

Table A1. Standard errors for Table 1: Selected economic outcomes for spring 1988 eighth-grade students, by high school completion status and sex: 2000

| High school completion status ¹ | Percentage Distribution | Of those in the labor force | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| | | Labor force participation rate | Unemployment rate | Of those who were employed | | | | |
| | | | | Percentage employed full time ² | Average hours worked per week | Average wage rate (dollars/hour) | Average annual earnings ³ | |
| Total | † | 0.37 | 0.36 | 0.64 | 0.21 | \$0.14 | \$ 280 | |
| Male | 0.74 | 0.46 | 0.40 | 0.91 | 0.33 | 0.21 | 410 | |
| Female | 0.74 | 0.58 | 0.60 | 0.91 | 0.21 | 0.15 | 300 | |
| 4-year completers ⁴ | 0.77 | 0.37 | 0.29 | 0.66 | 0.20 | 0.14 | 270 | |
| Male | 0.78 | 0.54 | 0.40 | 0.85 | 0.30 | 0.19 | 390 | |
| Female | 0.72 | 0.53 | 0.43 | 0.99 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 300 | |
| 4- to 6-year completers ⁵ | 0.43 | 1.23 | 2.07 | 5.26 | 1.09 | 0.55 | 1,090 | |
| Male | 0.31 | 1.25 | 2.52 | 9.01 | 2.08 | 0.86 | 1,690 | |
| Female | 0.30 | 2.27 | 4.32 | 3.48 | 0.62 | 0.76 | 1,490 | |
| High school diploma | 0.28 | 1.38 | 3.08 | 3.43 | 0.82 | 0.57 | 1,140 | |
| Male | 0.14 | 1.48 | 2.88 | 4.61 | 1.46 | 0.64 | 1,270 | |
| Female | 0.25 | 2.36 | 5.34 | 5.03 | 0.79 | 0.73 | 1,430 | |
| Alternative credential | 0.33 | 2.07 | 3.91 | 9.51 | 1.96 | 0.97 | 1,910 | |
| Male | 0.27 | 2.01 | 4.02 | 14.47 | 3.24 | 1.29 | 2,510 | |
| Female | 0.18 | 3.90 | 6.80 | 4.32 | 0.97 | 1.39 | 2,760 | |
| Late completers ⁶ | 0.31 | 1.83 | 3.28 | 2.99 | 0.87 | 0.45 | 880 | |
| Male | 0.21 | 1.07 | 2.12 | 4.47 | 1.34 | 0.61 | 1,200 | |
| Female | 0.22 | 3.19 | 5.61 | 4.16 | 1.02 | 0.51 | 1,030 | |
| High school diploma | 0.14 | 1.31 | 5.71 | 6.64 | 1.61 | 0.86 | 1,700 | |
| Male | 0.11 | † | 2.91 | 9.78 | 2.19 | 1.15 | 2,270 | |
| Female | 0.10 | 2.71 | 10.33 | 8.88 | 2.32 | 0.79 | 1,600 | |
| Alternative credential | 0.28 | 2.45 | 3.94 | 3.09 | 1.04 | 0.53 | 1,040 | |
| Male | 0.18 | 1.54 | 2.77 | 4.33 | 1.70 | 0.71 | 1,390 | |
| Female | 0.21 | 4.11 | 6.59 | 4.41 | 1.08 | 0.61 | 1,240 | |
| Noncompleters ⁷ | 0.60 | 2.59 | 2.40 | 2.19 | 1.42 | 1.03 | 2,050 | |
| Male | 0.48 | 0.86 | 2.16 | 1.49 | 1.76 | 1.35 | 2,680 | |
| Female | 0.33 | 4.31 | 4.05 | 4.36 | 1.05 | 0.36 | 740 | |

† Not applicable.

¹ High school completion status includes individuals who earned a high school diploma or an alternative credential—specifically, a General Educational Development (GED) certificate or certificate of attendance—as well as those who did not attain a high school credential by 2000.

² Full-time employment is defined as working at least 35 hours per week.

³ Average annual earnings are for 1999. All other economic outcome data are for 2000.

⁴ Includes individuals who had earned a high school diploma or alternative credential by August 1992.

⁵ Includes individuals who had earned a high school diploma or alternative credential between August 1992 and August 1994.

⁶ Includes individuals who had earned a high school diploma or alternative credential between August 1994 and August 2000.

⁷ Includes individuals who had not earned a high school diploma or alternative credential by August 2000.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988 (NELS:88).