

# Prevalence of low-wage work among Asian American and Pacific Islanders within each occupation group

Table shows the share of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) workers paid less than \$19.69 within each occupation group. The first row in the table, "Share of Low-wage AAPI Workforce," shows the make-up of the AAPI low-wage workforce. By comparing this row to the other rows, the user can identify if certain AAPI groups are overrepresented in particular occupations. For example, among all AAPI workers paid low wages in Personal Care and Service occupations the majority (65.6%) are Southeast Asian while Southeast Asians make up about half (50.4%) of all low-wage AAPI workers.

Occupation	South Asian	Southeast Asian▼	East Asian	Pacific Islander	Other Asian	Total
Share of low-wage AAPI workforce	11.0%	50.4%	30.2%	3.0%	5.3%	100%
Personal Care and Service	7.8%	65.6%	19.9%	2.8%	3.9%	100%
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	9.0%	62.0%	19.9%	3.6%	5.5%	100%
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	8.6%	60.1%	26.5%	1.3%	3.5%	100%
Healthcare Support	6.6%	58.5%	28.0%	2.9%	4.0%	100%
Material Moving	8.6%	57.5%	21.7%	5.2%	7.1%	100%
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	9.7%	55.2%	28.2%	3.3%	3.6%	100%
Architecture and Engineering	15.7%	50.2%	25.6%	0.1%	8.5%	100%
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	30.4%	50.1%	15.0%	2.7%	1.8%	100%
Food Preparation and Serving Related	8.5%	50.0%	33.6%	2.1%	5.8%	100%
Protective Service	19.5%	48.5%	15.7%	9.9%	6.3%	100%
Office and Administrative Support	11.1%	47.2%	33.3%	3.6%	4.9%	100%
Sales and Related	12.5%	45.7%	31.9%	3.1%	6.8%	100%
Community and Social Service	7.5%	43.7%	38.6%	2.9%	7.4%	100%
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	8.5%	42.6%	44.5%	1.4%	2.9%	100%
Transportation	18.5%	42.1%	29.1%	3.5%	7.0%	100%
Management	12.7%	38.7%	38.5%	4.8%	5.4%	100%
Business and Financial Operations	13.2%	38.6%	41.0%	1.4%	5.8%	100%
Educational Instruction and Library	16.2%	36.5%	40.3%	2.0%	5.0%	100%
Legal	18.2%	34.9%	40.9%	0.0%	6.0%	100%
Construction and Extraction	5.6%	32.5%	42.8%	12.0%	7.1%	100%
Computer and Mathematical	28.8%	32.2%	30.2%	1.0%	7.8%	100%
Life, Physical, and Social Science	19.8%	25.8%	46.7%	0.5%	7.2%	100%
Production	8.8%	63.0%	21.2%	2.2%	4.8%	100%

*In 2022, the value of the low-wage threshold is \$19.69. The sample includes workers who live and work in California, were employed last week but not self-employed, ages 16+, and with non-zero earnings last week. We combine 2021 and 2022 data to increase sample sizes and inflate 2021 wages to 2022 dollars before applying the 2022 low-wage threshold. Some cells may still have small sample sizes. See "Data and Methods" for the definition of each AAPI group.*