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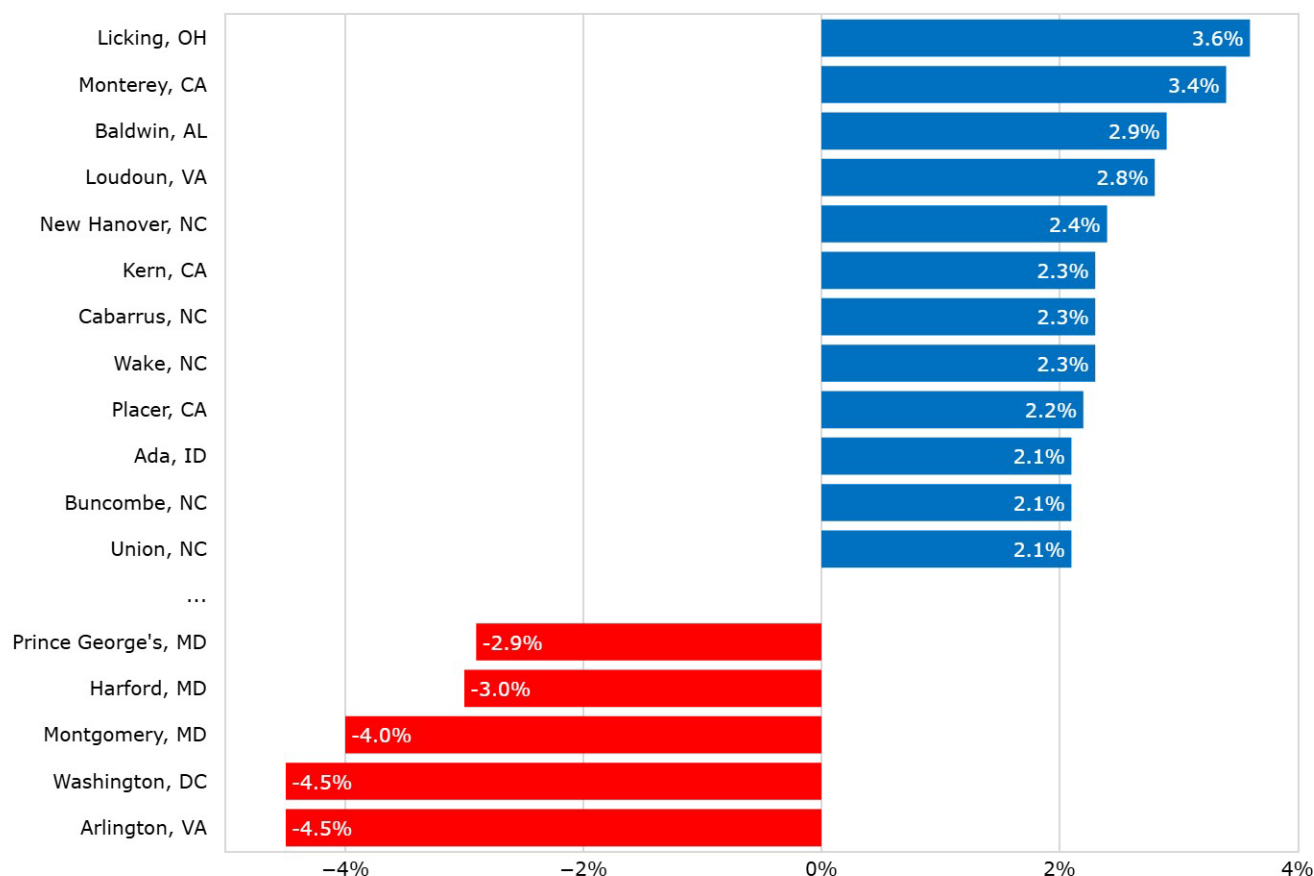
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COUNTY EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES – FIRST QUARTER 2026

From March 2025 to March 2026, employment increased in 151 of the 376 largest U.S. counties, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. In March 2026, national employment increased to 154.8 million, a 0.1-percent increase over the year, as measured by the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program. Licking, OH, had the largest over-the-year increase in employment, with a gain of 3.6 percent. Employment data in this release are presented for March 2026, and average weekly wage data are presented for first quarter 2026.

Among the 376 largest counties, 358 had over-the-year increases in average weekly wages. In the first quarter of 2026, average weekly wages for the nation increased to \$1,654, a 3.9-percent increase over the year. St. Tammany, LA, had the largest first quarter over-the-year wage gain at 23.4 percent. (See table 1.)

Chart 1. Percent change in employment, March 2025 to March 2026, by largest gains and losses



Large County Employment in March 2026

Licking, OH, had the largest over-the-year percentage increase in employment (+3.6 percent). Within Licking, the largest employment increase occurred in trade, transportation, and utilities, with a gain of 677 (+3.7 percent).

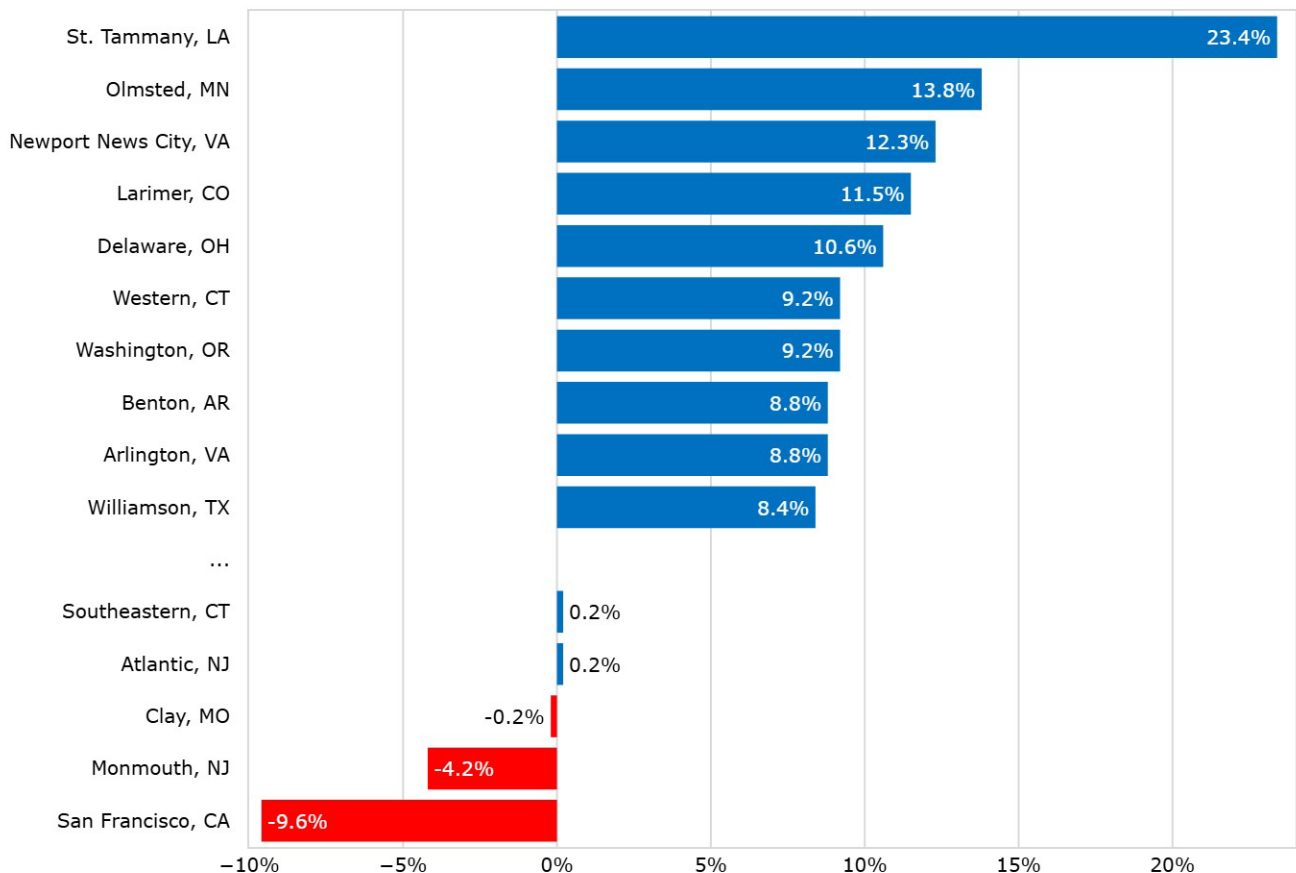
Washington, DC, and Arlington, VA, had the largest over-the-year percentage decrease in employment (-4.5 percent each). Within Washington, the largest employment decrease occurred in combined government, with a loss of 25,704 (-11.0 percent). Within Arlington, the largest employment decrease occurred in professional and business services, with a loss of 3,563 (-5.6 percent).

Large County Average Weekly Wage in First Quarter 2026

St. Tammany, LA, had the largest over-the-year percentage increase in average weekly wages (+23.4 percent). Within St. Tammany, an average weekly wage gain of \$29,561 (+771.8 percent) in natural resources and mining made the largest contribution to the county's increase in average weekly wages.

San Francisco, CA, had the largest over-the-year percentage decrease in average weekly wages (-9.6 percent). Within San Francisco, an average weekly wage loss of \$2,092 (-27.9 percent) in professional and business services made the largest contribution to the county's decrease in average weekly wages.

Chart 2. Percent change in average weekly wage, first quarter 2025 to first quarter 2026, by largest and smallest gains and losses



Ten Largest Counties

Three of the 10 largest counties had over-the-year percentage increases in employment. In March 2026, Orange, CA, had the largest over-the-year employment percentage gain (+0.7 percent). Within Orange, education and health services had the largest employment increase, with a gain of 10,753 (+4.0 percent). (See table 2.)

All of the 10 largest counties had over-the-year percentage increases in average weekly wages. In the first quarter of 2026, New York, NY, experienced the largest over-the-year percentage gain in average weekly wages (+7.9 percent). Within New York, financial activities had the largest impact, with an average weekly wage increase of \$1,477 (+11.1 percent).

For More Information

The tables and charts included in this release contain data for the nation and for the 376 U.S. counties with annual average employment levels of 75,000 or more in 2025. March 2026 employment and first quarter 2026 average weekly wages for all states are provided in table 3 of this release.

Over-the-year changes of employment and wages presented in this news release are adjusted and may differ from unadjusted data used in BLS data tools and interactive charts. More information is available in the QCEW Technical Note at www.bls.gov/cew/news-release-technical-note.htm.

QCEW reporting rates tables are available at www.bls.gov/cew/reporting-rates/.

The most current news release on quarterly measures of gross job flows is available from QCEW Business Employment Dynamics at www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/cewbd.pdf.

BLS regional offices issue QCEW news releases targeted to local data users. Links to these releases are available at www.bls.gov/cew/regional-resources.htm.

QCEW data are available in the Census Business Builder suite of web tools assisting business owners and regional analysts in data-driven decision making at www.census.gov/data/data-tools/cbb.html.

The QCEW news release schedule is available at www.bls.gov/cew/release-calendar.htm.

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The County Employment and Wages news release for second quarter 2026 is scheduled to be published on Wednesday, December 2, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (ET).

County Changes for the 2026 County Employment and Wages News Releases

Counties with annual average employment of 75,000 or more in 2025 are included in this release and will be included in future 2026 releases. Five counties have been added to the publication tables: Kenton, KY; Union, NC; Licking, OH; Gregg, TX; and Kenosha, WI. One county has been dropped from the publication tables: Wood, OH.

Table 1. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 377 largest counties, first quarter 2026

County ¹	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment			Average weekly wage ²		
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change
United States ⁴	12,381.8	154,771.9	0.1	-	\$1,654	3.9	-
Baldwin, AL.....	9.8	89.5	2.9	3	1,033	3.6	172
Jefferson, AL.....	24.4	368.1	0.5	104	1,580	4.7	82
Madison, AL.....	15.3	235.4	1.0	57	1,596	(⁵)	-
Mobile, AL.....	12.9	177.2	1.2	39	1,247	3.7	161
Montgomery, AL.....	7.7	131.2	-0.3	185	1,212	3.2	201
Shelby, AL.....	7.9	85.0	0.4	111	1,498	5.5	50
Tuscaloosa, AL.....	5.7	98.0	-0.5	220	1,201	2.1	292
Anchorage, AK.....	8.8	145.1	-1.6	336	1,579	5.3	56
Maricopa, AZ.....	140.7	2,297.5	-0.5	220	1,570	3.8	150
Pima, AZ.....	23.4	383.8	-1.7	340	1,332	8.2	11
Pinal, AZ.....	5.4	81.1	0.7	79	1,204	3.2	201
Benton, AR.....	9.4	151.9	1.2	39	2,489	8.8	8
Pulaski, AR.....	14.5	261.1	-1.1	300	1,348	5.1	64
Washington, AR.....	7.3	120.8	-0.5	220	1,162	3.2	201
Alameda, CA.....	78.2	780.1	(⁵)	-	2,142	4.4	103
Butte, CA.....	9.5	79.2	(⁵)	-	1,150	(⁵)	-
Contra Costa, CA.....	42.7	375.5	0.8	73	1,808	1.6	320
Fresno, CA.....	47.3	428.8	1.6	22	1,172	2.2	283
Kern, CA.....	30.5	342.3	2.3	6	1,234	2.7	243
Los Angeles, CA.....	609.7	4,548.0	(⁵)	-	1,704	1.5	324
Marin, CA.....	13.6	108.9	0.1	144	1,980	1.1	343
Merced, CA.....	9.2	83.5	1.2	39	1,095	1.9	301
Monterey, CA.....	16.6	185.8	3.4	2	1,262	1.5	324
Napa, CA.....	7.0	77.5	-1.7	340	1,435	2.3	273
Orange, CA.....	160.6	1,663.2	0.7	79	1,766	4.3	107
Placer, CA.....	17.2	191.7	2.2	9	1,519	3.1	216
Riverside, CA.....	95.8	847.9	0.9	65	1,200	1.9	301
Sacramento, CA.....	79.7	736.0	0.7	79	1,635	2.7	243
San Bernardino, CA.....	85.3	846.0	0.7	79	1,226	1.5	324
San Diego, CA.....	142.1	1,537.4	0.0	152	1,814	7.0	20
San Francisco, CA.....	70.9	704.9	2.0	13	4,049	-9.6	361
San Joaquin, CA.....	24.1	289.0	1.1	53	1,230	2.2	283
San Luis Obispo, CA.....	12.4	122.2	0.7	79	1,251	4.3	107
San Mateo, CA.....	33.4	413.1	0.8	73	4,650	6.1	31
Santa Barbara, CA.....	18.4	211.8	1.4	28	1,424	1.7	314
Santa Clara, CA.....	89.3	1,126.1	1.5	25	4,446	7.8	14
Santa Cruz, CA.....	10.8	100.4	1.7	21	1,371	2.9	225
Solano, CA.....	14.7	143.3	-0.7	252	1,477	3.5	176
Sonoma, CA.....	22.9	204.3	-0.3	185	1,422	2.7	243
Stanislaus, CA.....	18.8	196.0	0.3	117	1,265	1.4	330
Tulare, CA.....	15.9	171.6	0.9	65	1,062	3.5	176
Ventura, CA.....	33.7	335.7	-0.5	220	1,488	4.1	123
Yolo, CA.....	8.5	106.9	-1.4	328	1,545	1.7	314
Adams, CO.....	14.8	243.0	-0.8	268	1,484	3.8	150
Arapahoe, CO.....	27.4	339.4	-0.5	220	1,929	4.7	82
Boulder, CO.....	19.5	185.0	-1.0	288	2,107	6.6	25
Denver, CO.....	45.0	551.0	-1.3	321	2,354	4.4	103
Douglas, CO.....	17.2	147.1	1.0	57	1,913	5.0	69
El Paso, CO.....	26.3	301.6	-1.2	310	1,437	5.0	69
Jefferson, CO.....	26.2	240.1	-1.5	331	1,753	7.6	17

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County ¹	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment			Average weekly wage ²		
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change
Larimer, CO.....	16.0	167.8	-0.4	205	\$1,627	11.5	4
Weld, CO.....	10.3	122.2	-0.3	185	1,446	5.3	56
Capitol, CT.....	37.3	526.8	-0.1	166	1,874	4.7	82
Greater Bridgeport, CT.....	11.1	113.5	-0.9	278	1,566	1.6	320
Naugatuck Valley, CT.....	13.6	156.3	-1.5	331	1,456	0.7	350
South Central, CT.....	21.2	274.4	-0.2	180	1,602	4.0	132
Southeastern, CT.....	9.1	127.5	0.7	79	1,485	0.2	357
Western, CT.....	33.9	283.1	-0.3	185	3,797	9.2	6
New Castle, DE.....	28.3	303.3	-0.4	205	1,826	3.4	186
Sussex, DE.....	11.6	92.5	1.2	39	1,127	1.2	339
Washington, DC.....	51.4	715.7	-4.5	370	2,725	4.5	93
Alachua, FL.....	8.3	139.7	-1.6	336	1,281	4.1	123
Bay, FL.....	7.0	82.8	-2.3	358	1,087	3.3	196
Brevard, FL.....	19.2	245.6	-0.1	166	1,502	7.8	14
Broward, FL.....	82.2	855.4	-0.9	278	1,543	4.0	132
Collier, FL.....	18.9	176.5	-0.6	240	1,421	3.7	161
Duval, FL.....	35.0	553.2	-0.6	240	1,583	2.3	273
Escambia, FL.....	9.7	144.4	-0.9	278	1,280	4.3	107
Hillsborough, FL.....	58.5	788.9	-0.4	205	1,658	6.6	25
Lake, FL.....	11.3	118.3	-0.7	252	1,039	0.7	350
Lee, FL.....	29.8	306.9	-0.9	278	1,241	2.3	273
Leon, FL.....	11.0	165.7	0.2	127	1,253	2.0	295
Manatee, FL.....	15.2	149.0	1.4	28	1,232	2.1	292
Marion, FL.....	10.6	123.1	0.6	93	1,055	2.2	283
Martin, FL.....	7.8	79.4	-1.2	310	1,204	4.7	82
Miami-Dade, FL.....	126.6	1,277.5	-0.3	185	1,797	4.5	93
Okaloosa, FL.....	7.6	88.8	-0.7	252	1,298	(⁶)	-
Orange, FL.....	56.4	961.0	1.2	39	1,432	3.2	201
Osceola, FL.....	10.9	119.3	0.9	65	1,087	3.2	201
Palm Beach, FL.....	71.7	672.2	-0.1	166	1,784	6.1	31
Pasco, FL.....	15.8	151.9	0.7	79	1,141	4.3	107
Pinellas, FL.....	41.9	439.7	-1.0	288	1,452	5.8	40
Polk, FL.....	17.9	265.0	0.5	104	1,142	2.4	270
St. Johns, FL.....	11.7	103.2	1.0	57	1,274	5.2	60
St. Lucie, FL.....	9.3	93.7	0.3	117	1,069	2.9	225
Sarasota, FL.....	21.5	197.5	0.1	144	1,346	4.7	82
Seminole, FL.....	18.3	211.3	-0.7	252	1,376	3.8	150
Volusia, FL.....	16.9	192.3	-0.6	240	1,144	4.7	82
Bibb, GA.....	4.7	79.6	-1.2	310	1,137	2.3	273
Chatham, GA.....	11.1	172.6	-0.7	252	1,255	2.5	260
Clayton, GA.....	5.0	128.8	-0.6	240	1,885	5.5	50
Cobb, GA.....	28.0	377.8	1.0	57	1,717	4.0	132
DeKalb, GA.....	23.5	310.3	-0.1	166	1,650	3.8	150
Forsyth, GA.....	9.3	89.9	0.8	73	1,286	1.1	343
Fulton, GA.....	85.1	933.9	0.3	117	2,355	2.7	243
Gwinnett, GA.....	33.9	386.2	-0.4	205	1,366	2.9	225
Hall, GA.....	6.0	102.2	-1.2	310	1,302	3.2	201
Henry, GA.....	5.4	74.8	-0.6	240	1,072	4.8	75
Muscogee, GA.....	5.3	87.7	-2.1	351	1,235	6.8	23
Richmond, GA.....	5.2	104.1	-1.2	310	1,226	4.7	82

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Honolulu, HI.....	32.9	454.8	-0.6	240	\$1,441	(⁶)	-
Ada, ID.....	25.0	295.3	2.1	10	1,503	7.9	12
Canyon, ID.....	8.6	90.1	(⁶)	-	1,048	3.3	196
Champaign, IL.....	4.2	94.4	-0.8	268	1,277	1.9	301
Cook, IL.....	139.8	2,569.9	0.0	152	2,015	3.8	150
DuPage, IL.....	34.3	616.3	-0.3	185	1,732	5.6	48
Kane, IL.....	13.2	207.9	-1.5	331	1,274	3.5	176
Lake, IL.....	20.3	315.0	-1.0	288	2,226	2.9	225
McHenry, IL.....	8.1	94.9	0.5	104	1,104	2.9	225
McLean, IL.....	3.4	87.3	-0.5	220	1,498	6.2	30
Madison, IL.....	5.5	108.3	0.0	152	1,197	2.6	255
Peoria, IL.....	4.0	99.0	-0.3	185	1,805	6.9	22
St. Clair, IL.....	4.9	88.1	-1.1	300	1,184	5.2	60
Sangamon, IL.....	5.0	131.1	-0.1	166	1,447	3.2	201
Will, IL.....	16.2	265.7	1.1	53	1,208	2.3	273
Winnebago, IL.....	5.8	122.1	-1.7	340	1,227	5.7	42
Allen, IN.....	10.9	199.0	0.4	111	1,297	2.3	273
Elkhart, IN.....	5.4	127.5	1.2	39	1,318	1.2	339
Hamilton, IN.....	14.0	171.2	1.8	18	1,560	5.4	53
Hendricks, IN.....	4.6	82.3	1.0	57	1,115	3.4	186
Lake, IN.....	12.3	190.6	0.0	152	1,258	4.1	123
Marion, IN.....	29.4	610.0	-0.5	220	1,789	1.5	324
St. Joseph, IN.....	6.8	121.3	0.2	127	1,233	3.9	141
Tippecanoe, IN.....	4.4	92.0	-0.3	185	1,262	5.9	37
Vanderburgh, IN.....	5.3	106.5	-0.5	220	1,188	2.9	225
Johnson, IA.....	5.1	85.6	1.3	37	1,313	3.9	141
Linn, IA.....	7.8	125.5	0.6	93	1,522	7.2	19
Polk, IA.....	20.5	312.9	0.6	93	1,604	2.8	238
Scott, IA.....	6.3	91.5	(⁶)	-	1,249	5.1	64
Johnson, KS.....	30.1	370.6	0.7	79	1,647	2.8	238
Sedgwick, KS.....	14.7	267.1	0.9	65	1,286	3.8	150
Shawnee, KS.....	7.4	101.7	0.5	104	1,292	4.2	118
Wyandotte, KS.....	4.1	92.0	-2.1	351	1,367	2.6	255
Boone, KY.....	6.5	105.1	1.9	16	1,184	1.9	301
Fayette, KY.....	15.6	206.3	0.4	111	1,336	2.7	243
Jefferson, KY.....	34.5	475.9	-0.5	220	1,540	3.4	186
Kenton, KY.....	6.3	75.1	0.1	144	1,475	1.9	301
Caddo, LA.....	8.0	109.1	-0.7	252	1,170	3.7	161
Calcasieu, LA.....	6.2	88.9	-0.1	166	1,238	1.1	343
East Baton Rouge, LA.....	19.5	270.1	0.4	111	1,364	2.2	283
Jefferson, LA.....	16.3	184.3	0.1	144	1,310	4.1	123
Lafayette, LA.....	12.4	136.3	-1.0	288	1,160	2.0	295
Orleans, LA.....	17.7	185.2	-1.1	300	1,463	4.2	118
St. Tammany, LA.....	11.5	97.9	0.8	73	1,478	23.4	1
Cumberland, ME.....	17.3	190.0	0.2	127	1,504	3.2	201
York, ME.....	8.4	74.1	-0.8	268	1,369	(⁶)	-
Anne Arundel, MD.....	16.4	287.6	-0.5	220	1,653	3.8	150
Baltimore, MD.....	24.0	363.0	-2.1	351	1,480	1.0	346
Frederick, MD.....	7.7	104.0	-2.6	362	1,390	1.7	314
Harford, MD.....	6.5	94.5	-3.0	368	1,389	3.3	196

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Montgomery, MD.....	37.0	440.7	-4.0	369	2,126	3.5	176
Prince George's, MD.....	19.0	320.4	-2.9	367	1,527	3.7	161
Baltimore City, MD.....	15.4	342.4	0.0	152	1,776	0.9	347
Barnstable, MA.....	9.9	84.9	-1.9	346	1,349	2.4	270
Bristol, MA.....	18.1	220.6	-0.8	268	1,326	1.9	301
Essex, MA.....	29.6	319.3	-0.7	252	1,613	4.1	123
Hampden, MA.....	19.2	197.8	-0.9	278	1,302	4.0	132
Middlesex, MA.....	59.3	880.7	-1.9	346	2,568	4.0	132
Norfolk, MA.....	27.5	339.2	-0.4	205	1,819	1.8	309
Plymouth, MA.....	17.2	192.1	-2.0	350	1,443	0.6	354
Suffolk, MA.....	34.0	706.2	-1.0	288	3,340	7.5	18
Worcester, MA.....	28.4	350.6	-0.6	240	1,506	1.8	309
Genesee, MI.....	7.5	133.4	0.9	65	1,146	3.9	141
Ingham, MI.....	7.1	152.9	-2.2	356	1,430	1.7	314
Kalamazoo, MI.....	6.2	122.0	-0.2	180	1,400	1.3	336
Kent, MI.....	18.4	415.9	-0.5	220	1,301	3.7	161
Macomb, MI.....	20.1	328.5	0.3	117	1,514	6.1	31
Oakland, MI.....	44.1	701.9	-1.7	340	1,640	3.7	161
Ottawa, MI.....	7.1	126.9	-0.5	220	1,183	2.8	238
Saginaw, MI.....	4.0	79.5	1.4	28	1,200	2.9	225
Washtenaw, MI.....	9.9	215.5	-1.2	310	1,530	4.5	93
Wayne, MI.....	37.8	718.1	0.3	117	1,684	5.7	42
Anoka, MN.....	8.7	130.4	0.0	152	1,356	5.4	53
Dakota, MN.....	11.8	183.6	-1.2	310	1,491	0.7	350
Hennepin, MN.....	43.2	899.5	-1.1	300	2,065	4.3	107
Olmsted, MN.....	4.0	103.9	0.6	93	1,743	13.8	2
Ramsey, MN.....	15.0	321.5	-1.6	336	1,751	4.0	132
St. Louis, MN.....	5.5	93.3	-0.7	252	1,257	3.2	201
Stearns, MN.....	4.6	85.2	-0.8	268	1,288	2.5	260
Washington, MN.....	7.0	93.6	-0.1	166	1,279	2.9	225
Harrison, MS.....	5.4	89.4	-0.3	185	1,035	4.2	118
Hinds, MS.....	5.8	107.8	-1.2	310	1,227	2.3	273
Boone, MO.....	5.4	100.4	0.1	144	1,237	4.5	93
Clay, MO.....	7.2	108.9	-1.3	321	1,275	-0.2	359
Greene, MO.....	11.9	180.6	0.6	93	1,129	1.4	330
Jackson, MO.....	27.1	370.5	-0.7	252	1,498	3.4	186
St. Charles, MO.....	11.7	161.7	0.2	127	1,348	2.3	273
St. Louis, MO.....	48.7	584.6	-0.8	268	1,654	4.3	107
St. Louis City, MO.....	16.3	217.2	-1.1	300	1,761	3.4	186
Yellowstone, MT.....	7.8	86.1	-0.1	166	1,285	4.2	118
Douglas, NE.....	19.2	337.7	0.4	111	1,441	3.6	172
Lancaster, NE.....	9.9	173.8	-0.3	185	1,199	2.2	283
Sarpy, NE.....	5.0	83.0	1.0	57	1,196	(⁶)	-
Clark, NV.....	72.6	1,145.5	1.6	22	1,345	1.2	339
Washoe, NV.....	18.4	241.7	1.2	39	1,451	4.8	75
Hillsborough, NH.....	12.3	196.1	-1.4	328	1,668	1.3	336
Merrimack, NH.....	5.4	75.4	-2.4	359	1,354	2.5	260
Rockingham, NH.....	11.7	152.9	-1.2	310	1,563	1.6	320
Atlantic, NJ.....	7.7	121.2	-1.1	300	1,204	0.2	357

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Table 1. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 377 largest counties, first quarter 2026 - Continued

County ¹	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment			Average weekly wage ²		
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change
Bergen, NJ.....	37.3	431.9	-0.5	220	\$1,659	0.6	354
Burlington, NJ.....	13.1	214.7	1.1	53	1,505	2.3	273
Camden, NJ.....	15.0	206.0	0.2	127	1,426	3.6	172
Essex, NJ.....	24.7	357.7	1.5	25	1,935	2.2	283
Gloucester, NJ.....	7.8	127.8	-0.4	205	1,167	1.9	301
Hudson, NJ.....	20.6	269.6	-1.2	310	2,294	4.7	82
Mercer, NJ.....	12.1	259.7	-1.1	300	2,264	5.0	69
Middlesex, NJ.....	26.5	428.6	-0.5	220	1,832	4.2	118
Monmouth, NJ.....	22.6	267.8	-0.4	205	1,446	-4.2	360
Morris, NJ.....	18.6	298.0	-0.6	240	2,438	5.4	53
Ocean, NJ.....	16.8	188.7	1.2	39	1,150	(⁶)	-
Passaic, NJ.....	16.4	172.6	-0.8	268	1,306	3.1	216
Somerset, NJ.....	11.5	187.0	-2.5	360	2,849	5.6	48
Union, NJ.....	17.3	234.1	0.0	152	1,885	4.4	103
Bernalillo, NM.....	22.6	343.8	-0.8	268	1,298	2.2	283
Dona Ana, NM.....	5.9	81.2	0.9	65	1,034	4.9	74
Albany, NY.....	11.5	233.9	-0.4	205	1,691	5.2	60
Bronx, NY.....	20.0	360.4	0.0	152	1,360	2.9	225
Broome, NY.....	4.4	83.6	0.0	152	1,242	2.8	238
Dutchess, NY.....	9.0	116.1	-0.1	166	1,453	5.3	56
Erie, NY.....	24.8	461.9	-0.6	240	1,402	2.6	255
Kings, NY.....	75.4	926.2	1.4	28	1,215	3.2	201
Monroe, NY.....	19.7	383.1	-1.0	288	1,382	3.6	172
Nassau, NY.....	56.3	630.6	-0.9	278	1,607	5.0	69
New York, NY.....	129.9	2,499.6	0.6	93	4,902	7.9	12
Oneida, NY.....	5.3	101.7	0.2	127	1,252	3.0	223
Onondaga, NY.....	13.1	248.3	0.2	127	1,459	(⁶)	-
Orange, NY.....	11.9	152.6	-1.9	346	1,276	4.8	75
Queens, NY.....	57.7	746.6	-0.3	185	1,405	2.7	243
Richmond, NY.....	10.7	138.3	0.2	127	1,284	2.3	273
Rockland, NY.....	12.8	136.8	-0.4	205	1,346	1.4	330
Saratoga, NY.....	6.6	90.1	-1.7	340	1,437	5.1	64
Suffolk, NY.....	56.1	681.7	-1.3	321	1,656	6.6	25
Westchester, NY.....	37.8	425.6	-1.1	300	2,015	2.2	283
Buncombe, NC.....	13.2	135.1	2.1	10	1,197	0.9	347
Cabarrus, NC.....	7.1	92.4	2.3	6	1,205	3.2	201
Catawba, NC.....	5.3	89.3	0.5	104	1,222	6.1	31
Cumberland, NC.....	7.2	120.2	-2.2	356	1,137	3.9	141
Durham, NC.....	11.8	229.9	-1.2	310	2,210	5.7	42
Forsyth, NC.....	11.3	190.1	0.2	127	1,509	3.7	161
Gaston, NC.....	5.8	81.6	-0.1	166	1,075	0.7	350
Guilford, NC.....	17.2	289.6	0.2	127	1,300	3.5	176
Iredell, NC.....	7.4	80.8	0.9	65	1,299	5.3	56
Mecklenburg, NC.....	52.8	795.8	1.5	25	2,167	3.1	216
New Hanover, NC.....	11.5	132.7	2.4	5	1,347	4.6	91
Orange, NC.....	5.3	76.8	0.1	144	1,578	4.5	93
Pitt, NC.....	4.5	82.9	2.0	13	1,205	2.6	255
Union, NC.....	8.3	79.2	2.1	10	1,340	4.4	103
Wake, NC.....	51.6	666.8	2.3	6	1,680	3.2	201
Cass, ND.....	9.7	126.7	-0.6	240	1,376	3.1	216

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Table 1. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 377 largest counties, first quarter 2026 - Continued

County ¹	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment			Average weekly wage ²		
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change
Butler, OH.....	9.2	163.9	0.5	104	\$1,405	2.1	292
Cuyahoga, OH.....	38.2	677.1	-0.7	252	1,630	4.8	75
Delaware, OH.....	7.6	99.5	0.3	117	1,836	10.6	5
Franklin, OH.....	39.4	784.9	0.6	93	1,596	4.7	82
Greene, OH.....	4.2	78.6	-2.5	360	1,553	(⁶)	-
Hamilton, OH.....	26.9	505.5	-0.5	220	1,701	3.5	176
Lake, OH.....	6.7	98.2	-0.3	185	1,206	1.5	324
Licking, OH.....	4.0	77.0	3.6	1	1,289	5.7	42
Lorain, OH.....	6.8	97.8	-0.2	180	1,150	3.1	216
Lucas, OH.....	10.9	190.2	-2.7	364	1,289	0.4	356
Mahoning, OH.....	6.2	91.1	-1.0	288	1,064	2.5	260
Montgomery, OH.....	13.1	249.3	0.3	117	1,279	2.0	295
Stark, OH.....	9.6	154.7	0.0	152	1,155	5.5	50
Summit, OH.....	15.6	254.5	-1.0	288	1,371	4.5	93
Warren, OH.....	6.6	99.8	0.7	79	1,410	2.9	225
Cleveland, OK.....	7.4	92.3	-0.9	278	1,014	2.5	260
Oklahoma, OK.....	33.5	493.1	-0.8	268	1,441	(⁶)	-
Tulsa, OK.....	26.6	373.8	1.4	28	1,352	1.2	339
Clackamas, OR.....	16.3	173.6	-1.5	331	1,462	4.8	75
Deschutes, OR.....	10.9	92.2	-0.4	205	1,359	4.1	123
Jackson, OR.....	7.8	90.5	-0.6	240	1,204	5.8	40
Lane, OR.....	12.6	154.8	-1.4	328	1,209	4.1	123
Marion, OR.....	11.7	174.5	1.4	28	1,279	3.1	216
Multnomah, OR.....	37.4	484.4	-1.9	346	1,712	4.1	123
Washington, OR.....	21.2	295.1	-2.8	366	1,882	9.2	6
Allegheny, PA.....	36.7	662.1	-0.4	205	1,711	3.2	201
Berks, PA.....	9.0	172.7	-0.5	220	1,299	1.4	330
Bucks, PA.....	21.5	272.8	-1.3	321	1,306	1.7	314
Butler, PA.....	5.5	88.5	-0.3	185	1,368	4.3	107
Chester, PA.....	17.0	251.0	-0.1	166	1,969	4.3	107
Cumberland, PA.....	7.2	137.8	0.7	79	1,336	2.5	260
Dauphin, PA.....	7.6	187.9	-0.5	220	1,432	3.5	176
Delaware, PA.....	14.6	217.3	-1.0	288	1,625	5.9	37
Erie, PA.....	6.8	117.8	-0.1	166	1,109	0.8	349
Lackawanna, PA.....	5.6	98.6	0.5	104	1,086	2.0	295
Lancaster, PA.....	14.8	252.5	0.8	73	1,239	2.7	243
Lehigh, PA.....	9.1	199.0	0.0	152	1,403	1.3	336
Luzerne, PA.....	7.6	144.1	0.2	127	1,147	2.2	283
Montgomery, PA.....	29.3	502.6	-0.3	185	2,064	3.9	141
Northampton, PA.....	7.2	123.0	1.6	22	1,300	4.8	75
Philadelphia, PA.....	33.7	720.8	0.2	127	1,761	3.3	196
Washington, PA.....	5.8	88.6	-0.1	166	1,670	3.0	223
Westmoreland, PA.....	9.1	126.7	-0.5	220	1,160	2.4	270
York, PA.....	9.5	183.1	0.6	93	1,306	(⁶)	-
Kent, RI.....	7.1	74.9	-0.7	252	1,319	2.7	243
Providence, RI.....	24.5	285.3	-1.1	300	1,513	4.0	132
Charleston, SC.....	22.6	285.4	1.3	37	1,492	5.7	42
Greenville, SC.....	20.6	302.8	0.6	93	1,346	4.5	93
Horry, SC.....	12.8	145.4	1.2	39	974	3.4	186
Lexington, SC.....	8.9	133.0	0.1	144	1,123	1.9	301

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Table 1. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 377 largest counties, first quarter 2026 - Continued

County ¹	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment			Average weekly wage ²		
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change
Richland, SC.....	12.6	228.1	0.0	152	\$1,326	3.8	150
Spartanburg, SC.....	8.6	160.9	1.2	39	1,234	4.0	132
York, SC.....	9.1	106.4	0.8	73	1,306	2.9	225
Minnehaha, SD.....	10.1	138.5	1.0	57	1,369	5.1	64
Davidson, TN.....	32.5	543.8	-0.3	185	1,811	6.6	25
Hamilton, TN.....	12.8	216.8	-1.6	336	1,371	3.4	186
Knox, TN.....	16.5	259.4	-0.7	252	1,316	2.7	243
Rutherford, TN.....	8.4	147.3	-1.0	288	1,320	5.7	42
Shelby, TN.....	22.8	458.7	-2.1	351	1,485	3.2	201
Williamson, TN.....	13.7	150.1	1.2	39	1,887	2.6	255
Bell, TX.....	6.6	129.9	-1.1	300	1,323	5.1	64
Bexar, TX.....	44.7	924.8	-0.9	278	1,407	3.7	161
Brazoria, TX.....	6.9	124.2	-0.3	185	1,406	3.7	161
Brazos, TX.....	5.3	127.8	-0.2	180	1,106	3.7	161
Cameron, TX.....	7.1	155.0	-1.3	321	917	3.9	141
Collin, TX.....	35.3	574.8	1.4	28	2,013	2.9	225
Comal, TX.....	5.3	77.5	0.7	79	1,223	3.4	186
Dallas, TX.....	81.7	1,808.4	0.3	117	2,026	5.0	69
Denton, TX.....	20.9	317.8	0.0	152	1,374	2.5	260
Ector, TX.....	4.3	79.6	-0.9	278	1,521	3.5	176
El Paso, TX.....	16.5	337.9	0.2	127	1,029	3.2	201
Fort Bend, TX.....	18.6	263.1	1.8	18	1,287	2.9	225
Galveston, TX.....	6.9	127.7	1.2	39	1,269	4.6	91
Gregg, TX.....	4.2	76.2	1.1	53	1,200	3.3	196
Harris, TX.....	121.6	2,436.2	-0.6	240	2,013	2.5	260
Hays, TX.....	6.5	99.4	2.0	13	1,089	3.5	176
Hidalgo, TX.....	14.2	297.4	0.2	127	850	3.8	150
Jefferson, TX.....	5.8	122.1	-1.3	321	1,490	1.8	309
Lubbock, TX.....	8.3	153.2	0.2	127	1,120	4.3	107
McLennan, TX.....	5.9	121.1	0.3	117	1,222	3.8	150
Midland, TX.....	6.4	118.6	-2.7	364	2,024	1.8	309
Montgomery, TX.....	15.6	239.2	1.4	28	1,590	6.1	31
Nueces, TX.....	8.4	166.2	0.7	79	1,246	(⁶)	-
Potter, TX.....	4.0	78.0	-0.4	205	1,212	5.2	60
Smith, TX.....	6.8	116.0	-0.2	180	1,182	4.5	93
Tarrant, TX.....	49.6	1,014.8	0.3	117	1,551	3.5	176
Travis, TX.....	50.9	931.2	0.2	127	2,087	4.5	93
Webb, TX.....	5.9	108.5	-0.3	185	932	2.8	238
Williamson, TX.....	16.0	242.3	0.9	65	1,938	8.4	10
Davis, UT.....	10.4	141.5	-1.3	321	1,257	(⁶)	-
Salt Lake, UT.....	67.4	806.3	1.2	39	1,666	4.0	132
Utah, UT.....	23.2	302.2	1.8	18	1,288	1.5	324
Washington, UT.....	8.4	91.7	1.9	16	1,042	7.0	20
Weber, UT.....	7.4	122.5	-0.3	185	1,229	4.3	107
Chittenden, VT.....	9.4	100.7	-1.8	345	1,521	3.4	186
Arlington, VA.....	9.6	172.0	-4.5	370	2,901	8.8	8
Chesterfield, VA.....	10.6	148.3	0.7	79	1,285	6.7	24
Fairfax, VA.....	39.0	622.8	-2.1	351	2,451	3.4	186
Henrico, VA.....	13.0	190.7	-0.4	205	1,623	5.9	37
Loudoun, VA.....	15.2	206.1	2.8	4	1,762	2.0	295

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Table 1. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 377 largest counties, first quarter 2026 - Continued

County ¹	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment			Average weekly wage ²		
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ³	Ranking by percent change
Prince William, VA.....	10.7	146.4	1.0	57	\$1,292	2.5	260
Alexandria City, VA.....	6.3	79.0	-2.6	362	1,944	6.1	31
Chesapeake City, VA.....	7.1	106.0	-0.8	268	1,201	3.9	141
Newport News City, VA.....	4.5	101.9	-0.7	252	1,535	12.3	3
Norfolk City, VA.....	6.5	142.2	-1.0	288	1,531	(⁶)	-
Richmond City, VA.....	9.4	167.7	1.4	28	1,868	4.8	75
Virginia Beach City, VA.....	14.4	180.8	0.6	93	1,215	3.1	216
Benton, WA.....	5.4	97.0	-0.5	220	1,480	3.9	141
Clark, WA.....	15.7	181.6	0.0	152	1,522	4.3	107
King, WA.....	82.5	1,421.3	-0.3	185	2,739	2.0	295
Kitsap, WA.....	6.9	93.2	-0.5	220	1,588	(⁶)	-
Pierce, WA.....	21.2	335.3	-0.1	166	1,459	4.1	123
Snohomish, WA.....	20.9	300.2	0.6	93	1,759	6.4	29
Spokane, WA.....	16.0	241.1	-0.3	185	1,395	4.5	93
Thurston, WA.....	8.5	128.6	-0.4	205	1,507	3.9	141
Whatcom, WA.....	7.4	92.6	-0.7	252	1,384	3.7	161
Yakima, WA.....	6.2	110.5	-0.7	252	1,041	2.7	243
Kanawha, WV.....	6.8	96.3	-0.4	205	1,268	1.6	320
Brown, WI.....	7.8	156.7	-1.0	288	1,313	2.7	243
Dane, WI.....	18.9	359.3	0.7	79	1,631	7.7	16
Kenosha, WI.....	4.5	75.1	1.2	39	1,181	2.5	260
Milwaukee, WI.....	29.7	463.3	0.2	127	1,510	1.4	330
Outagamie, WI.....	6.2	107.4	0.1	144	1,271	1.4	330
Racine, WI.....	5.3	74.4	-0.7	252	1,238	3.8	150
Waukesha, WI.....	15.0	245.8	0.4	111	1,464	2.7	243
Winnebago, WI.....	4.6	91.4	-0.9	278	1,383	1.7	314
San Juan, PR.....	12.0	245.9	-3.0	(⁶)	902	5.1	(⁶)

¹ Includes areas not officially designated as counties. See Technical Note.

² Average weekly wages were calculated using unrounded data.

³ Percent changes were computed from employment and pay data adjusted for noneconomic county reclassifications. See Technical Note.

⁴ Totals for the United States do not include data for Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

⁵ Data do not meet BLS or state agency disclosure or data quality standards.

⁶ This county was not included in the U.S. rankings.

Note: Data are preliminary. Includes workers covered by Unemployment Insurance (UI) and Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) programs. These 376 U.S. counties comprise 73.5 percent of the total covered workers in the U.S.

Table 2. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 10 largest counties, first quarter 2026

County by NAICS supersector	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment		Average weekly wage ¹	
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ²	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ²
United States ³	12,381.8	154,771.9	0.1	\$1,654	3.9
Private industry.....	12,075.9	132,003.9	0.2	1,681	4.0
Natural resources and mining.....	144.5	1,669.0	-1.1	1,711	4.3
Construction.....	953.7	8,113.8	0.9	1,634	4.4
Manufacturing.....	403.6	12,451.2	-1.4	1,918	6.3
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	2,029.2	28,145.8	-0.9	1,317	3.1
Information.....	301.2	2,853.3	-0.7	4,147	3.4
Financial activities.....	1,091.4	8,679.5	0.0	3,668	8.0
Professional and business services.....	2,586.9	22,065.1	-0.3	2,295	3.5
Education and health services.....	2,350.0	26,618.7	2.0	1,282	2.2
Leisure and hospitality.....	999.7	16,453.0	0.3	655	2.7
Other services.....	890.4	4,625.3	-0.3	1,067	3.1
Government.....	305.9	22,768.0	-0.7	1,496	3.0
Los Angeles, CA.....	609.7	4,548.0	(⁴)	1,704	1.5
Private industry.....	603.3	3,942.9	1.0	1,660	1.8
Natural resources and mining.....	0.6	5.8	-2.4	1,883	33.1
Construction.....	20.2	144.4	0.1	1,731	4.7
Manufacturing.....	11.7	295.9	-2.7	2,069	7.8
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	61.7	768.0	-2.0	1,426	1.4
Information.....	12.7	184.3	(⁴)	3,646	(⁴)
Financial activities.....	32.4	198.0	-0.3	3,661	5.4
Professional and business services.....	66.0	653.6	0.6	2,111	1.1
Education and health services.....	313.4	1,009.3	3.8	1,120	0.5
Leisure and hospitality.....	45.9	525.3	-0.4	968	1.4
Other services.....	30.7	149.0	-0.4	1,075	3.3
Government.....	6.4	605.1	0.4	1,992	0.4
Cook, IL.....	139.8	2,569.9	0.0	2,015	3.8
Private industry.....	138.5	2,256.6	-0.1	2,054	3.4
Natural resources and mining.....	0.1	1.1	0.7	1,241	7.1
Construction.....	10.9	71.8	1.8	2,046	7.2
Manufacturing.....	5.4	177.3	-1.9	1,825	2.1
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	27.9	449.7	-0.9	1,520	4.0
Information.....	3.0	49.5	-2.5	3,774	-11.5
Financial activities.....	13.7	206.6	0.7	5,787	6.6
Professional and business services.....	29.6	442.4	-0.6	2,514	3.8
Education and health services.....	18.5	492.0	1.9	1,312	2.1
Leisure and hospitality.....	14.6	274.2	0.0	777	3.2
Other services.....	14.7	91.9	-2.3	1,332	3.3
Government.....	1.3	313.3	0.6	1,734	7.4
New York, NY.....	129.9	2,499.6	0.6	4,902	7.9
Private industry.....	128.4	2,264.7	0.5	5,193	8.2
Natural resources and mining.....	0.0	0.2	-3.5	3,107	2.4
Construction.....	2.1	36.3	2.3	2,630	2.9
Manufacturing.....	1.7	15.5	-1.2	2,428	6.1
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	16.0	240.4	0.8	2,288	6.0
Information.....	6.6	189.5	-0.2	6,013	9.5
Financial activities.....	19.1	419.8	1.4	14,770	11.1
Professional and business services.....	28.9	583.3	0.2	4,071	2.5
Education and health services.....	10.7	394.6	-0.7	1,965	1.8
Leisure and hospitality.....	14.7	280.0	0.3	1,310	1.6
Other services.....	16.5	92.5	-2.3	1,852	4.5
Government.....	1.5	234.9	1.7	2,108	2.1

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Table 2. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 10 largest counties, first quarter 2026 - Continued

County by NAICS supersector	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment		Average weekly wage ¹	
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ²	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ²
Harris, TX.....	121.6	2,436.2	-0.6	\$2,013	2.5
Private industry.....	121.0	2,151.1	-0.5	2,070	2.2
Natural resources and mining.....	1.5	58.6	-5.9	6,850	0.7
Construction.....	8.2	181.0	1.0	1,924	4.1
Manufacturing.....	5.1	178.2	-0.8	2,286	1.0
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	25.0	491.5	-1.0	1,970	3.2
Information.....	1.4	19.0	-4.9	2,496	4.1
Financial activities.....	13.3	126.3	-0.8	3,631	8.3
Professional and business services.....	25.6	428.6	-0.4	2,534	1.8
Education and health services.....	17.5	339.7	1.8	1,388	-1.1
Leisure and hospitality.....	11.6	252.2	-1.3	651	5.7
Other services.....	10.6	73.3	-2.7	1,220	2.5
Government.....	0.6	285.1	-1.5	1,576	4.7
Maricopa, AZ.....	140.7	2,297.5	-0.5	1,570	3.8
Private industry.....	139.9	2,072.0	-0.6	1,589	4.0
Natural resources and mining.....	0.5	8.1	-1.0	2,254	18.2
Construction.....	11.4	172.7	-1.6	1,748	4.7
Manufacturing.....	3.9	138.3	-1.4	2,208	11.4
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	23.2	444.1	-0.6	1,416	3.3
Information.....	3.1	35.1	-3.2	2,679	0.3
Financial activities.....	18.1	191.7	-1.0	2,622	6.4
Professional and business services.....	37.4	345.7	-1.1	1,810	1.3
Education and health services.....	17.4	408.1	0.6	1,341	2.5
Leisure and hospitality.....	10.8	261.6	-1.1	747	4.3
Other services.....	8.6	61.2	-2.6	1,069	3.4
Government.....	0.8	225.4	-0.1	1,398	3.0
Dallas, TX.....	81.7	1,808.4	0.3	2,026	5.0
Private industry.....	81.2	1,624.6	0.5	2,066	4.9
Natural resources and mining.....	0.4	6.8	-3.9	4,930	-8.0
Construction.....	5.2	104.2	1.9	1,949	6.3
Manufacturing.....	2.9	119.2	-1.5	2,276	6.4
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	15.6	368.2	0.1	1,584	0.2
Information.....	1.6	39.4	-2.4	4,503	9.9
Financial activities.....	10.7	167.7	3.3	3,805	6.6
Professional and business services.....	19.6	393.9	1.5	2,378	4.9
Education and health services.....	10.5	217.4	1.0	1,479	2.5
Leisure and hospitality.....	7.7	158.7	-2.8	741	2.9
Other services.....	6.2	47.6	-1.5	1,445	13.9
Government.....	0.6	183.8	-1.0	1,670	5.8
Orange, CA.....	160.6	1,663.2	0.7	1,766	4.3
Private industry.....	159.2	1,491.8	0.4	1,744	5.0
Natural resources and mining.....	0.2	2.0	4.4	1,147	0.7
Construction.....	8.8	101.9	-0.6	1,961	5.4
Manufacturing.....	5.2	146.0	-3.2	2,757	11.8
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	19.3	249.2	-1.4	1,449	2.0
Information.....	1.6	20.7	-2.4	3,755	7.7
Financial activities.....	14.8	101.5	0.6	3,185	5.6
Professional and business services.....	27.5	306.5	0.6	2,157	4.7
Education and health services.....	59.1	277.5	4.0	1,219	2.1
Leisure and hospitality.....	11.2	231.0	-0.6	765	5.4
Other services.....	9.1	52.0	-0.1	993	3.4
Government.....	1.4	171.3	(⁴)	1,967	(⁴)

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Table 2. Covered establishments, employment, and wages in the 10 largest counties, first quarter 2026 - Continued

County by NAICS supersector	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment		Average weekly wage ¹	
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26 ²	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26 ²
San Diego, CA.....	142.1	1,537.4	0.0	\$1,814	7.0
Private industry.....	140.2	1,288.2	0.2	1,801	7.7
Natural resources and mining.....	0.7	8.6	-3.1	1,000	1.9
Construction.....	9.3	84.7	-4.7	1,701	2.5
Manufacturing.....	3.7	108.1	-2.6	2,725	7.1
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	15.4	215.1	-2.0	1,350	3.2
Information.....	1.4	16.7	-6.9	3,421	10.1
Financial activities.....	12.2	69.4	1.6	2,942	4.4
Professional and business services.....	24.3	258.4	-0.5	2,978	17.9
Education and health services.....	51.2	268.9	3.8	1,236	0.2
Leisure and hospitality.....	10.4	199.7	0.8	798	7.7
Other services.....	9.5	55.7	1.4	951	2.5
Government.....	1.9	249.2	-0.6	1,885	3.3
King, WA.....	82.5	1,421.3	-0.3	2,739	2.0
Private industry.....	81.9	1,239.9	-0.4	2,856	2.1
Natural resources and mining.....	0.4	2.3	12.2	1,816	9.7
Construction.....	6.4	65.4	-3.7	2,034	4.2
Manufacturing.....	2.4	91.3	0.0	2,836	15.5
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	12.2	215.1	-1.4	1,909	1.8
Information.....	4.4	124.4	-0.4	7,304	-3.3
Financial activities.....	7.1	68.9	-0.3	3,610	6.6
Professional and business services.....	22.5	299.2	-0.5	3,683	2.4
Education and health services.....	10.2	196.3	2.3	1,493	3.8
Leisure and hospitality.....	7.7	131.8	-1.4	904	6.1
Other services.....	8.5	45.2	0.1	1,360	3.6
Government.....	0.6	181.4	0.0	1,944	0.9
Miami-Dade, FL.....	126.6	1,277.5	-0.3	1,797	4.5
Private industry.....	126.3	1,139.0	-0.1	1,816	4.5
Natural resources and mining.....	0.6	9.6	-4.9	935	7.2
Construction.....	8.7	59.5	-0.5	1,544	3.1
Manufacturing.....	3.5	44.7	-3.6	1,406	2.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities.....	25.2	310.1	-0.1	1,619	5.7
Information.....	2.5	18.3	-5.2	3,657	3.3
Financial activities.....	14.3	91.0	1.1	4,745	3.3
Professional and business services.....	31.7	189.6	-0.2	2,114	6.7
Education and health services.....	18.9	220.0	1.0	1,387	3.1
Leisure and hospitality.....	9.1	154.9	-1.2	999	3.4
Other services.....	9.3	39.5	0.7	1,029	2.8
Government.....	0.3	138.6	-2.0	1,639	4.3

¹ Average weekly wages were calculated using unrounded data.

² Percent changes were computed from quarterly employment and pay data adjusted for noneconomic county reclassifications. See Technical Note.

³ Totals for the United States do not include data for Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

⁴ Data do not meet BLS or state agency disclosure or data quality standards.

Note: Data are preliminary. Counties selected are based on 2025 annual average employment. Includes workers covered by Unemployment Insurance (UI) and Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) programs.

**Table 3. Covered establishments, employment, and wages by state,
first quarter 2026**

State	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment		Average weekly wage ¹	
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26
United States ²	12,381.8	154,771.9	0.1	\$1,654	3.9
Alabama.....	168.7	2,121.2	0.7	1,292	3.6
Alaska.....	25.4	320.1	-1.3	1,519	4.8
Arizona.....	227.8	3,249.1	-0.6	1,495	4.5
Arkansas.....	109.4	1,305.2	-0.1	1,291	4.6
California.....	1,990.7	18,211.8	0.9	1,986	2.7
Colorado.....	264.7	2,848.5	-0.7	1,774	5.4
Connecticut.....	150.0	1,668.2	-0.4	2,080	5.2
Delaware.....	47.1	473.6	-0.3	1,606	3.1
District of Columbia.....	51.4	715.8	-4.5	2,725	4.5
Florida.....	894.1	9,962.8	0.0	1,518	4.3
Georgia.....	397.4	4,865.2	0.0	1,539	3.3
Hawaii.....	64.6	643.9	-0.3	1,387	1.7
Idaho.....	100.8	867.9	1.9	1,254	6.2
Illinois.....	389.4	5,992.4	0.0	1,731	4.1
Indiana.....	197.7	3,160.7	-0.1	1,356	2.7
Iowa.....	110.8	1,537.5	-0.1	1,301	3.9
Kansas.....	102.2	1,425.3	0.0	1,286	3.1
Kentucky.....	163.0	1,979.1	-0.4	1,248	2.9
Louisiana.....	159.6	1,917.2	-0.5	1,274	4.0
Maine.....	67.5	629.1	-0.5	1,327	3.5
Maryland.....	201.1	2,700.3	-1.7	1,676	2.7
Massachusetts.....	296.4	3,552.9	-0.9	2,201	4.8
Michigan.....	312.6	4,357.5	0.3	1,445	3.9
Minnesota.....	213.9	2,878.1	-0.3	1,630	3.8
Mississippi.....	93.3	1,162.9	-0.2	1,051	3.3
Missouri.....	263.5	2,890.5	0.1	1,354	3.4
Montana.....	63.2	506.6	0.6	1,229	3.5
Nebraska.....	78.9	1,008.2	-0.1	1,274	3.7
Nevada.....	112.8	1,575.7	2.0	1,391	2.1
New Hampshire.....	66.1	675.0	-1.2	1,656	3.0
New Jersey.....	343.4	4,247.8	0.0	1,879	3.3
New Mexico.....	67.1	867.4	-0.4	1,235	2.7
New York.....	710.5	9,743.6	-0.3	2,363	6.5
North Carolina.....	375.3	4,942.7	0.8	1,515	3.3
North Dakota.....	36.9	420.7	-0.5	1,333	2.4
Ohio.....	344.6	5,458.3	-0.2	1,417	4.0
Oklahoma.....	130.2	1,700.6	0.0	1,235	3.6
Oregon.....	173.5	1,952.3	-1.3	1,481	4.6
Pennsylvania.....	394.1	6,002.1	-0.1	1,550	3.3
Rhode Island.....	49.1	486.9	-0.6	1,487	4.2
South Carolina.....	193.1	2,326.6	0.7	1,296	4.0
South Dakota.....	41.1	451.7	0.2	1,211	4.2
Tennessee.....	228.1	3,254.1	-0.2	1,426	4.4
Texas.....	868.8	14,124.6	0.6	1,646	3.8
Utah.....	140.6	1,737.8	0.9	1,415	4.0
Vermont.....	33.4	304.2	-1.0	1,322	3.0
Virginia.....	324.8	4,118.7	-0.2	1,665	4.0
Washington.....	240.6	3,558.6	-0.2	1,998	2.7
West Virginia.....	63.0	693.3	-0.4	1,188	3.4
Wisconsin.....	208.0	2,902.6	0.0	1,353	3.7

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**Table 3. Covered establishments, employment, and wages by state,
first quarter 2026 - Continued**

State	Establishments, first quarter 2026 (thousands)	Employment		Average weekly wage ¹	
		March 2026 (thousands)	Percent change, March 2025-26	First quarter 2026	Percent change, first quarter 2025-26
Wyoming.....	31.8	275.2	-0.1	\$1,287	5.8
Puerto Rico.....	52.9	944.5	-0.8	724	3.4
Virgin Islands.....	2.9	34.9	1.2	1,054	1.5

¹ Average weekly wages were calculated using unrounded data.

² Totals for the United States do not include data for Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

Note: Data are preliminary. Includes workers covered by Unemployment Insurance (UI) and Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) programs.