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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: MAY 2005

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in May. Overall, 23 states and the District of Columbia registered over-the-month unemployment rate increases, 16 states had decreases, and 11 states had no change, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Only two of the decreases and one increase exceeded 0.4 percentage point. Over the year, jobless rates declined in 32 states and the District of Columbia, rose in 13 states, and remained the same in 5 states. In May, the national unemployment rate, 5.1 percent, was essentially unchanged from April but was down by 0.5 percentage point from a year earlier.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 33 states and the District of Columbia over the month and decreased in 17 states. The largest employment gains occurred in California (+17,600), Florida (+9,900), North Carolina (+8,400), Arizona (+7,300), New York (+6,500), and Texas (+6,000). Vermont reported the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+0.7 percent), followed by the District of Columbia (+0.6 percent) and Idaho, Nevada, and South Dakota (+0.4 percent each). Large employment decreases were reported in Michigan (-11,000) and Indiana (-6,900). The largest over-the-month percentage losses in employment occurred in Michigan and Wyoming (-0.3 percent each) and Indiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Oregon, and South Carolina (-0.2 percent each). Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 48 states and the District of Columbia and decreased in 2 states (Michigan and South Carolina). The largest percentage gains were reported in Nevada (+6.7 percent), Arizona (+4.0 percent), Utah (+3.4 percent), Idaho (+3.1 percent), and Florida and Oregon (+3.0 percent each).

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The Northeast continued to register the lowest unemployment rate in May, 4.7 percent, while the Midwest again had the highest rate, 5.6 percent. Jobless rates in the South and West were 5.0 and 5.3 percent, respectively. No region reported a statistically significant rate change from April. Over the year, unemployment rates declined significantly in the West (-0.7 percentage point), Northeast (-0.6 point), and South (-0.3 point). (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the lowest unemployment rates in May were reported in the South Atlantic division, 4.6 percent; the Middle Atlantic and New England divisions, 4.7 percent each; and the Mountain and West North Central divisions, 4.8 percent each. The East North Central and East South Central divisions had the highest jobless rates, 5.9 and 5.8 percent, respectively. No division registered a statistically significant rate change from April. The Pacific division posted the largest unemployment rate decline from May 2004 (-1.0 percentage point). Other divisions with significant over-the-year rate decreases

were the Middle Atlantic and West South Central (-0.8 and -0.5 percentage point, respectively) and the Mountain, New England, and South Atlantic divisions (-0.3 point each). No division had a statistically significant jobless rate increase over the year.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Hawaii and Vermont posted the lowest state unemployment rates in May, 2.7 and 3.1 percent, respectively. Five additional states registered rates below 4.0 percent. Michigan and Mississippi reported the highest state unemployment rates, 7.1 percent each. Six other states had rates of 6.0 percent or higher. The District of Columbia recorded a jobless rate of 7.9 percent. Two states registered the lowest unemployment rates in their series in May—Idaho, 3.9 percent, and West Virginia, 4.5 percent. (All state series begin in 1976.) In May, 15 states had unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate, 7 states and the District of Columbia reported measurably higher rates, and 28 states had rates that were statistically little different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

Six states registered over-the-month jobless rate increases that were statistically significant in May: Wyoming (+0.5 percentage point), Connecticut and Tennessee (+0.4 point each), Iowa and South Dakota (+0.3 point each), and Delaware (+0.2 point). Indiana posted the largest—and only statistically significant—unemployment rate decrease from the previous month (-0.6 percentage point). Forty-three states and the District of Columbia reported May unemployment rates that were not significantly different from those of April.

The states with the largest over-the-year declines in their jobless rates were Alabama (-1.3 percentage points) and Alaska, California, and New Jersey (-1.0 point each). Seventeen additional states recorded statistically significant unemployment rate declines. Mississippi experienced the largest unemployment rate increase from a year earlier (+1.1 percentage points). Five additional states reported significant over-the-year rate increases. (See table B.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Between April and May, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in the District of Columbia and Vermont. Both registered gains in employment—the District of Columbia (+3,800) and Vermont (+2,200). (See tables C and 5.)

Over the year, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in 30 states and the District of Columbia. All 30 states and the District of Columbia registered job gains. The largest gains were in California (+254,500), Florida (+225,500), Texas (+117,400), Arizona (+95,100), Nevada (+77,000), and New York (+68,600). Less populous states with significant gains included Delaware (+8,700), North Dakota (+6,700), Alaska (+5,900), and Wyoming (+5,500); the District of Columbia added 9,200 jobs over the year. (See table D.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for May 2005 is scheduled to be issued on June 29. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for June is scheduled to be issued on July 22.

Use of Error Measures in the Regional and State News Release

With the release of data for January 2005, the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program introduced several improvements to its methodology. Among these was the development of model-based error measures for the monthly estimates and the estimates of over-the-month changes. These error measures allow data users and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to consider statistical significance when analyzing and describing the LAUS data. Error measures for the nonfarm payroll employment data had been available prior to January 2005, although they were not used in the analysis of those data in this release.

The introductory section of this release preserves the long-time practice of highlighting the direction of the movements in state unemployment rates and state nonfarm payroll employment regardless of their statistical significance. The remainder of the analysis in the release takes the statistical significance of monthly and annual changes into consideration.

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different (90-percent confidence level) from that of the U.S., May 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	May 2005
United States	5.1
Alaska	6.4
Delaware	4.1
District of Columbia	7.9
Florida	4.0
Hawaii.....	2.7
Idaho	3.9
Maryland.....	4.2
Michigan	7.1
Minnesota	4.3
Mississippi.....	7.1
Nebraska	4.0
Nevada	4.0
New Hampshire	3.6
New Jersey	3.9
North Dakota	3.5
Ohio	6.1
Oregon	6.5
South Carolina	6.3
South Dakota	4.0
Tennessee	6.2
Vermont	3.1
Virginia	3.6
Wyoming.....	4.0

Table B. States with statistically significant (90-percent confidence level) unemployment rate changes from May 2004 to May 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	May 2004	May 2005	Over-the-year rate change
Alabama	5.7	4.4	-1.3
Alaska	7.4	6.4	-1.0
Arkansas	5.8	5.0	-.8
California	6.3	5.3	-1.0
Florida	4.8	4.0	-.8
Georgia	4.6	5.2	.6
Hawaii	3.3	2.7	-.6
Idaho	4.8	3.9	-.9
Maine	4.4	5.0	.6
Massachusetts	5.2	4.8	-.4
Minnesota	4.6	4.3	-.3
Mississippi	6.0	7.1	1.1
Nebraska	3.8	4.0	.2
Nevada	4.4	4.0	-.4
New Jersey	4.9	3.9	-1.0
New York	5.8	5.0	-.8
North Carolina	5.6	5.1	-.5
Oregon	7.4	6.5	-.9
Pennsylvania	5.5	4.8	-.7
Rhode Island	5.3	4.5	-.8
South Dakota	3.5	4.0	.5
Tennessee	5.4	6.2	.8
Texas	6.1	5.5	-.6
Utah	5.3	4.9	-.4
Vermont	3.6	3.1	-.5
Washington	6.2	5.7	-.5
West Virginia	5.4	4.5	-.9

Table C. States with statistically significant (90-percent confidence level) employment changes from April 2005 to May 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	April 2005	May 2005	Over-the-month change
District of Columbia	679,400	683,200	3,800
Vermont	305,700	307,900	2,200

Table D. States with statistically significant (90-percent confidence level) employment changes from May 2004 to May 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	May 2004	May 2005	Over-the-year change
Alabama	1,895,000	1,928,900	33,900
Alaska	302,200	308,100	5,900
Arizona	2,359,300	2,454,400	95,100
California	14,484,100	14,738,600	254,500
Colorado	2,174,700	2,218,100	43,400
Connecticut	1,648,100	1,670,100	22,000
Delaware	422,600	431,300	8,700
District of Columbia	674,000	683,200	9,200
Florida	7,483,700	7,709,200	225,500
Hawaii	580,200	594,700	14,500
Idaho	586,700	604,800	18,100
Illinois	5,806,900	5,853,300	46,400
Indiana	2,924,700	2,961,300	36,600
Kansas	1,325,500	1,344,500	19,000
Maryland	2,511,400	2,559,000	47,600
Nebraska	922,600	935,700	13,100
Nevada	1,142,900	1,219,900	77,000
New Jersey	3,996,900	4,051,100	54,200
New Mexico	789,300	807,200	17,900
New York	8,443,900	8,512,500	68,600
North Carolina	3,817,700	3,879,800	62,100
North Dakota	337,000	343,700	6,700
Oklahoma	1,467,000	1,491,300	24,300
Oregon	1,590,200	1,637,600	47,400
Pennsylvania	5,635,600	5,697,700	62,100
Texas	9,463,000	9,580,400	117,400
Utah	1,100,900	1,138,400	37,500
Virginia	3,575,400	3,625,000	49,600
Washington	2,695,800	2,750,500	54,700
Wisconsin	2,798,000	2,827,600	29,600
Wyoming	254,700	260,200	5,500

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, and selected substate areas from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1-4). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and major industry from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 5 and 6). The LAUS and CES programs are both federal-state cooperative endeavors.

Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

Definitions. The labor force and unemployment data are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The 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 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 have 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), have actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week), and are currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

Method of estimation. Estimates for all census divisions, states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, and New York City are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. This method, which underwent substantial enhancement at the beginning of 2005, utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) data. Estimates for the six other areas contained in this release use a different regression approach. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request. Estimates for census regions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component divisions and then calculating the unemployment rate.

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.

Seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment of census division, state, and substate area model employment and unemployment levels is performed within the modeling

procedure. The model estimation is based on the classical approach to seasonal adjustment, in which the series is decomposed into trend, seasonal, irregular, and survey error. This directly yields seasonally adjusted estimates for employment and unemployment levels with reliability measures. Labor force levels and unemployment rates are calculated from these two estimates. Additionally, measures for the state of California are derived by summing the seasonally adjusted estimates for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division and the balance of California, and the estimates for the State of New York are the sum of the estimates for New York City and the balance of New York. Labor force estimates for census regions are calculated as the sum of the levels of the component divisions, and the unemployment rate is then calculated. In most years, historical data for the most recent 5 years are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, usually coincident with the release of January estimates.

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 February 18, 2004. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Web at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/laumsa.htm> and also is published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

Employment—from the CES program

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 2002 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.

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.

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

Caution on aggregating state data. State estimation procedures are designed to produce accurate data for each individual state. BLS independently develops a national employment series; state estimates are not forced to sum to national totals. Because each state series is subject to larger sampling and nonsampling errors than the national series, summing them cumulates individual state level errors and can cause significant distortions at an aggregate level. Due to these statistical limitations, BLS does not compile a “sum-of-states” employment series, and cautions users that such a series is subject to a relatively large and volatile error structure.

Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample survey, administrative data, and modeling and, thus, are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data also are subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the specific estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. 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 for both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted data, and for over-the-month change, are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm>. The

average magnitude of the over-the-month change in a state unemployment rate that is required in order to be statistically significant at the 90-percent confidence level is slightly more than +/- 0.3 percentage point. More details can be found on the Web site. Measures of nonsampling error are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the total nonfarm and supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm>. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether changes in CES employment levels are statistically significant. Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

Additional information

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings*, which is available by subscription from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800), and from the BLS Handbook of Methods, Bulletin 2490, August 1997.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment, as well as nonfarm employment from the CES program, for over 370 metropolitan areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs) are available in the news release, *Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force, employment, and unemployment for 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 census region and division, seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005
Northeast	27,488.6	27,580.5	27,689.3	27,725.0	1,465.6	1,318.0	1,285.3	1,310.0	5.3	4.8	4.6	4.7
New England	7,543.6	7,512.8	7,546.9	7,551.5	377.9	353.1	345.5	355.2	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.7
Middle Atlantic	19,945.1	20,067.7	20,142.4	20,173.4	1,087.6	964.9	939.8	954.8	5.5	4.8	4.7	4.7
South	51,688.9	52,312.1	52,571.9	52,658.1	2,728.5	2,638.3	2,633.1	2,645.0	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0
South Atlantic	27,252.1	27,654.8	27,809.5	27,868.2	1,324.2	1,292.7	1,290.2	1,277.4	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.6
East South Central	8,359.5	8,382.5	8,391.0	8,391.9	457.6	469.7	468.3	484.4	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8
West South Central	16,077.2	16,274.9	16,371.4	16,397.9	946.7	875.9	874.6	883.3	5.9	5.4	5.3	5.4
Midwest	34,411.6	34,595.6	34,742.8	34,688.4	1,962.9	1,938.8	1,920.8	1,925.6	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.6
East North Central	23,581.3	23,719.4	23,857.3	23,798.8	1,435.3	1,408.2	1,415.5	1,406.6	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.9
West North Central	10,830.3	10,876.1	10,885.5	10,889.6	527.5	530.6	505.3	519.0	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.8
West	33,598.6	33,962.7	34,158.1	34,170.9	2,016.7	1,755.7	1,800.1	1,796.9	6.0	5.2	5.3	5.3
Mountain	10,036.2	10,220.6	10,290.6	10,270.2	513.0	485.7	500.6	496.8	5.1	4.8	4.9	4.8
Pacific	23,562.4	23,742.1	23,867.4	23,900.7	1,503.7	1,270.0	1,299.5	1,300.1	6.4	5.3	5.4	5.4

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the Census division model-based estimates.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. The States (including the District of Columbia) that compose the various census divisions are: New England: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont; Middle Atlantic: New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania; South Atlantic: Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West

Virginia; East South Central: Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Tennessee; West South Central: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas; East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin; West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota; Mountain: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming; and Pacific: Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, not seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	
Northeast	27,295.0	27,473.8	27,337.1	27,604.5	1,444.2	1,235.3	1,404.6	1,248.7	5.3	4.5	5.1	4.5
New England	7,482.4	7,487.4	7,500.3	7,517.4	364.8	337.7	361.7	339.1	4.9	4.5	4.8	4.5
Middle Atlantic	19,812.6	19,986.5	19,836.9	20,087.1	1,079.4	897.6	1,042.8	909.7	5.4	4.5	5.3	4.5
South	51,397.0	52,306.4	51,597.9	52,628.3	2,551.0	2,474.1	2,616.2	2,528.4	5.0	4.7	5.1	4.8
South Atlantic	27,080.8	27,667.2	27,243.8	27,893.9	1,236.5	1,221.6	1,273.9	1,222.9	4.6	4.4	4.7	4.4
East South Central	8,302.8	8,325.5	8,334.9	8,375.7	422.4	432.6	430.8	458.4	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.5
West South Central	16,013.4	16,313.8	16,019.2	16,358.7	892.1	819.9	911.5	847.2	5.6	5.0	5.7	5.2
Midwest	34,167.5	34,521.2	34,324.8	34,635.4	1,864.0	1,869.7	1,874.0	1,834.4	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.3
East North Central	23,378.9	23,668.8	23,517.6	23,756.3	1,363.3	1,375.7	1,376.3	1,344.9	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.7
West North Central	10,788.5	10,852.4	10,807.1	10,879.1	500.7	494.0	497.7	489.4	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5
West	33,396.4	33,972.5	33,403.3	34,010.1	1,976.5	1,756.1	1,896.8	1,675.8	5.9	5.2	5.7	4.9
Mountain	9,972.8	10,230.8	9,980.4	10,223.5	509.0	489.3	484.5	468.0	5.1	4.8	4.9	4.6
Pacific	23,423.6	23,741.8	23,422.9	23,786.6	1,467.4	1,266.8	1,412.3	1,207.8	6.3	5.3	6.0	5.1

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the Census division model-based estimates. The composition of the regions and

divisions is described in table 1.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence.

Table 3. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected areas, seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P
Alabama	2,147.6	2,153.2	2,143.5	2,143.2	121.8	101.8	94.4	95.1	5.7	4.7	4.4	4.4
Alaska	331.8	336.8	339.7	339.0	24.4	22.3	22.6	21.8	7.4	6.6	6.7	6.4
Arizona	2,765.8	2,810.7	2,834.9	2,816.3	139.6	131.6	140.5	135.0	5.0	4.7	5.0	4.8
Arkansas	1,303.2	1,327.8	1,338.9	1,345.6	75.1	68.5	66.0	67.7	5.8	5.2	4.9	5.0
California	17,514.2	17,656.8	17,746.9	17,782.3	1,106.3	957.7	955.3	947.2	6.3	5.4	5.4	5.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,809.5	4,856.5	4,922.8	4,919.3	326.0	275.3	280.1	283.7	6.8	5.7	5.7	5.8
Colorado	2,515.4	2,543.8	2,559.0	2,560.4	137.7	130.8	134.4	134.9	5.5	5.1	5.3	5.3
Connecticut	1,799.0	1,789.6	1,808.0	1,813.1	89.6	88.0	88.3	96.8	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.3
Delaware	422.7	426.9	429.4	432.2	17.2	16.7	16.6	17.7	4.1	3.9	3.9	4.1
District of Columbia	297.5	303.4	303.2	298.7	23.8	23.6	23.4	23.6	8.0	7.8	7.7	7.9
Florida	8,378.9	8,560.9	8,622.3	8,650.9	399.3	375.0	363.3	348.9	4.8	4.4	4.2	4.0
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,106.4	1,129.8	1,139.7	1,145.2	63.2	57.0	53.5	51.0	5.7	5.0	4.7	4.5
Georgia	4,383.2	4,456.7	4,470.0	4,487.8	200.1	221.5	223.3	234.6	4.6	5.0	5.0	5.2
Hawaii	615.3	626.2	630.9	625.3	20.0	17.4	18.4	17.0	3.3	2.8	2.9	2.7
Idaho	702.4	725.4	728.6	728.0	34.0	30.5	28.9	28.7	4.8	4.2	4.0	3.9
Illinois	6,391.4	6,449.0	6,495.1	6,479.9	398.2	362.8	384.0	377.8	6.2	5.6	5.9	5.8
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	3,976.7	3,993.6	4,024.9	4,012.8	248.2	235.8	246.3	242.6	6.2	5.9	6.1	6.0
Indiana	3,165.5	3,207.0	3,217.1	3,199.7	162.2	172.4	172.4	152.3	5.1	5.6	5.4	4.8
Iowa	1,624.0	1,643.1	1,645.3	1,640.1	77.4	83.3	73.3	78.4	4.8	5.1	4.5	4.8
Kansas	1,463.4	1,465.6	1,471.6	1,472.1	81.4	78.9	76.2	78.2	5.6	5.4	5.2	5.3
Kentucky	1,977.6	1,983.3	1,993.7	1,991.6	108.6	105.0	111.0	113.9	5.5	5.3	5.6	5.7
Louisiana	2,054.5	2,081.6	2,101.0	2,110.9	119.3	109.9	108.0	115.0	5.8	5.3	5.1	5.4
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	612.8	615.7	615.6	616.7	28.2	31.4	29.3	30.9	4.6	5.1	4.8	5.0
Maine	698.3	701.7	705.7	709.0	31.0	32.7	33.3	35.8	4.4	4.7	4.7	5.0
Maryland	2,881.6	2,899.4	2,915.2	2,935.7	120.8	123.4	124.3	124.7	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2
Massachusetts	3,395.3	3,369.6	3,377.5	3,373.8	177.2	164.8	157.8	160.6	5.2	4.9	4.7	4.8
Michigan	5,077.5	5,099.4	5,142.4	5,129.5	353.5	353.6	361.7	363.2	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.1
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,204.2	2,175.1	2,197.6	2,201.2	153.5	162.9	172.0	165.9	7.0	7.5	7.8	7.5
Minnesota	2,956.0	2,970.4	2,970.5	2,975.3	135.2	130.4	118.8	126.7	4.6	4.4	4.0	4.3
Mississippi	1,328.0	1,343.7	1,343.3	1,349.5	79.8	94.1	91.2	95.9	6.0	7.0	6.8	7.1
Missouri	3,032.7	3,016.9	3,023.6	3,031.1	170.8	172.9	169.0	170.8	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6
Montana	482.5	490.2	490.6	491.0	21.3	22.7	21.5	21.9	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.5
Nebraska	984.9	990.1	988.9	987.0	37.2	39.2	38.6	39.7	3.8	4.0	3.9	4.0
Nevada	1,174.4	1,207.9	1,217.3	1,213.1	52.2	47.4	48.4	48.7	4.4	3.9	4.0	4.0
New Hampshire	722.6	729.6	733.8	734.1	28.3	27.1	25.1	26.4	3.9	3.7	3.4	3.6
New Jersey	4,384.5	4,396.3	4,413.5	4,405.8	214.6	188.5	183.2	173.2	4.9	4.3	4.2	3.9
New Mexico	910.8	935.2	942.0	939.9	52.2	55.2	56.8	55.9	5.7	5.9	6.0	6.0
New York	9,339.3	9,331.8	9,410.2	9,423.8	544.2	432.2	457.0	473.3	5.8	4.6	4.9	5.0
New York City	3,714.0	3,693.1	3,727.7	3,734.5	264.4	192.1	210.7	219.0	7.1	5.2	5.7	5.9
North Carolina	4,250.2	4,286.1	4,301.9	4,308.9	237.2	220.8	228.9	219.5	5.6	5.2	5.3	5.1
North Dakota	353.5	356.2	356.0	355.4	11.8	11.7	11.5	12.4	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.5
Ohio	5,881.1	5,923.9	5,947.9	5,930.7	360.0	373.9	362.7	362.4	6.1	6.3	6.1	6.1
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,105.4	1,088.1	1,101.0	1,100.9	64.9	64.8	63.0	62.3	5.9	6.0	5.7	5.7
Oklahoma	1,708.9	1,720.1	1,725.5	1,722.8	83.0	76.0	77.3	78.1	4.9	4.4	4.5	4.5
Oregon	1,854.7	1,863.1	1,873.3	1,865.7	137.1	114.2	121.9	120.4	7.4	6.1	6.5	6.5
Pennsylvania	6,266.9	6,336.0	6,329.2	6,350.6	343.4	342.8	312.4	305.5	5.5	5.4	4.9	4.8
Rhode Island	563.4	564.0	567.6	570.8	29.7	25.4	26.6	25.9	5.3	4.5	4.7	4.5
South Carolina	2,040.3	2,070.7	2,072.5	2,069.5	137.1	139.7	135.1	131.0	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.3
South Dakota	427.5	429.9	430.4	428.3	15.0	16.1	15.9	17.0	3.5	3.7	3.7	4.0
Tennessee	2,910.7	2,902.0	2,907.1	2,907.5	155.9	169.7	169.3	179.8	5.4	5.8	5.8	6.2
Texas	11,016.0	11,144.7	11,208.5	11,216.7	673.5	626.1	621.3	621.2	6.1	5.6	5.5	5.5
Utah	1,201.9	1,224.3	1,233.7	1,236.4	63.3	59.1	60.6	60.7	5.3	4.8	4.9	4.9
Vermont	352.9	352.7	352.3	351.6	12.6	11.9	11.6	10.9	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.1
Virginia	3,811.2	3,861.4	3,897.6	3,908.2	142.5	127.8	140.8	141.9	3.7	3.3	3.6	3.6
Washington	3,226.2	3,253.6	3,270.5	3,270.4	200.7	168.1	178.7	185.2	6.2	5.2	5.5	5.7
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,327.5	1,317.1	1,333.5	1,344.1	71.0	61.0	60.2	66.5	5.3	4.6	4.5	4.9
West Virginia	789.4	797.9	798.1	791.4	42.7	41.7	40.9	35.8	5.4	5.2	5.1	4.5
Wisconsin	3,070.0	3,051.6	3,058.5	3,049.6	152.6	140.4	139.1	144.8	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.7
Wyoming	281.0	283.4	283.8	285.3	10.8	8.9	9.8	11.6	3.8	3.1	3.5	4.0
Puerto Rico	1,356.7	1,378.3	1,366.9	1,404.2	145.4	153.3	153.7	152.0	10.7	11.1	11.2	10.8

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² Metropolitan statistical area.

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04-03, dated February 18, 2004, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/law/lausmsa.htm> and in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*. Estimates for the latest month are revised the following month, and at least 3 years of estimates are subject to revision at the end of the year, to incorporate updated inputs and reestimation.

Table 4. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected area, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P
Alabama	2,130.1	2,127.1	2,136.0	2,134.3	107.0	80.9	108.2	82.9	5.0	3.8	5.1	3.9
Alaska	327.2	335.3	331.5	338.8	25.4	23.7	24.2	21.2	7.8	7.1	7.3	6.3
Arizona	2,758.1	2,825.0	2,754.8	2,806.3	137.3	132.5	133.7	128.2	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.6
Arkansas	1,303.1	1,341.0	1,305.5	1,351.1	71.4	63.7	73.0	66.1	5.5	4.8	5.6	4.9
California	17,422.5	17,660.1	17,416.9	17,704.7	1,083.5	925.7	1,045.8	880.9	6.2	5.2	6.0	5.0
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,777.7	4,895.0	4,770.1	4,886.0	308.5	265.6	311.1	267.3	6.5	5.4	6.5	5.5
Colorado	2,490.4	2,535.9	2,493.9	2,540.8	137.1	131.9	130.6	127.2	5.5	5.2	5.2	5.0
Connecticut	1,789.1	1,798.3	1,794.8	1,810.3	87.5	87.0	89.9	95.4	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.3
Delaware	421.5	428.6	420.6	430.9	16.6	16.2	15.7	16.2	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.8
District of Columbia	296.2	300.0	294.0	295.4	21.7	20.6	22.4	22.4	7.3	6.9	7.6	7.7
Florida	8,317.2	8,577.4	8,373.3	8,651.7	377.8	341.6	380.4	326.0	4.5	4.0	4.5	3.8
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,096.6	1,130.9	1,101.8	1,142.3	60.2	50.9	60.4	48.7	5.5	4.5	5.5	4.3
Georgia	4,348.9	4,444.6	4,371.7	4,480.0	178.4	208.5	189.5	224.4	4.1	4.7	4.3	5.0
Hawaii	615.9	632.2	613.9	623.7	19.8	17.7	18.7	15.3	3.2	2.8	3.0	2.5
Idaho	697.1	723.8	700.6	726.8	36.8	31.0	30.5	25.0	5.3	4.3	4.4	3.4
Illinois	6,346.5	6,457.8	6,361.5	6,458.5	383.9	374.4	384.9	363.1	6.0	5.8	6.1	5.6
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	3,956.3	4,004.3	3,955.8	4,002.5	246.0	248.4	246.0	243.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1
Indiana	3,158.3	3,208.0	3,173.5	3,213.3	157.9	169.8	160.0	148.1	5.0	5.3	5.0	4.6
Iowa	1,616.7	1,640.3	1,613.2	1,632.8	76.6	71.4	72.0	72.0	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.4
Kansas	1,453.8	1,464.7	1,450.5	1,462.4	75.4	71.9	76.4	72.5	5.2	4.9	5.3	5.0
Kentucky	1,967.6	1,984.3	1,981.4	1,998.7	102.9	106.7	104.7	112.4	5.2	5.4	5.3	5.6
Louisiana	2,045.4	2,092.3	2,049.0	2,109.7	103.1	95.1	110.0	106.7	5.0	4.5	5.4	5.1
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	613.9	616.5	619.6	626.0	23.2	24.9	26.2	29.9	3.8	4.0	4.2	4.8
Maine	690.3	697.8	696.0	706.4	33.2	35.8	29.8	33.9	4.8	5.1	4.3	4.8
Maryland	2,854.3	2,891.4	2,875.3	2,934.1	112.3	118.0	116.6	119.5	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.1
Massachusetts	3,376.0	3,351.3	3,381.9	3,357.3	172.1	151.1	172.4	150.9	5.1	4.5	5.1	4.5
Michigan	4,990.2	5,069.3	5,071.3	5,131.6	312.9	337.3	346.7	355.7	6.3	6.7	6.8	6.9
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,167.8	2,160.7	2,192.1	2,191.8	130.1	153.8	145.8	157.3	6.0	7.1	6.7	7.2
Minnesota	2,937.8	2,959.5	2,943.7	2,969.8	134.4	121.5	122.5	113.9	4.6	4.1	4.2	3.8
Mississippi	1,315.2	1,334.3	1,328.0	1,352.6	66.6	84.3	80.6	98.8	5.1	6.3	6.1	7.3
Missouri	3,022.6	3,018.2	3,029.0	3,035.5	154.5	162.5	164.7	163.4	5.1	5.4	5.4	5.4
Montana	482.2	490.1	482.3	491.3	22.0	21.9	18.7	19.2	4.6	4.5	3.9	3.9
Nebraska	981.2	986.9	986.5	990.6	34.3	37.0	37.2	39.5	3.5	3.8	3.8	4.0
Nevada	1,170.7	1,214.0	1,170.0	1,209.2	52.9	48.1	48.7	44.9	4.5	4.0	4.2	3.7
New Hampshire	717.6	728.3	719.3	730.6	29.0	25.2	28.0	25.3	4.0	3.5	3.9	3.5
New Jersey	4,361.0	4,387.2	4,363.1	4,397.2	216.1	172.9	204.9	166.6	5.0	3.9	4.7	3.8
New Mexico	905.2	936.5	904.9	934.7	50.7	54.8	51.0	54.3	5.6	5.8	5.6	5.8
New York	9,258.5	9,336.2	9,247.5	9,361.7	541.5	437.6	506.2	444.8	5.8	4.7	5.5	4.8
New York City	3,699.1	3,713.3	3,673.2	3,705.9	263.2	201.4	246.1	205.3	7.1	5.4	6.7	5.5
North Carolina	4,233.2	4,278.3	4,250.6	4,312.9	229.2	217.3	235.0	215.6	5.4	5.1	5.5	5.0
North Dakota	350.9	353.9	355.0	357.4	11.8	12.2	10.8	11.4	3.4	3.5	3.0	3.2
Ohio	5,837.9	5,902.1	5,861.8	5,920.5	350.5	350.7	338.1	339.1	6.0	5.9	5.8	5.7
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,100.1	1,096.0	1,104.5	1,103.3	63.2	60.3	61.3	61.3	5.7	5.5	5.8	5.6
Oklahoma	1,703.7	1,718.7	1,706.7	1,722.5	78.0	71.4	81.8	77.5	4.6	4.2	4.8	4.5
Oregon	1,849.9	1,866.9	1,847.1	1,859.0	138.0	123.5	131.9	114.5	7.5	6.6	7.1	6.2
Pennsylvania	6,193.2	6,263.0	6,226.2	6,328.2	321.9	287.1	331.7	298.2	5.2	4.6	5.3	4.7
Rhode Island	558.1	562.6	557.7	564.0	28.0	25.6	29.0	23.1	5.0	4.6	5.2	4.1
South Carolina	2,034.7	2,068.5	2,050.6	2,078.7	127.9	126.7	131.9	124.4	6.3	6.1	6.4	6.0
South Dakota	425.6	428.8	429.2	430.6	13.8	15.6	14.7	16.7	3.2	3.6	3.4	3.9
Tennessee	2,889.8	2,879.7	2,889.5	2,890.1	145.9	160.8	137.3	164.3	5.0	5.6	4.8	5.7
Texas	10,961.3	11,161.8	10,958.0	11,175.4	639.6	589.6	646.6	596.9	5.8	5.3	5.9	5.3
Utah	1,190.9	1,223.8	1,195.2	1,231.2	61.2	58.3	61.1	58.1	5.1	4.8	5.1	4.7
Vermont	351.1	349.1	350.5	348.8	14.8	13.1	12.7	10.5	4.2	3.8	3.6	3.0
Virginia	3,788.5	3,883.1	3,816.2	3,917.2	129.3	131.3	140.7	139.7	3.4	3.4	3.7	3.6
Washington	3,208.2	3,247.4	3,213.5	3,260.4	200.6	176.2	191.7	176.0	6.3	5.4	6.0	5.4
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,326.6	1,332.0	1,328.9	1,348.4	68.3	57.1	70.7	65.9	5.1	4.3	5.3	4.9
West Virginia	786.4	795.3	791.3	793.1	43.1	41.6	41.8	34.2	5.5	5.2	5.3	4.3
Wisconsin	3,046.0	3,031.8	3,049.6	3,032.4	158.1	143.6	146.7	138.8	5.2	4.7	4.8	4.6
Wyoming	278.2	281.7	278.7	283.3	10.9	10.7	10.1	10.9	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.9
Puerto Rico	1,370.0	1,375.6	1,364.4	1,411.9	150.2	156.5	147.3	154.1	11.0	11.4	10.8	10.9

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Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P
Alabama	1,895.0	1,924.7	1,927.4	1,928.9	102.3	107.1	106.1	105.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	302.2	307.0	307.8	308.1	17.6	18.2	18.5	18.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Arizona	2,359.3	2,438.1	2,447.1	2,454.4	187.7	205.7	208.0	208.8	175.6	177.3	176.4	176.1
Arkansas	1,156.1	1,168.3	1,168.4	1,167.9	51.6	52.6	52.9	52.9	204.4	203.2	203.4	202.7
California	14,484.1	14,702.7	14,721.0	14,738.6	840.0	887.3	888.6	890.3	1,529.7	1,532.9	1,532.6	1,533.6
Colorado	2,174.7	2,218.0	2,215.9	2,218.1	150.3	159.1	158.7	159.6	154.1	154.2	153.4	153.8
Connecticut	1,648.1	1,666.7	1,669.6	1,670.1	65.6	68.8	70.8	70.7	197.4	198.9	198.7	198.3
Delaware ³	422.6	432.5	430.4	431.3	26.0	28.2	28.0	27.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia ³	674.0	674.5	679.4	683.2	12.8	12.2	12.3	12.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Florida	7,483.7	7,679.7	7,699.3	7,709.2	488.6	510.9	512.7	517.0	389.8	388.8	388.6	390.5
Georgia	3,890.2	3,911.2	3,913.4	3,910.6	197.0	199.5	199.3	198.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Hawaii ³	580.2	592.9	594.3	594.7	28.9	31.2	31.6	31.7	15.4	15.6	15.3	15.3
Idaho	586.7	598.8	602.6	604.8	39.6	42.7	43.4	43.5	61.6	62.0	62.6	62.6
Illinois	5,806.9	5,831.1	5,848.8	5,853.3	268.9	268.8	269.2	269.7	696.8	693.0	690.0	690.0
Indiana	2,924.7	2,966.6	2,968.2	2,961.3	148.8	153.7	154.0	152.2	572.3	576.3	574.0	572.7
Iowa	1,452.3	1,462.2	1,469.1	1,468.5	68.3	68.4	69.1	68.1	222.0	224.9	225.5	225.4
Kansas	1,325.5	1,337.7	1,341.5	1,344.5	62.9	66.1	66.3	65.9	176.4	179.1	179.0	178.8
Kentucky	1,793.6	1,807.4	1,815.1	1,817.1	83.4	86.7	87.2	87.3	264.5	265.1	266.0	266.2
Louisiana	1,917.9	1,931.5	1,933.4	1,933.3	115.5	119.9	120.9	119.0	152.4	151.3	151.7	151.1
Maine	613.3	616.3	618.6	618.1	30.9	32.1	31.6	31.9	63.1	62.2	62.2	62.0
Maryland ³	2,511.4	2,549.7	2,554.1	2,559.0	177.2	178.5	179.2	179.3	142.7	140.3	139.6	139.6
Massachusetts	3,179.9	3,195.3	3,200.8	3,200.4	138.0	141.3	142.5	143.3	313.8	312.0	312.7	312.6
Michigan	4,399.7	4,368.1	4,380.2	4,369.2	190.4	189.6	190.2	188.9	702.2	676.9	680.3	681.8
Minnesota	2,681.9	2,698.2	2,704.5	2,707.3	129.1	125.3	127.0	128.7	341.1	347.8	347.5	346.8
Mississippi	1,123.9	1,136.1	1,138.9	1,136.9	49.1	49.1	49.6	49.4	179.5	179.4	179.5	179.4
Missouri	2,694.3	2,709.1	2,713.6	2,719.5	137.8	140.0	141.1	141.9	312.6	315.6	315.6	315.7
Montana	410.3	416.3	417.2	417.1	24.4	26.1	25.2	25.4	19.1	19.5	19.6	19.6
Nebraska ³	922.6	934.2	934.5	935.7	48.7	50.3	49.0	48.8	100.9	99.3	99.2	99.2
Nevada	1,142.9	1,201.7	1,215.2	1,219.9	115.3	130.1	132.4	133.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Hampshire	626.9	634.5	636.7	637.6	29.6	30.4	31.0	31.0	79.8	80.9	80.7	80.4
New Jersey	3,996.9	4,038.0	4,047.3	4,051.1	165.3	166.2	166.5	166.6	338.1	332.4	331.5	329.9
New Mexico	789.3	802.1	804.7	807.2	49.5	52.8	53.2	53.4	36.0	35.8	35.6	35.7
New York	8,443.9	8,497.8	8,506.0	8,512.5	319.1	321.4	324.4	323.3	597.5	586.3	582.6	580.2
North Carolina	3,817.7	3,857.1	3,871.4	3,879.8	215.7	222.8	224.5	226.5	577.7	575.7	575.2	577.1
North Dakota	337.0	341.0	343.8	343.7	17.4	17.0	18.4	18.0	24.4	24.9	25.2	25.7
Ohio	5,404.2	5,416.1	5,427.0	5,431.7	236.1	236.4	237.7	237.2	824.3	823.7	823.1	822.9
Oklahoma	1,467.0	1,490.8	1,493.8	1,491.3	61.8	62.6	62.6	62.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Oregon	1,590.2	1,640.1	1,640.9	1,637.6	82.5	88.1	89.0	88.6	199.2	206.1	205.2	204.6
Pennsylvania	5,635.6	5,680.4	5,692.3	5,697.7	248.1	249.8	253.6	256.3	691.4	685.6	684.7	685.1
Rhode Island	488.5	492.3	493.0	494.3	20.6	21.0	21.2	21.5	57.1	55.9	55.2	54.7
South Carolina	1,826.8	1,817.6	1,815.4	1,812.5	114.6	111.8	112.2	111.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	382.2	387.4	388.4	389.8	19.7	20.9	21.5	21.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	2,699.0	2,720.5	2,725.8	2,722.7	117.3	119.9	119.7	119.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Texas	9,463.0	9,563.3	9,574.4	9,580.4	540.8	544.2	547.9	548.5	889.9	888.3	889.3	887.7
Utah	1,100.9	1,134.9	1,137.6	1,138.4	72.6	77.3	78.5	79.8	114.9	117.4	117.6	117.4
Vermont	302.9	305.2	305.7	307.9	16.7	17.2	17.8	17.9	36.8	37.4	37.2	37.2
Virginia	3,575.4	3,625.7	3,627.8	3,625.0	229.5	237.9	239.3	236.9	299.1	298.4	298.2	298.3
Washington	2,695.8	2,744.0	2,748.1	2,750.5	163.7	170.5	171.3	172.3	263.0	267.4	267.5	267.3
West Virginia	737.6	742.5	743.2	743.7	35.2	36.8	37.6	38.1	63.6	62.6	62.8	62.7
Wisconsin	2,798.0	2,818.5	2,823.7	2,827.6	126.5	131.5	133.3	132.2	502.0	506.4	502.6	505.9
Wyoming	254.7	260.1	260.9	260.2	19.5	19.5	19.6	19.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)

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Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P
Alabama	377.1	380.7	382.1	383.7	96.5	95.5	95.6	95.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	62.2	61.9	62.2	63.2	14.6	15.0	15.1	15.0	22.8	23.8	23.9	23.4
Arizona	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	164.1	165.6	166.9	167.8	330.7	343.0	346.6	344.3
Arkansas	241.3	242.2	242.5	242.7	50.9	52.0	52.0	52.0	106.9	109.5	109.4	108.6
California	2,747.2	2,769.4	2,766.8	2,770.8	896.6	917.4	915.9	916.0	2,077.3	2,135.7	2,141.1	2,139.0
Colorado	407.4	413.6	414.1	412.0	154.6	156.9	157.1	158.0	298.2	309.4	306.7	306.0
Connecticut	307.6	312.1	313.1	313.8	140.4	141.3	141.3	141.1	197.1	198.0	197.9	197.6
Delaware ³	80.5	81.3	81.1	81.7	44.5	44.4	44.4	44.1	61.7	63.4	63.4	63.1
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	143.5	144.3	145.9	147.0
Florida	1,499.5	1,529.1	1,529.7	1,529.7	501.8	508.5	511.7	511.5	1,282.8	1,343.7	1,350.3	1,346.9
Georgia	830.3	823.7	822.0	826.0	217.9	220.5	220.7	220.6	508.5	519.3	519.0	514.8
Hawaii ³	111.9	115.3	116.3	116.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	118.1	118.7	119.1	119.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	73.1	75.5	76.5	76.8
Illinois	1,181.3	1,179.1	1,184.5	1,187.3	399.3	400.5	400.5	401.7	797.0	806.1	822.3	823.6
Indiana	577.3	579.8	580.0	580.9	140.1	141.1	140.9	142.0	264.9	272.5	272.9	271.5
Iowa	304.8	305.9	307.2	308.0	96.6	98.4	98.7	99.0	108.0	106.7	107.6	107.1
Kansas	263.4	259.8	259.9	261.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Kentucky	372.3	372.6	373.4	374.7	87.5	85.0	84.8	85.6	160.6	165.2	167.4	167.4
Louisiana	381.2	382.1	382.6	381.5	102.7	104.1	104.5	104.5	184.3	185.0	185.8	186.5
Maine	125.8	126.2	126.2	126.5	35.2	34.5	34.5	34.3	49.9	49.6	49.9	50.1
Maryland ³	467.7	473.3	473.7	474.4	155.4	158.1	158.2	158.5	371.5	383.3	385.0	385.2
Massachusetts	573.4	574.0	573.9	575.3	220.4	219.6	219.9	220.2	448.7	455.4	460.2	457.9
Michigan	812.5	812.9	814.8	813.2	217.2	218.3	218.1	218.4	583.2	572.8	569.0	567.8
Minnesota	522.5	527.5	526.3	526.0	176.9	178.8	178.9	179.5	303.0	301.9	304.9	306.5
Mississippi	220.8	222.3	223.4	221.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Missouri	534.2	536.4	535.9	539.9	163.0	165.6	166.3	166.8	305.4	304.3	306.0	304.1
Montana	86.4	86.5	86.8	86.9	21.0	21.3	21.4	21.2	33.5	33.7	33.9	33.4
Nebraska ³	195.5	200.8	200.8	202.3	62.9	64.2	64.4	63.9	94.1	95.8	95.5	96.3
Nevada	203.7	210.4	211.3	211.6	61.0	64.0	64.5	64.8	131.4	140.2	143.1	143.8
New Hampshire	140.2	141.4	142.5	142.9	37.3	38.7	38.7	38.4	57.2	55.9	56.4	56.3
New Jersey	876.4	887.4	889.9	891.6	277.7	281.0	281.6	281.8	583.9	583.1	584.8	589.1
New Mexico	137.9	138.4	138.3	138.4	34.4	35.3	35.4	35.4	90.1	91.8	92.0	92.2
New York	1,483.0	1,489.1	1,491.5	1,494.8	699.0	710.0	707.7	708.0	1,054.0	1,061.4	1,066.1	1,072.2
North Carolina	725.6	724.1	727.7	729.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	424.1	439.4	443.0	441.8
North Dakota	72.9	73.4	73.7	74.1	18.7	18.8	18.9	18.8	24.4	23.9	24.3	24.5
Ohio	1,036.4	1,033.7	1,032.0	1,030.8	312.2	313.1	311.6	312.4	621.5	638.0	642.8	642.1
Oklahoma	276.8	277.7	277.6	276.3	84.1	85.6	85.7	85.5	160.0	166.3	167.7	166.8
Oregon	319.7	330.4	330.6	328.4	96.5	98.2	98.6	98.2	176.5	181.9	180.8	178.6
Pennsylvania	1,120.4	1,127.9	1,127.9	1,129.6	336.8	335.2	335.2	335.7	631.8	648.2	649.7	648.4
Rhode Island	80.6	79.2	79.8	79.4	34.5	35.3	35.2	35.5	53.2	55.3	55.5	55.9
South Carolina	353.8	355.7	356.0	355.5	92.5	93.1	93.3	93.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	77.0	78.3	78.5	78.8	27.8	28.6	28.1	28.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	586.2	593.1	594.1	593.8	141.6	143.8	143.6	143.7	300.6	304.5	305.5	302.7
Texas	1,944.2	1,956.7	1,960.6	1,962.2	592.6	600.8	599.9	601.0	1,085.6	1,106.5	1,107.9	1,102.8
Utah	219.0	224.7	224.0	224.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	137.9	143.6	145.5	145.9
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	20.9	21.2	21.6	21.7
Virginia	647.8	655.6	656.6	660.3	189.1	191.3	192.3	193.0	572.7	590.4	590.1	584.8
Washington	518.6	532.1	530.6	530.6	151.7	152.2	152.7	152.7	300.9	310.5	312.4	312.9
West Virginia	136.7	138.5	138.1	137.9	30.7	30.2	29.8	29.8	57.6	58.1	58.2	58.4
Wisconsin	538.9	539.2	540.5	539.1	158.2	158.4	158.2	158.1	249.9	249.9	252.3	251.9
Wyoming	49.1	49.8	49.7	49.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	15.4	15.3	15.5	15.7

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Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P	May 2004	Mar. 2005	Apr. 2005	May 2005P
Alabama	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	159.2	161.6	161.4	162.3	358.2	361.4	360.4	360.1
Alaska	34.6	36.2	36.1	36.5	29.4	30.3	30.2	30.6	80.8	82.2	81.7	80.9
Arizona	258.0	270.2	271.8	273.4	239.3	248.0	248.7	250.7	397.8	406.8	407.7	409.5
Arkansas	142.2	144.9	145.4	145.6	90.1	93.0	91.7	92.2	199.8	202.2	202.2	202.2
California	1,555.8	1,577.5	1,584.9	1,589.2	1,436.6	1,471.4	1,478.1	1,479.1	2,389.5	2,387.8	2,388.0	2,393.3
Colorado	217.7	223.0	223.3	223.8	251.5	255.9	256.1	257.2	358.4	364.3	365.6	366.4
Connecticut	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	127.0	129.7	129.2	130.4	242.1	243.4	243.1	242.3
Delaware ³	51.6	53.1	53.2	53.1	39.8	41.2	41.5	42.1	57.5	60.3	60.1	59.7
District of Columbia ³	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	50.7	52.5	53.6	53.7	230.2	229.8	230.2	230.1
Florida	915.7	940.0	942.7	948.1	848.8	874.0	875.5	876.6	1,061.7	1,082.9	1,085.4	1,085.5
Georgia	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	358.1	361.8	363.6	364.6	636.8	646.9	649.3	647.4
Hawaii ³	67.1	68.8	68.9	69.2	103.0	105.7	105.9	106.3	119.8	119.1	119.1	119.1
Idaho	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	55.8	55.7	55.6	55.8	114.0	115.7	116.2	116.0
Illinois	727.2	730.5	732.7	732.5	505.4	519.2	524.2	523.9	839.9	844.6	839.7	840.2
Indiana	365.3	373.6	374.2	373.2	274.9	280.1	282.9	282.7	424.3	427.7	428.2	425.9
Iowa	191.2	192.4	192.9	193.2	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	244.3	242.1	242.8	243.0
Kansas	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	110.5	112.6	112.5	113.7	251.5	255.5	255.5	255.4
Kentucky	230.1	232.2	233.0	233.2	159.9	165.0	166.3	165.5	308.5	309.0	309.1	308.6
Louisiana	251.8	253.8	252.1	252.4	203.8	206.8	207.4	208.3	380.6	382.6	382.7	382.7
Maine	110.9	112.6	113.2	113.3	58.8	59.9	60.3	60.0	104.6	104.7	105.1	105.1
Maryland ³	345.8	353.4	354.4	355.0	222.8	236.6	236.8	236.3	464.4	462.5	462.6	464.7
Massachusetts	580.8	586.3	585.3	584.6	290.3	298.7	300.5	298.2	407.9	405.9	406.6	407.7
Michigan	555.2	553.6	555.4	556.4	402.5	406.2	411.6	408.1	681.8	685.4	686.8	681.5
Minnesota	375.6	383.2	384.0	386.4	235.8	238.3	240.5	239.1	411.8	412.9	413.2	412.2
Mississippi	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	124.5	126.4	127.1	126.1	242.6	244.8	244.9	245.4
Missouri	358.3	363.3	363.7	367.5	266.4	267.0	267.4	267.6	427.4	428.6	428.1	426.7
Montana	54.0	54.3	54.4	54.6	53.8	56.1	56.8	56.7	86.3	86.2	85.9	85.8
Nebraska ³	127.1	126.7	127.0	127.3	77.5	80.8	81.8	81.4	159.9	159.8	160.4	160.0
Nevada	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	311.3	321.1	327.7	329.0	138.2	142.9	143.1	143.6
New Hampshire	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	63.4	66.2	66.6	66.3	91.5	90.8	90.5	91.1
New Jersey	544.9	558.4	558.9	560.1	324.6	333.0	336.5	336.4	630.8	640.5	640.7	638.9
New Mexico	102.0	104.5	105.2	105.6	83.0	83.2	83.8	84.1	197.7	201.3	201.9	202.3
New York	1,520.5	1,540.0	1,542.8	1,542.2	658.6	676.1	677.2	676.2	1,485.8	1,481.9	1,480.6	1,482.4
North Carolina	443.2	454.9	458.3	459.7	346.2	347.8	350.8	349.6	648.1	651.9	653.2	653.9
North Dakota	48.5	49.6	49.4	49.5	30.3	31.6	31.9	31.7	74.5	75.6	75.8	75.6
Ohio	743.3	752.7	754.1	753.1	495.0	491.4	497.8	501.3	803.4	797.0	798.1	799.8
Oklahoma	178.5	181.0	181.7	182.3	127.9	130.7	131.0	130.6	298.9	308.6	308.7	308.3
Oregon	191.7	198.7	199.5	200.6	154.8	160.7	159.1	161.0	269.0	273.2	274.6	273.9
Pennsylvania	993.5	1,013.0	1,014.3	1,015.1	473.4	481.3	485.3	485.0	746.8	745.4	747.4	747.9
Rhode Island	92.8	95.2	95.4	95.7	49.5	51.2	51.3	51.8	65.8	65.7	65.9	66.0
South Carolina	181.1	168.2	168.2	169.3	199.1	209.3	207.2	205.1	323.7	330.3	330.9	332.2
South Dakota	56.2	57.2	56.9	57.0	40.6	41.7	41.7	41.9	74.4	75.2	75.4	75.4
Tennessee	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	252.4	256.2	256.2	255.9	412.4	412.9	414.1	413.3
Texas	1,142.8	1,163.4	1,167.1	1,171.2	880.6	895.2	895.8	895.1	1,651.8	1,662.9	1,663.7	1,666.0
Utah	122.8	127.1	127.1	126.5	101.3	105.3	104.8	103.2	197.8	201.7	202.1	201.4
Vermont	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	52.3	52.7	52.8	52.9
Virginia	379.5	387.5	385.3	386.1	318.6	318.6	321.1	318.6	649.0	654.6	653.3	655.2
Washington	318.8	325.8	326.8	328.2	254.9	256.7	258.6	258.7	522.5	525.3	524.7	525.0
West Virginia	110.6	112.3	111.5	111.6	68.0	69.0	69.4	69.6	143.0	143.6	143.5	142.5
Wisconsin	374.1	383.3	382.9	384.9	249.1	250.1	255.1	255.9	410.6	411.2	409.6	411.1
Wyoming	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	31.1	32.6	32.7	32.2	64.6	64.6	65.0	65.0

¹ Includes natural resources and mining, information, and other services, except public administration, not shown separately.

² This series is not published seasonally adjusted because the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, cannot be separated with sufficient precision.

³ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.
P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from 2004 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted

(In thousands)

State	Total				Natural resources and mining				Construction				Manufacturing			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	1,898.1	1,931.1	1,903.0	1,933.3	12.2	12.8	12.3	12.8	102.1	105.6	102.4	106.0	289.7	296.0	291.0	296.7
Alaska	295.2	299.4	306.3	310.9	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.5	15.3	16.1	17.7	18.3	10.1	10.0	10.2	10.3
Arizona	2,371.9	2,463.3	2,373.1	2,465.4	8.2	9.1	8.3	9.2	185.7	206.5	187.7	208.7	174.8	175.8	175.3	175.7
Arkansas	1,157.7	1,171.0	1,161.9	1,174.7	7.0	7.3	7.0	7.4	51.3	52.2	52.3	53.3	203.8	202.6	204.2	202.6
California	14,465.8	14,716.9	14,542.2	14,779.4	22.2	21.8	22.9	22.6	824.9	873.9	837.5	887.7	1,523.1	1,527.5	1,530.1	1,532.8
Colorado	2,166.3	2,209.4	2,172.4	2,218.5	13.9	15.7	14.2	15.9	147.7	155.6	151.3	160.4	153.5	153.2	153.9	154.0
Connecticut	1,645.9	1,667.6	1,658.1	1,679.6	.7	.7	.8	.8	64.2	69.3	66.7	72.2	197.6	198.3	197.5	198.2
Delaware	418.6	428.6	425.1	434.3	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	25.8	27.5	26.1	28.0	35.3	33.2	35.4	34.7
District of Columbia	673.8	679.5	673.9	680.3	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	12.5	12.1	12.7	12.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4
Florida	7,522.2	7,739.6	7,525.5	7,741.0	7.2	6.7	7.1	6.7	484.7	509.9	487.6	515.3	389.4	388.8	390.7	391.8
Georgia	3,891.2	3,907.9	3,900.8	3,918.4	12.2	12.1	12.2	12.2	196.8	198.5	197.1	200.2	447.2	439.0	447.3	439.5
Hawaii	577.9	595.5	581.9	597.4	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	28.4	31.8	29.0	32.0	15.3	15.4	15.4	15.4
Idaho	581.6	598.5	588.9	606.0	3.1	3.2	3.7	3.7	38.4	41.6	40.0	43.8	61.1	61.5	61.2	61.9
Illinois	5,787.5	5,825.4	5,838.9	5,873.2	9.3	9.1	9.4	9.2	262.8	261.3	273.3	272.6	694.6	691.3	698.0	691.7
Indiana	2,933.9	2,970.9	2,951.6	2,985.6	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.3	146.7	151.2	152.6	154.8	569.6	572.6	572.5	573.4
Iowa	1,460.0	1,474.1	1,469.3	1,484.1	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.2	67.9	67.4	70.8	70.2	221.3	224.9	222.3	225.8
Kansas	1,328.2	1,345.3	1,336.3	1,354.2	6.8	7.7	6.9	7.7	63.3	66.0	64.1	67.2	175.3	178.5	175.7	178.6
Kentucky	1,798.0	1,816.3	1,804.6	1,824.7	19.6	20.2	19.6	20.3	82.7	85.8	84.4	87.6	262.8	264.9	264.0	265.6
Louisiana	1,928.4	1,936.6	1,928.7	1,936.7	45.3	45.3	44.9	45.7	118.3	120.1	117.3	118.9	152.3	150.9	152.7	151.3
Maine	604.4	608.9	616.6	621.0	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	29.7	30.1	31.8	32.5	62.3	61.5	63.1	61.7
Maryland	2,500.3	2,554.5	2,524.0	2,577.5	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	175.0	176.7	177.9	179.6	142.6	139.5	143.0	139.7
Massachusetts	3,172.3	3,193.8	3,195.8	3,217.4	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	134.5	138.8	141.7	145.4	314.1	312.1	314.1	312.2
Michigan	4,394.3	4,363.4	4,447.6	4,422.4	8.0	8.2	8.5	8.9	183.2	180.5	195.7	193.1	702.0	678.0	703.7	683.8
Minnesota	2,668.5	2,694.8	2,705.6	2,734.7	5.8	5.9	6.1	6.6	120.3	117.7	131.3	131.4	338.7	345.5	340.0	347.0
Mississippi	1,129.9	1,141.7	1,129.5	1,139.8	8.7	8.6	8.8	8.8	48.9	49.1	49.2	49.6	180.6	179.9	180.3	180.2
Missouri	2,707.0	2,728.0	2,717.7	2,741.8	4.8	5.3	4.8	5.4	136.7	138.1	139.2	141.3	312.5	315.1	312.9	315.8
Montana	409.0	413.0	414.5	419.9	6.8	7.6	7.0	7.8	24.4	24.1	25.2	25.7	18.8	19.1	19.0	19.4
Nebraska	920.4	933.7	930.2	942.0	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	48.3	48.0	50.1	49.9	100.1	98.9	100.7	98.9
Nevada	1,140.4	1,213.7	1,148.3	1,223.6	9.2	10.2	9.3	10.3	113.5	131.0	115.5	133.8	45.4	46.8	45.8	47.1
New Hampshire	620.7	631.0	629.4	638.6	.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	28.9	30.0	30.3	31.4	79.8	80.7	80.0	80.5
New Jersey	3,970.7	4,035.4	4,016.8	4,063.7	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.6	162.3	164.2	167.9	168.5	337.7	330.6	339.3	330.5
New Mexico	790.0	805.3	793.8	810.2	14.8	16.1	14.9	16.3	49.0	52.6	50.0	53.5	35.4	35.2	35.7	35.3
New York	8,390.8	8,480.9	8,488.4	8,562.2	5.3	5.7	5.8	6.3	307.3	312.8	322.5	327.7	594.6	579.8	597.9	580.7
North Carolina	3,818.9	3,879.9	3,850.5	3,902.7	6.9	6.3	6.9	6.4	214.8	223.6	218.2	227.1	577.2	573.6	578.4	575.7
North Dakota	337.1	342.9	342.0	347.5	3.4	3.8	3.5	3.9	16.3	16.3	18.2	18.6	23.9	24.8	24.4	25.3
Ohio	5,394.8	5,419.2	5,438.1	5,460.2	11.7	11.6	11.9	11.8	229.2	230.1	238.4	239.2	823.2	822.0	825.0	822.7
Oklahoma	1,472.9	1,500.2	1,479.8	1,505.3	30.4	31.6	30.9	32.1	61.5	62.6	62.5	63.2	141.6	141.5	142.4	141.3
Oregon	1,580.4	1,633.5	1,593.5	1,642.3	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.3	79.2	85.4	81.2	86.6	195.8	201.7	197.2	202.7
Pennsylvania	5,634.0	5,697.6	5,673.5	5,737.9	18.4	18.1	18.7	18.5	242.5	249.0	252.8	260.0	687.8	681.1	690.7	683.8
Rhode Island	485.7	491.5	494.4	498.5	.2	.2	.2	.2	20.2	20.7	21.1	21.7	57.0	55.5	57.2	55.1
South Carolina	1,834.9	1,824.3	1,846.1	1,832.3	5.1	4.2	5.1	4.1	114.6	110.9	115.4	111.4	268.2	263.8	268.2	264.7
South Dakota	380.4	385.3	387.9	394.3	.8	.8	.9	.9	19.2	20.2	20.8	22.0	38.7	39.6	38.9	39.8
Tennessee	2,702.8	2,725.9	2,708.5	2,730.7	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.2	116.1	118.3	118.6	120.8	411.1	410.9	412.7	412.5
Texas	9,477.0	9,592.6	9,505.8	9,625.4	150.9	155.3	152.0	155.9	543.8	546.1	543.4	550.6	887.3	887.5	889.3	887.4
Utah	1,099.1	1,136.8	1,100.6	1,137.3	6.8	7.6	7.1	7.7	69.8	75.6	72.6	79.3	113.7	116.8	114.9	117.2
Vermont	299.8	303.4	302.5	307.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	15.7	16.4	17.2	18.1	36.5	37.0	36.9	37.2
Virginia	3,567.4	3,627.1	3,590.2	3,641.2	10.2	10.1	10.3	10.3	227.3	235.6	231.3	238.1	298.5	297.4	298.1	297.9
Washington	2,683.9	2,737.5	2,705.9	2,761.8	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.9	159.0	166.6	163.2	171.2	261.2	264.6	262.5	266.4
West Virginia	736.9	741.9	742.0	748.7	23.4	24.6	23.9	25.1	34.7	36.8	36.0	38.9	63.5	62.7	63.7	62.8
Wisconsin	2,783.7	2,807.3	2,817.5	2,844.5	3.7	3.4	4.0	3.9	122.2	126.2	129.6	135.1	497.3	498.2	500.4	503.3
Wyoming	250.7	255.0	256.5	262.0	19.2	21.5	19.4	21.6	18.7	18.7	20.4	20.1	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.1
Puerto Rico	1,034.4	1,042.4	1,037.2	1,038.7	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	69.0	67.7	67.6	67.5	118.3	118.0	118.4	117.0

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	374.7	380.3	375.6	381.2	31.3	30.7	31.3	30.7	96.2	95.3	96.5	95.7	195.1	204.9	196.2	204.3
Alaska	59.5	60.2	63.6	64.1	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	14.5	14.7	14.7	15.0	22.6	23.1	23.2	23.6
Arizona	456.3	474.4	458.1	475.6	49.0	46.4	48.6	46.4	164.3	167.9	164.2	168.3	333.4	348.5	332.8	345.7
Arkansas	239.8	241.5	241.0	242.6	20.2	20.1	20.2	20.2	50.8	51.7	50.9	51.9	106.9	108.6	106.9	109.1
California	2,708.6	2,740.5	2,728.3	2,753.1	480.0	491.5	485.5	492.2	895.3	916.3	898.0	917.5	2,074.2	2,132.1	2,078.6	2,136.6
Colorado	401.6	408.8	403.5	409.7	81.9	76.9	81.9	77.4	154.1	157.2	153.6	157.3	297.7	305.6	299.1	308.6
Connecticut	303.8	310.7	306.5	313.4	39.0	39.3	39.1	39.4	139.7	140.5	140.0	140.6	196.6	197.5	197.6	198.4
Delaware	79.5	80.7	80.4	81.7	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.7	44.3	44.3	44.6	44.1	60.2	63.1	61.6	63.2
District of Columbia	28.0	27.8	28.1	27.8	24.0	23.2	24.2	23.3	30.8	30.8	31.1	31.1	142.8	145.4	143.9	146.4
Florida	1,491.4	1,523.7	1,493.3	1,522.8	166.9	168.9	167.4	168.8	500.7	512.3	501.9	513.5	1,295.2	1,356.0	1,294.2	1,351.5
Georgia	820.9	814.6	825.9	819.0	119.5	117.3	119.4	117.5	217.8	220.3	218.1	220.8	507.4	517.8	507.8	517.4
Hawaii	110.2	115.1	110.8	115.6	10.2	10.8	10.5	10.6	28.7	29.1	28.7	29.2	70.1	72.8	69.4	72.3
Idaho	116.4	117.8	117.9	119.0	9.4	10.4	9.7	10.6	27.5	28.5	27.7	28.7	72.1	75.6	73.6	77.1
Illinois	1,167.2	1,170.9	1,179.1	1,181.1	121.6	117.1	121.7	117.1	397.0	399.2	398.8	401.1	791.8	815.6	797.6	820.7
Indiana	572.2	576.3	576.9	580.4	40.8	40.6	41.3	40.8	139.1	140.7	140.4	141.9	264.7	272.1	266.9	272.7
Iowa	303.0	305.6	304.4	307.4	33.6	34.3	33.6	34.3	96.3	98.6	96.6	99.0	108.6	107.7	108.0	107.0
Kansas	260.7	258.3	263.1	260.4	42.5	41.3	42.5	41.1	70.0	70.6	70.1	70.8	127.5	132.3	127.5	133.3
Kentucky	369.2	371.5	371.3	373.9	28.9	28.0	29.0	28.1	87.5	85.1	87.8	85.6	159.9	166.1	160.2	166.9
Louisiana	380.0	382.3	381.0	381.9	30.1	28.5	29.6	28.6	102.6	104.4	102.6	104.4	186.4	185.9	184.7	185.5
Maine	121.3	122.1	123.9	124.6	11.4	11.8	11.4	11.8	35.0	34.2	35.1	34.3	49.7	49.7	50.4	50.5
Maryland	460.8	466.4	464.9	470.6	50.2	50.6	50.7	51.0	154.7	157.4	155.3	158.3	370.4	385.3	373.5	387.0
Massachusetts	564.8	566.3	570.4	573.3	86.6	84.0	86.8	83.8	219.2	218.6	219.6	219.2	448.0	457.9	450.4	460.1
Michigan	801.1	802.4	813.4	812.9	68.3	65.1	68.7	65.2	217.1	217.4	218.7	219.5	582.0	568.6	589.7	575.4
Minnesota	517.4	521.7	524.6	527.3	61.3	59.7	61.6	59.7	176.5	178.5	177.0	179.8	299.8	302.9	302.4	306.7
Mississippi	219.3	222.8	220.5	221.9	14.6	14.4	14.6	14.5	45.9	46.6	45.9	46.5	82.9	85.8	82.4	84.9
Missouri	528.3	533.3	532.5	539.0	65.2	63.9	65.0	63.9	162.5	166.7	163.1	166.8	307.2	305.3	305.4	304.5
Montana	85.5	85.7	86.8	86.8	7.7	8.0	7.8	8.1	20.8	21.3	21.0	21.2	33.2	33.6	33.8	33.6
Nebraska	193.7	199.0	195.9	201.4	21.3	21.6	21.3	21.7	62.7	64.1	62.9	64.0	94.3	95.6	94.6	96.1
Nevada	200.8	207.9	202.0	209.1	15.7	14.7	15.0	14.8	60.7	64.1	60.9	64.6	130.6	142.4	131.4	143.4
New Hampshire	137.3	139.8	139.2	141.8	12.5	12.9	12.4	12.9	37.1	38.4	37.3	38.3	57.3	56.0	57.6	56.3
New Jersey	861.2	880.5	873.3	885.6	98.8	96.0	99.3	96.2	275.8	280.0	277.2	281.2	581.7	585.1	584.8	588.0
New Mexico	136.8	137.0	137.7	138.2	14.7	14.0	15.0	14.3	34.3	35.4	34.3	35.5	89.9	91.6	90.2	92.4
New York	1,452.9	1,470.9	1,475.3	1,488.5	270.1	270.8	271.1	271.7	694.4	704.1	695.8	705.9	1,048.0	1,062.7	1,053.9	1,072.6
North Carolina	718.8	720.6	724.6	725.6	71.9	70.3	71.6	70.9	191.7	194.7	192.1	195.2	424.7	441.5	427.8	443.1
North Dakota	72.4	73.4	73.5	74.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.6	18.5	18.8	18.6	18.8	24.2	24.2	24.5	24.4
Ohio	1,025.5	1,021.6	1,033.0	1,027.8	92.5	91.3	92.8	91.8	310.7	310.2	311.8	312.2	619.4	640.5	621.1	641.8
Oklahoma	275.4	276.5	277.2	277.1	31.3	31.3	31.3	31.5	84.3	85.5	84.4	85.8	161.5	167.9	161.1	168.6
Oregon	313.9	326.0	316.6	325.9	32.8	34.0	33.1	34.5	95.9	97.7	96.3	97.9	174.8	179.3	175.8	179.9
Pennsylvania	1,108.5	1,118.4	1,117.8	1,127.5	112.7	109.5	112.9	110.2	335.4	334.5	337.0	336.3	629.7	648.3	632.3	650.3
Rhode Island	78.2	77.5	80.2	78.7	11.1	10.7	11.0	10.8	34.0	35.0	34.4	35.3	53.0	55.1	53.6	56.0
South Carolina	351.1	354.4	354.6	356.4	26.4	26.3	26.6	26.7	92.8	93.4	93.2	93.8	195.3	186.4	194.9	186.6
South Dakota	76.2	77.8	77.8	79.3	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.6	27.5	28.0	27.7	28.2	23.9	23.4	24.0	23.9
Tennessee	582.1	588.6	583.3	589.9	49.7	48.3	49.4	48.0	141.1	143.2	141.7	143.7	299.7	304.2	299.7	303.0
Texas	1,926.4	1,946.1	1,933.0	1,952.6	226.1	227.3	226.6	228.3	591.5	598.0	592.1	600.5	1,085.4	1,104.2	1,086.5	1,103.2
Utah	215.5	221.8	217.7	223.5	30.3	31.0	30.1	31.3	64.7	66.1	64.8	66.1	137.0	144.4	138.3	145.8
Vermont	57.8	58.2	58.6	58.6	6.4	6.2	6.4	6.3	13.1	13.4	13.3	13.6	21.4	21.4	21.2	21.9
Virginia	637.1	648.4	642.9	655.6	100.0	101.0	100.2	100.1	188.4	191.5	189.3	192.9	569.4	586.7	572.6	585.4
Washington	509.9	523.7	514.4	527.9	92.0	91.9	92.5	92.0	151.1	151.9	151.7	152.7	298.9	310.6	300.1	312.5
West Virginia	135.3	136.8	136.6	137.9	11.9	12.0	11.9	11.9	30.6	29.8	30.7	30.0	57.7	58.1	57.4	58.3
Wisconsin	529.4	533.0	537.4	537.9	49.7	50.7	49.8	50.6	157.6	157.3	158.2	157.7	249.3	250.0	250.5	251.7
Wyoming	48.3	48.6	49.1	49.5	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.3	10.3	10.5	10.5	10.7	15.2	15.3	15.5	16.0
Puerto Rico	181.4	180.3	182.2	183.3	23.1	23.4	23.5	23.2	45.8	46.3	46.0	46.5	103.6	103.5	105.3	100.8

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	192.1	197.1	191.5	196.8	160.1	162.7	162.2	164.6	81.8	80.9	82.1	81.2	362.8	364.8	361.9	363.3
Alaska	34.8	36.1	35.0	36.6	27.1	27.8	30.5	31.7	11.2	10.8	11.5	11.1	83.1	83.5	82.7	82.8
Arizona	258.3	272.5	258.7	273.2	244.7	255.0	244.5	255.5	88.7	89.2	88.7	89.5	408.5	418.0	406.2	417.6
Arkansas	142.6	146.2	142.3	145.8	90.9	93.1	92.9	94.9	41.4	41.4	41.7	41.4	203.0	206.3	202.5	205.5
California	1,570.3	1,596.3	1,569.9	1,597.0	1,431.1	1,473.8	1,451.7	1,489.3	504.2	512.9	507.1	514.5	2,431.9	2,430.3	2,432.6	2,436.1
Colorado	217.6	223.7	218.3	224.3	248.4	253.9	244.1	248.8	86.3	87.9	86.2	87.9	363.6	370.9	366.3	374.2
Connecticut	269.5	273.1	269.8	272.8	124.4	126.9	130.6	133.3	62.3	63.1	62.8	63.8	248.1	248.2	246.7	246.7
Delaware	51.6	53.5	51.8	53.5	38.2	40.2	40.9	42.4	18.6	18.4	18.7	18.7	58.1	60.9	58.6	61.3
District of Columbia	94.7	94.8	92.3	93.0	51.0	54.3	52.0	55.0	58.3	60.0	58.7	60.4	229.3	228.7	228.5	228.6
Florida	916.1	945.8	918.2	949.4	870.9	897.8	863.9	891.4	319.0	326.4	320.4	328.1	1,080.7	1,103.3	1,080.8	1,101.7
Georgia	406.8	413.9	407.8	414.4	361.2	365.5	366.6	370.6	157.1	155.5	157.2	155.8	644.3	653.4	641.4	651.0
Hawaii	66.6	69.1	67.4	69.5	102.6	105.8	103.0	105.9	24.1	24.3	24.5	24.4	121.7	121.3	123.2	122.5
Idaho	65.2	68.0	64.2	67.3	54.0	54.6	55.8	55.8	18.4	18.8	18.4	18.9	116.0	118.5	116.7	119.2
Illinois	729.1	734.5	730.0	735.1	501.4	519.8	517.9	533.9	257.8	256.4	258.5	257.5	854.9	850.2	854.6	853.2
Indiana	372.7	378.2	365.0	376.5	274.4	280.6	283.7	288.1	109.2	112.0	109.9	112.4	437.2	439.3	435.0	437.3
Iowa	194.0	196.1	192.7	194.5	126.2	131.6	130.7	136.2	56.3	57.1	56.4	57.3	250.6	248.7	251.5	250.2
Kansas	160.4	162.5	160.4	162.4	110.3	112.1	112.9	114.8	53.6	54.2	53.5	54.3	257.8	261.8	259.6	263.6
Kentucky	230.8	233.5	230.3	233.2	162.2	166.3	165.1	169.4	78.7	79.8	78.9	80.0	315.7	315.1	314.0	314.1
Louisiana	252.7	253.9	252.4	252.9	204.1	207.6	208.2	210.3	71.3	72.1	71.7	72.8	385.3	385.6	383.6	384.4
Maine	111.5	114.0	111.2	113.6	53.5	54.7	59.8	61.1	20.0	20.0	20.1	20.2	107.9	108.6	107.7	108.6
Maryland	345.6	355.9	346.5	355.7	219.3	232.4	227.8	242.2	113.9	116.6	114.4	117.4	467.8	473.7	470.0	476.0
Massachusetts	589.4	594.1	581.2	586.0	282.2	290.3	296.8	304.0	115.9	115.6	116.8	116.3	415.7	414.1	416.0	415.1
Michigan	559.2	558.8	558.6	560.1	395.1	398.1	415.7	418.9	177.2	178.7	178.9	180.3	701.1	707.6	696.0	704.3
Minnesota	378.2	388.8	379.3	390.8	231.0	234.8	242.2	244.8	119.0	116.4	118.7	116.5	420.5	422.9	422.4	424.1
Mississippi	119.4	122.6	119.4	123.1	125.8	127.4	126.6	127.3	38.0	37.6	37.9	37.8	245.8	246.9	243.9	245.2
Missouri	358.9	366.2	358.8	367.0	269.1	269.7	276.6	276.3	119.7	120.9	119.9	120.9	442.1	443.5	439.5	440.9
Montana	54.5	54.7	54.4	55.0	52.0	54.2	53.3	56.1	16.7	17.2	16.8	17.4	88.6	87.5	89.4	88.8
Nebraska	126.3	128.0	126.1	128.1	77.0	81.3	79.9	83.1	34.7	34.8	34.8	34.9	162.0	162.4	163.9	163.9
Nevada	79.4	84.0	79.3	84.3	311.3	327.7	313.6	330.1	33.5	39.1	34.1	39.6	140.3	145.8	141.4	146.5
New Hampshire	94.6	96.8	94.5	96.9	58.5	62.2	62.8	65.7	20.7	19.8	21.0	19.9	93.1	93.4	93.3	93.9
New Jersey	544.4	560.9	548.6	562.3	313.9	326.6	330.3	341.8	153.0	158.2	154.8	159.6	640.3	651.8	639.6	648.4
New Mexico	103.1	106.8	103.1	106.6	83.0	83.3	84.2	85.0	28.1	28.6	28.4	28.8	200.9	204.7	200.3	204.3
New York	1,535.3	1,562.5	1,535.2	1,556.4	638.8	659.0	670.7	688.4	350.0	355.5	353.6	358.3	1,494.1	1,497.1	1,506.6	1,505.7
North Carolina	443.1	461.1	444.6	461.9	345.0	349.5	356.4	359.0	165.8	168.6	168.6	171.0	659.0	670.1	661.3	666.8
North Dakota	48.5	49.5	48.5	49.4	30.0	31.5	31.0	32.2	15.1	15.0	15.1	14.9	77.2	78.0	77.0	77.8
Ohio	747.1	759.5	742.6	753.6	489.9	491.0	512.1	512.9	227.7	228.5	229.3	229.1	817.9	812.9	820.1	817.3
Oklahoma	180.2	182.6	178.6	182.2	129.0	131.4	131.5	133.2	74.0	74.2	74.3	74.3	303.7	315.1	305.6	316.0
Oregon	193.7	201.5	193.0	201.2	153.1	158.2	156.0	162.3	57.2	59.7	57.4	59.7	274.6	280.5	277.3	282.3
Pennsylvania	1,003.6	1,025.7	994.9	1,016.3	465.9	478.2	489.1	500.8	261.5	265.3	263.3	267.2	768.0	769.5	764.0	767.0
Rhode Island	95.0	97.2	95.0	96.9	47.7	49.7	51.2	53.0	23.0	23.2	23.3	23.4	66.3	66.7	67.2	67.4
South Carolina	181.0	169.5	181.7	170.1	202.1	210.5	207.6	213.1	68.3	66.7	69.0	66.9	330.0	338.2	329.8	338.5
South Dakota	56.4	57.3	56.4	57.3	39.0	39.8	41.9	43.0	16.0	15.9	16.2	16.0	76.0	76.0	76.5	77.3
Tennessee	319.9	326.0	319.2	325.4	254.3	257.3	258.7	261.8	102.9	103.2	102.9	103.3	421.8	421.8	418.1	418.1
Texas	1,143.6	1,168.9	1,144.5	1,171.1	884.6	901.0	897.5	914.3	359.0	366.1	360.7	368.8	1,678.4	1,692.1	1,680.2	1,692.7
Utah	123.7	128.1	120.2	123.9	101.9	105.2	100.5	103.8	32.7	33.5	32.9	33.6	203.0	206.7	201.5	205.1
Vermont	53.2	54.4	53.4	54.4	29.3	30.0	30.0	30.4	10.9	10.2	10.2	10.3	54.5	55.2	54.3	55.2
Virginia	382.6	391.8	383.0	390.7	316.6	319.8	328.5	329.2	178.8	181.4	179.6	182.6	658.5	663.4	654.4	658.4
Washington	320.8	329.3	321.8	330.8	252.3	254.9	258.1	261.1	99.8	101.5	100.7	102.3	530.4	533.9	532.2	536.0
West Virginia	110.9	111.8	111.0	111.8	67.8	68.5	69.5	70.4	55.9	55.6	56.3	56.2	145.2	145.2	145.0	145.4
Wisconsin	374.8	383.0	374.4	384.4	242.6	247.3	256.3	262.0	134.4	135.2	134.7	135.0	422.7	423.0	422.2	422.9
Wyoming	21.3	21.8	21.2	22.0	29.1	29.7	30.7	32.1	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.9	65.5	65.8	66.5	66.7
Puerto Rico	100.5	102.5	100.8	102.4	71.2	70.1	71.6	69.5	20.7	22.9	20.7	22.9	300.8	307.7	301.1	305.6

¹ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

^P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from

2004 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted May 2005

(U.S. rate = 5.1 percent)

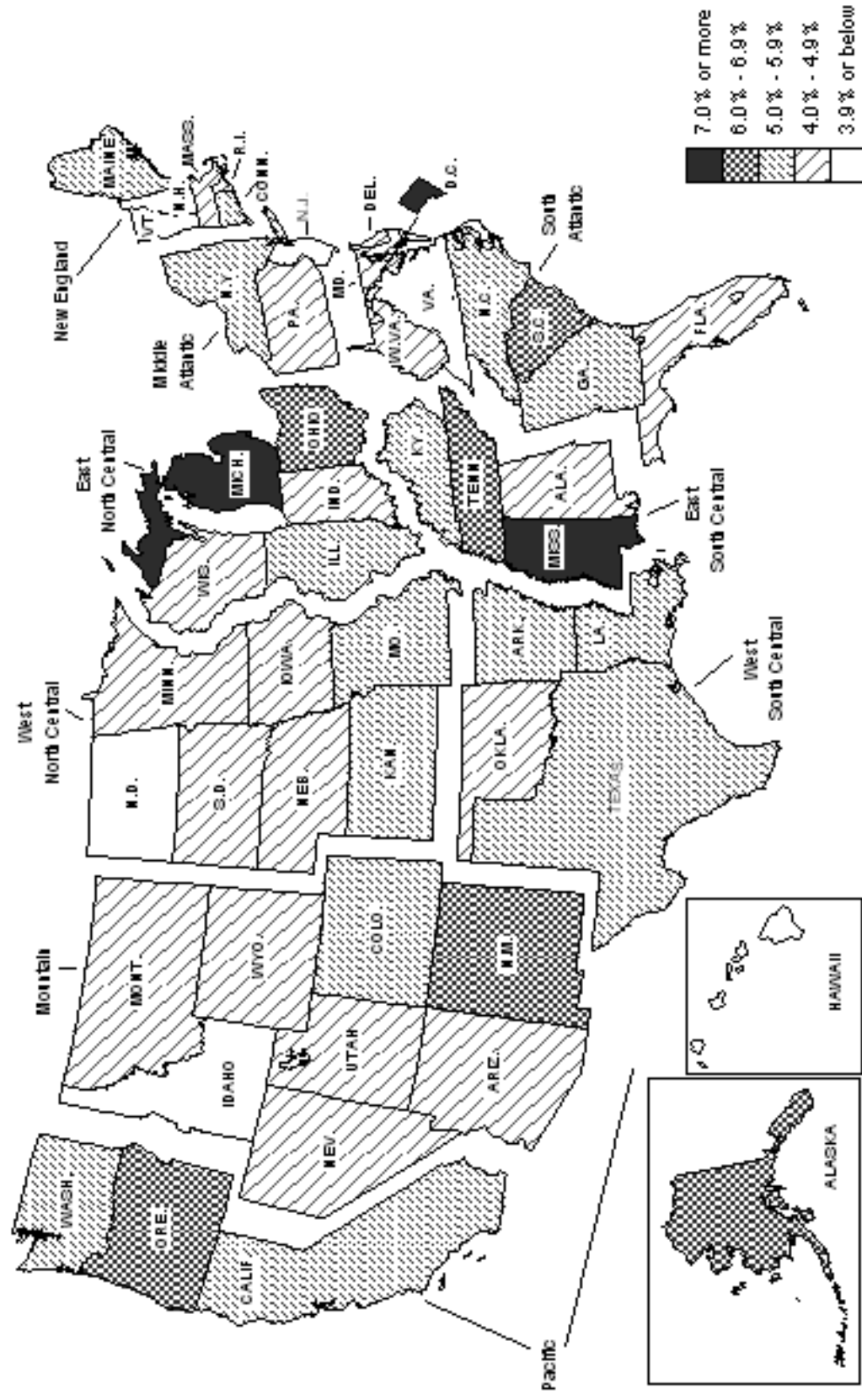


Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, May 2004 – May 2005

