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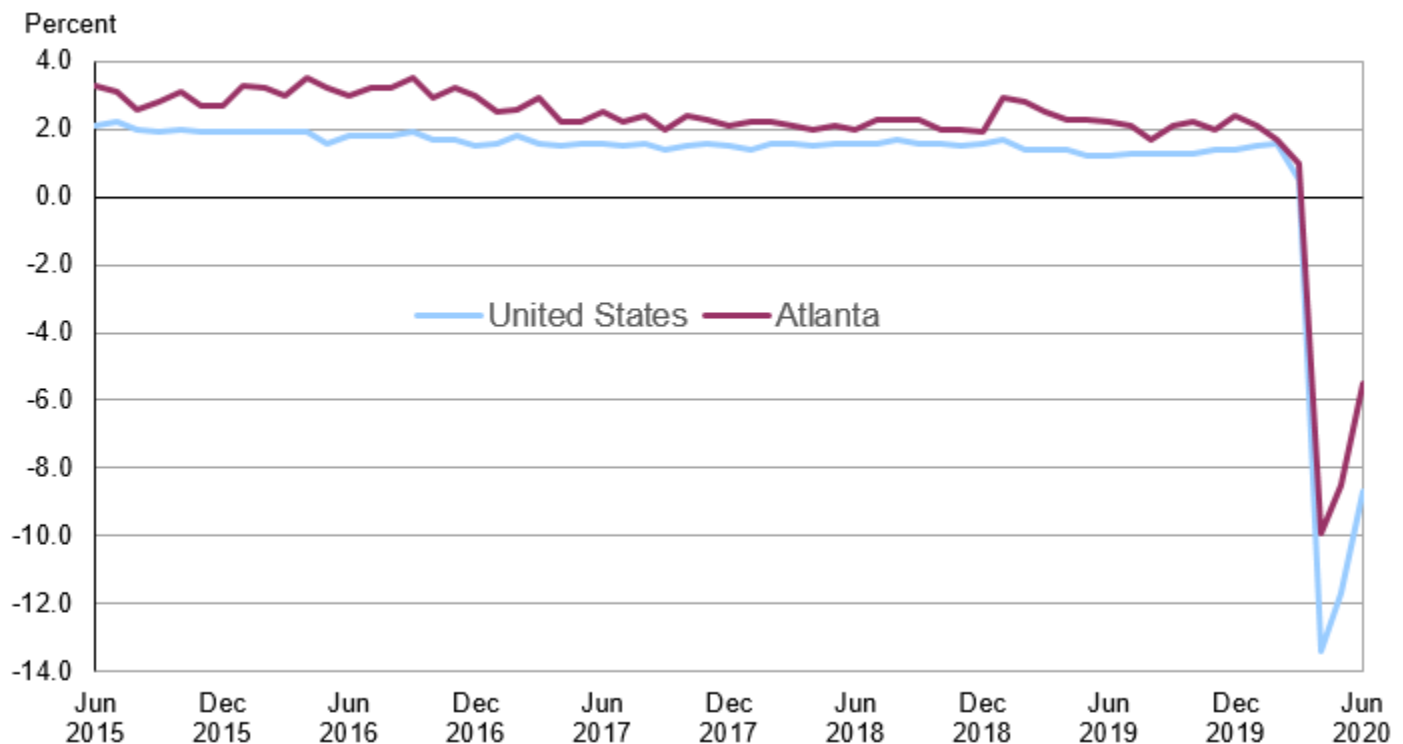
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Atlanta Area Employment – June 2020

Local Rate of Employment Loss Below the National Average

Total nonfarm employment for the Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA Metropolitan Statistical Area stood at 2,688,100 in June 2020, down 157,300 over the year, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Atlanta's 5.5-percent rate of job loss was less than the national decline of 8.7 percent. (See [chart 1](#) and [table 1](#).) Regional Commissioner Janet S. Rankin noted that Atlanta's over-the-year employment loss in June was less than the 243,100 jobs lost in May. (The [Technical Note](#) at the end of this release contains metropolitan area definitions. All data in this release are not seasonally adjusted; accordingly, over-the-year analysis is used throughout.)

Chart 1. Total nonfarm employment, over-the-year percent change in the United States and the Atlanta metropolitan area, June 2015–June 2020

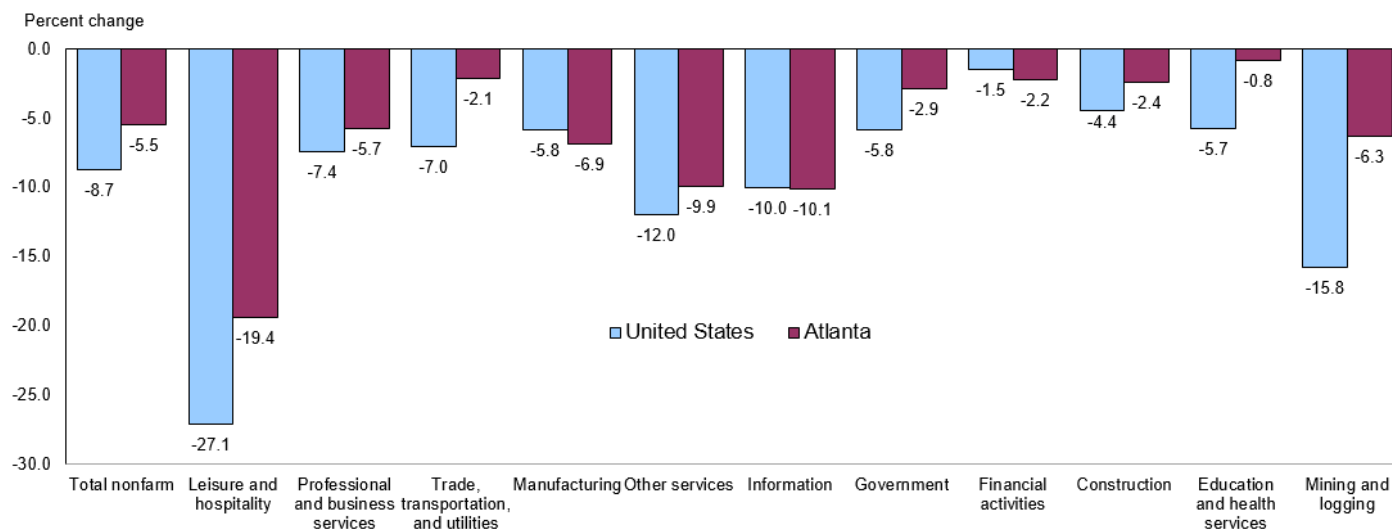


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Industry employment

Employment in Atlanta's leisure and hospitality supersector fell sharply (-60,700) for the 12 months ending in June, the largest loss of jobs among local major industry sectors. Local employment losses were primarily in the food services and drinking places subsector (-38,500). Atlanta's over-the-year rate of job loss for the leisure and hospitality industry (-19.4 percent) was smaller than the national rate (-27.1 percent). (See [chart 2.](#))

Chart 2. Total nonfarm and selected industry supersector employment, over-the-year percent change, United States and the Atlanta metropolitan area, June 2020



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

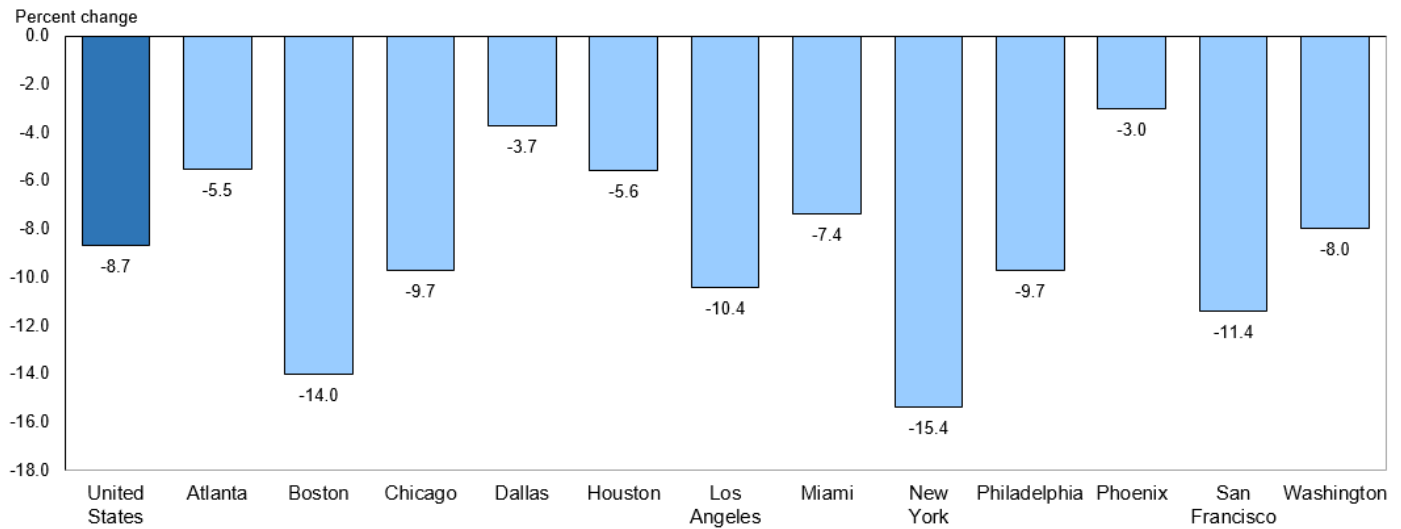
The professional and business services supersector in the Atlanta area lost 31,300 jobs from June 2019 to June 2020, a 5.7-percent decline. The employment services industry group accounted for 14,900 of the jobs lost in the industry sector. Nationally, employment in professional and business services was down 7.4 percent over the year.

Five other local area supersectors had job losses greater than 9,000, ranging from 12,900 in trade, transportation, and utilities to 9,600 in government.

Employment in the 12 largest metropolitan areas

Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell was 1 of the nation's 12 largest metropolitan statistical areas in June 2020. All 12 areas had over-the-year job losses during the period, with the rates of job losses in 6 areas exceeding the national decrease of 8.7 percent. New York-Newark-Jersey City had the highest rate of job loss (-15.4 percent), followed by Boston-Cambridge-Nashua (-14.0 percent). Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale (-3.0 percent) had the slowest rate of job loss. (See [chart 3](#) and [table 2.](#))

Chart 3. Total nonfarm employment, over-the-year percent change, United States and 12 largest metropolitan areas, June 2020



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

New York lost the largest number of jobs over the year (-1,549,100), followed by Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim (-650,400). The smallest employment loss occurred in Phoenix (-63,700). Annual losses in the remaining nine metropolitan areas ranged from 466,800 in Chicago-Naperville-Elgin to 141,600 in Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington.

Over the year, leisure and hospitality lost the most jobs in all 12 metropolitan areas. New York had the largest loss of jobs for this sector (-521,200), followed by Los Angeles (-237,000). Phoenix had the smallest job loss for the leisure and hospitality sector (-37,400). The remaining nine areas had job losses ranging from 184,900 in Chicago to 56,500 in Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land for this industry sector.

Phoenix and Dallas were the only two metropolitan statistical areas to have annual employment gains in any supersector from June 2019 to June 2020. Phoenix had jobs gains of 1,000 or more for three industry sectors: trade, transportation, and utilities (5,700); education and health services (3,700); and financial activities (1,000). Dallas added 8,300 jobs in financial activities.

Metropolitan area employment data for July 2020 are scheduled to be released on Friday, August 21, 2020.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic Impact on June 2020 Establishment Survey Data

BLS has continued to review all estimation and methodological procedures for the establishment survey, which included the review of data, estimation processes, the application of the birth-death model, and seasonal adjustment. Business births and deaths cannot be adequately captured by the establishment survey as they occur. Therefore, the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program uses a model to account for the relatively stable net employment change generated by business births and deaths. Due to the impact of COVID-19, the relationship between business births and deaths is no longer stable. Typically, reports with zero employment are not included in estimation. For the May final and June preliminary estimates, CES included a portion of these reports in the estimates and made modifications to the birth-death model. In addition for both months, the establishment survey included a portion of the reports that returned to reporting positive employment from reporting zero employment. For more information, see www.bls.gov/web/empstat/cesbd.htm.

In the establishment survey, workers who are paid by their employer for all or any part of the pay period including the 12th of the month are counted as employed, even if they were not actually at their jobs. Workers who are temporarily or permanently absent from their jobs and are not being paid are not counted as employed, even if they are continuing to receive benefits. The length of the reference period does vary across the respondents in the establishment survey; one-third of businesses have a weekly pay period, slightly over 40 percent a bi-weekly, about 20 percent semi-monthly, and a small amount monthly.

Technical Note

This release presents nonfarm payroll employment estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program. The CES survey is a Federal-State cooperative endeavor between State employment security agencies and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period which 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 2017 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

Method of estimation. CES State and Area employment data are produced using several estimation procedures. Where possible these data are produced using a "weighted link relative" estimation technique in which a ratio of current-month weighted employment to that of the previous-month weighted employment is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are then obtained by multiplying these ratios by the previous month's employment estimates. The weighted link relative technique is utilized for data series where the sample size meets certain statistical criteria.

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

Annual revisions. Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports which 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 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 are also 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.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for the total nonfarm employment series are available for metropolitan areas and metropolitan divisions at www.bls.gov/sae/additional-resources/reliability-of-state-and-area-estimates.htm. Measures of sampling error for more detailed series at the area and division level are available upon request. Measures of sampling error for states at the supersector level and for the private service-providing, goods-producing, total private and total nonfarm levels are available on the BLS website at www.bls.gov/sae/additional-resources/reliability-of-state-and-area-estimates.htm. Information on recent benchmark revisions is available online at www.bls.gov/sae/publications/benchmark-article/annual-benchmark-article.pdf.

Area definitions. The substate area data published in this release reflect the delineations issued by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on April 10, 2018. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available at www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm.

The **Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA Metropolitan Statistical Area** includes the counties of Barrow, Bartow, Butts, Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, Dawson, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Haralson, Heard, Henry, Jasper, Lamar, Meriwether, Morgan, Newton, Paulding, Pickens, Pike, Rockdale, Spalding, and Walton in Georgia.

Additional information

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings*, which is available online at www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm. Detailed industry employment data for metropolitan areas from the CES program are available from the State and Area Employment databases at www.bls.gov/sae/data/home.htm.

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Table 1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry supersector, United States and the Atlanta metropolitan area, not seasonally adjusted (numbers in thousands)

Area and Industry	June 2019	Apr 2020	May 2020	June 2020(p)	June 2019 to June 2020(p)	
					Net change	Percent change
United States						
Total nonfarm.....	151,739	130,317	133,410	138,513	-13,226	-8.7
Mining and logging	746	643	632	628	-118	-15.8
Construction	7,699	6,465	7,073	7,359	-340	-4.4
Manufacturing.....	12,922	11,432	11,708	12,169	-753	-5.8
Trade, transportation, and utilities	27,698	24,253	24,740	25,753	-1,945	-7.0
Information	2,874	2,607	2,561	2,586	-288	-10.0
Financial activities	8,783	8,523	8,552	8,650	-133	-1.5
Professional and business services	21,428	19,215	19,398	19,836	-1,592	-7.4
Education and health services	23,939	21,972	22,243	22,569	-1,370	-5.7
Leisure and hospitality.....	17,219	8,485	10,107	12,556	-4,663	-27.1
Other services	5,970	4,564	4,852	5,254	-716	-12.0
Government.....	22,461	22,158	21,544	21,153	-1,308	-5.8
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA Metropolitan Statistical Area						
Total nonfarm.....	2,845.4	2,547.5	2,600.3	2,688.1	-157.3	-5.5
Mining and logging	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	-0.1	-6.3
Construction	131.4	124.0	126.3	128.2	-3.2	-2.4
Manufacturing.....	171.8	149.8	153.1	159.9	-11.9	-6.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	600.2	575.0	575.0	587.3	-12.9	-2.1
Information	101.5	94.0	90.3	91.2	-10.3	-10.1
Financial activities	177.3	167.6	172.5	173.4	-3.9	-2.2
Professional and business services	549.4	494.4	504.1	518.1	-31.3	-5.7
Education and health services	364.7	353.3	357.3	361.7	-3.0	-0.8
Leisure and hospitality.....	312.2	176.7	207.3	251.5	-60.7	-19.4
Other services	104.8	81.3	88.0	94.4	-10.4	-9.9
Government.....	330.5	329.9	324.8	320.9	-9.6	-2.9

Footnotes

(p) Preliminary

Table 2. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry supersector, 12 largest metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted (numbers in thousands)

Area and Industry	June 2019	Apr 2020	May 2020	June 2020(p)	June 2019 to June 2020(p)	
					Net change	Percent change
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA						
Total nonfarm.....	2,845.4	2,547.5	2,600.3	2,688.1	-157.3	-5.5
Mining and logging	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	-0.1	-6.3
Construction	131.4	124.0	126.3	128.2	-3.2	-2.4
Manufacturing.....	171.8	149.8	153.1	159.9	-11.9	-6.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	600.2	575.0	575.0	587.3	-12.9	-2.1
Information	101.5	94.0	90.3	91.2	-10.3	-10.1
Financial activities	177.3	167.6	172.5	173.4	-3.9	-2.2
Professional and business services	549.4	494.4	504.1	518.1	-31.3	-5.7
Education and health services	364.7	353.3	357.3	361.7	-3.0	-0.8
Leisure and hospitality.....	312.2	176.7	207.3	251.5	-60.7	-19.4
Other services	104.8	81.3	88.0	94.4	-10.4	-9.9
Government.....	330.5	329.9	324.8	320.9	-9.6	-2.9
Boston-Cambridge-Nashua, MA-NH						
Total nonfarm.....	2,845.7	2,319.7	2,360.9	2,446.0	-399.7	-14.0
Mining, logging, and construction.....	126.4	78.3	90.4	108.0	-18.4	-14.6
Manufacturing.....	190.3	167.5	172.6	178.1	-12.2	-6.4
Trade, transportation, and utilities	429.0	339.2	341.1	365.3	-63.7	-14.8
Information	81.8	81.9	80.3	79.8	-2.0	-2.4
Financial activities	188.2	184.1	183.3	185.4	-2.8	-1.5
Professional and business services	524.1	477.6	482.0	491.9	-32.2	-6.1
Education and health services	582.4	531.5	527.0	527.1	-55.3	-9.5
Leisure and hospitality.....	299.4	95.5	120.4	156.1	-143.3	-47.9
Other services	107.8	60.4	65.6	71.4	-36.4	-33.8
Government.....	316.3	303.7	298.2	282.9	-33.4	-10.6
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI						
Total nonfarm.....	4,819.8	4,127.3	4,203.2	4,353.0	-466.8	-9.7
Mining and logging	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.7	-0.2	-10.5
Construction	190.1	154.2	171.0	178.7	-11.4	-6.0
Manufacturing.....	423.5	380.9	389.1	401.5	-22.0	-5.2
Trade, transportation, and utilities	952.0	852.1	860.4	896.6	-55.4	-5.8
Information	78.8	76.9	75.6	75.4	-3.4	-4.3
Financial activities	321.6	310.5	308.8	311.2	-10.4	-3.2
Professional and business services	846.0	749.2	762.9	780.2	-65.8	-7.8
Education and health services	729.4	678.1	681.6	690.0	-39.4	-5.4
Leisure and hospitality.....	518.4	238.6	272.5	333.5	-184.9	-35.7
Other services	202.0	160.3	162.8	178.1	-23.9	-11.8
Government.....	556.1	524.8	516.7	506.1	-50.0	-9.0
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX						
Total nonfarm.....	3,788.2	3,463.4	3,542.7	3,646.6	-141.6	-3.7
Mining, logging, and construction.....	229.1	222.8	223.9	229.5	0.4	0.2
Manufacturing.....	291.2	277.7	278.4	279.2	-12.0	-4.1
Trade, transportation, and utilities	788.5	761.8	764.4	788.6	0.1	0.0
Information	82.3	80.0	80.0	79.8	-2.5	-3.0
Financial activities	319.7	322.4	324.5	328.0	8.3	2.6
Professional and business services	637.2	597.4	608.8	627.3	-9.9	-1.6
Education and health services	460.5	408.2	426.7	428.6	-31.9	-6.9
Leisure and hospitality.....	405.1	238.1	284.6	332.3	-72.8	-18.0
Other services	131.2	111.2	115.4	121.9	-9.3	-7.1
Government.....	443.4	443.8	436.0	431.4	-12.0	-2.7
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX						
Total nonfarm.....	3,162.8	2,853.7	2,931.9	2,986.9	-175.9	-5.6
Mining and logging	80.6	66.7	61.9	61.5	-19.1	-23.7
Construction	235.2	212.9	220.2	223.2	-12.0	-5.1

Note: See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry supersector, 12 largest metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted (numbers in thousands) - Continued

Area and Industry	June 2019	Apr 2020	May 2020	June 2020(p)	June 2019 to June 2020(p)	
					Net change	Percent change
Manufacturing.....	237.7	218.7	222.4	219.4	-18.3	-7.7
Trade, transportation, and utilities	624.9	587.1	600.5	609.8	-15.1	-2.4
Information	33.1	29.6	29.5	29.4	-3.7	-11.2
Financial activities	166.7	162.1	163.3	164.7	-2.0	-1.2
Professional and business services	507.7	487.9	486.5	500.1	-7.6	-1.5
Education and health services	402.0	370.0	389.7	397.1	-4.9	-1.2
Leisure and hospitality.....	341.5	210.7	256.8	285.0	-56.5	-16.5
Other services	117.9	91.9	92.1	99.1	-18.8	-15.9
Government.....	415.5	416.1	409.0	397.6	-17.9	-4.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA						
Total nonfarm.....	6,235.8	5,323.7	5,366.8	5,585.4	-650.4	-10.4
Mining and logging	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	-0.1	-4.2
Construction	257.2	227.7	244.5	250.8	-6.4	-2.5
Manufacturing.....	501.2	434.6	443.6	459.6	-41.6	-8.3
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,101.2	957.7	969.5	1,012.2	-89.0	-8.1
Information	234.9	205.2	196.1	199.7	-35.2	-15.0
Financial activities	341.0	329.5	330.1	331.2	-9.8	-2.9
Professional and business services	968.9	855.5	864.5	883.1	-85.8	-8.9
Education and health services	1,062.1	982.6	994.8	1,013.2	-48.9	-4.6
Leisure and hospitality.....	786.0	420.1	436.8	549.0	-237.0	-30.2
Other services	211.2	151.9	149.5	160.3	-50.9	-24.1
Government.....	769.7	756.6	735.1	724.0	-45.7	-5.9
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL						
Total nonfarm.....	2,684.0	2,352.7	2,427.8	2,486.6	-197.4	-7.4
Mining and logging	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.0
Construction	141.9	131.6	138.7	140.4	-1.5	-1.1
Manufacturing.....	91.8	79.7	83.2	86.4	-5.4	-5.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	608.5	551.6	556.7	572.2	-36.3	-6.0
Information	51.0	48.0	47.8	47.9	-3.1	-6.1
Financial activities	188.6	189.1	187.3	188.5	-0.1	-0.1
Professional and business services	448.4	399.4	409.7	419.5	-28.9	-6.4
Education and health services	405.1	370.6	379.8	379.3	-25.8	-6.4
Leisure and hospitality.....	330.0	173.9	210.8	254.3	-75.7	-22.9
Other services	121.0	95.6	101.7	106.2	-14.8	-12.2
Government.....	296.9	312.4	311.3	291.1	-5.8	-2.0
New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY-NJ-PA						
Total nonfarm.....	10,079.0	8,007.2	8,181.0	8,529.9	-1,549.1	-15.4
Mining, logging, and construction.....	425.5	250.3	308.6	357.1	-68.4	-16.1
Manufacturing.....	364.1	292.2	311.5	324.2	-39.9	-11.0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,743.6	1,337.9	1,379.9	1,465.6	-278.0	-15.9
Information	299.0	278.1	273.3	278.7	-20.3	-6.8
Financial activities	797.5	744.5	745.4	745.8	-51.7	-6.5
Professional and business services	1,631.0	1,386.4	1,402.2	1,429.4	-201.6	-12.4
Education and health services	2,040.2	1,813.5	1,809.9	1,853.0	-187.2	-9.2
Leisure and hospitality.....	995.5	314.0	373.6	474.3	-521.2	-52.4
Other services	433.3	293.3	298.0	318.8	-114.5	-26.4
Government.....	1,349.3	1,297.0	1,278.6	1,283.0	-66.3	-4.9
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD						
Total nonfarm.....	2,986.0	2,517.1	2,587.0	2,695.3	-290.7	-9.7
Mining, logging, and construction.....	122.9	77.8	100.1	106.6	-16.3	-13.3
Manufacturing.....	185.2	167.5	172.8	176.2	-9.0	-4.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	527.4	452.6	459.7	480.7	-46.7	-8.9
Information	49.8	47.0	46.5	47.0	-2.8	-5.6

Note: See footnotes at end of table.

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Area and Industry	June 2019	Apr 2020	May 2020	June 2020(p)	June 2019 to June 2020(p)	
					Net change	Percent change
Financial activities	218.8	209.5	210.6	210.4	-8.4	-3.8
Professional and business services	474.6	433.6	437.1	447.8	-26.8	-5.6
Education and health services	656.0	596.6	605.3	625.4	-30.6	-4.7
Leisure and hospitality.....	291.5	114.0	135.2	170.2	-121.3	-41.6
Other services	125.0	80.1	85.3	98.6	-26.4	-21.1
Government.....	334.8	338.4	334.4	332.4	-2.4	-0.7
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ						
Total nonfarm.....	2,124.2	2,017.0	2,043.8	2,060.5	-63.7	-3.0
Mining and logging	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.6	0.0	0.0
Construction	135.3	134.0	133.6	132.7	-2.6	-1.9
Manufacturing.....	133.4	126.3	127.5	130.1	-3.3	-2.5
Trade, transportation, and utilities	402.3	392.0	399.8	408.0	5.7	1.4
Information	40.0	37.4	37.4	37.4	-2.6	-6.5
Financial activities	201.7	201.5	201.4	202.7	1.0	0.5
Professional and business services	363.7	342.2	339.5	342.0	-21.7	-6.0
Education and health services	327.1	321.7	324.9	330.8	3.7	1.1
Leisure and hospitality.....	228.4	146.0	167.3	191.0	-37.4	-16.4
Other services	70.6	61.1	68.2	71.3	0.7	1.0
Government.....	218.1	251.2	240.5	210.9	-7.2	-3.3
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA						
Total nonfarm.....	2,489.4	2,100.5	2,128.3	2,204.5	-284.9	-11.4
Mining and logging	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0
Construction	129.3	91.5	108.5	116.6	-12.7	-9.8
Manufacturing.....	144.1	121.9	122.7	125.6	-18.5	-12.8
Trade, transportation, and utilities	370.0	316.6	317.2	328.2	-41.8	-11.3
Information	128.3	118.9	117.7	119.9	-8.4	-6.5
Financial activities	147.1	143.6	144.0	146.1	-1.0	-0.7
Professional and business services	501.6	468.6	474.5	478.9	-22.7	-4.5
Education and health services	363.0	324.5	329.6	340.8	-22.2	-6.1
Leisure and hospitality.....	288.0	135.5	144.7	182.4	-105.6	-36.7
Other services	90.1	63.4	64.5	67.0	-23.1	-25.6
Government.....	327.6	315.7	304.6	298.7	-28.9	-8.8
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV						
Total nonfarm.....	3,378.0	3,043.6	3,038.1	3,107.1	-270.9	-8.0
Mining, logging, and construction.....	167.9	156.5	157.5	162.4	-5.5	-3.3
Manufacturing.....	57.5	52.9	53.8	54.2	-3.3	-5.7
Trade, transportation, and utilities	409.1	361.9	363.0	373.7	-35.4	-8.7
Information	77.4	75.5	73.6	72.9	-4.5	-5.8
Financial activities	162.0	156.9	159.3	157.1	-4.9	-3.0
Professional and business services	785.7	761.3	755.3	766.4	-19.3	-2.5
Education and health services	445.4	399.4	399.5	403.4	-42.0	-9.4
Leisure and hospitality.....	353.4	180.8	185.5	221.7	-131.7	-37.3
Other services	212.8	197.3	196.0	199.7	-13.1	-6.2
Government.....	706.8	701.1	694.6	695.6	-11.2	-1.6

Footnotes

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