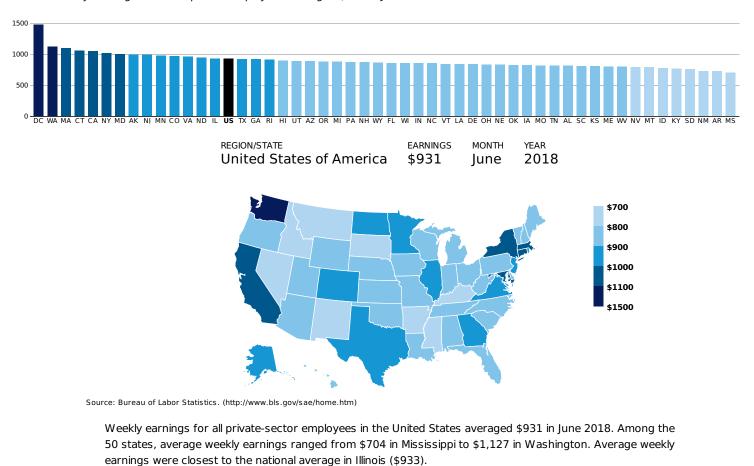
## EARNINGS

Tracking monthly state data on average weekly earnings for all US private employees.

## Average Weekly Earnings, Private Employment (dollars)

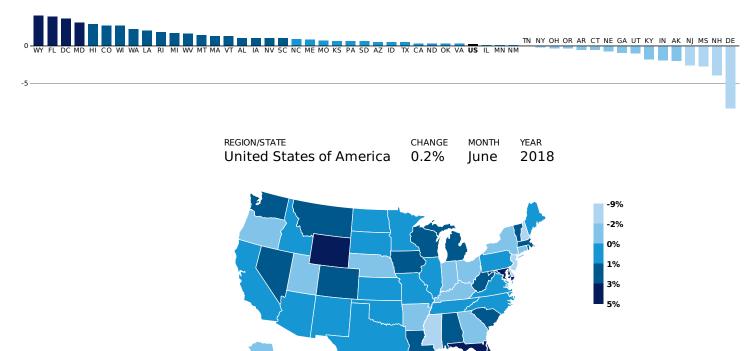
National weekly earnings for all US private employees averaged \$931 in June 2018.



As is typical, average weekly earnings were higher in the District of Columbia than in any state, at \$1,476. After the District of Columbia and Washington, the highest average weekly earnings were in Massachusetts (\$1,098), Connecticut (\$1,058), California (\$1,053), New York (\$1,019), and Maryland (\$1,005).

Weekly earnings were below the national average in 37 states. After Mississippi, average weekly earnings were lowest in Arkansas (\$730), New Mexico (\$730), South Dakota (\$759), Kentucky (\$768), and Idaho (\$775).

Changes in Real Average Weekly Earnings, Private Employment (percent change year over year) National real (inflation adjusted) average weekly earnings increased 0.2 percent from June 2017 to June 2018.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics. (http://www.bls.gov/sae/home.htm)

National real (inflation-adjusted) average weekly earnings were 0.2 percent higher in June 2018 than one year earlier. In nominal dollars, average weekly earnings were 3.0 percent higher in June 2018 than in June 2017.

The largest increases in real average weekly earnings were in Wyoming (4.0 percent), Florida (3.9 percent), the District of Columbia (3.6 percent), and Maryland (3.1 percent). Real average weekly earnings also increased 2.0 percent or more in Colorado, Hawaii, Louisiana, Washington, and Wisconsin.

Real average weekly earnings declined in 15 states. The largest drops were in Delaware (-8.3 percent), New Hampshire (-3.9 percent), Mississippi (-2.7 percent), New Jersey (-2.6 percent), and Alaska (-2.0 percent). Delaware and New Hampshire also saw nominal earnings decline over the year. Real average weekly earnings

fell 1.0 percent or more in Indiana, Kentucky, and Utah.