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## **REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: MAY 2003**

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally stable in May. All 4 regions and 45 states recorded rate changes of 0.3 percentage point or less from April, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The national jobless rate was about unchanged at 6.1 percent in May. Nonfarm employment increased in 34 states in May.

### Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The Midwest had the lowest unemployment rate among the regions in May, 5.5 percent, followed closely by the Northeast and South, at 5.6 percent each. The West continued to report the highest rate, 6.4 percent. All four regions registered virtually no changes in their unemployment rates from those of a year earlier. (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the West North Central continued to record the lowest jobless rate, 4.5 percent. The Pacific division again registered the highest rate, 6.8 percent. All divisions posted little or no change in their jobless rates from April. Over-the-year unemployment rate changes among the divisions were mixed but small: New England and the West South Central division had the largest rate increases (+0.4 percentage point each), while the South Atlantic division reported the largest rate decrease (-0.3 percentage point).

### State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In May, South Dakota and North Dakota again recorded the lowest unemployment rates, 3.2 and 3.5 percent, respectively. Oregon continued to report the highest jobless rate, 8.2 percent, followed by two other Pacific division states, Alaska and Washington, at 7.3 percent each. (See table 3 and chart 1.) Six of the eight most populous states—California, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Ohio, and Texas—had jobless rates equal to or greater than that of the U.S. as a whole.

Unemployment rates decreased over the month in 23 states and the District of Columbia, increased in 18 states, and were unchanged in 9 states. The largest rate decreases from April were reported in the District of Columbia (-0.9 percentage point) and Delaware (-0.6 point). The District of Columbia's rate returned to about its March level. No other state posted an over-the-month rate change greater than 0.4 percentage point in either direction.

May unemployment rates were lower than those of a year earlier in 26 states and the District of Columbia, higher in 17 states, and unchanged in 7 states. New Hampshire and Utah recorded the largest unemployment rate declines from a year ago (-0.8 percentage point each), followed by North Carolina and North Dakota (-0.7 point each). Two other states had rate decreases of at least 0.5 percentage point. Oklahoma reported the largest over-the-year jobless rate increase (+1.0 percentage point), followed by Oregon (+0.8 point) and Connecticut (+0.7 point). Another four states recorded over-the-year rate increases of one-half point each.

#### Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

From April to May, total nonfarm employment increased in 34 states, decreased in 14 states and the District of Columbia, and was unchanged in 2 states. The largest employment increases occurred in Michigan (+47,600), Colorado (+13,600), Wisconsin (+12,500), and Pennsylvania and Texas (+12,200 each). Michigan posted the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+1.1 percent), followed by South Dakota (+1.0 percent), Hawaii and North Dakota (+0.7 percent each), and Colorado (+0.6 percent). The largest employment decreases occurred in California (-21,500), Illinois (-13,300), the District of Columbia (-7,300), and Utah (-5,600). The largest over-the-month percentage decreases in employment were reported in the District of Columbia (-1.1 percent), Utah (-0.5 percent), Wyoming (-0.4 percent), and Mississippi and South Carolina (-0.3 percent each). (See table 5.)

Over the year, employment decreased in 28 states and the District of Columbia. The largest employment decreases were in California (-74,600), New York (-66,300), Illinois (-53,200), and Ohio (-42,800). Missouri recorded the largest percentage decline in employment (-1.5 percent), followed by Massachusetts (-1.2 percent), Connecticut and South Carolina (-1.0 percent each), and Illinois (-0.9 percent). The largest over-the-year gains in employment occurred in Florida (+86,200), Arizona (+19,800), Maryland (+19,600), and New Jersey (+17,600). The largest percentage gains were reported in Hawaii and New Mexico (+2.1 percent each), Nevada (+1.4 percent), and Alaska and Florida (+1.2 percent each). (See chart 2.)

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The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for May is scheduled to be issued on July 2. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for June is scheduled to be issued on July 18.

# Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1-4). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and major industry from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 5 and 6). The LAUS and CES programs are both Federal-State cooperative endeavors.

## Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

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

**Method of estimation.** Effective January 1996, estimates for all states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. This method utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) data. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request. Effective January 1998, estimates for census regions and divisions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component states and then calculating the unemployment rate.

**Annual revisions.** Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau and any revisions in the other data sources. In addition, data for all states, the District of Columbia, and the two large substate areas noted are adjusted annually to equal the CPS annual averages, usually effective with January estimates. The regional and state data will not sum to national totals obtained from the CPS, since the monthly state estimates are not based directly on the CPS.

**Seasonal adjustment.** Seasonal adjustment of state (and Los Angeles-Long Beach and New York City) labor force levels are computed by aggregating independently seasonally adjusted employment and unemployment levels. Unemployment rates are then computed from these independently adjusted levels. Region and

division levels are calculated as the sum of the levels of the component states. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are usually made at the beginning of each calendar year, usually coincident with January estimates.

## Employment from the CES program

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

**Method of estimation.** The employment data are estimated using a “link relative” technique in which a ratio (link relative) of current-month employment to that of the previous month is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are obtained by multiplying the estimates for the previous month by these ratios.

**Annual revisions.** Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports which 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.

**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 of 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 survey and administrative data and thus are subject to sampling and other

types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data 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 special estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed, in most instances, from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

**Labor force and unemployment estimates.** Measures of sampling error, in the form of standard errors for state annual average estimates derived from the CPS, are available in the annual BLS bulletin, *Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment*. Measures of nonsampling error for CPS data are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

**Employment estimates.** Measures of sampling error will be available for state CES data at the supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level. Information on

recent benchmark revisions for states is available on the BLS Web site at (<http://www.bls.gov/sae/>).

### **Additional information**

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings*, which is available by subscription from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800), and from the *BLS Handbook of Methods*, Bulletin 2490, August 1997.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment for over 330 metropolitan areas are available in the news release, *Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force, employment, and unemployment for all states, metropolitan areas, labor market areas, counties, cities with a population of 25,000 or more, and other areas used in the administration of various federal economic assistance programs are available from the BLS Internet at (<http://www.bls.gov/lau/>). Employment data from the CES program are available at (<http://www.bls.gov/sae/>).

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

**Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census regions and divisions, seasonally adjusted<sup>1</sup>**

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	May 2002	Mar. 2003	Apr. 2003	May 2003 <sup>P</sup>	May 2002	Mar. 2003	Apr. 2003	May 2003 <sup>P</sup>	May 2002	Mar. 2003	Apr. 2003	May 2003 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Northeast</b> .....	27,534.3	27,508.3	27,568.1	27,491.7	1,532.4	1,570.6	1,585.8	1,548.4	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.6
New England .....	7,541.4	7,565.6	7,570.9	7,556.0	354.8	395.6	390.9	381.8	4.7	5.2	5.2	5.1
Middle Atlantic .....	19,992.8	19,942.7	19,997.2	19,935.6	1,177.6	1,175.0	1,194.9	1,166.6	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.9
<b>South</b> .....	50,739.1	51,242.4	51,388.5	51,373.4	2,878.5	2,850.2	2,900.7	2,873.1	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
South Atlantic .....	26,698.1	26,878.2	26,943.0	26,907.0	1,437.5	1,381.5	1,414.6	1,364.8	5.4	5.1	5.3	5.1
East South Central .....	8,300.2	8,359.1	8,371.7	8,360.8	478.6	453.8	473.1	467.9	5.8	5.4	5.7	5.6
West South Central .....	15,740.9	16,005.1	16,073.7	16,105.6	962.4	1,014.9	1,013.0	1,040.4	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.5
<b>Midwest</b> .....	34,144.7	34,421.3	34,366.5	34,386.4	1,886.7	1,924.0	1,913.2	1,903.0	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.5
East North Central .....	23,427.1	23,671.5	23,606.2	23,645.4	1,394.1	1,453.5	1,434.3	1,416.0	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.0
West North Central .....	10,717.6	10,749.9	10,760.3	10,740.9	492.6	470.5	479.0	487.0	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.5
<b>West</b> .....	32,881.0	33,281.3	33,320.1	33,254.6	2,110.7	2,133.2	2,177.4	2,136.0	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.4
Mountain .....	9,697.0	9,758.1	9,793.9	9,817.8	557.4	549.2	552.6	547.7	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
Pacific .....	23,184.0	23,523.1	23,526.2	23,436.7	1,553.3	1,584.0	1,624.7	1,588.3	6.7	6.7	6.9	6.8

<sup>1</sup> These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates.

<sup>P</sup> = preliminary.

NOTE: The States (including the District of Columbia) that compose the various census divisions are: New England: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont; Middle Atlantic: New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania; South Atlantic: Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia; East South Central:

Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Tennessee; West South Central: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas; East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin; West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota; Mountain: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming; and Pacific: Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

**Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census regions and divisions, not seasonally adjusted<sup>1</sup>**

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	
<b>Northeast</b> .....	27,282.9	27,355.0	27,452.0	27,412.0	1,454.1	1,515.5	1,484.2	1,500.3	5.3	5.5	5.4	5.5
New England .....	7,472.3	7,508.4	7,514.2	7,530.8	351.5	384.0	342.9	369.6	4.7	5.1	4.6	4.9
Middle Atlantic .....	19,810.7	19,846.6	19,937.8	19,881.2	1,102.6	1,131.4	1,141.3	1,130.7	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.7
<b>South</b> .....	50,424.2	51,086.6	50,708.1	51,348.9	2,702.1	2,707.3	2,764.4	2,758.8	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.4
South Atlantic .....	26,548.0	26,792.9	26,729.7	26,941.1	1,361.8	1,322.6	1,397.2	1,326.3	5.1	4.9	5.2	4.9
East South Central .....	8,246.1	8,310.6	8,284.3	8,344.8	454.7	443.7	450.2	439.5	5.5	5.3	5.4	5.3
West South Central .....	15,630.1	15,983.1	15,694.1	16,063.0	885.6	940.9	917.0	993.1	5.7	5.9	5.8	6.2
<b>Midwest</b> .....	33,990.9	34,177.8	34,130.4	34,370.4	1,892.8	1,894.6	1,779.1	1,796.6	5.6	5.5	5.2	5.2
East North Central .....	23,299.4	23,440.9	23,415.6	23,633.6	1,392.2	1,413.9	1,327.8	1,351.8	6.0	6.0	5.7	5.7
West North Central .....	10,691.6	10,736.9	10,714.7	10,736.8	500.6	480.7	451.3	444.7	4.7	4.5	4.2	4.1
<b>West</b> .....	32,678.5	33,116.8	32,745.3	33,117.8	2,099.5	2,133.7	2,007.2	2,031.9	6.4	6.4	6.1	6.1
Mountain .....	9,619.9	9,730.4	9,672.0	9,792.1	543.2	535.6	536.4	526.2	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.4
Pacific .....	23,058.6	23,386.4	23,073.2	23,325.7	1,556.2	1,598.1	1,470.8	1,505.7	6.7	6.8	6.4	6.5

<sup>1</sup> These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates. The composition of the regions and divisions is described in table 1.

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**Table 3. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected areas, seasonally adjusted**

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	May 2002	Mar. 2003	Apr. 2003	May 2003P	May 2002	Mar. 2003	Apr. 2003	May 2003P	May 2002	Mar. 2003	Apr. 2003	May 2003P
Alabama .....	2,105.7	2,157.1	2,154.1	2,151.7	125.7	122.8	124.6	122.7	6.0	5.7	5.8	5.7
Alaska .....	320.9	339.9	341.5	343.1	23.9	23.2	24.6	25.2	7.5	6.8	7.2	7.3
Arizona .....	2,669.0	2,655.4	2,665.4	2,669.5	167.4	157.3	158.6	157.9	6.3	5.9	6.0	5.9
Arkansas .....	1,283.9	1,296.2	1,300.8	1,301.6	70.6	64.2	68.9	71.6	5.5	5.0	5.3	5.5
California .....	17,363.0	17,627.9	17,630.8	17,554.8	1,140.3	1,179.4	1,201.5	1,162.7	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.6
Los Angeles-Long Beach .....	4,688.0	4,779.3	4,782.1	4,778.8	325.6	313.9	319.1	314.9	6.9	6.6	6.7	6.6
Colorado .....	2,434.3	2,455.7	2,474.3	2,477.4	135.1	140.7	147.2	143.3	5.5	5.7	5.9	5.8
Connecticut .....	1,770.6	1,782.7	1,785.2	1,776.1	74.7	93.5	94.5	87.0	4.2	5.2	5.3	4.9
Delaware .....	424.3	419.3	420.4	421.8	18.1	17.3	17.9	15.6	4.3	4.1	4.3	3.7
District of Columbia .....	305.0	307.8	306.2	306.3	19.9	19.9	22.3	19.7	6.5	6.5	7.3	6.4
Florida .....	8,085.9	8,093.2	8,093.3	8,064.2	444.1	436.6	432.9	413.2	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.1
Georgia .....	4,289.1	4,348.3	4,370.0	4,374.0	220.3	200.9	206.1	208.2	5.1	4.6	4.7	4.8
Hawaii .....	581.1	592.5	597.1	603.2	25.2	21.9	22.5	23.6	4.3	3.7	3.8	3.9
Idaho .....	683.7	694.4	693.5	692.2	38.4	37.3	38.8	35.9	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.2
Illinois .....	6,379.0	6,399.0	6,377.2	6,380.4	416.0	423.5	401.4	391.7	6.5	6.6	6.3	6.1
Indiana .....	3,166.7	3,166.5	3,168.2	3,181.4	164.8	150.8	161.1	156.9	5.2	4.8	5.1	4.9
Iowa .....	1,669.4	1,648.7	1,643.3	1,633.5	67.2	65.8	68.2	73.2	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.5
Kansas .....	1,410.4	1,470.9	1,472.4	1,468.6	71.0	69.0	71.4	67.8	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.6
Kentucky .....	1,970.1	1,996.6	1,994.6	1,984.2	112.7	114.0	115.3	112.3	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.7
Louisiana .....	2,008.8	2,061.1	2,051.8	2,064.2	126.2	129.3	127.3	129.7	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.3
Maine .....	685.4	695.5	697.5	693.0	29.1	31.2	33.4	31.3	4.2	4.5	4.8	4.5
Maryland .....	2,899.9	2,931.0	2,938.9	2,938.2	127.8	131.5	129.8	130.6	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.4
Massachusetts .....	3,478.7	3,451.4	3,451.2	3,450.7	178.2	196.8	188.9	190.6	5.1	5.7	5.5	5.5
Michigan .....	5,014.4	5,106.7	5,061.3	5,112.3	311.8	344.1	334.2	344.9	6.2	6.7	6.6	6.7
Minnesota .....	2,918.0	2,920.1	2,921.1	2,918.1	128.2	129.3	125.9	124.8	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3
Mississippi .....	1,297.0	1,314.3	1,323.4	1,319.0	88.6	78.3	87.5	83.6	6.8	6.0	6.6	6.3
Missouri .....	2,994.9	2,956.7	2,969.8	2,966.1	164.2	142.9	149.8	157.0	5.5	4.8	5.0	5.3
Montana .....	462.4	469.3	470.2	474.3	21.1	19.7	18.8	20.0	4.6	4.2	4.0	4.2
Nebraska .....	959.0	982.8	985.6	985.4	34.4	37.0	38.7	38.5	3.6	3.8	3.9	3.9
Nevada .....	1,122.2	1,114.1	1,115.3	1,118.9	63.0	61.5	61.8	60.6	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.4
New Hampshire .....	704.9	715.7	714.7	712.3	32.9	29.1	28.8	27.5	4.7	4.1	4.0	3.9
New Jersey .....	4,360.6	4,420.0	4,425.0	4,421.2	254.1	259.7	255.2	248.7	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.6
New Mexico .....	875.8	893.5	895.7	898.7	48.2	52.6	52.5	53.7	5.5	5.9	5.9	6.0
New York .....	9,349.8	9,302.6	9,354.5	9,338.0	574.4	557.0	574.9	570.5	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.1
New York City .....	3,750.3	3,659.8	3,687.0	3,676.9	296.4	309.7	305.0	297.7	7.9	8.5	8.3	8.1
North Carolina .....	4,179.2	4,155.2	4,176.8	4,184.2	285.1	250.5	269.1	256.3	6.8	6.0	6.4	6.1
North Dakota .....	346.3	350.0	347.9	348.3	14.4	13.1	11.7	12.0	4.2	3.7	3.4	3.5
Ohio .....	5,843.8	5,893.2	5,905.9	5,881.6	342.1	364.2	371.3	356.9	5.9	6.2	6.3	6.1
Oklahoma .....	1,697.9	1,693.1	1,697.7	1,714.7	77.0	86.9	87.2	94.6	4.5	5.1	5.1	5.5
Oregon .....	1,829.0	1,850.9	1,842.0	1,835.6	135.1	139.8	147.3	151.1	7.4	7.6	8.0	8.2
Pennsylvania .....	6,282.5	6,220.1	6,217.8	6,176.4	349.1	358.3	364.9	347.3	5.6	5.8	5.9	5.6
Rhode Island .....	553.7	568.4	569.2	572.1	27.0	30.3	30.3	30.9	4.9	5.3	5.3	5.4
South Carolina .....	1,962.9	2,014.7	2,027.6	2,025.8	114.4	118.9	124.4	126.1	5.8	5.9	6.1	6.2
South Dakota .....	419.7	420.7	420.3	421.0	13.1	13.4	13.2	13.6	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2
Tennessee .....	2,927.4	2,891.1	2,899.7	2,906.0	151.6	138.6	145.7	149.4	5.2	4.8	5.0	5.1
Texas .....	10,750.2	10,954.6	11,023.4	11,025.0	688.6	734.5	729.6	744.4	6.4	6.7	6.6	6.8
Utah .....	1,179.1	1,200.8	1,203.9	1,211.5	73.0	68.8	64.0	65.1	6.2	5.7	5.3	5.4
Vermont .....	348.1	352.0	353.2	351.9	13.1	14.6	15.0	14.5	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.1
Virginia .....	3,738.4	3,805.7	3,804.8	3,790.7	157.4	159.9	163.7	147.8	4.2	4.2	4.3	3.9
Washington .....	3,090.0	3,111.8	3,114.9	3,100.0	228.8	219.7	228.9	225.7	7.4	7.1	7.3	7.3
West Virginia .....	813.3	803.0	805.0	801.8	50.5	45.9	48.3	47.3	6.2	5.7	6.0	5.9
Wisconsin .....	3,023.2	3,106.0	3,093.6	3,089.9	159.5	170.9	166.3	165.7	5.3	5.5	5.4	5.4
Wyoming .....	270.5	274.9	275.4	275.2	11.3	11.2	10.9	11.1	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.0
Puerto Rico .....	1,350.0	1,388.6	1,411.6	1,414.4	166.1	169.7	176.2	171.2	12.3	12.2	12.5	12.1

P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population

Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

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**Table 4. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected areas, not seasonally adjusted**

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
Alabama .....	2,097.7	2,143.3	2,098.2	2,144.2	116.5	115.9	115.1	112.0	5.6	5.4	5.5	5.2
Alaska .....	315.0	334.8	320.7	342.8	24.5	24.9	23.0	24.3	7.8	7.4	7.2	7.1
Arizona .....	2,651.5	2,659.0	2,674.7	2,675.5	151.4	147.3	165.9	156.3	5.7	5.5	6.2	5.8
Arkansas .....	1,281.0	1,301.1	1,290.7	1,308.5	68.2	65.6	68.1	69.1	5.3	5.0	5.3	5.3
California .....	17,275.3	17,532.5	17,267.4	17,459.0	1,130.8	1,178.3	1,072.7	1,095.1	6.5	6.7	6.2	6.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach .....	4,653.6	4,750.0	4,635.2	4,725.4	314.4	308.5	309.5	299.0	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.3
Colorado .....	2,402.0	2,443.8	2,416.5	2,459.5	136.5	144.6	126.5	134.6	5.7	5.9	5.2	5.5
Connecticut .....	1,757.1	1,772.7	1,770.9	1,777.0	72.0	92.1	77.4	89.6	4.1	5.2	4.4	5.0
Delaware .....	424.6	418.9	421.0	418.6	17.6	16.8	16.6	14.1	4.2	4.0	3.9	3.4
District of Columbia .....	304.3	304.5	302.6	303.9	17.4	19.9	18.6	18.4	5.7	6.5	6.1	6.0
Florida .....	8,031.1	8,043.6	8,096.9	8,076.7	426.8	413.9	424.9	395.0	5.3	5.1	5.2	4.9
Georgia .....	4,264.0	4,351.4	4,299.6	4,383.3	202.6	191.6	212.9	200.9	4.8	4.4	5.0	4.6
Hawaii .....	582.4	598.7	578.4	600.2	25.8	22.4	24.6	23.0	4.4	3.7	4.2	3.8
Idaho .....	680.7	689.1	684.7	693.3	41.9	41.0	36.8	34.2	6.1	5.9	5.4	4.9
Illinois .....	6,349.5	6,336.4	6,361.5	6,362.3	404.0	390.6	396.4	373.6	6.4	6.2	6.2	5.9
Indiana .....	3,168.0	3,169.5	3,181.8	3,196.0	169.2	162.2	159.9	151.9	5.3	5.1	5.0	4.8
Iowa .....	1,656.0	1,637.8	1,663.5	1,626.9	67.1	69.5	57.1	62.4	4.1	4.2	3.4	3.8
Kansas .....	1,400.2	1,463.9	1,404.2	1,462.0	69.6	69.9	67.3	64.0	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.4
Kentucky .....	1,958.1	1,981.3	1,979.3	1,993.3	108.1	110.8	109.7	109.3	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.5
Louisiana .....	2,004.7	2,045.2	2,003.7	2,059.6	111.9	115.3	115.8	119.4	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.8
Maine .....	676.6	688.1	683.7	691.3	31.9	36.0	28.0	30.3	4.7	5.2	4.1	4.4
Maryland .....	2,868.4	2,907.2	2,883.3	2,921.6	121.5	119.1	120.4	123.2	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.2
Massachusetts .....	3,449.6	3,424.6	3,464.7	3,438.1	175.3	181.8	168.9	181.3	5.1	5.3	4.9	5.3
Michigan .....	4,969.1	5,005.9	5,019.2	5,116.1	307.1	326.0	296.4	329.6	6.2	6.5	5.9	6.4
Minnesota .....	2,917.6	2,918.6	2,918.5	2,918.5	141.2	133.6	115.3	111.9	4.8	4.6	3.9	3.8
Mississippi .....	1,290.4	1,313.2	1,299.7	1,321.6	82.4	79.5	90.4	85.4	6.4	6.1	7.0	6.5
Missouri .....	2,998.1	2,967.4	2,997.3	2,968.1	160.7	145.1	153.7	146.1	5.4	4.9	5.1	4.9
Montana .....	462.6	470.2	464.4	476.3	21.5	18.8	18.9	17.7	4.7	4.0	4.1	3.7
Nebraska .....	956.2	983.0	960.7	987.2	32.9	36.6	34.0	38.1	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.9
Nevada .....	1,112.6	1,108.2	1,118.4	1,114.7	62.9	60.9	57.6	55.0	5.6	5.5	5.2	4.9
New Hampshire .....	699.6	710.8	703.0	710.5	33.7	30.3	32.0	26.6	4.8	4.3	4.5	3.7
New Jersey .....	4,333.4	4,398.5	4,353.0	4,413.6	236.5	239.6	244.0	238.5	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.4
New Mexico .....	873.0	894.8	872.7	895.6	45.3	50.1	47.3	52.9	5.2	5.6	5.4	5.9
New York .....	9,255.5	9,286.6	9,303.4	9,291.7	545.1	552.5	546.2	542.5	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8
New York City .....	3,720.6	3,674.8	3,724.9	3,652.0	282.4	296.6	282.9	284.5	7.6	8.1	7.6	7.8
North Carolina .....	4,169.9	4,158.5	4,179.5	4,184.4	275.2	254.7	281.2	252.5	6.6	6.1	6.7	6.0
North Dakota .....	345.3	346.7	347.8	350.2	15.1	12.5	12.3	10.2	4.4	3.6	3.5	2.9
Ohio .....	5,801.0	5,852.9	5,842.0	5,882.1	333.4	357.0	325.2	340.9	5.7	6.1	5.6	5.8
Oklahoma .....	1,696.7	1,698.2	1,696.7	1,714.4	75.5	84.4	76.7	94.3	4.5	5.0	4.5	5.5
Oregon .....	1,825.8	1,833.3	1,819.9	1,826.7	142.6	147.5	126.7	142.8	7.8	8.0	7.0	7.8
Pennsylvania .....	6,221.9	6,161.5	6,281.4	6,175.8	321.0	339.3	351.1	349.7	5.2	5.5	5.6	5.7
Rhode Island .....	545.8	562.5	546.9	565.2	24.9	28.0	25.0	28.9	4.6	5.0	4.6	5.1
South Carolina .....	1,959.8	2,024.4	1,982.7	2,045.8	106.6	114.9	115.2	127.0	5.4	5.7	5.8	6.2
South Dakota .....	418.2	419.4	422.7	424.0	14.0	13.4	11.6	12.1	3.4	3.2	2.7	2.9
Tennessee .....	2,899.9	2,872.9	2,907.1	2,885.8	147.7	137.5	135.0	132.8	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.6
Texas .....	10,647.7	10,938.5	10,703.0	10,980.5	630.0	675.7	656.5	710.2	5.9	6.2	6.1	6.5
Utah .....	1,167.7	1,191.1	1,171.3	1,203.1	71.3	61.4	72.5	64.8	6.1	5.2	6.2	5.4
Vermont .....	343.5	349.7	345.0	348.8	13.8	15.8	11.7	12.9	4.0	4.5	3.4	3.7
Virginia .....	3,721.2	3,783.5	3,744.0	3,798.1	143.9	142.4	157.3	147.9	3.9	3.8	4.2	3.9
Washington .....	3,060.2	3,087.1	3,086.8	3,097.0	232.5	225.0	223.7	220.5	7.6	7.3	7.2	7.1
West Virginia .....	804.7	800.9	820.1	808.7	50.2	49.3	50.3	47.3	6.2	6.2	6.1	5.8
Wisconsin .....	3,011.8	3,076.1	3,011.1	3,077.1	178.5	178.1	149.9	155.9	5.9	5.8	5.0	5.1
Wyoming .....	269.9	274.2	269.3	274.1	12.5	11.6	10.9	10.7	4.6	4.2	4.0	3.9
Puerto Rico .....	1,353.4	1,409.4	1,356.8	1,421.3	162.7	173.6	165.6	171.2	12.0	12.3	12.2	12.0

<sup>P</sup> = preliminary.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current

Population Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted

(In thousands)

State	Total <sup>1</sup>				Construction				Manufacturing			
	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003P	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003P	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003P
Alabama	1,886.3	1,875.6	1,872.2	1,874.0	99.7	98.8	99.8	100.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	293.5	297.9	296.7	297.0	15.8	16.1	15.8	16.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Arizona	2,263.5	2,275.3	2,278.4	2,283.3	172.5	175.2	176.5	177.2	185.4	176.9	176.8	174.7
Arkansas	1,149.0	1,147.5	1,148.6	1,150.5	54.7	53.4	53.4	53.9	215.2	210.3	209.7	209.9
California	14,513.6	14,475.2	14,460.5	14,439.0	773.0	790.7	789.4	788.0	1,658.3	1,596.6	1,592.0	1,588.0
Colorado	2,194.3	2,163.6	2,168.5	2,182.1	163.3	154.3	156.2	155.6	167.9	157.8	157.2	156.6
Connecticut	1,673.2	1,656.2	1,655.7	1,655.7	64.2	60.6	60.8	60.4	213.4	206.7	205.4	204.6
Delaware <sup>3</sup>	413.6	408.4	410.2	411.6	24.2	23.4	23.8	24.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia <sup>3</sup>	664.0	667.7	668.0	660.7	12.0	11.9	12.0	12.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Florida <sup>3</sup>	7,201.5	7,249.0	7,281.7	7,287.7	434.9	438.0	443.0	443.2	408.5	393.7	393.3	392.5
Georgia	3,911.6	3,910.7	3,902.0	3,912.8	199.2	203.6	205.2	209.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Hawaii <sup>3</sup>	554.9	563.0	562.8	566.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	567.6	565.6	567.3	566.3	36.8	36.7	37.0	37.7	64.8	61.8	61.8	61.4
Illinois	5,882.9	5,855.3	5,843.0	5,829.7	272.8	276.1	274.9	271.0	758.1	741.8	737.3	735.7
Indiana	2,884.1	2,868.6	2,863.7	2,872.2	143.9	138.9	136.0	138.2	588.5	584.7	579.0	579.7
Iowa	1,448.4	1,440.9	1,443.6	1,443.0	64.4	62.9	63.4	63.5	228.5	223.3	221.5	221.9
Kansas	1,340.0	1,334.3	1,332.0	1,334.8	62.4	62.8	62.9	63.4	183.3	178.9	176.9	177.7
Kentucky	1,787.2	1,783.1	1,774.6	1,772.8	82.5	83.0	82.2	81.1	276.4	272.0	269.7	268.9
Louisiana	1,899.7	1,895.7	1,896.5	1,899.3	118.4	117.0	120.8	120.3	160.8	158.6	155.6	157.1
Maine	606.4	604.6	605.2	605.2	29.1	28.7	28.8	28.9	68.2	64.5	64.7	64.5
Maryland <sup>3</sup>	2,478.4	2,473.5	2,488.3	2,498.0	167.4	164.4	166.4	168.3	158.9	154.7	154.2	154.3
Massachusetts	3,258.0	3,202.6	3,209.5	3,217.4	141.1	134.3	132.0	132.6	349.5	336.7	334.0	333.5
Michigan	4,481.4	4,421.2	4,407.6	4,455.2	200.9	198.7	193.4	196.1	760.5	741.2	733.5	737.2
Minnesota	2,652.2	2,638.6	2,639.0	2,636.7	123.3	121.0	122.1	124.7	358.6	350.4	347.2	345.9
Mississippi	1,123.8	1,127.5	1,128.0	1,124.4	54.0	53.6	54.1	55.0	189.7	183.1	182.0	181.1
Missouri	2,686.6	2,635.3	2,645.6	2,647.1	132.3	132.5	131.2	132.2	324.3	313.7	313.9	313.5
Montana	395.0	393.1	397.3	398.4	21.3	21.6	21.8	22.0	20.2	19.2	20.1	20.0
Nebraska	908.3	904.9	906.9	907.3	44.6	44.1	44.1	44.6	105.9	104.7	104.5	104.9
Nevada	1,050.5	1,059.3	1,062.3	1,064.7	92.2	93.0	93.8	94.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Hampshire	617.7	616.3	615.3	617.3	27.1	27.3	26.9	28.1	85.3	80.9	81.5	81.9
New Jersey	3,991.4	3,994.4	4,012.4	4,009.0	161.8	164.4	164.5	165.0	370.0	360.0	358.6	357.4
New Mexico	764.5	775.8	778.9	780.4	46.1	46.0	46.5	46.8	38.7	37.2	37.4	37.0
New York	8,457.4	8,385.5	8,386.2	8,391.1	320.0	323.1	325.8	329.3	657.9	626.0	624.3	623.9
North Carolina	3,843.2	3,836.6	3,840.9	3,847.9	220.5	212.6	211.6	214.8	646.5	620.2	619.5	617.6
North Dakota	329.5	329.2	328.9	331.2	15.0	14.3	14.5	14.8	23.6	23.5	23.4	23.8
Ohio	5,451.8	5,378.6	5,403.4	5,409.0	235.2	231.1	232.5	231.0	889.7	864.6	859.6	864.6
Oklahoma	1,489.5	1,470.7	1,479.5	1,485.2	64.4	65.2	66.3	66.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Oregon	1,574.0	1,566.0	1,559.0	1,561.0	78.5	77.1	76.4	76.8	203.2	195.9	194.4	194.6
Pennsylvania	5,656.9	5,632.9	5,629.1	5,641.3	248.9	249.6	248.2	249.5	766.4	733.7	730.7	730.4
Rhode Island	478.7	478.9	479.9	481.1	19.5	19.5	19.5	20.0	62.8	60.8	60.6	60.4
South Carolina	1,808.9	1,796.3	1,795.9	1,791.2	112.7	107.7	107.2	108.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	376.8	374.6	375.6	379.4	18.8	18.9	18.6	19.3	38.5	37.6	38.0	38.3
Tennessee	2,667.3	2,669.1	2,672.2	2,671.4	113.7	109.7	108.4	108.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Texas	9,443.1	9,432.4	9,437.5	9,449.7	572.7	574.8	577.8	574.7	954.7	927.9	925.4	921.6
Utah	1,071.7	1,070.8	1,075.2	1,069.6	67.8	65.6	66.6	67.6	114.3	111.0	111.5	111.5
Vermont	299.9	301.7	303.4	303.3	14.9	15.2	15.3	15.0	41.4	38.9	38.8	38.5
Virginia	3,496.3	3,483.8	3,493.4	3,503.6	214.3	204.4	204.7	208.1	321.9	312.7	310.0	309.0
Washington	2,656.1	2,655.8	2,657.0	2,661.4	154.9	156.0	158.0	158.4	288.2	271.8	269.3	266.2
West Virginia	731.9	731.8	731.1	730.9	33.4	34.3	32.8	32.4	69.1	66.3	66.5	66.0
Wisconsin	2,782.6	2,771.2	2,776.0	2,788.5	124.0	113.7	115.2	116.2	529.6	520.9	519.5	519.2
Wyoming	247.6	247.6	248.3	247.4	20.2	19.7	19.9	19.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)

See footnotes at end of table.



Table 5. 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			
	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003P	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003P	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003P
Alabama	374.7	379.1	374.5	372.8	97.9	97.1	97.0	96.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	61.3	60.7	60.1	61.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	22.7	22.9	22.8	23.3
Arizona	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	155.1	153.5	153.0	153.5	314.6	315.0	315.2	316.4
Arkansas	241.9	243.5	244.2	243.6	49.7	50.1	50.0	50.1	101.1	100.9	100.6	100.3
California	2,734.6	2,737.2	2,732.4	2,729.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	2,124.9	2,115.2	2,115.6	2,104.5
Colorado	414.7	408.6	407.0	408.2	147.6	150.9	153.0	155.5	294.9	278.4	282.9	287.0
Connecticut	312.0	319.2	318.6	317.6	142.9	141.8	142.4	143.0	203.3	199.9	201.4	200.4
Delaware <sup>3</sup>	77.1	77.3	77.3	77.3	38.8	38.1	38.1	38.5	68.4	67.7	68.2	68.3
District of Columbia <sup>3</sup>	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	140.2	140.0	141.5	141.0
Florida <sup>3</sup>	1,482.8	1,469.9	1,470.7	1,472.3	474.4	478.7	481.0	482.5	1,222.3	1,235.1	1,246.1	1,247.4
Georgia	839.1	840.1	830.9	833.5	212.2	214.6	214.1	214.1	524.9	527.6	534.8	544.4
Hawaii <sup>3</sup>	106.5	109.0	109.9	110.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	116.3	113.8	113.9	114.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	69.1	69.7	70.3	70.5
Illinois	1,198.3	1,188.3	1,190.8	1,189.1	399.9	402.9	401.5	400.9	783.6	782.7	783.6	784.1
Indiana	582.2	579.5	581.6	579.3	139.2	140.0	139.7	139.6	252.5	239.7	240.0	241.7
Iowa	306.1	300.7	302.1	303.1	94.0	93.4	93.7	93.9	105.1	104.2	105.7	106.1
Kansas	268.6	270.4	269.9	269.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Kentucky	372.8	367.7	366.7	365.9	84.7	86.2	86.3	85.3	154.7	153.2	153.5	155.1
Louisiana	385.9	387.0	388.2	389.3	100.2	99.9	98.9	99.1	182.3	176.4	175.8	174.2
Maine	124.2	121.8	121.7	121.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	51.7	50.7	50.6	51.1
Maryland <sup>3</sup>	464.8	465.7	465.3	464.2	150.6	150.7	150.9	150.7	362.4	362.2	367.8	368.4
Massachusetts	581.5	578.9	580.3	581.1	228.7	229.0	229.3	229.8	457.3	434.8	438.6	441.1
Michigan	838.9	830.4	829.7	836.3	214.9	215.4	219.0	219.5	597.1	575.2	574.8	584.7
Minnesota	527.8	522.2	523.7	525.1	170.2	167.9	168.3	167.8	295.5	289.1	290.8	289.9
Mississippi	221.1	225.6	226.7	225.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Missouri	540.6	535.2	535.2	532.7	158.9	158.8	158.9	160.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Montana	85.0	83.7	84.2	84.3	19.3	19.8	19.9	19.7	31.8	32.2	32.7	32.7
Nebraska	195.5	197.6	197.4	198.2	61.3	63.1	63.2	63.3	92.7	89.5	89.9	89.2
Nevada	191.3	190.8	190.7	190.9	55.8	56.7	56.8	56.5	112.5	115.7	115.9	115.4
New Hampshire	138.0	138.2	137.9	138.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Jersey	881.0	885.3	890.7	883.7	275.6	277.3	276.1	276.6	585.0	582.6	588.5	584.5
New Mexico	135.5	136.8	137.1	137.2	33.5	34.7	34.6	34.5	88.8	90.9	90.9	91.1
New York	1,479.4	1,486.4	1,483.6	1,484.2	708.2	699.3	699.3	698.8	1,053.2	1,030.1	1,037.9	1,040.0
North Carolina	723.5	723.6	723.6	725.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	417.3	420.3	419.9	422.7
North Dakota	71.5	72.1	71.8	71.9	17.9	18.1	18.1	18.1	23.9	24.0	23.6	23.9
Ohio	1,066.3	1,055.8	1,058.5	1,055.0	308.2	307.0	309.3	308.4	614.4	610.1	617.7	612.6
Oklahoma	286.6	283.2	285.9	286.1	83.2	83.6	84.6	85.6	163.8	157.6	157.4	159.7
Oregon	316.3	315.2	313.5	312.4	94.0	95.8	94.8	94.2	172.4	171.3	171.4	173.8
Pennsylvania	1,123.2	1,100.9	1,098.2	1,099.1	336.4	338.3	338.7	339.1	605.7	596.6	600.0	601.6
Rhode Island	80.5	82.7	83.2	83.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	49.2	46.8	48.3	48.3
South Carolina	349.4	346.8	344.6	345.6	89.7	90.4	91.2	90.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	76.4	76.0	75.8	76.2	28.0	27.5	27.7	27.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	574.9	574.3	574.4	574.2	139.1	139.0	140.0	139.3	307.6	311.5	311.4	312.4
Texas	1,970.7	1,954.8	1,948.6	1,946.0	580.7	584.1	585.1	586.0	1,060.2	1,049.9	1,052.8	1,054.7
Utah	217.4	216.1	216.3	215.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	132.8	131.7	132.4	131.3
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	20.4	20.6	20.8	21.0
Virginia	637.3	635.1	638.9	637.1	181.5	182.1	182.7	183.5	548.9	544.7	545.5	549.4
Washington	511.7	508.6	507.3	508.0	145.5	149.6	148.9	148.3	288.9	292.1	293.1	293.9
West Virginia	137.6	136.3	136.0	135.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	56.7	59.3	59.7	59.4
Wisconsin	538.2	536.8	537.3	539.8	153.2	153.8	155.3	156.7	241.0	239.8	243.7	245.8
Wyoming	48.4	48.0	47.8	48.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	15.5	15.5	15.7	15.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003 <sup>P</sup>	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003 <sup>P</sup>	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003 <sup>P</sup>
Alabama	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	152.1	153.2	150.8	151.0	353.5	354.6	354.5	356.7
Alaska	30.1	30.8	31.6	31.8	29.1	29.5	30.0	30.0	80.3	81.6	81.6	81.5
Arizona	231.5	242.3	244.5	245.9	231.5	231.2	232.3	233.2	384.4	386.8	389.1	391.3
Arkansas	135.2	138.3	138.5	139.1	87.6	87.7	88.9	89.7	195.5	196.3	196.2	196.5
California	1,495.7	1,520.6	1,524.9	1,525.7	1,390.7	1,401.5	1,401.3	1,402.9	2,445.6	2,460.8	2,450.9	2,441.6
Colorado	208.2	210.6	211.6	212.4	249.2	252.1	252.8	257.7	355.6	363.8	360.7	362.0
Connecticut	259.1	263.5	266.2	265.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	250.2	246.2	245.8	246.7
Delaware <sup>3</sup>	48.5	49.3	49.4	49.6	37.7	37.8	37.0	36.5	56.1	55.7	56.4	56.0
District of Columbia <sup>3</sup>	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	48.2	49.1	49.7	48.4	231.6	233.0	231.4	230.6
Florida <sup>3</sup>	855.5	871.6	876.1	875.0	796.3	809.1	818.3	821.2	1,036.7	1,065.9	1,066.0	1,068.7
Georgia	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	341.8	336.2	339.1	339.9	624.0	630.1	629.2	625.5
Hawaii <sup>3</sup>	62.9	64.7	65.1	65.2	97.6	98.1	98.2	98.2	117.7	118.9	118.0	118.4
Idaho	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	53.1	54.3	54.6	54.6	111.9	112.3	112.3	111.6
Illinois	710.0	716.6	715.6	716.3	490.6	485.1	484.0	482.6	864.1	847.2	850.6	849.4
Indiana	343.9	349.2	349.6	348.7	268.0	260.5	262.1	263.9	408.1	419.9	419.2	421.6
Iowa	187.3	191.5	192.3	192.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	244.4	246.1	245.2	245.9
Kansas	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	108.4	107.0	107.3	108.5	250.9	251.6	250.4	251.3
Kentucky	220.9	228.3	228.0	227.3	154.1	155.7	153.6	153.2	312.4	311.0	311.2	311.6
Louisiana	234.1	238.6	238.4	238.5	195.0	196.3	196.9	196.2	374.2	375.0	375.7	377.4
Maine	105.1	106.7	107.0	106.8	57.1	58.1	57.0	57.0	103.4	103.5	104.0	104.0
Maryland <sup>3</sup>	329.8	337.6	338.0	339.4	215.3	208.0	213.6	218.2	460.1	461.4	462.7	463.5
Massachusetts	567.4	569.5	572.9	574.1	284.8	281.2	284.1	289.1	427.9	424.7	424.9	423.3
Michigan	531.5	540.7	542.0	543.8	397.2	379.1	376.0	385.2	681.5	684.2	683.9	691.0
Minnesota	355.9	366.5	366.4	364.9	229.1	230.3	228.3	229.2	399.6	403.7	403.2	399.9
Mississippi	112.7	113.3	112.6	113.0	122.1	120.6	120.8	121.4	238.9	243.3	244.7	243.4
Missouri	349.4	348.1	350.0	349.7	258.6	251.5	252.6	258.6	425.7	415.7	415.4	412.4
Montana	52.0	51.9	52.5	52.9	50.8	51.3	51.9	52.1	84.4	83.4	84.5	84.7
Nebraska	114.1	113.3	112.8	113.0	76.1	72.7	74.1	75.9	158.7	160.9	161.9	159.0
Nevada	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	297.7	297.7	299.0	299.6	130.0	134.1	134.1	134.6
New Hampshire	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	60.7	61.7	62.1	63.4	88.4	88.9	88.9	86.9
New Jersey	525.2	538.1	539.2	538.9	309.1	306.5	311.0	313.9	616.5	619.5	623.2	625.0
New Mexico	93.2	97.8	99.4	99.4	80.4	81.4	81.8	82.3	189.2	192.1	192.5	192.6
New York	1,456.0	1,478.7	1,477.5	1,476.7	638.9	639.4	641.8	640.4	1,489.1	1,472.6	1,465.3	1,463.3
North Carolina	414.6	420.1	423.6	427.3	331.3	328.1	326.0	326.1	638.1	657.9	661.6	666.5
North Dakota	46.7	47.0	47.3	47.2	29.6	29.1	29.3	30.0	74.7	74.9	74.7	74.7
Ohio	710.5	715.1	717.1	717.5	485.7	466.9	481.8	490.6	799.7	793.8	795.4	792.2
Oklahoma	172.2	173.2	173.8	172.1	127.8	125.7	127.1	130.7	299.7	295.9	295.6	295.8
Oregon	185.4	185.9	187.4	189.2	149.4	150.4	148.3	149.1	272.9	270.1	269.4	267.8
Pennsylvania	964.0	985.7	985.0	985.9	465.7	470.5	468.8	468.6	737.7	751.4	750.4	753.0
Rhode Island	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	48.1	47.1	47.6	47.3	66.1	66.0	65.6	65.5
South Carolina	172.5	176.6	177.1	176.6	188.0	183.9	180.5	181.1	325.6	334.3	335.0	333.7
South Dakota	53.6	54.6	54.5	54.8	39.4	38.5	39.1	40.9	73.6	74.3	74.0	74.2
Tennessee	296.3	307.9	308.6	308.2	237.4	238.4	242.8	242.3	409.9	413.5	414.0	414.3
Texas	1,080.1	1,115.0	1,119.9	1,124.6	849.1	844.5	847.0	852.8	1,622.2	1,646.6	1,649.4	1,652.5
Utah	112.4	117.8	118.1	114.4	99.5	97.1	96.7	95.1	192.6	196.1	196.5	195.0
Vermont	50.2	50.0	50.6	51.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	50.7	52.0	52.4	52.2
Virginia	360.1	367.1	369.1	369.1	303.1	311.6	314.9	315.5	634.5	636.6	639.5	640.3
Washington	307.3	312.9	313.5	313.9	244.3	242.7	244.1	245.6	514.7	522.9	523.9	525.7
West Virginia	106.8	107.5	107.3	107.6	64.0	63.7	63.3	63.7	141.1	142.0	143.2	142.1
Wisconsin	356.1	361.3	360.8	361.2	238.6	236.8	236.8	240.3	414.3	416.3	415.3	413.6
Wyoming	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	30.2	30.7	30.9	29.8	62.1	63.1	63.5	63.1

<sup>1</sup> Includes natural resources and mining, information, and other services, except public administration, not shown separately.

<sup>2</sup> This series is not published seasonally adjusted because the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, cannot be separated with sufficient precision.

<sup>3</sup> Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

<sup>P</sup> = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected

from March 2002 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmark month are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available. Data reflect the conversion to the 2002 version of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) as the basis for the assignment and tabulation of economic data by industry, replacing the 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. Due to differences in NAICS and SIC structures, NAICS-based data by industry are not comparable with the SIC-based data.

Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted

(In thousands)

State	Total				Natural resources and mining				Construction				Manufacturing			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
Alabama	1,891.0	1,875.9	1,895.4	1,879.6	13.3	13.2	13.4	13.2	99.0	99.7	100.8	101.2	308.8	296.5	307.7	296.7
Alaska	286.4	289.6	298.2	300.6	11.1	10.0	10.8	10.2	13.4	13.8	15.9	16.6	10.0	9.8	9.5	8.9
Arizona	2,279.7	2,292.1	2,276.4	2,292.4	9.0	8.5	8.9	8.5	170.1	174.8	172.0	176.7	185.8	175.9	185.2	174.7
Arkansas	1,148.6	1,151.4	1,155.6	1,156.0	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.8	54.0	53.2	55.3	54.6	214.4	209.1	215.0	209.5
California	14,479.8	14,460.1	14,570.8	14,479.6	22.1	21.4	23.2	22.2	757.3	772.6	771.5	784.3	1,653.1	1,585.6	1,656.3	1,584.8
Colorado	2,179.4	2,162.5	2,189.0	2,171.9	12.8	13.4	13.0	13.6	158.8	153.0	164.4	156.5	167.4	156.6	167.7	156.0
Connecticut	1,670.6	1,652.4	1,680.4	1,660.7	.7	.6	.7	.6	63.5	59.6	65.1	61.6	213.9	205.2	213.3	204.6
Delaware	410.5	409.0	415.7	414.5	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	24.0	23.7	24.3	24.4	35.7	33.5	37.0	34.8
District of Columbia	663.3	666.0	661.8	658.7	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	11.5	11.8	11.9	11.9	3.0	2.8	2.9	2.8
Florida	7,216.2	7,312.7	7,233.1	7,313.7	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	429.8	439.8	433.2	442.0	409.5	392.9	409.1	392.9
Georgia	3,904.5	3,905.9	3,919.5	3,932.4	12.5	11.7	12.5	11.7	199.6	204.2	200.3	210.4	473.7	448.5	473.5	448.1
Hawaii	547.0	565.1	557.2	569.4	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	25.1	27.2	25.3	27.4	15.1	15.2	15.2	15.2
Idaho	562.2	563.4	569.7	568.2	2.7	2.7	3.2	3.0	34.4	35.3	37.2	37.8	64.2	60.7	64.6	60.6
Illinois	5,875.6	5,831.3	5,922.4	5,864.7	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	268.0	266.9	278.3	275.5	760.2	736.6	759.5	735.7
Indiana	2,890.8	2,867.9	2,915.3	2,893.0	7.2	7.0	7.3	7.3	142.8	133.6	147.7	140.9	586.2	577.3	589.3	579.7
Iowa	1,453.0	1,447.9	1,466.1	1,458.9	2.0	1.9	2.1	2.1	62.9	61.9	67.0	66.5	228.5	221.2	229.6	222.3
Kansas	1,344.1	1,336.6	1,350.8	1,343.6	6.6	6.5	6.7	6.5	62.3	63.1	64.0	64.9	183.3	176.9	182.9	178.0
Kentucky	1,789.7	1,777.4	1,801.1	1,784.1	20.5	19.7	20.4	19.6	82.5	80.9	83.5	81.9	277.1	269.2	276.6	268.9
Louisiana	1,905.0	1,897.6	1,910.8	1,902.9	48.2	45.5	48.5	46.8	119.8	120.9	120.9	120.5	160.8	154.7	161.5	157.1
Maine	598.4	596.7	610.6	607.6	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.1	27.8	27.7	30.0	29.5	68.5	64.1	68.5	64.1
Maryland	2,471.0	2,482.0	2,492.7	2,503.8	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	166.4	163.7	168.5	167.0	158.6	153.6	158.5	153.8
Massachusetts	3,249.7	3,207.0	3,272.7	3,227.9	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.7	137.7	128.9	144.1	134.5	350.3	333.7	349.6	333.2
Michigan	4,466.0	4,393.5	4,528.1	4,488.0	8.4	7.1	8.9	8.2	192.7	183.9	207.0	201.4	761.6	732.0	763.3	737.9
Minnesota	2,632.4	2,629.3	2,672.5	2,661.4	6.1	6.5	6.4	6.7	112.9	114.1	126.3	126.8	355.6	344.8	356.5	345.5
Mississippi	1,127.2	1,129.9	1,130.9	1,128.4	8.9	9.3	8.9	9.2	53.5	53.8	54.2	55.2	190.5	182.0	190.4	181.1
Missouri	2,700.5	2,656.2	2,715.2	2,663.1	4.5	4.0	4.6	4.2	131.8	128.3	133.9	131.8	325.6	313.3	324.4	313.2
Montana	390.7	393.1	398.8	400.3	5.8	5.8	6.0	5.9	19.9	20.8	21.9	22.3	19.6	18.7	19.9	18.9
Nebraska	906.5	905.4	916.0	911.7	1.1	1.4	1.1	1.4	43.8	43.2	45.8	45.5	105.7	104.3	105.8	104.7
Nevada	1,046.3	1,061.8	1,055.2	1,068.7	8.8	8.5	8.8	8.6	90.7	92.7	92.5	94.6	42.4	42.4	42.5	42.6
New Hampshire	612.9	612.2	621.1	618.5	.9	.8	.9	.9	26.3	26.4	27.8	28.5	86.1	81.8	85.7	82.1
New Jersey	3,983.4	3,997.9	4,008.1	4,017.0	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.4	160.6	162.0	163.9	166.8	372.0	357.9	372.1	358.1
New Mexico	763.3	778.4	769.3	782.3	14.0	13.5	13.9	13.6	45.8	45.9	46.4	46.9	38.2	36.7	38.4	36.4
New York	8,425.7	8,370.6	8,506.3	8,434.3	5.0	5.0	5.4	5.1	310.5	314.0	323.4	332.7	656.5	620.6	658.7	622.0
North Carolina	3,851.0	3,841.5	3,869.9	3,863.6	8.0	7.8	8.1	8.0	220.3	211.2	222.5	215.5	647.6	616.4	646.1	615.6
North Dakota	328.4	328.9	333.7	334.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	13.6	12.9	15.7	15.3	23.5	23.1	23.7	23.2
Ohio	5,434.3	5,391.6	5,486.4	5,427.4	12.3	12.1	11.9	12.0	226.9	223.5	237.9	232.7	887.3	857.9	889.2	862.9
Oklahoma	1,493.6	1,483.5	1,505.2	1,493.2	27.7	28.7	28.1	29.2	63.7	65.8	65.3	66.7	153.2	147.4	153.3	148.7
Oregon	1,563.3	1,553.4	1,577.1	1,564.7	8.6	9.4	9.0	9.1	75.0	73.5	77.1	75.0	199.9	191.1	200.8	192.3
Pennsylvania	5,658.7	5,637.3	5,691.8	5,671.9	19.0	18.1	19.3	18.2	243.6	242.1	252.7	252.9	765.7	728.5	764.9	728.9
Rhode Island	478.5	478.9	483.8	484.9	.2	.2	.2	.2	19.1	19.1	19.8	20.2	62.8	60.8	63.0	60.7
South Carolina	1,812.7	1,799.5	1,824.8	1,807.3	5.1	5.0	5.2	5.1	112.0	106.6	113.5	108.1	292.3	280.2	292.1	279.6
South Dakota	373.2	375.1	382.0	384.1	.9	.8	.9	.9	17.2	17.6	19.6	20.0	38.2	37.5	38.3	37.5
Tennessee	2,670.1	2,672.3	2,679.7	2,679.7	4.6	4.4	4.7	4.4	112.6	108.0	114.8	110.2	428.3	415.6	429.8	415.9
Texas	9,431.3	9,446.9	9,477.8	9,478.0	144.5	141.6	145.3	143.0	570.0	576.2	576.0	577.2	956.2	921.1	954.7	918.5
Utah	1,073.4	1,073.0	1,071.8	1,070.7	6.9	7.1	7.0	7.0	65.2	64.3	67.5	67.5	113.6	110.9	113.8	111.1
Vermont	297.2	300.4	299.2	301.8	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.2	13.9	13.9	15.3	15.1	41.3	38.5	41.3	38.4
Virginia	3,490.6	3,490.3	3,510.2	3,512.5	10.7	10.2	10.8	10.3	213.1	203.8	216.4	209.1	320.7	309.7	320.6	308.4
Washington	2,640.8	2,647.4	2,666.5	2,671.6	8.9	8.7	9.3	9.0	148.9	152.5	154.1	156.7	286.6	266.3	287.9	265.6
West Virginia	731.5	729.7	747.2	734.4	23.3	22.9	22.9	23.2	33.4	32.5	34.0	33.4	69.3	66.2	69.3	65.9
Wisconsin	2,765.6	2,767.4	2,799.7	2,799.5	3.6	3.8	4.1	4.5	117.9	108.9	127.0	119.1	525.1	514.8	526.5	516.1
Wyoming	242.5	243.1	250.4	250.1	17.7	17.4	17.9	17.7	19.1	19.1	20.9	20.4	9.2	8.9	9.4	8.8
Puerto Rico	983.7	989.5	982.0	989.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	67.6	65.4	67.1	65.4	117.8	119.0	118.1	119.3

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
Alabama .....	372.4	369.3	373.5	369.1	34.5	33.7	34.4	33.8	97.3	96.9	98.0	96.6	184.9	184.0	185.2	185.1
Alaska .....	58.6	58.4	62.4	61.4	7.1	6.8	7.2	6.9	13.2	13.3	13.6	13.7	22.2	22.3	23.0	23.3
Arizona .....	437.4	443.2	439.1	444.0	52.7	49.3	52.2	48.8	155.1	153.6	154.6	153.7	316.6	316.5	315.7	316.7
Arkansas .....	240.3	242.7	241.9	243.6	20.2	19.7	20.2	19.7	49.5	49.8	49.8	50.0	100.3	99.8	101.1	100.5
California .....	2,696.1	2,705.1	2,713.1	2,710.1	506.5	472.5	509.5	470.2	845.2	860.6	848.8	862.2	2,116.7	2,109.3	2,123.5	2,104.5
Colorado .....	408.1	401.7	410.5	404.9	95.3	89.4	94.4	89.0	147.2	152.7	146.7	153.2	293.2	281.8	295.6	285.3
Connecticut .....	308.0	307.1	310.2	308.7	41.5	39.9	41.5	39.9	141.7	141.4	142.4	142.1	203.4	199.2	203.8	199.8
Delaware .....	75.3	76.9	76.8	77.5	7.7	8.0	7.7	7.8	38.9	38.1	38.8	38.5	68.2	67.8	68.2	68.3
District of Columbia .....	27.7	27.3	27.8	27.5	25.8	26.0	25.8	25.6	30.7	30.9	30.8	30.9	139.5	140.5	139.6	140.2
Florida .....	1,471.8	1,464.8	1,474.1	1,464.9	178.4	170.7	178.7	169.4	473.2	482.0	474.5	483.9	1,226.9	1,248.6	1,229.4	1,249.9
Georgia .....	832.0	821.6	835.1	819.7	133.5	127.8	133.2	128.4	211.9	212.8	212.6	213.7	524.4	534.6	526.2	545.9
Hawaii .....	105.0	107.8	105.6	108.3	11.6	11.4	11.6	11.9	27.2	28.3	27.4	28.3	65.4	68.5	65.8	68.3
Idaho .....	114.6	113.0	115.8	114.0	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.1	25.4	26.0	25.7	26.3	68.7	69.3	69.5	70.5
Illinois .....	1,187.0	1,181.3	1,194.3	1,186.7	147.9	144.7	148.1	144.9	398.2	400.3	399.6	400.5	782.1	778.9	785.0	781.0
Indiana .....	576.0	576.1	581.6	577.2	42.5	41.4	42.8	41.6	138.9	139.4	139.9	139.9	251.3	239.2	255.4	242.3
Iowa .....	304.2	300.6	305.8	302.7	35.6	35.2	35.7	34.9	93.8	93.4	93.9	93.6	105.1	106.5	105.1	106.5
Kansas .....	266.5	267.3	267.7	267.7	51.7	50.2	51.4	49.8	68.4	69.8	68.6	69.8	129.0	125.5	128.3	125.1
Kentucky .....	369.6	364.6	371.9	365.5	31.7	31.8	31.7	31.8	84.6	85.7	85.0	85.1	152.6	152.4	154.4	154.7
Louisiana .....	384.1	386.6	385.2	388.1	29.0	29.7	28.9	29.8	100.0	98.9	100.2	99.1	184.0	175.8	182.5	173.9
Maine .....	119.7	119.1	121.9	121.3	11.6	11.3	11.6	11.4	34.6	34.6	34.9	34.9	51.6	50.8	52.3	51.6
Maryland .....	458.9	456.9	462.5	459.6	54.2	50.7	54.2	52.1	149.7	150.0	150.3	150.2	360.7	364.5	363.6	366.6
Massachusetts .....	572.3	572.2	577.3	575.9	100.5	94.3	100.2	94.1	226.8	228.4	227.3	228.9	457.7	437.3	458.8	441.1
Michigan .....	826.0	820.1	839.4	834.9	74.9	74.6	75.2	75.7	214.9	217.9	216.4	219.4	593.6	570.7	602.3	585.6
Minnesota .....	522.1	517.9	528.1	525.8	67.7	66.5	67.8	67.3	169.4	167.4	170.1	168.0	292.5	289.3	295.2	291.1
Mississippi .....	219.6	224.7	220.9	224.3	16.2	16.2	16.3	16.4	45.8	46.1	45.8	45.8	78.4	79.5	77.9	78.7
Missouri .....	534.2	532.0	538.7	531.6	70.9	67.4	71.1	67.6	158.2	158.4	159.0	159.8	305.2	294.7	303.7	292.7
Montana .....	83.9	83.3	85.3	84.3	7.8	8.0	7.9	8.0	19.2	19.7	19.4	19.8	31.9	32.3	32.0	32.9
Nebraska .....	193.7	196.0	195.6	197.6	24.7	24.3	24.8	24.2	60.9	63.1	61.3	63.6	92.8	89.6	92.7	88.6
Nevada .....	189.1	189.5	190.2	190.5	17.1	16.1	17.3	16.1	55.6	56.4	55.7	56.6	112.4	115.2	113.3	115.7
New Hampshire .....	135.9	135.7	137.3	137.1	13.0	12.4	12.9	12.4	36.1	36.8	36.3	37.1	53.4	52.2	54.1	52.7
New Jersey .....	873.1	880.0	877.4	877.5	116.8	110.0	117.4	109.7	275.5	274.7	275.8	276.9	585.3	585.0	585.4	581.6
New Mexico .....	133.7	135.7	135.3	136.4	17.0	16.7	17.1	16.8	33.3	34.5	33.4	34.5	88.5	90.4	88.8	91.2
New York .....	1,457.2	1,461.6	1,471.6	1,475.3	298.3	281.0	304.6	281.8	704.4	695.1	706.3	696.7	1,049.3	1,034.6	1,052.2	1,039.0
North Carolina .....	719.1	714.9	722.6	719.8	79.0	78.7	79.5	79.2	186.4	192.2	186.8	193.8	413.3	418.2	418.0	419.6
North Dakota .....	70.9	71.4	72.2	72.3	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.1	17.8	18.0	17.9	18.1	23.9	23.4	24.1	23.9
Ohio .....	1,054.2	1,045.8	1,061.8	1,049.7	101.3	96.4	101.3	96.6	306.8	307.5	308.2	308.0	611.7	611.5	615.5	609.5
Oklahoma .....	285.0	283.9	286.4	285.5	35.6	34.5	35.5	34.2	82.8	84.3	83.4	85.3	164.2	157.4	165.6	160.7
Oregon .....	310.5	308.2	312.8	309.6	36.0	35.7	36.0	36.0	93.7	93.7	94.0	94.0	170.3	169.9	171.7	172.4
Pennsylvania .....	1,109.6	1,088.3	1,119.6	1,095.8	129.4	128.1	130.1	128.8	334.9	338.0	336.4	339.4	607.3	598.8	608.7	601.6
Rhode Island .....	79.2	80.9	79.9	81.9	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.3	32.4	32.6	32.4	32.6	49.4	47.6	49.4	48.3
South Carolina .....	346.5	342.9	349.0	345.9	27.5	27.4	27.9	27.5	89.0	90.7	89.9	90.3	183.3	177.0	183.9	178.0
South Dakota .....	75.9	76.2	77.2	77.5	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.7	27.9	27.6	27.9	27.7	24.9	24.1	24.9	24.0
Tennessee .....	571.8	568.1	572.8	569.6	53.7	52.3	54.0	52.1	139.2	139.2	139.3	139.4	306.4	310.2	308.1	312.7
Texas .....	1,952.4	1,933.0	1,960.3	1,936.3	251.5	235.7	251.3	235.8	576.6	582.8	580.3	584.8	1,055.5	1,048.6	1,057.6	1,053.6
Utah .....	213.6	213.5	215.3	214.6	30.9	31.6	31.3	31.7	63.0	64.1	63.3	64.1	131.1	131.7	132.4	131.3
Vermont .....	58.0	59.2	58.6	59.7	6.8	6.6	6.7	6.8	12.9	13.2	13.1	13.2	20.0	20.5	20.5	21.0
Virginia .....	626.3	628.2	630.9	630.9	107.4	100.3	107.5	101.0	180.2	181.9	181.5	183.4	548.5	542.8	548.7	547.8
Washington .....	503.2	500.7	507.2	505.0	93.1	92.4	93.3	92.7	144.5	147.6	145.3	148.5	287.4	290.5	288.8	292.6
West Virginia .....	136.2	134.6	137.4	135.7	13.2	12.8	13.3	12.9	30.8	31.4	31.0	31.9	56.5	59.5	56.6	59.3
Wisconsin .....	528.9	530.3	536.1	538.7	51.0	50.8	51.0	50.9	152.3	154.7	153.1	156.2	239.8	240.5	241.6	243.3
Wyoming .....	47.2	46.7	48.5	48.4	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.2	9.8	10.1	10.0	10.1	15.5	15.4	15.8	15.9
Puerto Rico .....	173.9	170.8	175.3	171.8	20.9	20.9	21.2	20.6	44.3	44.6	44.4	44.4	95.4	98.5	95.4	98.1

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
Alabama	183.8	184.5	182.1	184.1	151.9	153.1	155.5	154.5	87.2	85.9	87.5	85.7	357.9	359.1	357.3	359.6
Alaska	30.0	31.7	30.4	32.0	26.8	27.5	30.3	31.1	12.1	12.4	12.3	12.5	81.9	83.6	82.8	84.0
Arizona	230.5	244.7	231.6	245.4	236.6	237.5	236.4	237.4	86.8	88.0	87.1	88.5	399.1	400.1	393.6	398.0
Arkansas	135.5	139.4	135.2	139.0	87.9	90.1	90.4	91.7	40.8	40.6	41.1	40.8	199.1	200.3	198.8	199.8
California	1,500.7	1,534.0	1,510.6	1,531.8	1,384.4	1,398.7	1,404.5	1,412.1	506.8	502.8	512.9	504.5	2,490.9	2,497.5	2,496.9	2,492.9
Colorado	207.9	212.0	208.7	212.4	245.2	251.3	240.3	246.6	85.4	84.1	85.5	84.4	358.1	366.5	362.2	370.0
Connecticut	260.0	265.3	259.5	264.3	120.7	121.5	126.4	127.0	62.6	62.1	63.4	62.1	254.6	250.5	254.1	250.0
Delaware	48.5	49.7	48.7	50.0	37.0	36.1	38.9	37.9	17.7	17.8	17.9	18.1	57.5	57.4	57.4	57.2
District of Columbia	92.0	92.5	88.5	85.6	48.2	49.8	49.1	49.3	56.0	55.8	55.9	55.7	228.9	228.6	229.5	229.2
Florida	852.7	877.2	856.3	876.0	816.5	836.3	813.4	832.7	309.3	316.3	311.1	316.2	1,048.1	1,084.1	1,053.3	1,085.8
Georgia	372.8	377.4	373.3	379.4	345.0	341.5	350.7	346.7	172.2	190.3	173.7	194.1	626.9	635.5	628.4	634.3
Hawaii	62.6	65.3	63.2	65.5	96.8	98.4	97.7	98.2	23.7	23.8	23.9	23.9	114.5	119.2	121.5	122.4
Idaho	59.8	62.2	58.9	60.5	52.1	53.7	53.2	54.5	17.8	17.1	17.9	17.3	113.3	114.3	114.5	114.6
Illinois	711.0	718.9	713.5	719.8	485.9	482.1	502.6	494.1	249.9	248.2	250.3	250.0	875.8	863.8	881.5	866.9
Indiana	349.3	353.8	344.8	352.5	266.3	260.6	276.4	269.3	107.3	108.6	108.8	110.0	423.0	430.9	421.3	432.3
Iowa	190.3	195.8	189.3	193.7	123.9	123.1	129.0	127.0	56.9	57.2	56.9	57.3	249.8	251.1	251.7	252.3
Kansas	157.7	159.5	158.3	160.3	108.9	106.9	111.0	108.8	53.1	53.3	53.0	53.4	256.6	257.6	258.9	259.3
Kentucky	220.6	228.2	221.1	227.3	154.3	154.5	160.0	158.0	76.1	73.8	76.5	73.9	320.1	316.6	320.0	317.4
Louisiana	235.5	239.8	234.7	239.8	196.2	196.7	198.8	197.4	71.1	70.8	71.5	70.7	376.3	379.1	378.1	379.7
Maine	105.6	107.7	105.3	107.2	51.9	51.9	58.1	58.1	19.6	20.1	19.8	20.1	105.5	107.3	106.3	107.3
Maryland	329.6	339.9	330.6	339.8	210.2	211.5	220.1	221.9	114.0	117.4	114.9	118.2	468.7	473.8	469.5	474.6
Massachusetts	575.1	581.9	568.1	574.8	275.6	278.5	291.3	293.3	116.5	117.8	117.7	118.8	435.6	432.5	436.6	431.6
Michigan	532.3	544.2	533.7	545.4	388.9	367.7	410.3	395.9	174.9	174.6	176.5	178.0	697.8	700.7	695.1	705.6
Minnesota	357.0	369.6	359.1	368.7	222.2	223.7	233.8	234.7	117.9	116.5	118.3	115.8	409.0	413.0	410.9	411.0
Mississippi	113.4	112.4	113.4	112.4	122.8	121.3	124.5	122.6	37.5	38.8	37.6	39.0	240.6	245.8	241.0	243.7
Missouri	349.8	353.5	350.6	349.4	261.8	254.9	268.6	266.4	117.7	122.3	118.0	123.3	440.8	427.4	442.6	423.1
Montana	52.2	52.9	52.3	53.2	48.7	49.4	50.4	51.3	15.9	15.9	16.1	16.1	85.8	86.3	87.6	87.6
Nebraska	113.3	112.7	113.6	112.9	76.7	74.0	78.4	76.4	33.7	33.2	33.7	33.5	160.1	163.6	163.2	163.3
Nevada	71.5	74.5	72.1	75.1	297.0	298.9	299.8	300.6	29.9	30.4	30.3	30.7	131.8	137.2	132.7	137.6
New Hampshire	92.1	94.3	92.5	93.8	56.6	58.6	60.4	62.8	21.9	21.6	22.1	21.7	90.6	91.6	91.1	89.4
New Jersey	525.8	541.7	528.2	541.9	301.7	301.9	315.1	319.0	147.1	149.5	148.4	151.6	624.0	633.8	622.9	632.5
New Mexico	94.3	100.3	94.5	100.1	79.6	81.3	81.4	83.0	27.4	28.0	27.7	28.2	191.5	195.4	192.4	195.2
New York	1,470.9	1,496.7	1,469.9	1,488.5	623.9	625.8	653.5	651.9	346.1	347.5	348.9	348.7	1,503.6	1,488.7	1,511.8	1,492.6
North Carolina	414.4	424.9	415.7	426.9	330.8	324.2	340.7	334.4	181.1	178.8	182.3	179.6	651.0	674.2	647.6	671.2
North Dakota	46.4	47.4	46.7	47.3	29.6	29.6	30.4	30.5	15.4	15.1	15.4	15.3	76.3	76.9	76.3	76.6
Ohio	712.8	722.1	711.6	718.2	478.9	478.9	502.7	499.9	228.7	226.1	230.4	227.5	813.4	809.8	815.9	810.4
Oklahoma	173.4	174.5	172.7	171.9	128.0	127.8	131.2	132.2	74.4	78.0	74.7	76.8	305.6	301.2	309.0	302.0
Oregon	186.7	190.2	186.4	190.3	147.4	147.7	150.7	150.9	56.2	58.1	56.6	57.9	279.0	275.9	282.0	277.2
Pennsylvania	972.4	996.8	964.2	987.9	458.1	462.2	481.1	484.1	259.0	264.2	260.5	265.5	759.7	772.2	754.3	768.8
Rhode Island	89.1	91.0	89.1	91.0	46.6	46.3	49.6	48.5	21.3	22.7	21.5	23.2	67.2	66.5	67.7	67.0
South Carolina	171.7	178.2	172.3	177.1	191.0	185.2	195.5	189.4	64.2	65.6	64.9	66.4	330.1	340.7	330.6	339.9
South Dakota	53.9	55.2	53.9	55.3	37.5	38.2	40.8	41.3	15.8	16.2	16.1	16.5	74.3	75.0	75.6	76.7
Tennessee	295.8	308.3	296.5	308.0	239.4	242.6	243.3	246.7	100.0	101.3	101.1	101.4	418.3	422.3	415.3	419.3
Texas	1,075.5	1,121.2	1,081.0	1,123.7	848.4	852.9	865.3	868.6	356.5	358.0	358.4	359.2	1,644.2	1,675.8	1,647.6	1,677.3
Utah	114.3	117.6	110.7	114.0	103.2	97.6	100.0	96.5	32.7	32.8	32.9	32.6	198.9	201.8	197.6	200.3
Vermont	50.1	52.2	50.3	51.8	30.4	30.6	29.8	30.3	9.9	10.2	9.9	10.1	52.9	54.4	52.7	54.2
Virginia	363.7	372.8	363.4	372.1	301.5	312.6	312.2	324.0	177.0	178.9	178.5	180.9	641.5	649.1	639.7	644.6
Washington	308.2	315.8	309.9	316.8	241.4	242.2	248.2	249.3	97.0	98.2	98.0	99.1	521.6	532.5	524.5	536.3
West Virginia	106.9	107.8	107.2	108.0	63.0	63.2	65.3	65.0	55.5	55.0	55.7	55.7	143.4	143.8	154.5	143.4
Wisconsin	355.6	363.0	356.3	362.3	231.4	232.8	245.8	245.1	131.8	139.6	132.1	138.5	428.2	428.2	426.1	424.8
Wyoming	19.6	20.0	19.9	20.0	27.6	27.8	30.0	30.2	9.6	9.4	9.8	9.7	63.0	64.0	64.1	64.7
Puerto Rico	85.8	88.8	86.4	89.3	63.6	64.6	64.6	64.1	16.6	15.7	16.5	15.7	296.6	300.0	291.8	300.0

<sup>1</sup> Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

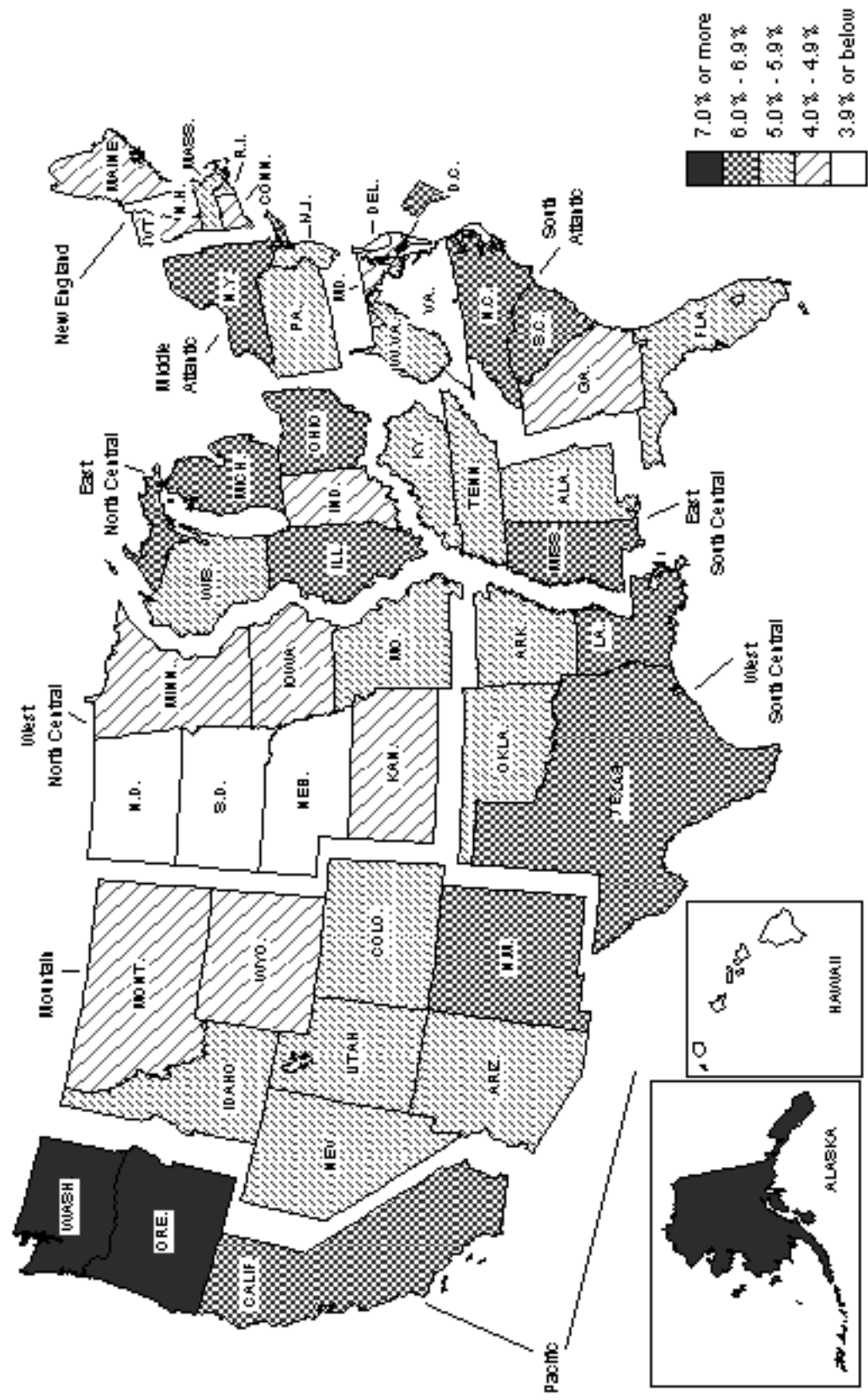
<sup>P</sup> = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from March 2002 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmark month are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available. Data reflect the

conversion to the 2002 version of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) as the basis for the assignment and tabulation of economic data by industry, replacing the 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. Due to differences in NAICS and SIC structures, NAICS-based data by industry are not comparable with the SIC-based data.

# Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted May 2003

(U.S. rate = 6.1 percent)



**Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, May 2002 – May 2003**

