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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT — MAY 2012

Regional and state unemployment rates were little changed in May. Eighteen states recorded unemployment rate increases, 14 states and the District of Columbia posted rate decreases, and 18 states had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Forty-nine states and the District of Columbia registered unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, while only one state experienced an increase. The national jobless rate, at 8.2 percent, was essentially unchanged from April, and 0.8 percentage point lower than May 2011.

In May 2012, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 27 states and the District of Columbia, decreased in 22 states, and was unchanged in Maine. The largest over-the-month increase in employment occurred in California (+33,900), followed by Ohio (+19,600) and New Jersey (+17,600). The largest over-the-month decrease in employment occurred in North Carolina (-16,500), followed by Pennsylvania (-9,900) and Maryland (-7,500). Vermont experienced the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+1.1 percent), followed by Montana (+0.9 percent) and Nebraska (+0.7 percent). Alaska experienced the largest over-the-month percentage decline in employment (-0.8 percent), followed by New Mexico (-0.6 percent) and Delaware and Hawaii (-0.5 percent each). Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 43 states and the District of Columbia and decreased in 7 states. The largest over-the-year percentage increase in employment occurred in North Dakota (+6.8 percent). The largest over-the-year percentage decrease in employment occurred in Rhode Island (-0.8 percent).

Employment Data Corrections

This news release contains corrections to previously released employment data in tables C, D, 5, and 6, as well as chart 2.

A complete listing of corrections in this news release and in the CES (state and area) database can be found at www.bls.gov/bls/errata/sae_errata.htm.

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The West continued to record the highest regional unemployment rate in May, 9.4 percent, while the Midwest again reported the lowest rate, 7.2 percent. Over the month, no region experienced a statistically significant unemployment rate change. In contrast, significant over-the-year rate changes occurred in three regions: the Midwest and South (-1.2 percentage points each) and West (-1.1 points). (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the Pacific continued to report the highest jobless rate, 10.1 percent in May. The West North Central again registered the lowest rate, 5.8 percent. No division recorded a statistically significant over-the-month unemployment rate change. Eight divisions had measurable rate changes from a year earlier, all of which were decreases. The largest of these over-the-year declines occurred in the East South Central (-1.6 percentage points).

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Nevada continued to record the highest unemployment rate among the states, 11.6 percent in May. Rhode Island and California posted the next highest rates, 11.0 and 10.8 percent, respectively. North Dakota again registered the lowest jobless rate, 3.0 percent, followed by Nebraska, 3.9 percent. In total, 27 states reported jobless rates significantly lower than the U.S. figure of 8.2 percent, 5 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.)

No state experienced a statistically significant unemployment rate change over the month. However, 28 states reported statistically significant rate changes from a year earlier, all of which were decreases. The largest of these occurred in Michigan and Nevada (-2.1 percentage points each) and Florida and Mississippi (-2.0 points each). (See table B.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In May, 14 states recorded statistically significant over-the-month changes in employment, 9 of which were increases. The largest statistically significant job gains occurred in California (+33,900), Ohio (+19,600), and New Jersey (+17,600). (See tables C and 5.)

Over the year, 23 states and the District of Columbia experienced statistically significant changes in employment, all of which were increases. The largest increase occurred in Texas (+237,100), followed by California (+221,500) and New York (+131,500). (See table D and chart 2.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release for May is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, June 27, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT). The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment news release for June is scheduled to be released on Friday, July 20, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., May 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate ^P
United States ¹	8.2
Alaska	7.0
Arkansas	7.3
California	10.8
Delaware	6.8
District of Columbia	9.3
Hawaii	6.3
Iowa	5.1
Kansas	6.1
Maine	7.4
Maryland	6.8
Massachusetts	6.0
Minnesota	5.6
Missouri	7.3
Montana	6.3
Nebraska	3.9
Nevada	11.6
New Hampshire	5.0
New Jersey	9.2
New Mexico	6.7
North Carolina	9.4
North Dakota	3.0
Ohio	7.3
Oklahoma	4.8
Pennsylvania	7.4
Rhode Island	11.0
South Dakota	4.3
Texas	6.9
Utah	6.0
Vermont	4.6
Virginia	5.6
West Virginia	6.9
Wisconsin	6.8
Wyoming	5.2

¹ Data are not preliminary.

^P = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from May 2011 to May 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-year change ^P
	May 2011	May 2012 ^P	
Alabama	9.3	7.4	-1.9
Arizona	9.6	8.2	-1.4
California	11.9	10.8	-1.1
Connecticut	8.9	7.8	-1.1
Florida	10.6	8.6	-2.0
Georgia	9.8	8.9	-.9
Illinois	9.7	8.6	-1.1
Indiana	8.9	7.9	-1.0
Iowa	6.0	5.1	-.9
Kentucky	9.6	8.2	-1.4
Massachusetts	7.4	6.0	-1.4
Michigan	10.6	8.5	-2.1
Minnesota	6.6	5.6	-1.0
Mississippi	10.7	8.7	-2.0
Missouri	8.6	7.3	-1.3
Nebraska	4.5	3.9	-.6
Nevada	13.7	11.6	-2.1
North Carolina	10.5	9.4	-1.1
Ohio	8.8	7.3	-1.5
Oklahoma	5.9	4.8	-1.1
Oregon	9.5	8.4	-1.1
South Carolina	10.4	9.1	-1.3
Tennessee	9.4	7.9	-1.5
Texas	8.1	6.9	-1.2
Utah	6.9	6.0	-.9
Vermont	5.6	4.6	-1.0
Washington	9.3	8.3	-1.0
Wisconsin	7.6	6.8	-.8

^P = preliminary.

Table C. States with statistically significant employment changes from April 2012 to May 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	April 2012	May 2012 ^P	Over-the-month change ^P
Alaska	329,300	326,700	-2,600
California	14,242,500	14,276,400	33,900
Delaware	419,500	417,200	-2,300
Georgia	3,918,200	3,930,200	12,000
Hawaii	601,200	598,000	-3,200
Montana	428,100	431,900	3,800
Nebraska	951,300	958,100	6,800
New Jersey	3,889,900	3,907,500	17,600
New Mexico	809,700	804,500	-5,200
North Carolina	3,955,500	3,939,000	-16,500
Ohio	5,139,300	5,158,900	19,600
Oregon	1,624,700	1,631,600	6,900
Vermont	300,200	303,500	3,300
Washington	2,856,600	2,865,700	9,100

^P = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from May 2011 to May 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	May 2011	May 2012 ^P	Over-the-year change ^P
Arizona	2,404,600	2,448,000	43,400
California	14,054,900	14,276,400	221,500
Colorado	2,250,900	2,291,700	40,800
District of Columbia	725,000	741,100	16,100
Florida	7,269,200	7,323,000	53,800
Georgia	3,886,600	3,930,200	43,600
Idaho	606,100	615,700	9,600
Indiana	2,827,300	2,888,600	61,300
Kentucky	1,787,300	1,823,400	36,100
Louisiana	1,901,000	1,944,700	43,700
Maryland	2,537,600	2,573,200	35,600
Massachusetts	3,212,500	3,249,600	37,100
Michigan	3,935,800	3,983,300	47,500
Nebraska	945,100	958,100	13,000
New Jersey	3,847,700	3,907,500	59,800
New York	8,677,300	8,808,800	131,500
North Dakota	391,100	417,600	26,500
Ohio	5,083,200	5,158,900	75,700
Oklahoma	1,546,300	1,584,500	38,200
Tennessee	2,655,800	2,694,900	39,100
Texas	10,532,600	10,769,700	237,100
Utah	1,202,000	1,230,800	28,800
Virginia	3,678,100	3,722,800	44,700
Washington	2,817,100	2,865,700	48,600

^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			
	May 2011	March 2012	April 2012	May 2012	May 2011	March 2012	April 2012	May 2012	May 2011	March 2012	April 2012	May 2012
Northeast	28,156.0	28,253.5	28,287.2	28,348.4	2,305.1	2,246.1	2,225.7	2,248.2	8.2	7.9	7.9	7.9
New England	7,734.1	7,742.0	7,737.0	7,742.4	607.2	543.2	531.2	527.2	7.9	7.0	6.9	6.8
Middle Atlantic	20,421.9	20,511.5	20,550.2	20,606.1	1,697.8	1,702.8	1,694.5	1,721.0	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.4
South	56,046.1	56,347.6	56,307.4	56,372.1	4,984.8	4,403.1	4,308.6	4,320.8	8.9	7.8	7.7	7.7
South Atlantic	29,687.5	29,910.2	29,853.3	29,849.6	2,774.3	2,474.1	2,422.9	2,422.4	9.3	8.3	8.1	8.1
East South Central	8,737.6	8,655.1	8,636.2	8,653.6	841.2	701.2	684.8	691.5	9.6	8.1	7.9	8.0
West South Central	17,621.0	17,782.3	17,817.9	17,868.9	1,369.3	1,227.8	1,200.9	1,207.0	7.8	6.9	6.7	6.8
Midwest	34,283.5	34,339.9	34,339.1	34,345.8	2,893.4	2,532.7	2,484.0	2,479.6	8.4	7.4	7.2	7.2
East North Central	23,270.0	23,316.0	23,327.7	23,337.6	2,154.3	1,882.4	1,847.1	1,845.8	9.3	8.1	7.9	7.9
West North Central	11,013.5	11,023.9	11,011.4	11,008.2	739.1	650.3	636.9	633.9	6.7	5.9	5.8	5.8
West	35,833.7	35,995.4	35,984.1	36,037.5	3,752.3	3,447.3	3,402.0	3,403.9	10.5	9.6	9.5	9.4
Mountain	10,986.3	10,977.0	10,967.8	11,001.0	990.6	888.1	872.8	880.7	9.0	8.1	8.0	8.0
Pacific	24,847.4	25,018.4	25,016.3	25,036.5	2,761.7	2,559.2	2,529.2	2,523.2	11.1	10.2	10.1	10.1

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			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
Northeast	27,997.0	28,080.7	28,114.7	28,295.7	2,199.3	2,137.3	2,241.4	2,233.1	7.9	7.6	8.0	7.9
New England	7,687.2	7,661.3	7,710.7	7,714.0	588.5	509.1	590.3	516.2	7.7	6.6	7.7	6.7
Middle Atlantic	20,309.8	20,419.4	20,404.1	20,581.6	1,610.8	1,628.2	1,651.1	1,716.9	7.9	8.0	8.1	8.3
South	55,907.5	55,978.1	56,144.4	56,460.5	4,715.8	4,085.2	4,853.1	4,313.8	8.4	7.3	8.6	7.6
South Atlantic	29,607.4	29,625.9	29,778.0	29,906.4	2,633.7	2,319.4	2,707.1	2,416.4	8.9	7.8	9.1	8.1
East South Central	8,702.9	8,570.0	8,739.3	8,682.9	800.3	644.3	815.3	693.9	9.2	7.5	9.3	8.0
West South Central	17,597.2	17,782.2	17,627.0	17,871.2	1,281.8	1,121.5	1,330.7	1,203.5	7.3	6.3	7.5	6.7
Midwest	34,128.2	34,103.5	34,310.1	34,293.1	2,762.4	2,405.9	2,787.8	2,413.9	8.1	7.1	8.1	7.0
East North Central	23,119.6	23,135.0	23,276.7	23,284.5	2,053.4	1,805.5	2,084.0	1,810.9	8.9	7.8	9.0	7.8
West North Central	11,008.6	10,968.5	11,033.4	11,008.6	708.9	600.4	703.8	603.0	6.4	5.5	6.4	5.5
West	35,730.4	35,742.5	35,754.1	35,948.7	3,638.4	3,281.6	3,619.0	3,310.4	10.2	9.2	10.1	9.2
Mountain	10,959.5	10,881.5	10,964.3	11,003.0	960.7	840.4	956.7	873.1	8.8	7.7	8.7	7.9
Pacific	24,770.9	24,861.0	24,789.8	24,945.7	2,677.8	2,441.2	2,662.3	2,437.3	10.8	9.8	10.7	9.8

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			
	May 2011	March 2012	April 2012	May 2012P	May 2011	March 2012	April 2012	May 2012P	May 2011	March 2012	April 2012	May 2012P
Alabama	2,197.3	2,142.1	2,137.0	2,143.1	203.8	157.5	154.0	159.2	9.3	7.4	7.2	7.4
Alaska	366.4	367.3	367.4	367.3	27.6	25.6	25.3	25.8	7.5	7.0	6.9	7.0
Arizona	3,037.1	3,009.2	3,002.7	3,016.7	291.1	257.7	245.9	247.1	9.6	8.6	8.2	8.2
Arkansas	1,366.7	1,389.6	1,390.2	1,390.5	110.5	103.4	100.7	101.0	8.1	7.4	7.2	7.3
California	18,343.8	18,487.5	18,482.0	18,494.4	2,176.1	2,031.1	2,006.5	1,993.9	11.9	11.0	10.9	10.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,919.0	4,910.0	4,893.9	4,894.9	605.5	580.2	568.2	560.4	12.3	11.8	11.6	11.4
Colorado	2,718.6	2,735.3	2,731.0	2,737.9	227.1	213.8	215.8	222.1	8.4	7.8	7.9	8.1
Connecticut	1,917.1	1,913.1	1,912.8	1,918.1	171.5	148.1	147.2	150.3	8.9	7.7	7.7	7.8
Delaware	438.2	439.9	440.6	441.7	31.9	30.3	30.2	30.1	7.3	6.9	6.9	6.8
District of Columbia	343.4	348.6	349.7	352.4	35.1	34.1	33.3	32.9	10.2	9.8	9.5	9.3
Florida	9,230.7	9,283.4	9,255.0	9,261.8	981.3	836.8	804.4	794.4	10.6	9.0	8.7	8.6
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,266.1	1,305.8	1,307.4	1,307.8	150.8	130.4	125.5	124.9	11.9	10.0	9.6	9.6
Georgia	4,719.2	4,758.3	4,753.7	4,758.4	464.2	425.9	422.5	425.2	9.8	9.0	8.9	8.9
Hawaii	660.3	658.6	655.7	654.0	43.9	42.3	41.3	41.4	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.3
Idaho	769.2	779.0	779.1	782.0	67.5	61.8	60.2	60.6	8.8	7.9	7.7	7.8
Illinois	6,554.9	6,588.8	6,592.2	6,590.1	635.7	581.1	571.3	564.4	9.7	8.8	8.7	8.6
Chicago-Joliet-Naperville ¹	4,045.4	4,069.5	4,081.5	4,087.8	397.6	352.9	351.2	347.3	9.8	8.7	8.6	8.5
Indiana	3,177.9	3,211.0	3,205.3	3,199.6	283.2	262.9	254.7	252.3	8.9	8.2	7.9	7.9
Iowa	1,662.2	1,662.5	1,663.2	1,662.9	99.1	86.8	85.0	85.2	6.0	5.2	5.1	5.1
Kansas	1,501.4	1,504.3	1,501.3	1,499.0	101.0	92.7	92.0	91.6	6.7	6.2	6.1	6.1
Kentucky	2,066.0	2,065.6	2,063.0	2,065.7	198.8	177.5	171.9	169.9	9.6	8.6	8.3	8.2
Louisiana	2,056.9	2,064.7	2,070.0	2,076.9	151.8	147.0	146.8	149.7	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.2
Maine	702.6	710.0	709.9	708.4	53.9	51.3	51.2	52.4	7.7	7.2	7.2	7.4
Maryland	3,066.6	3,087.9	3,089.2	3,087.3	218.7	204.1	206.3	208.6	7.1	6.6	6.7	6.8
Massachusetts	3,455.4	3,453.4	3,455.0	3,458.7	257.0	225.9	216.1	209.2	7.4	6.5	6.3	6.0
Michigan	4,666.5	4,656.4	4,658.9	4,663.5	493.0	397.0	388.9	395.3	10.6	8.5	8.3	8.5
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,021.2	2,004.6	1,995.1	1,991.2	238.4	189.2	184.4	190.4	11.8	9.4	9.2	9.6
Minnesota	2,979.1	2,974.7	2,970.8	2,972.6	197.3	173.1	166.2	165.4	6.6	5.8	5.6	5.6
Mississippi	1,341.5	1,337.1	1,333.8	1,335.9	143.4	120.8	116.9	116.1	10.7	9.0	8.8	8.7
Missouri	3,041.9	3,023.6	3,020.8	3,019.4	262.9	224.0	220.6	220.0	8.6	7.4	7.3	7.3
Montana	503.9	506.6	507.5	509.7	34.7	31.2	31.0	32.0	6.9	6.2	6.1	6.3
Nebraska	1,002.1	1,012.3	1,012.8	1,015.3	44.9	40.6	39.7	39.6	4.5	4.0	3.9	3.9
Nevada	1,385.7	1,364.9	1,360.2	1,363.4	189.3	163.4	158.7	158.3	13.7	12.0	11.7	11.6
New Hampshire	737.0	743.0	741.7	741.0	40.0	38.4	37.0	36.7	5.4	5.2	5.0	5.0
New Jersey	4,546.0	4,574.2	4,584.5	4,595.7	424.3	412.7	417.2	422.9	9.3	9.0	9.1	9.2
New Mexico	927.8	933.7	932.9	932.0	69.6	66.9	64.3	62.6	7.5	7.2	6.9	6.7
New York	9,491.7	9,527.9	9,540.4	9,568.6	764.8	810.7	806.8	826.4	8.1	8.5	8.5	8.6
New York City	3,937.6	3,959.6	3,955.2	3,966.3	347.8	385.6	377.0	383.1	8.8	9.7	9.5	9.7
North Carolina	4,648.9	4,680.3	4,669.3	4,659.8	486.5	452.1	439.6	435.9	10.5	9.7	9.4	9.4
North Dakota	380.9	389.9	390.2	390.1	13.3	11.8	11.7	11.7	3.5	3.0	3.0	3.0
Ohio	5,810.1	5,805.1	5,811.3	5,811.5	512.1	438.1	431.4	425.8	8.8	7.5	7.4	7.3
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,079.5	1,088.8	1,090.1	1,089.1	83.0	76.5	75.6	74.6	7.7	7.0	6.9	6.8
Oklahoma	1,763.5	1,787.4	1,789.2	1,791.2	104.9	96.9	89.3	85.1	5.9	5.4	5.0	4.8
Oregon	1,990.6	1,991.0	1,989.4	1,991.6	189.1	171.7	168.4	168.2	9.5	8.6	8.5	8.4
Pennsylvania	6,384.0	6,406.6	6,428.7	6,451.8	509.6	479.9	475.1	474.6	8.0	7.5	7.4	7.4
Rhode Island	563.7	558.2	556.3	556.8	63.5	62.1	62.2	61.4	11.3	11.1	11.2	11.0
South Carolina	2,157.5	2,157.2	2,151.3	2,153.3	224.9	192.7	190.0	195.9	10.4	8.9	8.8	9.1
South Dakota	445.4	448.8	447.9	447.1	21.2	19.4	19.3	19.1	4.8	4.3	4.3	4.3
Tennessee	3,131.6	3,109.3	3,099.5	3,106.5	294.1	244.2	240.0	245.2	9.4	7.9	7.7	7.9
Texas	12,431.3	12,539.2	12,568.5	12,610.8	1,001.3	881.0	862.7	869.8	8.1	7.0	6.9	6.9
Utah	1,340.0	1,340.9	1,345.4	1,349.8	93.0	78.1	80.2	81.1	6.9	5.8	6.0	6.0
Vermont	358.3	359.9	358.7	357.9	20.2	17.1	16.5	16.4	5.6	4.8	4.6	4.6
Virginia	4,290.2	4,341.6	4,339.5	4,340.1	266.2	244.8	241.6	241.9	6.2	5.6	5.6	5.6
Washington	3,480.0	3,503.8	3,512.6	3,521.3	324.4	290.8	286.9	292.6	9.3	8.3	8.2	8.3
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,485.0	1,486.4	1,492.6	1,499.0	127.6	108.9	106.5	107.1	8.6	7.3	7.1	7.1
West Virginia	798.1	803.5	803.3	805.7	63.3	54.8	53.7	55.6	7.9	6.8	6.7	6.9
Wisconsin	3,063.9	3,064.4	3,069.1	3,075.4	232.3	207.6	205.4	208.6	7.6	6.8	6.7	6.8
Wyoming	303.5	307.1	307.1	307.9	18.1	16.3	16.3	16.1	6.0	5.3	5.3	5.2
Puerto Rico	1,267.7	1,285.5	1,274.5	1,268.0	202.1	193.4	188.2	180.4	15.9	15.0	14.8	14.2

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² Metropolitan statistical 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			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2011	2012	2011	2012P	2011	2012	2011	2012P	2011	2012	2011	2012P
Alabama	2,187.0	2,121.8	2,195.5	2,150.5	189.1	140.9	194.6	161.0	8.6	6.6	8.9	7.5
Alaska	362.3	362.9	366.9	367.1	27.9	26.2	26.8	26.0	7.7	7.2	7.3	7.1
Arizona	3,039.4	2,980.9	3,028.4	3,026.8	278.0	223.9	277.0	248.3	9.1	7.5	9.1	8.2
Arkansas	1,370.9	1,385.9	1,372.9	1,392.4	105.9	95.7	108.4	102.2	7.7	6.9	7.9	7.3
California	18,293.2	18,367.3	18,302.9	18,431.2	2,108.2	1,931.0	2,093.1	1,912.2	11.5	10.5	11.4	10.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,917.8	4,855.3	4,903.6	4,880.1	577.4	534.9	587.5	540.0	11.7	11.0	12.0	11.1
Colorado	2,702.5	2,699.9	2,711.1	2,729.8	218.7	214.7	225.8	223.4	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.2
Connecticut	1,906.8	1,898.1	1,917.3	1,923.3	165.0	143.2	168.9	153.6	8.7	7.5	8.8	8.0
Delaware	438.6	441.0	437.1	440.7	31.2	30.3	29.8	28.3	7.1	6.9	6.8	6.4
District of Columbia	342.4	346.1	342.7	353.3	32.2	28.6	34.4	31.9	9.4	8.3	10.0	9.0
Florida	9,195.9	9,174.4	9,254.6	9,295.4	936.2	759.9	954.7	789.9	10.2	8.3	10.3	8.5
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,266.6	1,290.0	1,275.7	1,302.9	154.0	115.8	156.4	127.4	12.2	9.0	12.3	9.8
Georgia	4,701.8	4,711.7	4,724.9	4,756.1	440.8	409.3	453.2	421.5	9.4	8.7	9.6	8.9
Hawaii	663.7	653.7	660.4	652.6	41.2	39.1	42.9	41.1	6.2	6.0	6.5	6.3
Idaho	765.9	772.2	768.9	783.7	68.0	60.0	62.6	58.2	8.9	7.8	8.1	7.4
Illinois	6,522.6	6,552.4	6,543.6	6,559.8	598.4	566.0	615.6	549.0	9.2	8.6	9.4	8.4
Chicago-Joliet-Naperville ¹	4,032.0	4,079.7	4,049.4	4,083.4	382.4	366.4	409.6	352.0	9.5	9.0	10.1	8.6
Indiana	3,164.9	3,182.3	3,193.4	3,204.4	268.8	246.2	277.1	251.4	8.5	7.7	8.7	7.8
Iowa	1,664.8	1,660.9	1,660.5	1,656.8	97.6	83.6	92.5	80.6	5.9	5.0	5.6	4.9
Kansas	1,496.6	1,490.4	1,498.0	1,491.1	93.9	85.8	97.0	87.0	6.3	5.8	6.5	5.8
Kentucky	2,062.7	2,050.0	2,074.3	2,075.2	192.9	160.5	195.7	168.4	9.4	7.8	9.4	8.1
Louisiana	2,055.8	2,062.9	2,062.1	2,079.7	138.6	132.6	147.9	147.6	6.7	6.4	7.2	7.1
Maine	697.0	700.5	699.5	701.9	55.3	51.8	53.0	52.7	7.9	7.4	7.6	7.5
Maryland	3,049.7	3,060.9	3,067.9	3,074.3	205.1	199.1	213.4	204.7	6.7	6.5	7.0	6.7
Massachusetts	3,435.8	3,428.4	3,443.2	3,445.4	246.4	201.1	247.7	200.9	7.2	5.9	7.2	5.8
Michigan	4,607.9	4,585.0	4,668.2	4,662.1	464.6	368.5	476.6	402.5	10.1	8.0	10.2	8.6
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	1,991.8	1,948.3	2,014.5	1,982.5	221.4	170.4	229.2	196.6	11.1	8.7	11.4	9.9
Minnesota	2,975.7	2,951.9	2,981.5	2,973.3	193.0	155.3	182.8	155.4	6.5	5.3	6.1	5.2
Mississippi	1,333.0	1,325.3	1,345.3	1,343.0	132.7	111.2	142.1	118.9	10.0	8.4	10.6	8.9
Missouri	3,043.1	3,017.8	3,054.7	3,025.7	247.7	206.7	256.0	212.7	8.1	6.8	8.4	7.0
Montana	504.7	508.0	504.6	512.5	34.7	32.0	32.2	31.5	6.9	6.3	6.4	6.1
Nebraska	1,003.9	1,013.9	1,006.8	1,022.0	42.5	37.8	42.8	38.7	4.2	3.7	4.3	3.8
Nevada	1,384.5	1,356.0	1,384.8	1,371.1	184.9	156.0	183.9	159.1	13.4	11.5	13.3	11.6
New Hampshire	731.8	732.2	734.4	736.5	38.6	34.7	38.6	35.8	5.3	4.7	5.3	4.9
New Jersey	4,525.3	4,570.1	4,544.5	4,590.5	405.6	413.9	414.7	420.5	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.2
New Mexico	925.5	924.1	924.3	925.0	66.9	57.2	66.5	58.9	7.2	6.2	7.2	6.4
New York	9,445.6	9,470.9	9,471.1	9,542.0	728.5	766.6	735.3	824.7	7.7	8.1	7.8	8.6
New York City	3,930.4	3,929.6	3,928.1	3,958.2	330.2	343.9	336.0	380.6	8.4	8.8	8.6	9.6
North Carolina	4,640.5	4,633.9	4,669.1	4,663.3	464.0	421.8	480.3	439.5	10.0	9.1	10.3	9.4
North Dakota	379.3	388.4	384.2	391.9	13.1	12.2	12.2	10.6	3.5	3.1	3.2	2.7
Ohio	5,779.8	5,770.7	5,818.3	5,795.5	492.4	418.8	491.1	399.8	8.5	7.3	8.4	6.9
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,075.0	1,084.8	1,081.4	1,083.7	79.5	72.8	82.0	72.7	7.4	6.7	7.6	6.7
Oklahoma	1,761.8	1,785.2	1,767.4	1,792.3	94.9	79.1	103.9	86.5	5.4	4.4	5.9	4.8
Oregon	1,985.7	1,978.9	1,982.9	1,986.1	186.6	167.7	181.3	163.7	9.4	8.5	9.1	8.2
Pennsylvania	6,338.9	6,378.4	6,388.5	6,449.2	476.7	447.7	501.1	471.7	7.5	7.0	7.8	7.3
Rhode Island	560.2	549.2	559.5	552.2	61.4	60.8	62.6	57.6	11.0	11.1	11.2	10.4
South Carolina	2,157.6	2,138.0	2,170.9	2,166.9	211.3	182.5	219.2	200.7	9.8	8.5	10.1	9.3
South Dakota	445.4	445.1	447.7	448.0	21.2	19.1	20.5	18.1	4.8	4.3	4.6	4.0
Tennessee	3,120.2	3,073.0	3,124.2	3,114.2	285.5	231.7	282.8	245.6	9.2	7.5	9.1	7.9
Texas	12,408.7	12,548.1	12,424.6	12,606.8	942.5	814.0	970.6	867.2	7.6	6.5	7.8	6.9
Utah	1,335.0	1,336.0	1,339.7	1,346.8	91.0	79.7	91.0	78.2	6.8	6.0	6.8	5.8
Vermont	355.7	352.9	356.7	354.7	21.7	17.6	19.4	15.6	6.1	5.0	5.4	4.4
Virginia	4,283.1	4,320.0	4,308.7	4,345.3	249.8	232.7	259.8	240.7	5.8	5.4	6.0	5.5
Washington	3,466.0	3,498.2	3,476.8	3,508.6	313.9	277.2	318.1	294.2	9.1	7.9	9.2	8.4
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,480.9	1,497.9	1,488.1	1,507.0	120.5	96.4	124.1	107.3	8.1	6.4	8.3	7.1
West Virginia	797.9	799.9	802.1	811.1	63.2	55.4	62.2	59.2	7.9	6.9	7.8	7.3
Wisconsin	3,044.5	3,044.6	3,053.2	3,062.6	229.1	206.1	223.5	208.2	7.5	6.8	7.3	6.8
Wyoming	301.8	304.4	302.5	307.2	18.5	17.0	17.6	15.5	6.1	5.6	5.8	5.0
Puerto Rico	1,266.1	1,258.4	1,264.0	1,268.4	205.3	179.3	202.1	171.3	16.2	14.2	16.0	13.5

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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			
	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p
Alabama ²	1,867.8	1,870.2	1,873.0	1,873.2	81.0	73.4	72.5	73.7	-	-	-	-
Alaska.....	327.8	332.2	329.3	326.7	15.7	14.3	13.1	12.5	13.4	13.3	13.8	12.7
Arizona.....	2,404.6	2,449.5	2,454.2	2,448.0	110.1	117.7	119.6	121.1	150.1	150.5	150.6	150.5
Arkansas.....	1,164.0	1,164.6	1,171.5	1,170.5	46.7	45.4	45.8	45.3	160.0	156.2	156.4	157.5
California.....	14,054.9	14,241.2	14,242.5	14,276.4	551.5	564.9	560.6	563.2	1,249.0	1,246.6	1,244.2	1,247.2
Colorado.....	2,250.9	2,290.6	2,289.7	2,291.7	111.3	116.7	117.7	118.3	128.9	132.4	132.6	132.6
Connecticut.....	1,623.4	1,632.9	1,628.2	1,629.6	50.9	51.8	49.7	50.4	166.5	165.8	164.9	165.5
Delaware ³	417.3	418.9	419.5	417.2	19.8	19.0	18.2	18.2	25.9	25.7	25.4	25.7
District of Columbia ^{2, 3}	725.0	738.7	739.0	741.1	11.8	13.3	13.2	13.0	-	-	-	-
Florida.....	7,269.2	7,328.0	7,317.7	7,323.0	335.1	321.5	311.2	312.9	310.9	313.7	313.3	315.8
Georgia.....	3,886.6	3,907.9	3,918.2	3,930.2	147.0	140.5	141.4	141.3	349.2	353.4	353.1	353.8
Hawaii ³	590.7	596.3	601.2	598.0	28.4	28.1	28.0	27.7	13.1	12.9	12.8	12.7
Idaho.....	606.1	615.8	615.1	615.7	29.5	30.1	30.4	30.6	54.8	56.7	56.8	57.5
Illinois.....	5,671.6	5,698.7	5,695.9	5,694.1	196.6	192.4	189.0	184.4	574.8	587.7	589.5	594.3
Indiana.....	2,827.3	2,867.8	2,879.2	2,888.6	117.9	124.8	126.0	126.7	462.6	479.9	484.2	484.7
Iowa.....	1,478.9	1,491.0	1,496.3	1,492.8	62.1	66.5	69.1	68.2	206.4	217.0	217.7	217.3
Kansas.....	1,338.2	1,346.3	1,346.9	1,346.4	53.0	54.9	54.6	53.0	161.2	163.8	164.6	164.7
Kentucky.....	1,787.3	1,820.1	1,822.8	1,823.4	68.4	69.2	66.6	67.0	210.8	213.7	218.5	219.0
Louisiana.....	1,901.0	1,945.6	1,948.9	1,944.7	122.4	121.3	123.8	122.3	138.7	143.3	141.5	140.5
Maine.....	591.1	594.6	592.7	592.7	24.5	24.6	24.1	24.1	50.7	50.2	50.0	50.2
Maryland ³	2,537.6	2,586.1	2,580.7	2,573.2	144.2	150.8	151.2	146.6	113.4	110.5	111.3	111.0
Massachusetts.....	3,212.5	3,240.4	3,242.1	3,249.6	109.0	107.4	106.0	104.3	254.3	255.6	254.5	254.6
Michigan.....	3,935.8	3,984.2	3,988.3	3,983.3	125.0	125.5	119.7	118.8	505.4	527.7	527.6	523.5
Minnesota.....	2,679.2	2,704.9	2,704.0	2,703.1	89.9	95.6	94.3	95.1	300.8	303.3	305.4	306.3
Mississippi.....	1,089.9	1,089.9	1,090.9	1,088.3	49.0	47.8	47.0	44.5	135.5	135.3	135.9	135.2
Missouri.....	2,657.5	2,662.0	2,664.5	2,657.2	103.0	102.4	97.9	96.1	246.4	255.3	254.5	252.6
Montana.....	427.7	427.9	428.1	431.9	22.4	23.4	24.1	25.8	16.7	17.2	17.0	16.8
Nebraska ³	945.1	948.1	951.3	958.1	41.6	41.3	42.6	46.0	93.4	94.1	93.6	93.3
Nevada.....	1,122.5	1,129.2	1,129.3	1,135.2	51.7	48.9	48.2	49.1	38.2	37.7	37.3	37.5
New Hampshire.....	625.5	628.3	624.2	626.5	22.1	23.3	22.2	21.8	66.5	66.6	65.9	66.2
New Jersey.....	3,847.7	3,886.7	3,889.9	3,907.5	128.5	127.5	127.7	123.8	254.0	254.1	253.1	251.9
New Mexico.....	805.2	807.4	809.7	804.5	42.8	42.4	42.9	42.5	29.5	29.5	29.9	30.1
New York.....	8,677.3	8,806.7	8,802.9	8,808.8	306.5	306.4	302.2	294.4	460.1	458.5	460.0	458.5
North Carolina.....	3,927.5	3,959.4	3,955.5	3,939.0	176.2	173.2	173.0	168.2	435.1	438.1	435.4	435.8
North Dakota.....	391.1	413.8	416.7	417.6	23.3	26.2	27.1	26.5	23.9	24.8	24.9	24.8
Ohio.....	5,083.2	5,141.3	5,139.3	5,158.9	171.6	173.9	173.8	176.2	636.3	653.6	651.5	657.9
Oklahoma.....	1,546.3	1,582.0	1,586.4	1,584.5	68.1	65.2	65.4	66.2	128.9	136.4	136.7	136.3
Oregon.....	1,618.4	1,621.6	1,624.7	1,631.6	68.9	68.4	70.4	68.6	168.2	165.3	166.1	167.8
Pennsylvania.....	5,685.5	5,728.3	5,723.2	5,713.3	221.2	226.9	221.6	219.3	565.9	570.5	571.6	567.9
Rhode Island.....	461.8	457.7	458.3	458.1	15.5	15.2	15.9	15.3	40.7	40.9	40.7	40.9
South Carolina.....	1,832.3	1,851.9	1,848.0	1,854.0	77.1	75.1	75.4	76.3	214.6	222.8	222.2	222.0
South Dakota ³	406.6	408.0	408.8	408.7	21.1	21.0	21.0	20.8	39.3	39.4	40.0	40.1
Tennessee ³	2,655.8	2,694.1	2,696.6	2,694.9	108.8	115.1	113.6	114.8	304.1	310.2	311.6	311.4
Texas.....	10,532.6	10,742.4	10,757.2	10,769.7	559.7	565.6	572.9	575.3	832.3	850.2	856.6	854.0
Utah.....	1,202.0	1,226.3	1,229.2	1,230.8	64.0	67.9	66.2	67.2	113.3	118.2	119.1	119.0
Vermont.....	299.0	301.9	300.2	303.5	13.5	14.1	14.3	13.8	30.9	31.2	30.9	31.4
Virginia.....	3,678.1	3,712.8	3,718.2	3,722.8	178.1	180.8	178.1	178.3	230.7	228.7	228.9	230.3
Washington.....	2,817.1	2,852.0	2,856.6	2,865.7	136.7	140.1	139.7	139.3	266.8	279.4	281.7	282.7
West Virginia.....	752.1	761.5	759.8	757.8	32.2	34.6	34.5	35.3	49.4	49.0	48.7	48.3
Wisconsin.....	2,751.5	2,737.9	2,733.7	2,736.3	92.4	88.1	86.5	83.2	445.3	449.1	447.7	451.6
Wyoming.....	286.1	287.7	287.3	287.4	20.5	21.0	20.8	19.8	9.2	8.9	9.1	8.9
Puerto Rico ³	923.5	920.3	920.0	917.2	31.5	33.6	33.9	34.2	84.6	82.8	81.9	81.8
Virgin Islands ²	44.1	43.1	43.0	41.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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			
	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p
Alabama.....	363.3	364.9	367.9	366.1	93.5	92.8	93.0	93.3	212.2	217.3	217.3	215.9
Alaska.....	63.1	63.3	63.6	64.0	14.7	14.9	14.6	14.6	27.1	28.5	28.2	27.5
Arizona.....	473.4	474.7	478.3	482.3	166.0	167.8	168.2	169.9	343.8	356.8	359.1	354.9
Arkansas.....	236.4	236.9	238.6	235.5	48.4	47.3	46.9	47.0	119.2	114.9	116.3	117.7
California.....	2,659.7	2,700.8	2,707.3	2,704.0	759.9	769.2	769.6	770.7	2,120.5	2,185.6	2,197.9	2,208.4
Colorado.....	402.0	406.1	408.8	407.1	143.6	143.1	143.4	145.8	338.2	349.9	347.7	347.1
Connecticut.....	293.8	297.6	297.5	297.0	135.5	132.1	132.4	132.5	195.0	196.5	197.1	195.5
Delaware.....	75.5	75.7	75.4	75.6	42.4	43.0	43.4	43.3	55.5	55.3	56.2	53.9
District of Columbia.....	27.3	27.8	27.4	27.4	26.8	26.8	27.0	26.9	149.1	152.0	152.1	150.8
Florida.....	1,490.5	1,511.8	1,507.0	1,511.8	482.2	488.2	488.0	487.9	1,051.6	1,067.5	1,075.5	1,076.5
Georgia.....	824.8	829.3	834.4	839.1	209.6	207.5	208.2	208.2	546.5	567.5	571.0	574.4
Hawaii.....	111.1	112.1	112.8	113.3	26.5	27.1	27.5	27.8	74.9	75.3	75.4	74.6
Idaho.....	121.6	124.1	123.8	124.9	29.5	28.6	28.1	28.0	74.3	77.1	76.4	74.7
Illinois.....	1,141.7	1,133.9	1,134.6	1,137.8	362.1	363.2	363.2	363.9	825.3	854.9	854.9	849.3
Indiana.....	550.7	549.4	549.0	553.2	132.1	129.5	130.2	130.7	285.8	294.1	296.8	297.9
Iowa.....	302.4	300.9	300.0	298.2	100.4	101.2	101.8	101.4	123.8	122.8	123.8	121.9
Kansas.....	254.4	252.6	253.8	253.0	73.9	72.5	72.3	73.3	148.7	156.5	155.5	156.6
Kentucky.....	364.5	367.5	367.2	366.2	84.6	83.4	83.7	83.5	184.6	202.3	204.4	204.5
Louisiana.....	374.0	380.1	382.7	378.8	94.3	97.4	97.5	99.7	195.6	201.1	200.0	201.8
Maine.....	116.5	119.2	118.6	118.2	31.4	31.5	31.4	31.4	56.7	57.0	56.9	57.3
Maryland.....	442.7	443.1	443.7	445.2	142.7	142.6	142.6	141.8	394.5	410.7	408.8	405.7
Massachusetts.....	547.8	558.6	558.9	561.6	206.1	203.5	203.9	203.9	472.3	488.1	492.3	498.3
Michigan.....	721.1	719.0	720.4	723.5	191.7	194.4	196.6	199.7	555.2	566.3	572.2	568.8
Minnesota.....	496.0	497.9	495.7	495.9	174.2	174.3	176.4	176.0	326.2	339.3	338.2	336.6
Mississippi.....	215.0	212.0	213.6	214.0	44.5	44.8	45.2	45.6	93.7	93.9	92.2	91.1
Missouri.....	516.4	509.0	510.2	509.2	160.8	158.3	161.1	157.7	332.2	340.2	340.3	347.0
Montana.....	86.4	85.8	85.2	85.6	20.8	20.9	20.9	20.8	40.7	42.1	42.1	43.0
Nebraska.....	197.1	194.8	196.3	198.1	69.9	68.3	68.6	68.6	102.1	104.6	104.9	104.8
Nevada.....	212.2	211.6	214.7	214.8	52.2	50.9	51.0	50.7	138.1	141.2	139.4	142.6
New Hampshire.....	133.6	132.7	131.8	132.8	34.2	34.3	34.5	34.3	65.9	66.2	65.1	65.4
New Jersey.....	814.8	821.9	820.8	825.1	250.4	253.0	254.3	249.5	601.3	599.7	605.1	609.1
New Mexico.....	134.1	133.6	134.2	133.5	32.5	32.4	32.6	32.5	100.4	97.3	97.5	96.4
New York.....	1,486.2	1,499.6	1,502.1	1,507.0	681.6	693.3	694.3	698.5	1,130.3	1,186.0	1,181.2	1,187.6
North Carolina.....	726.6	734.5	734.3	736.2	204.3	205.2	204.8	204.7	512.4	516.7	519.4	512.4
North Dakota.....	84.9	90.6	91.3	92.3	21.1	21.6	21.5	21.9	29.1	33.3	33.3	33.9
Ohio.....	954.9	978.4	973.5	971.4	279.2	277.8	277.5	278.3	648.2	653.1	654.5	659.0
Oklahoma.....	281.0	287.6	292.5	291.1	79.3	81.1	81.5	81.3	173.2	178.9	181.1	179.0
Oregon.....	312.7	316.7	315.4	318.8	92.0	91.9	91.7	92.7	186.3	185.2	187.2	189.0
Pennsylvania.....	1,093.7	1,099.0	1,101.3	1,102.0	308.3	312.5	312.9	313.1	715.0	716.1	714.2	716.0
Rhode Island.....	74.0	73.0	73.3	73.0	30.7	30.5	30.8	30.8	53.8	54.2	54.6	54.4
South Carolina.....	350.1	352.6	354.2	355.8	96.2	95.2	94.6	95.3	228.6	232.9	230.3	234.3
South Dakota.....	81.6	82.3	82.0	83.1	28.1	28.1	28.1	28.4	28.4	30.4	30.2	29.4
Tennessee.....	562.1	557.3	558.6	557.9	135.1	135.5	135.3	134.5	318.8	329.4	327.7	327.4
Texas.....	2,100.8	2,143.8	2,147.3	2,150.8	636.3	652.5	648.6	647.1	1,332.6	1,370.8	1,366.3	1,374.8
Utah.....	232.9	235.0	235.7	237.5	68.3	71.0	71.4	70.4	157.5	162.9	163.2	166.7
Vermont.....	56.2	56.7	56.9	57.4	12.1	12.1	12.0	12.0	24.5	26.2	26.7	26.9
Virginia.....	628.1	630.8	634.2	636.4	181.3	188.2	188.6	189.8	665.3	664.9	663.3	668.2
Washington.....	523.0	535.5	534.6	539.8	137.6	136.4	136.8	137.5	339.5	341.1	343.6	347.7
West Virginia.....	135.6	133.7	134.0	133.3	27.5	27.3	27.1	27.5	62.0	63.9	63.1	62.7
Wisconsin.....	509.0	506.3	509.6	511.5	158.9	155.4	155.5	156.5	282.9	282.1	283.3	280.5
Wyoming.....	52.3	53.1	53.3	52.7	10.7	10.7	10.5	10.4	17.6	18.5	18.0	17.7
Puerto Rico.....	174.1	162.3	161.1	161.5	43.5	43.6	43.9	43.9	106.4	103.5	102.1	102.9
Virgin Islands ¹	8.5	8.7	8.6	8.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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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			
	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p	May 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012 ^p
Alabama.....	215.6	218.1	217.4	218.5	167.9	173.8	174.8	176.1	382.1	373.5	372.6	372.0
Alaska.....	44.2	45.9	46.3	46.3	32.1	32.9	32.3	32.2	84.0	85.3	83.8	82.8
Arizona.....	354.6	362.4	362.6	364.7	258.4	267.5	264.3	266.8	411.4	415.5	415.5	402.5
Arkansas.....	166.6	170.1	171.1	171.1	99.3	103.5	104.9	104.2	218.9	221.0	221.6	222.5
California.....	1,824.4	1,873.3	1,869.1	1,879.6	1,529.7	1,558.2	1,554.4	1,567.6	2,415.2	2,383.0	2,381.5	2,378.2
Colorado.....	272.0	278.0	280.2	279.8	269.0	278.6	274.3	275.7	393.4	392.4	393.3	393.0
Connecticut.....	313.5	321.6	321.3	322.9	135.5	138.1	137.2	137.3	240.3	236.3	235.0	236.6
Delaware.....	66.1	67.7	68.2	69.0	43.4	43.6	44.8	43.9	63.4	63.7	63.1	62.6
District of Columbia.....	113.1	119.5	120.0	123.6	61.4	64.1	63.8	65.0	249.1	246.9	247.1	245.9
Florida.....	1,100.3	1,117.9	1,122.0	1,120.2	950.9	968.9	962.8	967.0	1,099.1	1,090.0	1,089.9	1,086.0
Georgia.....	499.2	505.3	507.1	509.3	382.1	381.6	381.0	380.8	666.9	666.9	665.0	665.8
Hawaii.....	75.4	75.9	75.3	75.6	102.6	107.4	107.8	108.3	125.1	124.2	128.2	124.2
Idaho.....	86.7	89.0	89.3	89.4	58.5	59.9	60.1	61.2	117.3	115.1	115.4	114.7
Illinois.....	846.7	852.2	850.3	851.3	520.4	530.0	530.5	528.7	842.9	829.7	831.7	831.7
Indiana.....	428.1	428.7	428.8	432.9	277.8	288.3	289.5	288.5	422.3	422.7	424.2	425.9
Iowa.....	215.6	217.3	217.3	217.6	130.8	130.7	130.6	131.8	251.0	247.1	248.1	248.3
Kansas.....	184.2	185.3	185.7	187.2	115.4	117.7	117.5	117.2	258.3	255.4	254.9	253.8
Kentucky.....	255.0	260.3	261.3	259.1	169.2	176.9	174.5	177.1	330.2	328.1	327.6	326.9
Louisiana.....	276.5	290.0	289.5	287.3	200.1	204.5	207.6	209.2	359.5	361.6	361.2	361.0
Maine.....	119.5	122.4	122.3	122.3	59.5	58.6	58.1	58.6	101.5	101.0	101.3	100.7
Maryland.....	406.2	421.4	421.9	424.0	233.4	240.5	236.2	235.1	504.9	507.4	506.9	505.6
Massachusetts.....	672.4	673.1	673.5	673.7	310.9	316.1	315.7	313.4	435.1	431.4	430.5	431.3
Michigan.....	616.3	629.0	630.8	628.7	376.2	380.9	379.5	379.7	618.9	611.9	611.1	611.7
Minnesota.....	468.6	479.5	480.8	481.1	238.6	230.4	229.7	229.0	410.0	406.2	405.6	406.8
Mississippi.....	133.6	137.0	137.2	137.2	119.0	116.4	117.5	117.4	244.7	247.6	246.9	247.3
Missouri.....	414.1	423.0	424.7	424.8	269.1	266.9	267.2	262.9	439.6	432.5	433.5	432.1
Montana.....	64.3	65.0	64.8	64.9	56.4	54.8	55.4	56.2	88.0	86.9	86.8	87.3
Nebraska.....	137.2	138.8	139.4	139.3	82.2	83.4	83.3	84.7	168.0	169.2	168.9	169.3
Nevada.....	103.2	103.3	104.8	105.6	316.3	325.6	324.2	324.8	151.4	147.2	146.3	146.6
New Hampshire.....	113.2	113.4	112.9	113.7	62.7	63.7	64.6	65.8	92.6	92.3	91.4	91.3
New Jersey.....	604.5	628.0	629.6	632.6	335.0	338.8	340.3	350.2	620.3	624.2	620.6	625.3
New Mexico.....	121.1	126.7	126.6	126.7	84.2	85.7	86.9	86.5	196.8	195.2	195.2	192.7
New York.....	1,731.1	1,765.9	1,761.7	1,763.3	759.4	784.6	784.7	785.3	1,488.6	1,487.2	1,487.6	1,487.4
North Carolina.....	546.2	555.5	556.2	553.6	400.9	404.1	402.7	399.1	696.4	702.1	701.6	700.9
North Dakota.....	56.4	58.1	58.1	58.3	34.9	36.5	36.5	35.5	79.2	78.2	78.4	78.6
Ohio.....	850.5	864.3	867.5	871.8	481.6	475.1	472.8	475.7	763.4	764.1	766.8	765.8
Oklahoma.....	204.9	209.0	206.4	207.0	142.4	144.0	143.7	143.2	333.6	339.2	340.0	339.8
Oregon.....	233.5	237.6	237.2	237.8	164.5	166.8	167.5	166.2	296.8	291.3	290.9	290.4
Pennsylvania.....	1,151.3	1,166.2	1,167.2	1,166.1	509.7	523.0	522.1	517.8	744.6	733.0	731.0	727.7
Rhode Island.....	104.0	103.4	103.1	102.6	49.6	48.7	48.0	48.9	60.7	59.8	60.0	60.1
South Carolina.....	216.6	217.3	218.6	220.8	211.0	213.1	211.0	208.7	339.8	342.8	342.1	341.2
South Dakota.....	65.3	66.4	66.9	66.9	43.0	41.2	41.4	41.5	77.8	77.7	77.8	77.5
Tennessee.....	382.0	388.9	389.2	390.7	266.6	270.3	271.9	270.0	432.4	441.3	442.6	442.8
Texas.....	1,412.9	1,458.7	1,460.8	1,461.7	1,039.0	1,084.8	1,084.1	1,091.0	1,829.4	1,780.2	1,781.5	1,778.7
Utah.....	158.7	161.2	161.2	160.4	113.5	112.3	114.7	112.6	219.1	220.3	220.2	219.4
Vermont.....	59.7	60.8	60.8	60.9	32.7	32.6	31.1	32.8	53.8	52.8	52.0	52.7
Virginia.....	464.8	478.1	480.5	479.6	347.7	355.7	358.0	353.4	710.4	714.7	716.2	715.9
Washington.....	379.8	388.7	388.5	389.2	271.0	279.1	279.1	278.8	544.7	537.5	538.0	535.5
West Virginia.....	122.7	126.0	126.6	126.4	73.1	74.4	75.0	74.7	151.5	154.2	153.4	153.5
Wisconsin.....	409.1	415.5	415.3	416.5	251.3	249.3	244.7	242.5	415.9	407.7	407.8	409.5
Wyoming ¹	-	-	-	-	32.9	31.6	31.8	34.1	73.3	73.4	73.5	73.3
Puerto Rico.....	115.1	115.1	115.9	116.3	71.2	72.5	72.5	72.2	261.0	269.1	270.7	266.7
Virgin Islands ¹	-	-	-	-	7.1	7.5	7.5	7.6	12.8	11.8	11.7	11.7

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.

^p Preliminary

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently estimated from 2011 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are preliminary 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			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	1,874.2	1,875.9	1,876.6	1,881.1	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.4	80.7	72.9	82.1	74.9
Alaska.....	321.4	321.1	330.3	328.6	15.5	16.3	15.8	16.6	14.1	11.6	16.0	13.1
Arizona.....	2,422.3	2,469.0	2,419.3	2,460.9	11.2	11.6	11.4	11.8	109.6	117.4	110.1	120.3
Arkansas.....	1,176.6	1,172.6	1,170.5	1,176.7	11.0	11.0	10.8	11.1	47.1	44.7	46.8	45.2
California.....	14,064.9	14,250.4	14,105.0	14,316.5	27.7	28.0	28.3	29.2	543.8	544.7	551.9	560.1
Colorado.....	2,246.6	2,277.8	2,251.3	2,286.2	26.7	28.4	27.2	28.8	110.1	112.5	111.6	116.1
Connecticut.....	1,628.2	1,628.6	1,634.5	1,639.2	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	50.1	47.5	52.0	50.6
Delaware ¹	418.6	417.8	420.7	420.9	-	-	-	-	20.2	18.2	20.1	18.5
District of Columbia ¹	725.4	738.3	725.5	738.2	-	-	-	-	11.6	13.0	11.9	13.1
Florida.....	7,337.1	7,371.1	7,313.6	7,363.9	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	334.1	308.2	334.3	315.4
Georgia.....	3,904.4	3,928.5	3,910.9	3,944.9	9.1	8.8	9.0	8.9	148.1	139.6	147.8	140.4
Hawaii ¹	592.0	599.3	592.8	601.0	-	-	-	-	28.3	27.7	28.2	27.6
Idaho.....	604.6	611.5	609.9	619.1	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.3	28.0	28.8	29.8	30.6
Illinois.....	5,664.5	5,689.5	5,702.5	5,729.8	9.3	9.7	9.5	9.8	192.2	182.9	201.4	190.2
Indiana.....	2,842.6	2,886.0	2,856.5	2,913.0	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	116.1	124.2	121.6	128.6
Iowa.....	1,485.4	1,501.0	1,496.0	1,510.8	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4	60.7	67.1	64.4	70.7
Kansas.....	1,346.1	1,352.1	1,353.4	1,359.4	8.7	9.0	8.6	8.9	52.6	53.5	53.8	53.6
Kentucky.....	1,793.7	1,827.8	1,798.2	1,835.7	22.8	21.9	22.9	22.1	67.3	65.2	68.9	67.7
Louisiana.....	1,907.0	1,953.6	1,909.4	1,949.2	52.5	56.7	52.3	56.2	123.4	123.1	122.7	122.1
Maine.....	583.5	582.5	595.1	594.5	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	23.2	22.7	25.2	25.0
Maryland ¹	2,542.5	2,577.3	2,555.3	2,587.3	-	-	-	-	143.7	148.2	145.1	146.3
Massachusetts.....	3,215.0	3,232.9	3,234.2	3,268.6	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.1	105.3	101.7	111.0	106.8
Michigan.....	3,923.2	3,976.0	3,970.9	4,020.8	7.0	7.2	7.4	7.7	116.3	112.8	128.2	123.9
Minnesota.....	2,670.7	2,687.5	2,705.5	2,728.4	6.1	6.4	6.5	6.7	83.0	84.9	93.1	97.2
Mississippi.....	1,096.8	1,094.5	1,095.7	1,091.8	9.0	9.4	9.0	9.4	49.3	46.7	50.3	45.4
Missouri.....	2,675.4	2,675.0	2,687.8	2,685.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.4	102.8	96.1	105.2	98.4
Montana.....	426.0	424.9	430.8	434.1	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.8	21.3	23.1	23.0	26.1
Nebraska ¹	946.7	952.0	954.2	967.3	-	-	-	-	41.0	41.9	42.7	46.7
Nevada.....	1,124.8	1,130.6	1,129.1	1,140.7	13.4	15.9	13.7	15.9	51.3	47.5	51.8	49.2
New Hampshire.....	622.5	619.3	628.6	627.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	21.6	21.2	22.5	22.2
New Jersey.....	3,839.1	3,877.0	3,872.2	3,922.9	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	126.9	124.0	131.0	123.4
New Mexico.....	807.7	809.2	808.7	807.2	20.6	22.8	20.9	22.8	42.7	41.7	42.9	42.2
New York.....	8,668.3	8,778.6	8,725.7	8,860.2	5.1	5.0	5.4	5.3	296.2	290.5	310.3	301.0
North Carolina.....	3,938.0	3,962.0	3,954.8	3,973.5	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.5	174.1	171.2	176.6	171.3
North Dakota.....	388.9	414.7	395.8	422.5	15.1	21.3	15.7	22.3	21.1	25.1	23.8	27.2
Ohio.....	5,087.8	5,136.1	5,124.1	5,195.8	11.5	11.8	11.7	12.1	166.8	167.4	174.8	179.2
Oklahoma.....	1,554.2	1,588.9	1,557.2	1,594.6	49.4	55.0	50.0	56.7	68.3	64.8	68.2	66.3
Oregon.....	1,617.8	1,621.6	1,624.5	1,638.8	6.6	6.6	6.8	6.8	66.2	67.6	67.7	67.3
Pennsylvania.....	5,704.2	5,738.8	5,733.3	5,761.8	31.7	38.3	32.5	39.1	217.9	216.6	226.0	223.1
Rhode Island.....	461.1	457.3	466.5	462.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	15.0	15.3	15.9	15.8
South Carolina.....	1,841.7	1,855.7	1,851.1	1,872.5	3.9	3.8	4.0	3.8	77.1	74.6	77.7	76.0
South Dakota ¹	403.4	404.8	411.3	412.4	-	-	-	-	19.6	19.6	21.7	21.4
Tennessee ¹	2,655.2	2,696.3	2,663.2	2,701.1	-	-	-	-	107.1	112.6	108.5	115.1
Texas.....	10,556.2	10,770.3	10,576.4	10,804.9	227.5	261.7	229.6	258.3	559.5	570.4	561.6	575.1
Utah.....	1,206.1	1,229.4	1,201.7	1,230.5	11.3	12.2	11.4	12.4	62.6	64.2	64.0	67.3
Vermont.....	295.5	297.1	298.4	302.1	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	12.1	12.8	13.7	14.1
Virginia.....	3,687.8	3,720.1	3,701.2	3,744.9	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.8	178.4	176.5	179.7	178.7
Washington.....	2,811.4	2,847.2	2,829.1	2,877.5	5.7	5.5	5.9	5.7	132.8	134.9	136.2	139.3
West Virginia.....	754.3	760.0	757.9	763.8	32.6	32.2	33.0	31.0	32.2	33.7	33.3	36.2
Wisconsin.....	2,742.4	2,714.5	2,772.0	2,753.5	2.7	2.7	3.0	3.0	87.7	79.3	95.1	86.5
Wyoming.....	279.3	280.9	287.4	289.4	26.4	27.3	26.7	27.4	19.3	19.4	20.8	20.2
Puerto Rico ¹	924.2	917.4	922.7	919.5	-	-	-	-	31.6	34.0	31.3	34.2
Virgin Islands ¹	44.8	43.3	44.1	41.8	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0

1 Mining and logging is combined with construction.

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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			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	237.1	239.4	237.2	240.1	361.9	365.8	362.5	365.3	23.1	22.6	23.3	22.8
Alaska.....	11.5	10.8	10.8	10.0	61.0	61.8	64.9	65.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.4
Arizona.....	148.9	150.4	149.8	150.6	471.3	477.8	471.7	481.5	36.5	36.6	36.6	36.6
Arkansas.....	160.6	155.6	160.3	157.4	238.0	236.2	236.2	235.7	14.9	14.2	14.8	14.3
California.....	1,238.2	1,237.8	1,243.9	1,242.9	2,627.7	2,677.6	2,641.4	2,683.4	428.2	446.0	428.1	447.0
Colorado.....	128.1	131.5	128.6	132.0	397.2	403.6	399.1	404.5	71.9	69.1	71.9	68.3
Connecticut.....	165.8	164.5	166.3	165.4	291.5	294.3	293.5	296.8	31.4	31.8	31.3	31.9
Delaware.....	25.6	25.2	25.9	25.5	75.1	74.5	75.3	75.6	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.7
District of Columbia.....	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	27.5	27.3	27.3	27.4	18.7	18.3	18.5	18.3
Florida.....	311.3	313.7	312.1	316.2	1,489.3	1,509.7	1,488.9	1,514.5	134.8	133.7	134.9	134.2
Georgia.....	350.7	352.6	352.2	355.6	819.3	834.1	823.4	840.1	98.6	95.2	98.5	95.4
Hawaii.....	13.2	12.7	13.1	12.7	109.9	112.2	110.1	112.4	8.1	7.9	7.9	8.2
Idaho.....	54.1	56.2	54.5	57.0	120.5	123.0	121.4	125.2	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7
Illinois.....	571.5	587.0	572.8	592.8	1,133.9	1,128.3	1,141.3	1,139.1	100.3	99.6	100.6	99.0
Indiana.....	461.6	482.2	463.0	485.0	546.3	546.9	551.7	553.9	34.2	34.4	34.6	34.8
Iowa.....	204.0	216.9	205.6	217.7	300.7	299.7	303.9	300.8	28.4	27.9	28.5	28.1
Kansas.....	160.3	164.3	160.6	164.8	253.1	251.9	254.5	253.1	28.3	26.6	28.2	26.8
Kentucky.....	211.6	218.4	211.1	219.1	362.4	366.5	363.9	367.4	26.7	26.6	26.8	27.1
Louisiana.....	138.4	141.1	139.3	139.7	373.0	381.3	373.9	379.0	23.7	24.3	24.5	24.6
Maine.....	50.2	49.3	50.8	50.1	112.8	114.4	114.7	116.0	8.3	7.8	8.3	7.8
Maryland.....	113.4	111.0	113.4	111.1	438.5	438.6	441.3	444.0	42.9	42.5	41.4	42.1
Massachusetts.....	253.1	253.8	253.6	254.8	541.3	550.6	545.7	559.3	83.5	83.4	83.9	84.4
Michigan.....	500.5	519.3	506.1	523.5	711.0	712.6	722.4	725.7	52.6	53.4	53.1	53.6
Minnesota.....	296.7	301.5	299.4	304.8	491.7	490.4	498.2	495.7	53.6	54.0	53.6	53.5
Mississippi.....	135.4	136.1	135.9	135.6	215.1	213.3	215.3	214.1	11.9	11.8	11.9	11.7
Missouri.....	245.7	253.1	246.5	252.1	515.6	506.9	517.9	508.9	58.5	57.8	58.7	57.6
Montana.....	16.6	16.7	16.7	16.7	85.2	84.5	86.4	85.8	7.2	7.4	7.2	7.3
Nebraska.....	93.0	93.0	93.4	93.4	196.1	195.4	197.5	199.3	16.8	17.0	16.7	17.1
Nevada.....	38.0	37.3	38.1	37.5	209.5	213.3	210.4	213.8	12.6	13.1	12.7	13.2
New Hampshire.....	66.4	65.7	66.5	65.8	131.7	129.2	133.0	131.8	11.0	10.9	11.1	11.0
New Jersey.....	253.0	250.3	253.8	250.3	805.5	812.8	811.9	824.2	76.2	67.2	76.3	68.0
New Mexico.....	29.1	29.4	29.1	29.7	132.5	133.1	133.4	133.1	14.4	13.9	14.7	13.9
New York.....	457.1	455.9	459.2	458.2	1,468.1	1,481.8	1,480.0	1,501.7	256.3	252.7	256.8	251.3
North Carolina.....	431.9	434.6	433.8	435.7	721.5	730.0	725.3	736.2	68.4	67.8	68.4	67.9
North Dakota.....	23.6	24.7	23.7	24.8	84.1	90.8	85.6	93.2	7.1	7.5	7.1	7.4
Ohio.....	633.0	649.1	635.0	655.1	947.4	967.4	953.3	973.1	75.8	77.6	76.2	77.7
Oklahoma.....	128.2	136.4	128.7	136.1	280.7	290.6	281.4	291.6	24.1	23.6	24.2	23.4
Oregon.....	165.7	164.2	166.5	166.2	307.7	312.0	309.8	317.1	32.2	32.6	32.0	33.5
Pennsylvania.....	561.9	568.7	564.8	568.3	1,086.4	1,095.3	1,094.5	1,104.4	90.9	89.1	91.2	90.2
Rhode Island.....	40.6	40.7	40.6	40.8	72.8	72.4	73.6	72.8	10.1	10.5	10.4	10.6
South Carolina.....	214.4	222.0	214.8	221.8	348.8	352.9	350.5	357.6	25.7	26.1	25.6	26.2
South Dakota.....	38.5	39.6	39.3	40.1	80.9	81.1	82.1	83.4	6.3	6.0	6.4	6.1
Tennessee.....	302.5	311.4	303.8	312.3	559.3	556.4	561.1	557.5	44.0	44.1	44.1	43.9
Texas.....	828.1	852.6	830.7	850.5	2,086.9	2,131.2	2,089.1	2,142.3	194.8	194.9	195.6	195.0
Utah.....	112.6	117.8	113.0	118.0	230.8	233.3	231.7	236.7	29.2	30.5	29.4	31.1
Vermont.....	30.5	30.6	30.6	31.2	55.1	55.6	55.9	56.9	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.9
Virginia.....	229.3	228.3	229.9	230.1	623.3	630.0	626.9	637.1	74.2	73.2	74.5	73.1
Washington.....	263.3	278.3	264.8	280.5	515.5	527.4	520.3	536.7	103.2	101.8	103.5	102.3
West Virginia.....	49.3	48.5	49.6	48.5	134.8	133.0	135.3	133.3	10.3	10.3	10.3	10.6
Wisconsin.....	438.6	442.2	441.7	448.0	503.5	501.1	508.5	507.7	46.5	45.8	46.5	45.7
Wyoming.....	8.8	9.0	8.9	8.9	51.3	51.9	52.2	52.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9
Puerto Rico.....	84.5	81.9	84.2	81.8	172.2	159.2	173.0	161.6	19.1	18.5	18.4	18.5
Virgin Islands.....	2.2	2.1	2.2	1.3	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.6	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8

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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	Financial activities				Professional and business services				Education and health services			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	92.4	92.9	93.8	93.2	212.6	217.2	211.6	216.7	216.0	218.0	215.9	218.6
Alaska.....	14.6	14.5	14.7	14.5	26.5	27.3	27.4	27.8	44.3	46.4	44.5	46.4
Arizona.....	166.1	168.4	165.7	169.3	346.3	355.7	343.1	351.5	354.3	363.1	355.2	365.1
Arkansas.....	48.7	46.7	48.3	47.2	120.9	116.3	119.1	117.3	168.0	171.6	166.9	171.4
California.....	758.5	769.1	759.4	771.3	2,109.7	2,193.9	2,111.0	2,201.8	1,843.7	1,891.1	1,841.1	1,889.9
Colorado.....	143.2	142.9	142.6	144.4	337.1	345.4	339.5	348.2	272.3	280.1	272.9	280.4
Connecticut.....	134.9	131.8	135.0	132.0	196.4	198.4	196.1	197.1	316.2	325.4	314.6	324.4
Delaware.....	42.3	43.3	42.3	43.3	56.2	56.0	55.6	54.3	66.3	68.5	66.4	69.1
District of Columbia.....	26.9	26.9	26.8	26.9	149.9	151.0	149.9	150.2	113.5	124.2	113.6	123.0
Florida.....	482.7	488.3	483.0	487.7	1,058.5	1,078.6	1,053.7	1,078.9	1,105.9	1,129.4	1,106.4	1,126.6
Georgia.....	209.4	207.4	210.0	207.5	549.3	571.8	547.2	571.2	502.1	508.5	501.1	510.7
Hawaii.....	26.5	27.3	26.5	27.8	75.0	75.6	74.5	74.6	75.7	75.7	75.9	76.2
Idaho.....	29.4	28.1	29.5	28.0	74.1	76.1	74.6	75.5	86.5	89.2	86.7	89.5
Illinois.....	361.3	362.5	361.8	363.6	826.1	850.8	826.0	851.3	848.3	858.0	849.7	856.8
Indiana.....	131.3	129.1	132.2	130.4	288.2	296.7	287.2	299.2	432.3	433.2	429.6	432.2
Iowa.....	100.3	101.2	100.5	101.0	124.9	123.6	123.8	122.0	219.6	220.2	216.9	218.4
Kansas.....	73.1	72.1	74.0	72.9	149.8	156.2	149.0	156.9	184.8	186.4	185.0	187.2
Kentucky.....	84.7	83.9	84.8	84.1	184.6	203.5	183.5	203.2	255.3	261.8	255.4	259.4
Louisiana.....	93.8	97.5	94.2	99.4	196.5	201.3	196.5	201.3	277.8	290.4	277.0	287.1
Maine.....	31.2	31.1	31.4	31.4	56.7	56.5	57.4	57.8	120.6	123.4	120.5	122.9
Maryland.....	142.4	142.0	142.6	141.8	395.3	406.8	395.2	405.5	407.9	424.0	408.0	424.1
Massachusetts.....	205.2	202.8	205.7	203.6	474.5	489.1	474.3	498.5	681.1	682.7	673.5	674.6
Michigan.....	191.1	196.0	192.5	199.7	551.4	575.4	559.8	579.2	619.4	633.1	619.1	631.5
Minnesota.....	173.5	175.7	174.1	176.1	324.3	334.5	326.1	338.6	471.5	483.3	471.9	484.7
Mississippi.....	44.6	45.2	44.6	45.7	94.8	92.5	94.2	91.1	134.7	138.2	133.4	136.4
Missouri.....	160.4	160.0	160.8	157.5	334.7	342.4	333.1	347.9	415.7	426.4	414.5	424.1
Montana.....	20.7	20.7	20.7	20.6	40.5	41.9	41.0	43.0	64.1	65.1	64.5	64.9
Nebraska.....	69.8	68.2	70.0	68.6	102.2	105.0	102.3	104.8	137.3	139.6	137.4	139.6
Nevada.....	52.4	50.7	52.2	50.6	138.8	139.1	138.5	142.1	103.6	105.4	103.6	106.4
New Hampshire.....	34.3	34.3	34.2	34.1	66.3	65.1	66.2	65.5	113.5	113.8	113.5	114.1
New Jersey.....	249.1	253.1	250.2	250.2	600.4	605.0	603.5	611.6	606.5	631.8	608.7	636.7
New Mexico.....	32.6	32.7	32.5	32.4	100.2	97.0	99.9	96.1	122.2	127.0	122.4	127.0
New York.....	677.2	691.7	678.5	696.4	1,129.7	1,179.1	1,130.2	1,188.7	1,758.9	1,789.1	1,747.0	1,780.8
North Carolina.....	203.0	203.7	204.3	204.8	510.3	517.0	509.2	512.9	548.1	557.5	547.5	555.8
North Dakota.....	20.9	21.5	21.1	21.8	29.2	32.7	29.2	33.8	56.2	58.1	56.3	58.4
Ohio.....	278.2	276.6	279.4	278.4	649.1	653.9	648.3	657.6	854.5	873.1	851.3	872.4
Oklahoma.....	79.3	81.3	79.5	81.4	173.1	180.4	172.7	180.0	205.1	207.5	205.4	206.7
Oregon.....	91.6	92.1	91.8	92.7	186.8	186.4	185.7	188.3	236.3	240.0	234.9	238.5
Pennsylvania.....	307.9	310.9	308.7	311.9	714.2	715.5	716.8	720.3	1,163.1	1,184.5	1,155.1	1,167.7
Rhode Island.....	30.7	30.5	30.6	30.8	54.1	54.4	54.4	54.7	105.8	105.2	105.6	104.4
South Carolina.....	96.0	94.9	96.7	95.9	230.1	231.2	230.3	235.9	217.4	219.9	217.5	221.0
South Dakota.....	28.1	27.9	28.1	28.1	28.6	30.3	28.7	30.0	65.1	67.0	65.5	66.8
Tennessee.....	135.2	134.2	136.0	134.4	319.1	325.5	318.9	325.8	381.9	390.2	382.1	389.4
Texas.....	636.1	646.9	637.0	646.7	1,333.4	1,363.4	1,330.1	1,373.6	1,413.5	1,465.6	1,416.6	1,467.1
Utah.....	68.2	71.3	68.0	70.3	157.9	163.1	158.5	167.6	160.7	163.2	155.8	157.6
Vermont.....	11.9	11.9	12.1	12.0	24.0	26.4	24.7	27.2	60.4	60.9	59.9	60.5
Virginia.....	180.7	187.6	181.6	189.5	666.7	663.8	664.8	670.1	469.8	483.8	470.1	482.2
Washington.....	137.5	136.6	137.4	138.0	339.1	342.1	338.6	347.2	382.8	392.3	383.1	393.1
West Virginia.....	27.6	27.1	27.6	27.6	62.5	63.7	61.9	63.0	123.3	126.8	122.8	126.5
Wisconsin.....	158.6	155.5	158.9	156.8	281.2	281.5	282.5	281.6	409.9	416.0	410.6	417.9
Wyoming.....	10.7	10.5	10.7	10.5	17.2	17.5	17.8	18.0	26.8	26.5	27.0	26.9
Puerto Rico.....	43.7	43.8	43.7	44.0	105.7	101.7	104.8	102.2	118.0	119.3	117.6	119.5
Virgin Islands.....	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.6

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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			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	171.5	176.1	171.8	178.9	79.7	82.7	79.8	82.2	386.9	376.0	386.3	376.0
Alaska.....	29.6	29.4	33.8	33.1	11.3	10.9	11.4	11.1	86.6	85.8	84.7	84.2
Arizona.....	265.1	272.9	264.3	274.2	89.5	87.8	90.0	87.5	423.5	427.3	421.4	412.5
Arkansas.....	101.6	106.3	101.9	106.8	44.0	44.5	43.2	44.4	221.8	225.5	222.2	225.9
California.....	1,526.6	1,554.4	1,541.8	1,579.8	491.0	484.0	493.4	485.7	2,469.8	2,423.8	2,464.7	2,425.4
Colorado.....	266.9	271.0	261.6	266.2	92.7	93.3	93.0	94.1	400.4	400.0	403.3	403.2
Connecticut.....	133.7	134.9	139.7	141.2	60.3	60.0	60.5	58.9	247.4	239.5	244.9	240.4
Delaware.....	42.2	42.7	44.5	45.1	19.6	19.2	19.8	19.4	65.3	64.5	65.2	64.4
District of Columbia.....	63.5	64.3	63.1	65.6	66.7	69.1	66.9	69.2	246.1	243.2	246.5	243.4
Florida.....	980.4	984.3	971.5	979.9	311.2	307.1	311.2	305.1	1,123.2	1,112.4	1,111.9	1,099.7
Georgia.....	388.8	385.4	393.4	390.4	155.0	152.7	156.0	153.6	674.0	672.4	672.3	671.1
Hawaii.....	102.3	107.5	102.6	108.0	25.8	25.6	25.9	25.8	127.2	127.1	128.1	127.7
Idaho.....	57.9	58.6	58.5	60.5	20.9	21.3	21.0	21.5	120.7	117.7	121.2	118.3
Illinois.....	519.5	524.8	534.2	540.3	248.9	242.1	251.2	243.5	853.2	843.8	854.0	843.4
Indiana.....	277.8	287.7	286.8	297.8	109.4	108.9	109.9	108.2	438.7	435.9	433.1	436.1
Iowa.....	131.1	130.2	135.6	135.7	56.4	57.9	56.6	58.6	257.1	254.0	257.9	255.4
Kansas.....	115.4	117.5	118.2	119.1	52.9	52.8	52.8	52.2	267.1	261.8	268.7	263.9
Kentucky.....	172.8	177.2	175.4	182.5	70.8	71.1	70.9	72.0	334.7	331.7	334.6	331.1
Louisiana.....	201.5	209.6	203.7	212.3	63.9	64.1	63.7	64.3	362.5	364.2	361.6	363.2
Maine.....	53.6	51.9	59.8	58.0	19.7	19.4	20.1	19.6	105.3	104.1	105.1	104.1
Maryland.....	230.1	232.5	240.6	242.3	114.1	115.8	114.6	117.0	514.2	515.9	513.1	513.1
Massachusetts.....	305.2	304.8	317.6	319.9	118.9	120.3	119.8	122.2	445.8	442.6	447.9	443.4
Michigan.....	369.8	370.0	389.8	389.6	165.6	168.9	167.3	169.2	638.5	627.3	625.2	617.2
Minnesota.....	232.8	223.3	246.3	236.4	114.7	117.5	115.1	116.9	422.8	416.0	421.2	417.8
Mississippi.....	120.3	118.2	121.6	119.5	34.0	34.5	34.3	35.2	247.7	248.6	245.2	247.7
Missouri.....	271.1	268.6	279.2	273.3	113.2	112.7	113.5	113.7	453.4	446.6	454.1	447.4
Montana.....	54.2	53.8	56.2	55.7	16.8	16.3	17.0	16.7	91.8	87.8	90.3	89.5
Nebraska.....	82.3	83.4	84.9	87.1	36.8	36.7	37.0	37.1	171.4	171.8	172.3	173.6
Nevada.....	318.0	324.5	320.1	327.7	32.8	34.0	33.0	34.4	154.4	149.8	155.0	149.9
New Hampshire.....	58.8	59.9	61.9	64.5	22.4	23.4	22.7	23.1	95.7	95.0	96.1	94.7
New Jersey.....	327.2	330.1	344.3	353.6	161.0	167.8	162.6	170.9	632.0	633.6	628.6	632.7
New Mexico.....	84.9	86.6	85.3	87.6	27.5	26.4	27.6	26.4	201.0	198.6	200.0	196.0
New York.....	747.8	763.5	775.3	797.0	371.6	370.4	374.5	373.1	1,500.3	1,498.9	1,508.5	1,506.7
North Carolina.....	399.3	399.9	410.4	408.3	155.1	153.8	156.0	155.5	720.7	721.0	717.7	719.6
North Dakota.....	34.5	35.9	35.7	36.1	15.6	16.3	15.7	16.1	81.5	80.8	81.9	81.4
Ohio.....	479.2	468.8	500.9	492.3	210.1	211.8	211.4	213.6	782.2	778.6	781.8	784.3
Oklahoma.....	144.7	144.1	145.8	145.3	60.7	59.7	60.7	60.5	340.6	345.5	340.6	346.6
Oregon.....	163.4	164.3	165.5	167.5	56.7	58.6	56.9	60.3	304.6	297.2	306.9	300.6
Pennsylvania.....	506.3	514.1	528.7	538.6	252.4	252.5	253.8	254.5	771.5	753.3	761.2	743.7
Rhode Island.....	48.0	46.5	50.8	49.8	22.0	20.8	22.2	21.2	61.8	60.8	62.2	61.4
South Carolina.....	214.2	214.2	220.4	217.9	68.8	69.8	69.0	70.0	345.3	346.3	344.6	346.4
South Dakota.....	41.4	39.4	44.0	42.1	15.5	15.2	15.7	15.0	79.4	78.7	79.8	79.4
Tennessee.....	267.9	273.1	273.3	276.3	101.4	101.6	102.0	102.8	436.8	447.2	433.4	443.6
Texas.....	1,046.0	1,093.5	1,061.5	1,108.5	365.4	379.3	367.0	381.5	1,865.0	1,810.8	1,857.6	1,806.3
Utah.....	115.2	114.8	112.9	111.5	33.7	34.2	34.1	34.5	223.9	224.8	222.9	223.5
Vermont.....	29.8	28.5	29.5	29.2	9.8	9.7	9.9	9.9	56.2	55.0	56.4	55.4
Virginia.....	347.1	354.6	359.2	362.5	186.8	186.3	187.3	188.9	720.7	725.2	716.4	721.9
Washington.....	268.6	275.2	274.0	280.6	107.7	105.4	108.6	106.4	555.2	547.7	556.7	547.7
West Virginia.....	72.5	74.2	74.3	75.6	54.7	54.5	54.8	54.7	154.5	156.0	155.0	156.8
Wisconsin.....	244.7	235.9	258.0	246.5	136.7	134.6	137.4	136.4	432.3	419.9	429.8	423.4
Wyoming.....	29.3	28.6	32.0	33.3	11.7	11.9	11.7	11.8	74.0	74.4	75.7	75.7
Puerto Rico.....	71.6	72.5	71.6	72.3	17.8	19.4	17.8	19.3	260.0	267.1	260.3	266.1
Virgin Islands.....	7.7	7.6	7.2	7.6	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.2	12.7	11.6	12.7	11.6

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Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted May 2012

(U.S. rate = 8.2 percent)



Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, May 2011 – May 2012

