

## Real hourly wage for all by education, 1973-2007 (2007 dollars)

Year	Less than high school	High school	Some college	College	Advanced degree
<b>Hourly wage</b>					
1973	\$13.45	\$15.41	\$16.60	\$22.48	\$27.17
1979	13.69	15.36	16.42	21.53	26.29
1989	11.70	14.25	16.01	22.45	28.94
1995	10.59	14.00	15.66	23.23	30.65
2000	11.00	14.81	16.83	25.86	32.69
2007	11.38	15.01	16.94	26.51	33.57
<b>Annual percent change</b>					
1973-79	0.3%	-0.1%	-0.2%	-0.7%	-0.5%
1979-89	-1.6	-0.7	-0.3	0.4	1.0
1989-2000	-0.6	0.3	0.5	1.3	1.1
1989-95	-1.6	-0.3	-0.4	0.6	1.0
1995-2000	0.8	1.1	1.5	2.2	1.3
2000-07	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.4
2002-07	0.1	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	-0.1
<b>Share of employment</b>					
1973	28.5%	38.3%	18.5%	10.1%	4.5%
1979	20.1	38.5	22.8	12.7	6.0
1989	13.7	36.9	26.0	15.6	7.9
2000	11.1	31.8	29.6	18.8	8.8
2007	9.8	29.6	29.6	20.9	10.1

Source: Authors' analysis of CPS ORG data.

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