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## **METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: SEPTEMBER 2007**

Unemployment rates were higher in September than a year earlier in 184 of the 369 metropolitan areas, lower in 154 areas, and unchanged in 31 areas, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Thirty-four metropolitan areas registered jobless rates below 3.0 percent, while two areas recorded rates higher than 10.0 percent. The national unemployment rate in September was 4.5 percent, not seasonally adjusted.

### Metropolitan Area Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

In September, 126 metropolitan areas reported unemployment rates below 4.0 percent, down from 151 areas a year earlier, while 18 areas posted rates of at least 7.0 percent, up from 13 areas in September 2006. Idaho Falls, Idaho, again had the lowest jobless rate, 1.3 percent, followed by three additional Idaho areas: Boise City-Nampa, Coeur d'Alene, and Pocatello at 1.7 percent each. The highest rates in September continued to be registered by two adjacent, heavily agricultural areas with extreme weather: El Centro, Calif., 20.8 percent, and Yuma, Ariz., 15.7 percent. Overall, 208 areas recorded unemployment rates below the U.S. figure of 4.5 percent, 150 areas had higher rates, and 11 areas had the same rate. (See table 1 and the map.)

El Centro, Calif., again registered the largest over-the-year unemployment rate increase (+2.7 percentage points) in September. Two Florida areas, Cape Coral-Fort Myers and Punta Gorda, posted the next largest rate increases (+2.1 percentage points each). Twenty-seven additional areas, 18 of which were in California or Florida, recorded jobless rate increases of at least 1.0 percentage point from a year earlier. Two Mississippi areas severely affected by Hurricane Katrina continued to report the largest over-the-year jobless rate decreases in September: Gulfport-Biloxi and Pascagoula (-2.3 and -1.6 percentage points, respectively). Eight additional areas had rate decreases of 1.0 percentage point or more.

Of the 49 metropolitan areas with a Census 2000 population of 1 million or more, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, Ariz., recorded the lowest unemployment rate in September, 2.9 percent, followed closely by Richmond, Va., Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, Va.-N.C., and Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va., at 3.0 percent each. Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich., again posted the highest rate among the large areas, 7.7 percent. Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif., and Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, Ohio, continued to register the next highest rates, 6.1 and 5.9 percent, respectively. Twenty-four large areas recorded higher unemployment rates than in September 2006, 21 registered lower rates, and 4 had no changes. Among the large areas, two in California, Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario and Sacramento—

Arden-Arcade–Roseville, reported the largest jobless rate increases (+1.2 and +1.1 percentage points, respectively), followed by Las Vegas-Paradise, Nev. (+1.0 point). Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, Ariz., had the largest unemployment rate decrease from a year earlier (-0.7 percentage point).

#### Metropolitan Division Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Eleven of the most populous metropolitan areas are composed of 34 metropolitan divisions, which are essentially separately identifiable employment centers. The two divisions that compose the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va., metropolitan area, Bethesda-Gaithersburg-Frederick, Md., and Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va., continued to report the lowest division unemployment rates in September, 2.8 and 3.0 percent, respectively. Six additional divisions registered rates below 4.0 percent. The divisions with the highest unemployment rates again were Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich., 8.9 percent; Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich., 6.9 percent; and Lawrence-Methuen-Salem, Mass.-N.H., 6.6 percent. (See table 2.)

Twenty of the 34 metropolitan divisions recorded over-the-year unemployment rate decreases in September, 13 had rate increases, and 1 had a rate that was unchanged from that of September 2006. Among the divisions, Peabody, Mass., registered the largest jobless rate decline from a year earlier (-0.8 percentage point), while Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine, Calif., and West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach, Fla., reported the largest increases (+0.9 point each).

In 6 of the 11 metropolitan areas that contain divisions, the ranges between the highest and lowest division jobless rates were 1.0 percentage point or more in September. The metropolitan area that had the largest rate difference among its divisions, 3.3 percentage points, was Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, Mass.-N.H. (Lawrence-Methuen-Salem, Mass.-N.H., 6.6 percent, compared with Nashua, N.H.-Mass., 3.3 percent).

#### Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

In September, 311 metropolitan areas reported over-the-year increases in nonfarm payroll employment, 43 reported decreases, and 13 had no change. The largest over-the-year employment gain was reported in New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, N.Y.-N.J.-Pa. (+69,600), followed by Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+67,900) and Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Texas (+64,500). The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment were reported in Provo-Orem, Utah (+5.5 percent), Jacksonville, N.C., and Warner Robins, Ga. (+5.2 percent each), Grand Junction, Colo. (+5.0 percent), and McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, Texas (+4.9 percent). (See table 3.)

The largest over-the-year decreases in employment happened in Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich. (-34,800), Flint, Mich. (-2,400), Youngstown-Warren-Boardman, Ohio-Pa. (-2,300), Saginaw-Saginaw Township North, Mich. (-2,200), and Atlantic City, N.J. (-2,100). The largest over-the-year percentage decreases in employment were reported in Bay City, Mich. (-4.3 percent) and Saginaw-Saginaw Township North, Mich. (-2.4 percent).

Nonfarm employment rose over the year in 35 of the 37 metropolitan areas with annual average employment levels above 750,000 in 2006; 1 area reported an employment decrease and 1 remained unchanged over the year. The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment in these areas were posted in Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif. (+3.7 percent), Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, Ariz. (+2.9 percent), Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, N.C.-S.C. (+2.8 percent), Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Texas (+2.6 percent), and Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+2.4 percent). Among the largest areas, only the Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich., area reported a decrease (-1.7 percent).

### Metropolitan Division Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Nonfarm payroll employment data were available in September 2007 for 32 metropolitan divisions, which are essentially separately identifiable employment centers within a metropolitan area. Twenty-seven of the 32 metropolitan divisions reported over-the-year employment gains, 4 reported losses, and 1 was unchanged. The largest over-the-year level increases occurred in New York-White Plains-Wayne, N.Y.-N.J. (+52,700) and Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas (+52,400). The largest over-the-year employment declines occurred in Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich. (-17,900) and Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich. (-16,900).

The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment among the metropolitan divisions were reported in Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas (+2.6 percent), Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (+2.5 percent), and Camden, N.J., and Wilmington, Del.-Md.-N.J. (+2.1 percent each). Percentage declines in employment were largest in Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich. (-2.1 percent) and Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich. (-1.5 percent).

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The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for October is scheduled to be issued on Tuesday, November 20. The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for October is scheduled to be issued on Wednesday, November 28.

#### **Hurricane Katrina**

For September, BLS and its state partners continued to make modifications to the usual estimation procedures for the LAUS program to reflect the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the labor force statistics in affected areas. These modifications included: (1) modifying the state population controls to account for displacement due to Katrina; (2) developing labor force estimates for the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area using an alternative to the model-based method; and (3) not publishing labor force estimates for the parishes within the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area or cities within those parishes where the quality of input data was severely compromised by the hurricane.

For more information on LAUS procedures and estimates for September 2007, see *Hurricane Information: Katrina and Rita* on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/Katrina/home.htm> or call (202) 691-6392.

# Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1 and 2) for 377 metropolitan statistical areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs), including those in Puerto Rico. Estimates for over 30 metropolitan and NECTA divisions also are presented. Nonfarm payroll employment estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 3 and 4) are provided for the same areas. State estimates were previously published in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*, and are republished in this release for ease of reference. The LAUS and CES programs are both federal-state cooperative endeavors.

## Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

**Definitions.** The labor force and unemployment data are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The labor force includes both the employed and the unemployed. Employed persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the survey reference week (the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who had a job from which they were temporarily absent, whether or not paid, for such reasons as labor-management dispute, illness, or vacation. Unemployed persons are those who did not work at all (in the reference week), had actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the survey reference week), and were currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

**Method of estimation.** Effective January 2005, estimates for all census divisions, states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long-Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, and New York City were produced using updated time-series models with real-time benchmarking. Model-based estimation was extended to the following areas and respective balances-of-state: Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL Metropolitan Division; Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, OH Metropolitan Statistical Area; Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI Metropolitan Statistical Area; Miami-Miami-Beach-Kendall, FL Metropolitan Division; New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner, LA Metropolitan Statistical Area; and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Metropolitan Division. This will improve the statistical basis of the estimation for these areas and provide important tools for analysis, such as measures of errors and seasonally adjusted series. For all other substate areas, estimates are prepared through indirect estimation procedures. Employment estimates, which are based largely on “place of work” estimates from the CES program, are adjusted to refer to place of residence as used in the CPS. Unemployment estimates are aggregates of persons previously employed in industries covered by state unemployment (UI) laws and entrants to the labor force data from the CPS. The substate estimates of employment and unemployment, which geographically exhaust the entire state, are adjusted proportionally to ensure that they add to the independently estimated state or balance-of-state totals. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

**Annual revisions.** Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually implemented with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation at the state and selected area level. All substate estimates are adjusted to add to the revised model-based estimates.

## Employment—from the CES program

**Definitions.** Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2002 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

**Method of estimation.** The employment data are estimated using a “link relative” technique in which a ratio (link relative) of current-month employment to that of the previous month is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are obtained by multiplying the estimates for the previous month by these ratios. Small-domain models are used as the official estimators for the approximately 10 percent of CES published series which have insufficient sample for direct sample-based estimates.

**Annual revisions.** Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports that are submitted by employers who are covered under state unemployment insurance (UI) laws. The benchmark information is used to adjust the monthly estimates between the new benchmark and the preceding one and also to establish the level of employment for the new benchmark month. Thus, the benchmarking process establishes the level of employment, and the sample is used to measure the month-to-month changes in the level for the subsequent months.

## Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample survey and administrative data and thus are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data are also subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the special estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

**Labor force and unemployment estimates.** Model-based error measures, including for over-the-month change, are available for states on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm>. Measures of nonsampling error are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

**Employment estimates.** Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm>. Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available at <http://www.bls.gov/sae>.

### **Area definitions**

The substate area data published in this release reflect the standards and definitions established by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on December 18, 2006. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Web at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm> and also is published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

### **Additional information**

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings*, which is available by subscription from the Super-

intendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800).

Estimates of unadjusted and seasonally adjusted labor force and unemployment data for states, census regions and divisions, and eight areas are available in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force and unemployment for all states, metropolitan areas, labor market areas, counties, cities with a population of 25,000 or more, and other areas used in the administration of various federal economic assistance programs are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau>. Employment data from the CES program are available at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: 202-691-5200; TDD message referral phone: 1-800-877-8339.















Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

| State and area                        | Civilian labor force |         |           |         | Unemployed |       |           |       |                        |      |           |      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-----------|---------|------------|-------|-----------|-------|------------------------|------|-----------|------|
|                                       |                      |         |           |         | Number     |       |           |       | Percent of labor force |      |           |      |
|                                       | August               |         | September |         | August     |       | September |       | August                 |      | September |      |
|                                       | 2006                 | 2007    | 2006      | 2007    | 2006       | 2007  | 2006      | 2007  | 2006                   | 2007 | 2006      | 2007 |
| <b>Puerto Rico</b> .....              | 1,392.9              | 1,377.6 | 1,406.9   | 1,362.7 | 149.2      | 165.6 | 153.0     | 150.8 | 10.7                   | 12.0 | 10.9      | 11.1 |
| Aguadilla-Isabela-San Sebastian ..... | 113.4                | 108.5   | 113.3     | 106.8   | 15.0       | 15.4  | 14.8      | 13.8  | 13.2                   | 14.2 | 13.0      | 12.9 |
| Fajardo .....                         | 28.8                 | 28.5    | 28.8      | 28.5    | 3.8        | 4.4   | 3.8       | 4.0   | 13.0                   | 15.4 | 13.3      | 14.0 |
| Guayama .....                         | 27.3                 | 26.9    | 27.5      | 26.4    | 4.1        | 4.1   | 4.1       | 3.8   | 15.0                   | 15.3 | 14.9      | 14.4 |
| Mayaguez .....                        | 37.4                 | 37.4    | 38.0      | 37.1    | 4.7        | 5.0   | 4.8       | 4.4   | 12.5                   | 13.3 | 12.5      | 11.9 |
| Ponce .....                           | 94.6                 | 96.9    | 96.4      | 95.9    | 10.2       | 11.5  | 10.8      | 10.5  | 10.8                   | 11.9 | 11.2      | 11.0 |
| San German-Cabo Rojo .....            | 52.7                 | 51.9    | 53.8      | 52.5    | 6.0        | 6.7   | 6.0       | 6.0   | 11.3                   | 12.8 | 11.2      | 11.4 |
| San Juan-Caguas-Guaynabo .....        | 940.9                | 930.0   | 950.5     | 920.7   | 91.8       | 103.9 | 95.1      | 95.0  | 9.8                    | 11.2 | 10.0      | 10.3 |
| Yauco .....                           | 39.3                 | 39.3    | 39.8      | 38.8    | 5.3        | 6.0   | 5.3       | 5.3   | 13.5                   | 15.2 | 13.2      | 13.8 |

<sup>1</sup> Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey. Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 07-01, dated December 18, 2006, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/laumsa.htm> and in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*. Areas in the six New England states are Metropolitan New England City and Town Areas

(NECTAs), while areas in other states are county-based. Some metropolitan areas lie in two or more states. They are listed under the state that appears first in their titles. Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Iowa-Ill., and Weirton-Steubenville, W.Va.-Ohio, are the exceptions in that they are listed under Illinois and Ohio, respectively, for operational reasons. Data for 2006 have been revised to incorporate updated inputs and adjustments to new state controls.



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**Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area**

(Numbers in thousands)

| State and area                             | August   |          | September |                   | Change from September 2006 to September 2007 P |         |
|--|----------|----------|-----------|-------------------|--|---------|
|  | 2006     | 2007     | 2006      | 2007 <sup>P</sup> | Number   | Percent |
| <b>Alabama</b> .....                       | 1,983.5  | 2,011.2  | 1,992.7   | 2,018.6           | 25.9   | 1.3     |
| Anniston-Oxford .....                      | 52.3     | 52.2     | 52.1      | 52.6              | .5   | 1.0     |
| Auburn-Opelika .....                       | 54.0     | 54.2     | 54.7      | 55.1              | .4   | .7      |
| Birmingham-Hoover .....                    | 529.7    | 534.3    | 530.8     | 535.8             | 5.0  | .9      |
| Decatur .....                              | 57.0     | 57.8     | 57.9      | 58.2              | .3   | .5      |
| Dothan .....                               | 62.3     | 63.1     | 62.6      | 63.1              | .5   | .8      |
| Florence-Muscle Shoals .....               | 56.9     | 58.4     | 57.8      | 58.6              | .8   | 1.4     |
| Gadsden .....                              | 38.4     | 38.7     | 38.8      | 38.8              | .0   | .0      |
| Huntsville .....                           | 203.8    | 208.6    | 205.1     | 209.4             | 4.3  | 2.1     |
| Mobile .....                               | 178.4    | 183.7    | 180.5     | 184.1             | 3.6  | 2.0     |
| Montgomery .....                           | 177.1    | 181.2    | 177.4     | 181.3             | 3.9  | 2.2     |
| Tuscaloosa .....                           | 96.1     | 97.9     | 96.8      | 98.5              | 1.7  | 1.8     |
| <b>Alaska</b> .....                        | 337.1    | 341.6    | 330.0     | 334.1             | 4.1  | 1.2     |
| Anchorage .....                            | 170.9    | 172.3    | 171.0     | 173.3             | 2.3  | 1.3     |
| Fairbanks .....                            | 40.0     | 40.2     | 39.3      | 39.3              | .0   | .0      |
| <b>Arizona</b> .....                       | 2,637.0  | 2,708.5  | 2,668.2   | 2,737.0           | 68.8   | 2.6     |
| Flagstaff .....                            | 65.6     | 65.3     | 66.2      | 66.1              | -.1  | -.2     |
| Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale .....              | 1,893.7  | 1,947.8  | 1,912.1   | 1,967.3           | 55.2   | 2.9     |
| Prescott .....                             | 64.8     | 66.6     | 65.4      | 66.7              | 1.3  | 2.0     |
| Tucson .....                               | 375.7    | 385.3    | 384.0     | 392.1             | 8.1  | 2.1     |
| Yuma .....                                 | 50.0     | 50.8     | 50.9      | 51.4              | .5   | 1.0     |
| <b>Arkansas</b> .....                      | 1,194.0  | 1,202.7  | 1,209.8   | 1,215.9           | 6.1  | .5      |
| Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers .....       | 204.3    | 210.0    | 206.2     | 212.3             | 6.1  | 3.0     |
| Fort Smith .....                           | 123.3    | 125.7    | 124.2     | 126.5             | 2.3  | 1.9     |
| Hot Springs .....                          | 38.6     | 39.3     | 38.8      | 39.4              | .6   | 1.5     |
| Jonesboro .....                            | 48.8     | 48.7     | 49.6      | 49.7              | .1   | .2      |
| Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway ..... | 341.4    | 348.6    | 344.7     | 349.6             | 4.9  | 1.4     |
| Pine Bluff .....                           | 38.3     | 38.7     | 39.5      | 39.4              | -.1  | -.3     |
| <b>California</b> .....                    | 15,058.9 | 15,215.0 | 15,151.6  | 15,291.2          | 139.6  | .9      |
| Bakersfield .....                          | 232.0    | 236.0    | 233.9     | 238.2             | 4.3  | 1.8     |
| Chico .....                                | 76.9     | 78.0     | 77.1      | 78.9              | 1.8  | 2.3     |
| El Centro .....                            | 44.1     | 46.4     | 44.2      | 46.3              | 2.1  | 4.8     |
| Fresno .....                               | 301.7    | 307.2    | 303.7     | 308.9             | 5.2  | 1.7     |
| Hanford-Corcoran .....                     | 35.3     | 36.5     | 35.5      | 36.5              | 1.0  | 2.8     |
| Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana .....     | 5,587.9  | 5,626.0  | 5,626.4   | 5,664.9           | 38.5   | .7      |
| Madera .....                               | 35.5     | 36.3     | 36.1      | 36.5              | .4   | 1.1     |
| Merced .....                               | 59.1     | 60.0     | 60.1      | 60.5              | .4   | .7      |
| Modesto .....                              | 162.7    | 164.0    | 162.8     | 163.4             | .6   | .4      |
| Napa .....                                 | 63.6     | 64.1     | 64.0      | 64.9              | .9   | 1.4     |
| Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura .....         | 295.9    | 299.1    | 298.6     | 300.3             | 1.7  | .6      |
| Redding .....                              | 65.9     | 66.8     | 66.7      | 67.5              | .8   | 1.2     |
| Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario .....     | 1,260.5  | 1,311.8  | 1,272.7   | 1,320.2           | 47.5   | 3.7     |
| Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville .....    | 900.2    | 912.7    | 902.8     | 914.6             | 11.8   | 1.3     |
| Salinas .....                              | 128.5    | 129.2    | 128.0     | 128.5             | .5   | .4      |
| San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos .....        | 1,299.3  | 1,311.2  | 1,303.4   | 1,315.2           | 11.8   | .9      |
| San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont .....        | 2,006.7  | 2,038.4  | 2,017.8   | 2,045.2           | 27.4   | 1.4     |
| San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara .....       | 895.3    | 910.2    | 895.3     | 908.1             | 12.8   | 1.4     |
| San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles .....          | 102.2    | 102.0    | 103.3     | 102.4             | -.9  | -.9     |
| Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Goleta .....     | 171.6    | 173.3    | 172.8     | 173.0             | .2   | .1      |
| Santa Cruz-Watsonville .....               | 95.2     | 97.2     | 96.1      | 98.3              | 2.2  | 2.3     |
| Santa Rosa-Petaluma .....                  | 189.6    | 191.9    | 192.1     | 195.0             | 2.9  | 1.5     |
| Stockton .....                             | 209.7    | 208.8    | 211.0     | 209.4             | -1.6   | -.8     |
| Vallejo-Fairfield .....                    | 130.9    | 133.1    | 131.3     | 134.5             | 3.2  | 2.4     |
| Visalia-Porterville .....                  | 112.8    | 112.7    | 113.3     | 113.9             | .6   | .5      |
| Yuba City .....                            | 40.9     | 41.0     | 41.5      | 41.2              | -.3  | -.7     |
| <b>Colorado</b> .....                      | 2,294.4  | 2,340.5  | 2,294.7   | 2,339.7           | 45.0   | 2.0     |
| Boulder .....                              | 161.1    | 164.4    | 164.6     | 168.4             | 3.8  | 2.3     |
| Colorado Springs .....                     | 259.5    | 261.7    | 259.4     | 260.5             | 1.1  | .4      |
| Denver-Aurora .....                        | 1,225.4  | 1,243.3  | 1,224.8   | 1,242.3           | 17.5   | 1.4     |
| Fort Collins-Loveland .....                | 135.4    | 137.7    | 136.0     | 138.3             | 2.3  | 1.7     |
| Grand Junction .....                       | 59.6     | 62.6     | 60.1      | 63.1              | 3.0  | 5.0     |
| Greeley .....                              | 79.2     | 81.7     | 80.3      | 82.6              | 2.3  | 2.9     |
| Pueblo .....                               | 56.2     | 58.8     | 56.8      | 59.4              | 2.6  | 4.6     |
| <b>Connecticut</b> .....                   | 1,674.2  | 1,689.8  | 1,684.7   | 1,704.2           | 19.5   | 1.2     |
| Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk .....          | 415.0    | 421.5    | 416.4     | 422.6             | 6.2  | 1.5     |
| Danbury .....                              | 68.7     | 69.3     | 69.2      | 69.7              | .5   | .7      |
| Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford ..... | 545.8    | 548.5    | 552.9     | 556.2             | 3.3  | .6      |
| New Haven .....                            | 271.4    | 271.3    | 277.3     | 277.1             | -.2  | -.1     |
| Norwich-New London .....                   | 137.1    | 138.0    | 136.8     | 137.4             | .6   | .4      |
| Waterbury .....                            | 67.2     | 68.1     | 69.2      | 70.0              | .8   | 1.2     |
| <b>Delaware</b> .....                      | 437.0    | 442.7    | 437.6     | 443.0             | 5.4  | 1.2     |
| Dover .....                                | 63.9     | 65.0     | 65.6      | 65.5              | -.1  | -.2     |
| <b>District of Columbia</b> .....          | 690.1    | 700.9    | 685.5     | 696.3             | 10.8   | 1.6     |
| Washington-Arlington-Alexandria .....      | 2,969.6  | 3,015.0  | 2,969.2   | 3,012.5           | 43.3   | 1.5     |

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(Numbers in thousands)

| State and area                            | August  |         | September |                   | Change from September 2006 to September 2007 <sup>P</sup> |         |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|-------------------|---|---------|
|   | 2006    | 2007    | 2006      | 2007 <sup>P</sup> | Number  | Percent |
| <b>Florida</b> .....                      | 7,991.0 | 8,116.2 | 8,007.7   | 8,112.6           | 104.9   | 1.3     |
| Cape Coral-Fort Myers .....               | 229.5   | 234.7   | 229.8     | 234.9             | 5.1   | 2.2     |
| Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach .....  | 175.2   | 176.1   | 175.3     | 176.4             | 1.1   | .6      |
| Fort Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin .....  | 89.5    | 90.1    | 88.2      | 89.0              | .8  | .9      |
| Gainesville .....                         | 131.2   | 133.2   | 134.7     | 135.0             | .3  | .2      |
| Jacksonville .....                        | 625.0   | 637.4   | 625.9     | 637.1             | 11.2  | 1.8     |
| Lakeland .....                            | 218.9   | 221.8   | 220.6     | 222.7             | 2.1   | 1.0     |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach ..... | 2,403.7 | 2,438.3 | 2,412.6   | 2,444.3           | 31.7  | 1.3     |
| Naples-Marco Island .....                 | 132.8   | 135.1   | 132.6     | 135.0             | 2.4   | 1.8     |
| Ocala .....                               | 106.3   | 106.2   | 106.1     | 106.7             | .6  | .6      |
| Orlando-Kissimmee .....                   | 1,078.0 | 1,106.0 | 1,083.1   | 1,105.8           | 22.7  | 2.1     |
| Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville .....       | 216.3   | 216.4   | 215.6     | 216.0             | .4  | .2      |
| Panama City-Lynn Haven .....              | 77.8    | 78.5    | 76.6      | 77.9              | 1.3   | 1.7     |
| Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent .....          | 172.6   | 173.3   | 172.7     | 173.5             | .8  | .5      |
| Port St. Lucie .....                      | 131.9   | 133.5   | 131.7     | 133.8             | 2.1   | 1.6     |
| Punta Gorda .....                         | 44.1    | 44.9    | 44.5      | 44.7              | .2  | .4      |
| Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice .....           | 306.7   | 307.3   | 307.1     | 306.8             | -.3   | -.1     |
| Sebastian-Vero Beach .....                | 48.1    | 48.7    | 48.2      | 48.6              | .4  | .8      |
| Tallahassee .....                         | 174.3   | 177.8   | 178.7     | 181.0             | 2.3   | 1.3     |
| Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater .....     | 1,309.3 | 1,324.8 | 1,312.3   | 1,325.7           | 13.4  | 1.0     |
| <b>Georgia</b> .....                      | 4,101.7 | 4,177.7 | 4,098.5   | 4,176.9           | 78.4  | 1.9     |
| Albany .....                              | 64.5    | 65.5    | 64.6      | 65.9              | 1.3   | 2.0     |
| Athens-Clarke County .....                | 81.7    | 83.3    | 82.6      | 83.7              | 1.1   | 1.3     |
| Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta .....      | 2,408.1 | 2,460.8 | 2,410.9   | 2,465.7           | 54.8  | 2.3     |
| Augusta-Richmond County .....             | 212.8   | 215.0   | 213.3     | 214.9             | 1.6   | .8      |
| Brunswick .....                           | 45.5    | 46.3    | 45.3      | 45.6              | .3  | .7      |
| Columbus .....                            | 121.7   | 123.4   | 121.2     | 123.0             | 1.8   | 1.5     |
| Dalton .....                              | 80.2    | 80.5    | 79.8      | 80.1              | .3  | .4      |
| Gainesville .....                         | 74.0    | 76.0    | 73.8      | 76.4              | 2.6   | 3.5     |
| Hinesville-Fort Stewart .....             | 18.5    | 19.0    | 18.3      | 18.9              | .6  | 3.3     |
| Macon .....                               | 100.9   | 101.3   | 100.2     | 101.5             | 1.3   | 1.3     |
| Rome .....                                | 44.3    | 44.9    | 44.7      | 44.8              | .1  | .2      |
| Savannah .....                            | 158.5   | 161.3   | 157.9     | 161.4             | 3.5   | 2.2     |
| Valdosta .....                            | 55.4    | 56.2    | 55.5      | 56.5              | 1.0   | 1.8     |
| Warner Robins .....                       | 57.2    | 58.8    | 56.2      | 59.1              | 2.9   | 5.2     |
| <b>Hawaii</b> .....                       | 613.8   | 623.5   | 618.6     | 629.6             | 11.0  | 1.8     |
| Honolulu .....                            | 449.4   | 454.9   | 455.5     | 461.4             | 5.9   | 1.3     |
| <b>Idaho</b> .....                        | 649.4   | 663.5   | 653.8     | 668.1             | 14.3  | 2.2     |
| Boise City-Nampa .....                    | 273.2   | 280.1   | 274.4     | 282.7             | 8.3   | 3.0     |
| Coeur d'Alene .....                       | 57.1    | 58.7    | 56.9      | 58.7              | 1.8   | 3.2     |
| Idaho Falls .....                         | 51.2    | 52.3    | 50.9      | 52.9              | 2.0   | 3.9     |
| Lewiston .....                            | 27.4    | 27.4    | 27.5      | 27.5              | .0  | .0      |
| Pocatello .....                           | 38.9    | 38.9    | 40.3      | 40.5              | .2  | .5      |
| <b>Illinois</b> .....                     | 5,975.3 | 6,019.1 | 5,984.6   | 6,026.7           | 42.1  | .7      |
| Bloomington-Normal .....                  | 88.8    | 89.5    | 91.6      | 92.3              | .7  | .8      |
| Champaign-Urbana .....                    | 108.5   | 107.5   | 113.7     | 113.4             | -.3   | -.3     |
| Chicago-Naperville-Joliet .....           | 4,552.3 | 4,598.5 | 4,560.5   | 4,595.9           | 35.4  | .8      |
| Danville .....                            | 31.4    | 31.3    | 31.6      | 31.6              | .0  | .0      |
| Davenport-Moline-Rock Island .....        | 189.6   | 190.0   | 188.5     | 189.6             | 1.1   | .6      |
| Decatur .....                             | 54.9    | 55.0    | 55.0      | 55.2              | .2  | .4      |
| Kankakee-Bradley .....                    | 43.8    | 43.8    | 44.0      | 44.2              | .2  | .5      |
| Peoria .....                              | 184.8   | 186.7   | 186.3     | 186.8             | .5  | .3      |
| Rockford .....                            | 159.2   | 160.3   | 159.3     | 159.7             | .4  | .3      |
| Springfield .....                         | 114.7   | 114.4   | 111.6     | 111.6             | .0  | .0      |
| <b>Indiana</b> .....                      | 2,957.3 | 2,982.5 | 3,006.6   | 3,015.9           | 9.3   | .3      |
| Anderson .....                            | 42.4    | 42.2    | 43.6      | 42.9              | -.7   | -1.6    |
| Bloomington .....                         | 81.4    | 78.7    | 84.5      | 84.3              | -.2   | -.2     |
| Columbus .....                            | 44.1    | 45.8    | 44.5      | 45.9              | 1.4   | 3.1     |
| Elkhart-Goshen .....                      | 132.9   | 131.1   | 132.8     | 132.1             | -.7   | -.5     |
| Evansville .....                          | 179.4   | 181.4   | 181.3     | 181.7             | .4  | .2      |
| Fort Wayne .....                          | 217.8   | 218.9   | 219.6     | 220.9             | 1.3   | .6      |
| Indianapolis-Carmel .....                 | 902.3   | 916.9   | 910.4     | 920.1             | 9.7   | 1.1     |
| Kokomo .....                              | 48.0    | 47.2    | 48.1      | 47.8              | -.3   | -.6     |
| Lafayette .....                           | 90.7    | 92.2    | 95.6      | 96.8              | 1.2   | 1.3     |
| Michigan City-La Porte .....              | 46.7    | 47.0    | 47.3      | 47.8              | .5  | 1.1     |
| Muncie .....                              | 51.9    | 51.7    | 55.0      | 54.3              | -.7   | -1.3    |
| South Bend-Mishawaka .....                | 143.3   | 144.1   | 147.7     | 148.2             | .5  | .3      |
| Terre Haute .....                         | 71.9    | 74.0    | 75.0      | 75.4              | .4  | .5      |
| <b>Iowa</b> .....                         | 1,490.7 | 1,510.4 | 1,513.4   | 1,534.3           | 20.9  | 1.4     |
| Ames .....                                | 45.4    | 45.7    | 48.3      | 48.2              | -.1   | -.2     |
| Cedar Rapids .....                        | 133.2   | 134.1   | 135.0     | 135.3             | .3  | .2      |
| Des Moines-West Des Moines .....          | 315.4   | 321.0   | 315.6     | 320.4             | 4.8   | 1.5     |
| Dubuque .....                             | 55.8    | 57.2    | 57.8      | 57.9              | .1  | .2      |
| Iowa City .....                           | 85.9    | 88.3    | 89.8      | 89.6              | -.2   | -.2     |
| Sioux City .....                          | 71.9    | 72.8    | 73.1      | 73.2              | .1  | .1      |
| Waterloo-Cedar Falls .....                | 85.8    | 85.9    | 89.1      | 88.7              | -.4   | -.4     |

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

| State and area                          | August  |         | September |                   | Change from September 2006 to September 2007 <sup>P</sup> |         |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|-------------------|---|---------|
|   | 2006    | 2007    | 2006      | 2007 <sup>P</sup> | Number  | Percent |
| <b>Kansas</b> .....                     | 1,335.1 | 1,371.8 | 1,370.9   | 1,394.6           | 23.7  | 1.7     |
| Lawrence .....                          | 48.3    | 50.5    | 51.5      | 52.7              | 1.2   | 2.3     |
| Topeka .....                            | 108.1   | 113.3   | 110.1     | 113.8             | 3.7   | 3.4     |
| Wichita .....                           | 290.3   | 306.4   | 296.1     | 309.0             | 12.9  | 4.4     |
| <b>Kentucky</b> .....                   | 1,849.4 | 1,856.5 | 1,855.4   | 1,861.5           | 6.1   | .3      |
| Bowling Green .....                     | 60.5    | 62.0    | 61.5      | 62.8              | 1.3   | 2.1     |
| Elizabethtown .....                     | 48.6    | 48.5    | 48.4      | 48.5              | .1  | .2      |
| Lexington-Fayette .....                 | 250.2   | 255.2   | 252.4     | 256.3             | 3.9   | 1.5     |
| Louisville-Jefferson County .....       | 619.2   | 623.5   | 622.6     | 629.1             | 6.5   | 1.0     |
| Owensboro .....                         | 50.9    | 51.1    | 51.5      | 51.3              | -.2   | -.4     |
| <b>Louisiana</b> .....                  | 1,859.8 | 1,910.8 | 1,880.6   | 1,924.2           | 43.6  | 2.3     |
| Alexandria .....                        | 64.4    | 65.6    | 65.1      | 65.9              | .8  | 1.2     |
| Baton Rouge .....                       | 361.8   | 370.0   | 365.4     | 373.8             | 8.4   | 2.3     |
| Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux .....        | 91.4    | 95.1    | 93.0      | 95.4              | 2.4   | 2.6     |
| Lafayette .....                         | 144.2   | 148.6   | 145.9     | 148.5             | 2.6   | 1.8     |
| Lake Charles .....                      | 89.7    | 92.7    | 91.6      | 92.7              | 1.1   | 1.2     |
| Monroe .....                            | 78.7    | 79.5    | 79.5      | 79.9              | .4  | .5      |
| New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner .....       | 486.0   | 503.8   | 490.7     | 506.1             | 15.4  | 3.1     |
| Shreveport-Bossier City .....           | 176.2   | 180.5   | 176.9     | 180.4             | 3.5   | 2.0     |
| <b>Maine</b> .....                      | 626.7   | 629.6   | 625.2     | 629.1             | 3.9   | .6      |
| Bangor .....                            | 63.8    | 63.8    | 65.6      | 65.9              | .3  | .5      |
| Lewiston-Auburn .....                   | 48.0    | 48.5    | 48.4      | 49.0              | .6  | 1.2     |
| Portland-South Portland-Biddeford ..... | 197.0   | 198.2   | 195.9     | 197.2             | 1.3   | .7      |
| <b>Maryland</b> .....                   | 2,592.7 | 2,624.4 | 2,597.5   | 2,631.3           | 33.8  | 1.3     |
| Baltimore-Towson .....                  | 1,302.0 | 1,309.3 | 1,306.1   | 1,315.9           | 9.8   | .8      |
| Cumberland .....                        | 39.2    | 39.9    | 39.5      | 40.2              | .7  | 1.8     |
| Hagerstown-Martinsburg .....            | 101.7   | 103.7   | 101.6     | 103.3             | 1.7   | 1.7     |
| Salisbury .....                         | 55.9    | 57.0    | 56.7      | 57.8              | 1.1   | 1.9     |
| <b>Massachusetts</b> .....              | 3,245.9 | 3,282.3 | 3,270.9   | 3,300.2           | 29.3  | .9      |
| Barnstable Town .....                   | 112.9   | 113.8   | 104.8     | 105.9             | 1.1   | 1.0     |
| Boston-Cambridge-Quincy .....           | 2,439.9 | 2,469.4 | 2,465.9   | 2,494.0           | 28.1  | 1.1     |
| Leominster-Fitchburg-Gardner .....      | 50.6    | 50.5    | 51.2      | 51.1              | -.1   | -.2     |
| New Bedford .....                       | 64.9    | 65.9    | 67.4      | 68.5              | 1.1   | 1.6     |
| Pittsfield .....                        | 38.3    | 38.7    | 36.9      | 37.3              | .4  | 1.1     |
| Springfield .....                       | 293.2   | 295.0   | 300.5     | 301.8             | 1.3   | .4      |
| Worcester .....                         | 246.0   | 248.4   | 249.5     | 252.7             | 3.2   | 1.3     |
| <b>Michigan</b> .....                   | 4,317.2 | 4,250.8 | 4,375.0   | 4,307.3           | -67.7   | -1.5    |
| Ann Arbor .....                         | 197.1   | 197.0   | 203.8     | 202.4             | -1.4  | -.7     |
| Battle Creek .....                      | 61.1    | 60.0    | 61.6      | 60.8              | -.8   | -1.3    |
| Bay City .....                          | 38.9    | 37.5    | 39.2      | 37.5              | -1.7  | -4.3    |
| Detroit-Warren-Livonia .....            | 1,985.6 | 1,959.0 | 2,002.8   | 1,968.0           | -34.8   | -1.7    |
| Flint .....                             | 149.8   | 147.1   | 152.8     | 150.4             | -2.4  | -1.6    |
| Grand Rapids-Wyoming .....              | 389.8   | 392.4   | 396.3     | 397.5             | 1.2   | .3      |
| Holland-Grand Haven .....               | 116.5   | 115.6   | 118.3     | 117.9             | -.4   | -.3     |
| Jackson .....                           | 59.1    | 58.2    | 60.0      | 59.1              | -.9   | -1.5    |
| Kalamazoo-Portage .....                 | 143.1   | 144.1   | 147.3     | 148.7             | 1.4   | 1.0     |
| Lansing-East Lansing .....              | 220.7   | 221.5   | 229.0     | 229.9             | .9  | .4      |
| Monroe .....                            | 43.5    | 43.0    | 44.0      | 43.6              | -.4   | -.9     |
| Muskegon-Norton Shores .....            | 66.9    | 66.6    | 66.8      | 67.0              | .2  | .3      |
| Niles-Benton Harbor .....               | 64.3    | 65.7    | 65.1      | 66.7              | 1.6   | 2.5     |
| Saginaw-Saginaw Township North .....    | 91.2    | 89.2    | 92.6      | 90.4              | -2.2  | -2.4    |
| <b>Minnesota</b> .....                  | 2,777.9 | 2,791.2 | 2,772.1   | 2,782.0           | 9.9   | .4      |
| Duluth .....                            | 131.8   | 132.4   | 133.3     | 133.7             | .4  | .3      |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington .....  | 1,791.1 | 1,806.8 | 1,795.8   | 1,807.9           | 12.1  | .7      |
| Rochester .....                         | 108.4   | 110.3   | 107.5     | 109.4             | 1.9   | 1.8     |
| St. Cloud .....                         | 100.0   | 100.6   | 102.0     | 103.1             | 1.1   | 1.1     |
| <b>Mississippi</b> .....                | 1,144.3 | 1,164.8 | 1,152.9   | 1,168.7           | 15.8  | 1.4     |
| Gulfport-Biloxi .....                   | 104.8   | 109.5   | 107.2     | 110.3             | 3.1   | 2.9     |
| Hattiesburg .....                       | 59.7    | 60.8    | 60.7      | 61.5              | .8  | 1.3     |
| Jackson .....                           | 261.8   | 267.4   | 262.6     | 266.7             | 4.1   | 1.6     |
| Pascagoula .....                        | 55.4    | 55.8    | 54.8      | 56.2              | 1.4   | 2.6     |
| <b>Missouri</b> .....                   | 2,758.5 | 2,786.7 | 2,793.5   | 2,821.0           | 27.5  | 1.0     |
| Columbia .....                          | 89.0    | 90.7    | 92.7      | 94.1              | 1.4   | 1.5     |
| Jefferson City .....                    | 77.2    | 78.4    | 78.2      | 79.3              | 1.1   | 1.4     |
| Joplin .....                            | 77.1    | 78.4    | 78.9      | 80.3              | 1.4   | 1.8     |
| Kansas City .....                       | 992.1   | 1,005.8 | 1,003.4   | 1,014.3           | 10.9  | 1.1     |
| St. Joseph .....                        | 55.9    | 57.8    | 56.8      | 59.2              | 2.4   | 4.2     |
| St. Louis <sup>1</sup> .....            | 1,343.0 | 1,365.0 | 1,361.3   | 1,377.3           | 16.0  | 1.2     |
| Springfield .....                       | 194.4   | 199.1   | 197.2     | 201.9             | 4.7   | 2.4     |

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|--|---------|---------|-----------|-------------------|---|---------|
|  | 2006    | 2007    | 2006      | 2007 <sup>P</sup> | Number  | Percent |
| <b>Montana</b> .....                           | 441.5   | 454.0   | 439.9     | 454.9             | 15.0  | 3.4     |
| Billings .....                                 | 78.4    | 78.8    | 78.1      | 78.9              | .8  | 1.0     |
| Great Falls .....                              | 34.4    | 34.3    | 35.0      | 35.0              | .0  | .0      |
| Missoula .....                                 | 57.9    | 58.7    | 58.3      | 61.1              | 2.8   | 4.8     |
| <b>Nebraska</b> .....                          | 945.7   | 961.4   | 951.8     | 964.0             | 12.2  | 1.3     |
| Lincoln .....                                  | 170.4   | 172.4   | 171.7     | 173.5             | 1.8   | 1.0     |
| Omaha-Council Bluffs .....                     | 459.5   | 468.8   | 461.9     | 468.6             | 6.7   | 1.5     |
| <b>Nevada</b> .....                            | 1,282.2 | 1,300.8 | 1,292.5   | 1,309.8           | 17.3  | 1.3     |
| Carson City .....                              | 32.7    | 32.6    | 33.0      | 32.5              | -.5   | -1.5    |
| Las Vegas-Paradise .....                       | 917.8   | 931.7   | 925.3     | 938.6             | 13.3  | 1.4     |
| Reno-Sparks .....                              | 224.8   | 228.0   | 226.3     | 229.3             | 3.0   | 1.3     |
| <b>New Hampshire</b> .....                     | 643.0   | 654.2   | 646.7     | 654.8             | 8.1   | 1.3     |
| Manchester .....                               | 98.7    | 98.6    | 99.9      | 99.5              | -.4   | -.4     |
| Portsmouth .....                               | 57.8    | 59.3    | 57.9      | 58.2              | .3  | .5      |
| Rochester-Dover .....                          | 54.0    | 55.2    | 56.2      | 56.4              | .2  | .4      |
| <b>New Jersey</b> .....                        | 4,081.0 | 4,101.0 | 4,079.7   | 4,102.8           | 23.1  | .6      |
| Atlantic City .....                            | 157.5   | 154.5   | 155.6     | 153.5             | -2.1  | -1.3    |
| Ocean City .....                               | 56.9    | 57.2    | 49.4      | 50.5              | 1.1   | 2.2     |
| Trenton-Ewing .....                            | 242.8   | 245.8   | 242.8     | 247.1             | 4.3   | 1.8     |
| Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton .....             | 61.7    | 62.2    | 63.3      | 63.3              | .0  | .0      |
| <b>New Mexico</b> .....                        | 833.5   | 847.8   | 845.1     | 854.9             | 9.8   | 1.2     |
| Albuquerque .....                              | 392.0   | 397.7   | 396.8     | 400.0             | 3.2   | .8      |
| Farmington .....                               | 51.0    | 51.7    | 52.0      | 52.9              | .9  | 1.7     |
| Las Cruces .....                               | 66.7    | 68.4    | 67.7      | 69.1              | 1.4   | 2.1     |
| Santa Fe .....                                 | 63.8    | 65.1    | 63.1      | 63.9              | .8  | 1.3     |
| <b>New York</b> .....                          | 8,590.5 | 8,680.5 | 8,640.5   | 8,707.7           | 67.2  | .8      |
| Albany-Schenectady-Troy .....                  | 446.3   | 448.9   | 448.3     | 449.7             | 1.4   | .3      |
| Binghamton .....                               | 112.0   | 111.7   | 113.9     | 114.2             | .3  | .3      |
| Buffalo-Niagara Falls .....                    | 544.9   | 547.8   | 548.4     | 550.7             | 2.3   | .4      |
| Elmira .....                                   | 39.7    | 39.8    | 40.2      | 40.5              | .3  | .7      |
| Glens Falls .....                              | 57.8    | 58.4    | 55.1      | 55.4              | -.3   | -.5     |
| Ithaca .....                                   | 58.9    | 59.1    | 62.4      | 62.6              | .2  | .3      |
| Kingston .....                                 | 64.2    | 65.7    | 65.3      | 66.5              | 1.2   | 1.8     |
| New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island ..... | 8,427.0 | 8,511.6 | 8,464.8   | 8,534.4           | 69.6  | .8      |
| Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown .....         | 254.7   | 256.8   | 256.0     | 258.0             | 2.0   | .8      |
| Rochester .....                                | 508.3   | 510.3   | 514.7     | 515.7             | 1.0   | .2      |
| Syracuse .....                                 | 318.5   | 320.3   | 322.4     | 324.1             | 1.7   | .5      |
| Utica-Rome .....                               | 134.6   | 134.6   | 133.0     | 133.0             | .0  | .0      |
| <b>North Carolina</b> .....                    | 4,030.9 | 4,103.4 | 4,059.5   | 4,127.7           | 68.2  | 1.7     |
| Asheville .....                                | 170.7   | 172.9   | 173.3     | 175.0             | 1.7   | 1.0     |
| Burlington .....                               | 59.0    | 59.7    | 59.5      | 60.0              | .5  | .8      |
| Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord .....               | 822.1   | 843.7   | 829.6     | 852.7             | 23.1  | 2.8     |
| Durham .....                                   | 279.6   | 288.7   | 281.4     | 290.8             | 9.4   | 3.3     |
| Fayetteville .....                             | 124.2   | 127.3   | 126.1     | 130.5             | 4.4   | 3.5     |
| Goldensboro .....                              | 43.5    | 44.1    | 43.8      | 44.7              | .9  | 2.1     |
| Greensboro-High Point .....                    | 366.2   | 370.2   | 367.5     | 371.4             | 3.9   | 1.1     |
| Greenville .....                               | 72.6    | 75.4    | 73.7      | 76.5              | 2.8   | 3.8     |
| Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton .....                 | 163.2   | 162.2   | 163.5     | 162.6             | -.9   | -.6     |
| Jacksonville .....                             | 43.9    | 46.2    | 44.1      | 46.4              | 2.3   | 5.2     |
| Raleigh-Cary .....                             | 489.1   | 500.5   | 490.6     | 502.2             | 11.6  | 2.4     |
| Rocky Mount .....                              | 62.9    | 65.8    | 63.5      | 66.4              | 2.9   | 4.6     |
| Wilmington .....                               | 143.2   | 147.8   | 142.8     | 147.7             | 4.9   | 3.4     |
| Winston-Salem .....                            | 212.2   | 217.9   | 214.5     | 220.1             | 5.6   | 2.6     |
| <b>North Dakota</b> .....                      | 348.9   | 356.4   | 360.0     | 364.8             | 4.8   | 1.3     |
| Bismarck .....                                 | 59.2    | 60.9    | 59.6      | 61.2              | 1.6   | 2.7     |
| Fargo .....                                    | 114.7   | 117.3   | 118.1     | 118.5             | .4  | .3      |
| Grand Forks .....                              | 51.0    | 52.2    | 54.3      | 54.2              | -.1   | -.2     |
| <b>Ohio</b> .....                              | 5,447.4 | 5,444.0 | 5,467.2   | 5,463.4           | -3.8  | -.1     |
| Akron .....                                    | 340.5   | 344.5   | 343.8     | 347.7             | 3.9   | 1.1     |
| Canton-Massillon .....                         | 172.6   | 172.5   | 173.4     | 173.4             | .0  | .0      |
| Cincinnati-Middletown .....                    | 1,043.9 | 1,045.4 | 1,045.8   | 1,046.7           | .9  | .1      |
| Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor .....                  | 1,079.4 | 1,080.3 | 1,080.7   | 1,080.7           | .0  | .0      |
| Columbus .....                                 | 935.3   | 941.3   | 934.4     | 941.5             | 7.1   | .8      |
| Dayton .....                                   | 405.8   | 404.9   | 408.0     | 407.8             | -.2   | .0      |
| Lima .....                                     | 56.7    | 55.8    | 56.5      | 55.8              | -.7   | -1.2    |
| Mansfield .....                                | 58.9    | 58.6    | 58.6      | 57.9              | -.7   | -1.2    |
| Sandusky .....                                 | 42.1    | 42.2    | 39.6      | 39.7              | -.1   | -.3     |
| Springfield .....                              | 51.9    | 52.4    | 52.5      | 52.8              | .3  | .6      |
| Toledo .....                                   | 331.9   | 333.2   | 336.3     | 336.3             | .0  | .0      |
| Weirton-Steubenville .....                     | 46.8    | 47.4    | 47.4      | 48.0              | .6  | 1.3     |
| Youngstown-Warren-Boardman .....               | 241.2   | 238.7   | 242.7     | 240.4             | -2.3  | -.9     |

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**Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

| State and area                                 | August   |          | September |                   | Change from September 2006 to September 2007 <sup>P</sup> |         |
|--|----------|----------|-----------|-------------------|---|---------|
|  | 2006     | 2007     | 2006      | 2007 <sup>P</sup> | Number  | Percent |
| <b>Oklahoma</b> .....                          | 1,550.1  | 1,569.2  | 1,564.2   | 1,586.8           | 22.6  | 1.4     |
| Lawton .....                                   | 41.6     | 42.0     | 41.3      | 42.3              | 1.0   | 2.4     |
| Oklahoma City .....                            | 563.6    | 582.5    | 570.4     | 589.4             | 19.0  | 3.3     |
| Tulsa .....                                    | 422.9    | 432.5    | 425.6     | 434.4             | 8.8   | 2.1     |
| <b>Oregon</b> .....                            | 1,709.1  | 1,724.0  | 1,720.1   | 1,734.1           | 14.0  | .8      |
| Bend .....                                     | 71.6     | 73.9     | 71.2      | 73.2              | 2.0   | 2.8     |
| Corvallis .....                                | 37.4     | 38.1     | 37.8      | 38.5              | .7  | 1.9     |
| Eugene-Springfield .....                       | 152.0    | 152.2    | 152.3     | 153.1             | .8  | .5      |
| Medford .....                                  | 82.4     | 84.2     | 84.7      | 86.1              | 1.4   | 1.7     |
| Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton .....             | 1,014.9  | 1,029.1  | 1,021.5   | 1,036.0           | 14.5  | 1.4     |
| Salem .....                                    | 151.8    | 153.7    | 152.5     | 154.7             | 2.2   | 1.4     |
| <b>Pennsylvania</b> .....                      | 5,728.3  | 5,779.1  | 5,784.8   | 5,827.8           | 43.0  | .7      |
| Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton .....               | 339.3    | 346.2    | 343.9     | 351.0             | 7.1   | 2.1     |
| Altoona .....                                  | 62.5     | 62.5     | 62.3      | 62.7              | .4  | .6      |
| Erie .....                                     | 133.4    | 133.4    | 134.4     | 134.5             | .1  | .1      |
| Harrisburg-Carlisle .....                      | 331.7    | 335.6    | 333.0     | 336.2             | 3.2   | 1.0     |
| Johnstown .....                                | 60.9     | 60.9     | 61.1      | 61.7              | .6  | 1.0     |
| Lancaster .....                                | 237.0    | 240.2    | 238.4     | 241.9             | 3.5   | 1.5     |
| Lebanon .....                                  | 49.7     | 49.8     | 49.8      | 50.2              | .4  | .8      |
| Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington .....           | 2,780.8  | 2,811.3  | 2,801.5   | 2,832.3           | 30.8  | 1.1     |
| Pittsburgh .....                               | 1,133.0  | 1,137.4  | 1,146.2   | 1,149.2           | 3.0   | .3      |
| Reading .....                                  | 172.2    | 172.7    | 175.0     | 175.4             | .4  | .2      |
| Scranton—Wilkes-Barre .....                    | 259.3    | 262.9    | 262.8     | 265.4             | 2.6   | 1.0     |
| State College .....                            | 71.5     | 71.7     | 73.2      | 73.8              | .6  | .8      |
| Williamsport .....                             | 52.5     | 52.5     | 53.4      | 53.3              | -.1   | -.2     |
| York-Hanover .....                             | 178.8    | 182.5    | 181.1     | 184.5             | 3.4   | 1.9     |
| <b>Rhode Island</b> .....                      | 493.7    | 500.1    | 501.3     | 504.6             | 3.3   | .7      |
| Providence-Fall River-Warwick .....            | 582.5    | 584.6    | 591.5     | 591.5             | .0  | .0      |
| <b>South Carolina</b> .....                    | 1,901.1  | 1,934.3  | 1,909.8   | 1,937.2           | 27.4  | 1.4     |
| Anderson .....                                 | 63.0     | 63.6     | 63.9      | 64.3              | .4  | .6      |
| Charleston-North Charleston .....              | 286.8    | 295.3    | 288.1     | 295.6             | 7.5   | 2.6     |
| Columbia .....                                 | 359.5    | 363.4    | 362.3     | 365.6             | 3.3   | .9      |
| Florence .....                                 | 85.5     | 89.1     | 86.9      | 89.1              | 2.2   | 2.5     |
| Greenville-Mauldin-Easley .....                | 305.6    | 313.2    | 309.7     | 317.3             | 7.6   | 2.5     |
| Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach .....   | 129.5    | 131.5    | 125.5     | 129.2             | 3.7   | 2.9     |
| Spartanburg .....                              | 125.3    | 123.9    | 125.9     | 124.4             | -1.5  | -1.2    |
| Sumter .....                                   | 39.4     | 39.5     | 39.6      | 39.5              | -.1   | -.3     |
| <b>South Dakota</b> .....                      | 405.8    | 415.3    | 403.1     | 412.0             | 8.9   | 2.2     |
| Rapid City .....                               | 64.3     | 65.4     | 60.7      | 62.2              | 1.5   | 2.5     |
| Sioux Falls .....                              | 129.6    | 134.3    | 130.7     | 134.8             | 4.1   | 3.1     |
| <b>Tennessee</b> .....                         | 2,799.9  | 2,814.4  | 2,808.0   | 2,825.1           | 17.1  | .6      |
| Chattanooga .....                              | 247.8    | 248.8    | 248.3     | 249.5             | 1.2   | .5      |
| Clarksville .....                              | 83.9     | 83.6     | 84.7      | 84.7              | .0  | .0      |
| Cleveland .....                                | 42.8     | 42.7     | 43.0      | 42.8              | -.2   | -.5     |
| Jackson .....                                  | 61.6     | 62.6     | 62.0      | 63.0              | 1.0   | 1.6     |
| Johnson City .....                             | 80.5     | 81.9     | 80.5      | 82.3              | 1.8   | 2.2     |
| Kingsport-Bristol-Bristol .....                | 123.9    | 124.7    | 123.5     | 124.6             | 1.1   | .9      |
| Knoxville .....                                | 334.5    | 337.0    | 336.6     | 338.5             | 1.9   | .6      |
| Memphis .....                                  | 639.3    | 645.9    | 643.1     | 649.6             | 6.5   | 1.0     |
| Morristown .....                               | 51.2     | 51.1     | 51.8      | 51.4              | -.4   | -.8     |
| Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin ..... | 756.3    | 763.0    | 757.8     | 763.4             | 5.6   | .7      |
| <b>Texas</b> .....                             | 10,053.6 | 10,273.6 | 10,138.1  | 10,344.6          | 206.5   | 2.0     |
| Abilene .....                                  | 65.0     | 66.3     | 65.6      | 66.7              | 1.1   | 1.7     |
| Amarillo .....                                 | 110.1    | 112.1    | 110.9     | 112.9             | 2.0   | 1.8     |
| Austin-Round Rock .....                        | 720.1    | 750.5    | 730.4     | 756.3             | 25.9  | 3.5     |
| Beaumont-Port Arthur .....                     | 158.6    | 162.7    | 161.4     | 165.0             | 3.6   | 2.2     |
| Brownsville-Harlingen .....                    | 121.3    | 122.9    | 121.6     | 123.7             | 2.1   | 1.7     |
| College Station-Bryan .....                    | 87.1     | 87.9     | 92.2      | 93.0              | .8  | .9      |
| Corpus Christi .....                           | 173.5    | 176.9    | 174.8     | 178.3             | 3.5   | 2.0     |
| Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington .....              | 2,872.5  | 2,949.5  | 2,888.1   | 2,956.0           | 67.9  | 2.4     |
| El Paso .....                                  | 262.2    | 270.6    | 267.1     | 271.5             | 4.4   | 1.6     |
| Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown .....               | 2,454.6  | 2,518.5  | 2,472.7   | 2,537.2           | 64.5  | 2.6     |
| Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood .....                 | 117.9    | 118.2    | 118.8     | 119.0             | .2  | .2      |
| Laredo .....                                   | 84.4     | 86.2     | 85.2      | 87.0              | 1.8   | 2.1     |
| Longview .....                                 | 91.5     | 92.5     | 92.3      | 92.9              | .6  | .7      |
| Lubbock .....                                  | 126.9    | 132.0    | 129.9     | 133.3             | 3.4   | 2.6     |
| McAllen-Edinburg-Mission .....                 | 200.1    | 210.5    | 203.4     | 213.3             | 9.9   | 4.9     |
| Midland .....                                  | 64.4     | 65.8     | 64.1      | 65.7              | 1.6   | 2.5     |
| Odessa .....                                   | 58.0     | 59.4     | 58.4      | 59.5              | 1.1   | 1.9     |
| San Angelo .....                               | 44.4     | 45.2     | 44.7      | 45.5              | .8  | 1.8     |
| San Antonio .....                              | 814.4    | 829.0    | 819.6     | 834.7             | 15.1  | 1.8     |
| Sherman-Denison .....                          | 44.6     | 45.5     | 44.9      | 45.7              | .8  | 1.8     |
| Texarkana .....                                | 55.1     | 56.1     | 55.7      | 56.9              | 1.2   | 2.2     |
| Tyler .....                                    | 91.9     | 93.2     | 92.8      | 93.3              | .5  | .5      |
| Victoria .....                                 | 50.1     | 50.9     | 50.5      | 51.3              | .8  | 1.6     |
| Waco .....                                     | 106.1    | 107.8    | 106.4     | 109.0             | 2.6   | 2.4     |
| Wichita Falls .....                            | 61.8     | 63.3     | 63.1      | 64.1              | 1.0   | 1.6     |

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(Numbers in thousands)

| State and area                            | August  |         | September |                   | Change from September 2006 to September 2007 <sup>P</sup> |         |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|-------------------|---|---------|
|   | 2006    | 2007    | 2006      | 2007 <sup>P</sup> | Number  | Percent |
| <b>Utah</b> .....                         | 1,208.1 | 1,262.1 | 1,222.2   | 1,276.2           | 54.0  | 4.4     |
| Logan .....                               | 49.4    | 50.9    | 51.9      | 53.0              | 1.1   | 2.1     |
| Ogden-Clearfield .....                    | 197.8   | 204.0   | 197.4     | 203.0             | 5.6   | 2.8     |
| Provo-Orem .....                          | 178.9   | 189.4   | 184.8     | 195.0             | 10.2  | 5.5     |
| St. George .....                          | 52.0    | 54.6    | 52.8      | 55.3              | 2.5   | 4.7     |
| Salt Lake City .....                      | 618.5   | 646.4   | 621.4     | 648.9             | 27.5  | 4.4     |
| <b>Vermont</b> .....                      | 302.2   | 303.9   | 309.9     | 311.5             | 1.6   | .5      |
| Burlington-South Burlington .....         | 111.6   | 112.1   | 114.6     | 115.1             | .5  | .4      |
| <b>Virginia</b> .....                     | 3,719.0 | 3,784.3 | 3,732.2   | 3,799.1           | 66.9  | 1.8     |
| Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford .....   | 68.8    | 70.8    | 71.3      | 72.5              | 1.2   | 1.7     |
| Charlottesville .....                     | 96.7    | 99.9    | 100.6     | 103.2             | 2.6   | 2.6     |
| Danville .....                            | 40.1    | 40.8    | 41.8      | 42.7              | .9  | 2.2     |
| Harrisonburg .....                        | 63.2    | 65.2    | 64.9      | 66.7              | 1.8   | 2.8     |
| Lynchburg .....                           | 106.2   | 109.5   | 108.3     | 110.9             | 2.6   | 2.4     |
| Richmond .....                            | 627.5   | 635.1   | 626.8     | 632.7             | 5.9   | .9      |
| Roanoke .....                             | 162.0   | 164.3   | 163.2     | 165.6             | 2.4   | 1.5     |
| Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News ..... | 771.7   | 783.9   | 766.5     | 783.3             | 16.8  | 2.2     |
| Winchester .....                          | 58.3    | 59.1    | 58.5      | 60.0              | 1.5   | 2.6     |
| <b>Washington</b> .....                   | 2,865.5 | 2,934.9 | 2,891.6   | 2,952.1           | 60.5  | 2.1     |
| Bellingham .....                          | 81.2    | 84.5    | 81.0      | 84.5              | 3.5   | 4.3     |
| Bremerton-Silverdale .....                | 87.0    | 87.0    | 86.8      | 86.9              | .1  | .1      |
| Kennewick-Richland-Pasco .....            | 87.2    | 90.7    | 86.9      | 91.0              | 4.1   | 4.7     |
| Longview .....                            | 37.5    | 38.6    | 38.4      | 39.4              | 1.0   | 2.6     |
| Mount Vernon-Anacortes .....              | 47.1    | 47.7    | 46.6      | 47.8              | 1.2   | 2.6     |
| Olympia .....                             | 98.4    | 100.5   | 98.6      | 100.9             | 2.3   | 2.3     |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue .....             | 1,692.4 | 1,747.3 | 1,708.2   | 1,747.9           | 39.7  | 2.3     |
| Spokane .....                             | 210.7   | 216.3   | 215.2     | 220.7             | 5.5   | 2.6     |
| Wenatchee .....                           | 39.4    | 41.0    | 39.7      | 41.4              | 1.7   | 4.3     |
| Yakima .....                              | 78.2    | 80.3    | 79.6      | 81.9              | 2.3   | 2.9     |
| <b>West Virginia</b> .....                | 756.6   | 759.6   | 761.5     | 764.4             | 2.9   | .4      |
| Charleston .....                          | 150.7   | 151.3   | 150.3     | 151.4             | 1.1   | .7      |
| Huntington-Ashland .....                  | 117.6   | 119.0   | 118.7     | 120.3             | 1.6   | 1.3     |
| Morgantown .....                          | 58.9    | 60.2    | 60.5      | 62.1              | 1.6   | 2.6     |
| Parkersburg-Marietta-Vienna .....         | 73.8    | 74.3    | 73.8      | 74.6              | .8  | 1.1     |
| Wheeling .....                            | 67.8    | 68.5    | 68.2      | 68.6              | .4  | .6      |
| <b>Wisconsin</b> .....                    | 2,872.6 | 2,895.9 | 2,884.0   | 2,899.5           | 15.5  | .5      |
| Appleton .....                            | 119.9   | 122.8   | 118.9     | 122.0             | 3.1   | 2.6     |
| Eau Claire .....                          | 82.1    | 83.1    | 83.2      | 84.3              | 1.1   | 1.3     |
| Fond du Lac .....                         | 48.6    | 49.3    | 49.1      | 49.6              | .5  | 1.0     |
| Green Bay .....                           | 170.3   | 171.6   | 170.6     | 171.1             | .5  | .3      |
| Janesville .....                          | 71.0    | 70.3    | 70.8      | 70.5              | -.3   | -.4     |
| La Crosse .....                           | 73.3    | 74.3    | 74.2      | 75.1              | .9  | 1.2     |
| Madison .....                             | 346.5   | 351.9   | 349.0     | 351.3             | 2.3   | .7      |
| Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis .....       | 849.5   | 862.3   | 852.2     | 862.6             | 10.4  | 1.2     |
| Oshkosh-Neenah .....                      | 93.2    | 93.2    | 93.2      | 93.6              | .4  | .4      |
| Racine .....                              | 80.4    | 81.2    | 80.2      | 81.2              | 1.0   | 1.2     |
| Sheboygan .....                           | 64.9    | 65.2    | 64.6      | 64.8              | .2  | .3      |
| Wausau .....                              | 73.8    | 74.5    | 73.7      | 74.5              | .8  | 1.1     |
| <b>Wyoming</b> .....                      | 284.3   | 293.5   | 284.1     | 293.8             | 9.7   | 3.4     |
| Casper .....                              | 39.0    | 40.6    | 38.9      | 40.5              | 1.6   | 4.1     |
| Cheyenne .....                            | 43.1    | 44.5    | 43.4      | 44.5              | 1.1   | 2.5     |
| <b>Puerto Rico</b> .....                  | 1,031.1 | 1,014.7 | 1,032.9   | 1,023.0           | -9.9  | -1.0    |
| Aguadilla-Isabela-San Sebastian .....     | 49.9    | 47.7    | 49.6      | 47.7              | -1.9  | -3.8    |
| Fajardo .....                             | 17.2    | 16.6    | 16.9      | 16.9              | .0  | .0      |
| Guayama .....                             | 18.4    | 18.2    | 18.4      | 18.1              | -.3   | -1.6    |
| Mayaguez .....                            | 40.0    | 40.2    | 40.2      | 40.4              | .2  | .5      |
| Ponce .....                               | 67.7    | 68.9    | 68.3      | 69.7              | 1.4   | 2.0     |
| San German-Cabo Rojo .....                | 22.9    | 22.4    | 23.4      | 23.1              | -.3   | -1.3    |
| San Juan-Caguas-Guaynabo .....            | 767.9   | 750.9   | 767.8     | 754.6             | -13.2   | -1.7    |
| Yauco .....                               | 15.2    | 14.8    | 15.2      | 14.8              | -.4   | -2.6    |
| <b>Virgin Islands</b> .....               | 45.5    | 46.4    | 45.1      | 46.1              | 1.0   | 2.2     |

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Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state, selected metropolitan area, and metropolitan division

(Numbers in thousands)

| State, area, and division                                   | August   |          | September |                   | Change from September 2006 to September 2007 <sup>P</sup> |         |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|-------------------|---|---------|
|   | 2006     | 2007     | 2006      | 2007 <sup>P</sup> | Number  | Percent |
| <b>California</b> .....                                     | 15,058.9 | 15,215.0 | 15,151.6  | 15,291.2          | 139.6   | 0.9     |
| Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana .....                      | 5,587.9  | 5,626.0  | 5,626.4   | 5,664.9           | 38.5  | .7      |
| Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale .....                       | 4,067.1  | 4,104.9  | 4,099.2   | 4,137.4           | 38.2  | .9      |
| Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine .....                              | 1,520.8  | 1,521.1  | 1,527.2   | 1,527.5           | .3  | .0      |
| San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont .....                         | 2,006.7  | 2,038.4  | 2,017.8   | 2,045.2           | 27.4  | 1.4     |
| Oakland-Fremont-Hayward .....                               | 1,045.4  | 1,056.0  | 1,049.7   | 1,059.6           | 9.9   | .9      |
| San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City .....                  | 961.3    | 982.4    | 968.1     | 985.6             | 17.5  | 1.8     |
| <b>District of Columbia</b> .....                           | 690.1    | 700.9    | 685.5     | 696.3             | 10.8  | 1.6     |
| Washington-Arlington-Alexandria <sup>1</sup> .....          | 2,969.6  | 3,015.0  | 2,969.2   | 3,012.5           | 43.3  | 1.5     |
| Bethesda-Gaithersburg-Frederick <sup>2</sup> .....          | 577.9    | 588.0    | 578.6     | 585.6             | 7.0   | 1.2     |
| Washington-Arlington-Alexandria <sup>1</sup> .....          | 2,391.7  | 2,427.0  | 2,390.6   | 2,426.9           | 36.3  | 1.5     |
| <b>Florida</b> .....  | 7,991.0  | 8,116.2  | 8,007.7   | 8,112.6           | 104.9   | 1.3     |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach .....                   | 2,403.7  | 2,438.3  | 2,412.6   | 2,444.3           | 31.7  | 1.3     |
| Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach .....         | 782.5    | 790.9    | 782.8     | 791.5             | 8.7   | 1.1     |
| Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall .....                             | 1,041.9  | 1,056.0  | 1,048.7   | 1,061.7           | 13.0  | 1.2     |
| West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach .....              | 579.3    | 591.4    | 581.1     | 591.1             | 10.0  | 1.7     |
| <b>Illinois</b> .....                                       | 5,975.3  | 6,019.1  | 5,984.6   | 6,026.7           | 42.1  | .7      |
| Chicago-Naperville-Joliet <sup>1</sup> .....                | 4,552.3  | 4,598.5  | 4,560.5   | 4,595.9           | 35.4  | .8      |
| Chicago-Naperville-Joliet .....                             | 3,880.7  | 3,912.6  | 3,877.0   | 3,907.4           | 30.4  | .8      |
| Gary <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 274.9    | 280.6    | 282.4     | 283.7             | 1.3   | .5      |
| Lake County-Kenosha County <sup>1</sup> .....               | 396.7    | 405.3    | 401.1     | 404.8             | 3.7   | .9      |
| <b>Massachusetts</b> .....                                  | 3,245.9  | 3,282.3  | 3,270.9   | 3,300.2           | 29.3  | .9      |
| Boston-Cambridge-Quincy <sup>1</sup> .....                  | 2,439.9  | 2,469.4  | 2,465.9   | 2,494.0           | 28.1  | 1.1     |
| Boston-Cambridge-Quincy .....                               | 1,670.2  | 1,698.2  | 1,681.8   | 1,709.5           | 27.7  | 1.6     |
| Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton .....                           | 89.1     | 90.3     | 91.5      | 92.8              | 1.3   | 1.4     |
| Framingham .....  | 154.1    | 155.3    | 154.6     | 155.9             | 1.3   | .8      |
| Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury <sup>1</sup> .....         | 78.4     | 78.6     | 79.2      | 79.8              | .6  | .8      |
| Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford <sup>1</sup> .....              | 117.9    | 117.6    | 119.3     | 119.2             | -.1   | -.1     |
| Nashua <sup>1</sup> .....                                   | 129.3    | 132.5    | 133.8     | 132.9             | -.9   | -.7     |
| Peabody .....   | 102.7    | 102.9    | 103.4     | 103.4             | .0  | .0      |
| <b>Michigan</b> .....                                       | 4,317.2  | 4,250.8  | 4,375.0   | 4,307.3           | -67.7   | -1.5    |
| Detroit-Warren-Livonia .....                                | 1,985.6  | 1,959.0  | 2,002.8   | 1,968.0           | -34.8   | -1.7    |
| Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn .....                              | 796.6    | 779.4    | 804.2     | 787.3             | -16.9   | -2.1    |
| Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills .....                          | 1,189.0  | 1,179.6  | 1,198.6   | 1,180.7           | -17.9   | -1.5    |
| <b>New York</b> .....                                       | 8,590.5  | 8,680.5  | 8,640.5   | 8,707.7           | 67.2  | .8      |
| New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island <sup>1</sup> ..... | 8,427.0  | 8,511.6  | 8,464.8   | 8,534.4           | 69.6  | .8      |
| Edison <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 1,037.9  | 1,043.5  | 1,029.2   | 1,036.8           | 7.6   | .7      |
| Nassau-Suffolk .....  | 1,246.0  | 1,256.7  | 1,252.6   | 1,258.2           | 5.6   | .4      |
| New York-White Plains-Wayne <sup>1</sup> .....              | 5,110.9  | 5,175.3  | 5,147.3   | 5,200.0           | 52.7  | 1.0     |
| Newark-Union <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 1,032.2  | 1,036.1  | 1,035.7   | 1,039.4           | 3.7   | .4      |
| <b>Pennsylvania</b> .....                                   | 5,728.3  | 5,779.1  | 5,784.8   | 5,827.8           | 43.0  | .7      |
| Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington <sup>1</sup> .....           | 2,780.8  | 2,811.3  | 2,801.5   | 2,832.3           | 30.8  | 1.1     |
| Camden <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 539.6    | 551.6    | 542.7     | 554.1             | 11.4  | 2.1     |
| Philadelphia .....  | 1,891.3  | 1,903.0  | 1,906.0   | 1,917.9           | 11.9  | .6      |
| Wilmington <sup>2</sup> .....                               | 349.9    | 356.7    | 352.8     | 360.3             | 7.5   | 2.1     |
| <b>Texas</b> .....  | 10,053.6 | 10,273.6 | 10,138.1  | 10,344.6          | 206.5   | 2.0     |
| Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington .....                           | 2,872.5  | 2,949.5  | 2,888.1   | 2,956.0           | 67.9  | 2.4     |
| Dallas-Plano-Irving .....                                   | 2,034.1  | 2,091.8  | 2,044.0   | 2,096.4           | 52.4  | 2.6     |
| Fort Worth-Arlington .....                                  | 838.4    | 857.7    | 844.1     | 859.6             | 15.5  | 1.8     |
| <b>Washington</b> .....                                     | 2,865.5  | 2,934.9  | 2,891.6   | 2,952.1           | 60.5  | 2.1     |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue .....                               | 1,692.4  | 1,747.3  | 1,708.2   | 1,747.9           | 39.7  | 2.3     |
| Seattle-Bellevue-Everett .....                              | 1,421.8  | 1,470.4  | 1,432.9   | 1,469.4           | 36.5  | 2.5     |
| Tacoma .....  | 270.6    | 276.9    | 275.3     | 278.5             | 3.2   | 1.2     |

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