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**Most Local Families
In 'Have More' Group**

A larger proportion of families in Birmingham are to be found in the "have more" income groups and a smaller percentage in the "have less" category than in most parts of the United States.

The conclusion is based on a nationwide, county-by-county breakdown of 1959 incomes, conducted by sales management. It shows, for each area, what part of its population falls within each income bracket.

The copyrighted study also reveals, for every community, whether its so-called "average income" is made up of earnings that are evenly distributed or whether it represents a small number of families with very large incomes making up for a much greater number with sub-standard incomes.

FOR BIRMINGHAM, the report shows a relatively even distribution as well as a high general average.

Approximately 79.2 per cent of the local households had spendable incomes last year, after taxes, of \$4,000 or more.

This compares favorably with the scale of earnings in the rest of the United States, where only 61.6 per cent of all households were in the over-\$4,000 brackets.

It was also better than in the East North Central States, where 67.6 per cent has such earnings.

FOR THE BUSINESS man in Birmingham, it is a healthy state of affairs, making for a stronger market. It means that more of the local families have available the extra spending money for better food and clothing, for second cars, for washing machines and for luxuries in general.

The overall spending of a large segment of a population enjoying middle-income earnings or better, as in the case locally, produces a greater volume of business than does a high-low income combination, the economists have found.

ALSO DISCLOSED by the Birmingham income breakdown is the fact that 18.5 per cent of the households were in the \$7,000 to \$10,000 bracket last year. They accounted for 17 per cent of all local earnings.

Those in the \$2,500 to \$4,000

groups comprised 10.8 per cent of the households and accounted for 3.9 per cent of the income.

To the 79.2 per cent in the "over \$4,000" class went 94.4 per cent of the local income.

Name Controller

TROY — Russell F. Manney, Jr., has been named controller for Troy. He has been employed in the office of City Treasurer Leslie A. Rice. Salary for the newly created post has not been set. Manney's pay is \$5,830.

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