

administration and record-keeping which have increased requirements for professional and clerical personnel, and with changes in manufacturing processes which have frequently reduced employment for production workers per unit produced. Changes in industrial distributions of the employees reported also contribute to variations in the ratio of salaried personnel to wage-earners, which in any one period may be further influenced by seasonal, market and other conditions affecting levels of production. These usually cause sharper fluctuations in numbers of wage-earners than of salaried employees.

**14.—Average Earnings of Male and Female Workers and Increases over the Preceding Year, Weeks Ended Oct. 31, 1950-59**

(As reported by manufacturers usually employing 15 or more persons.)

Year	Men		Women		Both Sexes				
	Average Earnings	Increase over Preceding Year	Average Earnings	Increase over Preceding Year	Average Earnings	Increase over Preceding Year			
<b>AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF WAGE-EARNERS</b>									
1950.....	1.14	0.07	6.5	0.04	5.9	1.06	0.08	8.2	
1951.....	1.31	0.17	14.9	0.82	13.9	1.22	0.16	15.1	
1952.....	1.40	0.09	6.9	0.86	0.04	4.9	1.30	6.6	
1953.....	1.47	0.07	5.0	0.91	0.05	5.8	1.36	0.06	4.6
1954.....	1.51	0.04	2.7	0.93	0.02	2.2	1.40	0.04	2.9
1955.....	1.57	0.06	4.0	0.95	0.02	2.2	1.44	0.04	2.9
1956.....	1.66	0.09	5.7	1.00	0.05	5.3	1.53	0.09	6.2
1957.....	1.75	0.09	5.4	1.05	0.05	5.0	1.61	0.08	5.2
1958.....	1.80	0.05	2.9	1.08	0.03	2.9	1.65	0.04	2.5
1959.....	1.88	0.08	4.4	1.11	0.03	2.8	1.72	0.07	4.2
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES</b>									
1950.....	50.93	3.60	7.6	29.00	1.82	6.7	45.94	3.33	7.8
1951.....	56.46	5.53	10.9	31.27	2.27	7.8	51.32	5.38	11.7
1952.....	60.85	4.39	7.8	34.17	2.90	9.3	55.17	3.85	7.5
1953.....	62.71	1.86	3.1	35.07	0.90	2.6	56.75	1.58	2.9
1954.....	63.98	1.27	2.0	35.90	0.83	2.4	57.99	1.24	2.2
1955.....	66.86	2.88	4.5	37.52	1.62	4.5	60.53	2.54	4.4
1956.....	70.67	3.81	5.7	39.29	1.77	4.7	63.97	3.44	5.7
1957.....	72.21	1.54	2.2	39.49	0.20	0.5	65.31	1.34	2.1
1958.....	75.03	2.82	3.9	41.90	2.41	6.1	67.85	2.54	3.9
1959.....	79.20	4.17	5.6	43.36	1.46	3.5	71.35	3.50	5.2
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY SALARIES</b>									
1950.....	69.35	3.08	6.1	34.38	1.76	5.4	58.74	3.89	7.1
1951.....	77.55	8.20	11.8	38.42	4.04	11.8	65.98	7.24	12.3
1952.....	82.60	5.05	6.5	41.26	2.84	7.4	70.75	4.77	7.2
1953.....	86.43	3.83	4.6	43.13	1.87	4.5	73.87	3.12	4.4
1954.....	90.99	4.56	5.3	45.00	1.87	4.3	77.81	3.94	5.3
1955.....	92.50	2.51	2.8	47.02	2.02	4.5	80.57	2.76	3.5
1956.....	99.05	5.55	5.9	49.31	2.29	4.9	85.23	4.66	5.8
1957.....	104.62	5.58	5.6	51.84	2.53	5.1	89.92	4.69	5.5
1958.....	108.24	3.71	3.5	54.07	2.23	4.3	93.74	3.82	4.2
1959.....	112.78	4.44	4.1	55.73	1.66	3.1	97.10	3.26	3.6