



BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001

Union , North Carolina [37179]

Union is one of 100 counties in North Carolina. It is part of the [Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, NC-SC \(MSA\)](#). Its 2001 population of 131,492 ranked 18th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Union had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,726. This PCPI ranked 15th in the state and was 101 percent of the state average, \$27,487, and 91 percent of the national average, \$30,582. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 5.9 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 1.6 percent and the national change was 2.5 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Union was \$17,052 and ranked 21st in the state. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 5.0 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 Union had a total personal income (TPI) of \$3,645,748*. This TPI ranked 14th in the state and accounted for 1.6 percent of the state total. In 1991 the TPI of Union was \$1,487,374* and ranked 21st in the state. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 10.9 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 3.1 percent and the national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 9.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.5 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 Union. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 77.1 percent of TPI (compared with 75.7 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 12.6 percent (compared with 14.3 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 10.4 percent (compared with 10.0 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings increased 11.5 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 5.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 13.1 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 9.6 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 8.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 9.8 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Union increased from \$1,809,929* in 2000 to \$2,047,391* in 2001, an increase of 13.1 percent. The 2000-2001 state change was 2.7 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$993,850* to the 2001 estimate was 7.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.4 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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