State-by-State Data on Women's and Men's Educational Attainment and Earnings

	Median Annual Earnings of Men with a College Degree or More, 2003-2005	Median Annual Earnings of Women with a College Degree or More, 2003- 2005		Earnings Gap		Proportion of Women with a Four Year College Degree or More, 2006		Proportion of Men with a Four Year College Degree or More, 2006
State	Dollars	Dollars	Rank	Percent	Rank	Percent	Rank	Percent
Alabama	\$61,168	\$42,042	32	69%	46	19%	49	23%
Alaska	\$58,555	\$48,043	9	82%	4	30%	14	27%
Arizona	\$60,457	\$43,316	24	72%	33	24%	37	26%
Arkansas	\$51,559	\$37,468	45	73%	32	19%	50	19%
California	\$65,760	\$51,112	5	78%	10	29%	16	31%
Colorado	\$63,888	\$45,609	16	71%	37	36%	4	38%
Connecticut	\$72,938	\$51,649	4	71%	40	35%	5	38%
Delaware	\$61,577	\$45,268	18	74%	26	26%	27	28%
District Of Columbia	\$67,658	\$60,251	1	89%	2	48%	1	54%
Florida	\$60,270	\$42,401	30	70%	44	26%	24	29%
Georgia	\$56,826	\$42,779	28	75%	19	27%	20	30%
Hawaii	\$56,827	\$43,749	23	77%	13	31%	12	31%
Idaho	\$51,218	\$41,801	35	82%	7	23%	39	28%
Illinois	\$61,022	\$45,200	19	74%	22	31%	13	33%
Indiana	\$64,144	\$42,835	27	67%	48	21%	44	22%
lowa	\$51,671	\$39,452	41	76%	16	25%	32	25%
Kansas	\$55,141	\$38,539	42	70%	45	30%	15	33%
Kentucky	\$55,006	\$40,475	39	74%	24	21%	43	21%
Louisiana	\$58,514	\$37,382	47 37	64%	51	20%	45 21	21%
Maine	\$50,045	\$40,859		82%	6	26%		26%
Maryland	\$71,962	\$52,758	2 8	73% 70%	27 43	35% 39%	6 2	37%
Massachusetts Michigan	\$68,365	\$48,162	7	70% 72%	43 35	39% 25%	29	43% 28%
Minnesota	\$68,606	\$49,058 \$46,999	13	77%	15	31%	11	35%
Mississippi	\$61,333 \$51,529	\$37,905	43	74%	25	20%	46	19%
Missouri	\$55,535	\$42,126	43 31	76%	25 17	24%	33	25%
Montana	\$41,426	\$30,241	51	73%	30	26%	22	27%
Nebraska	\$53,551	\$40,132	40	75% 75%	20	26%	23	28%
Nevada	\$57,040	\$44,499	21	78%	9	20%	47	22%
New Hampshire	\$62,073	\$45,428	17	73%	28	32%	8	36%
New Jersey	\$78,633	\$52,061	3	66%	50	34%	7	39%
New Mexico	\$60,494	\$43,300	25	72%	34	26%	28	29%
New York	\$61,415	\$50,219	6	82%	5	32%	10	33%
North Carolina	\$57,049	\$43,870	22	77%	14	26%	26	28%
North Dakota	\$46,213	\$37,439	46	81%	8	29%	19	28%
Ohio	\$60,602	\$45,870	15	76%	18	23%	40	25%
Oklahoma	\$51,634	\$37,558	44	73%	31	22%	42	24%
Oregon	\$57,242	\$40,624	38	71%	39	26%	25	31%
Pennsylvania	\$60,929	\$47,057	11	77%	11	24%	35	27%
Rhode Island	\$61,073	\$47,021	12	77%	12	29%	17	32%
South Carolina	\$54,420	\$37,272	48	68%	47	22%	41	25%
South Dakota	\$46,056	\$34,038	50	74%	23	23%	38	25%
Tennessee	\$57,484	\$41,985	33	73%	29	24%	36	25%
Texas	\$60,621	\$43,169	26	71%	38	24%	34	29%
Utah	\$60,093	\$42,481	29	71%	41	25%	30	33%
Vermont	\$50,378	\$41,945	34	83%	3	36%	3	32%
Virginia	\$71,131	\$47,387	10	67%	49	32%	9	36%
Washington	\$65,531	\$46,301	14	71%	42	29%	18	35%
West Virginia	\$46,573	\$41,679	36	89%	1	16%	51	16%
Wisconsin	\$60,828	\$45,193	20	74%	21	25%	31	27%
Wyoming	\$51,184	\$36,558	49	71%	36	20%	48	21%
United States	\$61,603	\$45,684		74%		27%		30%

Source: AAUW analysis of U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2004, 2005 and 2006 Annual Social and Economic Supplement (March Supplement) for Median Earnings. Current Population Survey, Basic Survey 2006 for Educational Attainment. This analysis was conducted by Judy Goldberg Dey, Research Consultant, and Christi Corbett, Research Associate, AAUW Educational Foundation.

Note: March Supplement interview questions on earnings refer to the previous year's earnings (2003, 2004 and 2005). All years were converted to 2005 dollars using the Consumer Price Index Research Series (CPI-U-R) and pooled to ensure an adequate sample size. As these data are based on a sample they are subject to sampling error; the degree of error may be quite large for less populous states. Estimates of the median earnings include only full-year, full-time workers with a college degree or higher. Full-year is defined as working 50 or more weeks. Full-time is defined as working 35 or more hours per week. Data on percentage of women and men with a college degree or more is based on an average of 12 months of data from 2006.