

Table 18. Standard errors for defined benefit plans: Plan sponsor, private industry workers, National Compensation Survey, 2009

Characteristics	Single employer	Multi-employer ¹	Other ²
Worker characteristic			
All workers	2.5	-	-
Management, professional, and related	2.6	-	-
Management, business, and financial	2.4	-	-
Professional and related	3.8	-	-
Service	3.9	-	-
Sales and office	4.1	-	-
Sales and related	10.4	-	-
Office and administrative support	2.5	-	-
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	-	5.0	-
Construction, extraction, farming, fishing, and forestry	-	3.0	-
Installation, maintenance, and repair	8.0	-	-
Production, transportation, and material moving	5.7	-	-
Production	3.9	-	-
Transportation and material moving	7.7	-	-
Full time	2.5	-	-
Part time	7.1	-	-
Union	-	3.9	-
Nonunion	2.5	-	-
Average wage within the following categories: ³			
Lowest 25 percent	7.5	-	-
Second 25 percent	5.8	-	-
Third 25 percent	3.7	-	-
Highest 25 percent	2.8	-	-
Highest 10 percent	3.7	-	-
Establishment characteristic			
Goods-producing industries	3.9	3.9	-
Construction	-	1.3	-
Manufacturing	4.5	4.5	-
Service-providing industries	2.6	-	-
Trade, transportation, and utilities	5.5	4.4	4.2
Retail trade	7.7	-	-
Information	6.7	-	-
Financial activities	0.4	-	-
Finance and insurance	0.2	-	-
Credit intermediation and related activities	0.3	-	-
Insurance carriers and related activities	0.1	-	-
Education and health services	6.5	-	-
Educational services	16.6	-	-
Junior colleges, colleges, and universities	0.4	-	-
Health care and social assistance	6.9	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

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Characteristics	Single employer	Multi-employer ¹	Other ²
1 to 99 workers	5.4	—	—
1 to 49 workers	7.0	—	—
50 to 99 workers	7.0	—	—
100 workers or more	3.0	—	—
100 to 499 workers	4.5	—	—
500 workers or more	3.1	—	—
Geographic area			
New England	13.4	—	—
Middle Atlantic	3.2	—	—
East North Central	5.4	—	—
West North Central	6.5	—	—
South Atlantic	5.3	—	—
West South Central	6.7	—	—
Mountain	6.9	—	—
Pacific	10.2	—	—

¹ Plans established by a labor organization and provided to employees of two or more unrelated companies in accordance with a collective bargaining agreement.

² Includes plans administered by employer associations and the United States Railroad Retirement Board.

³ The categories are based on the average wage for each occupation surveyed, which may include workers both above and below the threshold. The average wages

are based on the estimates published in the "National Compensation Survey: Occupational Earnings in the United States, 2008." See Technical Note for more details.

NOTE: Dashes indicate that no data were reported or that data do not meet publication criteria. For definitions of major plans, key provisions, and related terms, see the "Glossary of Employee Benefit Terms" at www.bls.gov/ncs/ebs/glossary20092010.htm.