

Table 641. Work Stoppages: 1960 to 2007

[896 represents 896,000. Excludes work stoppages involving fewer than 1,000 workers and lasting less than 1 day. Information is based on reports of labor disputes appearing in daily newspapers, trade journals, and other public sources. The parties to the disputes are contacted by telephone, when necessary, to clarify details of the stoppages]

Year	Number of stoppages ¹	Workers involved ² (1,000)	Days idle		Year	Number of stoppages ¹	Workers involved ² (1,000)	Days idle	
			Number ³ (1,000)	Percent estimated working time ⁴				Number ³ (1,000)	Percent estimated working time ⁴
1960	222	896	13,260	0.09	1990	44	185	5,926	0.02
1965	268	999	15,140	0.10	1991	40	392	4,584	0.02
1970	381	2,468	52,761	0.29	1992	35	364	3,989	0.01
1975	235	965	17,563	0.09	1993	35	182	3,981	0.01
1976	231	1,519	23,962	0.12	1994	45	322	5,021	0.02
1977	298	1,212	21,258	0.10	1995	31	192	5,771	0.02
1978	219	1,006	23,774	0.11	1996	37	273	4,889	0.02
1979	235	1,021	20,409	0.09	1997	29	339	4,497	0.01
1980	187	795	20,844	0.09	1998	34	387	5,116	0.02
1981	145	729	16,908	0.07	1999	17	73	1,996	0.01
1982	96	656	9,061	0.04	2000	39	394	20,419	0.06
1983	81	909	17,461	0.08	2001	29	99	1,151	(Z)
1984	62	376	8,499	0.04	2002	19	46	660	(Z)
1985	54	324	7,079	0.03	2003	14	129	4,091	0.01
1986	69	533	11,861	0.05	2004	17	171	3,344	0.01
1987	46	174	⁵ 4,481	0.02	2005	22	100	1,736	0.01
1988	40	118	⁵ 4,381	0.02	2006	20	70	2,688	0.01
1989	51	452	16,996	0.07	2007	21	189	1,265	(Z)

Z Less than 0.005 percent. ¹ Beginning in year indicated. ² Workers counted more than once if involved in more than one stoppage during the year. ³ Resulting from all stoppages in effect in a year, including those that began in an earlier year. ⁴ Agricultural and government employees are included in the total working time; private household and forestry and fishery employees are excluded. ⁵ Revised since originally published.

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