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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: APRIL 2008

Regional and state unemployment rates were little changed in April. Overall, 28 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate decreases, 14 states registered increases, and 8 states had no change, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Over the year, jobless rates were up in 35 states and the District of Columbia, down in 13 states, and unchanged in 2 states. The national unemployment rate, at 5.0 percent, was little changed between March and April, but was up from 4.5 percent a year earlier.

Between March and April, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 10 states and the District of Columbia, decreased in 39 states, and was unchanged in 1 state (Missouri). The largest employment increases were recorded in Texas (+15,400), South Carolina (+4,500), Colorado (+3,800), and Pennsylvania (+2,300). Colorado, New Hampshire, and South Carolina posted the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+0.2 percent each), followed by Alaska, Idaho, Texas, and Utah (+0.1 percent each). The largest employment decreases occurred in Florida (-25,300), Michigan (-18,600), North Carolina (-14,700), and Georgia (-14,200). Hawaii experienced the largest over-the-month percentage decline in employment (-1.0 percent), followed by Maine, Vermont, and Wisconsin (-0.5 percent each). Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 41 states and the District of Columbia and decreased in 9 states. The largest over-the-year percentage gains in employment were reported in Wyoming (+3.1 percent), Texas (+2.5 percent), Utah (+2.1 percent), and New Hampshire (+2.0 percent). The largest over-the-year percentage declines in employment occurred in Rhode Island (-1.8 percent), Michigan (-1.7 percent), Florida (-0.8 percent), and Wisconsin (-0.6 percent).

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In April, the South and Northeast again recorded the lowest unemployment rates among the regions, 4.6 and 4.7 percent, respectively. The West posted the highest rate, 5.3 percent, followed by the Midwest at 5.1 percent. No region had a statistically significant unemployment rate change from a month earlier. The West registered the largest over-the-year rate increase among the regions (+0.8 percentage point). The Northeast and South also reported statistically significant jobless rate changes from a year earlier (+0.4 percentage point each). (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the Mountain continued to report the lowest unemployment rate, 4.0 percent in April, while the Pacific again recorded the highest rate, 5.9 percent. The New England division registered the only statistically significant jobless rate change from March (-0.3 percentage point). The West South Central division had the only significant rate decrease from a year earlier (-0.2 percentage point), while five divisions posted significant over-the-year rate increases: the Pacific (+0.9 point); South Atlantic (+0.8 point); and East South Central, Middle Atlantic, and Mountain (+0.5 point each).

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In April, South Dakota and Wyoming recorded the lowest unemployment rates, 2.6 percent each. Michigan continued to report the highest jobless rate, 6.9 percent. The states with the next highest rates were Alaska, 6.7 percent; California, 6.2 percent; and Rhode Island, 6.1 percent. The District of Columbia had an unemployment rate of 6.0 percent. Overall, 21 states registered unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate, 6 states and the District of Columbia recorded measurably higher rates, and 23 states had rates that were statistically little different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

Connecticut and Wisconsin reported statistically significant over-the-month jobless rate decreases in April (-0.6 and -0.5 percentage point, respectively). Montana registered the only significant rate increase from the prior month (+0.2 percentage point). The remaining 47 states and the District of Columbia recorded April unemployment rates that were not appreciably different from those of a month earlier, even though some had changes that were at least as large numerically as the significant changes.

Oklahoma continued to report the largest over-the-year jobless rate decrease (-1.2 percentage points). Six additional states had smaller, but also statistically significant, rate decreases. Florida, Nevada, and Rhode Island registered the largest unemployment rate increases from April 2007 (+1.1 percentage points each), followed by California and Georgia (+1.0 point each). Seventeen additional states also had statistically significant over-the-year rate increases. The remaining 21 states and the District of Columbia recorded jobless rates that were not appreciably different from those of a year earlier. (See table B.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Between March and April, seven states reported statistically significant changes in employment, all of which were decreases. The largest losses were in Florida (-25,300), Michigan (-18,600), North Carolina (-14,700), and Georgia (-14,200). (See tables C and 5.)

Over the year, nine states posted statistically significant changes in employment. All but one reported gains. The largest employment gains occurred in Texas (+262,000), North Carolina (+45,900), Washington (+43,800), and Colorado (+41,700). The only statistically significant over-the-year decline was reported in Michigan (-72,100). Two states recorded statistically significant gains in employment that were less than 15,000: New Hampshire (+13,100) and Wyoming (+8,900). (See table D.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for April is scheduled to be issued on Wednesday, May 28. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for May is scheduled to be issued on Friday, June 20.

Hurricane Katrina

For April, BLS and its state partners continued to make modifications to the usual estimation procedures for the LAUS program to reflect the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the labor force statistics in affected areas. These modifications included: (1) modifying the state population controls to account for displacement due to Katrina; (2) developing labor force estimates for the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area using an alternative to the model-based method; and (3) not publishing labor force estimates for the months immediately following the hurricane for the parishes within the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area and cities within those parishes, where the quality of input data was severely compromised by the hurricane.

For more information on LAUS procedures and estimates for April 2008, see *Hurricane Information: Katrina and Rita* on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/Katrina/home.htm> or call (202) 691-6392.

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., April 2008, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate ^P
United States ¹	5.0
Alaska.....	6.7
Arizona.....	3.9
California.....	6.2
Colorado.....	4.4
Delaware.....	3.7
District of Columbia.....	6.0
Hawaii.....	3.3
Idaho.....	3.1
Iowa.....	3.5
Kansas.....	4.0
Maryland.....	3.7
Massachusetts.....	4.1
Michigan.....	6.9
Montana.....	3.8
Nebraska.....	3.1
Nevada.....	5.7
New Hampshire.....	3.8
New Mexico.....	3.5
North Dakota.....	3.1
Oklahoma.....	3.2
Rhode Island.....	6.1
South Carolina.....	5.9
South Dakota.....	2.6
Texas.....	4.1
Utah.....	3.1
Virginia.....	3.5
Wisconsin.....	4.3
Wyoming.....	2.6

¹ Data are not preliminary.

^P = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from April 2007 to April 2008, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-year rate change ^P
	April 2007	April 2008 ^P	
Alabama.....	3.4	4.0	0.6
Alaska.....	6.0	6.7	.7
Arkansas.....	5.3	4.7	-.6
California.....	5.2	6.2	1.0
Colorado.....	3.6	4.4	.8
Florida.....	3.8	4.9	1.1
Georgia.....	4.3	5.3	1.0
Hawaii.....	2.5	3.3	.8
Idaho.....	2.7	3.1	.4
Illinois.....	4.8	5.4	.6
Iowa.....	3.7	3.5	-.2
Massachusetts.....	4.6	4.1	-.5
Montana.....	3.1	3.8	.7
Nebraska.....	2.8	3.1	.3
Nevada.....	4.6	5.7	1.1
New Jersey.....	4.3	5.0	.7
New York.....	4.4	4.7	.3
North Carolina.....	4.7	5.4	.7
Oklahoma.....	4.4	3.2	-1.2
Pennsylvania.....	4.3	5.0	.7
Rhode Island.....	5.0	6.1	1.1
South Dakota.....	3.1	2.6	-.5
Tennessee.....	4.5	5.4	.9
Texas.....	4.4	4.1	-.3
Utah.....	2.5	3.1	.6
Vermont.....	4.1	4.5	.4
Virginia.....	2.9	3.5	.6
West Virginia.....	4.5	5.0	.5
Wisconsin.....	5.1	4.3	-.8

^P = preliminary.

Table C. States with statistically significant employment changes from March 2008 to April 2008, seasonally adjusted

State	March 2008	April 2008 ^p	Over-the-month change ^p
Florida	8,012,400	7,987,100	-25,300
Georgia	4,176,400	4,162,200	-14,200
Hawaii	630,200	624,000	-6,200
Michigan	4,215,800	4,197,200	-18,600
North Carolina	4,183,100	4,168,400	-14,700
Tennessee	2,796,300	2,785,000	-11,300
Wisconsin	2,871,000	2,857,400	-13,600

^p = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from April 2007 to April 2008, seasonally adjusted

State	April 2007	April 2008 ^p	Over-the-year change ^p
Colorado	2,322,500	2,364,200	41,700
Michigan	4,269,300	4,197,200	-72,100
New Hampshire	643,300	656,400	13,100
North Carolina	4,122,500	4,168,400	45,900
Oklahoma	1,557,500	1,580,600	23,100
Texas	10,292,800	10,554,800	262,000
Utah	1,246,800	1,272,800	26,000
Washington	2,918,600	2,962,400	43,800
Wyoming	285,500	294,400	8,900

^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 had 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), had actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week), and were 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 November 20, 2007. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period that 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 2007 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 39 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 that are submitted by employers who are covered under state unemployment insurance (UI) laws. The benchmark information is used to ad-

just 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.

Use of error measures. In 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. 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.

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 between 0.3 and 0.4 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 *Employment and Earnings Online* at <http://www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm>.

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 Online*.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment, as well as nonfarm employment from the CES program, for over 300 metropolitan areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs) are available in the news release, *Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force, employment, and unemployment for all states, metropolitan areas, labor market areas, counties, cities with a population of 25,000 or more, and other areas used in the administration of various federal economic assistance programs are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/>. Employment data from the CES program are available at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April 2007	Feb. 2008	March 2008	April 2008	April 2007	Feb. 2008	March 2008	April 2008	April 2007	Feb. 2008	March 2008	April 2008
Northeast	27,874.6	28,060.9	28,035.6	28,121.2	1,207.2	1,311.8	1,350.3	1,331.6	4.3	4.7	4.8	4.7
New England	7,641.9	7,671.7	7,678.5	7,664.8	340.0	356.6	369.8	343.1	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.5
Middle Atlantic	20,232.7	20,389.2	20,357.1	20,456.4	867.2	955.1	980.5	988.5	4.3	4.7	4.8	4.8
South	54,239.7	54,684.6	54,873.9	54,987.7	2,296.6	2,441.4	2,573.8	2,552.3	4.2	4.5	4.7	4.6
South Atlantic	29,142.4	29,418.5	29,493.9	29,535.3	1,173.0	1,336.6	1,409.5	1,413.9	4.0	4.5	4.8	4.8
East South Central	8,555.0	8,622.2	8,632.6	8,660.5	405.1	433.4	457.2	453.0	4.7	5.0	5.3	5.2
West South Central	16,542.2	16,643.8	16,747.3	16,791.9	718.5	671.3	707.0	685.4	4.3	4.0	4.2	4.1
Midwest	34,867.4	34,996.1	35,048.6	35,032.1	1,766.3	1,802.4	1,870.8	1,803.8	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.1
East North Central	23,992.5	24,093.4	24,115.7	24,104.5	1,316.7	1,341.5	1,388.4	1,332.9	5.5	5.6	5.8	5.5
West North Central	10,874.9	10,902.7	10,932.9	10,927.5	449.6	460.9	482.3	470.9	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.3
West	35,283.5	35,776.0	35,903.3	35,938.1	1,601.5	1,800.6	1,914.4	1,900.0	4.5	5.0	5.3	5.3
Mountain	10,855.0	11,098.6	11,127.0	11,104.1	377.4	441.3	456.2	444.7	3.5	4.0	4.1	4.0
Pacific	24,428.5	24,677.4	24,776.4	24,834.0	1,224.2	1,359.3	1,458.1	1,455.3	5.0	5.5	5.9	5.9

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. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, not seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	March	April	March	April	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Northeast	27,781.3	27,879.1	27,644.6	27,895.4	1,244.7	1,437.8	1,142.2	1,276.5	4.5	5.2	4.1	4.6
New England	7,605.6	7,626.7	7,577.5	7,600.1	352.9	396.2	327.7	332.9	4.6	5.2	4.3	4.4
Middle Atlantic	20,175.7	20,252.4	20,067.2	20,295.2	891.9	1,041.6	814.6	943.6	4.4	5.1	4.1	4.6
South	54,106.2	54,630.4	53,979.4	54,734.9	2,218.9	2,565.1	2,111.0	2,388.0	4.1	4.7	3.9	4.4
South Atlantic	29,088.5	29,384.7	29,014.6	29,408.7	1,113.1	1,396.9	1,088.7	1,341.3	3.8	4.8	3.8	4.6
East South Central	8,522.2	8,575.8	8,487.6	8,594.9	411.2	469.1	364.7	416.7	4.8	5.5	4.3	4.8
West South Central	16,495.5	16,669.9	16,477.2	16,731.4	694.7	699.2	657.6	630.0	4.2	4.2	4.0	3.8
Midwest	34,691.3	34,839.2	34,657.3	34,826.4	1,807.9	2,020.8	1,713.0	1,763.4	5.2	5.8	4.9	5.1
East North Central	23,856.6	23,966.4	23,810.6	23,927.4	1,334.3	1,492.3	1,278.4	1,303.9	5.6	6.2	5.4	5.4
West North Central	10,834.7	10,872.8	10,846.7	10,899.0	473.6	528.5	434.5	459.5	4.4	4.9	4.0	4.2
West	35,201.9	35,786.6	35,091.7	35,751.3	1,620.2	2,003.2	1,545.9	1,858.9	4.6	5.6	4.4	5.2
Mountain	10,808.1	11,064.3	10,795.7	11,043.7	385.2	474.8	361.8	432.3	3.6	4.3	3.4	3.9
Pacific	24,393.9	24,722.3	24,296.0	24,707.6	1,235.0	1,528.4	1,184.2	1,426.6	5.1	6.2	4.9	5.8

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

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. The composition of the regions

and divisions is described in table 1. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April 2007	Feb. 2008	March 2008	April 2008P	April 2007	Feb. 2008	March 2008	April 2008P	April 2007	Feb. 2008	March 2008	April 2008P
Alabama	2,178.2	2,200.7	2,204.6	2,204.9	74.8	82.0	90.9	89.2	3.4	3.7	4.1	4.0
Alaska	351.4	353.8	356.6	358.5	21.2	23.0	23.8	24.0	6.0	6.5	6.7	6.7
Arizona	3,011.6	3,072.4	3,076.6	3,063.9	111.7	123.9	123.6	118.9	3.7	4.0	4.0	3.9
Arkansas	1,367.3	1,362.9	1,368.8	1,372.6	72.7	68.4	66.5	64.5	5.3	5.0	4.9	4.7
California	18,137.9	18,265.5	18,332.1	18,384.2	945.3	1,048.9	1,138.4	1,137.2	5.2	5.7	6.2	6.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,902.1	4,953.7	4,965.5	4,969.4	239.8	262.7	289.9	295.5	4.9	5.3	5.8	5.9
Colorado	2,684.9	2,757.9	2,767.3	2,766.7	96.9	121.0	121.4	120.5	3.6	4.4	4.4	4.4
Connecticut	1,857.7	1,885.3	1,885.2	1,878.0	82.3	93.9	100.7	87.9	4.4	5.0	5.3	4.7
Delaware	442.3	444.5	445.3	446.8	15.3	16.6	16.6	16.6	3.4	3.7	3.7	3.7
District of Columbia	326.0	331.5	333.5	332.6	18.4	19.5	20.5	20.1	5.7	5.9	6.1	6.0
Florida	9,111.1	9,214.4	9,216.3	9,228.4	345.4	425.7	454.6	455.7	3.8	4.6	4.9	4.9
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,187.9	1,198.4	1,197.2	1,208.5	44.5	47.7	48.6	57.2	3.7	4.0	4.1	4.7
Georgia	4,796.8	4,858.5	4,887.8	4,902.0	208.1	249.0	257.7	258.9	4.3	5.1	5.3	5.3
Hawaii	649.9	650.3	658.1	662.8	16.1	20.9	20.4	21.8	2.5	3.2	3.1	3.3
Idaho	752.1	755.3	756.2	753.1	20.6	21.5	22.3	23.0	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.1
Illinois	6,669.2	6,803.6	6,807.7	6,813.7	322.5	372.9	371.3	369.9	4.8	5.5	5.5	5.4
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	4,101.5	4,187.7	4,184.2	4,194.5	196.1	225.9	225.2	221.4	4.8	5.4	5.4	5.3
Indiana	3,212.5	3,225.5	3,227.9	3,218.5	147.5	148.4	165.0	152.9	4.6	4.6	5.1	4.7
Iowa	1,657.5	1,669.2	1,672.8	1,675.4	62.1	58.3	57.6	58.9	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.5
Kansas	1,477.0	1,481.0	1,487.2	1,484.8	60.5	55.5	60.8	58.9	4.1	3.7	4.1	4.0
Kentucky	2,043.7	2,044.7	2,039.9	2,045.4	113.3	107.5	115.7	115.4	5.5	5.3	5.7	5.6
Louisiana	1,995.7	2,008.0	2,017.1	2,019.3	80.6	75.2	91.3	82.1	4.0	3.7	4.5	4.1
Maine	703.6	706.4	707.9	708.7	32.9	33.6	35.7	33.6	4.7	4.8	5.0	4.7
Maryland	2,972.6	2,993.9	2,998.7	3,005.5	104.9	102.5	108.0	109.8	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.7
Massachusetts	3,410.8	3,408.9	3,410.8	3,404.3	156.3	151.6	149.8	140.9	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.1
Michigan	5,031.4	5,001.7	4,996.3	4,981.2	357.1	357.9	359.7	345.8	7.1	7.2	6.9	6.9
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,148.4	2,136.1	2,125.2	2,113.5	162.1	158.1	163.8	157.3	7.5	7.4	7.7	7.4
Minnesota	2,924.9	2,930.2	2,937.3	2,948.1	138.3	133.0	137.7	142.4	4.7	4.5	4.7	4.8
Mississippi	1,311.0	1,320.3	1,332.6	1,336.1	83.9	77.3	80.1	78.7	6.4	5.9	6.0	5.9
Missouri	3,022.3	3,023.0	3,022.8	3,012.5	143.2	162.0	172.4	156.5	4.7	5.4	5.7	5.2
Montana	500.1	503.2	504.8	504.6	15.6	16.6	18.0	18.9	3.1	3.3	3.6	3.8
Nebraska	979.0	987.0	990.8	994.3	27.8	27.9	29.8	30.6	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.1
Nevada	1,325.8	1,375.3	1,384.8	1,387.3	61.5	75.9	80.1	78.9	4.6	5.5	5.8	5.7
New Hampshire	738.0	741.6	743.5	746.3	27.6	27.6	28.9	28.3	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.8
New Jersey	4,468.1	4,507.7	4,495.3	4,512.4	193.1	216.3	217.1	223.4	4.3	4.8	4.8	5.0
New Mexico	941.3	946.8	950.1	950.8	34.2	30.5	34.7	33.7	3.6	3.2	3.7	3.5
New York	9,495.0	9,535.4	9,532.0	9,579.2	419.8	424.3	453.9	453.9	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.7
New York City	3,829.4	3,837.9	3,832.3	3,867.9	184.8	158.2	173.6	183.5	4.8	4.1	4.5	4.7
North Carolina	4,507.6	4,533.1	4,544.1	4,555.3	212.9	226.3	237.0	244.9	4.7	5.0	5.2	5.4
North Dakota	364.9	368.2	370.1	370.6	11.8	11.5	11.5	11.4	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1
Ohio	5,976.6	5,975.1	5,989.5	5,996.8	336.9	316.3	344.7	334.8	5.6	5.3	5.8	5.6
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,095.9	1,084.8	1,084.0	1,094.3	63.3	62.7	65.6	70.3	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.4
Oklahoma	1,732.8	1,716.7	1,721.7	1,723.9	76.2	53.0	53.1	55.5	4.4	3.1	3.1	3.2
Oregon	1,920.6	1,941.4	1,952.7	1,949.1	96.7	105.2	109.7	106.8	5.0	5.4	5.6	5.5
Pennsylvania	6,275.1	6,346.1	6,324.5	6,369.5	270.8	314.5	308.8	318.4	4.3	5.0	4.9	5.0
Rhode Island	575.9	571.2	572.8	573.1	28.5	33.5	35.1	34.8	5.0	5.9	6.1	6.1
South Carolina	2,126.3	2,127.4	2,140.7	2,139.0	121.3	116.0	122.2	125.5	5.7	5.5	5.7	5.9
South Dakota	441.4	444.3	444.7	445.8	13.5	11.4	11.0	11.7	3.1	2.6	2.5	2.6
Tennessee	3,021.1	3,054.2	3,055.5	3,068.5	135.4	162.9	169.5	165.1	4.5	5.3	5.5	5.4
Texas	11,461.0	11,561.9	11,632.8	11,675.5	502.9	479.0	494.5	481.5	4.4	4.1	4.3	4.1
Utah	1,351.2	1,390.9	1,394.0	1,384.8	34.4	41.1	46.2	42.7	2.5	3.0	3.3	3.1
Vermont	354.6	352.6	352.0	352.1	14.5	15.1	16.1	15.7	4.1	4.3	4.6	4.5
Virginia	4,038.8	4,090.8	4,114.7	4,117.2	119.0	143.2	153.5	144.2	2.9	3.5	3.7	3.5
Washington	3,388.9	3,455.6	3,465.8	3,468.1	150.2	155.6	166.3	163.0	4.4	4.5	4.8	4.7
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,431.6	1,455.4	1,445.9	1,453.3	54.8	52.1	53.1	50.5	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.5
West Virginia	807.7	811.7	814.3	818.4	36.3	37.1	38.1	41.3	4.5	4.6	4.7	5.0
Wisconsin	3,094.0	3,100.5	3,105.4	3,095.8	157.5	152.2	150.2	132.6	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.3
Wyoming	286.9	291.4	292.5	291.0	8.7	7.7	9.0	7.5	3.0	2.7	3.1	2.6
Puerto Rico	1,408.7	1,374.9	1,355.8	1,355.5	143.4	154.1	133.2	141.1	10.2	11.2	9.8	10.4

P = preliminary.

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

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**LABOR FORCE DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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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			
	March		April		March		April		March		April	
	2007	2008	2007	2008P	2007	2008	2007	2008P	2007	2008	2007	2008P
Alabama	2,168.6	2,190.0	2,159.7	2,186.8	69.7	88.5	59.8	76.1	3.2	4.0	2.8	3.5
Alaska	347.8	352.8	346.3	354.1	23.1	26.0	21.9	25.1	6.6	7.4	6.3	7.1
Arizona	3,011.6	3,066.4	3,001.7	3,053.9	104.8	119.8	101.3	111.2	3.5	3.9	3.4	3.6
Arkansas	1,365.3	1,364.4	1,367.3	1,374.2	71.2	68.2	69.9	62.3	5.2	5.0	5.0	4.5
California	18,092.2	18,302.9	18,025.8	18,300.9	930.0	1,181.0	905.7	1,113.1	5.1	6.5	5.0	6.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,887.6	4,961.9	4,869.9	4,944.4	229.9	286.9	222.2	282.0	4.7	5.8	4.6	5.7
Colorado	2,665.0	2,745.0	2,661.1	2,743.2	102.0	129.8	90.5	116.8	3.8	4.7	3.4	4.3
Connecticut	1,849.1	1,874.7	1,847.0	1,866.9	80.7	103.8	77.3	84.4	4.4	5.5	4.2	4.5
Delaware	442.6	444.8	441.7	446.1	15.5	17.5	15.1	16.7	3.5	3.9	3.4	3.8
District of Columbia	324.0	332.8	324.0	329.7	17.4	21.3	16.5	17.7	5.4	6.4	5.1	5.4
Florida	9,108.2	9,186.3	9,074.0	9,181.6	312.3	437.3	315.2	431.1	3.4	4.8	3.5	4.7
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,180.9	1,184.0	1,184.4	1,201.1	40.9	46.7	41.5	56.0	3.5	3.9	3.5	4.7
Georgia	4,792.4	4,881.2	4,776.4	4,880.1	194.5	254.3	191.1	245.2	4.1	5.2	4.0	5.0
Hawaii	653.6	659.1	650.5	664.7	15.5	19.5	15.6	21.5	2.4	3.0	2.4	3.2
Idaho	747.7	751.5	747.4	748.1	25.9	28.7	22.1	25.2	3.5	3.8	3.0	3.4
Illinois	6,627.9	6,768.7	6,632.7	6,776.5	308.8	386.1	311.9	363.5	4.7	5.7	4.7	5.4
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	4,084.0	4,171.8	4,078.7	4,173.0	178.8	229.3	190.3	223.7	4.4	5.5	4.7	5.4
Indiana	3,206.4	3,207.9	3,203.6	3,208.1	156.4	179.5	143.0	149.6	4.9	5.6	4.5	4.7
Iowa	1,651.6	1,663.0	1,653.8	1,670.4	66.9	65.3	59.9	58.8	4.1	3.9	3.6	3.5
Kansas	1,472.0	1,482.6	1,473.0	1,478.2	58.8	64.8	54.3	53.8	4.0	4.4	3.7	3.6
Kentucky	2,038.2	2,026.9	2,033.8	2,036.6	120.4	124.5	105.8	111.1	5.9	6.1	5.2	5.5
Louisiana	1,983.2	2,001.5	1,985.3	2,010.2	69.8	86.3	66.2	69.7	3.5	4.3	3.3	3.5
Maine	697.1	700.1	695.4	700.9	35.7	40.8	34.2	35.5	5.1	5.8	4.9	5.1
Maryland	2,967.3	2,982.7	2,950.3	2,981.5	103.0	109.4	96.6	103.4	3.5	3.7	3.3	3.5
Massachusetts	3,397.5	3,393.1	3,380.7	3,375.6	163.4	145.1	133.0	148.0	4.8	4.3	3.9	3.9
Michigan	5,016.6	4,967.9	4,965.4	4,914.7	366.7	390.4	335.3	326.8	7.3	7.9	6.8	6.6
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,140.7	2,114.0	2,115.7	2,080.7	158.2	171.6	147.5	143.9	7.4	8.1	7.0	6.9
Minnesota	2,914.7	2,919.6	2,915.7	2,936.6	144.4	155.9	136.9	145.2	5.0	5.3	4.7	4.9
Mississippi	1,306.2	1,326.0	1,301.6	1,329.0	81.9	79.0	76.4	73.5	6.3	6.0	5.9	5.5
Missouri	3,022.1	3,015.2	3,020.7	3,006.5	146.1	182.3	132.1	147.8	4.8	6.0	4.4	4.9
Montana	498.2	501.8	499.6	504.2	18.3	21.8	15.6	19.6	3.7	4.4	3.1	3.9
Nebraska	976.2	987.3	979.7	994.2	28.4	32.5	26.4	30.4	2.9	3.3	2.7	3.1
Nevada	1,321.6	1,381.4	1,321.9	1,384.0	58.3	80.6	59.5	78.4	4.4	5.8	4.5	5.7
New Hampshire	735.9	740.3	731.2	739.9	29.0	31.5	27.0	28.4	3.9	4.3	3.7	3.8
New Jersey	4,461.4	4,481.4	4,439.0	4,483.7	195.6	230.8	179.7	213.5	4.4	5.1	4.0	4.8
New Mexico	938.8	943.6	937.1	946.7	32.6	34.8	32.2	32.6	3.5	3.7	3.4	3.4
New York	9,469.3	9,492.9	9,418.1	9,503.9	416.5	479.5	391.5	432.7	4.4	5.1	4.2	4.6
New York City	3,837.9	3,840.0	3,812.3	3,851.6	174.8	177.8	171.0	172.8	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5
North Carolina	4,500.5	4,519.0	4,489.1	4,533.0	198.2	238.7	197.4	232.5	4.4	5.3	4.4	5.1
North Dakota	360.3	365.3	363.4	368.7	14.0	14.5	12.3	12.2	3.9	4.0	3.4	3.3
Ohio	5,929.8	5,936.8	5,938.4	5,958.2	331.5	362.4	327.2	328.9	5.6	6.1	5.5	5.5
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,086.3	1,073.3	1,089.2	1,089.7	62.0	68.1	59.1	67.9	5.7	6.3	5.4	6.2
Oklahoma	1,724.9	1,713.6	1,726.5	1,718.5	74.5	55.8	68.2	49.4	4.3	3.3	2.9	2.9
Oregon	1,914.0	1,943.5	1,910.4	1,941.4	106.5	121.6	97.0	108.3	5.6	6.3	5.1	5.6
Pennsylvania	6,245.0	6,278.1	6,210.0	6,307.6	279.8	331.2	243.4	297.4	4.5	5.3	3.9	4.7
Rhode Island	572.1	568.5	571.9	568.2	28.4	38.2	28.0	34.0	5.0	6.7	4.9	6.0
South Carolina	2,119.2	2,125.7	2,125.4	2,135.8	114.6	117.2	111.2	117.1	5.4	5.5	5.2	5.5
South Dakota	437.6	439.8	440.4	444.4	15.1	13.2	12.7	11.3	3.4	3.0	2.9	2.6
Tennessee	3,009.2	3,032.8	2,992.5	3,042.4	139.2	177.1	122.8	156.0	4.6	5.8	4.1	5.1
Texas	11,422.1	11,590.4	11,398.2	11,628.5	479.1	488.8	454.3	448.7	4.2	4.2	4.0	3.9
Utah	1,339.6	1,383.5	1,342.3	1,375.0	33.3	48.4	31.5	40.6	2.5	3.5	2.3	3.0
Vermont	354.0	350.0	351.3	348.7	15.7	18.4	16.1	17.5	4.4	5.3	4.6	5.0
Virginia	4,035.0	4,107.3	4,028.0	4,104.6	118.2	158.5	109.1	135.2	2.9	3.9	2.7	3.3
Washington	3,386.2	3,464.0	3,363.0	3,446.4	159.9	180.3	143.9	158.6	4.7	5.2	4.3	4.6
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,435.9	1,453.0	1,425.8	1,451.6	57.6	54.5	48.4	47.0	4.0	3.7	3.4	3.2
West Virginia	799.3	804.9	805.7	816.3	39.4	42.8	36.4	42.2	4.9	5.3	4.5	5.2
Wisconsin	3,075.9	3,085.1	3,070.5	3,069.9	170.9	174.0	161.1	135.1	5.6	5.6	5.2	4.4
Wyoming	285.6	291.1	284.6	288.6	10.0	10.9	9.0	7.9	3.5	3.8	3.2	2.7
Puerto Rico	1,432.1	1,361.9	1,412.1	1,355.5	143.9	125.5	137.4	131.8	10.0	9.2	9.7	9.7

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P
Alabama	1,999.9	2,015.1	2,014.8	2,013.3	111.9	114.4	115.0	114.1	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Alaska	317.4	319.4	319.5	319.9	17.8	17.1	17.3	17.0	13.0	12.4	12.3	13.2
Arizona	2,660.0	2,664.4	2,660.8	2,654.3	227.7	207.4	205.7	201.6	182.2	180.4	179.4	179.0
Arkansas	1,203.3	1,208.7	1,208.5	1,207.4	56.8	55.9	55.4	55.4	190.9	185.5	185.1	183.8
California	15,138.9	15,165.2	15,163.1	15,162.3	906.7	834.9	829.1	825.0	1,466.2	1,447.0	1,447.9	1,445.3
Colorado	2,322.5	2,352.9	2,360.4	2,364.2	167.9	163.5	165.2	166.2	146.4	144.0	143.7	143.5
Connecticut	1,689.1	1,702.7	1,699.7	1,699.3	68.1	67.7	67.8	67.8	191.0	189.1	189.9	189.6
Delaware ³	435.9	437.6	436.1	435.6	27.6	27.6	27.3	26.8	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
District of Columbia ³	692.6	701.9	699.8	700.0	12.3	12.6	12.5	12.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Florida	8,051.6	8,031.9	8,012.4	7,987.1	612.4	549.6	544.1	527.7	393.4	374.1	373.1	371.5
Georgia	4,136.4	4,181.2	4,176.4	4,162.2	223.1	222.8	220.9	219.3	433.6	425.1	423.6	419.6
Hawaii ³	619.8	627.2	630.2	624.0	38.7	40.3	40.0	39.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Idaho	652.9	653.2	653.7	654.4	52.8	50.1	49.5	49.2	66.9	63.7	63.1	62.9
Illinois	5,974.9	6,001.4	5,996.3	5,995.8	271.9	264.4	265.8	264.6	678.2	675.1	673.5	671.6
Indiana	2,981.0	2,986.5	2,986.9	2,983.8	150.8	145.6	146.6	146.7	551.2	543.9	539.8	536.5
Iowa	1,511.9	1,523.9	1,523.3	1,522.5	71.6	71.8	71.9	71.3	228.4	230.2	230.4	229.9
Kansas	1,374.9	1,384.2	1,386.7	1,383.4	64.5	65.2	63.8	63.4	184.7	187.0	187.8	186.5
Kentucky	1,863.2	1,880.5	1,881.6	1,878.2	84.9	86.3	86.1	85.7	257.9	250.4	253.3	250.7
Louisiana	1,907.2	1,939.9	1,940.3	1,940.9	131.9	137.5	136.9	136.7	157.6	159.3	158.4	158.0
Maine	613.7	617.3	618.2	614.8	30.5	30.0	30.1	29.6	59.1	58.1	58.3	58.4
Maryland ³	2,602.1	2,630.9	2,634.0	2,632.1	190.3	190.9	190.8	189.7	132.2	131.1	130.4	129.7
Massachusetts	3,267.6	3,289.7	3,293.0	3,290.6	135.1	134.8	135.1	134.2	295.8	292.7	292.8	292.6
Michigan	4,269.3	4,234.5	4,215.8	4,197.2	165.8	160.5	159.1	152.5	626.0	598.1	584.3	573.1
Minnesota	2,761.9	2,780.4	2,784.2	2,774.1	119.5	117.3	117.5	114.2	342.1	340.2	340.1	338.5
Mississippi	1,149.2	1,154.7	1,156.8	1,156.7	58.1	58.1	58.8	59.1	171.5	166.9	166.0	164.8
Missouri	2,789.0	2,801.3	2,792.8	2,792.8	146.8	149.1	147.3	147.5	301.3	292.6	288.8	290.5
Montana	442.6	450.0	451.2	450.4	32.3	32.8	32.9	32.6	20.4	20.3	20.6	20.5
Nebraska ³	958.4	970.9	970.6	970.3	49.9	51.3	50.1	50.8	100.9	101.0	100.9	100.3
Nevada	1,291.9	1,294.0	1,288.8	1,286.7	135.2	126.9	125.0	124.3	50.5	50.9	50.9	51.3
New Hampshire	643.3	653.1	655.2	656.4	27.0	27.8	27.6	27.5	77.6	77.9	78.0	78.2
New Jersey	4,067.3	4,071.9	4,071.7	4,072.7	171.1	168.9	168.0	167.2	314.0	308.7	308.3	307.1
New Mexico	840.0	848.2	851.3	849.6	59.2	59.0	59.4	59.4	37.3	35.5	35.3	35.1
New York	8,710.4	8,778.4	8,777.5	8,768.7	347.5	351.6	351.0	349.7	556.7	543.2	540.8	539.1
North Carolina	4,122.5	4,189.0	4,183.1	4,168.4	254.1	257.5	258.9	257.9	537.2	532.2	527.8	523.6
North Dakota	355.4	362.0	362.2	361.2	18.6	19.6	19.9	19.4	26.0	25.9	26.0	26.0
Ohio	5,424.7	5,420.5	5,420.1	5,408.9	224.5	223.0	223.7	220.5	775.6	767.0	758.4	758.6
Oklahoma	1,557.5	1,581.4	1,582.1	1,580.6	70.6	73.9	73.9	73.2	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Oregon	1,726.7	1,741.9	1,739.2	1,737.6	104.1	98.6	98.2	97.7	203.9	201.8	200.0	200.1
Pennsylvania	5,786.4	5,802.9	5,799.7	5,802.0	261.5	261.8	259.2	257.3	661.1	646.9	647.0	647.6
Rhode Island	493.3	487.9	485.2	484.5	21.9	20.8	21.0	20.9	51.1	49.3	48.6	48.4
South Carolina	1,936.2	1,955.9	1,951.6	1,956.1	126.1	123.5	121.3	118.5	249.9	249.2	247.8	247.1
South Dakota ³	404.8	410.6	411.0	409.6	22.6	23.3	23.6	23.5	42.1	42.1	42.5	42.7
Tennessee ³	2,789.9	2,796.6	2,796.3	2,785.0	137.3	138.7	138.8	137.7	382.8	374.5	373.6	371.5
Texas	10,292.8	10,501.6	10,539.4	10,554.8	635.0	651.9	655.2	658.2	934.3	932.6	932.0	930.3
Utah	1,246.8	1,267.4	1,272.1	1,272.8	103.8	101.8	102.0	101.0	127.1	129.5	130.1	129.5
Vermont	306.5	308.2	308.2	306.8	16.4	16.1	16.3	15.7	36.1	36.0	35.7	35.7
Virginia	3,755.3	3,771.1	3,772.0	3,771.0	241.8	237.4	237.2	236.9	280.5	273.1	272.4	276.5
Washington	2,918.6	2,969.4	2,966.5	2,962.4	206.5	206.7	207.6	206.5	291.2	297.6	297.1	296.7
West Virginia	756.1	758.9	761.4	761.2	38.9	38.0	38.4	38.3	59.3	57.9	58.0	57.7
Wisconsin	2,874.5	2,869.1	2,871.0	2,857.4	124.4	120.8	121.0	120.3	501.6	492.7	493.4	493.0
Wyoming	285.5	294.6	294.8	294.4	25.7	27.0	27.6	27.6	10.3	10.4	10.3	10.2

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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			
	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P
Alabama	393.7	399.0	397.8	397.3	99.9	100.6	100.7	100.6	219.6	224.3	224.3	224.7
Alaska	63.8	65.2	65.0	64.8	15.1	14.9	15.0	15.0	24.9	25.3	25.4	25.4
Arizona	524.5	524.8	523.8	525.1	186.6	179.3	179.2	178.2	399.2	401.1	400.5	398.5
Arkansas	249.4	249.4	250.2	249.2	53.3	53.7	53.8	53.6	116.4	118.9	118.7	118.6
California	2,908.5	2,917.6	2,909.4	2,909.1	915.6	881.4	879.5	879.4	2,253.6	2,288.2	2,286.0	2,284.6
Colorado	428.0	435.2	436.3	435.6	160.3	158.3	158.6	159.6	345.8	353.6	354.7	356.6
Connecticut	309.1	310.7	310.9	309.0	145.0	143.1	142.6	142.8	205.7	204.9	204.1	205.3
Delaware ³	82.4	83.2	82.9	82.6	45.4	45.7	45.6	45.6	60.1	59.2	59.4	58.9
District of Columbia ³	28.1	27.5	27.5	28.1	29.2	28.7	28.7	28.6	153.6	156.4	155.6	155.1
Florida	1,610.3	1,615.6	1,607.1	1,605.4	542.5	538.8	538.2	536.6	1,329.0	1,330.9	1,315.6	1,316.6
Georgia	885.0	900.0	899.5	893.6	231.9	229.0	228.9	228.3	555.7	567.0	568.1	564.4
Hawaii ³	121.5	121.0	122.2	120.3	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Idaho	131.6	131.6	131.9	132.3	32.6	32.2	32.1	32.5	82.8	82.2	82.7	82.5
Illinois	1,208.5	1,222.2	1,223.1	1,222.0	405.3	404.3	403.3	403.2	869.3	875.1	873.5	876.9
Indiana	586.6	583.9	585.2	584.4	139.2	138.2	138.5	138.6	289.2	288.4	289.0	290.7
Iowa	308.1	309.4	308.8	308.8	102.3	103.7	103.7	103.8	120.7	122.3	122.0	121.8
Kansas	262.7	263.6	264.2	263.5	74.0	74.1	73.7	73.8	143.2	146.2	146.6	146.8
Kentucky	385.4	391.6	390.8	391.1	92.9	94.7	94.4	94.1	181.3	183.6	184.9	183.5
Louisiana	380.7	383.4	384.5	383.3	97.1	97.1	96.8	96.9	199.8	202.2	202.6	203.2
Maine	125.5	126.5	126.8	125.5	33.3	32.9	32.7	33.0	53.1	54.1	54.0	54.1
Maryland ³	476.4	478.3	478.8	478.0	158.3	156.2	156.1	156.4	395.2	402.5	403.6	402.4
Massachusetts	568.9	568.6	568.9	567.2	225.6	224.3	224.1	224.4	480.6	487.3	488.6	488.0
Michigan	788.0	787.8	787.7	785.1	212.4	209.3	208.6	207.6	576.1	574.6	577.0	580.0
Minnesota	528.5	531.3	530.4	529.8	179.3	180.0	179.7	180.4	327.8	331.7	332.0	331.4
Mississippi	226.7	227.0	228.4	228.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	93.6	94.9	94.9	95.8
Missouri	549.2	550.2	549.0	550.3	166.7	166.1	165.8	164.5	335.3	342.0	340.9	340.8
Montana	91.5	93.8	94.2	93.8	21.6	21.8	21.6	21.7	40.4	41.9	42.2	42.3
Nebraska ³	204.1	206.3	206.4	206.8	68.9	69.4	69.7	70.4	103.2	107.7	108.2	107.4
Nevada	231.2	237.3	237.8	238.1	65.4	63.3	63.1	63.1	158.9	156.2	153.4	151.8
New Hampshire	141.6	141.9	142.4	142.5	38.4	38.6	38.7	38.8	64.8	67.4	67.3	68.0
New Jersey	873.9	874.2	874.7	873.3	276.4	269.2	269.4	268.8	606.6	609.5	608.9	611.7
New Mexico	143.7	146.8	147.2	147.4	35.3	35.4	35.3	35.2	108.2	108.8	109.3	109.1
New York	1,522.5	1,527.3	1,527.7	1,526.3	732.4	731.0	731.5	727.8	1,130.7	1,133.3	1,134.4	1,134.1
North Carolina	775.3	785.1	785.8	782.1	211.2	210.6	210.9	209.9	494.9	509.4	503.0	502.6
North Dakota	76.0	77.3	77.5	77.3	19.6	20.2	20.1	20.1	29.2	30.3	30.2	29.8
Ohio	1,050.4	1,050.8	1,051.6	1,048.8	303.2	300.2	301.1	301.1	665.3	667.7	668.3	667.8
Oklahoma	286.8	290.3	291.5	290.2	83.5	84.2	83.9	84.3	179.8	181.6	180.6	181.4
Oregon	339.5	343.9	342.1	342.7	107.5	105.3	105.4	105.5	197.5	200.9	200.9	199.2
Pennsylvania	1,134.0	1,131.4	1,133.0	1,130.1	332.2	331.1	330.6	330.3	702.9	711.6	711.0	713.9
Rhode Island	79.8	78.9	78.4	78.6	35.4	34.1	33.8	33.7	56.3	54.5	54.2	54.3
South Carolina	375.1	378.1	376.1	376.6	105.5	106.6	106.9	108.6	224.1	228.2	228.0	228.9
South Dakota ³	81.1	82.8	81.8	81.5	30.8	31.3	31.3	31.4	27.3	27.9	27.7	28.2
Tennessee ³	610.2	612.7	612.7	611.0	144.3	142.7	143.3	143.1	320.0	319.2	319.7	319.1
Texas	2,091.0	2,128.9	2,142.6	2,143.0	641.3	646.1	647.1	654.0	1,274.2	1,329.7	1,335.7	1,337.4
Utah	244.4	250.5	251.6	251.4	74.7	75.6	75.5	75.5	160.2	163.7	164.5	164.8
Vermont	58.8	59.2	58.8	58.4	13.3	13.2	13.3	13.3	22.3	22.3	22.3	22.4
Virginia	667.1	666.7	666.8	665.9	194.6	192.6	192.6	191.6	642.3	649.0	650.1	651.7
Washington	551.8	557.5	556.2	554.2	156.2	154.4	153.9	153.5	342.0	351.5	351.0	351.2
West Virginia	142.6	143.0	142.7	142.0	29.8	29.6	29.6	29.8	60.7	61.3	61.7	62.1
Wisconsin	546.7	545.3	544.2	539.2	162.9	162.7	163.0	164.2	275.5	279.4	279.3	273.9
Wyoming	54.4	57.1	56.8	56.5	11.3	11.6	11.6	11.7	18.1	18.7	18.7	18.8

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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			
	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008P
Alabama	207.2	209.3	209.5	209.4	172.9	175.1	174.7	174.8	375.3	379.2	379.6	379.7
Alaska	37.1	37.1	37.3	37.1	32.2	32.3	32.3	32.3	81.6	82.0	81.7	82.0
Arizona	300.5	311.1	313.0	312.2	271.1	273.8	273.4	273.1	416.7	433.5	433.1	434.6
Arkansas	153.5	156.4	156.7	157.0	98.8	100.8	100.3	100.9	209.9	212.0	212.4	212.9
California	1,650.4	1,696.9	1,703.4	1,705.2	1,551.0	1,565.7	1,567.5	1,570.8	2,487.0	2,529.6	2,529.8	2,535.2
Colorado	238.2	245.1	246.4	247.3	269.4	275.4	275.8	276.5	373.0	380.3	381.9	381.5
Connecticut	286.0	292.1	292.4	293.1	133.9	137.1	136.2	136.1	247.3	252.5	251.9	251.8
Delaware ³	57.5	59.3	59.1	59.5	41.0	39.8	39.7	39.6	61.1	60.8	60.6	61.2
District of Columbia ³	97.8	100.6	101.0	101.3	54.7	55.0	54.3	54.6	230.9	233.6	233.1	232.8
Florida	1,001.2	1,031.1	1,032.0	1,034.7	929.2	938.9	946.8	946.7	1,122.0	1,141.9	1,140.9	1,137.2
Georgia	451.9	463.1	463.0	465.1	395.4	402.9	400.5	399.6	674.1	683.0	684.4	684.7
Hawaii ³	72.9	74.3	74.3	74.5	110.3	109.3	109.3	109.0	118.2	122.9	124.1	119.8
Idaho	72.7	74.1	74.9	75.1	62.6	64.0	64.0	64.4	116.3	119.9	119.9	119.8
Illinois	775.8	788.7	788.7	790.5	529.8	529.2	529.3	528.5	849.3	855.0	853.7	853.9
Indiana	392.8	404.8	405.8	405.3	283.4	283.8	284.2	283.1	429.2	437.7	437.4	438.2
Iowa	201.4	203.9	204.0	204.0	136.7	137.1	136.4	136.2	249.0	252.4	253.2	252.8
Kansas	170.1	171.3	172.2	171.8	116.0	114.7	115.4	115.3	257.0	260.3	260.9	260.5
Kentucky	239.6	241.3	240.9	240.2	171.6	174.9	174.1	174.4	321.7	328.4	328.8	330.3
Louisiana	244.1	251.2	251.8	253.5	192.5	199.5	199.2	199.5	356.1	364.0	363.0	363.5
Maine	115.5	117.0	117.0	116.8	59.1	61.4	61.5	60.0	103.7	103.6	104.1	103.9
Maryland ³	371.6	380.1	381.3	382.6	233.3	238.7	239.3	238.6	477.1	482.7	483.3	484.2
Massachusetts	621.1	633.0	632.4	635.6	299.1	304.0	305.1	301.7	431.8	435.2	436.0	436.3
Michigan	593.0	603.7	603.3	602.3	402.2	402.2	401.9	399.9	656.9	649.4	646.3	648.8
Minnesota	424.4	433.8	436.0	436.3	246.1	248.8	249.9	248.3	413.5	417.2	418.6	416.0
Mississippi	124.9	127.3	127.4	127.2	124.6	127.1	127.4	126.5	243.1	246.0	246.3	246.9
Missouri	382.6	387.6	388.1	388.5	280.1	282.5	282.4	279.9	438.7	441.3	440.8	441.8
Montana	58.6	60.0	60.1	60.0	57.7	59.5	59.5	59.7	86.7	86.4	86.3	86.0
Nebraska ³	131.6	134.7	134.7	133.5	81.8	82.8	83.0	83.0	163.9	163.9	163.7	163.9
Nevada	90.9	94.8	94.7	94.8	338.9	340.5	339.5	337.7	156.5	159.5	159.4	160.8
New Hampshire	102.4	105.5	105.8	106.2	63.4	63.9	63.9	64.1	93.1	94.6	95.8	95.7
New Jersey	576.7	587.9	588.4	589.9	338.2	340.1	341.0	340.3	648.2	648.9	648.8	648.7
New Mexico	111.2	113.7	114.7	114.5	87.4	88.7	89.0	88.5	194.5	195.3	195.5	195.6
New York	1,594.7	1,631.3	1,631.9	1,631.2	697.1	708.9	708.1	707.9	1,495.3	1,511.0	1,511.5	1,511.8
North Carolina	511.5	525.0	527.3	527.8	389.5	400.9	399.8	396.9	691.8	702.5	703.8	702.7
North Dakota	50.4	51.4	51.6	51.6	32.5	33.6	33.4	33.2	75.4	75.3	75.1	75.2
Ohio	786.4	798.2	801.0	799.9	500.1	498.7	499.6	496.3	797.3	795.5	797.0	797.2
Oklahoma	191.0	195.8	194.8	194.9	137.5	142.6	142.3	142.0	322.0	320.6	321.4	321.0
Oregon	210.1	216.5	217.8	218.3	170.4	176.3	176.3	175.3	288.3	294.1	294.5	294.9
Pennsylvania	1,069.2	1,085.7	1,085.2	1,089.9	497.3	505.6	506.5	505.6	744.0	742.7	741.9	742.3
Rhode Island	99.0	100.6	100.2	100.1	51.2	51.0	50.8	50.9	64.6	64.4	64.3	64.0
South Carolina	199.0	205.0	205.4	206.0	215.8	219.2	220.0	221.8	334.7	340.9	340.8	342.3
South Dakota ³	59.6	60.9	61.0	60.7	42.9	43.5	43.8	43.0	75.3	75.7	76.0	75.3
Tennessee ³	347.0	355.7	355.9	355.3	274.6	278.3	279.1	275.2	420.2	422.0	420.7	419.9
Texas	1,245.2	1,278.4	1,283.2	1,286.0	973.2	1,004.7	1,010.3	1,014.5	1,725.0	1,734.8	1,740.0	1,736.5
Utah	138.9	143.6	144.0	144.4	112.9	115.7	116.4	117.3	206.1	208.0	208.6	209.3
Vermont	56.5	57.4	57.4	57.5	32.7	32.7	33.2	33.0	54.0	54.1	54.1	54.2
Virginia	413.5	422.1	423.5	423.7	343.0	350.6	349.3	345.7	683.5	692.0	693.1	692.8
Washington	344.7	354.8	354.5	354.0	278.5	289.2	288.7	287.7	532.4	539.3	538.4	539.8
West Virginia	112.8	115.5	115.5	116.1	71.2	72.7	73.6	73.4	145.5	144.7	145.5	145.4
Wisconsin	396.5	404.6	406.0	406.2	260.9	256.3	257.2	256.3	414.9	416.5	417.6	415.1
Wyoming	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	33.3	34.6	34.6	34.2	66.5	67.8	68.0	68.1

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 2007 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available. Data reflect the conversion to the 2007 version of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) as the basis for the assignment and tabulation of economic data by industry, replacing NAICS 2002. See <http://www.bls.gov/sae/saenaiics07.htm> for more details.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Total				Natural resources and mining				Construction				Manufacturing			
	March		April		March		April		March		April		March		April	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^p	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^p	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^p	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^p
Alabama	2,004.4	2,015.6	2,002.8	2,018.5	13.1	12.8	12.8	12.8	113.2	115.0	112.1	114.2	297.6	291.8	296.6	290.9
Alaska	305.8	307.2	309.8	312.0	13.3	14.4	13.5	14.7	14.9	14.1	16.0	15.2	11.8	11.6	11.0	10.8
Arizona	2,686.3	2,675.7	2,676.0	2,671.1	10.7	12.4	10.7	12.5	228.5	203.4	226.3	200.2	183.5	179.4	182.1	178.8
Arkansas	1,207.8	1,207.4	1,208.0	1,210.2	9.0	10.2	9.0	10.2	56.4	54.2	56.8	55.0	191.5	184.3	190.5	183.4
California	15,151.5	15,131.8	15,111.8	15,154.8	24.6	24.9	25.2	25.7	894.0	809.2	890.5	809.9	1,464.4	1,440.7	1,458.0	1,438.6
Colorado	2,306.3	2,347.2	2,313.7	2,357.3	23.9	27.3	24.5	27.7	160.5	159.4	164.1	163.1	146.1	143.0	145.6	142.7
Connecticut	1,671.9	1,683.8	1,689.4	1,701.3	.6	.6	.7	.7	62.4	62.6	67.1	66.6	191.8	189.6	190.7	189.4
Delaware	430.4	431.0	434.1	434.2	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	26.8	26.2	27.4	26.5	33.3	33.7	33.2	33.4
District of Columbia ..	693.1	699.0	693.1	702.3	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	12.1	12.3	12.2	12.4	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6
Florida	8,141.6	8,061.7	8,099.3	8,035.4	6.7	6.4	6.8	6.4	625.3	541.5	609.6	528.4	395.5	373.7	393.7	371.5
Georgia	4,130.9	4,161.2	4,140.4	4,166.5	12.1	11.8	12.0	11.5	221.3	218.1	221.7	218.4	434.4	422.8	433.5	419.9
Hawaii	626.6	631.8	618.2	623.5	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	38.1	39.7	38.2	39.5	15.4	15.2	15.1	15.2
Idaho	642.3	644.0	650.0	651.2	3.8	4.1	3.6	4.0	49.4	45.8	51.6	47.6	66.2	62.5	66.4	62.6
Illinois	5,903.2	5,921.1	5,960.7	5,976.3	10.0	9.4	10.1	9.7	249.8	243.3	266.5	258.4	676.8	671.7	676.9	670.7
Indiana	2,965.4	2,967.9	2,989.2	2,988.6	6.9	6.8	7.0	7.1	142.1	137.5	148.9	145.6	551.4	537.6	550.0	535.4
Iowa	1,496.4	1,507.8	1,516.7	1,528.8	2.0	1.8	2.2	2.1	63.4	63.8	69.5	70.3	227.5	228.4	227.9	229.3
Kansas	1,372.9	1,382.8	1,378.0	1,387.4	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.3	62.5	62.0	63.5	63.3	184.7	186.8	183.9	186.1
Kentucky	1,849.8	1,870.5	1,865.0	1,881.3	22.4	21.8	22.1	22.1	80.9	82.6	84.2	84.8	255.2	252.8	257.1	250.2
Louisiana	1,915.5	1,946.4	1,912.0	1,946.3	50.0	51.4	50.8	51.1	132.7	137.4	132.5	136.7	156.0	157.8	156.9	157.6
Maine	599.1	600.1	604.5	606.5	2.9	2.8	2.0	2.0	27.4	26.6	29.1	28.4	58.2	57.3	58.6	57.9
Maryland	2,586.3	2,610.7	2,597.6	2,629.1	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	186.0	184.9	188.9	187.7	132.1	129.9	131.8	129.3
Massachusetts	3,221.1	3,248.9	3,262.9	3,287.2	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	123.8	123.3	131.8	130.9	295.8	292.1	295.0	292.0
Michigan	4,234.0	4,164.6	4,262.5	4,189.8	7.0	6.6	7.3	6.9	149.7	137.2	158.1	143.8	628.3	581.5	626.9	572.6
Minnesota	2,722.2	2,738.4	2,744.3	2,763.1	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.5	106.5	99.8	110.7	106.2	337.3	335.7	338.7	335.8
Mississippi	1,148.3	1,157.4	1,153.8	1,159.2	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.6	58.4	57.7	58.0	58.5	167.2	166.0	171.7	165.1
Missouri	2,785.3	2,780.5	2,804.4	2,808.7	5.2	5.8	5.2	5.5	143.4	142.0	146.1	146.5	303.1	289.5	302.2	291.2
Montana	436.4	442.0	440.0	445.9	8.3	8.4	8.1	8.2	29.1	29.7	31.5	31.4	20.3	20.2	20.2	20.2
Nebraska	947.4	964.0	957.8	970.9	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	46.2	47.7	49.1	50.0	100.4	100.7	100.6	100.0
Nevada	1,290.7	1,286.9	1,294.1	1,288.3	11.9	12.2	11.9	12.3	134.7	122.7	134.6	123.5	50.3	50.9	50.5	51.1
New Hampshire	635.8	645.3	638.7	651.8	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	24.8	25.0	26.3	26.6	77.6	77.4	77.6	77.7
New Jersey	4,020.6	4,028.2	4,050.1	4,059.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	160.7	157.5	169.7	164.8	313.5	307.0	312.8	306.1
New Mexico	842.3	847.6	840.5	849.0	19.1	19.4	19.2	19.5	58.1	57.6	58.6	58.6	37.2	34.9	36.8	34.8
New York	8,627.9	8,697.5	8,677.6	8,739.0	5.5	5.5	5.9	6.3	318.8	323.5	337.4	338.9	554.7	538.3	553.7	536.1
North Carolina	4,117.2	4,165.3	4,126.3	4,177.9	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.0	252.0	255.3	253.3	257.6	542.5	526.3	535.5	523.8
North Dakota	352.6	358.1	356.1	361.0	4.8	5.2	4.9	5.2	16.1	16.6	17.6	18.0	25.5	25.6	25.6	25.7
Ohio	5,369.0	5,363.8	5,414.3	5,404.5	11.2	11.7	11.6	12.1	206.1	205.2	219.0	215.9	776.4	756.6	772.8	757.3
Oklahoma	1,565.2	1,581.0	1,561.0	1,588.3	44.8	50.6	44.8	51.1	70.2	73.0	70.1	73.2	150.3	150.9	149.6	150.8
Oregon	1,717.7	1,728.1	1,721.0	1,733.9	8.9	8.1	9.1	8.1	100.5	94.0	101.4	94.9	203.5	197.4	201.4	197.4
Pennsylvania	5,742.4	5,756.2	5,794.6	5,809.3	20.2	20.7	20.9	21.3	244.0	241.0	257.5	252.6	658.2	642.9	658.1	644.3
Rhode Island	485.9	477.3	493.2	483.4	.2	.2	.3	.2	20.4	18.9	21.6	20.5	51.3	48.6	51.1	48.4
South Carolina	1,939.6	1,950.7	1,944.6	1,965.1	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.5	126.7	120.7	125.6	118.3	251.4	247.7	250.7	247.9
South Dakota	396.4	403.0	401.6	407.8	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	20.0	20.8	21.5	22.8	41.9	42.2	42.1	42.6
Tennessee	2,784.0	2,784.5	2,791.9	2,793.0	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	135.0	135.8	136.6	137.4	387.1	373.4	382.9	372.2
Texas	10,301.8	10,535.7	10,303.8	10,574.6	201.4	216.1	201.4	215.1	635.2	656.1	633.7	657.9	930.3	929.2	931.5	927.5
Utah	1,238.5	1,265.1	1,247.6	1,272.2	10.8	11.3	10.9	11.4	99.3	97.2	102.1	99.1	126.6	129.2	126.6	129.0
Vermont	306.4	307.0	302.7	303.5	.8	.8	.8	.9	14.4	13.8	15.3	14.6	35.7	35.3	35.8	35.4
Virginia	3,737.1	3,753.1	3,751.3	3,769.1	11.4	10.7	11.1	10.7	237.6	232.0	240.7	234.7	280.8	271.7	280.2	276.3
Washington	2,891.4	2,940.5	2,909.8	2,951.5	7.6	7.7	7.9	7.9	199.6	200.1	202.8	202.1	287.3	293.9	288.5	294.4
West Virginia	752.0	754.5	756.6	760.9	27.9	28.5	28.2	28.7	37.2	35.2	38.7	37.8	59.2	57.7	59.0	57.6
Wisconsin	2,830.0	2,823.6	2,862.0	2,843.2	3.3	3.1	3.5	3.3	113.0	107.4	120.0	115.7	495.9	487.5	497.2	488.0
Wyoming	280.3	287.9	280.6	289.0	26.8	27.4	26.8	27.5	23.6	25.3	24.9	26.4	10.2	9.9	10.1	9.9
Puerto Rico	1,030.0	1,012.9	1,029.8	1,010.2	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	66.8	68.3	67.1	68.9	106.7	102.4	106.5	102.3

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	March		April		March		April		March		April		March		April	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Alabama	391.8	396.5	391.4	395.9	28.2	28.7	28.3	28.8	99.7	100.0	99.7	100.2	221.1	223.9	219.8	225.2
Alaska	60.4	61.3	61.7	62.8	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.8	14.7	14.6	14.8	14.8	23.9	24.2	24.3	24.5
Arizona	523.2	524.1	522.6	523.2	42.3	42.5	42.7	42.3	186.5	179.2	186.5	178.6	403.9	400.4	401.9	400.2
Arkansas	250.3	248.5	248.2	248.0	19.6	19.8	19.7	19.8	52.6	53.5	53.1	53.5	116.6	118.4	116.6	118.4
California	2,878.1	2,876.8	2,871.2	2,876.1	473.5	468.5	464.8	465.1	922.3	880.0	914.1	879.8	2,255.9	2,278.5	2,243.7	2,280.5
Colorado	422.3	430.5	422.9	430.9	75.0	75.2	75.8	75.5	160.4	158.4	160.0	159.1	338.8	347.0	344.3	354.2
Connecticut	306.6	307.4	306.1	307.2	37.7	38.8	38.0	38.8	144.1	142.1	144.1	142.6	201.6	201.5	206.0	205.9
Delaware	81.1	81.3	81.3	81.6	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.0	44.9	45.4	45.1	45.4	59.4	58.7	60.1	59.0
District of Columbia ..	27.4	27.3	27.8	27.9	22.4	21.2	21.9	21.2	29.7	28.6	29.4	28.7	152.8	154.9	153.3	155.4
Florida	1,612.6	1,607.1	1,606.8	1,603.7	161.8	160.0	162.1	157.8	546.1	537.5	543.1	538.1	1,345.8	1,323.1	1,337.7	1,320.6
Georgia	877.1	889.8	878.7	890.3	114.8	114.7	113.4	114.9	232.0	227.8	231.6	227.8	558.3	565.2	565.4	563.6
Hawaii	121.4	121.2	120.3	119.0	10.9	10.6	10.5	10.8	30.2	30.1	29.9	30.0	76.0	77.4	75.0	77.1
Idaho	130.1	129.4	130.4	130.9	10.7	11.0	10.8	11.1	32.0	31.6	32.5	32.2	80.2	80.2	82.9	82.1
Illinois	1,196.3	1,205.6	1,196.2	1,208.9	115.7	116.7	116.0	116.9	402.8	400.8	403.6	401.5	847.2	853.8	867.6	874.2
Indiana	579.9	579.0	582.1	581.1	39.5	40.5	39.6	40.5	138.1	137.7	138.6	137.9	283.5	283.1	289.8	289.1
Iowa	304.1	304.2	306.9	307.8	33.7	33.0	34.1	33.9	101.6	103.1	102.0	103.5	117.7	120.1	121.3	122.2
Kansas	261.5	261.4	261.2	261.9	41.3	40.7	41.3	40.5	73.9	73.4	73.7	73.6	141.3	144.8	143.4	147.4
Kentucky	383.2	387.4	383.1	389.0	29.6	29.8	29.9	29.9	92.4	94.1	92.9	94.2	179.6	182.0	180.4	182.2
Louisiana	382.4	385.5	379.3	382.8	29.6	26.8	28.8	26.5	97.1	96.8	96.6	96.8	201.7	203.1	200.8	204.0
Maine	121.1	121.5	121.2	121.6	11.4	11.2	11.5	11.2	33.0	32.5	33.1	32.6	51.3	52.4	52.9	54.0
Maryland	471.8	471.8	470.3	472.6	50.5	50.9	50.4	50.8	158.3	155.2	157.7	155.9	391.8	398.7	395.7	402.7
Massachusetts	558.8	558.2	561.0	559.8	87.6	89.7	88.0	89.8	223.8	222.4	224.0	222.9	467.2	476.3	480.0	487.5
Michigan	772.1	772.0	777.4	776.1	65.3	64.8	65.3	64.8	210.9	206.9	211.6	207.0	563.6	560.8	572.6	572.9
Minnesota	519.3	521.1	523.3	525.4	58.2	58.1	58.0	57.9	179.3	179.9	178.2	180.3	323.2	322.9	324.8	329.1
Mississippi	226.1	228.3	225.7	228.2	13.3	13.2	13.3	13.1	46.8	46.7	47.0	46.8	95.4	95.2	94.5	96.3
Missouri	546.0	544.2	546.7	547.9	62.9	64.3	62.6	63.9	165.6	164.9	166.2	164.3	334.8	337.9	337.6	342.1
Montana	90.2	92.2	90.6	93.0	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.6	21.6	21.4	21.5	21.4	39.3	40.8	40.3	41.9
Nebraska	201.1	204.7	202.4	205.8	19.1	19.0	19.2	19.0	68.4	69.6	68.7	70.1	102.0	106.8	103.4	107.7
Nevada	228.8	236.0	229.5	236.4	15.6	15.5	15.8	15.6	65.5	62.9	65.0	62.8	159.4	153.4	159.7	152.7
New Hampshire	138.6	139.0	139.1	140.3	12.1	12.3	12.2	12.3	38.2	38.5	38.1	38.7	63.1	65.7	64.9	68.0
New Jersey	860.6	861.9	861.6	863.2	97.5	97.6	97.1	97.9	274.3	267.7	274.8	267.7	594.0	600.5	604.8	610.7
New Mexico	143.2	145.3	142.4	145.6	15.8	16.3	14.4	15.7	35.3	35.2	35.2	35.1	108.3	108.0	108.3	108.4
New York	1,496.6	1,502.3	1,498.8	1,506.3	262.3	266.4	262.6	266.6	726.4	727.1	727.5	724.1	1,116.4	1,126.8	1,127.9	
North Carolina	770.5	776.5	770.1	776.7	72.4	72.6	72.6	72.6	209.1	208.6	210.8	209.6	490.1	499.1	494.3	502.7
North Dakota	75.1	76.3	75.9	76.9	7.6	7.5	7.6	7.6	19.5	19.9	19.5	20.0	28.8	29.6	29.0	29.6
Ohio	1,033.8	1,035.6	1,039.1	1,039.3	87.0	86.4	87.7	86.3	300.0	299.1	301.8	299.7	653.4	657.4	663.6	666.6
Oklahoma	288.3	289.1	285.0	288.7	28.6	28.8	28.6	28.8	83.5	83.7	83.2	84.2	179.7	179.8	182.9	
Oregon	333.8	336.6	334.3	338.5	35.8	35.8	35.9	36.0	107.1	104.4	106.9	105.2	195.3	197.5	196.2	198.9
Pennsylvania	1,119.8	1,118.5	1,124.3	1,120.9	106.4	105.8	106.5	105.7	330.6	328.7	330.9	329.0	688.1	702.1	701.9	712.6
Rhode Island	78.2	76.8	78.9	77.3	10.5	10.8	10.5	10.9	35.2	33.7	35.3	33.5	54.3	52.3	56.4	54.3
South Carolina	373.9	375.4	373.5	376.2	27.4	27.5	27.6	27.7	105.0	106.5	105.4	108.0	224.2	224.9	225.1	228.4
South Dakota	79.5	80.0	80.3	81.0	7.0	7.1	7.3	7.2	30.7	31.4	30.6	31.5	26.6	27.3	27.4	28.2
Tennessee	607.1	608.2	607.0	607.7	49.2	49.2	49.5	49.5	143.8	142.6	143.8	142.6	316.0	316.9	318.2	318.6
Texas	2,085.0	2,127.2	2,075.5	2,129.7	220.7	220.8	219.1	220.7	639.8	644.9	639.4	652.7	1,276.9	1,329.0	1,274.6	1,338.3
Utah	241.8	248.6	241.8	248.7	32.2	31.7	32.3	31.9	74.6	75.1	74.8	75.1	156.4	161.5	159.6	164.4
Vermont	58.0	57.7	57.7	57.5	5.9	6.0	5.9	6.0	13.2	13.2	13.1	13.1	21.6	21.7	22.1	22.2
Virginia	658.5	658.9	657.5	659.2	90.7	90.0	90.6	90.0	194.7	191.4	194.0	190.6	638.2	647.0	641.2	649.2
Washington	541.9	546.3	544.2	546.8	101.0	103.8	101.5	103.3	155.2	152.8	155.6	152.8	339.9	346.8	340.9	349.5
West Virginia	141.6	140.5	141.5	140.9	11.2	11.3	11.3	11.4	29.6	29.6	29.8	29.8	59.7	61.2	60.8	62.0
Wisconsin	536.3	532.6	538.4	532.4	49.4	49.5	49.5	49.4	161.5	162.1	162.2	163.3	269.2	270.4	275.7	272.0
Wyoming	53.8	55.4	53.3	55.3	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	11.1	11.5	11.2	11.6	17.5	18.1	17.9	18.5
Puerto Rico	182.1	176.1	180.9	174.4	22.6	22.1	22.7	22.0	48.4	48.1	48.3	47.8	109.2	104.1	109.0	102.8

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

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	March		April		March		April		March		April		March		April	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Alabama	207.5	209.5	207.8	210.2	172.9	173.6	174.5	176.4	81.4	80.5	81.2	80.6	377.9	383.3	378.6	383.3
Alaska	37.3	37.4	37.3	37.3	27.9	28.2	29.2	29.3	11.5	11.5	11.4	11.5	83.2	83.1	83.8	84.3
Arizona	302.8	314.0	301.5	313.4	278.4	279.1	278.0	280.2	99.6	98.0	97.2	97.4	426.9	443.2	426.5	444.3
Arkansas	153.9	157.3	154.3	157.7	97.8	99.3	100.1	101.8	45.5	45.5	45.3	45.8	214.6	216.4	214.4	216.6
California	1,672.0	1,715.4	1,662.2	1,718.8	1,534.7	1,552.2	1,548.3	1,569.0	510.8	516.9	508.9	518.0	2,521.2	2,568.7	2,524.9	2,573.3
Colorado	238.4	246.8	238.9	247.9	270.0	277.5	266.6	274.5	92.9	94.9	92.5	94.3	378.0	387.2	378.5	387.4
Connecticut	285.2	292.2	289.2	295.7	126.5	129.2	131.3	133.7	63.6	63.6	63.9	63.9	251.8	256.2	252.3	256.8
Delaware	57.4	59.4	57.6	59.8	38.0	36.9	39.7	38.3	20.3	20.6	20.3	20.7	62.4	62.0	62.5	62.5
District of Columbia ..	102.4	104.3	101.2	104.8	54.5	54.3	55.4	55.7	61.9	64.0	62.2	64.2	228.2	230.5	228.0	230.4
Florida	1,003.2	1,033.6	1,004.7	1,036.7	957.2	971.1	952.7	969.3	346.8	348.5	343.2	346.5	1,140.6	1,159.2	1,138.9	1,156.4
Georgia	449.1	462.9	453.6	466.0	391.6	396.6	399.7	403.4	159.0	160.3	160.6	161.1	681.2	691.2	679.2	689.6
Hawaii	72.9	74.5	72.9	74.6	110.4	109.2	110.1	108.7	26.4	27.0	26.3	27.0	124.9	126.9	119.9	121.6
Idaho	72.8	75.4	72.9	75.5	60.7	62.3	61.4	63.2	19.2	19.6	19.3	19.8	117.2	122.1	118.2	122.2
Illinois	777.4	789.5	777.7	791.4	509.4	509.2	527.2	525.9	258.4	256.9	258.1	256.3	859.4	864.2	860.8	862.4
Indiana	393.6	408.9	396.6	409.1	275.1	275.0	283.2	281.6	111.3	112.4	112.2	112.8	444.0	449.4	441.2	448.4
Iowa	205.5	207.1	204.5	207.1	130.2	130.8	136.6	136.3	57.1	57.7	57.6	58.2	253.6	257.8	254.1	258.1
Kansas	170.1	172.4	170.6	172.6	113.0	113.0	116.4	115.3	52.2	52.0	52.6	52.3	263.4	267.1	262.2	265.1
Kentucky	240.5	241.0	239.7	240.8	166.9	170.1	173.8	176.8	75.5	76.4	75.9	76.3	323.6	332.5	325.9	335.0
Louisiana	244.6	253.3	246.0	254.7	193.2	198.5	193.0	200.1	68.7	68.8	68.5	69.1	359.5	367.0	358.8	366.9
Maine	116.6	117.6	116.3	117.7	50.8	51.5	53.6	54.8	19.4	19.5	19.7	19.7	107.0	106.5	106.6	106.6
Maryland	372.8	382.2	372.6	383.6	221.4	227.2	229.7	235.0	117.4	118.9	117.0	119.6	484.2	491.0	483.5	491.9
Massachusetts	624.7	640.1	630.3	644.3	279.8	282.4	291.1	293.4	117.4	117.1	118.2	118.0	440.8	445.9	442.0	447.1
Michigan	594.2	605.1	595.4	606.2	384.6	382.2	396.5	394.4	175.3	174.9	175.4	175.2	683.0	672.6	676.0	669.9
Minnesota	422.9	437.3	425.9	439.1	234.0	236.9	241.5	243.9	116.3	115.0	116.7	116.0	419.6	426.1	420.9	423.9
Mississippi	125.9	128.2	125.9	128.7	123.6	126.7	125.2	127.0	37.4	37.9	37.1	37.9	244.8	248.0	245.8	248.0
Missouri	383.2	388.3	384.2	390.3	271.7	271.7	282.5	281.9	120.3	119.0	120.5	119.9	449.1	452.9	450.6	455.2
Montana	59.0	60.3	58.9	60.2	54.9	57.0	55.9	57.7	17.2	17.2	17.3	17.3	89.0	87.2	88.1	87.0
Nebraska	132.1	134.7	131.7	133.8	79.2	80.8	82.1	83.3	34.7	35.0	34.9	35.1	164.2	165.0	165.7	166.1
Nevada	91.6	95.1	91.2	95.2	338.4	338.4	339.4	337.5	36.0	36.8	36.4	36.6	158.5	163.0	160.1	164.6
New Hampshire	102.9	106.3	102.7	106.7	59.2	59.3	58.7	59.8	21.6	21.9	21.5	21.9	96.7	98.8	96.5	98.7
New Jersey	580.1	590.4	577.3	591.5	318.2	321.2	327.8	330.6	160.3	163.4	163.4	165.4	659.8	659.4	659.2	660.2
New Mexico	111.8	115.9	112.5	116.0	86.9	87.3	87.6	88.2	28.9	29.1	28.7	28.9	197.7	198.6	196.8	198.2
New York	1,616.0	1,653.1	1,616.9	1,653.4	659.8	673.1	677.3	688.1	360.3	365.7	361.7	366.6	1,511.1	1,526.1	1,509.0	1,524.7
North Carolina	509.1	527.8	512.3	529.6	381.0	387.9	388.7	396.9	177.8	184.8	176.1	183.2	705.7	719.4	705.5	718.2
North Dakota	50.3	51.5	50.3	51.5	31.7	32.4	32.1	32.8	15.2	15.5	15.2	15.6	78.0	78.0	78.4	78.1
Ohio	789.5	805.0	791.2	806.0	478.4	476.1	496.0	492.4	221.9	219.8	222.3	219.9	811.3	810.9	809.2	809.0
Oklahoma	190.0	195.4	191.3	196.0	138.9	140.6	139.3	143.2	62.7	63.1	62.6	63.9	328.2	326.0	326.7	325.5
Oregon	212.4	220.8	212.7	221.6	166.2	172.1	168.9	173.2	60.0	59.8	60.0	59.6	294.2	301.6	294.2	300.5
Pennsylvania	1,081.2	1,098.3	1,082.5	1,104.0	474.9	480.9	490.7	498.0	254.4	255.8	256.0	256.7	764.6	761.5	765.3	764.2
Rhode Island	101.0	102.2	101.3	102.1	46.7	46.0	49.5	48.9	22.8	22.5	23.0	22.4	65.3	65.3	65.3	64.9
South Carolina	199.1	206.9	199.3	207.5	211.3	215.9	219.6	224.7	74.4	73.8	73.3	74.8	341.5	346.9	339.9	347.1
South Dakota	59.5	61.4	59.8	61.1	39.7	40.2	41.1	41.4	15.7	16.0	15.7	15.9	75.8	76.6	75.8	76.1
Tennessee	347.4	355.8	347.5	356.2	268.9	272.1	276.2	277.4	104.2	103.2	104.0	104.7	425.3	427.3	426.2	428.2
Texas	1,245.2	1,284.4	1,244.6	1,287.9	960.9	1,002.2	979.7	1,020.5	351.9	356.7	352.9	358.8	1,754.5	1,769.1	1,751.4	1,765.5
Utah	139.8	145.7	140.4	146.0	113.3	117.0	113.9	117.5	35.0	35.9	35.2	35.9	208.7	211.9	210.0	213.2
Vermont	56.4	57.7	56.6	57.8	34.2	34.4	29.4	29.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	56.4	56.6	56.3	56.6
Virginia	417.7	428.5	417.2	428.2	333.7	336.9	340.7	342.7	184.5	186.3	184.8	187.0	689.3	699.7	693.3	700.5
Washington	346.9	356.7	347.6	357.1	270.5	280.5	276.0	285.1	104.7	105.9	104.8	106.2	536.8	546.0	540.0	546.3
West Virginia	113.5	116.2	113.1	116.2	69.0	70.8	72.5	55.7	56.0	55.8	56.4	147.4	147.5	147.6	147.6	
Wisconsin	396.4	406.0	396.9	407.0	246.0	242.6	254.3	249.3	136.5	136.0	137.3	135.9	422.5	426.4	427.0	426.9
Wyoming	23.0	23.5	22.9	23.7	31.3	31.9	30.5	31.5	11.6	11.7	11.6	11.6	67.4	69.2	67.4	69.0
Puerto Rico	106.9	106.5	107.1	106.0	72.6	72.7	73.1	73.1	18.5	17.5	18.7	17.3	296.2	295.1	296.4	295.6

¹ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

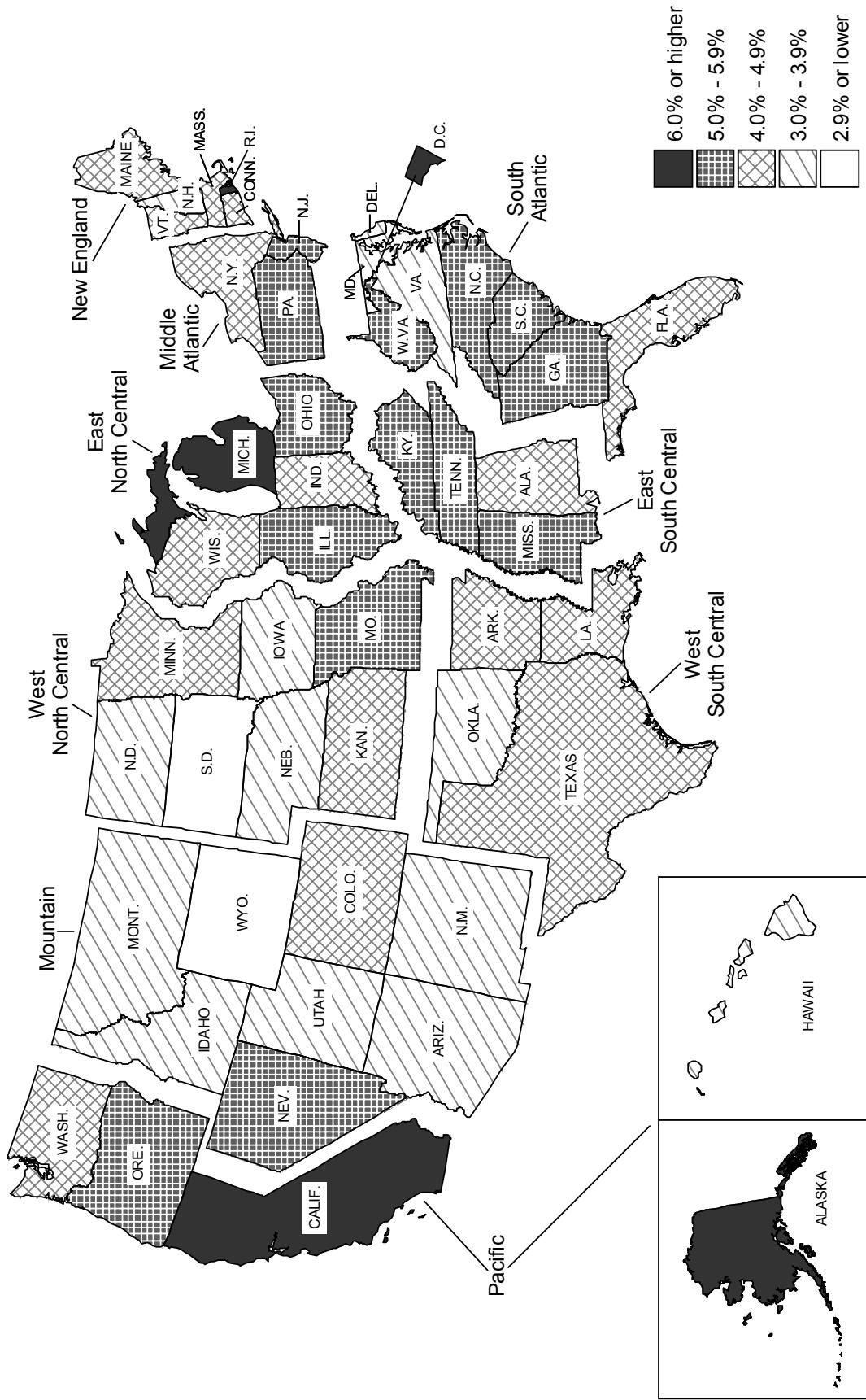
^P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from 2007 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are

provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available. Data reflect the conversion to the 2007 version of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) as the basis for the assignment and tabulation of economic data by industry, replacing NAICS 2002. For more details, see <http://www.bls.gov/sae/saenaiics07.htm>.

Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted, April 2008

(U.S. rate = 5.0 percent)



**Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state,
seasonally adjusted, April 2007 – April 2008**

