



## **BEARFACTS 1989 – 1999**

### **Jonesboro (BEA-EA) [57082]**

Jonesboro is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 1999 population of 302,824 ranked 145th in the nation.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1999 Jonesboro had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$18,768. This PCPI ranked 176th in the United States and was 67 percent of the national average, \$27,939. The 1999 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.6 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 national change was 3.9 percent. In 1989 the PCPI of Jonesboro was \$12,060 and ranked 177th in the United States. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.2 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1999 Jonesboro had a total personal income (TPI) of \$5,683,279\*. This TPI ranked 152nd in the United States. In 1989 the TPI of Jonesboro was \$3,495,345\* and ranked 150th in the United States. The 1999 TPI reflected an increase of 3.8 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 national change was 5.1 percent. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.0 percent. The average annual growth rate 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 Jonesboro. In 1999 net earnings accounted for 63.0 percent of TPI (compared with 63.4 in 1989); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.1 percent (compared with 16.9 in 1989); and personal current transfer receipts were 21.8 percent (compared with 19.7 in 1989). From 1998 to 1999 net earnings increased 5.1 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 1.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 3.8 percent. From 1989 to 1999 net earnings increased on average 4.9 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 3.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.1 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Jonesboro increased from \$3,793,213\* in 1998 to \$3,982,691\* in 1999, an increase of 5.0 percent. The 1998-1999 national change was 6.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1989 estimate of \$2,429,695\* to the 1999 estimate was 5.1 percent. The average annual growth rate 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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