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STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT — OCTOBER 2017

Unemployment rates were lower in October in 12 states, higher in 1 state, and stable in 37 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Twenty-three states had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, 2 states and the District had increases, and 25 states had little or no change. The national unemployment rate edged down to 4.1 percent in October and was 0.7 percentage point lower than a year earlier.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 9 states in October 2017, decreased in 3 states, and was essentially unchanged in 38 states and the District of Columbia. Over the year, 27 states added nonfarm payroll jobs and 23 states and the District were essentially unchanged.

Unemployment

Hawaii had the lowest unemployment rate in October, 2.2 percent, followed by North Dakota, 2.5 percent. The rates in Alabama (3.6 percent), Hawaii (2.2 percent), and Texas (3.9 percent) set new series lows. (All state series begin in 1976.) Alaska had the highest jobless rate, 7.2 percent. In total, 14 states and the District of Columbia had unemployment rates higher than the U.S. figure of 4.1 percent, 13 states had lower rates, and 23 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 1 and map 1.)

Data for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands

The Puerto Rico household survey was conducted for the October 2017 reference period. However, the response rate was below average, in part as a result of difficulties accessing some remote areas that were significantly affected by Hurricanes Irma and Maria. As more information becomes available, the October not-seasonally-adjusted estimates for Puerto Rico published in table 2 of this news release may be subject to special revision. Furthermore, BLS was not able to seasonally adjust the October estimates because the household survey was not conducted in September. BLS is researching how best to resume the seasonal adjustment process for Puerto Rico's household data.

Response rates for the October 2017 establishment survey were lower than average in Puerto Rico. In addition, a modification was made to the estimation process that accounts for business births and deaths. As of this release, a sufficient amount of establishment data was collected to produce final estimates for September.

The U.S. Virgin Islands was not able to administer its establishment survey for either September or October 2017.

More information on the effects of the recent hurricanes on BLS data collection and reporting can be found at www.bls.gov/bls/hurricanes-harvey-irma-maria.htm.

In October, 12 states had unemployment rate decreases, the largest of which was in Minnesota (-0.4 percentage point). The only over-the-month rate increase occurred in North Dakota (+0.1 percentage point). The remaining 37 states and the District of Columbia had jobless rates that were not notably different from those of a month earlier, though some had changes that were at least as large numerically as the significant changes. (See table B.)

Twenty-three states had unemployment rate decreases from October 2016. The largest declines occurred in Alabama and Tennessee (-2.5 percentage points and -2.0 points, respectively). The only over-the-year rate increases were in the District of Columbia (+0.8 percentage point) and Alaska and South Dakota (+0.6 point each). (See table C.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment

Nine states had over-the-month increases in nonfarm payroll employment in October 2017. The largest increase in employment over the month occurred in Florida (+125,300), followed by Texas (+71,500) and California (+31,700). In percentage terms, the largest increase occurred in Florida (+1.5 percent), followed by Oregon and Texas (+0.6 percent each). Three states had over-the-month decreases in nonfarm payroll employment in October: Connecticut (-6,600, or -0.4 percent), Nebraska (-6,600, or -0.6 percent), and South Dakota (-2,400, or -0.5 percent). (See tables D and 3.)

Twenty-seven states had over-the-year increases in nonfarm payroll employment in October. The largest job gains occurred in Texas (+316,100), California (+256,800), and Florida (+197,500). The largest percentage gain occurred in Nevada (+2.8 percent), followed by Utah (+2.7 percent) and Texas (+2.6 percent). (See table E and map 2.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release for October is scheduled to be released on Thursday, November 30, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. (EST). The State Employment and Unemployment news release for November is scheduled to be released on Friday, December 22, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. (EST).

Conversion to the 2017 North American Industry Classification System

With the release of January 2018 data on March 12, 2018, the Current Employment Statistics (CES) survey will revise the basis for industry classification from the 2012 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) to the 2017 NAICS for all states and metropolitan areas. The conversion to NAICS 2017 will result in minor revisions reflecting content and coding changes within the retail trade and information sectors. Several industry titles and descriptions also will be updated. Details of new, discontinued, and collapsed industries as a result of the NAICS 2017 update, as well as changes due to the annual benchmarking process, will be available on March 12, 2018.

For more information on NAICS 2017, see www.census.gov/eos/www/naics/.

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., October 2017, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate ^p
United States ¹	4.1
Alaska	7.2
California	4.9
Colorado	2.7
Delaware	4.8
District of Columbia	6.6
Hawaii	2.2
Idaho	2.9
Illinois	4.9
Iowa	3.0
Kentucky	5.0
Louisiana	4.8
Minnesota	3.3
Mississippi	4.9
Nebraska	2.7
Nevada	5.0
New Hampshire	2.7
New Jersey	4.9
New Mexico	6.1
New York	4.8
North Dakota	2.5
Ohio	5.1
Pennsylvania	4.7
South Dakota	3.5
Tennessee	3.0
Utah	3.3
Vermont	2.9
West Virginia	5.1
Wisconsin	3.4

¹ Data are not preliminary.

^p = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from September 2017 to October 2017, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-month change ^p
	September 2017	October 2017 ^p	
Alabama	3.8	3.6	-0.2
Arizona	4.7	4.5	-.2
California	5.1	4.9	-.2
Florida	3.8	3.6	-.2
Hawaii	2.5	2.2	-.3
Iowa	3.2	3.0	-.2
Kansas	3.8	3.6	-.2
Minnesota	3.7	3.3	-.4
Missouri	3.8	3.5	-.3
North Dakota	2.4	2.5	.1
Pennsylvania	4.8	4.7	-.1
Texas	4.0	3.9	-.1
Utah	3.4	3.3	-.1

^p = preliminary.

Table C. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from October 2016 to October 2017, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-year change ^p
	October 2016	October 2017 ^p	
Alabama	6.1	3.6	-2.5
Alaska	6.6	7.2	.6
California	5.3	4.9	-.4
District of Columbia	5.8	6.6	.8
Florida	4.9	3.6	-1.3
Georgia	5.4	4.3	-1.1
Hawaii	2.9	2.2	-.7
Idaho	3.7	2.9	-.8
Illinois	5.8	4.9	-.9
Iowa	3.6	3.0	-.6
Kansas	4.3	3.6	-.7
Louisiana	6.1	4.8	-1.3
Minnesota	4.0	3.3	-.7
Missouri	4.6	3.5	-1.1
Nebraska	3.3	2.7	-.6
New Mexico	6.8	6.1	-.7
North Carolina	5.1	4.1	-1.0
North Dakota	3.0	2.5	-.5
Pennsylvania	5.5	4.7	-.8
Rhode Island	5.1	4.2	-.9
South Dakota	2.9	3.5	.6
Tennessee	5.0	3.0	-2.0
Texas	4.8	3.9	-.9
Washington	5.3	4.5	-.8
Wisconsin	4.2	3.4	-.8
Wyoming	5.0	4.2	-.8

^p = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from September 2017 to October 2017, seasonally adjusted

State	September 2017	October 2017 ^p	Over-the-month change ^p	
			Level	Percent
California	16,828,600	16,860,300	31,700	0.2
Connecticut	1,687,200	1,680,600	-6,600	-.4
Florida	8,529,800	8,655,100	125,300	1.5
Georgia	4,494,300	4,510,100	15,800	.4
Idaho	715,800	719,400	3,600	.5
Nebraska	1,034,000	1,027,400	-6,600	-.6
North Carolina	4,427,900	4,439,300	11,400	.3
Oregon	1,879,500	1,891,100	11,600	.6
South Carolina	2,092,400	2,102,500	10,100	.5
South Dakota	437,300	434,900	-2,400	-.5
Texas	12,323,400	12,394,900	71,500	.6
Wisconsin	2,962,000	2,972,500	10,500	.4

^p = preliminary.

Table E. States with statistically significant employment changes from October 2016 to October 2017, seasonally adjusted

State	October 2016	October 2017 ^p	Over-the-year change ^p	
			Level	Percent
Alabama	1,983,000	2,012,200	29,200	1.5
Arizona	2,731,000	2,762,500	31,500	1.2
Arkansas	1,234,700	1,258,200	23,500	1.9
California	16,603,500	16,860,300	256,800	1.5
Colorado	2,621,200	2,659,000	37,800	1.4
Florida	8,457,600	8,655,100	197,500	2.3
Georgia	4,422,300	4,510,100	87,800	2.0
Idaho	702,700	719,400	16,700	2.4
Kentucky	1,920,800	1,949,400	28,600	1.5
Maryland	2,721,800	2,776,200	54,400	2.0
Massachusetts	3,574,500	3,643,500	69,000	1.9
Michigan	4,364,900	4,410,000	45,100	1.0
Minnesota	2,908,400	2,951,000	42,600	1.5
Missouri	2,860,300	2,891,000	30,700	1.1
Nevada	1,315,300	1,351,900	36,600	2.8
New Mexico	830,800	844,000	13,200	1.6
New York	9,420,800	9,523,400	102,600	1.1
North Carolina	4,364,100	4,439,300	75,200	1.7
Ohio	5,491,500	5,550,900	59,400	1.1
Oregon	1,844,800	1,891,100	46,300	2.5
Pennsylvania	5,908,000	5,973,800	65,800	1.1
South Carolina	2,060,000	2,102,500	42,500	2.1
Tennessee	2,988,600	3,023,400	34,800	1.2
Texas	12,078,800	12,394,900	316,100	2.6
Utah	1,442,700	1,481,700	39,000	2.7
Washington	3,274,900	3,343,400	68,500	2.1
Wisconsin	2,930,100	2,972,500	42,400	1.4

^p = preliminary.

Technical Note

This release presents civilian labor force and unemployment data for states and selected substate areas from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1 and 2). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and industry supersector from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 3 and 4). The LAUS and CES programs are both federal-state cooperative endeavors.

Civilian labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

Definitions. The civilian labor force and unemployment data are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The LAUS program measures employed persons and unemployed persons on a place-of-residence basis. The universe for each is the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and older. Employed persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the reference week (typically the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who had a job from which they were temporarily absent, whether or not paid, for such reasons as bad weather, labor-management dispute, illness, or vacation.

Unemployed persons are those who were not employed during the reference week (based on the definition above), had actively looked for a job sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week, and were currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed. The civilian labor force is the sum of employed and unemployed persons. The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed as a percent of the civilian labor force.

Method of estimation. Estimates for 48 states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, New York City, and the balances of California and New York state are produced using time-series models. This method, which underwent substantial enhancement at the beginning of 2015, utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) programs. Estimates for the state of California are derived by summing the estimates for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division and the balance of California. Similarly, estimates for New York state are derived by summing the estimates for New York City and the balance of New York state. Estimates for the five additional substate areas contained in this release (the Cleveland-Elyria and Detroit-Warren-Dearborn metropolitan areas and the Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights, Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett metropolitan divisions) and their respective balances of state are produced using a similar model-based approach.

Each month, estimates for the nine census divisions first are modeled using inputs from the CPS only and controlled to

the national totals. State estimates then are controlled to their respective census division totals. Substate and balance-of-state estimates for the five areas noted above also are controlled to their respective state totals. This tiered process of controlling model-based estimates to the U.S. totals is called real-time benchmarking. Estimates for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the CPS. A more detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

Annual revisions. Civilian labor force and unemployment data for prior years reflect adjustments made after the end of each year. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model re-estimation. In most years, historical data for the most recent five years are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, prior to the release of January estimates. With the introduction of a new generation of times-series models in early 2015, historical data were re-estimated back to the series beginnings in 1976, 1990, or 1994.

Seasonal adjustment. The LAUS models decompose the estimates of employed and unemployed persons into trend, seasonal, and irregular components. The trend component of each measure is then smoothed using a Trend-Cycle Cascade Filter, which combines the Henderson trend filter with a seasonal filter. This combined filter suppresses variability due to real-time benchmarking while simultaneously removing any residual seasonality that may be present in the series. The resulting smoothed-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate estimates are analyzed in this news release and published on the BLS website. During estimation for the current year, the smoothed-seasonally adjusted estimates for a given month are created using an asymmetric filter that incorporates information from previous observations only. For annual revisions, historical data are smoothed using a two-sided filter.

Area definitions. The substate area data published in this release reflect the delineations that were issued by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on July 15, 2015. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available online at www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2012 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

Method of estimation. CES State and Area employment data are produced using several estimation procedures. Where possible these data are produced using a "weighted link relative" estimation technique in which a ratio of current month

weighted employment to that of the previous-month weighted employment is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are then obtained by multiplying these ratios by the previous month's employment estimates. The weighted link relative technique is utilized for data series where the sample size meets certain statistical criteria.

For some employment series, the sample of establishments is very small or highly variable. In these cases, a model-based approach is used in estimation. These models use the direct sample estimates (described above), combined with forecasts of historical (benchmarked) data to decrease volatility in estimation. Two different models (Fay-Herriot Model and Small Domain Model) are used depending on the industry level being estimated. For more detailed information about each model, refer to the BLS Handbook of Methods.

Annual revisions. Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports that are submitted by employers who are covered under state unemployment insurance (UI) laws. The benchmark information is used to adjust the monthly estimates between the new benchmark and the preceding one and also to establish the level of employment for the new benchmark month. Thus, the benchmarking process establishes the level of employment, and the sample is used to measure the month-to-month changes in the level for the subsequent months. Information on recent benchmark revisions is available online at www.bls.gov/sae/benchmark2017.pdf.

Seasonal adjustment. Payroll employment data are seasonally adjusted at the statewide supersector level. In some states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is computed by aggregating the independently adjusted supersector series. In other states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is independently adjusted. Revisions to historical data for the most recent 5 years are made once a year, coincident with annual benchmark adjustments.

Caution on aggregating state data. State estimation procedures are designed to produce accurate data for each individual state. BLS independently develops a national employment series; state estimates are not forced to sum to national totals. Because each state series is subject to larger sampling and nonsampling errors than the national series, summing them cumulates individual state-level errors and can cause significant distortions at an aggregate level. Due to these

statistical limitations, BLS does not compile a "sum-of-states" employment series, and cautions users that such a series is subject to a relatively large and volatile error structure.

Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample surveys, administrative data, and modeling and, thus, are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data also are subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the specific estimation processes used.

Use of error measures. Changes in state unemployment rates and state nonfarm payroll employment are cited in the analysis of this release only if they have been determined to be statistically significant at the 90-percent confidence level. Furthermore, state unemployment rates for the current month generally are cited only if they have been determined to be significantly different from the U.S. rate at the 90-percent confidence level. The underlying model-based standard error measures for unemployment rates and over-the-month and over-the-year changes in rates are available at www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm. The underlying standard error measures for over-the-month and over-the-year changes in state payroll employment data at the total nonfarm and supersector levels are available at www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm. Measures of nonsampling error are not available.

Additional information

Estimates of civilian labor force and unemployment from the LAUS program, as well as nonfarm payroll employment from the CES program, for metropolitan areas and metropolitan divisions are available in the news release Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment. Estimates of civilian labor force, employed persons, unemployed persons, and unemployment rates for approximately 7,500 subnational areas are available online at www.bls.gov/lau/. Employment data from the CES program for states and metropolitan areas are available online at www.bls.gov/sae/. 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.

**LABOR FORCE DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected area, seasonally adjusted

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Number				Percent of labor force			
					Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	2,180,736	2,148,116	2,151,656	2,156,934	133,875	90,756	82,562	77,358	6.1	4.2	3.8	3.6
Alaska.....	359,784	365,088	364,072	363,331	23,796	26,146	26,235	26,163	6.6	7.2	7.2	7.2
Arizona.....	3,253,295	3,303,219	3,315,109	3,317,898	163,462	164,825	156,649	147,946	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.5
Arkansas.....	1,340,169	1,378,157	1,379,610	1,378,419	53,565	47,729	48,635	49,314	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.6
California.....	19,159,462	19,169,290	19,295,733	19,358,025	1,014,757	972,953	987,010	952,152	5.3	5.1	5.1	4.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	5,058,837	5,132,182	5,163,733	5,176,447	258,979	245,244	251,214	245,523	5.1	4.8	4.9	4.7
Colorado.....	2,905,146	2,991,860	3,010,114	3,020,646	91,049	72,589	76,526	81,366	3.1	2.4	2.5	2.7
Connecticut.....	1,888,778	1,923,215	1,913,982	1,906,087	86,887	92,184	87,100	85,647	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.5
Delaware.....	470,912	478,011	478,982	478,257	20,408	23,511	23,423	22,731	4.3	4.9	4.9	4.8
District of Columbia.....	392,862	402,330	402,005	400,847	22,942	25,712	26,231	26,553	5.8	6.4	6.5	6.6
Florida.....	9,900,774	10,095,925	10,115,461	10,117,011	487,137	408,109	385,319	368,524	4.9	4.0	3.8	3.6
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,354,062	1,392,300	1,395,347	1,390,829	73,922	63,730	62,659	62,411	5.5	4.6	4.5	4.5
Georgia.....	4,962,078	5,046,000	5,070,396	5,085,519	269,621	235,690	225,171	219,660	5.4	4.7	4.4	4.3
Hawaii.....	689,772	690,397	688,776	686,615	20,164	18,038	17,007	15,144	2.9	2.6	2.5	2.2
Idaho.....	819,510	819,892	823,696	828,546	30,485	23,417	23,018	23,622	3.7	2.9	2.8	2.9
Illinois.....	6,507,953	6,425,845	6,424,858	6,424,376	375,351	323,009	321,617	317,157	5.8	5.0	5.0	4.9
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights ¹	3,793,345	3,756,616	3,765,208	3,765,868	223,368	182,146	190,466	192,593	5.9	4.8	5.1	5.1
Indiana.....	3,318,151	3,336,497	3,341,796	3,330,102	138,972	116,707	126,375	128,726	4.2	3.5	3.8	3.9
Iowa.....	1,697,013	1,683,061	1,686,979	1,686,691	60,840	55,281	54,680	50,980	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.0
Kansas.....	1,480,104	1,483,721	1,487,227	1,487,690	63,818	57,217	56,781	53,861	4.3	3.9	3.8	3.6
Kentucky.....	2,005,474	2,060,365	2,061,849	2,061,944	98,662	112,443	107,148	102,836	4.9	5.5	5.2	5.0
Louisiana.....	2,105,475	2,082,352	2,083,328	2,086,965	127,783	107,474	105,736	100,275	6.1	5.2	5.1	4.8
Maine.....	695,060	705,160	705,266	704,153	27,153	26,770	26,101	24,975	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.5
Maryland.....	3,178,220	3,242,268	3,251,906	3,251,538	133,973	127,133	122,395	122,335	4.2	3.9	3.8	3.8
Massachusetts.....	3,585,359	3,680,507	3,669,467	3,656,098	115,209	154,238	142,538	134,795	3.2	4.2	3.9	3.7
Michigan.....	4,851,673	4,832,984	4,851,275	4,859,067	243,558	189,919	208,573	217,823	5.0	3.9	4.3	4.5
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn ²	2,079,728	2,076,652	2,087,118	2,089,990	115,053	67,418	75,905	82,137	5.5	3.2	3.6	3.9
Minnesota.....	3,002,158	3,054,016	3,069,062	3,073,826	120,714	116,241	112,150	102,919	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.3
Mississippi.....	1,282,625	1,282,978	1,277,975	1,272,070	72,627	68,318	66,040	62,534	5.7	5.3	5.2	4.9
Missouri.....	3,105,710	3,042,669	3,055,733	3,051,938	143,475	120,183	116,159	105,479	4.6	3.9	3.8	3.5
Montana.....	527,716	524,996	525,882	525,681	21,275	20,255	20,391	20,389	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.9
Nebraska.....	1,011,465	1,008,161	1,010,354	1,010,777	33,173	28,064	27,832	27,039	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.7
Nevada.....	1,432,366	1,445,620	1,451,447	1,457,092	75,872	70,610	71,764	72,465	5.3	4.9	4.9	5.0
New Hampshire.....	750,989	751,965	750,028	747,906	20,921	20,018	20,063	20,129	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7
New Jersey.....	4,511,792	4,515,791	4,524,302	4,520,764	218,554	201,813	212,993	220,874	4.8	4.5	4.7	4.9
New Mexico.....	928,137	929,297	930,322	931,506	62,861	58,221	57,652	57,127	6.8	6.3	6.2	6.1
New York.....	9,530,003	9,657,374	9,693,682	9,712,825	467,406	466,141	472,629	470,688	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.8
New York City.....	4,125,135	4,233,610	4,243,870	4,247,333	213,823	207,175	214,579	213,855	5.2	4.9	5.1	5.0
North Carolina.....	4,901,670	4,902,196	4,931,077	4,946,249	251,275	200,167	200,222	203,890	5.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
North Dakota.....	417,273	418,029	417,976	418,521	12,661	9,527	9,924	10,315	3.0	2.3	2.4	2.5
Ohio.....	5,694,926	5,751,074	5,757,728	5,762,217	284,596	310,559	305,213	295,949	5.0	5.4	5.3	5.1
Cleveland-Elyria ²	1,028,650	1,037,668	1,036,275	1,033,182	57,380	65,714	66,105	64,121	5.6	6.3	6.4	6.2
Oklahoma.....	1,823,784	1,819,372	1,827,368	1,835,540	90,000	81,521	81,726	80,403	4.9	4.5	4.4	4.4
Oregon.....	2,064,709	2,128,660	2,131,170	2,135,010	97,952	86,405	90,020	92,354	4.7	4.1	4.2	4.3
Pennsylvania.....	6,455,269	6,429,009	6,414,524	6,399,091	355,679	317,632	309,293	297,851	5.5	4.9	4.8	4.7
Rhode Island.....	551,668	556,266	555,203	554,495	28,378	23,745	23,242	23,258	5.1	4.3	4.2	4.2
South Carolina.....	2,297,919	2,318,954	2,324,112	2,325,691	101,772	93,069	91,342	91,091	4.4	4.0	3.9	3.9
South Dakota.....	454,044	458,172	458,775	459,073	13,143	15,322	15,758	15,986	2.9	3.3	3.4	3.5
Tennessee.....	3,163,163	3,152,638	3,183,060	3,208,324	158,721	103,024	95,648	95,177	5.0	3.3	3.0	3.0
Texas.....	13,330,692	13,373,330	13,408,314	13,427,736	633,349	556,969	541,098	517,417	4.8	4.2	4.0	3.9
Utah.....	1,523,918	1,573,527	1,575,177	1,575,758	49,127	54,578	53,852	51,570	3.2	3.5	3.4	3.3
Vermont.....	345,202	344,342	344,734	345,212	11,030	10,447	10,166	10,011	3.2	3.0	2.9	2.9
Virginia.....	4,258,723	4,320,613	4,340,173	4,339,212	174,951	162,184	159,586	157,695	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.6
Washington.....	3,669,886	3,725,363	3,754,537	3,768,587	193,456	170,081	171,901	170,959	5.3	4.6	4.6	4.5
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,634,286	1,641,342	1,650,213	1,654,733	62,345	60,180	62,189	62,730	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.8
West Virginia.....	783,163	778,922	780,337	779,641	46,095	39,224	39,837	39,866	5.9	5.0	5.1	5.1
Wisconsin.....	3,118,631	3,158,412	3,162,031	3,162,138	129,826	106,270	109,414	107,940	4.2	3.4	3.5	3.4
Wyoming.....	301,210	294,375	293,821	293,421	14,982	11,721	11,882	12,216	5.0	4.0	4.0	4.2
Puerto Rico.....	1,116,212	1,094,563	—	—	134,857	110,362	—	—	12.1	10.1	—	—

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LABOR FORCE DATA

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected area, not seasonally adjusted

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
	September		October		Number				Percent of labor force			
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	2,176,728	2,171,138	2,193,487	2,178,323	134,032	72,327	136,336	76,101	6.2	3.3	6.2	3.5
Alaska.....	360,761	363,078	357,474	359,815	21,892	23,919	22,232	24,116	6.1	6.6	6.2	6.7
Arizona.....	3,263,107	3,337,835	3,264,008	3,315,610	175,080	156,238	167,206	146,026	5.4	4.7	5.1	4.4
Arkansas.....	1,345,513	1,375,221	1,342,421	1,374,813	52,163	46,479	46,406	43,601	3.9	3.4	3.5	3.2
California.....	19,186,046	19,450,716	19,201,496	19,353,387	1,004,338	918,466	1,007,701	837,435	5.2	4.7	5.2	4.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	5,072,873	5,199,489	5,071,969	5,164,039	268,540	252,659	259,901	224,997	5.3	4.9	5.1	4.4
Colorado.....	2,911,124	3,023,493	2,915,022	3,021,697	84,799	68,704	82,055	79,763	2.9	2.3	2.8	2.6
Connecticut.....	1,883,920	1,896,424	1,885,732	1,899,380	86,819	76,205	79,435	81,970	4.6	4.0	4.2	4.3
Delaware.....	467,885	475,250	470,204	474,839	20,185	22,205	19,814	20,723	4.3	4.7	4.2	4.4
District of Columbia.....	390,933	399,623	394,704	401,102	24,088	27,986	23,389	27,497	6.2	7.0	5.9	6.9
Florida.....	9,946,538	10,190,863	9,932,052	10,094,694	508,834	373,013	490,603	360,126	5.1	3.7	4.9	3.6
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,345,375	1,390,750	1,357,687	1,385,367	76,973	65,231	74,553	63,285	5.7	4.7	5.5	4.6
Georgia.....	4,957,356	5,088,267	4,972,208	5,075,140	274,962	214,507	276,234	221,641	5.5	4.2	5.6	4.4
Hawaii.....	685,456	684,363	687,426	681,770	21,042	16,596	20,269	12,863	3.1	2.4	2.9	1.9
Idaho.....	817,802	827,472	819,947	832,290	27,770	20,654	26,793	21,829	3.4	2.5	3.3	2.6
Illinois.....	6,517,022	6,419,956	6,520,067	6,431,632	364,791	293,870	363,282	301,911	5.6	4.6	5.6	4.7
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights ¹	3,780,509	3,747,227	3,783,546	3,753,860	212,408	179,252	216,835	183,914	5.6	4.8	5.7	4.9
Indiana.....	3,325,272	3,338,417	3,328,690	3,305,053	134,378	119,137	130,358	112,589	4.0	3.6	3.9	3.4
Iowa.....	1,698,623	1,688,336	1,702,903	1,686,191	57,646	50,349	54,397	39,727	3.4	3.0	3.2	2.4
Kansas.....	1,478,192	1,486,519	1,483,972	1,490,265	60,371	50,985	59,924	45,235	4.1	3.4	4.0	3.0
Kentucky.....	2,000,277	2,064,324	1,997,151	2,050,783	96,448	89,043	91,044	87,272	4.8	4.3	4.6	4.3
Louisiana.....	2,118,949	2,090,122	2,118,476	2,098,942	134,882	110,115	124,482	89,835	6.4	5.3	5.9	4.3
Maine.....	695,467	705,304	697,727	704,739	23,693	21,341	23,884	21,150	3.4	3.0	3.4	3.0
Maryland.....	3,177,815	3,243,578	3,187,678	3,242,860	132,464	113,145	133,706	122,939	4.2	3.5	4.2	3.8
Massachusetts.....	3,568,057	3,645,166	3,576,746	3,624,329	119,229	128,032	101,927	119,461	3.3	3.5	2.8	3.3
Michigan.....	4,860,874	4,900,400	4,868,988	4,863,876	233,070	218,734	234,794	206,388	4.8	4.5	4.8	4.2
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn ²	2,095,472	2,116,422	2,088,594	2,097,185	118,095	93,633	118,523	89,105	5.6	4.4	5.7	4.2
Minnesota.....	3,001,492	3,071,418	3,003,265	3,058,874	108,951	89,217	103,221	72,447	3.6	2.9	3.4	2.4
Mississippi.....	1,282,108	1,276,800	1,287,090	1,269,054	72,753	59,839	73,056	56,152	5.7	4.7	5.7	4.4
Missouri.....	3,108,513	3,081,857	3,107,424	3,042,240	141,820	101,865	126,662	75,233	4.6	3.3	4.1	2.5
Montana.....	525,693	524,037	526,549	522,363	17,809	17,701	19,296	18,750	3.4	3.4	3.7	3.6
Nebraska.....	1,003,800	1,000,642	1,011,427	1,007,339	31,006	25,525	30,561	23,541	3.1	2.6	3.0	2.3
Nevada.....	1,432,348	1,457,856	1,432,972	1,461,238	77,259	72,336	73,890	70,685	5.4	5.0	5.2	4.8
New Hampshire.....	746,963	743,355	748,222	742,912	19,415	19,453	18,430	17,924	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4
New Jersey.....	4,500,021	4,502,188	4,505,268	4,489,080	220,483	216,281	205,724	211,561	4.9	4.8	4.6	4.7
New Mexico.....	925,371	928,397	929,347	933,259	62,481	56,362	61,112	54,760	6.8	6.1	6.6	5.9
New York.....	9,554,863	9,738,498	9,548,033	9,712,111	471,384	460,959	455,099	449,212	4.9	4.7	4.8	4.6
New York City.....	4,141,323	4,258,079	4,138,355	4,251,519	222,170	212,745	217,199	208,276	5.4	5.0	5.2	4.9
North Carolina.....	4,902,908	4,966,385	4,928,025	4,955,159	243,039	196,033	251,212	204,020	5.0	3.9	5.1	4.1
North Dakota.....	417,632	417,181	417,255	418,634	10,058	7,839	9,260	7,277	2.4	1.9	2.2	1.7
Ohio.....	5,719,701	5,766,709	5,722,196	5,773,564	281,698	270,913	268,016	260,672	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.5
Cleveland-Elyria ²	1,029,181	1,034,018	1,023,257	1,026,403	54,249	58,729	52,168	52,900	5.3	5.7	5.1	5.2
Oklahoma.....	1,827,050	1,839,031	1,833,474	1,849,959	89,975	79,804	88,124	75,681	4.9	4.3	4.8	4.1
Oregon.....	2,075,688	2,139,304	2,076,489	2,151,230	95,099	88,695	94,169	88,502	4.6	4.1	4.5	4.1
Pennsylvania.....	6,474,896	6,405,318	6,461,574	6,373,489	345,629	282,534	339,080	265,262	5.3	4.4	5.2	4.2
Rhode Island.....	552,409	551,661	552,117	552,300	27,069	20,518	25,753	21,265	4.9	3.7	4.7	3.9
South Carolina.....	2,301,557	2,322,981	2,299,345	2,314,286	108,274	88,921	102,913	90,403	4.7	3.8	4.5	3.9
South Dakota.....	451,351	456,119	454,982	458,671	11,406	13,924	11,096	13,804	2.5	3.1	2.4	3.0
Tennessee.....	3,160,765	3,222,167	3,162,841	3,214,048	164,593	92,838	157,787	97,859	5.2	2.9	5.0	3.0
Texas.....	13,359,661	13,498,742	13,338,725	13,392,285	646,980	543,922	612,866	470,201	4.8	4.0	4.6	3.5
Utah.....	1,521,521	1,574,968	1,527,871	1,572,099	46,235	48,033	47,409	45,596	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.9
Vermont.....	344,666	343,273	344,510	343,689	11,186	10,084	8,720	7,902	3.2	2.9	2.5	2.3
Virginia.....	4,251,219	4,335,900	4,258,096	4,293,410	177,096	155,475	170,163	151,002	4.2	3.6	4.0	3.5
Washington.....	3,666,453	3,772,310	3,681,300	3,762,673	185,885	164,255	184,152	158,960	5.1	4.4	5.0	4.2
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,636,498	1,666,034	1,631,040	1,643,223	66,044	66,506	62,494	62,692	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.8
West Virginia.....	787,174	784,270	788,123	781,779	42,749	34,521	41,772	33,096	5.4	4.4	5.3	4.2
Wisconsin.....	3,127,214	3,169,419	3,127,427	3,165,270	117,402	95,442	114,870	88,788	3.8	3.0	3.7	2.8
Wyoming.....	301,548	292,553	300,979	292,325	13,574	10,258	13,436	11,087	4.5	3.5	4.5	3.8
Puerto Rico.....	1,119,147	-	1,102,730	1,061,157	146,222	-	137,831	121,137	13.1	-	12.5	11.4

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted
[In thousands]

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	1,983.0	2,005.3	2,012.2	2,012.2	84.7	89.6	90.1	89.2	261.3	265.5	266.7	267.4
Alaska.....	330.6	332.0	331.1	330.9	15.7	15.7	16.1	15.6	12.2	13.2	11.6	11.2
Arizona.....	2,731.0	2,754.6	2,767.1	2,762.5	135.4	139.1	139.6	138.4	159.7	164.4	164.4	164.8
Arkansas.....	1,234.7	1,253.5	1,255.1	1,258.2	50.5	50.2	51.6	52.4	155.2	158.6	159.8	160.8
California.....	16,603.5	16,778.3	16,828.6	16,860.3	784.1	822.3	826.6	828.5	1,301.8	1,299.7	1,297.2	1,297.1
Colorado.....	2,621.2	2,652.2	2,657.6	2,659.0	155.2	154.4	155.5	158.7	141.8	141.6	142.0	141.5
Connecticut.....	1,679.2	1,686.9	1,687.2	1,680.6	58.6	57.7	56.5	58.7	156.6	157.0	156.7	156.8
Delaware ²	453.9	456.9	457.1	457.1	20.4	20.9	20.6	20.7	25.9	26.0	25.8	26.0
District of Columbia ^{3, 4}	786.4	794.0	794.1	793.8	14.6	14.7	14.7	14.5	—	—	—	—
Florida.....	8,457.6	8,646.5	8,529.8	8,655.1	480.7	514.4	492.5	516.3	360.1	368.8	367.5	372.3
Georgia.....	4,422.3	4,497.7	4,494.3	4,510.1	178.1	177.3	173.4	178.9	390.2	388.9	385.8	387.7
Hawaii ²	650.8	655.8	658.4	657.9	37.6	37.3	37.4	38.2	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.6
Idaho.....	702.7	714.4	715.8	719.4	42.2	44.1	42.8	44.1	64.7	67.0	66.6	66.6
Illinois.....	6,022.6	6,044.9	6,037.0	6,040.4	214.9	214.1	212.5	211.4	572.2	570.9	571.3	572.9
Indiana.....	3,100.6	3,122.7	3,129.1	3,130.0	130.7	136.1	136.1	133.7	522.8	530.3	531.7	531.3
Iowa.....	1,573.2	1,590.6	1,586.7	1,586.7	80.6	75.2	74.8	75.3	211.5	214.8	215.3	217.5
Kansas.....	1,412.3	1,405.5	1,408.8	1,407.1	60.3	61.9	62.4	62.4	160.4	157.1	159.2	158.9
Kentucky.....	1,920.8	1,947.0	1,951.3	1,949.4	76.6	82.3	83.8	82.2	249.3	250.1	250.4	250.1
Louisiana.....	1,969.1	1,983.2	1,980.5	1,977.7	142.6	152.9	153.0	149.7	133.8	134.6	134.2	133.9
Maine.....	616.0	621.9	621.4	621.2	27.2	28.7	28.4	28.2	50.6	50.4	50.4	50.6
Maryland ²	2,721.8	2,778.5	2,781.7	2,776.2	162.7	171.2	170.6	171.1	103.8	104.0	104.1	104.3
Massachusetts.....	3,574.5	3,628.4	3,638.7	3,643.5	145.4	149.2	152.1	152.3	244.3	244.4	244.8	245.3
Michigan.....	4,364.9	4,392.9	4,407.0	4,410.0	158.6	161.7	162.7	161.9	602.2	607.3	601.5	603.7
Minnesota.....	2,908.4	2,948.9	2,955.5	2,951.0	114.0	121.7	121.4	119.1	318.4	321.0	321.8	322.4
Mississippi.....	1,147.1	1,152.1	1,151.5	1,153.6	43.0	42.9	44.0	43.1	142.8	143.4	144.6	143.4
Missouri.....	2,860.3	2,899.4	2,890.0	2,891.0	120.1	117.5	115.2	114.3	262.9	269.2	267.4	269.8
Montana.....	469.6	474.6	474.1	475.4	26.2	27.1	26.8	27.7	19.3	19.4	19.6	19.7
Nebraska ²	1,017.6	1,027.8	1,034.0	1,027.4	51.6	50.7	52.3	50.5	96.7	97.8	97.4	97.6
Nevada.....	1,315.3	1,347.8	1,349.1	1,351.9	78.2	87.1	86.7	88.8	44.0	45.4	45.5	45.7
New Hampshire.....	674.3	683.8	678.1	680.6	25.8	28.7	28.2	28.3	68.2	68.6	68.6	69.3
New Jersey.....	4,095.7	4,130.5	4,124.0	4,125.7	151.4	158.1	157.9	157.1	240.1	246.4	245.9	247.6
New Mexico.....	830.8	839.6	842.6	844.0	42.8	45.9	45.7	44.8	26.6	26.5	26.2	26.5
New York.....	9,420.8	9,553.7	9,538.0	9,523.4	368.6	373.8	371.0	376.7	448.7	432.9	433.2	431.5
North Carolina.....	4,364.1	4,420.0	4,427.9	4,439.3	203.7	199.0	200.5	200.4	464.5	462.3	466.1	465.9
North Dakota.....	435.4	441.0	440.2	438.0	33.0	32.4	32.4	31.7	24.3	23.9	24.1	23.9
Ohio.....	5,491.5	5,546.5	5,546.6	5,550.9	202.7	212.3	213.4	212.3	688.9	687.6	687.6	691.8
Oklahoma.....	1,652.0	1,668.8	1,668.0	1,672.2	77.0	81.9	82.1	82.8	127.3	130.3	130.1	130.8
Oregon.....	1,844.8	1,880.6	1,879.5	1,891.1	92.7	101.2	103.9	103.4	187.2	193.1	193.1	194.1
Pennsylvania.....	5,908.0	5,960.1	5,978.1	5,973.8	238.0	242.3	245.6	246.3	554.5	553.4	552.7	551.8
Rhode Island.....	491.2	498.8	496.0	495.8	18.3	21.2	20.7	20.5	40.0	41.2	41.1	41.1
South Carolina.....	2,060.0	2,095.9	2,092.4	2,102.5	98.1	95.2	97.7	97.9	239.1	248.0	249.4	247.2
South Dakota ²	434.3	435.9	437.3	434.9	23.7	23.5	23.3	23.4	41.6	41.5	41.8	41.7
Tennessee ²	2,988.6	3,025.8	3,025.7	3,023.4	120.3	126.2	126.7	125.4	343.9	346.1	344.4	345.0
Texas.....	12,078.8	12,328.4	12,323.4	12,394.9	703.2	711.3	715.9	720.4	841.0	878.0	877.7	876.8
Utah.....	1,442.7	1,472.3	1,479.9	1,481.7	91.6	97.6	96.5	95.7	126.7	128.9	128.9	128.8
Vermont.....	313.9	316.5	317.6	317.1	15.2	15.0	15.4	15.5	29.6	28.5	28.8	28.7
Virginia.....	3,939.4	3,978.0	3,978.9	3,973.1	190.1	191.2	192.0	192.4	231.9	233.6	233.9	233.4
Washington.....	3,274.9	3,325.2	3,336.5	3,343.4	190.1	197.5	197.9	200.6	285.5	284.5	284.1	283.9
West Virginia.....	745.5	745.9	746.9	748.7	29.2	30.5	30.6	31.6	46.4	45.2	45.5	45.8
Wisconsin.....	2,930.1	2,949.8	2,962.0	2,972.5	110.7	112.3	113.4	112.5	467.1	474.7	476.7	480.1
Wyoming.....	277.0	277.7	275.5	275.6	20.3	20.2	20.4	20.6	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.3
Puerto Rico ²	892.8	877.5	873.6	842.0	22.7	20.4	20.8	20.3	73.5	70.9	70.8	69.6
Virgin Islands ^{3, 4}	38.2	38.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

¹ Includes mining and logging, information, and other services (except public administration), not shown separately.

² Mining and logging is combined with construction.

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted-Continued
[In thousands]

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	381.0	372.9	375.2	375.8	97.9	98.0	99.8	99.4	233.8	241.7	241.4	240.1
Alaska.....	66.1	64.9	66.2	65.9	12.0	11.8	11.7	11.5	27.4	28.2	27.5	28.1
Arizona.....	520.5	519.9	521.2	520.2	206.2	209.8	210.8	210.8	419.1	419.0	423.5	424.6
Arkansas.....	253.7	255.6	256.0	258.2	51.3	51.2	51.4	50.8	144.0	147.6	147.5	148.4
California.....	3,005.5	3,018.8	3,031.8	3,034.5	831.6	831.7	833.7	836.2	2,541.9	2,550.3	2,553.4	2,553.1
Colorado.....	457.3	467.3	465.5	464.3	164.9	168.5	166.9	166.3	410.7	416.0	423.0	423.8
Connecticut.....	298.1	298.0	299.1	297.7	130.4	132.1	133.4	132.4	216.6	216.5	218.2	217.8
Delaware.....	82.4	80.5	79.9	80.3	47.0	48.4	47.9	48.0	60.7	61.7	61.0	62.2
District of Columbia.....	32.6	33.0	32.7	33.1	30.2	29.8	29.6	29.6	166.7	169.3	169.4	169.9
Florida.....	1,727.1	1,761.3	1,751.4	1,765.4	551.6	559.0	560.1	562.5	1,302.2	1,336.7	1,309.6	1,341.1
Georgia.....	931.0	946.4	945.3	942.7	240.8	248.8	248.3	246.6	665.9	685.9	685.6	690.8
Hawaii.....	121.0	122.8	123.7	123.2	28.7	27.6	27.8	27.5	83.3	86.7	86.8	86.3
Idaho.....	138.5	141.0	141.3	142.5	34.6	34.4	34.5	35.0	87.3	87.4	87.6	87.1
Illinois.....	1,207.8	1,204.9	1,201.8	1,204.6	383.2	392.7	396.1	397.5	941.2	948.7	947.1	946.8
Indiana.....	598.2	591.0	594.5	596.6	134.9	137.6	138.0	141.4	338.0	341.6	340.4	337.4
Iowa.....	318.3	320.9	321.0	318.7	109.0	111.5	112.6	112.4	138.9	143.3	141.4	140.2
Kansas.....	267.0	266.3	263.3	261.9	85.9	86.4	86.5	86.8	180.2	178.8	180.5	180.8
Kentucky.....	398.9	404.7	405.2	404.8	93.9	95.6	95.4	94.6	219.7	229.3	230.7	230.3
Louisiana.....	387.6	380.7	381.9	380.5	92.2	93.3	92.3	93.2	210.7	211.0	208.6	213.5
Maine.....	120.2	119.8	121.2	120.9	30.6	30.4	30.7	30.4	65.0	65.1	66.1	66.1
Maryland.....	467.9	473.1	471.1	467.9	150.1	148.8	150.3	149.8	444.6	465.3	465.3	462.8
Massachusetts.....	573.2	578.0	579.8	578.6	223.1	229.4	228.0	228.6	552.3	567.3	568.0	572.8
Michigan.....	784.7	784.1	783.5	782.7	214.3	218.1	218.6	219.3	659.9	663.3	671.4	669.6
Minnesota.....	533.9	538.4	540.8	539.2	177.0	175.6	176.3	175.8	376.2	376.9	379.0	378.9
Mississippi.....	230.3	232.8	232.9	233.4	43.4	44.2	43.5	43.8	107.8	105.4	102.4	105.5
Missouri.....	547.6	547.3	549.5	548.1	169.4	173.7	174.1	175.1	383.8	390.3	393.3	393.9
Montana.....	95.6	95.8	95.1	94.0	24.0	24.9	24.8	24.6	41.0	41.8	41.9	42.3
Nebraska.....	204.7	204.9	205.7	203.2	73.8	74.9	75.0	74.2	118.9	122.4	123.1	123.2
Nevada.....	243.9	244.5	243.5	242.6	62.9	63.0	62.5	62.5	180.5	187.5	189.8	191.1
New Hampshire.....	141.4	140.2	140.2	141.0	37.2	38.1	37.9	38.9	78.6	80.1	79.7	78.2
New Jersey.....	872.8	870.7	870.0	873.1	249.1	252.9	252.3	250.3	667.9	667.0	666.8	665.7
New Mexico.....	139.2	139.7	141.4	140.9	33.4	33.5	34.1	34.5	101.2	105.5	104.9	104.8
New York.....	1,575.2	1,569.6	1,567.1	1,572.1	709.6	713.8	710.6	716.2	1,310.8	1,341.3	1,345.7	1,340.3
North Carolina.....	818.0	822.2	823.4	828.3	228.0	231.9	229.9	229.2	614.1	639.5	640.2	645.8
North Dakota.....	95.5	95.3	95.1	94.5	24.2	24.9	24.7	24.9	35.1	36.6	37.0	36.7
Ohio.....	1,021.4	1,015.9	1,019.4	1,021.7	299.8	309.9	307.4	306.2	722.9	730.6	729.9	728.6
Oklahoma.....	308.1	301.6	304.7	303.3	79.0	81.2	80.7	81.1	181.2	184.6	182.7	182.1
Oregon.....	343.5	345.3	345.6	345.4	97.8	97.4	97.8	98.2	238.9	246.2	243.6	248.9
Pennsylvania.....	1,129.9	1,127.7	1,135.8	1,130.9	315.9	316.2	319.3	317.7	796.4	817.3	814.9	820.9
Rhode Island.....	76.2	77.1	77.4	77.3	33.3	33.1	32.7	33.3	66.3	65.2	64.9	65.6
South Carolina.....	396.0	399.1	403.6	402.8	99.5	100.9	100.7	100.1	267.8	279.4	275.6	279.1
South Dakota.....	89.1	87.4	89.1	87.5	29.3	30.1	29.7	29.8	31.4	31.0	31.3	31.9
Tennessee.....	619.8	628.1	631.6	630.2	154.4	155.8	154.9	155.1	409.7	416.8	415.1	411.4
Texas.....	2,428.5	2,450.8	2,448.2	2,458.5	738.3	757.3	762.2	765.2	1,635.9	1,674.9	1,679.6	1,685.9
Utah.....	275.4	280.4	282.7	281.7	83.0	84.2	83.1	83.2	204.8	213.9	215.0	214.7
Vermont.....	55.5	56.0	55.8	55.4	12.0	12.0	11.9	12.1	27.4	28.2	28.5	29.0
Virginia.....	664.4	661.2	663.9	661.7	200.8	206.5	206.9	205.8	720.0	735.9	734.1	732.5
Washington.....	615.9	624.5	625.3	628.7	152.1	157.5	157.8	158.1	406.1	409.3	409.3	414.1
West Virginia.....	133.4	129.0	129.8	129.0	27.2	28.3	28.0	27.3	65.1	65.8	65.3	64.7
Wisconsin.....	538.2	541.0	543.8	542.5	151.8	152.8	153.1	151.6	321.1	321.2	323.6	327.9
Wyoming.....	53.2	52.6	52.5	52.2	10.7	11.0	10.9	10.7	17.7	17.1	16.7	17.4
Puerto Rico.....	172.7	170.7	169.4	161.7	42.4	42.3	41.7	41.4	115.1	112.7	113.2	110.9
Virgin Islands ^{1, 2}	8.0	8.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted-Continued
[In thousands]

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p	Oct. 2016	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017	Oct. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	235.3	238.2	238.9	241.2	198.7	206.4	205.9	205.7	380.5	380.7	381.8	381.7
Alaska.....	49.0	49.5	48.9	49.2	36.0	35.4	36.2	36.7	81.0	81.5	81.4	81.0
Arizona.....	414.4	422.7	427.5	425.1	316.3	323.2	324.5	325.0	412.2	416.3	414.3	411.9
Arkansas.....	184.8	189.5	189.4	189.0	116.7	121.3	119.5	118.8	211.1	211.2	210.6	210.5
California.....	2,561.6	2,624.8	2,629.5	2,638.0	1,918.2	1,938.2	1,940.4	1,955.7	2,543.5	2,559.0	2,574.1	2,578.9
Colorado.....	332.4	334.3	338.9	337.5	330.0	331.5	331.2	333.1	427.1	433.3	430.4	427.5
Connecticut.....	330.7	333.3	333.2	333.7	155.3	158.8	157.0	154.0	233.9	232.8	231.9	230.9
Delaware.....	77.6	79.4	80.2	80.0	50.9	51.9	52.5	50.6	65.6	65.2	66.2	66.1
District of Columbia.....	136.4	139.4	137.9	137.0	76.6	80.4	81.1	81.5	239.4	237.8	239.2	238.5
Florida.....	1,258.9	1,278.8	1,269.5	1,276.5	1,181.1	1,203.1	1,163.1	1,196.6	1,099.2	1,108.8	1,109.0	1,106.9
Georgia.....	567.6	576.6	580.9	582.9	478.2	490.1	493.3	492.7	690.9	699.6	697.8	701.0
Hawaii.....	83.6	85.0	86.0	85.4	119.6	122.1	120.8	121.8	126.7	124.2	125.8	125.3
Idaho.....	102.2	104.2	105.9	106.5	72.7	72.8	72.3	73.0	123.0	125.6	126.6	126.2
Illinois.....	917.2	929.2	927.9	930.1	598.2	597.9	596.6	596.3	832.8	825.6	825.1	823.3
Indiana.....	469.4	476.1	474.0	474.6	308.6	306.5	308.3	309.1	431.6	437.2	440.0	438.4
Iowa.....	227.8	238.2	234.0	233.6	143.3	143.8	145.9	147.7	258.7	258.6	257.5	258.6
Kansas.....	197.0	196.7	198.6	197.4	127.4	125.2	125.8	126.7	256.4	256.9	255.9	255.9
Kentucky.....	272.2	272.5	273.8	275.2	192.9	193.3	193.6	192.8	319.0	317.8	316.9	317.2
Louisiana.....	311.9	316.8	315.9	316.3	231.3	237.2	238.1	235.9	323.9	321.4	320.9	319.9
Maine.....	125.7	128.5	127.8	127.8	64.6	67.2	66.3	66.3	100.2	101.6	100.8	99.7
Maryland.....	463.3	475.3	476.4	477.9	273.0	275.9	278.0	276.6	504.6	511.9	512.5	513.4
Massachusetts.....	787.7	806.9	812.4	804.5	361.9	360.9	362.2	367.6	459.4	458.3	459.1	459.8
Michigan.....	667.1	669.1	674.6	671.7	433.5	431.8	434.5	437.7	608.3	617.3	618.7	622.2
Minnesota.....	525.2	540.6	541.2	538.8	261.3	268.4	266.9	268.3	429.1	428.9	430.6	431.1
Mississippi.....	140.7	145.4	145.5	144.4	134.8	135.1	135.0	137.5	245.3	244.7	245.3	244.1
Missouri.....	463.8	469.5	467.0	468.4	303.2	309.3	311.6	313.7	436.1	449.2	438.9	435.4
Montana.....	75.2	76.6	77.0	76.9	64.5	65.5	65.0	66.4	92.1	92.6	92.7	93.0
Nebraska.....	153.8	155.3	155.6	155.8	90.8	93.3	94.1	93.3	171.6	171.0	173.2	172.1
Nevada.....	130.6	135.4	135.7	134.4	346.7	351.2	351.8	353.8	159.3	164.0	164.2	163.0
New Hampshire.....	122.0	124.0	124.1	124.1	72.0	72.5	71.4	72.3	91.5	93.4	90.7	90.8
New Jersey.....	683.3	689.1	695.4	696.8	372.8	390.3	384.9	383.4	612.3	613.0	609.1	608.2
New Mexico.....	140.6	140.4	141.5	142.6	95.7	99.4	98.6	99.7	191.0	188.9	189.4	190.3
New York.....	1,960.0	2,031.9	2,025.3	2,011.8	915.1	951.1	937.4	933.3	1,450.8	1,455.6	1,458.0	1,455.3
North Carolina.....	587.2	604.5	604.4	605.3	482.6	491.9	489.0	492.0	731.1	734.6	740.8	740.1
North Dakota.....	62.8	63.2	63.3	63.3	39.7	39.7	38.7	38.4	83.0	83.4	83.3	83.5
Ohio.....	932.4	946.5	953.0	950.3	551.6	568.3	570.8	569.1	774.4	776.3	769.3	772.6
Oklahoma.....	234.8	239.6	239.8	240.1	165.0	168.4	167.3	169.3	353.4	353.9	354.1	354.8
Oregon.....	270.7	279.1	278.4	278.5	200.2	202.7	199.1	202.9	308.0	309.4	312.3	313.1
Pennsylvania.....	1,235.1	1,246.8	1,255.9	1,258.0	564.3	583.3	583.4	581.9	704.5	705.8	704.6	701.7
Rhode Island.....	106.9	108.1	106.7	106.6	58.4	61.9	60.3	59.4	60.7	60.4	60.8	60.7
South Carolina.....	243.7	248.8	249.2	251.0	246.8	248.0	244.8	249.3	363.7	371.0	368.7	370.0
South Dakota.....	71.0	71.6	71.7	71.3	47.6	47.8	47.3	46.9	78.6	80.4	80.6	80.1
Tennessee.....	428.6	430.0	433.2	434.5	323.3	331.3	328.9	328.9	431.7	433.2	433.8	436.2
Texas.....	1,649.0	1,688.3	1,680.5	1,682.5	1,304.6	1,330.5	1,310.9	1,345.6	1,934.2	1,959.2	1,963.6	1,971.0
Utah.....	195.3	198.9	199.7	200.7	140.9	142.0	144.2	146.3	240.4	242.1	245.0	244.8
Vermont.....	64.7	66.0	66.0	65.8	37.8	38.4	38.0	38.7	55.5	56.2	56.7	55.5
Virginia.....	540.7	553.0	554.7	555.4	399.2	408.9	403.7	402.5	716.5	714.7	715.6	714.2
Washington.....	468.8	479.6	482.2	478.2	330.6	333.3	335.7	334.8	578.2	586.9	591.1	592.0
West Virginia.....	130.3	133.9	133.3	134.0	74.3	73.8	75.1	75.8	155.7	154.1	154.3	155.6
Wisconsin.....	448.8	451.0	451.6	452.7	274.6	282.1	280.1	281.7	415.6	412.5	417.6	418.6
Wyoming.....	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.4	35.1	34.8	34.1	34.0	70.9	69.9	69.6	69.6
Puerto Rico.....	122.9	124.9	122.3	118.9	81.8	82.5	81.6	65.8	226.4	217.5	218.2	218.5
Virgin Islands ^{1, 2}	—	—	—	—	7.5	7.8	—	—	10.9	11.2	—	—

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted

[In thousands]

State	Total				Mining and logging				Construction			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	1,983.2	2,014.7	1,991.8	2,021.2	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.6	84.6	90.8	86.5	91.1
Alaska.....	342.1	343.1	324.6	325.0	13.8	13.7	13.6	13.5	18.0	18.4	16.8	16.7
Arizona.....	2,726.3	2,763.8	2,750.5	2,782.5	11.5	11.4	11.5	11.4	137.4	140.5	137.5	140.5
Arkansas.....	1,237.4	1,258.8	1,243.3	1,266.8	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.0	51.3	53.7	51.9	53.9
California.....	16,549.2	16,805.3	16,686.5	16,944.7	24.4	23.5	24.0	23.4	796.1	842.5	795.2	840.3
Colorado.....	2,618.4	2,663.9	2,628.2	2,666.5	22.5	21.8	22.5	21.9	160.2	161.9	160.1	163.7
Connecticut.....	1,681.6	1,684.6	1,691.1	1,692.2	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	61.4	59.1	61.8	61.9
Delaware ¹	455.2	457.7	455.1	458.2	—	—	—	—	21.4	21.1	20.9	21.2
District of Columbia ¹	784.0	793.3	790.1	797.5	—	—	—	—	14.6	14.8	14.7	14.6
Florida.....	8,402.0	8,492.0	8,466.5	8,664.3	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.6	484.8	503.7	486.1	521.9
Georgia.....	4,405.4	4,482.3	4,439.0	4,527.0	9.5	10.3	9.6	10.4	181.4	177.0	181.0	181.7
Hawaii ¹	648.8	656.0	653.2	660.3	—	—	—	—	37.8	37.5	37.8	38.4
Idaho.....	707.9	722.5	709.6	726.2	4.1	4.0	4.0	3.9	44.5	45.0	43.6	45.4
Illinois.....	6,057.0	6,072.1	6,089.2	6,107.4	7.9	8.2	7.9	8.2	231.2	227.9	230.3	226.9
Indiana.....	3,123.9	3,157.5	3,134.2	3,163.4	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.4	138.9	144.6	139.0	142.1
Iowa.....	1,579.4	1,592.3	1,590.6	1,602.8	2.5	2.7	2.5	2.7	86.7	79.7	85.9	80.1
Kansas.....	1,418.5	1,413.0	1,428.2	1,423.0	6.8	7.0	6.8	7.1	62.9	64.2	62.9	65.0
Kentucky.....	1,924.2	1,954.7	1,928.4	1,957.4	10.1	9.6	10.1	9.5	79.1	85.5	79.4	85.2
Louisiana.....	1,967.3	1,980.8	1,982.8	1,992.0	37.1	36.4	36.5	36.0	141.7	155.4	147.6	155.1
Maine.....	630.5	634.0	625.7	630.9	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.6	28.6	29.9	28.7	29.7
Maryland.....	2,725.4	2,783.8	2,732.7	2,787.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	164.2	171.9	163.3	171.7
Massachusetts.....	3,587.9	3,650.2	3,608.3	3,677.1	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	151.5	157.9	151.7	158.5
Michigan.....	4,365.5	4,428.3	4,408.7	4,453.3	7.2	7.7	7.2	7.6	164.9	172.2	170.1	173.3
Minnesota.....	2,923.2	2,964.8	2,934.1	2,976.0	6.7	7.3	6.7	7.3	127.0	133.4	125.2	130.2
Mississippi.....	1,149.6	1,153.8	1,153.0	1,159.6	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.8	44.4	44.6	44.1	44.2
Missouri.....	2,861.3	2,903.4	2,883.7	2,914.3	4.1	4.4	4.2	4.4	124.6	119.8	124.2	118.4
Montana.....	474.3	481.6	473.8	479.5	7.0	7.4	7.1	7.4	28.9	29.7	28.6	30.0
Nebraska.....	1,019.0	1,034.1	1,025.5	1,035.5	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	52.7	53.2	52.8	51.6
Nevada.....	1,316.5	1,353.7	1,323.3	1,360.2	13.8	14.2	13.8	14.1	78.2	89.5	80.1	91.0
New Hampshire.....	674.3	680.3	678.7	685.4	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	26.4	28.9	26.7	29.2
New Jersey.....	4,102.8	4,133.3	4,112.8	4,142.6	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	157.6	165.0	156.6	162.5
New Mexico.....	833.1	844.0	835.4	848.5	18.8	18.4	18.8	18.0	43.0	46.2	44.3	46.4
New York.....	9,420.0	9,527.5	9,512.7	9,615.5	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.5	390.3	392.8	384.6	392.5
North Carolina.....	4,370.7	4,437.3	4,393.0	4,468.1	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.9	204.6	202.5	206.5	203.3
North Dakota.....	439.7	444.4	442.8	445.5	14.9	19.4	15.4	19.0	36.3	36.2	36.3	35.1
Ohio.....	5,513.9	5,572.9	5,539.2	5,599.2	11.1	11.2	11.4	11.3	214.5	226.1	215.4	225.6
Oklahoma.....	1,651.7	1,669.0	1,662.5	1,682.6	43.0	46.8	43.0	47.2	79.3	83.4	78.2	84.0
Oregon.....	1,846.4	1,886.2	1,860.5	1,907.2	7.9	8.1	7.8	8.1	94.5	107.8	95.6	106.6
Pennsylvania.....	5,924.5	5,993.7	5,963.1	6,029.0	24.4	24.0	24.4	23.7	249.8	257.1	247.9	256.0
Rhode Island.....	494.7	499.9	497.6	502.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	19.3	21.8	19.4	21.7
South Carolina.....	2,065.7	2,094.4	2,064.4	2,106.8	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	96.0	95.9	98.4	98.1
South Dakota.....	436.6	439.3	437.9	438.5	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	24.7	23.8	24.0	23.6
Tennessee.....	2,994.7	3,036.4	3,012.2	3,047.5	4.0	4.3	4.0	4.3	117.9	123.1	117.7	122.5
Texas.....	12,051.0	12,309.5	12,132.6	12,448.6	215.0	247.7	215.3	251.6	707.9	718.9	713.4	730.6
Utah.....	1,446.0	1,485.3	1,453.2	1,492.6	8.4	7.9	8.2	7.9	94.4	99.0	95.3	99.6
Vermont.....	315.2	317.7	317.1	320.4	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	16.4	16.6	16.3	16.6
Virginia.....	3,939.0	3,981.1	3,960.6	3,994.8	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.8	191.2	194.2	192.0	194.3
Washington.....	3,280.7	3,345.9	3,297.7	3,366.3	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.7	195.5	204.6	193.9	204.4
West Virginia.....	749.2	751.3	755.0	758.1	19.1	22.0	20.0	21.9	31.9	33.1	31.9	34.2
Wisconsin.....	2,941.9	2,979.0	2,961.6	3,004.3	3.8	4.1	3.9	4.2	118.9	120.8	117.5	119.2
Wyoming.....	284.1	282.1	280.0	278.6	17.9	20.1	18.1	20.3	22.0	22.3	21.8	22.1
Puerto Rico.....	890.9	869.6	893.7	843.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	22.6	20.8	22.3	19.9
Virgin Islands ^{1, 2}	37.5	—	37.8	—	—	—	—	—	1.5	—	1.4	—

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted-Continued

[In thousands]

State	Manufacturing				Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	261.7	267.5	261.6	267.7	379.0	373.7	382.2	377.0	20.4	19.6	20.3	19.8
Alaska.....	14.1	12.9	9.3	8.6	67.8	68.5	64.4	64.1	6.3	6.1	6.4	6.1
Arizona.....	159.8	163.8	159.4	164.5	514.4	516.0	520.6	520.4	44.6	42.2	45.4	42.7
Arkansas.....	155.5	160.1	155.0	160.7	252.2	253.9	252.7	257.1	13.4	13.1	13.5	13.2
California.....	1,318.8	1,311.4	1,305.4	1,300.5	2,990.3	3,015.7	3,008.9	3,037.5	523.0	534.5	529.0	534.5
Colorado.....	142.7	142.3	142.4	142.1	454.8	464.8	456.7	463.8	71.6	73.0	72.2	75.1
Connecticut.....	156.4	156.6	156.4	156.5	296.5	296.8	299.4	299.0	32.2	31.8	32.1	31.5
Delaware.....	25.8	25.9	25.9	26.0	82.7	80.2	82.5	80.3	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7
District of Columbia.....	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	32.7	32.7	32.4	32.9	16.9	16.7	16.9	16.6
Florida.....	357.3	365.8	359.6	371.8	1,710.2	1,732.3	1,717.7	1,755.8	135.2	137.2	136.3	139.6
Georgia.....	388.8	385.0	389.4	387.0	924.7	937.6	932.3	944.1	111.2	112.5	112.4	113.4
Hawaii.....	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.7	120.1	123.2	120.8	123.0	9.1	9.0	9.2	9.2
Idaho.....	64.9	67.3	65.5	67.4	139.4	142.2	139.0	143.0	9.0	9.3	9.0	9.3
Illinois.....	572.2	570.8	572.7	573.4	1,207.5	1,199.8	1,213.3	1,209.8	98.4	98.0	98.4	98.1
Indiana.....	522.2	533.0	523.9	532.4	595.6	592.7	599.8	597.9	32.2	30.0	31.9	30.3
Iowa.....	213.3	216.0	211.0	216.9	314.0	318.5	319.1	319.5	22.4	21.1	22.0	20.9
Kansas.....	160.1	159.1	160.6	159.1	267.0	263.0	268.5	263.5	20.3	18.8	20.6	18.9
Kentucky.....	250.0	251.2	250.7	251.5	397.1	402.9	397.3	403.3	22.9	23.9	22.8	24.3
Louisiana.....	134.8	134.2	135.3	135.4	384.6	378.9	386.2	379.1	22.0	21.3	22.6	21.5
Maine.....	51.1	50.9	51.0	51.0	121.9	122.3	122.0	122.7	7.7	7.4	7.7	7.4
Maryland.....	103.5	103.9	103.8	104.3	467.0	468.1	467.6	467.7	37.6	36.7	37.4	36.0
Massachusetts.....	244.6	244.8	244.2	245.3	573.5	579.2	575.6	580.9	89.7	89.5	89.1	88.9
Michigan.....	603.4	603.3	603.2	604.6	783.7	782.3	785.8	783.6	57.4	58.3	57.8	58.3
Minnesota.....	319.6	323.5	319.5	323.5	531.9	537.8	536.0	541.1	50.8	49.6	51.0	50.1
Mississippi.....	143.0	143.7	143.0	143.6	229.3	231.5	230.2	233.3	12.0	11.4	11.9	11.3
Missouri.....	263.8	267.4	262.7	269.6	543.6	548.7	550.0	550.7	52.8	50.8	52.9	50.3
Montana.....	19.6	19.9	19.6	20.0	95.2	95.0	95.6	94.0	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.2
Nebraska.....	96.6	97.4	97.0	97.9	203.1	203.4	205.8	204.4	18.5	18.5	18.7	18.7
Nevada.....	43.9	45.7	44.1	45.8	243.5	242.5	245.3	243.9	14.1	14.0	14.4	14.1
New Hampshire.....	68.1	68.7	68.2	69.3	139.5	138.8	141.0	140.8	12.4	12.3	12.4	12.3
New Jersey.....	243.1	247.8	241.0	248.6	868.2	868.5	872.2	872.4	73.6	71.8	72.7	71.3
New Mexico.....	27.1	26.8	27.0	26.9	138.3	140.8	139.2	141.0	13.0	12.8	12.9	12.6
New York.....	452.7	436.6	451.7	434.6	1,570.0	1,566.3	1,579.8	1,576.6	271.6	268.5	270.9	267.7
North Carolina.....	465.0	467.2	465.8	467.2	814.8	820.5	816.2	826.1	78.1	72.8	77.5	72.3
North Dakota.....	24.8	24.3	24.8	24.4	95.3	94.9	96.2	95.2	6.6	6.8	6.7	6.7
Ohio.....	684.8	687.3	686.9	689.9	1,016.9	1,014.9	1,024.6	1,024.9	71.9	71.1	73.0	70.9
Oklahoma.....	127.1	130.1	127.5	131.0	305.0	301.7	307.2	302.5	21.1	20.9	21.2	20.9
Oregon.....	189.7	195.9	188.3	195.2	344.6	347.4	345.4	347.3	34.3	34.3	34.2	33.6
Pennsylvania.....	556.0	552.0	555.2	551.4	1,124.7	1,130.0	1,136.2	1,137.4	84.3	83.2	84.9	83.0
Rhode Island.....	40.1	41.1	40.1	41.2	76.6	77.8	76.6	77.7	8.2	7.9	7.9	7.9
South Carolina.....	239.1	249.2	238.6	246.7	394.1	401.6	395.1	401.7	26.6	25.9	26.7	26.3
South Dakota.....	41.8	41.9	42.1	42.2	87.7	87.8	89.1	87.4	5.7	5.9	5.7	5.9
Tennessee.....	345.4	345.7	344.8	345.8	616.9	628.6	619.2	629.5	45.7	45.4	45.6	45.5
Texas.....	841.5	878.5	842.5	878.4	2,417.0	2,439.6	2,432.0	2,462.1	200.9	190.9	200.6	189.9
Utah.....	126.7	129.0	127.1	129.2	273.2	280.0	275.9	282.1	37.2	35.6	36.8	35.8
Vermont.....	29.9	29.0	29.9	29.0	55.5	55.3	55.6	55.5	4.7	4.4	4.7	4.5
Virginia.....	233.3	234.0	233.1	234.6	658.8	658.1	666.2	663.5	68.4	64.5	67.8	65.0
Washington.....	292.3	289.0	288.6	286.9	615.0	626.5	618.5	631.2	123.1	126.8	122.3	126.0
West Virginia.....	46.7	45.5	46.4	45.8	133.0	128.8	134.2	129.9	9.7	9.5	9.8	9.4
Wisconsin.....	465.4	476.8	466.6	479.7	539.6	544.3	544.2	548.5	48.6	46.7	48.3	46.9
Wyoming.....	9.2	9.4	9.3	9.6	53.3	52.6	53.2	52.2	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.6
Puerto Rico.....	73.7	70.9	73.8	69.9	171.2	166.6	171.8	160.9	17.7	17.8	17.7	17.5
Virgin Islands ¹	0.6	-	0.6	-	7.9	-	8.0	-	0.6	-	0.6	-

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted-
Continued

[In thousands]

State	Financial activities				Professional and business services				Education and health services			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	96.7	99.3	97.8	99.2	234.3	241.3	236.1	242.5	235.7	239.7	236.5	242.4
Alaska.....	12.1	11.7	12.1	11.6	29.0	28.9	27.2	27.9	48.7	48.7	48.7	48.9
Arizona.....	204.2	209.7	206.0	210.6	417.5	421.1	421.6	427.1	415.1	426.1	417.1	427.9
Arkansas.....	51.2	51.3	51.5	51.0	144.2	148.5	145.8	150.2	185.3	190.9	187.3	191.5
California.....	825.8	833.1	832.6	837.2	2,556.8	2,568.2	2,563.1	2,574.6	2,544.6	2,617.8	2,581.3	2,657.8
Colorado.....	164.4	166.3	164.6	166.0	411.0	426.0	414.3	427.8	328.5	337.4	334.1	339.2
Connecticut.....	129.4	132.3	129.9	131.9	219.4	219.3	218.3	219.4	331.3	332.9	334.5	337.5
Delaware.....	46.9	48.0	47.1	48.1	60.4	60.4	60.5	61.9	77.3	79.7	77.8	80.2
District of Columbia.....	30.3	29.7	30.2	29.6	165.1	168.6	167.4	170.7	136.5	138.4	139.9	140.5
Florida.....	548.6	557.9	551.0	561.8	1,292.0	1,306.1	1,308.8	1,347.9	1,248.9	1,266.2	1,265.4	1,283.2
Georgia.....	239.3	247.4	242.5	248.4	660.0	684.6	670.4	695.3	565.4	579.3	572.2	587.5
Hawaii.....	28.5	27.7	28.9	27.7	83.6	86.8	83.7	86.7	84.3	85.7	84.0	85.8
Idaho.....	34.2	34.7	34.8	35.2	88.0	88.4	88.2	88.0	101.5	105.4	103.3	107.6
Illinois.....	383.7	395.4	382.8	397.1	947.5	960.0	960.1	965.7	912.6	923.2	925.2	938.4
Indiana.....	134.4	138.3	133.9	140.4	339.8	343.4	342.6	342.0	471.1	475.6	476.9	482.3
Iowa.....	108.4	112.7	109.0	112.4	139.7	141.6	141.5	142.8	228.9	234.2	231.5	237.2
Kansas.....	86.0	87.1	85.7	86.6	180.4	180.4	182.5	183.2	196.5	197.5	198.0	198.3
Kentucky.....	93.6	95.5	93.6	94.3	218.2	229.4	220.9	231.5	271.5	273.9	273.0	276.0
Louisiana.....	92.4	92.4	92.2	93.2	210.8	210.3	213.4	216.4	312.1	317.0	314.7	319.1
Maine.....	31.2	30.9	30.5	30.3	66.7	66.1	66.0	67.0	125.8	128.3	127.1	129.2
Maryland.....	149.8	150.6	150.6	150.4	445.9	466.1	448.4	466.7	458.0	474.0	466.3	481.0
Massachusetts.....	223.9	228.4	223.2	228.6	554.4	573.1	558.5	579.1	781.8	802.9	794.6	811.4
Michigan.....	213.2	218.1	213.6	218.6	653.1	670.7	669.6	678.9	665.9	672.1	672.6	677.2
Minnesota.....	176.2	176.6	177.0	175.8	377.3	378.6	380.9	383.6	523.8	538.0	527.4	540.8
Mississippi.....	43.9	43.6	43.7	44.1	107.2	103.9	108.8	106.6	141.5	146.0	142.1	145.8
Missouri.....	169.7	174.9	169.3	174.9	381.2	394.8	387.6	397.8	458.5	467.1	467.9	472.4
Montana.....	23.8	24.9	24.1	24.7	40.9	42.4	41.9	43.2	74.7	76.7	75.3	77.0
Nebraska.....	73.3	74.5	73.9	74.3	118.1	124.0	119.5	123.9	153.6	155.0	154.3	156.3
Nevada.....	63.0	63.0	63.9	63.5	179.8	190.5	182.2	193.0	129.0	134.6	130.8	134.6
New Hampshire.....	37.3	38.2	36.9	38.6	78.4	79.6	79.1	78.8	121.2	123.4	123.0	125.1
New Jersey.....	250.3	252.8	249.0	250.1	671.6	673.9	676.3	674.3	677.5	689.9	686.7	700.3
New Mexico.....	33.4	34.0	33.5	34.6	102.3	104.9	101.3	104.8	140.1	141.7	141.2	143.2
New York.....	711.3	712.1	708.8	715.2	1,305.6	1,344.0	1,319.0	1,348.6	1,942.6	1,996.6	1,998.2	2,050.1
North Carolina.....	228.7	230.4	228.2	229.4	613.2	641.2	620.0	651.6	587.1	603.3	590.9	609.3
North Dakota.....	24.0	24.5	24.0	24.7	35.1	36.9	35.4	37.0	62.6	63.1	63.0	63.6
Ohio.....	301.1	309.5	301.2	307.6	729.8	734.9	735.4	741.3	926.1	949.4	938.9	957.0
Oklahoma.....	78.4	80.6	79.1	81.2	181.7	183.9	183.1	184.0	234.5	239.9	236.4	241.7
Oregon.....	98.2	98.0	98.3	98.7	241.6	247.1	240.5	250.5	268.5	277.2	273.1	280.9
Pennsylvania.....	316.9	319.0	316.2	317.8	800.4	820.6	803.2	828.0	1,229.2	1,251.5	1,252.7	1,275.9
Rhode Island.....	33.5	33.0	33.4	33.4	66.6	65.8	67.2	66.5	106.0	105.7	109.1	108.8
South Carolina.....	100.5	101.5	100.1	100.7	270.6	277.4	269.4	280.9	244.4	248.6	245.8	253.2
South Dakota.....	29.4	29.9	29.3	29.8	31.3	31.4	31.3	31.8	70.8	71.1	71.1	71.4
Tennessee.....	154.1	155.1	155.3	156.0	408.9	414.8	415.0	416.9	428.4	434.4	433.0	438.9
Texas.....	735.5	762.3	740.4	767.6	1,640.7	1,686.4	1,647.6	1,697.7	1,647.8	1,682.1	1,660.6	1,694.1
Utah.....	82.3	83.4	83.0	83.2	205.2	216.2	207.3	217.3	196.0	201.1	198.3	203.8
Vermont.....	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.1	28.2	29.2	27.9	29.5	64.1	65.5	65.0	66.1
Virginia.....	201.2	207.2	201.4	206.4	719.2	733.5	725.0	737.9	538.6	554.6	546.5	561.4
Washington.....	152.7	157.9	152.0	158.0	411.5	415.6	409.5	417.5	464.7	479.1	472.2	481.8
West Virginia.....	27.6	27.7	27.4	27.5	65.4	65.7	65.8	65.4	131.3	134.3	132.3	136.0
Wisconsin.....	152.2	153.2	151.6	151.5	325.6	328.1	326.4	333.3	446.5	450.0	451.9	456.0
Wyoming.....	10.8	11.0	10.7	10.8	18.1	17.0	17.9	17.6	27.7	27.5	28.0	27.8
Puerto Rico.....	42.6	41.7	42.4	41.4	114.9	112.5	115.1	111.0	122.7	121.4	124.1	120.1
Virgin Islands ¹	2.1	-	2.1	-	3.3	-	3.4	-	2.5	-	2.5	-

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted-

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[In thousands]

State	Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	200.5	207.6	197.4	204.5	80.4	82.8	80.0	82.5	380.5	382.7	383.7	384.9
Alaska.....	39.5	40.2	33.0	33.6	11.1	11.9	11.2	12.1	81.7	82.1	81.9	81.9
Arizona.....	308.9	320.6	315.0	323.9	89.2	86.8	89.2	86.5	423.7	425.6	427.2	427.0
Arkansas.....	117.5	119.2	116.9	118.9	47.5	49.8	47.7	50.0	213.1	212.2	214.9	214.3
California.....	1,916.1	1,951.2	1,917.1	1,955.1	562.0	581.3	567.0	585.2	2,491.3	2,526.1	2,562.9	2,598.6
Colorado.....	327.3	329.1	318.0	320.9	106.8	109.2	107.2	109.6	428.6	432.1	436.1	436.4
Connecticut.....	157.0	158.1	155.0	153.6	64.7	67.9	65.9	66.1	232.7	229.2	237.2	234.2
Delaware.....	51.9	53.8	50.3	50.0	18.6	18.1	18.9	18.6	65.5	65.8	66.6	67.2
District of Columbia.....	76.3	81.1	76.9	81.8	72.4	72.2	72.2	72.2	238.0	237.9	238.3	237.4
Florida.....	1,159.2	1,141.6	1,165.8	1,181.1	349.7	359.3	352.7	370.3	1,110.4	1,116.3	1,117.4	1,125.3
Georgia.....	474.9	489.1	474.8	489.2	158.3	159.9	157.4	162.7	691.9	699.6	697.0	707.3
Hawaii.....	118.6	120.6	119.7	121.9	27.4	27.4	27.3	27.4	125.4	124.2	127.9	126.5
Idaho.....	75.0	75.3	71.6	71.9	24.5	24.9	24.5	25.2	122.8	126.0	126.1	129.3
Illinois.....	605.6	605.4	601.2	599.3	250.4	251.3	249.3	251.9	840.0	832.1	848.0	838.6
Indiana.....	313.0	312.9	309.5	309.9	126.7	129.1	127.9	130.5	443.7	451.5	442.5	449.2
Iowa.....	145.1	148.2	142.6	147.0	58.9	59.3	60.7	59.3	259.5	258.3	264.8	264.0
Kansas.....	128.5	127.0	127.9	127.2	50.7	51.0	51.0	51.0	259.3	257.9	263.7	263.1
Kentucky.....	196.8	196.5	194.1	194.2	65.3	67.9	65.2	68.2	319.6	318.4	321.3	319.4
Louisiana.....	230.0	236.0	230.2	234.8	75.0	77.2	75.9	77.3	326.8	321.7	328.2	324.1
Maine.....	72.1	73.2	65.1	66.8	21.8	21.1	21.9	21.3	101.2	101.3	103.3	102.9
Maryland.....	279.8	283.8	268.4	271.8	113.7	116.3	113.7	115.6	504.6	511.1	511.9	520.7
Massachusetts.....	374.5	374.6	364.8	370.5	135.1	140.3	135.9	142.8	457.8	458.3	469.6	469.9
Michigan.....	438.2	445.5	430.8	435.0	169.5	174.0	171.7	175.7	609.0	624.1	626.3	640.5
Minnesota.....	273.7	276.0	258.5	265.3	116.2	120.6	116.3	120.8	420.0	423.4	435.6	437.5
Mississippi.....	135.0	135.8	134.3	137.0	40.2	40.1	39.9	39.9	246.3	246.3	248.2	247.0
Missouri.....	306.5	317.3	303.8	314.2	116.3	117.8	115.8	117.0	440.2	440.4	445.3	444.6
Montana.....	67.6	68.8	62.9	64.8	18.6	17.7	18.3	17.3	91.7	92.7	94.0	94.9
Nebraska.....	92.8	96.0	90.5	93.0	36.7	38.8	37.0	38.8	172.6	172.2	175.0	175.5
Nevada.....	350.7	353.8	345.8	352.8	41.5	41.7	41.2	42.0	159.0	164.2	161.7	165.4
New Hampshire.....	73.1	73.2	71.3	71.6	24.5	24.2	24.2	24.3	92.4	91.9	94.9	94.3
New Jersey.....	386.1	397.1	365.5	375.6	170.2	168.3	169.1	168.0	603.2	596.9	622.3	618.1
New Mexico.....	96.7	98.8	94.6	98.6	28.1	29.1	28.4	29.0	192.3	190.5	194.2	193.4
New York.....	936.6	958.3	923.7	942.3	405.4	413.7	406.7	413.9	1,428.4	1,433.1	1,463.9	1,468.5
North Carolina.....	489.4	497.4	482.0	491.2	151.7	155.4	151.9	154.3	732.4	740.8	748.3	757.5
North Dakota.....	40.4	39.2	40.0	38.7	16.0	15.4	16.1	15.8	83.7	83.7	84.9	85.3
Ohio.....	563.6	580.3	549.9	567.1	212.7	213.0	212.0	215.0	781.4	775.2	790.5	788.6
Oklahoma.....	166.1	168.4	164.3	168.5	62.6	59.5	62.9	60.6	352.9	353.8	359.6	361.0
Oregon.....	206.0	206.1	199.6	202.3	64.4	64.6	64.3	65.4	296.7	299.7	313.4	318.6
Pennsylvania.....	569.8	591.4	565.3	583.0	257.6	256.3	258.3	257.0	711.4	708.6	718.8	715.8
Rhode Island.....	60.8	63.0	59.2	60.2	23.0	23.3	23.0	23.2	60.4	60.3	61.5	61.5
South Carolina.....	250.0	247.8	244.9	247.3	74.9	73.1	73.9	74.1	365.3	369.1	367.2	373.5
South Dakota.....	49.0	49.4	47.9	47.3	16.0	16.1	16.2	16.3	79.2	80.9	80.2	81.7
Tennessee.....	326.4	332.3	325.1	330.9	111.1	111.4	110.7	110.6	435.9	441.3	441.8	446.6
Texas.....	1,302.3	1,311.3	1,295.7	1,336.2	427.1	445.6	428.7	447.9	1,915.3	1,946.2	1,955.8	1,992.5
Utah.....	140.8	145.4	137.4	142.8	39.8	41.5	39.6	42.0	242.0	246.2	244.3	248.9
Vermont.....	36.4	36.9	35.8	36.7	10.4	11.2	10.7	11.1	56.8	56.7	58.4	58.4
Virginia.....	404.6	411.9	397.5	400.9	200.1	201.4	200.1	202.0	715.8	713.9	723.4	721.0
Washington.....	336.1	343.6	329.6	333.8	118.1	121.2	119.3	120.9	565.2	574.8	585.2	599.1
West Virginia.....	76.1	76.2	74.6	76.0	53.9	53.9	54.2	53.7	154.5	154.6	158.4	158.3
Wisconsin.....	283.6	289.8	274.9	282.0	149.5	152.0	149.9	153.7	408.2	413.2	426.4	429.3
Wyoming.....	38.8	37.9	34.1	33.0	11.2	10.8	11.1	10.9	71.4	69.9	72.1	70.7
Puerto Rico.....	80.8	81.2	81.4	65.5	17.5	17.4	17.6	17.4	226.7	218.8	227.0	219.2
Virgin Islands ¹	7.1	-	7.2	-	1.2	-	1.2	-	10.7	-	10.8	-

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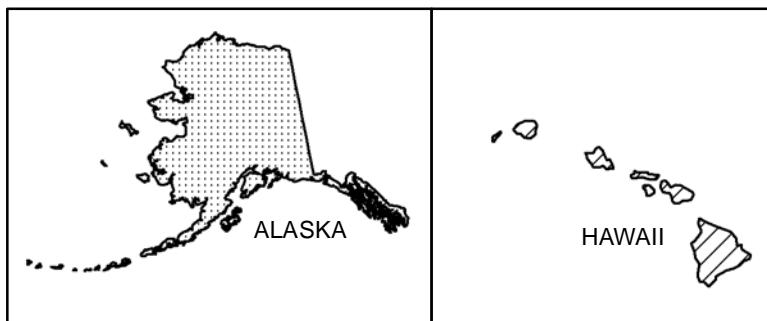
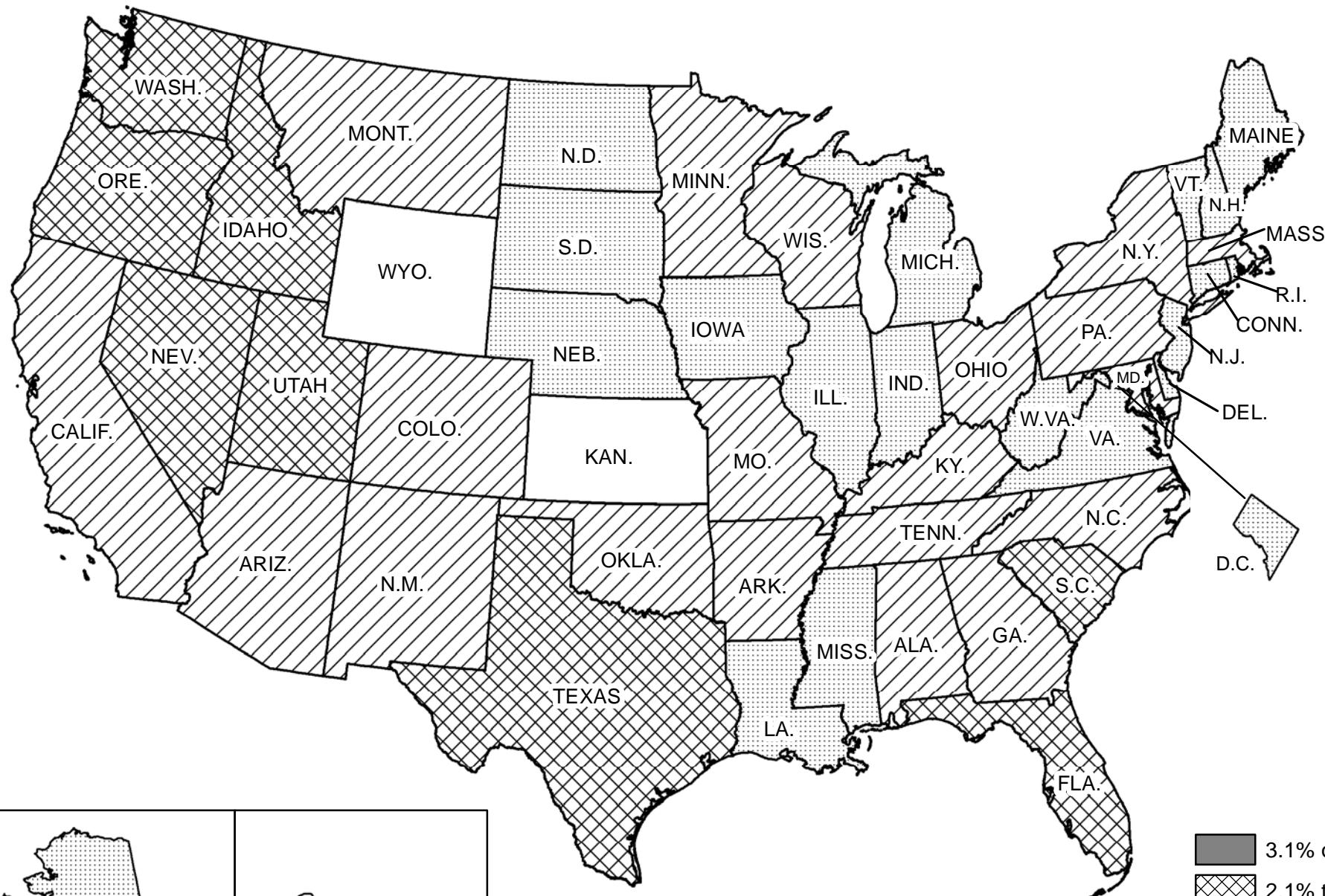
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Map 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted, October 2017

(U.S. rate = 4.1 percent)



Map 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state,
seasonally adjusted, October 2016 - October 2017



- 3.1% or higher
- 2.1% to 3.0%
- 1.1% to 2.0%
- 0.1% to 1.0%
- 0.0% or lower