TABLE B–31.—*Median money income (in 1998 dollars) and poverty status of families and persons, by race, selected years, 1980–98*

Year	Families[1]						Persons below poverty level		Median money income (in 1998 dollars) of persons 15 years old and over with income[2]			
			Below poverty level						Males		Females	
	Number (millions)	Median money income (in 1998 dollars)[2]	Total		Female householder		Number (millions)	Percent	All persons	Year-round full-time workers	All persons	Year-round full-time workers
			Number (millions)	Percent	Number (millions)	Percent						
ALL RACES												
1980[3]	60.3	$41,637	6.2	10.3	3.0	32.7	29.3	13.0	$24,816	$37,973	$9,744	$22,957
1981	61.0	40,502	6.9	11.2	3.3	34.6	31.8	14.0	24,374	37,434	9,874	22,536
1982	61.4	39,954	7.5	12.2	3.4	36.3	34.4	15.0	23,785	36,922	10,037	23,296
1983[4]	62.0	40,380	7.6	12.3	3.6	36.0	35.3	15.2	23,993	36,794	10,482	23,674
1984	62.7	41,469	7.3	11.6	3.5	34.5	33.7	14.4	24,474	37,658	10,775	24,194
1985	63.6	42,015	7.2	11.4	3.5	34.0	33.1	14.0	24,709	37,870	10,933	24,620
1986	64.5	43,811	7.0	10.9	3.6	34.6	32.4	13.6	25,452	38,510	11,318	25,049
1987[5]	65.2	44,438	7.0	10.7	3.7	34.2	32.2	13.4	25,520	38,283	11,902	25,202
1988	65.8	44,354	6.9	10.4	3.6	33.4	31.7	13.0	26,052	37,673	12,241	25,552
1989	66.1	44,974	6.8	10.3	3.5	32.2	31.5	12.8	26,150	37,357	12,651	25,814
1990	66.3	44,090	7.1	10.7	3.8	33.4	33.6	13.5	25,308	36,141	12,559	25,680
1991	67.2	43,011	7.7	11.5	4.2	35.6	35.7	14.2	24,497	36,299	12,537	25,425
1992[6]	68.2	42,490	8.1	11.9	4.3	35.4	38.0	14.8	23,765	35,820	12,447	25,668
1993	68.5	41,691	8.4	12.3	4.4	35.6	39.3	15.1	23,804	35,056	12,460	25,346
1994	69.3	42,655	8.1	11.6	4.2	34.6	38.1	14.5	23,889	34,769	12,611	25,588
1995	69.6	43,436	7.5	10.8	4.1	32.4	36.4	13.8	24,131	34,439	12,974	25,431
1996	70.2	43,945	7.7	11.0	4.2	32.6	36.5	13.7	24,761	34,842	13,313	25,904
1997	70.9	45,262	7.3	10.3	4.0	31.6	35.6	13.3	25,605	35,797	13,916	26,434
1998	71.6	46,737	7.2	10.0	3.8	29.9	34.5	12.7	26,492	36,252	14,430	26,855
WHITE												
1980[3]	52.7	43,382	4.2	8.0	1.6	25.7	19.7	10.2	26,397	39,057	9,798	23,178
1981	53.3	42,545	4.7	8.8	1.8	27.4	21.6	11.1	25,863	38,313	9,984	22,912
1982	53.4	41,949	5.1	9.6	1.8	27.9	23.5	12.0	25,146	37,906	10,174	23,609
1983[4]	53.9	42,283	5.2	9.7	1.9	28.3	24.0	12.1	25,242	37,773	10,665	23,990
1984	54.4	43,434	4.9	9.1	1.9	27.1	23.0	11.5	25,834	38,947	10,902	24,434
1985	55.0	44,161	5.0	9.1	2.0	27.4	22.9	11.4	25,921	38,922	11,145	24,968
1986	55.7	45,820	4.8	8.6	2.0	28.2	22.2	11.0	26,859	39,585	11,541	25,433
1987[5]	56.1	46,468	4.6	8.1	2.0	26.9	21.2	10.4	27,126	39,176	12,206	25,668
1988	56.5	46,730	4.5	7.9	1.9	26.5	20.7	10.1	27,501	38,941	12,543	25,935
1989	56.6	47,290	4.4	7.8	1.9	25.4	20.8	10.0	27,425	39,004	12,898	26,121
1990	56.8	46,038	4.6	8.1	2.0	26.8	22.3	10.7	26,402	37,515	12,867	25,989
1991	57.2	45,218	5.0	8.8	2.2	28.4	23.7	11.3	25,605	37,044	12,831	25,796
1992[6]	57.7	44,927	5.3	9.1	2.2	28.5	25.3	11.9	24,869	36,672	12,737	25,965
1993	57.9	44,331	5.5	9.4	2.4	29.2	26.2	12.2	24,795	35,907	12,708	25,921
1994	58.4	44,967	5.3	9.1	2.3	29.0	25.4	11.7	24,933	35,680	12,791	26,280
1995	58.9	45,612	5.0	8.5	2.2	26.6	24.4	11.2	25,557	35,846	13,173	25,952
1996	58.9	46,496	5.1	8.6	2.3	27.3	24.7	11.2	25,919	36,092	13,465	26,344
1997	59.5	47,482	5.0	8.4	2.3	27.7	24.4	11.0	26,522	36,681	14,007	26,882
1998	60.1	49,023	4.8	8.0	2.1	24.9	23.5	10.5	27,646	37,196	14,617	27,304
BLACK												
1980[3]	6.3	25,102	1.8	28.9	1.3	49.4	8.6	32.5	15,862	27,480	9,071	21,618
1981	6.4	24,000	2.0	30.8	1.4	52.9	9.2	34.2	15,379	27,108	8,870	20,692
1982	6.5	23,185	2.2	33.0	1.5	56.2	9.7	35.6	15,069	26,922	8,974	21,101
1983[4]	6.7	23,830	2.2	32.3	1.5	53.7	9.9	35.7	14,762	26,949	9,114	21,295
1984	6.8	24,208	2.1	30.9	1.5	51.7	9.5	33.8	14,822	26,580	9,670	22,020
1985	6.9	25,429	2.0	28.7	1.5	50.5	8.9	31.3	16,312	27,224	9,509	22,102
1986	7.1	26,181	2.0	28.0	1.5	50.1	9.0	31.1	16,095	27,909	9,765	22,255
1987[5]	7.2	26,410	2.1	29.4	1.6	51.1	9.5	32.4	16,092	28,011	9,971	22,926
1988	7.4	26,633	2.1	28.2	1.6	49.0	9.4	31.3	16,595	28,544	10,126	23,240
1989	7.5	26,565	2.1	27.8	1.5	46.5	9.3	30.7	16,575	27,216	10,352	23,492
1990	7.5	26,717	2.2	29.3	1.6	48.1	9.8	31.9	16,048	26,790	10,386	23,127
1991	7.7	25,788	2.3	30.4	1.8	51.2	10.2	32.7	15,513	27,080	10,551	22,899
1992[6]	8.0	24,517	2.5	31.1	1.9	50.2	10.8	33.4	15,178	26,711	10,325	23,536
1993	8.0	24,300	2.5	31.3	1.9	49.9	10.9	33.1	16,475	26,583	10,725	22,916
1994	8.1	27,164	2.2	27.3	1.7	46.2	10.2	30.6	16,478	26,842	11,597	22,688
1995	8.1	27,776	2.1	26.4	1.7	45.1	9.9	29.3	17,119	26,523	11,723	22,545
1996	8.5	27,553	2.2	26.1	1.7	43.7	9.7	28.4	17,132	28,191	12,230	22,845
1997	8.4	29,048	2.0	23.6	1.6	39.8	9.1	26.5	18,378	27,316	13,251	23,119
1998	8.5	29,404	2.0	23.4	1.6	40.8	9.1	26.1	19,321	27,472	13,137	23,864

[1] The term "family" refers to a group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage, or adoption and residing together. Every family must include a reference person. Beginning 1979, based on householder concept and restricted to primary families.

[2] Current dollar median money income adjusted by CPI–U–X1.

[3] Based on 1980 census population controls (beginning 1979); comparable with succeeding years.

[4] Reflects implementation of Hispanic population controls; comparable with succeeding years.

[5] Based on revised methodology; comparable with succeeding years.

[6] Based on 1990 census adjusted population controls; comparable with succeeding years.

Note.—Poverty rates (percent of persons below poverty level) for all races for years not shown above are: 1959, 22.4; 1960, 22.2; 1961, 21.9; 1962, 21.0; 1963, 19.5; 1964, 19.0; 1965, 17.3; 1966, 14.7; 1967, 14.2; 1968, 12.8; 1969, 12.1; 1970, 12.6; 1971, 12.5; 1972, 11.9; 1973, 11.1; 1974, 11.2; 1975, 12.3; 1976, 11.8; 1977, 11.6; 1978, 11.4; and 1979, 11.7.

Poverty thresholds are updated each year to reflect changes in the consumer price index (CPI–U).

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