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METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: OCTOBER 2004

In October, 261 metropolitan areas recorded lower unemployment rates than a year earlier, 59 areas had higher rates, and 11 areas had rates that were unchanged, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Twenty-five metropolitan areas registered jobless rates below 3.0 percent, with 12 of these located in the South, 7 in the Midwest, and 5 in the Northeast. Six of the seven areas with unemployment rates of at least 10.0 percent were located in California. The national unemployment rate was 5.1 percent, not seasonally adjusted, in October.

Metropolitan Area Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Ninety-eight metropolitan areas reported jobless rates below 4.0 percent in October, up from 67 areas a year earlier, while 26 areas registered unemployment rates of at least 7.0 percent, down from 45 areas in October 2003. Bryan-College Station, Texas, and Fargo-Moorhead, N.D.-Minn., recorded the lowest jobless rates, 1.7 and 1.8 percent, respectively. This was the ninth consecutive month that Bryan-College Station had the lowest unemployment rate. Of the 25 areas with rates below 3.0 percent, about half were home to large state universities. Yuma, Ariz., again posted the highest unemployment rate, 23.6 percent. The next highest rates were recorded in areas located in the agricultural Central Valley of California—Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, 13.6 percent; Yuba City, 11.7 percent; Fresno, 11.6 percent; Merced, 11.1 percent; Bakersfield, 10.7 percent; and Modesto, 10.1 percent. (See table 1 and the map.)

In October, McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, Texas, and San Jose, Calif., experienced the largest over-the-year unemployment rate decreases (-2.5 percentage points each), followed by two additional areas along the Mexican border in Texas—Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito and El Paso (-2.2 points each). Eighty-three other areas had rate decreases of at least 1.0 percentage point. Pensacola, Fla., registered the largest over-the-year jobless rate increase (+2.0 percentage points). The next largest rate increases were reported in Steubenville-Weirton, Ohio-W.Va. (+1.9 percentage points), and Bloomington, Ind., and Punta Gorda, Fla. (+1.8 points each). Both Pensacola and Punta Gorda sustained major damage from recent hurricanes. Ten additional areas had over-the-year rate increases of 1.0 percentage point or more.

Of the 51 metropolitan areas with a 1990 census population of 1 million or more, 45 areas reported lower jobless rates than in October 2003, 5 posted higher rates, and 1 had no change. Orange County, Calif., and Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va., continued to record the lowest unemployment rates among the large areas, 3.1 percent each. Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon, N.J., and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla., had the next lowest rates, 3.5 percent each. The large areas with the highest unemployment rates were Portland-Vancouver, Ore.-Wash. (6.4 percent), Detroit, Mich. (6.3 percent), and Memphis,

Tenn.-Ark.-Miss. (6.2 percent). San Jose, Calif., again registered the largest over-the-year jobless rate decrease (-2.5 percentage points), followed by New York, N.Y., and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (-1.9 points each). Fourteen additional areas reported jobless rate declines of at least 1.0 percentage point. Columbus, Ohio (+0.6 percentage point), was the only large area to experience an over-the-year rate increase greater than 0.3 percentage point.

Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the 274 metropolitan areas for which October 2004 nonfarm payroll data were available, 209 reported over-the-year increases in employment, 59 recorded decreases, and 6 had no change. The largest over-the-year employment increases were posted in Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. (+73,700), Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz. (+45,900), St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. (+42,000), New York, N.Y. (+39,700), Phoenix-Mesa, Ariz. (+39,600), Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (+27,800), and Houston, Texas (+27,700). The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment were reported in Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz. (+5.5 percent), Provo-Orem, Utah (+4.9 percent), Boise City, Idaho (+4.7 percent), Laredo, Texas (+4.5 percent), Waterloo-Cedar Falls, Iowa (+4.1 percent), Reno, Nev. (+3.9 percent), and Lake Charles, La. (+3.8 percent).

The largest over-the-year employment declines were reported in Detroit, Mich. (-23,500), Hartford, Conn. (-8,500), San Jose, Calif. (-6,800), Lansing-East Lansing, Mich. (-6,400), Rochester, N.Y. (-6,300), Saginaw-Bay City-Midland, Mich. (-6,200), and Toledo, Ohio (-5,100). The largest over-the-year percentage declines in employment were reported in Saginaw-Bay City-Midland, Mich. (-3.5 percent), Muncie, Ind. (-2.8 percent), Enid, Okla., and Lansing-East Lansing, Mich. (-2.6 percent each), Houma, La. (-2.4 percent), Iowa City, Iowa (-2.3 percent), and Barnstable-Yarmouth, Mass. (-2.2 percent).

Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 33 of the 39 metropolitan areas with annual average employment levels above 750,000 in 2003. The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment in these large metropolitan areas were posted in Las Vegas, Nev.-Ariz. (+5.5 percent), St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. (+3.2 percent), Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. (+2.6 percent), Phoenix-Mesa, Ariz., and Riverside-San Bernardino, Calif. (+2.4 percent each), Orlando, Fla. (+2.3 percent), and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (+2.1 percent). Among the largest areas, Detroit, Mich., had the highest over-the-year percentage decrease in employment (-1.1 percent), followed by San Jose, Calif. (-0.8 percent), Indianapolis, Ind. (-0.5 percent), Boston, Mass.-N.H., and Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, Ohio (-0.2 percent each).

Over the year, employment growth was most widespread in education and health services, with 214 of 274 metropolitan areas experiencing job gains in this industry sector. Many areas also experienced employment growth in professional and business services; construction; and leisure and hospitality. Manufacturing remained the weakest industry, with 144 metropolitan areas posting employment losses.

The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for November 2004 is scheduled to be issued on December 21. The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for November 2004 is scheduled to be issued on December 29.

Planned Changes in Local Area Unemployment Statistics and in Metropolitan Area Designations

Beginning with the release of data for January 2005 in March, a redesigned method for producing labor force estimates for census regions, divisions, states, and selected sub-state areas will be implemented. The redesigned method encompasses a number of changes: (1) the introduction of improved time-series regression models for all states, the District of Columbia, New York City, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division (currently the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area), and the respective balances of New York and California; (2) the introduction of real-time benchmarking to national Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates of employment and unemployment; and (3) the introduction of time-series regression models for six additional substate areas and their respective balances of state. In addition, the estimates will reflect routine annual updates to population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. More information on the changes is available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Local Area Unemployment Statistics Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lauschanges2005.htm>.

In addition to the changes in the estimation methodology for states and selected areas, changes to the substate areas include: (1) implementation of Census 2000-based geographic area definitions; (2) the incorporation of Census 2000 inputs for estimation; and (3) updates in substate estimation methodology. All data from January 2000 forward will be revised to incorporate all of these changes. In addition, in order to present a more consistent substate series, the substate data for 1990-99 will be revised to reflect new area definitions and state-wide controls.

In addition to the changes for the local area unemployment statistics program described above, both the metropolitan area labor force data presented in table 1 of this news release and the metropolitan area nonfarm payroll employment data presented in table 2 of this release will be revised to reflect the introduction of newly defined metropolitan areas based on new standards and the results of Census 2000. Data for the new metropolitan statistical area designations will be published, along with those for newly created metropolitan divisions, starting with the January 2005 Metropolitan Area news release on March 17, 2005. Metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs) and NECTA divisions will be used for the six New England states, rather than county-based areas. Compared with 1990-census designated areas, these changes will increase the number of Metropolitan Statistical Areas and Metropolitan NECTAs to 375. Both the metropolitan area labor force data and the nonfarm payroll employment data will be revised back to 1990 to reflect the changes in metropolitan area designations. More information about the changes to metropolitan areas is available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Local Area Unemployment Statistics Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>.

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 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>).

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 on the BLS Web site 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			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P
Alabama	2,158.9	2,161.1	2,177.7	2,174.3	127.2	124.0	134.5	125.5	5.9	5.7	6.2	5.8
Anniston	53.7	54.0	54.1	54.4	3.0	2.8	3.2	3.0	5.6	5.2	5.9	5.5
Auburn-Opelika	54.7	55.1	55.2	55.1	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.1	4.0	3.8	4.3	3.9
Birmingham	478.8	479.9	484.4	482.8	22.0	21.9	23.2	22.2	4.6	4.6	4.8	4.6
Decatur	71.8	70.8	71.2	71.5	5.7	4.8	5.0	5.4	7.9	6.8	7.0	7.6
Dothan	68.1	67.7	68.7	68.5	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.2	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.6
Florence	63.3	62.3	63.6	62.1	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.3	7.5	7.6	7.9	6.9
Gadsden	47.2	47.7	47.9	47.8	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.2	5.9	6.6	6.7	6.6
Huntsville	186.2	187.0	186.8	187.6	8.7	8.0	9.0	8.2	4.7	4.3	4.8	4.4
Mobile	274.4	277.8	276.0	282.0	17.5	18.2	18.1	19.2	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.8
Montgomery	166.7	168.4	168.7	170.2	8.7	8.9	9.4	9.3	5.2	5.3	5.6	5.5
Tuscaloosa	85.4	86.5	86.2	87.0	3.0	3.3	3.1	3.2	3.5	3.9	3.6	3.7
Alaska	335.2	348.7	333.8	346.0	23.3	23.3	24.4	22.9	6.9	6.7	7.3	6.6
Anchorage	147.7	152.9	150.9	156.9	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.5	5.4	5.1	5.3	4.8
Arizona	2,709.8	2,782.7	2,703.6	2,797.2	154.9	139.4	139.8	132.4	5.7	5.0	5.2	4.7
Flagstaff	71.9	73.4	70.2	72.5	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.8	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.3
Phoenix-Mesa	1,815.8	1,860.9	1,814.7	1,872.6	90.8	76.9	82.5	74.9	5.0	4.1	4.5	4.0
Tucson	426.2	437.9	427.6	442.8	18.2	16.7	17.0	16.7	4.3	3.8	4.0	3.8
Yuma	78.5	80.1	75.0	77.9	21.8	22.1	17.2	18.4	27.8	27.6	22.9	23.6
Arkansas	1,261.8	1,322.2	1,254.2	1,315.4	74.5	66.3	68.7	61.6	5.9	5.0	5.5	4.7
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	168.5	181.8	168.9	181.6	5.0	4.4	4.6	4.1	3.0	2.4	2.7	2.2
Fort Smith	98.2	101.2	98.2	101.4	5.2	4.7	5.1	4.5	5.3	4.7	5.2	4.5
Jonesboro	44.4	45.9	44.2	45.7	2.4	2.1	2.3	1.9	5.5	4.5	5.1	4.1
Little Rock-North Little Rock	308.8	326.3	307.1	322.1	16.1	14.6	14.9	13.7	5.2	4.5	4.8	4.2
Pine Bluff	36.0	38.9	36.0	38.4	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.0	9.1	8.5	8.4	7.8
California	17,474.3	17,712.1	17,581.8	17,815.1	1,124.4	1,014.0	1,146.7	993.6	6.4	5.7	6.5	5.6
Bakersfield	302.3	309.1	302.0	307.9	31.2	31.9	34.8	33.0	10.3	10.3	11.5	10.7
Chico-Paradise	91.3	91.7	91.7	92.3	5.8	5.7	5.9	5.7	6.3	6.2	6.4	6.2
Fresno	466.3	476.0	453.4	460.5	50.1	48.5	58.1	53.5	10.7	10.2	12.8	11.6
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,804.6	4,835.2	4,812.3	4,866.5	351.4	304.4	344.9	291.1	7.3	6.3	7.2	6.0
Merced	90.4	94.4	90.5	93.6	9.4	9.7	10.6	10.4	10.4	10.3	11.7	11.1
Modesto	219.8	220.8	215.1	218.6	19.7	20.7	22.6	22.0	9.0	9.4	10.5	10.1
Oakland	1,257.5	1,271.4	1,269.4	1,282.2	77.5	64.8	77.0	62.5	6.2	5.1	6.1	4.9
Orange County	1,573.4	1,598.4	1,596.5	1,611.9	58.8	52.2	59.6	50.1	3.7	3.3	3.7	3.1
Redding	82.8	84.0	84.3	85.5	5.5	5.6	5.8	5.6	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.6
Riverside-San Bernardino	1,687.5	1,747.9	1,712.3	1,764.8	103.1	100.3	104.6	95.3	6.1	5.7	6.1	5.4
Sacramento	874.4	884.4	883.0	890.9	47.2	44.4	48.2	42.8	5.4	5.0	5.5	4.8
Salinas	196.6	198.2	198.4	199.2	12.8	12.2	13.8	12.8	6.5	6.2	6.9	6.4
San Diego	1,481.2	1,520.7	1,502.8	1,533.0	62.5	58.5	63.2	55.7	4.2	3.8	4.2	3.6
San Francisco	903.0	907.9	904.7	914.8	49.3	39.0	48.7	38.0	5.5	4.3	5.4	4.2
San Jose	883.2	864.8	889.3	870.9	69.6	48.0	68.9	45.8	7.9	5.3	7.8	5.3
San Luis Obispo-Atascadero-Paso Robles	121.2	121.9	122.2	123.3	3.9	3.9	4.1	3.7	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.0
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc	209.2	217.4	213.5	220.2	7.4	7.5	8.4	7.9	3.6	3.4	3.9	3.6
Santa Cruz-Watsonville	136.9	142.4	140.6	143.1	8.6	8.0	9.2	8.1	6.3	5.6	6.5	5.7
Santa Rosa	260.2	263.9	260.1	266.0	12.0	10.5	11.8	10.1	4.6	4.0	4.5	3.8
Stockton-Lodi	281.8	289.5	281.8	289.8	24.1	24.4	25.9	25.1	8.6	8.4	9.2	8.7
Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa	286.0	289.0	286.6	290.5	15.0	13.9	15.0	13.9	5.3	4.8	5.2	4.8
Ventura	431.9	437.9	436.1	443.2	24.1	22.6	24.4	20.9	5.6	5.2	5.6	4.7
Visalia-Tulare-Porterville	172.4	177.1	173.9	176.8	22.0	22.7	24.9	24.1	12.8	12.8	14.3	13.6
Yolo	99.1	100.3	99.8	101.8	4.0	3.8	4.7	4.3	4.1	3.8	4.7	4.2
Yuba City	60.6	59.2	59.5	58.4	6.3	6.2	6.7	6.8	10.5	10.5	11.3	11.7
Colorado	2,515.5	2,562.0	2,504.6	2,560.4	144.1	118.8	138.7	118.8	5.7	4.6	5.5	4.6
Boulder-Longmont ¹	176.4	178.6	178.5	180.7	9.6	7.8	9.0	7.8	5.4	4.4	5.0	4.3
Colorado Springs	286.4	291.7	286.7	293.9	17.3	15.2	16.5	15.2	6.0	5.2	5.7	5.2
Denver ¹	1,271.2	1,302.8	1,269.4	1,308.3	79.1	61.9	74.5	62.0	6.1	4.8	5.9	4.7
Fort Collins-Loveland	159.1	159.3	157.6	158.2	8.5	7.1	8.2	7.1	5.4	4.5	5.2	4.5
Grand Junction	68.3	69.6	68.1	70.1	3.5	3.1	3.4	3.1	5.1	4.4	4.9	4.4
Greeley	104.0	104.8	103.7	104.5	6.5	5.9	6.2	5.9	6.3	5.7	6.0	5.7
Pueblo	63.6	64.7	63.2	64.3	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.2	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.5
Connecticut	1,784.7	1,776.1	1,797.6	1,786.3	89.1	74.2	90.6	75.4	5.0	4.2	5.0	4.2
Bridgeport	227.3	225.7	229.8	228.5	14.1	11.1	14.4	11.3	6.2	4.9	6.3	5.0
Danbury	116.2	117.6	117.1	119.1	4.0	3.2	4.1	3.3	3.4	2.7	3.5	2.8
Hartford	604.6	597.0	607.9	600.9	32.3	27.5	32.3	28.0	5.3	4.6	5.3	4.7
New Haven-Meriden	286.1	283.5	290.1	285.9	14.4	12.1	14.6	12.2	5.0	4.3	5.0	4.3
New London-Norwich	170.1	170.2	168.8	168.0	7.3	6.3	7.4	6.2	4.3	3.7	4.4	3.7
Stamford-Norwalk	192.1	192.6	193.5	193.1	6.3	4.9	6.4	5.0	3.3	2.5	3.3	2.6
Waterbury	117.0	116.8	118.5	117.6	7.5	6.5	8.1	6.5	6.4	5.6	6.8	5.6
Delaware	414.1	422.6	417.8	426.6	18.3	16.5	16.5	15.2	4.4	3.9	4.0	3.6
Dover	75.4	77.3	76.7	78.5	3.2	2.3	2.9	2.2	4.3	3.0	3.8	2.8
Wilmington-Newark	303.8	308.8	306.6	311.2	15.1	15.3	13.3	12.6	5.0	5.0	4.3	4.0

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			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P
District of Columbia	300.8	303.1	302.9	305.7	20.0	23.7	21.2	25.6	6.7	7.8	7.0	8.4
Washington	2,851.7	2,916.2	2,857.1	2,929.4	98.8	92.2	95.8	89.6	3.5	3.2	3.4	3.1
Florida	8,241.0	8,452.7	8,231.5	8,467.5	437.2	413.1	408.1	380.2	5.3	4.9	5.0	4.5
Daytona Beach	223.1	230.1	221.9	229.6	11.6	11.5	11.1	10.3	5.2	5.0	5.0	4.5
Fort Lauderdale	886.0	906.1	882.0	905.0	49.5	41.5	46.5	39.3	5.6	4.6	5.3	4.3
Fort Myers-Cape Coral	217.0	227.7	218.0	229.2	9.2	10.1	8.5	8.7	4.2	4.4	3.9	3.8
Fort Pierce-Port St. Lucie	148.8	154.1	147.8	152.2	11.9	16.3	10.1	12.2	8.0	10.5	6.9	8.0
Fort Walton Beach	92.3	95.5	91.3	95.5	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.1	2.4	2.6
Gainesville	115.3	119.1	117.1	121.7	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.1
Jacksonville	599.9	617.7	598.2	617.6	31.7	29.6	30.1	27.5	5.3	4.8	5.0	4.4
Lakeland-Winter Haven	221.6	225.4	220.7	225.6	15.9	14.9	13.5	13.1	7.2	6.6	6.1	5.8
Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay	226.6	233.6	226.2	232.8	10.8	11.3	10.4	9.6	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.1
Miami	1,110.6	1,129.8	1,110.9	1,127.6	78.7	69.1	75.3	65.9	7.1	6.1	6.8	5.8
Naples	121.2	126.0	122.4	127.7	7.5	6.4	6.1	5.4	6.2	5.0	5.0	4.2
Ocala	107.3	109.0	107.2	109.1	4.8	4.3	4.5	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.2	3.7
Orlando	986.2	1,013.8	985.9	1,016.1	48.2	44.2	46.1	40.4	4.9	4.4	4.7	4.0
Panama City	72.2	73.5	71.1	72.8	3.4	2.8	3.5	2.9	4.7	3.8	5.0	4.0
Pensacola	183.4	188.9	182.7	190.3	6.9	6.8	6.6	10.7	3.8	3.6	3.6	5.6
Punta Gorda	52.4	55.3	52.5	55.5	2.6	4.8	2.3	3.4	4.9	8.7	4.4	6.2
Sarasota-Bradenton	309.6	319.2	309.2	319.5	11.9	11.2	10.9	10.1	3.9	3.5	3.5	3.1
Tallahassee	157.4	162.6	159.6	165.1	5.4	4.8	5.1	4.6	3.4	2.9	3.2	2.8
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,344.1	1,367.8	1,343.0	1,378.0	59.0	52.0	55.7	48.8	4.4	3.8	4.2	3.5
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton	589.4	602.6	587.9	602.2	36.4	37.1	32.8	32.2	6.2	6.1	5.6	5.4
Georgia	4,442.6	4,428.3	4,465.3	4,455.3	206.4	189.2	199.2	188.7	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.2
Albany	57.6	57.4	58.3	57.6	2.7	2.9	3.0	2.8	4.7	5.0	5.1	4.9
Athens	80.6	79.0	80.5	79.5	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.3	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.9
Atlanta	2,446.5	2,444.0	2,453.0	2,456.2	118.9	106.5	113.7	105.4	4.9	4.4	4.6	4.3
Augusta-Aiken	219.2	223.7	220.1	225.4	10.6	12.2	10.4	12.4	4.8	5.5	4.7	5.5
Columbus	132.7	129.9	132.4	130.9	7.7	6.7	7.4	6.9	5.8	5.1	5.6	5.3
Macon	162.7	162.5	164.6	164.3	6.6	6.8	6.8	6.9	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.2
Savannah	150.7	150.0	152.0	151.6	6.0	5.3	5.5	5.3	4.0	3.5	3.6	3.5
Hawaii	619.9	626.3	623.6	631.0	29.0	20.3	27.9	20.7	4.7	3.2	4.5	3.3
Honolulu	436.2	440.8	440.1	444.6	18.8	12.9	18.1	13.3	4.3	2.9	4.1	3.0
Idaho	695.0	710.4	693.8	709.5	29.5	28.9	29.8	30.6	4.2	4.1	4.3	4.3
Boise City	244.4	252.1	244.5	254.0	11.3	10.6	11.1	11.2	4.6	4.2	4.5	4.4
Pocatello	40.6	40.8	40.9	40.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	4.4	4.1	4.3	4.5
Illinois	6,324.5	6,407.5	6,347.2	6,435.0	411.4	363.7	388.0	356.5	6.5	5.7	6.1	5.5
Bloomington-Normal	92.8	94.7	93.3	95.7	2.4	2.9	2.2	3.6	2.6	3.1	2.3	3.8
Champaign-Urbana	98.0	99.9	101.2	104.0	3.2	3.3	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.9	3.2
Chicago	4,232.5	4,284.5	4,241.2	4,288.0	287.1	249.3	269.4	241.5	6.8	5.8	6.4	5.6
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	184.7	188.3	186.1	188.0	8.5	8.5	9.8	8.5	4.6	4.5	5.3	4.5
Decatur	55.6	56.0	55.4	56.3	4.1	3.5	3.6	3.3	7.3	6.2	6.6	5.8
Kankakee	51.8	53.0	52.1	53.6	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.8	7.3	7.3	7.0	7.0
Peoria-Pekin	179.6	184.0	179.5	184.5	9.5	8.6	8.8	8.7	5.3	4.7	4.9	4.7
Rockford	193.7	195.5	194.0	195.9	15.5	14.0	15.0	13.4	8.0	7.1	7.7	6.8
Springfield	104.7	106.3	104.3	106.8	5.6	5.4	5.0	5.3	5.3	5.1	4.8	4.9
Indiana	3,189.3	3,151.9	3,199.3	3,176.3	153.6	150.9	152.6	157.4	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.0
Bloomington	67.9	68.8	69.5	70.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.4	4.2
Elkhart-Goshen	98.8	97.1	99.3	97.8	4.3	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.3
Evansville-Henderson	165.6	163.0	165.4	163.9	6.9	6.6	6.6	6.5	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.0
Fort Wayne	267.4	265.4	268.8	267.2	14.2	13.5	14.3	13.8	5.3	5.1	5.3	5.2
Gary	306.2	299.6	307.7	302.0	15.7	15.7	17.1	16.0	5.1	5.3	5.6	5.3
Indianapolis	912.0	892.9	911.7	898.1	43.3	42.1	41.8	43.1	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.8
Kokomo	50.6	50.7	50.6	50.6	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.7	5.5	5.3	5.5	5.4
Lafayette	94.1	94.2	95.0	95.6	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.8	4.2	4.0	3.9	4.0
Muncie	59.9	58.1	60.3	58.5	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.3	5.0	5.3	4.9	5.6
South Bend	136.4	136.7	136.9	137.4	6.1	5.9	6.0	6.0	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.4
Terre Haute	73.8	73.5	74.0	74.6	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.5	5.3	5.9	5.1	6.0
Iowa	1,596.0	1,625.2	1,607.8	1,632.6	65.5	68.8	62.6	67.8	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.2
Cedar Rapids	113.7	112.5	116.7	117.3	5.0	5.4	4.8	5.4	4.4	4.8	4.1	4.6
Des Moines	267.1	280.6	271.1	281.2	9.8	10.2	9.2	10.1	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.6
Dubuque	49.1	51.2	49.9	50.9	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.7	3.3	3.5	3.1	3.4
Iowa City	76.7	76.3	77.3	76.9	2.5	3.0	2.4	2.9	3.3	3.9	3.1	3.8
Sioux City	62.3	62.9	62.8	63.0	3.2	3.5	3.0	3.4	5.1	5.5	4.8	5.4
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	69.9	74.1	71.3	74.8	3.0	3.5	3.6	3.4	4.3	4.8	5.1	4.5

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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			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Kansas	1,424.4	1,460.8	1,437.3	1,475.2	72.1	64.9	74.3	69.2	5.1	4.4	5.2	4.7
Lawrence	57.3	60.3	58.4	61.5	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.8	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.5
Topeka	89.4	92.2	90.3	93.5	4.8	5.1	5.0	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.5	6.0
Wichita	284.1	292.5	285.8	294.5	19.4	15.5	19.5	16.5	6.8	5.3	6.8	5.6
Kentucky	1,951.7	1,968.9	1,953.5	1,970.4	112.0	85.7	111.5	89.3	5.7	4.4	5.7	4.5
Lexington	255.0	262.2	255.0	263.2	10.3	8.1	10.1	8.5	4.0	3.1	4.0	3.2
Louisville	553.5	553.3	550.8	554.1	31.0	23.8	29.2	24.6	5.6	4.3	5.3	4.4
Owensboro	48.8	49.4	48.3	49.2	2.9	2.3	2.6	2.3	6.0	4.7	5.4	4.6
Louisiana	2,031.7	2,052.2	2,044.4	2,063.7	125.6	103.5	120.6	109.5	6.2	5.0	5.9	5.3
Alexandria	59.7	60.1	60.7	60.8	3.3	2.4	3.1	2.5	5.5	4.0	5.0	4.1
Baton Rouge	311.1	312.6	313.7	316.0	18.8	16.2	18.0	16.9	6.1	5.2	5.7	5.3
Houma	99.3	99.0	99.8	99.1	3.6	3.9	3.4	4.1	3.6	4.0	3.4	4.1
Lafayette	180.3	182.6	181.2	183.2	9.8	7.2	9.4	7.7	5.4	4.0	5.2	4.2
Lake Charles	87.0	89.4	87.2	90.5	5.7	4.0	5.0	4.0	6.5	4.4	5.7	4.4
Monroe	73.4	73.6	74.0	73.8	4.1	3.3	4.1	3.6	5.6	4.5	5.5	4.9
New Orleans	603.6	610.7	606.6	609.5	34.7	29.3	33.8	30.8	5.8	4.8	5.6	5.1
Shreveport-Bossier City	182.6	183.7	184.8	184.7	12.0	9.1	11.8	10.2	6.6	5.0	6.4	5.5
Maine	699.8	701.8	699.7	705.6	32.4	28.9	33.6	29.9	4.6	4.1	4.8	4.2
Bangor	53.4	54.6	54.5	56.0	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.5
Lewiston-Auburn	55.0	55.6	55.9	57.2	2.6	2.2	2.7	2.2	4.7	3.9	4.9	3.9
Portland	142.3	144.2	144.3	147.6	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.3	3.0	2.9	3.1	2.9
Maryland	2,903.6	2,955.7	2,913.9	2,958.5	126.7	116.2	126.1	111.8	4.4	3.9	4.3	3.8
Baltimore	1,342.8	1,362.3	1,346.1	1,360.0	68.4	61.7	67.2	59.8	5.1	4.5	5.0	4.4
Cumberland	43.5	42.8	44.0	43.2	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.5	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.7
Hagerstown	70.2	70.5	71.1	71.7	2.8	2.4	2.7	2.3	3.9	3.4	3.8	3.2
Massachusetts	3,386.3	3,371.0	3,393.2	3,387.4	199.3	157.0	182.9	145.7	5.9	4.7	5.4	4.3
Barnstable-Yarmouth	88.0	85.5	85.5	83.5	3.2	2.7	3.1	2.7	3.6	3.2	3.6	3.2
Boston	1,846.3	1,832.8	1,854.3	1,848.4	101.3	76.5	91.7	70.2	5.5	4.2	4.9	3.8
Brocton	140.7	140.7	141.9	141.2	8.9	7.6	8.1	7.0	6.3	5.4	5.7	4.9
Fitchburg-Leominster	70.5	71.2	70.5	71.8	5.7	4.8	5.2	4.5	8.1	6.8	7.4	6.3
Lawrence	211.2	208.9	211.4	209.6	18.0	14.5	16.8	13.3	8.5	6.9	8.0	6.4
Lowell	176.9	176.0	178.6	177.8	12.1	9.3	11.2	8.7	6.8	5.3	6.3	4.9
New Bedford	83.7	83.2	82.8	81.7	6.3	5.2	5.9	5.0	7.5	6.3	7.1	6.2
Pittsfield	40.9	40.6	41.3	41.0	2.0	1.7	2.0	1.6	5.0	4.2	4.9	4.0
Springfield	291.9	295.1	293.7	297.3	17.7	14.7	16.5	13.6	6.1	5.0	5.6	4.6
Worcester	263.9	264.4	264.7	266.9	16.8	13.4	15.5	12.5	6.4	5.1	5.9	4.7
Michigan	5,042.0	5,044.6	5,084.0	5,093.0	352.0	314.7	350.7	305.6	7.0	6.2	6.9	6.0
Ann Arbor	314.0	319.0	321.0	327.1	12.9	12.0	12.3	11.3	4.1	3.8	3.8	3.4
Benton Harbor	81.5	83.3	82.0	83.3	5.9	5.2	5.7	5.0	7.2	6.2	6.9	6.0
Detroit	2,228.7	2,227.4	2,236.4	2,242.8	163.1	150.3	158.0	141.7	7.3	6.7	7.1	6.3
Flint	186.0	183.7	187.8	187.6	17.4	15.2	17.1	14.8	9.4	8.3	9.1	7.9
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland	607.3	610.9	612.7	615.3	45.2	36.6	44.4	35.6	7.4	6.0	7.3	5.8
Jackson	79.8	78.2	80.7	79.4	6.2	4.8	6.1	4.7	7.8	6.2	7.6	5.9
Kalamazoo-Battle Creek	231.7	234.4	237.4	237.6	14.3	13.1	14.1	12.8	6.2	5.6	5.9	5.4
Lansing-East Lansing	251.8	245.5	257.1	253.9	11.5	12.0	16.5	14.9	4.6	4.9	6.4	5.9
Saginaw-Bay City-Midland	197.1	191.2	199.3	194.6	15.9	14.0	15.5	13.3	8.1	7.3	7.8	6.8
Minnesota	2,926.0	2,964.3	2,940.0	2,972.2	142.9	129.9	133.5	112.7	4.9	4.4	4.5	3.8
Duluth-Superior	133.3	135.3	133.1	135.5	7.0	5.7	6.9	5.3	5.3	4.2	5.2	3.9
Minneapolis-St. Paul	1,837.9	1,867.2	1,843.2	1,884.7	93.5	84.6	86.2	73.5	5.1	4.5	4.7	3.9
Rochester	84.3	86.3	84.1	85.5	3.8	3.1	3.4	2.7	4.5	3.6	4.1	3.2
St. Cloud	106.0	108.1	107.5	108.0	4.6	4.2	4.3	3.6	4.3	3.8	4.0	3.3
Mississippi	1,299.9	1,312.7	1,318.0	1,328.9	73.7	74.3	82.4	86.9	5.7	5.7	6.3	6.5
Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula	172.7	176.5	174.0	177.7	7.6	7.6	8.4	9.1	4.4	4.3	4.8	5.1
Hattiesburg	54.7	55.7	55.1	56.1	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.5	3.7	3.7	4.1	4.5
Jackson	237.8	243.1	241.2	245.1	9.1	11.0	10.2	12.7	3.8	4.5	4.2	5.2
Missouri	3,009.7	3,021.2	3,036.3	3,030.4	161.4	163.3	151.2	155.4	5.4	5.4	5.0	5.1
Columbia	88.7	88.8	90.2	89.6	1.9	2.2	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.0	2.3
Joplin	84.5	83.5	85.8	84.0	4.1	3.7	3.8	3.5	4.9	4.5	4.4	4.2
Kansas City	1,012.5	1,025.2	1,022.0	1,029.3	59.8	58.5	58.3	57.8	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.6
St. Joseph	53.0	53.0	53.3	53.1	2.9	3.2	2.8	3.3	5.4	6.0	5.2	6.3
St. Louis ¹	1,389.7	1,414.2	1,402.3	1,419.7	82.1	84.4	77.1	80.0	5.9	6.0	5.5	5.6
Springfield	178.4	181.3	179.4	182.8	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.4	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.5
Montana	475.4	483.4	473.9	483.9	18.9	20.8	20.0	20.8	4.0	4.3	4.2	4.3
Billings	72.2	75.3	72.4	74.2	2.2	2.7	2.5	2.7	3.1	3.6	3.4	3.6
Great Falls	36.2	35.6	36.3	36.1	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.6	4.1	4.5	4.3	4.5
Missoula	58.3	58.7	58.4	60.4	2.0	2.2	1.8	2.2	3.4	3.7	3.1	3.6

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					Number				Percent of labor force			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P	2003	2004	2003	2004P
Nebraska	968.8	981.3	979.1	990.0	36.1	33.0	35.9	31.2	3.7	3.4	3.7	3.1
Lincoln	151.6	155.5	153.3	156.8	5.9	5.2	6.0	4.9	3.9	3.3	3.9	3.1
Omaha	412.9	410.7	411.5	415.9	17.4	17.2	17.2	16.6	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.0
Nevada	1,151.6	1,187.7	1,154.1	1,189.2	60.2	45.9	56.2	40.3	5.2	3.9	4.9	3.4
Las Vegas	916.3	951.0	918.1	954.5	49.7	37.9	46.4	33.5	5.4	4.0	5.1	3.5
Reno	201.5	208.1	202.9	208.5	8.2	6.5	7.8	5.8	4.1	3.1	3.9	2.8
New Hampshire	715.5	724.0	722.2	727.8	29.0	24.0	28.0	22.2	4.1	3.3	3.9	3.0
Manchester	118.6	119.0	119.8	120.4	4.9	4.1	4.6	3.9	4.2	3.4	3.9	3.2
Nashua	110.2	109.8	111.3	110.3	5.8	4.5	5.7	4.1	5.3	4.1	5.1	3.8
Portsmouth-Rochester	137.9	140.0	139.3	141.7	5.7	4.4	5.3	4.0	4.1	3.1	3.8	2.8
New Jersey	4,349.2	4,377.3	4,377.3	4,410.0	247.3	203.2	237.4	196.4	5.7	4.6	5.4	4.5
Atlantic-Cape May	183.6	184.4	180.4	187.6	11.5	10.3	12.1	11.1	6.3	5.6	6.7	5.9
Bergen-Passaic	673.7	677.1	678.8	680.8	39.3	30.9	37.2	29.8	5.8	4.6	5.5	4.4
Jersey City	285.9	289.1	286.8	291.3	22.5	18.2	21.5	17.2	7.9	6.3	7.5	5.9
Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon	652.9	663.9	661.6	670.3	32.2	24.9	30.7	23.6	4.9	3.7	4.6	3.5
Monmouth-Ocean	573.8	582.6	574.4	582.1	29.1	24.4	28.7	23.8	5.1	4.2	5.0	4.1
Newark	1,061.1	1,062.7	1,073.4	1,071.4	63.7	50.9	60.6	48.7	6.0	4.8	5.6	4.5
Trenton	190.4	190.7	190.9	193.3	9.0	7.3	8.5	7.1	4.7	3.8	4.4	3.7
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	66.1	65.8	66.2	65.5	5.0	4.5	4.8	4.3	7.6	6.8	7.3	6.6
New Mexico	899.1	909.4	905.1	914.8	58.9	48.7	57.4	46.7	6.5	5.4	6.3	5.1
Albuquerque	390.2	396.7	393.5	399.3	22.8	19.4	22.6	18.9	5.8	4.9	5.8	4.7
Las Cruces	78.5	80.3	79.6	80.8	5.7	4.9	5.5	4.4	7.2	6.1	6.9	5.5
Santa Fe	82.1	83.6	82.3	84.8	3.2	2.7	3.1	2.7	3.9	3.2	3.7	3.2
New York	9,233.2	9,257.0	9,287.2	9,301.3	581.8	499.5	574.2	467.7	6.3	5.4	6.2	5.0
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	465.2	464.4	468.5	468.8	18.3	16.1	17.6	15.9	3.9	3.5	3.7	3.4
Binghamton	122.6	121.7	123.0	121.4	6.9	5.5	6.8	5.2	5.6	4.5	5.5	4.3
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	570.6	562.2	574.1	565.7	35.6	31.3	34.8	30.9	6.2	5.6	6.1	5.5
Dutchess County	128.1	129.4	130.8	132.1	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.8	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.6
Elmira	41.8	40.6	42.5	41.2	2.7	2.1	2.8	2.0	6.4	5.3	6.5	4.9
Glens Falls	62.0	63.4	61.1	61.9	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.3	4.0	3.6	4.2	3.7
Jamestown	65.7	64.6	64.8	63.4	4.1	3.2	4.0	3.0	6.3	5.0	6.1	4.8
Nassau-Suffolk	1,472.8	1,472.9	1,484.3	1,487.4	62.8	58.2	60.3	55.1	4.3	4.0	4.1	3.7
New York	4,323.3	4,370.2	4,350.9	4,390.1	334.5	279.1	332.9	254.3	7.7	6.4	7.7	5.8
New York City	3,644.5	3,689.8	3,663.9	3,699.2	306.5	252.9	306.5	229.8	8.4	6.9	8.4	6.2
Newburgh	191.8	193.6	192.9	194.8	9.4	9.0	8.8	8.9	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.6
Rochester	574.2	563.3	578.3	564.0	33.7	28.8	32.7	27.8	5.9	5.1	5.7	4.9
Syracuse	370.7	369.1	372.8	371.2	22.0	19.3	21.4	18.9	5.9	5.2	5.7	5.1
Utica-Rome	143.6	142.0	144.2	142.2	6.8	5.9	7.2	5.7	4.7	4.2	5.0	4.0
North Carolina	4,259.9	4,170.6	4,282.1	4,198.2	255.5	184.2	262.9	194.0	6.0	4.4	6.1	4.6
Asheville	120.6	121.9	122.3	122.6	4.0	3.6	4.2	3.7	3.4	3.0	3.4	3.0
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill	880.9	879.0	889.2	886.3	60.5	44.1	61.4	45.3	6.9	5.0	6.9	5.1
Fayetteville	130.0	126.2	130.7	127.6	6.6	5.0	6.6	5.2	5.1	3.9	5.1	4.0
Goldsboro	51.9	50.2	52.3	50.7	2.7	1.9	2.8	2.2	5.2	3.9	5.3	4.3
Greensboro—Winston-Salem—High Point	686.0	671.8	691.7	679.4	40.5	28.7	42.3	30.9	5.9	4.3	6.1	4.5
Greenville	73.4	71.4	73.8	72.6	4.8	3.6	4.9	3.9	6.6	5.1	6.6	5.4
Hickory-Morganton-Lenoir	177.2	166.1	176.3	165.9	15.0	10.9	15.2	11.9	8.5	6.6	8.6	7.2
Jacksonville	52.0	50.9	51.9	50.9	2.6	2.0	2.7	2.0	4.9	3.9	5.2	3.9
Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill	722.6	721.4	724.2	728.1	30.8	21.7	31.2	22.6	4.3	3.0	4.3	3.1
Rocky Mount	70.4	68.1	70.8	68.3	5.5	4.5	5.8	4.7	7.8	6.5	8.2	6.9
Wilmington	130.0	126.9	129.0	126.5	6.1	4.0	6.2	4.2	4.7	3.1	4.8	3.3
North Dakota	348.7	352.9	345.1	352.3	9.8	9.3	8.6	8.6	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.5
Bismarck	56.2	57.4	55.3	57.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.4	2.2	2.1	2.0
Fargo-Moorhead	110.4	112.6	109.1	112.4	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.8
Grand Forks	54.8	56.5	55.1	57.0	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	2.9	2.8	2.5	2.4
Ohio	5,905.2	5,851.2	5,929.8	5,899.4	338.6	333.3	322.6	342.3	5.7	5.7	5.4	5.8
Akron	379.5	374.9	381.0	378.5	19.9	19.5	18.8	19.5	5.2	5.2	4.9	5.1
Canton-Massillon	204.7	203.1	205.4	205.1	12.8	11.8	12.7	12.5	6.3	5.8	6.2	6.1
Cincinnati	876.9	881.6	880.5	883.4	44.0	43.2	42.6	44.8	5.0	4.9	4.8	5.1
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria	1,127.0	1,112.2	1,130.5	1,118.8	72.4	67.9	67.8	68.8	6.4	6.1	6.0	6.1
Columbus	890.6	885.6	896.2	892.3	42.3	43.7	39.9	44.5	4.8	4.9	4.4	5.0
Dayton-Springfield	473.4	463.3	474.7	468.1	27.8	26.4	26.1	27.6	5.9	5.7	5.5	5.9
Hamilton-Middletown	206.1	203.5	207.9	205.6	8.7	8.6	8.3	8.8	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.3
Lima	76.0	76.5	76.6	77.8	4.0	4.3	3.8	5.0	5.2	5.6	5.0	6.4
Mansfield	82.2	80.4	82.4	81.4	6.3	5.8	6.1	6.0	7.6	7.2	7.4	7.4
Steubenville-Weirton	55.0	55.1	54.5	55.3	3.6	4.6	3.4	4.5	6.5	8.4	6.2	8.1
Toledo	322.0	312.2	323.7	315.1	21.6	20.0	21.3	20.3	6.7	6.4	6.6	6.5
Youngstown-Warren	276.5	271.6	275.0	273.9	18.8	18.5	16.7	19.9	6.8	6.8	6.1	7.3

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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			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P
Oklahoma	1,695.5	1,705.4	1,706.5	1,721.6	94.1	71.8	95.5	75.6	5.6	4.2	5.6	4.4
Enid	26.4	26.2	26.7	26.2	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.7	3.7	2.7	3.9	2.8
Lawton	42.4	42.5	43.2	43.2	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.7	3.8	3.6	4.0	3.9
Oklahoma City	573.1	588.3	579.1	594.2	28.1	22.0	29.0	23.7	4.9	3.7	5.0	4.0
Tulsa	419.7	421.1	425.1	428.3	27.3	18.6	27.3	19.5	6.5	4.4	6.4	4.5
Oregon	1,852.4	1,835.9	1,852.7	1,843.4	138.0	120.0	132.1	117.9	7.4	6.5	7.1	6.4
Corvallis	40.6	39.9	41.6	41.3	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.4	4.1	3.5	3.6	3.3
Eugene-Springfield	167.9	167.3	171.1	171.3	12.6	10.9	12.0	10.8	7.5	6.5	7.0	6.3
Medford-Ashland	97.7	99.1	97.5	100.1	6.1	5.7	5.6	5.6	6.3	5.8	5.8	5.6
Portland-Vancouver	1,085.9	1,071.3	1,087.8	1,077.1	88.4	69.7	83.9	68.4	8.1	6.5	7.7	6.4
Salem	185.9	182.7	184.7	180.8	12.6	11.9	12.5	11.4	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.3
Pennsylvania	6,127.1	6,270.1	6,136.6	6,283.7	307.4	312.0	303.5	321.5	5.0	5.0	4.9	5.1
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton	328.9	334.3	329.7	334.4	17.5	17.8	16.9	18.5	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.5
Altoona	65.2	67.1	64.9	67.4	2.8	3.4	2.9	3.6	4.3	5.1	4.4	5.4
Erie	138.9	142.6	140.1	143.2	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.5	6.0	5.9	6.0	5.9
Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle	359.5	370.2	358.9	368.7	12.2	12.3	11.9	12.7	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.4
Johnstown	101.4	103.3	101.0	103.4	5.7	6.3	5.6	6.6	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.4
Lancaster	254.0	264.8	253.9	264.0	9.0	8.8	8.4	9.0	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.4
Philadelphia	2,616.7	2,641.9	2,623.3	2,650.2	142.7	133.4	138.7	132.6	5.5	5.0	5.3	5.0
Pittsburgh	1,174.3	1,197.5	1,174.4	1,204.6	57.0	58.1	57.0	59.3	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9
Reading	183.0	187.2	183.5	187.6	10.0	9.2	9.9	9.3	5.4	4.9	5.4	5.0
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton	307.4	314.8	308.5	317.6	15.3	19.2	15.3	20.3	5.0	6.1	4.9	6.4
Sharon	58.3	58.2	58.0	58.6	2.5	2.8	2.6	3.2	4.2	4.8	4.6	5.5
State College	68.5	71.1	70.4	73.2	2.0	2.4	2.0	2.6	3.0	3.3	2.9	3.6
Williamsport	56.5	58.7	57.1	58.8	3.1	3.6	3.0	3.7	5.4	6.1	5.3	6.3
York	196.9	200.7	196.7	201.2	8.7	8.1	8.5	8.5	4.4	4.1	4.3	4.2
Rhode Island	573.8	567.0	575.1	566.6	26.3	26.0	26.1	22.7	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.0
Providence-Fall River-Warwick	642.1	636.7	645.7	638.9	32.1	31.2	31.5	27.7	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.3
South Carolina	2,017.3	2,084.3	2,017.4	2,077.5	137.7	140.1	143.6	135.4	6.8	6.7	7.1	6.5
Charleston-North Charleston	292.4	312.9	292.5	311.1	13.8	14.6	14.1	13.9	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.5
Columbia	287.8	303.1	286.6	303.1	12.1	13.6	12.5	12.9	4.2	4.5	4.4	4.3
Florence	64.5	68.5	64.8	68.5	5.5	6.0	5.8	6.0	8.6	8.7	8.9	8.7
Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson	506.7	520.9	506.9	522.6	31.4	31.8	32.5	31.3	6.2	6.1	6.4	6.0
Myrtle Beach	113.0	121.2	112.4	118.9	4.6	5.0	5.5	5.5	4.1	4.2	4.9	4.6
Sumter	47.0	45.7	47.1	45.7	3.7	4.4	3.9	4.5	7.8	9.6	8.2	9.8
South Dakota	424.3	424.2	426.3	426.0	12.9	12.1	13.6	12.3	3.0	2.9	3.2	2.9
Rapid City	51.0	52.2	50.5	51.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.6	3.1	3.0	3.4	3.1
Sioux Falls	112.0	113.7	113.1	114.5	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8
Tennessee	2,922.9	2,955.3	2,930.9	2,965.6	168.9	142.8	172.4	147.0	5.8	4.8	5.9	5.0
Chattanooga	238.5	242.5	240.4	243.6	9.1	8.4	9.7	8.7	3.8	3.4	4.0	3.6
Clarksville-Hopkinsville	92.0	95.3	92.2	96.3	5.3	4.5	5.3	4.6	5.8	4.8	5.7	4.8
Jackson	59.5	60.1	59.6	60.9	3.4	2.9	3.4	3.0	5.8	4.8	5.6	5.0
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol	232.9	232.2	232.6	233.1	13.9	10.7	13.3	10.5	6.0	4.6	5.7	4.5
Knoxville	381.1	390.9	382.7	391.3	13.6	12.1	13.9	12.7	3.6	3.1	3.6	3.2
Memphis	581.9	589.2	585.4	592.9	37.7	35.3	39.5	36.9	6.5	6.0	6.8	6.2
Nashville	691.1	702.3	693.1	705.4	31.8	27.0	32.8	27.5	4.6	3.8	4.7	3.9
Texas	10,953.1	10,989.2	10,967.4	11,018.2	742.1	601.3	690.4	578.9	6.8	5.5	6.3	5.3
Abilene	62.3	62.5	62.5	63.1	2.6	1.8	2.4	1.8	4.2	2.9	3.9	2.9
Amarillo	120.4	121.3	121.1	122.5	4.9	3.8	4.4	3.7	4.1	3.2	3.7	3.0
Austin-San Marcos	774.2	775.4	776.2	775.9	44.9	32.5	40.9	31.7	5.8	4.2	5.3	4.1
Beaumont-Port Arthur	185.1	183.8	184.2	182.9	17.8	15.5	16.7	14.4	9.6	8.4	9.0	7.9
Brazoria	115.3	116.5	115.0	116.5	10.5	9.2	9.6	8.6	9.1	7.9	8.4	7.4
Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito	143.7	143.0	144.2	142.8	15.3	12.3	15.3	12.0	10.7	8.6	10.6	8.4
Bryan-College Station	84.5	86.5	86.4	88.2	2.0	1.5	1.9	1.5	2.3	1.7	2.2	1.7
Corpus Christi	183.6	183.2	183.6	183.0	12.2	12.3	11.2	11.2	6.6	6.7	6.1	6.1
Dallas	2,036.8	2,042.0	2,046.8	2,045.4	144.9	116.3	135.4	113.0	7.1	5.7	6.6	5.5
El Paso	303.6	299.8	301.4	300.4	30.7	21.6	28.0	21.2	10.1	7.2	9.3	7.1
Fort Worth-Arlington	964.8	961.9	965.1	963.6	62.1	50.1	57.2	48.3	6.4	5.2	5.9	5.0
Galveston-Texas City	126.8	127.3	126.3	128.4	10.9	9.5	9.9	9.1	8.6	7.5	7.9	7.1
Houston	2,339.3	2,357.9	2,335.0	2,366.5	165.5	138.5	152.8	132.5	7.1	5.9	6.5	5.6
Killeen-Temple	123.8	123.8	124.4	124.5	7.0	5.2	6.7	5.2	5.7	4.2	5.4	4.2
Laredo	83.6	87.5	84.7	87.8	5.6	5.1	5.4	4.9	6.7	5.9	6.4	5.6
Longview-Marshall	108.1	108.5	108.5	109.3	6.9	5.4	6.3	5.2	6.4	5.0	5.8	4.8
Lubbock	129.8	132.3	132.9	134.4	4.6	3.9	4.2	3.8	3.5	2.9	3.2	2.8
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	229.1	229.8	231.3	232.4	30.5	24.5	28.2	22.6	13.3	10.7	12.2	9.7
Odessa-Midland	129.7	129.1	129.7	130.2	7.4	5.7	6.8	5.4	5.7	4.4	5.3	4.2
San Angelo	51.7	53.1	51.9	53.0	2.0	1.6	1.9	1.6	3.9	3.1	3.6	3.0
San Antonio	836.3	846.8	833.5	848.2	47.5	39.3	44.6	38.1	5.7	4.6	5.3	4.5
Sherman-Denison	52.8	51.6	52.6	52.1	4.0	2.8	3.8	2.9	7.5	5.5	7.2	5.5
Texarkana	57.5	59.2	57.6	59.2	3.2	2.8	2.9	2.7	5.6	4.8	5.0	4.5

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P
Texas—Continued												
Tyler	97.2	99.5	97.9	99.6	4.6	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.7	3.9	4.4	3.8
Victoria	45.2	46.3	45.5	46.4	2.4	2.0	2.2	1.9	5.3	4.3	4.8	4.2
Waco	105.8	105.7	106.3	106.1	5.6	4.2	5.1	4.0	5.3	3.9	4.8	3.8
Wichita Falls	65.4	65.1	65.4	65.3	3.5	2.2	3.1	2.2	5.4	3.4	4.7	3.3
Utah	1,193.5	1,217.0	1,197.7	1,226.6	62.1	53.5	58.7	53.6	5.2	4.4	4.9	4.4
Provo-Orem	184.6	190.5	186.0	193.2	7.6	6.6	7.2	6.6	4.1	3.5	3.9	3.4
Salt Lake City-Ogden	748.2	755.2	753.7	764.5	41.2	34.8	38.9	35.0	5.5	4.6	5.2	4.6
Vermont	352.3	353.3	350.3	351.6	15.3	10.2	13.6	9.4	4.3	2.9	3.9	2.7
Burlington	107.6	110.2	107.2	109.8	4.8	2.8	3.6	2.6	4.5	2.6	3.4	2.4
Virginia	3,774.9	3,825.5	3,767.4	3,843.0	157.4	130.1	141.8	121.6	4.2	3.4	3.8	3.2
Charlottesville	78.7	78.4	78.3	78.6	2.7	1.8	2.3	1.6	3.5	2.3	3.0	2.1
Danville	58.1	57.9	57.7	58.0	5.3	4.7	5.0	4.5	9.2	8.1	8.7	7.7
Lynchburg	104.6	103.9	104.4	104.5	5.7	4.0	5.0	3.7	5.4	3.8	4.8	3.5
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News	796.3	807.8	792.9	812.4	37.2	35.0	33.9	33.1	4.7	4.3	4.3	4.1
Richmond-Petersburg	537.6	546.3	535.9	547.8	25.0	22.4	22.3	20.8	4.6	4.1	4.2	3.8
Roanoke	128.1	128.3	127.6	128.6	4.8	3.7	4.6	3.5	3.7	2.9	3.6	2.7
Washington	3,116.8	3,184.7	3,176.7	3,229.5	222.8	162.9	223.8	167.1	7.2	5.1	7.0	5.2
Bellingham	86.6	89.1	90.6	93.6	5.1	4.3	5.2	4.3	5.9	4.8	5.8	4.6
Bremerton	100.1	104.7	102.6	106.5	6.0	5.1	6.1	5.2	6.0	4.8	5.9	4.9
Olympia	107.5	110.5	110.4	113.6	6.3	5.0	6.3	5.2	5.8	4.5	5.7	4.6
Richland-Kennewick-Pasco	105.7	107.5	107.8	108.6	7.1	5.2	7.6	5.7	6.8	4.8	7.1	5.2
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,373.7	1,404.7	1,397.9	1,419.8	98.4	70.0	97.1	70.8	7.2	5.0	6.9	5.0
Spokane	213.8	218.1	219.4	223.2	13.5	10.0	13.7	10.0	6.3	4.6	6.3	4.5
Tacoma	353.5	365.1	360.0	367.9	27.0	20.7	27.4	21.3	7.6	5.7	7.6	5.8
Yakima	119.6	117.1	119.6	117.2	8.8	7.0	9.3	7.1	7.4	6.0	7.8	6.1
West Virginia	785.0	802.3	779.0	799.1	41.2	35.0	40.1	35.3	5.2	4.4	5.1	4.4
Charleston	126.8	130.9	125.7	130.1	5.5	5.3	5.3	5.4	4.3	4.0	4.2	4.1
Huntington-Ashland	134.1	136.0	133.7	136.5	8.2	7.1	7.8	7.2	6.1	5.2	5.9	5.3
Parkersburg-Marietta	76.8	76.7	76.3	76.8	4.2	3.7	4.1	4.2	5.5	4.9	5.4	5.5
Wheeling	73.1	74.3	72.6	74.9	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.4	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.5
Wisconsin	3,073.8	3,102.2	3,079.6	3,109.5	144.1	126.7	139.6	126.5	4.7	4.1	4.5	4.1
Appleton-Oshkosh-Neenah	233.4	235.3	234.2	234.9	10.0	8.5	9.4	8.7	4.3	3.6	4.0	3.7
Eau Claire	87.1	89.1	87.7	89.3	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.9	3.6	3.7	3.5
Green Bay	147.8	151.6	148.3	152.9	6.1	5.8	6.0	5.6	4.1	3.8	4.0	3.7
Janesville-Beloit	78.6	77.7	78.7	79.1	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.3	5.8	5.6	5.7	5.4
Kenosha	84.9	85.2	84.4	85.7	4.4	4.1	4.3	4.1	5.2	4.8	5.1	4.8
La Crosse	75.6	77.8	76.1	78.0	2.5	2.3	2.6	2.2	3.3	3.0	3.5	2.9
Madison	288.0	291.0	288.5	293.8	7.3	6.5	6.9	6.4	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.2
Milwaukee-Waukesha	819.3	835.5	823.4	835.1	46.4	40.4	44.8	39.7	5.7	4.8	5.4	4.7
Racine	95.2	94.4	93.5	93.6	6.8	5.6	6.5	5.6	7.1	6.0	7.0	6.0
Sheboygan	65.1	66.9	64.4	66.2	2.7	2.3	2.7	2.2	4.1	3.5	4.3	3.4
Wausau	77.7	78.0	77.5	78.4	2.8	2.5	2.6	2.5	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.2
Wyoming	280.3	280.5	281.9	281.6	10.2	9.2	10.6	9.4	3.6	3.3	3.7	3.4
Casper	36.4	36.5	37.5	37.0	1.6	1.3	1.7	1.3	4.4	3.6	4.5	3.5
Cheyenne	44.0	43.7	44.4	44.2	1.7	1.9	1.7	2.0	3.9	4.4	3.9	4.6
Puerto Rico	1,361.0	1,420.2	1,381.7	1,413.4	166.2	138.5	161.4	143.3	12.2	9.8	11.7	10.1
Aguadilla	48.5	51.3	50.0	51.1	7.6	6.8	7.3	6.9	15.6	13.2	14.5	13.5
Arecibo	55.2	56.9	56.2	56.6	8.0	6.3	7.9	6.7	14.5	11.1	14.0	11.7
Caguas	123.0	130.3	126.4	129.1	14.2	12.4	13.9	12.8	11.6	9.5	11.0	9.9
Mayaguez	88.1	91.4	89.5	91.4	12.8	10.7	12.2	10.9	14.5	11.7	13.7	11.9
Ponce	106.0	107.9	107.4	108.0	16.5	13.4	16.0	14.1	15.6	12.4	14.9	13.1
San Juan-Bayamon	775.1	811.0	785.6	806.6	77.9	64.5	75.6	66.5	10.0	7.9	9.6	8.2

¹ Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

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

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	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
Alabama	1,880.9	1,888.1	1,882.3	1,896.9	14.6	0.8
Birmingham	475.5	476.6	478.9	478.3	-.6	-.1
Huntsville	190.1	191.4	189.9	191.8	1.9	1.0
Mobile	224.8	227.6	225.2	230.1	4.9	2.2
Montgomery	163.2	164.5	163.9	165.9	2.0	1.2
Tuscaloosa	82.3	83.1	82.9	83.6	.7	.8
Alaska	313.4	317.5	301.0	304.7	3.7	1.2
Anchorage	145.7	147.8	144.8	146.7	1.9	1.3
Arizona	2,295.8	2,352.7	2,319.5	2,377.8	58.3	2.5
Phoenix-Mesa	1,621.3	1,660.8	1,639.3	1,678.9	39.6	2.4
Tucson	345.8	352.9	350.2	358.2	8.0	2.3
Arkansas	1,154.6	1,163.0	1,154.4	1,161.0	6.6	.6
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	174.4	178.9	175.4	179.3	3.9	2.2
Fort Smith	100.4	98.9	100.5	99.5	-1.0	-1.0
Little Rock-North Little Rock	320.5	320.9	320.1	320.1	.0	.0
Pine Bluff	35.9	36.7	36.3	36.8	.5	1.4
California	14,425.6	14,542.3	14,506.1	14,634.2	128.1	.9
Bakersfield	206.4	207.6	207.7	209.1	1.4	.7
Fresno	316.6	320.1	316.8	320.9	4.1	1.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach	3,975.2	3,993.1	4,005.8	4,030.5	24.7	.6
Modesto	157.2	155.0	151.9	153.3	1.4	.9
Oakland	1,019.4	1,025.9	1,023.1	1,032.0	8.9	.9
Orange County	1,427.3	1,434.1	1,438.9	1,441.8	2.9	.2
Riverside-San Bernardino	1,088.7	1,114.5	1,097.4	1,123.9	26.5	2.4
Sacramento	753.8	753.0	755.9	756.8	.9	.1
Salinas	130.4	128.4	130.2	128.2	-2.0	-1.5
San Diego	1,243.7	1,261.8	1,253.4	1,268.5	15.1	1.2
San Francisco	948.6	951.0	948.5	954.7	6.2	.7
San Jose	846.9	837.3	848.4	841.6	-6.8	-.8
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc	165.0	169.3	167.7	170.8	3.1	1.8
Santa Rosa	180.8	182.1	180.8	183.3	2.5	1.4
Stockton-Lodi	200.6	203.3	199.7	203.3	3.6	1.8
Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa	184.6	184.7	184.7	184.8	.1	.1
Ventura	284.0	284.8	284.4	286.8	2.4	.8
Colorado	2,155.9	2,181.7	2,156.9	2,188.3	31.4	1.5
Boulder-Longmont	156.8	156.9	158.4	157.7	-.7	-.4
Colorado Springs	239.9	240.8	239.5	240.9	1.4	.6
Denver	1,145.5	1,152.1	1,143.5	1,156.0	12.5	1.1
Connecticut	1,643.6	1,647.2	1,648.5	1,653.7	5.2	.3
Bridgeport	183.2	182.6	185.1	184.7	-.4	-.2
Danbury	89.0	89.9	89.7	90.5	.8	.9
Hartford	594.1	585.7	597.3	588.8	-8.5	-1.4
New Haven-Meriden	254.1	252.1	257.5	255.1	-2.4	-.9
New London-Norwich	147.4	147.3	145.8	146.0	.2	.1
Stamford-Norwalk	196.1	195.7	196.6	197.3	.7	.4
Waterbury	82.3	82.2	82.9	82.5	-.4	-.5
Delaware	418.6	425.2	417.9	425.7	7.8	1.9
Dover	59.0	60.9	59.5	61.5	2.0	3.4
Wilmington-Newark	320.5	326.7	322.1	328.1	6.0	1.9
District of Columbia	663.8	670.7	667.7	674.1	6.4	1.0
Washington PMSA	2,844.0	2,913.0	2,852.8	2,926.5	73.7	2.6
Florida	7,298.7	7,429.3	7,331.1	7,476.5	145.4	2.0
Daytona Beach	172.5	176.4	172.5	177.0	4.5	2.6
Fort Lauderdale	717.6	732.9	719.5	734.6	15.1	2.1
Fort Myers-Cape Coral	187.0	193.6	189.5	196.2	6.7	3.5
Gainesville	124.4	127.2	127.0	130.3	3.3	2.6
Jacksonville	562.0	574.1	563.7	576.8	13.1	2.3
Lakeland-Winter Haven	188.5	190.9	189.7	192.4	2.7	1.4
Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay	193.0	196.2	193.5	197.3	3.8	2.0
Miami	1,003.6	1,013.9	1,010.1	1,019.6	9.5	.9
Orlando	929.8	949.8	934.7	956.4	21.7	2.3
Pensacola	159.1	162.2	159.6	159.8	.2	.1
Sarasota-Bradenton	284.6	291.0	285.7	292.1	6.4	2.2
Tallahassee	158.2	161.9	160.6	164.0	3.4	2.1
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,229.5	1,244.3	1,234.0	1,255.1	21.1	1.7
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton	525.1	531.6	528.4	535.9	7.5	1.4

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	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
Georgia	3,882.4	3,913.4	3,893.3	3,925.7	32.4	0.8
Albany	57.0	57.5	57.3	57.2	-.1	-.2
Athens	74.6	74.5	74.1	74.6	.5	.7
Atlanta	2,172.2	2,187.8	2,174.0	2,194.6	20.6	.9
Augusta-Aiken	203.0	204.4	203.7	205.2	1.5	.7
Columbus	118.3	117.6	118.0	117.4	-.6	-.5
Macon	150.4	151.2	151.4	152.0	.6	.4
Savannah	141.4	142.7	142.6	143.2	.6	.4
Hawaii	564.5	581.6	570.9	588.2	17.3	3.0
Honolulu	416.5	429.1	422.3	434.6	12.3	2.9
Idaho	582.6	600.3	579.7	599.6	19.9	3.4
Boise City	230.3	240.0	231.9	242.9	11.0	4.7
Illinois	5,849.3	5,858.3	5,868.6	5,876.2	7.6	.1
Bloomington-Normal	91.2	90.6	91.7	90.3	-1.4	-1.5
Champaign-Urbana	102.6	102.6	106.0	106.4	.4	.4
Chicago	4,109.4	4,118.6	4,125.3	4,131.8	6.5	.2
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	179.9	179.0	178.8	178.7	-.1	-.1
Decatur	54.2	54.1	54.2	54.4	.2	.4
Kankakee	42.9	43.0	43.1	43.3	.2	.5
Peoria-Pekin	169.0	170.2	168.8	170.1	1.3	.8
Rockford	170.3	170.1	170.2	170.3	.1	.1
Springfield	110.6	110.4	110.4	110.6	.2	.2
Indiana	2,928.6	2,942.8	2,934.1	2,944.0	9.9	.3
Bloomington	70.7	73.0	72.7	73.6	.9	1.2
Elkhart-Goshen	121.2	121.2	121.7	121.0	-.7	-.6
Evansville-Henderson	161.9	161.6	162.5	161.8	-.7	-.4
Fort Wayne	263.6	266.5	264.9	266.5	1.6	.6
Gary	263.4	261.3	263.8	261.9	-1.9	-.7
Indianapolis	895.7	889.6	897.1	892.2	-4.9	-.5
Kokomo	49.9	50.5	50.0	50.0	.0	.0
Lafayette	95.5	97.2	96.9	97.9	1.0	1.0
Muncie	56.2	55.1	56.7	55.1	-1.6	-2.8
South Bend	132.1	135.0	132.5	134.8	2.3	1.7
Terre Haute	69.8	70.4	70.0	70.8	.8	1.1
Iowa	1,450.7	1,459.0	1,461.1	1,469.6	8.5	.6
Cedar Rapids	116.4	112.6	119.6	117.4	-2.2	-1.8
Des Moines	287.0	295.9	290.5	297.6	7.1	2.4
Dubuque	52.0	52.8	52.6	53.0	.4	.8
Iowa City	78.2	76.0	78.8	77.0	-1.8	-2.3
Sioux City	62.0	61.4	62.5	61.7	-.8	-1.3
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	72.9	75.7	73.7	76.7	3.0	4.1
Kansas	1,310.3	1,335.0	1,319.8	1,345.4	25.6	1.9
Lawrence	50.5	51.0	51.2	51.7	.5	1.0
Topeka	99.6	98.5	100.2	98.8	-1.4	-1.4
Wichita	274.6	274.7	275.3	275.3	.0	.0
Kentucky	1,791.9	1,802.8	1,798.0	1,810.7	12.7	.7
Lexington	278.5	280.8	279.4	282.4	3.0	1.1
Louisville	562.6	562.1	563.7	564.0	.3	.1
Owensboro	43.7	43.5	43.9	43.9	.0	.0
Louisiana	1,905.8	1,907.4	1,918.4	1,915.5	-2.9	-.2
Alexandria	56.3	56.7	57.2	57.2	.0	.0
Baton Rouge	307.1	305.0	309.6	309.4	-.2	-.1
Houma	84.7	82.6	84.7	82.7	-2.0	-2.4
Lafayette	170.0	171.4	169.9	171.7	1.8	1.1
Lake Charles	83.5	86.1	84.2	87.4	3.2	3.8
Monroe	73.6	73.1	73.8	73.4	-.4	-.5
New Orleans	614.1	611.9	615.3	614.1	-1.2	-.2
Shreveport-Bossier City	172.5	172.2	173.8	173.6	-.2	-.1
Maine	617.8	624.0	615.9	621.8	5.9	1.0
Lewiston-Auburn	46.5	47.1	47.5	48.0	.5	1.1
Portland	158.6	160.5	160.0	162.2	2.2	1.4

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Maryland	2,493.5	2,543.8	2,507.4	2,556.4	49.0	2.0
Baltimore PMSA	1,250.1	1,272.6	1,255.7	1,278.4	22.7	1.8
Baltimore City	384.0	393.2	387.3	395.2	7.9	2.0
Suburban Maryland-D.C.	939.5	961.8	948.5	969.7	21.2	2.2
Massachusetts	3,196.7	3,189.6	3,205.6	3,208.4	2.8	.1
Barnstable-Yarmouth	70.6	68.9	68.2	66.7	-1.5	-2.2
Boston	1,927.3	1,923.6	1,935.1	1,931.9	-3.2	-.2
Brockton	100.7	101.6	101.6	101.7	.1	.1
Fitchburg-Leominster	51.2	52.2	51.5	52.6	1.1	2.1
Lawrence	154.0	153.7	154.1	153.8	-.3	-.2
Lowell	122.7	122.8	123.8	123.8	.0	.0
New Bedford	65.6	65.6	65.0	64.8	-.2	-.3
Pittsfield	43.0	42.8	43.0	43.1	.1	.2
Springfield	255.8	259.7	257.4	260.9	3.5	1.4
Worcester	231.2	232.8	232.0	234.4	2.4	1.0
Michigan	4,437.2	4,388.7	4,461.1	4,429.7	-31.4	-.7
Ann Arbor	291.1	289.9	296.5	297.4	.9	.3
Benton Harbor	69.7	70.2	69.7	70.4	.7	1.0
Detroit	2,059.9	2,032.7	2,064.5	2,041.0	-23.5	-1.1
Flint	161.1	157.5	162.8	160.2	-2.6	-1.6
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland	564.2	565.8	566.8	567.1	.3	.1
Jackson	62.6	61.1	63.0	61.7	-1.3	-2.1
Kalamazoo-Battle Creek	210.8	209.5	214.7	212.1	-2.6	-1.2
Lansing-East Lansing	243.7	231.1	242.2	235.8	-6.4	-2.6
Saginaw-Bay City-Midland	173.8	165.9	175.4	169.2	-6.2	-3.5
Minnesota	2,664.6	2,683.3	2,683.2	2,707.9	24.7	.9
Duluth-Superior	116.1	118.0	116.8	118.5	1.7	1.5
Minneapolis-St. Paul	1,723.5	1,738.6	1,740.2	1,755.2	15.0	.9
Rochester	88.9	90.8	89.4	90.9	1.5	1.7
St. Cloud	95.1	96.4	96.3	96.9	.6	.6
Mississippi	1,117.8	1,129.3	1,124.9	1,133.4	8.5	.8
Jackson	234.5	237.3	235.0	238.2	3.2	1.4
Missouri	2,695.9	2,732.4	2,707.3	2,741.8	34.5	1.3
Kansas City	944.4	946.2	948.9	949.9	1.0	.1
St. Louis	1,296.3	1,333.7	1,297.7	1,339.7	42.0	3.2
Springfield	171.8	173.5	172.2	174.1	1.9	1.1
Montana	407.1	414.9	403.6	409.5	5.9	1.5
Billings	70.7	71.5	70.2	72.2	2.0	2.8
Missoula	55.3	56.0	55.3	56.7	1.4	2.5
Nebraska	904.9	910.4	911.4	918.2	6.8	.7
Lincoln	156.6	159.2	158.4	160.4	2.0	1.3
Omaha	425.1	420.2	426.8	425.4	-1.4	-.3
Nevada	1,103.2	1,154.4	1,109.5	1,163.9	54.4	4.9
Las Vegas	830.4	873.0	835.6	881.5	45.9	5.5
Reno	202.7	211.1	204.5	212.5	8.0	3.9
New Hampshire	622.2	633.7	624.3	633.3	9.0	1.4
Manchester	110.3	110.7	110.4	111.3	.9	.8
Nashua	95.7	95.5	95.7	95.8	.1	.1
Portsmouth-Rochester	125.5	127.7	126.4	128.2	1.8	1.4
New Jersey	3,986.9	4,053.6	4,014.8	4,082.9	68.1	1.7
Atlantic-Cape May	199.8	201.7	194.4	195.3	.9	.5
Bergen-Passaic	651.8	661.8	656.4	665.4	9.0	1.4
Camden	519.6	525.6	526.1	530.9	4.8	.9
Jersey City	248.3	254.8	249.5	256.2	6.7	2.7
Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon	635.2	651.3	642.7	657.8	15.1	2.3
Monmouth-Ocean	411.7	421.8	410.7	419.3	8.6	2.1
Newark	1,010.3	1,021.1	1,021.4	1,030.0	8.6	.8
Trenton	227.5	230.0	227.9	232.2	4.3	1.9
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	61.9	61.3	61.8	61.1	-.7	-1.1

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	September		October		Change October 2003 to October 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
New Mexico	781.8	798.6	782.5	798.4	15.9	2.0
Albuquerque	363.3	369.5	362.8	370.2	7.4	2.0
Las Cruces	62.2	64.3	62.6	64.5	1.9	3.0
Santa Fe	79.7	80.9	79.2	80.7	1.5	1.9
New York	8,388.2	8,443.4	8,474.7	8,532.6	57.9	.7
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	460.7	465.4	465.9	470.4	4.5	1.0
Binghamton	113.5	114.0	114.3	114.9	.6	.5
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	548.3	547.6	553.5	551.3	-2.2	-.4
Dutchess County	119.5	121.9	122.5	124.8	2.3	1.9
Elmira	40.8	40.4	41.5	41.3	-.2	-.5
Glens Falls	53.1	54.5	52.5	53.8	1.3	2.5
Nassau-Suffolk	1,226.2	1,239.4	1,239.1	1,251.8	12.7	1.0
New York PMSA	4,056.8	4,097.8	4,098.0	4,137.7	39.7	1.0
New York City	3,501.7	3,536.5	3,534.7	3,567.6	32.9	.9
Newburgh	137.0	139.6	138.9	140.8	1.9	1.4
Rochester	537.4	533.0	544.4	538.1	-6.3	-1.2
Rockland County	114.4	116.8	116.1	118.9	2.8	2.4
Syracuse	346.7	350.5	350.9	354.0	3.1	.9
Utica-Rome	132.6	133.2	133.8	134.2	.4	.3
Westchester County	416.0	418.9	422.0	425.0	3.0	.7
North Carolina	3,824.9	3,875.6	3,852.1	3,905.0	52.9	1.4
Asheville	111.8	114.0	113.3	115.0	1.7	1.5
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill	825.4	842.5	834.5	848.7	14.2	1.7
Greensboro--Winston-Salem--High Point	630.6	633.6	635.3	638.7	3.4	.5
Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill	685.9	699.8	687.8	705.2	17.4	2.5
North Dakota	338.5	340.0	340.0	341.4	1.4	.4
Bismarck	54.3	54.4	54.4	54.8	.4	.7
Fargo-Moorhead	108.0	107.9	108.0	108.3	.3	.3
Grand Forks	50.4	50.7	51.3	51.6	.3	.6
Ohio	5,408.1	5,391.1	5,424.4	5,409.9	-14.5	-.3
Akron	328.5	326.8	330.2	329.0	-1.2	-.4
Canton-Massillon	177.6	177.9	177.8	178.3	.5	.3
Cincinnati	872.0	879.5	874.9	878.5	3.6	.4
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria	1,117.7	1,117.0	1,121.1	1,119.1	-2.0	-.2
Columbus	873.7	875.2	878.3	878.2	-.1	.0
Dayton-Springfield	456.7	451.6	457.8	453.7	-4.1	-.9
Hamilton-Middletown	136.5	135.6	137.8	136.4	-1.4	-1.0
Lima	77.3	78.0	77.6	78.1	.5	.6
Mansfield	75.8	75.1	76.0	75.5	-.5	-.7
Steubenville-Weirton	49.4	47.9	49.1	48.5	-.6	-1.2
Toledo	312.3	306.0	312.7	307.6	-5.1	-1.6
Youngstown-Warren	232.3	229.5	232.2	228.9	-3.3	-1.4
Oklahoma	1,444.8	1,469.2	1,455.6	1,469.8	14.2	1.0
Enid	22.8	22.4	23.0	22.4	-.6	-2.6
Lawton	38.7	38.6	39.2	38.6	-.6	-1.5
Oklahoma City	532.6	542.3	534.0	543.2	9.2	1.7
Tulsa	377.0	378.5	379.6	382.4	2.8	.7
Oregon	1,568.6	1,607.9	1,587.0	1,621.6	34.6	2.2
Eugene-Springfield	139.4	141.8	142.9	145.1	2.2	1.5
Medford-Ashland	75.9	78.6	76.7	79.5	2.8	3.7
Portland-Vancouver	926.3	931.4	930.2	939.1	8.9	1.0
Salem	140.6	140.3	142.1	140.9	-1.2	-.8
Pennsylvania	5,617.0	5,664.1	5,637.2	5,697.9	60.7	1.1
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton	287.9	288.7	289.4	289.7	.3	.1
Altoona	62.2	62.1	62.0	62.4	.4	.6
Erie	130.2	131.7	131.4	132.8	1.4	1.1
Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle	368.3	371.1	368.5	370.5	2.0	.5
Johnstown	86.2	86.2	86.9	87.1	.2	.2
Lancaster	229.1	231.2	229.2	231.4	2.2	1.0
Philadelphia PMSA	2,403.4	2,410.2	2,422.6	2,426.7	4.1	.2
Philadelphia City	675.9	673.8	680.2	678.5	-1.7	-.2
Pittsburgh	1,113.1	1,114.8	1,115.8	1,124.9	9.1	.8
Reading	165.4	165.9	166.0	167.0	1.0	.6
Scranton--Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	281.3	278.9	283.1	281.9	-1.2	-.4
Sharon	49.6	48.9	50.0	49.4	-.6	-1.2
State College	71.4	72.1	73.6	74.4	.8	1.1
Williamsport	54.0	54.3	54.5	54.8	.3	.6
York	168.5	168.8	168.7	169.6	.9	.5

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(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	September		October		Change October 2003 to October 2004 ^P	
	2003	2004	2003	2004 ^P	Number	Percent
Rhode Island	489.6	493.5	491.4	495.7	4.3	0.9
Providence-Fall River-Warwick	537.1	539.3	541.2	543.3	2.1	.4
South Carolina	1,824.9	1,844.5	1,830.3	1,852.9	22.6	1.2
Charleston-North Charleston	259.1	266.8	260.2	267.3	7.1	2.7
Columbia	300.8	305.0	300.6	306.0	5.4	1.8
Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson	474.8	471.3	476.1	474.1	-2.0	-.4
South Dakota	380.9	384.5	381.7	384.4	2.7	.7
Rapid City	51.8	52.6	51.1	52.0	.9	1.8
Sioux Falls	117.6	119.1	118.7	119.3	.6	.5
Tennessee	2,689.1	2,706.3	2,687.5	2,702.9	15.4	.6
Chattanooga	234.3	236.4	235.1	237.2	2.1	.9
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol	199.8	200.2	200.3	200.7	.4	.2
Knoxville	360.0	364.1	360.5	364.2	3.7	1.0
Memphis	592.3	594.4	593.3	595.6	2.3	.4
Nashville	687.3	694.7	687.4	694.6	7.2	1.0
Texas	9,382.9	9,489.9	9,398.8	9,520.2	121.4	1.3
Abilene	56.8	57.6	57.0	57.4	.4	.7
Amarillo	100.4	101.1	100.8	101.6	.8	.8
Austin-San Marcos	654.0	659.5	655.4	661.7	6.3	1.0
Beaumont-Port Arthur	157.4	157.0	156.5	157.3	.8	.5
Brazoria	78.2	79.4	78.3	79.6	1.3	1.7
Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito	114.3	115.4	114.1	115.9	1.8	1.6
Bryan-College Station	80.6	82.7	82.1	84.2	2.1	2.6
Corpus Christi	161.2	160.1	161.3	160.7	-.6	-.4
Dallas	1,903.1	1,917.5	1,910.7	1,927.1	16.4	.9
El Paso	257.0	259.8	256.5	259.4	2.9	1.1
Ft. Worth-Arlington	778.3	782.5	778.3	782.7	4.4	.6
Galveston-Texas City	88.3	89.4	88.3	90.3	2.0	2.3
Houston	2,095.6	2,119.8	2,097.0	2,124.7	27.7	1.3
Killeen-Temple	104.6	105.7	104.8	106.1	1.3	1.2
Laredo	75.3	78.7	76.0	79.4	3.4	4.5
Longview-Marshall	93.1	94.7	93.4	95.2	1.8	1.9
Lubbock	120.1	122.9	122.4	124.0	1.6	1.3
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	175.2	180.9	177.3	183.0	5.7	3.2
Odessa-Midland	106.9	107.1	107.2	107.6	.4	.4
San Angelo	43.8	45.0	43.8	45.0	1.2	2.7
San Antonio	727.5	737.6	725.3	736.8	11.5	1.6
Sherman-Denison	44.4	44.1	44.3	44.6	.3	.7
Texarkana	53.2	54.1	53.3	54.2	.9	1.7
Tyler	85.8	87.6	86.2	88.0	1.8	2.1
Victoria	36.6	37.6	36.9	37.8	.9	2.4
Waco	100.8	101.6	101.0	101.7	.7	.7
Wichita Falls	58.6	59.1	58.6	59.3	.7	1.2
Utah	1,083.0	1,115.7	1,085.5	1,119.7	34.2	3.2
Provo-Orem	155.5	162.2	156.2	163.8	7.6	4.9
Salt Lake City-Ogden	707.8	722.2	710.4	726.8	16.4	2.3
Vermont	301.4	303.3	303.1	305.7	2.6	.9
Barre-Montpelier	34.6	35.2	34.4	35.0	.6	1.7
Burlington	108.4	111.1	109.6	112.0	2.4	2.2
Virginia	3,517.1	3,598.6	3,532.3	3,612.9	80.6	2.3
Bristol	39.4	39.6	39.3	39.7	.4	1.0
Charlottesville	86.9	87.8	87.2	87.7	.5	.6
Danville	45.5	45.9	45.6	46.2	.6	1.3
Lynchburg	98.6	99.8	99.5	99.9	.4	.4
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News	733.8	742.8	737.0	748.3	11.3	1.5
Northern Virginia	1,202.2	1,239.6	1,210.3	1,246.2	35.9	3.0
Richmond-Petersburg	561.1	570.5	565.2	573.2	8.0	1.4
Roanoke	141.9	143.2	142.4	143.2	.8	.6
Washington	2,680.6	2,737.8	2,692.8	2,754.4	61.6	2.3
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,345.2	1,371.6	1,346.3	1,374.1	27.8	2.1
Spokane	199.2	202.7	201.1	205.1	4.0	2.0
Tacoma	252.8	259.7	252.8	259.3	6.5	2.6

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West Virginia	730.5	740.4	729.6	741.0	11.4	1.6
Charleston	132.8	133.9	133.7	134.1	.4	.3
Huntington-Ashland	121.2	122.3	122.0	123.6	1.6	1.3
Parkersburg-Marietta	70.2	69.8	70.2	70.1	-.1	-.1
Wheeling	66.9	67.4	66.9	68.1	1.2	1.8
Wisconsin	2,798.3	2,854.7	2,809.9	2,867.9	58.0	2.1
Appleton-Oshkosh-Neenah	202.2	205.4	204.3	204.6	.3	.1
Eau Claire	77.7	79.4	78.5	80.0	1.5	1.9
Green Bay	150.1	154.7	151.6	156.0	4.4	2.9
Janesville-Beloit	67.1	66.6	67.6	67.8	.2	.3
Kenosha	54.3	54.6	54.5	54.8	.3	.6
La Crosse	73.3	75.6	73.8	75.9	2.1	2.8
Madison	298.0	302.5	300.6	305.0	4.4	1.5
Milwaukee-Waukesha	826.4	848.7	838.1	849.9	11.8	1.4
Racine	80.0	80.2	79.2	79.6	.4	.5
Sheboygan	62.2	64.4	61.7	63.7	2.0	3.2
Wausau	70.5	71.0	70.4	71.5	1.1	1.6
Wyoming	257.4	261.7	254.5	259.3	4.8	1.9
Casper	34.5	35.7	34.8	35.9	1.1	3.2
Puerto Rico	997.0	1,007.8	1,003.0	1,011.6	8.6	.9
Caguas	68.4	70.1	69.8	70.0	.2	.3
Mayaguez	63.3	64.0	64.2	64.8	.6	.9
Ponce	70.9	70.3	71.3	70.8	-.5	-.7
San Juan-Bayamon	650.7	658.4	652.9	661.3	8.4	1.3
Virgin Islands	41.0	40.8	41.2	41.2	.0	.0

^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

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