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METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: MARCH 2008

Unemployment rates were higher in March than a year earlier in 309 of the 369 metropolitan areas, lower in 40 areas, and unchanged in 20 areas, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Fourteen areas, 12 of which are located in California, recorded jobless rates of at least 10.0 percent, while 9 areas registered rates below 3.0 percent. The national unemployment rate in March was 5.2 percent, not seasonally adjusted, up from 4.5 percent a year earlier.

Metropolitan Area Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

In March, 45 metropolitan areas reported unemployment rates of at least 7.0 percent, up from 26 areas a year earlier, while 69 areas recorded rates below 4.0 percent, down from 128 areas in March 2007. Two agricultural areas in California again registered the highest rates in March: El Centro, 16.4 percent, and Merced, 13.7 percent. Iowa City, Iowa, and Midland, Texas, posted the lowest jobless rates, 2.6 percent each. Overall, 193 areas recorded unemployment rates below the U.S. figure of 5.2 percent, 163 areas had higher rates, and 13 areas had the same rate. (See table 1 and the map.)

Two Florida areas, Cape Coral-Fort Myers and Punta Gorda, registered the largest unemployment rate increases from a year earlier (+3.0 and +2.9 percentage points, respectively). Twenty-one additional areas recorded rate increases of 2.0 percentage points or more, and another 96 areas had increases of 1.0 to 1.9 points. Two Oklahoma areas, Lawton and Oklahoma City, reported the only jobless rate decreases of 1.0 percentage point or more in March (-1.2 and -1.1 points, respectively).

Of the 49 metropolitan areas with a Census 2000 population of 1 million or more, Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich., continued to record the highest unemployment rate, 8.1 percent in March. The areas posting the next highest rates were Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif., 7.1 percent, and Providence-Fall River-Warwick, R.I.-Mass., 6.9 percent. Oklahoma City, Okla., reported the lowest jobless rate among the large areas, 3.3 percent. Seven additional large areas had rates below 4.0 percent. Forty-four large areas recorded higher unemployment rates than in March 2007, three posted lower rates, and two had no change. Among the large areas, Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif., had the largest over-the-year jobless rate increase (+1.9 percentage points), followed by Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. (+1.5 points). Nineteen additional large areas reported rate increases of 1.0 percentage point or more. Oklahoma City, Okla., registered the largest unemployment rate decrease from a year earlier (-1.1 percentage points). No other large area had a rate decrease greater than 0.2 percentage point.

Metropolitan Division Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Eleven of the most populous metropolitan areas are composed of 34 metropolitan divisions, which are essentially separately identifiable employment centers. In March, the division with the highest unemployment rate again was Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich., 9.1 percent. Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich., and Lawrence-Methuen-Salem, Mass.-N.H., recorded the next highest rates, 7.5 and 7.3 percent, respectively. Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, Md., continued to report the lowest jobless rate among the divisions, 2.7 percent. Five additional divisions registered rates below 4.0 percent. (See table 2.)

In March, 27 of the 34 metropolitan divisions recorded over-the-year unemployment rate increases, 2 had rate decreases, and 5 had rates unchanged from a year earlier. The division with the largest jobless rate increase was West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach, Fla. (+1.5 percentage points). Six additional divisions reported rate increases of 1.0 percentage point or more. No division registered a jobless rate decline from March 2007 greater than 0.2 percentage point.

In 7 of the 11 metropolitan areas that contain divisions, the ranges between the highest and lowest division jobless rates were 1.0 percentage point or more in March. The metropolitan area that had the largest rate difference among its divisions, 3.5 percentage points, was Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, Mass.-N.H. (Lawrence-Methuen-Salem, Mass.-N.H., 7.3 percent, compared with Framingham, Mass., 3.8 percent).

Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the 310 metropolitan areas for which nonfarm payroll data were available in March, 221 metropolitan areas recorded over-the-year increases in nonfarm payroll employment, 82 reported decreases, and 7 had no change. The largest over-the-year employment increase was posted in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Texas (+80,100), followed by New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, N.Y.-N.J.-Pa. (+65,500), Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+58,200), and Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, Wash. (+35,700). The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment were reported in Pascagoula, Miss. (+13.9 percent), Coeur d'Alene, Idaho (+5.7 percent), Kennewick-Pasco-Richland, Wash., and Odessa, Texas (+5.2 percent each), and Grand Junction, Colo. (+4.4 percent). (See table 3.)

The largest over-the-year decrease in employment occurred in Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich. (-45,300), followed by Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, Calif. (-35,300), Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif. (-21,700), Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach, Fla. (-20,800), Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. (-17,300), Cape Coral-Fort Myers, Fla. (-13,900), and Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice, Fla. (-13,200). The largest over-the-year percentage decrease in employment was recorded in Cape Coral-Fort Myers, Fla. (-5.8 percent), followed by Flint, Mich., and Naples-Marco Island, Fla. (-5.3 percent each), Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford, Va. (-4.8 percent), Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice, Fla. (-4.3 percent), and Saginaw-Saginaw Township North, Mich. (-3.5 percent).

Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 27 of the 38 metropolitan areas with annual average employment levels above 750,000 in 2007. The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment in these large metropolitan areas were reported in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Texas (+3.2 percent), Austin-Round Rock, Texas (+2.9 percent), San Antonio, Texas (+2.3 percent), Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, Wash. (+2.1 percent), and Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+2.0 percent). Among the large areas, the largest over-the-year percentage decreases were reported in Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich. (-2.3 percent), Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif. (-1.7 percent), Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. (-1.3 percent), Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach, Fla. (-0.8 percent), and Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, Ohio, and Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, Calif. (-0.6 percent each).

Metropolitan Division Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Nonfarm payroll employment data were available in March 2008 for 32 metropolitan divisions, which are essentially separately identifiable employment centers within a metropolitan area. Twenty of the 32 metropolitan divisions reported over-the-year increases in employment, 11 reported losses, and 1 had no change. The largest over-the-year increases in nonfarm employment for the metropolitan divisions occurred in New York-White Plains-Wayne, N.Y.-N.J. (+52,200), Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas (+40,800), Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (+29,400), Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, Mass.-N.H. (+24,200), Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va. (+23,900), and San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City, Calif. (+20,200). The largest over-the-year declines in nonfarm employment were recorded in Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich. (-28,000), Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine, Calif. (-21,700), Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich. (-17,300), Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, Calif. (-13,600), and Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach, Fla. (-9,800). (See table 4.)

The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment among the metropolitan divisions were reported in Tacoma, Wash. (+2.3 percent); San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City, Calif. (+2.1 percent); and Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas; Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas; and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (+2.0 percent each). The largest over-the-year percentage declines in employment among metropolitan divisions were seen in Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich. (-3.6 percent), Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich. (-1.5 percent), Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine, Calif. (-1.4 percent), West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach, Fla. (-1.3 percent), and Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach, Fla. (-1.2 percent).

The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for April is scheduled to be issued on Friday, May 16. The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for April is scheduled to be issued on Wednesday, May 28.

Hurricane Katrina

For March, BLS and its state partners continued to make modifications to the usual estimation procedures for the LAUS program to reflect the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the labor force statistics in affected areas. These modifications included: (1) modifying the state population controls to account for displacement due to Katrina; (2) developing labor force estimates for the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area using an alternative to the model-based method; and (3) not publishing labor force estimates for the months immediately following the hurricane for the parishes within the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area or cities within those parishes, where the quality of input data was severely compromised by the hurricane.

For more information on LAUS procedures and estimates for March 2008, see *Hurricane Information: Katrina and Rita* on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/Katrina/home.htm> or call (202) 691-6392.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1 and 2) for 377 metropolitan statistical areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs), including those in Puerto Rico. Estimates for over 30 metropolitan and NECTA divisions also are presented. Nonfarm payroll employment estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 3 and 4) are provided for most of the same areas. State estimates were previously published in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*, and are republished in this release for ease of reference. 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 labor force includes both the employed and the unemployed. Employed persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the survey 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 did not work at all (in the reference week), had actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the survey reference week), and were currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

Method of estimation. Effective January 2005, estimates for all census divisions, states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, and New York City were produced using updated time-series models with real-time benchmarking. Model-based estimation was extended to the following areas and respective balances-of-state: Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL Metropolitan Division; Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, OH Metropolitan Statistical Area; Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI Metropolitan Statistical Area; Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Metropolitan Division; New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner, LA Metropolitan Statistical Area; and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Metropolitan Division. This will improve the statistical basis of the estimation for these areas and provide important tools for analysis, such as measures of errors and seasonally adjusted series. For all other substate areas, estimates are prepared through indirect estimation

procedures. Employment estimates, which are based largely on “place of work” estimates from the CES program, are adjusted to refer to place of residence as used in the CPS. Unemployment estimates are aggregates of persons previously employed in industries covered by state unemployment (UI) laws and entrants to the labor force data from the CPS. The substate estimates of employment and unemployment, which geographically exhaust the entire state, are adjusted proportionally to ensure that they add to the independently estimated state or balance-of-state totals. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually implemented with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation at the state and selected area level. All substate estimates are adjusted to add to the revised model-based estimates.

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.

Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample survey and administrative data 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 special estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Model-based error measures, including for over-the-month change, are available for states on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm>. Measures of nonsampling error are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in *Employment and Earnings Online* at <http://www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm>.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm>. Information on

recent benchmark revisions for states is available at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

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 November 20, 2007. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>

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 unadjusted and seasonally adjusted labor force and unemployment data for states, census regions and divisions, and eight areas are available in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force and unemployment for all states, metropolitan areas, labor market areas, counties, cities with a population of 25,000 or more, and other areas used in the administration of various federal economic assistance programs are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/>. Employment data from the CES program are available at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Alabama	2,165.1	2,185.1	2,168.6	2,190.4	80.9	89.8	69.7	88.7	3.7	4.1	3.2	4.1
Anniston-Oxford	54.5	54.8	54.5	54.9	2.0	2.1	1.7	2.2	3.7	3.9	3.2	3.9
Auburn-Opelika	64.5	66.6	64.8	66.9	2.2	2.5	1.8	2.5	3.4	3.7	2.8	3.8
Birmingham-Hoover	535.8	536.4	535.4	537.6	18.1	19.5	15.6	19.6	3.4	3.6	2.9	3.6
Decatur	71.5	73.4	71.6	73.4	2.6	3.9	2.2	2.8	3.6	5.3	3.0	3.9
Dothan	66.1	66.3	66.4	66.1	2.2	2.6	1.9	2.5	3.3	3.9	2.9	3.8
Florence-Muscle Shoals	68.0	69.4	68.4	69.4	2.8	3.1	2.3	2.9	4.1	4.5	3.3	4.1
Gadsden	45.6	45.5	45.8	45.6	2.0	2.1	1.7	2.0	4.3	4.5	3.8	4.4
Huntsville	199.5	204.3	199.7	204.9	6.1	6.4	5.0	6.3	3.1	3.1	2.5	3.1
Mobile	184.0	185.2	184.8	186.2	6.8	7.7	5.9	7.7	3.7	4.1	3.2	4.1
Montgomery	169.6	173.0	169.8	173.4	6.3	7.0	5.3	7.2	3.7	4.1	3.1	4.2
Tuscaloosa	99.3	99.9	99.2	100.0	3.2	3.5	2.9	3.6	3.2	3.5	2.9	3.6
Alaska	348.4	350.7	347.8	353.0	24.9	26.9	23.1	26.2	7.2	7.7	6.6	7.4
Anchorage	193.0	194.0	192.1	194.8	11.7	12.6	10.9	12.5	6.1	6.5	5.7	6.4
Fairbanks	45.1	45.0	45.3	45.5	2.7	3.0	2.5	2.9	6.1	6.6	5.6	6.3
Arizona	3,006.6	3,063.2	3,011.6	3,066.9	108.1	121.8	104.8	119.8	3.6	4.0	3.5	3.9
Flagstaff	68.5	70.0	69.0	70.3	2.8	3.0	2.6	2.8	4.0	4.3	3.7	4.0
Lake Havasu City-Kingman	91.9	93.2	92.6	93.4	4.0	5.0	4.0	4.9	4.3	5.4	4.3	5.2
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	2,036.7	2,078.8	2,041.0	2,081.5	65.5	73.8	63.2	73.3	3.2	3.5	3.1	3.5
Prescott	96.6	99.9	97.0	100.1	3.5	4.0	3.4	4.0	3.6	4.0	3.5	4.0
Tucson	459.2	458.8	457.7	459.0	16.2	18.1	15.5	17.7	3.5	4.0	3.4	3.9
Yuma	75.8	79.9	76.3	79.5	6.5	7.2	6.8	7.0	8.6	9.0	8.9	8.8
Arkansas	1,356.9	1,349.9	1,365.3	1,364.5	80.1	77.0	71.2	68.3	5.9	5.7	5.2	5.0
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	227.1	227.0	228.3	228.2	9.6	9.6	8.2	8.4	4.2	4.2	3.6	3.7
Fort Smith	138.0	136.6	138.8	137.6	8.3	7.0	7.4	6.1	6.0	5.1	5.3	4.5
Hot Springs	42.4	42.6	42.9	42.9	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.2	6.2	5.8	5.4	5.0
Jonesboro	56.6	56.3	56.8	56.9	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.8	5.8	5.5	5.1	4.9
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	334.9	334.9	337.5	336.3	17.0	16.3	15.1	14.5	5.1	4.9	4.5	4.3
Pine Bluff	45.1	43.6	45.4	44.1	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.1	8.2	7.7	7.4	7.0
California	18,073.3	18,233.8	18,092.2	18,299.2	970.1	1,115.4	930.0	1,177.0	5.4	6.1	5.1	6.4
Bakersfield	343.3	353.0	339.6	352.6	31.1	35.3	30.0	38.1	9.1	10.0	8.8	10.8
Chico	103.6	105.2	103.5	105.5	7.3	8.2	7.1	8.7	7.0	7.8	6.9	8.2
El Centro	65.4	69.7	64.6	67.7	9.4	12.1	8.8	11.1	14.4	17.3	13.6	16.4
Fresno	416.5	433.1	416.3	433.2	40.9	45.8	37.8	48.2	9.8	10.6	9.1	11.1
Hanford-Corcoran	56.8	59.0	57.0	59.6	6.1	6.5	5.3	6.8	10.7	11.0	9.3	11.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	6,524.2	6,575.9	6,527.6	6,590.9	295.3	339.6	287.1	361.8	4.5	5.2	4.4	5.5
Madera	62.9	64.1	61.6	63.5	5.4	6.2	5.2	6.7	8.5	9.6	8.5	10.6
Merced	100.7	105.3	100.1	105.7	12.1	14.1	11.2	14.5	12.0	13.4	11.2	13.7
Modesto	229.1	232.9	229.1	235.1	21.5	25.1	20.5	26.7	9.4	10.8	8.9	11.3
Napa	72.4	73.4	72.9	74.1	3.1	3.4	2.9	3.6	4.7	4.7	4.0	4.8
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura	429.2	425.4	432.3	429.2	20.1	23.4	18.9	23.9	4.3	5.5	4.4	5.6
Redding	83.7	85.7	84.1	86.1	7.0	8.4	6.8	8.7	8.4	9.8	8.1	10.1
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario	1,796.5	1,793.9	1,800.7	1,800.2	96.5	121.0	93.6	127.1	5.4	6.7	5.2	7.1
Sacramento—Arden-Arcade—Roseville	1,055.0	1,064.7	1,057.2	1,069.3	56.9	66.0	54.3	69.2	5.4	6.2	5.1	6.5
Salinas	198.4	202.2	199.2	205.1	21.3	23.1	18.3	23.0	10.7	11.4	9.2	11.2
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos	1,538.9	1,541.9	1,541.2	1,548.1	66.1	77.9	64.2	81.7	4.3	5.0	4.2	5.3
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,223.9	2,237.7	2,226.2	2,246.6	95.6	105.3	92.8	113.1	4.3	4.7	4.2	5.0
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara	876.5	885.1	877.7	890.0	41.2	45.7	39.6	48.7	4.7	5.2	4.5	5.5
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles	135.9	137.3	136.4	137.8	5.7	6.6	5.5	7.0	4.2	4.8	4.1	5.1
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Goleta	213.7	216.0	216.3	218.1	10.2	11.1	9.5	11.5	4.7	5.1	4.4	5.3
Santa Cruz-Watsonville	145.8	149.4	145.2	149.6	11.3	12.0	10.2	12.5	7.7	8.0	7.0	8.3
Santa Rosa-Petaluma	259.9	263.4	260.3	264.6	11.4	13.1	11.0	13.8	4.4	5.0	4.2	5.2
Stockton	289.8	299.1	291.9	301.1	25.2	29.5	23.9	30.9	8.7	9.9	8.2	10.3
Vallejo-Fairfield	210.2	210.5	210.9	211.8	11.0	12.9	10.6	13.6	5.3	6.1	5.0	6.4
Visalia-Porterville	190.1	192.2	190.2	194.0	21.2	22.1	19.7	23.5	11.2	11.5	10.4	12.1
Yuba City	69.4	70.4	69.7	71.0	7.5	8.6	7.2	9.1	10.9	12.3	10.4	12.8
Colorado	2,664.8	2,738.9	2,665.0	2,744.7	107.1	129.6	102.0	129.8	4.0	4.7	3.8	4.7
Boulder	174.6	178.7	174.9	179.4	6.0	7.2	5.8	7.2	3.4	4.0	3.3	4.0
Colorado Springs	309.0	319.9	309.9	320.8	13.7	17.5	13.4	18.0	4.4	5.5	4.3	5.6
Denver-Aurora	1,355.6	1,392.6	1,356.1	1,400.2	55.7	66.6	52.9	67.1	4.1	4.8	3.9	4.8
Fort Collins-Loveland	170.3	176.6	170.6	176.9	6.4	7.6	6.1	7.5	3.8	4.3	3.6	4.2
Grand Junction	76.7	80.9	76.9	81.0	2.7	3.2	2.5	3.1	3.5	4.0	3.3	3.9
Greeley	117.2	121.5	116.9	120.5	5.3	6.4	5.1	6.1	4.6	5.2	4.3	5.1
Pueblo	71.3	74.3	72.3	74.5	3.7	4.5	3.5	4.5	5.3	6.0	4.8	6.0
Connecticut	1,837.3	1,866.4	1,849.1	1,874.6	89.0	102.4	80.7	103.6	4.8	5.5	4.4	5.5
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	465.8	474.0	469.7	476.7	19.8	23.3	18.0	23.6	4.2	4.9	3.8	4.9
Danbury	90.1	91.7	91.2	92.5	3.4	4.1	3.1	4.0	3.8	4.4	3.4	4.4
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	578.7	589.2	582.5	593.0	29.3	32.9	26.7	33.5	5.1	5.6	4.6	5.7
New Haven	307.4	310.8	308.2	310.2	15.2	17.5	13.9	17.7	4.9	5.6	4.5	5.7
Norwich-New London	148.7	150.2	149.6	150.6	6.9	7.8	6.2	7.9	4.6	5.2	4.1	5.2
Waterbury	100.6	102.3	100.8	103.0	6.3	7.7	5.8	7.9	6.3	7.5	5.7	7.6

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Delaware	439.7	442.0	442.6	445.0	16.5	18.4	15.5	17.6	3.7	4.2	3.5	4.0
Dover	74.7	74.9	75.1	75.2	2.6	3.0	2.4	2.8	3.5	4.0	3.2	3.7
District of Columbia	323.5	329.0	324.0	333.0	18.4	19.1	17.4	21.5	5.7	5.8	5.4	6.4
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria	2,956.5	2,984.2	2,968.5	3,003.4	92.7	100.0	85.6	102.3	3.1	3.3	2.9	3.4
Florida	9,045.8	9,148.6	9,108.2	9,184.5	319.0	413.5	312.3	435.1	3.5	4.5	3.4	4.7
Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice	332.3	324.8	334.9	327.5	11.1	16.2	11.1	17.4	3.3	5.0	3.3	5.3
Cape Coral-Fort Myers	290.8	285.3	293.0	286.6	10.3	17.7	10.2	18.7	3.5	6.2	3.5	6.5
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach	247.4	249.1	249.8	250.8	9.2	12.3	8.9	13.0	3.7	5.0	3.6	5.2
Fort Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin	94.9	97.0	96.6	98.4	2.7	3.5	2.6	3.5	2.9	3.6	2.7	3.6
Gainesville	132.9	136.3	133.2	136.8	3.6	4.2	3.6	4.3	2.7	3.1	2.7	3.2
Jacksonville	653.6	663.8	659.6	669.1	23.2	29.3	22.4	30.7	3.5	4.4	3.4	4.6
Lakeland-Winter Haven	265.9	268.1	268.6	269.3	10.1	12.8	9.9	13.5	3.8	4.8	3.7	5.0
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,802.7	2,824.2	2,810.0	2,820.4	95.3	115.1	93.7	120.9	3.4	4.1	3.3	4.3
Naples-Marco Island	155.5	151.6	157.5	152.6	4.8	7.3	4.7	7.7	3.1	4.8	3.0	5.0
Ocala	134.1	136.4	135.1	137.6	5.4	7.9	5.2	8.3	4.0	5.8	3.9	6.0
Orlando-Kissimmee	1,074.4	1,097.1	1,081.0	1,103.0	36.5	47.2	35.8	49.9	3.4	4.3	3.3	4.5
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville	258.3	260.6	259.7	262.9	10.2	13.2	10.0	13.8	3.9	5.1	3.8	5.3
Palm Coast	30.2	31.0	30.6	31.2	1.7	2.3	1.7	2.4	5.8	7.5	5.6	7.8
Panama City-Lynn Haven	83.2	85.3	85.0	86.7	3.1	3.8	2.8	3.7	3.7	4.4	3.3	4.3
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent	204.4	209.5	206.5	210.8	7.1	8.9	7.1	9.2	3.5	4.2	3.4	4.4
Port St. Lucie	184.6	187.0	186.2	188.7	7.9	10.9	7.7	11.6	4.3	5.8	4.1	6.2
Punta Gorda	68.8	68.0	69.4	68.6	2.8	4.4	2.8	4.7	4.0	6.5	4.0	6.9
Sebastian-Vero Beach	60.1	60.8	60.7	61.4	2.8	3.6	2.7	3.8	4.6	6.0	4.4	6.2
Tallahassee	183.5	185.9	184.7	187.3	5.3	6.2	5.2	6.5	2.9	3.3	2.8	3.5
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,323.8	1,340.6	1,336.9	1,344.2	48.8	64.7	47.7	68.2	3.7	4.8	3.6	5.1
Georgia	4,779.1	4,845.8	4,792.4	4,883.9	205.6	254.4	194.5	256.8	4.3	5.3	4.1	5.3
Albany	75.7	75.5	75.8	75.9	3.6	4.2	3.5	4.1	4.8	5.5	4.6	5.5
Athens-Clarke County	103.9	106.0	103.9	106.1	3.6	4.6	3.5	4.6	3.5	4.3	3.4	4.3
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta	2,710.7	2,756.5	2,718.6	2,781.5	112.9	139.4	106.5	141.4	4.2	5.1	3.9	5.1
Augusta-Richmond County	255.1	256.1	256.0	258.4	13.8	14.0	12.6	13.6	5.4	5.5	4.9	5.3
Brunswick	52.6	53.2	52.7	53.1	1.9	2.4	1.8	2.3	3.6	4.5	3.3	4.4
Columbus	128.6	128.7	128.3	129.0	6.9	7.1	6.3	7.0	5.4	5.5	4.9	5.4
Dalton	68.0	68.8	68.2	69.2	2.8	4.3	2.9	4.4	4.2	6.3	4.3	6.4
Gainesville	88.5	91.1	89.0	91.7	3.0	4.0	2.8	4.1	3.4	4.4	3.2	4.4
Hinesville-Fort Stewart	30.0	30.4	30.2	30.8	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.6	4.9	5.2	4.5	5.0
Macon	111.3	112.1	110.8	112.7	5.4	6.2	5.0	6.2	4.8	5.5	4.5	5.5
Rome	49.2	49.4	49.5	49.6	2.1	2.9	2.4	2.7	4.3	5.8	4.9	5.5
Savannah	177.5	179.3	178.0	181.1	6.1	8.0	5.7	8.0	3.4	4.4	3.2	4.4
Valdosta	67.8	68.7	67.8	68.9	2.4	3.0	2.3	3.0	3.5	4.4	3.4	4.4
Warner Robins	68.0	69.2	68.2	69.7	2.4	3.1	2.2	3.0	3.6	4.4	3.3	4.4
Hawaii	650.4	648.4	653.6	659.0	14.3	19.6	15.5	19.6	2.2	3.0	2.4	3.0
Honolulu	451.4	449.4	453.8	456.5	9.7	12.5	10.4	12.3	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.7
Idaho	745.6	750.5	747.7	751.5	27.3	28.9	25.9	28.8	3.7	3.8	3.5	3.8
Boise City-Nampa	295.3	295.8	296.7	295.3	9.2	10.8	8.6	10.8	3.1	3.6	2.9	3.6
Coeur d'Alene	67.5	71.7	68.0	71.3	3.1	3.5	2.8	3.3	4.6	4.9	4.2	4.6
Idaho Falls	60.3	61.0	61.1	62.0	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.7	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.7
Lewiston	29.3	29.4	30.1	29.5	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.3	4.4	4.9	3.8	4.6
Pocatello	44.7	43.3	44.8	43.3	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.6	3.5	3.6	3.3	3.6
Illinois	6,623.1	6,759.5	6,627.9	6,770.3	343.3	404.7	308.8	386.6	5.2	6.0	4.7	5.7
Bloomington-Normal	90.5	92.6	90.5	92.5	3.7	4.6	3.2	4.0	4.1	4.9	3.5	4.3
Champaign-Urbana	121.3	123.8	121.7	123.7	5.3	6.4	4.6	5.7	4.4	5.2	3.8	4.6
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	4,865.4	4,959.9	4,863.7	4,961.9	240.0	284.2	220.6	276.4	4.9	5.7	4.5	5.6
Danville	37.6	38.1	37.6	38.2	2.5	2.8	2.2	2.6	6.6	7.5	5.8	6.9
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	203.4	205.6	204.3	206.2	10.1	10.7	9.1	9.8	5.0	5.2	4.5	4.7
Decatur	53.3	54.8	53.7	54.9	3.3	3.6	2.9	3.4	6.1	6.6	5.4	6.1
Kankakee-Bradley	55.1	56.9	55.1	57.1	4.0	4.8	3.6	4.4	7.2	8.4	6.5	7.7
Peoria	199.9	204.0	200.4	206.0	9.9	11.4	8.5	10.4	4.9	5.6	4.2	5.0
Rockford	172.9	177.5	173.8	179.3	11.2	14.0	10.3	14.1	6.5	7.9	5.9	7.9
Springfield	113.0	115.0	113.4	115.7	5.7	6.2	4.9	5.7	5.0	5.4	4.3	5.0
Indiana	3,195.9	3,190.5	3,206.4	3,207.4	169.4	167.5	156.4	179.1	5.3	5.3	4.9	5.6
Anderson	61.0	59.3	61.2	60.0	4.5	4.0	4.1	4.4	7.4	6.8	6.7	7.3
Bloomington	96.9	97.1	96.3	96.9	4.7	5.0	4.2	4.6	4.8	5.2	4.4	4.8
Columbus	38.2	37.9	38.4	38.3	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.7	4.6	4.1	3.9	4.6
Elkhart-Goshen	101.0	100.0	101.4	100.6	5.2	5.3	4.8	5.9	5.1	5.3	4.7	5.8
Evansville	181.0	180.5	181.8	181.5	9.6	8.8	8.8	9.0	5.3	4.9	4.8	5.0
Fort Wayne	213.1	210.8	213.6	211.5	11.0	11.0	10.5	13.6	5.2	5.2	4.9	6.4
Indianapolis-Carmel	883.2	889.9	889.7	895.7	39.6	39.9	37.5	42.9	4.5	4.5	4.2	4.8
Kokomo	45.4	44.8	45.6	45.0	2.8	3.0	2.6	3.2	6.2	6.7	5.7	7.2
Lafayette	96.3	96.1	96.1	96.7	4.3	4.4	4.0	4.8	4.5	4.6	4.1	5.0
Michigan City-La Porte	52.4	52.4	52.5	52.8	3.3	3.2	3.0	3.4	6.3	6.2	5.8	6.3
Muncie	56.2	55.5	56.2	56.1	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.8	6.0	5.9	5.5	6.8
South Bend-Mishawaka	159.9	159.4	160.0	160.7	9.0	8.9	8.6	9.7	5.6	5.6	5.4	6.0

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Indiana—Continued												
Terre Haute	80.1	79.2	80.1	79.3	5.1	5.0	4.7	5.2	6.4	6.3	5.8	6.6
Iowa	1,651.3	1,658.8	1,651.6	1,663.4	71.8	69.5	66.9	65.5	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.9
Ames	48.6	48.9	48.0	48.8	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.7
Cedar Rapids	142.8	141.4	142.2	142.2	6.4	5.7	5.8	5.3	4.5	4.1	4.0	3.7
Des Moines-West Des Moines	307.3	310.6	305.6	310.9	12.3	12.1	11.2	11.3	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.6
Dubuque	51.9	52.0	51.8	52.0	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.3	5.0	4.7	4.7	4.3
Iowa City	89.8	90.1	89.5	90.1	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.3	3.0	2.8	2.8	2.6
Sioux City	76.8	75.4	76.5	75.7	3.1	2.9	3.1	2.9	4.1	3.9	4.1	3.8
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	93.4	94.1	92.6	94.0	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.5	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.7
Kansas	1,472.4	1,472.4	1,472.0	1,482.6	65.2	59.4	58.8	64.7	4.4	4.0	4.0	4.4
Lawrence	62.9	62.5	62.9	62.5	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.4	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.9
Topeka	120.2	120.0	119.5	120.7	6.4	5.6	5.3	6.0	5.3	4.7	4.4	5.0
Wichita	310.2	313.6	310.0	313.8	13.2	11.8	12.2	13.0	4.3	3.8	3.9	4.1
Kentucky	2,029.2	2,022.5	2,038.2	2,026.6	134.6	125.2	120.4	124.1	6.6	6.2	5.9	6.1
Bowling Green	62.9	63.6	63.0	63.6	3.6	3.3	3.1	3.2	5.6	5.1	4.9	5.1
Elizabethtown	54.5	53.8	54.6	53.7	3.4	3.2	2.9	3.1	6.3	6.0	5.4	5.9
Lexington-Fayette	233.8	234.3	235.1	233.8	11.8	11.2	10.4	11.0	5.0	4.8	4.4	4.7
Louisville-Jefferson County	621.7	622.9	623.4	625.9	37.0	35.0	36.1	35.1	5.9	5.6	5.8	5.6
Owensboro	56.0	56.4	56.0	55.8	3.5	3.3	2.9	2.9	6.3	5.8	5.2	5.2
Louisiana	1,960.2	1,975.4	1,983.2	2,001.5	69.3	69.7	69.8	86.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	4.3
Alexandria	66.1	67.0	67.0	67.5	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.9	3.5	3.5	3.5	4.3
Baton Rouge	356.2	356.5	361.0	360.5	12.4	12.3	12.7	15.3	3.5	3.4	3.5	4.2
Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux	99.7	100.5	101.0	102.1	2.5	2.5	2.6	3.3	2.5	2.5	2.6	3.2
Lafayette	128.3	131.0	129.9	132.1	3.3	3.3	3.4	4.3	2.5	2.6	2.6	3.2
Lake Charles	92.5	91.3	93.3	92.2	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.8	3.2	3.6	3.3	4.2
Monroe	79.6	79.1	79.9	79.8	3.3	3.1	3.3	3.8	4.2	3.9	4.1	4.8
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner	497.3	502.6	504.6	509.0	16.1	15.6	16.2	19.0	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.8
Shreveport-Bossier City	175.4	178.8	177.3	180.5	7.0	7.3	6.9	9.2	4.0	4.1	3.9	5.1
Maine	695.6	696.4	697.1	700.1	38.3	39.8	35.7	40.8	5.5	5.7	5.1	5.8
Bangor	71.1	71.5	71.0	71.8	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.9	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.5
Lewiston-Auburn	57.2	57.6	57.3	57.7	3.1	3.2	2.9	3.3	5.5	5.6	5.1	5.8
Portland-South Portland-Biddeford	202.3	201.9	202.8	203.1	7.9	8.4	7.5	8.8	3.9	4.2	3.7	4.3
Maryland	2,954.5	2,970.7	2,967.3	2,983.2	116.1	112.0	103.0	109.8	3.9	3.8	3.5	3.7
Baltimore-Towson	1,385.5	1,392.3	1,391.5	1,401.1	55.5	53.5	49.4	53.3	4.0	3.8	3.5	3.8
Cumberland	48.2	49.0	48.2	49.0	3.3	2.9	2.6	2.8	6.8	6.0	5.4	5.8
Hagerstown-Martinsburg	119.8	120.7	120.2	120.9	6.2	6.4	5.6	6.3	5.2	5.3	4.7	5.2
Salisbury	62.6	63.6	63.4	64.0	3.2	3.2	2.7	3.1	5.1	5.0	4.2	4.8
Massachusetts	3,393.0	3,384.6	3,397.5	3,393.4	173.7	167.6	163.4	163.9	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.8
Barnstable Town	124.6	123.1	125.4	123.9	8.1	8.2	7.5	7.8	6.5	6.7	6.0	6.3
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	2,474.2	2,477.0	2,476.5	2,484.4	113.7	109.1	105.7	106.5	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.3
Leominster-Fitchburg-Gardner	72.6	72.0	72.6	72.1	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	6.3	6.2	6.2
New Bedford	85.6	84.3	85.0	84.1	7.0	6.9	6.3	6.5	8.2	8.2	7.4	7.8
Pittsfield	39.0	38.8	38.8	38.7	2.1	1.9	2.0	1.9	5.3	5.0	5.1	5.0
Springfield	344.4	342.5	345.3	343.3	19.8	19.4	18.7	18.9	5.8	5.7	5.4	5.5
Worcester	290.8	290.3	291.5	290.9	15.7	15.4	14.7	15.1	5.4	5.3	5.0	5.2
Michigan	5,007.9	4,960.5	5,016.6	4,966.9	365.1	384.3	366.7	390.6	7.3	7.7	7.3	7.9
Ann Arbor	191.4	188.7	191.6	188.5	8.8	9.3	8.8	9.3	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.9
Battle Creek	70.2	68.4	70.3	68.7	5.0	5.1	5.0	4.8	7.2	7.4	7.2	7.0
Bay City	55.2	54.3	55.1	54.6	4.1	4.2	4.0	4.3	7.5	7.7	7.3	7.8
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	2,131.7	2,115.2	2,140.7	2,113.6	152.7	161.9	158.2	171.7	7.2	7.7	7.4	8.1
Flint	212.1	205.6	211.0	205.4	19.3	19.1	18.0	21.8	9.1	9.3	8.6	10.6
Grand Rapids-Wyoming	411.9	410.9	411.5	411.6	25.5	26.8	25.2	25.8	6.2	6.5	6.1	6.3
Holland-Grand Haven	136.5	135.5	136.7	135.8	8.0	8.8	7.9	8.4	5.9	6.5	5.7	6.1
Jackson	78.1	76.5	78.3	76.6	6.1	6.3	6.1	6.1	7.8	8.3	7.8	7.9
Kalamazoo-Portage	177.5	176.0	177.8	177.3	10.5	11.0	10.3	10.5	5.9	6.3	5.8	5.9
Lansing-East Lansing	252.2	250.1	251.9	250.7	14.9	15.8	14.7	15.3	5.9	6.3	5.8	6.1
Monroe	77.6	76.6	78.3	77.3	5.0	5.8	5.1	5.8	6.4	7.6	6.5	7.5
Muskegon-Norton Shores	89.1	89.1	89.1	89.5	6.5	7.0	6.4	6.8	7.3	7.9	7.2	7.6
Niles-Benton Harbor	78.3	80.3	78.5	80.8	6.0	6.3	5.7	5.9	7.6	7.8	7.2	7.3
Saginaw-Saginaw Township North	98.3	95.3	98.1	95.8	7.5	7.7	7.3	8.1	7.6	8.1	7.5	8.5
Minnesota	2,910.0	2,900.9	2,914.7	2,920.3	147.2	149.6	144.4	156.3	5.1	5.2	5.0	5.4
Duluth	144.2	144.0	143.6	144.9	8.9	9.0	8.7	9.2	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.4
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington	1,833.8	1,836.9	1,834.7	1,846.6	81.5	83.9	80.9	88.9	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.8
Rochester	102.8	103.9	103.1	104.5	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.8	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.6
St. Cloud	107.0	107.2	107.9	108.5	6.0	6.1	5.8	6.3	5.6	5.7	5.4	5.8
Mississippi	1,305.6	1,311.5	1,306.2	1,325.8	86.2	77.9	81.9	78.7	6.6	5.9	6.3	5.9
Gulfport-Biloxi	111.5	112.7	111.6	113.7	6.7	5.6	6.3	5.6	6.0	5.0	5.7	4.9
Hattiesburg	65.8	66.3	65.6	67.0	3.3	3.1	3.3	3.2	5.0	4.7	5.0	4.7

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Mississippi—Continued												
Jackson	259.0	258.9	260.2	259.8	14.0	12.1	14.0	12.5	5.4	4.7	5.4	4.8
Pascagoula	68.3	69.8	68.8	70.2	4.3	3.8	4.2	3.7	6.3	5.4	6.1	5.3
Missouri	3,015.9	3,003.1	3,022.1	3,014.9	164.1	181.0	146.1	182.5	5.4	6.0	4.8	6.1
Columbia	92.9	92.7	93.3	93.1	3.7	3.9	3.2	4.0	4.0	4.3	3.4	4.3
Jefferson City	77.6	77.4	77.5	77.5	3.7	3.7	3.1	3.8	4.7	4.8	4.0	4.9
Joplin	84.3	83.9	84.3	84.1	4.0	4.2	3.7	4.4	4.7	5.0	4.4	5.2
Kansas City	1,033.2	1,032.8	1,033.2	1,038.2	54.3	55.2	49.5	57.5	5.3	5.3	4.8	5.5
St. Joseph	68.4	68.3	68.5	68.4	3.4	3.6	3.0	3.7	5.0	5.3	4.4	5.4
St. Louis ¹	1,440.1	1,427.6	1,439.1	1,439.3	81.1	89.2	72.4	92.1	5.6	6.2	5.0	6.4
Springfield	218.6	220.7	220.4	221.5	9.5	10.9	8.5	10.8	4.3	5.0	3.9	4.9
Montana	494.8	498.0	498.2	501.7	19.2	21.0	18.3	21.9	3.9	4.2	3.7	4.4
Billings	85.6	86.0	86.1	86.2	2.4	2.6	2.2	2.7	2.8	3.1	2.6	3.1
Great Falls	39.0	39.6	39.2	39.4	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.5	3.7	3.9	3.4	3.9
Missoula	59.0	58.1	59.3	58.2	2.1	2.4	2.0	2.4	3.6	4.1	3.3	4.1
Nebraska	973.8	980.0	976.2	986.5	31.7	31.4	28.4	31.7	3.3	3.2	2.9	3.2
Lincoln	167.9	169.2	167.8	170.3	5.0	4.8	4.4	5.0	3.0	2.9	2.6	2.9
Omaha-Council Bluffs	446.5	449.1	445.3	450.3	16.4	15.8	14.5	16.0	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.6
Nevada	1,320.7	1,375.6	1,321.6	1,381.3	60.1	78.6	58.3	80.5	4.5	5.7	4.4	5.8
Carson City	28.5	29.1	28.5	29.5	1.6	2.0	1.5	2.0	5.6	6.9	5.2	6.9
Las Vegas-Paradise	945.0	984.0	945.9	987.8	41.1	53.5	40.5	55.4	4.3	5.4	4.3	5.6
Reno-Sparks	222.8	232.3	222.9	232.9	10.7	14.5	10.1	14.5	4.8	6.2	4.5	6.2
New Hampshire	734.2	737.2	735.9	740.2	31.0	31.4	29.0	31.5	4.2	4.3	3.9	4.3
Manchester	106.9	107.9	107.2	108.6	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.6	4.1	4.2	3.8	4.2
Portsmouth	43.7	44.4	43.8	44.5	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.6	3.8	3.9	3.5	3.7
Rochester-Dover	82.2	83.5	82.1	83.9	3.3	3.4	3.1	3.3	4.0	4.1	3.8	4.0
New Jersey	4,456.1	4,486.3	4,461.4	4,481.7	207.4	238.2	195.6	230.8	4.7	5.3	4.4	5.1
Atlantic City-Hammonton	134.9	135.1	135.2	134.7	9.1	9.3	8.5	8.9	6.7	6.9	6.3	6.6
Ocean City	50.8	51.2	51.0	51.2	5.4	5.7	4.7	5.4	10.6	11.2	9.2	10.6
Trenton-Ewing	196.9	198.8	196.8	198.3	8.1	9.3	7.7	9.1	4.1	4.7	3.9	4.6
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	69.2	69.5	69.1	69.0	5.4	5.7	4.8	5.4	7.8	8.2	7.0	7.9
New Mexico	938.4	942.5	938.8	943.6	35.8	32.8	32.6	34.8	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.7
Albuquerque	405.8	406.4	406.4	406.9	14.8	13.9	13.3	14.7	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.6
Farmington	55.5	56.7	55.5	57.1	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.8	3.5	3.0	3.1	3.1
Las Cruces	87.0	87.9	87.0	88.2	3.9	3.5	3.6	3.7	4.5	4.0	4.1	4.2
Santa Fe	78.5	78.8	78.4	78.7	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.4	3.1	2.9	2.8	3.0
New York	9,472.2	9,496.1	9,469.3	9,493.3	459.3	474.3	416.5	480.2	4.8	5.0	4.4	5.1
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	452.7	452.4	452.0	452.4	20.0	23.2	18.1	23.1	4.4	5.1	4.0	5.1
Binghamton	123.3	123.2	122.9	123.2	6.5	7.0	6.0	7.1	5.3	5.7	4.9	5.7
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	575.9	577.7	575.0	577.8	31.1	36.3	28.0	35.8	5.4	6.3	4.9	6.2
Elmira	40.9	41.2	40.8	41.1	2.1	2.3	2.0	2.3	5.2	5.5	4.8	5.5
Glens Falls	66.0	66.5	65.4	66.2	3.7	4.3	3.3	4.2	5.6	6.5	5.0	6.3
Ithaca	56.6	56.4	56.2	56.4	1.9	2.0	1.8	2.2	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.9
Kingston	91.3	91.2	91.5	90.9	4.1	5.0	3.8	4.8	4.5	5.4	4.1	5.2
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island ...	9,277.4	9,317.1	9,287.3	9,314.9	425.2	438.9	392.7	442.4	4.6	4.7	4.2	4.7
New York City	3,836.1	3,842.8	3,837.9	3,839.7	192.2	168.3	174.8	178.1	5.0	4.4	4.6	4.6
Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown	322.8	323.0	322.6	322.9	14.2	16.4	13.2	16.3	4.4	5.1	4.1	5.0
Rochester	529.8	528.2	527.1	527.7	26.2	29.9	23.6	30.2	4.9	5.7	4.5	5.7
Syracuse	327.1	329.2	325.8	329.0	16.8	18.9	15.0	18.8	5.1	5.7	4.6	5.7
Utica-Rome	140.6	141.3	140.4	141.2	7.6	8.6	6.8	8.4	5.4	6.1	4.8	5.9
North Carolina	4,487.9	4,500.1	4,500.5	4,515.6	219.9	244.2	198.2	235.8	4.9	5.4	4.4	5.2
Asheville	202.2	204.8	203.5	204.9	8.1	9.4	7.2	9.0	4.0	4.6	3.6	4.4
Burlington	69.0	69.1	69.2	69.2	3.7	3.9	3.4	3.8	5.4	5.7	4.9	5.4
Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord	830.2	835.7	834.3	839.7	39.2	44.9	35.9	43.8	4.7	5.4	4.3	5.2
Durham	252.8	254.9	253.5	255.3	10.1	11.0	9.1	10.6	4.0	4.3	3.6	4.2
Fayetteville	148.4	147.0	147.9	146.7	8.3	8.3	7.5	8.0	5.6	5.7	5.1	5.4
Goldensboro	52.7	53.1	52.5	53.3	2.5	2.7	2.2	2.6	4.7	5.1	4.2	4.9
Greensboro-High Point	363.6	362.2	364.0	363.2	19.0	20.0	16.7	19.3	5.2	5.5	4.6	5.3
Greenville	87.0	87.4	87.1	88.0	4.6	4.7	4.1	5.0	5.3	5.4	4.7	5.7
Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton	173.6	171.1	173.5	171.6	10.7	11.3	9.8	11.0	6.1	6.6	5.6	6.4
Jacksonville	58.6	60.8	58.6	61.1	2.7	3.1	2.4	2.9	4.6	5.2	4.1	4.8
Raleigh-Cary	531.8	543.6	533.7	543.7	19.9	22.6	18.0	21.9	3.7	4.2	3.4	4.0
Rocky Mount	69.4	69.0	69.4	69.0	4.3	5.0	4.0	5.0	6.2	7.3	5.8	7.3
Wilmington	171.5	172.8	173.7	173.9	7.4	8.9	6.4	8.3	4.3	5.2	3.7	4.8
Winston-Salem	236.3	235.7	236.5	236.5	10.7	12.1	9.7	11.6	4.5	5.1	4.1	4.9
North Dakota	358.3	361.4	360.3	365.3	13.8	14.1	14.0	14.5	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0
Bismarck	61.1	62.4	61.3	62.8	2.2	2.4	2.1	2.4	3.5	3.9	3.5	3.7
Fargo	116.8	118.8	117.1	119.1	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.0	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.4
Grand Forks	56.0	56.5	56.2	57.0	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	4.0	3.8	4.0	4.1

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Ohio	5,906.7	5,903.3	5,929.8	5,936.1	353.1	352.3	331.5	361.9	6.0	6.0	5.6	6.1
Akron	384.0	384.2	384.5	387.4	22.4	22.1	21.1	22.8	5.8	5.7	5.5	5.9
Canton-Massillon	202.8	202.7	203.2	204.4	13.3	13.0	12.2	13.4	6.5	6.4	6.0	6.6
Cincinnati-Middletown	1,105.8	1,105.0	1,112.0	1,114.7	59.9	57.1	54.3	58.4	5.4	5.2	4.9	5.2
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor	1,085.1	1,072.2	1,086.3	1,073.2	66.7	68.3	62.0	68.0	6.1	6.4	5.7	6.3
Columbus	941.7	951.5	945.5	959.8	45.4	45.7	43.4	47.2	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.9
Dayton	424.4	423.1	425.6	426.6	25.4	25.1	23.9	28.8	6.0	5.9	5.6	6.7
Lima	51.8	51.3	51.9	51.8	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.5	6.7	6.5	6.2	6.7
Mansfield	62.2	61.3	62.0	61.4	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.4	6.8	6.7	6.5	7.2
Sandusky	40.4	40.2	40.9	41.1	3.0	3.0	2.7	3.3	7.3	7.4	6.5	8.1
Springfield	70.3	70.5	70.9	70.6	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.4	6.3	6.3	5.9	6.2
Toledo	335.0	334.7	338.5	336.1	21.7	23.6	23.2	24.2	6.5	7.1	6.9	7.2
Weirton-Steubenville	56.3	56.5	56.4	56.7	3.9	3.9	3.6	3.9	6.9	6.8	6.3	6.9
Youngstown-Warren-Boardman	276.4	275.1	276.8	277.2	18.5	18.9	17.5	18.8	6.7	6.9	6.3	6.8
Oklahoma	1,720.8	1,703.4	1,724.9	1,713.3	80.3	59.6	74.5	55.5	4.7	3.5	4.3	3.2
Lawton	45.3	44.9	45.1	45.1	2.2	1.6	2.0	1.5	4.8	3.5	4.5	3.3
Oklahoma City	566.8	549.9	568.2	552.8	26.8	19.2	25.0	18.1	4.7	3.5	4.4	3.3
Tulsa	441.5	430.1	442.8	430.8	19.5	15.1	18.1	14.1	4.4	3.5	4.1	3.3
Oregon	1,909.8	1,927.3	1,914.0	1,945.0	113.7	121.9	106.5	123.1	6.0	6.3	5.6	6.3
Bend	80.4	83.6	80.9	84.5	4.6	6.8	4.2	6.7	5.7	8.2	5.2	7.9
Corvallis	42.5	42.6	42.8	43.2	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.9	4.9	4.4	4.5	4.5
Eugene-Springfield	181.6	181.0	181.4	182.8	10.9	10.9	10.2	11.3	6.0	6.0	5.6	6.2
Medford	100.7	101.9	101.0	103.1	6.7	7.7	6.3	8.1	6.7	7.6	6.3	7.9
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton	1,143.3	1,154.3	1,143.8	1,163.6	61.7	64.7	57.8	65.5	5.4	5.6	5.0	5.6
Salem	187.8	188.9	188.9	191.4	11.9	12.2	11.3	12.2	6.4	6.5	6.0	6.4
Pennsylvania	6,227.9	6,276.9	6,245.0	6,277.4	299.6	351.0	279.8	330.6	4.8	5.6	4.5	5.3
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton	409.4	413.0	412.1	413.8	19.8	24.2	18.5	23.1	4.8	5.9	4.5	5.6
Altoona	63.6	64.2	63.8	64.3	3.0	3.6	2.8	3.4	4.8	5.5	4.4	5.3
Erie	138.1	140.2	138.6	139.5	7.2	8.7	6.9	8.3	5.2	6.2	5.0	6.0
Harrisburg-Carlisle	278.0	280.2	279.1	280.6	10.8	12.8	10.4	12.1	3.9	4.6	3.7	4.3
Johnstown	67.3	67.7	67.3	67.5	3.9	4.5	3.5	4.2	5.7	6.7	5.2	6.3
Lancaster	263.1	266.7	265.3	266.4	9.8	11.2	9.1	10.6	3.7	4.2	3.4	4.0
Lebanon	71.1	72.1	71.3	71.9	2.8	3.1	2.6	2.8	3.9	4.3	3.6	3.9
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington	2,934.4	2,945.9	2,937.0	2,948.3	130.7	151.7	124.2	145.3	4.5	5.2	4.2	4.9
Pittsburgh	1,182.1	1,186.8	1,184.8	1,191.1	57.5	66.6	52.6	62.2	4.9	5.6	4.4	5.2
Reading	200.1	200.8	200.9	200.2	9.3	10.9	8.7	10.4	4.6	5.4	4.3	5.2
Scranton—Wilkes-Barre	274.5	276.7	275.4	277.2	15.0	18.1	14.0	17.2	5.5	6.5	5.1	6.2
State College	72.5	74.1	72.9	74.3	2.7	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.7	4.3	3.6	4.2
Williamsport	59.1	59.2	59.1	59.0	3.3	4.0	3.1	3.8	5.7	6.8	5.2	6.4
York-Hanover	221.3	223.4	222.4	223.4	9.4	10.9	8.6	10.0	4.2	4.9	3.9	4.5
Rhode Island	575.5	568.1	572.1	568.4	31.5	37.9	28.4	38.1	5.5	6.7	5.0	6.7
Providence-Fall River-Warwick	711.2	701.6	709.0	702.4	41.2	47.5	38.7	48.2	5.8	6.8	5.5	6.9
South Carolina	2,113.0	2,106.6	2,119.2	2,126.4	131.8	123.8	114.6	118.0	6.2	5.9	5.4	5.5
Anderson	85.4	83.7	85.0	84.7	5.5	5.2	4.8	5.0	6.4	6.2	5.6	5.9
Charleston-North Charleston-Summerville	308.6	309.9	310.4	312.3	14.7	14.3	13.1	14.0	4.8	4.6	4.2	4.5
Columbia	366.5	365.9	366.5	369.0	19.6	18.0	17.8	17.8	5.3	4.9	4.9	4.8
Florence	92.6	95.1	93.0	95.6	6.5	6.1	5.7	5.9	7.1	6.4	6.1	6.1
Greenville-Mauldin-Easley	310.7	312.5	311.0	315.3	17.1	15.4	15.1	14.8	5.5	4.9	4.8	4.7
Myrtle Beach-North Myrtle Beach-Conway	124.6	126.8	127.9	129.7	7.6	8.4	6.2	7.4	6.1	6.6	4.9	5.7
Spartanburg	133.0	132.0	133.1	133.4	8.4	7.5	7.2	7.2	6.3	5.7	5.4	5.4
Sumter	46.0	43.5	45.9	44.2	3.4	3.3	3.0	3.2	7.4	7.6	6.5	7.3
South Dakota	434.1	436.7	437.6	439.9	15.4	13.4	15.1	13.2	3.5	3.1	3.4	3.0
Rapid City	64.9	65.6	65.3	66.3	2.2	2.0	2.1	1.9	3.4	3.0	3.2	2.9
Sioux Falls	125.8	128.4	126.8	129.0	3.9	3.5	3.9	3.5	3.1	2.7	3.1	2.7
Tennessee	2,998.8	3,024.0	3,009.2	3,033.0	147.9	174.3	139.2	177.5	4.9	5.8	4.6	5.9
Chattanooga	260.3	262.7	261.2	264.2	10.5	13.8	9.9	14.4	4.0	5.3	3.8	5.4
Clarksville	110.3	109.5	109.7	109.6	6.0	6.7	5.3	6.7	5.4	6.1	4.8	6.2
Cleveland	55.0	54.5	55.1	54.5	2.6	3.1	2.5	3.2	4.8	5.7	4.6	5.8
Jackson	55.6	56.6	56.0	56.6	3.0	3.5	2.8	3.5	5.4	6.1	5.0	6.2
Johnson City	98.5	99.3	98.6	99.6	4.4	5.5	4.3	5.5	4.5	5.5	4.3	5.5
Kingsport-Bristol-Bristol	143.6	143.8	144.0	144.3	6.6	7.3	6.1	7.3	4.6	5.1	4.2	5.1
Knoxville	351.3	354.4	352.1	355.7	13.6	16.6	12.6	16.6	3.9	4.7	3.6	4.7
Memphis	609.0	613.2	611.1	615.1	32.5	37.0	31.2	37.9	5.3	6.0	5.1	6.2
Morristown	64.4	64.4	64.5	64.4	3.7	4.2	3.4	4.2	5.7	6.6	5.2	6.5
Nashville-Davidson—Murfreesboro—Franklin	775.5	786.2	778.0	791.0	31.3	37.3	29.2	38.5	4.0	4.7	3.8	4.9
Texas	11,418.1	11,501.1	11,422.1	11,590.6	527.7	492.2	479.1	488.9	4.6	4.3	4.2	4.2
Abilene	80.1	80.3	79.8	80.7	3.1	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.5
Amarillo	128.0	128.1	127.7	128.7	4.6	4.1	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.2	3.3	3.1
Austin-Round Rock	838.7	855.2	841.7	860.7	31.7	31.0	29.2	31.4	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.6
Beaumont-Port Arthur	180.4	178.0	180.4	179.2	9.6	9.8	8.6	9.6	5.3	5.5	4.8	5.4
Brownsville-Harlingen	144.0	142.4	143.8	143.3	9.3	8.4	8.2	8.4	6.4	5.9	5.7	5.8

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Texas—Continued												
College Station-Bryan	104.2	103.4	104.1	104.2	4.0	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.8	3.3	3.5	3.3
Corpus Christi	197.9	196.4	198.4	198.2	9.3	8.5	8.4	8.3	4.7	4.3	4.2	4.2
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	3,071.8	3,101.0	3,074.8	3,114.9	139.5	132.9	126.6	132.1	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.2
El Paso	291.9	292.5	290.3	294.7	19.1	16.1	16.7	16.3	6.5	5.5	5.7	5.5
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown	2,701.0	2,742.6	2,702.6	2,763.2	122.0	114.0	110.9	113.1	4.5	4.2	4.1	4.1
Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	150.5	152.2	151.1	153.0	7.3	6.9	6.6	6.8	4.8	4.5	4.4	4.4
Laredo	89.1	88.6	89.1	89.2	4.6	4.4	4.1	4.4	5.2	5.0	4.7	5.0
Longview	104.6	105.7	105.3	106.9	4.4	4.0	4.0	3.9	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.7
Lubbock	140.1	138.2	139.3	138.7	5.3	4.6	5.3	4.6	3.8	3.3	3.8	3.3
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	274.0	272.7	271.9	275.3	19.9	17.9	17.5	17.5	7.3	6.6	6.4	6.4
Midland	70.2	72.0	70.6	72.3	2.2	1.9	2.0	1.9	3.1	2.6	2.9	2.6
Odessa	65.8	67.5	65.7	68.0	2.4	2.1	2.2	2.1	3.6	3.1	3.3	3.0
San Angelo	52.8	52.9	52.6	53.0	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.8	3.9	3.5	3.5	3.5
San Antonio	920.6	925.4	920.6	932.6	39.8	37.3	36.9	36.8	4.3	4.0	4.0	3.9
Sherman-Denison	55.4	56.1	55.4	56.1	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.6	4.8	4.7	4.4	4.7
Texarkana	62.0	61.6	62.2	62.2	3.3	2.9	3.0	2.7	5.3	4.7	4.8	4.3
Tyler	96.5	95.9	96.4	96.8	4.4	4.3	3.9	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.0	4.4
Victoria	57.1	57.5	56.7	57.8	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.9	3.5	3.6	3.4
Waco	111.1	112.5	113.3	113.4	4.8	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.3	3.9	4.1	3.9
Wichita Falls	73.7	74.1	73.9	74.4	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.9	4.3	4.0	3.9	3.9
Utah	1,337.2	1,382.6	1,339.6	1,383.5	36.1	45.8	33.3	48.4	2.7	3.3	2.5	3.5
Logan	65.7	67.6	65.6	67.3	1.4	1.7	1.3	1.8	2.1	2.5	1.9	2.7
Ogden-Clearfield	256.0	263.2	256.8	264.4	7.1	9.3	6.5	9.6	2.8	3.5	2.5	3.6
Provo-Orem	224.3	232.2	224.6	232.1	5.7	7.4	5.3	8.1	2.5	3.2	2.4	3.5
St. George	61.7	64.1	62.2	64.5	1.8	2.5	1.6	2.6	3.0	3.8	2.6	4.0
Salt Lake City	592.8	614.5	593.2	614.1	15.5	19.2	14.4	20.5	2.6	3.1	2.4	3.3
Vermont	354.1	350.6	354.0	350.0	16.4	17.5	15.7	18.4	4.6	5.0	4.4	5.3
Burlington-South Burlington	111.9	110.7	111.5	110.2	4.2	4.6	4.0	4.8	3.8	4.1	3.6	4.4
Virginia	4,011.9	4,066.3	4,035.0	4,108.0	127.0	154.9	118.2	159.1	3.2	3.8	2.9	3.9
Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford	79.2	77.9	79.5	78.5	3.3	3.4	3.1	3.5	4.2	4.4	3.9	4.5
Charlottesville	104.0	105.6	105.5	106.8	2.5	3.2	2.4	3.3	2.4	3.0	2.3	3.1
Danville	50.9	51.3	51.1	51.6	3.8	3.7	3.3	3.8	7.4	7.3	6.5	7.4
Harrisonburg	64.8	65.5	64.9	66.3	1.7	2.2	1.7	2.2	2.6	3.4	2.6	3.3
Lynchburg	120.3	123.1	121.0	124.4	4.3	4.8	4.1	5.0	3.6	3.9	3.4	4.0
Richmond	638.7	644.6	639.6	651.1	20.2	25.4	18.9	26.5	3.2	3.9	2.9	4.1
Roanoke	154.1	155.7	155.4	157.7	5.0	6.1	4.6	6.3	3.2	3.9	3.0	4.0
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News	802.1	815.2	809.5	826.4	26.2	33.2	24.7	33.9	3.3	4.1	3.0	4.1
Winchester	64.7	66.6	65.1	67.1	2.3	2.8	2.2	2.9	3.6	4.2	3.3	4.3
Washington	3,373.9	3,449.1	3,386.2	3,466.0	179.0	183.3	159.9	182.4	5.3	5.3	4.7	5.3
Bellingham	105.7	109.0	105.7	110.0	4.9	5.5	4.3	5.6	4.6	5.1	4.1	5.1
Bremerton-Silverdale	123.0	124.1	122.8	125.2	6.0	6.2	5.3	6.6	4.8	5.0	4.3	5.3
Kennewick-Pasco-Richland	113.5	118.7	114.2	120.1	7.5	7.4	6.2	6.8	6.6	6.2	5.4	5.7
Longview	43.7	44.4	43.6	44.6	3.0	3.6	2.6	3.6	7.0	8.1	5.9	8.1
Mount Vernon-Anacortes	57.1	58.8	57.3	59.4	3.1	3.5	2.7	3.5	5.4	5.9	4.7	5.9
Olympia	127.5	131.4	127.5	132.8	6.2	6.7	5.5	7.1	4.8	5.1	4.3	5.3
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue	1,808.8	1,851.9	1,820.6	1,853.0	81.0	78.0	75.5	78.6	4.5	4.2	4.1	4.2
Spokane	234.6	237.9	233.6	239.2	13.6	15.2	11.2	14.6	5.8	6.4	4.8	6.1
Wenatchee	57.3	58.6	57.6	59.5	3.7	4.0	3.1	3.7	6.5	6.8	5.4	6.2
Yakima	115.2	118.5	115.9	119.7	9.4	9.8	8.0	9.2	8.1	8.2	6.9	7.7
West Virginia	802.0	804.5	799.3	805.1	45.5	46.2	39.4	43.2	5.7	5.7	4.9	5.4
Charleston	138.5	137.6	138.5	138.7	7.0	6.8	6.2	6.3	5.1	4.9	4.5	4.6
Huntington-Ashland	131.7	131.8	132.8	132.9	7.5	7.1	6.8	6.8	5.7	5.4	5.1	5.1
Morgantown	61.7	61.9	61.5	62.4	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.4	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.8
Parkersburg-Marietta-Vienna	78.7	79.6	79.1	79.9	4.7	4.9	4.1	4.5	5.9	6.1	5.2	5.6
Wheeling	68.5	68.0	68.2	68.0	4.1	4.2	3.7	4.1	6.0	6.1	5.5	6.0
Wisconsin	3,077.1	3,078.2	3,075.9	3,085.7	179.2	178.3	170.9	174.1	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.6
Appleton	121.6	121.7	121.3	121.6	6.9	7.0	6.5	6.7	5.7	5.7	5.3	5.5
Eau Claire	90.4	90.8	90.3	90.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.5
Fond du Lac	56.4	56.3	56.2	56.5	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	6.0	5.8	5.6	5.5
Green Bay	169.1	169.1	169.0	169.1	9.5	9.6	9.2	9.4	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.6
Janesville	83.6	83.7	84.2	83.7	5.2	5.5	5.4	5.2	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.2
La Crosse	75.1	74.9	74.9	75.1	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6	4.9	4.8	4.6	4.7
Madison	334.6	335.9	334.3	336.0	14.0	13.9	13.6	14.0	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.2
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	799.3	793.4	794.8	794.5	43.5	43.6	41.4	43.1	5.4	5.5	5.2	5.4
Oshkosh-Neenah	92.5	92.8	92.6	92.7	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.8	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.1
Racine	99.4	98.8	99.0	98.7	6.7	6.8	6.5	6.5	6.8	6.9	6.6	6.6
Sheboygan	65.2	64.9	65.1	65.0	3.2	3.3	3.0	3.2	4.9	5.0	4.7	4.9
Wausau	75.5	75.0	75.4	75.1	4.1	4.1	3.8	4.1	5.5	5.4	5.1	5.5
Wyoming	282.4	287.9	285.6	291.1	9.8	9.7	10.0	10.9	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.8
Casper	40.1	40.6	40.5	41.0	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.4
Cheyenne	41.8	42.6	42.0	43.0	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.5

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Puerto Rico	1,448.7	1,374.3	1,432.1	1,361.9	155.4	145.4	143.9	125.5	10.7	10.6	10.0	9.2
Aguadilla-Isabela-San Sebastian	120.3	112.0	118.4	110.8	14.8	13.0	13.4	11.2	12.3	11.6	11.3	10.1
Fajardo	30.2	28.9	30.1	28.8	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.2	12.9	12.9	12.0	11.1
Guayama	28.1	27.6	27.7	27.2	4.1	4.1	3.8	3.6	14.6	14.9	13.6	13.3
Mayaguez	38.9	37.4	38.5	37.3	4.7	4.3	4.4	3.8	12.1	11.6	11.4	10.1
Ponce	95.7	92.3	94.7	91.5	10.7	9.9	10.0	8.6	11.2	10.7	10.5	9.4
San German-Cabo Rojo	54.9	53.1	54.6	52.4	6.4	5.7	6.0	5.0	11.7	10.8	11.0	9.6
San Juan-Caguas-Guaynabo	978.6	922.6	969.1	917.1	97.2	92.0	90.2	79.2	9.9	10.0	9.3	8.6
Yauco	40.3	38.8	39.5	38.1	5.6	5.2	5.1	4.6	13.8	13.5	13.0	12.0

^P = preliminary.

¹ Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey. Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 08-01, dated November 20, 2007, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>. Areas in the six New England states are Metropolitan New England

City and Town Areas (NECTAs), while areas in other states are county-based. Some metropolitan areas lie in two or more states. They are listed under the state that appears first in their titles. Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Iowa-Ill., and Weirton-Steubenville, W.Va.-Ohio, are the exceptions in that they are listed under Illinois and Ohio, respectively, for operational reasons. Estimates for the latest month are subject to revision the following month.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state, selected metropolitan area, and metropolitan division ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

State, area, and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Feb.		March		Feb.		March		Feb.		March	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
California	18,073.3	18,233.8	18,092.2	18,299.2	970.1	1,115.4	930.0	1,177.0	5.4	6.1	5.1	6.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	6,524.2	6,575.9	6,527.6	6,590.9	295.3	339.6	287.1	361.8	4.5	5.2	4.4	5.5
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale	4,883.3	4,954.2	4,887.6	4,962.3	236.5	269.1	229.9	287.5	4.8	5.4	4.7	5.8
Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine	1,641.0	1,621.7	1,640.0	1,628.5	58.8	70.4	57.2	74.2	3.6	4.3	3.5	4.6
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,223.9	2,237.7	2,226.2	2,246.6	95.6	105.3	92.8	113.1	4.3	4.7	4.2	5.0
Oakland-Fremont-Hayward	1,279.4	1,281.2	1,282.0	1,285.7	58.5	66.0	56.6	70.6	4.6	5.2	4.4	5.5
San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City	944.5	956.6	944.3	960.9	37.0	39.3	36.2	42.5	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.4
District of Columbia	323.5	329.0	324.0	333.0	18.4	19.1	17.4	21.5	5.7	5.8	5.4	6.4
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ²	2,956.5	2,984.2	2,968.5	3,003.4	92.7	100.0	85.6	102.3	3.1	3.3	2.9	3.4
Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg ³	631.8	631.4	633.3	632.4	18.6	17.8	16.5	17.1	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.7
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ²	2,324.7	2,352.8	2,335.2	2,370.9	74.1	82.1	69.1	85.2	3.2	3.5	3.0	3.6
Florida	9,045.8	9,148.6	9,108.2	9,184.5	319.0	413.5	312.3	435.1	3.5	4.5	3.4	4.7
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,802.7	2,824.2	2,810.0	2,820.4	95.3	115.1	93.7	120.9	3.4	4.1	3.3	4.3
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach	982.3	992.3	989.6	994.5	31.2	39.8	30.3	42.4	3.2	4.0	3.1	4.3
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall	1,185.1	1,192.3	1,180.9	1,183.8	40.9	45.3	40.9	46.4	3.5	3.8	3.5	3.9
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach	635.3	639.6	639.5	642.0	23.1	30.0	22.5	32.1	3.6	4.7	3.5	5.0
Illinois	6,623.1	6,759.5	6,627.9	6,770.3	343.3	404.7	308.8	386.6	5.2	6.0	4.7	5.7
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ²	4,865.4	4,959.9	4,863.7	4,961.9	240.0	284.2	220.6	276.4	4.9	5.7	4.5	5.6
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	4,087.4	4,176.3	4,084.0	4,172.7	194.8	235.7	178.8	229.6	4.8	5.6	4.4	5.5
Gary ³	330.9	328.3	331.5	330.3	19.3	18.8	18.1	18.7	5.8	5.7	5.5	5.7
Lake County-Kenosha County ²	447.1	455.3	448.2	458.9	25.8	29.7	23.7	28.1	5.8	6.5	5.3	6.1
Massachusetts	3,393.0	3,384.6	3,397.5	3,393.4	173.7	167.6	163.4	163.9	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.8
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy ²	2,474.2	2,477.0	2,476.5	2,484.4	113.7	109.1	105.7	106.5	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.3
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	1,496.0	1,498.8	1,496.6	1,502.8	64.3	61.1	59.3	59.2	4.3	4.1	4.0	3.9
Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton	124.3	124.5	124.7	125.2	7.1	7.0	6.7	6.8	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.4
Framingham	145.1	145.4	145.4	145.9	5.9	5.7	5.5	5.5	4.1	3.9	3.8	3.8
Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury ²	120.2	120.3	120.2	120.7	6.0	5.8	5.5	5.8	5.0	4.8	4.5	4.8
Lawrence-Methuen-Salem ²	69.2	68.9	69.5	69.1	5.2	5.0	5.1	5.0	7.5	7.3	7.3	7.3
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford ²	151.7	151.5	152.0	151.9	7.8	7.5	7.3	7.3	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.8
Nashua ²	178.2	178.8	178.7	179.6	7.5	7.5	7.0	7.6	4.2	4.2	3.9	4.2
Peabody	126.4	125.7	126.2	125.9	6.4	6.1	6.0	6.0	5.1	4.8	4.7	4.7
Taunton-Norton-Raynham	63.2	63.2	63.2	63.3	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.4	5.4	5.5	5.2	5.4
Michigan	5,007.9	4,960.5	5,016.6	4,966.9	365.1	384.3	366.7	390.6	7.3	7.7	7.3	7.9
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	2,131.7	2,115.2	2,140.7	2,113.6	152.7	161.9	158.2	171.7	7.2	7.7	7.4	8.1
Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn	876.8	864.2	879.2	864.4	69.3	73.5	71.8	78.3	7.9	8.5	8.2	9.1
Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills	1,255.0	1,250.9	1,261.6	1,249.2	83.3	88.4	86.5	93.4	6.6	7.1	6.9	7.5
New York	9,472.2	9,496.1	9,469.3	9,493.3	459.3	474.3	416.5	480.2	4.8	5.0	4.4	5.1
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island ²	9,277.4	9,317.1	9,287.3	9,314.9	425.2	438.9	392.7	442.4	4.6	4.7	4.2	4.7
Edison-New Brunswick ³	1,185.9	1,192.7	1,189.1	1,193.9	50.3	59.0	47.2	56.5	4.2	4.9	4.0	4.7
Nassau-Suffolk	1,468.3	1,478.2	1,471.6	1,480.3	59.6	68.7	54.1	67.4	4.1	4.6	3.7	4.6
New York-White Plains-Wayne ²	5,532.3	5,550.3	5,535.4	5,547.2	264.9	253.4	243.5	262.1	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.7
Newark-Union ³	1,090.8	1,095.9	1,091.3	1,093.4	50.3	57.9	47.9	56.4	4.6	5.3	4.4	5.2
Pennsylvania	6,227.9	6,276.9	6,245.0	6,277.4	299.6	351.0	279.8	330.6	4.8	5.6	4.5	5.3
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington ²	2,934.4	2,945.9	2,937.0	2,948.3	130.7	151.7	124.2	145.3	4.5	5.2	4.2	4.9
Camden ³	658.7	665.6	659.0	664.6	30.7	35.1	28.6	33.2	4.7	5.3	4.3	5.0
Philadelphia	1,916.1	1,921.5	1,917.2	1,922.6	85.5	101.5	82.2	97.6	4.5	5.3	4.3	5.1
Wilmington ³	359.6	358.8	360.9	361.1	14.5	15.2	13.4	14.5	4.0	4.2	3.7	4.0
Texas	11,418.1	11,501.1	11,422.1	11,590.6	527.7	492.2	479.1	488.9	4.6	4.3	4.2	4.2
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	3,071.8	3,101.0	3,074.8	3,114.9	139.5	132.9	126.6	132.1	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.2
Dallas-Plano-Irving	2,051.6	2,076.7	2,054.8	2,083.0	93.2	90.1	84.6	89.5	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.3
Fort Worth-Arlington	1,020.2	1,024.3	1,020.0	1,031.9	46.3	42.8	41.9	42.6	4.5	4.2	4.1	4.1
Washington	3,373.9	3,449.1	3,386.2	3,466.0	179.0	183.3	159.9	182.4	5.3	5.3	4.7	5.3
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue	1,808.8	1,851.9	1,820.6	1,853.0	81.0	78.0	75.5	78.6	4.5	4.2	4.1	4.2
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,423.4	1,456.1	1,435.9	1,453.6	61.0	56.0	57.6	55.1	4.3	3.8	4.0	3.8
Tacoma	385.4	395.8	384.7	399.4	20.0	22.1	17.9	23.5	5.2	5.6	4.7	5.9

^P = preliminary.

¹ These 11 areas contain all of the 34 metropolitan divisions.

² Part of the area (or division) is in one or more adjacent states.

³ All of the division is in one or more adjacent states.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 08-01, dated November 20, 2007, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>. Areas in the six New England states are Metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs), while areas in other states are county-based. Some metropolitan areas lie in two or more states. They are listed under the state that corresponds to the first city in their title.

Metropolitan divisions are listed under their metropolitan areas. Some divisions lie in more than one state, and some, like Camden, N.J., are totally outside the states under which their metropolitan areas are listed. Three sets of metropolitan areas and divisions have similar or identical titles. For Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va., the metropolitan area and division titles are identical. For the Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, Mass.-N.H., and Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, Ill.-Ind.-Wis., metropolitan areas, the division titles are similar but include only Massachusetts and Illinois, respectively. Estimates for the latest month are subject to revision the following month.

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area

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State and area	February		March		Change from March 2007 to March 2008 ^P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
Alabama	1,987.3	2,004.2	2,004.4	2,015.6	11.2	0.6
Anniston-Oxford	52.7	53.2	53.1	53.3	.2	.4
Auburn-Opelika	53.6	55.8	54.5	56.4	1.9	3.5
Birmingham-Hoover	529.4	529.6	532.7	532.0	-.7	-.1
Decatur	57.5	57.9	58.0	59.0	1.0	1.7
Dothan	62.8	62.6	63.5	62.9	-.6	-.9
Florence-Muscle Shoals	56.6	57.5	57.4	57.9	.5	.9
Huntsville	206.3	211.4	208.0	212.7	4.7	2.3
Mobile	182.1	182.6	184.1	184.0	-.1	-.1
Montgomery	176.7	180.0	178.3	180.9	2.6	1.5
Tuscaloosa	98.1	98.5	98.5	99.0	.5	.5
Alaska	303.0	304.7	305.8	307.2	1.4	.5
Anchorage	163.0	164.4	164.0	165.3	1.3	.8
Arizona	2,668.5	2,669.3	2,686.3	2,678.8	-7.5	-.3
Flagstaff	63.6	63.9	64.6	64.4	-.2	-.3
Lake Havasu City-Kingman	54.6	53.6	55.4	54.0	-1.4	-2.5
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	1,908.3	1,909.3	1,921.2	1,916.9	-4.3	-.2
Prescott	64.2	65.8	64.8	65.9	1.1	1.7
Tucson	387.5	381.2	388.7	381.2	-7.5	-1.9
Yuma	55.6	57.0	56.0	57.1	1.1	2.0
Arkansas	1,193.3	1,198.2	1,207.8	1,207.2	-.6	.0
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	206.4	208.1	208.7	209.0	.3	.1
Fort Smith	123.4	124.6	125.1	126.1	1.0	.8
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	341.2	345.3	344.7	348.0	3.3	1.0
California	15,047.2	15,066.1	15,151.5	15,134.9	-16.6	-.1
Bakersfield	236.3	240.5	237.7	241.5	3.8	1.6
Chico	75.9	76.8	76.3	77.0	.7	.9
Fresno	302.8	306.0	306.0	308.4	2.4	.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	5,615.7	5,577.1	5,644.1	5,608.8	-35.3	-6
Merced	58.0	58.7	58.3	59.0	.7	1.2
Modesto	157.5	157.1	158.8	157.9	-.9	-.6
Napa	61.4	62.1	62.1	62.7	.6	1.0
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura	295.4	291.0	297.3	291.7	-5.6	-1.9
Redding	63.6	64.6	64.2	64.9	.7	1.1
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario	1,267.4	1,252.7	1,275.0	1,253.3	-21.7	-1.7
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville	895.9	900.1	902.8	903.6	.8	.1
Salinas	126.8	129.6	126.9	129.0	2.1	1.7
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos	1,297.1	1,297.4	1,305.1	1,303.4	-1.7	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,012.9	2,028.8	2,024.3	2,035.9	11.6	.6
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara	898.6	906.9	904.6	911.8	7.2	.8
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles	102.9	104.1	104.0	104.7	.7	.7
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Goleta	172.1	173.6	173.5	174.3	.8	.5
Santa Cruz-Watsonville	94.9	96.6	95.2	97.1	1.9	2.0
Santa Rosa-Petaluma	187.2	189.6	188.7	190.6	1.9	1.0
Stockton	207.7	212.1	210.2	213.0	2.8	1.3
Vallejo-Fairfield	125.5	124.6	126.8	125.3	-1.5	-1.2
Visalia-Porterville	112.6	112.5	113.6	113.2	-.4	-.4
Colorado	2,280.5	2,327.2	2,306.3	2,344.8	38.5	1.7
Boulder	163.9	166.5	165.6	167.8	2.2	1.3
Colorado Springs	254.8	259.4	257.6	261.3	3.7	1.4
Denver-Aurora	1,209.0	1,232.0	1,221.4	1,241.1	19.7	1.6
Fort Collins-Loveland	131.3	136.0	133.1	136.8	3.7	2.8
Grand Junction	60.4	63.4	61.4	64.1	2.7	4.4
Greeley	79.8	82.7	81.0	83.0	2.0	2.5
Pueblo	57.8	58.6	58.2	58.9	.7	1.2
Connecticut	1,668.4	1,681.0	1,671.9	1,683.4	11.5	.7
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	412.1	417.5	413.8	419.0	5.2	1.3
Danbury	68.2	69.1	68.9	69.8	.9	1.3
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	548.7	556.0	550.2	558.5	8.3	1.5
New Haven	275.0	275.0	273.8	273.0	-.8	-.3
Norwich-New London	133.1	133.9	133.9	134.2	.3	.2
Waterbury	68.1	68.1	68.0	68.4	.4	.6
Delaware	425.1	428.0	430.4	431.3	.9	.2
Dover	64.8	64.9	65.3	65.3	.0	.0
District of Columbia	690.3	697.6	693.1	698.7	5.6	.8
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria	2,949.1	2,975.6	2,972.9	2,995.4	22.5	.8
Florida	8,077.4	8,041.3	8,141.6	8,063.7	-77.9	-1.0
Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice	303.7	290.9	306.0	292.8	-13.2	-4.3
Cape Coral-Fort Myers	238.6	225.2	240.0	226.1	-13.9	-5.8
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach	174.2	172.4	176.2	173.1	-3.1	-1.8
Fort Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin	84.7	85.0	86.2	86.2	.0	.0
Gainesville	134.8	137.4	135.1	137.6	2.5	1.9
Jacksonville	629.4	630.6	635.2	634.6	-.6	-.1
Lakeland-Winter Haven	217.0	214.4	218.9	215.7	-3.2	-1.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,447.4	2,437.2	2,463.7	2,442.9	-20.8	-.8

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State and area	February		March		Change from March 2007 to March 2008 ^P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
Florida—Continued						
Naples-Marco Island	137.2	131.1	139.0	131.6	-7.4	-5.3
Ocala	106.9	105.7	107.9	106.5	-1.4	-1.3
Orlando-Kissimmee	1,098.8	1,102.2	1,104.4	1,108.8	4.4	.4
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville	213.1	211.5	214.1	213.0	-1.1	-.5
Panama City-Lynn Haven	75.1	75.9	77.1	77.4	.3	.4
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent	173.5	175.8	174.6	176.4	1.8	1.0
Port St. Lucie	135.9	134.6	137.2	135.6	-1.6	-1.2
Tallahassee	179.5	180.4	180.8	181.5	.7	.4
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,306.4	1,296.2	1,318.5	1,301.2	-17.3	-1.3
Georgia	4,114.8	4,151.1	4,130.9	4,161.3	30.4	.7
Albany	64.8	64.4	64.7	64.6	-.1	-.2
Athens-Clarke County	81.8	82.9	81.6	82.7	1.1	1.3
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta	2,432.8	2,462.3	2,444.8	2,471.2	26.4	1.1
Augusta-Richmond County	214.2	216.9	215.9	218.0	2.1	1.0
Columbus	121.0	121.2	121.3	121.1	-.2	-.2
Dalton	78.3	77.5	78.3	77.6	-.7	-.9
Gainesville	75.2	76.9	75.6	77.2	1.6	2.1
Macon	100.0	100.2	99.7	100.4	.7	.7
Savannah	160.4	161.0	161.0	161.8	.8	.5
Valdosta	56.2	56.4	56.1	56.4	.3	.5
Warner Robins	58.4	59.1	58.8	59.4	.6	1.0
Hawaii	623.0	627.6	626.6	630.8	4.2	.7
Honolulu	454.2	457.7	457.2	459.8	2.6	.6
Idaho	635.5	638.8	642.3	643.2	.9	.1
Boise City-Nampa	273.5	270.4	276.3	271.9	-4.4	-1.6
Coeur d'Alene	52.8	56.6	54.1	57.2	3.1	5.7
Illinois	5,845.5	5,885.2	5,903.2	5,924.5	21.3	.4
Bloomington-Normal	90.7	91.2	91.0	91.3	.3	.3
Champaign-Urbana	112.3	112.9	113.6	113.2	-.4	-.4
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	4,450.3	4,480.8	4,489.7	4,505.8	16.1	.4
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	183.7	185.3	186.4	186.8	.4	.2
Decatur	53.3	54.5	54.4	54.5	.1	.2
Peoria	182.9	185.3	185.1	186.8	1.7	.9
Rockford	157.6	158.8	159.8	159.0	-.8	-.5
Springfield	109.2	110.0	110.6	110.5	-.1	-.1
Indiana	2,924.6	2,948.8	2,965.4	2,966.5	1.1	.0
Bloomington	82.9	84.1	83.1	84.4	1.3	1.6
Elkhart-Goshen	127.0	126.4	129.0	127.3	-1.7	-1.3
Evansville	175.6	177.5	178.3	179.5	1.2	.7
Fort Wayne	215.0	213.9	217.1	212.7	-4.4	-2.0
Indianapolis-Carmel	890.3	905.2	905.0	912.1	7.1	.8
Lafayette	94.3	94.9	95.2	95.7	.5	.5
Muncie	53.4	53.2	54.3	53.7	-.6	-1.1
South Bend-Mishawaka	141.9	143.2	143.0	143.9	.9	.6
Terre Haute	73.2	72.9	74.1	73.1	-1.0	-1.3
Iowa	1,485.7	1,497.2	1,496.4	1,508.1	11.7	.8
Cedar Rapids	135.1	135.4	135.5	136.6	1.1	.8
Des Moines-West Des Moines	314.0	319.6	316.0	321.5	5.5	1.7
Dubuque	54.4	55.1	54.8	55.3	.5	.9
Iowa City	89.1	89.9	89.7	90.4	.7	.8
Sioux City	73.5	72.3	73.5	72.9	-.6	-.8
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	88.2	89.6	88.2	89.8	1.6	1.8
Kansas	1,351.9	1,371.1	1,372.9	1,382.8	9.9	.7
Topeka	108.1	109.3	110.0	110.5	.5	.5
Wichita	295.7	302.0	300.1	303.5	3.4	1.1
Kentucky	1,830.9	1,855.5	1,849.8	1,870.1	20.3	1.1
Bowling Green	60.7	62.5	61.3	62.7	1.4	2.3
Lexington-Fayette	251.4	253.7	253.9	255.1	1.2	.5
Louisville-Jefferson County	611.7	620.5	615.0	626.4	11.4	1.9
Louisiana	1,895.4	1,935.3	1,915.5	1,945.8	30.3	1.6
Alexandria	64.1	65.2	65.0	65.4	.4	.6
Baton Rouge	365.5	369.9	369.5	371.8	2.3	.6
Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux	93.9	95.3	94.8	96.3	1.5	1.6
Lafayette	146.4	150.8	147.7	151.8	4.1	2.8
Lake Charles	92.3	91.9	93.0	92.4	-.6	-.6
Monroe	78.5	78.7	78.7	79.0	.3	.4
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner	508.5	521.1	515.2	525.0	9.8	1.9
Shreveport-Bossier City	176.1	180.6	177.5	181.6	4.1	2.3
Maine	596.2	597.1	599.1	599.3	.2	.0
Bangor	65.1	64.9	65.2	65.5	.3	.5
Portland-South Portland-Biddeford	189.0	189.6	190.1	190.1	.0	.0

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	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
Maryland	2,552.7	2,585.5	2,586.3	2,611.2	24.9	1.0
Baltimore-Towson	1,293.0	1,305.7	1,309.0	1,317.9	8.9	.7
Hagerstown-Martinsburg	100.5	100.8	101.4	101.4	.0	.0
Salisbury	55.1	55.5	56.1	56.3	.2	.4
Massachusetts	3,206.1	3,233.2	3,221.1	3,248.6	27.5	.9
Barnstable Town	90.7	90.5	91.9	91.4	-.5	-.5
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	2,436.4	2,460.1	2,446.3	2,471.9	25.6	1.0
New Bedford	66.2	65.7	66.2	65.6	-.6	-.9
Springfield	293.1	293.3	294.2	294.4	.2	.1
Worcester	245.0	246.1	245.9	247.0	1.1	.4
Michigan	4,213.0	4,160.7	4,234.0	4,161.6	-72.4	-1.7
Ann Arbor	200.1	199.0	201.7	198.4	-3.3	-1.6
Battle Creek	58.2	57.0	58.6	57.4	-1.2	-2.0
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	1,951.3	1,910.4	1,955.4	1,910.1	-45.3	-2.3
Flint	148.9	144.8	149.8	141.8	-8.0	-5.3
Grand Rapids-Wyoming	387.7	387.6	389.4	389.3	-.1	.0
Holland-Grand Haven	112.0	110.6	113.1	111.5	-1.6	-1.4
Jackson	57.9	56.8	58.3	56.9	-1.4	-2.4
Kalamazoo-Portage	145.4	145.2	146.8	146.4	-.4	-.3
Lansing-East Lansing	224.5	223.8	225.8	224.4	-1.4	-.6
Muskegon-Norton Shores	63.6	64.0	63.9	64.3	.4	.6
Niles-Benton Harbor	61.8	64.1	62.5	64.7	2.2	3.5
Saginaw-Saginaw Township North	89.3	86.7	89.7	86.6	-3.1	-3.5
Minnesota	2,711.9	2,725.4	2,722.2	2,739.7	17.5	.6
Duluth	130.2	131.9	130.8	132.5	1.7	1.3
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington	1,767.1	1,776.7	1,772.1	1,785.4	13.3	.8
Rochester	104.0	105.9	104.6	106.5	1.9	1.8
St. Cloud	100.7	102.4	101.6	103.1	1.5	1.5
Mississippi	1,144.5	1,150.6	1,148.3	1,157.7	9.4	.8
Gulfport-Biloxi	107.8	111.0	108.6	111.6	3.0	2.8
Hattiesburg	60.4	61.5	60.5	61.9	1.4	2.3
Jackson	258.4	262.1	260.7	262.0	1.3	.5
Pascagoula	56.5	58.9	51.9	59.1	7.2	13.9
Missouri	2,741.7	2,759.3	2,785.3	2,778.4	-6.9	-.2
Columbia	91.7	93.5	93.4	94.1	.7	.7
Jefferson City	78.2	79.2	79.2	79.6	.4	.5
Joplin	78.9	79.8	79.8	80.2	.4	.5
Kansas City	991.6	1,007.7	1,007.1	1,014.9	7.8	.8
St. Joseph	58.6	59.2	59.6	59.8	.2	.3
St. Louis ¹	1,331.2	1,335.4	1,348.3	1,342.9	-5.4	-.4
Springfield	196.6	201.2	200.7	203.2	2.5	1.2
Montana	430.2	438.1	436.4	442.2	5.8	1.3
Billings	77.7	79.4	79.0	80.1	1.1	1.4
Missoula	56.2	56.2	57.1	56.8	-.3	-.5
Nebraska	940.7	958.5	947.4	963.3	15.9	1.7
Lincoln	170.8	173.4	171.7	175.1	3.4	2.0
Omaha-Council Bluffs	454.7	461.2	457.1	463.2	6.1	1.3
Nevada	1,283.1	1,284.8	1,290.7	1,286.8	-3.9	-.3
Las Vegas-Paradise	923.9	925.6	927.9	925.5	-2.4	-.3
Reno-Sparks	220.8	220.7	222.2	221.1	-1.1	-.5
New Hampshire	633.9	642.2	635.8	645.1	9.3	1.5
Manchester	99.3	100.4	99.6	101.2	1.6	1.6
Portsmouth	53.7	54.8	53.9	54.9	1.0	1.9
Rochester-Dover	56.4	57.1	56.2	57.6	1.4	2.5
New Jersey	3,989.4	4,003.2	4,020.6	4,029.5	8.9	.2
Atlantic City-Hamilton	146.0	145.7	147.4	147.0	-.4	-.3
Trenton-Ewing	234.8	237.1	235.8	237.8	2.0	.8
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	61.5	60.9	61.7	61.2	-.5	-.8
New Mexico	833.9	839.7	842.3	847.6	5.3	.6
Albuquerque	391.6	394.0	395.9	397.2	1.3	.3
Las Cruces	67.8	69.1	68.6	69.7	1.1	1.6
Santa Fe	64.5	65.4	65.0	65.9	.9	1.4
New York	8,571.5	8,650.6	8,627.9	8,698.2	70.3	.8
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	441.5	442.5	444.2	444.8	.6	.1
Binghamton	112.4	113.2	112.9	113.5	.6	.5
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	537.5	539.8	541.2	542.3	1.1	.2
Glens Falls	52.0	52.7	51.8	52.7	.9	1.7
Ithaca	64.5	64.9	64.2	64.9	.7	1.1
Kingston	63.7	63.9	64.4	64.0	-.4	-.6
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island	8,412.3	8,483.9	8,473.7	8,539.2	65.5	.8
Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown	250.5	251.4	251.8	252.1	.3	.1
Rochester	508.1	508.2	509.5	510.2	.7	.1
Syracuse	316.7	320.2	318.1	321.3	3.2	1.0
Utica-Rome	130.2	131.4	131.2	131.8	.6	.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2007 to March 2008 ^P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
North Carolina	4,076.8	4,141.6	4,117.2	4,162.8	45.6	1.1
Asheville	172.6	178.1	174.9	178.8	3.9	2.2
Burlington	59.9	61.0	60.6	61.4	.8	1.3
Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord	844.1	860.6	853.3	867.8	14.5	1.7
Durham	283.3	290.4	285.6	292.2	6.6	2.3
Fayetteville	127.5	128.6	127.9	128.9	1.0	.8
Greensboro-High Point	368.0	373.1	371.6	376.0	4.4	1.2
Greenville	75.9	78.2	76.6	78.4	1.8	2.3
Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton	162.6	162.7	163.7	163.8	.1	-.1
Raleigh-Cary	502.8	523.3	507.4	525.5	18.1	3.6
Rocky Mount	64.5	64.3	64.8	64.3	-.5	-.8
Wilmington	142.7	146.0	145.8	147.9	2.1	1.4
Winston-Salem	217.9	220.5	219.3	222.4	3.1	1.4
North Dakota	349.6	356.3	352.6	358.6	6.0	1.7
Bismarck	58.7	59.5	59.1	60.4	1.3	2.2
Fargo	115.6	117.7	116.2	118.3	2.1	1.8
Grand Forks	53.1	54.1	53.3	54.2	.9	1.7
Ohio	5,321.0	5,325.1	5,369.0	5,361.6	-7.4	-.1
Akron	333.1	334.7	334.8	336.1	1.3	.4
Canton-Massillon	169.0	169.5	170.6	170.4	-.2	-.1
Cincinnati-Middletown	1,022.7	1,030.0	1,035.7	1,037.2	1.5	.1
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor	1,052.6	1,049.1	1,061.5	1,055.2	-6.3	-.6
Columbus	922.5	934.4	929.5	939.4	9.9	1.1
Dayton	399.2	399.0	402.4	397.4	-5.0	-1.2
Lima	55.1	54.6	55.4	55.0	-.4	-.7
Mansfield	57.2	56.3	57.1	56.2	-.9	-1.6
Springfield	51.6	51.5	52.2	51.8	-.4	-.8
Toledo	322.5	320.8	324.8	321.0	-3.8	-1.2
Youngstown-Warren-Boardman	235.7	235.2	237.5	236.9	-.6	-.3
Oklahoma	1,543.8	1,569.7	1,565.2	1,580.9	15.7	1.0
Oklahoma City	560.4	566.8	567.7	570.4	2.7	.5
Tulsa	420.7	423.2	426.3	426.0	-.3	-.1
Oregon	1,704.5	1,721.4	1,717.7	1,728.1	10.4	.6
Bend	69.2	70.6	70.4	71.3	.9	1.3
Eugene-Springfield	155.2	155.4	155.9	155.9	.0	.0
Medford	82.0	82.6	82.8	83.1	.3	.4
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton	1,022.8	1,034.5	1,029.6	1,038.5	8.9	.9
Salem	149.0	150.3	150.5	150.9	.4	.3
Pennsylvania	5,690.8	5,722.3	5,742.4	5,756.7	14.3	.2
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton	337.0	338.5	341.8	342.2	.4	.1
Altoona	61.1	61.6	61.6	62.1	.5	.8
Erie	131.3	132.7	132.4	133.0	.6	.5
Harrisburg-Carlisle	325.2	328.3	327.7	330.5	2.8	.9
Johnstown	60.7	61.1	61.2	61.2	.0	.0
Lancaster	232.6	235.5	235.1	237.1	2.0	.9
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington	2,771.8	2,789.8	2,791.2	2,804.5	13.3	.5
Pittsburgh	1,119.4	1,128.9	1,131.5	1,139.4	7.9	.7
Reading	172.3	172.2	173.6	172.6	-1.0	-.6
Scranton—Wilkes-Barre	256.8	258.7	259.5	260.6	1.1	.4
State College	72.9	74.6	73.5	75.2	1.7	2.3
Williamsport	53.2	52.9	53.5	53.0	-.5	-.9
York-Hanover	176.6	181.8	181.4	182.9	1.5	.8
Rhode Island	483.5	477.6	485.9	477.0	-8.9	-1.8
Providence-Fall River-Warwick	572.4	566.3	575.1	565.9	-9.2	-1.6
South Carolina	1,916.2	1,934.7	1,939.6	1,949.6	10.0	.5
Anderson	64.3	63.4	64.5	64.0	-.5	-.8
Charleston-North Charleston-Summerville	291.7	297.8	295.4	298.9	3.5	1.2
Columbia	361.8	368.7	363.7	369.6	5.9	1.6
Florence	86.6	90.7	87.7	91.0	3.3	3.8
Greenville-Mauldin-Easley	312.4	321.5	315.0	323.3	8.3	2.6
Myrtle Beach-North Myrtle Beach-Conway	118.2	120.9	122.9	124.8	1.9	1.5
Spartanburg	124.4	125.9	125.9	126.8	.9	.7
South Dakota	392.8	400.6	396.4	403.2	6.8	1.7
Rapid City	58.1	59.0	58.7	60.0	1.3	2.2
Sioux Falls	129.1	132.4	130.5	133.6	3.1	2.4
Tennessee	2,753.7	2,763.4	2,784.0	2,783.2	-.8	.0
Chattanooga	245.1	245.9	247.1	247.3	.2	.1
Clarksville	85.1	84.4	85.2	85.4	.2	.2
Jackson	61.2	62.1	62.2	62.7	.5	.8
Johnson City	81.1	81.7	81.5	82.4	.9	1.1
Kingsport-Bristol-Bristol	120.6	120.9	121.5	121.9	.4	.3
Knoxville	332.5	335.7	335.4	338.1	2.7	.8
Memphis	632.1	636.6	638.1	639.6	1.5	.2
Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin	747.8	759.4	755.6	766.5	10.9	1.4

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NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2007 to March 2008 ^P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
Texas	10,206.6	10,446.3	10,301.8	10,511.0	209.2	2.0
Abilene	65.0	66.3	65.2	66.6	1.4	2.1
Amarillo	110.3	111.8	110.9	112.7	1.8	1.6
Austin-Round Rock	743.5	766.9	751.5	773.3	21.8	2.9
Beaumont-Port Arthur	164.1	163.9	165.7	164.8	-.9	-.5
Brownsville-Harlingen	122.9	123.8	124.3	124.8	.5	.4
College Station-Bryan	91.3	92.8	92.3	93.0	.7	.8
Corpus Christi	174.2	176.3	176.6	177.7	1.1	.6
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	2,889.5	2,958.4	2,917.2	2,975.4	58.2	2.0
El Paso	267.0	274.6	269.0	276.1	7.1	2.6
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown	2,495.0	2,581.7	2,518.9	2,599.0	80.1	3.2
Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	119.4	122.7	121.1	123.4	2.3	1.9
Laredo	85.8	86.9	86.8	87.5	.7	.8
Longview	93.7	96.8	95.6	97.6	2.0	2.1
Lubbock	127.9	128.3	127.9	129.0	1.1	.9
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	209.0	214.0	210.1	215.3	5.2	2.5
Midland	64.2	66.6	64.9	67.1	2.2	3.4
Odessa	57.9	60.8	58.1	61.1	3.0	5.2
San Antonio	820.1	839.8	826.4	845.3	18.9	2.3
Texarkana	55.5	56.6	56.2	57.0	.8	1.4
Tyler	92.2	93.2	93.0	94.0	1.0	1.1
Waco	106.1	109.8	107.1	110.4	3.3	3.1
Wichita Falls	61.6	62.9	62.5	63.2	.7	1.1
Utah	1,226.7	1,255.5	1,238.5	1,265.0	26.5	2.1
Ogden-Clearfield	197.1	200.2	199.3	202.3	3.0	1.5
Provo-Orem	187.3	191.3	188.7	192.4	3.7	2.0
St. George	52.1	53.5	52.9	54.2	1.3	2.5
Salt Lake City	628.6	643.4	632.4	646.5	14.1	2.2
Vermont	306.8	307.2	306.4	306.8	.4	.1
Burlington-South Burlington	113.2	113.4	112.9	113.1	.2	.2
Virginia	3,705.7	3,724.7	3,737.1	3,748.5	11.4	.3
Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford	72.1	68.6	72.4	68.9	-3.5	-4.8
Charlottesville	100.5	101.9	102.2	102.6	.4	.4
Harrisonburg	64.1	64.8	64.2	65.0	.8	1.2
Lynchburg	106.9	109.0	107.7	109.9	2.2	2.0
Richmond	627.8	629.7	630.2	633.5	3.3	.5
Roanoke	160.9	161.9	162.7	163.2	.5	.3
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News	759.3	766.1	767.6	774.7	7.1	.9
Winchester	57.3	58.7	57.8	59.0	1.2	2.1
Washington	2,873.7	2,927.1	2,891.4	2,940.4	49.0	1.7
Bellingham	82.9	85.8	83.6	86.3	2.7	3.2
Bremerton-Silverdale	84.8	85.7	85.7	86.2	.5	.6
Kennewick-Pasco-Richland	87.3	92.6	88.9	93.5	4.6	5.2
Olympia	99.6	103.1	100.7	103.8	3.1	3.1
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue	1,709.1	1,747.2	1,716.8	1,752.5	35.7	2.1
Spokane	213.9	216.4	216.1	217.6	1.5	.7
Yakima	76.5	79.2	77.5	79.7	2.2	2.8
West Virginia	741.5	745.3	752.0	753.6	1.6	.2
Charleston	147.7	148.8	150.2	150.6	.4	.3
Huntington-Ashland	117.1	118.9	119.5	120.3	.8	.7
Morgantown	60.2	61.2	60.7	61.9	1.2	2.0
Parkersburg-Marietta-Vienna	71.1	72.5	72.5	73.2	.7	1.0
Wheeling	66.9	66.8	67.4	66.8	-.6	-.9
Wisconsin	2,810.0	2,812.2	2,830.0	2,825.1	-4.9	-.2
Appleton	116.2	116.4	116.8	116.6	-.2	-.2
Eau Claire	81.8	82.2	81.9	82.7	.8	1.0
Green Bay	165.7	166.3	166.6	166.8	.2	.1
Janesville	68.3	68.4	69.0	68.7	-.3	-.4
La Crosse	73.4	73.4	73.8	73.8	.0	.0
Madison	340.8	343.0	342.3	344.2	1.9	.6
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	843.0	841.5	846.0	844.7	-1.3	-.2
Oshkosh-Neenah	91.5	91.9	92.4	92.3	-.1	-.1
Racine	78.8	78.1	79.2	78.7	-.5	-.6
Sheboygan	62.7	62.7	63.2	63.0	-.2	-.3
Wausau	71.9	71.5	72.2	71.8	-.4	-.6
Wyoming	276.9	285.8	280.3	287.8	7.5	2.7
Cheyenne	42.9	44.1	43.2	44.4	1.2	2.8
Puerto Rico	1,025.1	1,011.9	1,030.0	1,013.9	-16.1	-1.6
Ponce	65.4	66.6	65.9	66.5	.6	.9
San Juan-Caguas-Guaynabo	766.0	756.5	769.6	757.3	-12.3	-1.6
Virgin Islands	45.7	46.3	45.9	46.4	.5	1.1

¹ Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

^P = preliminary.

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areas lie in two or more states. They are listed under the state that appears first in their titles. Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Iowa-Ill., and Weirton-Steubenville, W. Va.-Ohio, are the exceptions in that they are listed under Illinois and Ohio, respectively, for operational reasons. Data reflect the conversion to the 2007 version of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) as the basis for the assignment and tabulation of economic data by industry, replacing NAICS 2002. For more details, see <http://www.bls.gov/sae/saenaics07.htm>.

Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state, selected metropolitan area, and metropolitan division

(Numbers in thousands)

State, area, and division	February		March		Change from March 2007 to March 2008 ^P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
California	15,047.2	15,066.1	15,151.5	15,134.9	-16.6	-0.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	5,615.7	5,577.1	5,644.1	5,608.8	-35.3	-6
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale	4,103.5	4,088.8	4,127.2	4,113.6	-13.6	-3
Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine	1,512.2	1,488.3	1,516.9	1,495.2	-21.7	-1.4
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,012.9	2,028.8	2,024.3	2,035.9	11.6	.6
Oakland-Fremont-Hayward	1,039.5	1,036.0	1,047.1	1,038.5	-8.6	-8
San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City	973.4	992.8	977.2	997.4	20.2	2.1
District of Columbia	690.3	697.6	693.1	698.7	5.6	.8
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ¹	2,949.1	2,975.6	2,972.9	2,995.4	22.5	.8
Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg ²	566.8	567.8	572.3	570.9	-1.4	-2
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ¹	2,382.3	2,407.8	2,400.6	2,424.5	23.9	1.0
Florida	8,077.4	8,041.3	8,141.6	8,063.7	-77.9	-1.0
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,447.4	2,437.2	2,463.7	2,442.9	-20.8	-8
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach	794.1	786.4	799.1	789.3	-9.8	-1.2
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall	1,063.4	1,064.9	1,070.5	1,067.2	-3.3	-3
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach	589.9	585.9	594.1	586.4	-7.7	-1.3
Illinois	5,845.5	5,885.2	5,903.2	5,924.5	21.3	.4
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	4,450.3	4,480.8	4,489.7	4,505.8	16.1	.4
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	3,788.0	3,813.2	3,819.9	3,832.9	13.0	.3
Gary ²	276.5	278.1	280.2	280.5	.3	.1
Lake County-Kenosha County ¹	385.9	389.5	389.8	392.4	2.6	.7
Massachusetts	3,206.1	3,233.2	3,221.1	3,248.6	27.5	.9
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy ¹	2,436.4	2,460.1	2,446.3	2,471.9	25.6	1.0
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	1,671.4	1,694.1	1,677.2	1,701.4	24.2	1.4
Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton	87.6	88.4	88.7	89.4	.7	.8
Framingham	153.4	155.6	154.4	156.4	2.0	1.3
Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury ¹	76.5	77.3	76.9	77.4	.5	.7
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford ¹	117.3	117.8	117.9	118.1	.2	.2
Nashua ¹	130.6	131.4	131.3	131.9	.6	.5
Peabody	99.3	99.1	99.3	99.3	.0	.0
Michigan	4,213.0	4,160.7	4,234.0	4,161.6	-72.4	-1.7
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	1,951.3	1,910.4	1,955.4	1,910.1	-45.3	-2.3
Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn	786.6	759.5	786.0	758.0	-28.0	-3.6
Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills	1,164.7	1,150.9	1,169.4	1,152.1	-17.3	-1.5
New York	8,571.5	8,650.6	8,627.9	8,698.2	70.3	.8
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island ¹	8,412.3	8,483.9	8,473.7	8,539.2	65.5	.8
Edison-New Brunswick ²	1,012.9	1,014.4	1,022.7	1,025.0	2.3	.2
Nassau-Suffolk	1,232.0	1,246.9	1,244.7	1,256.1	11.4	.9
New York-White Plains-Wayne ¹	5,147.7	5,201.5	5,180.8	5,233.0	52.2	1.0
Newark-Union ²	1,019.7	1,021.1	1,025.5	1,025.1	-.4	.0
Pennsylvania	5,690.8	5,722.3	5,742.4	5,756.7	14.3	.2
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington ¹	2,771.8	2,789.8	2,791.2	2,804.5	13.3	.5
Camden ²	531.1	535.6	534.8	539.9	5.1	1.0
Philadelphia	1,893.4	1,905.6	1,904.9	1,913.5	8.6	.5
Wilmington ²	347.3	348.6	351.5	351.1	-.4	-.1
Texas	10,206.6	10,446.3	10,301.8	10,511.0	209.2	2.0
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	2,889.5	2,958.4	2,917.2	2,975.4	58.2	2.0
Dallas-Plano-Irving	2,037.4	2,087.1	2,057.5	2,098.3	40.8	2.0
Fort Worth-Arlington	852.1	871.3	859.7	877.1	17.4	2.0
Washington	2,873.7	2,927.1	2,891.4	2,940.4	49.0	1.7
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue	1,709.1	1,747.2	1,716.8	1,752.5	35.7	2.1
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,433.2	1,463.6	1,438.6	1,468.0	29.4	2.0
Tacoma	275.9	283.6	278.2	284.5	6.3	2.3

¹ Part of the area is in one or more adjacent states.

² All of the area is in one or more adjacent states.

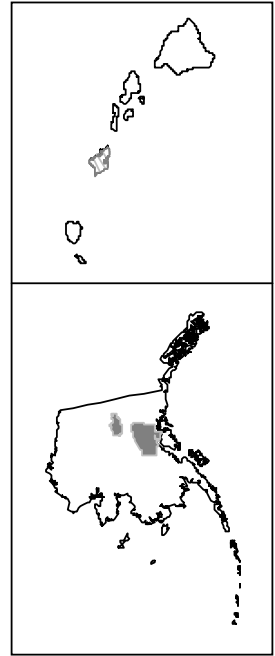
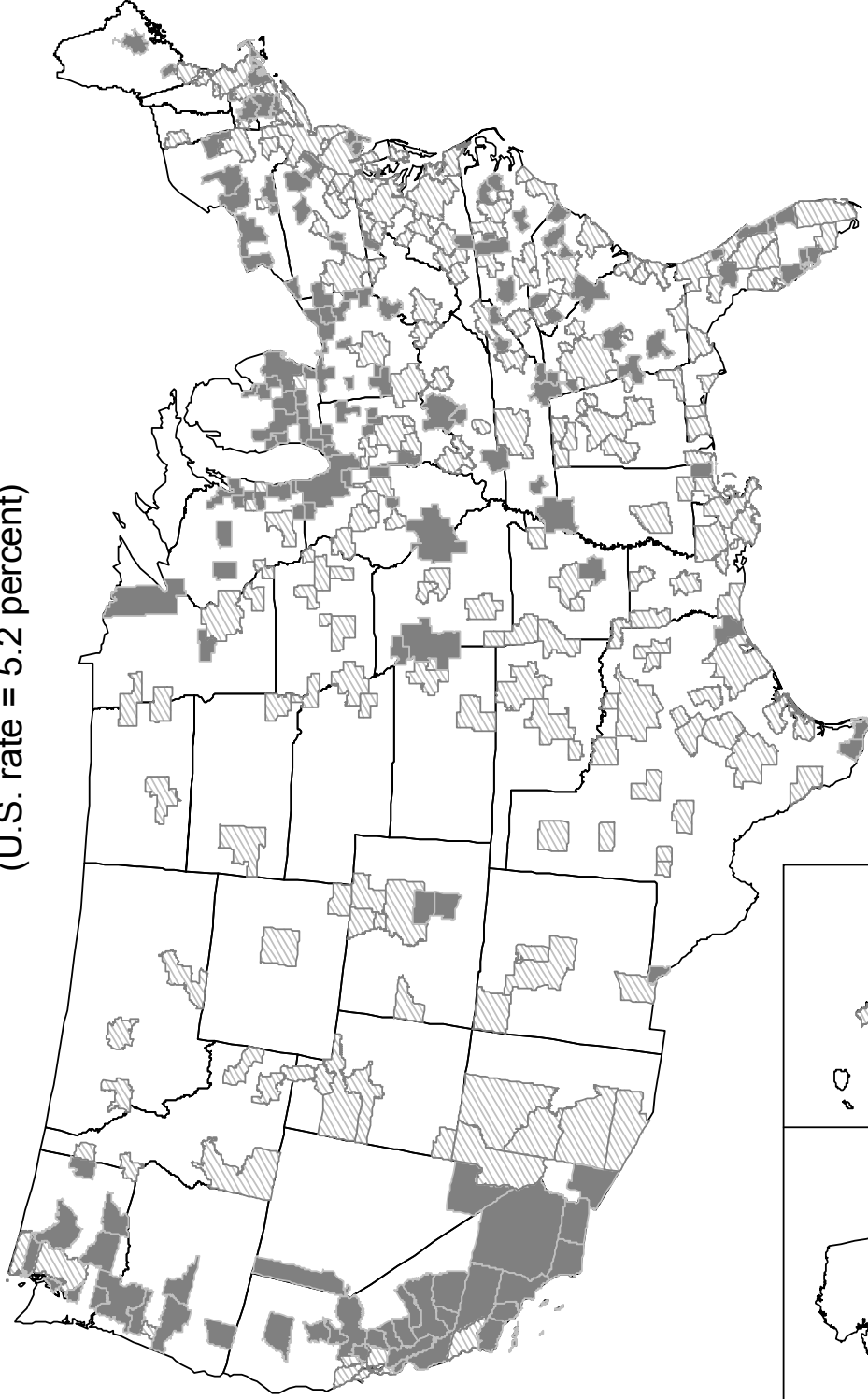
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Unemployment rates for metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted, March 2008

(U.S. rate = 5.2 percent)



NOTE: Map includes data for 369 metropolitan areas based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 08-01.

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