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METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: MAY 2004

In May, 280 metropolitan areas recorded lower unemployment rates than a year earlier, 39 areas had higher rates, and 12 areas had rates that were unchanged, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Twenty areas posted unemployment rates below 3.0 percent, with 11 of these located in the South and 5 in the Midwest. Eight metropolitan areas had jobless rates of at least 10.0 percent; six of these were located in California, and the other two were along the Mexican border in other states. The national unemployment rate was 5.3 percent, not seasonally adjusted, in May.

Metropolitan Area Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Ninety-three metropolitan areas reported jobless rates below 4.0 percent in May, up from 63 areas a year earlier, while 32 areas recorded rates of at least 7.0 percent, down from 58 areas in May 2003. The lowest unemployment rates again were posted in areas with state universities: Bryan-College Station, Texas, 1.8 percent, and Columbia, Mo., and Fargo-Moorhead, N.D.-Minn., 2.0 percent each. Yuma, Ariz., again reported the highest unemployment rate, 28.7 percent. Following the completion of agricultural processing, summer jobless rates in Yuma tend to climb to roughly double those of the winter. The next highest rates were in areas located in the agricultural Central Valley of California—Yuba City, 13.7 percent, Merced, 13.6 percent, Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, 12.7 percent, Fresno, 12.0 percent, Modesto, 11.3 per- cent, and Bakersfield, 11.2 percent. (See table 1 and the map.)

In May, Shreveport-Bossier City, La., experienced the largest over-the-year unemployment rate decrease (-2.6 percentage points), followed by San Jose, Calif. (-2.3 points), El Paso, Texas (-2.1 points), and Oklahoma City, Okla., and Portland-Vancouver, Ore.-Wash. (-2.0 points each). Seventy-six additional areas recorded jobless rate declines of at least 1.0 percentage point from last May, and another 116 areas had rate declines of one-half percentage point or more. Steubenville-Weirton, Ohio-W.Va., continued to register the largest over-the-year jobless rate increase (+2.5 percentage points), followed by Florence, Ala. (+1.3 percentage points). Six additional areas had rate increases of at least 0.5 percentage point.

Of the 51 metropolitan areas with a 1990 census population of 1 million or more, 46 areas reported lower jobless rates than in May 2003, 3 recorded higher rates, and 2 had rates that were unchanged. Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va., continued to register the lowest jobless rate among the large areas, 3.0 percent, with Orange County, Calif., again recording the next lowest rate, 3.2 percent. Six additional areas had rates below 4.0 percent in May—Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla., 3.6 percent; Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon, N.J., Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.-Wis., and San Diego, Calif., 3.8 percent each; and

Atlanta, Ga., and Nassau-Suffolk, N.Y., 3.9 percent each. Detroit, Mich., posted the highest unemployment rate of the large areas, 6.6 percent, closely followed by Portland-Vancouver, Ore.-Wash., 6.5 percent.

Over the year, San Jose, Calif., reported the largest jobless rate decrease among these large areas (-2.3 percentage points), followed by Portland-Vancouver, Ore.-Wash. (-2.0 points). Fifteen additional areas reported rate declines of at least 1.0 percentage point from last May. No large area had an over-the-year unemployment rate increase greater than 0.2 percentage point.

Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the 274 metropolitan areas for which May nonfarm payroll data were available, 177 posted over-the-year increases in employment, 90 posted decreases, and 7 had no change. The largest over-the-year employment increases were recorded in Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. (+79,300), Phoenix-Mesa, Ariz. (+44,100), Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz. (+38,100), Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. (+22,000), Riverside-San Bernardino, Calif. (+21,700), and New York, N.Y. (+21,200). The largest over-the-year percentage increases occurred in Iowa City, Iowa (+5.6 percent), Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz. (+4.7 percent), and Green Bay, Wis., and Laredo, Texas (+4.1 percent each). (See table 2.)

The largest over-the-year employment decreases were reported in Detroit, Mich. (-23,400), Boston, Mass.-N.H. (-17,900), San Jose, Calif. (-14,900), Toledo, Ohio (-9,200), and San Francisco, Calif. (-9,100). The largest over-the-year percentage decreases in employment were reported in Houma, La. (-3.2 percent), followed by Steubenville-Weirton, Ohio-W.Va., and Toledo, Ohio (-2.9 percent each), Bloomington-Normal, Ill. (-2.8 percent), and Saginaw-Bay City-Midland, Mich. (-2.6 percent).

Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 27 of the 39 metropolitan areas with annual average employment levels above 750,000 in 2003. The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment in these metropolitan areas occurred in Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz. (+4.7 percent), Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. (+2.8 percent), Phoenix-Mesa, Ariz. (+2.7 percent), and Orlando, Fla., and Riverside-San Bernardino, Calif. (+2.0 percent each). Among the 39 large areas, San Jose, Calif., had the largest over-the-year percentage decline in employment (-1.7 percent), followed by Detroit, Mich. (-1.1 percent), San Francisco, Calif. (-1.0 percent), and Boston, Mass.-N.H. (-0.9 percent).

Employment growth was most widespread in education and health services, with 215 of 274 metropolitan areas experiencing over-the-year employment gains in this industry sector. Many areas also experienced employment growth in leisure and hospitality; professional and business services; trade, transportation, and utilities; and financial activities. Manufacturing remained the weakest industry, with 175 metropolitan areas posting employment losses over the year.

The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for June is scheduled to be issued on July 20. The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for June is scheduled to be issued on July 28.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (table 1) for 337 metropolitan areas, including those in Puerto Rico. Nonfarm payroll employment estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (table 2) are provided for over 270 of these areas. State estimates were previously published in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*, and are republished in this release for ease of reference. The LAUS and CES programs are both Federal-State cooperative endeavors.

Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

Definitions. The labor force and unemployment data are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The labor force includes both the employed and the unemployed. Employed persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the survey reference week (the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who 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 survey 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. Effective January 1996, estimates for all states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. For all other substate areas, estimates are prepared through indirect estimation procedures. Employment estimates, which are based largely on "place of work" estimates from the CES program, are adjusted to refer to place of residence as used in the CPS. Unemployment estimates are aggregates of persons previously employed in industries covered by state unemployment (UI) laws and entrants to the labor force data from the CPS. The substate estimates of employment and unemployment which geographically exhaust the entire state, are adjusted proportionally to ensure that they add to the independently estimated state totals. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau and any revisions in the other data sources. In addition, data for all states, the District of Columbia, and the two large substate areas noted are adjusted annually to equal the CPS annual averages, usually effective with January estimates. All other substate estimates are adjusted to add to the revised (benchmarked) state estimates.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period 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. Small-domain models are used as the official estimators for the approximately 10 percent of CES published series which have insufficient sample for direct sample-based estimates.

Annual revisions. Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports 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 survey and administrative data and thus are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data 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. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed, in most instances, from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Measures of sampling error, in the form of the standard errors for state annual average estimates derived from the CPS, are available in the annual BLS bulletin, *Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment*. Error measures cannot be computed for substate areas because of the special estimation processes used. Measures of nonsampling error for CPS data 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 supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available on the BLS Web site at

(<http://www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm>). Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available at (<http://www.bls.gov/sae>).

Area definitions. The substate area data published in this release reflect the standards and definitions established by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget, dated June 30, 1996. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

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).

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

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Alabama	2,126.8	2,152.4	2,136.2	2,151.6	116.6	116.7	114.2	116.2	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.4
Anniston	53.2	53.8	53.2	53.6	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.4	5.1	4.5	5.1	4.6
Auburn-Opelika	53.3	54.9	53.0	53.8	1.8	2.0	1.9	1.9	3.4	3.6	3.6	3.5
Birmingham	471.5	477.3	474.2	476.6	19.7	20.1	19.9	20.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.3
Decatur	70.8	70.7	71.1	70.9	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.4	6.0	6.3	6.0	6.2
Dothan	66.5	67.9	66.9	68.2	2.7	2.9	2.9	3.0	4.1	4.3	4.4	4.4
Florence	63.0	62.0	63.0	63.0	5.0	4.2	4.7	5.5	8.0	6.8	7.5	8.8
Gadsden	46.7	46.9	46.9	46.7	2.8	3.0	2.7	2.9	5.9	6.4	5.8	6.2
Huntsville	182.7	187.7	182.7	187.3	8.0	8.4	7.1	8.1	4.4	4.5	3.9	4.3
Mobile	270.2	275.2	272.8	274.5	15.3	15.9	15.9	15.6	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.7
Montgomery	164.6	169.0	166.5	168.8	7.5	8.2	8.0	8.6	4.6	4.9	4.8	5.1
Tuscaloosa	86.0	86.1	85.4	85.3	4.4	3.0	2.9	3.2	5.1	3.5	3.4	3.7
Alaska	323.0	336.8	330.7	345.0	26.5	24.6	25.4	24.3	8.2	7.3	7.7	7.1
Anchorage	145.4	152.0	145.5	152.8	8.4	7.7	8.1	7.5	5.8	5.1	5.6	4.9
Arizona	2,672.3	2,750.8	2,695.8	2,760.5	147.4	137.9	160.3	141.3	5.5	5.0	5.9	5.1
Flagstaff	68.1	71.2	69.1	71.8	3.7	4.4	4.0	4.3	5.5	6.2	5.8	6.0
Phoenix-Mesa	1,798.3	1,849.6	1,808.4	1,852.3	91.7	79.0	94.7	78.6	5.1	4.3	5.2	4.2
Tucson	426.3	435.2	428.3	436.0	18.0	17.0	18.8	17.1	4.2	3.9	4.4	3.9
Yuma	69.7	74.3	77.5	78.4	15.0	18.3	23.5	22.5	21.5	24.6	30.3	28.7
Arkansas	1,266.3	1,317.1	1,270.0	1,324.3	74.4	71.2	76.9	74.5	5.9	5.4	6.1	5.6
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	167.0	179.3	167.6	180.3	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.9	2.8	2.6	3.0	2.7
Fort Smith	98.5	102.1	98.8	102.7	5.2	4.9	5.4	5.1	5.2	4.8	5.5	4.9
Jonesboro	44.4	46.2	44.7	46.3	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.3	4.7	5.0	4.8	4.9
Little Rock-North Little Rock	309.2	323.6	309.9	324.6	14.8	14.7	15.4	15.5	4.8	4.6	5.0	4.8
Pine Bluff	36.3	38.4	36.2	38.9	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.6	9.3	8.5	9.4	9.1
California	17,351.9	17,478.5	17,334.5	17,491.1	1,171.9	1,076.9	1,118.1	1,017.3	6.8	6.2	6.5	5.8
Bakersfield	301.6	303.0	303.2	306.1	38.4	37.6	34.7	34.2	12.7	12.4	11.4	11.2
Chico-Paradise	93.2	92.0	92.6	91.7	7.3	7.2	6.8	6.7	7.9	7.8	7.4	7.3
Fresno	452.9	452.8	453.9	457.2	70.5	61.2	60.5	55.0	15.6	13.5	13.3	12.0
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,769.1	4,785.1	4,748.8	4,770.2	322.4	301.0	323.2	298.0	6.8	6.3	6.8	6.2
Merced	88.2	91.7	88.1	92.0	14.7	14.2	12.8	12.5	16.7	15.5	14.5	13.6
Modesto	214.5	216.0	215.2	217.5	27.1	26.1	25.3	24.5	12.6	12.1	11.7	11.3
Oakland	1,263.7	1,259.2	1,259.6	1,258.5	80.5	69.3	78.6	65.3	6.4	5.5	6.2	5.2
Orange County	1,559.7	1,583.1	1,559.2	1,580.9	58.7	53.2	56.7	50.9	3.8	3.4	3.6	3.2
Redding	80.4	81.4	80.6	81.9	6.6	6.7	5.9	6.1	8.2	8.3	7.4	7.4
Riverside-San Bernardino	1,669.2	1,719.0	1,672.4	1,725.9	94.4	93.4	91.7	90.0	5.7	5.4	5.5	5.2
Sacramento	864.5	881.2	863.0	881.2	45.2	46.1	44.4	44.7	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.1
Salinas	203.1	201.9	201.5	201.8	21.4	18.7	16.2	15.0	10.6	9.3	8.1	7.4
San Diego	1,468.5	1,500.0	1,466.6	1,504.1	62.3	59.2	60.4	56.4	4.2	3.9	4.1	3.8
San Francisco	896.5	889.2	894.8	888.4	52.2	42.4	50.8	39.4	5.8	4.8	5.7	4.4
San Jose	896.5	867.3	892.0	867.6	76.2	54.7	73.3	51.3	8.5	6.3	8.2	5.9
San Luis Obispo-Atascadero-Paso Robles	121.5	121.4	122.2	122.2	4.1	4.0	3.7	3.8	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.1
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc	209.0	215.4	210.4	218.1	7.7	7.5	7.1	6.8	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.1
Santa Cruz-Watsonville	138.3	140.0	138.9	140.7	13.0	11.5	10.4	8.7	9.4	8.2	7.5	6.2
Santa Rosa	256.6	254.2	256.2	254.7	12.8	11.8	12.3	10.6	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.2
Stockton-Lodi	276.3	280.4	280.1	284.2	28.7	28.2	26.5	25.6	10.4	10.0	9.5	9.0
Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa	281.1	284.1	282.4	285.1	15.9	15.1	15.1	14.2	5.7	5.3	5.3	5.0
Ventura	427.4	431.9	429.7	431.9	20.2	19.2	19.8	18.7	4.7	4.4	4.6	4.3
Visalia-Tulare-Porterville	176.3	176.8	175.2	175.9	28.0	25.3	24.1	22.3	15.9	14.3	13.8	12.7
Yolo	98.0	99.4	98.6	99.6	5.0	5.0	4.5	4.5	5.1	5.0	4.6	4.5
Yuba City	58.8	57.4	58.9	57.9	9.2	8.6	8.3	7.9	15.6	14.9	14.1	13.7
Colorado	2,445.5	2,477.0	2,460.9	2,500.3	154.0	128.6	144.8	115.8	6.3	5.2	5.9	4.6
Boulder-Longmont ¹	175.4	174.7	176.3	176.0	10.8	7.9	10.1	7.2	6.2	4.5	5.7	4.1
Colorado Springs	280.6	283.9	282.9	287.3	18.6	15.3	17.3	13.9	6.6	5.4	6.1	4.9
Denver ¹	1,235.4	1,252.6	1,246.3	1,268.6	80.5	66.8	75.4	59.5	6.5	5.3	6.0	4.7
Fort Collins-Loveland	152.2	151.7	155.5	155.5	9.0	7.5	8.5	6.7	5.9	4.9	5.4	4.3
Grand Junction	65.3	66.8	66.4	68.1	3.6	3.2	3.4	2.9	5.6	4.8	5.1	4.3
Greeley	101.6	103.2	101.7	103.6	7.1	6.3	6.5	5.6	7.0	6.1	6.4	5.4
Pueblo	62.8	63.7	63.7	64.2	4.6	4.5	4.2	3.9	7.3	7.0	6.5	6.1
Connecticut	1,794.5	1,770.1	1,802.9	1,797.2	100.5	81.3	101.0	86.3	5.6	4.6	5.6	4.8
Bridgeport	229.5	226.4	231.4	229.9	15.3	12.4	16.1	13.4	6.7	5.5	6.9	5.8
Danbury	114.9	115.4	115.3	116.9	4.5	3.5	4.5	3.8	3.9	3.1	3.9	3.2
Hartford	611.0	597.3	611.7	605.1	37.0	29.7	36.4	31.3	6.1	5.0	5.9	5.2
New Haven-Meriden	290.6	286.5	290.7	289.4	15.3	13.2	16.0	14.1	5.3	4.6	5.5	4.9
New London-Norwich	167.2	167.2	169.7	170.9	8.2	6.9	8.3	7.3	4.9	4.1	4.9	4.3
Stamford-Norwalk	192.7	190.5	193.6	194.0	7.0	5.5	7.2	5.8	3.7	2.9	3.7	3.0
Waterbury	118.5	117.4	119.8	119.6	9.1	7.2	8.9	7.6	6.1	7.4	6.3	6.3
Delaware	414.9	425.2	414.2	423.0	17.5	15.7	15.7	14.2	4.2	3.7	3.8	3.3
Dover	76.7	79.2	76.1	78.9	3.2	2.5	2.8	2.2	4.1	3.2	3.6	2.8
Wilmington-Newark	306.1	312.3	304.1	309.1	14.5	12.2	13.0	11.5	4.7	3.9	4.3	3.7

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
District of Columbia	300.2	301.3	300.5	296.7	19.4	20.2	19.6	20.8	6.4	6.7	6.5	7.0
Washington	2,822.1	2,889.5	2,830.4	2,901.2	96.8	83.0	100.3	87.1	3.4	2.9	3.5	3.0
Florida	8,076.4	8,287.6	8,151.2	8,338.6	410.3	373.0	409.1	357.2	5.1	4.5	5.0	4.3
Daytona Beach	217.7	226.1	219.3	225.9	11.0	10.2	10.9	9.4	5.0	4.5	5.0	4.2
Fort Lauderdale	864.7	887.3	873.0	893.1	49.2	42.6	48.6	40.4	5.7	4.8	5.6	4.5
Fort Myers-Cape Coral	215.3	223.7	216.8	224.6	8.6	7.4	8.6	7.0	4.0	3.3	3.9	3.1
Fort Pierce-Port St. Lucie	142.8	147.0	144.7	147.7	7.4	7.4	8.8	7.8	5.2	5.0	6.1	5.3
Fort Walton Beach	90.7	93.9	92.8	95.9	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.6	2.2
Gainesville	113.1	118.0	114.7	117.7	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.3
Jacksonville	581.6	603.2	589.0	608.1	29.7	30.1	29.5	28.6	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.7
Lakeland-Winter Haven	216.1	220.7	217.3	220.9	11.7	10.5	11.8	10.3	5.4	4.8	5.4	4.7
Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay	222.1	228.4	224.1	229.6	11.3	9.4	11.1	8.8	5.1	4.1	4.9	3.9
Miami	1,093.6	1,110.1	1,100.9	1,119.0	81.0	72.2	79.6	70.2	7.4	6.5	7.2	6.3
Naples	119.9	125.9	119.4	124.8	4.3	3.6	4.4	3.5	3.6	2.8	3.7	2.8
Ocala	104.7	107.4	105.3	107.7	4.7	4.4	4.7	4.0	4.4	4.1	4.5	3.8
Orlando	960.6	988.6	971.5	992.9	48.0	43.0	47.5	40.6	5.0	4.4	4.9	4.1
Panama City	71.7	72.8	72.6	74.0	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.0	5.0	4.3	4.7	4.1
Pensacola	179.6	184.8	181.7	185.3	7.4	6.9	7.2	6.5	4.1	3.7	4.0	3.5
Punta Gorda	53.0	54.8	52.8	54.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	4.3	4.0	4.0	3.4
Sarasota-Bradenton	302.2	312.5	305.5	314.1	10.5	10.0	9.9	8.9	3.5	3.2	3.2	2.8
Tallahassee	156.0	159.6	157.8	160.1	5.4	5.1	5.2	5.0	3.5	3.2	3.3	3.1
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,319.1	1,345.6	1,332.2	1,359.4	57.8	51.7	56.8	48.6	4.4	3.8	4.3	3.6
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton	579.1	592.7	582.4	595.2	30.0	28.9	31.3	28.0	5.2	4.9	5.4	4.7
Georgia	4,384.6	4,382.8	4,410.6	4,414.3	203.2	153.3	207.9	168.0	4.6	3.5	4.7	3.8
Albany	57.5	57.0	57.6	57.5	3.0	2.3	2.8	2.5	5.3	4.0	4.9	4.4
Athens	79.7	78.7	79.7	79.2	2.2	1.8	2.3	2.0	2.8	2.3	2.9	2.5
Atlanta	2,420.9	2,421.3	2,434.8	2,431.7	116.3	88.0	119.2	95.2	4.8	3.6	4.9	3.9
Augusta-Aiken	216.4	220.1	216.7	221.7	10.1	9.8	10.2	10.3	4.7	4.4	4.7	4.6
Columbus	130.5	129.6	131.1	129.8	6.2	5.4	6.6	5.6	4.8	4.2	5.0	4.3
Macon	160.8	161.8	161.8	162.3	6.2	5.1	6.3	5.8	3.8	3.2	3.9	3.6
Savannah	147.2	149.3	148.2	149.6	5.3	4.7	5.8	4.9	3.6	3.2	3.9	3.3
Hawaii	613.1	627.8	612.9	626.9	25.6	22.5	26.0	18.5	4.2	3.6	4.2	3.0
Honolulu	433.3	443.7	434.0	443.1	16.1	14.3	16.3	11.4	3.7	3.2	3.7	2.6
Idaho	687.2	694.9	693.7	702.6	40.9	32.3	36.7	30.6	6.0	4.7	5.3	4.4
Boise City	247.7	251.9	249.6	253.3	14.0	10.2	13.2	10.2	5.7	4.1	5.3	4.0
Pocatello	41.1	41.3	40.6	41.1	2.1	1.7	2.1	1.7	5.2	4.2	5.2	4.2
Illinois	6,269.1	6,333.7	6,297.7	6,373.1	398.5	371.9	389.9	383.3	6.4	5.9	6.2	6.0
Bloomington-Normal	93.9	94.5	94.0	92.7	2.4	2.6	2.3	2.8	2.5	2.8	2.4	3.0
Champaign-Urbana	101.7	102.1	101.4	102.2	3.0	3.1	2.8	3.2	3.0	3.0	2.7	3.1
Chicago	4,183.6	4,232.5	4,203.0	4,261.6	276.8	255.4	270.9	262.3	6.6	6.0	6.4	6.2
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	185.4	184.8	186.0	187.2	9.2	8.8	8.8	9.0	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.8
Decatur	55.3	55.5	55.7	55.9	3.8	3.4	3.7	3.5	6.9	6.1	6.7	6.3
Kankakee	52.3	52.9	52.2	53.3	3.8	4.0	3.5	4.0	7.2	7.5	6.7	7.4
Peoria-Pekin	178.6	180.2	179.6	181.7	9.4	8.2	9.2	8.4	5.3	4.5	5.1	4.6
Rockford	194.9	193.6	194.9	195.3	16.1	14.4	15.5	14.9	8.2	7.4	8.0	7.6
Springfield	104.0	105.4	104.5	106.0	4.7	5.0	4.7	5.1	4.5	4.8	4.5	4.8
Indiana	3,176.7	3,176.4	3,197.4	3,178.6	164.4	159.3	155.7	157.5	5.2	5.0	4.9	5.0
Bloomington	66.8	68.9	65.1	63.7	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.9	3.0	2.6	3.1	3.0
Elkhart-Goshen	98.1	98.3	98.6	98.4	6.0	3.9	4.5	3.9	6.1	4.0	4.6	3.9
Evansville-Henderson	166.0	164.0	167.5	164.6	6.8	6.3	6.8	6.8	4.1	3.9	4.0	4.2
Fort Wayne	268.8	266.6	271.0	267.4	14.4	14.4	14.1	14.1	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.3
Gary	303.8	305.7	306.3	306.2	16.8	18.2	16.4	17.9	5.5	5.9	5.3	5.9
Indianapolis	899.2	906.0	906.7	904.9	42.5	42.4	40.7	41.6	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.6
Kokomo	50.2	50.7	51.1	50.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	5.6	5.3	5.2	5.2
Lafayette	94.3	94.1	93.1	94.0	3.9	3.9	3.7	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.0	4.3
Muncie	60.7	59.5	60.9	59.6	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.0	6.0	5.3	5.6	5.1
South Bend	136.4	137.0	136.9	136.4	6.8	6.3	6.1	6.1	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.4
Terre Haute	72.4	74.3	72.4	74.4	4.0	4.4	3.9	4.4	5.5	6.0	5.3	5.9
Iowa	1,610.1	1,611.4	1,601.4	1,622.8	73.3	64.3	63.6	61.2	4.6	4.0	4.0	3.8
Cedar Rapids	117.1	113.9	115.7	115.2	5.5	4.9	5.1	4.8	4.7	4.3	4.4	4.1
Des Moines	272.3	273.3	272.0	278.1	10.9	9.0	9.9	9.0	4.0	3.3	3.7	3.2
Dubuque	50.0	50.6	49.8	51.2	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.6	3.9	3.5	3.3	3.2
Iowa City	71.6	74.4	71.0	75.4	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.3	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.1
Sioux City	64.0	63.0	63.7	63.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.7
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	71.5	71.3	70.6	72.4	3.4	3.1	3.0	3.0	4.8	4.4	4.2	4.1

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Kansas	1,424.3	1,455.8	1,424.3	1,456.2	77.7	68.1	71.7	63.8	5.5	4.7	5.0	4.4
Lawrence	58.7	59.8	58.4	60.3	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	4.6	4.1	4.3	4.1
Topeka	89.2	92.2	89.0	91.6	3.9	4.9	3.7	4.6	4.4	5.4	4.2	5.0
Wichita	284.1	291.2	282.4	290.0	19.6	16.7	18.3	15.6	6.9	5.7	6.5	5.4
Kentucky	1,943.3	1,977.8	1,961.9	1,995.7	120.0	104.0	118.3	104.6	6.2	5.3	6.0	5.2
Lexington	254.8	258.6	254.8	261.6	11.1	9.4	10.6	9.7	4.4	3.6	4.2	3.7
Louisville	550.2	557.9	554.7	560.5	29.3	27.4	29.6	27.6	5.3	4.9	5.3	4.9
Owensboro	47.9	49.0	48.3	49.1	2.9	2.4	3.0	2.4	6.0	4.8	6.2	5.0
Louisiana	2,028.2	2,017.5	2,040.0	2,022.0	123.3	106.9	127.3	114.1	6.1	5.3	6.2	5.6
Alexandria	59.9	59.8	60.5	59.7	3.3	2.4	3.5	2.7	5.5	4.1	5.7	4.4
Baton Rouge	307.3	310.9	309.7	309.7	16.9	16.6	18.1	18.1	5.5	5.3	5.9	5.8
Houma	98.6	98.3	99.5	97.0	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.7	4.0
Lafayette	180.4	178.2	181.2	179.1	8.9	7.5	9.2	7.9	5.0	4.2	5.1	4.4
Lake Charles	88.3	88.0	88.4	88.4	5.5	4.5	5.6	4.9	6.2	5.1	6.3	5.6
Monroe	73.9	72.8	74.2	72.9	4.1	3.4	4.2	3.5	5.5	4.7	5.7	4.9
New Orleans	605.8	603.5	605.3	605.1	30.8	29.3	31.9	31.2	5.1	4.8	5.3	5.1
Shreveport-Bossier City	182.3	181.5	185.2	182.0	15.0	10.1	15.5	10.5	8.2	5.6	8.4	5.8
Maine	681.6	686.7	688.2	698.0	37.8	32.7	32.9	27.2	5.5	4.8	4.8	3.9
Bangor	53.8	54.7	54.1	55.2	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.5	3.4	3.4	2.9	2.8
Lewiston-Auburn	54.2	55.1	54.1	55.4	2.6	2.2	2.4	1.9	4.8	4.0	4.4	3.4
Portland	139.5	142.2	140.2	144.2	4.1	3.6	3.8	3.3	2.9	2.6	2.7	2.3
Maryland	2,877.4	2,919.7	2,888.8	2,940.3	122.3	108.9	124.2	111.2	4.2	3.7	4.3	3.8
Baltimore	1,337.4	1,344.2	1,343.6	1,356.3	62.2	57.0	65.1	58.5	4.7	4.2	4.8	4.3
Cumberland	43.7	43.7	43.7	44.8	2.7	3.0	2.5	2.9	6.2	6.9	5.8	6.4
Hagerstown	71.0	70.6	70.9	71.7	3.4	2.6	3.1	2.5	4.8	3.7	4.4	3.5
Massachusetts	3,399.1	3,365.1	3,406.6	3,393.2	194.0	157.0	189.3	169.4	5.7	4.7	5.6	5.0
Barnstable-Yarmouth	80.9	80.4	85.0	83.9	4.1	3.5	3.4	3.3	5.1	4.4	4.0	4.0
Boston	1,868.7	1,840.5	1,865.1	1,849.0	95.0	74.3	94.8	81.2	5.1	4.0	5.1	4.4
Brockton	140.7	142.8	141.2	143.5	8.1	7.3	8.1	8.0	5.8	5.1	5.7	5.6
Fitchburg-Leominster	71.0	70.2	70.8	70.5	5.4	4.6	5.3	5.0	7.6	6.6	7.4	7.1
Lawrence	211.8	208.4	212.7	210.2	17.0	14.7	16.5	15.5	8.0	7.1	7.8	7.4
Lowell	177.5	177.5	176.3	178.3	12.1	9.1	11.9	9.7	6.8	5.1	6.7	5.5
New Bedford	83.7	82.8	83.4	83.1	6.9	5.5	6.2	5.7	8.2	6.7	7.5	6.8
Pittsfield	40.9	40.3	41.3	40.9	2.4	2.0	2.2	2.0	6.0	4.9	5.2	4.8
Springfield	294.6	294.4	295.3	296.8	17.2	14.7	16.3	16.1	5.8	5.0	5.5	5.4
Worcester	266.8	265.9	267.6	267.3	16.8	13.7	17.0	15.0	6.3	5.2	6.4	5.6
Michigan	4,964.1	4,968.4	5,049.6	5,075.1	356.2	299.2	349.0	317.7	7.2	6.0	6.9	6.3
Ann Arbor	308.4	318.0	310.8	318.5	12.4	10.6	12.0	11.5	4.0	3.3	3.9	3.6
Benton Harbor	79.3	81.9	81.5	82.5	5.1	4.9	5.5	5.2	6.4	6.0	6.8	6.3
Detroit	2,211.0	2,197.8	2,247.5	2,249.3	154.6	134.3	158.0	148.3	7.0	6.1	7.0	6.6
Flint	182.5	182.3	186.4	185.3	16.7	14.2	17.2	15.3	9.2	7.8	9.2	8.3
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland	598.3	600.2	608.5	615.5	49.1	34.6	45.8	37.7	8.2	5.8	7.5	6.1
Jackson	78.0	77.9	79.4	79.7	6.1	4.8	6.0	5.2	7.8	6.1	7.6	6.5
Kalamazoo-Battle Creek	229.2	231.2	230.6	236.6	13.2	12.6	13.7	13.3	5.8	5.4	5.9	5.6
Lansing-East Lansing	246.4	249.2	248.6	248.7	10.8	10.2	11.1	10.9	4.4	4.1	4.4	4.4
Saginaw-Bay City-Midland	193.5	190.1	196.1	194.5	15.5	13.9	15.3	14.3	8.0	7.3	7.8	7.4
Minnesota	2,920.8	2,946.2	2,920.4	2,951.2	151.8	133.1	127.4	112.3	5.2	4.5	4.4	3.8
Duluth-Superior	132.5	134.2	132.9	134.3	8.1	7.6	6.4	6.1	6.1	5.7	4.8	4.6
Minneapolis-St. Paul	1,826.4	1,852.4	1,828.7	1,855.3	86.9	77.7	80.0	70.1	4.8	4.2	4.4	3.8
Rochester	83.7	84.6	83.6	84.5	3.6	3.2	3.2	2.8	4.3	3.8	3.8	3.3
St. Cloud	107.6	108.3	106.3	107.3	5.9	5.0	4.4	3.9	5.5	4.6	4.1	3.6
Mississippi	1,307.2	1,306.5	1,318.7	1,320.2	82.0	59.7	89.8	74.1	6.3	4.6	6.8	5.6
Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula	174.3	177.7	175.3	178.9	8.6	6.3	9.3	7.5	4.9	3.6	5.3	4.2
Hattiesburg	55.0	55.8	55.0	56.3	2.0	1.8	2.3	2.2	3.6	3.3	4.1	3.9
Jackson	237.3	242.1	238.7	244.3	10.9	8.0	11.6	10.0	4.6	3.3	4.8	4.1
Missouri	3,019.6	3,014.3	3,025.5	3,019.9	165.8	137.6	164.2	143.6	5.5	4.6	5.4	4.8
Columbia	89.3	90.5	89.1	89.8	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.2	1.9	2.1	2.0
Joplin	84.7	85.3	84.7	84.6	4.6	3.4	4.6	3.6	5.4	4.0	5.4	4.2
Kansas City	1,022.1	1,014.8	1,020.8	1,017.1	61.9	52.6	60.6	53.7	6.1	5.2	5.9	5.3
St. Joseph	52.8	53.4	52.9	53.4	3.0	2.5	2.9	2.7	5.6	4.6	5.5	5.0
St. Louis ¹	1,394.0	1,392.7	1,399.5	1,399.6	79.3	70.1	80.8	74.2	5.7	5.0	5.8	5.3
Springfield	177.6	181.8	177.7	182.4	7.0	5.7	6.6	6.0	3.9	3.1	3.7	3.3
Montana	473.0	476.9	476.8	479.8	21.7	21.8	20.2	20.0	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.2
Billings	71.8	76.0	72.0	75.4	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.5	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.3
Great Falls	36.3	36.1	36.5	36.2	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.0
Missoula	56.0	59.4	56.2	58.9	2.2	2.2	1.9	2.0	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.4

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					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Nebraska	974.0	985.4	978.0	991.4	38.5	33.5	39.9	36.6	4.0	3.4	4.1	3.7
Lincoln	155.4	155.3	155.6	156.2	5.9	5.4	6.3	5.9	3.8	3.5	4.1	3.8
Omaha	413.9	411.5	414.2	413.0	18.4	16.6	18.8	17.9	4.4	4.0	4.5	4.3
Nevada	1,125.9	1,175.5	1,134.3	1,174.0	60.0	50.9	55.9	43.0	5.3	4.3	4.9	3.7
Las Vegas	893.8	937.3	901.2	936.3	47.3	40.8	45.1	35.0	5.3	4.3	5.0	3.7
Reno	196.9	205.5	198.3	206.0	9.1	8.0	8.2	6.8	4.6	3.9	4.1	3.3
New Hampshire	710.4	722.1	712.8	723.3	31.8	29.9	28.4	27.3	4.5	4.1	4.0	3.8
Manchester	119.4	121.1	118.6	120.0	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.3	4.1	4.0	3.8
Nashua	111.0	111.4	111.1	111.2	6.0	5.4	5.7	5.0	5.4	4.8	5.1	4.5
Portsmouth-Rochester	135.0	137.1	136.0	138.6	5.5	4.7	4.9	4.4	4.1	3.4	3.6	3.2
New Jersey	4,337.6	4,394.5	4,360.6	4,395.8	247.0	220.7	246.7	206.1	5.7	5.0	5.7	4.7
Atlantic-Cape May	173.2	176.9	177.7	180.7	13.6	13.1	12.5	11.2	7.9	7.4	7.1	6.2
Bergen-Passaic	676.7	682.6	678.1	681.3	38.5	33.4	38.6	31.4	5.7	4.9	5.7	4.6
Jersey City	285.1	287.3	285.7	285.8	22.4	19.2	23.1	18.3	7.8	6.7	8.1	6.4
Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon	658.2	668.0	659.8	668.5	31.4	26.6	31.5	25.4	4.8	4.0	4.8	3.8
Monmouth-Ocean	567.8	578.4	575.7	584.0	30.3	27.0	29.4	24.6	5.3	4.7	5.1	4.2
Newark	1,061.2	1,074.3	1,064.6	1,071.9	62.8	54.9	62.7	51.5	5.9	5.1	5.9	4.8
Trenton	190.7	193.0	191.9	192.4	8.6	7.5	8.7	7.2	4.5	3.9	4.5	3.8
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	65.8	66.8	66.5	66.5	5.6	5.3	5.7	4.6	8.4	7.9	8.6	6.9
New Mexico	891.0	902.1	891.4	903.1	52.6	47.4	55.9	48.6	5.9	5.3	6.3	5.4
Albuquerque	389.3	395.1	387.7	395.2	19.3	17.2	20.7	17.7	5.0	4.3	5.3	4.5
Las Cruces	78.8	80.1	79.8	80.5	6.0	5.4	6.2	5.5	7.6	6.8	7.8	6.8
Santa Fe	80.3	82.3	80.4	82.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.6	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.1
New York	9,245.4	9,221.4	9,259.7	9,212.9	562.2	557.8	555.5	506.7	6.1	6.0	6.0	5.5
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	466.6	465.6	467.4	464.9	18.3	20.3	17.7	17.8	3.9	4.4	3.8	3.8
Binghamton	123.0	122.3	123.3	122.4	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.2	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.1
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	569.9	568.4	573.8	567.0	33.8	40.9	35.3	35.1	5.9	7.2	6.1	6.2
Dutchess County	129.9	130.6	129.6	131.0	4.7	5.4	4.8	5.2	3.6	4.1	3.7	4.0
Elmira	43.0	41.8	42.9	41.6	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.6	6.4	6.6	6.4	6.3
Glens Falls	59.8	60.9	61.6	62.3	3.3	3.6	2.7	2.8	5.4	5.9	4.3	4.4
Jamestown	64.0	64.0	65.2	65.0	3.8	4.3	4.1	3.9	5.9	6.7	6.4	5.9
Nassau-Suffolk	1,473.8	1,476.9	1,481.4	1,477.2	56.1	61.8	58.0	57.5	3.8	4.2	3.9	3.9
New York	4,350.5	4,325.7	4,334.7	4,303.9	321.7	290.1	314.8	265.6	7.4	6.7	7.3	6.2
New York City	3,673.5	3,644.3	3,653.6	3,622.8	297.8	262.7	289.6	239.9	8.1	7.2	7.9	6.6
Newburgh	189.4	192.9	191.5	193.5	8.2	10.1	8.6	9.1	4.3	5.2	4.5	4.7
Rochester	567.1	565.4	574.7	569.4	32.4	34.4	33.3	31.5	5.7	6.1	5.8	5.5
Syracuse	367.3	367.2	370.5	370.8	20.2	21.7	21.0	21.9	5.5	5.9	5.7	5.9
Utica-Rome	143.4	142.2	143.6	142.0	7.8	8.3	7.0	7.0	5.4	5.8	4.9	4.9
North Carolina	4,190.6	4,184.3	4,242.0	4,213.1	264.4	208.3	269.4	220.0	6.3	5.0	6.4	5.2
Asheville	119.3	122.3	119.7	122.4	4.8	3.7	4.5	3.9	4.0	3.0	3.7	3.2
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill	859.3	873.5	870.8	879.1	53.1	49.3	55.9	51.5	6.2	5.6	6.4	5.9
Fayetteville	129.7	128.3	130.8	128.6	6.8	5.3	7.4	5.6	5.3	4.1	5.7	4.3
Goldsboro	50.5	50.5	51.4	50.7	3.0	2.2	3.1	2.3	5.9	4.3	6.1	4.5
Greensboro—Winston-Salem—High Point	685.1	678.4	689.5	680.8	41.0	32.9	43.6	34.6	6.0	4.9	6.3	5.1
Greenville	73.2	72.0	73.6	71.8	4.8	3.7	5.2	4.2	6.5	5.1	7.0	5.9
Hickory-Morganton-Lenoir	176.7	169.3	177.4	169.9	14.7	11.3	15.4	11.8	8.3	6.7	8.7	6.9
Jacksonville	50.9	51.1	51.5	51.4	3.0	2.1	3.0	2.1	6.0	4.1	5.8	4.2
Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill	708.3	716.9	716.4	721.5	33.9	23.4	34.1	25.3	4.8	3.3	4.8	3.5
Rocky Mount	69.9	68.9	70.7	69.4	6.5	5.0	6.3	5.3	9.2	7.3	8.9	7.6
Wilmington	126.9	126.9	129.2	128.4	7.0	4.6	7.1	4.8	5.5	3.6	5.5	3.7
North Dakota	344.0	346.9	347.3	351.1	14.4	10.1	11.6	9.4	4.2	2.9	3.3	2.7
Bismarck	55.2	56.1	55.7	56.6	1.9	1.3	1.5	1.3	3.4	2.3	2.8	2.3
Fargo-Moorhead	108.0	109.5	108.1	109.6	3.2	2.5	2.5	2.2	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.0
Grand Forks	54.6	55.3	53.9	54.8	2.4	1.9	2.0	1.5	4.3	3.4	3.6	2.8
Ohio	5,877.0	5,828.7	5,921.2	5,844.7	366.1	341.3	350.1	314.1	6.2	5.9	5.9	5.4
Akron	374.7	373.0	376.4	372.9	21.7	20.0	20.2	18.1	5.8	5.4	5.4	4.9
Canton-Massillon	203.7	201.7	205.0	201.2	13.3	13.0	13.1	11.9	6.5	6.5	6.4	5.9
Cincinnati	872.9	881.8	879.4	886.4	42.3	42.8	43.4	41.7	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.7
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria	1,120.2	1,111.9	1,127.8	1,115.8	76.4	71.8	73.0	65.3	6.8	6.5	6.5	5.9
Columbus	889.0	880.3	895.2	882.6	44.8	41.9	45.0	39.7	5.0	4.8	5.0	4.5
Dayton-Springfield	474.4	465.8	475.1	464.3	29.4	26.8	29.3	25.0	6.2	5.7	6.2	5.4
Hamilton-Middletown	201.5	204.2	203.1	204.2	8.8	8.6	9.0	8.0	4.4	4.2	4.4	3.9
Lima	76.6	76.1	76.8	76.4	5.3	4.5	4.7	3.9	7.0	5.8	6.2	5.2
Mansfield	82.8	80.8	83.7	80.9	6.5	6.1	6.5	5.6	7.8	7.5	7.7	7.0
Steubenville-Weirton	55.6	56.1	56.4	56.8	3.2	5.0	3.6	5.1	5.8	8.9	6.4	8.9
Toledo	325.1	314.8	327.7	315.7	22.4	22.1	22.5	20.9	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.6
Youngstown-Warren	275.7	269.5	275.2	270.2	28.2	19.3	19.8	17.5	10.2	7.2	7.2	6.5

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Oklahoma	1,692.4	1,696.7	1,703.8	1,696.2	91.2	78.2	101.6	74.5	5.4	4.6	6.0	4.4
Enid	26.3	26.0	26.4	26.2	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.6	3.4	2.6	3.3	2.4
Lawton	43.1	42.8	43.0	42.8	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.2
Oklahoma City	569.3	583.2	577.6	584.1	27.1	23.4	34.3	22.6	4.8	4.0	5.9	3.9
Tulsa	423.9	421.5	424.2	422.4	26.6	20.8	27.8	19.8	6.3	4.9	6.6	4.7
Oregon	1,855.7	1,888.9	1,850.6	1,872.8	162.5	129.8	152.1	121.7	8.8	6.9	8.2	6.5
Corvallis	41.6	42.4	41.7	42.2	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.4	4.3	3.5	4.2	3.2
Eugene-Springfield	172.9	175.4	171.9	174.1	15.7	11.6	13.7	10.9	9.1	6.6	7.9	6.2
Medford-Ashland	97.6	100.6	97.5	99.9	7.8	6.4	7.1	6.0	8.0	6.4	7.3	6.0
Portland-Vancouver	1,097.8	1,107.7	1,093.0	1,097.0	96.8	74.6	93.3	70.9	8.8	6.7	8.5	6.5
Salem	180.7	184.6	182.0	183.9	14.8	13.2	14.2	12.4	8.2	7.1	7.8	6.7
Pennsylvania	6,126.8	6,191.0	6,157.4	6,236.5	332.5	305.9	345.7	318.5	5.4	4.9	5.6	5.1
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton	332.5	332.7	334.6	336.0	18.8	17.0	19.4	17.9	5.7	5.1	5.8	5.3
Altoona	64.7	65.2	65.1	66.1	3.3	2.9	3.3	3.0	5.1	4.4	5.0	4.5
Erie	140.0	141.3	140.7	140.9	9.5	8.8	9.7	8.8	6.8	6.2	6.9	6.2
Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle	357.9	363.0	361.1	367.0	13.6	12.4	13.9	12.7	3.8	3.4	3.8	3.5
Johnstown	101.3	101.6	102.0	102.7	6.6	6.2	6.8	6.3	6.5	6.1	6.7	6.2
Lancaster	251.2	258.4	253.0	262.3	10.0	8.7	10.1	9.2	4.0	3.4	4.0	3.5
Philadelphia	2,607.7	2,636.7	2,616.1	2,640.2	136.9	130.6	144.9	135.6	5.2	5.0	5.5	5.1
Pittsburgh	1,177.9	1,180.0	1,185.4	1,190.2	61.5	57.8	66.2	60.0	5.2	4.9	5.6	5.0
Reading	182.8	184.5	183.7	186.1	11.6	9.7	11.8	10.0	6.4	5.2	6.4	5.4
Scranton—Wilkes-Barre—Hazleton	309.3	311.2	309.8	312.9	18.5	18.2	18.4	19.2	6.0	5.8	5.9	6.1
Sharon	58.2	58.0	58.2	58.3	2.9	2.9	3.1	2.9	5.0	5.0	5.3	4.9
State College	69.7	70.7	69.5	70.7	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.3	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3
Williamsport	56.7	57.4	56.9	58.1	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.6	6.3	5.9	6.4	6.3
York	196.0	199.7	197.6	200.4	9.7	8.6	10.2	8.9	4.9	4.3	5.2	4.4
Rhode Island	564.7	562.9	567.9	562.1	29.0	30.4	29.2	30.0	5.1	5.4	5.1	5.3
Providence-Fall River-Warwick	637.3	635.2	638.4	634.7	35.5	35.5	34.7	35.6	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.6
South Carolina	1,992.9	2,048.3	2,019.7	2,071.0	122.9	127.5	135.6	127.7	6.2	6.2	6.7	6.2
Charleston-North Charleston	287.2	306.0	291.3	310.5	11.5	12.7	13.2	13.2	4.0	4.1	4.5	4.3
Columbia	286.3	294.9	290.1	298.3	10.6	11.9	12.2	12.7	3.7	4.0	4.2	4.3
Florence	64.3	67.0	65.4	67.9	4.8	5.3	5.5	5.8	7.5	8.0	8.4	8.6
Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson	499.1	517.8	502.4	521.6	28.3	29.8	31.9	29.7	5.7	5.8	6.3	5.7
Myrtle Beach	110.2	116.5	113.5	118.0	5.0	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.0
Sumter	45.8	45.7	46.4	46.1	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.4	7.3	7.7	8.1	7.4
South Dakota	422.8	421.5	427.2	427.2	15.2	12.3	13.6	12.8	3.6	2.9	3.2	3.0
Rapid City	50.6	50.4	51.3	51.6	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.6	3.4	2.9	3.1	3.1
Sioux Falls	113.0	112.3	113.0	112.8	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.4	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.0
Tennessee	2,887.1	2,905.9	2,892.4	2,915.3	159.3	138.1	151.4	126.7	5.5	4.8	5.2	4.3
Chattanooga	236.6	238.5	236.4	238.8	8.7	7.8	8.4	7.4	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.1
Clarksville-Hopkinsville	90.1	92.8	90.1	93.6	4.8	4.0	4.6	4.2	5.3	4.3	5.1	4.5
Jackson	58.9	58.6	59.5	59.2	3.3	2.7	3.3	2.6	5.6	4.6	5.6	4.4
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol	230.4	232.2	230.8	231.5	12.8	11.7	12.4	10.7	5.6	5.1	5.4	4.6
Knoxville	375.7	381.2	379.0	387.2	13.8	12.0	12.9	11.0	3.7	3.1	3.4	2.8
Memphis	578.3	581.8	579.9	583.7	32.6	30.8	33.2	29.8	5.6	5.3	5.7	5.1
Nashville	681.6	687.1	685.4	691.5	28.2	26.2	27.7	23.8	4.1	3.8	4.0	3.4
Texas	10,823.3	10,905.0	10,869.2	10,919.0	697.0	614.4	722.4	622.1	6.4	5.6	6.6	5.7
Abilene	60.3	62.0	61.2	62.2	2.5	2.1	2.6	2.1	4.1	3.3	4.3	3.4
Amarillo	117.4	119.7	118.4	119.8	4.1	3.7	4.6	3.7	3.5	3.1	3.9	3.1
Austin-San Marcos	767.1	770.4	767.9	769.7	42.6	33.5	43.7	33.4	5.6	4.3	5.7	4.3
Beaumont-Port Arthur	181.8	182.8	183.1	183.2	16.1	15.3	16.4	16.0	8.8	8.4	8.9	8.7
Brazoria	113.8	114.2	113.7	114.6	9.7	8.7	10.7	9.3	8.5	7.6	9.4	8.1
Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito	142.7	143.1	142.8	142.8	14.9	13.3	14.9	13.2	10.4	9.3	10.4	9.2
Bryan-College Station	83.8	86.4	83.3	85.9	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.2	1.8
Corpus Christi	182.8	182.1	183.3	182.9	11.9	11.1	12.2	12.4	6.5	6.1	6.6	6.8
Dallas	2,019.1	2,030.5	2,023.3	2,030.2	139.8	118.2	145.3	119.9	6.9	5.8	7.2	5.9
El Paso	293.5	294.7	295.0	293.7	25.5	21.4	27.9	21.6	8.7	7.3	9.5	7.4
Fort Worth-Arlington	959.4	958.4	963.4	960.6	59.9	51.1	61.9	51.9	6.2	5.3	6.4	5.4
Galveston-Texas City	125.8	126.0	126.4	127.4	9.3	9.1	10.1	9.7	7.4	7.2	8.0	7.6
Houston	2,290.2	2,318.0	2,304.8	2,323.6	149.8	138.9	158.4	142.6	6.5	6.0	6.9	6.1
Killeen-Temple	123.0	122.9	122.9	122.6	6.6	5.3	6.7	5.3	5.3	4.3	5.4	4.4
Laredo	83.0	86.9	83.8	87.4	6.2	5.7	6.0	5.5	7.5	6.6	7.2	6.2
Longview-Marshall	107.1	107.7	107.4	107.9	7.1	5.7	7.4	5.7	6.6	5.3	6.9	5.3
Lubbock	130.8	131.4	130.9	131.7	4.0	3.8	4.4	4.0	3.1	2.9	3.3	3.0
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	230.7	236.7	230.4	235.0	28.0	26.0	27.5	24.9	12.1	11.0	11.9	10.6
Odessa-Midland	125.6	126.9	126.8	126.8	7.1	5.9	7.2	6.1	5.6	4.6	5.7	4.8
San Angelo	50.7	52.2	51.8	52.9	1.8	1.6	2.0	1.7	3.6	3.1	3.8	3.2
San Antonio	816.8	832.9	822.0	833.9	41.0	39.6	43.1	39.8	5.0	4.8	5.2	4.8
Sherman-Denison	52.0	51.5	52.3	51.3	3.6	3.0	3.8	2.9	6.9	5.8	7.3	5.6
Texarkana	57.1	59.3	57.3	59.4	3.0	2.7	3.1	2.8	5.3	4.6	5.4	4.7

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					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Texas—Continued												
Tyler	95.6	98.0	95.8	97.6	4.3	4.0	4.6	3.9	4.4	4.1	4.8	4.0
Victoria	45.0	45.9	45.1	45.8	2.4	1.9	2.4	2.0	5.2	4.2	5.3	4.4
Waco	105.4	105.2	105.0	104.6	5.0	4.1	5.1	4.3	4.7	3.9	4.9	4.1
Wichita Falls	65.0	65.1	65.3	64.8	2.8	2.4	3.0	2.4	4.4	3.7	4.6	3.7
Utah	1,166.2	1,187.2	1,174.7	1,199.6	65.4	50.7	67.3	55.1	5.6	4.3	5.7	4.6
Provo-Orem	180.6	184.3	178.2	183.0	8.5	6.4	8.4	6.8	4.7	3.5	4.7	3.7
Salt Lake City-Ogden	734.0	743.5	742.7	755.6	42.1	32.7	44.0	35.9	5.7	4.4	5.9	4.7
Vermont	346.2	348.8	346.5	348.7	17.4	13.4	14.2	11.0	5.0	3.8	4.1	3.2
Burlington	106.4	107.5	106.9	108.6	3.9	2.9	3.4	2.6	3.7	2.7	3.2	2.4
Virginia	3,752.0	3,825.5	3,772.5	3,847.0	143.6	119.1	153.9	131.0	3.8	3.1	4.1	3.4
Charlottesville	77.7	78.9	78.1	79.0	2.0	1.7	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.2	3.1	2.5
Danville	57.6	57.7	58.4	58.2	5.2	4.6	6.1	5.3	9.1	8.0	10.4	9.1
Lynchburg	105.4	104.5	104.4	104.7	5.1	4.1	5.3	4.6	4.8	4.0	5.0	4.4
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News	785.5	801.8	794.6	809.5	30.9	28.4	35.4	32.1	3.9	3.5	4.5	4.0
Richmond-Petersburg	541.6	544.1	542.2	547.3	20.9	19.2	22.8	21.8	3.9	3.5	4.2	4.0
Roanoke	128.8	128.9	129.2	130.9	4.2	3.6	4.6	4.0	3.3	2.8	3.6	3.1
Washington	3,107.5	3,191.2	3,123.8	3,197.7	240.6	202.8	238.1	193.5	7.7	6.4	7.6	6.1
Bellingham	89.2	92.7	90.0	93.0	5.6	4.7	5.5	4.3	6.3	5.1	6.1	4.7
Bremerton	101.0	105.6	101.5	105.6	6.7	5.6	6.8	5.4	6.6	5.3	6.7	5.1
Olympia	110.7	113.5	110.9	112.7	6.2	5.7	6.2	5.2	5.6	5.0	5.6	4.6
Richland-Kennewick-Pasco	102.4	105.2	104.4	107.8	7.8	6.8	7.4	6.2	7.6	6.5	7.1	5.7
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,379.2	1,422.0	1,386.6	1,420.0	97.6	85.0	99.9	82.3	7.1	6.0	7.2	5.8
Spokane	217.3	223.1	218.3	222.8	14.7	12.2	14.5	11.4	6.8	5.5	6.6	5.1
Tacoma	351.9	366.3	352.8	364.7	27.6	24.7	28.1	24.0	7.8	6.7	8.0	6.6
Yakima	108.2	109.2	109.0	113.0	12.7	10.8	11.4	10.7	11.8	9.9	10.4	9.5
West Virginia	788.1	792.6	793.8	800.4	52.1	43.5	48.7	41.4	6.6	5.5	6.1	5.2
Charleston	127.0	127.6	128.4	129.7	6.5	5.7	6.3	5.7	5.1	4.5	4.9	4.4
Huntington-Ashland	135.3	136.7	135.7	136.8	8.2	7.6	8.6	7.9	6.1	5.6	6.4	5.8
Parkersburg-Marietta	76.1	75.8	77.0	76.4	4.9	4.2	4.8	4.3	6.4	5.6	6.2	5.6
Wheeling	72.5	72.5	72.8	72.9	3.9	3.9	3.6	3.5	5.3	5.4	5.0	4.8
Wisconsin	3,053.7	3,081.6	3,060.3	3,097.8	189.6	157.9	164.1	147.2	6.2	5.1	5.4	4.8
Appleton-Oshkosh-Neenah	234.6	235.0	236.5	236.3	13.2	10.2	11.9	9.9	5.6	4.4	5.0	4.2
Eau Claire	87.2	89.5	87.0	88.8	5.2	4.2	4.2	3.6	6.0	4.7	4.8	4.1
Green Bay	144.0	149.5	144.4	150.2	7.7	6.6	7.0	6.3	5.3	4.4	4.8	4.2
Janesville-Beloit	78.1	78.4	78.7	79.0	5.4	4.7	4.9	4.8	7.0	6.0	6.3	6.1
Kenosha	85.1	84.5	84.7	85.0	5.3	4.5	5.0	4.4	6.2	5.4	5.9	5.2
La Crosse	74.5	77.1	75.1	77.4	3.5	2.8	2.8	2.6	4.6	3.6	3.7	3.4
Madison	284.6	287.7	284.7	287.2	8.4	7.1	8.0	7.2	3.0	2.5	2.8	2.5
Milwaukee-Waukesha	817.8	826.6	819.0	831.3	51.5	46.3	49.7	45.0	6.3	5.6	6.1	5.4
Racine	93.3	93.6	93.2	93.3	8.1	6.8	7.5	6.3	8.7	7.3	8.0	6.8
Sheboygan	63.9	65.9	64.2	66.1	3.4	2.8	3.2	2.7	5.4	4.2	5.0	4.1
Wausau	76.8	77.4	76.9	77.7	4.0	3.5	3.2	3.0	5.2	4.5	4.2	3.9
Wyoming	275.6	276.5	276.3	277.0	13.1	10.2	12.0	9.9	4.8	3.7	4.4	3.6
Casper	36.4	37.1	36.2	36.3	1.7	1.3	1.8	1.3	4.8	3.6	4.9	3.7
Cheyenne	43.8	44.1	43.5	43.9	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	3.9	3.8	3.9	4.1
Puerto Rico	1,409.4	1,404.8	1,421.3	1,399.7	173.6	154.0	171.2	151.1	12.3	11.0	12.0	10.8
Aguadilla	50.7	49.9	51.3	50.0	8.5	7.1	8.4	7.0	16.7	14.3	16.3	14.1
Arecibo	58.1	56.5	58.5	56.1	9.3	7.1	9.0	6.9	16.0	12.6	15.3	12.2
Caguas	125.9	126.3	128.1	126.1	14.7	13.4	14.5	13.0	11.7	10.6	11.3	10.3
Mayaguez	90.8	89.4	91.9	89.4	13.4	11.3	13.3	11.1	14.7	12.6	14.4	12.4
Ponce	111.3	107.1	111.3	106.4	18.4	14.6	17.2	14.3	16.5	13.6	15.5	13.5
San Juan-Bayamon	797.5	797.4	805.9	795.1	77.5	72.4	78.0	71.2	9.7	9.1	9.7	8.9

¹ Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey. All estimates

are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available. Area definitions are published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	April		May		Change May 2003 to May 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
Alabama	1,878.8	1,883.5	1,882.2	1,882.3	0.1	0.0
Birmingham	473.2	474.3	474.2	475.2	1.0	.2
Huntsville	188.2	191.8	188.8	192.0	3.2	1.7
Mobile	225.0	226.8	225.9	226.9	1.0	.4
Montgomery	163.5	165.5	164.2	165.3	1.1	.7
Tuscaloosa	82.2	82.8	82.9	82.0	-.9	-1.1
Alaska	290.2	294.2	303.7	305.2	1.5	.5
Anchorage	139.9	142.7	143.2	145.3	2.1	1.5
Arizona	2,290.6	2,346.9	2,292.4	2,349.9	57.5	2.5
Phoenix-Mesa	1,615.6	1,660.2	1,617.6	1,661.7	44.1	2.7
Tucson	348.1	352.8	348.0	353.5	5.5	1.6
Arkansas	1,142.7	1,149.1	1,149.0	1,155.5	6.5	.6
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	170.3	175.4	171.3	176.2	4.9	2.9
Fort Smith	99.3	99.5	100.1	99.7	-.4	-.4
Little Rock-North Little Rock	317.2	316.6	318.5	316.1	-2.4	-.8
Pine Bluff	35.5	36.3	35.6	36.5	.9	2.5
California	14,386.5	14,472.6	14,443.1	14,536.2	93.1	.6
Bakersfield	207.6	208.9	208.5	209.9	1.4	.7
Fresno	314.1	316.7	317.5	320.0	2.5	.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,000.1	4,001.5	4,003.8	4,014.7	10.9	.3
Modesto	150.8	151.1	151.6	152.2	.6	.4
Oakland	1,027.1	1,020.9	1,028.9	1,024.0	-4.9	-.5
Orange County	1,419.2	1,430.4	1,426.7	1,431.6	4.9	.3
Riverside-San Bernardino	1,085.3	1,107.5	1,090.0	1,111.7	21.7	2.0
Sacramento	750.8	756.1	752.7	757.3	4.6	.6
Salinas	131.5	128.2	131.7	129.1	-2.6	-2.0
San Diego	1,238.8	1,254.8	1,243.7	1,261.3	17.6	1.4
San Francisco	955.7	944.9	956.8	947.7	-9.1	-1.0
San Jose	858.5	840.8	859.7	844.8	-14.9	-1.7
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc	166.0	168.0	167.0	170.1	3.1	1.9
Santa Rosa	182.4	179.0	182.4	180.0	-2.4	-1.3
Stockton-Lodi	196.6	197.4	197.8	198.8	1.0	.5
Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa	182.7	183.3	184.1	184.1	.0	.0
Ventura	283.7	283.3	285.9	283.9	-2.0	-.7
Colorado	2,138.0	2,149.9	2,145.3	2,156.7	11.4	.5
Boulder-Longmont	156.5	155.7	157.4	156.2	-1.2	-.8
Colorado Springs	236.3	237.9	238.6	239.9	1.3	.5
Denver	1,138.2	1,136.5	1,147.1	1,147.0	-.1	.0
Connecticut	1,642.2	1,639.5	1,654.3	1,653.6	-.7	.0
Bridgeport	184.6	184.1	186.2	185.2	-1.0	-.5
Danbury	88.0	88.8	88.6	89.3	.7	.8
Hartford	597.4	589.8	600.4	592.9	-7.5	-1.2
New Haven-Meriden	257.0	254.9	257.5	255.3	-2.2	-.9
New London-Norwich	143.4	144.7	146.5	147.1	.6	.4
Stamford-Norwalk	194.6	194.0	196.6	196.2	-.4	-.2
Waterbury	82.3	82.8	83.7	83.9	.2	.2
Delaware	409.6	415.1	415.6	421.6	6.0	1.4
Dover	58.7	60.4	59.4	61.8	2.4	4.0
Wilmington-Newark	315.9	324.0	319.4	328.1	8.7	2.7
District of Columbia	664.0	670.6	663.8	667.3	3.5	.5
Washington PMSA	2,796.0	2,875.9	2,816.4	2,895.7	79.3	2.8
Florida	7,279.7	7,455.1	7,294.4	7,456.1	161.7	2.2
Daytona Beach	172.0	177.7	171.7	177.0	5.3	3.1
Fort Lauderdale	714.2	732.0	715.4	732.9	17.5	2.4
Fort Myers-Cape Coral	189.8	196.3	189.7	196.0	6.3	3.3
Gainesville	124.6	128.5	124.7	126.5	1.8	1.4
Jacksonville	557.2	571.7	559.7	573.4	13.7	2.4
Lakeland-Winter Haven	187.9	192.2	187.9	191.3	3.4	1.8
Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay	192.5	197.4	192.6	197.6	5.0	2.6
Miami	1,006.7	1,015.3	1,007.4	1,017.7	10.3	1.0
Orlando	923.1	945.8	926.3	944.9	18.6	2.0
Pensacola	158.6	162.1	159.1	161.3	2.2	1.4
Sarasota-Bradenton	283.0	290.9	283.6	290.5	6.9	2.4
Tallahassee	159.9	162.2	160.3	161.4	1.1	.7
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,228.4	1,247.2	1,230.8	1,252.8	22.0	1.8
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton	529.3	538.9	527.6	538.7	11.1	2.1

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	April		May		Change May 2003 to May 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^D	Number	Percent
Georgia	3,843.4	3,881.1	3,855.3	3,892.3	37.0	1.0
Albany	56.8	57.1	56.9	57.2	.3	.5
Athens	74.4	73.8	74.1	74.0	-.1	-.1
Atlanta	2,151.1	2,170.2	2,157.3	2,175.8	18.5	.9
Augusta-Aiken	201.3	202.8	201.1	203.5	2.4	1.2
Columbus	117.5	117.4	117.5	117.5	.0	.0
Macon	148.9	150.8	149.4	150.9	1.5	1.0
Savannah	138.3	141.3	138.5	141.6	3.1	2.2
Hawaii	562.6	578.2	568.0	580.6	12.6	2.2
Honolulu	416.5	428.0	421.3	429.5	8.2	1.9
Idaho	566.1	577.7	572.3	584.6	12.3	2.1
Boise City	228.1	236.0	229.9	238.7	8.8	3.8
Illinois	5,801.2	5,785.9	5,850.0	5,830.9	-19.1	-.3
Bloomington-Normal	91.7	91.2	92.0	89.4	-2.6	-2.8
Champaign-Urbana	106.3	105.4	106.4	105.9	-.5	-.5
Chicago	4,060.1	4,059.0	4,096.0	4,088.5	-7.5	-.2
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	177.0	176.8	178.9	178.1	-.8	-.4
Decatur	53.7	53.7	54.3	54.1	-.2	-.4
Kankakee	43.0	43.1	43.5	43.3	-.2	-.5
Peoria-Pekin	167.5	167.7	168.9	169.1	-.2	.1
Rockford	170.1	168.6	170.7	169.8	-.9	-.5
Springfield	110.3	109.9	110.9	110.8	-.1	-.1
Indiana	2,896.1	2,911.8	2,923.5	2,934.3	10.8	.4
Bloomington	69.3	72.1	67.4	66.7	-.7	-1.0
Elkhart-Goshen	117.9	121.0	120.3	122.3	2.0	1.7
Evansville-Henderson	162.2	160.7	163.8	161.6	-2.2	-1.3
Fort Wayne	264.9	263.1	267.3	266.1	-1.2	-.4
Gary	262.0	261.3	264.8	264.0	-.8	-.3
Indianapolis	885.4	889.6	895.8	895.5	-.3	.0
Kokomo	49.4	50.0	50.5	50.7	.2	.4
Lafayette	95.6	95.6	94.5	96.0	1.5	1.6
Muncie	56.6	55.8	57.2	56.5	-.7	-1.2
South Bend	131.2	132.1	132.4	133.2	.8	.6
Terre Haute	68.2	69.9	68.5	70.7	2.2	3.2
Iowa	1,441.3	1,453.6	1,454.4	1,466.0	11.6	.8
Cedar Rapids	117.5	115.9	117.0	116.3	-.7	-.6
Des Moines	284.4	291.2	287.3	293.8	6.5	2.3
Dubuque	51.5	52.5	51.9	53.2	1.3	2.5
Iowa City ¹	77.4	78.8	77.6	79.1	1.5	1.9
Sioux City	62.4	62.2	62.6	61.9	-.7	-1.1
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	73.2	74.1	73.4	74.8	1.4	1.9
Kansas	1,314.1	1,319.0	1,323.3	1,328.4	5.1	.4
Lawrence	52.1	51.2	52.0	51.8	-.2	-.4
Topeka	101.1	99.9	101.6	100.1	-1.5	-1.5
Wichita	277.4	276.6	277.9	277.3	-.6	-.2
Kentucky	1,781.4	1,790.3	1,794.5	1,798.9	4.4	.2
Lexington	277.2	277.7	277.2	279.0	1.8	.6
Louisville	561.4	561.0	565.8	561.7	-4.1	-.7
Owensboro	43.0	43.2	43.4	43.5	.1	.2
Louisiana	1,909.2	1,913.9	1,916.9	1,912.7	-4.2	-.2
Alexandria	56.5	57.0	56.7	57.1	.4	.7
Baton Rouge	305.2	307.7	306.5	305.5	-1.0	-.3
Houma	84.0	83.7	84.8	82.1	-2.7	-3.2
Lafayette	170.5	169.8	171.2	170.3	-.9	-.5
Lake Charles	85.3	85.6	85.3	85.6	.3	.4
Monroe	74.2	73.6	74.5	73.6	-.9	-1.2
New Orleans	622.3	615.5	620.5	616.0	-4.5	-.7
Shreveport-Bossier City	169.7	172.3	172.1	172.6	.5	.3
Maine	594.9	599.2	608.1	612.6	4.5	.7
Lewiston-Auburn	46.2	46.5	46.4	46.7	.3	.6
Portland	154.5	156.1	156.4	158.4	2.0	1.3

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	April		May		Change May 2003 to May 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
Maryland	2,477.4	2,510.4	2,501.8	2,535.1	33.3	1.3
Baltimore PMSA	1,249.1	1,255.6	1,259.1	1,265.4	6.3	.5
Baltimore City	384.3	384.6	386.1	386.5	.4	.1
Suburban Maryland-D.C.	930.9	947.0	938.7	955.1	16.4	1.7
Massachusetts	3,184.6	3,158.1	3,210.6	3,187.8	-22.8	-.7
Barnstable-Yarmouth	62.6	62.9	67.0	66.4	-.6	-.9
Boston	1,933.1	1,910.9	1,942.7	1,924.8	-17.9	-.9
Brockton	99.0	101.0	99.9	101.5	1.6	1.6
Fitchburg-Leominster	51.3	50.9	51.6	50.9	-.7	-1.4
Lawrence	153.9	151.4	155.7	153.4	-2.3	-1.5
Lowell	121.3	122.5	121.4	123.4	2.0	1.6
New Bedford	64.3	64.2	65.0	64.4	-.6	-.9
Pittsfield	41.6	41.4	42.6	42.4	-.2	-.5
Springfield	255.5	255.6	258.5	258.3	-.2	-.1
Worcester	230.7	231.2	232.9	232.3	-.6	-.3
Michigan	4,395.4	4,368.0	4,468.7	4,440.4	-28.3	-.6
Ann Arbor	288.1	291.9	290.1	291.3	1.2	.4
Benton Harbor	69.0	69.6	70.3	69.9	-.4	-.6
Detroit	2,060.2	2,028.2	2,087.7	2,064.3	-23.4	-1.1
Flint	160.2	158.9	163.1	160.4	-2.7	-1.7
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland	553.5	559.0	565.7	571.0	5.3	.9
Jackson	62.0	61.6	62.9	62.6	-.3	-.5
Kalamazoo-Battle Creek	210.9	207.9	211.1	212.4	1.3	.6
Lansing-East Lansing	240.4	237.9	241.8	236.6	-5.2	-2.2
Saginaw-Bay City-Midland	171.8	165.9	174.1	169.6	-4.5	-2.6
Minnesota	2,633.9	2,656.9	2,673.2	2,698.9	25.7	1.0
Duluth-Superior	115.5	116.1	117.8	118.3	.5	.4
Minneapolis-St. Paul	1,714.5	1,729.5	1,734.9	1,754.1	19.2	1.1
Rochester	88.4	88.7	89.3	89.9	.6	.7
St. Cloud	94.5	95.1	95.5	96.2	.7	.7
Mississippi	1,116.9	1,125.5	1,119.2	1,126.7	7.5	.7
Jackson	230.8	235.7	232.1	235.8	3.7	1.6
Missouri	2,693.4	2,721.4	2,705.4	2,729.6	24.2	.9
Kansas City	942.7	943.3	947.2	946.4	-.8	-.1
St. Louis	1,296.8	1,316.2	1,302.4	1,321.2	18.8	1.4
Springfield	171.6	172.9	171.8	173.7	1.9	1.1
Montana	396.9	400.8	403.9	407.8	3.9	1.0
Billings	69.8	71.1	70.7	71.7	1.0	1.4
Missoula	53.1	54.3	54.2	55.1	.9	1.7
Nebraska	905.0	905.5	910.0	911.7	1.7	.2
Lincoln	158.6	157.5	159.2	159.4	.2	.1
Omaha	422.3	418.9	424.2	421.7	-2.5	-.6
Nevada	1,073.9	1,123.7	1,084.3	1,131.9	47.6	4.4
Las Vegas	812.0	851.3	818.5	856.6	38.1	4.7
Reno	197.4	205.4	199.2	207.1	7.9	4.0
New Hampshire	608.5	616.5	617.0	625.2	8.2	1.3
Manchester	109.5	109.8	109.9	110.1	.2	.2
Nashua	95.0	94.7	96.0	95.8	-.2	-.2
Portsmouth-Rochester	123.1	123.7	125.3	126.3	1.0	.8
New Jersey	3,956.4	4,012.2	3,992.8	4,047.0	54.2	1.4
Atlantic-Cape May	183.6	187.5	190.7	194.6	3.9	2.0
Bergen-Passaic	651.9	657.9	655.7	661.5	5.8	.9
Camden	518.3	526.1	520.6	528.7	8.1	1.6
Jersey City	247.6	250.4	248.1	251.1	3.0	1.2
Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon	637.5	646.9	641.3	651.2	9.9	1.5
Monmouth-Ocean	402.8	411.5	410.8	419.2	8.4	2.0
Newark	1,005.4	1,018.1	1,012.5	1,023.3	10.8	1.1
Trenton	226.5	229.7	228.6	230.4	1.8	.8
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	60.7	61.2	61.5	61.5	.0	.0

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	April		May		Change May 2003 to May 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
New Mexico	772.8	787.0	777.8	792.1	14.3	1.8
Albuquerque	359.5	364.5	361.4	366.8	5.4	1.5
Las Cruces	62.0	63.0	62.5	63.5	1.0	1.6
Santa Fe	78.1	79.3	78.9	79.8	.9	1.1
New York	8,365.3	8,413.2	8,449.1	8,500.5	51.4	.6
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	457.3	459.5	461.5	464.8	3.3	.7
Binghamton	113.0	113.1	114.2	114.6	.4	.4
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	542.8	540.0	548.9	548.9	.0	.0
Dutchess County	120.3	121.7	120.9	123.4	2.5	2.1
Elmira	41.3	40.5	41.5	41.1	-.4	-1.0
Glens Falls	50.1	51.1	52.7	53.5	.8	1.5
Nassau-Suffolk	1,216.6	1,229.1	1,229.9	1,243.8	13.9	1.1
New York PMSA	4,071.8	4,093.1	4,097.5	4,118.7	21.2	.5
New York City	3,521.5	3,535.8	3,541.2	3,555.8	14.6	.4
Newburgh	135.0	137.6	137.3	139.7	2.4	1.7
Rochester	528.6	528.7	539.1	538.7	-.4	-1
Rockland County	112.8	115.4	114.0	116.4	2.4	2.1
Syracuse	342.6	345.0	347.4	350.5	3.1	.9
Utica-Rome	130.7	130.8	132.7	132.4	-.3	-2
Westchester County	413.7	417.0	418.0	421.3	3.3	.8
North Carolina	3,795.9	3,839.4	3,833.4	3,870.0	36.6	1.0
Asheville	111.8	114.1	112.1	114.0	1.9	1.7
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill	821.1	829.9	828.0	834.4	6.4	.8
Greensboro-Winston-Salem-High Point	637.7	633.4	637.6	635.4	-2.2	-3
Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill	677.6	690.6	683.5	694.6	11.1	1.6
North Dakota	331.6	333.1	336.8	336.7	-.1	.0
Bismarck	53.5	53.6	54.1	54.0	-.1	-2
Fargo-Moorhead	105.9	106.0	106.7	106.7	.0	.0
Grand Forks	50.0	50.3	49.8	50.1	.3	.6
Ohio	5,389.7	5,370.2	5,439.4	5,408.1	-31.3	-6
Akron	326.2	325.2	328.7	327.2	-.5	-.5
Canton-Massillon	178.1	176.1	179.1	176.8	-2.3	-1.3
Cincinnati	870.7	876.7	875.9	882.3	6.4	.7
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria	1,108.0	1,106.7	1,119.2	1,118.9	-.3	.0
Columbus	871.2	867.5	876.8	873.1	-3.7	-.4
Dayton-Springfield	456.9	451.7	457.4	452.9	-4.5	-1.0
Hamilton-Middletown	134.6	136.1	135.4	136.7	1.3	1.0
Lima	76.5	77.1	76.9	78.1	1.2	1.6
Mansfield	76.5	75.1	77.2	75.8	-1.4	-1.8
Steubenville-Weirton	50.5	49.1	51.0	49.5	-1.5	-2.9
Toledo	315.1	305.5	317.4	308.2	-9.2	-2.9
Youngstown-Warren	225.6	227.7	232.5	229.9	-2.6	-1.1
Oklahoma	1,459.6	1,463.1	1,467.4	1,475.1	7.7	.5
Enid	22.8	22.5	23.1	22.9	-.2	-.9
Lawton	40.0	39.1	40.1	39.2	-.9	-2.2
Oklahoma City	534.3	540.7	537.6	543.7	6.1	1.1
Tulsa	384.9	380.1	385.3	382.9	-2.4	-.6
Oregon	1,548.9	1,576.3	1,560.0	1,593.3	33.3	2.1
Eugene-Springfield	139.6	142.1	141.5	143.6	2.1	1.5
Medford-Ashland	74.8	76.5	76.0	77.2	1.2	1.6
Portland-Vancouver	925.3	924.6	928.4	929.3	.9	.1
Salem	135.6	137.0	137.8	138.3	.5	.4
Pennsylvania	5,611.0	5,615.9	5,651.2	5,657.6	6.4	.1
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton	287.4	287.4	290.3	290.5	.2	.1
Altoona	61.4	61.4	62.1	62.2	.1	.2
Erie	130.3	130.7	131.3	130.9	-.4	-3
Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle	366.1	367.2	370.7	370.9	.2	.1
Johnstown	86.4	86.2	87.3	87.1	-.2	-2
Lancaster	226.1	228.8	228.8	230.2	1.4	.6
Philadelphia PMSA	2,409.8	2,420.7	2,419.1	2,427.6	8.5	.4
Philadelphia City	684.4	680.7	682.1	677.3	-4.8	-.7
Pittsburgh	1,114.2	1,106.2	1,121.5	1,116.8	-4.7	-.4
Reading	163.7	164.3	165.1	165.2	.1	.1
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton	280.8	279.1	282.6	280.3	-2.3	-.8
Sharon	50.0	49.4	49.6	49.7	.1	.2
State College	72.9	72.7	72.8	72.5	-.3	-.4
Williamsport	53.3	53.4	53.7	53.7	.0	.0
York	166.8	168.7	168.5	169.1	.6	.4

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Table 2. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	April		May		Change May 2003 to May 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
Rhode Island	481.1	484.9	488.5	491.7	3.2	0.7
Providence-Fall River-Warwick	532.3	533.1	538.1	539.5	1.4	.3
South Carolina	1,817.3	1,837.0	1,827.2	1,847.3	20.1	1.1
Charleston-North Charleston	260.0	265.4	261.5	267.6	6.1	2.3
Columbia	303.7	300.6	305.3	302.2	-3.1	-1.0
Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson	474.8	474.6	473.2	476.6	3.4	.7
South Dakota	375.0	379.1	383.1	387.0	3.9	1.0
Rapid City	50.6	50.9	52.2	52.6	.4	.8
Sioux Falls	116.6	117.2	118.4	118.9	.5	.4
Tennessee	2,663.9	2,688.3	2,672.4	2,694.8	22.4	.8
Chattanooga	233.0	234.6	232.4	234.2	1.8	.8
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol	197.8	199.9	199.2	199.9	.7	.4
Knoxville	354.4	360.1	357.0	363.2	6.2	1.7
Memphis	592.1	595.8	591.5	594.4	2.9	.5
Nashville	678.8	688.0	680.5	688.2	7.7	1.1
Texas	9,385.6	9,445.5	9,414.0	9,480.1	66.1	.7
Abilene	56.0	57.4	56.8	57.6	.8	1.4
Amarillo	100.0	101.0	100.6	101.3	.7	.7
Austin-San Marcos	653.4	656.4	655.1	657.9	2.8	.4
Beaumont-Port Arthur	156.8	156.6	158.1	156.7	-1.4	-.9
Brazoria	79.0	78.7	78.0	78.8	.8	1.0
Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito	114.8	115.0	115.1	115.2	.1	.1
Bryan-College Station	80.5	82.8	80.2	82.3	2.1	2.6
Corpus Christi	161.3	160.2	161.5	160.4	-1.1	-.7
Dallas	1,901.3	1,910.8	1,904.7	1,914.3	9.6	.5
El Paso	255.9	257.5	255.2	256.9	1.7	.7
Ft. Worth-Arlington	777.2	778.7	780.8	782.9	2.1	.3
Galveston-Texas City	89.0	88.7	88.9	89.8	.9	1.0
Houston	2,094.5	2,102.9	2,101.0	2,110.6	9.6	.5
Killeen-Temple	105.0	105.2	104.8	105.3	.5	.5
Laredo	74.7	77.8	75.3	78.4	3.1	4.1
Longview-Marshall	92.3	93.6	92.5	94.2	1.7	1.8
Lubbock	121.8	122.3	121.5	122.6	1.1	.9
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	175.0	181.5	175.5	181.5	6.0	3.4
Odessa-Midland	105.7	106.3	106.6	106.2	-.4	-.4
San Angelo	43.6	44.6	43.7	44.6	.9	2.1
San Antonio	726.4	732.4	729.6	735.5	5.9	.8
Sherman-Denison	44.0	43.7	44.3	43.8	-.5	-1.1
Texarkana	52.8	54.2	53.1	54.4	1.3	2.4
Tyler	84.6	86.5	84.8	86.5	1.7	2.0
Victoria	37.0	37.4	37.0	37.3	.3	.8
Waco	101.0	101.2	100.5	100.7	.2	.2
Wichita Falls	58.8	59.2	59.3	59.0	-.3	-.5
Utah	1,069.7	1,085.8	1,070.6	1,086.5	15.9	1.5
Provo-Orem	153.2	156.1	150.4	153.5	3.1	2.1
Salt Lake City-Ogden	702.1	710.3	705.1	713.8	8.7	1.2
Vermont	293.6	298.3	298.0	299.6	1.6	.5
Barre-Montpelier	33.4	34.0	33.9	34.2	.3	.9
Burlington	107.2	108.5	108.7	110.1	1.4	1.3
Virginia	3,481.5	3,570.5	3,507.8	3,593.3	85.5	2.4
Bristol	39.8	39.6	39.8	39.7	-.1	-.3
Charlottesville	85.9	87.3	86.4	87.4	1.0	1.2
Danville	44.9	45.4	45.0	45.3	.3	.7
Lynchburg	99.2	98.8	98.7	99.1	.4	.4
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News	723.5	736.6	732.9	743.5	10.6	1.4
Northern Virginia	1,178.9	1,226.4	1,192.0	1,239.1	47.1	4.0
Richmond-Petersburg	565.3	566.2	567.9	569.1	1.2	.2
Roanoke	142.0	142.4	143.0	144.9	1.9	1.3
Washington	2,638.3	2,686.0	2,663.5	2,712.5	49.0	1.8
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,329.2	1,346.6	1,340.4	1,357.1	16.7	1.2
Spokane	197.2	200.7	199.3	202.8	3.5	1.8
Tacoma	246.9	252.7	248.3	253.7	5.4	2.2

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Table 2. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	April		May		Change May 2003 to May 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
West Virginia	727.4	725.2	732.0	729.6	-2.4	-0.3
Charleston	133.1	133.0	133.6	133.8	.2	.1
Huntington-Ashland	122.7	122.8	122.5	122.3	-.2	-.2
Parkersburg-Marietta	69.2	68.8	70.1	69.2	-.9	-1.3
Wheeling	66.5	65.6	66.9	66.4	-.5	-.7
Wisconsin	2,761.6	2,797.2	2,796.0	2,832.4	36.4	1.3
Appleton-Oshkosh-Neenah	202.7	203.2	205.6	205.8	.2	.1
Eau Claire	77.1	78.9	77.9	79.1	1.2	1.5
Green Bay	146.1	151.4	147.2	153.2	6.0	4.1
Janesville-Beloit	66.7	66.8	67.7	67.6	-.1	-.1
Kenosha	54.9	54.1	54.8	54.8	.0	.0
La Crosse	71.8	74.3	73.1	75.2	2.1	2.9
Madison	296.7	297.9	297.0	298.8	1.8	.6
Milwaukee-Waukesha	831.2	833.7	834.3	844.0	9.7	1.2
Racine	78.2	78.4	78.7	79.0	.3	.4
Sheboygan	60.9	62.9	61.5	63.5	2.0	3.3
Wausau	69.2	69.3	70.0	70.4	.4	.6
Wyoming	243.1	247.8	250.8	255.0	4.2	1.7
Casper	33.9	35.0	34.5	35.6	1.1	3.2
Puerto Rico	999.8	1,000.1	1,001.5	1,004.4	2.9	.3
Caguas	67.8	68.9	68.8	69.4	.6	.9
Mayaguez	63.1	63.3	63.5	64.0	.5	.8
Ponce	71.2	71.0	71.7	70.9	-.8	-1.1
San Juan-Bayamon	653.6	656.2	654.0	658.0	4.0	.6
Virgin Islands	41.9	41.5	41.6	41.2	-.4	-1.0

¹ Data for Iowa City have been corrected back to April 2003.

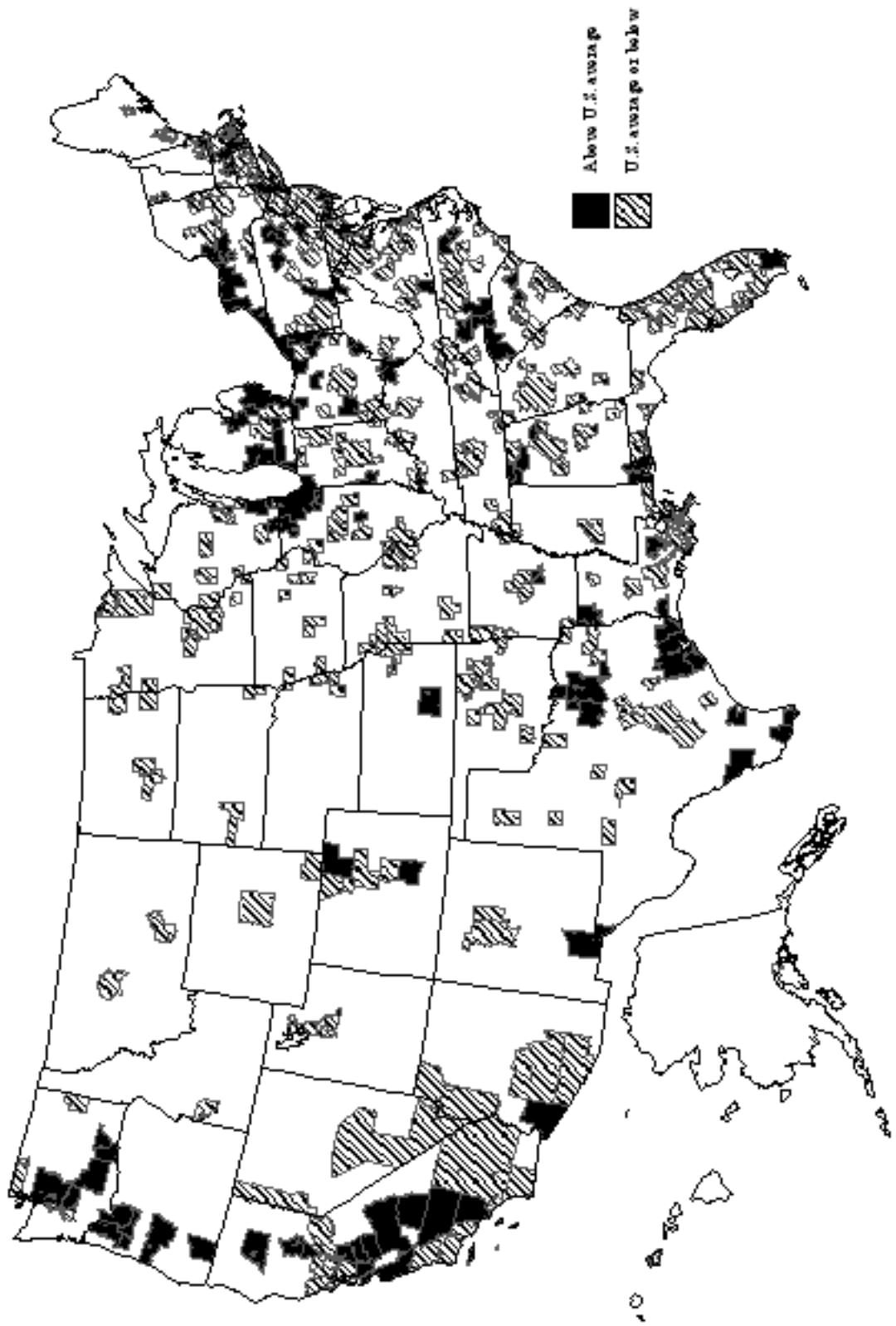
^P = preliminary.

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

from 2003 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available. Area definitions are published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

Unemployment rates for metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted, May 2004

(U.S. rate = 5.3 percent)



NOTE: Step includes claim for 2023 services based on 1,000 definitions.