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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT — DECEMBER 2011

Regional and state unemployment rates were slightly lower in December. Thirty-seven states and the District of Columbia recorded unemployment rate decreases, 3 states posted rate increases, and 10 states had no rate change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Forty-six states registered unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, while four states and the District of Columbia experienced increases. The national jobless rate, 8.5 percent, continued to trend down in December and was 0.9 percentage point lower than in December 2010.

In December, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 25 states and the District of Columbia, decreased in 24 states, and was unchanged in 1 state. The largest over-the-month increase in employment occurred in Texas (+20,200), followed by Indiana (+15,100) and California (+10,700). The largest over-the-month decrease in employment occurred in New York (-14,000), followed by Missouri (-11,800) and Washington (-11,600). South Dakota experienced the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+1.1 percent), followed by North Dakota (+0.9 percent) and Indiana, Kentucky, and Utah (+0.5 percent each). Nevada experienced the largest over-the-month percentage decline in employment (-0.9 percent), followed by Alaska (-0.5 percent) and Maine, Missouri, and Washington (-0.4 percent each). Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 46 states and the District of Columbia and decreased in 4 states. The largest over-the-year percentage increase occurred in North Dakota (+5.7 percent), followed by Utah (+3.0 percent) and Oklahoma (+2.7 percent). The largest over-the-year percentage decrease in employment occurred in Delaware (-0.7 percent), followed by Alaska (-0.5 percent) and Georgia (-0.4 percent).

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The West continued to record the highest regional unemployment rate in December, 9.7 percent, while the Midwest and Northeast reported the lowest rates, 7.9 percent each. Three regions experienced statistically significant over-the-month unemployment rate changes: the Midwest and South (-0.3 percentage point each) and the West (-0.2 point). Over the year, all four regions registered significant rate decreases, the largest of which was in the West (-1.3 percentage points). (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the Pacific continued to report the highest jobless rate, 10.4 percent in December. The West North Central again registered the lowest rate, 6.1 percent. Six divisions experienced statistically significant unemployment rate decreases over the month. The largest of these

occurred in the East South Central (-0.4 percentage point). Seven divisions recorded significant rate declines from a year earlier, the largest of which was in the Pacific (-1.3 percentage points). No division reported an unemployment rate increase from December 2010.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Nevada continued to record the highest unemployment rate among the states, 12.6 percent in December. California posted the next highest rate, 11.1 percent. North Dakota again registered the lowest jobless rate, 3.3 percent, followed by Nebraska and South Dakota, 4.1 and 4.2 percent, respectively. Twenty-four states reported jobless rates significantly lower than the U.S. figure of 8.5 percent, 8 states and the District of Columbia had measurably higher rates, and 18 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

Eighteen states experienced statistically significant over-the-month unemployment rate declines in December. The largest of these were in Alabama (-0.6 percentage point) and Michigan (-0.5 point). The remaining 32 states and the District of Columbia recorded jobless rates that were not measurably different from those of a month earlier, though some had changes that were at least as large numerically as the significant changes. (See table B.)

Nevada registered the largest jobless rate decrease from December 2010 (-2.3 percentage points). Twenty-one additional states reported smaller but also statistically significant decreases over the year. The remaining 28 states and the District of Columbia recorded unemployment rates that were not appreciably different from those of a year earlier. (See table C.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In December, eight states recorded statistically significant changes in employment, five of which were increases. The statistically significant job gains occurred in Indiana (+15,100), Kentucky (+8,400), Utah (+6,400), South Dakota (+4,600), and North Dakota (+3,800). The statistically significant declines in employment occurred in Missouri (-11,800), Washington (-11,600), and Nevada (-9,800). (See tables D and 5.)

Over the year, 28 states experienced statistically significant changes in employment, all of which were increases. The largest increase occurred in California (+263,200), followed by Texas (+204,500) and Florida (+113,900). (See table E and chart 2.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release for December 2011 is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, February 1, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EST). The Regional and State Unemployment 2011 Annual Averages news release is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, February 29, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EST). The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment news release for January 2012 is scheduled to be released on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Upcoming Changes to Local Area Unemployment Statistics Data

Effective with the release of 2011 annual average estimates on February 29, the labor force data for regions, divisions, states, the District of Columbia, and the modeled substate areas presented in tables 1-4 of this news release will be revised to incorporate updated inputs, new population controls, reestimation of models, and adjustment to new division and national control totals. Revised seasonal adjustment factors will be applied to data in tables 1 and 3. Both not seasonally adjusted and seasonally adjusted data are subject to revision back to 2007. The new population controls will reflect, for the first time, results from the 2010 Census.

Upcoming Changes to Current Employment Statistics Data

Effective with the release of January 2012 estimates on March 13, all nonfarm payroll employment estimates for states and areas presented in tables 5 and 6 of this news release will be adjusted to 2011 benchmark levels. Seasonally adjusted series will be subject to revision from 1990 forward. Not seasonally adjusted payroll data back to April 2010 will be subject to revision.

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., December 2011, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate ^P
United States ¹	8.5
Alaska	7.3
California	11.1
Delaware	7.4
District of Columbia	10.4
Florida	9.9
Georgia	9.7
Hawaii	6.6
Illinois	9.8
Iowa	5.6
Kansas	6.3
Louisiana	6.8
Maine	7.0
Maryland	6.7
Massachusetts	6.8
Minnesota	5.7
Mississippi	10.4
Montana	6.8
Nebraska	4.1
Nevada	12.6
New Hampshire	5.1
New Mexico	6.6
North Carolina	9.9
North Dakota	3.3
Oklahoma	6.1
Pennsylvania	7.6
Rhode Island	10.8
South Dakota	4.2
Texas	7.8
Utah	6.0
Vermont	5.1
Virginia	6.2
Wisconsin	7.1
Wyoming	5.8

¹ Data are not preliminary.

^P = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from November 2011 to December 2011, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-month change ^P
	November 2011	December 2011 ^P	
Alabama	8.7	8.1	-0.6
Arkansas	7.9	7.7	-2
California	11.3	11.1	-2
Florida	10.0	9.9	-1
Kansas	6.5	6.3	-2
Maryland	6.9	6.7	-2
Michigan	9.8	9.3	-5
Minnesota	5.9	5.7	-2
Montana	7.1	6.8	-3
Ohio	8.5	8.1	-4
Pennsylvania	7.9	7.6	-3
South Carolina	9.9	9.5	-4
Tennessee	9.1	8.7	-4
Texas	8.1	7.8	-3
Utah	6.4	6.0	-4
Vermont	5.3	5.1	-2
Washington	8.7	8.5	-2
Wisconsin	7.3	7.1	-2

^P = preliminary.

Table C. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from December 2010 to December 2011, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-year change ^P
	December 2010	December 2011 ^P	
California	12.5	11.1	-1.4
Colorado	8.9	7.9	-1.0
Delaware	8.5	7.4	-1.1
Florida	12.0	9.9	-2.1
Idaho	9.7	8.4	-1.3
Kentucky	10.3	9.1	-1.2
Maryland	7.4	6.7	-.7
Massachusetts	8.3	6.8	-1.5
Michigan	11.1	9.3	-1.8
Minnesota	6.9	5.7	-1.2
Missouri	9.6	8.0	-1.6
Nevada	14.9	12.6	-2.3
New Mexico	8.6	6.6	-2.0
North Dakota	3.8	3.3	-.5
Ohio	9.5	8.1	-1.4
Oregon	10.6	8.9	-1.7
Pennsylvania	8.5	7.6	-.9
South Carolina	10.9	9.5	-1.4
Texas	8.3	7.8	-.5
Utah	7.5	6.0	-1.5
Vermont	5.8	5.1	-.7
West Virginia	9.7	7.9	-1.8

^P = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from November 2011 to December 2011, seasonally adjusted

State	November 2011	December 2011 ^P	Over-the-month change ^P
Indiana	2,793,800	2,808,900	15,100
Kentucky	1,800,300	1,808,700	8,400
Missouri	2,648,200	2,636,400	-11,800
Nevada	1,126,600	1,116,800	-9,800
North Dakota	400,500	404,300	3,800
South Dakota	406,900	411,500	4,600
Utah	1,215,000	1,221,400	6,400
Washington	2,833,600	2,822,000	-11,600

^P = preliminary.

Table E. States with statistically significant employment changes from December 2010 to December 2011, seasonally adjusted

State	December 2010	December 2011 ^P	Over-the-year change ^P
Arizona	2,375,300	2,412,600	37,300
California	13,935,800	14,199,000	263,200
Colorado	2,221,200	2,244,800	23,600
Florida	7,177,600	7,291,500	113,900
Idaho	604,000	612,100	8,100
Illinois	5,623,800	5,676,400	52,600
Kentucky	1,777,700	1,808,700	31,000
Louisiana	1,890,400	1,938,000	47,600
Massachusetts	3,193,800	3,234,500	40,700
Michigan	3,868,100	3,934,600	66,500
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Minnesota	2,640,600	2,666,900	26,300
Nebraska	943,700	956,800	13,100
New Jersey	3,844,700	3,881,100	36,400
New York	8,557,900	8,644,400	86,500
North Dakota	382,400	404,300	21,900
Ohio	5,034,200	5,106,600	72,400
Oklahoma	1,531,200	1,572,800	41,600
Oregon	1,608,500	1,626,300	17,800
Pennsylvania	5,639,900	5,699,100	59,200
South Dakota	404,800	411,500	6,700
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Tennessee	2,616,900	2,648,000	31,100
Texas	10,444,700	10,649,200	204,500
Utah	1,185,400	1,221,400	36,000
Vermont	298,600	303,000	4,400
Virginia	3,626,500	3,663,100	36,600
Washington	2,781,600	2,822,000	40,400
West Virginia	744,500	754,500	10,000
Wyoming	284,300	290,700	6,400

^P = preliminary.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, and selected substate areas from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1 to 4). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and major industry sector 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 LAUS program measures employment and unemployment on a place-of-residence basis. The universe for each is the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and over. *Employed* persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the 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 had 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 were not employed during the reference week (based on the definition above), had actively looked for a job sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week, and were currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed. The *labor force* is the sum of employed and unemployed persons. The *unemployment rate* is the number of unemployed as a percent of the labor force.

Method of estimation. Estimates for 48 of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, New York City, and the balances of California and New York State are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. This method, which underwent substantial enhancement at the beginning of 2005, utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) programs. Estimates for the state of California are derived by summing the estimates for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division and the balance of California. Similarly, estimates for New York State are derived by summing the estimates for New York City and the balance of New York State. Estimates for all nine census divisions and the five additional substate areas contained in this release (the Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor and Detroit-Warren-Livonia metropolitan areas and the Chicago-Joliet-Naperville, Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett metropolitan divisions) and their respective

balances of state are based on a similar regression approach that does not incorporate CES or UI data. Estimates for census regions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component divisions and then calculating the unemployment rate. Each month, census division estimates are controlled to national totals; state estimates are then controlled to their respective division totals. Substate and balance-of-state estimates for the five areas noted above are controlled to their respective state totals. Estimates for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the CPS. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data for prior years reflect adjustments made at the end of each year. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation. In most years, historical data for the most recent five years (both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted) are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, prior to the release of January estimates.

Seasonal adjustment. The LAUS program introduced smoothed seasonally adjusted (SSA) estimates in January 2010. These are seasonally adjusted data that have incorporated a long-run trend smoothing procedure, resulting in estimates that are less volatile than those previously produced. The estimates are smoothed using a Henderson Trend Filter (H13). The H13 uses a filtering procedure, based on moving averages, to remove the irregular fluctuations from the seasonally adjusted series, leaving the trend. The same process is used on both historical and current year estimates. For more information about the smoothing technique, see the BLS Web site at www.bls.gov/lau/lassaqa.htm.

Area definitions. The substate area data published in this release reflect the standards and definitions established by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on December 1, 2009. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2007 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. Small-domain models are used as the official estimators for the approximately 39 percent of CES published series which have insufficient sample for direct sample-based estimates.

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

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 surveys, administrative data, and modeling and, thus, are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data also are subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the specific estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. Unemployment rates are computed from unrounded data and thus may differ slightly from rates computed using the rounded data displayed in the tables.

Use of error measures. In 2005, the LAUS program introduced several improvements to its methodology. Among these were the development of model-based error measures for the monthly estimates and the estimates of over-the-month changes. The introductory section of this release preserves the long-time practice of highlighting the direction of the movements in regional and state unemployment rates and state nonfarm payroll employment regardless of their statistical significance. The remainder of the analysis in the release takes statistical significance into consideration.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Model-based error measures for seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted data and for over-the-month and over-the-year changes are available online at www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether changes in LAUS unemployment rates are statistically significant. The average magnitude of the current year over-the-month change in a state unemployment rate that is required for statistical significance at the 90-percent confidence level is just over 0.2 percentage point; the average amount of the current over-the-year change in a state rate for significance is about 0.9 point. More details can be found on the Web site. Measures of nonsampling error are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in *Employment and Earnings Online* at www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the total nonfarm and supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available online at www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether changes in CES employment levels are statistically significant. Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available on the Internet at 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 Online*.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment from the LAUS program, as well as nonfarm employment from the CES program, for 380 metropolitan areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs) are available in the news release, *Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force, employment, and unemployment for approximately 7,300 subnational areas are available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/lau/. Employment data from the CES program for states and metropolitan areas are available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/sae/.

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011
Northeast	28,145.6	28,166.5	28,198.7	28,217.8	2,373.6	2,272.9	2,240.3	2,225.0	8.4	8.1	7.9	7.9
New England	7,777.6	7,731.6	7,749.6	7,762.0	642.6	587.1	569.5	559.7	8.3	7.6	7.3	7.2
Middle Atlantic	20,368.0	20,434.9	20,449.1	20,455.9	1,731.1	1,685.8	1,670.8	1,665.3	8.5	8.2	8.2	8.1
South	55,272.3	55,614.9	55,654.7	55,680.7	5,127.5	4,998.2	4,814.8	4,690.9	9.3	9.0	8.7	8.4
South Atlantic	29,282.4	29,415.9	29,434.6	29,458.4	2,904.8	2,759.6	2,659.5	2,612.8	9.9	9.4	9.0	8.9
East South Central	8,587.4	8,717.3	8,703.7	8,683.5	827.1	843.5	809.0	773.8	9.6	9.7	9.3	8.9
West South Central	17,402.6	17,481.7	17,516.3	17,538.9	1,395.6	1,395.1	1,346.3	1,304.3	8.0	8.0	7.7	7.4
Midwest	34,415.9	34,378.6	34,358.5	34,358.3	3,002.2	2,933.7	2,814.0	2,727.9	8.7	8.5	8.2	7.9
East North Central	23,483.6	23,358.8	23,332.0	23,316.4	2,226.8	2,207.1	2,121.0	2,051.4	9.5	9.4	9.1	8.8
West North Central	10,932.3	11,019.8	11,026.5	11,041.8	775.4	726.6	693.0	676.5	7.1	6.6	6.3	6.1
West	35,681.1	35,595.4	35,667.3	35,723.4	3,929.7	3,650.7	3,538.9	3,477.9	11.0	10.3	9.9	9.7
Mountain	11,031.9	10,989.1	11,014.3	11,041.5	1,050.7	956.4	927.4	913.1	9.5	8.7	8.4	8.3
Pacific	24,649.2	24,606.3	24,653.0	24,681.9	2,879.0	2,694.3	2,611.5	2,564.8	11.7	10.9	10.6	10.4

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the census division model-based estimates.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. 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. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, not seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	November		December		November		December		November		December	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
Northeast	28,123.6	28,136.5	28,031.7	28,082.5	2,328.5	2,149.8	2,278.3	2,143.6	8.3	7.6	8.1	7.6
New England	7,770.4	7,745.6	7,741.9	7,725.2	626.7	530.0	615.2	533.0	8.1	6.8	7.9	6.9
Middle Atlantic	20,353.1	20,390.9	20,289.8	20,357.3	1,701.9	1,619.7	1,663.0	1,610.6	8.4	7.9	8.2	7.9
South	55,257.3	55,582.3	55,094.5	55,458.5	5,096.3	4,518.6	4,976.2	4,512.0	9.2	8.1	9.0	8.1
South Atlantic	29,240.1	29,358.9	29,156.5	29,324.4	2,906.6	2,521.1	2,831.9	2,559.9	9.9	8.6	9.7	8.7
East South Central	8,602.3	8,693.9	8,584.8	8,654.2	812.8	743.3	800.1	723.8	9.4	8.5	9.3	8.4
West South Central	17,414.8	17,529.5	17,353.1	17,479.9	1,376.9	1,254.2	1,344.2	1,228.3	7.9	7.2	7.7	7.0
Midwest	34,398.9	34,276.4	34,234.0	34,190.9	2,921.0	2,556.4	2,877.3	2,608.3	8.5	7.5	8.4	7.6
East North Central	23,484.2	23,282.3	23,370.2	23,205.2	2,173.3	1,930.2	2,127.3	1,946.8	9.3	8.3	9.1	8.4
West North Central	10,914.7	10,994.1	10,863.9	10,985.7	747.7	626.2	750.0	661.5	6.9	5.7	6.9	6.0
West	35,709.0	35,687.9	35,574.9	35,640.8	3,918.0	3,388.3	3,845.3	3,428.1	11.0	9.5	10.8	9.6
Mountain	11,044.0	11,040.4	10,994.0	11,027.6	1,041.3	887.7	1,025.0	901.9	9.4	8.0	9.3	8.2
Pacific	24,665.1	24,647.5	24,580.9	24,613.2	2,876.7	2,500.6	2,820.3	2,526.2	11.7	10.1	11.5	10.3

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the census division model-based estimates.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. The composition of the regions

and divisions is described in table 1. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011P	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011P	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011P
Alabama	2,114.7	2,154.3	2,147.0	2,137.5	193.2	201.0	187.5	174.1	9.1	9.3	8.7	8.1
Alaska	363.0	368.3	368.8	369.1	28.8	27.3	26.9	27.0	7.9	7.4	7.3	7.3
Arizona	3,172.8	3,154.0	3,154.5	3,158.5	304.4	282.5	275.0	274.1	9.6	9.0	8.7	8.7
Arkansas	1,361.0	1,358.2	1,364.9	1,368.0	107.2	111.8	108.5	105.3	7.9	8.2	7.9	7.7
California	18,150.8	18,130.3	18,162.4	18,218.8	2,272.5	2,122.3	2,057.8	2,021.2	12.5	11.7	11.3	11.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,891.3	4,860.4	4,862.8	4,865.7	636.1	594.2	579.8	574.6	13.0	12.2	11.9	11.8
Colorado	2,668.4	2,697.6	2,715.3	2,727.3	238.0	219.8	216.3	216.0	8.9	8.1	8.0	7.9
Connecticut	1,896.6	1,881.0	1,887.6	1,891.0	171.4	163.9	159.2	154.5	9.0	8.7	8.4	8.2
Delaware	422.6	426.5	427.8	429.1	35.8	33.7	32.6	31.9	8.5	7.9	7.6	7.4
District of Columbia	331.2	333.3	334.1	335.5	31.9	36.6	35.4	34.8	9.6	11.0	10.6	10.4
Florida	9,280.1	9,229.3	9,229.5	9,233.1	1,110.6	955.5	926.7	912.9	12.0	10.4	10.0	9.9
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,300.8	1,298.6	1,302.0	1,308.4	174.5	140.8	133.1	133.5	13.4	10.8	10.2	10.2
Georgia	4,685.7	4,742.5	4,747.1	4,750.8	487.9	482.4	467.1	459.3	10.4	10.2	9.8	9.7
Hawaii	630.7	633.9	634.6	633.6	40.0	41.2	41.5	41.9	6.3	6.5	6.5	6.6
Idaho	758.9	759.2	760.9	762.5	73.4	66.4	65.0	64.1	9.7	8.8	8.5	8.4
Illinois	6,666.1	6,627.2	6,627.0	6,624.0	613.4	668.7	660.4	647.3	9.2	10.1	10.0	9.8
Chicago-Joliet-Naperville ¹	4,109.5	4,104.0	4,103.9	4,103.4	380.2	434.0	430.0	418.4	9.3	10.6	10.5	10.2
Indiana	3,126.1	3,145.1	3,158.9	3,176.1	296.1	283.6	285.3	284.8	9.5	9.0	9.0	9.0
Iowa	1,675.6	1,657.0	1,656.8	1,659.0	102.6	98.7	94.7	93.5	6.1	6.0	5.7	5.6
Kansas	1,500.6	1,509.4	1,511.8	1,512.6	102.7	100.7	97.9	95.5	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.3
Kentucky	2,091.1	2,097.2	2,093.3	2,087.2	214.7	202.0	196.8	190.7	10.3	9.6	9.4	9.1
Louisiana	2,089.2	2,042.9	2,047.9	2,047.1	160.0	142.3	140.6	140.2	7.7	7.0	6.9	6.8
Maine	698.5	694.8	695.5	697.6	52.5	50.7	49.0	48.7	7.5	7.3	7.0	7.0
Maryland	2,979.5	2,992.7	2,997.8	3,001.0	219.7	216.3	206.2	201.3	7.4	7.2	6.9	6.7
Massachusetts	3,499.9	3,491.0	3,495.3	3,496.6	291.7	253.4	244.1	239.3	8.3	7.3	7.0	6.8
Michigan	4,745.9	4,676.0	4,657.5	4,645.8	528.7	496.3	456.5	431.5	11.1	10.6	9.8	9.3
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,046.4	2,024.1	2,012.8	2,009.9	249.2	244.9	225.0	211.8	12.2	12.1	11.2	10.5
Minnesota	2,964.2	2,977.1	2,969.7	2,965.5	204.8	192.2	176.6	167.9	6.9	6.5	5.9	5.7
Mississippi	1,320.6	1,354.0	1,352.4	1,349.2	134.7	144.1	142.5	139.8	10.2	10.6	10.5	10.4
Missouri	3,009.9	3,053.4	3,056.9	3,067.4	287.4	260.8	250.0	245.2	9.6	8.5	8.2	8.0
Montana	497.6	502.5	502.0	501.9	36.8	38.1	35.9	34.1	7.4	7.6	7.1	6.8
Nebraska	976.3	999.7	1,001.9	1,004.5	42.4	42.0	40.9	41.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.1
Nevada	1,334.6	1,317.2	1,318.5	1,317.3	198.2	176.4	171.8	166.3	14.9	13.4	13.0	12.6
New Hampshire	743.7	744.6	746.7	747.5	41.8	39.7	38.7	38.3	5.6	5.3	5.2	5.1
New Jersey	4,472.5	4,542.2	4,552.3	4,554.6	407.3	415.0	413.2	410.7	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0
New Mexico	956.5	932.4	935.9	939.9	82.6	61.5	61.3	62.0	8.6	6.6	6.5	6.6
New York	9,574.9	9,540.6	9,549.5	9,555.3	788.1	756.6	759.5	768.2	8.2	7.9	8.0	8.0
New York City	3,977.3	3,991.3	3,999.1	4,003.8	352.0	350.0	357.3	362.2	8.8	8.8	8.9	9.0
North Carolina	4,461.7	4,506.2	4,503.2	4,507.5	437.2	467.8	451.6	446.4	9.8	10.4	10.0	9.9
North Dakota	371.0	378.4	379.9	380.9	14.3	13.3	12.8	12.5	3.8	3.5	3.4	3.3
Ohio	5,893.9	5,853.3	5,830.5	5,809.2	560.0	525.8	495.8	469.3	9.5	9.0	8.5	8.1
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,085.3	1,090.6	1,092.3	1,092.5	99.1	87.1	84.3	81.1	9.1	8.0	7.7	7.4
Oklahoma	1,749.4	1,744.8	1,752.9	1,758.8	119.2	105.9	106.7	107.5	6.8	6.1	6.1	6.1
Oregon	1,991.7	1,999.4	1,996.3	1,994.7	210.8	189.7	181.2	177.9	10.6	9.5	9.1	8.9
Pennsylvania	6,326.2	6,354.7	6,353.3	6,350.7	535.3	512.8	499.3	485.3	8.5	8.1	7.9	7.6
Rhode Island	577.3	561.6	562.7	564.2	66.2	58.7	59.2	60.8	11.5	10.4	10.5	10.8
South Carolina	2,164.1	2,169.7	2,165.3	2,162.1	236.0	228.0	214.0	206.5	10.9	10.5	9.9	9.5
South Dakota	445.3	448.9	450.0	451.3	20.8	20.3	19.4	19.1	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.2
Tennessee	3,063.1	3,112.4	3,111.1	3,109.0	286.9	296.9	282.6	269.3	9.4	9.5	9.1	8.7
Texas	12,209.4	12,340.0	12,361.5	12,378.8	1,010.7	1,037.3	997.1	959.4	8.3	8.4	8.1	7.8
Utah	1,356.1	1,336.6	1,336.0	1,340.5	101.9	93.9	85.8	80.3	7.5	7.0	6.4	6.0
Vermont	361.2	362.8	363.2	362.1	21.0	20.3	19.1	18.3	5.8	5.6	5.3	5.1
Virginia	4,182.6	4,243.6	4,251.0	4,259.5	276.1	272.8	264.2	262.5	6.6	6.4	6.2	6.2
Washington	3,529.6	3,485.0	3,482.4	3,480.3	328.5	316.1	304.2	297.4	9.3	9.1	8.7	8.5
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,494.3	1,504.9	1,505.6	1,501.5	136.6	127.4	123.3	118.0	9.1	8.5	8.2	7.9
West Virginia	778.9	778.3	778.4	779.7	75.6	63.6	61.4	61.7	9.7	8.2	7.9	7.9
Wisconsin	3,044.7	3,057.0	3,055.5	3,054.2	227.7	234.1	223.9	215.8	7.5	7.7	7.3	7.1
Wyoming	291.1	292.4	293.5	294.2	18.5	16.8	17.0	16.9	6.4	5.7	5.8	5.8
Puerto Rico	1,276.2	1,277.3	1,275.0	1,289.3	200.1	206.1	199.8	189.4	15.7	16.1	15.7	14.7

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

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

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	November		December		November		December		November		December	
	2010	2011	2010	2011P	2010	2011	2010	2011P	2010	2011	2010	2011P
Alabama	2,122.3	2,145.3	2,115.6	2,132.0	190.8	170.7	186.2	159.7	9.0	8.0	8.8	7.5
Alaska	359.4	365.9	359.7	365.3	28.0	26.0	29.1	28.0	7.8	7.1	8.1	7.7
Arizona	3,178.4	3,159.7	3,165.6	3,158.8	303.9	266.3	292.6	273.3	9.6	8.4	9.2	8.7
Arkansas	1,355.4	1,365.8	1,350.5	1,354.6	100.5	98.0	105.1	100.7	7.4	7.2	7.8	7.4
California	18,148.4	18,186.4	18,098.1	18,172.2	2,267.6	1,978.4	2,226.8	1,987.1	12.5	10.9	12.3	10.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,903.3	4,865.2	4,895.3	4,865.3	632.5	558.6	617.9	563.7	12.9	11.5	12.6	11.6
Colorado	2,673.1	2,727.3	2,656.2	2,719.3	238.0	212.5	231.8	214.8	8.9	7.8	8.7	7.9
Connecticut	1,895.2	1,891.3	1,882.8	1,878.1	166.7	149.3	162.0	142.3	8.8	7.9	8.6	7.6
Delaware	422.7	428.8	422.5	430.2	34.1	29.6	34.5	30.7	8.1	6.9	8.2	7.1
District of Columbia	330.8	332.1	327.5	333.0	33.1	33.8	30.1	33.9	10.0	10.2	9.2	10.2
Florida	9,265.1	9,211.6	9,252.6	9,197.7	1,116.6	907.0	1,082.3	893.1	12.1	9.8	11.7	9.7
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,291.6	1,305.2	1,303.8	1,311.2	163.2	123.4	171.2	135.2	12.6	9.5	13.1	10.3
Georgia	4,689.6	4,746.5	4,694.0	4,757.2	483.4	438.3	476.9	449.5	10.3	9.2	10.2	9.4
Hawaii	630.7	633.7	628.4	629.1	41.2	41.7	36.2	39.0	6.5	6.6	5.8	6.2
Idaho	757.3	760.8	754.9	759.9	72.7	63.8	73.2	64.7	9.6	8.4	9.7	8.5
Illinois	6,664.2	6,614.1	6,643.8	6,592.8	603.2	621.0	586.0	613.4	9.1	9.4	8.8	9.3
Chicago-Joliet-Naperville ¹	4,099.0	4,079.8	4,078.6	4,075.1	365.2	397.9	351.0	378.8	8.9	9.8	8.6	9.3
Indiana	3,128.3	3,163.3	3,098.2	3,164.1	292.7	275.4	283.8	275.0	9.4	8.7	9.2	8.7
Iowa	1,673.5	1,661.6	1,673.7	1,659.4	98.3	86.0	104.1	97.0	5.9	5.2	6.2	5.8
Kansas	1,502.6	1,512.4	1,493.7	1,502.6	102.0	91.2	94.9	88.0	6.8	6.0	6.4	5.9
Kentucky	2,092.9	2,087.3	2,088.0	2,076.5	208.3	179.9	206.9	179.0	10.0	8.6	9.9	8.6
Louisiana	2,090.5	2,055.4	2,068.8	2,024.0	153.1	132.9	147.9	129.8	7.3	6.5	7.2	6.4
Maine	695.2	691.7	693.6	695.3	52.5	46.6	51.9	48.6	7.6	6.7	7.5	7.0
Maryland	2,974.5	2,992.3	2,958.3	2,983.1	218.3	189.0	208.3	192.9	7.3	6.3	7.0	6.5
Massachusetts	3,499.1	3,488.0	3,488.3	3,483.3	281.9	221.9	279.2	228.0	8.1	6.4	8.0	6.5
Michigan	4,751.8	4,645.6	4,722.6	4,636.1	511.0	389.1	501.0	416.6	10.8	8.4	10.6	9.0
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,043.8	1,994.7	2,027.8	2,005.5	237.0	190.0	224.7	195.0	11.6	9.5	11.1	9.7
Minnesota	2,965.9	2,961.0	2,939.9	2,950.1	195.4	155.8	200.3	168.5	6.6	5.3	6.8	5.7
Mississippi	1,319.5	1,344.1	1,324.9	1,345.9	129.3	130.7	130.1	133.3	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.9
Missouri	2,991.5	3,037.5	2,978.6	3,052.6	280.8	229.0	275.2	235.0	9.4	7.5	9.2	7.7
Montana	494.4	498.3	491.3	496.1	36.6	32.7	37.0	33.4	7.4	6.6	7.5	6.7
Nebraska	973.4	998.2	972.3	999.3	39.0	36.1	40.1	41.0	4.0	3.6	4.1	4.1
Nevada	1,330.8	1,314.3	1,328.0	1,310.8	191.9	159.8	195.5	162.6	14.4	12.2	14.7	12.4
New Hampshire	741.7	745.5	739.5	743.4	41.0	36.2	39.4	36.4	5.5	4.9	5.3	4.9
New Jersey	4,468.1	4,538.5	4,459.5	4,534.2	400.0	401.8	388.9	394.0	9.0	8.9	8.7	8.7
New Mexico	959.5	943.2	956.1	944.6	80.4	59.3	78.8	60.9	8.4	6.3	8.2	6.4
New York	9,555.9	9,517.5	9,525.8	9,500.9	782.9	750.5	764.5	759.6	8.2	7.9	8.0	8.0
New York City	3,973.7	3,994.5	3,964.0	3,985.5	354.0	362.0	339.6	351.6	8.9	9.1	8.6	8.8
North Carolina	4,464.9	4,497.7	4,428.9	4,478.1	442.7	427.6	428.6	440.0	9.9	9.5	9.7	9.8
North Dakota	364.9	374.7	365.1	374.2	12.5	10.7	14.0	12.2	3.4	2.9	3.8	3.2
Ohio	5,899.1	5,810.6	5,874.2	5,773.4	547.2	442.8	542.1	441.7	9.3	7.6	9.2	7.6
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,079.4	1,085.9	1,068.3	1,075.1	93.0	75.0	90.5	74.2	8.6	6.9	8.5	6.9
Oklahoma	1,756.6	1,763.9	1,742.2	1,754.0	118.0	102.6	115.3	105.2	6.7	5.8	6.6	6.0
Oregon	1,997.0	1,994.1	1,981.3	1,983.6	209.4	166.7	205.0	175.8	10.5	8.4	10.3	8.9
Pennsylvania	6,329.1	6,334.9	6,304.5	6,322.2	518.9	467.5	509.7	457.1	8.2	7.4	8.1	7.2
Rhode Island	579.1	567.4	576.5	566.0	63.9	59.0	62.6	60.3	11.0	10.4	10.9	10.7
South Carolina	2,150.0	2,144.3	2,145.9	2,139.1	236.2	198.9	233.2	203.3	11.0	9.3	10.9	9.5
South Dakota	442.9	448.8	440.5	447.5	19.8	17.5	21.5	19.8	4.5	3.9	4.9	4.4
Tennessee	3,067.6	3,117.2	3,056.4	3,099.8	284.3	261.9	277.0	251.9	9.3	8.4	9.1	8.1
Texas	12,212.3	12,344.4	12,191.6	12,347.3	1,005.2	920.7	975.9	892.6	8.2	7.5	8.0	7.2
Utah	1,359.7	1,342.7	1,352.8	1,346.0	99.5	76.2	97.7	75.5	7.3	5.7	7.2	5.6
Vermont	360.1	361.7	361.2	359.0	20.6	17.1	20.0	17.4	5.7	4.7	5.5	4.9
Virginia	4,165.4	4,230.1	4,153.3	4,231.9	271.0	242.1	265.0	257.0	6.5	5.7	6.4	6.1
Washington	3,529.6	3,467.3	3,513.4	3,463.0	330.6	287.8	323.3	296.2	9.4	8.3	9.2	8.6
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,486.9	1,486.6	1,486.7	1,488.3	137.6	117.2	129.6	110.9	9.3	7.9	8.7	7.5
West Virginia	777.2	775.6	773.6	774.1	71.1	54.8	73.0	59.6	9.1	7.1	9.4	7.7
Wisconsin	3,040.9	3,048.7	3,031.4	3,038.7	219.3	202.0	214.4	200.1	7.2	6.6	7.1	6.6
Wyoming	290.9	294.2	289.0	292.2	18.4	17.0	18.4	16.8	6.3	5.8	6.4	5.7
Puerto Rico	1,296.9	1,284.9	1,276.6	1,288.1	199.7	195.0	187.1	170.4	15.4	15.2	14.7	13.2

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p
Alabama ²	1,866.0	1,870.1	1,872.1	1,873.2	84.1	81.3	79.2	80.4	-	-	-	-
Alaska	328.1	331.2	327.9	326.4	15.7	16.0	15.7	15.5	13.0	12.4	10.3	10.0
Arizona	2,375.3	2,424.2	2,420.3	2,412.6	107.6	115.7	111.3	110.6	148.2	153.2	152.4	151.3
Arkansas	1,167.6	1,170.6	1,176.1	1,175.6	47.3	48.2	47.7	47.6	159.0	153.7	154.8	155.0
California	13,935.8	14,163.6	14,188.3	14,199.0	550.3	568.8	566.8	571.6	1,245.4	1,252.2	1,243.5	1,241.0
Colorado	2,221.2	2,252.1	2,249.2	2,244.8	113.4	108.0	108.3	108.9	124.1	125.1	124.6	125.0
Connecticut	1,618.8	1,628.6	1,627.2	1,627.8	48.6	50.6	49.1	49.1	168.1	167.2	167.3	165.8
Delaware ³	413.7	412.7	410.4	410.9	19.5	19.1	18.5	18.4	25.5	25.9	25.7	25.5
District of Columbia ^{2, 3}	714.1	714.4	718.1	721.2	10.3	10.9	11.1	10.9	-	-	-	-
Florida	7,177.6	7,273.2	7,284.2	7,291.5	332.4	326.5	331.1	331.4	303.5	307.9	308.6	309.1
Georgia	3,823.7	3,797.6	3,806.1	3,809.8	140.4	131.9	130.9	134.0	346.8	346.4	347.4	347.7
Hawaii ^{2, 3}	590.3	597.6	597.5	596.4	28.9	28.9	27.8	28.6	-	-	-	-
Idaho	604.0	610.2	610.0	612.1	31.3	30.4	31.2	31.4	52.8	54.5	54.6	54.7
Illinois	5,623.8	5,685.5	5,680.5	5,676.4	191.5	201.1	199.2	194.9	560.4	571.5	570.4	572.6
Indiana	2,791.2	2,793.2	2,793.8	2,808.9	112.7	121.3	122.7	126.3	448.2	454.4	452.8	456.4
Iowa	1,469.1	1,486.1	1,487.1	1,482.4	59.5	63.5	63.5	62.6	199.9	206.9	207.7	208.5
Kansas	1,320.1	1,328.1	1,330.9	1,332.8	54.0	54.2	54.7	56.6	158.4	163.5	163.7	164.4
Kentucky	1,777.7	1,797.6	1,800.3	1,808.7	63.7	64.6	62.5	63.1	211.7	217.8	216.2	217.3
Louisiana	1,890.4	1,933.4	1,937.4	1,938.0	121.9	124.5	123.6	120.8	137.1	145.0	144.1	144.0
Maine	593.6	596.4	596.2	593.7	25.0	24.8	24.8	24.8	51.1	50.6	50.7	50.8
Maryland ³	2,513.4	2,533.0	2,535.5	2,538.6	143.3	140.0	141.4	139.5	112.5	112.6	110.9	110.7
Massachusetts	3,193.8	3,240.4	3,240.7	3,234.5	104.3	108.6	106.8	106.7	255.7	260.3	259.2	260.3
Michigan	3,868.1	3,929.2	3,930.5	3,934.6	124.5	127.4	127.4	125.5	478.3	500.3	500.5	504.7
Minnesota	2,640.6	2,673.1	2,659.0	2,666.9	82.9	86.1	84.9	83.2	293.5	296.6	295.5	297.2
Mississippi	1,097.2	1,101.9	1,103.5	1,099.9	49.4	47.3	47.4	47.4	134.6	132.9	132.2	133.0
Missouri	2,640.2	2,650.7	2,648.2	2,636.4	104.4	102.6	100.8	100.0	243.2	253.5	253.0	250.7
Montana	428.3	434.8	432.3	432.3	22.3	22.8	21.9	22.6	16.5	16.1	16.2	16.1
Nebraska ³	943.7	962.5	958.1	956.8	41.8	42.2	42.3	41.2	91.4	93.9	93.9	93.9
Nevada	1,112.7	1,121.8	1,126.6	1,116.8	56.8	54.6	57.5	55.5	36.6	35.7	35.7	35.8
New Hampshire	627.0	631.9	634.6	634.4	20.9	20.4	20.6	21.6	66.1	66.2	65.6	65.5
New Jersey	3,844.7	3,870.7	3,880.7	3,881.1	127.0	130.5	130.5	127.7	255.6	248.1	246.8	246.6
New Mexico	796.9	805.7	804.2	804.0	43.9	40.2	38.9	37.9	29.2	29.3	29.4	29.3
New York	8,557.9	8,634.4	8,658.4	8,644.4	296.3	309.3	313.9	302.5	454.0	450.4	449.8	449.2
North Carolina	3,856.9	3,873.0	3,880.9	3,876.5	170.9	170.9	171.3	170.9	431.7	431.8	431.4	431.9
North Dakota	382.4	398.9	400.5	404.3	20.9	25.9	25.6	26.0	23.4	23.3	23.5	23.7
Ohio	5,034.2	5,107.5	5,109.9	5,106.6	163.4	174.9	171.2	168.6	621.0	633.8	638.7	639.3
Oklahoma	1,531.2	1,570.4	1,571.6	1,572.8	68.1	73.5	71.9	71.0	126.0	134.4	135.4	136.6
Oregon	1,608.5	1,625.0	1,623.9	1,626.3	67.7	69.4	70.2	70.8	164.1	165.7	163.2	163.0
Pennsylvania	5,639.9	5,694.9	5,692.6	5,699.1	218.0	222.3	220.6	223.6	562.5	573.5	572.0	574.6
Rhode Island	458.2	460.1	459.3	458.7	15.1	15.6	16.5	16.0	40.5	40.0	39.8	40.2
South Carolina	1,812.3	1,822.8	1,831.9	1,832.2	78.8	75.2	75.8	75.9	209.5	218.5	219.6	221.1
South Dakota ³	404.8	406.8	406.9	411.5	20.9	21.1	20.8	21.2	37.1	38.4	38.7	38.0
Tennessee ³	2,616.9	2,646.5	2,651.1	2,648.0	106.7	111.6	112.4	113.9	294.1	301.6	301.2	301.0
Texas	10,444.7	10,608.5	10,629.0	10,649.2	597.1	588.9	590.5	590.8	812.2	831.6	835.2	837.4
Utah	1,185.4	1,219.1	1,215.0	1,221.4	64.8	67.4	64.7	66.4	112.4	117.9	117.4	117.9
Vermont	298.6	303.9	303.7	303.0	13.0	13.5	12.9	13.5	31.3	31.4	31.3	31.4
Virginia	3,626.5	3,655.8	3,655.3	3,663.1	181.4	180.3	180.4	178.9	229.2	231.7	229.7	228.0
Washington	2,781.6	2,827.3	2,833.6	2,822.0	137.6	137.3	137.7	138.5	257.4	268.3	269.8	272.0
West Virginia	744.5	753.9	755.5	754.5	29.3	33.3	33.9	32.3	48.8	49.5	49.3	49.0
Wisconsin	2,736.3	2,754.8	2,741.2	2,739.5	89.6	86.4	83.9	85.8	433.9	442.9	439.9	443.2
Wyoming	284.3	289.7	290.6	290.7	22.7	23.0	23.1	22.4	8.9	8.9	9.0	8.9
Puerto Rico ³	917.2	915.4	921.7	919.8	28.5	30.1	30.6	30.4	85.2	80.2	80.5	81.7
Virgin Islands ²	43.7	42.6	42.8	42.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

2 Missing series (denoted by '-') are 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.

3 Mining and logging is combined with construction.

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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			
	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p
Alabama.....	359.7	368.0	368.0	364.4	91.3	92.1	91.8	92.5	210.4	216.1	217.5	218.2
Alaska.....	63.5	64.4	64.4	63.8	15.6	15.0	15.1	14.9	26.4	27.0	26.9	26.5
Arizona.....	468.6	475.0	479.1	472.7	161.2	162.5	163.8	164.7	341.2	338.6	340.9	343.4
Arkansas.....	234.9	232.5	233.3	235.2	49.0	50.3	50.6	50.2	120.7	120.4	121.6	120.8
California.....	2,621.4	2,645.6	2,661.8	2,657.6	761.6	757.9	759.9	759.3	2,106.1	2,163.5	2,156.1	2,169.5
Colorado.....	395.5	402.9	399.4	399.8	142.4	140.5	140.3	138.9	328.4	338.6	340.5	338.4
Connecticut.....	289.5	293.1	292.7	295.2	135.5	132.7	132.1	131.2	192.2	195.6	195.8	195.5
Delaware.....	73.6	72.1	72.5	72.7	42.3	43.0	43.0	43.2	54.7	53.6	52.6	52.4
District of Columbia.....	26.6	26.2	26.5	26.5	26.1	26.9	27.1	26.9	149.9	152.4	153.6	154.1
Florida.....	1,454.0	1,480.9	1,489.8	1,491.2	469.1	470.5	476.6	477.8	1,042.3	1,062.6	1,062.7	1,057.5
Georgia.....	807.3	812.1	814.3	813.9	201.3	192.3	192.8	192.0	529.4	535.9	541.8	542.3
Hawaii.....	107.9	109.0	108.6	108.0	27.0	27.3	27.5	27.2	72.7	74.8	75.2	74.4
Idaho.....	120.1	123.5	123.5	124.6	28.9	29.1	28.8	28.8	73.4	73.8	73.3	74.8
Illinois.....	1,124.6	1,142.3	1,140.4	1,139.1	358.0	358.1	356.5	354.9	809.5	830.5	830.9	829.9
Indiana.....	539.0	533.8	534.0	536.3	129.1	131.4	130.4	130.6	286.6	284.1	283.7	288.5
Iowa.....	301.2	305.2	306.1	305.9	101.1	98.3	99.0	98.8	122.7	124.3	123.9	123.9
Kansas.....	250.6	247.1	248.9	247.8	69.9	67.7	67.5	66.4	143.5	150.0	152.5	151.7
Kentucky.....	359.9	360.1	361.7	365.1	85.7	83.1	83.0	82.8	184.2	192.9	195.1	196.3
Louisiana.....	367.7	369.8	371.9	374.6	92.8	97.0	97.8	97.6	192.5	194.6	195.8	196.1
Maine.....	116.7	118.5	117.6	117.5	31.1	32.0	32.1	32.2	55.9	56.1	56.3	55.3
Maryland.....	440.4	442.4	443.0	441.8	141.5	140.3	141.2	140.9	388.6	398.6	397.6	395.4
Massachusetts.....	546.4	550.9	551.9	554.2	207.7	209.9	209.2	209.3	458.3	479.5	479.2	474.2
Michigan.....	707.2	712.6	715.4	714.8	186.1	188.7	187.3	188.1	521.7	546.4	548.8	552.7
Minnesota.....	494.5	496.8	495.1	496.3	169.9	172.3	171.5	171.9	316.6	325.2	323.4	326.6
Mississippi ¹	214.1	215.9	216.0	215.5	-	-	-	-	94.9	100.7	100.8	98.7
Missouri.....	507.4	511.5	511.5	508.0	163.7	160.4	160.0	160.3	315.3	321.1	324.8	322.6
Montana.....	86.9	88.9	89.2	89.0	21.2	21.2	20.8	20.7	39.3	39.1	39.6	39.5
Nebraska.....	198.7	201.9	201.7	201.5	68.1	68.1	68.4	68.5	103.4	114.2	111.5	109.9
Nevada.....	207.4	205.7	208.6	206.1	50.8	46.8	46.5	47.2	138.7	141.8	141.1	141.0
New Hampshire.....	132.6	129.7	132.6	133.2	35.6	35.8	35.5	35.3	65.5	67.8	68.0	67.3
New Jersey.....	807.9	823.3	830.5	826.4	257.6	255.1	256.8	258.6	584.7	596.7	597.5	599.0
New Mexico.....	133.8	137.3	137.1	138.9	32.3	34.6	35.3	35.1	91.7	92.5	92.4	91.7
New York.....	1,454.4	1,454.6	1,467.1	1,465.9	668.9	676.2	677.4	672.7	1,109.7	1,140.8	1,145.3	1,147.2
North Carolina.....	708.5	714.8	719.5	717.7	201.0	201.3	200.3	200.0	490.0	498.9	497.9	494.0
North Dakota.....	82.1	86.9	87.4	87.8	20.4	20.6	20.4	20.5	28.7	30.9	31.3	32.1
Ohio.....	941.8	957.5	961.6	961.2	271.0	274.9	273.9	272.3	627.9	643.0	642.3	637.6
Oklahoma.....	276.9	281.1	281.6	282.3	80.2	81.3	80.8	80.6	171.1	178.8	177.2	177.3
Oregon.....	313.2	312.3	312.9	313.2	91.9	94.3	93.0	92.9	184.3	185.8	185.4	185.6
Pennsylvania.....	1,084.9	1,096.2	1,097.9	1,098.3	312.1	313.5	313.0	310.6	690.4	694.7	693.7	695.7
Rhode Island.....	74.1	75.7	75.4	74.7	30.1	29.4	29.7	30.0	52.9	53.8	54.0	54.3
South Carolina.....	347.3	350.8	354.1	353.2	98.2	97.3	98.0	97.9	221.9	222.1	221.2	220.6
South Dakota.....	81.5	82.0	81.9	82.8	28.3	28.0	27.9	28.8	27.6	29.1	29.2	29.2
Tennessee.....	557.5	550.4	556.1	552.4	136.8	138.5	138.2	137.4	308.1	311.8	310.4	314.4
Texas.....	2,062.2	2,111.1	2,107.8	2,108.0	620.8	632.4	636.7	638.8	1,290.6	1,342.3	1,342.1	1,343.7
Utah.....	230.1	236.0	234.6	235.4	67.3	67.8	67.9	67.8	155.6	164.8	166.3	166.5
Vermont.....	55.9	56.9	56.9	57.4	12.4	12.3	12.2	12.0	23.3	25.5	25.6	25.3
Virginia.....	625.4	625.4	629.4	629.8	177.4	179.0	179.8	180.0	654.3	665.3	663.0	668.8
Washington.....	519.6	530.8	532.2	527.0	135.8	136.4	136.2	135.5	330.8	343.9	345.8	343.8
West Virginia.....	135.2	136.3	136.5	135.8	28.0	27.6	27.6	27.8	61.1	63.1	63.0	63.4
Wisconsin.....	507.4	513.2	510.6	513.3	155.2	152.6	152.4	152.1	268.6	268.2	267.2	264.4
Wyoming.....	51.4	52.4	53.0	52.8	10.9	10.7	10.8	10.8	17.6	17.7	18.3	18.4
Puerto Rico.....	170.8	166.5	164.3	161.0	44.0	45.1	45.4	44.8	108.8	106.5	109.3	111.0
Virgin Islands ¹	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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			
	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011 ^p
Alabama.....	216.2	213.6	214.7	216.4	169.9	168.4	170.0	170.2	383.9	376.1	374.9	375.8
Alaska.....	42.6	44.2	43.7	44.0	33.1	33.4	33.5	33.3	85.0	84.6	84.2	84.5
Arizona.....	349.6	364.6	363.0	362.2	256.0	264.6	260.3	262.6	410.2	415.1	415.3	411.7
Arkansas.....	167.3	168.6	170.6	170.8	103.8	105.1	105.9	105.4	216.2	220.0	219.7	219.4
California.....	1,813.0	1,846.6	1,855.0	1,855.6	1,511.1	1,534.2	1,541.5	1,538.1	2,374.5	2,425.9	2,429.5	2,431.0
Colorado.....	269.1	275.7	275.9	275.2	268.1	279.5	278.5	278.3	391.9	391.9	391.5	391.7
Connecticut.....	312.2	316.9	316.8	317.3	137.2	137.0	138.0	138.8	242.6	242.4	242.3	242.2
Delaware.....	65.6	66.1	66.1	66.6	42.3	43.8	43.5	43.5	64.3	63.1	62.9	62.6
District of Columbia.....	110.4	109.4	110.6	113.3	59.2	59.9	60.4	60.4	248.4	245.8	245.4	245.4
Florida.....	1,090.0	1,110.4	1,119.6	1,117.3	931.5	971.4	958.6	961.9	1,105.2	1,097.8	1,095.1	1,097.3
Georgia.....	490.6	495.9	496.2	497.1	375.9	375.3	377.4	375.4	668.2	649.1	647.6	648.7
Hawaii.....	77.2	78.8	79.4	79.1	101.6	104.2	103.8	103.9	124.3	124.6	124.7	124.5
Idaho.....	85.5	85.4	85.9	86.4	59.2	61.0	60.6	60.3	118.3	118.3	117.6	116.9
Illinois.....	843.9	859.5	859.8	860.6	519.6	521.7	523.3	522.9	851.9	842.3	842.6	843.0
Indiana.....	427.4	426.7	427.1	426.5	267.9	274.3	276.2	274.5	431.9	421.1	419.5	422.6
Iowa.....	213.8	218.8	218.8	219.0	130.8	133.6	132.9	130.4	253.7	250.7	250.5	249.4
Kansas.....	181.2	184.2	185.6	185.9	113.6	114.9	112.9	112.9	258.6	258.6	257.3	259.2
Kentucky.....	251.2	255.8	257.9	256.9	170.1	177.4	177.6	180.3	331.2	325.7	326.2	327.2
Louisiana.....	273.6	291.2	291.8	292.0	196.1	202.1	202.1	202.2	362.0	360.6	361.2	361.3
Maine.....	120.0	121.9	122.6	123.4	60.9	62.1	61.2	60.7	101.3	99.4	99.9	98.1
Maryland.....	403.8	411.1	411.6	413.9	227.2	226.5	227.8	230.1	497.9	499.1	496.8	501.1
Massachusetts.....	671.7	677.0	676.5	674.1	308.6	309.8	314.9	313.7	437.4	434.4	432.6	432.5
Michigan.....	625.4	638.3	636.6	637.1	371.7	366.5	366.1	367.0	624.3	616.9	615.0	611.2
Minnesota.....	461.1	469.5	470.3	472.2	231.4	240.0	236.4	235.3	416.1	411.2	407.5	410.2
Mississippi.....	134.6	138.9	139.6	139.1	121.1	117.5	118.4	118.5	247.3	247.8	248.0	246.4
Missouri.....	408.7	412.3	410.5	406.8	270.9	269.6	270.3	268.6	447.1	445.5	444.0	445.3
Montana.....	64.6	64.3	64.2	64.9	56.7	60.0	59.3	58.3	88.9	90.5	89.4	89.5
Nebraska.....	136.1	137.5	136.9	137.9	81.1	82.9	80.9	80.7	169.4	167.8	168.2	168.4
Nevada.....	101.1	106.2	105.8	104.1	310.7	324.6	325.4	320.6	151.3	146.5	145.9	146.0
New Hampshire.....	110.5	112.3	112.3	111.7	66.0	70.8	70.4	69.8	96.9	96.1	96.3	97.3
New Jersey.....	610.3	624.2	623.2	623.5	334.2	334.0	336.2	336.1	628.4	623.0	623.0	625.4
New Mexico.....	122.4	127.2	126.8	126.6	83.8	84.9	85.8	85.2	197.9	197.1	195.7	196.6
New York.....	1,723.6	1,739.1	1,744.2	1,752.0	742.6	757.7	764.9	754.2	1,484.7	1,484.8	1,479.9	1,482.7
North Carolina.....	536.9	540.8	543.9	543.9	391.9	402.4	403.4	403.7	694.2	682.3	682.9	684.4
North Dakota.....	55.3	55.9	56.1	56.2	35.2	35.1	35.7	36.5	80.1	79.1	79.2	79.2
Ohio.....	849.2	870.9	871.7	873.8	478.6	480.1	477.0	476.6	778.5	768.3	768.7	771.8
Oklahoma.....	205.0	208.5	209.5	209.3	138.9	144.9	145.1	142.7	334.6	336.6	337.8	340.0
Oregon.....	229.5	238.1	240.6	238.4	162.3	169.5	168.4	171.1	298.7	292.3	291.6	293.3
Pennsylvania.....	1,147.7	1,164.9	1,167.4	1,167.6	500.8	515.7	512.8	511.4	751.4	730.3	730.6	731.6
Rhode Island.....	101.6	103.1	102.5	102.0	50.0	50.1	49.4	49.9	61.0	59.9	59.6	59.6
South Carolina.....	215.2	217.9	218.3	217.7	209.6	211.3	214.8	216.6	334.1	332.4	332.1	329.8
South Dakota.....	64.7	66.1	66.0	66.0	43.6	42.2	42.8	44.0	78.8	77.7	77.4	79.2
Tennessee.....	376.2	382.6	382.2	380.8	261.1	266.0	266.3	264.9	431.8	438.9	439.7	438.8
Texas.....	1,406.6	1,443.0	1,444.3	1,443.5	1,019.0	1,047.5	1,056.1	1,060.2	1,860.8	1,796.0	1,795.2	1,805.3
Utah.....	155.4	160.4	159.4	159.6	110.6	113.3	114.3	116.1	215.3	215.3	214.1	214.4
Vermont.....	59.5	60.4	60.4	60.3	33.3	34.1	34.4	33.7	53.8	53.9	53.9	53.7
Virginia.....	457.4	463.5	462.2	464.0	331.4	336.7	335.4	338.6	698.9	705.6	707.2	706.0
Washington.....	378.8	388.3	388.0	389.4	266.3	273.1	277.1	273.7	543.4	535.3	533.8	529.7
West Virginia.....	121.2	123.8	123.6	125.3	73.5	72.6	73.4	73.7	150.8	149.3	149.0	148.7
Wisconsin.....	419.9	430.1	429.1	428.1	254.2	259.8	260.0	253.9	419.1	409.6	406.6	408.8
Wyoming ¹	-	-	-	-	32.3	32.4	31.7	32.2	72.2	74.9	74.5	74.4
Puerto Rico.....	112.8	114.8	115.7	115.6	70.9	69.4	69.3	69.4	260.6	268.1	271.2	269.8
Virgin Islands ¹	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.4	13.1	12.2	12.0	12.2

¹ Missing series (denoted by '-') are 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.

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NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently estimated from 2010 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

State	Total				Mining and logging				Construction			
	November		December		November		December		November		December	
	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P
Alabama.....	1,878.4	1,883.1	1,870.6	1,877.5	12.1	12.6	12.3	12.6	85.8	79.5	83.8	80.1
Alaska.....	317.9	317.4	313.4	313.1	15.8	16.6	15.7	16.3	14.7	14.4	13.4	13.1
Arizona.....	2,401.9	2,448.2	2,407.7	2,445.2	10.8	11.0	10.9	11.1	111.9	113.1	108.0	111.0
Arkansas.....	1,178.6	1,184.4	1,172.1	1,179.8	10.5	10.8	10.8	11.0	47.4	47.8	46.5	46.8
California.....	14,034.8	14,305.6	14,055.1	14,320.1	27.5	28.4	26.3	26.9	562.5	578.2	549.8	571.1
Colorado.....	2,231.5	2,258.4	2,243.4	2,267.8	25.6	28.7	25.6	29.0	115.6	110.5	111.4	107.0
Connecticut.....	1,638.8	1,644.5	1,637.6	1,646.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	51.0	51.4	49.3	49.8
Delaware ¹	416.8	413.3	416.4	413.5	-	-	-	-	19.9	19.1	19.8	18.7
District of Columbia ¹	717.2	720.2	713.1	720.1	-	-	-	-	10.6	11.2	10.2	10.8
Florida.....	7,219.6	7,320.1	7,244.3	7,358.9	5.4	5.7	5.5	5.7	334.4	330.0	332.8	331.3
Georgia.....	3,858.6	3,834.2	3,840.9	3,826.9	9.4	9.0	9.2	8.8	145.4	133.1	140.0	133.7
Hawaii ¹	597.1	601.0	597.4	603.5	-	-	-	-	29.0	28.0	28.9	28.6
Idaho.....	608.3	614.9	605.0	612.9	3.6	3.8	3.6	3.5	32.6	32.8	30.1	30.2
Illinois.....	5,685.3	5,737.3	5,663.1	5,715.7	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.4	208.6	210.7	191.0	194.2
Indiana.....	2,836.1	2,829.7	2,805.8	2,822.5	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	119.6	127.9	109.7	123.1
Iowa.....	1,496.2	1,509.2	1,482.8	1,495.9	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	66.0	66.7	58.1	61.1
Kansas.....	1,338.9	1,348.5	1,330.1	1,342.5	8.5	9.3	8.6	9.3	55.4	56.1	51.2	53.8
Kentucky.....	1,797.7	1,817.4	1,791.3	1,823.1	22.9	22.9	22.8	22.5	70.4	64.7	64.3	63.7
Louisiana.....	1,899.4	1,946.7	1,899.3	1,946.7	52.1	55.6	52.3	56.2	121.6	123.7	121.8	120.6
Maine.....	599.9	600.9	597.3	597.4	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.8	26.2	25.6	24.5	24.3
Maryland ¹	2,540.3	2,559.4	2,529.3	2,554.0	-	-	-	-	145.0	143.9	143.3	139.5
Massachusetts.....	3,220.0	3,271.3	3,212.8	3,253.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	109.9	111.4	103.6	106.0
Michigan.....	3,928.2	3,987.5	3,900.6	3,968.4	7.2	7.8	7.1	7.3	130.2	134.7	121.6	122.6
Minnesota.....	2,675.5	2,684.4	2,642.6	2,668.1	6.2	6.3	6.1	6.0	88.7	89.6	78.5	78.7
Mississippi.....	1,098.0	1,107.1	1,099.2	1,101.9	8.8	9.1	8.9	9.0	49.1	47.2	48.7	46.7
Missouri.....	2,667.6	2,670.0	2,656.5	2,652.6	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.2	107.0	102.7	102.1	97.7
Montana.....	429.7	434.1	428.5	432.4	8.0	8.2	7.8	8.0	24.2	23.1	20.7	20.9
Nebraska ¹	951.4	965.7	949.4	962.6	-	-	-	-	42.7	43.0	40.5	39.8
Nevada.....	1,116.6	1,132.7	1,120.7	1,124.2	12.5	12.9	12.4	12.9	57.9	57.9	55.9	54.6
New Hampshire.....	628.9	637.6	630.6	637.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	22.0	21.4	20.5	21.2
New Jersey.....	3,889.1	3,919.0	3,877.7	3,914.6	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.5	133.8	135.4	129.4	130.1
New Mexico.....	803.5	809.8	802.2	809.6	19.0	20.7	18.7	21.1	45.7	39.6	44.1	38.1
New York.....	8,689.7	8,770.2	8,659.0	8,747.0	5.7	5.6	5.2	5.1	316.3	321.5	292.3	298.2
North Carolina.....	3,893.6	3,917.2	3,885.9	3,904.8	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.5	175.8	173.4	170.2	170.2
North Dakota.....	386.8	405.5	385.7	407.7	12.7	17.7	13.0	18.1	22.2	26.2	19.1	24.2
Ohio.....	5,097.0	5,168.9	5,077.7	5,150.5	11.5	11.7	11.5	11.5	175.9	180.6	159.8	165.0
Oklahoma.....	1,540.5	1,585.5	1,543.2	1,584.9	45.2	49.7	45.4	50.5	68.0	72.1	68.0	71.0
Oregon.....	1,622.5	1,642.2	1,616.5	1,634.0	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.5	68.6	72.0	66.6	69.7
Pennsylvania.....	5,705.4	5,753.5	5,681.5	5,740.3	29.2	34.2	28.7	34.0	226.0	227.1	213.6	219.1
Rhode Island.....	464.3	465.0	461.6	462.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	16.2	17.2	15.2	16.1
South Carolina.....	1,815.4	1,838.5	1,816.9	1,834.7	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.1	79.1	75.9	78.9	76.1
South Dakota ¹	405.7	408.5	402.7	408.9	-	-	-	-	22.0	21.5	19.2	19.4
Tennessee ¹	2,652.3	2,680.3	2,644.4	2,675.6	-	-	-	-	109.9	115.4	106.4	113.5
Texas.....	10,492.2	10,719.4	10,512.9	10,718.0	215.8	258.1	219.1	260.2	580.6	595.5	591.0	584.5
Utah.....	1,197.5	1,228.2	1,199.1	1,235.4	11.0	11.6	10.8	11.8	67.4	67.0	64.4	66.0
Vermont.....	301.2	306.5	306.3	310.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	14.0	13.9	12.6	13.1
Virginia.....	3,666.5	3,687.2	3,644.5	3,680.1	10.6	10.5	10.4	10.4	184.0	183.0	182.8	180.3
Washington.....	2,798.3	2,854.9	2,790.3	2,830.6	5.9	5.9	5.6	5.7	140.3	140.2	133.2	134.2
West Virginia.....	758.4	764.8	751.1	761.2	31.0	33.2	31.0	32.4	35.1	35.3	29.3	32.4
Wisconsin.....	2,767.6	2,771.8	2,747.2	2,749.7	3.1	3.2	2.7	2.8	97.7	89.1	83.7	79.6
Wyoming.....	281.3	288.9	282.6	289.0	26.3	28.5	26.5	28.9	23.7	24.1	21.9	21.6
Puerto Rico ¹	922.9	927.2	932.4	934.6	-	-	-	-	28.5	30.0	27.9	29.8
Virgin Islands ¹	44.6	42.7	43.8	42.7	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

¹ Mining and logging is combined with construction for states with this footnote.

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

Continued

[In thousands]

State	Manufacturing				Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information			
	November		December		November		December		November		December	
	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P
Alabama.....	236.1	238.4	235.0	238.6	364.0	372.6	366.0	370.7	23.8	23.3	23.9	23.3
Alaska.....	8.7	7.2	6.7	5.2	61.7	62.4	61.8	62.2	6.4	6.5	6.4	6.5
Arizona.....	147.4	152.5	148.9	152.0	473.9	485.2	480.9	485.0	36.1	36.7	36.2	37.3
Arkansas.....	160.3	155.3	159.1	155.0	239.2	236.9	239.2	239.5	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.4
California.....	1,245.5	1,244.8	1,245.7	1,241.2	2,673.8	2,714.0	2,697.3	2,734.6	438.9	462.2	442.5	465.8
Colorado.....	125.5	125.4	125.1	126.0	401.6	406.6	406.8	411.1	70.9	68.2	70.2	68.1
Connecticut.....	168.3	167.3	168.6	166.3	295.6	298.3	299.3	304.9	31.7	32.0	31.7	32.1
Delaware.....	26.3	26.2	26.1	26.1	74.6	73.6	75.3	74.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
District of Columbia.....	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	27.1	26.8	27.3	27.2	18.7	18.5	18.7	18.5
Florida.....	303.5	308.6	304.4	310.0	1,471.5	1,504.9	1,489.2	1,526.9	136.0	130.2	133.9	130.5
Georgia.....	345.6	346.1	345.5	346.5	822.5	828.0	825.0	831.6	101.7	97.0	101.5	97.8
Hawaii.....	13.0	13.1	12.9	13.0	109.4	109.8	110.9	110.9	11.3	10.8	11.4	11.0
Idaho.....	53.3	55.1	53.3	55.2	122.2	125.8	122.3	126.8	9.5	9.2	9.5	9.2
Illinois.....	563.8	573.6	563.6	575.8	1,148.5	1,161.8	1,155.4	1,170.0	101.5	97.1	101.0	97.3
Indiana.....	447.5	453.5	447.8	456.0	548.8	542.7	550.4	547.3	35.1	34.4	35.3	34.5
Iowa.....	202.2	209.8	200.8	209.4	305.9	310.9	306.3	311.0	28.0	27.0	27.9	27.0
Kansas.....	159.2	164.8	159.1	165.1	253.4	252.5	256.3	253.4	30.3	27.3	30.3	27.8
Kentucky.....	212.3	217.1	212.5	218.1	364.1	366.8	366.5	371.8	26.1	26.2	26.1	26.3
Louisiana.....	139.1	145.5	138.2	145.2	369.8	375.2	373.5	380.4	28.2	28.8	28.3	29.2
Maine.....	52.0	51.5	51.9	51.6	121.2	122.1	122.2	123.0	9.2	8.7	9.1	8.7
Maryland.....	114.4	111.6	113.3	111.5	450.7	451.8	454.3	455.7	43.7	44.9	43.7	45.1
Massachusetts.....	256.6	259.8	256.1	260.8	554.4	562.1	562.5	570.3	85.9	87.9	85.8	87.9
Michigan.....	485.3	506.8	482.9	510.6	721.7	728.4	724.0	731.5	54.5	54.5	54.0	54.7
Minnesota.....	296.0	297.8	293.0	296.6	502.6	503.7	502.0	503.7	54.5	53.3	54.3	53.3
Mississippi.....	134.4	132.5	135.1	133.5	215.4	217.9	217.8	219.2	12.6	12.4	12.6	12.4
Missouri.....	244.0	254.5	245.6	253.3	516.4	519.1	519.0	519.4	58.0	53.0	57.8	53.6
Montana.....	16.7	16.4	16.7	16.3	88.4	90.6	88.5	90.7	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Nebraska.....	92.0	94.5	92.9	95.5	201.4	204.7	203.5	206.4	16.8	17.3	16.8	17.3
Nevada.....	37.0	35.7	36.4	35.6	210.8	211.3	212.6	210.9	12.6	12.5	12.7	12.5
New Hampshire.....	66.3	65.8	66.2	65.5	134.2	134.2	135.8	136.3	11.4	11.4	11.5	11.4
New Jersey.....	258.5	249.7	258.3	249.4	822.4	845.4	832.7	851.9	78.9	73.5	78.5	73.6
New Mexico.....	29.1	29.4	29.0	29.1	135.9	139.5	136.9	142.2	14.5	14.1	14.3	14.1
New York.....	457.4	452.1	455.0	450.3	1,488.8	1,500.3	1,508.2	1,520.1	253.4	250.6	254.3	250.6
North Carolina.....	432.2	432.8	433.5	433.6	719.2	730.9	726.5	735.8	69.0	68.1	69.2	68.1
North Dakota.....	23.7	23.8	23.6	23.9	82.4	88.3	83.9	89.8	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.4
Ohio.....	626.3	642.1	623.3	641.5	963.5	979.3	970.2	990.1	76.9	78.0	77.3	78.3
Oklahoma.....	125.4	135.8	126.9	137.6	280.5	285.7	282.5	287.9	24.8	23.9	24.7	23.7
Oregon.....	166.4	165.0	164.2	163.0	317.8	320.0	321.8	321.8	32.5	33.8	32.7	33.8
Pennsylvania.....	566.0	573.7	563.5	575.6	1,108.5	1,120.7	1,120.1	1,133.7	92.8	95.2	92.2	95.6
Rhode Island.....	40.9	40.4	40.9	40.6	75.8	77.2	76.8	77.4	10.5	10.4	10.5	10.4
South Carolina.....	209.1	220.0	209.6	221.2	350.4	357.8	353.3	359.3	25.4	26.0	25.5	26.0
South Dakota.....	37.4	38.9	37.3	38.2	81.9	82.9	82.7	83.9	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.5
Tennessee.....	297.0	302.4	295.2	302.1	566.0	563.8	569.8	564.3	44.8	43.5	45.4	44.1
Texas.....	813.2	838.1	814.1	839.1	2,084.9	2,141.2	2,116.5	2,163.9	194.5	187.1	194.2	186.4
Utah.....	112.6	118.5	113.3	118.8	235.6	240.4	237.1	242.5	29.4	30.5	29.2	30.8
Vermont.....	31.5	31.8	31.9	32.0	57.4	58.3	57.6	59.1	5.3	5.1	5.3	5.1
Virginia.....	230.1	231.0	230.3	229.1	636.9	641.1	640.7	645.0	77.2	72.0	76.3	72.3
Washington.....	258.4	271.2	257.3	271.9	524.6	540.3	532.4	539.7	103.5	103.4	103.3	103.2
West Virginia.....	49.5	49.5	48.9	49.1	137.8	139.3	138.4	139.1	10.8	11.0	10.7	10.8
Wisconsin.....	436.5	442.2	433.7	443.2	521.2	524.9	523.9	530.0	47.0	47.7	47.0	46.8
Wyoming.....	8.9	9.1	8.9	8.9	50.8	52.5	51.8	53.2	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9
Puerto Rico.....	86.0	80.8	85.1	81.6	171.7	165.5	179.9	169.6	18.6	19.5	19.8	20.0
Virgin Islands.....	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.0	8.2	8.4	8.3	8.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8

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

Continued

[In thousands]

State	Financial activities				Professional and business services				Education and health services			
	November		December		November		December		November		December	
	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P
Alabama.....	91.7	92.1	91.3	92.5	212.2	219.0	209.9	217.7	218.1	216.7	216.1	216.3
Alaska.....	15.2	14.9	15.4	14.7	25.7	26.3	25.5	25.7	43.0	43.7	42.4	43.8
Arizona.....	161.6	164.3	162.9	166.4	342.0	344.1	345.7	348.1	352.9	367.0	353.0	365.8
Arkansas.....	48.7	50.3	49.4	50.6	119.0	121.0	120.3	120.4	169.1	172.4	168.2	171.7
California.....	758.2	759.3	765.6	763.4	2,113.8	2,173.7	2,124.5	2,188.5	1,824.9	1,874.3	1,828.8	1,872.2
Colorado.....	141.9	139.3	143.2	139.6	330.3	341.8	329.2	339.2	270.1	277.3	270.7	276.9
Connecticut.....	135.7	132.2	135.9	131.6	194.5	197.2	193.6	196.8	316.2	320.5	315.0	320.0
Delaware.....	42.5	42.8	42.1	43.0	55.4	53.5	56.1	53.8	65.8	66.4	65.7	66.7
District of Columbia.....	26.2	27.2	26.3	27.0	151.5	154.2	150.1	154.3	113.1	113.3	111.0	113.9
Florida.....	468.1	475.5	469.3	478.0	1,046.9	1,063.5	1,047.6	1,063.2	1,091.3	1,125.7	1,098.5	1,126.4
Georgia.....	202.7	193.7	202.1	192.7	533.4	546.2	530.1	543.2	494.0	500.8	493.9	500.4
Hawaii.....	27.0	27.5	27.1	27.3	72.6	75.2	73.2	74.9	77.0	79.3	77.5	79.4
Idaho.....	28.9	29.0	29.1	29.0	73.4	73.1	72.1	73.4	86.0	86.8	86.6	87.5
Illinois.....	358.7	355.8	359.8	356.7	813.0	838.3	812.3	832.7	851.4	867.0	847.6	864.3
Indiana.....	129.9	131.2	130.0	131.5	291.5	288.3	285.4	287.2	434.6	433.0	433.5	432.4
Iowa.....	101.2	99.1	101.8	99.5	126.2	125.7	122.1	123.2	218.7	223.8	218.4	223.6
Kansas.....	70.4	67.6	70.2	66.7	144.6	154.1	143.9	152.1	184.0	187.3	182.3	187.0
Kentucky.....	86.5	82.8	85.8	82.9	185.6	199.3	189.4	202.3	253.0	258.9	252.4	258.1
Louisiana.....	92.9	97.9	92.9	97.8	193.2	195.9	192.6	196.1	275.2	293.4	274.2	292.6
Maine.....	31.1	32.0	31.1	32.2	56.7	56.5	55.5	54.9	120.7	123.8	120.8	124.2
Maryland.....	141.8	141.2	141.6	141.0	390.3	399.7	388.0	394.8	406.7	414.1	404.6	414.6
Massachusetts.....	205.3	207.4	206.7	208.4	463.8	486.1	460.8	476.8	681.7	686.9	680.5	682.8
Michigan.....	186.5	187.4	186.7	188.7	533.7	559.4	524.3	555.5	632.6	645.4	630.7	642.6
Minnesota.....	169.8	170.9	169.6	171.6	323.4	327.8	318.3	328.4	466.2	474.6	462.9	473.9
Mississippi.....	44.5	44.8	44.7	45.4	95.4	101.6	95.2	98.9	134.6	140.3	135.3	139.8
Missouri.....	163.0	159.8	164.5	161.1	318.9	326.3	315.8	323.0	411.3	413.2	411.9	410.1
Montana.....	21.1	20.7	21.4	20.9	38.7	39.7	38.7	38.9	64.9	64.7	64.9	65.2
Nebraska.....	68.3	68.4	68.1	68.5	103.2	111.5	103.7	110.2	137.6	138.4	137.1	138.9
Nevada.....	51.2	46.8	51.2	47.7	137.2	142.5	139.3	141.6	101.2	106.2	101.7	104.7
New Hampshire.....	35.4	35.4	35.4	35.1	66.1	69.0	66.2	68.1	111.8	113.6	111.0	112.2
New Jersey.....	256.9	255.9	256.3	257.3	589.9	602.9	583.7	597.9	616.7	629.6	615.4	628.7
New Mexico.....	32.1	35.1	32.2	35.0	92.5	92.5	92.0	92.0	122.1	128.3	123.6	127.9
New York.....	670.7	677.5	669.9	673.8	1,122.7	1,157.3	1,118.4	1,156.0	1,762.2	1,787.8	1,754.5	1,784.5
North Carolina.....	200.8	200.6	201.9	200.9	491.3	499.6	491.6	495.6	541.6	548.6	539.6	546.7
North Dakota.....	20.5	20.4	20.6	20.6	28.7	31.4	28.6	32.0	55.3	56.1	55.4	56.3
Ohio.....	270.6	273.6	272.2	273.5	636.2	650.5	629.9	639.7	861.7	885.1	859.5	884.3
Oklahoma.....	80.2	81.1	80.7	81.1	171.6	177.7	171.0	177.2	206.2	211.4	206.2	210.5
Oregon.....	92.9	93.0	92.5	93.5	182.5	185.0	183.8	185.2	233.6	244.2	233.0	242.1
Pennsylvania.....	312.2	312.8	313.3	311.8	693.4	697.6	689.8	695.0	1,167.7	1,188.6	1,159.5	1,179.9
Rhode Island.....	30.3	29.7	30.2	30.1	54.1	55.2	53.2	54.7	103.7	104.8	103.5	103.9
South Carolina.....	97.3	97.5	97.5	97.2	222.0	225.0	225.5	224.2	215.3	219.2	216.3	218.8
South Dakota.....	28.0	27.8	28.2	28.7	26.8	28.7	27.4	28.9	65.3	66.6	65.5	66.8
Tennessee.....	137.5	138.9	137.6	138.2	315.9	318.4	317.2	323.8	380.5	385.3	378.8	383.6
Texas.....	622.9	639.8	623.7	641.9	1,302.4	1,355.0	1,292.7	1,345.7	1,417.0	1,452.3	1,411.5	1,448.4
Utah.....	67.6	68.0	68.2	68.6	156.3	166.7	156.5	167.5	158.3	162.6	158.7	163.0
Vermont.....	12.3	12.1	12.5	12.1	23.5	25.8	23.5	25.5	60.4	61.2	60.1	60.9
Virginia.....	177.3	179.3	176.2	178.8	664.0	667.8	652.7	667.1	465.0	470.3	464.0	470.4
Washington.....	136.4	136.4	136.4	136.1	333.7	348.4	330.3	343.3	380.3	391.7	381.3	392.0
West Virginia.....	28.1	27.7	28.2	28.0	61.7	63.8	61.8	64.1	122.8	125.2	121.7	125.7
Wisconsin.....	155.4	152.0	155.1	152.0	272.7	270.8	268.3	264.0	420.1	431.8	422.5	430.7
Wyoming.....	10.8	10.8	10.9	10.8	17.1	18.1	17.0	17.7	26.7	26.4	26.7	26.5
Puerto Rico.....	44.3	45.5	44.6	45.4	108.7	109.4	109.8	112.0	115.4	118.1	116.2	119.1
Virgin Islands.....	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.4

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

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[In thousands]

State	Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	November		December		November		December		November		December	
	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P	2010	2011	2010	2011 ^P
Alabama.....	168.1	168.6	165.9	166.1	79.5	81.5	79.4	80.8	387.0	378.8	387.0	378.8
Alaska.....	28.9	29.3	29.0	29.2	11.6	11.0	11.2	11.2	86.2	85.1	85.9	85.2
Arizona.....	252.8	258.9	255.0	261.4	87.3	86.4	85.7	85.2	425.2	429.0	420.5	421.9
Arkansas.....	102.2	103.9	99.9	101.3	45.6	45.6	42.8	44.6	221.0	224.8	220.3	223.5
California.....	1,492.6	1,529.6	1,503.7	1,530.6	483.3	482.6	481.1	479.8	2,413.8	2,458.5	2,389.8	2,446.0
Colorado.....	257.6	267.9	270.9	281.6	92.3	93.2	93.1	92.2	400.1	399.5	397.2	397.1
Connecticut.....	134.5	134.8	133.0	134.4	60.4	60.4	61.1	60.6	250.3	249.8	249.5	249.1
Delaware.....	40.9	42.0	40.1	41.1	19.9	19.6	19.9	20.0	65.5	64.1	65.3	63.6
District of Columbia.....	59.5	60.8	59.0	60.2	64.2	64.2	63.2	63.9	245.1	242.9	246.1	243.2
Florida.....	920.5	949.4	930.6	961.1	312.3	308.5	310.6	312.1	1,129.7	1,118.1	1,121.9	1,113.7
Georgia.....	373.9	374.4	369.1	368.3	154.2	152.5	152.5	151.5	675.8	653.4	672.0	652.4
Hawaii.....	100.7	103.6	101.7	104.0	26.7	26.7	26.5	26.8	130.4	127.0	127.3	127.6
Idaho.....	57.0	58.3	57.4	58.4	21.1	21.4	21.1	21.2	120.7	119.6	119.9	118.5
Illinois.....	511.0	516.2	508.8	512.2	251.9	249.8	252.9	251.0	867.3	857.5	861.1	852.1
Indiana.....	269.3	272.1	261.7	268.2	105.8	105.3	105.6	105.2	447.3	434.6	439.7	430.4
Iowa.....	127.6	130.4	128.5	128.2	56.6	55.7	56.8	55.3	261.5	257.9	260.0	255.6
Kansas.....	113.1	112.3	111.4	110.7	51.7	51.5	51.9	51.3	268.3	265.7	264.9	265.3
Kentucky.....	169.9	177.0	166.3	176.4	71.4	70.9	71.2	71.0	335.5	330.8	334.0	330.0
Louisiana.....	194.4	200.1	194.5	200.5	66.5	64.7	66.4	64.3	366.4	365.9	364.6	363.8
Maine.....	54.1	54.3	53.8	53.6	20.0	19.6	19.9	19.5	105.9	104.0	105.8	102.6
Maryland.....	222.4	222.0	218.9	221.5	114.7	120.3	114.4	120.0	510.6	509.9	507.2	510.3
Massachusetts.....	298.8	305.8	293.9	298.6	116.3	120.9	116.2	119.8	446.1	441.9	445.6	440.8
Michigan.....	361.0	356.7	360.4	355.8	167.6	170.0	166.4	170.0	647.9	636.4	642.5	629.1
Minnesota.....	223.9	228.7	222.3	226.0	114.8	114.7	114.6	115.0	429.4	417.0	421.0	414.9
Mississippi.....	119.9	117.5	118.2	115.7	34.3	34.1	34.8	34.3	249.0	249.7	247.9	247.0
Missouri.....	269.0	266.5	262.2	259.8	117.2	115.7	117.2	115.9	458.4	454.9	456.3	454.5
Montana.....	52.3	55.7	55.5	57.0	17.1	16.5	16.9	16.5	90.9	91.1	90.0	90.6
Nebraska.....	80.6	80.1	79.2	78.9	37.3	37.0	36.9	37.4	171.5	170.8	170.7	169.7
Nevada.....	306.8	322.4	309.5	319.3	34.1	34.7	33.6	34.5	155.3	149.8	155.4	149.9
New Hampshire.....	59.3	64.7	62.4	66.2	20.8	20.9	20.2	20.1	100.7	100.3	100.6	101.0
New Jersey.....	326.3	326.6	323.5	325.2	160.3	161.9	158.6	162.2	644.0	636.6	639.9	636.8
New Mexico.....	81.9	83.7	82.5	83.9	28.0	27.9	28.8	27.4	202.7	199.0	200.1	198.8
New York.....	730.1	751.5	726.3	737.8	370.4	363.2	367.0	364.8	1,512.0	1,502.8	1,507.9	1,505.8
North Carolina.....	386.0	396.8	380.9	392.3	156.5	155.5	155.2	154.6	715.5	705.3	711.6	701.5
North Dakota.....	34.9	35.4	34.6	35.9	16.2	16.9	16.6	17.4	82.9	82.0	83.1	82.1
Ohio.....	466.3	465.3	465.8	463.7	210.9	214.2	214.4	216.0	797.2	788.5	793.8	786.9
Oklahoma.....	136.6	144.3	137.4	141.1	60.3	58.6	59.5	58.0	341.7	345.2	340.9	346.3
Oregon.....	158.3	165.9	157.9	166.4	57.4	58.0	56.7	56.9	305.7	298.5	300.7	295.1
Pennsylvania.....	484.5	495.7	484.3	494.6	251.1	255.3	250.3	255.0	774.0	752.6	766.2	746.0
Rhode Island.....	48.6	47.7	47.0	46.8	22.0	21.6	22.1	21.3	62.0	60.6	62.0	60.6
South Carolina.....	202.7	208.0	197.8	204.5	68.7	67.9	68.0	69.0	341.4	337.1	340.5	334.3
South Dakota.....	42.2	41.5	41.0	41.3	15.6	15.7	15.6	15.7	79.9	78.4	79.2	79.5
Tennessee.....	261.1	264.5	257.2	261.0	100.6	101.7	99.6	100.8	439.0	446.4	437.2	444.2
Texas.....	1,001.4	1,042.5	1,003.5	1,044.4	362.8	377.0	363.0	376.0	1,896.7	1,832.8	1,883.6	1,827.5
Utah.....	105.8	110.1	109.4	114.8	34.0	34.8	33.8	34.7	219.5	218.0	217.7	216.9
Vermont.....	29.1	30.6	35.6	36.1	9.7	10.0	10.0	9.9	57.2	56.9	56.4	56.3
Virginia.....	325.0	326.4	318.3	324.8	185.4	185.7	182.9	184.7	711.0	720.1	709.9	717.2
Washington.....	259.0	270.4	260.3	267.5	102.8	102.9	102.0	102.5	553.4	544.1	548.2	534.5
West Virginia.....	72.8	72.5	72.2	72.4	54.9	55.3	55.1	55.5	153.9	152.0	153.8	151.7
Wisconsin.....	242.0	248.2	242.0	241.4	138.9	141.4	140.0	141.5	433.0	420.5	428.3	417.7
Wyoming.....	28.1	27.9	30.0	29.9	11.5	11.8	11.4	11.7	73.5	75.8	73.6	75.9
Puerto Rico.....	71.1	69.4	71.6	70.1	15.8	15.7	15.8	16.1	262.8	273.3	261.7	270.9
Virgin Islands.....	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.5	2.6	1.9	2.1	1.8	13.4	12.1	12.9	12.0

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Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted December 2011

(U.S. rate = 8.5 percent)

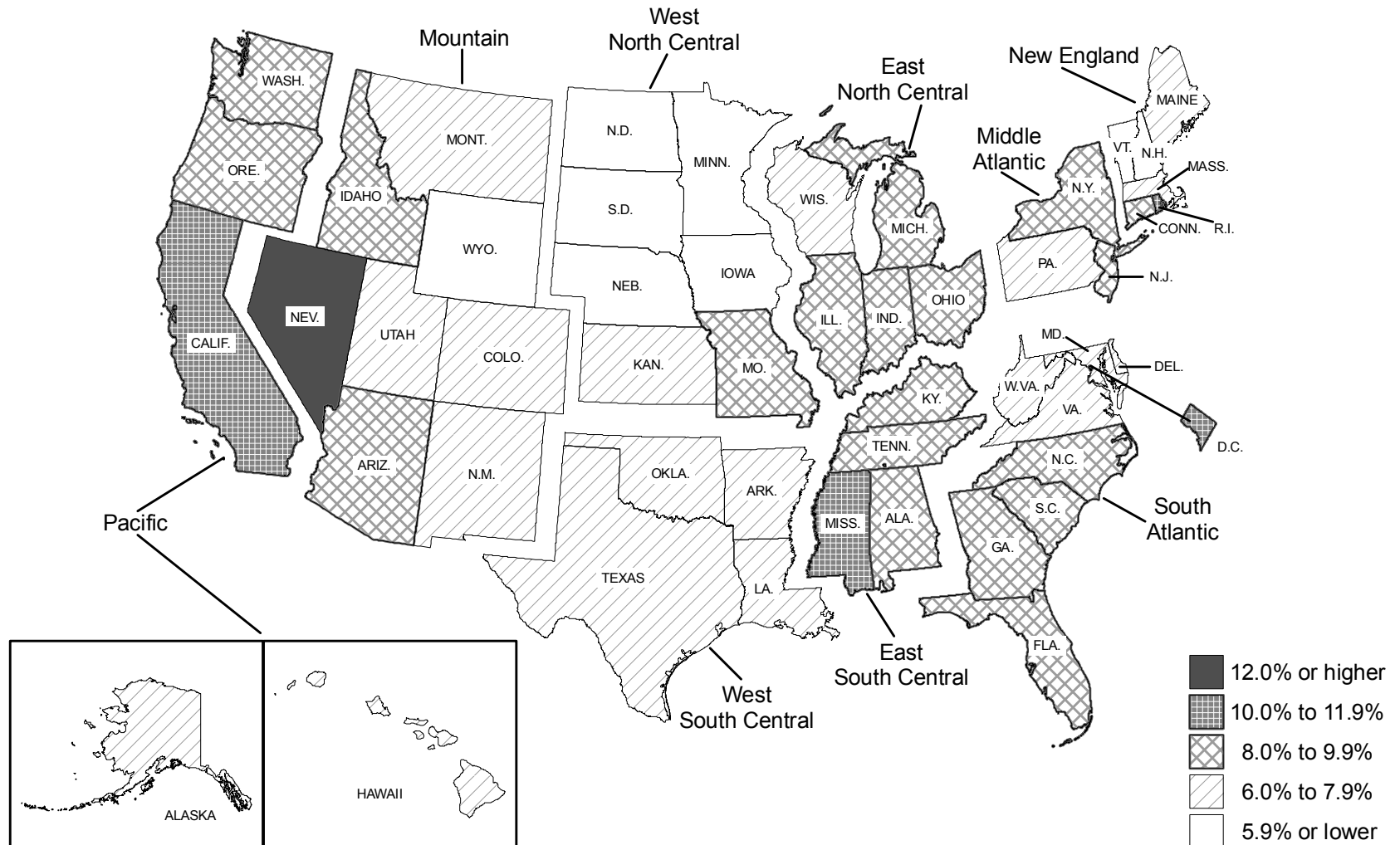


Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, December 2010 – December 2011

