



BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006

Hays , Texas [48209]

Hays is one of 254 counties in Texas. It is part of the [Austin-Round Rock, TX \(MSA\)](#). Its 2006 population of 132,887 ranked 26th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Hays had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$28,076. This PCPI ranked 98th in the state and was 80 percent of the state average, \$35,162, and 76 percent of the national average, \$36,794. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 6.9 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 5.8 percent and the national change was 6.1 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of Hays was \$18,736 and ranked 96th in the state. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.7 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Hays had a total personal income (TPI) of \$3,730,933*. This TPI ranked 30th in the state and accounted for 0.5 percent of the state total. In 1996 the TPI of Hays was \$1,536,547* and ranked 40th in the state. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 12.4 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 8.3 percent and the national change was 7.1 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 9.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.7 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 Hays. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 72.6 percent of TPI (compared with 70.7 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 16.0 percent (compared with 18.0 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 11.4 percent (compared with 11.3 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 12.6 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 12.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 11.4 percent. From 1996 to 2006 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 9.4 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Hays increased from \$1,801,030* in 2005 to \$1,992,864* in 2006, an increase of 10.7 percent. The 2005-2006 state change was 8.7 percent and the national change was 5.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$781,999* to the 2006 estimate was 9.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 7.1 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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