

Table 3.3.

Breadwinner Mothers in Households with Children under 18, 2013

State	Households With Children Under 18*		Households with a Breadwinner Mother** as Percent of all Households with Children		Single Mothers as Percent of All Female Breadwinners**		Married Couples With Female Breadwinner** as Percent of All Married Couples	
	Number	Percent	Percent	Rank	Percent	Rank	Percent	Rank
Alabama	502,899	27.6%	52.6%	11	56.4%	5	36.8%	35
Alaska	82,877	33.7%	47.5%	40	50.5%	23	36.7%	36
Arizona	666,614	27.8%	48.1%	36	54.4%	7	35.0%	44
Arkansas	312,044	27.7%	52.1%	17	52.1%	20	39.5%	17
California	3,988,783	31.5%	46.5%	45	48.5%	32	35.7%	42
Colorado	582,806	29.1%	45.2%	47	46.6%	37	34.5%	46
Connecticut	392,974	29.3%	50.8%	25	49.9%	25	37.9%	27
Delaware	90,717	26.8%	53.7%	6	49.6%	26	42.3%	9
District of Columbia	47,606	17.5%	64.1%	1	66.1%	1	46.4%	1
Florida	1,758,606	24.4%	53.7%	6	53.0%	11	40.9%	11
Georgia	1,088,759	30.7%	51.9%	20	54.2%	8	37.6%	29
Hawaii	121,349	27.0%	48.9%	33	39.3%	51	40.8%	13
Idaho	183,685	31.2%	42.1%	49	44.8%	42	32.2%	49
Illinois	1,382,018	28.9%	48.8%	35	49.4%	27	36.5%	37
Indiana	716,063	28.7%	48.9%	33	52.4%	16	36.0%	38
Iowa	343,487	27.8%	52.2%	15	42.5%	47	43.8%	5
Kansas	332,979	29.9%	47.2%	42	45.3%	40	37.0%	33
Kentucky	472,528	27.7%	51.9%	20	51.7%	22	40.1%	14
Louisiana	487,165	28.2%	53.6%	8	63.1%	2	34.9%	45
Maine	131,294	24.0%	52.4%	13	46.6%	37	44.0%	4
Maryland	627,885	29.0%	54.2%	5	48.5%	32	42.7%	7
Massachusetts	699,131	27.6%	51.8%	22	49.0%	30	39.2%	19
Michigan	1,036,313	27.0%	50.5%	26	52.2%	19	37.8%	28
Minnesota	606,880	28.6%	51.1%	24	40.2%	50	43.3%	6
Mississippi	316,566	29.0%	58.6%	2	61.1%	3	40.9%	11
Missouri	641,171	27.1%	52.1%	17	50.4%	24	40.0%	15
Montana	101,786	25.1%	47.3%	41	44.2%	44	38.5%	24
Nebraska	213,508	29.2%	49.1%	31	45.1%	41	38.8%	21
Nevada	293,486	29.3%	50.4%	27	52.3%	18	38.5%	24
New Hampshire	143,526	27.6%	47.2%	42	44.7%	43	37.6%	29
New Jersey	995,862	31.4%	47.6%	38	46.8%	36	36.0%	38
New Mexico	211,259	28.0%	50.4%	27	58.6%	4	35.8%	41
New York	1,990,046	27.6%	52.3%	14	52.4%	16	38.8%	21
North Carolina	1,053,449	28.0%	53.1%	10	52.6%	15	39.9%	16
North Dakota	77,642	26.0%	45.4%	46	41.2%	49	37.0%	33
Ohio	1,228,738	26.9%	52.2%	15	53.1%	10	39.0%	20
Oklahoma	417,377	28.8%	48.1%	36	52.9%	12	35.3%	43
Oregon	403,371	26.5%	46.8%	44	48.9%	31	36.0%	38
Pennsylvania	1,286,000	26.0%	50.4%	27	49.4%	27	38.5%	24
Rhode Island	108,144	26.6%	55.6%	3	53.6%	9	42.2%	10
South Carolina	487,317	27.1%	54.3%	4	56.1%	6	39.3%	18
South Dakota	90,472	27.3%	52.6%	11	43.6%	45	44.2%	3
Tennessee	671,834	27.0%	51.4%	23	51.9%	21	38.7%	23
Texas	2,990,853	32.8%	47.6%	38	52.8%	13	33.7%	47
Utah	340,379	37.8%	34.8%	51	42.6%	46	25.3%	51
Vermont	60,819	24.0%	53.6%	8	41.6%	48	46.4%	1
Virginia	881,197	28.8%	49.2%	30	47.1%	35	37.6%	29
Washington	756,558	28.6%	44.2%	48	48.0%	34	33.3%	48
West Virginia	176,786	23.9%	49.1%	31	52.7%	14	37.3%	32
Wisconsin	624,605	27.3%	52.1%	17	45.5%	39	42.5%	8
Wyoming	62,054	27.7%	42.1%	49	49.1%	29	30.7%	50
United States	33,280,267	28.6%	49.8%		50.7%		37.4%	

Notes: Data are three-year (2011–2013) averages. *As percent of all households in the state. **A breadwinner mother is defined as a single mother who is the main householder (irrespective of earnings) or a married mother who earns at least 40 percent of the couple's joint earnings; single mothers who live in someone else's household (such as with their parents) are not included.

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