



## **BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006**

### **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 2006 population of 22,220 ranked 41st in the state.

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

In 2006 West Baton Rouge had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$29,378. This PCPI ranked 19th in the state and was 92 percent of the state average, \$31,821, and 80 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 4.7 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 27.8 percent and the national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of West Baton Rouge was \$20,323 and ranked 9th in the state. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2006 West Baton Rouge had a total personal income (TPI) of \$652,772\*. This TPI ranked 39th in the state and accounted for 0.5 percent of the state total. In 1996 the TPI of West Baton Rouge was \$431,945\* and ranked 37th in the state. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 8.0 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 20.6 percent and the national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 5.4 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 2006 net earnings accounted for 70.6 percent of TPI (compared with 72.7 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 8.6 percent (compared with 10.9 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 20.7 percent (compared with 16.4 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 10.0 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 32.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts decreased 5.0 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings increased on average 3.9 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 1.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.7 percent.

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

Earnings of persons employed in West Baton Rouge increased from \$469,860\* in 2005 to \$547,262\* in 2006, an increase of 16.5 percent. The 2005-2006 state change was 11.1 percent and the national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$386,363\* to the 2006 estimate was 3.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.7 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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

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