3	3.0

Note: Values are adjusted for inflation using the CPI-U-RS deflator.

Source: *The State of Working America 2006-07*, table 3.5.

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