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Unemployment rates were significantly lower in February in 10 states, higher in 1 state, and stable in 39 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Nine states had notable jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, and 41 states and the District had no significant change. The national unemployment rate, at 4.7 percent, was little changed from January but 0.2 percentage point lower than in February 2016.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 11 states in February 2017 and was essentially unchanged in 39 states and the District of Columbia. Over the year, 31 states added nonfarm payroll jobs, 2 states lost jobs, and 17 states and the District were essentially unchanged.

Unemployment

New Hampshire had the lowest unemployment rate in February, 2.7 percent, closely followed by Hawaii and South Dakota, 2.8 percent each, and Colorado and North Dakota, 2.9 percent each. The rates in both Arkansas (3.7 percent) and Oregon (4.0 percent) set new series lows. (All state series begin in 1976.) New Mexico had the highest jobless rate, 6.8 percent, followed by Alaska and Alabama, 6.4 percent and 6.2 percent, respectively. In total, 19 states had unemployment rates significantly lower than the U.S. figure of 4.7 percent, 6 states and the District of Columbia had higher rates, and 25 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 1 and map 1.)

In February, 10 states had statistically significant unemployment rate decreases, the largest of which was in West Virginia (-0.4 percentage point). The only notable rate increase occurred in Massachusetts (+0.2 percentage point). The remaining 39 states and the District of Columbia had jobless rates that were not significantly 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.)

Nine states had statistically significant unemployment rate changes from February 2016, all of which were decreases. The largest of these declines occurred in Nevada (-1.2 percentage points), West Virginia (-1.1 points), and South Carolina (-1.0 point). (See table C.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment

Eleven states had statistically significant over-the-month increases in nonfarm payroll employment in February 2017. The largest increases in employment over the month occurred in Illinois (+25,600), Ohio (+15,200), and New Jersey (+12,600). In percentage terms, the largest increases occurred in Montana and Nebraska (+0.6 percent each), followed by Arkansas and New Mexico (+0.5 percent each). (See tables D and 3.)

Thirty-one states had statistically significant over-the-year increases in nonfarm payroll employment in February. The largest job gains occurred in California (+315,800), Florida (+248,800), and Texas (+222,400). The largest percentage gains occurred in Idaho (+3.6 percent), Utah (+3.3 percent), and Nevada (+3.2 percent). Two states had significant over-the-year declines in employment: Wyoming (-7,200, or -2.5 percent) and Alaska (-6,700, or -2.0 percent). (See table E and map 2.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release for February is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, April 5, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT). The State Employment and Unemployment news release for March is scheduled to be released on Friday, April 21, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

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

State	Rate ^P
United States ¹	4.7
Alabama	6.2
Alaska	6.4
Arkansas	3.7
Colorado	2.9
District of Columbia	5.7
Georgia	5.3
Hawaii	2.8
Idaho	3.6
Illinois	5.4
Iowa	3.2
Kansas	4.0
Louisiana	5.8
Maine	3.2
Massachusetts	3.4
Minnesota	4.0
Montana	3.8
Nebraska	3.2
New Hampshire	2.7
New Mexico	6.8
North Dakota	2.9
Oregon	4.0
South Dakota	2.8
Utah	3.1
Vermont	3.0
Virginia	3.9
Wisconsin	3.7

¹ Data are not preliminary.

^P = preliminary.

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

State	Rate		Over-the-month change ^P
	January 2017	February 2017 ^P	
Georgia	5.5	5.3	-0.2
Illinois	5.7	5.4	-.3
Iowa	3.4	3.2	-.2
Kansas	4.1	4.0	-.1
Maine	3.5	3.2	-.3
Massachusetts	3.2	3.4	.2
Mississippi	5.5	5.2	-.3
Oregon	4.3	4.0	-.3
Pennsylvania	5.2	5.0	-.2
Washington	5.1	4.9	-.2
West Virginia	5.6	5.2	-.4

^P = preliminary.

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

State	Rate		Over-the-year change ^P
	February 2016	February 2017 ^P	
California	5.6	5.0	-0.6
Iowa	3.8	3.2	-.6
Nevada	6.1	4.9	-1.2
New York	4.9	4.4	-.5
Oregon	4.9	4.0	-.9
South Carolina	5.4	4.4	-1.0
Washington	5.6	4.9	-.7
West Virginia	6.3	5.2	-1.1
Wyoming	5.3	4.7	-.6

^P = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from January 2017 to February 2017, seasonally adjusted

State	January 2017	February 2017 ^P	Over-the-month change ^P	
			Level	Percent
Arkansas	1,234,900	1,241,000	6,100	0.5
Georgia	4,440,200	4,452,200	12,000	.3
Illinois	6,029,400	6,055,000	25,600	.4
Maryland	2,744,000	2,755,500	11,500	.4
Montana	474,300	477,300	3,000	.6
Nebraska	1,018,800	1,024,700	5,900	.6
New Jersey	4,117,600	4,130,200	12,600	.3
New Mexico	833,500	837,600	4,100	.5
Ohio	5,506,800	5,522,000	15,200	.3
Oregon	1,853,200	1,861,400	8,200	.4
Wisconsin	2,939,700	2,950,800	11,100	.4

^P = preliminary.

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

State	February 2016	February 2017 ^P	Over-the-year change ^P	
			Level	Percent
Alabama	1,967,500	1,996,600	29,100	1.5
Alaska	336,000	329,300	-6,700	-2.0
Arizona	2,680,900	2,739,100	58,200	2.2
Arkansas	1,224,700	1,241,000	16,300	1.3
California	16,360,300	16,676,100	315,800	1.9
Colorado	2,581,200	2,631,500	50,300	1.9
Florida	8,294,200	8,543,000	248,800	3.0
Georgia	4,338,200	4,452,200	114,000	2.6
Idaho	688,400	712,900	24,500	3.6
Illinois	6,008,000	6,055,000	47,000	.8
Indiana	3,074,400	3,113,800	39,400	1.3
Kentucky	1,909,800	1,936,200	26,400	1.4
Maryland	2,697,700	2,755,500	57,800	2.1
Massachusetts	3,545,900	3,603,600	57,700	1.6
Michigan	4,294,400	4,377,000	82,600	1.9
Minnesota	2,884,400	2,921,300	36,900	1.3
Missouri	2,826,500	2,880,500	54,000	1.9
Montana	466,000	477,300	11,300	2.4
Nevada	1,283,400	1,324,600	41,200	3.2
New Hampshire	666,400	677,500	11,100	1.7
New Jersey	4,056,500	4,130,200	73,700	1.8
New York	9,361,700	9,496,900	135,200	1.4
North Carolina	4,309,300	4,386,100	76,800	1.8
Ohio	5,476,600	5,522,000	45,400	.8
Oregon	1,821,500	1,861,400	39,900	2.2
Pennsylvania	5,867,600	5,941,600	74,000	1.3
South Carolina	2,042,300	2,074,300	32,000	1.6
Tennessee	2,944,800	3,010,900	66,100	2.2
Texas	11,975,800	12,198,200	222,400	1.9
Utah	1,411,000	1,456,900	45,900	3.3
Virginia	3,904,200	3,957,700	53,500	1.4
Washington	3,206,600	3,294,500	87,900	2.7
Wyoming	285,600	278,400	-7,200	-2.5

^P = preliminary.

Technical Note

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

Civilian labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Employment—from the CES program

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Reliability of the estimates

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

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

Additional information

Estimates of civilian labor force and unemployment from the LAUS program, as well as nonfarm payroll employment from the CES program, for metropolitan areas and metropolitan divisions are available in the news release Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment. Estimates of civilian labor force, employed persons, unemployed persons, and unemployment rates for approximately 7,500 subnational areas are available online at www.bls.gov/lau/. Employment data from the CES program for states and metropolitan areas are available online at www.bls.gov/sae/. Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: (202) 691-5200; Federal Relay Service: (800) 877-8339.

**LABOR FORCE DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Number				Percent of labor force			
					Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	2,166,597	2,185,628	2,195,054	2,203,868	130,283	137,875	141,217	136,826	6.0	6.3	6.4	6.2
Alaska.....	361,191	359,743	360,734	362,688	23,703	23,597	23,401	23,300	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.4
Arizona.....	3,214,118	3,260,480	3,277,760	3,302,202	176,689	162,015	163,599	168,038	5.5	5.0	5.0	5.1
Arkansas.....	1,345,280	1,337,311	1,336,446	1,337,882	55,660	52,779	50,693	49,665	4.1	3.9	3.8	3.7
California.....	19,004,339	19,164,633	19,163,938	19,155,661	1,068,344	999,208	988,024	965,942	5.6	5.2	5.2	5.0
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	5,018,554	5,060,023	5,059,977	5,066,851	275,672	255,678	249,386	243,280	5.5	5.1	4.9	4.8
Colorado.....	2,869,962	2,908,395	2,912,170	2,922,529	96,136	86,281	84,682	84,727	3.3	3.0	2.9	2.9
Connecticut.....	1,891,160	1,886,206	1,892,209	1,901,358	103,534	82,098	85,003	89,495	5.5	4.4	4.5	4.7
Delaware.....	474,260	470,053	470,574	472,309	21,241	20,380	20,597	21,149	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.5
District of Columbia.....	391,786	393,752	395,599	396,788	24,449	22,423	22,376	22,657	6.2	5.7	5.7	5.7
Florida.....	9,757,265	9,942,473	9,995,786	10,057,991	485,181	491,981	504,082	500,666	5.0	4.9	5.0	5.0
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,330,373	1,360,429	1,359,453	1,358,656	72,959	75,159	74,599	73,807	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.4
Georgia.....	4,868,627	4,982,691	4,998,333	5,010,813	269,108	273,934	276,071	267,370	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.3
Hawaii.....	680,563	691,547	693,611	694,868	21,057	19,859	19,735	19,350	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8
Idaho.....	807,884	821,440	824,013	826,127	31,590	29,947	29,783	29,648	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.6
Illinois.....	6,566,946	6,500,846	6,522,220	6,528,448	402,842	372,800	374,615	352,376	6.1	5.7	5.7	5.4
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights ¹	3,815,041	3,787,945	3,781,775	3,769,688	232,019	222,772	213,657	194,784	6.1	5.9	5.6	5.2
Indiana.....	3,323,451	3,308,196	3,315,768	3,323,680	155,900	132,737	133,588	135,106	4.7	4.0	4.0	4.1
Iowa.....	1,701,959	1,693,623	1,693,918	1,693,329	64,207	59,004	56,891	53,633	3.8	3.5	3.4	3.2
Kansas.....	1,487,850	1,478,785	1,479,412	1,481,864	60,732	63,498	61,227	59,030	4.1	4.3	4.1	4.0
Kentucky.....	1,984,421	2,007,499	2,025,137	2,044,119	103,475	97,008	101,140	101,030	5.2	4.8	5.0	4.9
Louisiana.....	2,139,402	2,100,414	2,099,633	2,106,632	132,963	125,915	123,110	121,682	6.2	6.0	5.9	5.8
Maine.....	683,670	695,036	696,193	698,146	25,381	26,095	24,351	22,361	3.7	3.8	3.5	3.2
Maryland.....	3,161,295	3,182,680	3,192,006	3,206,338	142,224	133,157	133,607	135,701	4.5	4.2	4.2	4.2
Massachusetts.....	3,586,316	3,583,515	3,599,258	3,626,947	150,805	110,093	113,753	123,457	4.2	3.1	3.2	3.4
Michigan.....	4,803,551	4,862,253	4,884,583	4,907,664	238,435	246,327	252,331	258,989	5.0	5.1	5.2	5.3
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn ²	2,054,016	2,084,281	2,088,544	2,095,042	111,542	117,772	120,976	123,155	5.4	5.7	5.8	5.9
Minnesota.....	2,992,380	3,003,239	3,007,272	3,012,927	116,111	121,394	121,070	120,391	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0
Mississippi.....	1,284,894	1,283,461	1,291,287	1,298,154	77,816	71,107	71,452	68,098	6.1	5.5	5.5	5.2
Missouri.....	3,102,272	3,102,945	3,104,253	3,107,727	138,615	137,545	131,707	128,403	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.1
Montana.....	524,655	528,349	527,459	526,502	22,044	21,027	20,733	20,223	4.2	4.0	3.9	3.8
Nebraska.....	1,010,240	1,012,237	1,012,238	1,011,205	32,074	33,408	33,223	32,512	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.2
Nevada.....	1,420,991	1,434,386	1,435,616	1,438,418	86,661	73,712	71,197	70,624	6.1	5.1	5.0	4.9
New Hampshire.....	745,338	751,316	751,876	751,837	20,914	20,515	20,229	20,533	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7
New Jersey.....	4,517,396	4,507,830	4,514,340	4,522,985	227,529	212,501	205,778	201,062	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.4
New Mexico.....	925,024	928,823	930,678	932,570	60,609	62,449	62,756	63,178	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.8
New York.....	9,560,734	9,513,807	9,523,041	9,554,111	464,674	456,692	435,652	424,060	4.9	4.8	4.6	4.4
New York City.....	4,119,402	4,113,073	4,118,997	4,140,893	217,411	201,137	186,485	176,482	5.3	4.9	4.5	4.3
North Carolina.....	4,841,132	4,920,437	4,934,997	4,944,033	253,913	256,852	260,064	252,452	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.1
North Dakota.....	414,406	417,465	418,490	419,442	13,502	12,603	12,610	12,369	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.9
Ohio.....	5,715,211	5,686,703	5,704,154	5,738,868	284,846	284,380	286,933	293,907	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.1
Cleveland-Elyria ²	1,027,928	1,027,316	1,025,502	1,025,939	51,361	58,303	59,673	62,699	5.0	5.7	5.8	6.1
Oklahoma.....	1,834,371	1,823,830	1,827,615	1,834,199	87,304	88,312	85,329	84,371	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.6
Oregon.....	2,035,947	2,064,850	2,067,837	2,071,279	100,716	93,177	89,619	82,353	4.9	4.5	4.3	4.0
Pennsylvania.....	6,437,640	6,454,219	6,440,304	6,434,441	345,683	351,535	333,016	320,541	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.0
Rhode Island.....	552,212	550,587	551,042	552,212	29,843	27,250	26,192	24,984	5.4	4.9	4.8	4.5
South Carolina.....	2,295,079	2,298,087	2,310,643	2,323,023	124,092	98,225	101,455	103,190	5.4	4.3	4.4	4.4
South Dakota.....	451,421	454,029	455,118	456,142	12,263	13,100	13,012	12,929	2.7	2.9	2.9	2.8
Tennessee.....	3,112,823	3,167,839	3,184,662	3,196,201	146,095	162,603	171,448	169,665	4.7	5.1	5.4	5.3
Texas.....	13,186,816	13,360,842	13,400,291	13,459,664	601,298	637,553	642,499	660,606	4.6	4.8	4.8	4.9
Utah.....	1,492,665	1,528,430	1,533,758	1,543,005	53,100	48,668	47,761	47,484	3.6	3.2	3.1	3.1
Vermont.....	344,197	345,093	346,072	346,841	11,337	10,894	10,633	10,513	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0
Virginia.....	4,217,388	4,268,228	4,273,689	4,281,022	168,737	174,273	171,454	165,380	4.0	4.1	4.0	3.9
Washington.....	3,605,581	3,677,114	3,684,288	3,686,773	202,145	189,172	187,274	180,833	5.6	5.1	5.1	4.9
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,603,735	1,638,614	1,643,808	1,647,069	70,261	61,206	60,798	58,050	4.4	3.7	3.7	3.5
West Virginia.....	783,619	782,578	782,599	781,734	49,291	45,151	43,551	40,328	6.3	5.8	5.6	5.2
Wisconsin.....	3,112,110	3,114,899	3,120,442	3,130,714	129,980	126,791	121,607	117,248	4.2	4.1	3.9	3.7
Wyoming.....	303,253	300,872	302,196	303,146	16,151	14,539	14,583	14,319	5.3	4.8	4.8	4.7
Puerto Rico.....	1,126,324	1,119,349	1,118,027	1,128,371	131,716	138,800	136,710	135,313	11.7	12.4	12.2	12.0

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**LABOR FORCE DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
	January		February		Number				Percent of labor force			
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^P	January		February		January		February	
					2016	2017	2016	2017 ^P	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^P
Alabama	2,141,628	2,168,848	2,152,446	2,180,055	134,592	146,488	135,407	132,484	6.3	6.8	6.3	6.1
Alaska	356,376	356,084	357,339	360,285	25,900	25,625	26,762	26,802	7.3	7.2	7.5	7.4
Arizona	3,197,977	3,283,071	3,214,959	3,313,963	178,545	168,107	171,147	164,582	5.6	5.1	5.3	5.0
Arkansas	1,321,884	1,316,106	1,337,682	1,336,527	61,989	54,690	61,266	56,966	4.7	4.2	4.6	4.3
California	18,916,318	19,084,394	19,041,291	19,120,575	1,112,542	1,051,297	1,096,284	1,000,280	5.9	5.5	5.8	5.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,993,511	5,040,616	5,033,790	5,081,470	286,490	258,202	271,399	243,935	5.7	5.1	5.4	4.8
Colorado	2,848,862	2,897,455	2,870,746	2,930,368	108,016	96,180	110,856	99,079	3.8	3.3	3.9	3.4
Connecticut	1,880,245	1,887,115	1,880,764	1,896,082	114,735	102,181	113,325	104,986	6.1	5.4	6.0	5.5
Delaware	471,876	469,308	471,486	471,691	23,227	22,764	22,590	23,398	4.9	4.9	4.8	5.0
District of Columbia	389,396	397,018	392,467	399,074	25,527	23,530	25,650	24,527	6.6	5.9	6.5	6.1
Florida	9,668,561	9,975,656	9,734,040	10,045,483	485,449	521,181	460,727	471,775	5.0	5.2	4.7	4.7
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,333,962	1,360,889	1,334,342	1,359,030	70,081	69,810	68,071	69,294	5.3	5.1	5.1	5.1
Georgia	4,834,499	4,987,341	4,867,137	5,003,700	265,324	279,784	264,387	256,473	5.5	5.6	5.4	5.1
Hawaii	680,740	696,135	679,931	693,397	21,331	20,424	20,426	18,666	3.1	2.9	3.0	2.7
Idaho	798,986	816,832	802,960	820,966	38,813	36,401	36,623	34,620	4.9	4.5	4.6	4.2
Illinois	6,517,381	6,489,853	6,555,515	6,473,756	439,742	423,031	434,443	356,813	6.7	6.5	6.6	5.5
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights ¹	3,781,009	3,754,774	3,817,712	3,754,271	247,654	218,912	248,856	192,799	6.5	5.8	6.5	5.1
Indiana	3,291,001	3,304,780	3,310,569	3,302,752	164,921	153,804	169,356	153,789	5.0	4.7	5.1	4.7
Iowa	1,692,611	1,681,210	1,700,054	1,685,831	76,883	68,859	73,843	60,100	4.5	4.1	4.3	3.6
Kansas	1,483,297	1,470,412	1,486,195	1,478,963	63,725	62,876	62,245	60,785	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1
Kentucky	1,956,786	2,024,724	1,970,941	2,042,251	114,577	118,550	116,114	112,800	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.5
Louisiana	2,111,622	2,074,139	2,110,065	2,090,947	136,134	125,686	121,977	113,057	6.4	6.1	5.8	5.4
Maine	672,505	688,668	674,135	689,393	31,061	28,022	31,502	26,630	4.6	4.1	4.7	3.9
Maryland	3,134,982	3,180,882	3,138,625	3,198,197	149,803	142,064	147,351	145,930	4.8	4.5	4.7	4.6
Massachusetts	3,569,436	3,596,880	3,578,493	3,634,899	175,361	144,077	165,935	152,277	4.9	4.0	4.6	4.2
Michigan	4,751,237	4,861,270	4,794,016	4,886,957	241,886	276,516	242,852	276,744	5.1	5.7	5.1	5.7
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn ²	2,031,314	2,082,967	2,039,164	2,088,820	109,066	128,747	105,925	122,432	5.4	6.2	5.2	5.9
Minnesota	2,975,603	2,992,912	2,987,047	2,999,305	136,200	148,454	135,154	142,615	4.6	5.0	4.5	4.8
Mississippi	1,272,194	1,289,979	1,274,871	1,287,694	82,377	79,224	75,774	59,254	6.5	6.1	5.9	4.6
Missouri	3,082,328	3,066,606	3,104,593	3,080,790	140,552	140,379	151,362	149,041	4.6	4.6	4.9	4.8
Montana	518,896	520,232	519,664	521,110	27,530	25,035	26,156	23,285	5.3	4.8	5.0	4.5
Nebraska	999,380	1,001,345	1,004,058	1,004,904	35,162	36,586	33,976	33,522	3.5	3.7	3.4	3.3
Nevada	1,415,888	1,428,208	1,422,269	1,439,074	93,218	72,663	88,608	72,885	6.6	5.1	6.2	5.1
New Hampshire	742,972	748,984	743,674	748,781	24,654	23,664	24,367	24,989	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.3
New Jersey	4,485,206	4,487,328	4,523,008	4,517,114	232,767	213,369	241,938	220,226	5.2	4.8	5.3	4.9
New Mexico	921,162	929,961	926,499	933,676	62,184	64,824	62,267	64,632	6.8	7.0	6.7	6.9
New York	9,575,623	9,498,819	9,638,879	9,561,073	509,899	469,944	511,796	483,075	5.3	4.9	5.3	5.1
New York City	4,135,417	4,129,589	4,174,635	4,186,459	232,648	197,530	234,543	199,462	5.6	4.8	5.6	4.8
North Carolina	4,783,164	4,896,980	4,837,668	4,916,529	260,255	269,050	255,584	247,223	5.4	5.5	5.3	5.0
North Dakota	408,127	414,801	409,691	416,384	16,099	15,371	16,456	14,834	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.6
Ohio	5,649,557	5,657,750	5,688,315	5,719,589	317,810	338,666	311,702	339,951	5.6	6.0	5.5	5.9
Cleveland-Elyria ²	1,015,153	1,015,823	1,029,443	1,027,256	52,236	66,944	60,215	77,527	5.1	6.6	5.8	7.5
Oklahoma	1,823,746	1,820,822	1,828,032	1,831,921	87,307	84,875	90,386	88,347	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.8
Oregon	2,003,414	2,047,690	2,022,510	2,057,466	105,493	92,152	106,865	81,714	5.3	4.5	5.3	4.0
Pennsylvania	6,425,448	6,379,662	6,444,353	6,395,439	362,723	337,807	361,565	342,987	5.6	5.3	5.6	5.4
Rhode Island	549,590	549,229	549,472	549,604	35,567	30,360	34,090	27,716	6.5	5.5	6.2	5.0
South Carolina	2,265,096	2,303,179	2,278,246	2,313,650	126,284	112,371	124,139	106,488	5.6	4.9	5.4	4.6
South Dakota	443,642	449,654	446,985	453,161	14,459	15,045	14,734	15,229	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4
Tennessee	3,070,950	3,163,810	3,089,586	3,167,975	148,116	181,415	141,482	156,203	4.8	5.7	4.6	4.9
Texas	13,112,957	13,356,586	13,185,966	13,466,399	591,497	660,856	581,318	688,431	4.5	4.9	4.4	5.1
Utah	1,483,167	1,531,907	1,489,692	1,548,025	58,060	50,092	59,836	53,520	3.9	3.3	4.0	3.5
Vermont	342,359	345,632	342,735	346,080	13,564	12,185	12,454	11,621	4.0	3.5	3.6	3.4
Virginia	4,179,096	4,242,259	4,211,047	4,267,526	175,530	177,349	174,579	168,676	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.0
Washington	3,580,828	3,676,071	3,608,103	3,684,546	222,835	210,257	221,553	194,940	6.2	5.7	6.1	5.3
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,580,460	1,636,056	1,611,120	1,654,604	71,670	62,601	71,593	56,267	4.5	3.8	4.4	3.4
West Virginia	774,279	770,527	780,879	776,083	55,903	47,589	58,854	46,339	7.2	6.2	7.5	6.0
Wisconsin	3,084,452	3,095,588	3,106,527	3,120,633	144,473	130,545	152,272	140,906	4.7	4.2	4.9	4.5
Wyoming	300,160	301,194	299,963	301,019	17,939	16,808	17,593	15,203	6.0	5.6	5.9	5.1
Puerto Rico	1,122,044	1,124,443	1,133,795	1,147,020	125,139	131,322	131,565	129,665	11.2	11.7	11.6	11.3

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	1,967.5	1,983.7	1,995.0	1,996.6	84.3	82.5	85.9	85.8	259.5	263.5	264.7	265.7
Alaska.....	336.0	329.4	328.2	329.3	16.9	15.5	15.2	16.4	14.2	13.0	10.7	12.0
Arizona.....	2,680.9	2,735.4	2,731.2	2,739.1	132.7	136.4	135.7	135.6	160.4	161.4	161.9	163.1
Arkansas.....	1,224.7	1,237.3	1,234.9	1,241.0	50.5	50.0	50.3	51.1	154.6	156.1	156.7	157.1
California.....	16,360.3	16,637.9	16,653.2	16,676.1	766.6	783.9	778.0	783.1	1,309.3	1,304.3	1,303.7	1,299.7
Colorado.....	2,581.2	2,618.3	2,629.5	2,631.5	153.1	156.3	155.0	160.0	142.6	141.7	140.8	141.5
Connecticut.....	1,680.3	1,677.5	1,684.0	1,682.4	59.6	58.0	58.0	59.2	156.4	156.2	156.1	155.7
Delaware ²	452.2	454.4	455.8	455.2	21.3	20.6	21.1	22.1	25.7	25.9	26.0	25.9
District of Columbia ^{3, 2}	781.0	787.6	787.5	785.2	16.0	14.7	14.9	14.9	-	-	-	-
Florida.....	8,294.2	8,492.4	8,548.0	8,543.0	462.5	484.5	495.1	497.2	351.6	357.7	361.7	363.5
Georgia.....	4,338.2	4,435.7	4,440.2	4,452.2	172.5	178.0	179.0	179.5	386.2	390.9	391.8	389.7
Hawaii ²	645.5	651.9	650.0	650.5	38.2	37.7	37.8	37.6	14.1	13.8	13.8	13.9
Idaho.....	688.4	707.9	712.9	712.9	40.3	43.1	44.1	44.5	64.2	66.0	65.6	65.0
Illinois.....	6,008.0	6,021.3	6,029.4	6,055.0	219.3	210.4	216.3	223.6	576.9	569.9	567.8	569.5
Indiana.....	3,074.4	3,103.9	3,106.5	3,113.8	130.6	128.8	134.8	135.1	521.8	526.9	527.1	531.3
Iowa.....	1,569.5	1,571.8	1,577.4	1,580.4	80.3	81.1	78.8	80.4	215.0	210.9	211.2	211.0
Kansas.....	1,411.6	1,410.5	1,407.0	1,411.2	61.8	60.9	60.7	62.0	161.7	160.2	158.6	159.0
Kentucky.....	1,909.8	1,931.3	1,934.3	1,936.2	77.6	76.5	79.5	82.3	246.0	250.1	252.7	252.2
Louisiana.....	1,979.4	1,969.0	1,975.7	1,982.4	139.9	142.9	150.8	153.4	138.7	132.9	134.9	136.7
Maine.....	617.3	617.6	621.9	620.2	27.6	28.1	28.4	29.3	50.9	50.3	50.2	50.4
Maryland ²	2,697.7	2,730.8	2,744.0	2,755.5	160.9	162.6	164.6	165.5	104.0	104.3	103.2	103.7
Massachusetts.....	3,545.9	3,586.4	3,593.5	3,603.6	144.9	147.9	149.6	150.2	246.9	244.5	244.4	245.0
Michigan.....	4,294.4	4,368.9	4,378.6	4,377.0	152.9	157.5	162.1	164.5	597.2	601.8	604.2	599.6
Minnesota.....	2,884.4	2,921.4	2,917.5	2,921.3	115.4	118.9	117.6	122.1	318.4	317.9	317.0	318.1
Mississippi.....	1,147.1	1,145.0	1,146.6	1,147.9	45.9	42.3	43.5	41.9	143.7	141.7	141.9	142.7
Missouri.....	2,826.5	2,871.7	2,877.0	2,880.5	119.5	123.0	122.6	125.1	262.8	262.5	263.4	261.2
Montana.....	466.0	471.7	474.3	477.3	27.0	27.6	28.0	29.0	19.6	19.6	19.6	19.9
Nebraska ²	1,011.1	1,021.9	1,018.8	1,024.7	51.1	52.1	50.9	52.4	96.9	97.0	97.2	97.3
Nevada.....	1,283.4	1,321.3	1,321.5	1,324.6	74.8	81.3	81.7	80.8	43.2	44.4	44.8	45.1
New Hampshire.....	666.4	673.6	680.4	677.5	25.4	26.3	27.0	27.5	68.0	68.5	68.5	68.3
New Jersey.....	4,056.5	4,103.7	4,117.6	4,130.2	154.4	150.9	155.1	157.5	241.8	239.9	243.1	245.5
New Mexico.....	831.7	836.4	833.5	837.6	44.5	43.7	44.3	44.3	27.4	26.5	26.4	26.5
New York.....	9,361.7	9,458.3	9,484.5	9,496.9	374.4	370.3	379.1	381.2	455.4	444.0	440.4	444.2
North Carolina.....	4,309.3	4,382.7	4,377.0	4,386.1	197.9	204.0	205.2	205.5	465.7	466.8	461.2	462.0
North Dakota.....	437.1	433.8	435.3	434.1	30.9	32.0	32.2	32.5	24.9	23.9	23.9	24.1
Ohio.....	5,476.6	5,503.7	5,506.8	5,522.0	209.0	203.4	211.6	217.9	687.0	688.7	691.8	692.7
Oklahoma.....	1,662.6	1,650.2	1,652.7	1,655.6	77.9	76.5	80.4	80.2	132.1	127.5	127.6	129.4
Oregon.....	1,821.5	1,852.5	1,853.2	1,861.4	89.3	94.8	97.3	98.2	188.8	187.3	187.1	188.4
Pennsylvania.....	5,867.6	5,916.3	5,929.1	5,941.6	239.3	240.9	247.1	248.6	561.6	557.5	554.6	557.1
Rhode Island.....	489.3	491.3	493.0	495.2	18.0	18.6	19.5	20.2	40.8	40.0	40.1	40.0
South Carolina.....	2,042.3	2,070.7	2,076.1	2,074.3	92.6	98.4	98.5	95.9	237.0	241.6	241.7	243.2
South Dakota ²	430.5	435.4	434.8	436.4	23.2	23.9	23.8	24.8	42.3	41.5	40.7	42.1
Tennessee ²	2,944.8	2,994.1	3,002.6	3,010.9	119.0	122.2	124.0	127.3	340.2	344.9	346.1	348.3
Texas.....	11,975.8	12,137.8	12,191.5	12,198.2	696.8	704.9	710.0	711.0	856.7	841.9	849.9	853.8
Utah.....	1,411.0	1,449.4	1,451.7	1,456.9	90.6	92.2	93.8	95.0	125.3	128.1	128.6	129.2
Vermont.....	312.5	313.9	315.9	315.9	15.3	15.4	15.6	16.2	30.2	29.3	29.1	28.9
Virginia.....	3,904.2	3,936.3	3,946.3	3,957.7	187.5	189.3	189.3	186.1	233.4	233.1	232.1	232.4
Washington.....	3,206.6	3,291.5	3,288.4	3,294.5	181.9	192.1	191.5	193.5	292.7	286.5	286.6	285.7
West Virginia.....	751.0	746.8	746.6	748.3	30.9	30.5	30.7	31.4	47.2	46.4	45.5	45.9
Wisconsin.....	2,922.6	2,934.3	2,939.7	2,950.8	112.2	112.8	114.6	113.8	465.9	468.4	468.1	468.7
Wyoming.....	285.6	276.8	277.9	278.4	22.0	20.4	21.3	21.7	9.4	9.1	9.3	9.3
Puerto Rico ²	893.7	893.1	883.4	883.1	23.5	24.5	22.3	21.4	73.8	73.9	72.7	72.3
Virgin Islands ³	38.0	38.2	38.4	38.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

² Mining and logging is combined with construction.

³ 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.

^p Preliminary

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently estimated from 2016 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are preliminary and will be revised when new information becomes available.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	381.1	379.0	380.3	377.8	95.9	98.1	98.5	97.3	233.4	235.3	236.9	237.6
Alaska.....	65.8	65.0	65.0	64.5	12.0	12.0	11.8	11.7	28.9	27.1	27.3	27.5
Arizona.....	512.7	520.1	519.6	519.6	198.4	205.9	207.5	208.8	407.8	420.3	416.7	418.5
Arkansas.....	252.9	254.2	252.8	253.1	51.1	51.2	51.6	51.2	141.4	144.6	143.9	146.8
California.....	2,972.4	3,023.1	3,009.8	3,020.9	816.5	831.5	832.8	830.6	2,525.3	2,543.7	2,558.7	2,561.4
Colorado.....	451.8	458.9	459.9	460.4	161.8	163.7	166.6	165.1	402.8	409.7	412.0	413.5
Connecticut.....	299.0	298.1	302.4	300.5	129.9	130.2	131.6	130.7	218.3	216.4	217.4	218.3
Delaware.....	82.7	82.2	83.5	83.3	47.3	47.0	47.1	47.1	61.3	61.1	59.9	57.9
District of Columbia.....	32.7	31.9	32.0	32.1	29.6	29.8	29.8	29.7	164.3	167.3	168.6	169.0
Florida.....	1,704.4	1,737.8	1,746.5	1,746.4	542.7	553.0	553.5	553.5	1,263.6	1,303.0	1,314.4	1,306.9
Georgia.....	921.6	933.9	939.2	939.4	236.3	240.1	244.0	245.2	644.6	671.1	662.4	668.5
Hawaii.....	119.6	121.9	120.5	120.8	28.3	28.5	28.6	28.2	83.6	84.3	83.8	83.6
Idaho.....	137.3	139.6	141.0	138.9	33.5	35.1	35.4	35.6	85.0	88.6	89.6	89.8
Illinois.....	1,209.5	1,209.5	1,214.3	1,211.4	382.5	385.1	389.8	392.3	931.7	945.8	944.3	943.8
Indiana.....	595.8	598.4	590.8	593.1	133.0	134.8	136.4	135.6	333.3	337.3	339.7	339.1
Iowa.....	316.1	317.0	318.1	318.5	107.7	110.0	110.5	110.7	138.2	139.2	141.4	142.4
Kansas.....	267.6	266.0	267.1	266.8	85.2	86.0	85.7	86.1	178.0	179.0	178.9	179.2
Kentucky.....	395.4	402.2	402.3	401.1	93.2	95.8	95.2	94.7	219.9	225.1	222.9	225.6
Louisiana.....	390.7	387.7	388.5	383.5	92.5	92.3	92.3	92.3	211.1	211.3	208.8	214.2
Maine.....	120.5	120.1	122.3	121.7	31.0	30.4	30.7	30.9	65.3	66.0	66.1	66.0
Maryland.....	467.0	468.9	472.2	469.8	148.4	149.1	150.1	150.4	438.0	447.7	449.5	455.4
Massachusetts.....	573.3	572.2	579.0	578.9	223.1	224.7	227.2	227.0	544.4	556.4	553.4	557.1
Michigan.....	779.2	782.4	781.6	778.3	210.9	216.6	217.6	216.6	642.1	662.1	659.3	660.2
Minnesota.....	530.4	535.6	534.6	540.3	174.3	177.5	177.3	177.1	371.4	375.8	371.9	368.8
Mississippi.....	228.7	230.9	232.8	232.2	44.1	43.3	44.0	43.6	109.1	105.6	103.6	105.5
Missouri.....	545.4	550.5	557.7	555.7	168.5	170.2	170.7	169.6	376.2	385.0	385.5	387.5
Montana.....	95.3	95.1	95.7	96.7	23.7	24.3	24.3	24.3	40.7	41.2	42.5	42.5
Nebraska.....	205.3	206.9	205.5	206.4	73.0	74.0	73.5	73.8	116.8	120.0	120.3	120.8
Nevada.....	240.1	243.2	242.4	242.3	62.1	62.6	63.3	64.1	171.8	180.1	180.1	181.4
New Hampshire.....	139.8	139.5	142.5	140.6	36.8	37.5	37.3	37.2	77.3	78.9	78.9	78.3
New Jersey.....	860.8	875.1	876.5	878.4	247.1	250.1	250.6	252.2	656.3	670.1	675.3	675.7
New Mexico.....	139.0	139.3	138.6	138.8	33.6	33.2	33.7	33.3	100.3	102.8	101.9	102.3
New York.....	1,576.0	1,578.6	1,584.7	1,580.0	712.9	713.0	712.4	714.3	1,284.0	1,320.8	1,328.0	1,325.6
North Carolina.....	809.7	820.9	822.6	823.2	224.4	229.2	230.5	230.0	599.8	619.0	618.8	620.0
North Dakota.....	98.7	95.4	96.0	95.4	24.1	24.6	24.4	24.3	35.0	34.9	34.5	34.1
Ohio.....	1,021.7	1,027.3	1,029.6	1,031.6	297.9	300.4	305.0	304.6	720.9	724.1	722.5	722.6
Oklahoma.....	307.3	307.6	306.2	302.6	79.0	79.5	80.1	80.8	181.9	179.8	180.1	180.1
Oregon.....	339.9	342.7	345.8	343.7	95.7	98.4	99.1	99.3	237.0	241.5	242.8	243.7
Pennsylvania.....	1,126.8	1,125.9	1,132.2	1,133.9	316.6	317.9	317.5	317.6	789.6	797.3	803.2	797.1
Rhode Island.....	76.5	76.6	76.2	76.7	33.6	32.8	33.3	33.2	65.3	66.4	67.0	67.2
South Carolina.....	392.8	399.8	398.5	400.6	99.6	99.7	102.4	101.1	268.0	268.2	272.7	274.1
South Dakota.....	88.3	89.1	89.3	88.8	29.3	29.6	29.9	29.8	31.1	31.6	31.6	31.3
Tennessee.....	614.5	621.2	625.6	624.9	150.5	155.0	154.1	154.6	401.3	410.7	414.0	410.5
Texas.....	2,413.7	2,446.7	2,456.5	2,445.8	727.3	739.1	746.6	744.7	1,618.0	1,647.2	1,661.8	1,660.3
Utah.....	269.0	276.6	277.6	279.5	80.7	82.5	81.8	82.3	200.0	207.8	208.3	209.0
Vermont.....	55.6	55.2	55.8	55.2	12.0	11.9	11.7	11.7	27.7	27.6	28.1	27.9
Virginia.....	661.0	666.5	668.6	669.1	199.6	202.1	203.5	204.7	711.3	718.6	727.5	727.4
Washington.....	597.7	619.2	620.2	619.2	148.8	152.0	153.4	153.9	399.4	406.8	407.2	408.5
West Virginia.....	134.4	132.2	131.9	131.3	28.0	27.2	27.0	27.4	65.9	64.6	64.9	64.8
Wisconsin.....	539.7	535.8	541.8	543.6	151.4	152.2	154.0	153.3	322.8	320.3	321.8	323.3
Wyoming.....	55.0	53.4	52.9	53.2	11.0	10.4	10.4	10.2	17.9	17.6	17.2	16.8
Puerto Rico.....	174.2	171.2	169.3	170.4	42.6	42.5	42.0	42.2	113.1	114.9	114.8	114.2
Virgin Islands ¹	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p	Feb. 2016	Dec. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017 ^p
Alabama.....	230.1	235.9	236.5	237.4	196.1	199.1	202.7	203.0	376.9	379.8	379.3	380.3
Alaska.....	48.2	49.0	48.6	49.0	35.0	36.1	36.7	35.7	81.7	80.8	81.2	81.0
Arizona.....	407.2	417.2	417.3	419.9	305.0	318.3	319.2	319.8	409.9	411.7	410.6	411.1
Arkansas.....	178.7	185.1	185.3	187.5	114.9	116.3	114.8	115.4	213.0	211.2	211.3	211.3
California.....	2,503.9	2,570.5	2,590.3	2,593.0	1,879.7	1,922.6	1,923.0	1,928.6	2,491.8	2,545.6	2,539.7	2,538.2
Colorado.....	322.1	332.8	332.8	331.8	320.6	327.0	327.8	327.0	425.1	428.0	433.1	430.2
Connecticut.....	328.3	331.3	327.9	331.0	153.1	155.3	158.4	155.2	238.1	233.9	233.7	233.6
Delaware.....	76.6	78.1	78.5	79.3	49.2	51.0	51.2	51.9	64.9	65.0	65.0	64.3
District of Columbia.....	134.4	136.4	134.9	132.9	74.4	77.5	77.5	78.2	239.4	240.3	240.5	238.9
Florida.....	1,227.3	1,262.7	1,270.4	1,267.8	1,166.6	1,194.0	1,199.4	1,206.9	1,087.9	1,100.1	1,103.3	1,096.9
Georgia.....	555.3	569.7	569.1	573.5	460.9	481.6	485.4	485.2	682.3	691.1	693.1	693.2
Hawaii.....	82.8	83.3	83.1	83.5	117.3	120.1	120.0	120.2	125.9	126.2	125.9	126.6
Idaho.....	99.6	102.3	102.7	103.4	71.6	72.5	72.4	72.9	120.3	123.0	124.1	124.5
Illinois.....	909.7	918.1	919.2	925.0	591.6	596.9	594.0	596.0	827.6	831.6	829.5	837.8
Indiana.....	460.3	470.0	470.5	471.1	306.1	310.2	308.9	305.3	427.6	430.6	430.9	433.8
Iowa.....	228.7	228.2	228.9	230.7	142.4	142.7	145.3	144.4	257.0	258.5	258.3	257.8
Kansas.....	195.8	197.0	196.8	198.9	127.7	127.0	126.9	128.6	255.5	257.3	255.1	253.8
Kentucky.....	267.1	272.9	270.4	271.2	192.3	190.6	193.3	193.0	318.9	318.8	318.6	316.3
Louisiana.....	307.8	313.1	314.0	314.7	231.4	230.3	229.5	229.2	326.3	323.1	324.3	323.6
Maine.....	124.6	125.9	127.9	126.1	65.8	65.6	65.6	64.8	99.7	99.5	99.4	99.8
Maryland.....	454.5	464.8	463.5	469.8	272.1	273.8	279.1	276.5	501.6	506.1	509.4	511.5
Massachusetts.....	776.5	791.4	789.6	798.0	358.8	363.2	362.4	361.0	451.5	457.5	460.4	458.8
Michigan.....	660.8	667.6	668.9	670.7	423.0	434.4	437.3	440.7	595.5	609.9	609.5	609.4
Minnesota.....	517.4	531.2	533.5	534.3	264.2	261.6	264.6	261.8	421.1	429.7	427.0	424.6
Mississippi.....	139.5	141.1	141.8	142.5	132.0	136.5	134.9	134.3	244.3	244.9	245.3	246.0
Missouri.....	452.4	464.0	462.9	462.4	299.1	307.1	307.1	312.5	429.0	435.9	435.2	434.8
Montana.....	73.3	75.2	75.8	75.6	64.0	65.2	65.1	65.7	90.6	91.9	91.5	91.7
Nebraska.....	151.4	154.0	153.7	154.6	89.7	91.1	90.1	91.9	171.7	171.0	171.2	170.9
Nevada.....	125.1	131.1	129.3	131.6	342.9	349.7	351.1	351.5	156.4	159.0	159.6	157.9
New Hampshire.....	119.8	121.8	122.3	122.9	70.1	72.5	75.6	75.3	91.3	90.6	91.1	90.9
New Jersey.....	669.2	686.6	685.9	687.3	367.5	375.2	377.8	378.1	613.7	611.4	609.4	609.7
New Mexico.....	137.4	140.9	140.2	140.9	95.3	97.8	98.2	98.5	191.8	191.4	189.5	191.8
New York.....	1,929.5	1,969.7	1,984.8	1,994.9	912.1	926.5	922.4	920.4	1,442.8	1,451.2	1,451.4	1,451.5
North Carolina.....	580.1	589.0	589.4	591.1	476.1	485.6	484.4	487.9	722.1	732.4	727.2	728.1
North Dakota.....	61.2	62.5	63.3	62.7	39.3	39.5	38.9	39.1	83.5	83.4	84.4	84.3
Ohio.....	916.8	934.2	926.5	930.4	550.1	555.9	551.3	555.3	776.3	771.6	772.7	771.7
Oklahoma.....	234.1	234.6	234.7	237.3	165.0	166.2	164.1	164.3	353.8	353.5	354.4	354.6
Oregon.....	263.9	272.6	270.3	273.0	197.9	200.1	199.7	199.1	304.7	308.5	305.1	309.5
Pennsylvania.....	1,208.0	1,242.5	1,239.9	1,249.5	555.8	565.1	565.7	571.1	702.1	703.1	700.4	698.8
Rhode Island.....	106.1	106.8	106.8	106.8	57.1	58.6	58.9	59.3	60.4	60.7	60.5	60.6
South Carolina.....	238.9	245.4	245.9	244.4	245.6	247.5	245.8	245.3	362.3	365.1	364.7	364.3
South Dakota.....	69.8	71.1	70.6	70.6	46.6	47.8	46.9	47.3	78.1	79.0	79.7	79.8
Tennessee.....	421.3	430.4	421.9	427.0	316.4	325.5	328.1	328.5	426.1	428.3	432.5	433.3
Texas.....	1,615.5	1,658.6	1,657.2	1,668.9	1,280.1	1,312.6	1,321.1	1,325.5	1,905.4	1,940.4	1,944.2	1,938.6
Utah.....	188.4	195.6	195.1	195.3	136.6	140.7	141.8	140.1	235.6	240.7	239.9	240.9
Vermont.....	64.2	64.6	65.5	65.3	36.0	37.9	38.3	38.9	55.6	55.7	55.7	55.5
Virginia.....	525.0	538.1	534.2	539.6	397.4	398.4	402.8	405.5	713.1	715.1	713.4	717.8
Washington.....	458.4	471.2	474.0	474.0	319.0	334.0	328.8	329.9	567.5	580.3	578.0	580.0
West Virginia.....	129.5	131.2	132.4	132.6	74.9	74.6	73.5	74.0	154.3	155.8	155.6	155.6
Wisconsin.....	442.2	449.2	450.6	449.1	276.2	274.3	273.0	278.2	410.0	418.2	413.2	416.7
Wyoming.....	27.6	27.6	27.8	27.8	35.7	35.0	35.8	35.3	71.7	70.9	70.4	70.5
Puerto Rico.....	122.2	122.8	123.2	123.7	80.4	82.0	80.8	81.2	227.8	226.3	223.6	222.7
Virgin Islands ¹	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.5	10.7	10.8	10.8	10.9

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted
[In thousands]

State	Total				Mining and logging				Construction			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	1,941.2	1,967.5	1,951.0	1,980.8	9.9	9.7	9.5	9.8	82.9	82.5	82.8	84.0
Alaska.....	317.9	311.0	322.1	316.1	15.7	12.9	15.6	13.1	13.9	12.7	14.2	13.8
Arizona.....	2,662.6	2,719.9	2,692.4	2,747.0	11.8	11.4	12.0	11.5	128.6	132.9	130.9	133.2
Arkansas.....	1,204.5	1,218.2	1,216.4	1,233.8	7.0	5.9	6.8	6.0	48.3	48.1	48.6	49.3
California.....	16,158.1	16,461.1	16,270.5	16,573.5	25.7	22.3	25.1	22.1	737.3	747.0	748.3	767.0
Colorado.....	2,543.7	2,591.5	2,558.6	2,607.1	26.0	22.1	25.4	22.1	145.0	146.1	145.2	149.7
Connecticut.....	1,651.8	1,654.6	1,652.9	1,654.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	54.7	52.1	53.3	52.0
Delaware ¹	441.4	445.5	441.3	445.5	-	-	-	-	19.8	20.0	19.9	20.5
District of Columbia ¹	770.2	779.6	776.7	782.2	-	-	-	-	15.8	14.3	15.5	14.4
Florida.....	8,236.3	8,499.8	8,311.7	8,552.1	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.7	449.3	482.7	456.6	488.9
Georgia.....	4,277.4	4,394.1	4,302.1	4,418.8	9.3	9.8	9.3	9.9	166.9	174.4	169.5	175.5
Hawaii ¹	637.8	644.9	645.9	651.0	-	-	-	-	37.2	37.0	37.7	37.2
Idaho.....	667.5	693.1	676.5	699.4	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.7	36.3	40.0	37.2	40.4
Illinois.....	5,881.0	5,898.6	5,903.5	5,945.4	8.2	7.7	8.0	7.7	192.3	187.9	192.2	193.2
Indiana.....	3,008.5	3,052.1	3,031.7	3,065.5	6.2	6.1	6.3	6.2	117.1	120.7	116.5	118.2
Iowa.....	1,534.7	1,544.7	1,542.8	1,553.5	1.7	1.9	1.7	2.0	68.6	67.5	67.9	67.7
Kansas.....	1,387.3	1,385.2	1,398.5	1,398.1	7.2	6.7	6.9	6.7	57.3	56.3	57.2	56.7
Kentucky.....	1,874.7	1,905.3	1,877.9	1,909.5	11.6	9.7	11.1	9.7	71.3	73.7	70.7	75.4
Louisiana.....	1,965.5	1,953.3	1,968.6	1,968.8	42.3	34.3	41.1	34.3	136.4	145.5	137.1	148.9
Maine.....	593.6	599.5	595.2	598.9	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	24.8	26.1	24.3	26.1
Maryland.....	2,636.7	2,676.2	2,648.5	2,709.5	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2	153.8	156.4	152.0	156.0
Massachusetts.....	3,452.5	3,510.2	3,471.5	3,526.1	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9	134.9	138.3	130.6	135.0
Michigan.....	4,215.0	4,297.7	4,233.1	4,309.0	7.1	6.7	7.0	6.8	137.2	143.1	135.4	143.6
Minnesota.....	2,818.7	2,858.0	2,828.1	2,867.6	5.5	6.2	5.4	6.3	97.3	100.3	96.4	102.6
Mississippi.....	1,133.5	1,134.2	1,143.3	1,141.7	7.2	6.8	7.1	6.8	43.8	41.3	44.8	41.0
Missouri.....	2,768.2	2,823.7	2,784.7	2,843.8	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.9	111.1	115.2	110.1	116.1
Montana.....	451.5	459.0	454.6	464.2	7.1	6.7	7.0	6.7	23.1	23.7	23.3	24.5
Nebraska.....	992.3	1,002.5	995.8	1,009.1	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	45.4	45.4	45.3	46.0
Nevada.....	1,264.2	1,304.2	1,271.4	1,311.3	13.4	13.6	13.3	13.8	72.4	77.6	72.5	78.1
New Hampshire.....	652.0	667.2	656.1	666.2	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	23.6	25.0	23.0	24.8
New Jersey.....	3,957.6	4,019.4	3,971.3	4,039.0	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	143.0	143.2	140.3	143.9
New Mexico.....	820.6	821.4	828.6	832.5	22.1	18.6	21.2	19.1	42.9	43.4	43.3	43.2
New York.....	9,143.2	9,272.8	9,223.0	9,353.9	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.5	345.6	346.1	340.3	341.1
North Carolina.....	4,240.1	4,318.8	4,265.1	4,345.1	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.8	190.5	196.5	191.6	199.6
North Dakota.....	428.2	426.7	428.5	427.3	17.2	15.5	16.6	15.5	26.0	27.2	25.4	27.2
Ohio.....	5,353.6	5,380.4	5,375.9	5,421.5	11.6	10.9	11.2	10.7	185.6	188.2	184.5	192.1
Oklahoma.....	1,642.4	1,633.2	1,652.2	1,646.0	47.5	42.7	46.5	44.1	75.8	76.7	76.0	77.0
Oregon.....	1,782.4	1,818.7	1,801.9	1,840.5	7.6	7.2	7.6	7.4	82.1	90.3	84.5	92.7
Pennsylvania.....	5,753.9	5,808.3	5,784.6	5,850.4	27.3	23.0	26.2	23.0	218.2	224.9	213.2	222.5
Rhode Island.....	474.8	479.4	477.7	482.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	16.0	17.3	15.5	17.0
South Carolina.....	1,997.0	2,038.7	2,014.5	2,050.2	4.0	4.3	4.1	4.3	89.7	96.5	90.7	95.1
South Dakota.....	418.1	422.8	419.9	425.1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	18.9	19.8	18.8	20.1
Tennessee.....	2,898.0	2,959.9	2,914.5	2,981.8	4.3	4.0	4.3	4.1	110.1	114.7	109.6	117.8
Texas.....	11,839.4	12,075.0	11,918.1	12,136.9	241.3	218.6	235.9	221.7	683.8	696.3	692.0	705.3
Utah.....	1,388.0	1,431.5	1,399.3	1,445.0	9.1	8.1	8.8	8.0	84.2	87.8	85.4	88.9
Vermont.....	310.3	314.6	312.3	316.1	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	13.4	13.7	13.0	13.5
Virginia.....	3,835.9	3,883.6	3,851.0	3,907.4	8.0	7.8	8.0	7.8	180.1	182.4	179.0	180.2
Washington.....	3,151.5	3,240.0	3,169.9	3,255.0	6.1	6.3	6.2	6.4	171.7	180.3	174.6	184.1
West Virginia.....	735.9	730.5	736.7	734.4	21.7	20.7	21.4	20.8	27.0	26.4	26.2	26.5
Wisconsin.....	2,847.9	2,874.0	2,868.7	2,897.6	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.5	98.3	100.7	98.1	99.2
Wyoming.....	278.3	268.8	277.5	270.6	21.2	18.3	20.5	18.7	19.6	18.5	19.3	18.7
Puerto Rico.....	887.9	880.6	888.9	881.9	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	22.1	21.0	22.1	20.8
Virgin Islands ¹	38.1	38.3	38.5	38.7	-	-	-	-	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.5

¹ Mining and logging is combined with construction.

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

Continued

[In thousands]

State	Manufacturing				Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	258.6	263.3	258.9	264.7	376.6	377.0	375.9	373.3	20.7	20.0	20.7	19.9
Alaska.....	11.5	8.5	13.4	10.8	61.6	61.3	61.7	60.5	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.3
Arizona.....	159.5	161.4	160.2	162.7	510.6	519.8	510.0	515.2	44.9	44.4	45.7	44.8
Arkansas.....	154.3	156.3	154.3	156.4	249.8	250.6	249.0	249.9	13.6	13.1	13.6	13.1
California.....	1,292.7	1,286.1	1,297.8	1,288.1	2,952.3	3,007.4	2,937.1	2,981.2	508.3	516.9	516.8	528.3
Colorado.....	141.1	140.2	141.6	140.6	448.9	458.1	446.5	454.4	71.0	71.3	71.4	71.0
Connecticut.....	155.8	155.2	155.7	154.7	298.0	301.3	293.5	294.3	32.3	31.3	32.4	31.4
Delaware.....	25.6	25.6	25.6	25.7	81.4	82.1	80.7	81.0	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.8
District of Columbia.....	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	32.1	31.7	32.3	31.8	16.9	16.7	17.1	16.9
Florida.....	348.9	360.5	350.8	363.8	1,700.0	1,751.3	1,700.3	1,741.4	136.3	135.8	137.2	137.2
Georgia.....	384.7	391.5	385.8	390.0	914.0	934.1	911.1	930.7	109.2	109.2	111.1	111.5
Hawaii.....	14.0	13.6	14.1	13.7	119.7	120.9	119.1	120.4	8.2	9.0	8.6	9.0
Idaho.....	63.1	64.8	63.5	64.4	134.4	138.1	134.5	136.1	8.8	9.2	8.9	9.2
Illinois.....	573.7	565.1	574.4	567.4	1,193.6	1,201.4	1,186.6	1,185.0	98.3	97.5	97.8	98.5
Indiana.....	518.1	524.6	519.5	527.9	586.0	583.7	584.6	580.3	32.8	32.2	32.8	31.8
Iowa.....	213.9	209.5	213.2	209.3	311.5	314.9	310.2	312.8	23.1	21.6	23.0	21.4
Kansas.....	160.6	158.0	160.9	158.0	264.2	265.5	263.6	264.0	21.0	20.0	21.0	20.0
Kentucky.....	244.7	252.2	245.3	252.2	390.1	399.4	389.0	395.1	22.6	23.6	22.7	23.6
Louisiana.....	138.5	133.6	137.7	134.3	389.0	386.2	386.6	381.6	24.8	21.5	24.6	22.5
Maine.....	49.7	49.2	49.5	48.8	117.3	120.1	115.7	117.2	7.7	7.5	7.7	7.5
Maryland.....	103.2	102.3	102.9	102.8	461.4	467.6	456.7	459.9	37.6	36.1	37.9	36.5
Massachusetts.....	246.0	243.3	244.8	243.4	568.1	574.6	560.3	562.8	88.5	89.3	88.6	89.6
Michigan.....	593.7	599.8	592.3	597.3	767.1	771.8	762.3	762.3	56.7	58.1	56.5	57.6
Minnesota.....	314.2	313.1	314.0	313.2	521.6	528.9	518.5	527.2	50.2	50.6	50.2	50.0
Mississippi.....	143.5	141.8	143.5	142.6	227.0	231.3	226.5	229.7	12.4	11.6	12.3	11.5
Missouri.....	260.2	260.7	261.6	259.9	537.3	550.2	535.5	546.0	53.3	51.2	53.3	51.5
Montana.....	19.2	19.3	19.2	19.5	93.8	94.0	93.2	94.3	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.4
Nebraska.....	96.7	96.8	96.6	96.9	203.0	204.2	201.9	203.1	18.5	18.9	18.5	19.0
Nevada.....	42.7	44.3	43.0	44.6	237.5	242.2	236.8	239.5	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.4
New Hampshire.....	67.6	68.4	67.5	67.8	138.4	141.0	136.7	136.4	12.6	12.4	12.5	12.4
New Jersey.....	239.4	241.0	239.7	242.7	850.8	870.1	843.9	859.7	73.0	72.3	73.1	72.6
New Mexico.....	26.9	26.0	26.9	26.0	138.3	137.9	137.3	136.7	11.5	12.6	12.8	12.8
New York.....	449.9	433.5	450.2	438.2	1,561.1	1,575.1	1,544.5	1,549.2	260.8	263.8	261.8	266.6
North Carolina.....	463.0	461.2	464.2	461.4	798.4	814.5	796.4	810.8	77.3	77.1	78.5	76.9
North Dakota.....	24.5	23.7	24.4	23.8	98.5	95.2	97.5	94.2	6.6	7.0	6.7	6.8
Ohio.....	682.8	686.1	682.9	688.1	1,009.7	1,016.7	1,002.5	1,008.1	71.4	72.5	71.5	72.3
Oklahoma.....	131.9	128.1	132.3	129.7	304.0	302.8	303.2	299.2	21.2	21.2	21.4	21.2
Oregon.....	185.4	183.5	186.0	186.2	334.6	341.2	333.6	336.5	32.7	34.0	33.2	34.3
Pennsylvania.....	557.9	550.3	556.7	551.3	1,119.8	1,124.4	1,108.3	1,113.7	83.6	83.5	83.6	83.2
Rhode Island.....	40.5	39.9	40.5	40.0	75.6	75.7	75.0	74.8	8.0	7.7	8.2	7.7
South Carolina.....	236.5	241.3	236.8	242.3	385.3	394.8	386.1	394.5	26.9	26.6	26.9	26.8
South Dakota.....	42.1	40.1	42.0	41.3	86.8	88.5	86.5	87.1	5.8	6.1	5.8	6.0
Tennessee.....	338.0	344.3	339.3	346.4	607.2	621.5	605.7	616.9	44.9	45.1	45.4	45.7
Texas.....	855.6	847.8	856.1	853.1	2,397.6	2,445.1	2,390.4	2,423.5	200.4	197.0	200.6	196.0
Utah.....	124.2	127.4	124.7	128.5	265.0	274.8	265.3	276.8	35.7	35.7	36.6	36.0
Vermont.....	30.0	28.3	30.1	28.4	55.1	55.4	54.6	54.5	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.6
Virginia.....	232.3	231.3	231.6	231.1	652.9	664.0	647.7	655.4	68.5	65.5	68.8	66.1
Washington.....	288.7	282.4	289.3	282.1	587.4	612.5	585.7	607.1	116.3	121.7	117.2	122.3
West Virginia.....	47.0	45.2	46.6	45.5	132.7	130.3	131.4	128.3	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.7
Wisconsin.....	462.0	464.3	460.0	463.2	530.3	534.9	526.8	530.1	49.2	47.7	49.1	47.7
Wyoming.....	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.1	54.4	52.3	53.7	52.1	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.7
Puerto Rico.....	73.5	72.6	73.3	72.9	175.1	172.0	172.3	169.0	18.8	17.4	18.7	17.4
Virgin Islands.....	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7

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

Continued

[In thousands]

State	Financial activities				Professional and business services				Education and health services			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	95.1	97.8	95.3	96.8	229.1	232.0	230.7	235.5	227.5	234.9	230.2	237.9
Alaska.....	11.7	11.5	11.6	11.5	27.6	25.7	27.7	26.6	47.8	48.6	48.3	49.2
Arizona.....	197.1	206.7	198.5	208.6	405.1	414.1	406.0	417.0	405.8	417.5	408.6	420.5
Arkansas.....	50.7	51.2	50.8	50.7	136.4	140.0	141.2	146.3	177.9	184.5	178.7	187.1
California.....	809.0	827.4	811.9	826.7	2,490.9	2,523.1	2,507.8	2,540.3	2,484.8	2,569.3	2,516.2	2,602.0
Colorado.....	161.4	166.2	161.6	164.7	393.4	401.7	394.9	405.3	319.6	330.4	322.1	332.1
Connecticut.....	129.2	131.0	128.9	130.0	212.3	210.0	213.3	211.8	325.5	324.8	328.7	332.6
Delaware.....	46.8	46.9	46.9	46.8	60.2	58.9	59.2	57.2	76.1	78.1	76.5	79.1
District of Columbia.....	29.5	29.3	29.5	29.4	162.1	166.3	163.3	167.3	133.7	135.0	136.2	136.6
Florida.....	538.3	549.9	540.4	551.2	1,250.1	1,294.4	1,262.4	1,297.9	1,219.8	1,266.2	1,229.6	1,274.5
Georgia.....	235.0	243.0	235.2	244.1	632.6	650.0	638.5	658.5	550.8	566.6	555.9	574.6
Hawaii.....	28.1	28.3	28.2	28.1	82.6	83.2	83.4	83.4	82.4	82.4	82.9	83.5
Idaho.....	33.1	34.7	33.1	35.0	81.4	86.0	82.2	86.7	98.9	102.2	100.0	103.8
Illinois.....	378.7	388.0	379.1	390.2	908.0	913.7	910.7	915.9	903.1	912.9	910.6	928.5
Indiana.....	131.6	134.8	131.8	134.4	321.9	331.2	321.6	330.0	453.6	466.9	464.4	473.1
Iowa.....	107.1	109.9	107.0	110.0	134.4	137.5	135.2	138.8	226.9	229.3	230.8	232.9
Kansas.....	84.2	85.5	84.5	85.5	174.8	174.8	174.8	175.2	194.7	195.4	195.9	198.0
Kentucky.....	92.4	94.7	92.6	94.5	216.5	221.2	213.6	220.4	264.0	268.6	267.5	271.9
Louisiana.....	92.1	92.1	92.0	92.3	208.6	207.1	209.8	212.2	306.8	311.6	307.6	314.2
Maine.....	30.5	30.2	30.5	30.4	63.3	63.1	63.4	63.6	124.3	126.6	125.0	127.0
Maryland.....	146.9	148.7	147.2	149.4	427.3	436.3	427.7	447.3	450.9	458.9	453.8	470.6
Massachusetts.....	220.7	225.5	220.8	225.0	527.2	536.7	529.4	542.0	762.3	784.3	778.1	800.1
Michigan.....	208.6	214.8	208.4	213.8	632.3	650.6	634.7	652.8	654.5	664.3	660.8	671.5
Minnesota.....	172.6	176.1	173.0	176.4	360.8	362.8	362.9	362.6	514.1	530.4	518.7	535.2
Mississippi.....	43.8	43.5	43.9	43.2	107.5	102.7	109.4	104.4	138.9	142.4	140.1	143.9
Missouri.....	166.5	169.2	167.0	168.4	365.7	377.7	369.8	380.6	448.1	459.9	452.1	464.4
Montana.....	23.5	24.0	23.4	24.0	38.8	40.4	39.2	41.1	73.1	75.4	73.6	75.7
Nebraska.....	72.5	72.9	72.6	73.4	114.0	117.8	114.5	119.1	149.9	153.2	151.1	154.6
Nevada.....	61.5	62.7	61.7	63.3	172.0	179.7	170.4	179.7	123.5	128.4	124.8	131.1
New Hampshire.....	36.5	37.0	36.5	36.9	75.6	76.7	75.6	77.0	119.3	122.1	120.0	123.4
New Jersey.....	244.4	249.0	244.1	249.7	635.2	648.3	637.4	650.6	663.0	681.6	668.4	688.3
New Mexico.....	33.5	33.5	33.6	33.1	99.1	101.1	99.5	101.3	137.3	139.9	138.4	141.4
New York.....	706.1	707.5	706.6	707.4	1,251.7	1,293.2	1,257.4	1,299.5	1,898.2	1,961.5	1,950.9	2,017.6
North Carolina.....	221.3	227.7	222.2	226.9	587.1	605.0	591.6	610.4	574.8	585.9	579.2	593.4
North Dakota.....	24.0	24.4	24.0	24.3	33.8	33.8	33.8	33.7	60.8	62.8	61.4	62.4
Ohio.....	294.5	301.0	295.7	300.9	702.0	701.8	701.8	704.7	908.2	920.5	916.1	936.7
Oklahoma.....	78.6	79.8	78.6	80.7	179.1	176.8	179.3	177.5	232.7	233.9	233.5	237.4
Oregon.....	94.4	97.9	94.3	98.5	230.1	236.2	232.7	239.3	261.0	269.3	266.6	275.6
Pennsylvania.....	314.4	315.1	314.3	314.5	773.1	781.0	773.5	781.3	1,193.2	1,223.9	1,220.4	1,260.7
Rhode Island.....	33.3	33.1	33.4	32.9	62.9	64.4	63.1	64.4	104.0	105.2	106.8	108.5
South Carolina.....	97.8	100.4	98.2	99.5	259.2	265.2	262.9	268.6	236.3	243.5	238.9	245.9
South Dakota.....	29.1	29.5	29.0	29.6	30.2	30.8	30.4	30.5	69.1	70.3	69.6	70.8
Tennessee.....	149.3	153.7	149.8	153.5	393.6	405.7	393.9	405.8	416.8	419.3	421.3	428.1
Texas.....	722.4	741.3	724.1	740.2	1,596.2	1,639.8	1,607.0	1,642.9	1,596.7	1,650.2	1,612.8	1,667.3
Utah.....	79.9	81.6	80.5	82.1	195.1	202.5	195.4	203.6	189.0	195.5	190.8	198.0
Vermont.....	11.9	11.7	11.9	11.6	26.3	26.8	26.5	26.9	63.7	64.7	64.1	65.2
Virginia.....	197.5	201.4	197.5	203.3	700.3	715.5	702.7	719.2	523.8	533.7	526.2	543.9
Washington.....	147.4	152.1	147.5	152.3	390.2	397.0	392.3	401.5	455.6	473.3	461.3	477.0
West Virginia.....	27.7	26.9	27.7	27.2	64.4	63.8	64.7	64.0	128.7	130.9	128.7	132.5
Wisconsin.....	150.0	152.6	149.8	152.5	314.4	312.5	315.7	316.1	435.9	445.6	443.3	450.5
Wyoming.....	10.9	10.3	10.9	10.2	17.0	16.4	16.9	16.4	27.4	27.9	27.7	28.0
Puerto Rico.....	42.4	42.2	42.4	42.2	112.4	113.9	112.1	114.4	118.8	120.0	121.9	124.0
Virgin Islands.....	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.6

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**Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted-
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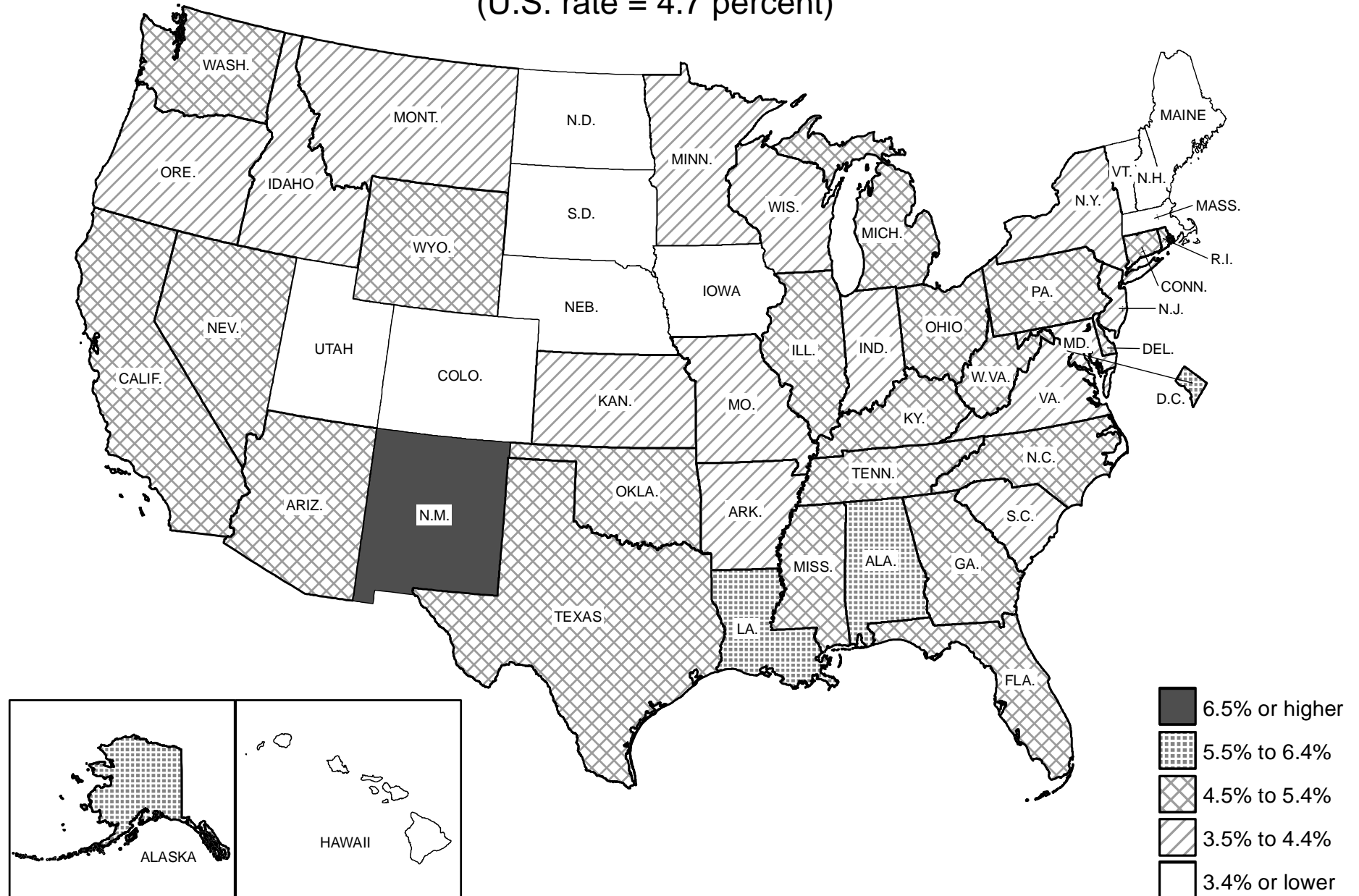
State	Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p	2016	2017	2016	2017 ^p
Alabama.....	186.2	192.4	190.0	195.6	79.0	79.6	79.2	81.2	375.6	378.3	377.8	382.1
Alaska.....	29.9	31.3	30.3	31.0	10.8	11.7	10.8	11.7	81.2	80.5	82.2	81.6
Arizona.....	300.3	315.8	307.3	321.3	88.4	85.7	89.5	86.5	410.5	410.2	423.7	425.7
Arkansas.....	108.9	110.5	110.8	112.5	46.5	48.5	46.5	48.0	211.1	209.5	216.1	214.5
California.....	1,824.5	1,868.9	1,847.6	1,893.6	541.8	554.8	548.9	563.0	2,490.8	2,537.9	2,513.0	2,561.2
Colorado.....	316.1	326.6	317.4	326.2	103.5	107.2	103.9	107.6	417.7	421.6	428.6	433.4
Connecticut.....	142.1	148.8	142.6	145.3	63.3	65.5	63.3	65.3	238.1	234.1	240.7	236.4
Delaware.....	44.0	46.1	44.6	46.8	18.3	18.3	18.4	18.4	64.6	64.6	64.9	65.2
District of Columbia.....	70.2	74.9	72.1	75.9	71.1	70.4	71.4	70.7	237.6	239.8	238.1	238.0
Florida.....	1,147.7	1,182.7	1,174.7	1,210.8	342.3	360.3	345.7	359.8	1,097.8	1,110.2	1,108.2	1,120.9
Georgia.....	441.2	467.8	445.2	469.8	154.5	155.5	155.2	156.0	679.2	692.2	685.3	698.2
Hawaii.....	115.8	119.2	116.9	119.9	26.9	27.0	27.0	27.1	122.9	124.3	128.0	128.7
Idaho.....	67.2	68.5	68.3	69.7	23.3	24.2	23.5	24.4	117.4	121.7	121.7	126.0
Illinois.....	561.1	562.4	561.5	565.8	248.7	246.1	249.4	247.3	815.3	815.9	833.2	845.9
Indiana.....	288.1	291.1	291.7	291.4	124.4	127.5	125.0	129.5	428.7	433.3	437.5	442.7
Iowa.....	133.1	134.7	134.6	135.6	58.6	60.1	58.5	60.4	255.8	257.8	260.7	262.6
Kansas.....	121.1	120.8	122.8	123.1	49.5	49.6	50.0	49.7	252.7	252.6	260.9	261.2
Kentucky.....	180.1	180.9	182.0	183.3	63.9	65.0	64.4	65.6	317.5	316.3	319.0	317.8
Louisiana.....	227.2	224.4	228.4	225.7	75.0	75.0	74.8	76.8	324.8	322.0	328.9	326.0
Maine.....	53.9	54.1	54.2	53.6	21.1	20.9	21.2	20.7	98.6	99.3	101.2	101.5
Maryland.....	251.0	256.1	251.7	254.7	111.3	114.4	111.5	115.3	492.0	498.2	505.8	515.8
Massachusetts.....	327.8	330.7	327.4	327.8	131.2	133.3	131.2	132.8	444.8	453.3	459.3	466.7
Michigan.....	396.6	410.6	399.2	410.9	165.7	169.9	166.3	169.9	595.5	608.0	610.2	622.5
Minnesota.....	248.1	248.1	248.1	246.2	113.3	116.2	113.8	117.2	421.0	425.3	427.1	430.7
Mississippi.....	126.9	128.9	129.0	130.2	39.9	39.9	40.1	40.6	242.6	244.0	246.6	247.8
Missouri.....	276.6	285.3	278.5	292.7	114.4	115.6	114.6	115.8	431.0	434.8	438.3	444.5
Montana.....	59.9	60.7	60.5	61.6	17.9	18.1	17.9	18.1	88.8	90.2	90.9	92.3
Nebraska.....	84.8	85.1	85.3	86.5	36.4	37.2	36.4	37.3	170.2	170.1	172.7	172.3
Nevada.....	334.7	344.5	338.0	345.6	37.5	39.8	38.3	40.9	154.8	157.1	158.2	160.3
New Hampshire.....	64.4	69.8	64.8	69.0	23.9	23.4	23.9	22.8	89.2	90.5	94.7	94.8
New Jersey.....	332.6	340.6	334.6	342.7	166.7	166.5	166.9	167.3	608.2	605.5	621.6	620.2
New Mexico.....	92.3	94.8	93.0	96.1	27.3	28.2	27.6	28.3	189.4	185.4	195.0	194.5
New York.....	847.3	857.8	857.7	866.6	397.9	401.1	400.3	404.6	1,420.2	1,428.8	1,448.8	1,458.6
North Carolina.....	448.8	456.2	452.1	461.6	147.1	153.1	147.3	153.0	726.2	735.9	736.5	745.3
North Dakota.....	38.2	38.0	37.9	38.4	16.0	15.2	16.1	15.4	82.6	83.9	84.7	85.6
Ohio.....	513.0	513.5	514.6	518.7	210.1	209.8	210.5	208.8	764.7	759.4	784.6	780.4
Oklahoma.....	158.3	158.9	160.4	159.8	62.4	60.9	62.7	60.5	350.9	351.4	358.3	358.9
Oregon.....	187.4	189.1	190.2	190.8	61.6	63.3	62.5	63.8	305.5	306.7	310.7	315.4
Pennsylvania.....	516.8	528.4	519.5	530.8	252.4	257.4	252.9	257.1	697.2	696.4	716.0	712.3
Rhode Island.....	51.1	52.8	51.6	53.3	22.5	22.0	22.5	22.5	60.7	61.1	60.9	61.2
South Carolina.....	227.0	228.2	231.3	231.5	73.3	74.4	73.6	74.0	361.0	363.5	365.0	367.7
South Dakota.....	42.5	42.1	42.8	42.8	15.7	16.0	15.7	15.9	77.1	78.8	78.5	80.1
Tennessee.....	300.4	309.8	301.9	312.2	107.9	109.0	108.8	109.5	425.5	432.8	434.5	441.8
Texas.....	1,227.9	1,276.8	1,252.1	1,293.7	411.8	423.2	416.5	429.2	1,905.7	1,938.9	1,930.6	1,964.0
Utah.....	132.9	138.9	135.2	139.4	38.4	39.4	38.7	40.4	234.5	239.8	237.9	243.3
Vermont.....	38.1	41.8	38.7	42.0	10.2	10.6	10.3	10.8	56.2	56.4	57.8	57.9
Virginia.....	370.6	374.0	374.3	379.1	195.5	197.8	195.9	198.1	706.4	710.2	719.3	723.2
Washington.....	304.2	315.5	307.1	318.4	114.4	117.3	114.9	118.0	569.5	581.6	573.8	585.8
West Virginia.....	71.8	70.3	71.6	70.2	53.6	54.1	53.7	53.9	151.7	152.2	155.1	155.8
Wisconsin.....	254.3	252.4	256.4	256.4	146.9	149.6	146.9	150.5	403.1	410.3	419.1	427.9
Wyoming.....	32.8	32.0	32.6	31.9	11.1	10.9	11.0	10.9	70.7	69.3	71.9	70.9
Puerto Rico.....	80.1	81.2	79.7	81.1	17.2	17.4	17.3	17.5	227.0	222.4	228.6	222.1
Virgin Islands.....	7.8	7.7	8.0	7.7	1.0	1.2	1.0	1.2	10.5	10.7	10.7	10.9

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NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently estimated from 2016 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are preliminary and will be revised when new information becomes available.

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

(U.S. rate = 4.7 percent)



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

