

Table 644. Labor Union Membership by State: 1983 and 2006

[Annual averages of monthly figures (17,717.4 represents 17,717,400). For wage and salary workers in agriculture and non-agriculture. Data represent union members by place of residence. Based on the Current Population Survey and subject to sampling error. For methodological details, see source.]

State	Union members (1,000)		Workers covered by unions (1,000)		Percent of workers					
					Union members		Covered by unions		Private sector union members	
	1983	2006	1983	2006	1983	2006	1983	2006	1983	2006
United States	17,717.4	15,359.1	20,532.1	16,860.2	20.1	12.0	23.3	13.1	16.5	7.4
Alabama ¹	228.2	170.1	268.2	194.0	16.9	8.8	19.8	10.0	15.3	4.6
Alaska	41.7	62.1	49.2	66.6	24.9	22.2	29.3	23.8	17.3	12.3
Arizona	125.0	196.9	156.4	249.8	11.4	7.6	14.3	9.7	8.6	4.4
Arkansas	82.2	58.1	103.2	67.5	11.0	5.1	13.8	6.0	10.2	4.0
California	2,118.9	2,273.4	2,505.2	2,444.1	21.9	15.7	25.9	16.9	17.7	9.0
Colorado	177.9	165.0	209.6	186.1	13.6	7.7	16.0	8.6	11.2	5.0
Connecticut	314.0	247.5	345.1	262.8	22.7	15.6	25.0	16.5	16.7	8.0
Delaware	49.2	42.6	54.1	45.1	20.1	10.8	22.1	11.4	15.9	5.8
District of Columbia	52.4	25.4	69.4	30.1	19.5	10.3	25.9	12.2	15.2	6.7
Florida	393.7	397.0	532.9	497.4	10.2	5.2	13.8	6.5	7.1	2.3
Georgia ¹	267.0	175.8	345.1	229.7	11.9	4.4	15.3	5.8	11.1	3.4
Hawaii	112.6	139.0	124.9	145.6	29.2	24.7	32.4	25.9	21.9	16.1
Idaho	41.3	37.4	53.7	44.8	12.5	6.0	16.2	7.2	10.3	4.0
Illinois	1,063.8	931.2	1,205.1	979.3	24.2	16.4	27.4	17.2	21.5	11.1
Indiana	503.3	334.1	544.5	362.4	24.9	12.0	27.0	13.0	25.0	9.5
Iowa ¹	185.9	160.7	231.3	199.4	17.2	11.3	21.5	14.0	14.6	7.3
Kansas	125.2	98.8	170.4	114.9	13.7	8.0	18.7	9.3	12.2	5.4
Kentucky	223.7	172.1	259.8	196.3	17.9	9.8	20.8	11.2	18.2	8.5
Louisiana	204.2	107.0	267.8	121.2	13.8	6.4	18.1	7.2	11.0	4.7
Maine	88.0	69.3	100.4	78.9	21.0	11.9	24.0	13.5	14.2	5.3
Maryland	346.5	342.4	423.1	386.5	18.5	13.1	22.6	14.8	14.4	7.5
Massachusetts	603.2	413.8	661.4	438.4	23.7	14.5	26.0	15.3	17.6	8.2
Michigan	1,005.4	847.8	1,084.6	878.6	30.4	19.6	32.8	20.4	25.3	13.7
Minnesota	393.9	395.5	439.4	416.4	23.2	16.0	25.9	16.8	17.1	9.7
Mississippi	79.4	60.0	99.7	77.6	9.9	5.6	12.5	7.3	9.0	4.1
Missouri	374.4	284.2	416.7	310.3	20.8	10.9	23.2	11.9	21.5	9.4
Montana	49.5	48.3	55.5	52.2	18.3	12.2	20.5	13.1	14.8	5.5
Nebraska ¹	80.6	65.9	94.8	78.8	13.6	7.9	16.0	9.5	9.7	4.4
Nevada ¹	90.0	166.5	106.7	191.5	22.4	14.8	26.6	17.0	19.6	12.5
New Hampshire	48.5	62.9	60.8	70.1	11.5	10.1	14.4	11.3	7.5	4.4
New Jersey	822.1	770.3	918.2	825.3	26.9	20.1	30.0	21.6	21.1	11.2
New Mexico	52.6	62.2	70.6	91.6	11.8	7.8	15.8	11.5	10.1	4.9
New York	2,155.6	1,981.3	2,385.9	2,060.2	32.5	24.4	36.0	25.4	24.0	14.7
North Carolina ¹	178.7	125.6	238.1	155.1	7.6	3.3	10.2	4.1	5.4	1.8
North Dakota	28.4	20.3	35.1	24.0	13.2	6.8	16.3	8.0	9.5	3.7
Ohio	1,011.0	733.7	1,125.0	801.3	25.1	14.2	27.9	15.5	22.5	9.3
Oklahoma ²	131.5	92.8	168.2	112.4	11.5	6.4	14.7	7.7	9.1	3.5
Oregon	222.9	210.7	261.9	224.6	22.3	13.8	26.2	14.7	16.4	7.5
Pennsylvania	1,195.7	744.5	1,350.0	802.3	27.5	13.6	31.1	14.7	23.2	8.0
Rhode Island	85.8	76.3	93.7	79.5	21.5	15.3	23.5	16.0	13.7	7.8
South Carolina ¹	69.6	58.7	100.6	74.3	5.9	3.3	8.6	4.2	3.9	2.2
South Dakota	26.8	20.8	34.8	25.1	11.5	5.9	14.9	7.2	8.0	2.8
Tennessee	252.4	153.0	300.9	174.0	15.1	6.0	18.0	6.8	12.4	3.1
Texas	583.7	478.2	712.8	575.8	9.7	4.9	11.9	5.9	8.1	2.8
Utah	81.6	60.7	100.9	68.5	15.2	5.4	18.9	6.1	11.3	2.7
Vermont	25.9	33.7	31.5	39.3	12.6	11.0	15.3	12.9	6.7	5.0
Virginia ¹	268.3	139.5	346.1	179.3	11.7	4.0	15.1	5.2	10.2	3.1
Washington	419.9	548.5	499.7	582.6	27.1	19.8	32.3	21.0	22.0	12.5
West Virginia	142.7	100.7	160.6	110.1	25.3	14.2	28.5	15.5	26.1	10.3
Wisconsin ¹	465.5	385.5	526.7	415.2	23.8	14.9	26.9	16.1	19.8	9.0
Wyoming	27.1	19.4	31.8	23.5	13.9	8.3	16.2	10.0	10.4	6.1

¹ Right to work state. ² Passed right to work law in 2001.

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