BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001
West Baton Rouge , Louisiana [22121]

West Baton Rouge is one of 64 counties in Louisiana. It is part of the Baton Rouge, LA (MSA). Its 2001 population of 21,621 ranked 43rd in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 West Baton Rouge had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of $23,200. This PCPI ranked 17th in the state and was 94 percent of the state average, $24,719, and 76 percent of the national average, $30,582. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 0.3 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 7.1 percent and the national change was 2.5 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of West Baton Rouge was $15,412 and ranked 13th in the state. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 4.4 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 West Baton Rouge had a total personal income (TPI) of $501,608*. This TPI ranked 39th in the state and accounted for 0.5 percent of the state total. In 1991 the TPI of West Baton Rouge was $303,338* and ranked 39th in the state. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 0.6 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 6.9 percent and the national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.0 percent and for the nation was 5.6 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 West Baton Rouge. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 70.6 percent of TPI (compared with 71.9 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 11.2 percent (compared with 12.6 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 18.1 percent (compared with 15.5 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings decreased 3.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 3.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 26.1 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 5.0 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.8 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in West Baton Rouge decreased from $467,936* in 2000 to $454,348* in 2001, a decrease of 2.9 percent. The 2000-2001 state change was 6.6 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of $238,738* to the 2001 estimate was 6.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

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

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