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**20 Leading Occupations of Employed Women**  
**Full-time Wage and Salary Workers**  
**2002 Annual Averages**  
(Employment in thousands)

| <u>Occupation</u>   | <u>Total<br/>Employed<br/>Women</u> | <u>Total<br/>Employed<br/>(Men and<br/>Women)</u> | <u>Percent<br/>Women</u> | <u>Women's<br/>Median<br/>Usual<br/>Weekly<br/>Earnings</u> |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
| Total, 16 years and older<br>(all employed women, full time<br>wage and salary workers) | 43,773                              | 100,204   | 43.7                     | \$530   |
| Retail and personal sales workers,<br>including cashiers                                | 1,907                               | 3,519   | 54.1                     | 326   |
| Secretaries   | 1,709                               | 1,732   | 98.7                     | 496   |
| Elementary school teachers  | 1,677                               | 2,039   | 82.2                     | 750   |
| Registered nurses   | 1,597                               | 1,737   | 91.9                     | 870   |
| Nursing aides, orderlies,<br>and attendants   | 1,434                               | 1,603   | 89.5                     | 367   |
| Sales supervisors and proprietors   | 1,313                               | 3,301   | 39.8                     | 507   |
| Cashiers  | 1,036                               | 1,387   | 74.7                     | 307   |
| Bookkeepers, accounting,<br>and auditing clerks   | 928                                 | 1,011   | 91.8                     | 500   |
| Accountants and auditors  | 851                                 | 1,424   | 59.8                     | 734   |
| Investigators and adjusters,<br>except insurance  | 723                                 | 972   | 74.4                     | 495   |
| Receptionists   | 688                                 | 709   | 97.0                     | 429   |
| Secondary school teachers   | 639                                 | 1,135   | 56.3                     | 767   |
| Managers, medicine and health   | 549                                 | 714   | 76.9                     | 750   |
| Social workers  | 553                                 | 753   | 73.4                     | 632   |
| Managers, food serving<br>and lodging establishments                                    | 487                                 | 1,031   | 47.2                     | 517   |
| Cooks, except short order   | 486                                 | 1,395   | 34.8                     | 303   |
| General office clerks   | 486                                 | 579   | 83.4                     | 474   |
| Janitors and cleaners   | 471                                 | 1,548   | 30.4                     | 336   |
| Administrators, education<br>and related fields   | 453                                 | 727   | 62.3                     | 832   |
| Waiters and waitresses  | 441                                 | 624   | 70.7                     | 311   |

(1) Median not available where base is less than 50,000 male workers.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Annual Averages 2002.