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## **METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: FEBRUARY 2003**

In February, 168 metropolitan areas recorded lower unemployment rates than a year earlier, 137 areas had higher rates, and 26 areas had rates that were unchanged, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Thirteen metropolitan areas posted jobless rates of at least 10.0 percent, nine of which were located in California and three of which were along the Mexican border in other states. Nine areas reported unemployment rates below 3.0 percent, with five of these located in the South. The national unemployment rate in February was 6.4 percent, not seasonally adjusted.

### Metropolitan Area Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Seventy-three metropolitan areas recorded unemployment rates of at least 7.0 percent in February, down slightly from 79 areas a year ago, while 49 areas had rates below 4.0 percent, up slightly from 43 areas in February 2002. The five highest jobless rates again were reported in California areas—Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, 18.1 percent, Merced, 17.8 percent, Fresno, 16.7 percent, Yuba City, 16.4 percent, and Salinas, 16.0 percent. Bryan-College Station, Texas, and Columbia, Mo., continued to register the lowest rates, 1.9 and 2.0 percent, respectively. (See table 1 and the map.)

In February, the largest over-the-year unemployment rate decreases were recorded in Florence, Ala. (-2.5 percentage points), Danville, Va. (-2.3 points), and Provo-Orem, Utah (-2.0 points). Another 26 areas registered jobless rate decreases of a full percentage point or more, with 12 of these located in the South and 7 in the West. An additional 61 areas posted decreases from last February of at least one-half percentage point. Yuma, Ariz., recorded the largest over-the-year unemployment rate increase (+2.1 percentage points), followed by Tulsa, Okla. (+1.7 points), and Brazoria, Texas (+1.6 points). An additional 13 areas reported rate increases from last February of a full percentage point or more, while another 39 areas had increases of one-half point or more.

Of the 51 metropolitan areas with a 1990 census population of 1 million or more, Portland-Vancouver, Ore.-Wash., and San Jose, Calif., reported the highest unemployment rates, 8.5 percent each, closely followed by New York, N.Y., 8.4 percent. Among these large areas, Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va., again posted the lowest unemployment rate, 3.7 percent. Orange County, Calif., was the only other large area with a rate below 4.0 percent. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 27 of these areas, up in 22 areas, and unchanged in 2 areas. The largest over-the-year unemployment rate decreases were reported in

Buffalo-Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Orlando, Fla. (-0.9 percentage point each). Eight other areas registered decreases from last February of at least 0.5 percentage point. Four areas recorded jobless rate increases from February 2002 of at least a full percentage point—Hartford, Conn. (+1.2 percentage points), New York, N.Y., and Pittsburgh, Pa. (+1.1 points each), and Houston, Texas (+1.0 point). Four additional areas registered rate increases of one-half percentage point or more.

#### Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the 272 metropolitan areas for which over-the-year comparisons could be made, 162 reported over-the-year increases in employment, 106 recorded decreases, and 4 had no change. The largest over-the-year employment increases were reported in Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. (+28,400), Riverside-San Bernardino, Calif. (+23,100), and Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz. (+21,900). The largest percentage increases in employment occurred in Elkhart-Goshen, Ind. (+4.5 percent), Houma, La. (+4.4 percent), and Bryan-College Station, Texas, Las Cruces, N.M., and Santa Fe, N.M. (+3.7 percent each).

The largest over-the-year employment declines were posted in New York, N.Y. (-56,500), San Jose, Calif. (-47,500), and Detroit, Mich. (-37,100). The largest over-the-year percentage declines in employment were reported in San Jose, Calif. (-5.2 percent), Flint, Mich. (-4.1 percent), Tulsa, Okla. (-3.4 percent), and Toledo, Ohio (-3.3 percent). (See table 2.)

Over-the-year nonfarm employment comparisons could be made in 37 metropolitan areas with annual average employment levels above 750,000 in 2002. Employment declined in 22 of these 37 areas. The largest over-the-year percentage declines in employment in these large metropolitan areas were posted in San Jose, Calif. (-5.2 percent), Kansas City, Mo.-Kan. (-2.5 percent), and San Francisco, Calif. (-2.3 percent). Among the largest areas, Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz., had the highest over-the-year percentage increase in employment (+2.8 percent), followed by Riverside-San Bernardino, Calif. (+2.2 percent), and Orlando, Fla. (+1.9 percent).

Manufacturing was the weakest industry, with 214 metropolitan areas experiencing employment losses over the year, followed by the information industry and by construction with employment losses in 157 and 122 metropolitan areas, respectively. Employment growth was most prevalent in education and health services, in government, and in the leisure and hospitality industry, with increases occurring in 228, 174, and 161 metropolitan areas, respectively.

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The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for March is scheduled to be issued on May 8. The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for March is scheduled to be issued on May 13.

# Technical Note

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

## Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

**Definitions.** The labor force and unemployment data are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The labor force includes both the employed and the unemployed. Employed persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the survey reference week (the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who have a job from which they were temporarily absent, whether or not paid, for such reasons as labor-management dispute, illness, or vacation. Unemployed persons are those who did not work at all (in the reference week), have actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the survey reference week), and are currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

**Method of estimation.** Effective January 1996, estimates for all states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. For all other substate areas, estimates are prepared through indirect estimation procedures. Employment estimates, which are based largely on “place of work” estimates from the CES program, are adjusted to refer to place of residence as used in the CPS. Unemployment estimates are aggregates of persons previously employed in industries covered by state unemployment (UI) laws and entrants to the labor force data from the CPS. The substate estimates of employment and unemployment which geographically exhaust the entire state, are adjusted proportionally to ensure that they add to the independently estimated state totals. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

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

## Employment—from the CES program

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

**Method of estimation.** The employment data are estimated using a “link relative” technique in which a ratio (link relative) of current-month employment to that of the previous month is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are obtained by multiplying the estimates for the previous month by these ratios. Small-domain models are used as the official estimators for the approximately 10 percent of CES published series which have insufficient sample for direct sample-based estimates.

**Annual revisions.** Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports which are submitted by employers who are covered under state unemployment insurance (UI) laws. The benchmark information is used to adjust the monthly estimates between the new benchmark and the preceding one and also to establish the level of employment for the new benchmark month. Thus, the benchmarking process establishes the level of employment, and the sample is used to measure the month-to-month changes in the level for the subsequent months.

## Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample survey and administrative data and thus are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data are also subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the special estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed, in most instances, from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

**Labor force and unemployment estimates.** Measures of sampling error, in the form of the standard errors for state annual average estimates derived from the CPS, are available in the annual BLS bulletin, *Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment*. Error measures cannot be computed for substate areas because of the special estimation processes used. Measures of nonsampling error for CPS data are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

**Employment estimates.** Measures of sampling error will be available for state CES data, at the supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level. Information on recent

benchmark revisions for states is available on the BLS Web site at (<http://www.bls.gov/sae/>).

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

#### **Additional information**

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings*, which is available by subscription from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800).

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

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

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Alabama</b> .....	2,091.6	2,134.2	2,096.3	2,145.5	123.0	120.5	125.3	120.4	5.9	5.6	6.0	5.6
Anniston .....	51.6	52.2	52.0	52.8	3.1	2.8	3.1	2.9	6.1	5.4	6.0	5.6
Auburn-Opelika .....	49.8	52.5	51.0	52.7	1.9	2.0	2.1	1.9	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.7
Birmingham .....	469.8	476.6	470.7	478.3	18.6	20.3	20.1	20.6	3.9	4.3	4.3	4.3
Decatur .....	72.4	73.1	72.7	72.7	5.2	4.8	5.5	4.4	7.2	6.5	7.6	6.1
Dothan .....	65.1	66.7	64.9	66.7	3.2	2.9	3.2	3.0	4.9	4.4	4.9	4.5
Florence .....	64.6	62.5	65.0	62.2	6.7	5.6	7.2	5.3	10.4	9.0	11.1	8.6
Gadsden .....	46.7	47.6	46.7	47.4	3.0	2.8	2.9	2.8	6.5	5.9	6.2	5.9
Huntsville .....	174.4	176.6	174.5	178.0	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3
Mobile .....	263.6	270.8	264.9	272.6	16.0	16.1	16.1	16.4	6.1	5.9	6.1	6.0
Montgomery .....	161.1	163.6	161.3	165.1	6.8	7.7	7.2	7.8	4.2	4.7	4.4	4.7
Tuscaloosa .....	83.4	85.1	83.8	86.2	3.0	2.9	2.8	3.0	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.5
<b>Alaska</b> .....	315.0	334.3	316.0	337.0	27.2	28.9	27.8	29.4	8.6	8.6	8.8	8.7
Anchorage .....	144.8	154.5	143.3	153.0	8.0	8.9	8.4	9.1	5.5	5.7	5.9	5.9
<b>Arizona</b> .....	2,624.5	2,642.3	2,631.1	2,634.9	159.0	144.9	159.0	145.2	6.1	5.5	6.0	5.5
Flagstaff .....	67.9	68.1	67.8	67.6	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.6	6.9	7.0	6.6	6.9
Phoenix-Mesa .....	1,766.7	1,773.8	1,768.7	1,770.1	103.2	91.3	103.0	92.0	5.8	5.1	5.8	5.2
Tucson .....	426.3	426.9	428.0	425.7	21.0	18.6	22.0	18.7	4.9	4.4	5.1	4.4
Yuma .....	64.1	66.9	64.2	65.6	9.1	10.2	8.0	9.6	14.1	15.3	12.5	14.6
<b>Arkansas</b> .....	1,240.5	1,275.8	1,253.7	1,283.5	81.4	76.0	78.3	73.0	6.6	6.0	6.2	5.7
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers .....	157.0	166.8	160.7	169.3	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.6
Fort Smith .....	97.2	99.8	97.7	100.3	5.2	5.5	4.8	5.3	5.4	5.5	4.9	5.3
Jonesboro .....	43.4	44.8	43.5	45.3	2.6	2.2	2.4	2.1	5.9	4.8	5.6	4.5
Little Rock-North Little Rock .....	303.0	311.1	305.7	311.4	15.1	14.7	15.1	13.8	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.4
Pine Bluff .....	35.7	36.8	36.1	36.9	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.2	9.4	9.2	8.8	8.7
<b>California</b> .....	17,214.1	17,478.7	17,285.2	17,515.4	1,201.3	1,249.6	1,186.3	1,210.9	7.0	7.1	6.9	6.9
Bakersfield .....	291.8	300.1	289.4	296.9	37.5	40.6	38.7	41.4	12.8	13.5	13.4	13.9
Chico-Paradise .....	89.1	91.0	90.3	92.3	8.2	8.5	7.8	8.0	9.2	9.4	8.6	8.7
Fresno .....	442.9	460.5	442.5	459.6	71.2	77.2	71.9	76.7	16.1	16.8	16.2	16.7
Los Angeles-Long Beach .....	4,646.1	4,688.2	4,696.3	4,750.4	322.1	318.7	319.4	310.5	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.5
Merced .....	86.4	92.5	87.3	93.3	15.4	16.1	16.0	16.6	17.9	17.5	18.3	17.8
Modesto .....	210.0	217.3	210.5	218.2	26.9	27.9	27.3	28.2	12.8	12.8	13.0	12.9
Oakland .....	1,278.4	1,308.0	1,282.1	1,304.0	76.1	83.7	75.3	80.5	6.0	6.4	5.9	6.2
Orange County .....	1,546.7	1,573.3	1,551.2	1,571.0	62.2	63.3	61.5	61.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.9
Redding .....	79.5	82.6	77.8	81.5	7.4	7.7	7.1	7.1	9.3	9.3	9.1	8.7
Riverside-San Bernardino .....	1,620.4	1,678.9	1,624.4	1,673.8	90.7	98.3	90.0	94.8	5.6	5.9	5.5	5.7
Sacramento .....	854.8	878.1	852.8	871.9	45.5	50.2	43.9	47.4	5.3	5.7	5.1	5.4
Salinas .....	195.2	200.1	194.8	199.4	32.0	33.4	31.2	31.9	16.4	16.7	16.0	16.0
San Diego .....	1,452.4	1,486.2	1,459.9	1,483.8	60.3	66.2	58.9	62.8	4.2	4.5	4.0	4.2
San Francisco .....	946.0	929.8	942.2	929.1	56.3	54.7	54.9	52.4	6.0	5.9	5.8	5.6
San Jose .....	977.5	938.2	975.4	930.4	78.7	82.1	78.4	78.7	8.1	8.8	8.0	8.5
San Luis Obispo-Atascadero-Paso Robles .....	119.4	122.7	121.0	122.7	4.1	4.5	4.0	4.2	3.4	3.7	3.3	3.4
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc .....	201.0	204.5	202.8	205.2	9.7	10.1	9.6	9.6	4.8	4.9	4.7	4.7
Santa Cruz-Watsonville .....	140.8	142.8	142.2	143.5	15.0	16.0	15.0	15.8	10.7	11.2	10.5	11.0
Santa Rosa .....	263.2	265.8	264.1	266.7	12.0	13.8	12.2	12.9	4.5	5.2	4.6	4.8
Stockton-Lodi .....	268.8	278.1	269.7	278.2	31.3	32.0	31.1	31.1	11.6	11.5	11.5	11.2
Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa .....	270.5	281.6	273.4	284.5	14.9	17.3	14.0	16.3	5.5	6.1	5.1	5.7
Ventura .....	422.3	422.6	424.2	424.2	23.7	24.1	21.9	21.9	5.6	5.7	5.0	5.2
Visalia-Tulare-Porterville .....	173.1	177.8	172.5	178.0	31.6	31.5	31.5	32.3	18.3	17.7	18.3	18.1
Yolo .....	94.0	96.3	94.3	96.0	6.0	6.5	5.8	6.2	6.4	6.8	6.1	6.5
Yuba City .....	58.0	60.2	58.6	60.3	9.0	9.5	9.5	9.9	15.6	15.8	16.1	16.4
<b>Colorado</b> .....	2,393.0	2,425.5	2,392.9	2,426.9	146.6	143.7	143.0	139.7	6.1	5.9	6.0	5.8
Boulder-Longmont <sup>1,2</sup> .....	196.5	173.7	196.7	174.7	11.6	9.7	11.3	9.6	5.9	5.6	5.7	5.5
Colorado Springs .....	275.0	278.6	274.3	277.9	19.3	17.9	18.7	17.0	7.0	6.4	6.8	6.1
Denver <sup>1,2</sup> .....	1,195.2	1,231.0	1,194.3	1,231.3	73.6	73.3	71.6	71.6	6.2	6.0	6.0	5.8
Fort Collins-Loveland .....	149.7	152.2	152.0	154.4	8.4	8.7	8.3	8.5	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.5
Grand Junction .....	62.1	64.2	62.6	65.1	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.7	6.0	6.1	5.7	5.7
Greeley .....	93.7	96.8	94.3	97.3	6.1	6.6	6.1	6.5	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.7
Pueblo .....	61.4	61.2	61.1	61.1	5.1	4.7	4.8	4.5	8.3	7.7	7.8	7.3
<b>Connecticut</b> .....	1,741.1	1,758.4	1,739.2	1,763.0	79.4	94.4	80.0	96.7	4.6	5.4	4.6	5.5
Bridgeport .....	220.7	222.8	220.3	224.0	12.7	14.4	12.7	14.7	5.7	6.4	5.7	6.6
Danbury .....	111.5	114.7	110.9	114.7	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.3	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7
Hartford .....	595.0	599.6	595.9	602.6	27.5	34.8	28.0	35.8	4.6	5.8	4.7	5.9
New Haven-Meriden .....	279.0	284.3	280.8	284.9	11.8	14.1	11.7	14.5	4.2	5.0	4.2	5.1
New London-Norwich .....	161.1	165.3	160.1	164.9	6.0	7.9	5.9	8.1	3.8	4.7	3.7	4.9
Stamford-Norwalk .....	190.4	187.6	188.9	187.7	6.6	6.5	6.8	6.7	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6
Waterbury .....	115.3	116.9	114.9	117.3	7.5	8.5	7.5	8.8	6.5	7.3	6.5	7.5
<b>Delaware</b> .....	424.2	418.2	425.4	417.4	19.9	17.4	19.7	18.4	4.7	4.2	4.6	4.4
Dover .....	74.2	73.3	74.7	73.1	3.3	3.0	3.6	3.2	4.4	4.1	4.8	4.4
Wilmington-Newark .....	317.8	309.4	317.9	309.7	15.6	14.5	14.3	15.4	4.9	4.7	4.5	5.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
<b>District of Columbia</b>	304.2	297.4	303.5	301.4	20.8	19.3	21.2	21.1	6.8	6.5	7.0	7.0
Washington	2,786.1	2,814.9	2,792.4	2,824.7	108.7	100.0	108.4	104.3	3.9	3.6	3.9	3.7
<b>Florida</b>	7,966.3	8,013.8	7,982.5	8,004.4	474.9	448.8	438.9	403.2	6.0	5.6	5.5	5.0
Daytona Beach	209.7	212.0	211.2	212.5	12.3	12.0	11.2	10.8	5.9	5.7	5.3	5.1
Fort Lauderdale	850.4	853.9	849.3	849.6	55.0	52.4	52.0	47.7	6.5	6.1	6.1	5.6
Fort Myers-Cape Coral	204.9	209.8	206.4	210.6	8.1	9.4	7.6	8.3	3.9	4.5	3.7	3.9
Fort Pierce-Port St. Lucie	138.3	140.9	138.3	139.7	9.3	9.0	8.2	7.7	6.7	6.4	5.9	5.5
Fort Walton Beach	84.8	85.4	85.1	85.7	3.8	3.2	3.4	2.7	4.5	3.7	4.1	3.1
Gainesville	110.6	109.7	111.4	110.3	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.5	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.3
Jacksonville	578.6	579.5	578.3	578.2	32.4	31.4	30.7	28.1	5.6	5.4	5.3	4.9
Lakeland-Winter Haven	218.1	218.8	216.8	217.8	12.9	12.4	11.6	11.2	5.9	5.7	5.4	5.1
Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay	219.2	216.4	219.2	216.2	12.9	12.7	11.9	11.3	5.9	5.9	5.4	5.2
Miami	1,114.6	1,110.8	1,115.4	1,105.8	96.7	86.7	89.8	80.6	8.7	7.8	8.0	7.3
Naples	115.2	122.6	115.4	123.0	4.3	5.0	3.7	4.4	3.7	4.1	3.2	3.6
Ocala	102.9	103.0	102.5	102.3	5.8	5.1	5.5	4.6	5.6	4.9	5.3	4.5
Orlando	941.6	944.6	945.3	946.2	59.6	51.2	54.3	45.7	6.3	5.4	5.7	4.8
Panama City	67.3	67.6	67.2	67.2	5.9	5.6	4.7	4.4	8.8	8.2	7.0	6.6
Pensacola	175.1	172.9	174.9	172.3	8.8	8.3	8.1	7.4	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.3
Punta Gorda	55.6	58.6	55.5	58.2	2.4	2.7	2.0	2.2	4.3	4.6	3.7	3.7
Sarasota-Bradenton	288.3	291.6	289.3	290.4	11.1	11.2	9.7	9.5	3.8	3.9	3.3	3.3
Tallahassee	152.2	152.2	155.0	152.9	5.6	5.9	5.4	5.2	3.7	3.8	3.5	3.4
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,299.9	1,308.8	1,309.2	1,314.3	63.8	64.0	60.2	57.0	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.3
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton	572.8	583.6	570.5	581.7	34.3	32.6	31.8	29.6	6.0	5.6	5.6	5.1
<b>Georgia</b>	4,209.7	4,308.8	4,244.4	4,333.2	200.8	195.2	213.0	196.6	4.8	4.5	5.0	4.5
Albany	54.0	56.3	53.8	56.5	3.0	2.6	3.0	2.7	5.6	4.6	5.5	4.7
Athens	74.0	76.8	74.6	77.0	2.3	2.1	2.5	2.1	3.1	2.8	3.3	2.7
Atlanta	2,341.4	2,371.8	2,362.4	2,392.0	111.3	112.5	121.1	113.2	4.8	4.7	5.1	4.7
Augusta-Aiken	204.0	209.2	206.6	210.4	10.1	10.2	11.1	10.0	5.0	4.9	5.4	4.8
Columbus	125.5	126.2	126.2	125.9	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.4	5.1	5.2	4.8	5.1
Macon	151.5	157.1	152.2	157.0	5.6	6.0	5.9	6.0	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.8
Savannah	137.3	143.3	139.4	145.2	4.9	4.9	5.2	5.1	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.5
<b>Hawaii</b>	588.9	597.1	584.9	594.1	28.9	21.9	27.6	17.7	4.9	3.7	4.7	3.0
Honolulu	416.7	422.1	415.6	421.2	19.1	14.2	18.3	11.3	4.6	3.4	4.4	2.7
<b>Idaho</b>	675.8	680.4	676.6	684.2	48.2	46.6	48.9	45.8	7.1	6.9	7.2	6.7
Boise City	248.8	248.8	249.8	248.1	14.7	14.5	15.5	14.4	5.9	5.8	6.2	5.8
Pocatello	40.1	38.8	40.1	41.0	3.1	2.5	2.9	2.5	7.6	6.4	7.4	6.1
<b>Illinois</b>	6,350.0	6,333.0	6,360.3	6,322.5	435.0	450.0	431.7	451.2	6.9	7.1	6.8	7.1
Bloomington-Normal	94.8	95.3	96.3	96.4	2.9	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.3	3.0	3.4
Champaign-Urbana	97.2	98.4	100.8	100.8	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.6
Chicago	4,257.6	4,243.4	4,259.8	4,237.6	291.9	302.9	294.5	304.9	6.9	7.1	6.9	7.2
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	187.3	188.2	186.9	186.7	12.3	12.1	10.9	10.8	6.6	6.4	5.8	5.8
Decatur	56.8	55.9	56.6	55.8	5.0	4.7	4.7	4.6	8.8	8.4	8.4	8.3
Kankakee	52.6	52.9	52.6	52.9	4.2	4.5	4.1	4.6	7.9	8.5	7.8	8.7
Peoria-Pekin	181.1	181.1	181.4	180.7	10.4	11.6	10.6	11.4	5.7	6.4	5.9	6.3
Rockford	197.2	197.0	197.1	196.7	16.7	17.3	16.6	17.6	8.5	8.8	8.4	9.0
Springfield	107.7	106.2	107.3	105.2	5.2	5.8	5.1	5.9	4.8	5.5	4.7	5.6
<b>Indiana</b>	3,114.7	3,146.0	3,126.7	3,146.3	183.6	168.9	182.9	172.9	5.9	5.4	5.9	5.5
Bloomington	63.2	62.3	64.2	64.3	2.6	2.3	2.4	2.4	4.1	3.7	3.8	3.7
Elkhart-Goshen	92.4	98.3	93.7	98.1	6.6	4.5	5.4	4.7	7.2	4.6	5.8	4.8
Evansville-Henderson	163.1	163.4	163.6	162.4	7.5	7.3	7.5	7.2	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.4
Fort Wayne	266.4	271.7	267.3	270.6	15.2	14.2	16.0	14.7	5.7	5.2	6.0	5.4
Gary	302.1	298.4	302.8	298.8	23.0	17.7	23.7	18.1	7.6	5.9	7.8	6.0
Indianapolis	874.4	880.5	879.6	876.6	40.2	42.2	41.3	42.9	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.9
Kokomo	50.0	51.1	50.2	50.8	3.3	3.1	3.4	3.1	6.7	6.1	6.7	6.1
Lafayette	93.4	93.2	95.1	95.3	4.0	3.9	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.3
Muncie	60.5	60.7	61.6	61.4	3.6	3.9	3.7	4.0	6.0	6.4	6.0	6.5
South Bend	134.8	136.9	135.0	137.3	8.0	6.8	7.7	6.9	5.9	5.0	5.7	5.0
Terre Haute	70.4	70.8	70.2	70.8	4.8	4.3	5.1	4.5	6.8	6.1	7.2	6.4
<b>Iowa</b>	1,643.2	1,643.9	1,645.8	1,643.8	77.9	81.4	77.1	79.6	4.7	5.0	4.7	4.8
Cedar Rapids	118.7	118.8	118.9	118.9	5.4	6.2	5.4	5.9	4.6	5.2	4.6	5.0
Des Moines	271.6	273.9	272.4	273.7	10.3	11.4	10.3	11.2	3.8	4.1	3.8	4.1
Dubuque	50.3	50.2	50.4	50.0	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	5.2	5.0	5.0	4.9
Iowa City	73.8	73.9	75.0	73.6	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.3	3.1	3.4	3.0	3.2
Sioux City	65.2	66.4	65.0	65.4	2.8	3.0	2.8	2.9	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.4
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	71.1	72.0	71.8	72.3	3.5	3.8	3.5	3.7	4.9	5.2	4.9	5.2

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Kansas</b> .....	1,388.8	1,460.6	1,389.1	1,459.2	76.7	76.9	74.7	72.9	5.5	5.3	5.4	5.0
Lawrence .....	57.1	59.3	57.2	59.1	2.8	2.7	2.9	2.6	5.0	4.5	5.1	4.4
Topeka .....	89.7	94.1	90.6	94.2	4.0	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.1	4.1
Wichita .....	283.1	298.3	283.5	295.2	16.2	20.4	17.9	17.4	5.7	6.8	6.3	5.9
<b>Kentucky</b> .....	1,957.9	1,964.9	1,946.5	1,969.4	133.9	124.1	126.7	128.1	6.8	6.3	6.5	6.5
Lexington .....	251.4	253.9	250.3	254.4	11.9	11.2	11.3	11.4	4.7	4.4	4.5	4.5
Louisville .....	556.9	558.8	555.0	559.1	32.4	29.5	32.0	30.1	5.8	5.3	5.8	5.4
Owensboro .....	48.6	49.1	48.4	49.3	3.2	3.1	3.0	3.3	6.6	6.3	6.2	6.7
<b>Louisiana</b> .....	1,997.7	2,016.9	1,992.4	2,029.6	142.9	127.7	123.4	117.7	7.2	6.3	6.2	5.8
Alexandria .....	58.3	59.6	58.0	59.9	3.9	3.5	3.4	3.2	6.8	5.8	5.8	5.3
Baton Rouge .....	296.4	300.5	297.9	305.7	18.3	17.8	15.8	15.9	6.2	5.9	5.3	5.2
Houma .....	93.4	98.5	93.6	98.8	4.2	3.7	3.9	3.5	4.5	3.7	4.1	3.5
Lafayette .....	175.5	177.7	174.8	178.7	11.4	9.6	9.9	8.9	6.5	5.4	5.7	5.0
Lake Charles .....	88.4	87.8	88.1	88.8	5.2	5.3	4.5	5.2	5.9	6.1	5.0	5.9
Monroe .....	72.0	71.8	72.3	73.0	4.2	4.1	3.6	3.8	5.8	5.7	5.0	5.2
New Orleans .....	592.5	594.1	592.9	599.2	34.6	32.0	30.5	29.3	5.8	5.4	5.2	4.9
Shreveport-Bossier City .....	183.5	181.3	182.5	182.2	19.4	13.1	15.8	12.4	10.6	7.2	8.7	6.8
<b>Maine</b> .....	671.6	683.9	670.5	685.9	34.5	37.7	34.4	37.9	5.1	5.5	5.1	5.5
Bangor .....	52.3	53.2	53.3	53.7	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.0	3.4	3.7	3.3	3.6
Lewiston-Auburn .....	54.6	54.9	54.3	54.6	2.5	2.7	2.5	2.7	4.5	4.8	4.5	4.9
Portland .....	137.7	140.4	137.5	138.4	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.1	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.9
<b>Maryland</b> .....	2,854.5	2,896.5	2,861.9	2,900.5	141.0	130.5	137.5	134.4	4.9	4.5	4.8	4.6
Baltimore .....	1,330.4	1,348.2	1,332.9	1,349.6	71.7	66.7	69.3	67.1	5.4	4.9	5.2	5.0
Cumberland .....	44.2	44.3	44.6	44.4	4.1	3.4	3.8	3.3	9.2	7.6	8.5	7.5
Hagerstown .....	71.2	72.5	70.9	72.4	4.5	3.7	4.2	4.0	6.3	5.2	5.9	5.6
<b>Massachusetts</b> .....	3,423.8	3,428.8	3,426.1	3,423.9	189.3	200.1	184.9	194.8	5.5	5.8	5.4	5.7
Barnstable-Yarmouth .....	75.2	78.6	74.8	78.0	4.9	5.1	4.6	4.9	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.3
Boston .....	1,899.8	1,888.9	1,900.1	1,886.5	92.0	95.4	90.0	92.7	4.8	5.1	4.7	4.9
Brockton .....	138.7	142.6	139.0	142.6	7.6	8.1	7.5	8.0	5.5	5.7	5.4	5.6
Fitchburg-Leominster .....	70.8	72.9	70.4	72.4	5.1	5.4	5.1	5.4	7.2	7.4	7.2	7.5
Lawrence .....	221.1	220.9	220.5	219.8	17.4	17.6	16.8	16.2	7.9	8.0	7.6	7.4
Lowell .....	183.7	179.6	183.9	180.0	11.8	12.2	11.5	11.7	6.4	6.8	6.2	6.5
New Bedford .....	84.2	86.3	83.7	85.4	7.2	7.8	6.8	7.7	8.6	9.1	8.2	9.0
Pittsfield .....	40.9	41.9	40.6	41.5	2.3	2.5	2.3	2.6	5.6	5.9	5.6	6.3
Springfield .....	291.6	297.5	294.1	298.5	16.1	18.2	15.6	17.4	5.5	6.1	5.3	5.8
Worcester .....	265.3	262.4	265.5	261.8	15.6	17.0	15.5	17.0	5.9	6.5	5.9	6.5
<b>Michigan</b> .....	4,997.6	5,028.7	4,988.6	5,057.6	359.6	362.4	339.0	365.0	7.2	7.2	6.8	7.2
Ann Arbor .....	310.8	311.5	313.5	314.9	13.3	12.6	12.8	13.0	4.3	4.0	4.1	4.1
Benton Harbor .....	78.9	80.8	78.8	80.9	5.9	5.5	5.5	5.5	7.4	6.9	7.0	6.8
Detroit .....	2,226.8	2,232.5	2,222.9	2,240.2	148.2	154.2	141.7	156.5	6.7	6.9	6.4	7.0
Flint .....	191.1	182.7	188.5	186.1	21.8	17.9	16.2	17.6	11.4	9.8	8.6	9.5
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland .....	603.9	615.3	601.7	619.2	41.8	45.4	40.8	45.6	6.9	7.4	6.8	7.4
Jackson .....	77.6	80.2	77.6	81.2	5.6	6.1	5.4	6.2	7.2	7.6	7.0	7.7
Kalamazoo-Battle Creek .....	227.9	226.9	228.1	230.2	13.6	14.6	13.2	14.3	6.0	6.4	5.8	6.2
Lansing-East Lansing .....	247.3	250.5	248.3	254.3	11.2	11.6	10.5	11.7	4.5	4.6	4.2	4.6
Saginaw-Bay City-Midland .....	196.4	200.9	196.0	201.4	15.1	16.4	14.1	16.4	7.7	8.2	7.2	8.1
<b>Minnesota</b> .....	2,877.7	2,871.8	2,878.3	2,879.3	149.1	148.9	146.7	140.5	5.2	5.2	5.1	4.9
Duluth-Superior .....	130.9	131.8	131.4	133.8	8.2	7.8	8.9	7.6	6.3	6.0	6.8	5.6
Minneapolis-St. Paul .....	1,814.0	1,809.3	1,814.1	1,817.6	82.4	83.5	82.5	79.0	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.3
Rochester .....	81.8	82.3	81.2	82.1	3.1	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.8	4.2	3.9	4.0
St. Cloud .....	105.3	105.5	106.7	106.2	5.8	6.2	5.6	5.9	5.5	5.9	5.3	5.6
<b>Mississippi</b> .....	1,293.6	1,315.3	1,295.4	1,312.3	92.6	93.6	86.2	80.7	7.2	7.1	6.7	6.1
Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula .....	172.2	168.8	172.7	169.7	9.3	9.1	8.9	7.8	5.4	5.4	5.1	4.6
Hattiesburg .....	53.8	54.7	54.1	55.2	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.0	4.4	4.3	3.9	3.7
Jackson .....	231.3	236.9	233.1	239.7	10.4	11.4	9.7	10.1	4.5	4.8	4.2	4.2
<b>Missouri</b> .....	2,994.9	2,942.0	2,989.9	2,942.1	178.8	168.8	174.1	151.1	6.0	5.7	5.8	5.1
Columbia .....	90.4	86.0	90.8	88.2	2.1	1.8	2.0	1.8	2.3	2.1	2.2	2.0
Joplin .....	84.9	80.4	85.0	81.9	4.1	4.3	4.2	3.8	4.8	5.3	4.9	4.7
Kansas City .....	996.0	1,008.5	996.5	1,001.6	58.2	57.3	55.2	54.2	5.8	5.7	5.5	5.4
St. Joseph .....	54.1	51.4	54.0	52.4	3.5	3.2	3.6	3.0	6.5	6.2	6.6	5.7
St. Louis <sup>2</sup> .....	1,375.7	1,381.9	1,371.5	1,373.7	79.9	78.5	76.4	71.9	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.2
Springfield .....	174.2	178.2	174.8	177.0	8.1	7.5	8.0	6.8	4.7	4.2	4.6	3.8
<b>Montana</b> .....	455.3	462.8	458.0	464.6	25.9	24.8	26.9	24.2	5.7	5.4	5.9	5.2
Billings .....	67.5	69.6	68.7	71.4	2.9	2.6	3.2	2.8	4.3	3.8	4.6	3.9
Great Falls .....	36.2	36.9	36.6	37.8	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.8	5.1	4.8	5.3	4.7
Missoula .....	52.0	53.5	52.5	54.9	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.4	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.4

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					Number				Percent of labor force			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Nebraska</b>	945.3	967.3	951.6	974.4	37.8	37.3	38.7	38.5	4.0	3.9	4.1	3.9
Lincoln	148.5	155.8	150.9	156.8	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.8	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7
Omaha	407.2	419.5	410.8	420.2	16.7	17.1	17.0	17.5	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.2
<b>Nevada</b>	1,115.9	1,107.1	1,119.1	1,113.9	80.9	63.3	72.7	58.9	7.3	5.7	6.5	5.3
Las Vegas	881.0	876.5	882.7	882.3	64.0	48.7	57.4	45.9	7.3	5.6	6.5	5.2
Reno	197.1	195.1	198.3	196.6	12.3	10.6	11.2	9.6	6.3	5.4	5.6	4.9
<b>New Hampshire</b>	695.8	714.1	696.5	709.5	33.4	36.3	33.5	29.1	4.8	5.1	4.8	4.1
Manchester	112.5	115.5	112.1	114.6	5.2	6.0	5.1	4.7	4.7	5.2	4.6	4.1
Nashua	107.4	108.8	106.4	107.1	6.7	6.9	6.6	5.6	6.2	6.3	6.2	5.2
Portsmouth-Rochester	128.6	135.0	130.0	136.0	5.6	6.7	5.6	5.0	4.4	5.0	4.3	3.7
<b>New Jersey</b>	4,315.6	4,369.3	4,334.3	4,380.8	248.6	258.3	252.5	259.5	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.9
Atlantic-Cape May	168.7	176.4	169.0	176.4	15.7	16.1	15.3	15.9	9.3	9.1	9.0	9.0
Bergen-Passaic	677.3	680.8	679.5	682.9	38.7	38.3	39.8	38.8	5.7	5.6	5.9	5.7
Jersey City	301.0	295.5	300.9	296.5	23.5	22.4	23.6	22.3	7.6	7.6	7.9	7.5
Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon	669.2	674.2	672.6	675.5	31.0	32.4	31.7	31.7	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.7
Monmouth-Ocean	546.4	564.6	547.1	559.8	30.4	32.2	30.7	32.2	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.7
Newark	1,052.6	1,065.0	1,060.4	1,068.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	64.4	5.9	6.0	5.9	6.0
Trenton	186.6	186.4	187.0	187.3	8.8	9.5	8.8	9.3	4.7	5.1	4.7	4.9
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	64.5	66.7	64.9	66.2	6.0	6.1	5.9	6.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.4
<b>New Mexico</b>	860.1	882.7	864.3	885.1	47.4	53.5	45.8	50.9	5.5	6.1	5.3	5.7
Albuquerque	379.6	389.4	381.1	391.1	17.2	19.7	16.8	18.8	4.5	5.0	4.4	4.8
Las Cruces	73.4	76.5	73.9	77.3	5.4	5.6	5.3	5.6	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.3
Santa Fe	76.1	80.0	77.0	80.9	2.1	2.4	1.9	2.3	2.7	3.0	2.5	2.8
<b>New York</b>	9,183.1	9,301.9	9,241.5	9,307.5	595.1	644.5	607.3	625.6	6.5	6.9	6.6	6.7
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	458.9	471.9	463.3	470.7	21.3	21.1	21.4	19.4	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.1
Binghamton	126.0	126.1	126.7	125.1	8.7	8.7	9.0	7.9	6.9	6.9	7.1	6.3
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	568.0	575.3	571.1	574.5	39.1	39.2	40.4	35.9	6.9	6.8	7.1	6.2
Dutchess County	126.2	130.0	127.1	131.1	5.6	5.7	5.9	5.2	4.4	4.4	4.7	4.0
Elmira	43.3	43.6	43.2	42.8	3.3	3.1	3.4	2.9	7.5	7.1	7.8	6.7
Glens Falls	58.3	60.5	58.4	60.1	4.2	4.1	4.2	3.8	7.1	6.8	7.2	6.3
Jamestown	65.4	66.8	65.7	66.4	4.8	4.6	5.1	4.1	7.3	6.9	7.7	6.2
Nassau-Suffolk	1,436.2	1,464.5	1,442.7	1,460.2	64.7	67.2	66.6	62.0	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.2
New York	4,340.1	4,362.4	4,377.0	4,378.2	314.0	362.6	319.7	366.6	7.2	8.3	7.3	8.4
New York City	3,677.5	3,683.5	3,711.8	3,704.2	285.5	334.3	290.6	340.7	7.8	9.1	7.8	9.2
Newburgh	183.7	188.8	183.8	187.2	9.2	9.0	9.6	8.7	5.0	4.8	5.2	4.7
Rochester	570.6	572.4	573.1	573.6	36.8	37.9	37.8	34.5	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.0
Syracuse	365.2	376.8	366.3	376.1	23.6	23.7	23.7	21.6	6.5	6.3	6.5	5.7
Utica-Rome	143.1	147.4	143.1	146.3	8.8	8.9	9.0	8.1	6.1	6.1	6.3	5.5
<b>North Carolina</b>	4,158.5	4,125.0	4,160.5	4,120.1	311.2	274.1	302.8	259.7	7.5	6.6	7.3	6.3
Asheville	117.2	117.8	118.0	116.7	5.9	5.4	5.9	4.9	5.1	4.6	5.0	4.2
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill	851.9	858.2	851.6	860.6	59.8	53.0	54.4	51.7	7.0	6.2	6.4	6.0
Fayetteville	126.7	126.9	127.9	127.3	8.9	7.5	8.7	6.9	7.0	5.9	6.8	5.4
Goldsboro	51.7	51.7	51.9	51.6	3.3	3.0	3.4	2.8	6.3	5.7	6.5	5.3
Greensboro-Winston-Salem-High Point	681.0	674.2	681.0	674.9	43.5	41.2	44.3	39.5	6.4	6.1	6.5	5.8
Greenville	71.6	71.7	72.5	72.2	4.8	4.4	4.7	4.2	6.6	6.1	6.5	5.8
Hickory-Morganton-Lenoir	184.2	175.3	183.2	174.5	17.9	15.0	17.4	14.0	9.7	8.5	9.5	8.0
Jacksonville	51.2	50.6	51.3	50.4	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.0	6.0	6.4	6.0	5.9
Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill	691.8	699.9	693.4	698.9	34.9	34.8	35.1	33.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	4.7
Rocky Mount	71.4	69.5	71.3	68.9	7.5	6.9	7.7	6.4	10.6	9.9	10.8	9.3
Wilmington	123.3	122.2	123.3	122.5	9.2	8.2	8.6	7.4	7.4	6.7	6.9	6.0
<b>North Dakota</b>	338.1	341.4	338.8	341.6	16.9	16.4	15.3	14.9	5.0	4.8	4.5	4.4
Bismarck	53.6	53.8	54.0	53.5	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.2	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.1
Fargo-Moorhead	105.3	106.0	106.3	106.1	3.4	3.8	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.2	3.0
Grand Forks	53.8	53.4	54.1	53.8	2.5	2.2	2.6	2.2	4.7	4.1	4.7	4.1
<b>Ohio</b>	5,767.6	5,790.1	5,772.6	5,815.8	354.0	367.2	356.3	384.3	6.1	6.3	6.2	6.6
Akron	365.7	371.8	367.0	375.6	22.2	22.6	22.8	23.4	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2
Canton-Massillon	202.6	203.3	203.4	203.9	12.0	14.5	12.8	15.1	5.9	7.1	6.3	7.4
Cincinnati	857.7	868.1	856.2	872.6	44.6	44.6	43.8	46.5	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.3
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria	1,103.8	1,097.3	1,104.6	1,107.0	78.2	76.5	78.8	79.4	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.2
Columbus	874.1	877.6	874.9	879.4	36.1	43.6	38.0	45.8	4.1	5.0	4.3	5.2
Dayton-Springfield	470.5	469.4	471.7	471.0	27.3	29.7	27.4	31.1	5.8	6.3	5.8	6.6
Hamilton-Middletown	194.1	195.9	196.4	199.2	8.6	9.0	8.9	9.6	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.8
Lima	75.1	75.8	74.9	75.1	5.1	5.3	5.1	5.4	6.7	7.0	6.8	7.2
Mansfield	81.3	82.5	81.4	83.2	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.2
Steubenville-Weirton	53.5	53.9	53.7	54.2	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.7	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.8
Toledo	322.0	313.0	321.3	315.1	22.0	22.4	20.4	22.8	6.8	7.1	6.3	7.2
Youngstown-Warren	270.7	271.1	270.3	272.4	21.2	21.0	20.3	21.8	7.8	7.7	7.5	8.0

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Oklahoma</b> .....	1,667.1	1,681.7	1,679.4	1,687.6	81.0	91.5	82.5	94.1	4.9	5.4	4.9	5.6
Enid .....	26.0	26.7	25.9	26.7	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.9	3.2	3.6	3.0	3.5
Lawton .....	40.2	41.3	40.8	41.2	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.4	4.1	3.6	4.0	3.4
Oklahoma City .....	560.3	574.3	568.5	575.0	25.7	26.7	26.9	27.8	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.8
Tulsa .....	428.4	421.8	430.8	425.1	19.9	26.8	20.8	27.5	4.6	6.4	4.8	6.5
<b>Oregon</b> .....	1,811.1	1,828.2	1,814.4	1,820.8	172.2	158.0	170.0	155.7	9.5	8.6	9.4	8.6
Corvallis .....	39.9	41.5	40.4	41.0	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.8	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3
Eugene-Springfield .....	167.2	171.5	167.7	171.9	14.5	12.9	14.3	13.2	8.7	7.5	8.5	7.7
Medford-Ashland .....	91.4	93.4	91.4	92.8	9.1	7.9	8.7	7.7	9.9	8.5	9.5	8.3
Portland-Vancouver .....	1,088.7	1,090.4	1,091.0	1,084.1	98.3	92.2	99.1	91.7	9.0	8.5	9.1	8.5
Salem .....	171.4	175.2	173.0	176.1	15.9	14.3	15.7	14.1	9.3	8.2	9.1	8.0
<b>Pennsylvania</b> .....	6,216.9	6,204.2	6,210.7	6,196.5	387.0	417.5	388.6	433.6	6.2	6.7	6.3	7.0
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton .....	333.6	331.3	332.2	331.3	21.5	22.5	21.0	24.6	6.4	6.8	6.3	7.4
Altoona .....	65.3	65.6	65.3	65.3	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.6	7.1	6.9	7.3	7.0
Erie .....	143.5	141.4	143.5	141.7	12.0	11.8	12.4	12.5	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.8
Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle .....	357.6	360.5	359.1	359.9	15.3	16.1	15.9	17.3	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.8
Johnstown .....	104.3	103.9	103.8	105.0	9.0	9.5	8.8	10.1	8.6	9.1	8.5	9.6
Lancaster .....	254.1	258.2	254.7	257.2	10.9	12.2	11.0	13.3	4.3	4.7	4.3	5.2
Philadelphia .....	2,615.7	2,616.4	2,618.9	2,631.3	141.2	160.1	145.8	165.2	5.4	6.1	5.6	6.3
Pittsburgh .....	1,200.0	1,189.1	1,196.7	1,184.7	71.2	80.9	71.0	82.7	5.9	6.8	5.9	7.0
Reading .....	190.7	190.2	190.1	188.8	12.8	14.6	13.3	15.0	6.7	7.7	7.0	7.9
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton .....	313.6	307.1	312.9	307.9	24.7	24.0	23.1	24.5	7.9	7.8	7.4	8.0
Sharon .....	58.4	58.5	59.1	59.1	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.8	6.3	6.4	6.1	6.5
State College .....	68.7	67.9	71.3	71.5	2.7	2.9	2.7	2.9	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.1
Williamsport .....	58.1	58.3	58.3	57.7	4.8	4.4	5.0	4.7	8.4	7.6	8.5	8.1
York .....	202.1	201.4	201.7	200.2	10.7	11.7	11.1	12.3	5.3	5.8	5.5	6.1
<b>Rhode Island</b> .....	545.5	568.4	549.5	569.6	32.1	34.7	32.9	35.4	5.9	6.1	6.0	6.2
Providence-Fall River-Warwick .....	620.9	642.9	625.1	644.0	38.3	41.6	38.9	42.0	6.2	6.5	6.2	6.5
<b>South Carolina</b> .....	1,909.0	1,988.0	1,931.3	2,010.0	122.1	133.5	122.0	133.2	6.4	6.7	6.3	6.6
Charleston-North Charleston .....	271.0	282.4	276.8	286.4	11.1	12.5	11.3	12.5	4.1	4.4	4.1	4.4
Columbia .....	277.1	287.9	278.8	291.1	9.7	11.2	9.5	11.4	3.5	3.9	3.4	3.9
Florence .....	62.2	67.0	62.6	67.4	4.1	5.4	4.1	5.2	6.6	8.1	6.5	7.8
Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson .....	478.9	492.8	485.0	497.6	27.9	29.5	29.7	29.8	5.8	6.0	6.1	6.0
Myrtle Beach .....	95.9	103.4	97.6	105.5	7.6	8.3	6.4	7.2	7.9	8.0	6.5	6.9
Sumter .....	44.4	45.0	44.8	45.5	3.6	3.4	3.6	3.6	8.1	7.6	8.1	7.8
<b>South Dakota</b> .....	406.6	409.8	407.3	411.7	18.1	16.2	16.4	15.7	4.5	4.0	4.0	3.8
Rapid City .....	47.9	48.5	48.5	48.6	1.8	1.6	2.0	1.6	3.8	3.2	4.2	3.2
Sioux Falls .....	107.5	109.2	108.1	108.7	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.0	3.0
<b>Tennessee</b> .....	2,870.0	2,845.9	2,880.9	2,859.5	178.1	153.3	164.6	146.2	6.2	5.4	5.7	5.1
Chattanooga .....	235.7	233.0	237.1	235.9	9.6	8.2	8.8	8.1	4.1	3.5	3.7	3.5
Clarksville-Hopkinsville .....	90.5	91.3	91.4	91.2	5.7	4.3	5.2	3.9	6.3	4.8	5.7	4.3
Jackson .....	59.3	59.4	59.4	60.9	3.7	3.0	3.6	2.9	6.2	5.1	6.0	4.8
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol .....	227.2	227.9	230.0	229.3	13.9	12.7	13.8	12.6	6.1	5.6	6.0	5.5
Knoxville .....	367.6	363.7	367.8	367.7	18.4	15.5	16.4	14.9	5.0	4.3	4.4	4.0
Memphis .....	572.2	565.9	574.1	572.5	32.9	30.8	30.5	28.5	5.7	5.4	5.3	5.0
Nashville .....	673.8	667.5	678.0	679.5	29.3	26.0	28.1	24.9	4.3	3.9	4.1	3.7
<b>Texas</b> .....	10,599.3	10,817.1	10,586.5	10,841.8	677.9	734.5	652.4	715.4	6.4	6.8	6.2	6.6
Abilene .....	58.3	60.2	58.6	60.4	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.5	4.4	4.4	3.9	4.1
Amarillo .....	111.7	115.3	112.2	116.3	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.5	3.8	3.9	3.7	3.9
Austin-San Marcos .....	764.7	781.4	765.8	783.2	43.5	44.5	43.3	43.4	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.5
Beaumont-Port Arthur .....	177.9	180.6	176.8	181.5	14.7	16.6	13.5	15.9	8.3	9.2	7.7	8.8
Brazoria .....	109.9	111.8	110.2	112.7	7.3	8.9	7.1	9.1	6.6	8.0	6.5	8.1
Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito .....	136.5	144.3	136.3	143.4	14.6	15.4	13.7	14.8	10.7	10.6	10.0	10.3
Bryan-College Station .....	76.2	79.8	79.2	84.0	1.3	1.7	1.3	1.6	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.9
Corpus Christi .....	175.1	179.4	174.2	179.2	11.1	11.3	9.9	11.4	6.3	6.3	5.7	6.4
Dallas .....	2,033.5	2,040.6	2,026.6	2,039.9	146.8	149.1	142.5	146.3	7.2	7.3	7.0	7.2
El Paso .....	284.6	298.7	283.7	297.3	25.2	29.4	25.5	28.0	8.9	9.8	9.0	9.4
Fort Worth-Arlington .....	936.7	958.7	935.6	959.0	57.1	61.3	56.9	60.0	6.1	6.4	6.1	6.3
Galveston-Texas City .....	120.2	122.5	120.6	122.7	8.5	9.7	7.8	9.4	7.1	7.9	6.4	7.7
Houston .....	2,236.7	2,277.0	2,236.2	2,289.9	125.5	147.7	121.3	146.6	5.6	6.5	5.4	6.4
Killeen-Temple .....	118.7	123.3	119.1	123.9	6.5	7.1	6.2	6.9	5.5	5.8	5.2	5.6
Laredo .....	78.5	82.2	78.5	81.5	6.4	6.7	6.1	6.5	8.2	8.1	7.8	8.0
Longview-Marshall .....	106.5	108.7	105.4	108.3	7.3	7.3	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.5	6.4
Lubbock .....	126.3	130.2	126.6	131.6	3.6	4.1	3.5	4.2	2.9	3.2	2.7	3.2
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission .....	218.4	227.4	215.5	226.0	32.7	35.4	29.1	33.5	15.0	15.6	13.5	14.8
Odessa-Midland .....	121.0	125.6	120.9	127.1	6.4	7.5	6.5	7.4	5.2	5.9	5.4	5.8
San Angelo .....	50.7	51.2	50.5	50.8	1.7	2.0	1.7	1.8	3.4	3.9	3.3	3.6
San Antonio .....	791.2	814.4	794.2	821.2	41.2	44.4	39.5	42.6	5.2	5.5	5.0	5.2
Sherman-Denison .....	50.9	51.7	50.7	52.2	4.1	3.4	3.7	3.3	8.0	6.5	7.2	6.4
Texarkana .....	56.3	58.1	56.4	58.2	2.9	3.1	2.7	3.0	5.1	5.4	4.8	5.2

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	January		February		January		February		January		February	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Texas—Continued</b>												
Tyler .....	94.2	96.7	93.5	96.3	5.2	4.7	4.4	4.3	5.5	4.9	4.7	4.5
Victoria .....	45.6	45.9	45.6	46.2	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.4	4.9	5.2	4.8	5.2
Waco .....	101.2	105.6	101.7	105.5	4.8	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.6
Wichita Falls .....	64.6	65.1	64.0	64.7	3.0	3.2	2.6	2.9	4.6	4.8	4.0	4.5
<b>Utah</b> .....	1,169.3	1,194.9	1,173.8	1,193.4	71.3	65.9	77.8	69.3	6.1	5.5	6.6	5.8
Provo-Orem .....	179.7	184.9	179.9	183.7	11.2	8.7	12.5	9.1	6.2	4.7	7.0	5.0
Salt Lake City-Ogden .....	743.1	757.5	747.5	755.6	43.1	41.3	46.9	43.7	5.8	5.5	6.3	5.8
<b>Vermont</b> .....	343.7	350.5	344.9	350.4	16.6	18.3	16.8	18.1	4.8	5.2	4.9	5.2
Burlington .....	103.8	105.0	104.7	104.8	3.5	4.1	3.7	4.1	3.4	3.9	3.6	3.9
<b>Virginia</b> .....	3,682.4	3,742.4	3,695.7	3,749.3	167.4	159.4	164.4	159.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.3
Charlottesville .....	75.6	78.5	76.1	78.9	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.7
Danville .....	57.4	57.8	57.4	57.6	5.8	4.0	5.6	4.3	10.1	6.9	9.8	7.5
Lynchburg .....	106.1	105.4	106.4	105.7	6.8	5.3	6.7	5.4	6.4	5.1	6.3	5.1
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News .....	760.3	771.0	765.2	774.4	34.8	34.7	33.8	34.2	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.4
Richmond-Petersburg .....	534.6	539.8	538.8	543.0	22.5	23.2	21.8	23.1	4.2	4.3	4.0	4.3
Roanoke .....	129.5	129.4	129.6	130.0	4.7	4.8	4.6	4.8	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.7
<b>Washington</b> .....	3,035.7	3,121.2	3,050.8	3,101.3	249.6	233.9	246.5	234.1	8.2	7.5	8.1	7.5
Bellingham .....	81.9	87.3	82.3	87.0	6.5	5.4	6.0	5.3	7.9	6.2	7.3	6.0
Bremerton .....	97.3	103.5	97.8	102.7	6.7	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.6
Olympia .....	102.9	109.0	103.6	108.7	6.5	6.2	6.4	6.1	6.3	5.6	6.2	5.6
Richland-Kennewick-Pasco .....	94.8	100.8	95.9	101.3	8.6	9.0	7.9	8.4	9.0	8.9	8.3	8.3
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett .....	1,386.8	1,410.6	1,391.4	1,398.4	97.8	91.4	99.6	93.6	7.1	6.5	7.2	6.7
Spokane .....	212.7	216.2	213.5	214.2	18.2	15.9	17.9	15.8	8.6	7.4	8.4	7.4
Tacoma .....	337.5	352.1	340.5	350.5	26.4	26.2	26.8	26.5	7.8	7.4	7.9	7.6
Yakima .....	102.4	104.1	101.6	103.5	15.3	13.2	13.0	12.6	14.9	12.7	12.8	12.2
<b>West Virginia</b> .....	805.3	795.7	802.3	796.8	52.5	50.9	52.8	54.5	6.5	6.4	6.6	6.8
Charleston .....	132.0	128.2	130.8	128.3	6.8	6.2	6.7	6.8	5.1	4.9	5.1	5.3
Huntington-Ashland .....	135.1	134.6	134.8	135.4	10.1	8.5	9.4	8.8	7.5	6.3	7.0	6.5
Parkersburg-Marietta .....	76.1	77.3	76.5	76.7	4.4	4.9	4.6	5.2	5.8	6.4	6.0	6.8
Wheeling .....	73.3	70.9	73.1	71.7	4.4	4.2	4.3	4.5	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.3
<b>Wisconsin</b> .....	3,004.0	3,067.5	3,012.7	3,080.3	189.1	192.3	205.2	198.5	6.3	6.3	6.8	6.4
Appleton-Oshkosh-Neenah .....	232.9	239.7	232.4	239.9	12.9	13.3	14.0	13.6	5.5	5.5	6.0	5.7
Eau Claire .....	83.1	85.6	85.8	88.5	5.7	5.5	6.4	5.7	6.8	6.5	7.4	6.5
Green Bay .....	140.1	145.7	140.2	146.2	7.7	8.1	8.4	8.4	5.5	5.6	6.0	5.8
Janesville-Beloit .....	78.5	78.9	78.5	78.9	6.1	5.7	6.4	5.9	7.8	7.2	8.1	7.5
Kenosha .....	82.0	82.7	82.4	83.9	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.3	6.0	6.3	6.3	6.3
La Crosse .....	74.7	75.5	74.6	75.3	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.3
Madison .....	276.3	283.4	278.0	287.2	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.8	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1
Milwaukee-Waukesha .....	815.2	822.4	816.1	824.3	48.8	50.8	52.4	51.3	6.0	6.2	6.4	6.2
Racine .....	93.6	95.9	93.6	96.1	7.7	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.5	8.6	8.5
Sheboygan .....	63.4	66.0	63.3	65.5	3.4	3.3	4.0	3.6	5.3	5.0	6.3	5.5
Wausau .....	75.8	77.4	76.1	77.5	4.5	3.9	5.2	4.6	5.9	5.1	6.8	5.9
<b>Wyoming</b> .....	266.1	269.1	267.2	271.6	13.8	13.6	13.9	14.1	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.2
Casper .....	35.0	35.8	35.4	36.1	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.8	5.4	5.2	4.9	5.1
Cheyenne .....	41.7	43.3	42.0	43.2	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	4.7	4.4	4.5	4.4
<b>Puerto Rico</b> .....	1,322.7	1,374.9	1,374.7	1,384.0	150.6	156.5	188.0	173.4	11.4	11.4	13.7	12.5
Aguadilla .....	48.1	50.1	50.8	50.4	8.2	7.9	9.9	8.3	17.0	15.8	19.6	16.5
Arecibo .....	54.6	56.3	57.4	56.6	8.0	8.8	10.2	9.0	14.7	15.5	17.9	16.0
Caguas .....	116.5	123.1	120.4	122.2	12.8	13.5	15.3	14.5	11.0	11.0	12.7	11.8
Mayaguez .....	86.3	90.1	90.3	89.9	12.9	12.8	15.3	13.7	15.0	14.2	17.0	15.3
Ponce .....	100.7	106.1	104.8	107.3	14.1	16.1	17.3	17.9	14.0	15.2	16.5	16.7
San Juan-Bayamon .....	745.0	777.8	771.7	783.3	67.1	67.4	85.7	76.8	9.0	8.7	11.1	9.8

<sup>1</sup> Data for 2003 are not directly comparable with data for previous years because of a change in metropolitan area definitions.

<sup>2</sup> Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

<sup>P</sup> = preliminary.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a

monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available. Area definitions are published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	January		February		Change February 2002 to February 2003 <sup>P</sup>	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	Number	Percent
<b>Alabama</b> .....	1,859.6	1,865.9	1,868.4	1,867.3	-1.1	-0.1
Birmingham .....	476.2	476.4	476.6	474.9	-1.7	-4
Huntsville .....	181.4	181.1	181.6	181.9	.3	.2
Mobile .....	220.8	223.9	222.4	224.0	1.6	.7
Montgomery .....	161.5	161.5	162.3	162.0	-.3	-.2
Tuscaloosa .....	81.4	82.4	82.3	83.0	.7	.9
<b>Alaska</b> .....	271.1	277.7	280.3	285.0	4.7	1.7
Anchorage .....	133.5	137.6	135.8	138.2	2.4	1.8
<b>Arizona</b> .....	2,228.2	2,253.4	2,251.8	2,275.5	23.7	1.1
Phoenix-Mesa .....	1,566.5	1,581.3	1,581.4	1,598.5	17.1	1.1
Tucson .....	344.1	345.4	347.4	348.9	1.5	.4
<b>Arkansas</b> .....	1,125.3	1,133.9	1,132.8	1,137.6	4.8	.4
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers .....	161.6	168.0	164.7	169.5	4.8	2.9
Fort Smith .....	99.0	99.0	99.5	99.3	-.2	-.2
Little Rock-North Little Rock .....	312.5	314.4	313.4	313.6	.2	.1
Pine Bluff .....	35.3	35.6	35.5	35.6	.1	.3
<b>California</b> .....	14,237.6	14,334.1	14,328.0	14,383.5	55.5	.4
Bakersfield .....	202.2	204.2	202.8	204.5	1.7	.8
Fresno .....	299.5	309.8	302.9	312.4	9.5	3.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach .....	3,983.6	3,992.3	4,004.9	3,995.0	-9.9	-.2
Modesto .....	145.7	149.7	145.7	149.9	4.2	2.9
Oakland .....	1,025.3	1,036.3	1,031.8	1,038.8	7.0	.7
Orange County .....	1,381.5	1,393.5	1,389.2	1,397.1	7.9	.6
Riverside-San Bernardino .....	1,034.9	1,061.9	1,042.6	1,065.7	23.1	2.2
Sacramento .....	728.8	740.5	730.4	739.9	9.5	1.3
Salinas .....	127.8	129.4	128.7	130.7	2.0	1.6
San Diego .....	1,206.9	1,220.8	1,217.6	1,225.6	8.0	.7
San Francisco .....	987.8	964.9	988.4	965.7	-22.7	-2.3
San Jose .....	919.4	874.5	919.9	872.4	-47.5	-5.2
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc .....	161.9	163.0	164.3	164.1	-.2	-.1
Santa Rosa .....	184.3	183.5	185.3	184.5	-.8	-.4
Stockton-Lodi .....	187.4	193.5	188.7	194.0	5.3	2.8
Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa .....	173.4	178.1	176.1	180.9	4.8	2.7
Ventura .....	277.7	275.8	279.6	275.8	-3.8	-1.4
<b>Colorado</b> .....	2,147.2	2,152.5	2,158.0	2,154.8	-3.2	-.1
Boulder-Longmont <sup>1</sup> .....	181.8	157.4	182.8	158.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
Colorado Springs .....	236.1	237.5	236.7	237.9	1.2	.5
Denver <sup>1</sup> .....	1,126.9	1,145.0	1,130.0	1,142.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
<b>Connecticut</b> .....	1,648.1	1,636.8	1,648.7	1,635.2	-13.5	-.8
Bridgeport .....	183.2	183.4	183.1	183.2	.1	.1
Danbury .....	87.7	89.9	87.4	89.5	2.1	2.4
Hartford .....	603.1	599.6	604.7	599.4	-5.3	-.9
New Haven-Meriden .....	255.2	257.7	257.5	257.8	.3	.1
New London-Norwich .....	143.1	144.0	142.3	143.3	1.0	.7
Stamford-Norwalk .....	198.2	194.3	196.7	193.9	-2.8	-1.4
Waterbury .....	82.7	83.3	82.7	82.8	.1	.1
<b>Delaware</b> .....	403.5	401.8	405.1	401.3	-3.8	-.9
Dover .....	54.0	54.0	54.1	53.6	-.5	-.9
Wilmington-Newark .....	315.3	309.6	317.4	310.1	-7.3	-2.3
<b>District of Columbia</b> .....	648.3	653.7	653.4	657.5	4.1	.6
Washington PMSA .....	2,743.7	2,791.9	2,754.6	2,783.0	28.4	1.0
<b>Florida</b> .....	7,101.6	7,218.1	7,157.3	7,272.9	115.6	1.6
Daytona Beach .....	163.9	166.8	166.1	168.8	2.7	1.6
Fort Lauderdale .....	698.2	707.4	700.1	709.6	9.5	1.4
Fort Myers-Cape Coral .....	180.9	185.3	182.8	187.6	4.8	2.6
Gainesville .....	121.1	121.2	122.3	122.6	.3	.2
Jacksonville .....	551.6	557.2	553.2	560.7	7.5	1.4
Lakeland-Winter Haven .....	187.0	188.6	187.2	189.2	2.0	1.1
Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay .....	188.1	187.0	189.1	188.9	-.2	-.1
Miami .....	1,007.3	1,020.4	1,014.6	1,024.2	9.6	.9
Orlando .....	890.3	907.0	899.9	916.6	16.7	1.9
Pensacola .....	153.2	152.4	153.8	153.3	-.5	-.3
Sarasota-Bradenton .....	269.5	273.4	272.7	275.4	2.7	1.0
Tallahassee .....	155.7	156.4	158.8	158.2	-.6	-.4
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater .....	1,202.2	1,215.0	1,215.5	1,230.2	14.7	1.2
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton .....	519.9	534.4	520.4	537.0	16.6	3.2

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	January		February		Change February 2002 to February 2003 <sup>P</sup>	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	Number	Percent
<b>Georgia</b> .....	3,863.4	3,852.8	3,876.5	3,869.8	-6.7	-0.2
Albany .....	55.6	57.0	55.1	56.9	1.8	3.3
Athens .....	72.1	72.8	72.3	72.9	.6	.8
Atlanta .....	2,151.9	2,139.5	2,153.4	2,154.5	1.1	.1
Augusta-Aiken .....	195.7	195.4	196.6	196.1	-.5	-.3
Columbus .....	116.2	114.5	117.0	114.3	-2.7	-2.3
Macon .....	145.8	148.1	145.9	147.7	1.8	1.2
Savannah .....	134.0	137.4	135.7	138.9	3.2	2.4
<b>Hawaii</b> .....	541.9	560.6	549.4	564.8	15.4	2.8
Honolulu .....	401.8	414.9	408.3	418.9	10.6	2.6
<b>Idaho</b> .....	545.8	550.4	548.2	552.8	4.6	.8
Boise City .....	221.1	222.1	222.4	223.3	.9	.4
<b>Illinois</b> .....	5,778.8	5,795.2	5,781.8	5,777.3	-4.5	-.1
Bloomington-Normal .....	91.7	92.5	93.3	93.4	.1	.1
Champaign-Urbana .....	100.6	102.0	104.0	104.6	.6	.6
Chicago .....	4,059.2	4,066.6	4,054.5	4,052.2	-2.3	-.1
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island .....	175.2	175.6	175.6	176.0	.4	.2
Decatur .....	53.9	53.3	53.9	53.4	-.5	-.9
Kankakee .....	42.7	42.8	42.9	42.9	.0	.0
Peoria-Pekin .....	167.1	167.2	167.5	167.1	-.4	-.2
Rockford .....	170.6	170.5	170.8	170.1	-.7	-.4
Springfield .....	113.0	111.2	113.1	110.2	-2.9	-2.6
<b>Indiana</b> .....	2,833.3	2,832.3	2,847.0	2,842.8	-4.2	-.1
Bloomington .....	65.1	63.3	66.4	65.3	-1.1	-1.7
Elkhart-Goshen .....	110.5	118.6	113.8	118.9	5.1	4.5
Evansville-Henderson .....	159.2	157.2	159.9	157.0	-2.9	-1.8
Fort Wayne .....	263.1	264.9	263.2	264.4	1.2	.5
Gary .....	253.9	252.1	253.7	252.3	-1.4	-.6
Indianapolis .....	862.4	853.1	865.0	851.8	-13.2	-1.5
Kokomo .....	48.9	49.4	49.2	49.4	.2	.4
Lafayette .....	95.3	93.5	97.1	96.1	-1.0	-1.0
Muncie .....	56.4	55.5	57.4	56.4	-1.0	-1.7
South Bend .....	128.8	130.2	129.2	130.7	1.5	1.2
Terre Haute .....	66.0	65.5	65.3	65.9	.6	.9
<b>Iowa</b> .....	1,422.7	1,417.5	1,420.8	1,419.3	-1.5	-.1
Cedar Rapids .....	117.7	116.7	117.4	116.6	-.8	-.7
Des Moines .....	281.6	281.8	280.6	281.9	1.3	.5
Dubuque .....	49.8	50.2	49.7	50.0	.3	.6
Iowa City .....	72.9	72.5	73.7	72.6	-1.1	-1.5
Sioux City .....	63.5	64.1	63.0	63.3	.3	.5
Waterloo-Cedar Falls .....	71.7	72.4	72.3	72.5	.2	.3
<b>Kansas</b> .....	1,319.8	1,321.4	1,318.6	1,325.3	6.7	.5
Lawrence .....	51.5	50.3	51.3	50.0	-1.3	-2.5
Topeka .....	104.2	102.1	104.7	102.6	-2.1	-2.0
Wichita .....	285.0	277.7	282.4	277.8	-4.6	-1.6
<b>Kentucky</b> .....	1,759.4	1,761.4	1,761.8	1,765.0	3.2	.2
Lexington .....	271.6	273.7	273.1	274.2	1.1	.4
Louisville .....	560.5	562.8	560.8	561.7	.9	.2
Owensboro .....	43.3	43.4	43.3	43.4	.1	.2
<b>Louisiana</b> .....	1,874.4	1,885.3	1,882.3	1,886.0	3.7	.2
Alexandria .....	55.0	55.9	55.3	55.9	.6	1.1
Baton Rouge .....	295.9	298.7	298.8	301.9	3.1	1.0
Houma .....	79.9	83.9	80.0	83.5	3.5	4.4
Lafayette .....	165.9	167.1	166.4	167.5	1.1	.7
Lake Charles .....	86.8	85.4	86.9	85.1	-1.8	-2.1
Monroe .....	73.3	72.4	73.9	73.0	-.9	-1.2
New Orleans .....	608.5	608.9	610.7	609.5	-1.2	-.2
Shreveport-Bossier City .....	168.0	170.4	169.7	170.4	.7	.4
<b>Maine</b> .....	583.7	584.2	585.5	585.8	.3	.1
Lewiston-Auburn .....	45.9	45.7	45.5	45.3	-.2	-.4
Portland .....	150.9	153.1	150.8	151.1	.3	.2

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	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	Number	Percent
<b>Maryland</b> .....	2,421.1	2,432.4	2,436.6	2,440.1	3.5	0.1
Baltimore PMSA .....	1,227.4	1,233.6	1,234.2	1,237.9	3.7	.3
Baltimore City .....	380.8	381.2	384.5	383.7	-.8	-.2
Suburban Maryland-D.C. ....	913.5	917.9	918.8	920.5	1.7	.2
<b>Massachusetts</b> .....	3,209.7	3,175.8	3,203.9	3,175.8	-28.1	-.9
Barnstable-Yarmouth .....	58.2	59.3	57.7	59.3	1.6	2.8
Boston .....	1,970.9	1,936.0	1,962.6	1,931.2	-31.4	-1.6
Brockton .....	98.4	99.7	98.4	99.7	1.3	1.3
Fitchburg-Leominster .....	51.4	52.2	50.7	51.9	1.2	2.4
Lawrence .....	156.4	154.4	156.0	153.8	-2.2	-1.4
Lowell .....	126.4	121.7	125.9	122.3	-3.6	-2.9
New Bedford .....	64.1	64.7	64.0	64.0	.0	.0
Pittsfield .....	42.1	42.3	41.5	41.8	.3	.7
Springfield .....	253.7	254.6	255.1	255.4	.3	.1
Worcester .....	230.6	224.4	229.5	223.1	-6.4	-2.8
<b>Michigan</b> .....	4,381.7	4,370.5	4,401.3	4,381.1	-20.2	-.5
Ann Arbor .....	286.1	283.6	289.6	285.9	-3.7	-1.3
Benton Harbor .....	67.2	68.2	67.5	68.3	.8	1.2
Detroit .....	2,059.8	2,033.0	2,067.3	2,030.2	-37.1	-1.8
Flint .....	161.4	155.1	164.6	157.9	-6.7	-4.1
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland .....	563.0	562.1	562.9	564.4	1.5	.3
Jackson .....	61.3	62.2	61.7	62.6	.9	1.5
Kalamazoo-Battle Creek .....	207.1	202.3	208.1	205.1	-3.0	-1.4
Lansing-East Lansing .....	238.3	237.8	240.2	241.0	.8	.3
Saginaw-Bay City-Midland .....	173.1	173.8	173.8	173.8	.0	.0
<b>Minnesota</b> .....	2,603.0	2,588.9	2,601.0	2,594.9	-6.1	-.2
Duluth-Superior .....	112.9	113.7	112.7	114.9	2.2	2.0
Minneapolis-St. Paul .....	1,695.8	1,687.3	1,694.4	1,688.7	-5.7	-.3
Rochester .....	86.4	86.5	85.6	86.0	.4	.5
St. Cloud .....	93.1	92.4	94.3	92.9	-1.4	-1.5
<b>Mississippi</b> .....	1,111.0	1,116.0	1,113.8	1,119.8	6.0	.5
Jackson .....	228.0	228.3	229.2	229.6	.4	.2
<b>Missouri</b> .....	2,660.5	2,598.7	2,667.0	2,620.2	-46.8	-1.8
Kansas City .....	942.5	923.0	945.1	921.1	-24.0	-2.5
St. Louis .....	1,293.6	1,285.1	1,294.8	1,286.9	-7.9	-.6
Springfield .....	163.8	165.4	164.8	165.5	.7	.4
<b>Montana</b> .....	381.7	384.7	383.3	385.9	2.6	.7
Billings .....	66.4	68.2	67.2	68.4	1.2	1.8
Missoula .....	49.7	50.7	50.3	51.0	.7	1.4
<b>Nebraska</b> .....	887.8	889.5	891.7	892.7	1.0	.1
Lincoln .....	153.8	156.9	155.2	157.9	2.7	1.7
Omaha .....	421.8	423.7	422.5	424.2	1.7	.4
<b>Nevada</b> .....	1,019.1	1,044.0	1,025.9	1,051.5	25.6	2.5
Las Vegas .....	766.9	788.5	771.8	793.7	21.9	2.8
Reno .....	189.9	192.4	191.4	194.0	2.6	1.4
<b>New Hampshire</b> .....	607.9	610.2	608.6	609.4	.8	.1
Manchester .....	107.1	107.5	106.6	107.2	.6	.6
Nashua .....	94.9	94.2	94.0	93.6	-.4	-.4
Portsmouth-Rochester .....	120.3	123.2	121.5	125.1	3.6	3.0
<b>New Jersey</b> .....	3,932.8	3,933.2	3,940.2	3,934.3	-5.9	-.1
Atlantic-Cape May .....	176.8	182.2	177.4	182.3	4.9	2.8
Bergen-Passaic .....	652.7	648.7	652.5	648.3	-4.2	-.6
Camden .....	504.9	507.1	504.8	501.3	-3.5	-.7
Jersey City .....	260.9	254.3	260.3	253.9	-6.4	-2.5
Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon .....	648.8	644.8	650.3	644.8	-5.5	-.8
Monmouth-Ocean .....	388.5	394.8	388.4	390.6	2.2	.6
Newark .....	997.7	995.3	1,002.3	995.4	-6.9	-.7
Trenton .....	221.8	211.6	222.0	218.6	-3.4	-1.5
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton .....	58.8	59.7	59.2	59.3	.1	.2

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	January		February		Change February 2002 to February 2003 <sup>P</sup>	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	Number	Percent
<b>New Mexico</b> .....	748.5	759.5	754.1	768.2	14.1	1.9
Albuquerque .....	352.1	355.4	353.6	358.4	4.8	1.4
Las Cruces .....	58.1	60.1	58.8	61.0	2.2	3.7
Santa Fe .....	74.2	77.0	75.1	77.9	2.8	3.7
<b>New York</b> .....	8,291.3	8,257.5	8,339.0	8,281.2	-57.8	-7
Albany-Schenectady-Troy .....	448.2	452.5	452.8	453.5	.7	.2
Binghamton .....	114.2	111.7	114.9	112.0	-2.9	-2.5
Buffalo-Niagara Falls .....	537.5	534.7	539.5	537.9	-1.6	-.3
Dutchess County .....	116.4	117.4	117.0	119.1	2.1	1.8
Elmira .....	41.3	40.9	41.1	40.6	-.5	-1.2
Glens Falls .....	47.9	48.8	48.1	48.7	.6	1.2
Nassau-Suffolk .....	1,184.6	1,183.0	1,188.4	1,185.8	-2.6	-.2
New York PMSA .....	4,074.4	4,033.2	4,095.9	4,039.4	-56.5	-1.4
New York City .....	3,535.0	3,491.8	3,554.8	3,498.6	-56.2	-1.6
Newburgh .....	130.5	131.9	130.5	131.4	.9	.7
Rochester .....	527.2	517.2	529.0	522.4	-6.6	-1.2
Rockland County .....	110.0	109.6	110.3	109.4	-.9	-.8
Syracuse .....	338.1	341.7	339.5	343.6	4.1	1.2
Utica-Rome .....	129.8	130.6	130.0	130.6	.6	.5
Westchester County .....	406.1	408.2	407.6	407.9	.3	.1
<b>North Carolina</b> .....	3,814.4	3,794.0	3,809.6	3,790.3	-19.3	-.5
Asheville .....	110.1	110.4	111.1	109.7	-1.4	-1.3
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill .....	821.1	827.1	827.9	828.4	.5	.1
Greensboro--Winston-Salem--High Point .....	642.2	633.3	643.1	634.6	-8.5	-1.3
Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill .....	671.3	675.3	674.6	674.9	.3	.0
<b>North Dakota</b> .....	322.6	324.9	323.9	326.1	2.2	.7
Bismarck .....	51.0	52.1	51.4	51.7	.3	.6
Fargo-Moorhead .....	102.3	103.6	102.8	103.8	1.0	1.0
Grand Forks .....	48.6	49.2	48.7	49.2	.5	1.0
<b>Ohio</b> .....	5,348.6	5,321.5	5,363.6	5,332.4	-31.2	-.6
Akron .....	319.0	324.1	320.0	326.2	6.2	1.9
Canton-Massillon .....	179.5	177.6	179.8	177.3	-2.5	-1.4
Cincinnati .....	857.7	865.4	859.2	868.3	9.1	1.1
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria .....	1,100.4	1,092.7	1,102.6	1,100.2	-2.4	-.2
Columbus .....	874.8	867.8	875.0	867.7	-7.3	-.8
Dayton-Springfield .....	460.1	455.4	462.5	455.7	-6.8	-1.5
Hamilton-Middletown .....	130.0	131.1	131.8	132.7	.9	.7
Lima .....	76.4	76.0	76.4	75.6	-.8	-1.0
Mansfield .....	76.2	76.7	76.6	77.4	.8	1.0
Steubenville-Weirton .....	47.4	48.8	48.2	48.8	.6	1.2
Toledo .....	316.1	305.1	317.6	307.1	-10.5	-3.3
Youngstown-Warren .....	228.9	229.2	229.6	228.9	-.7	-.3
<b>Oklahoma</b> .....	1,468.5	1,456.6	1,476.8	1,466.4	-10.4	-.7
Enid .....	23.3	23.3	23.1	23.6	.5	2.2
Lawton .....	37.4	38.1	38.0	38.4	.4	1.1
Oklahoma City .....	530.8	537.5	536.2	539.8	3.6	.7
Tulsa .....	399.0	380.9	399.0	385.5	-13.5	-3.4
<b>Oregon</b> .....	1,535.7	1,546.1	1,546.2	1,551.3	5.1	.3
Eugene-Springfield .....	139.0	142.1	140.1	143.0	2.9	2.1
Medford-Ashland .....	70.6	72.0	71.1	72.1	1.0	1.4
Portland-Vancouver .....	927.5	921.9	931.3	922.5	-8.8	-.9
Salem .....	132.4	135.5	133.6	136.5	2.9	2.2
<b>Pennsylvania</b> .....	5,549.6	5,541.8	5,575.0	5,562.7	-12.3	-.2
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton .....	282.3	281.3	282.9	281.6	-1.3	-.5
Altoona .....	59.4	60.2	59.6	60.3	.7	1.2
Erie .....	129.1	128.7	129.2	128.7	-.5	-.4
Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle .....	356.6	360.9	359.3	361.6	2.3	.6
Johnstown .....	85.1	84.9	85.5	85.6	.1	.1
Lancaster .....	222.3	224.3	224.1	225.9	1.8	.8
Philadelphia PMSA .....	2,377.2	2,372.9	2,385.2	2,382.4	-2.8	-.1
Philadelphia City .....	674.3	672.4	680.6	679.2	-1.4	-.2
Pittsburgh .....	1,105.1	1,095.7	1,107.3	1,094.2	-13.1	-1.2
Reading .....	166.4	165.2	166.2	165.0	-1.2	-.7
Scranton--Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton .....	273.6	270.3	275.8	271.6	-4.2	-1.5
Sharon .....	48.4	48.9	49.5	49.4	-.1	-.2
State College .....	69.7	68.9	72.8	73.4	.6	.8
Williamsport .....	52.4	53.3	52.8	53.0	.2	.4
York .....	167.8	167.7	168.0	167.2	-.8	-.5

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	January		February		Change February 2002 to February 2003 <sup>P</sup>	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	Number	Percent
<b>Rhode Island</b> .....	466.0	469.1	467.1	469.8	2.7	0.6
Providence-Fall River-Warwick .....	518.6	520.8	519.4	520.5	1.1	.2
<b>South Carolina</b> .....	1,762.2	1,774.3	1,773.6	1,786.5	12.9	.7
Charleston-North Charleston .....	250.7	250.3	254.2	252.3	-1.9	-.7
Columbia .....	302.6	301.0	304.0	302.3	-1.7	-.6
Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson .....	466.7	461.1	468.2	462.4	-5.8	-1.2
<b>South Dakota</b> .....	365.7	369.4	365.7	369.8	4.1	1.1
Rapid City .....	48.7	49.5	48.6	49.6	1.0	2.1
Sioux Falls .....	113.1	115.0	112.9	114.3	1.4	1.2
<b>Tennessee</b> .....	2,612.2	2,619.3	2,623.1	2,628.3	5.2	.2
Chattanooga .....	229.4	228.6	230.9	229.7	-1.2	-.5
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol .....	192.1	193.8	194.0	194.8	.8	.4
Knoxville .....	333.8	337.1	334.4	336.6	2.2	.7
Memphis .....	576.5	575.8	578.9	578.1	-.8	-.1
Nashville .....	657.3	661.6	660.9	665.3	4.4	.7
<b>Texas</b> .....	9,312.0	9,327.3	9,366.3	9,382.3	16.0	.2
Abilene .....	54.2	55.3	54.9	55.5	.6	1.1
Amarillo .....	96.2	97.5	97.1	98.5	1.4	1.4
Austin-San Marcos .....	652.4	655.9	656.5	660.3	3.8	.6
Beaumont-Port Arthur .....	156.8	155.4	157.5	157.0	-.5	-.3
Brazoria .....	78.9	78.1	79.5	78.6	-.9	-1.1
Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito .....	111.8	116.3	112.6	116.3	3.7	3.3
Bryan-College Station .....	74.8	76.8	78.3	81.2	2.9	3.7
Corpus Christi .....	158.4	159.7	159.7	160.0	.3	.2
Dallas .....	1,925.3	1,900.7	1,928.6	1,905.3	-23.3	-1.2
El Paso .....	251.6	258.1	251.9	258.0	6.1	2.4
Ft. Worth-Arlington .....	776.5	779.4	780.0	782.6	2.6	.3
Galveston-Texas City .....	86.0	85.5	87.0	86.0	-1.0	-1.1
Houston .....	2,089.1	2,078.7	2,102.6	2,089.8	-12.8	-.6
Killeen-Temple .....	102.7	105.3	103.9	106.2	2.3	2.2
Laredo .....	71.3	73.6	72.1	73.5	1.4	1.9
Longview-Marshall .....	91.3	92.0	91.2	92.1	.9	1.0
Lubbock .....	121.3	122.4	122.2	123.6	1.4	1.1
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission .....	165.3	169.3	166.3	170.2	3.9	2.3
Odessa-Midland .....	103.3	104.8	103.6	106.0	2.4	2.3
San Angelo .....	43.9	43.5	44.1	43.5	-.6	-1.4
San Antonio .....	711.3	721.1	719.2	727.9	8.7	1.2
Sherman-Denison .....	43.1	43.9	43.6	44.6	1.0	2.3
Texarkana .....	52.7	53.2	52.9	53.4	.5	.9
Tyler .....	83.9	85.3	84.2	85.6	1.4	1.7
Victoria .....	37.3	37.3	37.4	37.4	.0	.0
Waco .....	98.6	101.5	99.8	101.8	2.0	2.0
Wichita Falls .....	59.9	59.1	60.2	59.1	-1.1	-1.8
<b>Utah</b> .....	1,062.8	1,058.9	1,069.6	1,057.6	-12.0	-1.1
Provo-Orem .....	149.9	151.3	149.8	150.7	.9	.6
Salt Lake City-Ogden .....	707.4	702.3	712.7	699.7	-13.0	-1.8
<b>Vermont</b> .....	299.4	301.1	299.4	301.9	2.5	.8
Barre-Montpelier .....	34.0	34.6	33.9	34.6	.7	2.1
Burlington .....	106.7	106.0	107.1	105.9	-1.2	-1.1
<b>Virginia</b> .....	3,433.6	3,440.0	3,444.5	3,433.4	-11.1	-.3
Bristol .....	39.7	40.3	39.8	40.1	.3	.8
Charlottesville .....	84.6	87.1	85.3	87.1	1.8	2.1
Danville .....	44.5	46.2	45.0	45.7	.7	1.6
Lynchburg .....	99.5	99.2	100.0	99.0	-1.0	-1.0
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News .....	702.5	706.9	707.1	707.6	.5	.1
Northern Virginia .....	1,164.9	1,170.5	1,164.1	1,164.4	.3	.0
Richmond-Petersburg .....	561.8	561.8	566.5	562.9	-3.6	-.6
Roanoke .....	144.3	142.5	144.3	142.8	-1.5	-1.0
<b>Washington</b> .....	2,606.2	2,620.7	2,611.2	2,623.0	11.8	.5
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett .....	1,344.9	1,331.5	1,344.2	1,330.7	-13.5	-1.0
Spokane .....	191.6	190.8	192.5	190.9	-1.6	-.8
Tacoma .....	238.0	241.7	239.1	242.7	3.6	1.5

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	2002	2003	2002	2003 <sup>P</sup>	Number	Percent
<b>West Virginia</b> .....	717.2	720.3	719.9	720.0	0.1	0.0
Charleston .....	132.3	132.8	132.4	132.1	-.3	-.2
Huntington-Ashland .....	118.5	120.3	119.4	120.9	1.5	1.3
Parkersburg-Marietta .....	68.4	69.7	68.7	69.0	.3	.4
Wheeling .....	65.4	63.9	65.6	64.3	-1.3	-2.0
<b>Wisconsin</b> .....	2,719.4	2,721.3	2,717.6	2,731.3	13.7	.5
Appleton-Oshkosh-Neenah .....	201.8	204.2	200.7	204.2	3.5	1.7
Eau Claire .....	72.9	74.2	75.2	77.0	1.8	2.4
Green Bay .....	142.4	145.2	142.0	145.6	3.6	2.5
Janesville-Beloit .....	66.2	66.2	66.3	66.2	-.1	-.2
Kenosha .....	52.8	52.2	53.1	53.0	-.1	-.2
La Crosse .....	72.1	71.6	71.8	71.0	-.8	-1.1
Madison .....	288.6	290.7	290.8	294.8	4.0	1.4
Milwaukee-Waukesha .....	829.0	821.1	828.3	822.4	-5.9	-7
Racine .....	78.7	79.1	78.5	79.2	.7	.9
Sheboygan .....	60.8	62.0	60.2	61.6	1.4	2.3
Wausau .....	68.3	69.0	68.0	68.7	.7	1.0
<b>Wyoming</b> .....	237.9	239.1	237.7	239.5	1.8	.8
Casper .....	32.4	32.7	32.5	33.0	.5	1.5
<b>Puerto Rico</b> .....	973.9	987.3	980.9	984.5	3.6	.4
Caguas .....	64.9	66.5	65.4	65.8	.4	.6
Mayaguez .....	62.1	63.1	62.8	62.6	-.2	-.3
Ponce .....	69.0	69.5	69.3	69.2	-.1	-.1
San Juan-Bayamon .....	634.4	644.3	636.5	645.1	8.6	1.4
<b>Virgin Islands</b> .....	43.3	42.4	44.2	42.5	-1.7	-3.8

<sup>1</sup> Data for 2003 are not directly comparable with data for previous years because of a change in metropolitan area definitions.

<sup>P</sup> = preliminary.

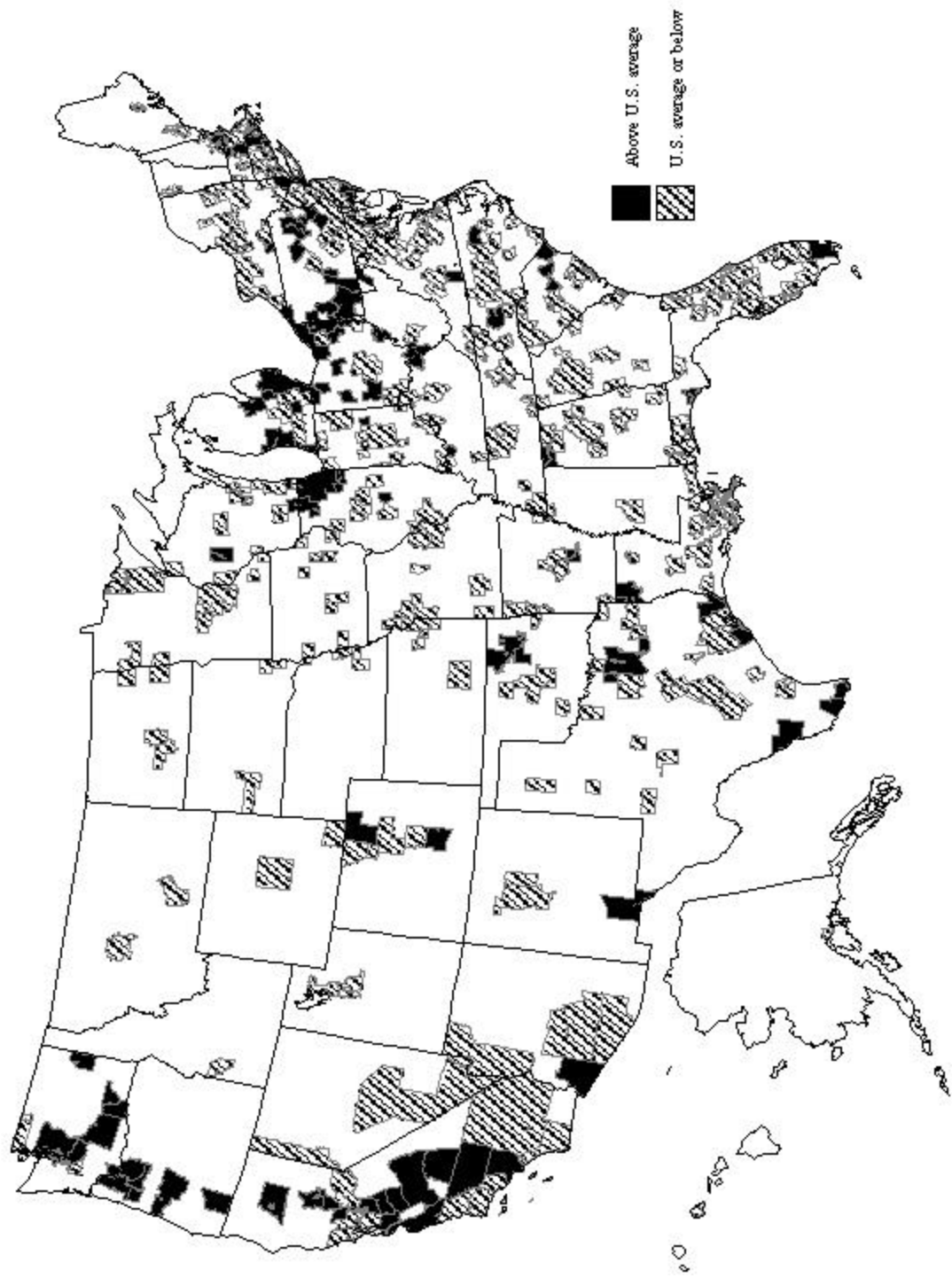
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# Unemployment rates for metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted, February 2003

(U.S. rate = 6.4 percent)



NOTE: Map includes data for 323 areas based on 1990 delineations.