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## Cellular Nation

### Cell Phones on the Rise

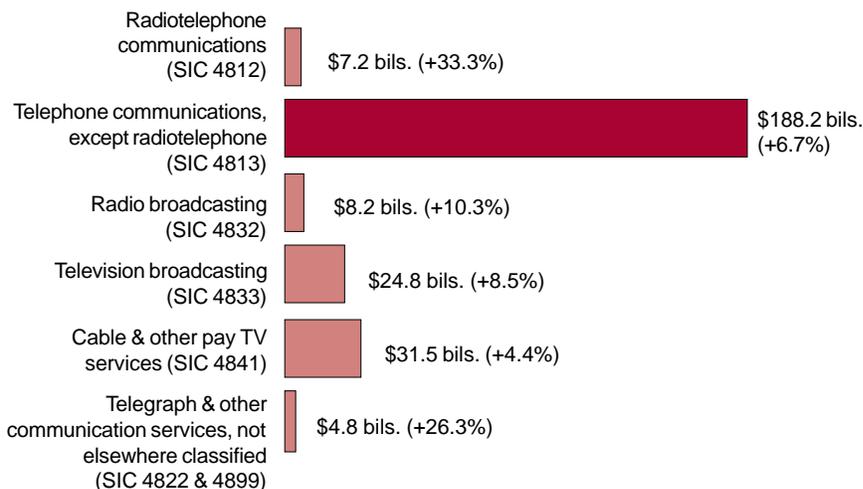
No matter what we're doing – driving, lying on a beach, or even attending a baseball game – many of us feel the need to have a phone at our fingertips. Hence, the remarkable jump in revenues lately for the telephone industry from cellular and other radiotelephone services (i.e., radio paging, mobile dispatching, and signalling services).

Revenues from these services have leaped more than 30 percent for each of 3 years in a row, reaching \$15.9 billion in 1994. As a result, cellular and radiotelephone services, which contributed less than 10 percent of total industry revenues the last 3 years, accounted for close to one-third of the entire industry's revenue growth.

Overall, the telephone industry, which consists of radiotelephone (SIC 4812) and other telephone communications (SIC 4813), took in

### Telephone Is the Giant Among Communication Services

Communication services (SIC 48) – estimated 1994 revenue (1993-94 percent change in revenue is in parentheses)



Note: Radio and television broadcasting include both taxable and tax-exempt firms; others shown include only taxable firms.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, *Annual Survey of Communication Services: 1994*, Series BC/94.

\$195.3 billion in revenue in 1994. It is one of four groups of industries profiled in *Annual Survey of Communication Services: 1994*.

The other three are –

- Broadcast industries, consisting of radio (SIC 4832) and TV (SIC 4833).

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## Communications Survey

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- Cable and other pay TV services (SIC 4841).
- Telegraph and other communication services, not elsewhere classified (SIC 4822 and 4899).

The report shows revenue and operating expenses by source for 1994 and preceding years.

### Crazy About Cable

Cable's importance relative to broadcast TV is greater than it was at the start of the decade, when the two were roughly equal (\$23.2 billion in 1990 revenues for taxable cable and other pay TV services firms and \$22.5 billion for broadcast TV firms). Between 1990 and 1994, revenue grew 36 percent for cable firms and only 10 percent for broadcast TV firms. In 1994, cable revenues were considerably higher than those for broadcast TV – \$31.5 billion versus \$24.8 billion.

In one respect, cable is becoming a bit more like broadcast television: advertising is an increasingly important revenue source. In 1994, advertising contributed 11 percent of cable's operating revenue, continuing a steady climb from its 8-percent share in 1989. This, however, remains a far cry from broadcast TV, which gets most of its operating revenue from advertising. The leading revenue source for cable remains subscriptions for basic service, contributing 47 percent.

These and numerous other findings can be found in *Annual Survey of Communication Services: 1994*, Series BC/94.

You can purchase it for \$5 from the U.S. Government Printing Office (S/N 003-024-08801-1). Selected tables from the report are on our Web site ([www.census.gov/](http://www.census.gov/)).

For more information about the report's contents, contact Thomas Zabelsky, Services Division (301-457-2787).

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## ECONOMIC UPDATE

# Federal Aid Surpasses \$5,000 Per Person

The Federal Government provided \$1.4 trillion in domestic grants, benefits, subsidies, salaries, and goods and services purchased in FY 1995, according to two reports issued by the Census Bureau. That amounts to \$5,161 for every person in the Nation.

The reports, *Federal Expenditures by State for Fiscal Year 1995 (FES/95)* and *Consolidated Federal Funds Report, Fiscal Year 1995, County Areas (CFFR/95)*, exclude interest on Federal debt and other Federal payments, such as coverage for failed savings and loans, that could not be allocated geographically.

The *Federal Expenditures* report is available in print for \$5.50 from Customer Services (301-457-4100). The *Consolidated Federal Funds Report* also is available from Customer Services (\$7). This information will also be released on CD-ROM.

Both reports are on our Web site: access the home page ([www.census.gov/](http://www.census.gov/)) and click on "Market Place" and "Subscription Service."

Additional tables underlying detail in the reports are on the Web too. Select "Subjects A-Z," "Governments," "Federal Government Data," and "Consolidated Federal Funds Report."

For more information, contact Robert McArthur, Governments Division (301-457-1565).

## Federal Spending in the States and Territories

(In million dollars. Detail may not add to total because of rounding)

| State and territory  | Total       | Grants to State and local governments | Salaries and wages | Direct payments for individuals | Procurement | Other programs |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| United States        | \$1,363,511 | \$228,936                             | \$168,151          | \$717,157                       | \$202,209   | \$47,058       |
| Alabama              | 22,719      | 3,419                                 | 2,960              | 12,658                          | 3,059       | 622            |
| Alaska               | 4,198       | 1,125                                 | 1,287              | 991                             | 708         | 87             |
| Arizona              | 20,705      | 3,150                                 | 2,413              | 11,568                          | 3,098       | 476            |
| Arkansas             | 11,754      | 2,091                                 | 1,005              | 7,644                           | 421         | 593            |
| California           | 152,534     | 26,934                                | 18,376             | 75,818                          | 26,537      | 4,868          |
| Colorado             | 19,196      | 2,391                                 | 3,390              | 8,432                           | 4,160       | 823            |
| Connecticut          | 17,498      | 3,195                                 | 1,413              | 9,189                           | 3,159       | 542            |
| Delaware             | 3,272       | 560                                   | 483                | 1,925                           | 190         | 114            |
| District of Columbia | 21,776      | 2,238                                 | 11,394             | 2,595                           | 4,093       | 1,456          |
| Florida              | 74,992      | 9,078                                 | 7,206              | 48,815                          | 8,698       | 1,195          |
| Georgia              | 33,121      | 5,461                                 | 5,801              | 16,769                          | 4,315       | 775            |
| Hawaii               | 7,529       | 1,162                                 | 2,310              | 3,111                           | 777         | 169            |
| Idaho                | 5,320       | 849                                   | 604                | 2,676                           | 976         | 215            |
| Illinois             | 50,934      | 9,487                                 | 5,436              | 31,148                          | 3,255       | 1,607          |
| Indiana              | 22,961      | 3,546                                 | 2,031              | 14,478                          | 1,678       | 1,228          |
| Iowa                 | 12,979      | 2,074                                 | 929                | 7,735                           | 809         | 1,432          |
| Kansas               | 12,440      | 1,649                                 | 1,741              | 7,076                           | 1,204       | 769            |
| Kentucky             | 19,991      | 3,437                                 | 2,380              | 10,862                          | 2,769       | 543            |
| Louisiana            | 22,437      | 5,291                                 | 2,059              | 11,835                          | 2,098       | 1,154          |
| Maine                | 6,540       | 1,315                                 | 728                | 3,538                           | 808         | 151            |
| Maryland             | 36,847      | 3,594                                 | 7,192              | 13,789                          | 9,109       | 3,164          |
| Massachusetts        | 35,858      | 6,829                                 | 2,953              | 18,024                          | 6,193       | 1,858          |
| Michigan             | 39,372      | 7,589                                 | 2,867              | 25,832                          | 2,014       | 1,069          |
| Minnesota            | 18,825      | 3,685                                 | 1,649              | 10,573                          | 1,595       | 1,324          |
| Mississippi          | 14,233      | 2,738                                 | 1,554              | 7,658                           | 1,936       | 347            |
| Missouri             | 31,418      | 4,159                                 | 3,167              | 15,273                          | 7,240       | 1,580          |
| Montana              | 4,808       | 933                                   | 628                | 2,336                           | 336         | 575            |
| Nebraska             | 7,692       | 1,440                                 | 969                | 4,107                           | 517         | 659            |
| Nevada               | 6,628       | 882                                   | 816                | 3,824                           | 917         | 188            |
| New Hampshire        | 4,856       | 866                                   | 454                | 2,712                           | 668         | 157            |
| New Jersey           | 37,587      | 6,639                                 | 3,549              | 22,446                          | 4,263       | 690            |
| New Mexico           | 11,794      | 1,866                                 | 1,622              | 4,278                           | 3,690       | 338            |
| New York             | 93,781      | 24,348                                | 7,160              | 53,704                          | 6,083       | 2,486          |
| North Carolina       | 30,656      | 5,487                                 | 4,532              | 17,780                          | 2,009       | 848            |
| North Dakota         | 3,777       | 768                                   | 599                | 1,648                           | 231         | 530            |
| Ohio                 | 50,543      | 9,115                                 | 4,615              | 31,274                          | 4,475       | 1,063          |
| Oklahoma             | 16,086      | 2,472                                 | 2,614              | 9,311                           | 1,152       | 537            |
| Oregon               | 13,756      | 2,763                                 | 1,405              | 8,453                           | 630         | 505            |
| Pennsylvania         | 64,281      | 10,354                                | 5,922              | 40,733                          | 5,360       | 1,911          |
| Rhode Island         | 5,763       | 1,276                                 | 638                | 3,227                           | 464         | 158            |
| South Carolina       | 17,814      | 3,027                                 | 2,289              | 9,380                           | 2,779       | 338            |
| South Dakota         | 3,829       | 813                                   | 539                | 1,903                           | 262         | 311            |
| Tennessee            | 26,175      | 4,531                                 | 2,691              | 14,375                          | 4,032       | 545            |
| Texas                | 83,296      | 13,338                                | 10,594             | 42,825                          | 13,769      | 2,771          |
| Utah                 | 8,526       | 1,318                                 | 1,519              | 3,718                           | 1,625       | 346            |
| Vermont              | 2,671       | 625                                   | 275                | 1,432                           | 259         | 79             |
| Virginia             | 51,305      | 3,504                                 | 12,016             | 17,697                          | 16,598      | 1,489          |
| Washington           | 28,899      | 4,351                                 | 4,396              | 14,318                          | 4,760       | 1,074          |
| West Virginia        | 10,001      | 2,074                                 | 797                | 6,228                           | 708         | 195            |
| Wisconsin            | 19,815      | 3,729                                 | 1,377              | 12,813                          | 1,110       | 786            |
| Wyoming              | 2,506       | 748                                   | 381                | 1,127                           | 164         | 85             |
| American Samoa       | 126         | 73                                    | 3                  | 30                              | 18          | 4              |
| Guam                 | 817         | 162                                   | 370                | 139                             | 125         | 20             |
| Northern Marianas    | 52          | 41                                    | 2                  | 4                               | 2           | 3              |
| Puerto Rico          | 9,939       | 3,535                                 | 704                | 5,143                           | 366         | 191            |
| Virgin Islands       | 468         | 217                                   | 45                 | 160                             | 34          | 11             |
| Undistributed        | 25,817      | 592                                   | 1,303              | 18                              | 23,904      | —              |

— Represents zero.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, *Federal Expenditures by State for Fiscal Year 1995, FES/95*.

# U.S. Manufacturing Industries Recorded \$3.3 Trillion in Shipments in 1994

U.S. manufacturers posted \$3.3 trillion in value of shipments during 1994, according to the latest statistics from the Census Bureau's *Annual Survey of Manufactures*. Transportation equipment led the way with \$452.3 billion in shipments. Get the statistics in printed reports or via the Web.

Manufacturers employed 18.3 million workers. Industrial machinery and equipment industries were the leading employer, with 1.8 million workers; transportation equipment had 1.6 million.

Web surfers can get selected 1994 data via our Internet site. There you'll find information on value of shipments, employment, value added, cost

of materials, labor costs, fuels and electric energy used, and capital expenditures. Information is shown for industries at the two-digit Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) level. Even more detail is shown in the printed report: Industry data appear at the two-, three-, and four-digit SIC level.

Look for manufacturing statistics in three printed reports available from Customer Services at Census (301-457-4100):

- *Statistics for Industry Groups and Industries, 1994 Annual Survey of Manufactures*, Series M94(AS)-1. \$5.
- *Value of Product Shipments, 1994 Annual Survey of Manufactures*, Series M94(AS)-2. \$2.50.

- *Geographic Area Statistics, 1994 Annual Survey of Manufactures*, Series M94(AS)-3. Not available yet.

The first two reports can be obtained via our subscription service on the Web (select "Market Place" and "Subscription Service"). Less detailed information on the Web site can be obtained by accessing our home page ([www.census.gov/](http://www.census.gov/)) and then selecting "Subjects A-Z" and "Manufacturing."

For more information about the statistics, contact the Manufacturing and Construction Division (301-457-4769).

## Hot Products

Products with greatest increase between 1993 and 1994  
(Ranked on value change)

| SIC   | Description                                                      | Change (\$Thous.) |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 37111 | Passenger cars                                                   | \$17,826,400      |
| 37116 | Trucks, truck tractors, and bus chassis, 10,000 lbs. or less     | 12,449,700        |
| 37149 | All other motor vehicle parts and accessories, new, n.e.c.       | 5,748,300         |
| 35715 | General purpose personal computers and workstations              | 4,498,700         |
| 36741 | Integrated microcircuits                                         | 4,088,900         |
| 36798 | Printed circuit assemblies, loaded boards or modules             | 3,956,400         |
| 37146 | Drive train components, new, except wheels and brakes            | 3,311,500         |
| 28213 | Thermoplastic resins and plastics materials                      | 3,086,200         |
| 28697 | Miscellaneous cyclic and acyclic chemicals and chemical products | 2,896,200         |
| 35995 | Receipts for machine shop work and job order repairs             | 2,866,000         |

n.e.c. – Not elsewhere classified.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, *Value of Product Shipments, 1994 Annual Survey of Manufactures*, Series M94(AS)-2.

## When You Need a Lawyer

Number of lawyers\* in practice  
by specialized field: 1992

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Total                                 | 435,219 |
| Banking and commercial law            | 20,700  |
| Corporate law                         | 36,678  |
| Criminal law                          | 9,752   |
| Domestic relations                    | 11,295  |
| Environmental law                     | 7,051   |
| Governmental law                      | 6,235   |
| Insurance law                         | 26,664  |
| Negligence – Defendant                | 29,303  |
| Negligence – Plaintiff                | 31,631  |
| Patent, trademark, and copy-right law | 8,716   |
| Real estate                           | 26,663  |
| Tax law                               | 12,023  |
| Wills, estate planning, and probate   | 15,005  |
| Other specialized fields              | 66,997  |
| General practice                      | 126,506 |

\*Includes sole practitioners and partners plus associate lawyers for establishments with paid employees.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, *1992 Census of Service Industries, Miscellaneous Subjects*, Series SC92-S-5. See article, page 5.

## You Say You Can't Find a Place to Park?

Having trouble finding a place to park? In 1992, the United States had 10,171 parking facilities ready to help: 6,407 were parking lots; 3,764 were parking structures.

These facilities took in \$3.7 billion in receipts and had 3.4 million parking spaces. Of these facilities, 8,484 let you park it yourself; the other 1,687 did it for you.

We gathered this information in the Census of Service Industries and have released it – along with some other fascinating facts – in a *Miscellaneous Subjects* report based on the 1992 census.

The report contains useful information from the census that doesn't quite fit in our standard reports. We group a batch of them and release them this way.

In the report, you'll find general statistics on every service industry from auto repair to zoos. You'll also find additional detail on –

- Bowling centers: the number of lanes, paid lanes bowled, and receipts from other sources.
- Movie theaters: admissions, capacity, and number of screens.
- Spectator sports organizations and amusement parks.

### Park Here

Number of parking establishments and parking stalls in selected metro areas: 1992

| Metro area                                      | Estab-<br>lishments | Stalls*   |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| United States                                   | 10,171              | 3,366,492 |
| Atlanta, GA MSA                                 | 271                 | 112,577   |
| Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY MSA                   | 66                  | 34,575    |
| Chicago, IL PMSA                                | 403                 | 136,697   |
| Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN PMSA                       | 102                 | 40,127    |
| Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, OH PMSA                | 152                 | 54,463    |
| Detroit, MI CMSA                                | 127                 | 49,024    |
| Honolulu, HI MSA                                | 133                 | 53,677    |
| Houston, TX PMSA                                | 227                 | 96,989    |
| Kansas City, MO-KS MSA                          | 122                 | 34,674    |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange<br>County, CA CMSA | 1,241               | 550,329   |
| Miami, FL PMSA                                  | 110                 | 43,068    |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI MSA                 | 141                 | 58,155    |
| Nashville, TN MSA                               | 124                 | 34,490    |
| Newark, NJ PMSA                                 | 67                  | 26,884    |
| New Orleans, LA MSA                             | 140                 | 44,776    |
| Oklahoma City, OK MSA                           | 28                  | 16,212    |
| Omaha, NE-IA MSA                                | 35                  | 7,756     |
| Philadelphia, PA-NJ PMSA                        | 198                 | 49,146    |
| Phoenix-Mesa, AZ MSA                            | 85                  | 47,659    |
| Pittsburgh, PA MSA                              | 103                 | 45,934    |
| Richmond-Petersburg, VA MSA                     | 92                  | 20,867    |
| St. Louis, MO-IL MSA                            | 122                 | 50,488    |
| San Antonio, TX MSA                             | 88                  | 19,878    |
| San Diego, CA MSA                               | 286                 | 98,043    |
| Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA PMSA               | 264                 | 65,622    |
| Washington, DC-MD-VA-WV<br>PMSA                 | 565                 | 190,248   |

\*Parking stalls as of December 31.

MSA – Metropolitan statistical area. CMSA – Consolidated MSA. PMSA – Primary MSA.

Note: Excludes municipal lots and lots operated by establishments primarily engaged in other activities (e.g., restaurants). Excludes valet parking.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, 1992 *Census of Service Industries, Miscellaneous Subjects, Series SC92-S-5*.

There are 141 baseball clubs and 35 football clubs and here is where to look to find out how much teams (as a group) take in from customers and from radio, television and advertising.

- Ad agencies: gross billings.
- Credit reporting and collection agencies: receipts by class of customer.
- Law firms: number of lawyers in practice by specialized field (see table, page 4), number of paraprofessionals and nonlegal professionals.
- Hospitals, labs, and doctors' offices and clinics, etc. – personnel by occupation.

These are some of the many special data items covered in the report. Many tables include data for selected metropolitan areas.

You can obtain the report for \$15 from Customer Services at Census (301-457-4100).

For more information, contact Jack Moody, Services Division (301-457-2689), or access our Web site ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)); then select "Market Place," "Publications," and "Business."

## Keep the Trucks Rolling

Revenues from long-distance trucking rose nearly 10 percent between 1993 and 1994, according to the Census Bureau's annual report on the *Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Survey: 1994*, Series BT/94. Long-distance trucking accounts for about 74 percent of all revenues from for-hire trucking and courier services (excluding air courier services).

This report profiles industries dealing with the moving and storage of goods (Standard Industrial Classification 42). It shows revenues, kinds of operating expenses (such as depreciation and insurance), commodities handled, general origin and destination of shipments, and inventories of revenue-generating equipment.

*Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Survey: 1994* is available from Customer Services (301-457-4100). Selected tables from the report also are on the Web ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)). Select "Subjects A-Z," "Transportation," "Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Survey," and then select "View."

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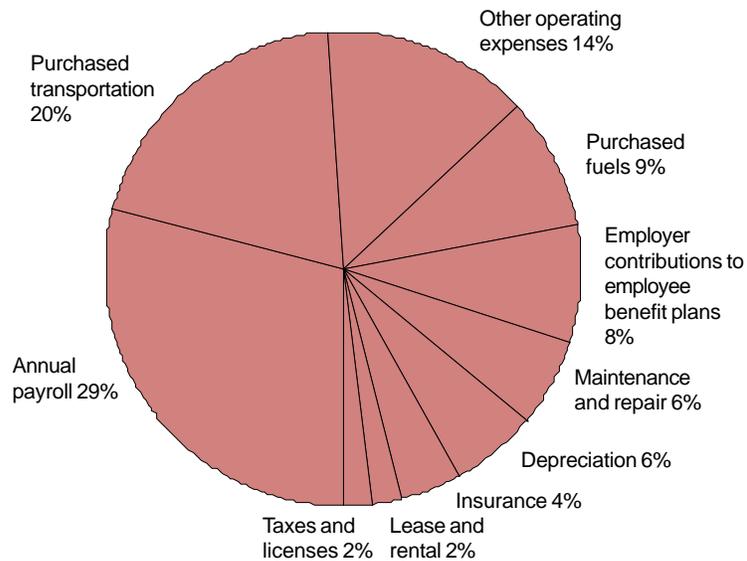
### Coming Soon!

#### County Business Patterns – ZIP Code Data

Look for a new CD-ROM soon with our popular County Business Patterns data shown for ZIP Code areas. The disc will show kinds of businesses by employment-size class. More in an upcoming issue!

### Paying the Bills to Keep the Trucks Rolling

Trucking and courier services (SIC 421) – estimated percentages of operating expenses: 1994  
Total operating expenses = \$147.9 billion



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, *Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Survey: 1994*, Series BT/94.

## Building Permit Data on the Web

### Monthly Data for States and Metro Areas

By the time you read this, the Census Bureau will have released the June figures for housing units authorized by building permits. The housing industry eagerly awaits this information each month to determine the health of the market and to reassess their plans.

Each month we release building permit information for the Nation, States, and selected metro areas and make it available to you on our Web site ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)).

We used to release this information in print, but have discontinued the printed reports. You can now get the information via the Internet, in a computer printout, or on diskette.

On our home page, select "Subjects A-Z" and "Construction," and you'll discover information about all our construction statistics – including tables for States and metro areas showing new privately owned units authorized in a given month. (Check out the helpful FAQ.)

For info about ordering printouts or diskettes, contact the Manufacturing and Construction Statistics Division (301-457-1321). County data are available too.

# Nearly 3 in 10 Have Interruption in Health Insurance Coverage

About 27 percent of the population (66.6 million people) lacked health insurance for at least 1 month in a 28-month period starting in early 1992; about 11.9 million people (4.8 percent) were uninsured during the entire period. Look for these findings in a recent Census Bureau report, *Dynamics of Economic Well-Being: Health Insurance, 1992 to 1993*.

The information comes from the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), which surveys about 20,000 households monthly across the country and gathers information on economic well-being.

This brief report provides a look at those who do and do not have health insurance, their characteristics, and the types of insurance coverage used (including employer or union plans, other privately purchased plans, Medicare, medicaid, and military health care). It also has information on how long people go without health insurance.

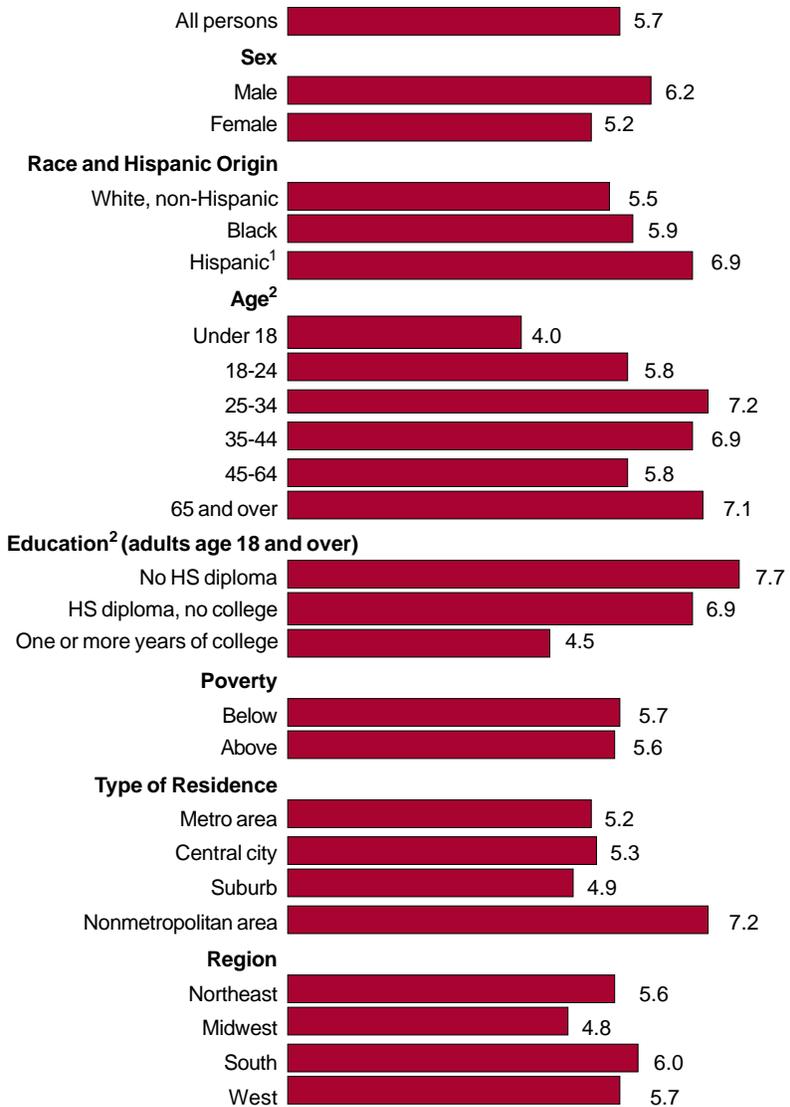
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For more information about the report, contact Robert Bennefield, Housing and Household Economic Statistics (301-763-8578).

The *Dynamics of Economic Well-Being* series will also include reports on income, poverty, program participation, and the labor force.

## Living on the Edge

Median number of months without health insurance coverage, for all persons: 1992 to 1994



<sup>1</sup>Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

<sup>2</sup>Age and education refer to February 1992.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, *Dynamics of Economic Well-Being: Health Insurance, 1992 to 1993, Who Loses Coverage and for How Long?*, Series P70-54.

**First Such Pub From Census in Almost a Century!**

## Tracing the Growth of Counties From Census to Census

On the one hand, you have Arizona's most populous county, Maricopa, which has grown explosively each decade since it was formed more than a century ago. On the other hand, you have Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania; its population has declined six decades in a row.

Has your county fared over the years more like Maricopa or Lackawanna? Find out by consulting *Population of States and Counties of the United States: 1790 to 1990*, a new publication produced by our Population Division with the National Technical Information Service.

The report presents population totals for each State and all the Nation's counties or equivalent areas at every census since they were established as separate States, territories, or counties. It's the first publication we've produced in *nearly a*

*century* with population counts for counties back to 1790.

The report also includes FIPS codes, some State history, the date of the first census in which the State or county had essentially the same boundaries as today, and information on the geographic origin of counties that did not already exist at the date of their State's first census.

*Population of States and Counties of the United States: 1790 to 1990*, is being sold for \$35, plus handling, by the National Technical Information Service (703-487-4650). Use order number PB96-119060. The report is also available on diskette for \$35, plus handling (order number PB96-500525).

For more information on the contents of the report, contact Campbell Gibson, Population Division (301-457-2442).

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## 1996 Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin Estimates

If you keep a sharp eye on national demographic trends, be sure to keep your browser focused on our Web site. Each month we release the latest population estimates, with a breakdown for age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin.

To access them, come to our Web site ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)) and select

"Subjects A-Z." Then choose "Population Estimates." Note that our Web site has estimates for subnational areas for previous years (see article on next page). You can get information about the methodology used too.

Not on the 'Net yet? No problem. Call our Population Division for a paper copy (301-457-2422).

## Census 2000 Questionnaire on the Internet?

A cyberspace census? It may be coming.

Like censuses past, Census 2000 will be conducted mainly with mailed questionnaires: a "simple form" (formerly called the 100-percent questionnaire) and a "sample form." (The simple form contains the questions asked of everyone; the sample questionnaire includes those questions and others asked of only a sample of the population.)

In addition, Census 2000 will have a national, toll-free telephone number to make answering easier. People will be able to obtain assistance (in both English and other languages) and provide their responses by phone.

If the Census Bureau can resolve confidentiality concerns and certain technical issues, an Internet address will give people the opportunity to respond electronically.

While the process of determining the specific item content of the Census 2000 questionnaires has not been completed, you can visit our Web site to get a rough idea of the possible appearance of an Internet census form.

(Note: Although you may be able to key in data on this early developmental form, it is not fully interactive, and the Census Bureau will not receive the information you have entered.)

To access the form, land on our home page ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)) and select "News" and then "Census 2000."

## Detailed Age Estimates

The U.S. median age in 1995 ranged from a low of 26.8 years in Utah to 37.4 years in West Virginia. Florida (37.3) and Pennsylvania (36.6) were close behind West Virginia. Alaska (31.3) was our second most youthful State.

The Census Bureau recently issued July 1, 1995, population estimates for age groups. You can get this information in print in PPL-44, *Population of States by Broad Age Groups and Sex: 1990 and 1995*, for \$12 from our Population Division (301-457-2422).

Much more detail can be found on diskette and on our Web site. There you'll find estimates for 1990-95 for 5-year age groups and single year of age, by sex.

Diskettes (PE-38) are available for \$40 from the Population Division (301-457-2422).

To view the Web table, access the home page ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)) and select "Subjects A-Z," "Population Estimates," and "State Population Estimates."

For more information about the statistics, contact Sam Davis, Population Division (301-457-2441).

### New Address for Orders

As of August 1, please send your product orders to this address:

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### Population of States by Broad Age Groups: July 1, 1995

|                      | 16 years<br>and over | 18 years<br>and over | 21 years<br>and over | 65 years<br>and over | 85 years<br>and over | Median<br>age |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| United States        | 201,239,743          | 194,015,318          | 183,401,138          | 33,532,297           | 3,628,154            | 34.3          |
| Alabama              | 3,297,816            | 3,172,837            | 2,984,155            | 552,460              | 58,072               | 34.6          |
| Alaska               | 432,983              | 414,364              | 385,762              | 29,783               | 1,811                | 31.3          |
| Arizona              | 3,141,427            | 3,024,670            | 2,854,890            | 560,528              | 51,449               | 33.3          |
| Arkansas             | 1,909,323            | 1,834,248            | 1,724,249            | 359,274              | 49,656               | 35.0          |
| California           | 23,605,104           | 22,795,537           | 21,555,803           | 3,462,819            | 359,177              | 32.5          |
| Colorado             | 2,868,810            | 2,765,385            | 2,612,981            | 376,303              | 40,443               | 34.6          |
| Connecticut          | 2,555,585            | 2,476,929            | 2,364,911            | 467,226              | 544,81               | 35.9          |
| Delaware             | 556,572              | 538,371              | 511,447              | 90,651               | 8,554                | 34.5          |
| District of Columbia | 449,626              | 439,604              | 422,958              | 77,240               | 8,698                | 34.9          |
| Florida              | 11,129,519           | 10,794,242           | 10,309,563           | 2,630,517            | 270,572              | 37.3          |
| Georgia              | 5,482,619            | 5,277,288            | 4,973,897            | 717,906              | 72,153               | 33.0          |
| Hawaii               | 908,042              | 877,553              | 836,900              | 149,653              | 13,409               | 34.6          |
| Idaho                | 857,192              | 815,337              | 756,461              | 132,555              | 14,281               | 32.7          |
| Illinois             | 9,028,908            | 8,704,046            | 8,229,124            | 1,484,136            | 167,038              | 34.1          |
| Indiana              | 4,486,129            | 4,316,112            | 4,066,566            | 733,090              | 80,634               | 34.5          |
| Iowa                 | 2,203,360            | 2,117,253            | 1,996,200            | 432,038              | 58,939               | 35.7          |
| Kansas               | 1,947,974            | 1,872,567            | 1,763,417            | 351,178              | 47,292               | 34.3          |
| Kentucky             | 3,003,987            | 2,887,511            | 2,714,060            | 486,565              | 52,299               | 34.7          |
| Louisiana            | 3,243,591            | 3,103,120            | 2,898,474            | 494,481              | 50,461               | 32.7          |
| Maine                | 971,366              | 936,487              | 887,842              | 172,145              | 20,648               | 36.1          |
| Maryland             | 3,894,603            | 3,770,472            | 3,590,359            | 571,745              | 56,935               | 34.6          |
| Massachusetts        | 4,783,294            | 4,641,696            | 4,432,794            | 860,607              | 104,306              | 35.1          |
| Michigan             | 7,305,485            | 7,029,898            | 6,636,623            | 1,181,793            | 122,390              | 34.3          |
| Minnesota            | 3,498,631            | 3,364,056            | 3,180,594            | 573,101              | 76,204               | 34.2          |
| Mississippi          | 2,024,539            | 1,935,334            | 1,804,011            | 331,380              | 37,184               | 32.5          |
| Missouri             | 4,094,827            | 3,941,971            | 3,725,869            | 740,426              | 91,620               | 35.0          |
| Montana              | 662,282              | 634,147              | 594,900              | 113,661              | 12,861               | 35.9          |
| Nebraska             | 1,243,481            | 1,193,815            | 1,122,309            | 227,677              | 32,058               | 34.5          |
| Nevada               | 1,169,507            | 1,131,522            | 1,077,820            | 174,884              | 11,578               | 34.5          |
| New Hampshire        | 883,422              | 853,284              | 813,186              | 136,500              | 15,404               | 34.7          |
| New Jersey           | 6,180,916            | 5,981,775            | 5,693,921            | 1,090,173            | 113,954              | 35.7          |
| New Mexico           | 1,238,760            | 1,185,302            | 1,109,446            | 183,387              | 18,136               | 32.9          |
| New York             | 14,059,926           | 13,599,219           | 12,914,789           | 2,423,818            | 276,526              | 34.9          |
| North Carolina       | 5,587,671            | 5,396,019            | 5,104,473            | 899,458              | 87,175               | 34.4          |
| North Dakota         | 490,803              | 470,922              | 441,552              | 92,756               | 12,939               | 34.5          |
| Ohio                 | 8,608,165            | 8,290,658            | 7,834,057            | 1,490,416            | 156,584              | 35.0          |
| Oklahoma             | 2,497,535            | 2,399,648            | 2,255,093            | 442,221              | 52,546               | 34.6          |
| Oregon               | 2,432,904            | 2,343,545            | 2,217,351            | 425,865              | 47,146               | 36.0          |
| Pennsylvania         | 9,477,944            | 9,162,540            | 8,711,576            | 1,916,114            | 201,212              | 36.6          |
| Rhode Island         | 776,258              | 752,183              | 717,324              | 155,805              | 18,259               | 35.4          |
| South Carolina       | 2,834,501            | 2,728,903            | 2,568,230            | 439,903              | 39,777               | 34.0          |
| South Dakota         | 546,340              | 522,598              | 489,131              | 104,820              | 14,432               | 34.0          |
| Tennessee            | 4,093,348            | 3,945,754            | 3,728,720            | 658,211              | 70,469               | 35.0          |
| Texas                | 13,881,580           | 13,323,574           | 12,489,230           | 1,914,441            | 202,782              | 32.2          |
| Utah                 | 1,356,921            | 1,276,790            | 1,162,025            | 172,007              | 17,833               | 26.8          |
| Vermont              | 453,974              | 438,011              | 415,450              | 70,449               | 8,593                | 35.3          |
| Virginia             | 5,175,172            | 5,005,831            | 4,736,645            | 737,435              | 72,436               | 34.3          |
| Washington           | 4,162,656            | 4,012,536            | 3,794,095            | 627,734              | 67,835               | 34.6          |
| West Virginia        | 1,462,542            | 1,406,272            | 1,322,536            | 279,215              | 28,633               | 37.4          |
| Wisconsin            | 3,921,155            | 3,769,666            | 3,556,927            | 682,474              | 83,661               | 34.6          |
| Wyoming              | 360,668              | 343,916              | 320,442              | 53,273               | 5,619                | 34.4          |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, PPL-44, *Population of States by Broad Age Groups and Sex: 1990 and 1995*.

## Asking About Disability

Nearly 13 million people reported having a work disability on their 1990 census questionnaire, according to the latest in the series of Census Questionnaire Content bulletins, *We asked . . . You told us*, this one focusing on disability.

In 1990, 8 percent of the American population 16 to 64 years old had a work disability and 4 percent were prevented from working. Interestingly, 72 percent of persons who had a work disability reported having no difficulty with daily activities such as taking care of personal needs or going alone to a doctor's office.

This information is summarized in the two-page Census Questionnaire Content bulletin, CQC-18. It displays the facsimiles of the questions, cites some of the data (including State information), and identifies contacts for further information.

There are 30 bulletins in this series covering such topics as race, marital status, education, income, and housing costs. Each bulletin is devoted to a question or group of questions from the 1990 census questionnaires. So far, 24 have been released.

To receive a free copy of any of the bulletins, call Customer Services (301-457-4100) or access the list and order any of the bulletins on the Internet ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)). Click on "Market Place," "Publications," and "1990 Decennial Census." Scroll down to "Census Questionnaire Content, 1990" and click.

For more information about the series, contact Karen Mills, Decennial Management Division (301-457-3953).

## Tracking Our Migratory Paths

Two years ago, the Census Bureau gave you *1990 County-to-County Migration*, Special Product (SP) 312, a two-disc set that showed where people leaving your county (or county subdivision in New England) were relocating and where new arrivals were coming from.

More recently, we released a new CD-ROM, Subject Summary Tape File (SSTF) 15, *Geographic Mobility in the United States*, which enables analysts to track the migratory flows of U.S. residents between States and within States and metropolitan/nonmetropolitan areas. The CD-ROM costs \$150.

SSTF 15 solves the problem of trying to determine State-to-State flows using SP 312, which required the user to aggregate all the county flows – a tedious task since the files are arranged in tables that cross four or five characteristics each.

Its State files show State of residence in 1985.

The new product also has a file for each metropolitan area plus one for the aggregate of all metro areas and one for the aggregate of nonmetro areas. The metro files do not identify the metropolitan area of residence in 1985, but do allow the data user to show characteristics of persons moving within and between central cities and suburbs.

SSTF 15's characteristics are similar to SP 312's: that is, age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, school enrollment, educational attainment, employment status, household and group quarters type, household/group quarters relationship, income in 1989,

industry, marital status, occupation, poverty status in 1989, residence in 1985, residence in 1990, and housing tenure.

Like most Census Bureau CD-ROM's, the disc comes with our easy-to-use "Go" software, allowing users to display a menu of tables to select for specific geographic areas.

Place an order with Customer Services (301-457-4100) or access our home page ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)) and select "Market Place," "CD-ROM's," and "Decennial Census."

## U.S.A. Counties: 1996

One of the Census Bureau's most popular files – *U.S.A. Counties* – is coming this summer. The CD-ROM is kind of a *Statistical Abstract* for counties.

The disc includes tables on a variety of subjects for States, counties, and county equivalents.

The data come from Census and other Federal agencies, such as the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the FBI, and the Social Security Administration. If the Federal Government collects county data on a subject, you're bound to find it covered.

Historical data are a special feature. For example, you can get personal income and earnings data (collected by the Bureau of Economic Analysis) for single years from 1969 to 1993.

It all adds up to one massive county data base. Get it for \$150 from Customer Services at Census (301-457-4100). Order 10 or more copies and you get \$60 off *each disc*.

## U.S. STATISTICS AT A GLANCE

### Economic Indicators

|                                                             |                                          | Latest data | Unit        | Latest month                                                                | Previous month | Last year           | Percent change from previous month year |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Business</b> .....                                       |                                          |             |             | <i>Sources: Census Bureau, Federal Reserve Board</i>                        |                |                     |                                         |       |
| Retail:                                                     | Sales                                    | May         | \$Bil.      | 205.5                                                                       | 204.0          | 195.1               | 0.8                                     | 5.3   |
|                                                             | Inventory                                | Apr.        | \$Bil.      | 302.5                                                                       | 302.2          | 299.4               | 0.1                                     | 1.0   |
|                                                             | Inv./sales ratio                         | Apr.        | Ratio       | 1.48                                                                        | 1.48           | 1.56                | (X)                                     | (X)   |
|                                                             | Consumer installment credit              | May         | \$Bil.      | 1,145.1                                                                     | 1,140.4        | 1,024.4             | 0.4                                     | 11.8  |
| Merchant wholesalers:                                       | Sales                                    | Apr.        | \$Bil.      | 195.5                                                                       | 195.4          | 185.3               | 0.0                                     | 5.5   |
|                                                             | Inventory                                | Apr.        | \$Bil.      | 260.0                                                                       | 256.4          | 245.6               | 1.4                                     | 5.8   |
|                                                             | Stock/sales ratio                        | Apr.        | Ratio       | 1.32                                                                        | 1.31           | 1.33                | (X)                                     | (X)   |
| <b>Construction and Housing</b> .....                       |                                          |             |             | <i>Sources: Census Bureau, Federal Housing Finance Board</i>                |                |                     |                                         |       |
| Residential:                                                | Building permits – AR                    | May         | 1,000       | 1,431                                                                       | 1,459          | 1,258               | -1.9                                    | 13.8  |
|                                                             | Housing starts – AR                      | May         | 1,000       | 1,434                                                                       | 1,505          | 1,300               | -4.7                                    | 10.3  |
|                                                             | New home sales – AR                      | May         | 1,000       | 828                                                                         | 770            | 667                 | 7.5                                     | 24.1  |
|                                                             | New home mortgage rate – NSA             | May         | Pct.        | 7.80                                                                        | 7.76           | 7.99                | 0.5                                     | -2.4  |
| New construction:                                           | Total expenditures – AR                  | May         |             |                                                                             |                |                     |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Current dollars                          |             | \$Bil.      | 563.4                                                                       | 568.3          | 514.5               | -0.9                                    | 9.5   |
|                                                             | Constant (1992) dollars                  |             | \$Bil.      | 493.5                                                                       | 498.6          | 484.9               | -1.0                                    | 1.8   |
| <b>Manufacturing</b> .....                                  |                                          |             |             | <i>Sources: Census Bureau, Federal Reserve Board</i>                        |                |                     |                                         |       |
| Durable goods:                                              | Shipments                                | May         | \$Bil.      | 170.6                                                                       | 167.4          | 159.6               | 1.9                                     | 6.9   |
|                                                             | New orders                               | May         | \$Bil.      | 172.2                                                                       | 166.5          | 159.5               | 3.4                                     | 7.9   |
|                                                             | Unfilled orders                          | May         | \$Bil.      | 458.0                                                                       | 456.4          | 435.8               | 0.4                                     | 5.1   |
| Total goods:                                                | Shipments                                | May         | \$Bil.      | 314.1                                                                       | 310.7          | 297.1               | 1.1                                     | 5.7   |
|                                                             | Inventories                              | May         | \$Bil.      | 420.7                                                                       | 421.5          | 408.3               | -0.2                                    | 3.1   |
|                                                             | Inv./ship ratio                          | May         | Ratio       | 1.34                                                                        | 1.36           | 1.37                | (X)                                     | (X)   |
|                                                             | Index of industrial production           | May         | 1987=100    | 125.3                                                                       | 124.4          | 121.4               | 0.7                                     | 3.2   |
| <b>U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services</b> ..... |                                          |             |             | <i>Source: Census Bureau</i>                                                |                |                     |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Exports of goods and services            | Apr.        | \$Bil.      | 69.9                                                                        | 69.2           | 64.3                | 1.0                                     | 8.7   |
|                                                             | Imports of goods and services            | Apr.        | \$Bil.      | 78.6                                                                        | 77.3           | 75.1                | 1.7                                     | 4.7   |
|                                                             | Trade balance                            | Apr.        | \$Bil.      | -8.6                                                                        | -8.0           | -10.7               | 7.7                                     | -19.5 |
| <b>Money Supply, Prices, Interest Rates</b> .....           |                                          |             |             | <i>Sources: Federal Reserve Board, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Treasury</i> |                |                     |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Money supply (M1)                        | May         | \$Bil.      | 1,118                                                                       | 1,124          | 1,146               | -0.5                                    | -2.4  |
|                                                             | Consumer Price Index – NSA               | May         | 1982-84=100 | 156.6                                                                       | 156.3          | 152.2               | 0.2                                     | 2.9   |
|                                                             | Producer Price Index <sup>1</sup>        | May         | 1982=100    | 130.8                                                                       | 130.9          | 127.9               | -0.1                                    | 2.3   |
|                                                             | Prime rate charged by banks <sup>2</sup> | June        | Pct.        | 8.25                                                                        | 8.25           | 9.00                | –                                       | -8.3  |
|                                                             | 3-month U.S. T-bill – NSA                | June        | Pct.        | 5.11                                                                        | 5.02           | 5.50                | 1.8                                     | -7.1  |
| <b>Other Principal Indicators</b> .....                     |                                          |             |             | <i>Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bureau of Economic Analysis</i>     |                |                     |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Civilian labor force                     | June        | Mil.        | 133.7                                                                       | 133.9          | 131.9               | -0.2                                    | 1.4   |
|                                                             | Unemployment rate                        | June        | Rate        | 5.3                                                                         | 5.6            | 5.6                 | -5.4                                    | -5.4  |
|                                                             | Index of leading indicators              | May         | 1987=100    | 102.4                                                                       | 102.1          | 101.1               | 0.3                                     | 1.3   |
|                                                             | Personal income – AR                     | May         | \$Bil.      | 6,379                                                                       | 6,351          | 6,046               | 0.4                                     | 5.5   |
|                                                             |                                          |             |             | Qtr. 1                                                                      | Qtr. 4         | Percent             |                                         |       |
|                                                             |                                          |             |             | 1996                                                                        | 1995           | change <sup>3</sup> |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Chained (1992) dollars:                  |             |             |                                                                             |                |                     |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Gross domestic product (GDP)             |             | \$Bil.      | 6,813                                                                       | 6,777          | 2.3                 |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Personal consumption expenditures        |             | \$Bil.      | 4,655                                                                       | 4,614          | 3.6                 |                                         |       |
|                                                             | Gross private domestic investment        |             | \$Bil.      | 1,014                                                                       | 1,007          | 1.2                 |                                         |       |

– Represents zero. AR – Annual rate. NSA – Not seasonally adjusted. X – Not applicable. <sup>1</sup>Finished goods. <sup>2</sup>As of end of month. <sup>3</sup>Annualized rate.  
 Note: Figures are seasonally adjusted except as noted. Unless otherwise noted, all amounts are in current dollars as of the reference year.

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***Income Gap Widening?***

# Income Inequality in America

In the past three decades, there has been a rise in income inequality among the Nation's households, according to a report entitled, *A Brief Look at Postwar U.S. Income Inequality* (P60-191), released by the Census Bureau.

The report uses five indicators to measure the money income distribution of households and says that between 1968 and 1994 each type of indicator showed a significant increase in income inequality.

Daniel Weinberg, the report's author, says, "Besides the five indicators of money income inequality, the Census Bureau also has examined

several experimental measures of income that add in the value of noncash benefits such as food stamps and subtract out taxes. These alternative methods do not change the overall picture of the increase in income inequality from 1979 to 1994."

*A Brief Look at Postwar U.S. Income Inequality* is free from Customer Services (301-457-4100) or via our Internet site ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)); access the subscription service. Under "Publication Titles Listing," choose "Income and Poverty."

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