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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: NOVEMBER 2005

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in November. Overall, 25 states registered over-the-month unemployment rate increases, 19 states recorded decreases, and 6 states and the District of Columbia had no change, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 26 states and the District of Columbia, up in 20 states, and unchanged in 4 states. In November, the national unemployment rate was unchanged from October at 5.0 percent, but was down by 0.4 percentage point from a year earlier.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 42 states and the District of Columbia over the month, decreased in 6 states, and was unchanged in 2 states. California experienced the largest employment gain (+20,400), followed by Florida (+17,900), Texas (+17,300), and Louisiana (+14,600). Mississippi posted the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+1.0 percent), followed by Louisiana (+0.9 percent), Montana (+0.8 percent), and Kansas and North Dakota (+0.6 percent each). Employment decreases were reported in Indiana (-2,800), Minnesota (-2,600), Tennessee (-2,200), Kentucky (-1,000), South Dakota (-400), and Vermont (-200). Each of these six states recorded a 0.1-percent decline in employment over the month.

Hurricane Katrina

In November, BLS and its state partners again made modifications to the usual estimation procedures for the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program to reflect the impact on the unemployment statistics in Katrina-affected areas. These modifications included: (1) allowing the state labor force estimates for Louisiana and Mississippi to reflect the effects of Katrina by overriding the built-in feature of the methodology that smoothes over large shifts in key inputs—unemployment insurance claims and nonfarm wage and salary employment; (2) modifying the state population controls to account for displacement due to Katrina; (3) developing labor force estimates for the New Orleans metropolitan area using an alternative to the model-based method; and (4) not publishing labor force estimates for the parishes within the New Orleans metropolitan area or cities within those parishes where the quality of input data was severely compromised by the hurricane.

For the Current Employment Statistics (CES) survey, BLS resumed normal estimation procedures in November. The procedures had been modified in September and October to ac-

count for low response rates in Katrina-affected areas. In November, the number and type of responses from the Katrina-affected areas were deemed acceptable for a return to standard procedures.

For more information on LAUS and CES procedures and estimates for November 2005, see *Hurricane Information: Katrina and Rita* on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/katrina/home.htm> or call (202) 691-6392 for information about the LAUS program, and (202) 691-6559 for information about the CES survey.

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The Midwest registered the highest regional unemployment rate in November, 5.3 percent, while the Northeast again recorded the lowest rate, 5.0 percent. The South and West had jobless rates of 5.2 and 5.1 percent, respectively. The 0.3-percentage point range between the highest and lowest regional unemployment rates was the narrowest for any month since February 1991. The Northeast reported the only statistically significant rate change from October (+0.3 percentage point). Over the year, unemployment rates were down significantly in the West (-0.5 percentage point) and Midwest (-0.4 point) and little changed in the Northeast and South. (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the highest unemployment rates in November were recorded in the West South Central and East South Central, 6.0 and 5.9 percent, respectively. Both of these contain areas hit by Hurricane Katrina. The lowest division jobless rates were reported in the South Atlantic, 4.5 percent, Mountain, 4.6 percent, and New England and West North Central, 4.7 percent each. The Middle Atlantic registered the only statistically significant over-the-month unemployment rate change (+0.5 percentage point) among the divisions. Significant over-the-year unemployment rate declines were reported in the Pacific (-0.7 percentage point), East North Central (-0.5 point), and South Atlantic (-0.4 point) divisions. New England had the only significant jobless rate increase from November 2004 (+0.3 percentage point).

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Louisiana and Mississippi again recorded the highest unemployment rates, 12.4 and 9.5 percent, respectively, in November. South Carolina, at 7.1 percent, and Alaska, at 7.0 percent, had the next highest rates. Hawaii continued to post the lowest state unemployment rate, 2.8 percent. The next lowest rates were reported in North Dakota, 3.4 percent, Vermont and Virginia, 3.5 percent each, and Alabama and Florida, 3.6 percent each. The Alabama rate was the lowest in its series. (All state series begin in 1976.) In November, 17 states registered unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate, 7 states and the District of Columbia had measurably higher rates, and 26 states had rates that were little different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

In November, the largest significant over-the-month jobless rate increases were recorded in New Jersey (+0.7 percentage point), Missouri and New York (+0.6 point each), and Michigan and Pennsylvania (+0.5 point each). Iowa and Minnesota also had statistically significant unemployment rate increases from October (+0.3 and +0.2 percentage point, respectively). Three states posted measurable jobless rate decreases over the month: Alabama (-0.9 percentage point), Utah (-0.5 point), and Vermont (-0.4 point). The remaining 40 states and the District of Columbia registered rates that were not appre-

ciably different from those of October, even though some states had changes that were at least as large numerically as those with statistically significant changes.

The largest state jobless rate declines from last November were recorded in Alabama (-1.8 percentage points), Oregon (-1.4 points), and Florida and Utah (-1.1 points each). Thirteen additional states also had statistically significant rate decreases, ranging from -0.4 to -0.8 percentage point. The District of Columbia's rate declined by 2.6 percentage points from a year earlier. The largest unemployment rate increases from November 2004 were registered in Louisiana (+6.6 percentage points), Mississippi (+2.6 points), and Kentucky (+1.5 points). Jobless rates in Louisiana and Mississippi are still elevated due to the effects of Hurricane Katrina. Six additional states reported statistically significant rate increases over the year, ranging from +0.3 to +0.6 percentage point. Twenty-four states recorded November 2005 jobless rates that were not appreciably different from those of a year earlier. (See table B.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Between October and November, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in eight states. All eight states—Louisiana (+14,600), Mississippi (+10,700), Kansas (+8,500), Oregon (+7,600), Utah (+5,200), Nebraska (+3,900), Montana (+3,200), and North Dakota (+2,100)—registered gains in employment. (See tables C and 5.)

Over the year, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in 31 states and the District of Columbia. All had gains in employment except for Louisiana (-205,300), Michigan (-35,300), and Mississippi (-23,500). The decreases in Louisiana and Mississippi reflect the impact of Hurricane Katrina, which struck the Gulf Coast in late August 2005. The largest gains were reported in Florida (+255,100), California (+186,400), Texas (+136,400), and Arizona (+95,900). Five states and the District of Columbia experienced statistically significant employment gains that were less than 15,000: Hawaii (+13,800), the District of Columbia (+11,600), West Virginia (+8,300), North Dakota (+7,400), Delaware (+7,200), and Wyoming (+6,600). (See table D.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for November is scheduled to be issued on December 28. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for December is scheduled to be issued on January 24, 2006. The reference months and release dates for the Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for the balance of 2006 are as follows:

Jan. – March 9	April – May 19	July – Aug. 18	Oct. – Nov. 21
Feb. – March 30	May – June 16	Aug. – Sept. 20	Nov. – Dec. 22
March – April 21	June – July 21	Sept. – Oct. 20	

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 regional and 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 from that of the U.S., November 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	November 2005 ^p
United States	5.0
Alabama	3.6
Alaska	7.0
Delaware	4.4
District of Columbia	6.1
Florida	3.6
Hawaii	2.8
Idaho	3.7
Kentucky	6.2
Louisiana	12.4
Maryland	4.2
Michigan	6.6
Minnesota	3.9
Mississippi	9.5
Nebraska	3.9
Nevada	4.1
New Hampshire	3.8
North Dakota	3.4
Ohio	5.7
Oklahoma	4.1
South Carolina	7.1
South Dakota	4.0
Utah	4.0
Vermont	3.5
Virginia	3.5
Wyoming	3.9

p = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from November 2004 to November 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	November 2004	November 2005 ^p	Over-the-year rate change ^p
Alabama	5.4	3.6	-1.8
Alaska	7.6	7.0	-.6
Arkansas	5.6	4.8	-.8
California	6.0	5.2	-.8
Colorado	5.4	5.0	-.4
Connecticut	4.6	5.1	.5
Delaware	4.1	4.4	.3
District of Columbia	8.7	6.1	-2.6
Florida	4.7	3.6	-1.1
Georgia	4.8	5.4	.6
Idaho	4.5	3.7	-.8
Illinois	6.1	5.3	-.8
Kentucky	4.7	6.2	1.5
Louisiana	5.8	12.4	6.6
Michigan	7.4	6.6	-.8
Minnesota	4.4	3.9	-.5
Mississippi	6.9	9.5	2.6
New Hampshire	3.4	3.8	.4
New Mexico	5.6	5.1	-.5
Ohio	6.1	5.7	-.4
Oklahoma	4.7	4.1	-.6
Oregon	7.2	5.8	-1.4
Pennsylvania	5.6	5.1	-.5
South Dakota	3.5	4.0	.5
Tennessee	5.3	5.8	.5
Texas	5.9	5.3	-.6
Utah	5.1	4.0	-1.1

p = preliminary.

Table C. States with statistically significant employment changes from October 2005 to November 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	October 2005	November 2005 ^p	Over-the-month change ^p
Kansas	1,351,300	1,359,800	8,500
Louisiana	1,700,400	1,715,000	14,600
Mississippi	1,095,700	1,106,400	10,700
Montana	421,300	424,500	3,200
Nebraska	936,300	940,200	3,900
North Dakota	343,600	345,700	2,100
Oregon	1,656,500	1,664,100	7,600
Utah	1,154,100	1,159,300	5,200

p = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from November 2004 to November 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	November 2004	November 2005 ^p	Over-the-year change ^p
Arizona	2,413,000	2,508,900	95,900
California	14,656,400	14,842,800	186,400
Colorado	2,196,200	2,236,900	40,700
Delaware	427,000	434,200	7,200
District of Columbia	673,100	684,700	11,600
Florida	7,585,600	7,840,700	255,100
Hawaii	591,400	605,200	13,800
Idaho	591,000	614,000	23,000
Illinois	5,806,300	5,872,100	65,800
Iowa	1,461,800	1,485,200	23,400
Kansas	1,332,700	1,359,800	27,100
Louisiana	1,920,300	1,715,000	-205,300
Maryland	2,535,500	2,584,400	48,900
Michigan	4,390,100	4,354,800	-35,300
Minnesota	2,691,400	2,725,500	34,100
Mississippi	1,129,900	1,106,400	-23,500
Nebraska	923,900	940,200	16,300
Nevada	1,180,000	1,249,200	69,200
New Jersey	4,028,400	4,064,600	36,200
New Mexico	796,900	812,900	16,000
New York	8,483,600	8,547,400	63,800
North Carolina	3,851,200	3,904,100	52,900
North Dakota	338,300	345,700	7,400
Oklahoma	1,478,100	1,504,800	26,700
Oregon	1,614,000	1,664,100	50,100
Pennsylvania	5,662,400	5,730,100	67,700
Texas	9,526,800	9,663,200	136,400
Utah	1,113,200	1,159,300	46,100
Virginia	3,621,300	3,671,900	50,600
Washington	2,717,800	2,792,800	75,000
West Virginia	737,500	745,800	8,300
Wyoming	257,300	263,900	6,600

p = preliminary.

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>. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether

changes in LAUS unemployment rates are statistically significant. 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/>.

Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: 202-691-5200; TDD message referral phone: 1-800-877-8339.

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			
	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005
Northeast	27,629.2	27,890.6	27,895.4	27,853.4	1,363.0	1,374.8	1,305.2	1,399.8	4.9	4.9	4.7	5.0
New England	7,500.3	7,594.1	7,589.9	7,610.9	331.3	371.4	366.2	361.5	4.4	4.9	4.8	4.7
Middle Atlantic	20,128.8	20,296.5	20,305.5	20,242.5	1,031.7	1,003.4	939.0	1,038.3	5.1	4.9	4.6	5.1
South	52,030.0	52,920.1	53,055.4	53,073.2	2,740.4	2,749.3	2,747.5	2,759.8	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.2
South Atlantic	27,463.6	28,162.2	28,257.5	28,279.1	1,335.3	1,293.8	1,268.3	1,278.9	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.5
East South Central	8,363.6	8,389.1	8,421.9	8,398.2	461.9	482.2	499.4	492.5	5.5	5.7	5.9	5.9
West South Central	16,202.9	16,368.8	16,376.0	16,396.0	943.2	973.3	979.8	988.5	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.0
Midwest	34,515.2	34,695.3	34,644.0	34,759.1	1,975.3	1,861.5	1,799.9	1,844.7	5.7	5.4	5.2	5.3
East North Central	23,663.8	23,856.2	23,789.0	23,878.6	1,445.1	1,383.1	1,323.4	1,334.8	6.1	5.8	5.6	5.6
West North Central	10,851.5	10,839.1	10,854.9	10,880.5	530.2	478.5	476.5	509.9	4.9	4.4	4.4	4.7
West	33,820.5	34,382.7	34,475.6	34,471.2	1,902.7	1,777.2	1,748.9	1,747.3	5.6	5.2	5.1	5.1
Mountain	10,120.0	10,313.8	10,329.6	10,334.1	484.8	499.8	480.5	472.6	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.6
Pacific	23,700.5	24,068.9	24,146.0	24,137.2	1,417.9	1,277.4	1,268.4	1,274.7	6.0	5.3	5.3	5.3

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			
	October		November		October		November		October		November	
2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	
Northeast	27,543.2	27,846.8	27,654.0	27,828.3	1,286.2	1,202.5	1,286.8	1,328.4	4.7	4.3	4.7	4.8
New England	7,494.7	7,578.0	7,502.9	7,599.8	304.3	332.1	307.8	336.1	4.1	4.4	4.1	4.4
Middle Atlantic	20,048.5	20,268.8	20,151.2	20,228.5	981.9	870.5	979.0	992.3	4.9	4.3	4.9	4.9
South	52,018.2	53,113.3	52,127.2	53,067.6	2,616.0	2,643.5	2,651.6	2,666.3	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.0
South Atlantic	27,428.2	28,269.1	27,489.8	28,250.6	1,274.7	1,224.1	1,298.2	1,240.1	4.6	4.3	4.7	4.4
East South Central	8,385.7	8,441.9	8,395.9	8,413.0	450.2	483.2	443.2	471.8	5.4	5.7	5.3	5.6
West South Central	16,204.3	16,402.3	16,241.6	16,403.9	891.2	936.2	910.2	954.5	5.5	5.7	5.6	5.8
Midwest	34,540.7	34,666.9	34,575.4	34,759.4	1,800.0	1,615.6	1,865.9	1,732.0	5.2	4.7	5.4	5.0
East North Central	23,684.5	23,809.3	23,717.0	23,889.7	1,320.8	1,194.6	1,369.6	1,254.2	5.6	5.0	5.8	5.3
West North Central	10,856.2	10,857.6	10,858.4	10,869.7	479.2	421.0	496.3	477.8	4.4	3.9	4.6	4.4
West	33,876.4	34,574.5	33,889.6	34,472.3	1,827.8	1,665.9	1,859.4	1,700.3	5.4	4.8	5.5	4.9
Mountain	10,151.2	10,362.5	10,145.7	10,339.8	473.4	457.9	466.1	451.9	4.7	4.4	4.6	4.4
Pacific	23,725.2	24,212.0	23,743.9	24,132.5	1,354.4	1,208.0	1,393.3	1,248.4	5.7	5.0	5.9	5.2

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			
	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P
Alabama	2,154.9	2,172.3	2,181.5	2,164.4	116.0	88.6	98.9	77.8	5.4	4.1	4.5	3.6
Alaska	333.9	344.4	344.6	344.4	25.2	23.5	23.6	24.2	7.6	6.8	6.8	7.0
Arizona	2,798.3	2,847.6	2,853.4	2,855.2	129.6	143.5	139.0	137.0	4.6	5.0	4.9	4.8
Arkansas	1,317.7	1,358.6	1,368.3	1,375.7	73.3	69.2	67.1	65.9	5.6	5.1	4.9	4.8
California	17,648.0	17,903.9	17,974.3	17,944.1	1,056.4	920.5	936.4	939.0	6.0	5.1	5.2	5.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,842.2	4,860.6	4,894.3	4,915.9	313.7	218.0	219.7	249.3	6.5	4.5	4.5	5.1
Colorado	2,539.8	2,542.5	2,539.3	2,539.4	136.4	133.3	125.6	126.1	5.4	5.2	4.9	5.0
Connecticut	1,794.1	1,822.1	1,821.3	1,824.4	82.7	96.5	96.8	93.7	4.6	5.3	5.3	5.1
Delaware	423.8	439.0	440.9	442.2	17.5	18.1	18.6	19.3	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.4
District of Columbia	301.0	299.6	296.0	294.1	26.3	18.5	18.0	18.0	8.7	6.2	6.1	6.1
Florida	8,473.4	8,729.1	8,764.0	8,784.8	395.6	309.2	302.8	314.8	4.7	3.5	3.5	3.6
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,112.8	1,147.0	1,144.0	1,145.2	59.4	48.7	46.2	49.0	5.3	4.2	4.0	4.3
Georgia	4,418.5	4,550.6	4,552.9	4,569.0	212.5	250.0	241.4	246.7	4.8	5.5	5.3	5.4
Hawaii	618.2	643.8	647.9	649.3	18.9	17.6	17.6	18.4	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.8
Idaho	706.6	734.7	737.4	737.9	31.5	26.4	26.7	27.0	4.5	3.6	3.6	3.7
Illinois	6,410.5	6,508.7	6,492.5	6,513.1	389.3	379.3	355.3	342.8	6.1	5.8	5.5	5.3
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	3,986.9	3,997.4	3,973.2	3,998.3	237.4	251.2	225.2	216.4	6.0	6.3	5.7	5.4
Indiana	3,170.8	3,224.9	3,217.3	3,238.6	162.7	172.8	174.8	170.8	5.1	5.4	5.4	5.3
Iowa	1,626.1	1,651.5	1,651.6	1,667.0	81.3	75.4	74.1	80.2	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.8
Kansas	1,466.7	1,466.3	1,468.7	1,468.6	77.7	74.8	73.8	76.9	5.3	5.1	5.0	5.2
Kentucky	1,966.6	2,012.5	2,023.9	2,019.9	91.9	115.2	124.0	126.1	4.7	5.7	6.1	6.2
Louisiana	2,071.7	2,006.0	1,967.6	1,954.3	119.3	228.4	235.6	242.6	5.8	11.4	12.0	12.4
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	613.8	(3)	(3)	(3)	26.7	(3)	(3)	(3)	4.3	(3)	(3)	(3)
Maine	702.7	717.2	719.4	721.0	32.5	39.0	37.4	35.6	4.6	5.4	5.2	4.9
Maryland	2,886.8	2,949.3	2,967.1	2,957.8	120.8	122.0	120.9	123.9	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.2
Massachusetts	3,386.4	3,381.3	3,378.8	3,388.2	161.6	161.8	161.0	164.4	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9
Michigan	5,097.8	5,126.9	5,100.9	5,135.2	376.5	332.9	308.7	336.8	7.4	6.5	6.1	6.6
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,210.3	2,223.5	2,196.4	2,211.3	166.3	147.7	134.8	158.1	7.5	6.6	6.1	7.1
Minnesota	2,961.5	2,939.8	2,936.0	2,935.8	131.3	114.3	107.6	115.9	4.4	3.9	3.7	3.9
Mississippi	1,340.7	1,307.2	1,297.0	1,292.3	92.5	134.2	112.5	122.6	6.9	10.3	8.7	9.5
Missouri	3,041.8	3,019.5	3,029.6	3,038.4	177.8	147.4	152.4	171.6	5.8	4.9	5.0	5.6
Montana	487.7	493.7	493.7	496.6	21.3	22.3	21.5	21.4	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.3
Nebraska	987.4	985.4	983.0	983.5	36.8	39.1	35.8	38.1	3.7	4.0	3.6	3.9
Nevada	1,188.0	1,227.9	1,233.6	1,236.6	48.1	52.1	50.5	50.8	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.1
New Hampshire	724.7	741.8	740.6	740.6	24.6	28.9	29.1	28.0	3.4	3.9	3.9	3.8
New Jersey	4,392.4	4,484.5	4,500.7	4,497.0	191.4	197.2	176.1	204.8	4.4	4.4	3.9	4.6
New Mexico	918.3	940.2	941.4	941.7	51.2	52.2	50.4	48.3	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.1
New York	9,372.7	9,492.7	9,474.9	9,435.4	507.6	502.7	459.1	512.2	5.4	5.3	4.8	5.4
New York City	3,716.6	3,766.6	3,757.3	3,741.0	235.7	229.3	212.6	239.7	6.3	6.1	5.7	6.4
North Carolina	4,264.7	4,346.6	4,365.4	4,350.5	227.6	240.0	233.6	226.4	5.3	5.5	5.4	5.2
North Dakota	355.6	355.5	357.6	357.5	12.1	12.9	12.4	12.1	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.4
Ohio	5,890.8	5,940.7	5,924.5	5,929.4	361.7	353.4	346.6	338.6	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.7
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,088.1	1,082.7	1,079.4	1,083.0	63.6	62.5	64.6	63.8	5.8	5.8	6.0	5.9
Oklahoma	1,713.7	1,738.1	1,737.0	1,737.5	80.0	76.8	75.0	72.0	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.1
Oregon	1,861.7	1,865.8	1,871.6	1,861.9	133.6	115.6	110.5	107.1	7.2	6.2	5.9	5.8
Pennsylvania	6,320.2	6,341.2	6,314.3	6,310.3	355.1	312.3	293.4	320.0	5.6	4.9	4.6	5.1
Rhode Island	561.0	579.3	576.7	580.3	27.2	33.2	31.3	30.2	4.8	5.7	5.4	5.2
South Carolina	2,061.3	2,087.7	2,101.1	2,106.6	144.7	137.8	145.6	150.3	7.0	6.6	6.9	7.1
South Dakota	429.5	429.8	430.3	432.8	14.8	17.1	17.0	17.5	3.5	4.0	4.0	4.0
Tennessee	2,902.8	2,898.3	2,921.1	2,919.6	155.0	147.1	164.9	168.9	5.3	5.1	5.6	5.8
Texas	11,082.8	11,276.7	11,305.3	11,318.1	656.9	592.4	599.2	602.9	5.9	5.3	5.3	5.3
Utah	1,208.1	1,242.4	1,243.9	1,237.5	61.1	58.4	55.5	49.9	5.1	4.7	4.5	4.0
Vermont	354.0	355.6	357.2	357.7	12.1	13.2	14.1	12.6	3.4	3.7	3.9	3.5
Virginia	3,831.7	3,952.8	3,961.2	3,968.3	136.2	142.1	136.3	139.4	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.5
Washington	3,261.7	3,314.0	3,332.5	3,343.5	192.6	189.3	186.9	187.0	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.6
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,339.5	1,368.2	1,380.1	1,384.6	66.8	65.2	66.8	67.7	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.9
West Virginia	785.5	801.9	803.6	803.0	39.3	45.4	41.5	39.2	5.0	5.7	5.2	4.9
Wisconsin	3,065.7	3,047.3	3,046.5	3,051.7	140.2	142.2	137.4	144.0	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.7
Wyoming	284.0	286.2	287.1	287.4	11.2	11.9	11.8	11.2	3.9	4.1	4.1	3.9
Puerto Rico	1,381.7	1,453.5	1,430.5	1,441.4	147.0	155.1	180.7	190.6	10.6	10.7	12.6	13.2

P = preliminary.

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

³ Estimates are not model-based as of September 2005.

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

Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 04-03, dated February 18, 2004, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/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			
	October		November		October		November		October		November	
	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P
Alabama	2,165.1	2,191.7	2,167.1	2,172.3	119.3	99.2	116.5	74.3	5.5	4.5	5.4	3.4
Alaska	331.5	342.6	331.6	341.4	22.4	21.1	24.2	23.4	6.8	6.2	7.3	6.8
Arizona	2,800.1	2,860.2	2,804.5	2,859.6	133.4	140.5	121.9	130.5	4.8	4.9	4.3	4.6
Arkansas	1,312.6	1,365.5	1,315.0	1,371.3	64.0	58.0	66.7	58.8	4.9	4.2	5.1	4.3
California	17,661.2	18,009.6	17,668.6	17,940.0	1,012.9	900.7	1,032.2	919.9	5.7	5.0	5.8	5.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,846.1	4,912.8	4,862.3	4,931.2	304.5	215.9	303.0	241.5	6.3	4.4	6.2	4.9
Colorado	2,551.7	2,552.9	2,542.2	2,540.7	130.0	117.9	131.1	122.2	5.1	4.6	5.2	4.8
Connecticut	1,787.6	1,817.4	1,787.4	1,820.2	73.6	87.0	75.4	87.1	4.1	4.8	4.2	4.8
Delaware	422.6	440.1	425.6	443.0	16.0	17.4	15.6	17.2	3.8	4.0	3.7	3.9
District of Columbia	299.8	294.5	300.6	292.0	25.5	17.2	26.5	17.4	8.5	5.8	8.8	6.0
Florida	8,474.1	8,781.9	8,493.0	8,783.5	400.7	307.0	393.7	309.5	4.7	3.5	4.6	3.5
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,121.9	1,151.4	1,120.4	1,149.1	65.6	48.8	60.9	48.1	5.9	4.2	5.4	4.2
Georgia	4,413.4	4,551.8	4,435.4	4,576.6	202.9	236.1	206.1	237.4	4.6	5.2	4.6	5.2
Hawaii	612.9	644.0	619.1	649.5	18.7	17.5	18.8	18.4	3.0	2.7	3.0	2.8
Idaho	708.5	739.7	705.6	736.1	26.9	21.9	29.2	25.0	3.8	3.0	4.1	3.4
Illinois	6,415.4	6,488.1	6,431.0	6,515.6	364.2	322.0	374.2	320.8	5.7	5.0	5.8	4.9
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	3,976.8	3,960.0	4,000.4	3,998.7	225.1	208.4	233.2	206.2	5.7	5.3	5.8	5.2
Indiana	3,183.1	3,225.5	3,175.2	3,236.0	155.3	162.5	156.8	162.4	4.9	5.0	4.9	5.0
Iowa	1,631.0	1,658.5	1,628.7	1,669.5	71.6	65.8	76.7	75.6	4.4	4.0	4.7	4.5
Kansas	1,466.8	1,469.5	1,470.2	1,471.1	77.7	72.9	76.9	75.6	5.3	5.0	5.2	5.1
Kentucky	1,958.6	2,012.0	1,972.7	2,022.0	86.8	113.2	88.0	119.6	4.4	5.6	4.5	5.9
Louisiana	2,079.2	1,974.7	2,079.9	1,955.4	113.5	230.3	113.1	235.1	5.5	11.7	5.4	12.0
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	612.5	(3)	619.8	(3)	27.6	(3)	28.3	(3)	4.5	(3)	4.6	(3)
Maine	703.3	722.0	698.2	717.6	29.1	33.8	31.7	35.3	4.1	4.7	4.5	4.9
Maryland	2,884.5	2,968.2	2,889.6	2,951.9	113.1	113.7	120.2	122.0	3.9	3.8	4.2	4.1
Massachusetts	3,370.0	3,366.9	3,378.9	3,383.9	146.2	145.2	143.8	149.5	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.4
Michigan	5,103.8	5,105.6	5,121.4	5,147.1	334.5	273.1	357.6	316.8	6.6	5.3	7.0	6.2
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,228.4	2,206.6	2,222.1	2,217.9	164.9	131.4	161.1	149.8	7.4	6.0	7.3	6.8
Minnesota	2,962.9	2,937.8	2,961.6	2,933.9	115.8	90.9	119.7	105.1	3.9	3.1	4.0	3.6
Mississippi	1,343.6	1,299.6	1,339.3	1,288.7	93.8	112.8	84.8	113.5	7.0	8.7	6.3	8.8
Missouri	3,022.6	3,020.0	3,032.5	3,028.9	158.5	136.0	165.0	160.0	5.2	4.5	5.4	5.3
Montana	483.8	491.9	485.3	494.1	18.2	18.4	21.1	21.4	3.8	3.7	4.3	4.3
Nebraska	987.4	982.7	986.6	982.3	33.6	31.6	33.4	34.5	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.5
Nevada	1,187.2	1,234.8	1,188.6	1,236.5	46.2	48.0	45.7	49.0	3.9	3.9	3.8	4.0
New Hampshire	721.0	738.3	723.4	739.5	22.4	26.8	22.6	26.3	3.1	3.6	3.1	3.6
New Jersey	4,381.8	4,490.1	4,404.4	4,490.2	178.6	161.2	172.6	190.7	4.1	3.6	3.9	4.2
New Mexico	920.7	944.8	923.0	945.4	49.1	48.1	48.4	45.8	5.3	5.1	5.2	4.8
New York	9,348.7	9,456.1	9,390.2	9,413.9	479.2	437.9	477.2	495.6	5.1	4.6	5.1	5.3
New York City	3,714.6	3,756.7	3,728.3	3,738.1	237.0	215.2	224.4	235.4	6.4	5.7	6.0	6.3
North Carolina	4,268.5	4,374.8	4,278.4	4,352.5	215.3	224.0	227.1	222.6	5.0	5.1	5.3	5.1
North Dakota	355.8	358.2	350.4	352.3	9.1	9.0	10.4	10.3	2.6	2.5	3.0	2.9
Ohio	5,914.2	5,943.3	5,919.4	5,941.2	343.1	321.2	352.6	323.1	5.8	5.4	6.0	5.4
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,090.4	1,073.3	1,089.0	1,079.3	58.9	58.4	59.4	59.2	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5
Oklahoma	1,717.8	1,741.1	1,726.1	1,746.3	77.4	72.0	78.0	68.8	4.5	4.1	4.5	3.9
Oregon	1,862.1	1,873.6	1,866.7	1,863.7	124.1	99.7	128.4	102.0	6.7	5.3	6.9	5.5
Pennsylvania	6,318.1	6,322.6	6,356.5	6,324.3	324.2	271.4	329.2	306.0	5.1	4.3	5.2	4.8
Rhode Island	559.8	575.8	562.3	581.6	23.3	27.5	22.9	25.9	4.2	4.8	4.1	4.4
South Carolina	2,054.8	2,101.7	2,054.4	2,095.2	138.5	144.8	142.4	146.7	6.7	6.9	6.9	7.0
South Dakota	429.7	430.9	428.5	431.7	12.9	14.8	14.2	16.7	3.0	3.4	3.3	3.9
Tennessee	2,918.4	2,938.7	2,916.8	2,930.0	150.3	157.9	153.9	164.4	5.2	5.4	5.3	5.6
Texas	11,094.7	11,321.0	11,120.5	11,330.9	636.2	575.8	652.4	591.8	5.7	5.1	5.9	5.2
Utah	1,214.8	1,250.8	1,213.0	1,240.5	59.4	53.1	58.0	47.1	4.9	4.2	4.8	3.8
Vermont	353.0	357.7	352.7	357.1	9.6	11.8	11.4	12.0	2.7	3.3	3.2	3.4
Virginia	3,824.0	3,952.8	3,825.7	3,952.9	127.9	128.1	129.8	131.2	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.3
Washington	3,257.6	3,342.2	3,258.0	3,337.9	176.3	169.0	189.7	184.8	5.4	5.1	5.8	5.5
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,330.1	1,371.6	1,339.3	1,382.3	66.8	64.7	65.4	68.2	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.9
West Virginia	786.5	803.3	787.0	802.9	35.0	35.8	36.8	36.0	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.5
Wisconsin	3,068.0	3,046.9	3,069.9	3,049.9	123.7	115.8	128.5	131.2	4.0	3.8	4.2	4.3
Wyoming	284.5	287.3	283.5	286.9	10.3	10.1	10.7	10.9	3.6	3.5	3.8	3.8
Puerto Rico	1,374.5	1,421.6	1,372.8	1,433.1	139.3	177.9	136.3	180.4	10.1	12.5	9.9	12.6

P = preliminary.

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

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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			
	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P
Alabama	1,912.8	1,933.5	1,930.5	1,932.5	106.3	105.4	105.7	106.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	304.0	311.3	309.1	309.1	17.9	18.1	18.4	18.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Arizona	2,413.0	2,496.6	2,501.2	2,508.9	197.1	216.9	220.1	222.0	175.6	175.5	175.7	176.0
Arkansas	1,162.9	1,174.3	1,174.9	1,175.5	52.2	53.1	53.3	53.2	204.2	202.0	201.2	200.5
California	14,656.4	14,814.8	14,822.4	14,842.8	865.8	919.1	923.7	931.7	1,533.9	1,535.2	1,536.7	1,537.2
Colorado	2,196.2	2,234.7	2,235.2	2,236.9	154.0	163.8	162.3	162.8	154.6	152.9	153.0	152.1
Connecticut	1,664.5	1,670.0	1,674.3	1,675.4	68.1	70.7	71.0	71.0	197.7	196.7	196.8	196.9
Delaware ³	427.0	431.5	431.9	434.2	26.7	27.5	27.4	27.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia ³	673.1	680.4	683.6	684.7	12.2	12.2	12.0	12.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Florida	7,585.6	7,817.6	7,822.8	7,840.7	501.6	529.7	533.2	534.8	386.0	393.5	392.4	391.6
Georgia	3,900.1	3,930.0	3,945.7	3,959.8	198.8	201.2	202.7	203.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Hawaii ³	591.4	604.4	605.2	605.2	30.5	33.2	33.7	33.9	15.5	15.4	15.2	15.1
Idaho	591.0	613.3	612.3	614.0	40.5	45.7	45.7	46.0	60.9	61.6	61.6	62.0
Illinois	5,806.3	5,868.9	5,870.4	5,872.1	267.3	266.7	267.4	268.1	699.2	692.2	692.3	692.1
Indiana	2,946.2	2,970.7	2,958.7	2,955.9	149.6	153.1	152.1	151.9	574.4	570.9	571.1	569.9
Iowa	1,461.8	1,478.0	1,483.5	1,485.2	68.6	68.1	68.3	68.5	224.7	228.1	228.9	229.0
Kansas	1,332.7	1,352.3	1,351.3	1,359.8	65.0	67.3	67.5	69.3	178.2	177.3	177.1	179.4
Kentucky	1,800.7	1,822.9	1,822.9	1,821.9	83.9	86.8	87.1	87.2	264.7	265.5	265.9	265.6
Louisiana	1,920.3	1,695.6	1,700.4	1,715.0	116.8	86.5	87.6	91.7	151.7	139.3	139.0	140.0
Maine	615.7	616.5	618.1	618.4	30.8	31.0	31.5	31.4	63.3	61.7	61.4	61.6
Maryland ³	2,535.5	2,580.0	2,578.8	2,584.4	179.7	181.0	180.6	180.7	142.1	138.4	138.0	137.8
Massachusetts	3,186.6	3,208.3	3,200.3	3,200.8	139.3	142.6	141.9	141.6	312.9	313.0	312.5	312.8
Michigan	4,390.1	4,362.5	4,349.0	4,354.8	190.1	186.9	187.7	188.0	685.3	672.7	670.7	671.0
Minnesota	2,691.4	2,725.2	2,728.1	2,725.5	128.1	129.5	128.9	128.1	346.9	346.3	349.4	351.4
Mississippi	1,129.9	1,084.4	1,095.7	1,106.4	49.5	49.0	49.9	49.9	178.9	171.0	174.1	175.0
Missouri	2,698.2	2,722.7	2,715.6	2,719.1	139.5	138.1	139.8	139.9	313.3	316.1	316.2	316.0
Montana	416.9	420.5	421.3	424.5	25.7	26.2	26.4	27.2	18.8	19.2	18.9	18.8
Nebraska ³	923.9	940.5	936.3	940.2	47.0	49.6	49.1	49.1	100.2	100.6	100.8	100.7
Nevada	1,180.0	1,238.2	1,246.6	1,249.2	124.4	137.8	139.2	139.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Hampshire	631.0	642.5	640.9	641.2	30.1	31.1	31.3	31.3	81.0	82.0	81.6	80.9
New Jersey	4,028.4	4,064.5	4,061.1	4,064.6	170.0	167.7	165.7	167.2	337.6	327.1	325.4	323.6
New Mexico	796.9	809.4	811.6	812.9	50.6	54.0	54.4	54.5	36.5	35.6	36.2	36.7
New York	8,483.6	8,550.7	8,538.7	8,547.4	319.7	322.8	322.0	323.5	589.8	577.2	574.5	574.2
North Carolina	3,851.2	3,893.2	3,898.4	3,904.1	218.7	225.5	226.4	226.6	580.9	570.5	569.7	568.6
North Dakota	338.3	345.4	343.6	345.7	17.0	17.8	17.7	18.4	24.6	25.2	25.2	25.4
Ohio	5,418.1	5,434.9	5,427.0	5,429.2	236.9	233.8	234.7	236.1	826.6	820.9	822.6	823.0
Oklahoma	1,478.1	1,504.1	1,504.2	1,504.8	62.3	62.7	63.4	63.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Oregon	1,614.0	1,658.4	1,656.5	1,664.1	84.3	93.0	94.1	95.9	201.7	205.7	205.6	207.0
Pennsylvania	5,662.4	5,722.2	5,726.4	5,730.1	249.3	256.7	256.8	255.9	690.2	678.1	675.6	673.9
Rhode Island	489.3	495.3	494.5	495.4	20.9	21.4	21.5	21.6	56.6	54.5	54.6	54.7
South Carolina	1,833.0	1,835.3	1,839.3	1,841.4	111.6	111.7	112.3	113.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	384.7	393.1	391.3	390.9	19.5	20.8	20.8	20.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	2,714.3	2,729.9	2,733.9	2,731.7	117.6	119.1	120.3	119.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Texas	9,526.8	9,630.2	9,645.9	9,663.2	542.9	557.1	558.1	559.3	889.3	892.3	891.3	889.9
Utah	1,113.2	1,149.4	1,154.1	1,159.3	73.2	82.8	84.0	83.8	116.0	117.2	117.5	117.6
Vermont	305.4	309.6	309.3	309.1	16.7	17.7	17.8	17.7	37.1	37.6	37.5	37.3
Virginia	3,621.3	3,645.0	3,664.0	3,671.9	234.8	243.1	246.8	249.0	299.5	297.2	297.4	296.7
Washington	2,717.8	2,765.2	2,788.8	2,792.8	165.0	176.8	177.9	178.7	265.1	253.0	268.7	270.0
West Virginia	737.5	742.0	745.7	745.8	34.4	37.3	38.0	38.4	62.7	61.8	61.9	62.1
Wisconsin	2,819.3	2,832.8	2,839.0	2,846.2	125.8	130.8	131.9	133.2	504.0	500.1	502.4	503.4
Wyoming	257.3	263.0	263.2	263.9	19.0	20.5	19.8	19.8	(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			
	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P
Alabama	375.8	383.0	382.4	381.5	96.2	95.9	95.7	95.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	62.4	63.5	62.8	63.2	14.9	14.9	14.9	15.0	23.3	24.1	23.9	24.0
Arizona	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	165.1	172.3	172.2	173.4	342.3	354.1	356.6	359.8
Arkansas	241.7	244.9	244.7	244.4	51.1	51.9	52.2	52.4	108.2	108.6	109.4	109.5
California	2,780.8	2,783.1	2,787.3	2,795.2	913.5	923.0	924.3	925.6	2,128.3	2,157.6	2,152.7	2,159.9
Colorado	409.2	412.7	413.9	414.4	157.5	160.4	159.7	161.2	303.5	310.0	313.9	314.2
Connecticut	312.9	315.8	316.7	315.2	140.4	141.5	142.3	142.1	200.1	198.7	199.4	200.8
Delaware ³	81.8	82.0	82.9	83.7	44.7	45.1	45.4	46.0	62.3	62.1	62.9	63.0
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	142.9	147.5	146.9	147.2
Florida	1,506.0	1,541.5	1,541.5	1,545.0	505.0	516.9	518.5	518.2	1,314.2	1,386.4	1,388.4	1,396.8
Georgia	825.6	827.0	832.3	833.2	218.4	221.8	222.8	222.3	516.7	522.6	526.1	526.7
Hawaii ³	114.3	118.6	119.4	119.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	118.4	122.5	122.5	123.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	73.8	77.7	77.5	77.7
Illinois	1,180.3	1,187.8	1,188.2	1,190.9	399.5	403.0	403.7	404.4	796.8	828.9	832.4	831.3
Indiana	575.7	582.6	579.6	576.8	140.5	142.1	141.7	141.6	269.7	273.8	272.9	273.1
Iowa	307.8	307.1	309.3	310.6	97.0	100.3	100.6	100.6	106.0	106.1	105.8	106.3
Kansas	258.7	262.4	260.6	262.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Kentucky	373.2	376.1	376.3	375.5	86.0	84.6	84.3	84.4	165.1	168.5	169.5	169.4
Louisiana	380.9	340.5	335.7	344.8	102.9	94.4	96.1	96.4	182.1	156.8	156.2	156.5
Maine	126.5	126.2	126.3	126.9	34.4	34.3	34.2	34.2	49.5	49.7	49.8	49.5
Maryland ³	468.3	474.7	476.5	478.9	156.0	159.1	158.9	158.8	377.3	390.8	388.9	388.8
Massachusetts	573.4	575.4	575.2	574.6	219.0	219.7	219.0	219.2	452.9	458.1	461.0	461.4
Michigan	808.4	801.1	798.3	800.1	218.7	219.0	219.4	218.9	587.3	584.3	587.0	586.3
Minnesota	527.0	525.5	526.5	523.6	174.6	179.7	179.8	180.4	303.6	309.0	310.1	307.3
Mississippi	220.1	212.2	212.7	217.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Missouri	535.9	538.1	538.2	540.9	165.3	169.0	168.7	168.7	300.9	306.0	305.5	305.6
Montana	85.9	86.8	86.6	87.1	21.0	21.4	21.1	21.2	33.2	35.1	34.3	34.5
Nebraska ³	198.4	200.7	198.5	199.6	63.2	64.7	64.6	65.0	94.3	97.3	96.1	97.1
Nevada	208.4	211.5	213.5	215.6	61.6	65.9	66.7	66.1	135.7	147.1	149.5	147.9
New Hampshire	140.8	145.0	144.0	143.7	38.2	38.2	38.3	38.5	56.5	56.9	56.9	56.7
New Jersey	877.8	893.5	891.0	890.5	280.2	282.4	282.3	282.8	584.2	588.9	589.2	590.1
New Mexico	137.7	139.0	139.4	140.1	34.9	35.3	35.4	35.6	91.5	92.9	93.9	93.5
New York	1,493.3	1,494.7	1,495.8	1,497.3	704.8	716.9	717.9	717.1	1,059.3	1,080.4	1,079.8	1,082.8
North Carolina	725.9	723.6	723.5	723.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	437.0	452.3	453.0	452.4
North Dakota	72.3	74.5	74.0	74.0	18.6	18.9	18.8	18.9	23.9	24.7	24.8	24.8
Ohio	1,038.3	1,032.9	1,029.4	1,030.7	312.6	313.8	313.9	313.8	632.7	645.6	645.6	645.3
Oklahoma	274.3	279.8	278.6	279.2	84.6	86.4	86.9	86.7	163.8	167.3	167.2	167.5
Oregon	323.4	332.4	335.3	339.4	97.2	98.1	98.4	99.1	179.8	185.0	182.8	183.2
Pennsylvania	1,125.8	1,131.4	1,134.6	1,138.2	335.1	338.3	338.6	339.1	638.8	654.1	652.3	654.4
Rhode Island	79.4	79.0	78.7	78.6	34.0	35.3	35.3	35.5	54.4	55.3	55.1	55.3
South Carolina	352.8	360.0	361.8	360.8	93.5	94.5	94.3	94.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	76.8	78.7	78.6	78.6	28.2	28.8	29.0	28.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	588.0	596.6	599.2	593.8	142.8	143.7	144.1	144.5	305.4	304.0	302.8	303.5
Texas	1,953.3	1,969.0	1,970.4	1,972.5	598.5	604.7	606.8	607.7	1,094.6	1,110.1	1,115.8	1,121.7
Utah	221.0	225.4	226.0	228.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	139.2	145.1	148.3	148.5
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	21.3	22.2	22.2	22.2
Virginia	652.9	659.7	660.5	659.8	189.8	191.0	191.4	191.5	589.5	588.7	598.3	604.1
Washington	525.9	534.8	539.4	539.6	152.0	154.0	154.6	155.0	305.7	316.9	319.7	319.9
West Virginia	137.4	137.8	138.1	137.6	30.4	29.7	29.9	30.2	57.6	59.4	59.5	59.4
Wisconsin	544.2	537.7	539.2	540.0	157.0	158.8	158.4	158.2	253.3	258.5	259.2	260.3
Wyoming	49.7	50.4	50.7	50.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	15.5	15.6	15.7	15.6

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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			
	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P	Nov. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Nov. 2005P
Alabama	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	160.8	162.3	162.4	162.2	360.2	360.5	360.6	360.4
Alaska	34.8	35.7	35.7	35.8	29.9	32.0	31.3	30.6	81.0	81.5	81.2	81.0
Arizona	265.6	278.4	279.6	280.8	245.1	254.4	256.4	256.7	409.5	411.7	408.5	406.4
Arkansas	144.2	147.4	147.9	149.6	90.7	92.5	92.1	91.5	201.9	205.2	205.8	206.1
California	1,570.4	1,589.3	1,592.6	1,592.5	1,455.8	1,479.6	1,488.2	1,489.5	2,387.3	2,415.0	2,408.2	2,396.0
Colorado	220.8	225.7	225.9	226.1	252.6	257.4	257.2	256.8	361.7	371.3	368.7	368.1
Connecticut	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	128.3	131.2	129.7	129.1	241.8	241.7	242.8	242.6
Delaware ³	52.4	53.4	53.4	53.7	40.8	42.5	41.7	42.0	58.9	60.1	59.1	59.6
District of Columbia ³	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	51.5	53.8	53.9	54.1	231.5	229.2	230.8	231.5
Florida	930.2	959.1	960.3	962.4	865.2	896.6	892.2	893.6	1,079.4	1,093.8	1,095.6	1,095.1
Georgia	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	357.7	368.9	371.4	373.4	644.7	649.2	648.1	651.1
Hawaii ³	68.3	70.3	70.2	70.0	105.1	107.5	107.6	108.1	122.4	120.4	119.6	119.3
Idaho	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	55.7	57.4	57.6	57.6	115.6	115.1	114.9	115.0
Illinois	733.7	739.6	740.2	741.2	509.1	526.2	523.2	521.5	840.8	843.3	843.5	844.4
Indiana	374.3	380.8	380.8	381.1	275.2	281.3	279.6	279.5	428.7	427.5	423.1	423.4
Iowa	192.2	194.4	194.5	195.0	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	244.2	244.9	246.1	245.5
Kansas	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	112.1	111.9	111.7	112.2	253.7	259.9	259.3	258.2
Kentucky	231.7	235.6	235.7	235.7	160.7	166.2	165.8	166.0	308.5	310.8	309.7	309.4
Louisiana	252.7	208.4	211.2	209.3	204.8	161.2	163.1	162.4	382.6	378.5	377.9	377.5
Maine	112.4	113.3	114.2	114.6	60.3	60.6	60.9	61.3	105.4	105.2	106.0	105.8
Maryland ³	350.0	357.5	358.9	360.0	229.2	238.2	238.1	237.3	461.4	468.6	466.7	468.1
Massachusetts	583.5	587.9	586.7	587.8	294.1	297.5	296.4	295.3	405.6	410.0	404.9	405.4
Michigan	554.2	559.5	556.1	556.4	403.8	406.3	406.2	408.0	689.1	679.3	670.7	672.8
Minnesota	379.8	391.4	391.9	393.7	237.1	244.7	242.5	242.2	411.3	415.7	416.6	416.1
Mississippi	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	125.4	111.5	111.4	113.3	243.5	242.6	241.6	242.3
Missouri	358.6	367.3	367.1	367.6	267.0	270.9	264.8	265.8	428.8	425.3	424.6	423.4
Montana	54.7	56.2	56.1	56.3	56.9	56.6	57.6	58.6	87.7	86.1	87.5	87.8
Nebraska ³	127.4	128.4	128.3	129.2	78.0	80.1	79.8	79.8	159.6	162.9	162.9	162.9
Nevada	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	314.9	331.8	332.3	331.8	140.6	144.1	144.5	145.0
New Hampshire	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	64.4	66.8	66.9	67.8	90.2	90.9	90.9	90.1
New Jersey	551.8	561.8	561.2	564.5	332.6	340.7	346.2	346.1	639.2	644.4	642.7	641.8
New Mexico	104.2	104.8	105.4	106.0	82.5	83.8	83.2	82.9	200.0	202.9	202.3	202.0
New York	1,533.7	1,557.2	1,556.3	1,558.7	667.9	679.0	677.5	677.9	1,485.1	1,488.7	1,483.6	1,483.9
North Carolina	451.5	466.2	463.2	465.3	348.7	351.7	352.6	356.2	650.4	660.5	660.7	661.5
North Dakota	48.9	49.9	49.8	50.0	31.0	32.4	31.8	31.8	74.9	75.1	74.7	75.2
Ohio	748.4	757.9	755.6	755.5	493.1	499.0	497.9	496.5	799.0	798.6	796.0	797.9
Oklahoma	180.1	184.3	183.7	183.2	129.6	128.2	127.9	128.3	306.4	315.8	315.8	314.9
Oregon	196.0	203.8	203.0	205.3	159.4	164.3	161.5	159.8	271.7	272.0	271.2	270.6
Pennsylvania	1,003.9	1,019.6	1,025.9	1,026.5	479.7	493.2	492.5	492.5	747.5	755.2	756.2	754.8
Rhode Island	93.5	96.8	97.1	97.4	50.4	52.2	52.1	52.3	66.1	65.8	65.6	65.9
South Carolina	180.3	186.0	185.8	186.4	204.8	206.1	206.6	202.4	331.5	331.7	329.9	330.1
South Dakota	56.9	57.9	57.8	57.8	41.4	42.0	41.1	41.7	74.7	75.6	75.0	75.0
Tennessee	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	255.9	257.7	257.5	259.1	412.3	414.9	414.0	414.4
Texas	1,154.0	1,174.7	1,177.5	1,177.6	890.3	899.4	903.8	907.7	1,663.5	1,671.3	1,672.4	1,674.3
Utah	125.3	128.5	129.1	129.8	102.9	105.5	104.7	105.4	199.3	203.7	203.3	203.0
Vermont	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	53.0	53.2	53.2	52.8
Virginia	384.1	391.3	391.3	393.5	325.2	325.1	327.3	325.6	655.1	656.2	659.5	660.8
Washington	321.8	329.5	331.3	332.0	254.8	263.2	262.7	264.1	525.3	530.4	527.2	526.6
West Virginia	113.3	111.7	114.6	114.1	67.6	68.0	67.6	68.6	142.8	143.4	143.2	142.5
Wisconsin	380.6	385.6	385.6	387.7	250.4	257.5	256.1	257.2	414.1	414.6	416.1	415.7
Wyoming	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	31.8	31.5	31.7	32.4	64.4	65.3	65.2	65.6

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.

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			
	October		November		October		November		October		November		October		November	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	1,919.3	1,939.4	1,925.0	1,944.9	12.8	12.9	12.8	13.0	106.9	107.0	106.7	107.3	293.3	296.3	293.7	296.6
Alaska	304.8	310.1	296.0	301.0	10.1	10.7	9.8	10.6	19.7	20.4	17.3	17.7	10.9	10.7	7.6	8.1
Arizona	2,416.8	2,517.7	2,446.6	2,544.0	8.7	8.4	8.8	9.7	197.6	222.6	198.9	223.9	175.8	175.9	176.1	176.5
Arkansas	1,170.6	1,183.1	1,171.9	1,184.5	7.4	7.6	7.4	7.6	52.9	54.1	52.2	53.2	204.2	201.4	204.4	200.7
California	14,695.3	14,885.6	14,757.1	14,945.0	23.7	23.9	23.3	23.5	879.5	942.9	871.4	937.4	1,536.3	1,538.7	1,529.9	1,533.2
Colorado	2,198.4	2,241.0	2,203.6	2,244.4	15.3	16.6	15.4	16.6	156.1	166.3	155.2	164.1	155.3	153.5	155.4	152.8
Connecticut	1,671.9	1,684.0	1,681.8	1,693.0	.8	.8	.8	.8	69.9	73.3	69.8	72.8	197.9	197.1	198.3	197.5
Delaware	428.1	434.1	430.0	437.3	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	27.4	28.0	27.2	28.4	34.3	33.7	34.3	33.5
District of Columbia	674.5	685.8	676.4	688.1	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	12.4	12.3	12.3	12.3	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Florida	7,564.4	7,827.0	7,635.8	7,892.3	6.9	6.5	6.9	6.5	501.5	535.3	504.1	537.4	384.8	391.5	387.1	392.6
Georgia	3,914.0	3,965.8	3,924.5	3,985.1	12.1	11.9	12.0	12.0	200.7	203.7	198.4	202.6	443.9	442.8	441.8	441.3
Hawaii	588.8	605.0	596.1	610.2	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	30.6	33.9	30.6	34.0	15.4	15.2	15.6	15.2
Idaho	599.8	621.8	596.7	619.7	4.4	4.7	4.2	4.5	42.4	48.1	41.4	46.9	62.4	62.7	61.2	62.3
Illinois	5,858.0	5,923.2	5,865.1	5,931.4	9.2	9.4	9.1	9.4	278.4	281.7	276.1	277.2	697.4	690.8	699.1	691.9
Indiana	2,977.4	2,991.5	2,981.1	2,991.1	7.2	7.3	7.0	7.3	154.9	157.6	152.6	155.0	576.8	572.5	575.2	570.6
Iowa	1,478.7	1,500.1	1,479.9	1,503.8	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.3	72.7	72.5	71.2	71.1	225.5	229.8	225.3	229.6
Kansas	1,340.0	1,361.4	1,344.8	1,371.9	7.6	8.3	7.6	8.4	65.6	68.8	65.1	69.4	178.3	177.8	178.9	180.1
Kentucky	1,813.6	1,836.1	1,818.3	1,839.3	19.7	20.9	19.8	21.0	85.9	89.6	85.8	89.1	265.9	266.4	265.3	266.2
Louisiana	1,930.2	1,710.8	1,936.0	1,729.7	44.7	45.5	44.8	46.0	118.3	89.6	117.6	92.5	152.8	140.1	152.6	140.9
Maine	624.2	627.4	622.9	625.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	32.7	33.4	31.6	32.3	63.5	61.8	64.6	62.9
Maryland	2,549.8	2,599.2	2,560.3	2,609.1	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	182.4	184.3	182.0	183.1	142.5	138.1	142.5	138.1
Massachusetts	3,216.2	3,230.7	3,218.8	3,233.4	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	145.8	147.7	143.5	145.8	313.8	312.9	313.7	313.6
Michigan	4,458.3	4,409.2	4,447.3	4,412.8	8.3	8.6	8.2	8.6	202.5	199.3	196.4	194.3	694.5	671.6	687.2	672.9
Minnesota	2,715.3	2,752.8	2,714.9	2,749.3	6.0	6.5	5.8	6.4	137.1	139.3	132.0	132.1	348.4	350.3	346.2	350.8
Mississippi	1,133.5	1,101.1	1,136.0	1,112.6	8.8	8.5	8.6	8.3	50.8	50.7	50.0	50.4	179.3	174.6	179.1	175.1
Missouri	2,720.7	2,743.6	2,726.5	2,747.3	4.9	5.5	4.8	5.3	142.3	143.4	140.7	141.0	314.1	317.0	314.4	317.1
Montana	419.1	426.3	420.0	427.6	7.6	8.0	7.8	8.1	27.1	28.4	26.5	28.0	19.5	19.4	19.1	19.1
Nebraska	932.1	944.7	934.2	950.5	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	48.9	50.7	47.6	49.7	99.7	100.9	100.3	100.8
Nevada	1,185.4	1,256.6	1,188.2	1,257.8	10.0	10.7	10.0	10.7	126.9	141.8	125.5	140.7	46.6	48.1	46.8	48.2
New Hampshire	634.6	645.0	634.0	644.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	31.2	32.4	30.6	31.8	81.1	81.6	81.1	81.0
New Jersey	4,035.7	4,079.0	4,059.4	4,095.5	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	173.8	170.8	173.6	170.8	339.3	326.5	339.5	325.5
New Mexico	799.3	815.7	801.2	817.5	15.3	17.0	15.3	16.9	51.7	55.4	51.1	55.1	36.6	37.0	36.3	36.5
New York	8,545.2	8,606.4	8,581.5	8,645.9	6.2	6.6	6.2	6.5	334.7	338.5	330.6	334.4	595.5	578.9	593.3	577.6
North Carolina	3,876.3	3,931.2	3,883.9	3,936.1	6.7	6.3	6.5	6.3	222.3	227.9	220.0	227.9	580.9	571.2	582.9	570.7
North Dakota	345.1	349.9	342.1	349.6	3.8	4.1	3.7	4.1	19.0	19.6	17.3	18.7	25.3	25.8	24.9	25.7
Ohio	5,461.6	5,471.9	5,472.6	5,482.3	11.4	11.8	11.4	11.6	248.3	246.7	244.4	243.5	827.2	823.2	827.6	823.9
Oklahoma	1,484.7	1,512.6	1,489.2	1,515.8	31.2	32.6	31.2	32.6	62.8	64.0	62.1	63.0	141.8	142.5	141.7	143.0
Oregon	1,634.2	1,680.5	1,633.3	1,684.1	10.0	9.8	9.7	9.1	88.1	98.2	85.7	97.3	205.4	209.7	202.1	207.5
Pennsylvania	5,711.3	5,777.0	5,721.9	5,789.4	19.2	18.5	18.9	18.6	260.8	266.8	254.5	261.1	692.3	677.6	691.6	675.3
Rhode Island	495.5	500.8	496.1	502.1	.2	.2	.2	.2	21.8	22.5	21.6	22.3	57.2	55.1	57.2	55.3
South Carolina	1,845.1	1,850.9	1,843.5	1,851.7	4.4	3.9	4.3	3.8	114.1	113.5	112.4	114.1	268.3	263.6	269.6	261.7
South Dakota	387.7	394.4	386.4	392.7	.9	.9	.9	.9	21.0	22.1	19.9	21.2	39.2	40.5	39.6	40.5
Tennessee	2,724.9	2,746.1	2,736.6	2,754.2	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	119.9	122.1	118.9	121.1	412.9	411.5	412.7	411.3
Texas	9,546.7	9,679.7	9,580.1	9,718.3	153.8	157.7	154.0	158.1	543.9	559.6	540.3	556.8	891.9	892.2	890.6	891.2
Utah	1,119.5	1,163.3	1,124.9	1,171.6	7.3	8.3	7.4	8.4	76.6	86.9	75.3	85.8	116.3	118.7	116.8	118.5
Vermont	308.8	313.0	307.4	311.0	1.0	1.1	.9	1.1	17.8	18.9	17.3	18.3	37.3	37.6	37.4	37.6
Virginia	3,634.1	3,681.6	3,647.8	3,698.3	10.2	10.3	10.2	10.1	237.3	250.5	236.6	250.9	301.2	298.1	300.9	298.0
Washington	2,734.1	2,812.8	2,742.9	2,818.2	9.4	9.3	9.2	9.1	172.0	185.4	166.7	180.4	267.2	272.6	265.9	270.8
West Virginia	746.0	751.9	745.3	753.4	24.5	25.6	24.6	25.9	36.7	40.2	35.9	39.8	63.0	62.0	62.8	62.2
Wisconsin	2,843.3	2,866.6	2,843.6	2,870.3	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.7	133.9	139.9	130.3	137.7	504.3	503.1	503.6	502.9
Wyoming	258.3	265.5	256.4	263.1	21.2	23.3	21.3	23.2	19.9	21.1	19.4	20.2	9.8	9.9	9.9	10.0
Puerto Rico	1,044.4	996.3	1,049.6	1,001.5	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	68.0	63.2	67.5	63.9	117.4	115.8	117.4	114.8

See footnotes at end of table.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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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			
	October		November		October		November		October		November		October		November	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	377.0	382.8	382.3	387.2	30.9	30.9	30.8	31.0	96.5	95.9	96.2	95.9	203.1	209.8	202.2	209.3
Alaska	61.6	62.5	60.6	61.5	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.9	14.7	15.0	14.7	14.8	23.3	24.0	22.9	23.6
Arizona	465.4	485.8	480.7	499.4	46.8	46.1	46.9	46.1	165.2	172.0	165.1	173.3	342.3	358.5	343.5	361.0
Arkansas	242.5	245.4	245.1	247.9	20.1	19.8	20.2	19.9	51.2	52.3	51.1	52.4	109.6	110.9	108.7	110.0
California	2,779.4	2,795.9	2,833.0	2,848.0	482.6	477.6	491.3	483.7	910.8	923.7	913.3	925.5	2,143.2	2,166.5	2,139.5	2,171.6
Colorado	409.7	415.2	416.9	422.2	78.8	75.2	79.0	75.2	155.9	158.9	156.1	159.7	305.0	316.6	302.7	313.3
Connecticut	312.3	315.1	319.1	321.4	38.9	38.8	39.2	39.1	140.8	142.3	140.6	142.3	200.7	201.1	201.3	202.0
Delaware	81.1	83.0	83.4	85.3	7.1	7.2	7.0	7.1	44.7	45.4	44.6	45.9	62.5	63.1	62.4	63.1
District of Columbia ..	27.8	28.3	28.1	28.8	23.1	23.6	23.1	23.2	30.4	30.9	30.3	30.8	143.5	147.8	147.7	148.1
Florida	1,502.3	1,539.8	1,530.6	1,570.3	168.9	168.7	169.5	170.2	502.0	517.5	503.9	517.0	1,306.6	1,387.3	1,316.4	1,399.2
Georgia	830.8	836.6	844.6	852.5	117.8	117.2	117.3	117.7	219.2	223.1	219.5	223.5	517.4	530.4	519.5	529.9
Hawaii	114.1	118.9	116.0	120.9	11.0	10.7	11.2	10.7	28.7	29.4	28.7	29.5	71.3	74.4	71.4	74.7
Idaho	119.0	123.8	120.5	125.4	10.2	11.0	10.2	11.0	28.3	29.7	28.3	29.8	75.5	79.3	74.9	78.8
Illinois	1,187.2	1,195.7	1,200.8	1,211.9	119.0	117.2	119.1	117.0	399.2	403.3	400.2	405.2	810.6	843.1	803.1	837.6
Indiana	577.1	581.0	586.7	587.8	40.4	40.7	40.6	40.6	139.7	141.4	140.5	141.6	273.2	276.2	272.1	275.5
Iowa	309.0	311.0	312.6	315.5	33.3	33.7	33.7	33.9	96.8	100.4	97.0	100.6	107.9	107.5	106.9	107.3
Kansas	261.6	262.5	262.8	266.7	40.9	39.9	41.1	40.3	70.0	72.0	70.0	72.2	129.5	134.7	129.5	135.0
Kentucky	374.3	377.7	379.9	382.2	28.4	27.6	28.4	27.6	86.5	84.6	86.2	84.5	167.6	172.2	167.9	172.2
Louisiana	380.7	336.7	386.2	349.7	28.5	27.2	28.6	27.6	103.2	96.1	103.0	96.5	183.0	156.5	182.9	157.2
Maine	127.8	128.2	130.7	131.2	11.7	11.9	11.8	12.0	34.2	34.1	34.3	34.1	50.0	50.1	49.6	49.5
Maryland	471.3	480.5	480.6	491.5	50.5	51.0	51.0	51.4	155.6	158.8	156.2	159.0	379.8	391.9	379.6	391.2
Massachusetts	577.5	578.9	585.0	586.1	85.5	83.6	85.7	83.9	218.6	218.9	218.5	218.7	455.4	464.3	457.0	465.6
Michigan	815.0	805.9	826.2	818.0	66.9	63.8	66.9	64.0	217.1	218.1	217.5	217.8	595.2	593.3	591.5	590.5
Minnesota	528.2	528.7	537.3	534.0	59.1	58.7	59.4	59.1	174.5	179.4	174.2	180.0	307.4	313.3	306.3	310.2
Mississippi	220.8	213.3	223.2	221.0	14.1	14.0	14.4	14.1	45.8	44.8	45.7	45.3	84.3	85.4	85.2	84.0
Missouri	537.0	540.7	544.6	549.8	62.8	63.8	63.1	63.9	164.5	168.4	165.1	168.5	303.2	307.8	303.0	307.6
Montana	85.9	87.0	87.1	88.3	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.9	21.0	21.1	21.0	21.2	33.3	34.7	33.5	34.8
Nebraska	199.5	200.0	202.8	204.0	21.7	21.7	21.7	21.7	63.2	64.5	63.1	64.9	96.5	97.9	95.8	98.7
Nevada	209.3	216.9	213.1	220.5	14.4	14.3	14.6	14.4	62.5	67.1	62.8	67.3	137.6	151.0	137.7	150.0
New Hampshire	141.5	144.9	144.5	147.5	12.6	12.9	12.9	13.1	37.9	38.2	38.1	38.5	56.9	57.2	56.7	57.0
New Jersey	882.6	895.7	894.3	907.2	97.0	95.3	98.0	96.4	279.3	282.1	280.0	282.6	585.4	590.8	585.3	591.0
New Mexico	137.9	139.9	140.1	142.6	14.2	14.8	14.2	14.9	34.8	35.3	34.7	35.4	91.4	94.0	91.6	93.6
New York	1,502.4	1,505.1	1,526.8	1,530.8	272.0	270.5	273.5	272.3	703.7	716.7	704.6	716.8	1,066.6	1,088.2	1,067.0	1,090.7
North Carolina	729.3	729.0	740.4	737.8	69.7	71.5	69.9	72.3	193.0	195.9	192.0	195.7	438.0	455.0	438.3	453.8
North Dakota	72.7	74.1	73.4	75.1	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.6	18.6	18.8	18.6	18.9	24.3	25.1	24.0	24.9
Ohio	1,041.8	1,036.1	1,060.4	1,052.7	92.1	91.1	92.5	91.2	312.1	313.6	312.5	313.7	637.8	651.3	636.2	648.9
Oklahoma	274.0	278.4	278.8	283.6	30.3	31.0	30.5	31.0	84.5	86.7	84.6	86.7	163.8	167.8	163.9	167.5
Oregon	326.2	338.5	330.7	346.8	33.0	35.3	33.0	35.3	97.3	99.0	97.3	99.2	182.6	186.4	181.0	184.6
Pennsylvania	1,133.3	1,143.3	1,150.4	1,163.0	110.6	108.2	110.6	108.7	333.6	337.3	333.8	337.7	643.3	659.3	643.5	659.4
Rhode Island	80.3	79.5	81.6	80.7	10.7	10.9	10.7	10.8	34.2	35.5	34.1	35.6	55.7	56.5	55.5	56.4
South Carolina	352.9	361.4	356.4	364.4	25.7	27.2	25.8	27.3	93.8	94.0	92.5	93.6	194.4	190.9	189.8	191.9
South Dakota	77.3	79.0	77.9	79.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.8	27.9	28.9	28.1	28.8	24.2	24.1	23.8	23.9
Tennessee	593.4	602.6	602.1	608.1	49.2	47.3	49.8	47.9	142.2	144.2	143.1	144.8	305.7	304.9	307.6	305.7
Texas	1,953.5	1,973.6	1,983.2	2,002.7	222.6	229.1	225.3	231.2	598.2	607.0	598.2	607.3	1,101.1	1,124.3	1,098.2	1,125.4
Utah	221.7	227.1	226.4	233.9	30.2	32.1	30.4	32.9	65.2	67.3	65.2	67.9	139.9	149.3	139.9	149.2
Vermont	59.3	59.7	60.1	60.5	6.2	6.1	6.3	6.1	13.4	13.7	13.3	13.6	21.6	22.5	21.4	22.3
Virginia	655.7	664.1	670.5	677.3	98.8	98.8	100.3	98.3	188.9	190.6	189.3	191.0	590.2	601.4	589.3	603.8
Washington	526.0	542.6	536.0	550.2	92.2	95.0	92.5	94.9	152.0	155.1	152.0	155.0	308.5	323.1	308.0	322.3
West Virginia	138.5	138.8	140.3	140.5	11.9	12.0	12.0	12.1	30.4	29.9	30.4	30.2	58.6	59.7	58.2	60.0
Wisconsin	546.7	543.6	557.5	553.0	49.4	50.2	50.1	50.4	156.8	158.2	156.9	158.1	256.7	263.1	254.5	261.5
Wyoming	49.7	50.8	50.0	51.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2	10.5	10.8	10.5	10.9	15.3	15.7	15.3	15.4
Puerto Rico	182.5	176.5	187.5	178.3	23.5	23.2	23.3	22.9	46.1	46.7	46.2	46.8	102.1	100.5	101.9	99.4

See footnotes at end of table.

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			
	October		November		October		November		October		November		October		November	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	194.5	197.9	195.7	199.0	160.0	161.6	159.1	160.7	80.8	80.2	80.9	80.1	363.5	364.1	364.6	364.8
Alaska	34.7	35.8	34.8	35.8	28.9	29.9	27.5	28.1	11.9	11.7	11.7	11.6	82.1	82.5	82.3	82.3
Arizona	264.3	279.9	266.6	282.0	243.2	254.6	245.3	257.0	89.9	93.1	90.0	93.3	417.6	420.8	424.7	421.8
Arkansas	145.1	149.0	145.4	150.7	91.0	91.9	89.8	90.6	41.1	40.9	41.1	40.8	205.5	209.8	206.5	210.7
California	1,579.9	1,605.3	1,586.6	1,609.1	1,451.7	1,484.2	1,445.1	1,478.5	508.0	509.3	506.7	508.8	2,400.2	2,417.6	2,417.0	2,425.7
Colorado	221.4	226.5	222.2	227.5	244.3	247.9	243.3	247.5	86.9	88.1	86.9	88.5	369.7	376.2	370.5	377.0
Connecticut	273.5	275.9	274.1	276.7	129.1	129.8	126.9	127.7	62.7	63.0	62.8	63.0	245.3	246.8	248.9	249.7
Delaware	52.1	53.6	52.5	53.8	40.5	41.6	40.0	41.2	18.6	18.6	18.7	18.3	59.8	59.9	59.9	60.7
District of Columbia ..	95.2	96.6	95.7	97.6	51.7	54.6	52.0	54.6	59.0	60.2	59.1	60.6	229.0	229.0	229.6	229.6
Florida	931.0	964.7	935.5	967.8	846.4	875.9	858.1	886.5	319.7	325.5	321.7	326.7	1,094.3	1,114.3	1,102.0	1,118.1
Georgia	409.9	420.2	411.9	422.2	358.1	369.0	353.9	369.4	154.6	156.3	153.8	155.7	649.5	654.6	651.8	658.3
Hawaii	68.3	70.4	69.0	70.7	104.8	107.5	105.2	108.2	24.1	24.8	24.0	25.0	120.5	119.8	124.4	121.3
Idaho	66.3	69.9	66.8	70.2	54.9	56.6	53.4	55.2	18.3	18.7	18.2	18.6	118.1	117.3	117.6	117.0
Illinois	734.5	742.9	738.4	745.9	514.7	527.4	506.3	518.8	255.3	256.5	256.5	256.5	852.5	855.2	856.4	860.0
Indiana	378.2	385.5	379.8	386.6	277.4	282.0	274.0	278.6	110.0	109.8	110.0	110.0	442.5	437.5	442.6	437.5
Iowa	196.0	198.9	197.1	199.9	129.7	136.5	126.8	134.7	56.2	56.6	56.1	56.5	249.4	250.9	251.0	252.4
Kansas	161.4	164.2	162.7	165.5	112.4	112.9	111.9	112.0	53.9	55.8	53.9	56.5	258.8	264.5	261.3	265.8
Kentucky	233.1	237.4	233.5	237.6	161.7	166.9	160.0	165.2	78.7	80.0	78.4	79.8	311.8	312.8	313.1	313.9
Louisiana	254.6	212.5	255.7	211.8	204.5	163.2	204.3	162.0	72.8	61.3	72.4	62.7	387.1	382.1	387.9	382.8
Maine	113.1	115.1	113.4	115.6	60.3	61.4	54.5	55.4	19.8	19.6	19.7	19.5	108.4	109.1	110.0	110.4
Maryland	351.7	361.1	352.8	362.8	228.4	236.5	224.8	231.9	114.6	117.7	114.9	117.6	473.0	479.3	475.9	482.5
Massachusetts	591.6	595.7	595.1	599.5	299.4	301.4	289.3	290.3	115.1	114.2	115.2	114.3	411.5	411.1	413.8	413.6
Michigan	556.4	560.4	560.8	563.3	407.2	408.9	394.7	398.7	180.5	181.6	178.3	180.9	714.7	697.7	719.6	703.8
Minnesota	381.4	394.6	383.1	397.0	236.7	242.1	230.8	235.7	119.2	117.6	118.4	117.8	417.3	422.3	421.4	426.2
Mississippi	120.7	119.7	121.3	121.2	125.6	111.8	124.4	112.5	37.3	33.5	37.6	35.4	246.0	244.8	246.5	245.3
Missouri	362.5	372.2	363.6	372.5	272.3	270.4	267.0	265.8	119.7	120.6	119.6	120.5	437.4	433.8	440.6	435.3
Montana	54.9	56.3	55.2	56.8	54.8	56.5	54.1	55.7	17.5	17.2	17.5	17.2	89.9	90.0	90.4	90.5
Nebraska	127.9	129.1	128.6	130.4	78.1	80.1	77.6	79.4	34.6	34.9	34.3	35.2	162.0	164.9	162.4	165.7
Nevada	81.5	86.6	82.0	87.0	315.5	332.3	314.2	330.9	37.3	39.8	37.4	39.6	143.8	148.0	144.1	148.5
New Hampshire	94.7	97.7	95.4	98.4	64.3	66.3	60.2	63.2	20.4	19.5	20.4	19.4	93.0	93.2	93.1	93.1
New Jersey	552.9	563.8	555.4	568.2	322.1	341.9	323.7	337.3	155.0	160.4	155.7	160.4	646.7	650.2	652.3	654.6
New Mexico	104.6	106.2	105.4	107.2	82.2	82.8	81.1	81.5	28.8	29.0	28.7	29.0	201.8	204.3	202.7	204.8
New York	1,547.4	1,573.3	1,556.6	1,582.4	671.0	681.1	660.9	670.9	354.4	357.2	355.1	357.9	1,491.3	1,490.3	1,506.9	1,505.6
North Carolina	454.0	467.3	454.9	468.4	346.5	353.2	341.0	348.6	168.4	174.2	168.1	173.3	667.5	679.7	669.9	681.3
North Dakota	48.9	49.8	49.0	50.1	31.8	32.3	30.9	31.7	15.2	14.9	15.1	14.9	77.8	77.8	77.5	77.9
Ohio	756.7	764.8	758.6	765.9	495.2	497.6	485.6	487.7	226.5	227.3	226.4	227.4	812.5	808.4	817.0	815.8
Oklahoma	180.4	184.5	181.8	185.0	130.5	128.9	129.1	127.7	73.4	74.6	73.3	74.8	312.0	321.6	312.2	320.9
Oregon	198.5	206.0	199.8	209.3	159.1	161.7	157.0	157.4	57.9	59.7	57.9	59.5	276.1	276.2	279.1	278.1
Pennsylvania	1,015.3	1,038.3	1,021.0	1,043.7	477.9	490.2	467.2	479.6	263.1	267.6	262.9	267.4	761.9	769.9	767.5	774.9
Rhode Island	94.6	98.5	95.2	99.1	50.7	52.3	49.2	51.1	23.2	23.2	23.3	23.3	66.9	66.6	67.5	67.3
South Carolina	183.5	189.2	184.8	191.1	202.3	204.8	201.5	199.1	69.0	67.4	67.6	67.3	336.7	335.0	338.8	337.4
South Dakota	56.8	57.9	57.2	58.1	41.6	41.4	39.6	39.9	16.4	16.5	16.5	16.5	75.7	76.4	76.1	76.4
Tennessee	323.6	330.1	324.1	330.8	254.5	257.4	253.7	256.8	102.2	103.2	102.2	103.1	417.2	418.7	418.3	420.5
Texas	1,156.1	1,182.2	1,160.5	1,184.0	881.7	896.7	876.0	893.5	358.3	360.0	357.5	360.5	1,685.6	1,697.3	1,696.3	1,707.6
Utah	126.4	131.3	127.3	131.9	100.8	103.0	100.7	103.2	32.6	33.2	32.8	33.4	202.5	206.1	202.7	206.5
Vermont	54.2	55.2	54.5	55.5	32.2	32.4	30.1	30.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.1	55.6	55.6	55.9	55.7
Virginia	386.1	394.2	387.9	397.2	321.7	323.6	314.8	315.4	179.5	180.1	178.2	180.7	664.5	669.9	669.8	675.6
Washington	322.9	333.2	324.8	335.0	255.0	263.0	250.1	259.2	100.5	103.1	100.2	102.5	528.4	530.4	537.5	538.8
West Virginia	114.0	115.5	114.6	115.4	68.0	68.0	66.4	67.3	55.5	55.3	54.9	55.1	144.9	144.9	145.2	144.9
Wisconsin	383.3	389.1	384.4	391.5	251.4	255.2	241.2	247.8	136.0	136.0	135.2	135.9	420.7	424.3	426.0	427.8
Wyoming	21.8	22.3	22.0	22.3	30.4	31.0	28.7	29.3	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.8	65.8	66.6	65.5	66.6
Puerto Rico	99.4	95.4	99.6	95.6	71.6	69.9	71.8	70.1	21.5	23.5	22.4	23.5	312.3	281.6	312.0	286.2

¹ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.
P = preliminary.

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

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

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

(U.S. rate = 5.0 percent)

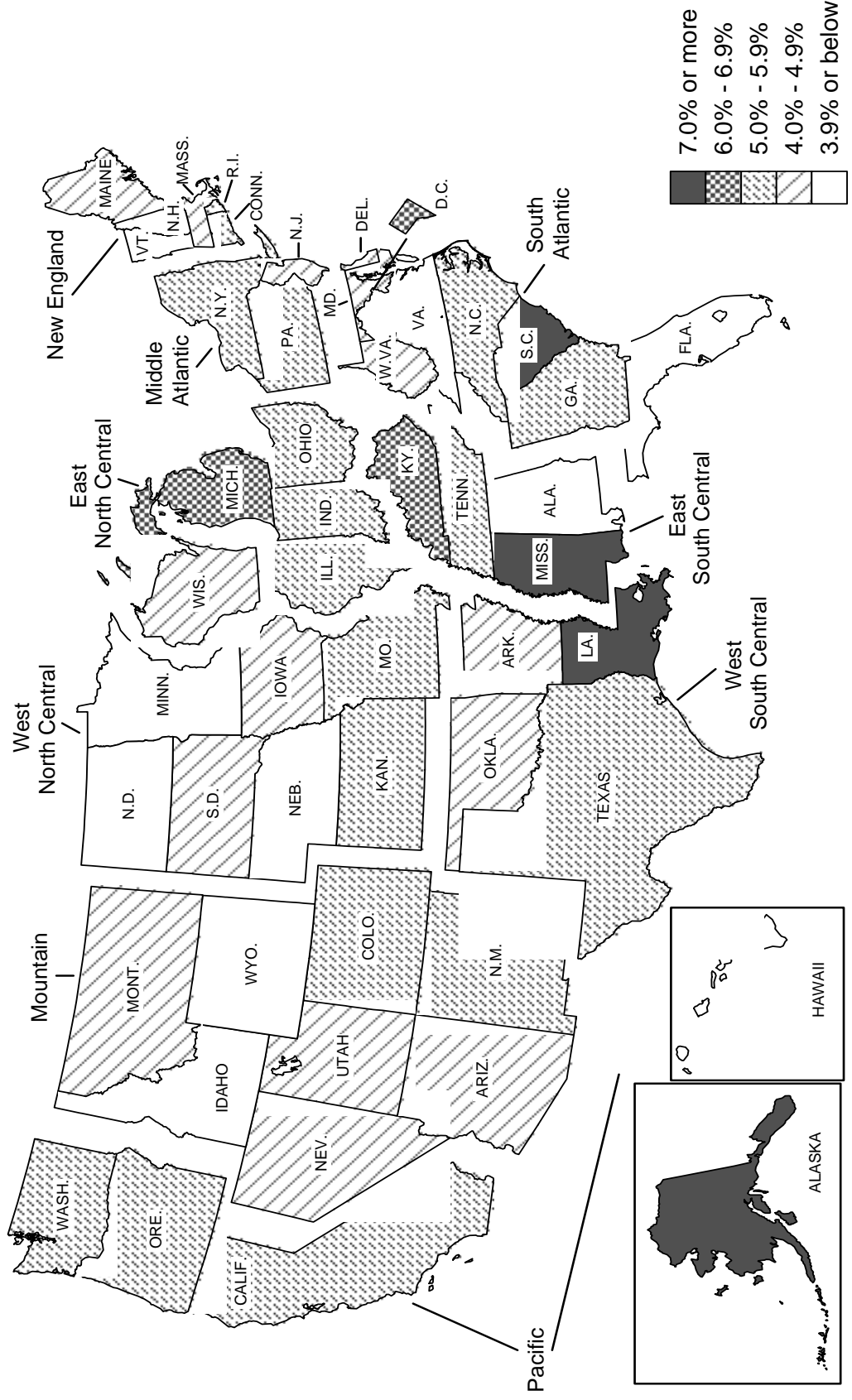


Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, November 2004 – November 2005

