

TABLE 1-9

Distribution of occupation and median standardized hourly wage for current or most recent job of students in grade 9 in fall 2009 who had not enrolled in postsecondary education and had worked for pay since leaving high school, by selected demographic characteristics: 2016

(Percent and dollars per hour)

Demographic characteristic	Occupation (%)		Median standardized hourly wage (\$) ^a	
	Total	STW	Most recent STW job	Most recent non-STW job
Total	100.0	100.0	10.97	9.95
Sex				
Male	59.4	78.9	11.17	9.98
Female	40.6	21.1	9.92	9.24
Race or ethnicity ^b				
White	46.6	57.6	11.78	9.95
Black or African American	16.4	10.0	s	9.43
Hispanic or Latino	24.7	14.7	10.02	9.98
Asian	1.5	1.1	s	9.91
Other	10.8	16.7	9.16	9.30
Highest level of parents' education ^c				
High school or less	58.8	57.5	10.25	9.95
Some college or associate's degree	22.7	25.4	11.79	9.70
Bachelor's or higher degree	18.5	17.1	11.77	9.93
Family socioeconomic status in quintile				
Lowest fifth	30.6	31.6	9.93	9.86
Middle three-fifths	62.9	61.8	11.07	9.90
Highest fifth	6.5	6.7	s	9.97

s = suppressed for reasons of confidentiality and/or reliability.

STW = skilled technical workforce.

^a Earnings reported in a format other than dollars per hour (e.g., dollars per month or per year) were standardized to dollars per hour.

^b Other includes American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, and respondents having origins in more than one race. Hispanic may be any race; race categories exclude Hispanic origin.

^c The highest level of education achieved by either of the parents or guardians in a two-parent household or by the only parent or guardian in a one-parent household.

Note(s)

About 28% of students in grade 9 in fall 2009 had not enrolled in postsecondary education as of February 2016.

Source(s)

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