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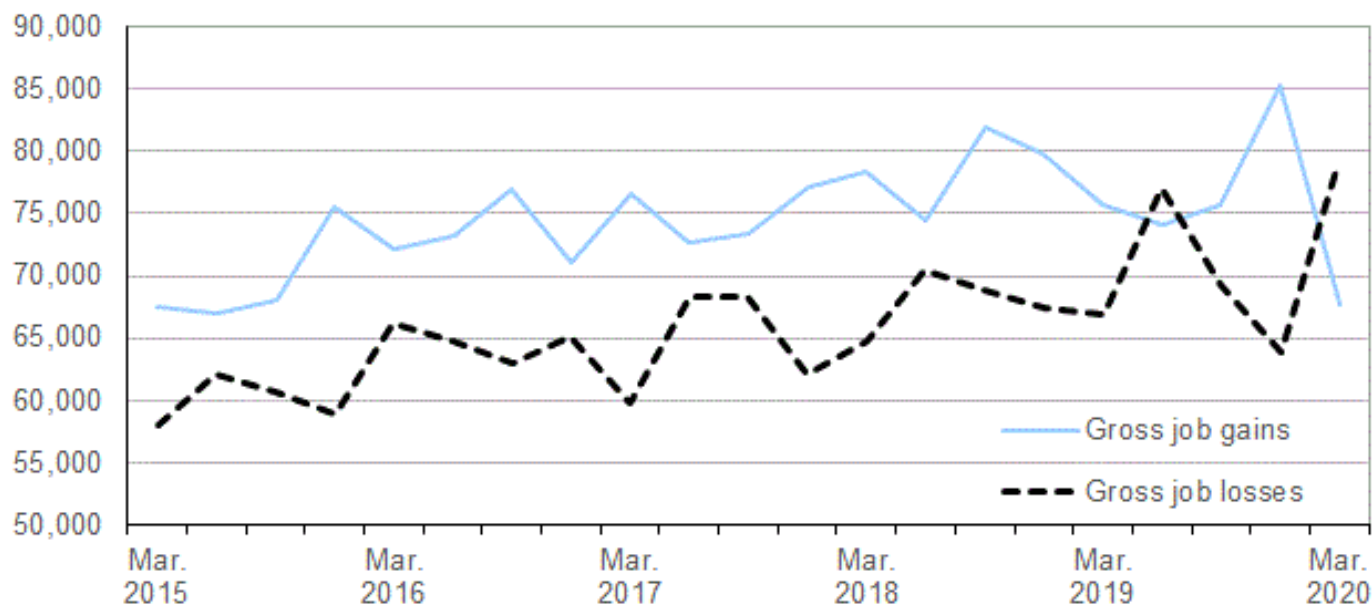
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Business Employment Dynamics in Nevada – First Quarter 2020

From December 2019 to March 2020, **gross job gains** from opening and expanding private-sector establishments in Nevada were 67,736, while **gross job losses** from closing and contracting private-sector establishments were 79,198, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Assistant Commissioner for Regional Operations Richard Holden noted that the difference between the number of gross job gains and the number of gross job losses yielded a **net employment loss** of 11,462 jobs in the private sector during the first quarter of 2020. During the previous quarter, gross job gains exceeded gross job losses by 21,381. (See [chart 1.](#))

Chart 1. Private sector gross job gains and losses in Nevada, March 2015–March 2020, seasonally adjusted



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The change in the number of jobs over time is the net result of increases and decreases in employment that occur at all businesses in the economy. Business Employment Dynamics (BED) statistics track these changes in employment at private business establishments from the third month of one quarter to the third month of the next. The difference between the number of gross job gains and the number of gross job losses is the net change in employment. (See the [Technical Note.](#))

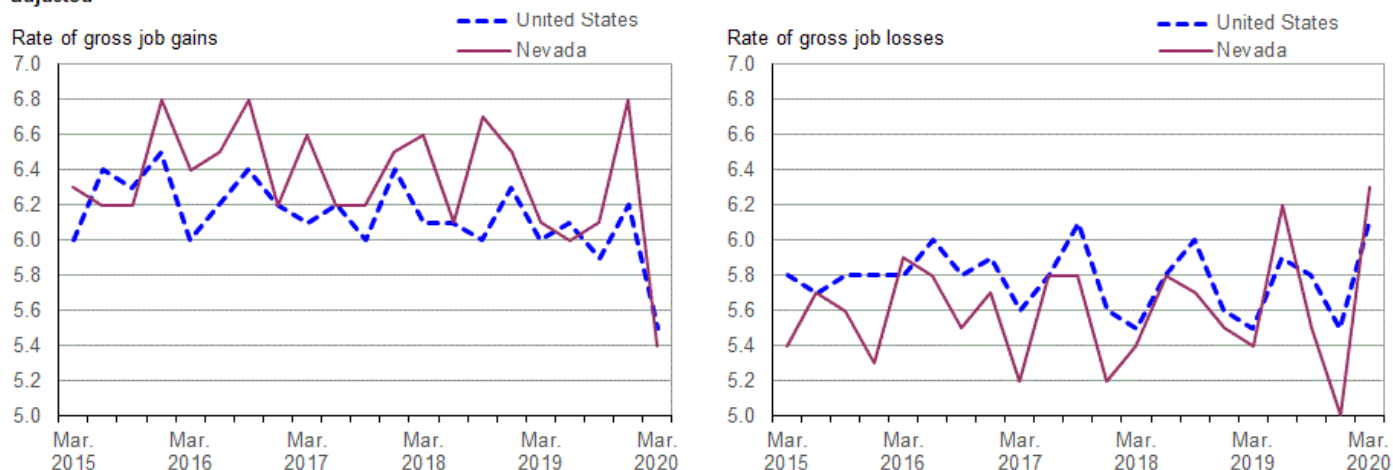
Gross job gains

In the first quarter of 2020, gross job gains represented 5.4 percent of private-sector employment in Nevada; nationally, gross job gains accounted for 5.5 percent of private-sector employment. (See [chart 2.](#)) Gross job gains are the sum of increases in employment due to expansions at existing establishments and the addition of new jobs at opening establishments. In Nevada, gross job gains at **expanding** establishments totaled 55,623 in the first quarter of 2020, a decrease of 16,964 jobs compared to the previous quarter. (See [table 1.](#)) **Opening** establishments accounted for 12,113 jobs gained in the first quarter of 2020, a decrease of 582 jobs from the previous quarter.

Gross job losses

In the first quarter of 2020, gross job losses represented 6.3 percent of private-sector employment in Nevada; nationally, gross job losses accounted for 6.1 percent of private-sector employment. (See [chart 2.](#)) Gross job losses are the result of contractions in employment at existing establishments and the loss of jobs at closing establishments. In Nevada, **contracting** establishments lost 67,852 jobs in the first quarter of 2020, an increase of 14,382 jobs from the prior quarter. **Closing** establishments lost 11,346 jobs, an increase of 915 jobs from the previous quarter.

Chart 2. Private sector gross job gains and losses as a percent of employment, United States and Nevada, March 2015–March 2020, seasonally adjusted



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Industries

Gross job gains exceeded gross job losses in 3 the 11 industry sectors in Nevada in the first quarter of 2020. Construction had the largest over-the-quarter net job increase, with a gain of 1,115 jobs. This was the result of 9,240 gross job gains and 8,125 gross job losses. The manufacturing industry had a net gain of 716 jobs. Professional and business services showed a net loss of 6,581 jobs, the largest loss of any sector in the state. Nevada's leisure and hospitality industry sector had a net loss of 4,706 jobs.

For more information

The BED data series include gross job gains and gross job losses by industry subsector, for the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, as well as gross job gains and gross job losses at the firm level by employer size class. BED data for the states have been included in [table 2](#) of this release. Additional information is available online at www.bls.gov/bdm/.

The Business Employment Dynamics for Second Quarter 2020 are scheduled to be released on January 29, 2021.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Effect on First Quarter 2020 Business Employment Dynamics

Data collection and processing methods have been impacted because of the COVID-19 pandemic. More detail can be found at www.bls.gov/covid19/effects-of-covid-19-pandemic-on-business-employment-dynamics.htm.

Technical Note

The Business Employment Dynamics (BED) data are a product of a federal-state cooperative program known as Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW). The BED data are compiled by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) from existing QCEW records. Most employers in the U.S. are required to file quarterly reports on the employment and wages of workers covered by unemployment insurance (UI) laws, and to pay quarterly UI taxes. The QCEW is based largely on quarterly UI reports which are sent by businesses to the State Workforce Agencies (SWAs). These UI reports are supplemented by two additional BLS data collections to render administrative data into economic statistics. Together these data comprise the QCEW and form the basis of the Bureau's establishment universe sampling frame.

In the BED program, the QCEW records are linked across quarters to provide a longitudinal history for each establishment. The linkage process allows the tracking of net employment changes at the establishment level, which in turn allows the estimation of jobs gained at opening and expanding units and jobs lost at closing and contracting units.

The change in the number of jobs over time is the net result of increases and decreases in employment that occur at all businesses in the economy. BED statistics track these changes in employment at private business establishments from the third month of one quarter to the third month of the next. Gross job gains are the sum of increases in employment from expansions at existing establishments and the addition of new jobs at opening establishments. Gross job losses are the result of contractions in employment at existing establishments and the loss of jobs at closing establishments. The difference between the number of gross jobs gained and the number of gross jobs lost is the net change in employment.

Gross job gains and gross job losses are expressed as rates by dividing their levels by the average of employment in the current and previous quarters. The rates are calculated for the components of gross job gains and gross job losses and then summed to form their respective totals. These rates can be added and subtracted just as their levels can. For instance, the difference between the gross job gains rate and the gross job losses rate is the net growth rate.

The formal definitions of employment changes are as follows:

Openings. These are either units with positive third month employment for the first time in the current quarter, with no links to the prior quarter, or with positive third month employment in the current quarter following zero employment in the previous quarter.

Expansions. These are units with positive employment in the third month in both the previous and current quarters, with a net increase in employment over this period.

Closings. These are either units with positive third month employment in the previous quarter, with no employment or zero employment reported in the current quarter.

Contractions. These are units with positive employment in the third month in both the previous and current quarters, with a net decrease in employment over this period.

The full Technical Note for the Business Employment Dynamics program, which includes information on coverage, concepts, and methodology, can be found in the current quarterly news release online at www.bls.gov/news.release/cewbd.htm.

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Table 1. Private sector gross job gains and losses by industry, Nevada, seasonally adjusted

Category	Gross job gains and job losses (3 months ended)					Gross job gains and job losses as a percent of employment (3 months ended)				
	Mar. 2019	June 2019	Sept 2019	Dec. 2019	Mar. 2020	Mar. 2019	June 2019	Sept 2019	Dec. 2019	Mar. 2020
Total private ⁽¹⁾										
Gross job gains	75,792	74,040	75,765	85,282	67,736	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.8	5.4
At expanding establishments	62,450	62,025	62,908	72,587	55,623	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.8	4.4
At opening establishments	13,342	12,015	12,857	12,695	12,113	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Gross job losses	66,925	77,042	69,258	63,901	79,198	5.4	6.2	5.5	5.0	6.3
At contracting establishments	54,419	65,309	58,752	53,470	67,852	4.4	5.3	4.7	4.2	5.4
At closing establishments	12,506	11,733	10,506	10,431	11,346	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	8,867	-3,002	6,507	21,381	-11,462	0.7	-0.2	0.6	1.8	-0.9
Construction										
Gross job gains	11,074	9,476	9,883	10,126	9,240	11.7	9.9	10.4	10.5	9.4
At expanding establishments	9,922	8,407	8,947	9,190	8,468	10.5	8.8	9.4	9.5	8.6
At opening establishments	1,152	1,069	936	936	772	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.8
Gross job losses	8,080	9,486	8,999	8,749	8,125	8.5	9.9	9.4	9.0	8.2
At contracting establishments	7,043	8,334	8,020	7,893	6,961	7.4	8.7	8.4	8.1	7.0
At closing establishments	1,037	1,152	979	856	1,164	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.9	1.2
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	2,994	-10	884	1,377	1,115	3.2	0.0	1.0	1.5	1.2
Manufacturing										
Gross job gains	2,512	2,295	2,336	2,553	2,849	4.2	3.8	4.0	4.3	4.7
At expanding establishments	2,108	1,975	1,946	2,291	2,665	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.9	4.4
At opening establishments	404	320	390	262	184	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.3
Gross job losses	2,337	3,127	2,353	2,034	2,133	3.9	5.3	4.0	3.4	3.6
At contracting establishments	2,077	2,784	2,112	1,785	1,833	3.5	4.7	3.6	3.0	3.1
At closing establishments	260	343	241	249	300	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	175	-832	-17	519	716	0.3	-1.5	0.0	0.9	1.1
Wholesale trade										
Gross job gains	2,105	2,224	1,742	1,799	1,758	5.5	5.8	4.5	4.7	4.6
At expanding establishments	1,698	1,767	1,418	1,459	1,462	4.4	4.6	3.7	3.8	3.8
At opening establishments	407	457	324	340	296	1.1	1.2	0.8	0.9	0.8
Gross job losses	1,532	2,184	1,883	1,705	1,761	4.0	5.6	4.9	4.5	4.5
At contracting establishments	1,143	1,634	1,450	1,368	1,333	3.0	4.2	3.8	3.6	3.4
At closing establishments	389	550	433	337	428	1.0	1.4	1.1	0.9	1.1
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	573	40	-141	94	-3	1.5	0.2	-0.4	0.2	0.1
Retail trade										
Gross job gains	8,233	7,654	7,806	8,860	8,478	5.5	5.1	5.3	6.0	5.7
At expanding establishments	7,054	6,839	6,786	7,936	7,245	4.7	4.6	4.6	5.4	4.9
At opening establishments	1,179	815	1,020	924	1,233	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8
Gross job losses	8,298	8,579	8,426	7,879	8,581	5.6	5.8	5.7	5.3	5.8
At contracting establishments	7,532	7,595	7,545	7,074	7,553	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.8	5.1
At closing establishments	766	984	881	805	1,028	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.7
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	-65	-925	-620	981	-103	-0.1	-0.7	-0.4	0.7	-0.1
Transportation and warehousing										
Gross job gains	4,204	5,403	4,486	6,927	2,592	6.2	7.9	6.4	9.4	3.5
At expanding establishments	3,736	4,886	3,837	6,672	2,271	5.5	7.1	5.5	9.1	3.1
At opening establishments	468	517	649	255	321	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.4
Gross job losses	3,447	3,629	3,143	2,653	4,920	5.1	5.2	4.5	3.6	6.6
At contracting establishments	3,150	3,115	2,784	2,323	4,551	4.7	4.5	4.0	3.2	6.1
At closing establishments	297	514	359	330	369	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.5
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	757	1,774	1,343	4,274	-2,328	1.1	2.7	1.9	5.8	-3.1
Information										
Gross job gains	1,429	1,288	1,265	1,404	684	9.2	8.2	8.0	8.9	4.5
At expanding establishments	1,149	1,042	970	1,031	493	7.4	6.6	6.1	6.5	3.2
At opening establishments	280	246	295	373	191	1.8	1.6	1.9	2.4	1.3
Gross job losses	1,123	1,247	1,208	1,267	1,475	7.2	7.9	7.6	8.0	9.7

Note: See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Private sector gross job gains and losses by industry, Nevada, seasonally adjusted - Continued

Category	Gross job gains and job losses (3 months ended)					Gross job gains and job losses as a percent of employment (3 months ended)				
	Mar. 2019	June 2019	Sept 2019	Dec. 2019	Mar. 2020	Mar. 2019	June 2019	Sept 2019	Dec. 2019	Mar. 2020
At contracting establishments	853	918	937	903	1,228	5.5	5.8	5.9	5.7	8.1
At closing establishments	270	329	271	364	247	1.7	2.1	1.7	2.3	1.6
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	306	41	57	137	-791	2.0	0.3	0.4	0.9	-5.2
Financial activities										
Gross job gains	4,014	4,203	4,234	4,026	3,855	6.3	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.8
At expanding establishments	3,268	3,344	3,446	3,117	2,896	5.1	5.2	5.3	4.8	4.4
At opening establishments	746	859	788	909	959	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.4
Gross job losses	3,217	3,544	3,679	3,260	3,729	5.0	5.5	5.7	4.9	5.7
At contracting establishments	2,444	2,770	2,695	2,520	2,964	3.8	4.3	4.2	3.8	4.5
At closing establishments	773	774	984	740	765	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.1	1.2
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	797	659	555	766	126	1.3	1.0	0.8	1.3	0.1
Professional and business services										
Gross job gains	14,612	16,057	16,480	20,111	12,890	7.5	8.3	8.4	10.1	6.4
At expanding establishments	12,058	13,030	13,664	16,748	10,834	6.2	6.7	7.0	8.4	5.4
At opening establishments	2,554	3,027	2,816	3,363	2,056	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.0
Gross job losses	15,315	14,144	14,568	13,106	19,471	7.9	7.3	7.5	6.6	9.8
At contracting establishments	12,720	11,233	11,790	10,134	16,853	6.6	5.8	6.1	5.1	8.5
At closing establishments	2,595	2,911	2,778	2,972	2,618	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.3
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	-703	1,913	1,912	7,005	-6,581	-0.4	1.0	0.9	3.5	-3.4
Education and health services										
Gross job gains	7,165	6,997	7,544	7,811	6,320	5.1	4.9	5.2	5.4	4.3
At expanding establishments	6,072	5,874	6,627	6,536	5,241	4.3	4.1	4.6	4.5	3.6
At opening establishments	1,093	1,123	917	1,275	1,079	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.7
Gross job losses	8,325	6,619	5,809	6,283	6,703	5.9	4.6	4.1	4.3	4.6
At contracting establishments	4,796	5,596	4,841	4,990	5,275	3.4	3.9	3.4	3.4	3.6
At closing establishments	3,529	1,023	968	1,293	1,428	2.5	0.7	0.7	0.9	1.0
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	-1,160	378	1,735	1,528	-383	-0.8	0.3	1.1	1.1	-0.3
Leisure and hospitality										
Gross job gains	16,263	14,019	15,333	15,377	12,799	4.6	3.9	4.3	4.4	3.6
At expanding establishments	12,509	11,782	12,071	13,366	10,714	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.8	3.0
At opening establishments	3,754	2,237	3,262	2,011	2,085	1.1	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.6
Gross job losses	11,407	19,736	15,368	13,572	17,505	3.2	5.5	4.3	3.9	4.9
At contracting establishments	9,608	17,544	13,865	11,966	15,698	2.7	4.9	3.9	3.4	4.4
At closing establishments	1,799	2,192	1,503	1,606	1,807	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.5
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	4,856	-5,717	-35	1,805	-4,706	1.4	-1.6	0.0	0.5	-1.3
Other services ⁽³⁾										
Gross job gains	2,478	2,653	2,544	3,322	2,342	7.3	7.8	7.5	9.5	6.6
At expanding establishments	1,829	2,032	2,081	2,703	1,876	5.4	6.0	6.1	7.7	5.3
At opening establishments	649	621	463	619	466	1.9	1.8	1.4	1.8	1.3
Gross job losses	2,305	2,664	2,161	2,097	3,174	6.8	7.9	6.3	5.9	9.1
At contracting establishments	1,872	2,030	1,643	1,631	2,519	5.5	6.0	4.8	4.6	7.2
At closing establishments	433	634	518	466	655	1.3	1.9	1.5	1.3	1.9
Net employment change ⁽²⁾	173	-11	383	1,225	-832	0.5	-0.1	1.2	3.6	-2.5

Footnotes:

(1) Includes unclassified sector not shown separately.

(2) The net employment change is the difference between total gross job gains and total gross job losses. See the Technical Note for further information.

(3) Except public administration.

Table 2. Private sector gross job gains and losses as a percent of total employment by state, seasonally adjusted

Category	Gross job gains as a percent of employment (3 months ended)					Gross job losses as a percent of employment (3 months ended)				
	Mar. 2019	June 2019	Sept. 2019	Dec. 2019	Mar. 2020	Mar. 2019	June 2019	Sept. 2019	Dec. 2019	Mar. 2020
United States(1)	6.0	6.1	5.9	6.2	5.5	5.5	5.9	5.8	5.5	6.1
Alabama	6.1	5.9	5.8	6.2	5.5	5.6	5.9	5.9	5.5	5.9
Alaska	10.1	10.7	9.6	10.3	9.2	9.0	10.1	10.1	10.2	9.5
Arizona	5.7	5.7	6.3	6.4	5.6	5.5	5.6	4.9	5.2	5.9
Arkansas	5.3	5.0	5.6	6.5	5.1	5.1	5.7	5.8	4.9	5.5
California	6.4	6.6	6.3	6.8	6.1	6.1	6.4	6.0	6.0	6.7
Colorado	6.6	7.0	6.6	6.7	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.4	6.2	7.0
Connecticut	5.3	5.8	5.5	5.5	5.2	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.9
Delaware	6.5	6.0	6.2	6.7	6.2	5.6	6.6	6.3	6.2	6.6
District of Columbia	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.2	5.0	5.5	5.3	4.7	5.3
Florida	6.2	6.5	6.6	6.6	5.4	5.6	6.3	5.8	5.9	6.2
Georgia	6.7	6.1	6.2	6.5	5.6	5.7	6.5	6.0	5.5	5.9
Hawaii	5.5	4.8	5.6	5.7	5.2	5.9	5.8	5.2	5.2	5.8
Idaho	7.5	7.1	7.0	7.7	7.6	6.1	6.7	6.8	6.3	6.1
Illinois	5.2	5.6	5.0	5.6	5.0	5.2	5.3	5.6	5.2	6.0
Indiana	5.8	5.1	5.4	6.0	4.9	4.8	5.9	5.6	5.1	6.0
Iowa	5.1	5.8	5.3	5.8	5.2	5.6	5.8	5.7	5.5	5.9
Kansas	5.6	5.7	5.6	6.3	5.4	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.7	6.0
Kentucky	5.8	5.8	5.9	6.2	5.3	5.5	6.0	5.7	5.6	6.1
Louisiana	6.1	6.2	5.9	5.9	5.3	6.1	6.5	6.1	5.7	6.3
Maine	7.5	7.4	6.5	7.3	6.4	6.7	7.4	7.3	6.9	7.0
Maryland	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.4	5.7	5.7	6.5	6.3	5.9	6.7
Massachusetts	6.1	6.0	5.3	5.8	5.2	5.2	5.6	5.9	5.6	6.0
Michigan	5.2	5.5	5.1	5.8	5.0	4.6	5.7	5.9	5.3	5.7
Minnesota	5.2	5.8	5.4	5.8	5.0	5.2	5.5	5.8	5.6	5.6
Mississippi	5.7	5.8	5.7	6.2	5.6	6.2	6.1	5.7	5.6	6.2
Missouri	5.4	5.7	5.8	6.2	5.2	5.3	5.8	5.8	5.3	5.7
Montana	7.6	8.1	7.4	8.6	7.7	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.2	7.7
Nebraska	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.2	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.8	6.1
Nevada	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.8	5.4	5.4	6.2	5.5	5.0	6.3
New Hampshire	6.4	6.4	5.8	6.6	6.0	5.7	6.3	6.6	6.0	6.4
New Jersey	5.7	6.2	6.0	6.5	5.7	5.7	5.9	6.2	5.8	6.3
New Mexico	6.7	6.3	6.8	7.0	6.1	5.8	6.5	6.1	6.3	6.5
New York	6.0	6.1	5.8	6.0	5.5	5.4	5.9	5.9	5.7	6.4
North Carolina	6.4	6.0	5.8	6.3	5.8	5.1	5.9	6.0	5.4	5.7
North Dakota	7.1	6.7	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.4	6.7	7.1	6.6	7.0
Ohio	5.6	5.7	5.3	5.7	5.1	5.2	5.7	5.9	5.3	5.6
Oklahoma	5.9	6.0	6.4	6.5	5.4	5.9	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.7
Oregon	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.7	6.2	5.8	6.1	6.2	5.8	6.5
Pennsylvania	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.4	4.9	4.8	5.4	5.1	4.9	5.6
Rhode Island	5.9	6.3	6.0	6.5	6.1	5.7	6.5	6.2	5.9	6.5
South Carolina	6.6	6.4	6.0	6.5	5.5	6.5	6.2	5.9	5.9	6.6
South Dakota	5.7	6.2	5.9	6.4	6.0	6.2	5.9	6.0	5.8	6.6
Tennessee	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.7	4.9	4.9	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.3
Texas	5.6	5.8	5.9	6.0	5.0	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.5
Utah	7.3	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.2	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.4
Vermont	6.9	7.1	6.3	6.9	5.8	6.3	7.1	7.6	6.4	7.6
Virginia	6.4	6.1	5.5	6.5	5.6	5.5	5.8	6.3	5.5	6.1
Washington	6.4	6.6	6.1	6.6	7.4	6.1	5.8	6.1	5.8	7.4
West Virginia	6.1	6.2	5.9	6.2	6.0	6.7	6.6	6.7	7.1	6.8
Wisconsin	5.2	5.5	4.8	5.4	5.0	4.9	5.3	5.9	5.0	5.3
Wyoming	9.0	8.5	8.6	9.4	8.6	7.8	9.5	8.9	8.7	9.3
Puerto Rico	7.2	6.4	5.9	5.4	5.0	5.2	5.8	5.5	4.9	5.2
Virgin Islands	12.9	8.9	12.0	10.3	7.2	7.6	6.9	6.4	7.3	8.3

Note: See footnotes at end of table.

Footnotes

(1) Totals for the United States do not include data for Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.