



BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006

New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner (MSA) [35380]

New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner is one of 363 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 2006 population of 990,478 ranked 51st in the nation.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$40,211. This PCPI ranked 38th in the United States and was 110 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 101.8 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner was \$22,235 and ranked 147th in the United States. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 6.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.3 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner had a total personal income (TPI) of \$39,828,523*. This TPI ranked 48th in the United States. In 1996 the TPI of New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner was \$29,132,474* and ranked 40th in the United States. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 52.6 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 67.0 percent of TPI (compared with 66.3 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.9 percent (compared with 17.0 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 17.1 percent (compared with 16.7 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 12.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts decreased 55.9 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings increased on average 3.3 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 2.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 3.4 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner increased from \$27,284,878* in 2005 to \$30,531,629* in 2006, an increase of 11.9 percent. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$22,252,777* to the 2006 estimate was 3.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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