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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: MAY 2004

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in May, but down over the year. All four regions and 37 states and the District of Columbia had shifts of 0.3 percentage point or less in their unemployment rates from April, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The national jobless rate was unchanged at 5.6 percent in May. Nonfarm payroll employment rose in 36 states.

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The South again had the lowest unemployment rate among the four regions in May, 5.0 percent, while the West continued to report the highest rate, 5.7 percent. No region reported an over-the-month unemployment rate change greater than 0.2 percentage point in either direction, though all four regions had sizable over-the-year rate declines. The West and South recorded the largest over-the-year decreases (-1.0 and -0.8 percentage point, respectively), while the Northeast and Midwest experienced smaller declines (-0.6 and -0.5 point, respectively). (See table 1.)

In May, the West North Central and South Atlantic divisions continued to report the lowest unemployment rates among the nine geographic divisions, 4.4 and 4.5 percent, respectively. The Pacific division again recorded the highest rate, 6.1 percent, followed by the East North Central division, 5.9 percent. The Middle Atlantic division had the largest over-the-month rate change, -0.3 percentage point. Over the year, all nine divisions registered jobless rate declines of at least 0.4 percentage point, led by the Mountain and West South Central divisions (-1.0 percentage point each).

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In May, Hawaii reported the lowest unemployment rate, 3.0 percent, followed by North Dakota, 3.2 percent. Another seven states recorded rates below 4.0 percent. Of these nine states, three were located in the South Atlantic division and three were in the West North Central division. Alaska and Oregon were again the states with the highest jobless rates, 7.3 and 6.8 percent, respectively. The District of Columbia's rate was 7.5 percent. Six additional states reported rates of 6.0 percent or higher in May, including the two remaining states in the Pacific division, California and Washington. (See table 3 and chart 1.)

Compared with April, unemployment rates were lower in 18 states, higher in 22 states and the District of Columbia, and unchanged in 10 states. The largest over-the-month unemployment rate decreases were reported in Hawaii (-0.6 percentage point) and Oklahoma (-0.5 point). South Dakota had the largest over-

the-month rate increase (+0.6 percentage point); three other states—Mississippi, North Dakota, and Wisconsin—posted the next largest increases (+0.5 percentage point each).

Unemployment rates were down over the year in 46 states, up in 2 states and the District of Columbia, and unchanged in 2 states. Oregon posted the largest unemployment rate decline from May 2003 (-1.8 percentage points), followed by Oklahoma and Washington (-1.6 points each). Ten other states reported over-the-year jobless rate decreases of -1.0 percentage point or more, and an additional 27 states recorded declines of at least -0.5 percentage point. No state experienced an unemployment rate increase of more than 0.2 percentage point from a year earlier. The District of Columbia recorded a rate increase of 0.5 percentage point.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

From April to May, total nonfarm employment increased in 36 states, and decreased in 14 states and the District of Columbia. The largest employment gains were registered in New York (+25,400), California (+23,600), North Carolina (+13,400), Texas (+12,900), and Wisconsin (+12,100). The largest over-the-month percentage increases occurred in New Hampshire (+0.7 percent) and Delaware (+0.6 percent), followed by Arizona, Idaho, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, and Wisconsin (+0.4 percent each). The largest employment decreases were reported in Georgia (-7,800), Louisiana (-4,400), and Alabama (-3,000). West Virginia posted the largest over-the-month percentage decline in employment (-0.4 percent), followed by Nebraska and Wyoming (-0.3 percent each), and Alabama, the District of Columbia, Georgia, Louisiana, and North Dakota (-0.2 percent each). (See table 5.)

Over the year, employment increased in 44 states and the District of Columbia, decreased in 5 states, and remained unchanged in 1 state. The largest over-the-year gains in employment occurred in Florida (+171,800), California (+110,200), Virginia (+88,800), and Texas (+73,600). The largest percentage gains were reported in Nevada (+4.6 percent), Arizona (+2.7 percent), Virginia (+2.5 percent), and Florida (+2.4 percent). States with over-the-year employment decreases were Michigan (-30,100, -0.7 percent), Massachusetts (-22,100, -0.7 percent), Ohio (-19,100, -0.4 percent), Illinois (-5,400, -0.1 percent), and West Virginia (-5,000, -0.7 percent).

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for May 2004 is scheduled to be issued on June 30. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for June is scheduled to be issued on July 20.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City 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 survey reference week (the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who have a job from which they were temporarily absent, whether or not paid, for such reasons as labor-management dispute, illness, or vacation. Unemployed persons are those who did not work at all (in the reference week), have actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the survey reference week), and are currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

Method of estimation. Effective January 1996, estimates for all states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. This method utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) data. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request. Effective January 1998, estimates for census regions and divisions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component states 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 with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau and any revisions in the other data sources. In addition, data for all states, the District of Columbia, and the two large substate areas noted are adjusted annually to equal the CPS annual averages, usually effective with January estimates. The regional and state data will not sum to national totals obtained from the CPS, since the monthly state estimates are not based directly on the CPS.

Seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment of state (and Los Angeles-Long Beach and New York City) labor force levels are computed by aggregating independently seasonally adjusted employment and unemployment levels. Unemployment rates are then computed from these independently adjusted levels. Region and

division levels are calculated as the sum of the levels of the component states. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are usually made at the beginning of each calendar year, usually coincident with January estimates.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2002 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

Method of estimation. The employment data are estimated using a “link relative” technique in which a ratio (link relative) of current-month employment to that of the previous month is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are obtained by multiplying the estimates for the previous month by these ratios.

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 and administrative data and thus are subject to sampling and other

types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data 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 special estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed, in most instances, from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Measures of sampling error, in the form of standard errors for state annual average estimates derived from the CPS, are available in the annual BLS bulletin, *Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment*. Measures of nonsampling error for CPS data are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available on the BLS Web site at

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

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 for over 330 metropolitan areas 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.

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census regions and divisions, seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P
Northeast	27,410.6	27,499.9	27,492.2	27,476.4	1,598.4	1,533.5	1,492.3	1,438.1	5.8	5.6	5.4	5.2
New England	7,556.6	7,528.2	7,519.5	7,554.3	407.6	369.5	347.4	363.5	5.4	4.9	4.6	4.8
Middle Atlantic	19,854.0	19,971.7	19,972.7	19,922.2	1,190.8	1,164.0	1,144.9	1,074.6	6.0	5.8	5.7	5.4
South	51,197.6	51,612.7	51,708.0	51,688.3	2,989.5	2,629.7	2,620.5	2,592.7	5.8	5.1	5.1	5.0
South Atlantic	26,963.3	27,249.9	27,306.5	27,308.4	1,424.1	1,248.8	1,246.7	1,228.5	5.3	4.6	4.6	4.5
East South Central	8,319.7	8,379.7	8,393.3	8,393.2	500.9	440.7	442.1	448.4	6.0	5.3	5.3	5.3
West South Central	15,914.6	15,983.1	16,008.2	15,986.7	1,064.5	940.1	931.7	915.8	6.7	5.9	5.8	5.7
Midwest	34,270.7	34,420.9	34,357.0	34,409.2	2,011.7	1,884.7	1,791.5	1,868.7	5.9	5.5	5.2	5.4
East North Central	23,541.0	23,619.6	23,562.0	23,584.3	1,477.8	1,399.1	1,339.2	1,387.8	6.3	5.9	5.7	5.9
West North Central	10,729.7	10,801.3	10,794.9	10,824.9	533.9	485.6	452.3	480.9	5.0	4.5	4.2	4.4
West	33,203.8	33,560.3	33,670.5	33,678.3	2,209.0	2,007.3	1,966.8	1,935.9	6.7	6.0	5.8	5.7
Mountain	9,825.0	9,974.6	10,010.4	10,017.3	570.2	478.9	491.3	481.2	5.8	4.8	4.9	4.8
Pacific	23,378.7	23,585.7	23,660.2	23,661.0	1,638.8	1,528.5	1,475.5	1,454.7	7.0	6.5	6.2	6.1

¹ These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates.

P = preliminary.

NOTE: 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. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census regions and divisions, not seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Northeast	27,206.3	27,262.5	27,302.6	27,367.6	1,552.3	1,429.1	1,543.1	1,382.6	5.7	5.2	5.7	5.1
New England	7,496.5	7,455.6	7,524.9	7,522.4	410.6	344.6	395.1	351.2	5.5	4.6	5.3	4.7
Middle Atlantic	19,709.8	19,806.9	19,777.7	19,845.1	1,141.7	1,084.4	1,148.0	1,031.4	5.8	5.5	5.8	5.2
South	50,851.7	51,446.1	51,185.4	51,688.8	2,819.3	2,458.7	2,886.1	2,498.2	5.5	4.8	5.6	4.8
South Atlantic	26,777.1	27,167.2	26,993.2	27,344.4	1,355.6	1,169.5	1,384.1	1,191.5	5.1	4.3	5.1	4.4
East South Central	8,264.4	8,342.7	8,309.2	8,382.8	477.9	418.5	473.7	421.6	5.8	5.0	5.7	5.0
West South Central	15,810.2	15,936.3	15,883.0	15,961.5	985.9	870.7	1,028.3	885.2	6.2	5.5	6.5	5.5
Midwest	34,056.3	34,170.4	34,250.2	34,389.0	2,011.6	1,788.5	1,900.9	1,759.6	5.9	5.2	5.6	5.1
East North Central	23,340.6	23,388.8	23,526.1	23,569.2	1,474.7	1,329.6	1,408.9	1,319.8	6.3	5.7	6.0	5.6
West North Central	10,715.6	10,781.6	10,724.1	10,819.8	536.8	458.9	492.0	439.8	5.0	4.3	4.6	4.1
West	32,988.0	33,464.0	33,056.4	33,530.3	2,182.2	1,936.3	2,112.9	1,839.7	6.6	5.8	6.4	5.5
Mountain	9,736.7	9,940.8	9,803.9	9,996.8	555.2	479.7	553.2	464.4	5.7	4.8	5.6	4.6
Pacific	23,251.3	23,523.2	23,252.5	23,533.4	1,627.0	1,456.6	1,559.7	1,375.3	7.0	6.2	6.7	5.8

¹ These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates. The composition of the regions and divisions is described in table 1.

P = preliminary.

NOTE: All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004p	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004p	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004p
Alabama	2,143.5	2,161.0	2,164.6	2,159.1	124.6	127.7	125.3	126.6	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.9
Alaska	330.4	342.6	343.8	344.5	26.3	24.2	24.5	25.1	7.9	7.1	7.1	7.3
Arizona	2,690.8	2,751.0	2,763.8	2,754.6	159.8	135.5	148.2	140.6	5.9	4.9	5.4	5.1
Arkansas	1,265.5	1,310.9	1,316.9	1,319.7	78.8	71.1	73.4	76.2	6.2	5.4	5.6	5.8
California	17,440.5	17,560.4	17,572.3	17,598.5	1,187.3	1,150.5	1,097.6	1,087.1	6.8	6.6	6.2	6.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,800.5	4,773.0	4,814.9	4,822.2	338.9	306.9	312.6	313.4	7.1	6.4	6.5	6.5
Colorado	2,476.6	2,485.6	2,504.6	2,515.8	152.3	121.2	127.3	123.1	6.2	4.9	5.1	4.9
Connecticut	1,803.0	1,786.7	1,782.0	1,797.8	98.2	87.6	81.3	83.5	5.4	4.9	4.6	4.6
Delaware	416.6	424.8	426.6	425.1	17.5	16.1	16.3	15.9	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.7
District of Columbia	303.5	304.8	303.8	299.7	21.3	21.1	22.4	22.5	7.0	6.9	7.4	7.5
Florida	8,148.3	8,316.7	8,345.4	8,332.8	429.6	403.7	391.0	375.3	5.3	4.9	4.7	4.5
Georgia	4,404.4	4,394.5	4,395.4	4,407.0	213.4	158.3	166.0	173.4	4.8	3.6	3.8	3.9
Hawaii	615.8	628.0	628.6	629.8	26.5	24.2	22.7	19.0	4.3	3.8	3.6	3.0
Idaho	692.0	702.3	698.8	700.9	38.2	32.1	29.9	32.1	5.5	4.6	4.3	4.6
Illinois	6,317.6	6,376.3	6,380.4	6,391.6	414.8	384.3	388.6	407.8	6.6	6.0	6.1	6.4
Indiana	3,185.1	3,195.2	3,180.2	3,166.8	161.3	168.1	157.3	163.1	5.1	5.3	4.9	5.1
Iowa	1,611.6	1,622.2	1,620.1	1,632.7	73.2	66.2	62.9	70.2	4.5	4.1	3.9	4.3
Kansas	1,431.1	1,463.3	1,461.4	1,463.4	76.1	69.4	68.1	68.2	5.3	4.7	4.7	4.7
Kentucky	1,953.9	1,987.6	1,987.9	1,987.3	121.2	109.9	106.4	107.1	6.2	5.5	5.4	5.4
Louisiana	2,042.1	2,024.7	2,022.3	2,024.1	137.5	111.3	119.0	124.0	6.7	5.5	5.9	6.1
Maine	690.9	693.7	695.5	700.9	34.4	33.9	29.5	28.8	5.0	4.9	4.2	4.1
Maryland	2,902.8	2,940.1	2,944.4	2,954.3	129.9	117.1	116.8	116.9	4.5	4.0	4.0	4.0
Massachusetts	3,422.2	3,402.4	3,393.4	3,408.2	197.9	174.4	162.7	177.9	5.8	5.1	4.8	5.2
Michigan	5,043.6	5,075.2	5,032.1	5,070.2	363.1	352.0	306.2	331.8	7.2	6.9	6.1	6.5
Minnesota	2,919.7	2,952.9	2,945.8	2,950.6	141.6	140.3	123.0	126.6	4.9	4.8	4.2	4.3
Mississippi	1,315.2	1,303.1	1,311.7	1,316.7	88.6	55.4	66.2	73.0	6.7	4.2	5.0	5.5
Missouri	3,021.9	3,007.4	3,010.9	3,016.3	174.6	149.9	142.5	154.2	5.8	5.0	4.7	5.1
Montana	474.2	477.8	477.1	477.3	22.4	20.1	22.1	22.2	4.7	4.2	4.6	4.7
Nebraska	974.7	983.5	985.4	988.1	39.6	35.5	34.5	36.2	4.1	3.6	3.5	3.7
Nevada	1,138.5	1,180.0	1,185.3	1,178.2	61.3	52.1	51.2	48.5	5.4	4.4	4.3	4.1
New Hampshire	715.8	725.4	726.0	726.4	30.2	29.0	28.9	29.2	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.0
New Jersey	4,368.1	4,404.4	4,421.1	4,403.2	257.5	227.2	234.1	217.0	5.9	5.2	5.3	4.9
New Mexico	894.3	901.1	903.6	906.1	56.7	50.5	50.2	49.4	6.3	5.6	5.6	5.5
New York	9,313.2	9,327.6	9,299.0	9,266.7	585.3	603.6	581.1	536.5	6.3	6.5	6.2	5.8
New York City	3,681.5	3,679.0	3,661.7	3,650.6	305.5	289.1	272.9	256.1	8.3	7.9	7.5	7.0
North Carolina	4,232.3	4,195.9	4,205.8	4,200.7	273.1	219.7	221.9	223.5	6.5	5.2	5.3	5.3
North Dakota	346.2	348.4	348.8	349.6	13.7	10.2	9.5	11.1	4.0	2.9	2.7	3.2
Ohio	5,918.8	5,863.0	5,869.0	5,841.0	363.9	338.5	343.0	327.1	6.1	5.7	5.8	5.6
Oklahoma	1,700.4	1,699.9	1,700.0	1,692.4	99.6	81.3	81.5	72.3	5.9	4.8	4.8	4.3
Oregon	1,860.6	1,870.7	1,897.5	1,882.8	159.1	134.7	127.8	128.6	8.6	7.2	6.7	6.8
Pennsylvania	6,172.7	6,239.7	6,252.5	6,252.3	348.1	333.3	329.7	321.1	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.1
Rhode Island	574.3	566.1	569.8	568.7	31.0	31.8	32.5	31.8	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.6
South Carolina	1,999.0	2,048.4	2,050.0	2,050.5	135.9	137.2	138.2	128.2	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.3
South Dakota	424.4	423.6	422.6	424.3	15.1	14.1	11.8	14.3	3.6	3.3	2.8	3.4
Tennessee	2,907.1	2,928.0	2,929.1	2,930.1	166.4	147.7	144.2	141.7	5.7	5.0	4.9	4.8
Texas	10,906.6	10,947.6	10,969.0	10,950.5	748.6	676.5	657.8	643.3	6.9	6.2	6.0	5.9
Utah	1,181.2	1,199.9	1,199.7	1,206.4	67.1	58.0	52.9	55.0	5.7	4.8	4.4	4.6
Vermont	350.4	353.9	352.8	352.3	15.8	12.7	12.5	12.3	4.5	3.6	3.5	3.5
Virginia	3,768.3	3,828.7	3,838.7	3,843.7	154.5	132.7	132.4	131.4	4.1	3.5	3.4	3.4
Washington	3,131.4	3,184.0	3,218.0	3,205.4	239.7	194.8	202.9	194.8	7.7	6.1	6.3	6.1
West Virginia	788.1	796.1	796.3	794.7	48.9	42.9	41.8	41.5	6.2	5.4	5.2	5.2
Wisconsin	3,076.4	3,109.9	3,100.3	3,114.6	174.7	158.9	144.1	158.1	5.7	5.1	4.6	5.1
Wyoming	277.4	276.9	277.6	278.1	12.3	9.3	9.5	10.2	4.4	3.4	3.4	3.7
Puerto Rico	1,406.7	1,405.7	1,396.9	1,384.6	169.3	164.6	152.4	149.1	12.0	11.7	10.9	10.8

p = preliminary.

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

Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

**LABOR FORCE DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Alabama	2,126.8	2,152.4	2,136.2	2,151.6	116.6	116.7	114.2	116.2	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.4
Alaska	323.0	336.8	330.7	345.0	26.5	24.6	25.4	24.3	8.2	7.3	7.7	7.1
Arizona	2,672.3	2,750.8	2,695.8	2,760.5	147.4	137.9	160.3	141.3	5.5	5.0	5.9	5.1
Arkansas	1,266.3	1,317.1	1,270.0	1,324.3	74.4	71.2	76.9	74.5	5.9	5.4	6.1	5.6
California	17,351.9	17,478.5	17,334.5	17,491.1	1,171.9	1,076.9	1,118.1	1,017.3	6.8	6.2	6.5	5.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,769.1	4,785.1	4,748.8	4,770.2	322.4	301.0	323.2	298.0	6.8	6.3	6.8	6.2
Colorado	2,445.5	2,477.0	2,460.9	2,500.3	154.0	128.6	144.8	115.8	6.3	5.2	5.9	4.6
Connecticut	1,794.5	1,770.1	1,802.9	1,797.2	100.5	81.3	101.0	86.3	5.6	4.6	5.6	4.8
Delaware	414.9	425.2	414.2	423.0	17.5	15.7	15.7	14.2	4.2	3.7	3.8	3.3
District of Columbia	300.2	301.3	300.5	296.7	19.4	20.2	19.6	20.8	6.4	6.7	6.5	7.0
Florida	8,076.4	8,287.6	8,151.2	8,338.6	410.3	373.0	409.1	357.2	5.1	4.5	5.0	4.3
Georgia	4,384.6	4,382.8	4,410.6	4,414.3	203.2	153.3	207.9	168.0	4.6	3.5	4.7	3.8
Hawaii	613.1	627.8	612.9	626.9	25.6	22.5	26.0	18.5	4.2	3.6	4.2	3.0
Idaho	687.2	694.9	693.7	702.6	40.9	32.3	36.7	30.6	6.0	4.7	5.3	4.4
Illinois	6,269.1	6,333.7	6,297.7	6,373.1	398.5	371.9	389.9	383.3	6.4	5.9	6.2	6.0
Indiana	3,176.7	3,176.4	3,197.4	3,178.6	164.4	159.3	155.7	157.5	5.2	5.0	4.9	5.0
Iowa	1,610.1	1,611.4	1,601.4	1,622.8	73.3	64.3	63.6	61.2	4.6	4.0	4.0	3.8
Kansas	1,424.3	1,455.8	1,424.3	1,456.2	77.7	68.1	71.7	63.8	5.5	4.7	5.0	4.4
Kentucky	1,943.3	1,977.8	1,961.9	1,995.7	120.0	104.0	118.3	104.6	6.2	5.3	6.0	5.2
Louisiana	2,028.2	2,017.5	2,040.0	2,022.0	123.3	106.9	127.3	114.1	6.1	5.3	6.2	5.6
Maine	681.6	686.7	688.2	698.0	37.8	32.7	32.9	27.2	5.5	4.8	4.8	3.9
Maryland	2,877.4	2,919.7	2,888.8	2,940.3	122.3	108.9	124.2	111.2	4.2	3.7	4.3	3.8
Massachusetts	3,399.1	3,365.1	3,406.6	3,393.2	194.0	157.0	189.3	169.4	5.7	4.7	5.6	5.0
Michigan	4,964.1	4,968.4	5,049.6	5,075.1	356.2	299.2	349.0	317.7	7.2	6.0	6.9	6.3
Minnesota	2,920.8	2,946.2	2,920.4	2,951.2	151.8	133.1	127.4	112.3	5.2	4.5	4.4	3.8
Mississippi	1,307.2	1,306.5	1,318.7	1,320.2	82.0	59.7	89.8	74.1	6.3	4.6	6.8	5.6
Missouri	3,019.6	3,014.3	3,025.5	3,019.9	165.8	137.6	164.2	143.6	5.5	4.6	5.4	4.8
Montana	473.0	476.9	476.8	479.8	21.7	21.8	20.2	20.0	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.2
Nebraska	974.0	985.4	978.0	991.4	38.5	33.5	39.9	36.6	4.0	3.4	4.1	3.7
Nevada	1,125.9	1,175.5	1,134.3	1,174.0	60.0	50.9	55.9	43.0	5.3	4.3	4.9	3.7
New Hampshire	710.4	722.1	712.8	723.3	31.8	29.9	28.4	27.3	4.5	4.1	4.0	3.8
New Jersey	4,337.6	4,394.5	4,360.6	4,395.8	247.0	220.7	246.7	206.1	5.7	5.0	5.7	4.7
New Mexico	891.0	902.1	891.4	903.1	52.6	47.4	55.9	48.6	5.9	5.3	6.3	5.4
New York	9,245.4	9,221.4	9,259.7	9,212.9	562.2	557.8	555.5	506.7	6.1	6.0	6.0	5.5
New York City	3,673.5	3,644.3	3,653.6	3,622.8	297.8	262.7	289.6	239.9	8.1	7.2	7.9	6.6
North Carolina	4,190.6	4,184.3	4,242.0	4,213.1	264.4	208.3	269.4	220.0	6.3	5.0	6.4	5.2
North Dakota	344.0	346.9	347.3	351.1	14.4	10.1	11.6	9.4	4.2	2.9	3.3	2.7
Ohio	5,877.0	5,828.7	5,921.2	5,844.7	366.1	341.3	350.1	314.1	6.2	5.9	5.9	5.4
Oklahoma	1,692.4	1,696.7	1,703.8	1,696.2	91.2	78.2	101.6	74.5	5.4	4.6	6.0	4.4
Oregon	1,855.7	1,888.9	1,850.6	1,872.8	162.5	129.8	152.1	121.7	8.8	6.9	8.2	6.5
Pennsylvania	6,126.8	6,191.0	6,157.4	6,236.5	332.5	305.9	345.7	318.5	5.4	4.9	5.6	5.1
Rhode Island	564.7	562.9	567.9	562.1	29.0	30.4	29.2	30.0	5.1	5.4	5.1	5.3
South Carolina	1,992.9	2,048.3	2,019.7	2,071.0	122.9	127.5	135.6	127.7	6.2	6.2	6.7	6.2
South Dakota	422.8	421.5	427.2	427.2	15.2	12.3	13.6	12.8	3.6	2.9	3.2	3.0
Tennessee	2,887.1	2,905.9	2,892.4	2,915.3	159.3	138.1	151.4	126.7	5.5	4.8	5.2	4.3
Texas	10,823.3	10,905.0	10,869.2	10,919.0	697.0	614.4	722.4	622.1	6.4	5.6	6.6	5.7
Utah	1,166.2	1,187.2	1,174.7	1,199.6	65.4	50.7	67.3	55.1	5.6	4.3	5.7	4.6
Vermont	346.2	348.8	346.5	348.7	17.4	13.4	14.2	11.0	5.0	3.8	4.1	3.2
Virginia	3,752.0	3,825.5	3,772.5	3,847.0	143.6	119.1	153.9	131.0	3.8	3.1	4.1	3.4
Washington	3,107.5	3,191.2	3,123.8	3,197.7	240.6	202.8	238.1	193.5	7.7	6.4	7.6	6.1
West Virginia	788.1	792.6	793.8	800.4	52.1	43.5	48.7	41.4	6.6	5.5	6.1	5.2
Wisconsin	3,053.7	3,081.6	3,060.3	3,097.8	189.6	157.9	164.1	147.2	6.2	5.1	5.4	4.8
Wyoming	275.6	276.5	276.3	277.0	13.1	10.2	12.0	9.9	4.8	3.7	4.4	3.6
Puerto Rico	1,409.4	1,404.8	1,421.3	1,399.7	173.6	154.0	171.2	151.1	12.3	11.0	12.0	10.8

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Population Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P
Alabama	1,874.7	1,879.0	1,881.2	1,878.2	98.3	102.3	101.0	100.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	299.3	303.9	302.6	302.2	17.2	16.9	16.8	17.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Arizona	2,278.2	2,326.9	2,331.7	2,340.1	174.2	188.1	188.6	190.4	173.3	173.6	173.1	172.2
Arkansas	1,142.3	1,144.9	1,146.4	1,149.2	50.7	49.9	50.2	50.5	206.1	204.0	204.2	204.5
California	14,391.0	14,461.9	14,477.6	14,501.2	787.2	809.1	811.6	814.7	1,549.7	1,525.6	1,527.5	1,527.9
Colorado	2,148.9	2,142.3	2,156.6	2,158.2	149.4	144.7	143.7	143.9	156.8	154.4	154.8	153.9
Connecticut	1,644.7	1,638.2	1,642.1	1,646.2	61.2	60.8	61.2	62.1	200.6	194.5	194.5	194.7
Delaware ³	413.3	415.4	416.4	418.8	24.2	24.8	24.6	25.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia ³	665.8	671.4	671.3	670.2	12.7	13.9	13.0	13.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Florida	7,257.0	7,389.6	7,422.0	7,428.8	443.5	463.3	466.9	464.0	388.9	386.2	387.4	389.0
Georgia	3,850.6	3,876.4	3,884.6	3,876.8	192.7	200.3	200.6	198.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Hawaii ³	565.5	573.3	577.6	577.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	570.4	579.8	581.4	583.8	36.4	37.5	37.9	37.8	61.9	61.2	61.2	61.1
Illinois	5,814.8	5,797.3	5,809.1	5,809.4	276.7	274.5	274.5	275.5	718.9	709.3	712.3	711.3
Indiana	2,894.5	2,905.1	2,910.3	2,911.9	144.8	152.0	153.0	151.9	572.9	567.6	568.7	569.5
Iowa	1,437.3	1,447.9	1,449.4	1,449.2	64.1	66.8	67.1	66.4	218.9	218.6	219.8	219.6
Kansas	1,312.9	1,315.0	1,314.5	1,318.6	62.3	63.1	62.8	62.8	173.0	172.0	171.5	170.9
Kentucky	1,780.7	1,788.1	1,789.0	1,789.0	83.6	86.5	86.6	87.5	265.6	265.8	264.1	264.4
Louisiana	1,905.5	1,910.5	1,913.5	1,909.1	118.8	118.0	116.3	117.4	156.2	155.8	157.1	155.9
Maine	604.5	607.5	607.6	609.7	30.4	30.9	30.9	31.6	63.8	61.2	61.7	61.7
Maryland ³	2,482.5	2,499.7	2,510.4	2,518.5	167.8	173.0	174.8	176.6	148.8	144.5	145.2	145.6
Massachusetts	3,195.0	3,156.2	3,163.2	3,172.9	137.2	139.1	139.4	140.7	328.0	321.6	323.2	323.7
Michigan	4,425.4	4,372.0	4,387.0	4,395.3	190.6	186.5	190.7	189.5	731.4	712.3	712.7	713.2
Minnesota	2,652.2	2,654.2	2,666.9	2,674.1	124.7	125.1	127.9	130.1	345.3	344.9	348.8	350.4
Mississippi	1,112.1	1,120.1	1,123.4	1,123.6	50.7	49.3	50.8	50.6	178.4	179.4	179.2	179.8
Missouri	2,676.6	2,695.7	2,713.8	2,713.9	133.5	137.8	137.2	138.7	310.8	313.6	315.2	316.7
Montana	399.8	403.5	404.7	405.9	23.4	23.6	24.2	24.2	19.4	18.8	19.3	19.4
Nebraska	902.5	902.3	905.1	902.5	45.7	46.1	47.2	47.1	102.4	102.0	102.1	101.2
Nevada	1,079.5	1,121.4	1,125.7	1,129.5	97.9	108.0	108.7	109.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Hampshire	614.6	620.4	620.8	625.4	28.5	28.7	29.3	29.8	80.2	77.4	77.2	77.3
New Jersey	3,969.8	4,014.4	4,025.8	4,035.3	160.4	160.0	161.7	162.6	350.9	345.2	345.5	345.0
New Mexico	773.2	785.4	786.6	789.4	46.9	48.8	48.8	49.4	36.3	36.0	36.0	36.1
New York	8,403.0	8,431.1	8,435.0	8,460.4	319.9	319.7	320.1	321.3	616.8	603.5	600.0	599.1
North Carolina	3,802.9	3,813.9	3,834.9	3,848.3	211.4	215.7	215.7	216.4	617.3	586.1	585.3	585.5
North Dakota	331.7	333.7	334.3	333.5	15.6	16.8	16.6	16.0	23.3	23.4	23.4	23.6
Ohio	5,404.7	5,385.2	5,384.5	5,385.6	231.7	231.6	231.8	231.7	851.7	828.9	828.8	827.9
Oklahoma	1,453.0	1,455.5	1,458.6	1,464.3	63.3	62.2	63.2	64.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Oregon	1,556.8	1,575.4	1,584.7	1,590.7	75.9	80.5	80.6	82.5	194.3	199.1	199.8	200.6
Pennsylvania	5,615.1	5,599.3	5,609.8	5,620.5	246.9	247.7	250.7	251.3	719.4	695.5	695.6	696.2
Rhode Island	483.2	487.6	486.0	487.5	20.5	22.6	22.6	22.2	59.0	58.3	57.6	58.2
South Carolina	1,809.4	1,829.3	1,833.7	1,832.8	111.6	113.1	113.6	114.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	377.3	379.3	381.9	382.9	19.4	19.5	19.9	19.9	37.8	38.5	38.5	38.6
Tennessee	2,662.3	2,681.4	2,689.7	2,687.3	115.4	115.9	117.3	117.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Texas	9,372.5	9,414.9	9,433.2	9,446.1	552.5	552.8	549.9	552.0	903.6	888.5	889.3	888.0
Utah	1,070.3	1,082.2	1,085.7	1,085.2	67.7	69.6	69.2	69.6	112.6	112.3	112.9	113.1
Vermont	298.5	299.1	300.9	300.6	15.2	15.8	16.1	15.8	37.8	37.0	37.2	37.0
Virginia	3,493.6	3,564.3	3,574.1	3,582.4	216.3	228.5	228.1	230.7	307.7	296.6	297.3	297.8
Washington	2,654.7	2,690.0	2,698.3	2,701.1	155.0	162.3	163.2	164.8	267.6	259.7	261.3	261.2
West Virginia	727.8	722.9	725.5	722.8	32.5	32.5	32.2	32.8	64.8	64.7	64.1	64.4
Wisconsin	2,779.6	2,797.6	2,809.1	2,821.2	124.4	129.9	128.9	126.4	507.6	503.9	508.4	511.7
Wyoming	248.7	252.7	253.2	252.5	19.3	19.5	19.2	18.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)

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

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P
Alabama	370.4	375.0	375.9	376.0	96.3	96.5	96.3	96.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	61.1	61.9	62.2	62.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	23.4	23.6	23.6	23.4
Arizona	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	159.3	161.4	160.8	161.4	317.1	324.3	325.3	326.6
Arkansas	238.1	239.6	240.0	239.4	50.0	50.8	51.0	51.1	104.1	103.7	104.4	104.6
California	2,714.3	2,743.1	2,743.1	2,747.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	2,097.8	2,148.4	2,153.7	2,160.3
Colorado	403.9	403.1	406.0	405.5	154.1	153.3	154.8	155.2	285.7	287.5	291.8	294.6
Connecticut	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	143.9	143.0	143.7	143.4	196.5	193.7	194.6	194.7
Delaware ³	78.2	79.0	79.0	78.7	45.5	44.6	45.1	45.6	59.0	60.2	60.3	60.5
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	140.8	143.9	144.7	144.2
Florida	1,460.2	1,466.0	1,467.0	1,469.8	483.6	487.9	489.4	490.2	1,244.5	1,297.0	1,310.9	1,312.4
Georgia	823.7	817.4	822.5	829.2	216.3	219.9	219.6	219.4	488.5	497.3	497.1	494.4
Hawaii ³	107.5	109.8	110.4	110.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	69.8	72.8	73.7	74.6
Illinois	1,186.9	1,181.0	1,177.7	1,179.2	402.6	403.3	404.4	405.3	765.5	755.5	767.4	767.4
Indiana	574.4	571.9	572.3	572.7	141.5	140.4	140.8	140.5	252.8	258.4	260.0	260.5
Iowa	304.1	302.1	301.7	302.0	95.0	98.3	99.4	99.9	104.8	105.5	105.8	106.4
Kansas	261.9	261.9	261.6	261.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Kentucky	370.9	372.1	372.0	371.5	85.7	87.3	87.2	86.8	154.5	154.1	154.4	153.4
Louisiana	380.5	384.1	383.7	383.5	101.2	100.3	100.0	100.3	178.9	179.4	178.5	177.9
Maine	123.0	123.7	123.0	123.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	50.1	49.8	50.2	50.4
Maryland ³	462.6	465.7	465.2	465.9	156.1	158.3	158.2	158.5	361.8	364.1	371.6	372.3
Massachusetts	575.6	566.0	564.2	567.0	225.1	222.1	221.4	222.5	438.8	427.4	433.9	433.9
Michigan	815.6	808.9	805.0	805.8	219.0	218.2	216.1	215.9	589.8	576.3	592.2	592.9
Minnesota	521.9	527.9	525.9	523.4	175.8	179.2	178.5	177.8	294.4	290.5	295.3	296.9
Mississippi	218.6	217.7	217.6	218.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Missouri	533.9	530.5	531.3	531.1	162.5	165.0	164.8	163.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Montana	84.1	85.1	85.0	84.8	19.9	20.8	20.8	20.8	32.9	32.8	33.3	33.3
Nebraska	194.2	194.1	193.1	192.4	62.1	61.4	61.5	61.9	90.1	91.8	92.3	92.1
Nevada	193.0	201.1	200.7	200.6	58.5	61.0	61.2	61.2	118.5	127.0	127.5	127.2
New Hampshire	138.0	141.2	141.4	142.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Jersey	877.9	880.4	879.3	882.9	275.4	282.4	284.1	283.6	570.9	582.2	587.9	589.1
New Mexico	135.6	135.9	136.1	136.8	33.8	34.5	34.4	34.6	88.7	89.0	88.9	88.9
New York	1,473.7	1,474.1	1,473.3	1,477.5	696.6	700.8	702.3	702.2	1,041.8	1,046.3	1,050.5	1,054.3
North Carolina	717.5	726.1	725.8	725.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	421.3	428.1	437.6	442.5
North Dakota	71.7	72.3	72.7	72.3	18.4	18.7	18.5	18.4	23.4	23.9	23.9	23.5
Ohio	1,046.1	1,042.8	1,042.3	1,043.0	311.8	314.6	313.4	313.8	610.0	606.6	610.8	612.4
Oklahoma	277.6	278.7	278.0	277.5	82.7	84.6	84.7	85.0	155.7	158.1	159.9	160.3
Oregon	314.0	314.7	316.2	317.8	98.1	98.0	98.3	98.9	169.4	172.5	177.1	177.0
Pennsylvania	1,117.4	1,113.7	1,118.7	1,120.6	338.1	339.1	338.6	338.9	598.3	596.6	600.7	602.0
Rhode Island	80.9	81.2	80.5	81.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	49.4	50.0	49.4	49.4
South Carolina	347.1	349.7	350.9	350.6	92.2	92.2	93.0	93.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	76.2	76.7	77.6	77.9	27.5	28.0	27.7	27.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	577.4	585.3	586.4	585.8	138.9	140.2	139.6	139.7	286.6	290.8	290.5	288.0
Texas	1,925.1	1,940.5	1,947.6	1,944.8	585.8	588.2	589.5	589.7	1,042.2	1,042.6	1,050.8	1,050.5
Utah	213.7	213.7	215.7	216.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	130.9	132.7	134.6	136.0
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	20.3	20.5	20.6	20.6
Virginia	634.7	651.1	653.8	655.9	186.5	192.2	192.2	191.9	545.6	570.8	570.8	575.7
Washington	509.3	519.4	521.4	521.1	152.2	157.1	157.3	157.2	289.4	298.2	300.1	301.3
West Virginia	135.6	134.3	134.9	134.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	56.1	56.8	57.0	56.3
Wisconsin	537.8	544.5	546.9	546.2	157.1	159.9	159.4	159.8	242.6	251.2	258.1	260.2
Wyoming	48.2	48.4	48.7	48.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	15.5	15.3	15.6	15.7

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P	May 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	May 2004P
Alabama	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	153.2	155.4	156.1	155.2	359.1	358.2	359.5	358.5
Alaska	32.7	34.7	34.2	34.2	29.5	30.6	30.1	30.1	81.5	81.4	81.7	80.7
Arizona	244.3	256.2	258.1	260.2	230.3	234.9	235.6	235.4	394.6	398.1	398.7	400.5
Arkansas	139.7	142.0	142.3	143.0	88.0	88.8	88.1	89.8	197.6	198.6	198.7	198.3
California	1,533.5	1,558.9	1,560.6	1,563.9	1,391.9	1,405.6	1,408.7	1,412.5	2,427.4	2,388.1	2,390.5	2,380.7
Colorado	212.4	218.6	219.1	218.3	244.3	243.6	245.9	247.2	358.6	354.8	357.2	356.6
Connecticut	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	247.0	244.1	244.6	245.6
Delaware ³	50.0	51.2	51.4	51.3	37.5	37.0	38.3	37.7	57.1	57.4	56.6	57.5
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	49.5	50.8	51.2	51.5	232.1	231.1	232.4	230.1
Florida	883.8	901.4	906.1	908.6	802.8	823.2	829.8	828.3	1,054.4	1,062.2	1,066.2	1,064.7
Georgia	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	345.2	352.0	352.5	352.6	630.3	632.5	633.3	630.4
Hawaii ³	65.0	66.6	66.5	66.9	98.8	101.2	101.8	101.9	118.8	119.4	121.6	120.3
Idaho	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	54.2	54.4	54.4	54.2	112.9	114.6	115.1	115.3
Illinois	714.8	723.0	720.6	721.1	496.7	503.7	507.6	509.9	857.1	847.8	851.0	847.4
Indiana	360.8	364.5	364.4	364.7	271.5	275.9	275.2	274.5	422.0	421.7	421.8	422.8
Iowa	1,89.0	191.7	191.1	193.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	244.9	244.9	245.0	243.8
Kansas	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	106.5	111.6	110.9	112.4	250.5	249.7	249.6	251.3
Kentucky	227.2	229.2	229.2	229.4	154.7	161.1	160.1	160.7	313.1	306.1	307.3	307.1
Louisiana	244.2	247.7	250.1	248.8	197.4	199.3	200.5	200.6	379.7	379.3	378.6	377.0
Maine	106.4	108.0	108.1	108.3	58.3	59.2	58.5	59.3	103.6	104.0	104.1	103.8
Maryland ³	338.6	344.6	346.6	347.3	218.4	223.1	226.6	228.9	463.5	460.9	460.7	460.8
Massachusetts	574.3	573.2	574.9	575.6	287.7	286.8	288.8	293.1	418.1	411.9	411.4	410.5
Michigan	541.4	546.5	550.9	549.9	399.1	401.1	397.9	403.7	687.9	676.1	675.6	677.5
Minnesota	366.2	371.4	372.5	372.3	232.6	236.2	238.7	239.9	403.2	393.9	394.1	397.6
Mississippi	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	122.1	123.5	123.2	123.8	242.4	245.1	245.9	245.4
Missouri	351.9	359.4	362.1	360.9	260.3	264.5	271.1	269.5	431.8	433.4	435.2	433.5
Montana	53.1	53.7	53.6	53.6	51.7	52.6	52.3	53.0	85.7	85.8	86.0	86.3
Nebraska	113.4	111.0	111.4	110.9	77.5	79.4	78.4	79.4	159.5	159.7	161.2	159.8
Nevada	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	302.4	307.0	309.5	310.7	135.4	137.5	137.7	138.9
New Hampshire	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	61.1	64.0	63.4	64.8	89.3	90.2	90.7	91.6
New Jersey	537.5	547.2	548.6	550.1	318.9	325.4	325.5	327.0	622.5	636.1	635.4	637.2
New Mexico	98.0	101.4	102.4	102.9	81.5	82.5	82.7	83.4	193.8	198.1	198.2	197.6
New York	1,492.6	1,519.3	1,522.1	1,527.8	642.3	654.1	653.7	657.7	1,482.6	1,485.4	1,483.1	1,485.2
North Carolina	426.4	435.2	438.8	440.3	335.3	340.1	341.8	344.1	639.8	649.5	653.1	658.6
North Dakota	47.5	47.3	47.5	47.1	29.9	29.3	29.5	29.9	75.7	75.9	75.9	76.3
Ohio	726.0	730.1	733.1	735.6	486.9	498.6	493.2	487.5	803.5	799.5	800.1	798.8
Oklahoma	175.7	176.1	176.1	178.5	126.5	126.3	126.1	126.0	293.8	292.5	293.2	293.6
Oregon	187.8	187.7	187.1	187.6	149.3	152.0	154.3	154.5	267.7	270.0	269.8	270.0
Pennsylvania	978.2	984.1	983.3	984.8	467.7	477.9	478.8	478.0	747.2	743.7	742.4	745.2
Rhode Island	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	49.0	49.9	49.8	50.4	66.1	66.8	66.6	66.7
South Carolina	176.7	184.1	184.4	186.5	192.7	201.7	198.9	198.3	327.2	330.3	330.6	329.5
South Dakota	55.3	55.4	55.5	55.9	39.5	39.7	40.4	40.7	74.2	74.7	75.0	75.1
Tennessee	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	247.3	251.9	254.1	254.0	411.9	408.3	410.5	410.8
Texas	1,116.8	1,143.2	1,145.9	1,152.8	855.9	868.7	872.6	874.4	1,652.9	1,650.8	1,653.6	1,656.9
Utah	116.6	122.1	121.0	120.8	98.5	101.9	102.1	99.0	195.7	197.2	197.6	196.3
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	51.9	51.6	51.8	51.7
Virginia	369.3	375.0	377.2	375.3	307.4	311.0	310.8	311.6	636.5	646.8	648.2	646.8
Washington	311.7	315.4	316.6	317.1	246.8	248.3	248.0	247.9	522.7	526.9	526.3	526.0
West Virginia	108.5	107.1	107.5	107.2	66.2	65.9	66.5	67.1	143.2	141.4	142.0	138.9
Wisconsin	363.9	372.7	373.2	374.6	244.8	246.6	247.4	250.9	414.8	408.0	407.1	408.5
Wyoming	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	30.5	31.2	30.7	30.9	63.3	64.4	64.4	64.1

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 2003 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Total				Natural resources and mining				Construction				Manufacturing			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Alabama	1,878.8	1,883.5	1,882.2	1,882.3	12.5	12.3	12.5	12.4	98.4	100.4	98.9	101.1	296.8	288.9	296.2	288.5
Alaska	290.2	294.2	303.7	305.2	10.2	9.8	10.4	9.9	14.6	14.7	17.3	17.8	9.2	9.5	9.2	9.4
Arizona	2,290.6	2,346.9	2,292.4	2,349.9	8.0	8.1	8.0	8.2	171.7	187.1	174.2	190.4	174.0	172.4	173.2	171.9
Arkansas	1,142.7	1,149.1	1,149.0	1,155.5	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	50.1	49.7	51.3	50.9	206.2	203.3	205.7	204.0
California	14,386.5	14,472.6	14,443.1	14,536.2	21.0	21.1	21.8	21.8	769.1	796.6	785.5	811.9	1,552.4	1,522.5	1,549.7	1,526.7
Colorado	2,138.0	2,149.9	2,145.3	2,156.7	12.8	13.2	13.1	13.5	145.6	141.2	150.4	145.3	156.9	154.3	156.6	153.9
Connecticut	1,642.2	1,639.5	1,654.3	1,653.6	.7	.8	.7	.8	59.0	60.0	62.2	63.3	201.7	194.3	200.7	194.7
Delaware	409.6	415.1	415.6	421.6	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	23.4	24.3	24.3	25.4	35.2	35.9	35.9	36.3
District of Columbia	664.0	670.6	663.8	667.3	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	12.7	12.8	12.6	13.3	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.5
Florida	7,279.7	7,455.1	7,294.4	7,456.1	7.0	7.4	7.2	7.3	437.1	463.9	441.9	462.9	389.9	386.5	389.3	388.8
Georgia	3,843.4	3,881.1	3,855.3	3,892.3	12.2	12.4	12.4	12.5	191.2	199.8	193.1	201.4	455.2	450.7	454.9	451.4
Hawaii	562.6	578.2	568.0	580.6	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	27.5	28.5	27.9	28.8	14.8	15.2	14.8	15.3
Idaho	566.1	577.7	572.3	584.6	2.7	2.7	3.1	3.1	34.6	36.3	36.7	38.5	61.8	60.1	61.5	60.3
Illinois	5,801.2	5,785.9	5,850.0	5,830.9	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.8	269.2	267.0	281.1	278.7	721.9	711.1	720.2	711.2
Indiana	2,896.1	2,911.8	2,923.5	2,934.3	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.2	141.8	149.1	147.9	154.7	572.1	573.2	569.9	569.9
Iowa	1,441.3	1,453.6	1,454.4	1,466.0	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	61.7	65.1	66.5	69.2	219.2	219.3	219.5	219.8
Kansas	1,314.1	1,319.0	1,323.3	1,328.4	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	62.2	62.7	63.6	64.2	171.4	170.8	172.7	170.7
Kentucky	1,781.4	1,790.3	1,794.5	1,798.9	18.7	18.9	18.6	19.1	82.4	85.1	84.6	87.6	264.9	263.3	265.4	263.9
Louisiana	1,909.2	1,913.9	1,916.9	1,912.7	47.4	48.3	47.7	47.6	118.1	115.7	121.0	117.7	154.3	155.7	156.7	155.8
Maine	594.9	599.2	608.1	612.6	2.0	2.0	1.8	1.9	28.5	29.6	31.3	32.3	63.3	60.9	63.9	61.2
Maryland	2,477.4	2,510.4	2,501.8	2,535.1	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	165.2	171.9	168.8	176.1	149.0	144.9	149.2	145.3
Massachusetts	3,184.6	3,158.1	3,210.6	3,187.8	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.7	133.2	135.6	140.4	142.2	328.9	322.2	328.0	322.9
Michigan	4,395.4	4,368.0	4,468.7	4,440.4	7.9	7.8	8.6	8.3	178.6	181.2	196.2	193.3	726.3	709.8	732.0	713.5
Minnesota	2,633.9	2,656.9	2,673.2	2,698.9	5.9	5.4	6.2	5.7	113.4	118.5	127.3	132.2	342.4	346.5	343.8	350.2
Mississippi	1,116.9	1,125.5	1,119.2	1,126.7	8.7	8.4	8.8	8.6	51.0	50.9	50.7	50.7	179.4	179.5	179.3	180.2
Missouri	2,693.4	2,721.4	2,705.4	2,729.6	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	131.8	133.9	134.9	137.3	312.0	314.3	311.9	315.9
Montana	396.9	400.8	403.9	407.8	5.4	6.0	5.7	6.3	22.4	23.0	24.1	24.4	18.8	18.4	19.2	18.7
Nebraska	905.0	905.5	910.0	911.7	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	44.6	46.1	47.0	48.0	102.2	101.6	102.2	101.1
Nevada	1,073.9	1,123.7	1,084.3	1,131.9	8.6	8.9	8.7	8.9	96.1	107.6	98.5	109.8	43.1	45.0	43.5	45.3
New Hampshire	608.5	616.5	617.0	625.2	.9	.9	.9	.9	27.4	28.4	29.4	30.0	80.7	77.3	80.5	77.5
New Jersey	3,956.4	4,012.2	3,992.8	4,047.0	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	156.9	159.6	162.8	164.4	352.3	344.8	352.6	345.9
New Mexico	772.8	787.0	777.8	792.1	14.1	14.8	14.3	15.1	46.1	48.2	47.3	49.3	35.8	35.5	36.0	35.6
New York	8,365.3	8,413.2	8,449.1	8,500.5	5.0	5.2	5.5	5.5	307.4	308.9	323.3	325.7	615.9	596.4	617.2	598.3
North Carolina	3,795.9	3,839.4	3,833.4	3,870.0	7.7	7.3	7.7	7.4	209.6	214.6	214.0	217.0	610.4	583.4	615.9	584.5
North Dakota	331.6	333.1	336.8	336.7	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	13.9	14.6	16.3	16.7	23.0	23.1	23.4	23.2
Ohio	5,389.7	5,370.2	5,439.4	5,408.1	11.6	12.0	11.7	12.1	223.6	223.0	233.7	232.7	847.6	827.3	851.8	826.7
Oklahoma	1,459.6	1,463.1	1,467.4	1,475.1	28.1	30.2	28.4	30.3	63.4	63.0	64.2	64.4	143.1	140.9	142.5	142.4
Oregon	1,548.9	1,576.3	1,560.0	1,593.3	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.4	72.7	77.2	74.5	80.4	191.4	196.1	191.9	198.3
Pennsylvania	5,611.0	5,615.9	5,651.2	5,657.6	17.5	17.6	17.8	17.9	239.6	244.4	251.0	254.5	718.5	692.7	718.3	694.5
Rhode Island	481.1	484.9	488.5	491.7	.2	.2	.2	.2	19.6	21.9	21.1	22.4	59.3	58.0	59.1	58.5
South Carolina	1,817.3	1,837.0	1,827.2	1,847.3	5.1	4.6	5.1	4.5	111.7	112.5	112.6	114.5	280.7	271.0	278.6	270.9
South Dakota	375.0	379.1	383.1	387.0	.9	.9	1.0	.9	18.2	18.7	20.4	20.6	37.6	38.2	37.7	38.2
Tennessee	2,663.9	2,688.3	2,672.4	2,694.8	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.4	114.3	115.7	116.7	118.1	413.7	413.1	413.4	413.3
Texas	9,385.6	9,445.5	9,414.0	9,480.1	144.7	147.3	145.9	147.7	551.0	549.1	557.9	554.4	905.1	886.7	902.5	885.8
Utah	1,069.7	1,085.8	1,070.6	1,086.5	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.9	64.5	66.2	67.4	69.0	111.7	111.9	112.3	112.6
Vermont	293.6	298.3	298.0	299.6	.9	.9	1.0	.9	13.7	14.6	15.6	15.9	37.6	36.9	37.8	37.0
Virginia	3,481.5	3,570.5	3,507.8	3,593.3	9.9	10.1	10.1	10.3	211.6	226.0	218.4	231.9	307.8	296.1	306.1	296.6
Washington	2,638.3	2,686.0	2,663.5	2,712.5	8.4	8.1	8.6	8.3	149.3	158.1	154.2	163.2	267.2	258.2	267.0	260.1
West Virginia	727.4	725.2	732.0	729.6	22.2	21.8	22.0	22.1	31.4	31.8	33.0	33.6	65.0	63.9	64.9	64.3
Wisconsin	2,761.6	2,797.2	2,796.0	2,832.4	3.5	3.4	4.0	3.6	116.1	121.5	127.8	129.1	503.9	504.0	504.6	508.7
Wyoming	243.1	247.8	250.8	255.0	17.4	19.2	17.8	19.8	18.2	18.3	19.9	19.7	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1
Puerto Rico	999.8	1,000.1	1,001.5	1,004.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	71.3	67.7	70.9	66.7	117.2	116.0	116.8	115.4

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**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			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Alabama	367.9	374.2	369.1	374.3	31.6	30.6	31.7	30.5	96.0	96.1	96.4	96.1	186.4	188.7	186.4	187.8
Alaska	58.6	59.9	62.3	63.0	6.9	6.8	7.0	6.9	14.0	14.3	14.4	14.7	22.4	22.5	23.9	23.5
Arizona	440.2	447.6	440.6	448.0	50.0	48.1	49.8	47.7	158.1	161.5	159.0	161.6	318.1	326.5	319.0	326.7
Arkansas	237.4	239.1	238.2	239.7	20.0	19.9	20.1	20.0	49.8	50.7	50.1	51.0	103.1	103.4	104.3	104.7
California	2,680.4	2,714.3	2,692.2	2,726.4	472.0	459.0	475.0	466.4	880.1	898.5	886.2	900.2	2,090.2	2,145.3	2,094.4	2,155.8
Colorado	399.5	399.7	399.5	401.9	85.0	83.3	84.9	82.7	153.4	154.7	153.2	153.8	284.4	291.2	286.4	295.7
Connecticut	301.7	303.2	304.3	305.7	39.6	39.2	39.6	39.3	142.7	142.8	143.5	142.8	197.0	193.9	197.3	194.9
Delaware	76.9	78.1	78.0	78.4	7.4	7.2	7.4	7.4	45.6	45.1	45.6	45.7	58.4	59.9	58.8	60.5
District of Columbia	27.7	27.9	27.8	27.8	24.5	24.3	24.7	24.4	31.3	31.2	31.4	31.4	139.8	144.0	140.3	143.7
Florida	1,452.2	1,462.2	1,453.5	1,464.2	169.9	169.2	170.7	170.0	481.5	490.8	483.3	492.3	1,253.9	1,313.7	1,254.6	1,313.8
Georgia	814.2	816.2	818.2	818.8	126.1	126.9	125.7	127.4	214.8	218.8	216.3	219.4	487.7	498.3	486.2	498.4
Hawaii	106.3	109.2	106.4	109.5	10.5	10.1	11.2	10.1	28.0	28.9	28.2	28.9	68.9	71.4	68.8	71.1
Idaho	114.3	115.5	115.1	116.7	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	26.5	27.2	26.8	27.4	69.4	72.7	70.1	74.4
Illinois	1,173.6	1,166.9	1,182.8	1,175.1	135.5	131.5	135.7	131.0	400.1	403.1	402.3	404.7	762.3	759.2	766.3	763.4
Indiana	570.3	567.8	573.8	571.3	40.6	40.8	41.2	40.8	140.6	140.5	142.0	140.8	252.2	258.8	254.9	261.0
Iowa	301.3	300.2	304.2	302.0	33.9	33.8	33.8	33.3	94.4	99.2	94.9	99.6	105.7	105.5	104.7	106.3
Kansas	260.0	259.8	261.4	260.5	47.4	47.6	47.1	47.5	69.6	70.9	69.8	71.2	125.0	123.6	124.6	124.1
Kentucky	367.1	370.0	369.9	371.0	30.3	30.0	30.6	30.2	85.6	87.3	86.0	86.9	153.4	153.2	154.2	153.2
Louisiana	379.7	382.6	380.0	383.3	29.2	29.1	29.7	29.2	101.1	99.7	101.3	100.2	180.9	178.4	179.3	177.4
Maine	118.0	119.7	121.0	122.3	11.3	11.0	11.2	11.1	35.0	34.7	35.0	35.0	50.1	50.3	50.6	51.0
Maryland	455.5	457.9	460.0	461.9	50.9	50.0	51.3	50.2	154.9	157.4	156.2	158.2	361.5	368.1	364.0	370.9
Massachusetts	566.4	558.7	572.1	565.2	92.0	87.4	91.8	87.2	223.5	220.7	224.0	221.6	438.5	431.7	440.1	435.2
Michigan	803.5	793.8	816.6	805.8	70.8	68.3	71.0	68.9	218.1	215.7	220.5	217.3	587.1	585.1	595.2	598.5
Minnesota	516.9	520.5	523.4	525.0	63.0	62.8	63.0	63.2	174.6	177.7	175.6	178.0	293.7	293.8	296.9	296.9
Mississippi	216.6	217.9	218.4	218.5	15.1	14.6	14.7	14.7	46.6	46.0	46.9	46.9	81.1	78.2	81.5	81.5
Missouri	530.0	529.0	531.9	530.7	67.3	66.7	66.9	66.2	162.1	164.6	162.8	164.1	304.3	305.4	302.9	309.3
Montana	82.9	83.9	84.4	84.7	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.7	19.9	20.7	20.0	20.8	32.7	33.0	33.2	33.4
Nebraska	193.0	191.8	194.4	192.8	21.4	21.0	21.4	20.8	61.8	61.4	62.1	62.1	91.2	92.3	90.8	91.9
Nevada	190.4	198.6	191.7	199.5	15.8	15.6	16.1	15.6	57.7	60.7	58.4	61.0	118.6	126.7	119.2	127.1
New Hampshire	135.3	138.8	137.1	140.8	12.1	11.5	12.1	11.4	37.0	37.6	37.2	37.7	53.9	53.8	54.3	54.0
New Jersey	867.7	870.2	875.0	875.6	102.1	101.2	102.2	101.7	273.9	282.2	274.8	283.1	571.2	584.4	573.4	586.9
New Mexico	134.2	135.1	135.4	136.5	15.9	15.3	16.1	15.4	33.5	34.3	33.7	34.6	88.5	88.5	88.7	89.0
New York	1,450.1	1,453.4	1,466.3	1,470.0	274.9	276.8	283.1	279.1	690.5	698.0	694.2	699.7	1,038.6	1,048.1	1,042.4	1,054.5
North Carolina	711.9	718.2	716.1	722.0	74.5	75.6	75.0	75.6	190.0	194.7	191.4	196.5	419.7	435.7	422.8	440.2
North Dakota	71.5	72.2	72.3	72.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	18.2	18.4	18.3	18.4	23.5	23.6	23.5	23.5
Ohio	1,036.3	1,031.3	1,043.1	1,038.9	97.6	95.0	98.1	95.0	309.5	312.4	311.6	313.7	609.2	606.3	610.4	610.6
Oklahoma	276.3	276.6	277.9	277.9	32.7	31.7	32.8	31.8	82.4	84.4	82.9	85.1	156.3	159.4	157.8	160.8
Oregon	308.6	311.1	310.9	314.5	33.7	33.4	34.0	33.1	97.7	97.5	98.0	98.3	166.9	174.3	168.7	176.0
Pennsylvania	1,104.5	1,108.1	1,113.9	1,117.2	123.6	121.5	124.0	121.8	336.1	338.0	338.2	339.6	599.7	599.0	600.9	603.7
Rhode Island	79.3	78.9	80.4	80.6	11.0	10.6	11.0	10.8	33.0	33.6	33.3	33.5	49.2	49.1	49.7	49.5
South Carolina	344.9	348.2	347.2	350.6	26.7	25.7	26.9	26.1	91.6	92.6	92.9	93.5	187.7	190.6	187.7	191.4
South Dakota	75.9	77.2	77.0	78.4	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	27.5	27.7	27.4	27.6	23.9	23.9	24.0	24.0
Tennessee	573.3	580.4	574.4	581.5	52.0	51.1	51.8	51.0	138.6	139.2	139.2	139.8	284.5	288.5	286.5	288.2
Texas	1,912.9	1,931.2	1,912.8	1,933.5	235.8	230.0	235.9	230.2	582.8	587.2	585.5	588.9	1,043.5	1,048.3	1,043.7	1,050.9
Utah	210.5	213.6	212.1	215.7	29.4	29.6	30.1	29.7	64.7	64.4	65.0	64.5	129.5	133.7	131.1	136.0
Vermont	57.0	57.0	57.6	57.5	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.6	13.0	13.1	13.2	13.2	20.0	20.3	20.6	20.8
Virginia	623.1	643.5	628.9	649.4	100.5	99.9	100.9	99.8	184.9	191.2	186.6	191.9	544.1	568.1	545.3	574.6
Washington	500.1	512.8	504.6	518.0	91.1	94.6	91.7	95.2	150.9	156.0	152.2	157.0	287.7	298.3	288.5	300.8
West Virginia	134.4	133.9	135.6	134.8	12.8	12.6	12.8	12.5	31.0	31.1	30.7	31.0	56.3	56.9	56.1	56.2
Wisconsin	528.5	539.4	536.1	545.2	49.7	48.4	49.6	48.2	155.9	158.5	157.0	159.4	243.1	255.1	243.7	257.9
Wyoming	47.2	47.7	48.2	48.4	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.1	10.0	10.5	10.1	10.6	15.2	15.4	15.7	15.8
Puerto Rico	176.6	181.4	178.4	182.8	20.8	22.1	21.0	22.3	41.5	40.8	41.5	41.1	98.0	93.5	98.3	95.7

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

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	April		May		April		May		April		May		April		May	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Alabama	187.7	188.7	187.3	188.6	154.5	157.3	156.4	157.9	83.6	82.7	84.0	82.8	363.4	363.6	363.3	362.3
Alaska	32.7	34.5	33.0	34.4	27.1	27.8	30.8	31.2	11.4	11.3	11.5	11.6	83.1	83.4	83.6	82.8
Arizona	243.8	258.3	244.5	259.5	237.1	241.4	235.7	240.1	86.2	87.2	86.6	87.6	403.4	408.7	401.8	408.2
Arkansas	139.5	143.2	139.7	143.1	88.1	89.5	90.8	92.3	40.7	40.7	41.0	41.1	201.0	202.8	200.9	201.8
California	1,545.4	1,571.5	1,547.6	1,571.3	1,391.1	1,406.0	1,405.6	1,422.4	507.5	505.2	510.8	505.2	2,477.3	2,432.6	2,474.3	2,428.1
Colorado	212.5	219.3	212.9	218.4	241.2	244.0	236.4	239.7	85.5	86.6	85.7	86.8	361.2	362.4	366.2	365.0
Connecticut	265.0	267.5	264.3	266.8	121.5	125.8	128.0	133.1	61.8	62.5	62.3	63.0	251.5	249.5	251.4	249.2
Delaware	50.1	51.6	50.2	51.7	36.6	37.1	38.8	38.8	18.1	18.0	18.5	18.5	58.2	57.8	58.6	58.9
District of Columbia	89.1	90.8	86.8	87.5	50.2	51.5	50.7	52.3	55.7	55.3	56.0	55.5	230.4	230.3	230.9	228.9
Florida	882.5	907.5	885.7	909.1	825.0	848.0	818.2	840.5	315.5	321.8	317.4	324.4	1,065.2	1,084.1	1,072.6	1,082.8
Georgia	386.0	392.0	387.9	392.8	348.4	354.5	353.1	358.8	168.8	171.4	171.1	173.2	638.8	640.1	636.4	638.2
Hawaii	64.9	66.9	65.2	67.3	98.5	101.7	98.9	101.6	24.2	24.2	24.2	24.4	119.0	122.1	122.4	123.6
Idaho	62.2	64.9	61.6	64.0	52.9	53.5	54.2	54.2	18.1	18.3	18.2	18.4	114.4	117.3	115.7	118.3
Illinois	715.7	723.5	717.9	724.3	492.3	503.0	509.2	519.4	248.8	249.0	250.3	250.1	872.2	861.9	874.6	863.2
Indiana	363.4	368.7	363.6	367.9	270.0	272.2	279.4	279.4	106.0	106.3	106.9	107.2	432.1	433.3	431.1	434.1
Iowa	192.1	194.7	190.7	194.9	124.2	126.5	129.3	129.6	56.3	56.6	56.3	58.1	250.6	250.7	252.5	251.2
Kansas	157.9	157.4	157.6	157.5	106.2	110.7	108.6	113.2	52.4	52.4	53.1	53.1	255.6	256.7	258.3	259.9
Kentucky	227.3	229.8	227.5	229.6	156.6	161.0	160.3	165.1	76.6	78.3	77.1	78.8	318.5	313.4	320.3	313.5
Louisiana	244.7	251.4	244.9	249.6	199.5	200.6	201.4	201.9	71.2	70.4	71.6	70.5	383.1	382.0	383.3	379.5
Maine	107.2	108.9	106.7	108.7	52.5	53.3	59.4	60.3	20.3	21.3	20.5	21.5	106.7	107.5	106.7	107.3
Maryland	339.0	347.7	339.9	348.0	214.2	223.2	223.7	233.8	115.4	117.1	116.1	117.9	471.8	472.2	472.6	472.8
Massachusetts	583.3	584.2	574.9	577.2	275.6	280.6	294.3	298.6	116.3	116.6	117.6	117.7	425.2	418.8	425.6	418.3
Michigan	541.0	553.8	543.4	552.1	387.1	388.2	412.2	414.6	170.9	169.5	172.2	171.3	704.1	694.8	700.8	696.8
Minnesota	368.6	376.7	370.3	376.6	225.5	233.2	237.9	245.0	118.3	117.0	118.8	117.5	413.6	404.9	413.1	408.6
Mississippi	116.0	118.5	116.3	118.1	123.8	123.9	124.6	125.4	38.0	36.8	37.7	36.5	243.7	243.9	243.9	245.6
Missouri	353.6	364.5	352.6	360.5	262.9	270.2	270.5	276.3	117.7	120.9	118.0	120.5	447.2	447.4	448.4	444.2
Montana	53.5	54.0	53.5	53.9	49.8	50.1	51.2	52.3	16.1	16.3	16.1	16.5	87.9	87.7	88.9	89.1
Nebraska	114.9	113.2	112.3	112.9	77.6	78.0	79.9	81.2	34.9	35.5	34.9	35.7	162.1	163.3	163.6	163.9
Nevada	74.9	79.2	75.3	79.6	301.8	309.4	304.7	311.5	29.8	31.6	30.2	31.9	137.1	140.4	138.0	141.7
New Hampshire	92.8	95.6	93.0	95.5	55.9	59.5	61.1	63.9	20.4	19.4	19.6	19.6	92.1	93.7	90.7	93.9
New Jersey	537.6	551.2	541.4	552.7	310.3	316.2	325.6	332.3	151.2	153.3	152.2	154.9	631.7	647.6	631.2	647.9
New Mexico	99.1	103.8	99.2	103.9	80.8	82.2	82.6	84.2	27.5	28.3	27.9	28.4	197.3	201.0	196.6	200.1
New York	1,509.1	1,541.1	1,505.7	1,539.3	624.2	636.8	655.7	669.1	348.9	349.2	352.0	352.4	1,500.7	1,499.3	1,503.7	1,506.9
North Carolina	426.7	441.6	427.9	443.1	333.2	339.3	345.2	352.1	162.1	158.7	164.1	161.2	650.1	670.3	653.3	670.4
North Dakota	47.4	47.6	47.5	47.3	29.6	29.3	30.6	30.4	15.3	15.2	15.3	15.2	78.3	78.1	78.5	78.2
Ohio	729.6	738.2	725.9	735.9	480.4	484.3	503.9	498.9	227.6	225.8	229.0	227.2	816.7	814.6	820.2	816.4
Oklahoma	176.6	177.2	176.1	178.0	127.4	126.4	130.2	128.9	73.4	74.4	73.9	75.0	299.9	298.9	300.7	300.5
Oregon	189.8	190.3	189.5	189.5	148.4	152.8	150.2	156.0	56.4	58.9	56.8	59.2	274.4	275.7	276.3	278.6
Pennsylvania	987.3	995.9	978.6	987.5	458.6	471.8	483.6	493.6	259.4	262.0	261.7	264.1	766.2	764.9	763.2	763.2
Rhode Island	92.8	93.6	92.8	93.0	47.1	48.4	50.5	51.6	22.6	23.2	22.9	23.5	67.0	67.4	67.5	68.1
South Carolina	176.2	185.5	176.9	186.2	194.4	202.7	200.8	207.0	64.8	66.1	65.8	66.0	333.5	337.5	332.7	336.6
South Dakota	55.5	55.9	55.7	56.2	37.9	38.4	40.9	41.2	15.7	15.8	15.9	15.9	75.3	75.8	76.5	77.3
Tennessee	312.5	319.4	312.2	318.8	247.9	253.9	253.1	259.0	102.6	103.2	103.2	103.8	420.2	419.5	417.6	416.9
Texas	1,114.3	1,147.6	1,118.4	1,152.2	859.0	877.0	873.8	892.0	358.9	360.7	360.6	362.7	1,677.6	1,680.4	1,677.0	1,681.8
Utah	119.2	122.5	115.2	118.7	100.2	102.1	98.4	100.0	32.2	32.5	32.4	32.8	201.1	202.5	199.8	200.6
Vermont	52.0	54.2	52.2	53.8	29.1	29.9	29.5	29.8	10.0	10.8	10.1	10.1	53.9	54.2	53.9	54.0
Virginia	373.4	381.6	372.4	379.0	303.4	309.8	317.1	321.5	179.4	186.4	180.5	186.8	643.4	657.8	641.5	651.5
Washington	313.9	319.1	314.5	320.0	243.6	245.1	249.8	251.3	98.8	100.4	99.6	101.1	527.3	535.3	532.8	537.5
West Virginia	108.7	107.8	108.9	107.6	65.3	66.1	67.6	68.0	55.3	55.7	55.2	55.8	145.0	143.6	145.2	143.7
Wisconsin	364.3	374.5	364.1	375.0	235.7	242.2	252.1	255.5	132.3	129.7	132.6	130.1	428.6	420.5	424.4	419.7
Wyoming	20.7	21.4	21.0	21.7	27.8	27.7	30.2	30.6	9.5	9.4	9.6	9.4	64.0	65.2	65.0	65.8
Puerto Rico	89.9	92.6	90.4	92.8	67.2	68.2	66.6	68.8	16.0	15.8	16.1	16.0	300.1	300.8	300.3	301.6

¹ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

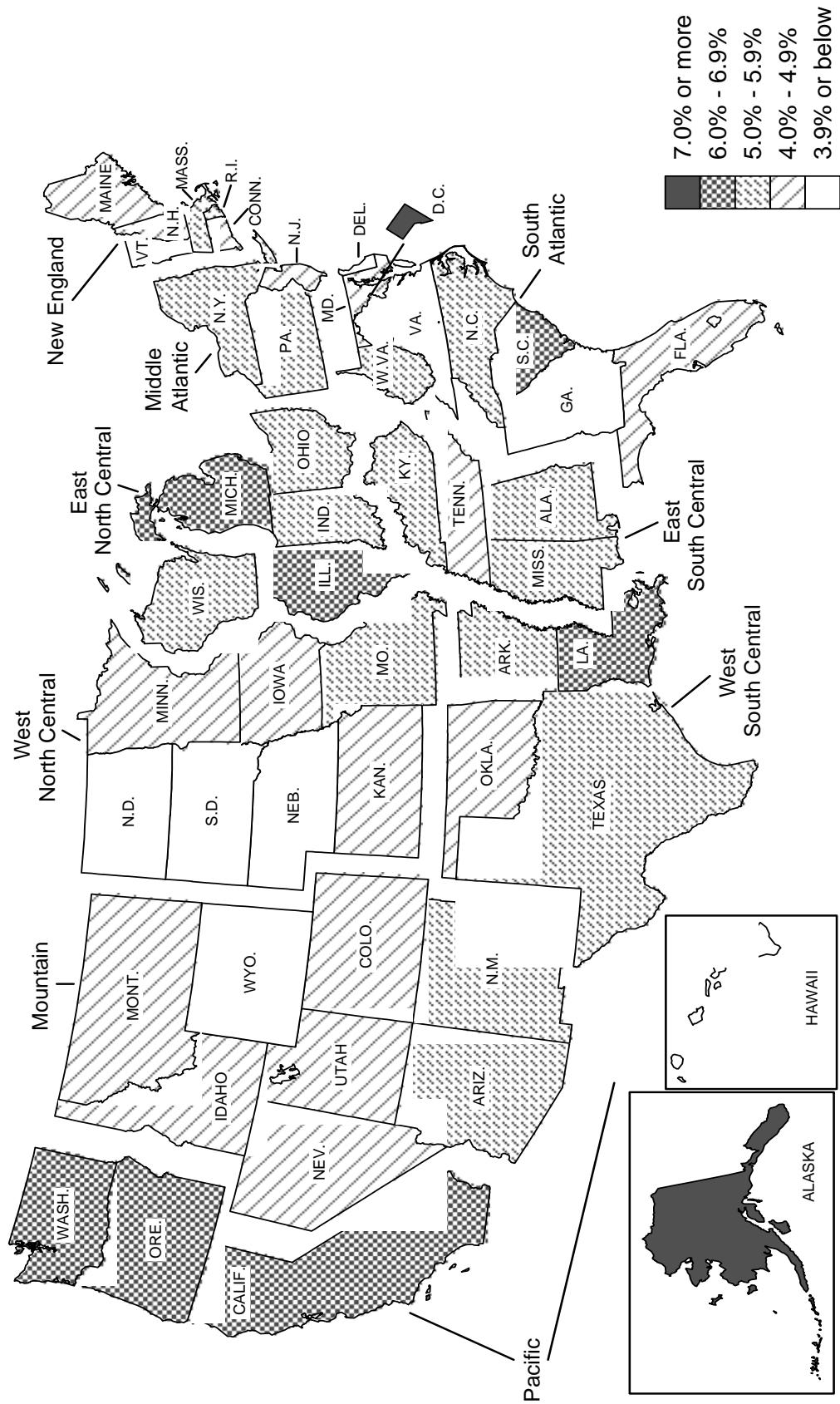
P = preliminary.

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

2003 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted May 2004

(U.S. rate = 5.6 percent)



**Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state,
seasonally adjusted, May 2003 – May 2004**

