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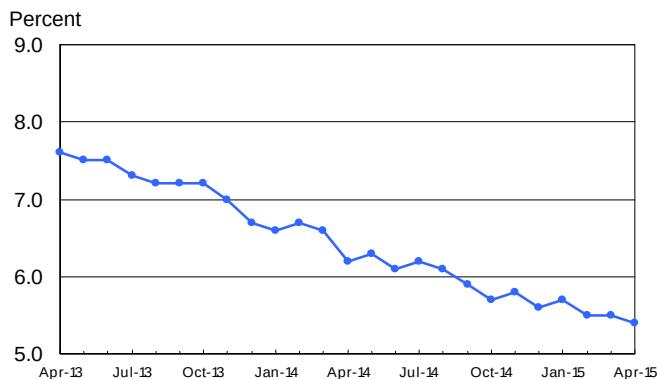
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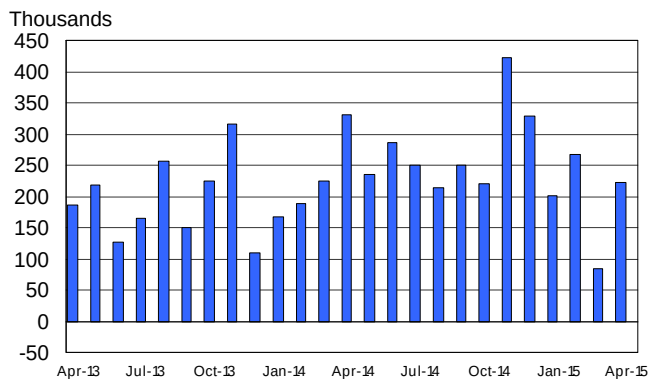
THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION — APRIL 2015

Total **nonfarm payroll employment** increased by 223,000 in April, and the **unemployment rate** was essentially unchanged at 5.4 percent, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Job gains occurred in professional and business services, health care, and construction. Mining employment continued to decline.

**Chart 1. Unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted,
April 2013 – April 2015**



**Chart 2. Nonfarm payroll employment over-the-month
change, seasonally adjusted, April 2013 – April 2015**



Household Survey Data

In April, both the **unemployment rate** (5.4 percent) and the number of **unemployed persons** (8.5 million) were essentially unchanged. Over the year, the unemployment rate and the number of unemployed persons were down by 0.8 percentage point and 1.1 million, respectively. (See table A-1.)

Among the **major worker groups**, the unemployment rate for Asians increased to 4.4 percent. The rates for adult men (5.0 percent), adult women (4.9 percent), teenagers (17.1 percent), whites (4.7 percent), blacks (9.6 percent), and Hispanics (6.9 percent) showed little or no change in April. (See tables A-1, A-2, and A-3.)

The number of persons **unemployed for less than 5 weeks** increased by 241,000 to 2.7 million in April. The number of **long-term unemployed** (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) changed little at 2.5 million, accounting for 29.0 percent of the unemployed. Over the past 12 months, the number of long-term unemployed has decreased by 888,000. (See table A-12.)

In April, the **civilian labor force participation rate** (62.8 percent) changed little. Since April 2014, the participation rate has remained within a narrow range of 62.7 percent to 62.9 percent. The **employment-population ratio** held at 59.3 percent in April and has been at this level since January. (See table A-1.)

The number of persons employed **part time for economic reasons** (sometimes referred to as involuntary part-time workers) was little changed at 6.6 million in April, but is down by 880,000 from a year earlier. These individuals, who would have preferred full-time employment, were working part time because their hours had been cut back or because they were unable to find a full-time job. (See table A-8.)

In April, 2.1 million persons were **marginally attached to the labor force**, little changed over the year. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.) These individuals were not in the labor force, wanted and were available for work, and had looked for a job sometime in the prior 12 months. They were not counted as unemployed because they had not searched for work in the 4 weeks preceding the survey. (See table A-16.)

Among the marginally attached, there were 756,000 **discouraged workers** in April, little different from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.) Discouraged workers are persons not currently looking for work because they believe no jobs are available for them. The remaining 1.4 million persons marginally attached to the labor force in April had not searched for work for reasons such as school attendance or family responsibilities. (See table A-16.)

Establishment Survey Data

Total **nonfarm payroll employment** rose by 223,000 in April, after edging up in March (+85,000). In April, employment increased in professional and business services, health care, and construction, while employment in mining continued to decline. (See table B-1.)

Professional and business services added 62,000 jobs in April. Over the prior 3 months, job gains averaged 35,000 per month. In April, services to buildings and dwellings added 16,000 jobs, following little change in March. Employment continued to trend up in April in computer systems design and related services (+9,000), in business support services (+7,000), and in management and technical consulting services (+6,000).

Health care employment increased by 45,000 in April. Job growth was distributed among the three major components—ambulatory health care services (+25,000), hospitals (+12,000), and nursing and residential care facilities (+8,000). Over the past year, health care has added 390,000 jobs.

Employment in **construction** rose by 45,000 in April, after changing little in March. Over the past 12 months, construction has added 280,000 jobs. In April, job growth was concentrated in specialty trade contractors (+41,000), with employment gains about evenly split between the residential and nonresidential components. Employment declined over the month in nonresidential building construction (-8,000).

In April, employment continued to trend up in **transportation and warehousing** (+15,000).

Employment in **mining** fell by 15,000 in April, with most of the job loss in support activities for mining (-10,000) and in oil and gas extraction (-3,000). Since the beginning of the year, employment in mining has declined by 49,000, with losses concentrated in support activities for mining.

Employment in other major industries, including **manufacturing, wholesale trade, retail trade, information, financial activities, leisure and hospitality**, and **government**, showed little change over the month.

The **average workweek for all employees** on private nonfarm payrolls remained at 34.5 hours in April. The manufacturing workweek for all employees edged down by 0.1 hour to 40.8 hours, and factory overtime edged down by 0.1 hour to 3.2 hours. The average workweek for **production and nonsupervisory employees** on private nonfarm payrolls was unchanged at 33.7 hours. (See tables B-2 and B-7.)

In April, **average hourly earnings for all employees** on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 3 cents to \$24.87. Over the past 12 months, average hourly earnings have increased by 2.2 percent. Average hourly earnings of private-sector **production and nonsupervisory employees** edged up by 2 cents to \$20.90 in April. (See tables B-3 and B-8.)

The change in total nonfarm payroll employment for February was revised from +264,000 to +266,000, and the change for March was revised from +126,000 to +85,000. With these revisions, employment gains in February and March combined were 39,000 lower than previously reported. Over the past 3 months, job gains have averaged 191,000 per month.

The Employment Situation for May is scheduled to be released on Friday, June 5, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. (EDT).

HOUSEHOLD DATA

Summary table A. Household data, seasonally adjusted

[Numbers in thousands]

Category	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Change from: Mar. 2015- Apr. 2015
Employment status					
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	247,439	249,899	250,080	250,266	186
Civilian labor force.....	155,420	157,002	156,906	157,072	166
Participation rate.....	62.8	62.8	62.7	62.8	0.1
Employed.....	145,724	148,297	148,331	148,523	192
Employment-population ratio.....	58.9	59.3	59.3	59.3	0.0
Unemployed.....	9,696	8,705	8,575	8,549	-26
Unemployment rate.....	6.2	5.5	5.5	5.4	-0.1
Not in labor force.....	92,019	92,898	93,175	93,194	19
Unemployment rates					
Total, 16 years and over.....	6.2	5.5	5.5	5.4	-0.1
Adult men (20 years and over).....	5.9	5.2	5.1	5.0	-0.1
Adult women (20 years and over).....	5.7	4.9	4.9	4.9	0.0
Teenagers (16 to 19 years).....	19.1	17.1	17.5	17.1	-0.4
White.....	5.3	4.7	4.7	4.7	0.0
Black or African American.....	11.4	10.4	10.1	9.6	-0.5
Asian.....	5.9	4.0	3.2	4.4	1.2
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	7.5	6.6	6.8	6.9	0.1
Total, 25 years and over.....	5.2	4.5	4.4	4.5	0.1
Less than a high school diploma.....	8.8	8.4	8.6	8.6	0.0
High school graduates, no college.....	6.3	5.4	5.3	5.4	0.1
Some college or associate degree.....	5.6	5.1	4.8	4.7	-0.1
Bachelor's degree and higher.....	3.3	2.7	2.5	2.7	0.2
Reason for unemployment					
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	5,153	4,180	4,189	4,136	-53
Job leavers.....	786	884	875	828	-47
Reentrants.....	2,631	2,655	2,689	2,685	-4
New entrants.....	1,052	972	815	868	53
Duration of unemployment					
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,451	2,431	2,488	2,729	241
5 to 14 weeks.....	2,346	2,223	2,312	2,307	-5
15 to 26 weeks.....	1,509	1,335	1,253	1,139	-114
27 weeks and over.....	3,413	2,709	2,563	2,525	-38
Employed persons at work part time					
Part time for economic reasons.....	7,460	6,635	6,705	6,580	-125
Slack work or business conditions.....	4,517	3,847	4,069	3,885	-184
Could only find part-time work.....	2,624	2,426	2,337	2,374	37
Part time for noneconomic reasons.....	18,915	19,837	19,733	20,056	323
Persons not in the labor force (not seasonally adjusted)					
Marginally attached to the labor force.....	2,160	2,159	2,055	2,115	-
Discouraged workers.....	783	732	738	756	-

- Over-the-month changes are not displayed for not seasonally adjusted data.

NOTE: Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Detail for the seasonally adjusted data shown in this table will not necessarily add to totals because of the independent seasonal adjustment of the various series. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

ESTABLISHMENT DATA
Summary table B. Establishment data, seasonally adjusted

Category	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p
EMPLOYMENT BY SELECTED INDUSTRY (Over-the-month change, in thousands)				
Total nonfarm.....	330	266	85	223
Total private.....	313	261	94	213
Goods-producing.....	58	20	-21	31
Mining and logging.....	6	-14	-12	-15
Construction.....	41	31	-9	45
Manufacturing.....	11	3	0	1
Durable goods ¹	12	6	1	-1
Motor vehicles and parts.....	0.5	3.4	-0.7	6.0
Nondurable goods.....	-1	-3	-1	2
Private service-providing.....	255	241	115	182
Wholesale trade.....	14.9	10.4	9.9	-4.5
Retail trade.....	42.7	23.1	24.5	12.1
Transportation and warehousing.....	12.9	9.4	8.1	15.2
Utilities.....	-0.8	0.9	1.0	1.3
Information.....	5	7	0	3
Financial activities.....	9	9	7	9
Professional and business services ¹	72	49	35	62
Temporary help services.....	13.8	-4.4	13.2	16.1
Education and health services ¹	39	61	35	61
Health care and social assistance.....	29.7	38.7	30.6	55.6
Leisure and hospitality.....	45	61	-6	17
Other services.....	15	10	1	6
Government.....	17	5	-9	10
(3-month average change, in thousands)				
Total nonfarm.....	248	265	184	191
Total private.....	237	261	186	189
WOMEN AND PRODUCTION AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES AS A PERCENT OF ALL EMPLOYEES²				
Total nonfarm women employees.....	49.4	49.3	49.3	49.3
Total private women employees.....	47.9	47.9	47.9	47.9
Total private production and nonsupervisory employees.....	82.7	82.5	82.5	82.4
HOURS AND EARNINGS ALL EMPLOYEES				
Total private				
Average weekly hours.....	34.5	34.6	34.5	34.5
Average hourly earnings.....	\$24.34	\$24.78	\$24.84	\$24.87
Average weekly earnings.....	\$839.73	\$857.39	\$856.98	\$858.02
Index of aggregate weekly hours (2007=100) ³	100.5	103.1	102.8	103.0
Over-the-month percent change.....	0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.2
Index of aggregate weekly payrolls (2007=100) ⁴	116.8	121.9	121.9	122.3
Over-the-month percent change.....	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.3
DIFFUSION INDEX (Over 1-month span)⁵				
Total private (263 industries).....	69.8	62.0	59.5	57.0
Manufacturing (80 industries).....	58.1	54.4	45.6	50.6

¹ Includes other industries, not shown separately.

² Data relate to production employees in mining and logging and manufacturing, construction employees in construction, and nonsupervisory employees in the service-providing industries.

³ The indexes of aggregate weekly hours are calculated by dividing the current month's estimates of aggregate hours by the corresponding annual average aggregate hours.

⁴ The indexes of aggregate weekly payrolls are calculated by dividing the current month's estimates of aggregate weekly payrolls by the corresponding annual average aggregate weekly payrolls.

⁵ Figures are the percent of industries with employment increasing plus one-half of the industries with unchanged employment, where 50 percent indicates an equal balance between industries with increasing and decreasing employment.

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NOTE: Data have been revised to reflect March 2014 benchmark levels and updated seasonal adjustment factors.

Frequently Asked Questions about Employment and Unemployment Estimates

1. Why are there two monthly measures of employment?

The household survey and establishment survey both produce sample-based estimates of employment, and both have strengths and limitations. The establishment survey employment series has a smaller margin of error on the measurement of month-to-month change than the household survey because of its much larger sample size. An over-the-month employment change of about 100,000 is statistically significant in the establishment survey, while the threshold for a statistically significant change in the household survey is about 400,000. However, the household survey has a more expansive scope than the establishment survey because it includes self-employed workers whose businesses are unincorporated, unpaid family workers, agricultural workers, and private household workers, who are excluded by the establishment survey. The household survey also provides estimates of employment for demographic groups. For more information on the differences between the two surveys, please visit www.bls.gov/web/empst/ces_cps_trends.pdf.

2. Are undocumented immigrants counted in the surveys?

It is likely that both surveys include at least some undocumented immigrants. However, neither the establishment nor the household survey is designed to identify the legal status of workers. Therefore, it is not possible to determine how many are counted in either survey. The establishment survey does not collect data on the legal status of workers. The household survey does include questions which identify the foreign and native born, but it does not include questions about the legal status of the foreign born. Data on the foreign and native born are published each month in table A-7 of The Employment Situation news release.

3. Why does the establishment survey have revisions?

The establishment survey revises published estimates to improve its data series by incorporating additional information that was not available at the time of the initial publication of the estimates. The establishment survey revises its initial monthly estimates twice, in the immediately succeeding 2 months, to incorporate additional sample receipts from respondents in the survey and recalculated seasonal adjustment factors. For more information on the monthly revisions, please visit www.bls.gov/ces/cesrevinfo.htm.

On an annual basis, the establishment survey incorporates a benchmark revision that re-anchors estimates to nearly complete employment counts available from unemployment insurance tax records. The benchmark helps to control for sampling and modeling errors in the estimates. For more information on the annual benchmark revision, please visit www.bls.gov/web/empst/cesbmart.htm.

4. Does the establishment survey sample include small firms?

Yes; about 40 percent of the establishment survey sample is comprised of business establishments with fewer than 20 employees. The establishment survey sample is designed to maximize the reliability of the statewide total nonfarm employment estimate; firms from all states, size classes, and industries are appropriately sampled to achieve that goal.

5. Does the establishment survey account for employment from new businesses?

Yes; monthly establishment survey estimates include an adjustment to account for the net employment change generated by business births and deaths. The adjustment comes from an econometric model that forecasts the monthly net jobs impact of business births and deaths based on the actual past values of the net impact that can be observed with a lag from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages. The establishment survey uses modeling rather than sampling for this purpose because the survey is not immediately able to bring new businesses into the sample. There is an unavoidable lag between the birth of a new firm and its appearance on the sampling frame and availability for selection. BLS adds new businesses to the survey twice a year.

6. Is the count of unemployed persons limited to just those people receiving unemployment insurance benefits?

No; the estimate of unemployment is based on a monthly sample survey of households. All persons who are without jobs and are actively seeking and available to work are included among the unemployed. (People on temporary layoff are included even if they do not actively seek work.) There is no requirement or question relating to unemployment insurance benefits in the monthly survey.

7. Does the official unemployment rate exclude people who want a job but are not currently looking for work?

Yes; however, there are separate estimates of persons outside the labor force who want a job, including those who are not currently looking because they believe no jobs are available (discouraged workers). In addition, alternative measures of labor underutilization (some of which include discouraged workers and other groups not officially counted as unemployed) are published each month in table A-15 of The Employment Situation news release. For more information about these alternative measures, please visit www.bls.gov/cps/lfcharacteristics.htm#altmeasures.

8. How can unusually severe weather affect employment and hours estimates?

In the establishment survey, the reference period is the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. Unusually severe weather is more likely to have an impact on average weekly hours than on employment. Average weekly hours are estimated for paid time during the pay period, including pay for holidays, sick leave, or other time off. The impact of severe weather on hours estimates typically, but not always, results in a reduction in average weekly hours. For example, some employees may be off work for part of the pay period and not receive pay for the time missed, while some workers, such as those dealing with cleanup or repair, may work extra hours.

Typically, it is not possible to precisely quantify the effect of extreme weather on payroll employment estimates. In order for severe weather conditions to reduce employment estimates, employees have to be off work without pay for the entire pay period. Employees who receive pay for any part of the pay period, even 1 hour, are counted in the payroll employment figures. For more information on how often employees are paid, please visit www.bls.gov/opub/btn/volume-3/how-frequently-do-private-businesses-pay-workers.htm.

In the household survey, the reference period is generally the calendar week that includes the 12th of the month. Persons who miss the entire week's work for weather-related events are counted as employed whether or not they are paid for the time off. The household survey collects data on the number of persons who had a job but were not at work due to bad weather. It also provides a measure of the number of persons who usually work full time but had reduced hours due to bad weather. Current and historical data are available on the household survey's most requested statistics page, please visit <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/surveymost?ln>.

Technical Note

This news release presents statistics from two major surveys, the Current Population Survey (CPS; household survey) and the Current Employment Statistics survey (CES; establishment survey). The household survey provides information on the labor force, employment, and unemployment that appears in the "A" tables, marked HOUSEHOLD DATA. It is a sample survey of about 60,000 eligible households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

The establishment survey provides information on employment, hours, and earnings of employees on nonfarm payrolls; the data appear in the "B" tables, marked ESTABLISHMENT DATA. BLS collects these data each month from the payroll records of a sample of nonagricultural business establishments. Each month the CES program surveys about 143,000 businesses and government agencies, representing approximately 588,000 individual worksites, in order to provide detailed industry data on employment, hours, and earnings of workers on nonfarm payrolls. The active sample includes approximately one-third of all nonfarm payroll employees.

For both surveys, the data for a given month relate to a particular week or pay period. In the household survey, the reference period is generally the calendar week that contains the 12th day of the month. In the establishment survey, the reference period is the pay period including the 12th, which may or may not correspond directly to the calendar week.

Coverage, definitions, and differences between surveys

Household survey. The sample is selected to reflect the entire civilian noninstitutional population. Based on responses to a series of questions on work and job search activities, each person 16 years and over in a sample household is classified as employed, unemployed, or not in the labor force.

People are classified as *employed* if they did any work at all as paid employees during the reference week; worked in their own business, profession, or on their own farm; or worked without pay at least 15 hours in a family business or farm. People are also counted as employed if they were temporarily absent from their jobs because of illness, bad weather, vacation, labor-management disputes, or personal reasons.

People are classified as *unemployed* if they meet all of the following criteria: they had no employment during the reference week; they were available for work at that time; and they made specific efforts to find employment sometime during the 4-week period ending with the reference week. Persons laid off from a job and expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed. The unemployment data derived from the household survey in no way depend upon the eligibility for or receipt of unemployment insurance benefits.

The *civilian labor force* is the sum of employed and unemployed persons. Those persons not classified as employed or unemployed are *not in the labor force*. The

unemployment rate is the number unemployed as a percent of the labor force. The *labor force participation rate* is the labor force as a percent of the population, and the *employment-population ratio* is the employed as a percent of the population. Additional information about the household survey can be found at www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm.

Establishment survey. The sample establishments are drawn from private nonfarm businesses such as factories, offices, and stores, as well as from federal, state, and local government entities. *Employees on nonfarm payrolls* are those who received pay for any part of the reference pay period, including persons on paid leave. Persons are counted in each job they hold. *Hours and earnings* data are produced for the private sector for all employees and for production and nonsupervisory employees. *Production and nonsupervisory* employees are defined as production and related employees in manufacturing and mining and logging, construction workers in construction, and non-supervisory employees in private service-providing industries.

Industries are classified on the basis of an establishment's principal activity in accordance with the 2012 version of the North American Industry Classification System. Additional information about the establishment survey can be found at www.bls.gov/ces/.

Differences in employment estimates. The numerous conceptual and methodological differences between the household and establishment surveys result in important distinctions in the employment estimates derived from the surveys. Among these are:

- The household survey includes agricultural workers, self-employed workers whose businesses are unincorporated, unpaid family workers, and private household workers among the employed. These groups are excluded from the establishment survey.
- The household survey includes people on unpaid leave among the employed. The establishment survey does not.
- The household survey is limited to workers 16 years of age and older. The establishment survey is not limited by age.
- The household survey has no duplication of individuals, because individuals are counted only once, even if they hold more than one job. In the establishment survey, employees working at more than one job and thus appearing on more than one payroll are counted separately for each appearance.

Seasonal adjustment

Over the course of a year, the size of the nation's labor force and the levels of employment and unemployment undergo regularly occurring fluctuations. These events may result from seasonal changes in weather, major holidays, and the opening and closing of schools. The effect of such seasonal variation can be very large.

Because these seasonal events follow a more or less regular pattern each year, their influence on the level of a series can be tempered by adjusting for regular seasonal variation. These adjustments make nonseasonal developments, such as declines in employment or increases in the participation of women in the labor force, easier to spot. For example, in the household survey, the large number of youth entering the labor force each June is likely to obscure any other changes that have taken place relative to May, making it difficult to determine if the level of economic activity has risen or declined. Similarly, in the establishment survey, payroll employment in education declines by about 20 percent at the end of the spring term and later rises with the start of the fall term, obscuring the underlying employment trends in the industry. Because seasonal employment changes at the end and beginning of the school year can be estimated, the statistics can be adjusted to make underlying employment patterns more discernable. The seasonally adjusted figures provide a more useful tool with which to analyze changes in month-to-month economic activity.

Many seasonally adjusted series are independently adjusted in both the household and establishment surveys. However, the adjusted series for many major estimates, such as total payroll employment, employment in most major sectors, total employment, and unemployment are computed by aggregating independently adjusted component series. For example, total unemployment is derived by summing the adjusted series for four major age-sex components; this differs from the unemployment estimate that would be obtained by directly adjusting the total or by combining the duration, reasons, or more detailed age categories.

For both the household and establishment surveys, a concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology is used in which new seasonal factors are calculated each month using all relevant data, up to and including the data for the current month. In the household survey, new seasonal factors are used to adjust only the current month's data. In the establishment survey, however, new seasonal factors are used each month to adjust the three most recent monthly estimates. The prior 2 months are routinely revised to incorporate additional sample reports and recalculated seasonal adjustment factors. In both surveys, 5-year revisions to historical data are made once a year.

Reliability of the estimates

Statistics based on the household and establishment surveys are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. When a sample, rather than the entire population, is

surveyed, there is a chance that the sample estimates may differ from the true population values they represent. The component of this difference that occurs because samples differ by chance is known as *sampling error*, and its variability is measured by the standard error of the estimate. There is about a 90-percent chance, or level of confidence, that an estimate based on a sample will differ by no more than 1.6 standard errors from the true population value because of sampling error. BLS analyses are generally conducted at the 90-percent level of confidence.

For example, the confidence interval for the monthly change in total nonfarm employment from the establishment survey is on the order of plus or minus 105,000. Suppose the estimate of nonfarm employment increases by 50,000 from one month to the next. The 90-percent confidence interval on the monthly change would range from -55,000 to +155,000 (50,000 +/- 105,000). These figures do not mean that the sample results are off by these magnitudes, but rather that there is about a 90-percent chance that the true over-the-month change lies within this interval. Since this range includes values of less than zero, we could not say with confidence that nonfarm employment had, in fact, increased that month. If, however, the reported nonfarm employment rise was 250,000, then all of the values within the 90-percent confidence interval would be greater than zero. In this case, it is likely (at least a 90-percent chance) that nonfarm employment had, in fact, risen that month. At an unemployment rate of around 6.0 percent, the 90-percent confidence interval for the monthly change in unemployment as measured by the household survey is about +/- 300,000, and for the monthly change in the unemployment rate it is about +/- 0.2 percentage point.

In general, estimates involving many individuals or establishments have lower standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) than estimates which are based on a small number of observations. The precision of estimates also is improved when the data are cumulated over time, such as for quarterly and annual averages.

The household and establishment surveys are also affected by *nonsampling error*, which can occur for many reasons, including the failure to sample a segment of the population, inability to obtain information for all respondents in the sample, inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information on a timely basis, mistakes made by respondents, and errors made in the collection or processing of the data.

For example, in the establishment survey, estimates for the most recent 2 months are based on incomplete returns; for this reason, these estimates are labeled preliminary in the tables. It is only after two successive revisions to a monthly estimate, when nearly all sample reports have been received, that the estimate is considered final.

Another major source of nonsampling error in the establishment survey is the inability to capture, on a timely basis, employment generated by new firms. To correct for this systematic underestimation of employment growth, an estimation procedure with two components is used to account for business births. The first component excludes employment losses from business deaths from sample-based

estimation in order to offset the missing employment gains from business births. This is incorporated into the sample-based estimation procedure by simply not reflecting sample units going out of business, but imputing to them the same employment trend as the other firms in the sample. This procedure accounts for most of the net birth/death employment.

The second component is an ARIMA time series model designed to estimate the residual net birth/death employment not accounted for by the imputation. The historical time series used to create and test the ARIMA model was derived from the unemployment insurance universe micro-level database, and reflects the actual residual net of births and deaths over the past 5 years.

The sample-based estimates from the establishment survey are adjusted once a year (on a lagged basis) to

universe counts of payroll employment obtained from administrative records of the unemployment insurance program. The difference between the March sample-based employment estimates and the March universe counts is known as a benchmark revision, and serves as a rough proxy for total survey error. The new benchmarks also incorporate changes in the classification of industries. Over the past decade, absolute benchmark revisions for total nonfarm employment have averaged 0.3 percent, with a range from -0.7 to 0.6 percent.

Other information

Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: (202) 691-5200; Federal Relay Service: (800) 877-8339.

HOUSEHOLD DATA

Table A-1. Employment status of the civilian population by sex and age

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status, sex, and age	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted ¹					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
TOTAL									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	247,439	250,080	250,266	247,439	249,027	249,723	249,899	250,080	250,266
Civilian labor force.....	154,845	156,318	156,554	155,420	156,129	157,180	157,002	156,906	157,072
Participation rate.....	62.6	62.5	62.6	62.8	62.7	62.9	62.8	62.7	62.8
Employed.....	145,767	147,635	148,587	145,724	147,442	148,201	148,297	148,331	148,523
Employment-population ratio.....	58.9	59.0	59.4	58.9	59.2	59.3	59.3	59.3	59.3
Unemployed.....	9,079	8,682	7,966	9,696	8,688	8,979	8,705	8,575	8,549
Unemployment rate.....	5.9	5.6	5.1	6.2	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.4
Not in labor force.....	92,594	93,762	93,712	92,019	92,898	92,544	92,898	93,175	93,194
Persons who currently want a job.....	6,088	6,065	6,096	6,173	6,445	6,358	6,538	6,369	6,258
Men, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	119,488	120,738	120,831	119,488	120,301	120,559	120,647	120,738	120,831
Civilian labor force.....	82,104	83,229	83,358	82,580	83,210	83,771	83,772	83,694	83,805
Participation rate.....	68.7	68.9	69.0	69.1	69.2	69.5	69.4	69.3	69.4
Employed.....	77,086	78,275	78,996	77,329	78,400	78,869	79,006	79,014	79,203
Employment-population ratio.....	64.5	64.8	65.4	64.7	65.2	65.4	65.5	65.4	65.5
Unemployed.....	5,018	4,954	4,362	5,251	4,810	4,903	4,766	4,680	4,602
Unemployment rate.....	6.1	6.0	5.2	6.4	5.8	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.5
Not in labor force.....	37,384	37,509	37,473	36,908	37,091	36,787	36,875	37,044	37,026
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	111,027	112,304	112,400	111,027	111,875	112,117	112,209	112,304	112,400
Civilian labor force.....	79,571	80,533	80,670	79,837	80,271	80,804	80,831	80,752	80,884
Participation rate.....	71.7	71.7	71.8	71.9	71.8	72.1	72.0	71.9	72.0
Employed.....	75,059	76,122	76,749	75,163	76,026	76,496	76,588	76,653	76,805
Employment-population ratio.....	67.6	67.8	68.3	67.7	68.0	68.2	68.3	68.3	68.3
Unemployed.....	4,512	4,411	3,921	4,674	4,245	4,308	4,243	4,099	4,079
Unemployment rate.....	5.7	5.5	4.9	5.9	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.0
Not in labor force.....	31,456	31,771	31,730	31,190	31,603	31,313	31,379	31,552	31,516
Women, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	127,951	129,342	129,434	127,951	128,726	129,165	129,252	129,342	129,434
Civilian labor force.....	72,741	73,089	73,196	72,840	72,919	73,408	73,230	73,211	73,267
Participation rate.....	56.9	56.5	56.6	56.9	56.6	56.8	56.7	56.6	56.6
Employed.....	68,680	69,360	69,591	68,395	69,042	69,332	69,291	69,317	69,320
Employment-population ratio.....	53.7	53.6	53.8	53.5	53.6	53.7	53.6	53.6	53.6
Unemployed.....	4,061	3,729	3,605	4,445	3,878	4,076	3,939	3,894	3,947
Unemployment rate.....	5.6	5.1	4.9	6.1	5.3	5.6	5.4	5.3	5.4
Not in labor force.....	55,210	56,253	56,238	55,111	55,807	55,756	56,023	56,131	56,167
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	119,760	121,152	121,246	119,760	120,557	120,970	121,060	121,152	121,246
Civilian labor force.....	70,100	70,374	70,509	70,041	70,111	70,558	70,370	70,330	70,419
Participation rate.....	58.5	58.1	58.2	58.5	58.2	58.3	58.1	58.1	58.1
Employed.....	66,452	67,022	67,303	66,076	66,632	66,983	66,901	66,874	66,935
Employment-population ratio.....	55.5	55.3	55.5	55.2	55.3	55.4	55.3	55.2	55.2
Unemployed.....	3,648	3,352	3,206	3,964	3,479	3,575	3,469	3,455	3,483
Unemployment rate.....	5.2	4.8	4.5	5.7	5.0	5.1	4.9	4.9	4.9
Not in labor force.....	49,660	50,779	50,737	49,719	50,446	50,412	50,690	50,823	50,828
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	16,652	16,624	16,619	16,652	16,595	16,636	16,630	16,624	16,619
Civilian labor force.....	5,174	5,411	5,375	5,542	5,747	5,817	5,801	5,824	5,769
Participation rate.....	31.1	32.5	32.3	33.3	34.6	35.0	34.9	35.0	34.7
Employed.....	4,256	4,491	4,536	4,485	4,784	4,722	4,808	4,804	4,784
Employment-population ratio.....	25.6	27.0	27.3	26.9	28.8	28.4	28.9	28.9	28.8
Unemployed.....	918	920	840	1,057	963	1,096	993	1,021	986
Unemployment rate.....	17.7	17.0	15.6	19.1	16.8	18.8	17.1	17.5	17.1
Not in labor force.....	11,478	11,213	11,244	11,110	10,849	10,819	10,829	10,800	10,849

¹ The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

NOTE: Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-2. Employment status of the civilian population by race, sex, and age

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status, race, sex, and age	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted ¹					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
WHITE									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	195,210	196,482	196,574	195,210	196,091	196,307	196,392	196,482	196,574
Civilian labor force.....	122,659	123,196	123,089	123,085	123,058	124,119	123,875	123,739	123,510
Participation rate.....	62.8	62.7	62.6	63.1	62.8	63.2	63.1	63.0	62.8
Employed.....	116,536	117,178	117,642	116,602	117,186	118,035	117,992	117,886	117,719
Employment-population ratio.....	59.7	59.6	59.8	59.7	59.8	60.1	60.1	60.0	59.9
Unemployed.....	6,123	6,018	5,448	6,483	5,872	6,084	5,883	5,853	5,791
Unemployment rate.....	5.0	4.9	4.4	5.3	4.8	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.7
Not in labor force.....	72,550	73,286	73,484	72,125	73,033	72,189	72,517	72,743	73,064
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	64,216	64,674	64,613	64,396	64,392	64,871	64,920	64,899	64,764
Participation rate.....	72.1	72.1	72.0	72.3	71.9	72.4	72.4	72.4	72.2
Employed.....	61,097	61,538	61,870	61,161	61,551	61,953	62,015	62,023	61,919
Employment-population ratio.....	68.6	68.6	69.0	68.7	68.8	69.2	69.2	69.2	69.0
Unemployed.....	3,119	3,136	2,744	3,235	2,842	2,918	2,906	2,876	2,845
Unemployment rate.....	4.9	4.8	4.2	5.0	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	54,358	54,239	54,238	54,309	54,223	54,683	54,401	54,256	54,198
Participation rate.....	58.0	57.4	57.4	57.9	57.5	57.9	57.6	57.4	57.3
Employed.....	51,984	52,027	52,115	51,761	51,824	52,267	52,105	51,998	51,912
Employment-population ratio.....	55.4	55.1	55.1	55.2	55.0	55.4	55.2	55.0	54.9
Unemployed.....	2,374	2,212	2,123	2,547	2,399	2,416	2,296	2,258	2,286
Unemployment rate.....	4.4	4.1	3.9	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.2
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	4,085	4,283	4,239	4,380	4,443	4,565	4,554	4,584	4,548
Participation rate.....	33.0	34.7	34.4	35.3	36.0	37.0	36.9	37.2	36.9
Employed.....	3,455	3,613	3,657	3,680	3,811	3,814	3,872	3,865	3,888
Employment-population ratio.....	27.9	29.3	29.7	29.7	30.9	30.9	31.4	31.3	31.5
Unemployed.....	630	670	582	701	632	751	682	719	660
Unemployment rate.....	15.4	15.6	13.7	16.0	14.2	16.4	15.0	15.7	14.5
BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	30,755	31,257	31,293	30,755	31,040	31,188	31,222	31,257	31,293
Civilian labor force.....	18,675	19,020	19,380	18,728	19,037	19,040	19,101	19,055	19,397
Participation rate.....	60.7	60.8	61.9	60.9	61.3	61.0	61.2	61.0	62.0
Employed.....	16,682	17,117	17,648	16,595	17,050	17,071	17,122	17,129	17,529
Employment-population ratio.....	54.2	54.8	56.4	54.0	54.9	54.7	54.8	54.8	56.0
Unemployed.....	1,993	1,902	1,731	2,133	1,986	1,969	1,979	1,926	1,868
Unemployment rate.....	10.7	10.0	8.9	11.4	10.4	10.3	10.4	10.1	9.6
Not in labor force.....	12,080	12,237	11,913	12,027	12,003	12,148	12,122	12,202	11,896
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	8,391	8,714	8,868	8,444	8,717	8,676	8,710	8,711	8,926
Participation rate.....	66.1	67.2	68.3	66.5	67.8	67.1	67.3	67.2	68.7
Employed.....	7,520	7,810	8,095	7,543	7,756	7,757	7,805	7,841	8,109
Employment-population ratio.....	59.2	60.2	62.3	59.4	60.3	60.0	60.3	60.5	62.5
Unemployed.....	872	904	773	901	962	919	905	870	817
Unemployment rate.....	10.4	10.4	8.7	10.7	11.0	10.6	10.4	10.0	9.2
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	9,626	9,714	9,868	9,578	9,598	9,667	9,665	9,703	9,792
Participation rate.....	62.0	61.5	62.4	61.7	61.2	61.3	61.3	61.4	61.9
Employed.....	8,722	8,853	9,067	8,606	8,812	8,824	8,809	8,807	8,928
Employment-population ratio.....	56.1	56.0	57.3	55.4	56.2	56.0	55.8	55.8	56.4
Unemployed.....	903	862	801	972	785	843	857	895	864
Unemployment rate.....	9.4	8.9	8.1	10.2	8.2	8.7	8.9	9.2	8.8
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	658	591	643	706	722	697	726	642	678
Participation rate.....	26.2	23.7	25.8	28.0	29.0	27.9	29.1	25.7	27.2
Employed.....	440	455	486	446	482	490	508	481	491
Employment-population ratio.....	17.5	18.2	19.5	17.7	19.4	19.6	20.4	19.3	19.7
Unemployed.....	218	137	157	260	240	207	218	161	187
Unemployment rate.....	33.2	23.1	24.4	36.8	33.2	29.7	30.0	25.0	27.5
ASIAN									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	13,841	14,296	14,290	13,841	13,886	14,253	14,291	14,296	14,290

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table A-2. Employment status of the civilian population by race, sex, and age — Continued

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status, race, sex, and age	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted ¹					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
Civilian labor force.....	8,782	8,967	9,023	8,803	8,771	8,899	9,038	8,934	9,038
Participation rate.....	63.4	62.7	63.1	63.6	63.2	62.4	63.2	62.5	63.3
Employed.....	8,283	8,685	8,644	8,287	8,398	8,540	8,680	8,646	8,644
Employment-population ratio.....	59.8	60.7	60.5	59.9	60.5	59.9	60.7	60.5	60.5
Unemployed.....	498	282	379	516	373	359	358	288	394
Unemployment rate.....	5.7	3.1	4.2	5.9	4.2	4.0	4.0	3.2	4.4
Not in labor force.....	5,059	5,329	5,267	5,038	5,115	5,355	5,253	5,363	5,251

¹ The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

NOTE: Estimates for the above race groups will not sum to totals shown in table A-1 because data are not presented for all races. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-3. Employment status of the Hispanic or Latino population by sex and age

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status, sex, and age	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted ¹					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	38,203	39,323	39,405	38,203	38,839	39,165	39,244	39,323	39,405
Civilian labor force.....	25,028	25,991	26,092	25,159	25,644	26,047	25,962	26,087	26,167
Participation rate.....	65.5	66.1	66.2	65.9	66.0	66.5	66.2	66.3	66.4
Employed.....	23,343	24,177	24,443	23,268	23,988	24,305	24,238	24,319	24,354
Employment-population ratio.....	61.1	61.5	62.0	60.9	61.8	62.1	61.8	61.8	61.8
Unemployed.....	1,685	1,814	1,650	1,891	1,656	1,742	1,724	1,768	1,813
Unemployment rate.....	6.7	7.0	6.3	7.5	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.8	6.9
Not in labor force.....	13,175	13,332	13,312	13,044	13,196	13,118	13,282	13,236	13,237
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	13,869	14,407	14,442	13,926	14,264	14,479	14,465	14,465	14,484
Participation rate.....	80.3	81.3	81.3	80.6	81.1	82.1	81.8	81.6	81.6
Employed.....	13,080	13,519	13,646	13,047	13,507	13,647	13,601	13,627	13,614
Employment-population ratio.....	75.7	76.3	76.8	75.5	76.8	77.3	76.9	76.9	76.7
Unemployed.....	789	888	796	879	757	832	864	837	870
Unemployment rate.....	5.7	6.2	5.5	6.3	5.3	5.7	6.0	5.8	6.0
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	10,136	10,453	10,556	10,152	10,168	10,344	10,309	10,435	10,526
Participation rate.....	58.7	58.4	58.8	58.8	57.9	58.0	57.7	58.3	58.6
Employed.....	9,462	9,748	9,876	9,403	9,501	9,704	9,685	9,755	9,802
Employment-population ratio.....	54.8	54.4	55.0	54.4	54.1	54.4	54.2	54.5	54.6
Unemployed.....	674	705	680	749	667	640	625	680	725
Unemployment rate.....	6.6	6.7	6.4	7.4	6.6	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.9
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	1,023	1,131	1,094	1,081	1,211	1,224	1,187	1,187	1,157
Participation rate.....	28.0	30.6	29.6	29.6	32.9	33.2	32.2	32.2	31.3
Employed.....	801	909	920	818	980	954	952	937	938
Employment-population ratio.....	21.9	24.6	24.9	22.4	26.6	25.9	25.8	25.4	25.4
Unemployed.....	222	222	174	263	231	270	235	250	218
Unemployment rate.....	21.7	19.6	15.9	24.3	19.1	22.1	19.8	21.1	18.9

¹ The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

NOTE: Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-4. Employment status of the civilian population 25 years and over by educational attainment

[Numbers in thousands]

Educational attainment	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
Less than a high school diploma									
Civilian labor force.....	10,946	11,113	11,544	10,796	11,031	11,439	11,126	11,089	11,338
Participation rate.....	44.9	45.2	46.6	44.2	45.4	46.0	46.3	45.1	45.7
Employed.....	10,006	10,067	10,577	9,849	10,079	10,468	10,196	10,134	10,367
Employment-population ratio.....	41.0	40.9	42.7	40.4	41.5	42.1	42.4	41.2	41.8
Unemployed.....	940	1,046	967	947	952	971	929	955	971
Unemployment rate.....	8.6	9.4	8.4	8.8	8.6	8.5	8.4	8.6	8.6
High school graduates, no college¹									
Civilian labor force.....	36,050	35,620	35,565	36,112	35,164	35,418	35,371	35,656	35,577
Participation rate.....	57.9	57.2	57.2	58.0	57.5	57.9	57.4	57.3	57.2
Employed.....	33,890	33,591	33,712	33,854	33,310	33,492	33,464	33,752	33,639
Employment-population ratio.....	54.4	53.9	54.2	54.4	54.5	54.8	54.3	54.2	54.1
Unemployed.....	2,160	2,029	1,853	2,258	1,854	1,926	1,907	1,904	1,938
Unemployment rate.....	6.0	5.7	5.2	6.3	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.4
Some college or associate degree									
Civilian labor force.....	37,176	37,411	37,715	37,389	37,140	37,479	37,490	37,558	37,755
Participation rate.....	66.9	67.3	67.3	67.3	66.9	67.2	66.8	67.6	67.4
Employed.....	35,165	35,568	36,044	35,277	35,310	35,540	35,588	35,755	35,996
Employment-population ratio.....	63.3	64.0	64.3	63.5	63.6	63.8	63.4	64.4	64.2
Unemployed.....	2,011	1,843	1,671	2,112	1,831	1,939	1,902	1,803	1,759
Unemployment rate.....	5.4	4.9	4.4	5.6	4.9	5.2	5.1	4.8	4.7
Bachelor's degree and higher²									
Civilian labor force.....	50,212	51,573	51,314	50,001	51,772	51,550	51,583	51,272	51,156
Participation rate.....	75.5	74.8	74.8	75.2	74.6	74.4	74.4	74.3	74.6
Employed.....	48,684	50,333	50,013	48,357	50,290	50,084	50,172	50,007	49,758
Employment-population ratio.....	73.2	73.0	72.9	72.7	72.5	72.3	72.3	72.5	72.5
Unemployed.....	1,527	1,240	1,301	1,645	1,482	1,466	1,411	1,265	1,399
Unemployment rate.....	3.0	2.4	2.5	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.7

¹ Includes persons with a high school diploma or equivalent.

² Includes persons with bachelor's, master's, professional, and doctoral degrees.

NOTE: Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-5. Employment status of the civilian population 18 years and over by veteran status, period of service, and sex, not seasonally adjusted

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status, veteran status, and period of service	Total		Men		Women	
	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015
VETERANS, 18 years and over						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	21,239	21,274	18,992	19,281	2,247	1,993
Civilian labor force.....	10,727	10,783	9,337	9,539	1,390	1,244
Participation rate.....	50.5	50.7	49.2	49.5	61.8	62.4
Employed.....	10,124	10,277	8,815	9,089	1,308	1,188
Employment-population ratio.....	47.7	48.3	46.4	47.1	58.2	59.6
Unemployed.....	603	507	522	450	81	57
Unemployment rate.....	5.6	4.7	5.6	4.7	5.8	4.6
Not in labor force.....	10,512	10,491	9,655	9,742	857	749
Gulf War-era II veterans						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	3,019	3,609	2,444	3,005	575	604
Civilian labor force.....	2,403	2,927	2,019	2,500	385	427
Participation rate.....	79.6	81.1	82.6	83.2	66.9	70.7
Employed.....	2,240	2,726	1,885	2,329	355	397
Employment-population ratio.....	74.2	75.5	77.1	77.5	61.7	65.8
Unemployed.....	163	201	134	171	30	30
Unemployment rate.....	6.8	6.9	6.6	6.9	7.7	7.0
Not in labor force.....	615	682	425	505	190	177
Gulf War-era I veterans						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	3,421	3,380	2,704	2,827	717	553
Civilian labor force.....	2,764	2,695	2,246	2,309	518	386
Participation rate.....	80.8	79.7	83.0	81.7	72.2	69.8
Employed.....	2,635	2,620	2,144	2,251	491	369
Employment-population ratio.....	77.0	77.5	79.3	79.6	68.5	66.6
Unemployed.....	129	76	102	58	27	18
Unemployment rate.....	4.7	2.8	4.5	2.5	5.2	4.6
Not in labor force.....	658	685	458	518	199	167
World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam-era veterans						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	9,476	8,988	9,120	8,669	356	319
Civilian labor force.....	2,755	2,415	2,659	2,308	96	107
Participation rate.....	29.1	26.9	29.2	26.6	26.9	33.6
Employed.....	2,620	2,309	2,536	2,202	85	107
Employment-population ratio.....	27.7	25.7	27.8	25.4	23.8	33.6
Unemployed.....	134	106	123	106	11	0
Unemployment rate.....	4.9	4.4	4.6	4.6	11.6	0.0
Not in labor force.....	6,721	6,573	6,461	6,361	260	212
Veterans of other service periods						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	5,323	5,297	4,724	4,780	599	517
Civilian labor force.....	2,805	2,746	2,414	2,422	391	324
Participation rate.....	52.7	51.8	51.1	50.7	65.3	62.6
Employed.....	2,629	2,622	2,251	2,307	378	315
Employment-population ratio.....	49.4	49.5	47.6	48.3	63.1	60.8
Unemployed.....	177	124	163	115	13	9
Unemployment rate.....	6.3	4.5	6.8	4.7	3.4	2.8
Not in labor force.....	2,518	2,551	2,310	2,358	208	193
NONVETERANS, 18 years and over						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	217,259	220,131	95,940	97,005	121,319	123,127
Civilian labor force.....	142,440	143,938	71,995	72,880	70,445	71,058
Participation rate.....	65.6	65.4	75.0	75.1	58.1	57.7
Employed.....	134,317	136,829	67,700	69,160	66,617	67,668
Employment-population ratio.....	61.8	62.2	70.6	71.3	54.9	55.0
Unemployed.....	8,123	7,109	4,295	3,720	3,828	3,390
Unemployment rate.....	5.7	4.9	6.0	5.1	5.4	4.8
Not in labor force.....	74,819	76,193	23,945	24,124	50,874	52,069

NOTE: Veterans served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and were not on active duty at the time of the survey. Nonveterans never served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces. Veterans could have served anywhere in the world during these periods of service: Gulf War era II (September 2001-present), Gulf War era I (August 1990-August 2001), Vietnam era (August 1964-April 1975), Korean War (July 1950-January 1955), World War II (December 1941-December 1946), and other service periods (all other time periods). Veterans who served in more than one wartime period are classified only in the most recent one. Veterans who served during one of the selected wartime periods and another period are classified only in the wartime period.

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Table A-6. Employment status of the civilian population by sex, age, and disability status, not seasonally adjusted

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status, sex, and age	Persons with a disability		Persons with no disability	
	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015
TOTAL, 16 years and over				
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	28,915	29,608	218,524	220,658
Civilian labor force.....	5,528	5,704	149,317	150,850
Participation rate.....	19.1	19.3	68.3	68.4
Employed.....	4,838	5,136	140,929	143,451
Employment-population ratio.....	16.7	17.3	64.5	65.0
Unemployed.....	690	568	8,389	7,399
Unemployment rate.....	12.5	10.0	5.6	4.9
Not in labor force.....	23,388	23,904	69,207	69,807
Men, 16 to 64 years				
Civilian labor force.....	2,488	2,504	74,982	75,994
Participation rate.....	32.5	32.5	81.5	82.1
Employed.....	2,128	2,221	70,562	72,124
Employment-population ratio.....	27.8	28.8	76.7	77.9
Unemployed.....	359	282	4,421	3,870
Unemployment rate.....	14.4	11.3	5.9	5.1
Not in labor force.....	5,172	5,199	17,038	16,576
Women, 16 to 64 years				
Civilian labor force.....	2,057	2,240	66,893	67,015
Participation rate.....	26.4	27.9	70.2	70.0
Employed.....	1,782	2,026	63,250	63,745
Employment-population ratio.....	22.8	25.2	66.4	66.6
Unemployed.....	275	214	3,643	3,270
Unemployment rate.....	13.4	9.6	5.4	4.9
Not in labor force.....	5,745	5,801	28,425	28,721
Both sexes, 65 years and over				
Civilian labor force.....	983	960	7,442	7,841
Participation rate.....	7.3	6.9	23.9	24.2
Employed.....	927	889	7,117	7,582
Employment-population ratio.....	6.9	6.4	22.8	23.4
Unemployed.....	56	71	325	259
Unemployment rate.....	5.7	7.4	4.4	3.3
Not in labor force.....	12,470	12,905	23,743	24,510

NOTE: A person with a disability has at least one of the following conditions: is deaf or has serious difficulty hearing; is blind or has serious difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses; has serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition; has serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs; has difficulty dressing or bathing; or has difficulty doing errands alone such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-7. Employment status of the civilian population by nativity and sex, not seasonally adjusted

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status and nativity	Total		Men		Women	
	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015
Foreign born, 16 years and over						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	38,391	39,997	18,592	19,286	19,799	20,711
Civilian labor force.....	25,127	26,103	14,590	15,094	10,536	11,008
Participation rate.....	65.5	65.3	78.5	78.3	53.2	53.2
Employed.....	23,713	24,819	13,828	14,406	9,885	10,413
Employment-population ratio.....	61.8	62.1	74.4	74.7	49.9	50.3
Unemployed.....	1,414	1,284	763	689	652	595
Unemployment rate.....	5.6	4.9	5.2	4.6	6.2	5.4
Not in labor force.....	13,264	13,895	4,001	4,192	9,263	9,703
Native born, 16 years and over						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	209,049	210,268	100,896	101,545	108,152	108,723
Civilian labor force.....	129,718	130,451	67,514	68,263	62,205	62,188
Participation rate.....	62.1	62.0	66.9	67.2	57.5	57.2
Employed.....	122,054	123,769	63,259	64,590	58,795	59,179
Employment-population ratio.....	58.4	58.9	62.7	63.6	54.4	54.4
Unemployed.....	7,664	6,683	4,255	3,673	3,409	3,009
Unemployment rate.....	5.9	5.1	6.3	5.4	5.5	4.8
Not in labor force.....	79,330	79,817	33,383	33,281	45,948	46,535

NOTE: The foreign born are those residing in the United States who were not U.S. citizens at birth. That is, they were born outside the United States or one of its outlying areas such as Puerto Rico or Guam, to parents neither of whom was a U.S. citizen. The native born are persons who were born in the United States or one of its outlying areas such as Puerto Rico or Guam or who were born abroad of at least one parent who was a U.S. citizen. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-8. Employed persons by class of worker and part-time status

[In thousands]

Category	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
CLASS OF WORKER									
Agriculture and related industries.....	2,048	2,405	2,294	2,167	2,358	2,419	2,430	2,559	2,435
Wage and salary workers ¹	1,265	1,490	1,463	1,393	1,506	1,566	1,572	1,628	1,610
Self-employed workers, unincorporated.....	773	881	799	768	815	835	833	893	794
Unpaid family workers.....	10	34	32	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nonagricultural industries.....	143,718	145,230	146,293	143,566	145,101	145,743	145,880	145,699	146,111
Wage and salary workers ¹	135,119	136,563	137,371	134,918	136,415	136,949	137,447	136,830	137,148
Government.....	20,626	20,729	20,840	20,316	19,956	20,330	20,582	20,246	20,455
Private industries.....	114,494	115,834	116,531	114,630	116,469	116,664	116,890	116,654	116,707
Private households.....	868	798	793	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other industries.....	113,625	115,037	115,738	113,742	115,676	115,724	116,042	115,839	115,899
Self-employed workers, unincorporated.....	8,518	8,588	8,837	8,545	8,660	8,725	8,386	8,685	8,826
Unpaid family workers.....	81	79	84	—	—	—	—	—	—
PERSONS AT WORK PART TIME²									
All industries									
Part time for economic reasons ³	7,243	6,672	6,356	7,460	6,790	6,810	6,635	6,705	6,580
Slack work or business conditions.....	4,346	4,027	3,728	4,517	4,061	4,012	3,847	4,069	3,885
Could only find part-time work.....	2,615	2,333	2,370	2,624	2,432	2,460	2,426	2,337	2,374
Part time for noneconomic reasons ⁴	19,707	20,159	20,992	18,915	19,730	19,822	19,837	19,733	20,056
Nonagricultural industries									
Part time for economic reasons ³	7,120	6,569	6,277	7,335	6,699	6,690	6,539	6,620	6,501
Slack work or business conditions.....	4,277	3,966	3,674	4,453	3,983	3,951	3,791	4,028	3,835
Could only find part-time work.....	2,604	2,320	2,354	2,585	2,411	2,432	2,415	2,302	2,352
Part time for noneconomic reasons ⁴	19,393	19,786	20,622	18,614	19,416	19,446	19,505	19,374	19,705

¹ Includes self-employed workers whose businesses are incorporated.

² Refers to those who worked 1 to 34 hours during the survey reference week and excludes employed persons who were absent from their jobs for the entire week.

³ Refers to those who worked 1 to 34 hours during the reference week for an economic reason such as slack work or unfavorable business conditions, inability to find full-time work, or seasonal declines in demand.

⁴ Refers to persons who usually work part time for noneconomic reasons such as childcare problems, family or personal obligations, school or training, retirement or Social Security limits on earnings, and other reasons. This excludes persons who usually work full time but worked only 1 to 34 hours during the reference week for reasons such as vacations, holidays, illness, and bad weather.

- Data not available.

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Table A-9. Selected employment indicators

[Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
AGE AND SEX									
Total, 16 years and over.....	145,767	147,635	148,587	145,724	147,442	148,201	148,297	148,331	148,523
16 to 19 years.....	4,256	4,491	4,536	4,485	4,784	4,722	4,808	4,804	4,784
16 to 17 years.....	1,325	1,445	1,482	1,455	1,678	1,651	1,637	1,615	1,630
18 to 19 years.....	2,931	3,046	3,053	3,026	3,090	3,058	3,186	3,189	3,147
20 years and over.....	141,511	143,144	144,052	141,239	142,658	143,480	143,489	143,527	143,740
20 to 24 years.....	13,765	13,584	13,706	13,881	13,847	14,011	14,114	13,823	13,851
25 years and over.....	127,745	129,560	130,346	127,309	128,860	129,435	129,349	129,614	129,861
25 to 54 years.....	95,421	96,300	96,742	95,201	95,975	96,464	96,565	96,501	96,482
25 to 34 years.....	31,751	32,563	32,767	31,729	32,354	32,574	32,682	32,693	32,734
35 to 44 years.....	31,031	31,103	31,200	30,913	31,021	31,157	31,071	31,095	31,072
45 to 54 years.....	32,639	32,634	32,775	32,559	32,600	32,734	32,812	32,713	32,676
55 years and over.....	32,324	33,260	33,605	32,107	32,885	32,971	32,784	33,113	33,379
Men, 16 years and over.....	77,086	78,275	78,996	77,329	78,400	78,869	79,006	79,014	79,203
16 to 19 years.....	2,027	2,153	2,247	2,166	2,374	2,372	2,418	2,361	2,399
16 to 17 years.....	571	668	746	641	828	802	791	762	830
18 to 19 years.....	1,457	1,485	1,501	1,514	1,531	1,560	1,636	1,584	1,557
20 years and over.....	75,059	76,122	76,749	75,163	76,026	76,496	76,588	76,653	76,805
20 to 24 years.....	7,099	6,932	7,050	7,204	7,167	7,198	7,324	7,088	7,158
25 years and over.....	67,960	69,190	69,698	67,927	68,890	69,248	69,190	69,506	69,633
25 to 54 years.....	50,903	51,615	51,861	50,931	51,448	51,809	51,860	51,948	51,863
25 to 34 years.....	17,132	17,639	17,763	17,184	17,534	17,722	17,743	17,804	17,798
35 to 44 years.....	16,674	16,746	16,832	16,672	16,748	16,807	16,760	16,824	16,818
45 to 54 years.....	17,097	17,230	17,266	17,076	17,166	17,281	17,357	17,321	17,247
55 years and over.....	17,056	17,575	17,837	16,996	17,441	17,439	17,330	17,557	17,770
Women, 16 years and over.....	68,680	69,360	69,591	68,395	69,042	69,332	69,291	69,317	69,320
16 to 19 years.....	2,228	2,339	2,288	2,318	2,410	2,349	2,389	2,442	2,385
16 to 17 years.....	754	778	736	814	850	849	846	853	800
18 to 19 years.....	1,474	1,561	1,553	1,512	1,559	1,499	1,550	1,605	1,590
20 years and over.....	66,452	67,022	67,303	66,076	66,632	66,983	66,901	66,874	66,935
20 to 24 years.....	6,666	6,652	6,655	6,677	6,680	6,813	6,790	6,735	6,693
25 years and over.....	59,786	60,370	60,648	59,381	59,970	60,187	60,159	60,108	60,228
25 to 54 years.....	44,518	44,685	44,881	44,270	44,527	44,655	44,705	44,552	44,619
25 to 34 years.....	14,619	14,924	15,004	14,546	14,820	14,852	14,939	14,889	14,936
35 to 44 years.....	14,357	14,356	14,369	14,241	14,273	14,350	14,311	14,271	14,255
45 to 54 years.....	15,542	15,404	15,508	15,483	15,434	15,453	15,456	15,392	15,429
55 years and over.....	15,268	15,685	15,768	15,111	15,443	15,532	15,453	15,556	15,609
MARITAL STATUS									
Married men, spouse present.....	44,449	45,103	45,042	44,477	44,588	44,934	44,951	45,304	45,023
Married women, spouse present.....	34,830	35,232	35,045	34,795	34,645	34,843	34,910	35,106	34,974
Women who maintain families.....	9,602	9,443	9,706	—	—	—	—	—	—
FULL- OR PART-TIME STATUS									
Full-time workers ¹	118,073	119,981	120,402	118,458	119,934	120,711	120,834	121,024	120,772
Part-time workers ²	27,693	27,655	28,185	27,251	27,506	27,546	27,471	27,301	27,738
MULTIPLE JOBHOLDERS									
Total multiple jobholders.....	7,162	7,264	7,000	7,100	7,285	7,485	7,059	7,158	6,986
Percent of total employed.....	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.9	4.9	5.1	4.8	4.8	4.7
SELF-EMPLOYMENT									
Self-employed workers, incorporated.....	5,384	5,514	5,378	—	—	—	—	—	—
Self-employed workers, unincorporated.....	9,290	9,469	9,636	9,313	9,475	9,560	9,220	9,579	9,620

¹ Employed full-time workers are persons who usually work 35 hours or more per week.

² Employed part-time workers are persons who usually work less than 35 hours per week.

- Data not available.

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Table A-10. Selected unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Characteristic	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)			Unemployment rates					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
AGE AND SEX									
Total, 16 years and over.....	9,696	8,575	8,549	6.2	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.4
16 to 19 years.....	1,057	1,021	986	19.1	16.8	18.8	17.1	17.5	17.1
16 to 17 years.....	414	356	407	22.2	18.8	19.9	18.6	18.1	20.0
18 to 19 years.....	636	659	560	17.4	15.4	18.2	16.4	17.1	15.1
20 years and over.....	8,639	7,554	7,563	5.8	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.0
20 to 24 years.....	1,638	1,599	1,466	10.6	10.8	9.8	10.0	10.4	9.6
25 years and over.....	6,927	5,932	6,054	5.2	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.5
25 to 54 years.....	5,366	4,559	4,687	5.3	4.7	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.6
25 to 34 years.....	2,235	1,955	2,003	6.6	5.9	5.9	5.4	5.6	5.8
35 to 44 years.....	1,575	1,346	1,387	4.8	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.1	4.3
45 to 54 years.....	1,556	1,259	1,297	4.6	4.0	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.8
55 years and over.....	1,560	1,356	1,377	4.6	3.9	4.1	4.3	3.9	4.0
Men, 16 years and over.....	5,251	4,680	4,602	6.4	5.8	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.5
16 to 19 years.....	577	581	522	21.0	19.2	20.0	17.8	19.8	17.9
16 to 17 years.....	235	196	220	26.9	20.0	20.8	19.2	20.5	21.0
18 to 19 years.....	334	387	280	18.1	18.2	19.4	17.3	19.6	15.2
20 years and over.....	4,674	4,099	4,079	5.9	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.0
20 to 24 years.....	974	893	844	11.9	11.6	11.5	10.9	11.2	10.5
25 years and over.....	3,664	3,184	3,207	5.1	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.4
25 to 54 years.....	2,827	2,432	2,427	5.3	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.5
25 to 34 years.....	1,211	1,053	1,011	6.6	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.6	5.4
35 to 44 years.....	821	720	704	4.7	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.0
45 to 54 years.....	795	660	712	4.4	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.7	4.0
55 years and over.....	837	752	780	4.7	4.2	4.1	4.6	4.1	4.2
Women, 16 years and over.....	4,445	3,894	3,947	6.1	5.3	5.6	5.4	5.3	5.4
16 to 19 years.....	481	439	464	17.2	14.2	17.6	16.4	15.2	16.3
16 to 17 years.....	179	160	187	18.0	17.6	19.0	18.0	15.8	18.9
18 to 19 years.....	303	272	280	16.7	12.4	16.9	15.4	14.5	15.0
20 years and over.....	3,964	3,455	3,483	5.7	5.0	5.1	4.9	4.9	4.9
20 to 24 years.....	664	706	622	9.0	9.9	7.9	9.0	9.5	8.5
25 years and over.....	3,263	2,747	2,847	5.2	4.4	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.5
25 to 54 years.....	2,539	2,127	2,260	5.4	4.7	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.8
25 to 34 years.....	1,024	902	992	6.6	6.0	5.9	5.2	5.7	6.2
35 to 44 years.....	754	626	683	5.0	4.3	4.4	4.7	4.2	4.6
45 to 54 years.....	762	599	585	4.7	3.9	4.4	3.8	3.7	3.7
55 years and over.....	712	604	602	4.5	3.7	4.1	4.0	3.7	3.7
MARITAL STATUS									
Married men, spouse present.....	1,601	1,309	1,392	3.5	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.8	3.0
Married women, spouse present.....	1,401	1,107	1,222	3.9	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.4
Women who maintain families ¹	897	830	730	8.5	7.8	8.1	7.7	8.1	7.0
FULL- OR PART-TIME STATUS									
Full-time workers ²	8,149	7,159	7,068	6.4	5.7	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.5
Part-time workers ³	1,503	1,418	1,443	5.2	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Full-time workers are unemployed persons who have expressed a desire to work full time (35 hours or more per week) or are on layoff from full-time jobs.

³ Part-time workers are unemployed persons who have expressed a desire to work part time (less than 35 hours per week) or are on layoff from part-time jobs.

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Table A-11. Unemployed persons by reason for unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	4,972	4,503	3,977	5,153	4,325	4,242	4,180	4,189	4,136
On temporary layoff.....	931	1,199	871	1,014	959	902	1,021	999	950
Not on temporary layoff.....	4,041	3,304	3,106	4,139	3,366	3,339	3,158	3,190	3,185
Permanent job losers.....	2,996	2,298	2,224	3,016	2,388	2,371	2,212	2,223	2,238
Persons who completed temporary jobs....	1,045	1,006	882	1,123	977	968	946	967	948
Job leavers.....	751	853	780	786	798	851	884	875	828
Reentrants.....	2,425	2,597	2,465	2,631	2,701	2,829	2,655	2,689	2,685
New entrants.....	932	729	745	1,052	971	1,033	972	815	868
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	54.8	51.9	49.9	53.6	49.2	47.4	48.1	48.9	48.6
On temporary layoff.....	10.3	13.8	10.9	10.5	10.9	10.1	11.7	11.7	11.2
Not on temporary layoff.....	44.5	38.0	39.0	43.0	38.3	37.3	36.3	37.2	37.4
Job leavers.....	8.3	9.8	9.8	8.2	9.1	9.5	10.2	10.2	9.7
Reentrants.....	26.7	29.9	30.9	27.3	30.7	31.6	30.5	31.4	31.5
New entrants.....	10.3	8.4	9.4	10.9	11.0	11.5	11.2	9.5	10.2
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	3.2	2.9	2.5	3.3	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6
Job leavers.....	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5
Reentrants.....	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7
New entrants.....	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.6

NOTE: Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-12. Unemployed persons by duration of unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Duration	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Less than 5 weeks.....	1,993	2,108	2,235	2,451	2,375	2,383	2,431	2,488	2,729
5 to 14 weeks.....	1,946	2,511	1,930	2,346	2,293	2,318	2,223	2,312	2,307
15 weeks and over.....	5,139	4,064	3,802	4,922	4,059	4,180	4,044	3,816	3,663
15 to 26 weeks.....	1,653	1,428	1,238	1,509	1,274	1,380	1,335	1,253	1,139
27 weeks and over.....	3,486	2,635	2,564	3,413	2,785	2,800	2,709	2,563	2,525
Average (mean) duration, in weeks.....	37.1	31.3	32.8	34.8	32.8	32.3	31.7	30.7	30.8
Median duration, in weeks.....	18.4	13.2	13.5	15.6	12.6	13.4	13.1	12.2	11.7
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION									
Less than 5 weeks.....	22.0	24.3	28.1	25.2	27.2	26.8	27.9	28.9	31.4
5 to 14 weeks.....	21.4	28.9	24.2	24.1	26.3	26.1	25.6	26.8	26.5
15 weeks and over.....	56.6	46.8	47.7	50.6	46.5	47.1	46.5	44.3	42.1
15 to 26 weeks.....	18.2	16.5	15.5	15.5	14.6	15.5	15.4	14.5	13.1
27 weeks and over.....	38.4	30.4	32.2	35.1	31.9	31.5	31.1	29.8	29.0

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Table A-13. Employed and unemployed persons by occupation, not seasonally adjusted

[Numbers in thousands]

Occupation	Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment rates	
	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015
Total, 16 years and over ¹	145,767	148,587	9,079	7,966	5.9	5.1
Management, professional, and related occupations.....	55,896	57,953	1,642	1,435	2.9	2.4
Management, business, and financial operations occupations.....	22,707	23,960	748	633	3.2	2.6
Professional and related occupations.....	33,189	33,993	894	802	2.6	2.3
Service occupations.....	25,755	25,419	1,777	1,733	6.5	6.4
Sales and office occupations.....	33,873	34,129	2,079	1,852	5.8	5.1
Sales and related occupations.....	16,076	15,875	997	920	5.8	5.5
Office and administrative support occupations.....	17,797	18,253	1,082	932	5.7	4.9
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations.....	13,178	13,584	1,168	1,097	8.1	7.5
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations.....	935	1,036	152	127	14.0	10.9
Construction and extraction occupations.....	7,536	7,734	821	718	9.8	8.5
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations.....	4,707	4,814	195	253	4.0	5.0
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations.....	17,065	17,503	1,446	1,077	7.8	5.8
Production occupations.....	8,184	8,505	671	494	7.6	5.5
Transportation and material moving occupations.....	8,881	8,998	776	584	8.0	6.1

¹ Persons with no previous work experience and persons whose last job was in the U.S. Armed Forces are included in the unemployed total.

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Table A-14. Unemployed persons by industry and class of worker, not seasonally adjusted

Industry and class of worker	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)		Unemployment rates	
	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015
Total, 16 years and over ¹	9,079	7,966	5.9	5.1
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers.....	7,105	6,078	5.8	5.0
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction.....	39	83	3.8	8.7
Construction.....	796	652	9.4	7.5
Manufacturing.....	790	609	5.2	4.0
Durable goods.....	441	381	4.6	3.9
Nondurable goods.....	349	228	6.1	4.1
Wholesale and retail trade.....	1,225	1,148	5.9	5.6
Transportation and utilities.....	372	272	6.0	4.4
Information.....	175	84	5.7	3.2
Financial activities.....	470	251	5.0	2.7
Professional and business services.....	1,062	838	6.8	5.3
Education and health services.....	826	723	3.7	3.1
Leisure and hospitality.....	1,047	1,069	8.0	7.8
Other services.....	304	350	4.8	5.4
Agriculture and related private wage and salary workers.....	151	197	11.0	12.2
Government workers.....	581	521	2.7	2.4
Self-employed workers, unincorporated, and unpaid family workers.....	310	425	3.2	4.2

¹ Persons with no previous work experience and persons whose last job was in the U.S. Armed Forces are included in the unemployed total.

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Table A-15. Alternative measures of labor underutilization

[Percent]

Measure	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Apr. 2014	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Dec. 2014	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015
U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force.....	3.3	2.6	2.4	3.2	2.6	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.3
U-2 Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs, as a percent of the civilian labor force.....	3.2	2.9	2.5	3.3	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6
U-3 Total unemployed, as a percent of the civilian labor force (official unemployment rate).....	5.9	5.6	5.1	6.2	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.4
U-4 Total unemployed plus discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers.....	6.3	6.0	5.5	6.7	6.0	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.9
U-5 Total unemployed, plus discouraged workers, plus all other persons marginally attached to the labor force, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force.....	7.2	6.8	6.4	7.5	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.7
U-6 Total unemployed, plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force, plus total employed part time for economic reasons, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force.....	11.8	11.0	10.4	12.3	11.2	11.3	11.0	10.9	10.8

NOTE: Persons marginally attached to the labor force are those who currently are neither working nor looking for work but indicate that they want and are available for a job and have looked for work sometime in the past 12 months. Discouraged workers, a subset of the marginally attached, have given a job-market related reason for not currently looking for work. Persons employed part time for economic reasons are those who want and are available for full-time work but have had to settle for a part-time schedule. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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Table A-16. Persons not in the labor force and multiple jobholders by sex, not seasonally adjusted

[Numbers in thousands]

Category	Total		Men		Women	
	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	Apr. 2015
NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE						
Total not in the labor force.....	92,594	93,712	37,384	37,473	55,210	56,238
Persons who currently want a job.....	6,088	6,096	2,963	2,796	3,125	3,300
Marginally attached to the labor force ¹	2,160	2,115	1,192	1,096	969	1,019
Discouraged workers ²	783	756	488	450	295	306
Other persons marginally attached to the labor force ³ . . .	1,378	1,360	704	646	674	713
MULTIPLE JOBHOLDERS						
Total multiple jobholders ⁴	7,162	7,000	3,498	3,293	3,665	3,707
Percent of total employed.....	4.9	4.7	4.5	4.2	5.3	5.3
Primary job full time, secondary job part time.....	3,805	3,759	2,105	1,936	1,699	1,823
Primary and secondary jobs both part time.....	2,008	1,939	686	618	1,322	1,320
Primary and secondary jobs both full time.....	246	214	149	144	97	70
Hours vary on primary or secondary job.....	1,055	1,050	539	570	516	480

¹ Data refer to persons who want a job, have searched for work during the prior 12 months, and were available to take a job during the reference week, but had not looked for work in the past 4 weeks.

² Includes those who did not actively look for work in the prior 4 weeks for reasons such as thinks no work available, could not find work, lacks schooling or training, employer thinks too young or old, and other types of discrimination.

³ Includes those who did not actively look for work in the prior 4 weeks for such reasons as school or family responsibilities, ill health, and transportation problems, as well as a number for whom reason for nonparticipation was not determined.

⁴ Includes a small number of persons who work part time on their primary job and full time on their secondary job(s), not shown separately.

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Table B-1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry sector and selected industry detail

[In thousands]

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted				
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Change from: Mar.2015 - Apr.2015 ^p
Total nonfarm.....	138,377	139,519	140,284	141,462	138,385	141,059	141,144	141,367	223
Total private.....	116,107	117,317	117,996	119,126	116,542	119,153	119,247	119,460	213
Goods-producing.....	18,923	19,034	19,139	19,388	19,131	19,560	19,539	19,570	31
Mining and logging.....	877	878	866	851	886	892	880	865	-15
Logging.....	48.1	52.4	52.2	50.4	51.6	54.2	54.5	54.5	0.0
Mining.....	828.6	825.5	814.2	800.4	834.7	838.1	825.8	810.9	-14.9
Oil and gas extraction.....	193.6	196.8	196.7	192.1	194.6	197.6	197.7	194.4	-3.3
Mining, except oil and gas ¹	205.7	196.7	197.6	200.6	207.7	205.0	203.8	202.4	-1.4
Coal mining.....	74.0	70.7	70.6	70.3	73.9	71.2	70.9	70.8	-0.1
Support activities for mining.....	429.3	432.0	419.9	407.7	432.4	435.5	424.3	414.1	-10.2
Construction.....	5,966	5,926	6,014	6,265	6,103	6,347	6,338	6,383	45
Construction of buildings.....	1,314.5	1,342.8	1,358.8	1,374.6	1,347.2	1,408.2	1,410.0	1,405.0	-5.0
Residential building.....	635.9	651.7	659.9	675.3	652.4	687.8	690.8	693.6	2.8
Nonresidential building.....	678.6	691.1	698.9	699.3	694.8	720.4	719.2	711.4	-7.8
Heavy and civil engineering construction.....	885.3	834.1	854.7	926.3	911.6	939.8	936.3	944.7	8.4
Specialty trade contractors.....	3,766.6	3,749.2	3,800.2	3,963.9	3,844.5	3,999.0	3,992.0	4,033.0	41.0
Residential specialty trade contractors.....	1,612.7	1,621.0	1,638.3	1,723.9	1,646.2	1,742.3	1,737.5	1,758.3	20.8
Nonresidential specialty trade contractors.....	2,153.9	2,128.2	2,161.9	2,240.0	2,198.3	2,256.7	2,254.5	2,274.7	20.2
Manufacturing.....	12,080	12,230	12,259	12,272	12,142	12,321	12,321	12,322	1
Durable goods.....	7,616	7,756	7,775	7,781	7,640	7,800	7,801	7,800	-1
Wood products.....	367.3	373.1	373.3	378.2	369.9	378.8	379.0	379.0	0.0
Nonmetallic mineral products.....	377.7	382.0	389.1	398.5	381.3	397.6	398.5	397.4	-1.1
Primary metals.....	396.6	405.0	405.6	404.8	396.7	406.5	405.9	406.1	0.2
Fabricated metal products.....	1,445.1	1,466.6	1,468.5	1,469.7	1,449.2	1,475.7	1,475.2	1,476.2	1.0
Machinery.....	1,120.4	1,140.0	1,139.1	1,132.8	1,121.2	1,141.1	1,138.3	1,133.1	-5.2
Computer and electronic products ¹	1,043.7	1,054.6	1,055.4	1,052.9	1,048.1	1,058.3	1,057.3	1,056.3	-1.0
Computer and peripheral equipment.....	158.7	167.9	168.2	168.2	159.9	168.7	169.4	169.6	0.2
Communications equipment.....	94.6	90.3	90.1	89.6	94.9	90.6	90.1	89.8	-0.3
Semiconductors and electronic components.....	366.0	369.8	369.7	368.8	367.2	370.4	370.1	370.1	0.0
Electronic instruments.....	387.1	389.8	390.3	389.0	388.4	391.2	390.1	389.2	-0.9
Electrical equipment and appliances.....	374.7	372.6	371.5	370.8	376.0	372.8	372.5	372.2	-0.3
Transportation equipment ¹	1,543.9	1,598.9	1,602.2	1,598.2	1,547.1	1,598.1	1,598.6	1,602.2	3.6
Motor vehicles and parts ²	859.0	910.1	913.5	911.3	861.0	909.7	909.0	915.0	6.0
Furniture and related products.....	366.4	380.3	384.0	385.9	367.7	385.4	386.6	388.0	1.4
Miscellaneous durable goods manufacturing.....	580.0	583.0	585.9	588.8	582.5	586.1	588.6	589.4	0.8
Nondurable goods.....	4,464	4,474	4,484	4,491	4,502	4,521	4,520	4,522	2
Food manufacturing.....	1,459.6	1,467.3	1,470.2	1,468.2	1,485.5	1,492.8	1,492.8	1,490.4	-2.4
Textile mills.....	117.6	118.5	118.6	118.7	117.6	119.0	118.7	118.7	0.0
Textile product mills.....	113.0	113.1	113.3	113.6	113.8	114.6	114.2	114.7	0.5
Apparel.....	141.6	138.1	137.7	135.1	141.6	137.3	137.0	135.6	-1.4
Paper and paper products.....	372.1	364.7	365.5	366.7	373.9	366.7	367.1	367.3	0.2
Printing and related support activities.....	453.9	445.6	446.6	446.8	454.6	448.0	447.8	447.8	0.0
Petroleum and coal products.....	108.7	102.5	102.3	107.0	109.8	106.0	104.7	107.8	3.1
Chemicals.....	797.0	808.8	809.8	809.1	798.9	810.6	810.4	810.9	0.5
Plastics and rubber products.....	670.4	682.3	685.4	687.1	671.7	685.5	686.0	685.6	-0.4
Miscellaneous nondurable goods manufacturing.....	230.0	232.7	234.5	238.4	234.8	240.6	241.6	243.3	1.7
Private service-providing.....	97,184	98,283	98,857	99,738	97,411	99,593	99,708	99,890	182
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	26,026	26,347	26,458	26,585	26,260	26,748	26,791	26,815	24
Wholesale trade.....	5,793.0	5,853.0	5,879.1	5,890.1	5,807.9	5,898.2	5,908.1	5,903.6	-4.5
Durable goods.....	2,892.0	2,928.8	2,936.3	2,939.8	2,901.2	2,944.4	2,946.5	2,948.9	2.4
Nondurable goods.....	2,008.9	2,017.7	2,031.1	2,039.0	2,012.8	2,040.8	2,046.6	2,041.5	-5.1
Electronic markets and agents and brokers.....	892.1	906.5	911.7	911.3	893.9	913.0	915.0	913.2	-1.8
Retail trade.....	15,132.5	15,259.7	15,328.5	15,429.7	15,307.5	15,555.8	15,580.3	15,592.4	12.1
Motor vehicle and parts dealers ³	1,846.2	1,884.4	1,897.4	1,909.7	1,847.0	1,907.6	1,909.9	1,910.3	0.4
Automobile dealers.....	1,169.8	1,205.3	1,210.5	1,215.2	1,171.4	1,214.0	1,216.4	1,217.6	1.2

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table B-1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry sector and selected industry detail
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[In thousands]

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted				
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^P	Apr. 2015 ^P	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^P	Apr. 2015 ^P	Change from: Mar.2015 - Apr.2015 ^P
Retail trade - Continued									
Furniture and home furnishings stores.	444.5	459.4	456.5	458.0	450.9	464.3	463.4	464.9	1.5
Electronics and appliance stores.	472.3	494.4	491.6	489.0	484.4	497.5	499.2	500.3	1.1
Building material and garden supply stores.	1,273.1	1,205.4	1,244.1	1,304.1	1,229.8	1,255.0	1,256.4	1,259.2	2.8
Food and beverage stores.	2,962.2	2,995.6	2,990.7	3,000.5	2,990.5	3,026.7	3,026.6	3,030.2	3.6
Health and personal care stores.	1,008.0	1,024.8	1,022.5	1,023.3	1,015.6	1,028.8	1,030.1	1,030.1	0.0
Gasoline stations.	869.4	879.7	884.8	893.4	877.6	896.4	898.4	900.9	2.5
Clothing and clothing accessories stores.	1,333.6	1,325.4	1,325.8	1,324.0	1,382.7	1,376.3	1,377.0	1,373.7	-3.3
Sporting goods, hobby, book, and music stores.	592.0	593.7	591.1	590.2	612.7	612.1	612.0	610.9	-1.1
General merchandise stores ¹	3,045.2	3,076.6	3,108.5	3,109.8	3,100.8	3,146.1	3,155.9	3,157.6	1.7
Department stores.	1,310.2	1,307.5	1,304.4	1,297.2	1,350.6	1,339.0	1,339.6	1,333.2	-6.4
Miscellaneous store retailers.	800.3	804.5	797.7	809.7	815.6	820.1	822.2	823.0	0.8
Nonstore retailers.	485.7	515.8	517.8	518.0	499.9	524.9	529.2	531.3	2.1
Transportation and warehousing.	4,550.9	4,678.3	4,692.1	4,706.3	4,593.9	4,734.8	4,742.9	4,758.1	15.2
Air transportation.	439.1	441.3	442.3	445.4	439.5	444.6	443.6	445.3	1.7
Rail transportation.	232.2	243.3	244.4	245.6	231.7	244.5	244.9	245.6	0.7
Water transportation.	66.3	64.7	64.7	65.3	67.1	66.4	66.6	66.5	-0.1
Truck transportation.	1,392.2	1,413.4	1,413.2	1,423.0	1,408.3	1,445.0	1,438.3	1,440.2	1.9
Transit and ground passenger transportation.	475.0	481.6	483.9	484.2	461.2	469.1	471.3	470.9	-0.4
Pipeline transportation.	46.8	47.9	48.2	48.8	47.1	47.9	48.3	48.5	0.2
Scenic and sightseeing transportation.	27.0	24.4	24.9	28.1	30.0	31.0	30.6	30.8	0.2
Support activities for transportation.	619.7	630.7	639.7	646.6	620.8	634.8	643.4	648.2	4.8
Couriers and messengers.	529.7	582.5	579.9	569.0	555.8	594.9	598.3	601.8	3.5
Warehousing and storage.	722.9	748.5	750.9	750.3	732.4	756.6	757.6	760.3	2.7
Utilities.	549.2	555.9	558.3	559.0	550.5	558.9	559.9	561.2	1.3
Information.	2,720	2,769	2,776	2,780	2,728	2,780	2,780	2,783	3
Publishing industries, except Internet.	723.7	717.1	716.9	716.5	726.0	720.3	719.3	718.7	-0.6
Motion picture and sound recording industries.	378.5	381.5	383.2	390.7	380.2	385.6	382.3	385.5	3.2
Broadcasting, except Internet.	282.8	287.2	289.0	289.7	283.1	288.6	289.7	290.5	0.8
Telecommunications.	847.4	862.1	863.2	856.3	849.7	861.6	863.2	861.5	-1.7
Data processing, hosting and related services.	276.5	290.6	292.2	294.6	276.1	291.5	292.6	292.7	0.1
Other information services.	210.6	230.9	231.4	232.0	212.6	231.9	232.9	233.6	0.7
Financial activities.	7,908	8,025	8,041	8,057	7,942	8,077	8,084	8,093	9
Finance and insurance.	5,888.2	5,991.0	5,998.2	5,999.6	5,906.5	6,002.4	6,009.0	6,018.5	9.5
Monetary authorities - central bank.	18.3	18.4	18.4	18.2	18.4	18.6	18.6	18.5	-0.1
Credit intermediation and related activities ¹	2,555.6	2,563.2	2,563.8	2,559.8	2,563.6	2,568.3	2,569.9	2,570.6	0.7
Depository credit intermediation ¹	1,707.7	1,697.0	1,695.6	1,692.9	1,710.7	1,698.8	1,698.0	1,696.3	-1.7
Commercial banking.	1,296.0	1,281.8	1,279.6	1,275.7	1,297.8	1,281.7	1,280.2	1,277.8	-2.4
Securities, commodity contracts, investments, and funds and trusts.	874.4	892.6	890.7	894.3	876.4	894.3	892.6	896.4	3.8
Insurance carriers and related activities.	2,439.9	2,516.8	2,525.3	2,527.3	2,448.1	2,521.2	2,527.9	2,533.0	5.1
Real estate and rental and leasing.	2,019.7	2,033.5	2,043.0	2,057.0	2,035.2	2,074.2	2,075.2	2,074.0	-1.2
Real estate.	1,472.3	1,481.7	1,488.4	1,499.9	1,481.0	1,505.5	1,508.1	1,509.7	1.6
Rental and leasing services.	523.9	528.9	531.6	534.0	530.5	545.4	543.9	541.1	-2.8
Lessors of nonfinancial intangible assets.	23.5	22.9	23.0	23.1	23.7	23.3	23.2	23.2	0.0
Professional and business services.	18,917	19,236	19,342	19,604	18,951	19,508	19,543	19,605	62
Professional and technical services ¹	8,351.5	8,603.7	8,620.5	8,661.9	8,283.9	8,539.2	8,562.7	8,583.4	20.7
Legal services.	1,116.0	1,114.7	1,116.0	1,117.7	1,120.1	1,121.2	1,119.8	1,122.1	2.3
Accounting and bookkeeping services.	1,046.2	1,119.3	1,116.7	1,097.7	947.8	991.1	999.0	997.5	-1.5
Architectural and engineering services.	1,356.8	1,388.9	1,396.0	1,411.6	1,367.8	1,410.5	1,415.6	1,419.3	3.7
Computer systems design and related services.	1,761.0	1,825.9	1,821.7	1,844.7	1,764.7	1,829.9	1,834.2	1,843.3	9.1
Management and technical consulting services.	1,218.2	1,280.7	1,284.1	1,294.6	1,224.2	1,292.0	1,296.2	1,302.2	6.0
Management of companies and enterprises. ...	2,158.1	2,182.3	2,191.9	2,189.8	2,167.0	2,193.8	2,198.8	2,198.4	-0.4

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Table B-1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry sector and selected industry detail

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[In thousands]

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted				Change from: Mar.2015 - Apr.2015 ^p
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	
Professional and business services - Continued									
Administrative and waste services.....	8,407.6	8,450.4	8,529.4	8,752.7	8,499.9	8,775.2	8,781.9	8,823.2	41.3
Administrative and support services ¹	8,027.8	8,066.9	8,145.8	8,363.5	8,115.9	8,383.2	8,389.9	8,429.3	39.4
Employment services ¹	3,301.9	3,379.9	3,425.7	3,491.4	3,371.5	3,519.6	3,534.4	3,546.6	12.2
Temporary help services.....	2,667.7	2,729.2	2,768.8	2,827.1	2,729.4	2,851.1	2,864.3	2,880.4	16.1
Business support services.....	869.5	912.6	908.4	913.9	877.9	910.6	912.1	919.3	7.2
Services to buildings and dwellings.....	1,924.0	1,801.7	1,831.2	1,970.1	1,928.0	1,962.2	1,954.3	1,970.0	15.7
Waste management and remediation services.....	379.8	383.5	383.6	389.2	384.0	392.0	392.0	393.9	1.9
Education and health services.....	21,524	21,917	22,005	22,103	21,353	21,821	21,856	21,917	61
Educational services.....	3,574.7	3,593.4	3,618.3	3,640.1	3,406.5	3,454.3	3,459.6	3,464.8	5.2
Health care and social assistance.....	17,948.8	18,323.3	18,387.0	18,462.7	17,946.6	18,366.2	18,396.8	18,452.4	55.6
Health care ³	14,587.2	14,887.6	14,927.5	14,986.5	14,611.0	14,934.2	14,955.8	15,001.0	45.2
Ambulatory health care services ¹	6,577.1	6,784.3	6,809.8	6,849.1	6,586.1	6,807.6	6,826.4	6,851.7	25.3
Offices of physicians.....	2,451.6	2,518.3	2,525.0	2,536.1	2,458.2	2,523.7	2,529.0	2,538.3	9.3
Outpatient care centers.....	703.8	728.7	732.2	736.4	703.9	729.6	732.6	736.0	3.4
Home health care services.....	1,245.9	1,286.7	1,294.6	1,303.7	1,246.8	1,295.4	1,300.2	1,302.9	2.7
Hospitals.....	4,761.4	4,831.3	4,844.6	4,854.6	4,772.2	4,839.2	4,846.8	4,858.6	11.8
Nursing and residential care facilities ¹ ...	3,248.7	3,272.0	3,273.1	3,282.8	3,252.7	3,287.4	3,282.6	3,290.7	8.1
Nursing care facilities.....	1,649.1	1,646.7	1,644.7	1,648.5	1,651.0	1,655.3	1,649.3	1,652.3	3.0
Social assistance ¹	3,361.6	3,435.7	3,459.5	3,476.2	3,335.6	3,432.0	3,441.0	3,451.4	10.4
Child day care services.....	869.8	876.0	886.0	890.3	847.9	863.1	865.5	867.5	2.0
Leisure and hospitality.....	14,527	14,415	14,636	14,980	14,610	15,033	15,027	15,044	17
Arts, entertainment, and recreation.....	2,036.6	1,917.4	1,983.0	2,087.8	2,088.2	2,128.8	2,133.3	2,131.1	-2.2
Performing arts and spectator sports.....	456.5	419.3	442.8	471.2	442.5	454.6	460.1	459.0	-1.1
Museums, historical sites, and similar institutions.....	143.3	133.2	137.3	143.8	145.2	144.4	144.6	145.0	0.4
Amusements, gambling, and recreation....	1,436.8	1,364.9	1,402.9	1,472.8	1,500.5	1,529.8	1,528.6	1,527.1	-1.5
Accommodation and food services.....	12,490.7	12,497.2	12,652.9	12,892.6	12,521.5	12,903.7	12,893.7	12,912.6	18.9
Accommodation.....	1,841.9	1,816.6	1,835.2	1,849.2	1,887.5	1,901.0	1,898.4	1,891.3	-7.1
Food services and drinking places.....	10,648.8	10,680.6	10,817.7	11,043.4	10,634.0	11,002.7	10,995.3	11,021.3	26.0
Other services.....	5,562	5,574	5,599	5,629	5,567	5,626	5,627	5,633	6
Repair and maintenance.....	1,244.4	1,255.6	1,264.0	1,270.6	1,240.6	1,265.8	1,265.5	1,265.3	-0.2
Personal and laundry services.....	1,365.8	1,361.5	1,372.9	1,388.6	1,363.7	1,379.0	1,381.8	1,386.1	4.3
Membership associations and organizations...	2,951.3	2,956.4	2,962.5	2,969.9	2,962.9	2,980.9	2,980.1	2,981.3	1.2
Government.....	22,270	22,202	22,288	22,336	21,843	21,906	21,897	21,907	10
Federal.....	2,728.0	2,715.0	2,719.0	2,742.0	2,726.0	2,731.0	2,730.0	2,732.0	2.0
Federal, except U.S. Postal Service.....	2,128.2	2,122.0	2,125.9	2,135.2	2,134.0	2,136.0	2,135.3	2,136.0	0.7
U.S. Postal Service.....	599.7	593.2	592.8	606.4	591.6	595.4	595.0	596.0	1.0
State government.....	5,224.0	5,216.0	5,239.0	5,247.0	5,060.0	5,086.0	5,082.0	5,083.0	1.0
State government education.....	2,573.6	2,582.3	2,600.3	2,607.3	2,408.7	2,441.6	2,438.2	2,441.5	3.3
State government, excluding education.....	2,649.9	2,633.9	2,638.3	2,639.3	2,651.1	2,644.6	2,644.2	2,641.4	-2.8
Local government.....	14,318.0	14,271.0	14,330.0	14,347.0	14,057.0	14,089.0	14,085.0	14,092.0	7.0
Local government education.....	8,125.8	8,101.5	8,133.6	8,122.1	7,781.9	7,791.4	7,782.6	7,786.0	3.4
Local government, excluding education.....	6,191.8	6,169.9	6,196.3	6,225.3	6,274.9	6,297.3	6,302.1	6,305.9	3.8

¹ Includes other industries, not shown separately.

² Includes motor vehicles, motor vehicle bodies and trailers, and motor vehicle parts.

³ Includes ambulatory health care services, hospitals, and nursing and residential care facilities.

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NOTE: Data have been revised to reflect March 2014 benchmark levels and updated seasonal adjustment factors.

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Table B-2. Average weekly hours and overtime of all employees on private nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted

Industry	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p
AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS				
Total private.....	34.5	34.6	34.5	34.5
Goods-producing.....	40.5	40.6	40.4	40.3
Mining and logging.....	44.6	44.6	44.5	44.3
Construction.....	39.1	39.5	39.0	38.9
Manufacturing.....	40.9	41.0	40.9	40.8
Durable goods.....	41.4	41.3	41.3	41.1
Nondurable goods.....	40.0	40.3	40.2	40.2
Private service-providing.....	33.3	33.4	33.4	33.3
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	34.5	34.6	34.5	34.5
Wholesale trade.....	38.8	38.9	38.8	38.7
Retail trade.....	31.4	31.4	31.3	31.3
Transportation and warehousing.....	38.7	39.0	38.8	38.9
Utilities.....	42.3	42.5	43.0	42.6
Information.....	36.8	36.5	36.4	36.4
Financial activities.....	37.1	37.5	37.5	37.6
Professional and business services.....	36.2	36.2	36.2	36.0
Education and health services.....	32.7	32.8	32.8	32.8
Leisure and hospitality.....	26.2	26.4	26.2	26.2
Other services.....	31.8	31.8	31.7	31.7
AVERAGE OVERTIME HOURS				
Manufacturing.....	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.2
Durable goods.....	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.2
Nondurable goods.....	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3

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NOTE: Data have been revised to reflect March 2014 benchmark levels and updated seasonal adjustment factors.

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Table B-3. Average hourly and weekly earnings of all employees on private nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted

Industry	Average hourly earnings				Average weekly earnings			
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p
Total private.....	\$24.34	\$24.78	\$24.84	\$24.87	\$839.73	\$857.39	\$856.98	\$858.02
Goods-producing.....	25.57	25.92	26.05	26.08	1,035.59	1,052.35	1,052.42	1,051.02
Mining and logging.....	30.65	30.84	30.98	30.90	1,366.99	1,375.46	1,378.61	1,368.87
Construction.....	26.57	26.95	27.23	27.28	1,038.89	1,064.53	1,061.97	1,061.19
Manufacturing.....	24.68	25.02	25.09	25.12	1,009.41	1,025.82	1,026.18	1,024.90
Durable goods.....	26.05	26.36	26.40	26.43	1,078.47	1,088.67	1,090.32	1,086.27
Nondurable goods.....	22.29	22.64	22.76	22.81	891.60	912.39	914.95	916.96
Private service-providing.....	24.05	24.51	24.56	24.58	800.87	818.63	820.30	818.51
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	21.35	21.67	21.66	21.67	736.58	749.78	747.27	747.62
Wholesale trade.....	28.07	28.36	28.41	28.46	1,089.12	1,103.20	1,102.31	1,101.40
Retail trade.....	16.94	17.33	17.29	17.32	531.92	544.16	541.18	542.12
Transportation and warehousing.....	22.93	22.91	22.84	22.76	887.39	893.49	886.19	885.36
Utilities.....	35.29	36.65	36.94	36.97	1,492.77	1,557.63	1,588.42	1,574.92
Information.....	33.88	34.48	34.55	34.62	1,246.78	1,258.52	1,257.62	1,260.17
Financial activities.....	30.56	31.22	31.31	31.37	1,133.78	1,170.75	1,174.13	1,179.51
Professional and business services.....	29.11	29.74	29.83	29.89	1,053.78	1,076.59	1,079.85	1,076.04
Education and health services.....	24.60	25.03	25.07	25.07	804.42	820.98	822.30	822.30
Leisure and hospitality.....	13.77	14.25	14.23	14.31	360.77	376.20	372.83	374.92
Other services.....	21.84	22.27	22.25	22.21	694.51	708.19	705.33	704.06

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NOTE: Data have been revised to reflect March 2014 benchmark levels and updated seasonal adjustment factors.

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Table B-4. Indexes of aggregate weekly hours and payrolls for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted

[2007=100]

Industry	Index of aggregate weekly hours ¹					Index of aggregate weekly payrolls ²				
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Percent change from: Mar. 2015 - Apr. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Percent change from: Mar. 2015 - Apr. 2015 ^p
Total private.....	100.5	103.1	102.8	103.0	0.2	116.8	121.9	121.9	122.3	0.3
Goods-producing.....	88.3	90.5	89.9	89.9	0.0	102.0	106.0	105.9	105.9	0.0
Mining and logging.....	124.2	125.0	123.1	120.4	-2.2	152.8	154.8	153.1	149.4	-2.4
Construction.....	82.3	86.4	85.2	85.6	0.5	95.0	101.2	100.8	101.5	0.7
Manufacturing.....	89.3	90.9	90.7	90.4	-0.3	102.5	105.7	105.8	105.7	-0.1
Durable goods.....	89.1	90.7	90.7	90.3	-0.4	103.0	106.2	106.4	105.9	-0.5
Nondurable goods.....	89.9	90.9	90.7	90.7	0.0	101.6	104.5	104.7	105.0	0.3
Private service-providing.....	103.8	106.4	106.6	106.4	-0.2	121.0	126.5	126.9	126.9	0.0
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	98.5	100.7	100.5	100.6	0.1	113.2	117.4	117.2	117.4	0.2
Wholesale trade.....	98.3	100.1	100.0	99.7	-0.3	115.2	118.5	118.6	118.4	-0.2
Retail trade.....	97.6	99.2	99.1	99.1	0.0	109.3	113.7	113.2	113.5	0.3
Transportation and warehousing.....	101.8	105.7	105.3	105.9	0.6	118.4	122.9	122.1	122.4	0.2
Utilities.....	100.7	102.8	104.2	103.4	-0.8	117.5	124.4	127.1	126.3	-0.6
Information.....	91.7	92.7	92.4	92.5	0.1	110.6	113.8	113.7	114.0	0.3
Financial activities.....	96.5	99.2	99.3	99.7	0.4	115.0	120.8	121.3	121.9	0.5
Professional and business services.....	107.9	111.1	111.3	111.0	-0.3	127.2	133.8	134.5	134.4	-0.1
Education and health services.....	112.1	114.9	115.1	115.4	0.3	129.9	135.4	135.9	136.3	0.3
Leisure and hospitality.....	109.2	113.2	112.3	112.5	0.2	121.3	130.2	129.0	129.8	0.6
Other services.....	98.1	99.1	98.8	98.9	0.1	121.6	125.3	124.8	124.7	-0.1

¹ The indexes of aggregate weekly hours are calculated by dividing the current month's estimates of aggregate hours by the corresponding 2007 annual average aggregate hours. Aggregate hours estimates are the product of estimates of average weekly hours and employment.

² The indexes of aggregate weekly payrolls are calculated by dividing the current month's estimates of aggregate weekly payrolls by the corresponding 2007 annual average aggregate weekly payrolls. Aggregate payrolls estimates are the product of estimates of average hourly earnings, average weekly hours, and employment.

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NOTE: Data have been revised to reflect March 2014 benchmark levels and updated seasonal adjustment factors.

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Table B-5. Employment of women on nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted

Industry	Women employees (in thousands)				Percent of all employees			
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p
Total nonfarm.....	68,344	69,549	69,627	69,695	49.4	49.3	49.3	49.3
Total private.....	55,869	57,018	57,105	57,169	47.9	47.9	47.9	47.9
Goods-producing.....	4,185	4,269	4,271	4,275	21.9	21.8	21.9	21.8
Mining and logging.....	117	122	121	119	13.2	13.7	13.8	13.8
Construction.....	770	799	798	805	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6
Manufacturing.....	3,298	3,348	3,352	3,351	27.2	27.2	27.2	27.2
Durable goods.....	1,758	1,805	1,808	1,809	23.0	23.1	23.2	23.2
Nondurable goods.....	1,540	1,543	1,544	1,542	34.2	34.1	34.2	34.1
Private service-providing.....	51,684	52,749	52,834	52,894	53.1	53.0	53.0	53.0
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	10,648	10,830	10,861	10,858	40.5	40.5	40.5	40.5
Wholesale trade.....	1,717.0	1,729.8	1,737.7	1,736.9	29.6	29.3	29.4	29.4
Retail trade.....	7,712.1	7,844.3	7,865.0	7,858.9	50.4	50.4	50.5	50.4
Transportation and warehousing.....	1,085.0	1,121.7	1,123.8	1,127.8	23.6	23.7	23.7	23.7
Utilities.....	133.9	133.7	134.4	134.5	24.3	23.9	24.0	24.0
Information.....	1,094	1,117	1,118	1,113	40.1	40.2	40.2	40.0
Financial activities.....	4,561	4,619	4,628	4,630	57.4	57.2	57.2	57.2
Professional and business services.....	8,467	8,672	8,695	8,709	44.7	44.5	44.5	44.4
Education and health services.....	16,408	16,780	16,813	16,858	76.8	76.9	76.9	76.9
Leisure and hospitality.....	7,595	7,791	7,777	7,784	52.0	51.8	51.8	51.7
Other services.....	2,911	2,940	2,942	2,942	52.3	52.3	52.3	52.2
Government.....	12,475	12,531	12,522	12,526	57.1	57.2	57.2	57.2

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NOTE: Data have been revised to reflect March 2014 benchmark levels and updated seasonal adjustment factors.

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Table B-6. Employment of production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted¹

[In thousands]

Industry	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p
Total private.....	96,322	98,262	98,334	98,446
Goods-producing.....	13,807	14,108	14,084	14,102
Mining and logging.....	653	654	645	633
Construction.....	4,620	4,780	4,766	4,809
Manufacturing.....	8,534	8,674	8,673	8,660
Durable goods.....	5,260	5,372	5,372	5,364
Nondurable goods.....	3,274	3,302	3,301	3,296
Private service-providing.....	82,515	84,154	84,250	84,344
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	22,199	22,539	22,578	22,568
Wholesale trade.....	4,699.4	4,756.4	4,753.7	4,748.7
Retail trade.....	13,079.9	13,237.7	13,273.4	13,263.2
Transportation and warehousing.....	3,974.7	4,094.7	4,100.9	4,105.2
Utilities.....	445.0	449.9	450.2	451.0
Information.....	2,212	2,253	2,253	2,255
Financial activities.....	6,129	6,232	6,240	6,244
Professional and business services.....	15,687	16,074	16,082	16,123
Education and health services.....	18,751	19,151	19,178	19,226
Leisure and hospitality.....	12,897	13,225	13,235	13,244
Other services.....	4,640	4,680	4,684	4,684

¹ Data relate to production employees in mining and logging and manufacturing, construction employees in construction, and nonsupervisory employees in the service-providing industries. These groups account for approximately four-fifths of the total employment on private nonfarm payrolls.

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NOTE: Data have been revised to reflect March 2014 benchmark levels and updated seasonal adjustment factors.

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Table B-7. Average weekly hours and overtime of production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted¹

Industry	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p
AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS				
Total private.....	33.7	33.8	33.7	33.7
Goods-producing.....	41.4	41.5	41.2	41.2
Mining and logging.....	47.1	46.6	46.4	46.2
Construction.....	39.8	39.9	39.4	39.5
Manufacturing.....	41.9	41.9	41.8	41.8
Durable goods.....	42.4	42.2	42.1	42.0
Nondurable goods.....	41.1	41.5	41.4	41.5
Private service-providing.....	32.4	32.5	32.4	32.4
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	33.6	33.8	33.6	33.6
Wholesale trade.....	38.6	38.6	38.6	38.5
Retail trade.....	30.1	30.2	30.0	30.0
Transportation and warehousing.....	38.4	38.7	38.7	38.8
Utilities.....	42.3	42.5	42.9	42.2
Information.....	35.9	36.0	35.9	36.0
Financial activities.....	36.6	36.9	37.0	37.0
Professional and business services.....	35.5	35.5	35.4	35.2
Education and health services.....	32.0	32.0	32.0	32.2
Leisure and hospitality.....	25.2	25.2	25.0	25.0
Other services.....	30.7	30.8	30.7	30.6
AVERAGE OVERTIME HOURS				
Manufacturing.....	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.3
Durable goods.....	4.6	4.3	4.3	4.2
Nondurable goods.....	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.4

¹ Data relate to production employees in mining and logging and manufacturing, construction employees in construction, and nonsupervisory employees in the service-providing industries. These groups account for approximately four-fifths of the total employment on private nonfarm payrolls.

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Table B-8. Average hourly and weekly earnings of production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted¹

Industry	Average hourly earnings				Average weekly earnings			
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p
Total private.....	\$20.52	\$20.82	\$20.88	\$20.90	\$691.52	\$703.72	\$703.66	\$704.33
Goods-producing.....	21.51	21.71	21.82	21.84	890.51	900.97	898.98	899.81
Mining and logging.....	26.53	26.46	26.43	26.26	1,249.56	1,233.04	1,226.35	1,213.21
Construction.....	24.61	24.78	25.08	25.10	979.48	988.72	988.15	991.45
Manufacturing.....	19.49	19.70	19.76	19.78	816.63	825.43	825.97	826.80
Durable goods.....	20.60	20.79	20.84	20.83	873.44	877.34	877.36	874.86
Nondurable goods.....	17.66	17.91	17.96	18.04	725.83	743.27	743.54	748.66
Private service-providing.....	20.31	20.63	20.67	20.69	658.04	670.48	669.71	670.36
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	18.23	18.50	18.56	18.55	612.53	625.30	623.62	623.28
Wholesale trade.....	23.24	23.43	23.52	23.55	897.06	904.40	907.87	906.68
Retail trade.....	14.34	14.63	14.65	14.67	431.63	441.83	439.50	440.10
Transportation and warehousing.....	20.51	20.72	20.76	20.66	787.58	801.86	803.41	801.61
Utilities.....	32.81	33.53	33.98	34.01	1,387.86	1,425.03	1,457.74	1,435.22
Information.....	28.59	28.63	28.52	28.69	1,026.38	1,030.68	1,023.87	1,032.84
Financial activities.....	24.54	25.12	25.18	25.25	898.16	926.93	931.66	934.25
Professional and business services.....	24.22	24.46	24.53	24.56	859.81	868.33	868.36	864.51
Education and health services.....	21.54	21.93	21.92	21.92	689.28	701.76	701.44	705.82
Leisure and hospitality.....	11.97	12.34	12.34	12.38	301.64	310.97	308.50	309.50
Other services.....	18.42	18.77	18.78	18.76	565.49	578.12	576.55	574.06

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Table B-9. Indexes of aggregate weekly hours and payrolls for production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls by industry sector, seasonally adjusted¹

[2002=100]

Industry	Index of aggregate weekly hours ²					Index of aggregate weekly payrolls ³				
	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Percent change from: Mar. 2015 - Apr. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015 ^p	Apr. 2015 ^p	Percent change from: Mar. 2015 - Apr. 2015 ^p
Total private.....	108.2	110.7	110.4	110.6	0.2	148.3	154.0	154.1	154.4	0.2
Goods-producing.....	87.3	89.5	88.7	88.8	0.1	115.1	118.9	118.5	118.7	0.2
Mining and logging.....	163.4	162.0	159.0	155.4	-2.3	252.2	249.2	244.5	237.3	-2.9
Construction.....	92.1	95.5	94.0	95.1	1.2	122.3	127.8	127.3	128.9	1.3
Manufacturing.....	82.1	83.4	83.2	83.1	-0.1	104.6	107.5	107.5	107.5	0.0
Durable goods.....	83.8	85.2	85.0	84.7	-0.4	107.8	110.6	110.6	110.1	-0.5
Nondurable goods.....	79.3	80.7	80.5	80.6	0.1	98.9	102.2	102.2	102.7	0.5
Private service-providing.....	113.9	116.5	116.3	116.4	0.1	158.6	164.8	164.8	165.2	0.2
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	104.0	106.2	105.8	105.7	-0.1	135.2	140.2	140.0	139.9	-0.1
Wholesale trade.....	106.8	108.1	108.1	107.7	-0.4	146.2	149.2	149.7	149.4	-0.2
Retail trade.....	99.7	101.2	100.8	100.7	-0.1	122.5	126.9	126.6	126.6	0.0
Transportation and warehousing.....	114.9	119.3	119.5	119.9	0.3	149.5	156.8	157.3	157.1	-0.1
Utilities.....	96.3	97.8	98.8	97.3	-1.5	131.8	136.9	140.1	138.2	-1.4
Information.....	90.6	92.6	92.3	92.7	0.4	128.3	131.2	130.3	131.6	1.0
Financial activities.....	105.6	108.3	108.7	108.8	0.1	159.4	167.3	168.4	169.0	0.4
Professional and business services.....	124.8	127.9	127.6	127.2	-0.3	179.9	186.1	186.2	185.9	-0.2
Education and health services.....	128.1	130.8	131.0	132.1	0.8	182.0	189.2	189.4	191.1	0.9
Leisure and hospitality.....	119.0	122.1	121.2	121.3	0.1	161.8	171.1	169.8	170.5	0.4
Other services.....	99.9	101.1	100.8	100.5	-0.3	134.1	138.3	138.0	137.4	-0.4

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² The indexes of aggregate weekly hours are calculated by dividing the current month's estimates of aggregate hours by the corresponding 2002 annual average aggregate hours. Aggregate hours estimates are the product of estimates of average weekly hours and employment.

³ The indexes of aggregate weekly payrolls are calculated by dividing the current month's estimates of aggregate weekly payrolls by the corresponding 2002 annual average aggregate weekly payrolls. Aggregate payrolls estimates are the product of estimates of average hourly earnings, average weekly hours, and employment.

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