



BEARFACTS 1989 – 1999

Schenectady , New York [36093]

Schenectady is one of 62 counties in New York. It is part of the [Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY \(MSA\)](#). Its 1999 population of 146,857 ranked 22nd in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 1999 Schenectady had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,642. This PCPI ranked 12th in the state and was 84 percent of the state average, \$32,816, and 99 percent of the national average, \$27,939. The 1999 PCPI reflected a decrease of 2.4 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 state change was 4.0 percent and the national change was 3.9 percent. In 1989 the PCPI of Schenectady was \$19,879 and ranked 12th in the state. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.9 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 1999 Schenectady had a total personal income (TPI) of \$4,059,423*. This TPI ranked 21st in the state and accounted for 0.7 percent of the state total. In 1989 the TPI of Schenectady was \$2,965,303* and ranked 21st in the state. The 1999 TPI reflected a decrease of 3.0 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 state change was 4.7 percent and the national change was 5.1 percent. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 5.5 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 Schenectady. In 1999 net earnings accounted for 61.1 percent of TPI (compared with 61.9 in 1989); dividends, interest, and rent were 21.8 percent (compared with 24.3 in 1989); and personal current transfer receipts were 17.1 percent (compared with 13.8 in 1989). From 1998 to 1999 net earnings decreased 3.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 3.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 0.5 percent. From 1989 to 1999 net earnings increased on average 3.1 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 2.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.4 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Schenectady increased from \$2,823,149* in 1998 to \$2,869,722* in 1999, an increase of 1.6 percent. The 1998-1999 state change was 6.2 percent and the national change was 6.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1989 estimate of \$2,169,111* to the 1999 estimate was 2.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.7 percent and for the nation was 5.6 percent.

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

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