



## **BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001**

### **Otero , New Mexico [35035]**

Otero is one of 33 counties in New Mexico. It is part of the Alamogordo, NM Micropolitan SA. Its 2001 population of 61,373 ranked 8th in the state.

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

In 2001 Otero had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$18,290. This PCPI ranked 22nd in the state and was 76 percent of the state average, \$24,141, and 60 percent of the national average, \$30,582. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 8.0 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 9.0 percent and the national change was 2.5 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Otero was \$13,965 and ranked 13th in the state. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 2.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.4 percent and for the nation was 4.4 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2001 Otero had a total personal income (TPI) of \$1,122,485\*. This TPI ranked 10th in the state and accounted for 2.5 percent of the state total. In 1991 the TPI of Otero was \$740,543\* and ranked 9th in the state. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 6.5 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 9.5 percent and the national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.1 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 Otero. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 61.3 percent of TPI (compared with 69.2 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 19.9 percent (compared with 18.0 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 18.9 percent (compared with 12.9 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings increased 3.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 11.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 10.9 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 3.0 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 8.3 percent.

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

Earnings of persons employed in Otero increased from \$763,930\* in 2000 to \$786,995\* in 2001, an increase of 3.0 percent. The 2000-2001 state change was 9.4 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$611,191\* to the 2001 estimate was 2.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.9 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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