BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002
Middlesex , New Jersey [34023]

Middlesex is one of 21 counties in New Jersey. It is part of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA (MSA). Its 2002 population of 766,790 ranked 3rd in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Middlesex had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of $38,196. This PCPI ranked 8th in the state and was 97 percent of the state average, $39,428, and 124 percent of the national average, $30,838. The 2002 PCPI reflected an increase of 0.8 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 0.5 percent and the national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Middlesex was $25,431 and ranked 9th in the state. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.1 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Middlesex had a total personal income (TPI) of $29,288,510*. This TPI ranked 3rd in the state and accounted for 8.7 percent of the state total. In 1992 the TPI of Middlesex was $17,468,577* and ranked 3rd in the state. The 2002 TPI reflected an increase of 1.6 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 1.2 percent and the national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.3 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 Middlesex. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 74.7 percent of TPI (compared with 74.2 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 13.9 percent (compared with 15.0 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 11.4 percent (compared with 10.8 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings increased 0.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 0.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 10.3 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 5.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.9 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Middlesex decreased from $26,730,889* in 2001 to $26,694,126* in 2002, a decrease of 0.1 percent. The 2001-2002 state change was 2.9 percent and the national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of $15,369,986* to the 2002 estimate was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.0 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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