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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: OCTOBER 2007

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in October. Overall, 22 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases, 17 states registered decreases, and 11 states had no changes, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 25 states and the District of Columbia and up in 25 states. The national unemployment rate was unchanged in October at 4.7 percent.

In October, nonfarm payroll employment decreased in 31 states and the District of Columbia, increased in 17 states, and remained unchanged in 2 states. The largest employment decreases were recorded in Michigan (-22,400), California (-15,800), Arizona (-14,900), Virginia (-8,900), and Illinois (-7,000). Arizona and Michigan posted the largest over-the-month percentage declines in employment (-0.5 percent each), followed by Alaska and Hawaii (-0.4 percent each), Nevada (-0.3 percent), and Alabama, the District of Columbia, Kansas, Maine, Minnesota, Vermont, and Virginia (-0.2 percent each). Texas posted the largest over-the-month increase in employment (+24,200), followed by Florida (+9,700), North Carolina (+8,600), New York (+8,100), and Washington (+8,000). Washington reported the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+0.3 percent), followed by North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wyoming (+0.2 percent each). Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 48 states and the District of Columbia and decreased in 2 states. The largest over-the-year percentage gains in employment were reported in Utah (+4.2 percent), Montana and Wyoming (+3.4 percent each), Louisiana (+2.2 percent), and Colorado (+2.1 percent). The two states reporting over-the-year declines in employment were Michigan (-1.7 percent) and Ohio (-0.2 percent).

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In October, the Midwest continued to report the highest unemployment rate among the regions, 5.4 percent. The South again registered the lowest rate, 4.4 percent. No region recorded an unemployment rate change from a month earlier. The Midwest and West had the only statistically significant over-the-year jobless rate changes (+0.5 and +0.3 percentage point, respectively). (See table 1.)

Southern California Wildfires

The Southern California wildfires and resulting evacuations had no discernable impact on the October payroll and LAUS survey estimates. For more information, see the Frequently Asked Questions section that begins on page 7 of this release.

Among the nine geographic divisions, the East North Central again reported the highest jobless rate, 5.8 percent in October, while the Mountain division continued to record the lowest rate, 3.5 percent. The West South Central division registered the only statistically significant unemployment rate change over the month (-0.3 percentage point). The Pacific and East North Central divisions posted the largest jobless rate increases from a year earlier (+0.7 and +0.6 percentage point, respectively). The South Atlantic was the only other division to record a significant over-the-year rate increase (+0.3 percentage point). The West South Central and Mountain divisions recorded the only significant over-the-year rate decreases (-0.4 and -0.3 percentage point, respectively).

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In October, Michigan again reported the highest unemployment rate, 7.7 percent, followed by Alaska and Mississippi at 6.1 percent each. Idaho continued to record the lowest jobless rate, 2.5 percent. Four additional states had rates below 3.0 percent in October: Hawaii at 2.7 percent, Utah at 2.8 percent, and South Dakota and Wyoming at 2.9 percent each. Two states posted the lowest jobless rates in their series—Alabama and New Mexico (3.1 percent each). (All state series begin in 1976.) Overall, 22 states registered unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate (4.7 percent), 10 states and the District of Columbia recorded measurably higher rates, and 18 states had rates that were statistically little different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

Delaware registered the largest over-the-month unemployment rate increase in October (+0.4 percentage point). Florida, Idaho, and Montana also recorded statistically significant unemployment rate increases from September (+0.2 percentage point each). Three states had significant over-the-month jobless rate decreases: Louisiana (-1.1 percentage points), Kansas (-0.7 point), and Alabama (-0.6 point). The remaining 43 states and the District of Columbia recorded unemployment rates that were not appreciably different from those of a month earlier, even though some had changes that were at least as large numerically as the significant changes.

In October, Illinois reported the largest jobless rate increase from a year earlier (+1.2 percentage points). Twelve additional states recorded smaller, but also statistically significant, rate increases. Fourteen states registered statistically significant over-the-year unemployment rate decreases. The largest of these occurred in Louisiana (-1.0 percentage point). The remaining 23 states and the District of Columbia had jobless rates that were not appreciably different from those of October 2006. (See table B.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

For October, two states reported statistically significant over-the-month changes in nonfarm payroll employment, both of which were decreases. Those statistically significant decreases were in Michigan (-22,400) and Arizona (-14,900). (See tables C and 5.)

Over the 12 months ending in October, 29 states posted statistically significant changes in employment; all but one of these had gains in employment. The largest statistically significant employment gains occurred in Texas (+206,400), Florida (+111,000), and California (+109,000). The statistically significant over-the-year

employment decline was reported in Michigan (-75,000). Seven states recorded statistically significant gains in employment that were less than 15,000: Montana (+14,600), Nebraska (+13,300), Idaho (+11,700), Hawaii (+11,600), Wyoming (+9,400), South Dakota (+6,800), and North Dakota (+5,200). (See table D.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for October is scheduled to be issued on Wednesday, November 28. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for November is scheduled to be issued on Friday, December 21.

Hurricane Katrina

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

For more information on LAUS procedures and estimates for October 2007, see *Hurricane Information: Katrina and Rita* on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/katrina/home.htm> or call (202) 691-6392.

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., October 2007, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate
United States	4.7
Alabama	3.1
Alaska	6.1
Arizona	3.5
Arkansas	5.7
California	5.6
Colorado	3.7
Delaware	3.4
District of Columbia	5.8
Florida	4.2
Hawaii	2.7
Idaho	2.5
Iowa	3.9
Kansas	3.8
Kentucky	5.6
Louisiana	3.3
Maryland	4.0
Michigan	7.7
Mississippi	6.1
Missouri	5.6
Montana	3.1
Nebraska	3.2
New Hampshire	3.2
New Jersey	4.1
New Mexico	3.1
North Dakota	3.4
Ohio	5.9
Oregon	5.5
South Carolina	5.8
South Dakota	2.9
Texas	4.1
Utah	2.8
Virginia	3.1
Wyoming	2.9

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from October 2006 to October 2007, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-year rate change
	October 2006	October 2007	
Alabama	3.6	3.1	-0.5
Alaska	6.6	6.1	-.5
Arizona	4.1	3.5	-.6
California	4.8	5.6	.8
Colorado	4.2	3.7	-.5
Florida	3.2	4.2	1.0
Hawaii	2.1	2.7	.6
Idaho	3.3	2.5	-.8
Illinois	4.1	5.3	1.2
Iowa	3.5	3.9	.4
Kansas	4.5	3.8	-.7
Louisiana	4.3	3.3	-1.0
Massachusetts	5.1	4.3	-.8
Michigan	7.1	7.7	.6
Minnesota	4.0	4.7	.7
Missouri	5.1	5.6	.5
Nevada	4.3	5.2	.9
New Mexico	3.9	3.1	-.8
New York	4.2	4.6	.4
Ohio	5.5	5.9	.4
South Carolina	6.6	5.8	-.8
South Dakota	3.3	2.9	-.4
Tennessee	5.1	4.6	-.5
Texas	4.8	4.1	-.7
Vermont	3.7	4.3	.6
Wisconsin	4.7	5.2	.5
Wyoming	3.6	2.9	-.7

Table C. States with statistically significant employment changes from September 2007 to October 2007, seasonally adjusted

State	September 2007	October 2007 ^P	Over-the-month change ^P
Arizona.....	2,735,200	2,720,300	-14,900
Michigan.....	4,267,000	4,244,600	-22,400

p = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from October 2006 to October 2007, seasonally adjusted

State	October 2006	October 2007 ^P	Over-the-year change ^P
Alabama.....	1,990,500	2,015,800	25,300
Arizona.....	2,675,600	2,720,300	44,700
California.....	15,161,900	15,270,900	109,000
Colorado.....	2,290,000	2,337,300	47,300
Connecticut.....	1,682,000	1,702,000	20,000
Florida.....	8,036,000	8,147,000	111,000
Georgia.....	4,092,400	4,172,100	79,700
Hawaii.....	620,000	631,600	11,600
Idaho.....	645,500	657,200	11,700
Illinois.....	5,943,100	5,980,500	37,400
Iowa.....	1,502,900	1,525,400	22,500
Kansas.....	1,365,500	1,385,600	20,100
Massachusetts.....	3,249,200	3,283,100	33,900
Michigan.....	4,319,600	4,244,600	-75,000
Mississippi.....	1,150,900	1,165,900	15,000
Montana.....	433,500	448,100	14,600
Nebraska.....	950,200	963,500	13,300
New York.....	8,647,000	8,724,600	77,600
North Carolina.....	4,046,700	4,114,900	68,200
North Dakota.....	355,300	360,500	5,200
Oklahoma.....	1,561,700	1,583,500	21,800
Pennsylvania.....	5,763,300	5,811,100	47,800
South Carolina.....	1,909,800	1,936,300	26,500
South Dakota.....	402,200	409,000	6,800
Texas.....	10,140,700	10,347,100	206,400
Utah.....	1,214,900	1,266,300	51,400
Virginia.....	3,732,100	3,788,100	56,000
Washington.....	2,879,500	2,937,200	57,700
Wyoming.....	279,200	288,600	9,400

p = preliminary.

Frequently Asked Questions about Regional and State Employment and Unemployment Estimates

Were the October data from the Regional and State Employment and Unemployment news release affected by the Southern California wildfires and evacuations?

No. In the establishment survey (the source of the payroll employment estimates), workers who are paid by their employer for any part of the pay period including the 12th of the month are counted as employed. Since the Southern California wildfires and evacuations began after the week of the 12th, there was no discernable impact on October employment estimates. The state unemployment estimates use the concepts from a monthly survey of households. In that survey, a person is considered employed if he or she did any work for pay during the reference week (the calendar week including the 12th of the month) or had a job from which he or she was temporarily absent.

Was BLS able to collect information from survey respondents (both establishments and households) in the areas affected by the Southern California wildfires and evacuations?

Yes. In October, response rates for the establishment survey were within normal ranges for the affected areas. For the household survey, the U.S. Census Bureau had completed most of the data collection the week before the fires and evacuations. As a result, the number of interviews conducted in the affected areas was little different from prior months.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, and selected substate areas from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1-4). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and major industry from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 5 and 6). The LAUS and CES programs are both federal-state cooperative endeavors.

Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

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

Method of estimation. Estimates for all census divisions, states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, and New York City are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. This method, which underwent substantial enhancement at the beginning of 2005, utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) data. Estimates for the six other areas contained in this release use a different regression approach. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request. Estimates for census regions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component divisions and then calculating the unemployment rate.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually implemented with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation.

Seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment of census division, state, and substate area model employment and unemployment levels is performed within the modeling

procedure. The model estimation is based on the classical approach to seasonal adjustment, in which the series is decomposed into trend, seasonal, irregular, and survey error. This directly yields seasonally adjusted estimates for employment and unemployment levels with reliability measures. Labor force levels and unemployment rates are calculated from these two estimates. Additionally, measures for the state of California are derived by summing the seasonally adjusted estimates for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division and the balance of California, and the estimates for the State of New York are the sum of the estimates for New York City and the balance of New York. Labor force estimates for census regions are calculated as the sum of the levels of the component divisions, and the unemployment rate is then calculated. In most years, historical data for the most recent 5 years are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, usually coincident with the release of January estimates.

Area definitions. The substate area data published in this release reflect the standards and definitions established by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on December 18, 2006. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Web at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm> and also is published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

Employment—from the CES program

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

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

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

Seasonal adjustment. Payroll employment data are seasonally adjusted at the statewide supersector level. In some states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is computed by aggregating the independently adjusted supersector series. In other states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is independently adjusted. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are made once a year, coincident with annual benchmark adjustments.

Caution on aggregating state data. State estimation procedures are designed to produce accurate data for each individual state. BLS independently develops a national employment series; state estimates are not forced to sum to national totals. Because each state series is subject to larger sampling and nonsampling errors than the national series, summing them cumulates individual state level errors and can cause significant distortions at an aggregate level. Due to these statistical limitations, BLS does not compile a “sum-of-states” employment series, and cautions users that such a series is subject to a relatively large and volatile error structure.

Reliability of the estimates

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

Use of error measures. In 2005, the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program introduced several improvements to its methodology. Among these was the development of model-based error measures for the monthly estimates and the estimates of over-the-month changes. The introductory section of this release preserves the long-time practice of highlighting the direction of the movements in regional and state unemployment rates and state nonfarm payroll employment regardless of their statistical significance. The remainder of the analysis in the release takes the statistical significance of monthly and annual changes into consideration.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Model-based error measures for both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted data, and for over-the-month change, are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm>. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether changes in LAUS unemployment rates are statistically significant. The average magnitude of the over-the-month change in a state unemployment rate that is required in order to be statistically significant at the 90-percent confidence level is between 0.3 and 0.4 percentage point. More details can be found on the Web site. Measures of nonsampling error are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the total nonfarm and supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm>. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether changes in CES employment levels are statistically significant. Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

Additional information

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings*, which is available by subscription from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800), and from the BLS Handbook of Methods, Bulletin 2490, August 1997.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment, as well as nonfarm employment from the CES program, for over 370 metropolitan areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs) are available in the news release, *Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force, employment, and unemployment for all states, metropolitan areas, labor market areas, counties, cities with a population of 25,000 or more, and other areas used in the administration of various federal economic assistance programs are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/>. Employment data from the CES program are available at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

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 census region and division, seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007
Northeast	27,977.1	27,801.5	28,002.2	27,995.7	1,224.2	1,291.2	1,246.5	1,247.0	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.5
New England	7,662.9	7,629.0	7,687.3	7,702.3	350.6	342.8	338.0	335.6	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.4
Middle Atlantic	20,314.1	20,172.5	20,315.0	20,293.5	873.6	948.5	908.4	911.4	4.3	4.7	4.5	4.5
South	54,370.5	54,436.3	54,841.2	54,785.2	2,367.2	2,311.7	2,429.3	2,385.8	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.4
South Atlantic	29,148.3	29,307.4	29,490.7	29,497.0	1,192.4	1,222.2	1,246.9	1,288.1	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.4
East South Central	8,577.9	8,592.3	8,657.9	8,637.0	416.7	397.5	430.4	405.8	4.9	4.6	5.0	4.7
West South Central	16,644.4	16,536.6	16,692.5	16,651.2	758.1	692.0	752.0	692.0	4.6	4.2	4.5	4.2
Midwest	34,970.4	34,825.1	35,074.7	34,987.9	1,719.2	1,867.6	1,878.6	1,886.0	4.9	5.4	5.4	5.4
East North Central	24,053.2	23,937.1	24,103.7	24,014.4	1,260.6	1,391.2	1,385.9	1,400.7	5.2	5.8	5.7	5.8
West North Central	10,917.3	10,888.0	10,971.1	10,973.6	458.7	476.4	492.7	485.3	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.4
West	34,942.9	35,386.9	35,681.1	35,620.7	1,557.9	1,683.4	1,721.9	1,720.5	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.8
Mountain	10,759.2	10,859.6	10,994.3	11,006.2	409.2	394.2	387.1	387.6	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.5
Pacific	24,183.7	24,527.3	24,686.8	24,614.6	1,148.7	1,289.1	1,334.7	1,332.9	4.7	5.3	5.4	5.4

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

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. The States (including the District of Columbia) that compose the various census divisions are: New England: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont; Middle Atlantic: New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania; South Atlantic: Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia; East South Central: Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, and

Tennessee; West South Central: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas; East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin; West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota; Mountain: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming; and Pacific: Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, not seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
Northeast	27,833.8	27,875.4	27,975.5	27,959.3	1,193.7	1,177.5	1,105.2	1,147.6	4.3	4.2	4.0	4.1
New England	7,622.9	7,657.6	7,660.8	7,690.6	338.5	322.5	310.5	301.0	4.4	4.2	4.1	3.9
Middle Atlantic	20,210.9	20,217.8	20,314.7	20,268.7	855.2	855.0	794.7	846.6	4.2	4.2	3.9	4.2
South	54,186.6	54,812.3	54,503.7	54,847.3	2,329.8	2,382.4	2,228.5	2,291.1	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.2
South Atlantic	29,036.9	29,469.3	29,203.3	29,512.9	1,185.3	1,235.2	1,135.1	1,257.6	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.3
East South Central	8,547.5	8,653.8	8,604.3	8,652.5	396.1	410.4	389.3	384.2	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.4
West South Central	16,602.2	16,689.3	16,696.1	16,681.9	748.5	736.9	704.1	649.3	4.5	4.4	4.2	3.9
Midwest	34,858.1	35,018.3	35,036.9	35,012.8	1,613.5	1,753.9	1,512.0	1,708.5	4.6	5.0	4.3	4.9
East North Central	23,997.6	24,074.4	24,102.7	24,036.3	1,191.4	1,289.0	1,111.0	1,273.3	5.0	5.4	4.6	5.3
West North Central	10,860.5	10,943.9	10,934.2	10,976.5	422.2	464.9	401.0	435.1	3.9	4.2	3.7	4.0
West	34,933.6	35,693.9	35,069.4	35,696.1	1,497.9	1,638.4	1,436.5	1,625.6	4.3	4.6	4.1	4.6
Mountain	10,787.5	11,020.0	10,808.1	11,040.8	397.5	373.6	381.2	366.9	3.7	3.4	3.5	3.3
Pacific	24,146.0	24,673.9	24,261.3	24,655.3	1,100.4	1,264.8	1,055.3	1,258.7	4.6	5.1	4.3	5.1

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

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

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

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007
Alabama	2,217.4	2,201.9	2,217.9	2,210.9	80.9	82.7	81.6	68.5	3.6	3.8	3.7	3.1
Alaska	347.9	346.7	349.9	348.2	23.1	21.7	22.1	21.3	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.1
Arizona	3,011.5	3,017.2	3,048.1	3,055.2	123.1	112.2	99.7	107.0	4.1	3.7	3.3	3.5
Arkansas	1,366.0	1,365.5	1,385.5	1,377.0	73.3	74.7	78.4	77.9	5.4	5.5	5.7	5.7
California	17,964.9	18,214.2	18,309.5	18,240.9	855.5	996.1	1,029.4	1,022.0	4.8	5.5	5.6	5.6
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,846.2	4,983.1	4,968.0	4,969.0	218.2	244.6	254.0	253.2	4.5	4.9	5.1	5.1
Colorado	2,677.0	2,676.4	2,708.6	2,718.8	112.3	102.5	106.8	101.4	4.2	3.8	3.9	3.7
Connecticut	1,853.4	1,871.3	1,891.1	1,895.2	79.3	86.7	85.4	88.4	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.7
Delaware	442.0	439.4	444.4	445.4	15.4	13.0	13.3	15.2	3.5	3.0	3.0	3.4
District of Columbia	317.8	315.1	318.2	318.1	19.3	17.5	18.3	18.4	6.1	5.6	5.7	5.8
Florida	9,073.0	9,225.4	9,269.7	9,272.6	294.7	370.2	373.2	393.0	3.2	4.0	4.0	4.2
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,165.4	1,188.8	1,197.7	1,202.2	41.9	43.5	46.4	48.4	3.6	3.7	3.9	4.0
Georgia	4,776.9	4,828.0	4,869.3	4,878.0	221.7	213.0	220.7	228.1	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.7
Hawaii	646.8	642.5	652.0	646.7	13.7	16.6	17.1	17.3	2.1	2.6	2.6	2.7
Idaho	753.9	758.3	769.7	766.5	24.7	17.9	17.9	19.3	3.3	2.4	2.3	2.5
Illinois	6,666.9	6,719.5	6,758.9	6,739.3	275.4	363.8	346.0	356.3	4.1	5.4	5.1	5.3
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	4,101.3	4,149.1	4,132.1	4,127.6	168.5	225.1	202.2	210.5	4.1	5.4	4.9	5.1
Indiana	3,280.3	3,194.9	3,207.4	3,197.2	160.0	156.9	145.5	146.5	4.9	4.9	4.5	4.6
Iowa	1,668.5	1,656.7	1,673.5	1,675.3	58.9	64.9	66.1	65.5	3.5	3.9	3.9	3.9
Kansas	1,468.7	1,477.6	1,492.3	1,488.8	65.8	63.7	66.4	56.2	4.5	4.3	4.5	3.8
Kentucky	2,049.0	2,051.6	2,070.9	2,060.5	116.0	115.8	125.6	116.4	5.7	5.6	6.1	5.6
Louisiana	2,013.3	1,979.2	1,988.3	1,987.8	86.7	75.6	87.4	66.1	4.3	3.8	4.4	3.3
Maine	714.7	707.1	709.1	710.7	33.9	34.1	34.4	34.4	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8
Maryland	3,028.8	2,977.9	3,006.1	3,010.2	119.6	111.3	116.0	121.5	3.9	3.7	3.9	4.0
Massachusetts	3,415.8	3,384.6	3,406.9	3,412.7	174.3	150.7	150.3	145.2	5.1	4.5	4.4	4.3
Michigan	5,086.7	5,003.8	5,045.8	5,012.0	361.0	372.0	377.7	387.2	7.1	7.4	7.5	7.7
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,167.4	2,140.4	2,159.9	2,139.3	159.2	171.6	171.1	171.2	7.3	8.0	7.9	8.0
Minnesota	2,946.6	2,928.9	2,946.5	2,948.8	117.9	135.1	143.5	138.6	4.0	4.6	4.9	4.7
Mississippi	1,314.4	1,309.1	1,322.3	1,321.6	88.7	77.4	84.6	80.3	6.7	5.9	6.4	6.1
Missouri	3,052.1	3,047.4	3,070.7	3,067.2	155.7	160.3	162.1	171.2	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.6
Montana	495.0	497.2	504.4	504.7	14.7	13.9	14.7	15.7	3.0	2.8	2.9	3.1
Nebraska	977.0	982.5	990.7	990.6	29.4	31.1	30.7	31.3	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.2
Nevada	1,313.1	1,344.7	1,362.9	1,366.6	55.9	67.0	69.8	71.2	4.3	5.0	5.1	5.2
New Hampshire	739.1	744.7	747.8	747.2	25.5	27.1	26.2	24.1	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.2
New Jersey	4,526.8	4,475.4	4,513.0	4,500.2	201.3	193.1	194.8	185.8	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.1
New Mexico	939.4	941.2	949.5	946.5	37.1	35.9	32.7	28.9	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.1
New York	9,502.4	9,430.6	9,474.9	9,471.0	399.5	460.0	431.8	440.3	4.2	4.9	4.6	4.6
New York City	3,802.2	3,821.8	3,829.7	3,829.5	167.9	219.4	194.2	201.1	4.4	5.7	5.1	5.3
North Carolina	4,503.6	4,509.7	4,547.0	4,534.1	221.6	215.7	222.3	218.9	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.8
North Dakota	359.7	362.0	365.9	366.1	11.9	11.5	12.3	12.4	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.4
Ohio	5,948.9	5,949.9	6,000.1	5,980.3	327.4	337.5	354.8	351.9	5.5	5.7	5.9	5.9
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,093.8	1,088.3	1,098.1	1,103.0	59.0	65.5	66.9	65.5	5.4	6.0	6.1	5.9
Oklahoma	1,725.3	1,728.3	1,737.7	1,736.8	69.6	75.9	75.0	76.2	4.0	4.4	4.3	4.4
Oregon	1,909.4	1,922.1	1,940.8	1,938.8	103.4	103.9	103.2	106.8	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.5
Pennsylvania	6,322.3	6,262.1	6,328.5	6,332.8	295.4	283.6	287.7	285.5	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5
Rhode Island	578.7	571.0	580.6	580.4	29.6	28.8	28.5	28.6	5.1	5.1	4.9	4.9
South Carolina	2,143.0	2,135.9	2,150.9	2,144.4	142.4	120.0	123.3	125.4	6.6	5.6	5.7	5.8
South Dakota	433.2	436.4	439.1	439.4	14.2	13.0	13.7	12.9	3.3	3.0	3.1	2.9
Tennessee	3,003.0	3,029.9	3,048.0	3,043.3	152.8	122.2	142.3	141.0	5.1	4.0	4.7	4.6
Texas	11,541.6	11,469.4	11,575.2	11,562.3	551.8	476.7	496.4	478.4	4.8	4.2	4.3	4.1
Utah	1,325.0	1,338.4	1,363.2	1,360.5	35.0	35.0	37.0	37.9	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.8
Vermont	362.7	356.8	357.9	358.5	13.4	14.3	14.9	15.3	3.7	4.0	4.2	4.3
Virginia	4,025.1	4,044.0	4,064.8	4,071.4	122.1	124.4	116.9	126.2	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.1
Washington	3,340.4	3,397.2	3,447.6	3,449.7	168.2	157.2	164.7	164.6	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.8
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,406.3	1,432.1	1,451.6	1,451.4	59.6	54.3	55.7	58.7	4.2	3.8	3.8	4.0
West Virginia	812.1	814.4	819.1	820.9	42.1	40.0	39.1	41.1	5.2	4.9	4.8	5.0
Wisconsin	3,069.2	3,069.3	3,086.4	3,081.9	144.3	163.2	160.1	160.1	4.7	5.3	5.2	5.2
Wyoming	287.9	287.8	290.9	289.9	10.2	9.9	9.0	8.3	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.9
Puerto Rico	1,403.6	1,387.3	1,368.5	1,371.6	134.1	161.5	148.6	156.8	9.6	11.6	10.9	11.4

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dated December 18, 2006, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm> and in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
Alabama	2,206.9	2,217.5	2,231.0	2,222.7	75.8	79.9	75.1	66.7	3.4	3.6	3.4	3.0
Alaska	347.9	350.4	345.7	346.1	20.6	19.8	19.7	18.6	5.9	5.6	5.7	5.4
Arizona	3,004.7	3,054.8	3,010.4	3,062.9	126.8	106.0	121.8	109.2	4.2	3.5	4.0	3.6
Arkansas	1,364.6	1,386.9	1,363.3	1,372.1	65.9	72.9	59.5	67.6	4.8	5.3	4.4	4.9
California	17,926.1	18,297.2	18,008.8	18,268.3	819.0	986.8	789.2	981.7	4.6	5.4	4.4	5.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,849.8	4,974.6	4,865.7	4,984.5	225.7	257.3	206.2	248.1	4.7	5.2	4.2	5.0
Colorado	2,683.8	2,724.0	2,683.7	2,732.8	108.0	101.5	102.0	93.2	4.0	3.7	3.8	3.4
Connecticut	1,840.5	1,878.4	1,852.6	1,891.4	77.6	80.9	68.5	79.8	4.2	4.3	3.7	4.2
Delaware	437.6	440.2	442.1	444.8	15.5	12.9	13.9	14.3	3.5	2.9	3.2	3.2
District of Columbia	313.9	317.7	317.2	317.3	19.1	18.9	17.7	17.7	6.1	5.9	5.6	5.6
Florida	9,076.9	9,296.7	9,113.1	9,289.6	315.4	395.8	290.3	396.9	3.5	4.3	3.2	4.3
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,159.8	1,192.6	1,176.9	1,210.5	46.1	49.2	45.0	51.5	4.0	4.1	3.8	4.3
Georgia	4,756.9	4,859.5	4,788.4	4,880.3	219.7	222.9	214.4	227.4	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.7
Hawaii	641.9	646.9	643.4	641.8	15.3	18.1	12.4	16.4	2.4	2.8	1.9	2.6
Idaho	751.0	768.6	754.3	768.6	19.8	12.8	19.2	14.6	2.6	1.7	2.6	1.9
Illinois	6,643.0	6,748.2	6,674.1	6,738.8	267.0	324.1	237.2	323.8	4.0	4.8	3.6	4.8
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	4,071.2	4,118.2	4,089.9	4,115.4	165.5	194.4	142.7	194.1	4.1	4.7	3.5	4.7
Indiana	3,272.0	3,204.4	3,291.2	3,205.2	149.7	132.4	144.4	134.5	4.6	4.1	4.4	4.2
Iowa	1,670.4	1,672.9	1,679.9	1,682.8	54.4	60.7	50.9	57.4	3.3	3.6	3.0	3.4
Kansas	1,459.7	1,484.2	1,471.9	1,485.5	62.4	63.4	63.7	50.7	4.3	4.3	4.3	3.4
Kentucky	2,039.0	2,068.3	2,039.1	2,049.2	102.3	116.3	98.2	105.2	5.0	5.6	4.8	5.1
Louisiana	1,995.4	1,986.5	2,024.7	1,996.9	79.2	87.0	77.2	60.6	4.0	4.4	3.8	3.0
Maine	713.8	708.5	718.5	713.4	29.1	29.8	29.7	31.2	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.4
Maryland	3,011.2	2,998.0	3,036.7	3,014.4	110.3	108.4	108.2	114.4	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.8
Massachusetts	3,394.6	3,389.3	3,408.8	3,401.5	170.7	148.6	153.6	129.1	5.0	4.4	4.5	3.8
Michigan	5,075.3	5,040.6	5,090.0	5,012.2	336.8	354.6	315.0	350.5	6.6	7.0	6.2	7.0
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,170.9	2,157.4	2,185.7	2,148.3	157.3	166.7	154.7	167.2	7.2	7.7	7.1	7.8
Minnesota	2,939.5	2,947.6	2,956.1	2,951.7	111.3	138.4	99.5	120.0	3.8	4.7	3.4	4.1
Mississippi	1,302.2	1,316.8	1,313.4	1,322.4	80.8	79.7	80.4	77.9	6.2	6.1	6.1	5.9
Missouri	3,031.3	3,053.2	3,051.3	3,060.0	147.0	154.6	141.8	160.2	4.8	5.1	4.6	5.2
Montana	492.7	502.8	492.4	503.0	10.9	10.8	11.5	12.9	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.6
Nebraska	968.3	981.7	978.8	990.1	25.9	26.5	24.6	26.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	2.7
Nevada	1,308.4	1,365.0	1,310.8	1,367.8	54.3	69.4	52.0	68.6	4.1	5.1	4.0	5.0
New Hampshire	734.0	743.7	738.5	745.0	23.1	24.1	22.7	21.7	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.9
New Jersey	4,492.4	4,485.3	4,514.8	4,487.7	198.2	183.3	176.5	168.6	4.4	4.1	3.9	3.8
New Mexico	938.1	948.6	940.4	949.2	37.0	31.7	34.6	26.5	3.9	3.3	3.7	2.8
New York	9,427.6	9,418.0	9,480.2	9,448.5	388.5	412.4	360.2	417.0	4.1	4.4	3.8	4.4
New York City	3,775.4	3,809.9	3,800.6	3,829.2	167.1	188.8	162.4	202.9	4.4	5.0	4.3	5.3
North Carolina	4,485.5	4,540.9	4,522.4	4,543.0	205.0	205.0	207.0	209.4	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.6
North Dakota	359.6	366.3	361.0	366.3	8.7	9.4	8.5	9.0	2.4	2.6	2.3	2.5
Ohio	5,942.9	5,998.2	5,975.2	5,999.0	310.7	336.7	294.7	326.2	5.2	5.6	4.9	5.4
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,093.0	1,097.2	1,091.5	1,099.5	58.5	65.1	52.8	59.0	5.3	5.9	4.8	5.4
Oklahoma	1,720.0	1,730.9	1,732.0	1,740.6	65.8	71.0	62.7	72.7	3.8	4.1	3.6	4.2
Oregon	1,906.2	1,941.3	1,913.8	1,941.7	92.0	91.9	89.5	96.2	4.8	4.7	4.7	5.0
Pennsylvania	6,290.9	6,314.4	6,319.7	6,332.6	268.5	259.3	258.0	261.1	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.1
Rhode Island	577.6	580.0	578.3	580.2	25.9	25.4	25.1	25.9	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.5
South Carolina	2,131.4	2,144.7	2,145.6	2,142.0	140.2	124.0	137.7	124.5	6.6	5.8	6.4	5.8
South Dakota	431.6	438.0	435.2	440.1	12.5	12.0	12.2	11.0	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.5
Tennessee	2,999.3	3,051.3	3,020.9	3,058.2	137.2	134.5	135.5	134.4	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.4
Texas	11,522.4	11,584.9	11,576.1	11,572.3	537.6	506.1	504.7	448.4	4.7	4.4	4.4	3.9
Utah	1,321.6	1,365.3	1,328.6	1,366.6	32.4	34.3	31.6	35.3	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.6
Vermont	362.5	357.8	364.0	359.1	12.1	13.6	10.9	13.2	3.3	3.8	3.0	3.7
Virginia	4,011.9	4,053.3	4,024.6	4,061.0	123.6	114.3	110.3	117.4	3.1	2.8	2.7	2.9
Washington	3,324.0	3,438.0	3,349.6	3,457.4	153.5	148.2	144.5	145.9	4.6	4.3	4.3	4.2
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,395.8	1,439.8	1,401.8	1,441.7	61.3	57.1	58.0	56.7	4.4	4.0	4.1	3.9
West Virginia	811.6	818.2	813.2	820.4	36.5	32.9	35.5	35.6	4.5	4.0	4.4	4.3
Wisconsin	3,064.3	3,083.0	3,072.1	3,081.1	127.2	141.1	119.7	138.4	4.2	4.6	3.9	4.5
Wyoming	287.2	290.8	287.4	290.0	8.3	6.9	8.4	6.6	2.9	2.4	2.9	2.3
Puerto Rico	1,406.9	1,362.7	1,398.8	1,366.5	153.0	150.8	134.1	162.5	10.9	11.1	9.6	11.9

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dated December 18, 2006, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm> and in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

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

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007P	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007P	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007P
Alabama	1,990.5	2,017.0	2,019.3	2,015.8	112.0	113.8	114.4	114.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Alaska	313.5	319.7	318.3	316.9	18.1	17.5	17.3	17.4	12.4	13.5	12.9	12.4
Arizona	2,675.6	2,736.4	2,735.2	2,720.3	251.6	240.4	238.3	232.7	187.5	185.9	186.3	185.9
Arkansas	1,202.5	1,206.4	1,208.2	1,207.5	57.4	57.3	56.8	56.5	196.9	189.8	189.3	188.6
California	15,161.9	15,274.6	15,286.7	15,270.9	938.1	917.4	911.3	907.1	1,506.1	1,495.0	1,495.7	1,494.2
Colorado	2,290.0	2,330.3	2,334.5	2,337.3	167.2	165.3	165.9	165.7	148.6	144.7	144.3	144.2
Connecticut	1,682.0	1,702.2	1,702.7	1,702.0	67.0	68.4	68.6	68.5	193.3	192.6	191.7	191.2
Delaware ³	437.7	441.1	438.6	438.8	29.7	29.4	29.3	29.7	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
District of Columbia ³	689.5	698.2	701.7	700.0	12.9	12.8	12.9	12.8	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Florida	8,036.0	8,147.8	8,137.3	8,147.0	635.6	618.1	615.0	613.7	398.9	396.4	396.5	394.0
Georgia	4,092.4	4,163.0	4,168.7	4,172.1	222.9	227.9	228.1	227.1	444.9	434.4	434.3	431.8
Hawaii ³	620.0	629.7	633.9	631.6	36.5	38.1	38.3	38.2	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Idaho	645.5	657.7	658.0	657.2	53.0	51.5	52.1	52.4	66.7	63.9	63.6	63.7
Illinois	5,943.1	5,988.7	5,987.5	5,980.5	273.5	277.3	274.0	273.5	684.7	679.7	678.3	674.6
Indiana	2,980.5	3,002.2	2,988.0	2,989.5	150.9	154.0	154.7	155.0	562.1	558.2	557.1	556.2
Iowa	1,502.9	1,522.4	1,526.3	1,525.4	74.8	77.1	78.2	77.7	229.7	231.6	230.8	230.3
Kansas	1,365.5	1,395.9	1,388.8	1,385.6	65.5	65.3	66.3	66.6	183.5	187.1	186.5	186.7
Kentucky	1,844.0	1,853.8	1,856.6	1,856.5	83.3	85.1	84.6	84.0	259.4	254.4	256.0	255.2
Louisiana	1,881.8	1,926.2	1,926.0	1,924.0	134.0	139.3	138.3	137.6	155.0	154.8	153.6	153.2
Maine	612.7	618.1	617.8	616.6	31.1	31.2	30.4	30.5	59.4	59.2	58.7	58.3
Maryland ³	2,590.6	2,628.0	2,623.4	2,619.6	190.5	193.9	193.9	194.2	135.4	133.3	133.4	133.4
Massachusetts	3,249.2	3,286.7	3,286.1	3,283.1	139.0	139.3	138.4	137.0	297.4	295.3	294.8	294.8
Michigan	4,319.6	4,279.5	4,267.0	4,244.6	177.3	162.0	162.5	161.0	633.0	618.4	615.1	607.5
Minnesota	2,761.7	2,780.3	2,771.1	2,764.5	127.8	123.7	120.3	120.9	348.9	341.3	340.3	337.6
Mississippi	1,150.9	1,166.8	1,167.1	1,165.9	58.2	61.5	61.8	62.6	175.3	171.8	172.4	171.8
Missouri	2,782.2	2,804.3	2,805.0	2,802.2	147.1	150.8	150.5	151.3	304.5	297.5	298.6	295.6
Montana	433.5	449.0	447.8	448.1	30.8	33.5	33.2	33.7	20.5	20.7	20.5	20.8
Nebraska ³	950.2	966.1	963.7	963.5	49.1	49.5	49.6	50.2	101.1	100.9	100.1	101.1
Nevada	1,288.0	1,304.0	1,303.4	1,299.3	141.5	139.3	138.1	135.9	51.1	51.9	52.2	51.8
New Hampshire	641.0	652.7	651.1	651.7	29.3	29.2	29.4	29.3	76.1	75.5	75.4	75.2
New Jersey	4,083.8	4,100.1	4,106.3	4,107.7	173.1	171.9	172.3	172.5	322.0	317.7	317.4	316.7
New Mexico	839.7	846.5	847.9	847.2	60.0	58.6	59.2	59.2	38.0	37.1	36.6	36.3
New York	8,647.0	8,705.9	8,716.5	8,724.6	337.5	346.4	350.2	349.0	562.9	553.1	549.4	546.6
North Carolina	4,046.7	4,098.5	4,106.3	4,114.9	247.3	253.9	254.2	254.3	552.3	542.0	542.5	542.5
North Dakota	355.3	360.3	360.5	360.5	18.4	19.2	19.2	19.1	25.7	25.9	26.1	25.9
Ohio	5,441.0	5,441.5	5,436.3	5,429.5	229.4	229.5	229.7	229.7	794.1	778.6	779.7	777.7
Oklahoma	1,561.7	1,579.5	1,580.3	1,583.5	70.9	72.0	71.8	72.7	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Oregon	1,712.1	1,728.8	1,727.2	1,725.8	100.2	104.1	102.5	102.0	207.6	200.8	202.2	202.8
Pennsylvania	5,763.3	5,802.6	5,806.8	5,811.1	261.2	260.9	260.1	259.9	670.2	658.5	657.7	657.5
Rhode Island	495.8	499.5	499.6	499.6	23.4	24.2	24.2	24.3	52.1	51.1	51.0	50.8
South Carolina	1,909.8	1,937.3	1,935.6	1,936.3	126.0	126.1	125.1	125.7	247.5	243.7	242.5	239.5
South Dakota	402.2	410.1	409.6	409.0	22.6	22.7	22.9	22.6	42.2	43.0	43.0	43.0
Tennessee	2,789.1	2,809.6	2,814.3	2,813.2	132.0	139.0	139.0	139.4	394.3	387.7	387.2	387.0
Texas	10,140.7	10,303.9	10,322.9	10,347.1	613.0	621.4	621.7	623.8	932.2	927.1	924.8	924.0
Utah	1,214.9	1,266.0	1,267.0	1,266.3	97.8	108.2	108.5	108.4	123.0	128.2	128.4	128.8
Vermont	307.4	308.8	309.2	308.6	17.3	17.3	17.3	17.3	36.0	35.9	35.8	35.7
Virginia	3,732.1	3,795.6	3,797.0	3,788.1	247.4	252.1	251.5	248.9	284.5	287.2	286.5	286.2
Washington	2,879.5	2,931.7	2,929.2	2,937.2	198.1	205.3	207.1	206.8	289.0	293.8	294.3	295.1
West Virginia	757.2	758.3	760.7	759.8	39.7	39.9	40.1	40.3	60.5	59.4	59.3	59.0
Wisconsin	2,865.3	2,878.6	2,882.1	2,886.0	126.0	124.7	125.9	125.8	504.0	500.8	500.1	498.7
Wyoming	279.2	285.8	288.0	288.6	23.8	25.3	26.0	26.6	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007P	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007P	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007P
Alabama	388.5	395.3	396.0	394.4	98.3	98.0	98.8	98.7	217.4	222.4	222.7	222.8
Alaska	63.4	64.6	64.0	63.9	14.8	14.8	14.8	15.0	24.0	25.0	25.4	24.8
Arizona	515.5	531.8	534.1	530.6	185.9	186.1	186.2	185.6	402.1	419.6	422.2	418.3
Arkansas	249.4	249.4	249.1	248.4	53.0	53.5	53.7	53.8	115.2	115.6	116.4	117.3
California	2,886.6	2,901.6	2,901.0	2,898.9	940.2	931.5	928.8	927.3	2,248.3	2,269.6	2,269.0	2,271.7
Colorado	421.6	426.7	428.8	429.3	161.1	162.2	161.7	162.1	334.7	346.4	347.5	348.4
Connecticut	310.1	312.2	312.6	312.6	144.5	144.8	144.9	144.8	204.5	208.9	209.4	209.0
Delaware ³	82.6	84.0	83.5	83.2	43.3	43.5	43.2	43.5	62.0	63.1	62.8	63.0
District of Columbia ³	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	29.7	30.5	30.7	30.4	154.9	160.0	160.8	160.4
Florida	1,597.9	1,620.1	1,617.2	1,612.9	547.0	553.7	550.8	557.4	1,345.5	1,362.7	1,365.1	1,373.3
Georgia	863.7	884.9	887.7	889.2	232.6	233.8	233.6	231.7	549.8	559.5	562.7	561.4
Hawaii ³	121.3	121.3	120.8	120.3	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Idaho	128.7	133.2	133.3	133.3	32.3	33.3	33.1	33.4	82.0	85.3	85.7	85.4
Illinois	1,195.7	1,198.7	1,198.6	1,196.7	406.8	411.6	410.7	409.5	853.8	877.8	875.0	878.0
Indiana	587.2	590.0	589.0	590.2	140.3	140.4	140.4	140.5	282.4	283.4	282.8	283.5
Iowa	307.5	310.5	310.8	310.7	101.1	102.3	103.0	103.4	117.7	120.7	120.5	121.5
Kansas	262.5	266.1	264.5	264.9	72.2	73.7	73.4	73.5	140.0	145.3	146.3	146.0
Kentucky	378.1	379.8	378.7	378.5	90.9	92.0	92.2	92.6	178.3	182.6	182.2	182.2
Louisiana	377.9	384.0	385.7	385.2	96.3	97.8	97.3	97.6	198.0	201.1	199.8	199.9
Maine	125.0	125.7	126.2	126.4	33.6	32.9	33.0	33.2	51.7	52.8	52.8	52.7
Maryland ³	472.1	478.6	478.1	475.1	159.7	159.6	160.2	160.5	395.8	402.5	404.5	405.0
Massachusetts	570.3	576.4	573.7	573.3	223.7	224.9	225.3	224.1	473.0	483.7	484.5	483.9
Michigan	792.7	779.5	781.6	779.8	215.5	211.7	211.7	211.2	587.9	585.3	584.6	583.8
Minnesota	532.7	532.2	530.9	531.1	182.6	182.9	183.1	183.0	323.1	324.4	324.4	323.1
Mississippi	228.8	230.3	231.2	230.7	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	93.3	96.5	97.1	97.4
Missouri	546.5	553.9	554.1	552.4	166.5	167.4	166.6	166.2	332.4	334.8	334.2	334.6
Montana	89.5	91.1	91.4	92.0	22.5	22.2	22.6	22.8	38.4	40.1	41.3	41.6
Nebraska ³	202.2	204.6	204.1	203.2	65.6	66.0	66.6	66.3	102.3	107.4	107.2	107.3
Nevada	227.1	233.5	233.5	231.9	66.3	65.3	65.5	65.4	157.5	159.4	158.3	157.3
New Hampshire	142.7	145.1	144.6	144.8	39.9	40.1	40.8	41.0	61.6	62.9	62.6	62.7
New Jersey	873.4	876.5	876.8	875.6	281.7	283.0	282.2	281.7	606.8	614.3	616.7	619.1
New Mexico	142.2	144.6	144.2	144.4	35.1	35.4	35.4	35.5	107.8	108.2	108.2	108.1
New York	1,507.8	1,516.2	1,516.8	1,516.2	730.0	740.9	740.6	742.4	1,113.6	1,132.0	1,133.5	1,137.3
North Carolina	758.6	763.2	764.6	767.1	209.2	214.4	214.2	215.3	479.8	491.3	491.7	494.3
North Dakota	76.8	77.7	77.8	77.5	19.4	20.1	20.0	19.9	29.8	30.4	30.8	30.6
Ohio	1,046.7	1,046.1	1,047.6	1,046.4	306.9	302.6	302.9	303.3	661.8	666.5	663.9	666.1
Oklahoma	286.5	287.6	287.2	286.7	84.0	83.3	83.5	83.7	175.5	176.2	177.9	178.7
Oregon	337.7	343.3	343.5	341.7	106.3	105.3	105.1	105.3	193.9	194.5	193.7	194.7
Pennsylvania	1,126.6	1,136.0	1,135.4	1,134.5	334.3	333.6	333.1	333.5	679.1	695.8	694.7	695.9
Rhode Island	79.9	79.9	79.9	80.1	35.9	36.0	35.9	35.9	57.6	59.1	58.6	58.9
South Carolina	370.6	371.8	372.1	373.5	104.3	104.4	104.5	105.1	216.1	215.6	217.0	217.2
South Dakota	80.8	82.5	82.8	82.3	30.1	30.9	31.0	31.4	25.5	26.4	26.8	26.9
Tennessee	608.1	613.9	614.2	613.4	144.6	144.5	145.0	144.9	324.6	321.2	321.3	322.9
Texas	2,052.3	2,066.3	2,073.8	2,075.9	627.3	641.1	643.6	645.4	1,243.0	1,292.4	1,293.8	1,299.4
Utah	237.7	246.7	248.7	248.0	72.2	75.8	76.0	76.2	157.3	162.8	162.5	162.2
Vermont	59.6	59.6	59.8	59.9	13.1	13.3	13.3	13.2	22.2	22.5	22.3	22.5
Virginia	665.5	678.0	679.7	677.6	197.4	200.5	199.8	199.1	630.7	646.4	647.3	650.8
Washington	545.7	554.8	556.3	556.2	155.7	158.2	158.0	158.4	333.6	343.2	343.5	343.5
West Virginia	142.1	143.1	143.6	143.0	30.3	30.1	29.9	30.1	59.9	61.6	61.2	61.3
Wisconsin	545.2	550.3	551.9	552.4	161.3	162.3	161.6	163.0	267.2	271.8	272.7	274.7
Wyoming	52.9	55.1	55.1	55.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	17.8	18.3	18.7	18.9

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

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007 ^P	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007 ^P	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sept. 2007	Oct. 2007 ^P
Alabama	204.9	208.2	208.4	208.6	172.5	176.3	176.5	175.9	372.7	379.2	376.7	376.4
Alaska	37.1	37.6	37.6	37.6	30.6	32.6	32.1	31.4	81.8	81.9	81.9	81.8
Arizona	294.7	302.6	303.2	303.8	269.8	281.1	283.3	282.6	412.6	428.0	419.8	419.4
Arkansas	152.0	155.1	155.6	155.7	97.1	100.0	100.4	101.3	209.9	211.9	212.7	211.8
California	1,632.8	1,675.7	1,682.8	1,683.5	1,536.3	1,564.1	1,564.7	1,562.9	2,466.3	2,508.2	2,511.1	2,510.8
Colorado	233.4	241.9	242.4	243.1	266.1	273.1	274.6	273.8	369.4	375.8	375.0	375.3
Connecticut	282.5	288.0	288.0	288.7	132.7	135.2	135.5	135.3	245.3	249.3	248.6	248.5
Delaware ³	56.9	58.7	58.5	58.5	41.3	42.4	42.0	41.9	61.0	60.4	60.4	60.5
District of Columbia ³	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	53.8	55.0	55.2	54.7	232.0	234.3	234.2	234.0
Florida	978.0	1,008.4	1,008.5	1,009.1	910.7	945.7	938.9	943.0	1,104.2	1,122.8	1,124.5	1,122.6
Georgia	440.0	453.9	452.7	456.0	383.8	396.0	395.3	397.0	667.6	686.5	687.3	689.5
Hawaii ³	71.4	73.5	73.2	72.8	107.2	109.6	109.8	110.0	122.2	121.6	125.3	124.0
Idaho	71.5	72.9	73.4	73.6	60.5	62.8	62.6	62.5	116.9	120.6	119.8	118.6
Illinois	769.8	778.6	779.0	780.8	530.3	538.6	540.2	540.2	842.6	842.6	848.4	843.0
Indiana	387.9	387.7	389.8	391.1	281.6	285.2	285.9	284.8	430.2	443.9	428.5	429.2
Iowa	199.7	204.4	205.2	204.6	132.3	135.1	136.1	135.7	248.4	249.3	250.3	250.2
Kansas	168.0	171.0	171.0	170.4	116.5	117.3	118.0	117.8	256.0	267.6	260.3	256.9
Kentucky	238.4	241.8	241.9	240.9	167.9	169.0	169.9	169.6	319.5	319.8	321.6	323.5
Louisiana	239.5	247.0	247.2	246.5	187.7	197.6	198.0	197.5	349.3	358.6	359.9	359.8
Maine	114.2	116.6	117.0	117.0	59.3	59.6	59.8	59.7	105.0	106.4	106.1	104.9
Maryland ³	364.9	372.1	372.4	371.8	231.0	234.9	237.4	236.9	474.0	485.0	474.6	473.6
Massachusetts	611.0	624.4	625.5	626.6	293.8	300.8	300.4	298.7	432.9	430.5	433.9	435.9
Michigan	586.7	593.3	596.2	594.9	407.1	408.8	412.4	407.9	666.9	670.0	652.3	649.9
Minnesota	408.4	426.4	427.6	424.4	245.0	251.1	249.6	249.9	412.7	419.4	416.6	416.2
Mississippi	125.1	125.4	126.1	124.9	121.9	125.0	123.9	124.6	242.3	249.4	247.7	247.5
Missouri	379.7	387.7	386.1	385.2	281.0	286.8	286.9	288.7	435.9	437.0	439.0	438.7
Montana	57.5	58.9	59.3	59.3	55.3	58.1	58.7	57.8	85.5	90.4	87.2	86.6
Nebraska ³	131.2	135.2	135.1	135.2	81.3	82.1	83.1	83.2	162.8	165.1	162.4	161.8
Nevada	88.7	92.0	92.3	93.0	338.6	339.3	340.3	340.5	152.3	157.6	157.2	157.5
New Hampshire	100.9	103.6	104.2	104.6	64.1	65.9	66.2	64.9	91.1	94.6	92.2	93.6
New Jersey	573.4	580.4	582.9	583.9	338.5	339.0	340.7	339.5	652.2	654.0	654.7	655.9
New Mexico	109.0	111.5	112.2	112.7	87.1	88.2	88.5	88.3	195.6	196.4	196.9	197.0
New York	1,585.1	1,594.8	1,603.7	1,610.6	680.1	695.5	694.1	693.5	1,495.1	1,493.2	1,496.3	1,494.5
North Carolina	492.4	513.7	513.9	513.7	375.4	382.5	386.5	388.2	674.2	674.8	675.1	675.1
North Dakota	50.1	51.7	51.3	51.6	31.9	32.6	32.2	32.5	75.6	75.0	75.5	75.6
Ohio	778.6	792.4	789.4	789.1	497.6	500.3	498.2	496.2	802.7	803.4	803.9	800.6
Oklahoma	189.2	191.4	191.5	192.9	137.2	137.7	139.4	139.7	319.7	328.8	324.2	325.1
Oregon	206.7	208.9	210.0	211.8	167.5	171.8	171.6	171.2	287.2	294.1	292.2	289.8
Pennsylvania	1,064.2	1,087.2	1,091.2	1,094.0	489.3	497.4	497.3	498.9	749.7	742.6	745.8	745.7
Rhode Island	97.4	99.1	99.1	98.5	51.0	51.1	51.8	51.9	64.5	64.5	64.2	64.2
South Carolina	195.0	208.2	207.2	207.6	210.0	216.5	215.6	217.8	330.5	338.1	337.9	337.0
South Dakota	58.8	61.0	60.2	60.5	43.0	43.7	43.3	43.3	75.6	75.7	75.6	75.0
Tennessee	341.1	348.4	347.7	347.9	271.6	278.6	279.3	279.7	417.1	417.9	421.8	419.6
Texas	1,228.5	1,247.8	1,249.2	1,252.6	958.3	984.4	992.3	995.5	1,725.2	1,744.9	1,743.8	1,747.1
Utah	135.9	141.1	141.1	141.2	108.9	113.6	113.4	113.9	204.8	209.2	207.6	207.2
Vermont	55.5	56.6	56.6	56.1	33.0	33.3	33.2	33.3	53.8	53.4	54.0	53.7
Virginia	407.9	415.6	415.1	413.9	339.2	343.3	344.9	345.1	672.8	687.5	684.7	676.8
Washington	340.1	346.2	347.5	348.6	273.4	277.3	276.0	276.9	529.3	534.4	528.0	533.7
West Virginia	113.0	113.8	113.6	113.3	71.2	71.8	72.2	71.8	144.6	142.8	143.6	143.8
Wisconsin	392.5	400.5	397.8	398.0	261.2	261.3	262.8	267.0	419.3	414.4	415.5	414.5
Wyoming	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	32.8	33.2	33.3	33.3	65.9	66.5	67.5	66.8

¹ Includes natural resources and mining, information, and other services, except public administration, not shown separately.

² This series is not published seasonally adjusted because the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, cannot be separated with sufficient precision.

³ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.
P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from 2006 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

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

(In thousands)

State	Total				Natural resources and mining				Construction				Manufacturing			
	September		October		September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P
Alabama	1,992.7	2,018.9	1,994.6	2,019.4	13.2	13.0	13.2	13.0	112.2	114.9	112.7	115.3	301.5	298.8	299.2	298.4
Alaska	330.0	333.0	313.3	316.5	13.0	14.2	13.1	14.2	21.1	20.5	19.7	19.0	15.2	15.2	10.8	10.8
Arizona	2,668.2	2,732.5	2,692.7	2,737.5	10.3	12.1	10.4	12.2	252.8	239.9	254.6	235.8	187.8	186.4	187.7	186.1
Arkansas	1,209.8	1,216.7	1,210.3	1,215.4	8.0	9.3	7.9	9.4	58.9	58.3	58.1	57.2	197.9	189.9	197.0	188.7
California	15,151.6	15,293.9	15,222.8	15,332.1	26.5	26.4	26.7	26.1	965.8	936.6	957.0	925.8	1,519.0	1,511.7	1,509.2	1,497.4
Colorado	2,294.7	2,341.7	2,294.4	2,341.6	21.7	25.9	22.1	26.3	172.5	170.6	170.6	169.0	149.1	144.6	149.1	144.7
Connecticut	1,684.7	1,704.1	1,692.5	1,712.9	.8	.8	.8	.8	70.2	71.7	69.4	71.0	193.2	191.4	193.4	191.3
Delaware	437.6	440.5	439.2	440.2	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	30.1	29.9	30.1	30.1	33.6	30.9	33.5	30.8
District of Columbia ..	685.5	698.0	690.0	700.3	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	12.9	13.0	12.9	12.8	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6
Florida	8,007.7	8,104.9	8,038.3	8,148.9	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.3	638.6	614.3	637.9	615.9	400.9	395.7	398.4	393.4
Georgia	4,098.5	4,177.1	4,112.5	4,192.3	12.1	12.0	12.1	12.0	223.4	229.5	224.7	228.8	447.0	436.6	446.0	433.0
Hawaii	618.6	630.1	620.5	632.2	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	36.7	38.3	36.8	38.5	15.3	14.9	15.2	14.9
Idaho	653.8	668.3	653.7	665.0	4.8	5.1	4.7	5.1	55.5	55.0	54.9	54.2	67.3	64.5	67.5	64.5
Illinois	5,984.6	6,027.1	5,999.3	6,036.9	10.2	10.4	10.3	10.4	290.0	290.8	288.6	288.6	684.9	679.3	684.9	674.8
Indiana	3,006.6	3,014.1	3,011.5	3,020.5	7.2	7.3	7.1	7.3	156.5	159.4	155.3	159.4	564.8	558.4	562.7	556.8
Iowa	1,513.4	1,534.0	1,520.6	1,543.3	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.2	79.4	82.9	78.9	81.7	230.8	231.4	230.6	231.2
Kansas	1,370.9	1,394.0	1,378.7	1,397.7	8.9	9.2	9.0	9.2	66.8	67.9	66.7	67.8	184.4	186.9	183.7	186.9
Kentucky	1,855.4	1,865.2	1,855.0	1,867.6	23.1	23.7	23.2	23.8	85.0	86.6	85.5	86.2	262.0	256.3	259.4	255.1
Louisiana	1,880.6	1,924.4	1,889.2	1,931.3	50.7	50.7	51.0	51.1	133.6	138.5	135.4	139.0	155.3	154.3	156.2	154.4
Maine	625.2	629.2	622.0	625.8	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	33.1	32.5	32.8	32.2	60.2	59.1	59.7	58.5
Maryland	2,597.5	2,631.1	2,608.5	2,637.1	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	194.0	198.1	194.1	197.7	136.1	133.8	135.7	133.7
Massachusetts	3,270.9	3,301.7	3,278.2	3,312.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	146.6	144.1	144.1	142.1	298.4	295.2	297.5	294.9
Michigan	4,375.0	4,305.4	4,382.4	4,306.3	8.3	8.1	8.3	8.1	191.4	174.7	188.4	172.1	646.2	622.5	639.4	613.6
Minnesota	2,772.1	2,779.0	2,789.7	2,792.1	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.2	140.9	133.8	139.4	132.5	352.0	342.6	351.0	339.6
Mississippi	1,152.9	1,169.2	1,156.1	1,171.5	9.7	9.4	9.9	9.6	58.6	62.8	59.1	63.5	174.3	171.2	174.5	171.0
Missouri	2,793.5	2,818.9	2,799.4	2,819.3	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.4	151.4	155.1	150.3	154.5	305.8	298.5	304.3	295.4
Montana	439.9	454.5	438.8	453.5	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.6	32.7	35.6	32.9	35.8	20.3	20.7	20.7	21.0
Nebraska	951.8	964.1	955.8	969.0	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	50.9	51.9	50.4	51.5	101.4	100.2	101.2	101.2
Nevada	1,292.5	1,309.1	1,298.8	1,310.3	11.8	12.0	11.9	12.0	144.8	140.8	144.1	138.5	51.1	52.2	51.4	52.1
New Hampshire	646.7	656.8	645.3	656.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	31.0	30.7	30.3	30.3	76.4	75.8	76.4	75.5
New Jersey	4,079.7	4,104.1	4,103.1	4,127.1	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.8	179.2	178.7	177.9	177.3	324.5	318.4	322.8	317.5
New Mexico	845.1	854.3	843.7	851.3	19.2	19.9	19.3	20.0	60.9	60.7	61.0	60.2	38.8	37.7	38.9	37.2
New York	8,640.5	8,709.9	8,711.2	8,788.9	6.7	6.7	6.9	6.5	355.1	368.7	353.5	364.9	568.3	552.4	565.7	549.4
North Carolina	4,059.5	4,129.8	4,076.9	4,145.2	6.9	6.8	6.9	6.8	249.2	256.4	248.9	256.0	554.0	544.3	552.2	542.3
North Dakota	360.0	365.5	361.6	366.8	5.0	5.2	5.0	5.2	20.5	21.5	20.2	20.8	26.4	26.3	26.1	26.3
Ohio	5,467.2	5,460.7	5,483.7	5,471.8	11.7	11.5	11.8	11.5	242.1	242.3	240.9	241.0	795.0	780.4	794.8	778.4
Oklahoma	1,564.2	1,585.3	1,570.8	1,592.7	43.7	47.3	44.7	47.2	71.0	72.7	71.2	72.9	149.9	151.0	150.0	150.1
Oregon	1,720.1	1,733.6	1,731.5	1,745.3	9.7	8.9	9.4	8.4	106.7	107.6	104.1	105.9	211.0	204.3	209.7	204.9
Pennsylvania	5,784.8	5,828.7	5,816.9	5,864.8	21.1	22.2	20.9	22.0	274.9	273.5	272.3	271.0	673.9	661.0	671.7	658.9
Rhode Island	501.3	504.4	502.1	506.1	.3	.3	.3	.3	24.6	25.6	24.4	25.4	52.9	51.4	52.6	51.3
South Carolina	1,909.8	1,936.9	1,919.6	1,945.8	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	125.8	125.8	126.6	126.3	249.9	242.6	247.7	239.7
South Dakota	403.1	412.1	404.2	410.9	.9	1.0	1.0	.9	23.4	24.0	23.5	23.4	42.0	42.9	42.1	42.9
Tennessee	2,808.0	2,829.0	2,799.2	2,823.1	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.2	134.1	141.5	133.5	140.9	398.5	388.3	394.8	387.4
Texas	10,138.1	10,340.4	10,173.6	10,380.7	191.3	206.6	192.8	208.1	612.6	627.4	616.0	626.9	937.8	928.1	934.2	926.0
Utah	1,222.2	1,275.8	1,223.9	1,275.3	10.4	11.5	10.4	11.6	101.5	112.4	100.8	111.4	123.9	129.0	123.5	129.3
Vermont	309.9	311.3	311.3	312.6	.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	18.7	18.7	18.5	18.5	36.1	35.9	36.2	35.9
Virginia	3,732.2	3,802.7	3,752.0	3,808.2	11.5	11.4	11.4	11.5	251.7	254.8	251.1	252.6	286.2	287.3	284.9	286.6
Washington	2,891.6	2,948.2	2,904.3	2,962.0	8.8	8.1	8.8	8.0	206.9	215.8	205.1	213.7	291.8	298.2	292.3	298.3
West Virginia	761.5	764.0	763.2	765.8	28.3	29.2	28.6	29.5	41.3	42.1	41.5	42.1	61.0	59.4	60.5	59.0
Wisconsin	2,884.0	2,898.8	2,891.3	2,912.2	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.2	134.0	132.7	132.4	132.2	508.1	503.0	504.3	498.9
Wyoming	284.1	294.0	281.5	291.0	27.4	27.5	27.7	27.5	26.0	27.9	25.2	28.0	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.4
Puerto Rico	1,032.9	1,021.1	1,032.8	1,018.9	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	68.0	66.7	67.4	66.8	108.5	102.1	107.5	101.5

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information				Financial activities				Professional and business services				
	September		October		September		October		September		October		September		October		
	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	
Alabama	387.1	393.6	388.5	394.3	30.1	30.1	29.9	30.5	98.6	99.1	98.4	98.8	219.1	224.0	218.9	224.4	
Alaska	66.4	66.7	63.0	63.5	6.9	7.0	6.9	7.0	15.2	15.1	14.9	15.1	25.5	26.4	24.0	24.8	
Arizona	508.1	526.4	513.8	528.7	44.4	42.6	44.2	42.8	184.5	185.9	186.2	185.9	398.8	422.0	405.1	421.4	
Arkansas	249.9	249.5	250.5	249.5	20.1	20.7	20.1	20.5	52.9	53.9	52.9	53.7	115.6	118.0	116.3	118.4	
California	2,886.1	2,899.6	2,898.8	2,911.2	470.8	478.3	469.9	472.0	939.9	929.4	940.7	927.8	2,251.6	2,279.4	2,258.3	2,281.9	
Colorado	418.9	427.6	422.0	429.7	75.0	75.9	74.9	76.0	160.7	161.6	160.6	161.6	338.0	351.9	338.0	351.9	
Connecticut	308.5	310.8	310.7	313.2	37.2	37.3	37.2	37.4	144.6	144.9	144.6	144.9	207.2	211.7	205.8	210.3	
Delaware	81.9	83.0	82.6	83.1	6.7	6.8	6.9	6.7	43.9	43.4	43.3	43.5	61.9	63.2	62.4	63.4	
District of Columbia ..	27.6	28.0	28.0	28.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	23.0	29.7	30.5	29.5	30.2	154.4	160.6	155.2	160.7
Florida	1,583.3	1,603.1	1,592.7	1,607.7	166.7	163.6	167.6	163.6	544.5	550.7	545.9	556.3	1,348.0	1,362.2	1,344.3	1,371.9	
Georgia	866.0	884.5	868.1	893.5	114.6	115.2	114.8	116.1	231.9	233.2	232.9	232.0	552.8	565.4	556.0	567.7	
Hawaii	120.9	120.4	121.4	120.4	11.0	11.6	11.0	11.3	29.8	30.3	29.8	30.3	79.4	83.1	79.2	83.1	
Idaho	129.5	134.7	130.2	134.8	10.6	10.8	10.7	10.7	32.4	33.5	32.5	33.5	84.0	87.6	83.1	86.4	
Illinois	1,198.9	1,201.0	1,203.8	1,204.7	115.7	115.1	115.7	114.9	406.5	410.1	407.2	409.9	869.5	889.2	869.1	893.8	
Indiana	585.7	589.2	588.6	591.6	39.8	39.8	39.7	39.8	140.1	140.4	140.1	140.3	286.0	287.0	286.4	287.6	
Iowa	308.1	310.8	309.3	312.5	32.8	32.7	32.8	32.7	101.3	102.9	100.9	103.2	118.3	122.0	119.0	122.9	
Kansas	262.9	264.8	263.6	266.0	39.4	38.9	39.5	39.3	72.3	73.3	72.3	73.6	141.2	147.1	141.1	147.2	
Kentucky	378.5	378.0	379.6	379.9	29.5	29.8	29.4	29.7	90.9	92.5	90.8	92.5	180.5	184.2	181.7	185.6	
Louisiana	376.1	384.1	378.4	385.7	25.7	25.5	25.6	26.0	95.9	97.6	96.2	97.5	196.9	199.4	197.9	199.8	
Maine	126.3	127.3	126.8	128.2	11.2	11.3	11.2	11.3	33.3	33.0	33.5	33.1	52.2	53.3	52.2	53.2	
Maryland	471.5	476.4	474.2	477.3	50.3	50.8	50.2	51.0	159.6	160.3	159.3	160.1	397.4	407.6	398.5	407.7	
Massachusetts	568.4	572.5	574.1	577.2	87.3	88.2	86.8	87.9	224.5	225.3	222.9	223.3	478.7	489.1	476.9	487.9	
Michigan	794.1	780.8	796.6	783.6	66.3	65.7	66.3	65.3	215.9	211.7	214.9	210.6	598.8	595.8	598.4	594.1	
Minnesota	530.6	529.0	535.0	533.3	56.7	55.4	56.4	55.1	180.9	182.8	182.2	182.7	325.8	328.0	328.7	328.7	
Mississippi	227.0	229.8	228.7	230.6	13.5	13.6	13.4	13.2	46.6	46.9	46.0	46.8	93.9	97.4	93.6	97.8	
Missouri	545.3	552.8	548.6	554.5	62.6	62.1	62.2	62.3	166.4	167.0	166.5	166.2	333.9	336.9	334.8	337.0	
Montana	89.7	91.9	89.7	92.2	8.0	7.6	8.0	7.6	22.4	22.7	22.5	22.8	39.0	42.4	39.2	42.5	
Nebraska	200.8	202.8	202.7	203.7	19.3	19.3	19.0	19.4	66.1	66.4	65.5	66.2	103.1	107.6	103.3	108.3	
Nevada	227.5	233.3	228.9	233.8	15.2	15.6	15.7	15.6	66.4	65.6	66.3	65.4	157.9	159.3	159.6	159.4	
New Hampshire	142.1	144.4	143.3	145.5	12.6	12.7	12.7	12.6	39.5	40.5	39.6	40.7	62.6	63.4	62.2	63.3	
New Jersey	873.2	873.9	877.2	879.3	99.1	98.3	100.5	98.5	281.2	281.8	281.2	281.2	610.3	622.4	609.9	622.3	
New Mexico	142.1	144.6	142.7	144.9	17.2	16.8	16.2	16.1	35.0	35.4	35.0	35.4	108.2	109.1	108.5	108.9	
New York	1,508.3	1,516.1	1,517.1	1,525.6	269.4	266.1	270.6	269.1	728.6	740.4	728.2	740.6	1,118.3	1,139.7	1,122.7	1,146.3	
North Carolina	756.0	765.0	761.7	770.3	71.8	75.3	73.0	75.3	209.2	215.4	209.9	216.0	480.1	495.5	483.7	498.3	
North Dakota	76.2	77.3	76.9	77.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	19.3	20.1	19.4	19.9	29.9	31.1	30.3	31.1	
Ohio	1,043.0	1,044.9	1,051.8	1,051.7	88.1	87.0	88.4	86.8	307.0	303.4	306.7	303.1	666.3	671.7	669.1	673.4	
Oklahoma	284.6	286.3	286.7	286.9	29.7	29.3	29.4	29.6	84.5	83.3	84.1	83.8	177.1	179.6	176.0	179.2	
Oregon	340.4	345.7	341.3	345.4	35.2	37.4	36.0	37.9	107.3	106.2	106.5	105.5	196.4	197.0	196.8	197.6	
Pennsylvania	1,124.0	1,131.7	1,136.1	1,144.0	108.8	107.5	107.9	107.3	334.5	333.3	333.2	332.4	683.9	700.1	685.6	702.3	
Rhode Island	80.2	80.2	80.7	80.9	10.8	11.1	10.8	11.2	35.9	36.0	35.8	35.8	58.7	59.7	58.7	60.1	
South Carolina	366.3	370.5	370.0	372.7	27.1	28.0	27.1	28.2	103.0	104.4	104.0	104.8	219.7	218.4	218.9	220.0	
South Dakota	80.4	82.5	80.9	82.4	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.2	29.9	31.1	30.0	31.3	25.7	26.8	25.8	27.2	
Tennessee	609.4	615.1	610.2	615.5	50.6	52.0	50.5	51.9	145.1	145.3	144.6	144.9	326.0	324.2	326.1	324.5	
Texas	2,052.4	2,070.5	2,053.1	2,076.5	222.3	220.4	221.3	221.9	630.1	645.3	627.6	645.7	1,238.1	1,297.9	1,250.3	1,306.9	
Utah	236.6	248.2	238.6	248.9	32.8	33.0	32.5	32.9	71.8	75.9	72.4	76.4	157.8	164.6	158.8	163.7	
Vermont	59.2	59.5	60.0	60.3	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	13.2	13.3	13.1	13.2	22.5	22.7	22.5	22.8	
Virginia	657.5	674.7	668.3	680.5	91.3	91.6	91.5	91.2	196.0	199.6	196.8	198.5	632.7	650.5	633.9	654.2	
Washington	546.8	558.7	549.5	560.1	100.4	105.9	102.0	106.0	156.8	158.9	156.0	158.7	337.3	348.5	338.0	348.0	
West Virginia	142.4	143.9	143.0	143.9	11.5	11.5	11.6	11.4	30.1	29.9	30.4	30.2	60.1	61.4	60.3	61.7	
Wisconsin	542.9	551.8	548.1	555.3	48.8	50.3	48.8	50.3	161.0	161.6	160.9	162.6	275.2	280.6	275.2	283.0	
Wyoming	53.2	55.9	53.0	55.6	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.2	11.1	11.3	11.1	11.3	17.7	18.9	17.7	18.8	
Puerto Rico	183.7	179.6	183.5	178.4	22.0	21.2	21.9	21.2	49.7	50.1	49.6	49.8	104.2	105.3	104.8	104.0	

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

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	September		October		September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P	2006	2007	2006	2007 ^P
Alabama	205.0	208.8	205.9	209.6	173.1	177.5	171.2	174.6	80.9	81.3	80.6	80.6	371.9	377.8	376.1	379.9
Alaska	37.1	37.5	37.0	37.5	35.4	36.1	29.2	29.8	11.7	11.6	11.5	11.6	82.5	82.7	83.2	83.2
Arizona	294.4	303.6	295.6	304.8	265.5	278.5	268.0	280.8	101.3	107.3	101.9	107.0	420.3	427.8	425.2	432.0
Arkansas	152.6	156.5	153.4	157.1	98.8	102.0	96.7	100.9	43.6	44.4	43.4	44.1	211.5	214.2	214.0	215.9
California	1,624.8	1,673.6	1,644.9	1,695.9	1,539.3	1,575.9	1,531.5	1,558.0	510.7	517.9	511.0	516.7	2,417.1	2,465.1	2,474.8	2,519.3
Colorado	231.5	241.7	233.8	243.5	266.8	274.1	256.4	263.6	90.8	92.3	90.2	92.5	369.7	375.5	376.7	382.8
Connecticut	280.6	286.7	285.9	292.2	135.7	138.1	131.9	134.5	63.4	64.5	63.4	64.5	243.3	246.2	249.4	252.8
Delaware	56.4	58.4	57.0	58.6	42.9	44.1	41.3	41.9	20.0	20.6	20.5	21.0	60.2	60.2	61.6	61.1
District of Columbia ..	92.2	93.1	96.3	96.2	54.2	55.0	54.1	55.0	59.4	60.4	59.5	60.4	230.7	232.6	230.2	232.2
Florida	975.2	1,009.1	983.9	1,015.2	887.8	917.2	893.2	924.9	341.1	347.6	342.6	349.5	1,115.3	1,135.1	1,125.4	1,144.2
Georgia	438.0	453.2	442.9	458.9	384.9	397.7	382.4	395.6	158.9	159.5	159.5	159.6	668.9	690.3	673.1	695.1
Hawaii	71.4	73.0	71.7	73.1	108.0	110.0	107.0	109.7	26.3	27.1	26.3	27.0	119.8	121.4	122.1	123.9
Idaho	72.0	73.5	72.2	74.2	62.3	65.0	59.4	61.4	19.0	19.1	18.9	18.9	116.4	119.5	119.6	121.3
Illinois	766.8	779.0	775.5	786.3	538.5	552.1	532.9	542.7	257.5	257.0	258.6	257.9	846.1	843.1	852.7	852.9
Indiana	390.0	391.6	393.2	396.3	286.6	290.3	282.5	285.7	111.6	112.2	110.8	111.6	438.3	438.5	445.1	444.1
Iowa	198.7	203.6	203.9	208.9	137.2	139.5	132.2	135.6	56.5	56.4	56.4	56.3	248.0	249.6	254.3	256.1
Kansas	167.6	171.5	169.0	171.4	117.9	119.1	116.9	118.2	52.6	54.2	52.6	54.1	256.9	261.1	263.1	264.0
Kentucky	238.9	241.8	240.1	242.6	171.4	172.8	168.3	170.0	75.8	76.2	75.6	76.5	319.8	323.3	321.4	325.7
Louisiana	239.7	246.9	240.9	248.0	188.2	197.9	187.0	196.8	67.5	69.9	67.8	69.9	351.0	359.6	352.8	363.1
Maine	114.0	116.9	115.4	118.2	66.9	67.3	60.0	60.4	19.6	19.8	19.3	19.7	105.5	105.8	108.2	108.1
Maryland	362.8	370.4	366.1	373.0	237.9	245.0	230.1	236.0	117.0	117.8	116.4	117.5	470.9	470.9	483.9	483.1
Massachusetts	606.3	622.0	619.9	635.8	309.7	311.7	297.5	302.4	118.9	118.5	118.4	118.0	430.2	433.2	438.2	441.3
Michigan	585.7	594.0	591.4	599.7	423.4	424.1	408.9	409.7	178.4	176.4	178.0	175.4	666.5	651.6	691.8	674.1
Minnesota	404.3	422.1	410.4	426.3	252.9	257.9	244.2	249.0	118.8	116.9	118.5	117.4	403.0	404.3	417.9	421.3
Mississippi	124.8	125.9	125.9	125.7	124.2	125.3	122.1	124.9	37.0	37.1	36.9	37.0	243.3	249.8	246.0	251.4
Missouri	380.0	386.7	382.5	388.0	286.5	294.6	282.6	290.3	120.4	121.3	120.4	121.1	435.7	438.4	441.9	444.6
Montana	57.5	59.3	57.9	59.7	58.8	61.1	54.4	56.9	17.2	17.5	17.0	17.3	85.8	87.1	88.0	89.1
Nebraska	131.3	135.2	131.7	135.6	81.2	83.2	80.6	82.5	35.4	35.7	35.8	36.0	162.3	161.8	165.6	164.6
Nevada	88.5	92.4	88.7	93.0	341.6	343.5	339.3	341.1	37.2	38.4	37.0	38.1	150.5	156.4	155.9	161.3
New Hampshire	100.5	104.0	100.8	104.5	67.1	68.6	63.1	63.9	21.6	21.9	21.4	21.9	92.2	93.7	94.4	97.1
New Jersey	567.3	578.8	575.0	585.5	351.4	351.3	336.9	337.9	159.5	161.7	159.8	162.0	632.3	637.0	660.0	663.8
New Mexico	109.1	112.7	109.6	113.3	88.4	90.1	86.2	87.4	29.4	29.7	28.9	29.1	196.8	197.6	197.4	198.8
New York	1,568.7	1,591.8	1,603.3	1,629.2	698.3	710.8	681.4	694.8	356.5	357.1	358.4	359.7	1,462.3	1,460.1	1,503.4	1,502.8
North Carolina	492.3	514.2	495.3	516.6	379.7	393.9	375.6	388.5	177.2	181.9	177.7	182.4	683.1	681.1	692.0	692.7
North Dakota	49.7	51.2	50.1	51.6	32.8	33.0	32.2	32.8	15.0	14.9	15.2	15.2	77.7	77.4	78.7	78.7
Ohio	781.2	790.9	787.3	797.6	515.8	512.7	496.9	495.5	222.6	222.1	222.4	221.5	794.4	793.8	813.6	811.3
Oklahoma	189.6	192.3	190.2	193.9	138.1	140.6	137.2	139.7	74.5	77.1	74.6	77.2	321.5	325.8	326.7	332.2
Oregon	206.7	210.0	208.6	213.6	170.8	176.4	167.5	171.3	59.8	60.7	60.0	60.5	276.1	279.4	291.6	294.3
Pennsylvania	1,057.5	1,086.3	1,077.5	1,107.9	502.6	510.2	487.7	497.3	259.8	261.6	259.5	261.4	743.8	741.3	764.5	760.3
Rhode Island	96.8	98.6	99.5	100.6	53.8	54.6	51.2	52.1	23.0	23.5	22.8	23.4	64.3	63.4	65.3	65.0
South Carolina	193.8	206.8	197.1	209.6	210.6	217.8	209.6	217.4	77.3	79.8	77.8	79.9	331.6	338.1	336.0	342.5
South Dakota	59.0	60.1	58.9	60.6	44.7	45.3	42.6	42.9	15.7	16.1	15.6	16.0	74.4	75.1	76.7	76.1
Tennessee	342.2	349.0	342.4	349.1	276.5	284.6	270.6	278.7	101.6	102.4	100.9	102.2	419.8	422.3	421.4	423.8
Texas	1,232.9	1,253.4	1,233.7	1,257.8	956.3	995.2	950.9	988.4	345.2	352.0	344.0	350.6	1,719.1	1,743.6	1,749.7	1,771.9
Utah	136.7	142.1	138.1	143.5	109.6	114.3	106.7	111.6	35.3	36.5	34.4	35.9	205.8	208.3	207.7	210.1
Vermont	56.1	56.7	55.8	56.4	32.9	33.1	31.8	32.1	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	54.3	54.5	56.5	56.5
Virginia	409.9	417.4	412.8	419.0	345.5	352.3	337.4	343.4	181.7	184.3	181.9	184.6	668.2	678.8	682.0	686.1
Washington	338.0	346.6	342.4	350.9	282.4	287.4	273.2	276.7	105.1	105.8	104.3	104.5	517.3	514.3	532.7	537.1
West Virginia	113.2	113.4	114.2	114.6	73.4	74.2	71.1	71.7	56.2	56.6	55.7	56.3	144.0	142.4	146.3	145.4
Wisconsin	392.0	397.5	395.4	401.0	268.1	272.0	259.9	265.8	136.2	138.8	136.2	137.9	413.5	406.2	426.0	421.0
Wyoming	22.7	23.4	22.7	23.5	35.0	36.1	31.7	32.2	11.1	11.7	11.0	11.5	65.5	67.0	67.1	68.0
Puerto Rico	105.4	109.9	105.9	110.6	73.5	72.4	73.8	71.3	21.4	23.0	21.4	22.9	296.5	290.8	297.0	292.4

¹ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

P = preliminary.

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

from 2006 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted October 2007

(U.S. rate = 4.7 percent)

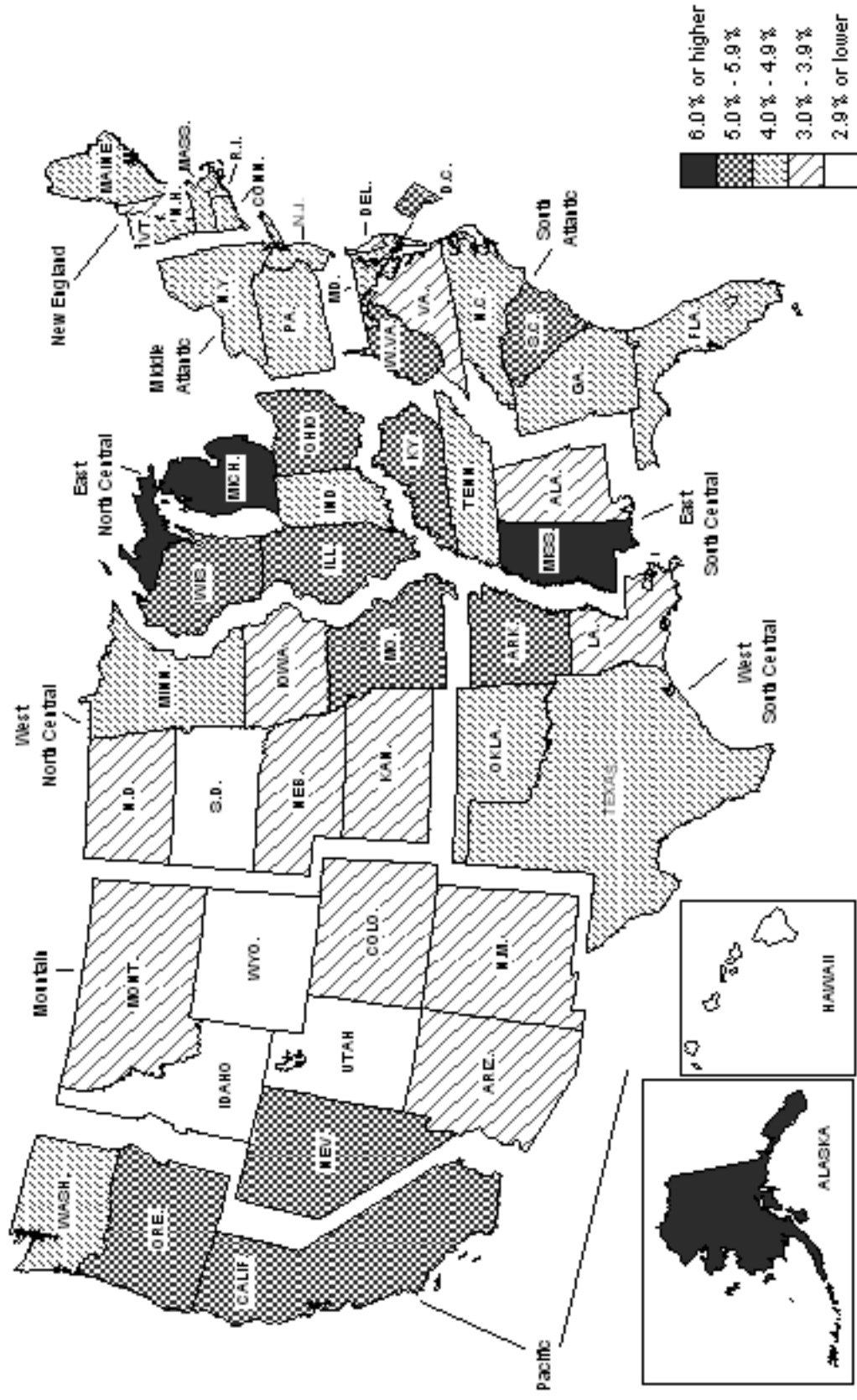


Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, October 2006 – October 2007

