Average Hourly Salary of Dental Hygienists in Primary Private Practice of Independent Dentists, 1999-2004

- Full-time dental hygienists employed by independent dentists were paid an average of $29.10 per hour in 2004, an increase from $25.60 per hour in 1999.

- Part-time dental hygienists employed by independent dentists were paid an average of $33.90 per hour in 2004, an increase from $28.00 per hour in 1999.

Source: American Dental Association, 2004 Survey of Dental Practice