

TABLE III
THE RETURN TO VARIOUS USES OF COMPUTERS, OCTOBER 1989^a
(DEPENDENT VARIABLE: ln (HOURLY WAGE))

Use of computer at work	Proportion	Coefficient (std. error)
Uses computer at work for any task ^b	0.398	0.145 (0.010)
<u>Specific Task^c</u>		
Word processing	0.165	0.017 (0.012)
Bookkeeping	0.100	-0.058 (0.013)
Computer-assisted design	0.039	0.026 (0.020)
Electronic mail	0.063	0.149 (0.016)
Inventory control	0.102	-0.056 (0.013)
Programming	0.077	0.052 (0.031)
Desktop publishing or newsletters	0.036	-0.047 (0.021)
Spread sheets	0.094	0.079 (0.015)
Sales	0.060	-0.002 (0.016)
Computer games	0.019	-0.109 (0.026)
R^2		0.495

a. The sample and other explanatory variables are the same as in column (6) of Table II.

b. The computer use dummy variable equals one if the worker uses computers for any of the ten enumerated tasks or for any other task.

c. The dummy variables for any specific computer task, and the dummy variable for any computer use, are not mutually exclusive.