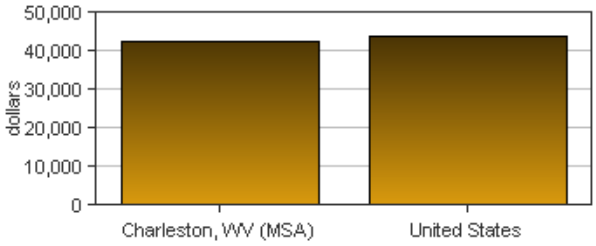
Charleston (MSA)

Charleston is one of 381 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 2012 population of 225,954 ranked 195th in the nation.

Per Capita Personal Income

In 2012, Charleston had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of $42,329. This PCPI ranked 108th in the United States and was 97 percent of the national average, $43,735. The 2012 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.4 percent from 2011. The 2011-2012 national change was 3.4 percent. In 2002, the PCPI of Charleston was $29,916 and ranked 127th in the United States. The 2002-2012 compound annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.5 percent. The compound annual growth rate for the nation was 3.2 percent.

Per Capita Personal Income, 2012



Per Capita Income as a Percent of the United States

Total Personal Income

In 2012, Charleston had a total personal income (TPI) of $9,564,495*. This TPI ranked 186th in the United States. In 2002, the TPI of Charleston was $6,943,277* and ranked 171st in the United States.

**Total personal income estimates are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

	2011-2012 percent change	2002-2012 CAGR
Charleston	3.4 %	3.3 %
U.S.	4.2 %	4.1 %

CAGR: compound annual growth rate

Components of Total Personal Income

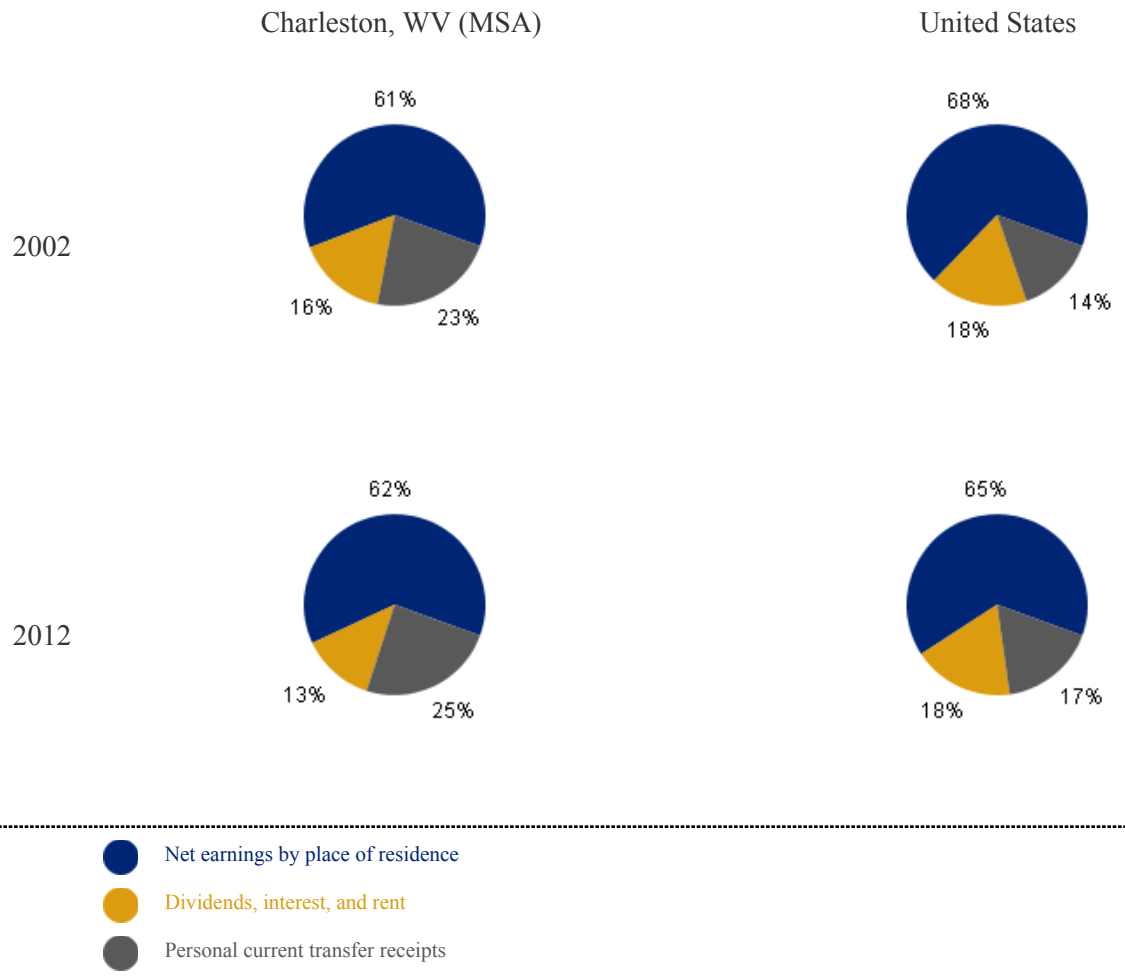
Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Charleston.

2011-2012 percent change

	Charleston, WV (MSA)	U.S.
Net earnings	2.9 %	4.3 %
Dividends, interest, and rent	5.6 %	5.5 %
Personal current transfer receipts	3.4 %	2.2 %

2002-2012 CAGR

	Charleston, WV (MSA)	U.S.
Net earnings	3.4 %	3.6 %
Dividends, interest, and rent	1.2 %	4.5 %
Personal current transfer receipts	4.1 %	6.3 %

CAGR: compound annual growth rate

Percent Contribution to Total Personal Income