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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: SEPTEMBER 2002

Most regional and state unemployment rates were stable from August to September and remained higher than a year earlier, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. All four regions recorded little or no change from August. Forty-seven states and the District of Columbia reported shifts of 0.3 percentage point or less, including 12 with no rate change at all. The national jobless rate was essentially unchanged at 5.6 percent in September. Nonfarm employment decreased in 26 states and the District of Columbia in September.

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In September, the Midwest and Northeast regions recorded the lowest unemployment rates, 5.2 percent each. The South closely followed with a rate of 5.3 percent, while the West continued to post the highest rate, 6.1 percent. Over the year, all four regions reported rate increases, ranging from 0.3 percentage point in the South to 0.6 point in the West. (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the West North Central again registered the lowest unemployment rate in September, 4.2 percent. The Pacific division continued to have the highest rate, 6.5 percent. All divisions reported little or no change from August. Over the year, the East North Central, New England, and West South Central divisions had the largest unemployment rate increases (+0.7 percentage point each). The only division not reporting a rate increase from the previous year was the East South Central, which recorded no change.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the states, South Dakota continued to register the lowest unemployment rate, 2.6 percent, followed by two neighboring states in the West North Central division—Nebraska, 3.4 percent, and North Dakota, 3.5 percent. Three of the additional four states with rates below 4.0 percent also bordered South Dakota. One of these, Montana, recorded the lowest rate in its series, 3.9 percent in September. (Virtually all regional and state series begin in 1978.) Alaska posted the highest jobless rate, 7.5 percent, again followed by two other Pacific division states—Washington, 7.4 percent, and Oregon, 6.8 percent. (See table 3 and chart 1.)

Over the month, unemployment rates decreased in 20 states, increased in 19 states, and were unchanged in 11 states and the District of Columbia. Florida recorded the largest over-the-month decline

(-0.5 percentage point), followed by Michigan and Minnesota (-0.4 point each). No state had a rate increase larger than 0.3 percentage point from August to September.

Compared with September 2001, jobless rates were higher in 36 states, lower in 12 states and the District of Columbia, and unchanged in 2 states. This is the first time since March 2001 that more than 10 states reported over-the-year rate declines. South Dakota recorded the largest unemployment rate decline (-0.9 percentage point). Montana and the District of Columbia also registered downward shifts of more than one-half percentage point (-0.7 and -0.6 point, respectively). West Virginia posted the largest over-the-year rate increase (+1.4 percentage points), closely followed by Alaska (+1.3 points). An additional five states experienced jobless rate increases of at least 1.0 percentage point.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Total nonfarm employment decreased in 26 states and the District of Columbia, increased in 23 states, and remained unchanged in 1 state in September. The largest employment decreases occurred in Florida (-102,200), Illinois (-16,200), California (-15,800), and Arizona (-15,400). The employment decline in Florida followed an increase of similar magnitude in August, primarily reflecting the difficulty in seasonally adjusting the local education component, which is affected by changing school calendars. Wyoming reported the largest over-the-month percentage decline in employment (-2.5 percent), followed by Florida (-1.4 percent), Arizona and West Virginia (-0.7 percent each), and the District of Columbia and Missouri (-0.5 percent each). The largest employment increases were posted in Maryland (+15,500), Michigan (+7,700), South Carolina (+6,500), and Kentucky (+5,500). Maryland reported the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+0.6 percent), followed by South Carolina (+0.4 percent) and Kentucky (+0.3 percent). (See table 5.)

Over the year, employment decreased in 36 states and the District of Columbia. The largest employment decreases were in Illinois (-79,000), Georgia (-76,800), Texas (-76,600), and New York (-72,400). Washington recorded the largest percentage decline in employment (-2.1 percent), followed by Missouri (-2.0 percent), Georgia (-1.9 percent), and Colorado and Utah (-1.8 percent each). The biggest over-the-year gains in employment occurred in Kentucky (+19,600), Florida (+19,200), and Nevada and Wisconsin (+14,900 each). The largest percentage increases were reported in Nevada (+1.4 percent), Alaska and Kentucky (+1.1 percent each), and Montana (+0.9 percent). (See chart 2.)

Over the year, most major industry divisions experienced employment declines. Manufacturing remained the weakest industry division, with 49 states and the District of Columbia posting over-the-year employment decreases. Employment losses also were widespread in transportation and public utilities, with 45 states and the District of Columbia experiencing over-the-year declines. In contrast to these losses, 39 states reported employment gains in government, and 31 states and the District of Columbia reported over-the-year employment gains in services.

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for September is scheduled to be issued on October 30, 2002. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for October is scheduled to be issued on November 20, 2002.

Upcoming Changes to State and Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Payroll Series in March 2003

NAICS conversion. The nonfarm payroll series for states and metropolitan areas, produced from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program and presented for states in tables 5 and 6 of this news release, will be converted from the 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) basis to the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) basis with the release in March 2003 of January 2003 estimates. The NAICS conversion involves major definitional changes to many of the currently published SIC-based series. After the conversion to NAICS, SIC-based series will no longer be produced or published. Historical time series will be reconstructed as part of the NAICS conversion process. At the state and metropolitan area level, the NAICS-based reconstruction effort will cover only the all employee series, which will have a NAICS-based history extending back to January 1990, except for total nonfarm employment series, which will retain their current beginning dates. There will be no reconstruction of average weekly hours, average hourly earnings, or other data types; these series will begin in January 2001 on a NAICS basis.

Completion of the CES sample redesign. March 2003 also will mark the completion of the CES sample redesign phase-in at the state and metropolitan area level. The redesign converts the CES from a quota-based sample to a probability-based sample. In March 2003, at the state and metropolitan area level, the transportation and public utilities; finance, insurance, and real estate; retail trade; and services industries will be converted to the new sample. All other private sector industries have already been converted. The final stage of sample redesign phase-in may result in level shifts for average weekly hours, average hourly earnings, and production worker employment series. New levels for these series are being recomputed from the NAICS-based probability sample.

Small domain models. With the full implementation of the CES sample redesign at the state and metropolitan area level in March 2003, some redistribution of sample from smaller to larger metropolitan areas will be needed in order to maximize the reliability of the statewide total nonfarm estimates. In order to sustain the viability of the employment series for smaller domains, primarily detailed industry series within the smallest metropolitan areas, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) has developed a small domain model, based on weighted least squares regression methodology. The inputs for the model are available sample, time series history, and additional information from the full state sample. In March 2003, the model will be implemented as the official estimator for the approximately 10 percent of CES published series which have insufficient sample for direct sample-based estimates.

Further information on upcoming changes to CES data series is available through the BLS public database at the state and area homepage at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/> or by calling 202-691-6559.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City 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 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. This method utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) data. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request. Effective January 1998, estimates for census regions and divisions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component states 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 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. The regional and state data will not sum to national totals obtained from the CPS, since the monthly state estimates are not based directly on the CPS.

Seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment of state (and Los Angeles-Long Beach and New York City) labor force levels are computed by aggregating independently seasonally adjusted employment and unemployment levels. Unemployment rates are then computed from these independently adjusted levels. Region and

division levels are calculated as the sum of the levels of the component states. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are usually made at the beginning of each calendar year, usually coincident with January 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, except for federal government employment, which represents the number of persons who occupied positions on the last day 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 product or activity in accordance with the *1987 Standard Industrial Classification Manual*.

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 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.

Seasonal adjustment. Seasonally adjusted payroll employment totals for states are computed by aggregating independently adjusted series for major industry divisions. 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 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 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 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 standard errors for state annual average estimates derived from the CPS, are available in the annual BLS bulletin, *Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment*. 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 are not available for state CES data, but the relatively large size of the samples maintained by the state agencies and the annual adjustment of employment estimates to more recent benchmark levels assure a high

degree of accuracy. Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available upon request.

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 for over 330 metropolitan areas 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 from the BLS Internet 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 regions and divisions, seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002 ^P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002 ^P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002 ^P
Northeast	26,324.1	26,698.2	26,740.4	26,716.2	1,224.6	1,434.3	1,425.6	1,391.9	4.7	5.4	5.3	5.2
New England	7,217.0	7,342.2	7,352.2	7,354.3	287.5	324.8	343.9	345.6	4.0	4.4	4.7	4.7
Middle Atlantic	19,107.1	19,356.0	19,388.2	19,361.9	937.1	1,109.5	1,081.7	1,046.3	4.9	5.7	5.6	5.4
South	49,473.8	50,171.3	50,215.2	50,228.2	2,451.9	2,704.6	2,704.2	2,643.6	5.0	5.4	5.4	5.3
South Atlantic	25,811.5	26,178.0	26,225.2	26,183.2	1,226.0	1,346.5	1,350.0	1,295.1	4.7	5.1	5.1	4.9
East South Central	8,222.6	8,331.8	8,306.6	8,320.6	432.8	454.7	438.7	438.8	5.3	5.5	5.3	5.3
West South Central	15,439.7	15,661.5	15,683.4	15,724.5	793.1	903.4	915.5	909.7	5.1	5.8	5.8	5.8
Midwest	33,918.7	34,169.1	34,122.9	34,079.9	1,591.4	1,877.1	1,811.1	1,771.7	4.7	5.5	5.3	5.2
East North Central	23,481.8	23,571.9	23,541.2	23,501.7	1,178.3	1,407.5	1,365.9	1,332.1	5.0	6.0	5.8	5.7
West North Central	10,436.9	10,597.2	10,581.8	10,578.3	413.2	469.6	445.1	439.6	4.0	4.4	4.2	4.2
West	32,246.0	32,690.4	32,632.1	32,693.0	1,784.4	2,029.1	2,003.2	2,003.2	5.5	6.2	6.1	6.1
Mountain	9,142.2	9,338.2	9,350.5	9,341.6	430.1	510.3	493.0	495.5	4.7	5.5	5.3	5.3
Pacific	23,103.8	23,352.2	23,281.7	23,351.4	1,354.3	1,518.8	1,510.3	1,507.7	5.9	6.5	6.5	6.5

¹ These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates.

^P = preliminary.

NOTE: 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. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census regions and divisions, not seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	
Northeast	26,601.5	27,030.6	26,190.6	26,561.8	1,183.2	1,404.3	1,182.3	1,345.9	4.4	5.2	4.5	5.1
New England	7,320.7	7,451.3	7,182.8	7,314.3	271.8	332.2	269.6	329.1	3.7	4.5	3.8	4.5
Middle Atlantic	19,280.8	19,579.3	19,007.8	19,247.5	911.4	1,072.1	912.7	1,016.8	4.7	5.5	4.8	5.3
South	49,778.9	50,506.5	49,493.7	50,224.1	2,446.4	2,752.5	2,441.9	2,634.5	4.9	5.4	4.9	5.2
South Atlantic	26,019.4	26,407.2	25,835.5	26,194.4	1,230.7	1,378.7	1,238.0	1,308.5	4.7	5.2	4.8	5.0
East South Central	8,251.8	8,338.5	8,220.0	8,309.4	427.5	442.5	417.2	422.1	5.2	5.3	5.1	5.1
West South Central	15,507.7	15,760.8	15,438.2	15,720.4	788.1	931.3	786.6	903.9	5.1	5.9	5.1	5.7
Midwest	34,153.0	34,347.7	33,835.1	33,972.9	1,508.2	1,742.0	1,474.1	1,646.0	4.4	5.1	4.4	4.8
East North Central	23,672.6	23,722.9	23,430.6	23,433.7	1,113.7	1,314.3	1,089.5	1,236.1	4.7	5.5	4.7	5.3
West North Central	10,480.5	10,624.8	10,404.5	10,539.2	394.5	427.8	384.6	409.9	3.8	4.0	3.7	3.9
West	32,482.3	32,880.7	32,323.8	32,743.0	1,708.4	1,978.5	1,708.4	1,920.1	5.3	6.0	5.3	5.9
Mountain	9,206.8	9,426.9	9,193.7	9,383.5	420.5	500.1	422.5	485.2	4.6	5.3	4.6	5.2
Pacific	23,275.5	23,453.9	23,130.1	23,359.5	1,287.9	1,478.3	1,285.9	1,434.9	5.5	6.3	5.6	6.1

¹ These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates. The composition of the regions and divisions is described in table 1.

^P = preliminary.

NOTE: All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002P
Alabama	2,146.5	2,150.1	2,146.7	2,152.1	118.9	122.6	122.2	121.8	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.7
Alaska	322.0	330.9	332.2	333.8	20.1	22.3	24.4	24.9	6.2	6.7	7.3	7.5
Arizona	2,440.1	2,495.9	2,510.0	2,499.0	123.6	150.0	144.1	142.6	5.1	6.0	5.7	5.7
Arkansas	1,223.9	1,279.8	1,282.8	1,288.6	64.2	66.4	64.5	64.4	5.2	5.2	5.0	5.0
California	17,400.5	17,601.5	17,503.5	17,535.7	984.2	1,124.9	1,115.8	1,107.6	5.7	6.4	6.4	6.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,875.4	4,942.2	4,859.3	4,858.7	287.3	338.5	321.8	308.6	5.9	6.8	6.6	6.4
Colorado	2,301.8	2,357.2	2,364.9	2,370.7	93.9	121.8	121.0	122.6	4.1	5.2	5.1	5.2
Connecticut	1,710.2	1,717.4	1,717.8	1,719.9	61.9	65.3	68.1	70.3	3.6	3.8	4.0	4.1
Delaware	418.9	415.6	414.3	412.8	13.9	16.2	15.9	16.8	3.3	3.9	3.8	4.1
District of Columbia	277.5	272.5	270.2	270.3	18.4	16.4	16.1	16.2	6.6	6.0	6.0	6.0
Florida	7,701.3	7,804.2	7,842.4	7,798.5	383.7	419.5	435.7	401.4	5.0	5.4	5.6	5.1
Georgia	4,108.4	4,214.2	4,223.6	4,230.9	165.1	194.8	196.1	197.2	4.0	4.6	4.6	4.7
Hawaii	607.0	597.9	594.0	596.0	27.4	25.7	23.6	25.1	4.5	4.3	4.0	4.2
Idaho	687.6	689.4	689.6	686.4	34.8	37.0	36.4	37.6	5.1	5.4	5.3	5.5
Illinois	6,335.4	6,280.3	6,266.1	6,242.4	353.6	419.7	391.4	395.4	5.6	6.7	6.2	6.3
Indiana	3,114.4	3,148.0	3,164.4	3,155.5	145.5	160.0	165.0	157.8	4.7	5.1	5.2	5.0
Iowa	1,599.5	1,628.9	1,625.7	1,630.3	56.7	65.2	60.7	63.1	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.9
Kansas	1,377.0	1,452.4	1,454.1	1,456.2	59.1	67.7	65.9	66.6	4.3	4.7	4.5	4.6
Kentucky	1,962.5	1,994.4	1,993.0	1,990.5	110.8	105.5	104.5	103.8	5.6	5.3	5.2	5.2
Louisiana	2,056.2	2,013.5	2,011.2	2,009.2	123.9	113.3	119.6	118.6	6.0	5.6	5.9	5.9
Maine	684.5	687.3	686.5	684.1	29.2	29.0	27.3	27.8	4.3	4.2	4.0	4.1
Maryland	2,848.0	2,901.2	2,912.4	2,903.9	119.1	122.2	125.0	116.6	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.0
Massachusetts	3,296.0	3,370.3	3,374.9	3,381.4	133.4	165.5	175.6	175.8	4.0	4.9	5.2	5.2
Michigan	5,165.9	5,181.2	5,155.0	5,144.1	285.9	343.5	322.2	298.1	5.5	6.6	6.2	5.8
Minnesota	2,820.8	2,856.5	2,852.0	2,851.0	102.0	123.8	124.8	114.3	3.6	4.3	4.4	4.0
Mississippi	1,291.8	1,308.5	1,298.9	1,301.9	74.6	85.5	79.3	76.3	5.8	6.5	6.1	5.9
Missouri	2,967.0	2,959.3	2,954.2	2,940.5	143.2	155.6	139.7	140.5	4.8	5.3	4.7	4.8
Montana	462.0	469.2	469.8	469.3	21.2	21.4	18.7	18.3	4.6	4.6	4.0	3.9
Nebraska	929.2	951.9	948.9	951.9	29.2	33.9	32.6	32.7	3.1	3.6	3.4	3.4
Nevada	1,025.5	1,052.5	1,045.8	1,045.7	53.7	57.2	52.8	51.1	5.2	5.4	5.0	4.9
New Hampshire	688.8	711.2	713.8	713.6	27.5	29.9	35.8	32.1	4.0	4.2	4.7	4.5
New Jersey	4,181.7	4,258.9	4,252.0	4,257.5	186.8	232.7	225.6	227.1	4.5	5.5	5.3	5.3
New Mexico	837.3	860.4	856.6	859.5	40.7	53.9	52.5	52.1	4.9	6.3	6.1	6.1
New York	8,838.4	8,989.6	9,006.6	8,994.7	460.2	544.3	528.8	500.6	5.2	6.1	5.9	5.6
New York City	3,515.1	3,549.2	3,557.4	3,545.5	231.1	274.7	270.9	253.2	6.6	7.7	7.6	7.1
North Carolina	3,990.6	3,979.6	3,964.9	3,970.4	232.7	272.3	249.6	243.5	5.8	6.8	6.3	6.1
North Dakota	337.6	336.8	336.2	339.0	8.7	11.6	10.6	11.9	2.6	3.5	3.2	3.5
Ohio	5,874.8	5,914.6	5,895.1	5,893.9	258.7	339.4	327.3	325.8	4.4	5.7	5.6	5.5
Oklahoma	1,671.1	1,691.7	1,690.7	1,688.6	67.3	72.4	73.5	70.2	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.2
Oregon	1,796.4	1,791.6	1,808.0	1,804.5	124.6	131.1	127.2	122.1	6.9	7.3	7.0	6.8
Pennsylvania	6,087.0	6,107.4	6,129.5	6,109.7	290.1	332.6	327.3	318.6	4.8	5.4	5.3	5.2
Rhode Island	502.5	508.7	511.1	508.1	22.8	21.7	24.8	25.6	4.5	4.3	4.8	5.0
South Carolina	1,944.0	2,002.3	2,010.6	2,010.4	111.7	103.9	108.3	107.4	5.7	5.2	5.4	5.3
South Dakota	405.7	411.5	410.5	409.4	14.3	11.9	10.8	10.5	3.5	2.9	2.6	2.6
Tennessee	2,821.8	2,878.8	2,868.0	2,876.2	128.4	141.1	132.6	136.9	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.8
Texas	10,488.4	10,676.5	10,698.7	10,738.1	537.7	651.2	657.9	656.5	5.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
Utah	1,115.5	1,142.9	1,143.5	1,139.5	51.2	59.0	57.6	60.6	4.6	5.2	5.0	5.3
Vermont	335.0	347.3	348.1	347.3	12.7	13.4	14.6	13.9	3.8	3.9	4.2	4.0
Virginia	3,689.4	3,779.0	3,776.9	3,777.6	142.1	150.9	155.4	146.9	3.9	4.0	4.1	3.9
Washington	2,977.9	3,030.3	3,044.0	3,081.5	198.0	214.7	219.3	228.1	6.6	7.1	7.2	7.4
West Virginia	833.4	809.4	809.8	808.5	39.4	50.4	47.9	49.0	4.7	6.2	5.9	6.1
Wisconsin	2,991.3	3,048.0	3,060.6	3,065.8	134.5	144.8	160.0	154.9	4.5	4.8	5.2	5.1
Wyoming	272.4	270.6	270.2	271.5	11.1	10.0	9.8	10.5	4.1	3.7	3.6	3.9
Puerto Rico	1,312.9	1,355.9	1,367.8	1,369.3	159.0	175.6	166.2	166.2	12.1	13.0	12.1	12.1

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Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

**LABOR FORCE DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2001	2002	2001	2002P	2001	2002	2001	2002P	2001	2002	2001	2002P
Alabama	2,147.8	2,148.7	2,145.5	2,149.5	121.3	128.1	120.9	123.8	5.6	6.0	5.6	5.8
Alaska	330.1	339.5	323.1	333.9	16.4	19.7	16.9	21.1	5.0	5.8	5.2	6.3
Arizona	2,443.2	2,521.5	2,453.3	2,510.9	128.6	157.9	133.6	152.2	5.3	6.3	5.4	6.1
Arkansas	1,235.2	1,292.1	1,222.3	1,283.2	61.6	62.8	56.9	57.0	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.4
California	17,535.9	17,647.2	17,450.3	17,573.9	951.9	1,109.2	950.0	1,070.4	5.4	6.3	5.4	6.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,909.0	4,885.0	4,926.9	4,906.0	304.2	341.0	300.0	321.2	6.2	7.0	6.1	6.5
Colorado	2,329.3	2,393.4	2,328.7	2,394.1	88.4	119.0	91.8	119.2	3.8	5.0	3.9	5.0
Connecticut	1,742.8	1,745.7	1,696.7	1,706.3	61.3	67.9	52.8	61.7	3.5	3.9	3.1	3.6
Delaware	421.9	417.8	413.8	407.8	14.7	16.6	13.3	16.2	3.5	4.0	3.2	4.0
District of Columbia	282.9	274.5	276.6	269.3	19.3	16.7	18.2	16.0	6.8	6.1	6.6	5.9
Florida	7,806.3	7,913.9	7,730.3	7,825.6	388.8	447.9	401.2	421.1	5.0	5.7	5.2	5.4
Georgia	4,091.3	4,201.8	4,105.2	4,221.5	164.8	198.5	172.2	203.9	4.0	4.7	4.2	4.8
Hawaii	606.9	595.8	601.8	590.6	27.4	24.8	27.5	25.4	4.5	4.2	4.6	4.3
Idaho	696.1	698.9	691.4	690.4	30.4	32.9	28.8	31.4	4.4	4.7	4.2	4.6
Illinois	6,367.1	6,295.4	6,323.1	6,221.8	346.9	391.4	329.5	368.9	5.4	6.2	5.2	5.9
Indiana	3,124.5	3,171.3	3,109.2	3,151.0	135.4	158.5	132.7	145.6	4.3	5.0	4.3	4.6
Iowa	1,599.0	1,631.9	1,595.3	1,627.5	48.9	55.4	49.6	55.7	3.1	3.4	3.1	3.4
Kansas	1,377.1	1,450.8	1,365.7	1,440.8	57.1	64.0	55.1	62.4	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.3
Kentucky	1,970.0	1,999.3	1,953.1	1,980.0	101.2	95.6	101.2	95.6	5.1	4.8	5.2	4.8
Louisiana	2,060.7	2,024.5	2,051.0	2,005.4	115.2	120.4	120.7	116.7	5.6	5.9	5.9	5.8
Maine	699.6	702.6	686.4	686.3	23.4	22.3	25.2	24.2	3.3	3.2	3.7	3.5
Maryland	2,864.8	2,930.6	2,856.0	2,909.9	117.4	123.4	118.7	114.3	4.1	4.2	4.2	3.9
Massachusetts	3,336.8	3,416.2	3,278.5	3,359.6	126.7	172.1	133.6	176.5	3.8	5.0	4.1	5.3
Michigan	5,208.2	5,192.3	5,145.6	5,119.7	261.4	301.5	261.5	273.8	5.0	5.8	5.1	5.3
Minnesota	2,846.4	2,874.7	2,824.4	2,852.8	94.6	113.7	100.6	111.5	3.3	4.0	3.6	3.9
Mississippi	1,290.2	1,297.8	1,283.3	1,291.2	73.8	81.2	72.3	73.2	5.7	6.3	5.6	5.7
Missouri	2,963.7	2,951.0	2,953.8	2,927.7	144.3	143.2	135.3	134.5	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.6
Montana	469.9	477.2	460.4	467.2	17.4	15.1	17.2	14.4	3.7	3.2	3.7	3.1
Nebraska	932.6	952.4	920.5	941.5	27.3	31.0	25.3	28.5	2.9	3.3	2.7	3.0
Nevada	1,030.2	1,050.9	1,033.1	1,052.8	53.9	52.6	53.2	51.2	5.2	5.0	5.1	4.9
New Hampshire	697.9	722.0	680.7	704.8	26.5	32.7	25.2	30.0	3.8	4.5	3.7	4.3
New Jersey	4,202.7	4,278.4	4,154.4	4,226.7	183.1	227.3	183.2	222.6	4.4	5.3	4.4	5.3
New Mexico	835.4	855.6	834.5	835.6	38.5	51.7	39.5	50.5	4.6	6.0	4.7	5.9
New York	8,925.7	9,104.3	8,774.3	8,921.2	435.6	519.4	450.5	490.7	4.9	5.7	5.1	5.5
New York City	3,512.0	3,569.8	3,482.1	3,512.5	222.2	273.4	226.9	249.8	6.3	7.7	6.5	7.1
North Carolina	4,023.0	4,004.9	3,994.2	3,972.6	229.0	252.4	220.0	230.7	5.7	6.3	5.5	5.8
North Dakota	348.0	345.6	339.6	339.8	9.1	10.2	6.4	8.7	2.6	3.0	1.9	2.6
Ohio	5,948.4	5,972.5	5,871.8	5,891.0	245.0	315.7	253.5	317.3	4.1	5.3	4.3	5.4
Oklahoma	1,672.8	1,695.1	1,670.7	1,687.8	62.7	69.8	64.7	67.8	3.7	4.1	3.9	4.0
Oregon	1,818.0	1,829.2	1,807.8	1,814.5	113.6	121.3	115.5	113.0	6.2	6.6	6.4	6.2
Pennsylvania	6,152.4	6,196.6	6,079.1	6,099.6	292.7	325.4	278.9	303.5	4.8	5.3	4.6	5.0
Rhode Island	506.9	515.3	504.2	509.5	23.0	24.1	21.9	24.6	4.5	4.7	4.3	4.8
South Carolina	1,963.4	2,029.7	1,944.5	2,008.2	117.5	115.1	111.8	107.3	6.0	5.7	5.8	5.3
South Dakota	413.6	418.6	405.2	408.9	13.3	10.2	12.3	8.7	3.2	2.4	3.0	2.1
Tennessee	2,843.8	2,892.7	2,838.0	2,888.6	131.2	137.6	122.9	129.5	4.6	4.8	4.3	4.5
Texas	10,539.0	10,749.2	10,494.3	10,744.0	548.7	678.3	544.3	662.4	5.2	6.3	5.2	6.2
Utah	1,126.1	1,154.7	1,119.6	1,140.5	53.6	62.3	48.8	57.3	4.8	5.4	4.4	5.0
Vermont	336.7	349.6	336.2	347.7	11.0	13.0	10.9	12.2	3.3	3.7	3.3	3.5
Virginia	3,721.5	3,816.9	3,682.4	3,771.1	141.7	162.9	148.0	155.0	3.8	4.3	4.0	4.1
Washington	2,984.6	3,042.2	2,947.1	3,046.6	178.6	203.3	176.0	205.0	6.0	6.7	6.0	6.7
West Virginia	842.3	817.0	832.4	808.4	37.6	45.3	34.6	44.0	4.5	5.6	4.2	5.4
Wisconsin	3,024.3	3,091.3	2,980.8	3,050.2	125.1	147.2	112.4	130.6	4.1	4.8	3.8	4.3
Wyoming	276.6	274.7	272.7	271.9	9.6	8.7	9.4	9.0	3.5	3.2	3.5	3.3
Puerto Rico	1,295.0	1,359.7	1,301.9	1,357.3	166.4	178.7	164.2	170.5	12.8	13.1	12.6	12.6

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Total nonfarm ¹				Construction				Manufacturing				Transportation and public utilities			
	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002 ^P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002 ^P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002 ^P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002 ^P
Alabama	1,916.5	1,891.2	1,897.9	1,898.5	104.5	103.1	104.4	105.2	335.8	328.8	328.1	327.2	95.0	92.9	92.2	91.8
Alaska	292.0	293.3	294.6	295.2	14.9	15.2	15.6	15.7	14.3	13.6	13.5	13.5	28.0	27.7	27.6	27.5
Arizona	2,257.4	2,244.8	2,251.9	2,236.5	163.9	157.2	158.9	159.4	206.0	194.6	193.5	193.4	111.0	105.2	104.4	104.4
Arkansas	1,154.7	1,150.0	1,150.7	1,148.9	53.4	55.4	55.6	54.7	237.1	228.4	226.9	226.9	72.2	75.7	75.8	75.6
California	14,700.5	14,647.9	14,662.7	14,646.9	771.0	756.7	756.9	758.7	1,873.1	1,814.0	1,807.2	1,803.7	749.9	720.2	717.1	712.2
Colorado	2,226.1	2,185.6	2,185.5	2,185.6	168.6	164.6	163.9	163.9	195.2	185.7	184.4	184.4	143.2	134.9	132.8	133.2
Connecticut	1,678.6	1,674.2	1,674.8	1,672.8	65.0	64.5	65.2	65.0	249.4	241.0	240.4	239.5	78.8	75.2	74.9	76.2
Delaware ²	418.1	416.3	416.1	416.8	23.8	24.3	24.3	24.2	55.2	54.4	53.9	54.2	17.0	17.2	17.0	16.8
District of Columbia	652.6	649.6	653.2	649.7	10.9	9.9	9.9	10.0	11.3	11.0	10.9	11.0	17.6	17.2	17.2	17.1
Florida	7,208.1	7,230.5	7,329.5	7,227.3	404.0	410.1	410.1	412.7	461.3	445.5	443.8	443.0	365.8	353.6	353.0	353.3
Georgia	3,945.9	3,870.3	3,864.5	3,869.1	205.2	184.8	184.8	179.0	543.2	537.8	538.5	538.6	264.6	252.0	251.2	249.6
Hawaii ²	556.6	549.9	549.4	549.9	23.1	24.6	24.4	24.2	18.0	17.7	17.5	17.6	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)
Idaho	570.0	566.0	563.3	561.5	37.5	34.8	34.3	33.6	74.5	70.4	70.7	71.2	27.9	27.4	27.3	27.0
Illinois	5,993.5	5,929.1	5,930.7	5,914.5	268.2	268.5	269.2	270.9	897.6	884.1	882.7	880.5	355.2	344.2	345.0	341.8
Indiana	2,937.8	2,903.4	2,903.8	2,895.7	147.3	140.8	139.9	142.4	634.1	621.2	619.9	619.6	147.7	142.0	141.1	140.1
Iowa	1,468.1	1,461.6	1,465.0	1,467.0	63.8	65.9	66.5	66.4	248.1	245.3	245.4	246.0	71.6	71.2	71.3	70.9
Kansas	1,363.7	1,363.1	1,365.1	1,365.6	64.1	68.9	68.5	67.7	205.3	197.7	199.8	199.8	90.4	88.0	87.5	87.6
Kentucky	1,818.3	1,826.7	1,832.4	1,837.9	89.2	89.6	90.9	91.4	303.8	298.1	299.9	299.3	107.7	106.1	106.2	105.8
Louisiana	1,936.7	1,922.3	1,932.4	1,933.8	122.2	118.7	121.1	122.5	180.6	176.7	178.4	178.0	117.6	117.2	116.2	116.7
Maine	609.5	611.9	610.8	610.6	29.6	30.2	30.3	30.1	79.6	76.1	75.2	74.8	24.5	24.7	24.7	24.3
Maryland	2,477.4	2,423.7	2,446.6	2,462.1	162.3	156.0	159.0	163.2	177.1	171.6	171.4	170.9	116.0	112.8	112.5	113.1
Massachusetts	3,323.4	3,284.3	3,275.1	3,276.0	137.5	139.7	139.0	139.4	416.5	402.1	399.2	398.7	143.4	138.9	138.4	137.4
Michigan	4,571.9	4,545.1	4,537.0	4,544.7	199.9	198.6	199.3	198.9	916.8	906.6	905.1	906.0	180.9	180.0	179.0	178.2
Minnesota	2,665.6	2,655.2	2,644.8	2,645.0	122.6	121.7	120.8	120.3	414.0	405.2	404.2	403.1	133.9	126.0	125.7	124.4
Mississippi	1,133.4	1,134.6	1,130.8	1,130.2	52.7	53.7	53.6	54.2	210.6	209.2	207.8	206.6	56.6	55.4	55.5	55.3
Missouri	2,728.5	2,677.4	2,687.2	2,673.7	144.5	139.3	140.3	133.8	372.2	360.7	362.4	358.7	174.1	168.9	167.6	168.1
Montana	391.4	395.6	394.6	395.0	20.6	21.3	21.0	21.7	23.8	23.6	23.8	23.5	21.5	21.9	21.6	21.5
Nebraska	912.0	907.0	906.9	907.8	42.8	42.1	41.6	41.3	117.0	112.6	112.3	112.5	57.7	56.9	56.8	57.4
Nevada	1,053.4	1,070.8	1,070.4	1,068.3	90.7	93.3	93.3	93.4	46.1	46.1	46.2	46.1	57.3	57.4	57.5	57.2
New Hampshire	624.9	627.3	625.6	625.3	27.2	27.5	27.7	27.9	101.8	100.9	99.0	99.3	21.3	20.6	20.5	20.0
New Jersey	4,014.3	4,002.1	4,003.0	3,999.7	160.6	161.5	161.9	162.0	444.7	424.1	423.2	420.9	267.6	261.9	261.2	260.9
New Mexico	757.7	761.0	759.5	760.5	45.4	44.0	44.2	44.2	42.2	42.5	41.3	40.6	37.6	36.6	36.0	35.3
New York	8,619.2	8,559.7	8,549.4	8,546.8	330.3	336.8	337.4	336.5	831.6	797.2	789.7	789.5	434.4	422.0	420.0	418.7
North Carolina	3,897.7	3,885.5	3,896.5	3,897.1	227.3	222.6	222.4	220.5	720.2	701.4	702.7	702.2	181.9	179.1	178.4	177.5
North Dakota	331.2	328.9	329.8	330.2	15.5	15.5	15.4	15.2	25.7	25.5	25.2	25.0	19.1	18.9	19.0	19.0
Ohio	5,548.4	5,511.4	5,503.8	5,505.7	236.3	227.9	230.3	230.7	1,012.3	1,001.9	998.1	998.1	247.9	245.9	244.3	244.4
Oklahoma	1,513.4	1,518.8	1,519.5	1,522.0	63.8	65.4	65.1	67.1	177.9	176.2	175.4	174.3	84.8	82.9	82.5	82.7
Oregon	1,589.6	1,582.7	1,582.0	1,582.0	76.9	72.9	73.6	73.5	232.7	227.8	226.5	226.7	78.8	77.6	77.1	77.0
Pennsylvania	5,696.5	5,658.3	5,649.2	5,637.6	249.9	251.3	252.7	252.2	879.6	848.5	846.5	845.4	302.0	292.8	292.2	291.5
Rhode Island	478.0	483.0	481.4	480.6	18.5	17.4	17.7	17.8	68.3	68.6	67.0	66.6	17.1	16.8	16.6	16.8
South Carolina	1,835.1	1,820.6	1,831.9	1,838.4	112.1	111.5	112.2	111.2	327.6	315.4	314.7	314.4	95.6	94.9	95.7	95.7
South Dakota	379.1	381.4	380.1	378.4	18.5	19.2	18.7	18.1	45.3	43.6	43.2	43.4	17.2	16.8	16.7	16.7
Tennessee	2,703.9	2,703.1	2,704.3	2,697.2	119.8	117.8	118.2	117.6	474.4	467.1	464.4	463.7	179.7	174.1	173.6	173.7
Texas	9,501.6	9,412.7	9,423.1	9,425.0	564.0	559.6	558.2	558.5	1,040.8	1,005.6	1,002.4	999.4	596.5	574.0	573.2	573.6
Utah	1,081.6	1,065.1	1,063.7	1,062.4	71.1	65.6	64.7	64.9	125.5	119.9	119.9	120.2	60.6	57.5	57.4	57.2
Vermont	297.2	297.1	296.9	296.4	14.7	15.3	15.4	15.3	47.0	45.1	44.0	43.9	12.1	12.2	12.3	12.4
Virginia	3,523.7	3,495.8	3,494.6	3,491.6	215.8	206.6	206.1	207.4	365.3	356.8	357.7	356.7	187.6	177.3	177.4	177.8
Washington	2,689.7	2,648.0	2,641.0	2,631.9	154.6	144.9	145.9	145.4	336.0	309.8	306.3	302.6	144.9	136.8	136.3	136.5
West Virginia	733.6	723.2	731.8	726.7	34.1	32.4	32.8	32.1	75.7	73.7	73.6	73.2	36.7	36.6	36.6	36.0
Wisconsin	2,822.5	2,833.3	2,838.9	2,837.4	121.5	125.1	123.8	124.3	582.2	568.8	569.1	569.5	132.7	130.9	131.2	131.6
Wyoming	246.8	251.9	253.4	247.0	18.4	18.1	18.1	18.1	11.0	10.6	10.6	10.5	14.2	13.8	14.0	14.0

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Trade				Finance, insurance, and real estate				Services				Government			
	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002P	Sept. 2001	July 2002	Aug. 2002	Sept. 2002P
Alabama	440.4	436.9	435.7	434.4	92.4	92.2	91.9	92.2	483.8	482.6	481.9	482.0	356.2	346.3	355.3	357.3
Alaska	58.4	58.8	58.9	59.5	12.7	12.7	12.8	12.7	73.6	74.7	75.0	75.6	79.3	80.5	81.2	81.0
Arizona	534.0	538.6	536.9	533.2	151.1	148.9	148.6	148.7	709.2	704.4	709.0	709.1	372.8	387.4	392.2	379.9
Arkansas	266.6	265.6	266.3	265.7	46.1	46.9	47.0	47.0	280.3	279.0	280.1	279.7	195.0	195.2	195.2	195.4
California	3,342.7	3,367.6	3,370.9	3,370.6	847.5	844.7	842.4	844.0	4,689.2	4,668.8	4,671.0	4,676.5	2,402.9	2,452.6	2,473.9	2,457.9
Colorado	526.9	516.3	515.4	515.8	144.1	141.2	140.1	140.6	686.8	673.3	677.7	677.9	346.9	354.7	356.3	354.6
Connecticut	358.2	361.7	360.5	359.3	142.6	141.6	141.3	141.2	539.1	541.0	542.0	541.4	244.6	248.4	249.7	249.3
Delaware ²	90.4	91.7	91.7	91.2	51.6	50.9	50.8	50.7	122.4	122.0	122.6	123.1	57.7	55.8	55.8	56.6
District of Columbia	52.0	50.8	51.4	51.0	33.2	33.2	32.9	33.2	305.1	306.9	305.6	305.5	222.4	220.5	225.2	221.8
Florida	1,782.9	1,779.3	1,775.0	1,778.0	459.9	457.7	458.0	458.5	2,691.8	2,728.4	2,723.5	2,725.0	1,036.0	1,049.6	1,159.9	1,050.6
Georgia	965.4	942.7	938.6	941.5	206.9	205.1	204.1	204.5	1,146.4	1,131.5	1,129.4	1,137.2	606.4	608.9	610.5	611.2
Hawaii ²	136.0	132.3	132.4	132.7	32.7	33.1	33.0	33.0	188.1	185.1	186.5	186.6	116.3	118.0	116.6	117.2
Idaho	140.8	140.6	140.4	139.7	24.6	24.9	24.8	24.7	151.8	152.8	151.8	151.7	111.0	113.4	112.3	111.9
Illinois	1,351.7	1,344.6	1,341.2	1,336.4	404.7	400.9	401.6	401.8	1,865.1	1,831.2	1,837.0	1,838.0	840.8	846.2	844.8	835.9
Indiana	695.4	682.4	679.7	681.7	140.3	139.3	139.8	140.1	755.6	753.8	752.5	750.5	410.9	417.0	424.1	414.6
Iowa	351.2	346.8	348.1	346.8	89.0	90.3	90.7	91.1	394.8	392.7	393.6	395.2	247.5	247.2	247.3	248.5
Kansas	317.2	314.2	313.6	314.5	66.3	66.4	66.5	65.9	360.6	368.4	367.8	369.1	252.5	252.3	254.1	253.7
Kentucky	424.3	428.4	428.3	430.5	75.9	75.8	75.9	76.2	485.7	494.2	495.7	497.8	311.2	314.4	316.5	316.7
Louisiana	451.6	451.5	453.0	452.5	86.7	86.1	86.1	86.2	545.4	542.9	547.1	546.0	378.3	378.3	378.2	379.3
Maine	151.3	153.3	153.0	152.8	33.8	33.9	34.0	33.9	187.2	189.1	189.5	189.6	103.3	104.5	104.0	105.0
Maryland	554.5	547.8	545.8	546.5	143.2	141.9	141.4	141.6	867.8	856.2	857.4	859.9	454.9	435.7	457.4	465.2
Massachusetts	739.2	727.5	723.7	722.2	232.5	232.8	232.7	233.2	1,221.5	1,216.2	1,216.1	1,215.6	431.3	425.6	424.5	428.0
Michigan	1,070.0	1,053.0	1,049.2	1,046.9	210.4	210.9	211.4	212.2	1,297.9	1,297.7	1,288.3	1,295.0	688.1	690.5	696.8	699.6
Minnesota	631.2	625.6	623.7	626.4	165.8	166.0	165.8	166.9	786.6	792.9	792.0	794.3	405.7	412.1	407.0	404.1
Mississippi	252.6	251.1	250.1	250.5	43.6	41.9	41.9	41.8	271.0	273.6	273.3	272.6	240.5	244.3	243.2	243.8
Missouri	645.9	637.1	633.2	635.5	171.1	166.6	167.1	167.1	785.7	781.4	785.8	778.5	430.0	417.6	424.9	426.3
Montana	101.6	102.0	101.7	102.1	18.1	18.4	18.5	18.6	116.1	117.8	118.0	118.2	84.0	85.1	84.5	84.1
Nebraska	213.1	214.8	215.7	215.1	62.4	63.1	63.2	62.7	261.2	259.0	258.9	260.9	156.6	157.3	157.2	156.8
Nevada	222.2	227.4	227.2	227.2	50.2	51.7	51.7	52.0	448.8	455.7	454.1	453.7	128.2	130.2	131.5	129.7
New Hampshire	165.2	165.0	165.0	164.9	33.8	34.1	34.3	34.2	191.6	192.4	193.1	193.0	83.5	86.2	85.4	85.4
New Jersey	922.7	927.3	929.0	926.4	270.6	272.3	274.1	275.4	1,342.2	1,348.4	1,345.8	1,348.5	604.3	604.8	606.2	604.0
New Mexico	172.7	173.5	173.0	174.0	32.5	32.9	32.9	32.8	223.8	224.8	225.2	226.5	187.5	192.5	192.5	192.5
New York	1,732.6	1,719.1	1,720.7	1,716.5	744.5	716.2	713.9	715.2	3,062.4	3,060.6	3,063.9	3,071.3	1,478.8	1,502.8	1,498.7	1,494.0
North Carolina	888.9	887.3	888.1	889.2	190.0	188.6	188.4	187.8	1,057.5	1,060.6	1,065.0	1,070.3	628.0	641.9	647.6	645.7
North Dakota	81.5	81.1	81.5	81.6	17.2	17.2	17.2	17.2	94.1	93.9	94.0	93.8	74.5	73.4	74.1	75.0
Ohio	1,327.2	1,315.8	1,315.9	1,315.5	313.9	312.2	312.2	311.7	1,601.1	1,595.4	1,594.0	1,591.7	796.9	800.3	796.9	801.5
Oklahoma	343.6	345.4	344.7	344.9	75.0	76.0	76.2	76.3	441.0	441.3	443.6	444.7	295.7	299.0	299.3	299.3
Oregon	389.6	389.8	388.1	389.7	95.4	95.8	95.4	96.0	443.8	446.9	446.8	447.3	270.6	270.2	272.8	270.1
Pennsylvania	1,268.8	1,259.8	1,256.3	1,251.8	328.2	325.9	325.8	327.0	1,916.1	1,927.1	1,925.1	1,920.7	733.0	733.9	731.8	730.1
Rhode Island	107.7	108.8	108.8	108.2	32.4	33.4	33.6	33.7	169.0	172.9	172.4	171.7	64.8	64.8	65.1	65.6
South Carolina	431.5	438.3	436.1	437.0	84.4	85.3	85.1	85.3	462.9	467.4	467.0	472.3	319.4	306.3	319.6	321.0
South Dakota	93.2	94.5	93.8	93.4	28.3	27.9	28.2	28.2	101.8	103.7	104.0	102.8	73.7	74.9	74.7	74.9
Tennessee	636.5	631.6	631.9	632.9	132.6	131.8	131.9	131.8	759.1	770.3	772.2	773.1	397.8	406.6	408.4	400.7
Texas	2,269.5	2,245.3	2,238.6	2,238.1	535.2	528.2	529.1	529.7	2,741.0	2,735.2	2,741.1	2,743.0	1,590.3	1,608.2	1,622.3	1,626.6
Utah	249.9	245.5	245.7	245.4	60.4	59.3	59.6	59.1	314.4	316.4	314.5	312.6	191.9	193.7	194.7	195.9
Vermont	67.6	67.5	67.4	67.4	12.7	12.9	12.9	13.0	92.1	92.6	93.4	93.1	50.4	50.9	50.9	50.7
Virginia	766.2	761.4	762.0	761.2	194.1	192.8	193.3	193.4	1,152.1	1,155.0	1,155.0	1,157.3	632.3	636.2	633.2	627.9
Washington	631.8	625.3	623.5	624.2	143.1	143.4	143.1	143.5	768.4	768.4	766.7	764.4	507.5	516.3	516.1	512.3
West Virginia	160.1	159.1	158.6	158.7	29.4	29.3	29.6	29.8	232.9	235.3	236.6	235.2	141.7	136.1	142.8	140.9
Wisconsin	641.2	643.0	643.4	643.0	150.7	153.1	153.4	153.5	775.3	794.6	798.9	802.2	416.1	415.0	416.3	410.5
Wyoming	54.9	55.2	55.7	55.2	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	57.9	58.5	58.6	58.1	61.8	67.9	68.0	62.9

¹ Includes mining, not shown separately.

² Mining is combined with construction.

³ 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.

P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from March 2001 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmark month are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing				Transportation and public utilities			
	August		September		August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P
Alabama	1,905.9	1,886.3	1,917.0	1,899.2	105.4	105.5	105.4	106.1	337.6	328.1	336.5	327.9	95.7	92.2	95.3	92.1
Alaska	311.5	313.9	304.6	308.0	18.7	19.6	17.8	18.8	20.6	19.6	16.7	15.8	30.4	30.0	29.5	29.0
Arizona	2,239.4	2,220.0	2,264.4	2,244.3	167.5	161.1	165.7	161.0	208.8	194.1	206.5	193.9	111.8	104.8	111.4	104.8
Arkansas	1,152.2	1,145.8	1,161.4	1,158.8	55.8	57.4	55.1	56.5	239.3	227.0	237.5	227.0	72.7	76.0	72.8	76.4
California	14,676.5	14,614.0	14,735.5	14,682.0	806.6	788.6	799.6	787.2	1,912.8	1,836.2	1,895.6	1,825.8	756.8	723.0	757.3	719.6
Colorado	2,242.0	2,188.6	2,229.9	2,188.4	174.4	170.5	173.9	167.8	196.7	185.0	194.7	184.6	144.2	133.3	143.1	133.4
Connecticut	1,670.5	1,665.2	1,683.9	1,677.6	69.4	69.2	68.1	68.0	249.8	239.8	249.5	239.5	75.0	72.7	78.5	75.9
Delaware ²	420.9	418.7	418.2	416.9	24.7	25.6	24.5	25.1	55.3	53.9	55.2	54.2	16.8	16.7	16.9	16.7
District of Columbia	660.1	655.5	654.6	651.9	11.9	10.3	11.2	10.3	11.5	11.0	11.3	11.0	17.6	17.2	17.8	17.3
Florida	7,180.5	7,195.5	7,181.5	7,200.6	405.4	411.7	405.0	413.6	462.8	442.6	460.7	442.3	363.9	351.2	363.7	351.2
Georgia	3,946.8	3,860.5	3,943.9	3,867.1	209.0	187.6	207.6	181.4	543.8	538.0	543.7	539.2	268.2	252.7	266.3	251.3
Hawaii ²	551.8	544.6	552.5	545.3	23.6	24.6	23.5	24.6	18.1	17.6	17.9	17.5	42.8	39.0	42.4	38.6
Idaho	576.3	567.9	578.6	569.6	41.3	37.4	40.4	36.2	76.2	71.7	75.3	71.9	28.3	27.7	28.3	27.4
Illinois	6,014.9	5,940.8	6,016.1	5,935.8	290.1	288.4	284.1	286.4	901.6	883.8	899.7	882.7	354.2	343.6	356.3	342.8
Indiana	2,925.2	2,889.4	2,963.6	2,921.8	157.9	150.2	153.4	148.6	640.8	623.7	636.4	621.8	149.3	142.2	149.0	141.4
Iowa	1,459.5	1,452.9	1,471.3	1,469.6	71.0	73.4	68.8	71.2	250.9	247.2	247.8	246.1	72.0	71.6	71.5	71.0
Kansas	1,345.7	1,349.2	1,361.8	1,363.7	67.8	71.5	65.6	69.1	205.2	199.8	205.0	199.5	90.4	87.8	90.8	88.0
Kentucky	1,813.1	1,832.1	1,828.6	1,848.1	92.3	94.3	92.1	94.3	303.9	299.7	304.3	299.6	108.0	106.3	107.9	106.0
Louisiana	1,923.1	1,916.6	1,938.4	1,935.6	123.2	121.7	122.6	122.9	181.3	178.7	181.4	178.7	118.3	116.7	117.8	116.9
Maine	619.6	620.3	621.9	622.9	32.0	32.6	31.6	32.0	81.4	76.2	80.1	75.2	25.2	25.1	25.0	24.8
Maryland	2,459.0	2,429.4	2,485.7	2,470.6	168.7	164.9	166.4	167.3	178.0	171.7	177.4	171.1	117.4	113.5	116.3	113.2
Massachusetts	3,321.2	3,269.9	3,338.5	3,290.5	144.7	147.3	143.8	145.6	418.0	399.6	418.0	400.2	142.3	135.8	145.8	139.7
Michigan	4,556.2	4,516.9	4,597.9	4,570.5	216.2	216.3	212.4	211.5	926.2	911.7	921.8	910.6	182.5	180.3	182.6	179.6
Minnesota	2,673.2	2,647.8	2,674.5	2,653.4	139.5	136.6	134.6	131.9	422.0	409.6	416.9	405.8	133.9	125.0	135.4	126.0
Mississippi	1,135.8	1,131.1	1,137.2	1,133.9	53.6	54.7	53.7	55.2	211.3	207.8	211.5	207.6	56.7	55.5	56.8	55.5
Missouri	2,711.7	2,669.9	2,742.7	2,686.1	151.8	147.1	150.3	139.7	373.1	362.3	373.2	359.6	173.5	166.8	174.1	168.1
Montana	397.1	399.9	398.3	402.3	23.3	23.7	22.8	23.9	24.3	24.3	24.1	23.8	21.6	21.6	21.7	21.7
Nebraska	910.4	904.9	913.0	909.1	46.2	44.5	45.3	43.8	118.3	112.9	117.2	112.6	57.9	57.0	57.7	57.4
Nevada	1,059.6	1,072.6	1,064.7	1,079.9	98.8	95.9	92.7	95.4	46.6	46.4	46.3	46.3	57.8	57.6	57.6	57.5
New Hampshire	626.2	626.9	627.5	628.0	28.3	29.0	28.2	28.9	102.5	98.9	101.3	98.8	20.8	20.2	21.7	20.4
New Jersey	4,015.8	4,003.9	4,017.4	4,001.9	168.6	169.0	166.7	168.0	447.3	423.2	446.3	422.2	262.2	255.5	268.6	261.7
New Mexico	757.7	760.7	762.8	765.8	47.8	45.9	46.4	45.4	43.8	42.5	43.4	41.7	37.0	35.2	37.7	35.4
New York	8,614.0	8,534.7	8,623.3	8,551.4	355.4	362.4	352.4	358.8	840.7	794.8	839.9	797.6	430.6	414.5	439.7	424.1
North Carolina	3,877.8	3,874.3	3,906.7	3,905.6	230.0	225.1	230.1	223.1	721.9	701.3	720.9	702.9	183.8	179.1	182.3	177.9
North Dakota	327.6	327.4	333.5	332.5	18.1	18.4	17.5	17.2	25.4	25.1	25.9	25.2	19.0	18.9	19.0	18.9
Ohio	5,552.0	5,503.3	5,571.1	5,527.9	253.2	246.1	249.7	243.5	1,020.2	1,002.1	1,014.1	999.8	250.9	246.6	249.8	246.3
Oklahoma	1,503.9	1,512.2	1,518.9	1,526.8	65.3	66.8	64.7	68.0	178.2	175.6	178.3	174.7	85.3	83.0	84.9	82.9
Oregon	1,587.6	1,577.2	1,597.5	1,589.9	83.3	78.5	81.7	78.2	240.0	233.3	237.6	231.4	79.4	77.3	79.8	78.0
Pennsylvania	5,682.0	5,622.0	5,715.0	5,655.1	265.6	267.9	261.7	263.9	889.6	851.4	881.9	847.9	295.8	285.2	304.7	294.1
Rhode Island	479.1	481.8	483.0	485.6	19.8	19.1	19.7	19.0	68.7	67.4	69.2	67.5	16.7	16.3	17.4	17.1
South Carolina	1,829.0	1,827.4	1,842.3	1,846.5	112.4	112.6	112.6	111.8	329.5	314.1	326.5	313.1	96.1	96.1	95.7	95.8
South Dakota	384.6	382.1	380.8	378.1	21.3	21.0	20.2	19.4	45.9	43.3	45.0	43.2	17.2	16.6	17.3	16.6
Tennessee	2,709.0	2,703.4	2,722.0	2,714.9	124.4	122.2	123.1	120.8	476.0	466.0	475.1	464.4	180.5	174.3	180.4	174.4
Texas	9,497.1	9,400.9	9,512.7	9,446.5	572.6	565.4	565.9	561.8	1,050.9	1,005.3	1,041.6	1,001.7	598.2	574.3	596.0	574.2
Utah	1,078.4	1,059.4	1,087.9	1,070.7	76.2	69.2	74.9	68.6	126.8	120.5	126.0	120.4	60.8	57.9	60.8	57.9
Vermont	292.5	291.4	298.3	298.1	16.6	17.0	16.0	16.5	47.4	44.1	46.9	44.0	12.0	12.1	12.3	12.5
Virginia	3,516.6	3,486.7	3,531.7	3,501.4	221.3	211.2	218.7	210.9	368.5	357.8	365.7	357.7	188.9	178.6	187.6	178.3
Washington	2,695.8	2,642.0	2,702.3	2,651.6	164.6	155.7	162.8	154.5	342.0	311.5	339.7	308.4	147.2	138.0	146.4	138.7
West Virginia	737.6	730.3	736.8	728.6	36.2	35.0	37.0	34.5	76.6	73.6	76.0	73.4	37.0	36.7	36.9	36.1
Wisconsin	2,839.5	2,852.5	2,841.0	2,856.1	134.2	135.8	129.8	132.6	590.4	577.3	585.0	572.2	132.2	129.8	134.4	133.2
Wyoming	254.0	255.1	252.5	253.4	20.7	20.3	20.0	20.1	11.2	10.7	11.0	10.5	14.3	14.2	14.2	14.0
Puerto Rico	991.0	987.9	995.9	994.5	70.4	68.3	70.3	68.9	133.2	128.0	133.5	128.2	33.5	33.2	33.8	32.8

See footnotes at end of table.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

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

(In thousands)

State	Trade				Finance, insurance, and real estate				Services				Government			
	August		September		August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P	2001	2002	2001	2002 ^P
Alabama	440.0	435.2	439.7	433.8	93.0	92.4	92.4	92.2	485.1	483.8	485.8	483.9	340.7	340.7	353.5	354.8
Alaska	62.7	63.3	60.4	61.5	13.2	13.3	13.0	13.0	79.0	80.5	76.3	78.4	75.6	77.3	79.6	81.3
Arizona	523.5	527.7	527.9	527.1	150.9	148.6	150.7	148.3	708.5	706.2	707.2	707.0	358.9	369.0	385.6	393.8
Arkansas	268.3	267.2	266.6	266.6	46.4	47.2	46.1	47.0	283.2	282.2	282.9	283.1	182.4	184.9	196.4	198.3
California	3,339.5	3,371.4	3,348.3	3,376.6	850.5	846.6	847.8	844.3	4,699.1	4,685.0	4,701.4	4,690.5	2,286.8	2,339.8	2,361.2	2,414.6
Colorado	533.7	519.1	527.3	514.8	145.2	140.5	143.6	139.8	702.5	687.9	684.7	677.2	330.8	337.3	348.0	355.5
Connecticut	360.3	362.0	358.4	359.5	144.2	142.7	142.5	141.1	543.4	545.8	542.0	544.1	227.5	232.1	244.0	248.6
Delaware ²	93.4	93.9	91.3	92.0	52.5	51.3	51.6	50.6	123.0	123.7	123.0	123.7	55.2	53.6	55.7	54.6
District of Columbia	52.3	51.2	52.5	51.5	33.3	33.2	33.3	33.3	304.2	304.7	306.8	307.3	229.2	227.7	221.6	221.1
Florida	1,764.4	1,757.2	1,763.6	1,759.3	461.4	458.9	459.6	458.0	2,675.2	2,709.9	2,679.1	2,711.4	1,041.0	1,057.8	1,043.4	1,058.6
Georgia	964.3	938.8	961.6	937.8	208.2	205.4	207.2	204.9	1,156.6	1,137.3	1,147.6	1,138.3	589.0	593.3	602.1	606.7
Hawaii ²	137.2	132.8	136.1	132.3	32.9	33.2	32.8	33.0	187.4	185.6	187.2	185.7	109.8	111.8	112.6	113.6
Idaho	142.8	142.1	142.1	141.0	24.8	24.9	24.6	24.7	156.6	156.0	154.5	154.3	104.2	106.3	111.4	112.3
Illinois	1,360.4	1,345.2	1,350.5	1,335.3	407.0	404.3	403.9	401.0	1,885.8	1,859.0	1,875.3	1,847.2	805.4	807.1	835.8	830.9
Indiana	699.8	683.0	696.6	683.2	141.4	140.6	139.9	139.7	750.5	752.5	761.3	756.5	378.8	390.2	420.3	423.7
Iowa	356.2	352.1	351.8	348.7	89.6	91.5	88.9	90.9	392.2	389.3	395.2	394.0	225.2	225.5	245.0	245.5
Kansas	318.4	314.7	316.7	313.9	66.4	66.9	66.2	65.8	363.0	370.0	362.1	370.7	227.1	231.2	248.1	249.4
Kentucky	424.7	430.4	425.0	431.0	76.0	76.3	76.0	76.3	488.8	501.6	490.3	502.8	298.9	303.4	312.4	317.8
Louisiana	451.2	452.9	451.4	452.5	87.0	86.3	86.7	86.2	544.0	544.9	546.5	547.1	364.0	363.2	378.0	379.0
Maine	161.5	163.1	156.5	158.0	34.3	34.5	33.8	33.9	196.3	198.4	191.3	193.7	88.7	90.3	103.4	105.2
Maryland	562.1	553.2	556.2	548.3	144.5	142.5	143.4	141.7	881.3	870.3	872.0	864.2	405.4	411.6	452.4	463.1
Massachusetts	751.8	735.5	742.9	725.8	235.3	235.3	232.4	233.0	1,231.3	1,223.4	1,223.6	1,216.8	396.2	391.4	430.4	427.8
Michigan	1,077.1	1,055.5	1,071.4	1,048.2	212.5	213.8	210.2	212.0	1,316.7	1,306.3	1,306.3	1,304.1	617.0	624.8	685.1	696.4
Minnesota	640.4	631.4	632.2	627.1	168.3	167.6	165.9	166.9	796.4	800.7	789.9	797.5	366.4	370.9	393.5	392.4
Mississippi	253.7	250.8	252.3	250.2	43.7	42.0	43.3	41.5	272.4	274.4	271.9	273.4	238.6	240.5	241.9	245.1
Missouri	645.8	635.1	648.6	638.0	173.1	169.1	171.1	167.1	791.8	791.9	792.8	783.8	397.6	391.7	427.6	424.1
Montana	106.1	105.4	103.8	104.3	18.2	18.7	18.0	18.5	120.1	122.2	117.8	120.0	77.7	78.3	84.3	84.7
Nebraska	213.4	215.7	212.9	215.0	62.7	63.5	62.3	62.6	260.8	259.4	261.0	260.9	149.8	150.6	155.3	155.6
Nevada	222.8	227.9	223.4	228.3	50.3	52.0	50.3	52.1	458.9	461.4	455.7	461.0	119.3	122.4	128.8	130.3
New Hampshire	169.0	169.0	165.1	164.9	34.1	34.5	33.7	34.1	196.9	198.3	193.0	194.4	74.1	76.4	84.0	85.9
New Jersey	933.8	936.0	925.5	929.3	271.8	277.0	270.4	275.1	1,361.2	1,368.7	1,349.3	1,355.2	569.2	572.8	588.9	588.7
New Mexico	175.6	175.7	173.5	175.1	32.7	33.2	32.5	32.8	224.5	227.3	224.7	227.5	180.0	186.3	188.6	193.2
New York	1,741.0	1,728.0	1,741.3	1,725.3	754.9	723.5	746.1	716.6	3,064.8	3,063.9	3,061.9	3,071.3	1,421.6	1,442.1	1,437.0	1,452.2
North Carolina	895.5	890.7	889.0	889.6	191.3	190.1	190.5	188.3	1,056.7	1,072.9	1,060.8	1,073.6	594.5	611.1	629.1	646.2
North Dakota	81.9	81.7	80.9	81.0	17.3	17.2	17.2	17.2	94.6	94.6	94.2	93.9	67.3	67.8	74.9	75.4
Ohio	1,334.8	1,322.4	1,326.4	1,314.5	316.6	314.9	314.1	312.0	1,618.1	1,611.5	1,615.3	1,606.0	745.2	747.4	788.7	793.5
Oklahoma	344.3	345.8	343.6	344.9	75.3	76.7	74.7	76.0	443.0	445.8	444.3	447.4	280.4	285.4	296.9	300.4
Oregon	395.5	394.1	393.2	393.5	96.3	96.5	96.0	96.6	444.3	447.2	448.3	451.8	246.9	248.5	259.0	258.6
Pennsylvania	1,277.2	1,262.3	1,266.7	1,249.3	331.6	330.0	328.0	326.7	1,924.3	1,929.0	1,924.4	1,928.4	678.4	676.8	728.2	725.4
Rhode Island	110.3	111.2	108.9	109.5	32.6	33.9	32.5	33.8	170.1	172.9	171.3	173.9	60.6	60.8	63.8	64.6
South Carolina	435.5	441.0	434.3	439.8	85.4	86.2	85.0	85.9	463.0	470.3	468.6	478.9	305.5	305.5	318.1	319.7
South Dakota	96.2	96.0	93.6	93.2	28.2	28.5	28.1	28.2	105.3	106.1	102.4	103.1	69.3	69.7	73.0	73.5
Tennessee	637.7	634.7	639.7	636.0	133.4	132.6	132.9	132.1	761.5	777.6	766.8	780.8	391.4	392.2	399.9	402.6
Texas	2,280.6	2,247.9	2,261.9	2,237.9	537.9	532.3	535.6	530.7	2,770.9	2,760.3	2,751.4	2,753.9	1,520.7	1,556.4	1,596.1	1,629.9
Utah	251.6	247.7	249.9	246.2	60.6	59.8	60.4	59.2	317.2	317.0	316.7	317.0	177.2	180.0	191.4	194.2
Vermont	68.7	68.6	67.5	67.9	12.8	13.2	12.7	13.0	92.5	93.6	91.1	92.3	41.8	42.1	51.1	51.2
Virginia	771.3	766.1	766.1	760.9	195.8	195.1	193.3	193.6	1,161.4	1,163.4	1,163.8	1,166.8	599.1	604.6	626.2	623.3
Washington	641.2	631.2	636.2	629.6	143.0	144.1	143.5	143.9	779.2	774.4	776.5	775.1	475.0	483.9	493.7	498.2
West Virginia	162.1	159.9	161.4	159.2	29.6	29.7	29.4	29.7	234.3	236.2	233.7	235.8	138.6	137.9	139.1	138.8
Wisconsin	651.9	653.3	643.9	645.9	151.9	154.7	150.8	153.6	791.8	813.3	782.3	809.4	383.9	385.0	411.7	406.1
Wyoming	57.9	58.1	56.4	56.6	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	63.1	64.3	60.1	60.6	57.8	58.7	61.9	63.1
Puerto Rico	219.9	212.5	219.3	212.1	47.6	47.1	47.6	46.9	216.6	218.6	218.6	222.6	268.4	278.9	271.4	281.7

¹ Includes mining, not shown separately.

² Mining is combined with construction.

^P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from March 2001 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmark month are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted September 2002

(U.S. rate = 5.6 percent)

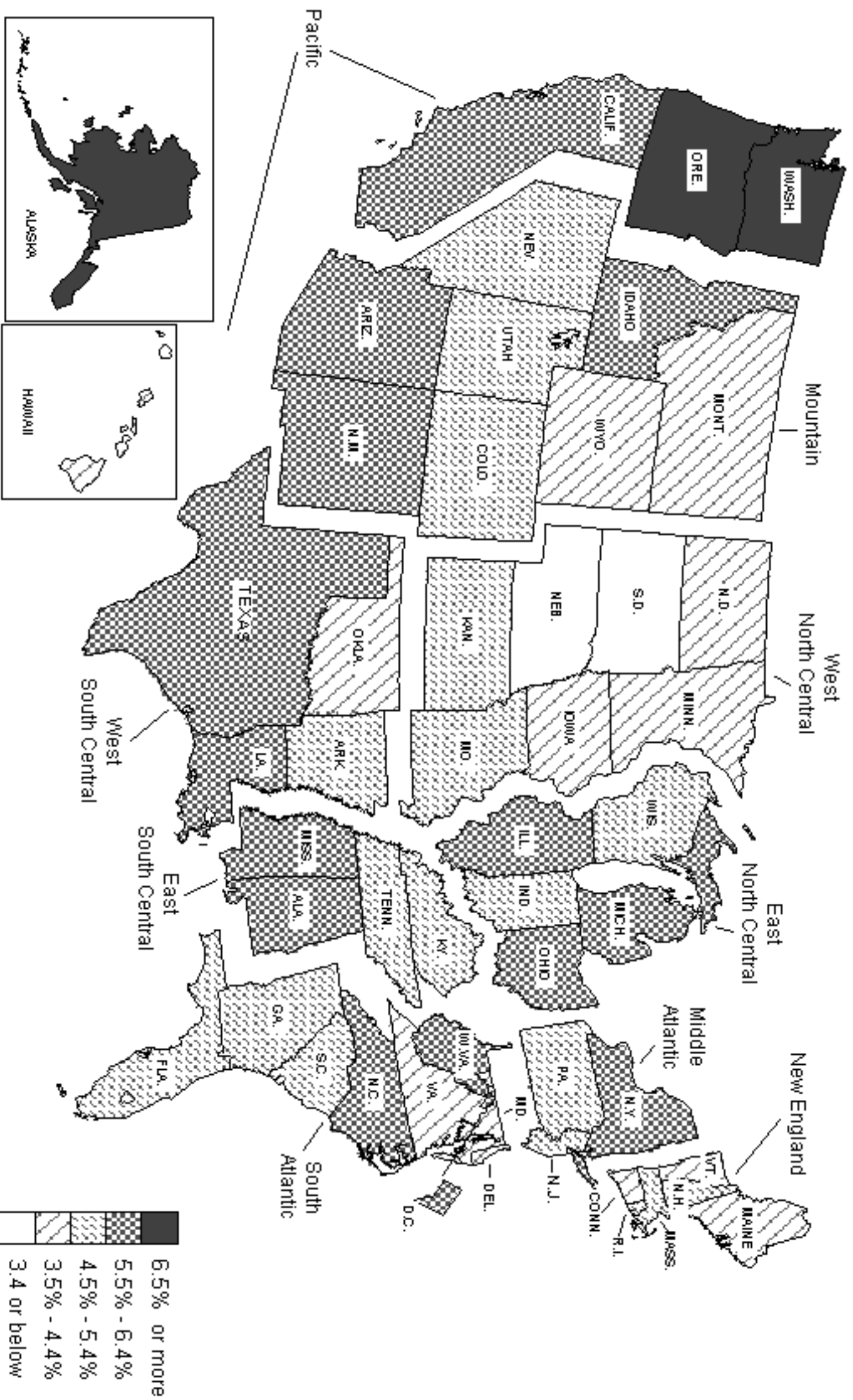


Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, September 2001 – September 2002

