

Table 1. Distribution of Income-to-Poverty Ratios: 1991

Characteristic	Distribution of income-to-poverty ratios: 1991					Mean income-to-poverty ratio	
	Total (thous.)	Under 1.00	1.00 to 1.99	2.00 to 3.99	4.00 or more	Value	Standard error
All persons -----	235 811	10.6	20.1	38.0	31.3	3.56	.03
SEX							
Male -----	113 681	8.9	18.9	38.7	33.4	3.72	.05
Female -----	122 131	12.2	21.2	37.3	29.2	3.41	.04
AGE							
Under 18 years -----	60 732	17.2	24.1	38.3	20.4	2.82	.05
18 to 24 years -----	22 903	12.1	20.0	39.0	28.9	3.33	.10
25 to 44 years -----	78 857	8.0	17.5	39.4	35.1	3.76	.06
45 to 64 years -----	45 908	6.8	14.5	34.5	44.2	4.48	.09
65 years and over -----	27 411	8.5	26.6	38.2	24.7	3.24	.08
RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN							
White -----	198 579	8.1	18.6	39.3	34.0	3.77	.04
Black -----	28 982	27.1	30.6	29.3	12.9	2.18	.04
Hispanic ¹ -----	18 565	24.7	32.4	31.0	12.0	2.17	.03
White, not Hispanic -----	182 646	6.6	17.4	40.0	36.0	3.91	.04
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT							
Persons, 18 years and over -----	175 079	8.3	18.8	37.9	35.0	3.81	.04
Not a high school graduate -----	36 701	19.4	33.4	35.7	11.5	2.29	.05
High school graduate, no college -----	66 051	7.6	20.2	42.8	29.4	3.41	.06
One to three years of college -----	37 636	4.6	13.6	40.4	41.4	4.17	.09
Four or more years of college -----	34 692	2.0	6.0	28.2	63.7	5.79	.12
REGION							
Northeast -----	47 722	8.1	16.3	38.8	36.7	3.86	.07
Midwest -----	62 034	9.9	18.2	40.2	31.7	3.61	.06
South -----	79 138	13.8	25.0	36.0	25.3	3.16	.06
West -----	46 916	8.6	18.4	37.7	35.2	3.85	.08
FAMILY COMPOSITION							
No change in number of adults:							
Same number of children -----	187 575	9.8	19.9	37.8	32.5	3.64	.04
Less children -----	3 794	16.4	20.2	42.5	20.8	2.90	.16
More children -----	10 207	20.4	22.7	39.9	17.0	2.80	.19
More adults in 1991 than 1990:							
Same number of children -----	6 852	5.9	14.1	38.8	41.2	3.82	.14
Less children -----	9 579	8.7	19.8	37.6	34.0	3.59	.13
More children -----	1 710	14.7	26.7	44.5	14.2	2.50	.18
Less adults in 1991 than 1990:							
Same number of children -----	12 026	12.8	20.4	38.6	28.2	3.41	.13
Less children -----	3 425	19.2	31.5	34.5	14.8	2.55	.22
More children -----	643	35.5	25.0	29.9	9.6	2.04	.36
FAMILY STATUS							
No change in family status -----	223 779	10.4	19.8	38.2	31.6	3.59	.03
Family member entire period -----	195 647	9.6	18.8	38.8	32.9	3.68	.04
Married-couple family -----	182 539	5.4	17.4	40.5	36.8	3.96	.04
Other family type -----	33 108	30.3	25.6	30.5	13.6	2.28	.06
Unrelated individual -----	28 132	15.9	27.1	33.8	23.1	2.96	.08
Change in family status -----	12 032	14.8	25.6	35.4	24.2	2.97	.11
From married couple to:							
Other family type -----	3 119	24.2	34.9	31.3	9.6	2.09	.13
Unrelated individual -----	2 253	12.4	24.9	41.2	21.6	2.95	.22
From other family type to:							
Married couple -----	2 225	13.8	27.2	36.3	22.7	2.84	.22
Unrelated individual -----	1 451	13.6	33.7	31.7	20.9	2.82	.40
From unrelated individual to:							
Married couple -----	1 920	3.6	7.5	36.4	52.6	4.56	.30
Other family type -----	1 063	15.8	18.5	36.5	29.1	3.17	.35
Family member to unrelated individual -----	3 705	12.9	28.3	37.5	21.3	2.90	.21
Unrelated individual to family member -----	2 983	7.9	11.4	36.4	44.2	4.06	.23

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	Total (thous.)	Under 1.00	1.00 to 1.99	2.00 to 3.99	4.00 or more	Value	Standard error
MARITAL STATUS							
Both sexes, 18 years and over:							
No change in marital status:							
Married	104 265	4.3	15.9	39.7	40.1	4.21	.06
Widowed	12 207	15.8	35.5	32.2	16.5	2.73	.14
Divorced	13 301	15.1	21.5	39.2	24.3	3.01	.09
Separated	2 736	30.8	25.5	30.7	13.0	2.19	.22
Never married	36 453	12.7	19.5	35.3	32.4	3.50	.08
Change in marital status:							
From married in 1990 to other marital status ² in 1991	2 240	15.9	32.2	29.8	22.2	2.86	.25
From other marital status ² in 1990 to married in 1991	3 190	4.9	14.0	37.2	44.0	4.07	.22
Males, 18 years and over:							
No change in marital status:							
Married	52 764	4.2	15.7	39.8	40.4	4.23	.08
Widowed	1 814	10.5	28.4	35.6	25.5	3.51	.52
Divorced	5 252	8.7	18.8	37.0	35.5	3.64	.18
Separated	891	16.1	18.5	37.1	28.3	3.28	.56
Never married	19 251	8.7	19.5	37.2	34.6	3.71	.11
Change in marital status:							
From married in 1990 to other marital status ² in 1991	848	8.9	15.3	38.9	36.9	3.83	.45
From other marital status ² in 1990 to married in 1991	1 495	3.3	12.2	32.8	51.7	4.37	.30
Females, 18 years and over:							
No change in marital status:							
Married	51 501	4.4	16.0	39.6	39.9	4.18	.08
Widowed	10 393	16.8	36.7	31.6	14.9	2.59	.13
Divorced	8 049	19.2	23.2	40.6	17.0	2.60	.10
Separated	1 845	37.9	28.9	27.6	5.6	1.66	.14
Never married	17 203	17.3	19.6	33.2	29.9	3.27	.12
Change in marital status:							
From married in 1990 to other marital status ² in 1991	1 392	20.2	42.4	24.2	13.2	2.26	.26
From other marital status ² in 1990 to married in 1991	1 695	6.3	15.6	41.0	37.1	3.81	.31
WORK EXPERIENCE							
Persons, 18 years and over							
No change between 1990 and 1991:							
Worked:	175 079	8.3	18.8	37.9	35.0	3.81	.04
Year-round, full-time	68 330	1.2	10.2	39.2	49.3	4.71	.07
Not year-round, full-time	32 448	10.8	21.7	37.9	29.5	3.41	.07
Did not work	43 563	16.4	28.0	35.2	20.5	2.96	.08
Change between 1990 and 1991:							
Year-round, full-time in 1990 to:							
Not year-round, full-time in 1991	11 092	7.0	21.2	39.2	32.6	3.60	.14
Did not work in 1991	119	21.4	12.0	19.0	47.6	3.75	1.10
Not year-round, full-time in 1990 to:							
Year-round, full-time in 1991	10 148	3.8	18.2	41.6	36.4	3.82	.15
Did not work in 1991	6 035	22.2	23.9	34.3	19.5	2.87	.19
Did not work in 1990 to:							
Year-round, full-time in 1991	93	-	28.6	48.0	23.4	3.39	1.45
Not year-round, full-time in 1991	3 251	16.7	28.8	37.0	17.5	2.60	.23
NUMBER OF WORKERS 18 YEARS AND OVER IN FAMILY							
No change in number of workers:							
None	35 232	33.1	28.1	27.0	11.9	2.11	.06
1 worker	67 307	9.1	26.9	38.7	25.3	3.37	.07
2 workers	69 497	1.6	10.7	42.6	45.2	4.46	.06
3 or more workers	11 357	.5	4.6	37.3	57.7	4.77	.12
Change in number of workers:							
Less workers in 1991 than 1990	27 818	14.5	23.2	37.9	24.4	3.13	.08
None in 1991, one or more in 1990	6 687	41.2	26.8	22.1	9.9	1.98	.17
More workers in 1991 than 1990	24 600	8.1	20.8	39.4	31.6	3.50	.08
None in 1990, one or more in 1991	3 915	31.8	30.1	27.3	10.8	2.12	.15
PROGRAM PARTICIPATION							
No change in participation:							
Participated both years	36 867	47.0	32.2	16.0	4.8	1.45	.03
Did not participate both years	181 680	3.0	16.2	42.5	38.3	4.08	.04
Change in participation:							
Participant to nonparticipant	7 691	9.7	32.7	41.8	16.0	2.75	.14
Nonparticipant to participant	9 573	15.5	38.4	34.4	11.8	2.33	.09

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SOURCES OF FAMILY INCOME							
Earnings							
Family received earnings both years	199 430	6.8	18.6	39.9	34.6	3.81	.04
Family received earnings in 1991, but not 1990	2 700	34.6	37.5	16.0	11.9	1.94	.16
Family received earnings in 1990, but not 1991	5 016	45.7	20.9	22.1	11.4	1.95	.16
Family did not receive earnings in either year	28 665	28.6	28.8	29.7	12.9	2.24	.06
Assets							
Family received income both years	174 385	3.3	15.0	42.0	39.7	4.16	.04
Family received income in 1991, but not 1990	7 943	13.3	32.8	38.0	15.9	2.69	.12
Family received income in 1990, but not in 1991	10 116	18.3	35.3	33.3	13.1	2.34	.08
Family did not receive income in either year	43 368	37.6	35.0	23.0	4.4	1.58	.03
Social Insurance							
Family received income both years	67 300	10.2	26.3	39.4	24.1	3.09	.05
Family received income in 1991, but not 1990	18 795	9.7	22.9	40.5	26.9	3.31	.10
Family received income in 1990, but not 1991	14 468	13.0	22.1	39.6	25.2	3.08	.11
Family did not receive income in either year	135 248	10.6	16.5	36.8	36.1	3.87	.05
Pensions and Private Disability							
Family received income both years	37 746	2.6	17.9	43.9	35.6	3.82	.07
Family received income in 1991, but not 1990	8 633	9.7	21.9	38.4	30.0	3.46	.13
Family received income in 1990, but not 1991	7 645	12.8	20.5	40.4	26.3	3.01	.11
Family did not receive income in either year	181 588	12.2	20.5	36.7	30.6	3.53	.04
Social Security or Railroad Retirement Income							
Family received income both years	50 200	10.0	27.2	39.0	23.8	3.13	.06
Family received income in 1991, but not 1990	4 513	11.2	21.1	38.8	29.0	3.67	.32
Family received income in 1990, but not 1991	3 240	12.1	27.5	42.2	18.2	2.82	.17
Family did not receive income in either year	177 858	10.7	18.0	37.6	33.7	3.69	.04
Supplemental Security Income							
Family received income both years	8 532	33.5	40.6	19.7	6.2	1.69	.07
Family received income in 1991, but not 1990	2 080	34.0	25.1	26.6	14.3	2.37	.26
Family received income in 1990, but not 1991	1 609	23.0	24.6	37.4	15.0	2.41	.21
Family did not receive income in either year	223 591	9.4	19.3	38.8	32.5	3.65	.03
Aid to Families with Dependent Children							
Family received income both years	12 773	71.2	20.6	7.4	.8	.90	.03
Family received income in 1991, but not 1990	3 846	37.9	33.2	20.9	8.1	1.73	.11
Family received income in 1990, but not 1991	2 784	28.6	34.0	25.0	12.4	2.21	.27
Family did not receive income in either year	216 408	6.3	19.7	40.3	33.7	3.76	.03
Unemployment Compensation or Benefits							
Family received income both years	12 437	13.6	27.2	39.6	19.6	2.73	.08
Family received income in 1991, but not 1990	16 458	8.5	24.5	42.7	24.2	3.10	.08
Family received income in 1990, but not 1991	11 811	14.1	20.3	41.5	24.0	3.00	.10
Family did not receive income in either year	195 106	10.4	19.3	37.3	33.0	3.68	.04
Medicaid							
Family was covered both years	28 359	51.3	28.8	15.4	4.4	1.38	.04
Family was covered in 1991, but not 1990	8 332	20.4	37.0	32.7	9.9	2.20	.09
Family was covered in 1990, but not 1991	5 145	11.9	28.9	44.0	15.3	2.80	.20
Family was not covered in either year	193 975	4.2	17.9	41.4	36.5	3.95	.04
Food Stamps							
Family received benefits both years	20 264	68.9	24.0	6.3	.8	.96	.04
Family received benefits in 1991, but not 1990	5 271	28.7	42.5	23.4	5.4	1.70	.08
Family received benefits in 1990, but not 1991	4 048	22.2	41.2	25.7	11.0	2.14	.19
Family did not receive benefits in either year	206 228	4.2	18.8	41.7	35.3	3.89	.04

¹Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

²Other marital status is widowed, divorced, separated, or never married.