

Table 21. Average weekly hours at work in all industries and in nonagricultural industries by sex, 1976-2007 annual averages

Year	All industries			Nonagricultural industries		
	Total	Women	Men	Total	Women	Men
1976.....	38.7	34.1	41.7	38.4	34.1	41.4
1977.....	38.8	34.2	41.9	38.5	34.2	41.6
1978 ¹	39.0	34.5	42.1	38.7	34.4	41.8
1979.....	38.9	34.5	42.0	38.6	34.4	41.7
1980.....	38.5	34.5	41.5	38.3	34.4	41.2
1981.....	38.1	34.1	41.1	37.9	34.1	40.7
1982.....	38.0	34.1	40.9	37.7	34.0	40.6
1983.....	38.3	34.5	41.2	38.1	34.4	41.0
1984.....	38.8	34.9	41.8	38.6	34.9	41.5
1985.....	39.0	35.2	42.0	38.9	35.2	41.8
1986 ¹	39.1	35.4	42.1	38.9	35.3	41.9
1987.....	39.0	35.3	42.0	38.8	35.3	41.8
1988.....	39.4	35.7	42.4	39.3	35.7	42.2
1989.....	39.6	35.8	42.6	39.4	35.8	42.4
1990 ¹	39.4	35.8	42.3	39.3	35.8	42.1
1991.....	39.2	35.8	42.0	39.1	35.8	41.9
1992.....	38.9	35.6	41.7	38.8	35.6	41.6
1993.....	39.4	36.0	42.2	39.3	36.0	42.1
1994 ¹	39.2	35.5	42.2	39.1	35.6	42.1
1995.....	39.3	35.6	42.3	39.2	35.7	42.2
1996.....	39.3	35.7	42.3	39.2	35.7	42.2
1997 ¹	39.5	36.0	42.4	39.4	36.0	42.3
1998 ¹	39.3	35.8	42.2	39.2	35.9	42.2
1999 ¹	39.6	36.2	42.4	39.5	36.2	42.4
2000 ¹	39.7	36.4	42.5	39.6	36.4	42.4
2001.....	39.2	36.1	41.9	39.2	36.1	41.8
2002.....	39.2	36.0	41.8	39.1	36.1	41.7
2003 ¹	39.0	35.9	41.7	39.0	35.9	41.6
2004.....	39.0	35.9	41.7	39.0	35.9	41.6
2005.....	39.2	36.1	41.8	39.1	36.1	41.7
2006.....	39.2	36.2	41.8	39.2	36.2	41.7
2007.....	39.2	36.1	41.7	39.1	36.1	41.6

¹ The comparability of historical data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Historical Comparability documentation provided at http://www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

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