# BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002
# Desha , Arkansas [05041]

Desha is one of 75 counties in Arkansas. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2002 population of 14,650 ranked 51st in the state.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Desha had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of $18,533. This PCPI ranked 52nd in the state and was 79 percent of the state average, $23,404, and 60 percent of the national average, $30,838. The 2002 PCPI reflected a decrease of 0.1 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 1.6 percent and the national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Desha was $13,176 and ranked 58th in the state. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.7 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Desha had a total personal income (TPI) of $271,511*. This TPI ranked 53rd in the state and accounted for 0.4 percent of the state total. In 1992 the TPI of Desha was $216,264* and ranked 47th in the state. The 2002 TPI reflected a decrease of 2.4 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 2.0 percent and the national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 2.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 5.2 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 Desha. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 56.1 percent of TPI (compared with 61.0 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 14.4 percent (compared with 14.7 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 29.5 percent (compared with 24.3 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings decreased 2.9 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 12.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 4.9 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 1.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 2.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 4.3 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Desha decreased from $202,359* in 2001 to $198,583* in 2002, a decrease of 1.9 percent. The 2001-2002 state change was 1.9 percent and the national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of $165,140* to the 2002 estimate was 1.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.8 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

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

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