Parental Employment, 1995-2003

Annual Averages. Numbers in Thousands.

	All Parents with Own Children Under 18					
-			Not	Percent		
	Total	Employed	Employed	Employed		
1995	62,037	47,390	14,647	76.4		
2000	63,267	50,259	13,008	79.4		
2001	64,100	50,455	13,645	78.7		
2002	64,399	50,022	14,377	77.7		
2003	66,011	51,091	14,920	77.4		
1995-2000	+1,230	+2,869	-1,639	+3.0		
2000-2003	+2,744	+832	+1,912	-2.0		
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	Mothers, No Spouse Present				
			Not	Percent	
	Total	Employed	Employed	Employed	
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1995	9,566	5,905	3,661	61.7	
2000	9,720	7,096	2,624	73.0	
2001	9,839	7,123	2,716	72.4	
2002	10,096	7,215	2,881	71.5	
2003	10,038	6,997	3,041	69.7	
1995-2000	+154	+1,191	-1,037	+11.3	
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2000-2003	+318	-99	+417	-3.3	

Source:

2003 data are preliminary tabulations by the Children's Defense Fund of the Census Bureau's monthly Current Population Survey.

Earlier years are from U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment Characteristics of Families" Press Release for 1996, 2001 and 2002.