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Regional and state unemployment rates were generally stable in October. Overall, 30 states and the District of Columbia registered over-the-month unemployment rate decreases, 9 states recorded increases, and 11 states had no change, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Over the year, jobless rates declined in 31 states and the District of Columbia, rose in 14 states, and were unchanged in 5 states. The national unemployment rate was essentially unchanged in October at 5.0 percent, but was down from 5.5 percent a year earlier.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 29 states and the District of Columbia over the month, decreased in 20 states, and was unchanged in New Hampshire. Washington experienced the largest employment gain (+24,200), followed by Georgia (+17,800), Virginia (+16,300), and Texas (+14,700). Washington posted the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+0.9 percent), followed by Nevada (+0.7 percent), Mississippi (+0.6 percent), and Georgia (+0.5 percent). The largest employment decreases were reported in Michigan (-14,100), Indiana (-13,800), New York (-8,900), Massachusetts (-7,100), Ohio (-6,500), and Nebraska (-5,400). The largest over-the-month percentage losses in employment were reported in Nebraska and North Dakota (-0.6 percent each) and in Alaska, Indiana, and South Dakota (-0.5 percent each).

Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma

In October, BLS and its state partners again made modifications to the usual estimation procedures for both the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program and the Current Employment Statistics (CES) survey to reflect the impact on the unemployment and employment statistics in Katrina-affected areas.

For the October LAUS estimates, these modifications included: (1) allowing the state labor force estimates for Louisiana and Mississippi to reflect the effects of Katrina by overriding the built-in feature of the methodology that smoothes over large shifts in key inputs—unemployment insurance claims and nonfarm wage and salary employment; (2) modifying the population controls to account for displacement due to Katrina; (3) developing labor force estimates for the New Orleans metropolitan area using an alternative to the model-based method; and (4) not publishing labor force estimates for the parishes within the New Orleans

metropolitan area or cities within those parishes where the quality of input data was severely compromised by the hurricane.

For the October CES estimates, the changes included: (1) modification of procedures to impute employment counts for survey nonrespondents in the most heavily impacted areas; (2) adjustments to sample weights for sample units in the more broadly defined disaster area to compensate for lower-than-average survey response rates; and (3) modification of the adjustment procedure for the business net birth/death estimator to reflect likely changes in business birth/death patterns in the disaster areas.

Hurricane Rita made landfall on the Gulf Coast near the Louisiana and Texas border in late September. For October, the number of responses to the CES survey was only slightly below normal in the areas affected only by Rita. Therefore, no special estimation procedures were used for those areas. No modifications were made to the LAUS estimation procedures as a result of Rita.

Hurricane Wilma struck Florida after the October survey reference periods, but during the survey collection periods. As with Hurricane Rita, the impact on data collection for the CES survey was minimal, and no special estimation procedures were used for the affected areas. Because the reference periods for both programs occurred before Hurricane Wilma struck, any impact of this storm would not be reflected in October's employment and unemployment estimates.

CES estimates for metropolitan areas are always made available to the public at <http://www.bls.gov> on the day of issue of the Regional and State Employment and Unemployment news release. CES estimates for metropolitan areas normally do not appear in print until about one or two weeks later with the release of the Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release. However, due to intense interest in estimates for areas affected by Hurricane Katrina, CES data for several metropolitan areas in Gulf Coast states are included in this release. (See table E.)

For more information on LAUS and CES procedures and estimates for October 2005, see *Hurricane Information: Katrina and Rita* on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/katrina/home.htm> or call (202) 691-6392 for information about the LAUS program, and (202) 691-6559 for information about the CES survey.

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The Northeast again recorded the lowest regional unemployment rate, 4.7 percent in October. The Midwest and South posted the highest jobless rates, 5.2 percent each, closely followed by the West, at 5.1 percent. No region reported a statistically significant rate change from September. Over the year, unemployment rates declined significantly in the West (-0.6 percentage point), Midwest (-0.5 point), and Northeast (-0.3 point). (See table 1.)

In October, the West North Central and South Atlantic divisions again recorded the lowest unemployment rates of the nine geographic divisions, 4.4 and 4.5 percent, respectively. The next lowest division rates were registered in the Middle Atlantic, 4.6 percent, Mountain, 4.7 percent, and New England, 4.8 percent. The highest division jobless rates were reported in the East South Central, 6.0 percent, and West South Central, 5.8 percent, both of which were hit hard by Hurricane Katrina. No division registered a statistically significant rate change from September. The Pacific division posted the largest unemployment rate decline from October 2004 (-0.7 percentage point). Four other divisions also had significant over-the-year rate decreases —the Middle Atlantic (-0.6 percentage point), East North Central and West North Central

(-0.5 point each), and the South Atlantic (-0.3 point). New England recorded the only significant jobless rate increase over the year (+0.3 percentage point).

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Hawaii continued to report the lowest state unemployment rate, 2.7 percent in October. The next lowest jobless rates were recorded in Florida and Virginia, both 3.4 percent. Six additional states had rates below 4.0 percent. Louisiana and Mississippi again registered the highest unemployment rates, 11.3 and 9.6 percent, respectively, largely due to the impact of Hurricane Katrina. The next highest rates were reported in Alaska and South Carolina, 6.9 percent each. Florida and Montana posted the lowest jobless rates in their series, 3.4 and 4.3 percent, respectively. (All state series begin in 1976.) Overall, 15 states had unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate, 9 states and the District of Columbia reported appreciably higher rates, and 26 states had rates that were statistically little different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

In October, statistically significant over-the-month jobless rate declines were reported in New Jersey (-0.5 percentage point), New York (-0.4 point), and Nebraska and Pennsylvania (-0.3 point each). Two states in the East South Central division registered the largest rate increases over the month—Tennessee (+0.5 percentage point) and Alabama (+0.4 point)—both of which were statistically significant. Forty-four states and the District of Columbia reported October unemployment rates that were not appreciably different from those of September.

Florida recorded the largest unemployment rate decrease among the states between October 2004 and October 2005 (-1.4 percentage points), followed by Oregon (-1.3 points), Michigan (-1.1 points), and Alabama and Pennsylvania (-1.0 point each). The District of Columbia's rate dropped by 2.5 percentage points over the year. Sixteen additional states also had significant rate decreases from a year earlier. Louisiana and Mississippi again posted the largest over-the-year jobless rate increases (+5.5 and +2.7 percentage points, respectively). Eight other states also reported significant rate increases. The remaining 19 states had jobless rates in October that were little different from those of a year earlier. (See table B.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Between September and October, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in nine states. Five states—Washington (+24,200), Georgia (+17,800), Virginia (+16,300), Nevada (+8,700), and Mississippi (+6,700)—registered gains in employment, while four had declines—Michigan (-14,100), Indiana (-13,800), Nebraska (-5,400), and North Dakota (-2,000). (See tables C and 5.)

Over the year, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in 29 states and the District of Columbia. All had gains in employment except for Louisiana (-219,900), Michigan (-49,800), and Mississippi (-37,100). The decreases in Louisiana and Mississippi reflect the impact of Hurricane Katrina, which struck the Gulf Coast in late August. The largest gains were reported in Florida (+253,200), California (+188,000), Texas (+131,300), and Arizona (+101,300). Three states and the District of Columbia experienced statistically significant employment gains that were less than 15,000: Nebraska (+11,000), the District of Columbia (+10,700), Wyoming (+7,600), and Alaska (+5,900). (See table D.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment for Selected Metropolitan Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Thirteen metropolitan statistical areas in Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi contained one or more counties or parishes designated by FEMA as disaster counties after Hurricane Katrina. (Because monthly data for metropolitan areas are not adjusted for seasonal variations, the changes in employment are presented on an over-the-year basis.) Eight of these areas reported over-the-year declines in employment,

with the largest decreases occurring in New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner, La. (-208,700), Gulfport-Biloxi, Miss. (-27,100), and Lake Charles, La. (-10,000). The figure for Lake Charles, La., also reflects the impact of Hurricane Rita, which struck the area in late September. (See table E.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for October is scheduled to be issued on November 30. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for November is scheduled to be issued on December 16.

Use of Error Measures in the Regional and State News Release

With the release of data for January 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. These error measures allow data users and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to consider statistical significance when analyzing and describing the LAUS data. Error measures for the nonfarm payroll employment data had been available prior to January 2005, although they were not used in the analysis of those data in this release.

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.

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., October 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	October 2005 ^p
United States	5.0
Alaska	6.9
District of Columbia	6.1
Delaware	4.2
Florida	3.4
Hawaii	2.7
Idaho	3.6
Kentucky	6.0
Louisiana	11.3
Maryland	4.1
Michigan	6.1
Minnesota	3.7
Mississippi.....	9.6
Nebraska	3.7
Nevada	4.1
New Hampshire	3.9
New Jersey	3.9
North Dakota.....	3.5
Ohio	5.9
Oregon.....	6.0
South Carolina	6.9
South Dakota	4.0
Vermont	4.0
Virginia	3.4
Washington	5.6
Wyoming.....	4.1

p = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from October 2004 to October 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	October 2004	October 2005 ^p	Over-the-year rate change ^p
Alabama	5.5	4.5	-1.0
Alaska	7.5	6.9	-.6
Arkansas	5.6	4.9	-.7
California	6.0	5.2	-.8
Colorado	5.4	4.9	-.5
Connecticut	4.7	5.3	.6
District of Columbia	8.6	6.1	-2.5
Florida	4.8	3.4	-1.4
Georgia	4.8	5.5	.7
Hawaii	3.1	2.7	-.4
Idaho	4.5	3.6	-.9
Illinois	6.1	5.5	-.6
Iowa	5.0	4.5	-.5
Kansas	5.4	5.0	-.4
Kentucky	4.8	6.0	1.2
Louisiana	5.8	11.3	5.5
Maine	4.7	5.2	.5
Michigan	7.2	6.1	-1.1
Minnesota	4.5	3.7	-.8
Mississippi	6.9	9.6	2.7
Missouri	5.8	5.0	-.8
New Hampshire	3.5	3.9	.4
New Jersey	4.5	3.9	-.6
New York	5.5	4.9	-.6
Oregon	7.3	6.0	-1.3
Pennsylvania	5.6	4.6	-1.0
Rhode Island	4.9	5.4	.5
South Dakota	3.5	4.0	.5
Texas	6.0	5.2	-.8
Utah	5.1	4.5	-.6
Vermont	3.4	4.0	.6
Washington	6.0	5.6	-.4

p = preliminary.

Table C. States with statistically significant employment changes from September 2005 to October 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	September 2005	October 2005 ^p	Over-the-month change ^p
Georgia	3,930,000	3,947,800	17,800
Indiana	2,970,700	2,956,900	-13,800
Michigan	4,362,500	4,348,400	-14,100
Mississippi.....	1,084,400	1,091,100	6,700
Nebraska	940,500	935,100	-5,400
Nevada	1,238,200	1,246,900	8,700
North Dakota	345,400	343,400	-2,000
Virginia	3,645,000	3,661,300	16,300
Washington	2,765,200	2,789,400	24,200

p = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from October 2004 to October 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	October 2004	October 2005 ^p	Over-the-year change ^p
Alaska	303,700	309,600	5,900
Arizona	2,401,000	2,502,300	101,300
California	14,633,600	14,821,600	188,000
Colorado	2,192,800	2,234,400	41,600
District of Columbia	672,500	683,200	10,700
Florida	7,560,500	7,813,700	253,200
Hawaii	589,100	604,800	15,700
Idaho	590,400	612,800	22,400
Illinois	5,806,200	5,870,600	64,400
Iowa	1,462,700	1,482,800	20,100
Kansas	1,330,100	1,356,600	26,500
Louisiana	1,919,300	1,699,400	-219,900
Maryland	2,529,200	2,581,000	51,800
Michigan	4,398,200	4,348,400	-49,800
Minnesota	2,690,800	2,727,800	37,000
Mississippi.....	1,128,200	1,091,100	-37,100
Nebraska	924,100	935,100	11,000
Nevada	1,176,100	1,246,900	70,800
New Jersey	4,017,800	4,059,800	42,000
New Mexico	795,100	811,700	16,600
New York	8,477,900	8,541,800	63,900
North Carolina	3,842,600	3,888,400	45,800
Oklahoma	1,476,400	1,503,100	26,700
Oregon.....	1,610,600	1,659,600	49,000
Pennsylvania	5,661,000	5,724,800	63,800
Texas	9,513,600	9,644,900	131,300
Utah	1,110,700	1,153,300	42,600
Virginia	3,616,400	3,661,300	44,900
Washington	2,710,300	2,789,400	79,100
Wyoming.....	255,900	263,500	7,600

p = preliminary.

Table E. Employment in states and metropolitan areas affected by Hurricane Katrina, not seasonally adjusted ¹
(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	September		October		Change from October 2004 to October 2005 ^P	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	Number	Percent
Alabama	1,908.8	1,934.9	1,919.3	1,939.6	20.3	1.1
Mobile.....	169.8	175.5	174.1	176.7	2.6	1.5
Louisiana	1,916.4	1,697.6	1,930.2	1,710.9	-219.3	-11.4
Alexandria.....	60.3	59.3	60.6	60.5	-.1	-.2
Baton Rouge.....	343.4	343.5	347.0	345.2	-1.8	-.5
Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux...	82.0	83.3	80.3	81.7	1.4	1.7
Lafayette.....	132.8	134.2	134.7	135.3	.6	.4
Lake Charles.....	86.8	90.5	88.4	78.4	-10.0	-11.3
Monroe.....	79.6	79.2	79.5	79.9	.4	.5
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner.....	610.4	398.3	617.6	408.9	-208.7	-33.8
Shreveport-Bossier City.....	170.0	170.8	171.4	172.1	.7	.4
Mississippi	1,132.1	1,086.7	1,133.5	1,096.5	-37.0	-3.3
Gulfport-Biloxi.....	114.3	88.2	113.0	85.9	-27.1	-24.0
Hattiesburg.....	55.4	52.6	55.5	54.7	-.8	-1.4
Jackson.....	258.0	254.7	259.4	255.0	-4.4	-1.7
Pascagoula.....	54.0	48.2	54.0	49.9	-4.1	-7.6

¹ Metropolitan areas containing one or more counties designated by FEMA as disaster counties.
p = preliminary.

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 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 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. 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 February 18, 2004. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Web at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/laumsa.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 which includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2002 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

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

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. 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.

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 slightly more than +/- 0.3 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. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005
Northeast	27,589.8	27,660.4	27,890.6	27,895.4	1,384.1	1,290.4	1,374.8	1,306.9	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.7
New England	7,505.3	7,555.1	7,594.1	7,589.9	337.3	344.4	371.4	366.7	4.5	4.6	4.9	4.8
Middle Atlantic	20,084.6	20,105.3	20,296.5	20,305.5	1,046.8	946.1	1,003.4	940.3	5.2	4.7	4.9	4.6
South	51,959.1	52,865.1	52,920.1	53,029.6	2,720.6	2,526.2	2,749.3	2,731.2	5.2	4.8	5.2	5.2
South Atlantic	27,417.0	28,051.2	28,162.2	28,257.4	1,317.8	1,255.4	1,293.8	1,270.0	4.8	4.5	4.6	4.5
East South Central	8,368.3	8,375.2	8,389.1	8,422.4	468.2	434.3	482.2	505.5	5.6	5.2	5.7	6.0
West South Central	16,173.7	16,438.8	16,368.8	16,349.8	934.7	836.4	973.3	955.7	5.8	5.1	5.9	5.8
Midwest	34,509.9	34,532.2	34,695.3	34,644.2	1,977.0	1,834.7	1,861.5	1,802.3	5.7	5.3	5.4	5.2
East North Central	23,658.6	23,718.0	23,856.2	23,789.3	1,444.1	1,375.8	1,383.1	1,325.1	6.1	5.8	5.8	5.6
West North Central	10,851.3	10,814.2	10,839.1	10,854.9	533.0	458.8	478.5	477.1	4.9	4.2	4.4	4.4
West	33,778.1	34,336.1	34,382.7	34,475.8	1,912.4	1,750.7	1,777.2	1,751.2	5.7	5.1	5.2	5.1
Mountain	10,115.0	10,283.7	10,313.8	10,329.6	494.4	472.7	499.8	481.1	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.7
Pacific	23,663.1	24,052.4	24,068.9	24,146.2	1,418.0	1,278.0	1,277.4	1,270.1	6.0	5.3	5.3	5.3

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.

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	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
Northeast	27,419.2	27,782.4	27,543.2	27,846.6	1,321.3	1,309.9	1,286.2	1,204.1	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.3
New England	7,469.4	7,565.0	7,494.7	7,578.0	323.8	355.4	304.3	332.5	4.3	4.7	4.1	4.4
Middle Atlantic	19,949.7	20,217.3	20,048.5	20,268.6	997.5	954.5	981.9	871.6	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.3
South	51,726.5	52,901.9	52,018.2	53,087.3	2,585.4	2,689.7	2,616.0	2,627.4	5.0	5.1	5.0	4.9
South Atlantic	27,269.7	28,143.2	27,428.2	28,268.9	1,257.5	1,270.2	1,274.7	1,225.7	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.3
East South Central	8,342.3	8,384.4	8,385.7	8,442.7	435.5	463.0	450.2	489.9	5.2	5.5	5.4	5.8
West South Central	16,114.4	16,374.3	16,204.3	16,375.7	892.5	956.4	891.2	911.8	5.5	5.8	5.5	5.6
Midwest	34,357.5	34,633.9	34,540.7	34,666.8	1,823.5	1,736.6	1,800.0	1,617.7	5.3	5.0	5.2	4.7
East North Central	23,543.5	23,822.1	23,684.5	23,809.4	1,313.8	1,285.3	1,320.8	1,196.1	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.0
West North Central	10,814.0	10,811.8	10,856.2	10,857.4	509.7	451.3	479.2	421.6	4.7	4.2	4.4	3.9
West	33,680.5	34,386.9	33,876.4	34,574.5	1,813.6	1,678.4	1,827.8	1,668.1	5.4	4.9	5.4	4.8
Mountain	10,104.3	10,337.8	10,151.2	10,362.5	479.7	485.4	473.4	458.5	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.4
Pacific	23,576.2	24,049.1	23,725.2	24,212.0	1,333.9	1,193.0	1,354.4	1,209.6	5.7	5.0	5.7	5.0

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the Census division model-based estimates. The composition of the regions and

divisions is described in table 1.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence.

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			
	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P
Alabama	2,155.3	2,145.1	2,172.3	2,182.4	118.7	81.6	88.6	98.4	5.5	3.8	4.1	4.5
Alaska	333.6	341.2	344.4	344.9	25.1	22.3	23.5	23.8	7.5	6.5	6.8	6.9
Arizona	2,793.8	2,837.6	2,847.6	2,853.4	132.2	129.6	143.5	139.1	4.7	4.6	5.0	4.9
Arkansas	1,316.2	1,354.1	1,358.6	1,367.5	74.1	68.3	69.2	66.6	5.6	5.0	5.1	4.9
California	17,835.8	17,891.4	17,903.9	17,971.6	1,061.2	933.2	920.5	935.8	6.0	5.2	5.1	5.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,829.5	4,873.7	4,860.6	4,894.5	310.7	231.1	218.0	220.0	6.4	4.7	4.5	4.5
Colorado	2,538.1	2,532.3	2,542.5	2,539.1	137.7	127.2	133.3	125.7	5.4	5.0	5.2	4.9
Connecticut	1,794.9	1,813.7	1,822.1	1,821.2	83.8	97.4	96.5	97.0	4.7	5.4	5.3	5.3
Delaware	423.6	435.4	439.0	440.9	17.5	17.4	18.1	18.5	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.2
District of Columbia	300.3	299.7	299.6	295.9	25.9	19.1	18.5	18.0	8.6	6.4	6.2	6.1
Florida	8,457.1	8,702.7	8,729.1	8,758.1	403.3	312.1	309.2	297.5	4.8	3.6	3.5	3.4
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,111.6	1,141.2	1,147.0	1,143.2	59.6	49.9	48.7	45.4	5.4	4.4	4.2	4.0
Georgia	4,413.8	4,514.6	4,550.6	4,561.7	211.2	230.0	250.0	249.4	4.8	5.1	5.5	5.5
Hawaii	617.6	636.3	643.8	647.9	19.1	16.7	17.6	17.7	3.1	2.6	2.7	2.7
Idaho	706.1	735.9	734.7	737.4	32.0	27.7	26.4	26.7	4.5	3.8	3.6	3.6
Illinois	6,415.6	6,471.7	6,508.7	6,493.4	391.9	372.1	379.3	356.4	6.1	5.7	5.8	5.5
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	3,988.0	3,990.7	3,997.4	3,973.8	239.2	241.3	251.2	225.8	6.0	6.0	6.3	5.7
Indiana	3,173.8	3,196.4	3,224.9	3,216.5	166.0	171.2	172.8	174.8	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.4
Iowa	1,625.2	1,645.8	1,651.5	1,651.8	80.6	70.5	75.4	74.4	5.0	4.3	4.6	4.5
Kansas	1,467.4	1,460.9	1,466.3	1,468.6	79.0	74.1	74.8	73.8	5.4	5.1	5.1	5.0
Kentucky	1,968.4	1,991.5	2,012.5	2,022.8	95.4	106.7	115.2	121.6	4.8	5.4	5.7	6.0
Louisiana	2,068.7	2,121.6	2,006.0	1,953.1	119.0	122.5	228.4	220.0	5.8	5.8	11.4	11.3
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	613.6	637.8	(3)	(3)	26.9	34.9	(3)	(3)	4.4	5.5	(3)	(3)
Maine	702.3	712.4	717.2	719.3	32.9	35.6	39.0	37.4	4.7	5.0	5.4	5.2
Maryland	2,884.8	2,950.9	2,949.3	2,967.3	121.4	129.8	122.0	120.9	4.2	4.4	4.1	4.1
Massachusetts	3,388.1	3,365.3	3,381.3	3,378.5	163.8	142.5	161.1	161.1	4.8	4.2	4.8	4.8
Michigan	5,094.6	5,106.1	5,126.9	5,101.1	364.4	344.5	332.9	309.3	7.2	6.7	6.5	6.1
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,210.5	2,220.6	2,223.5	2,196.5	164.4	160.0	147.7	135.0	7.4	7.2	6.6	6.1
Minnesota	2,960.6	2,943.2	2,939.8	2,935.7	133.5	109.1	114.3	107.7	4.5	3.7	3.9	3.7
Mississippi	1,339.3	1,347.8	1,307.2	1,298.6	91.9	92.9	134.2	125.1	6.9	6.9	10.3	9.6
Missouri	3,036.5	3,007.3	3,019.5	3,030.0	177.2	138.0	147.4	152.6	5.8	4.6	4.9	5.0
Montana	485.5	492.3	493.7	493.7	21.3	22.0	22.3	21.5	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.3
Nebraska	987.7	978.7	985.4	982.9	37.3	38.4	39.1	35.9	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.7
Nevada	1,186.2	1,221.7	1,227.9	1,233.6	48.7	49.9	52.1	50.7	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.1
New Hampshire	724.2	740.6	741.8	741.1	25.0	26.1	28.9	29.1	3.5	3.5	3.9	3.9
New Jersey	4,392.3	4,441.8	4,484.5	4,500.3	197.5	186.7	197.2	176.4	4.5	4.2	4.4	3.9
New Mexico	916.9	938.1	940.2	941.3	51.3	49.7	52.2	50.4	5.6	5.3	5.6	5.4
New York	9,368.5	9,361.6	9,492.7	9,476.6	511.8	443.0	502.7	460.4	5.5	4.7	5.3	4.9
New York City	3,716.7	3,699.5	3,766.6	3,758.0	240.3	189.5	229.3	213.3	6.5	5.1	6.1	5.7
North Carolina	4,260.8	4,339.6	4,346.6	4,362.9	228.6	242.6	240.0	233.3	5.4	5.6	5.5	5.3
North Dakota	355.8	354.2	355.5	357.5	12.5	11.9	12.9	12.4	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.5
Ohio	5,892.9	5,913.8	5,940.7	5,925.0	364.8	351.3	353.4	346.7	6.2	5.9	5.9	5.9
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,091.7	1,077.5	1,082.7	1,079.5	64.0	61.6	62.5	64.6	5.9	5.7	5.8	6.0
Oklahoma	1,713.0	1,736.8	1,738.1	1,735.9	80.5	76.0	76.8	74.4	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.3
Oregon	1,861.7	1,866.1	1,865.8	1,873.5	135.5	123.9	115.6	111.5	7.3	6.6	6.2	6.0
Pennsylvania	6,308.8	6,290.3	6,341.2	6,313.1	354.4	313.4	312.3	293.0	5.6	5.0	4.9	4.6
Rhode Island	561.8	573.6	579.3	576.7	27.6	29.5	33.2	31.3	4.9	5.1	5.7	5.4
South Carolina	2,057.2	2,071.6	2,087.7	2,100.7	142.7	129.2	137.8	145.1	6.9	6.2	6.6	6.9
South Dakota	429.3	429.5	429.8	430.2	15.2	16.4	17.1	17.1	3.5	3.8	4.0	4.0
Tennessee	2,899.8	2,891.0	2,898.3	2,920.5	154.9	153.4	147.1	162.2	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.6
Texas	11,073.0	11,222.2	11,276.7	11,294.3	660.4	569.4	592.4	590.8	6.0	5.1	5.3	5.2
Utah	1,207.7	1,242.8	1,242.4	1,244.1	62.0	55.0	58.4	55.8	5.1	4.4	4.7	4.5
Vermont	353.4	352.4	355.6	357.2	12.1	12.2	13.2	14.2	3.4	3.5	3.7	4.0
Virginia	3,831.4	3,932.1	3,952.8	3,960.8	138.1	144.6	142.1	135.9	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.4
Washington	3,250.8	3,309.8	3,314.0	3,333.3	195.8	190.5	189.3	187.9	6.0	5.8	5.7	5.6
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,336.1	1,368.0	1,368.2	1,380.4	67.4	65.1	65.2	67.1	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.9
West Virginia	787.4	796.7	801.9	803.3	41.0	43.7	45.4	41.5	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.2
Wisconsin	3,068.5	3,028.0	3,047.3	3,046.2	143.8	138.8	142.2	137.8	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.5
Wyoming	284.4	285.2	286.2	287.2	12.1	11.4	11.9	11.8	4.2	4.0	4.1	4.1
Puerto Rico	1,385.7	1,431.0	1,453.5	1,430.5	141.9	151.5	155.1	180.7	10.2	10.6	10.7	12.6

P = preliminary.

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

³ Estimates are not model-based as of September 2005.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey.

Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 04-03, dated February 18, 2004, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm> and in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*. Estimates for the latest month are revised the following month, and at least 3 years of estimates are subject to revision at the end of the year, to incorporate updated inputs and reestimation.

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	
	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P
Alabama	2,148.4	2,169.4	2,165.1	2,192.6	117.5	87.4	119.3	98.6	5.5	4.0	5.5	4.5
Alaska	332.4	344.5	331.5	342.8	21.5	20.8	22.4	21.3	6.5	6.0	6.8	6.2
Arizona	2,788.2	2,854.3	2,800.1	2,860.2	138.6	150.4	133.4	140.6	5.0	5.3	4.8	4.9
Arkansas	1,314.3	1,361.0	1,312.6	1,364.9	66.2	63.3	64.0	57.6	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.2
California	17,553.4	17,894.8	17,661.2	18,006.9	998.0	877.4	1,012.9	900.2	5.7	4.9	5.7	5.0
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,813.8	4,871.0	4,846.1	4,913.0	305.2	221.0	304.5	216.1	6.3	4.5	6.3	4.4
Colorado	2,544.3	2,557.4	2,551.7	2,552.7	130.2	127.6	130.0	117.9	5.1	5.0	5.1	4.6
Connecticut	1,778.6	1,810.7	1,787.6	1,817.3	77.8	90.6	73.6	87.2	4.4	5.0	4.1	4.8
Delaware	417.7	435.1	422.6	440.1	16.2	17.8	16.0	17.4	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.0
District of Columbia	297.0	297.5	299.8	294.4	24.0	17.2	25.5	17.1	8.1	5.8	8.5	5.8
Florida	8,432.7	8,757.1	8,474.1	8,776.4	406.3	329.8	400.7	302.0	4.8	3.8	4.7	3.4
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,103.3	1,143.7	1,121.9	1,150.5	61.1	50.6	65.6	48.0	5.5	4.4	5.9	4.2
Georgia	4,382.7	4,543.1	4,413.4	4,560.4	200.8	251.8	202.9	243.8	4.6	5.5	4.6	5.3
Hawaii	610.9	639.6	612.9	644.1	20.4	19.3	18.7	17.6	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.7
Idaho	703.4	733.4	708.5	739.6	27.2	21.3	26.9	21.9	3.9	2.9	3.8	3.0
Illinois	6,379.9	6,494.9	6,415.4	6,488.8	363.7	358.4	364.2	322.9	5.7	5.5	5.7	5.0
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	3,966.0	3,979.9	3,976.8	3,960.5	230.6	240.8	225.1	209.0	5.8	6.1	5.7	5.3
Indiana	3,161.6	3,223.1	3,183.1	3,224.7	150.0	160.3	155.3	162.4	4.7	5.0	4.9	5.0
Iowa	1,621.9	1,649.4	1,631.0	1,658.6	74.7	69.9	71.6	66.1	4.6	4.2	4.4	4.0
Kansas	1,460.0	1,459.3	1,466.8	1,469.4	78.4	72.9	77.7	72.9	5.4	5.0	5.3	5.0
Kentucky	1,964.8	2,010.0	1,958.6	2,011.1	87.1	106.9	86.8	111.0	4.4	5.3	4.4	5.5
Louisiana	2,054.5	2,004.6	2,079.2	1,960.2	113.4	227.6	113.5	214.7	5.5	11.4	5.5	11.0
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	606.7	(3)	612.5	(3)	25.8	(3)	27.6	(3)	4.2	(3)	4.5	(3)
Maine	699.5	717.3	703.3	721.9	27.5	33.9	29.1	33.8	3.9	4.7	4.1	4.7
Maryland	2,870.2	2,942.1	2,884.5	2,968.5	110.9	114.0	113.1	113.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8
Massachusetts	3,360.5	3,362.9	3,370.0	3,366.6	160.0	160.2	146.2	145.2	4.8	4.8	4.3	4.3
Michigan	5,069.0	5,119.9	5,103.8	5,105.7	333.3	307.0	334.5	273.5	6.6	6.0	6.6	5.4
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,208.2	2,222.1	2,228.4	2,206.7	159.4	143.3	164.9	131.6	7.2	6.4	7.4	6.0
Minnesota	2,953.4	2,938.8	2,962.9	2,937.5	128.3	108.4	115.8	90.9	4.3	3.7	3.9	3.1
Mississippi	1,328.1	1,299.3	1,343.6	1,300.7	82.1	127.5	93.8	125.0	6.2	9.8	7.0	9.6
Missouri	3,016.9	3,003.0	3,022.6	3,020.3	170.8	139.4	158.5	136.1	5.7	4.6	5.2	4.5
Montana	481.6	492.1	483.8	491.9	16.9	18.0	18.2	18.4	3.5	3.7	3.8	3.7
Nebraska	978.2	976.3	987.4	982.5	34.5	35.4	33.6	31.7	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.2
Nevada	1,182.6	1,229.5	1,187.2	1,234.9	48.0	51.4	46.2	48.1	4.1	4.2	3.9	3.9
New Hampshire	718.2	737.5	721.0	738.7	23.4	27.2	22.4	26.9	3.3	3.7	3.1	3.6
New Jersey	4,361.8	4,456.8	4,381.8	4,489.6	186.6	185.5	178.6	161.5	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.6
New Mexico	913.0	940.0	920.7	944.8	50.0	51.4	49.1	48.1	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.1
New York	9,308.1	9,440.2	9,348.7	9,457.6	492.2	484.9	479.2	439.1	5.3	5.1	5.1	4.6
New York City	3,699.8	3,747.4	3,714.6	3,757.4	241.2	225.3	237.0	216.0	6.5	6.0	6.4	5.7
North Carolina	4,248.9	4,342.0	4,268.5	4,372.4	200.8	221.9	215.3	223.8	4.7	5.1	5.0	5.1
North Dakota	356.1	356.3	355.8	358.1	9.7	10.1	9.1	9.0	2.7	2.8	2.6	2.5
Ohio	5,873.0	5,937.7	5,914.2	5,943.7	342.0	336.2	343.1	321.2	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.4
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,094.7	1,080.8	1,090.4	1,073.4	62.8	60.9	58.9	58.4	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.4
Oklahoma	1,703.8	1,731.8	1,717.8	1,739.9	74.9	73.4	77.4	71.5	4.4	4.2	4.5	4.1
Oregon	1,854.6	1,867.0	1,862.1	1,875.4	122.1	104.4	122.1	100.7	6.6	5.6	6.7	5.4
Pennsylvania	6,279.8	6,320.3	6,318.1	6,321.4	318.7	284.0	324.2	271.0	5.1	4.5	5.1	4.3
Rhode Island	560.0	580.7	559.8	575.8	24.4	31.9	23.3	27.6	4.4	5.5	4.2	4.8
South Carolina	2,040.1	2,084.2	2,054.8	2,101.3	136.5	139.1	138.5	144.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.9
South Dakota	427.6	428.7	429.7	430.9	13.3	15.1	12.9	14.8	3.1	3.5	3.0	3.4
Tennessee	2,901.1	2,905.7	2,918.4	2,938.2	148.8	141.2	150.3	155.3	5.1	4.9	5.2	5.3
Texas	11,041.8	11,276.8	11,094.7	11,310.7	638.1	592.2	636.2	568.1	5.8	5.3	5.7	5.0
Utah	1,207.6	1,245.2	1,214.8	1,251.0	58.8	55.7	59.4	53.4	4.9	4.5	4.9	4.3
Vermont	352.6	356.0	353.0	357.7	10.7	11.7	9.6	11.9	3.0	3.3	2.7	3.3
Virginia	3,796.7	3,940.9	3,824.0	3,952.4	128.9	139.7	127.9	127.7	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.2
Washington	3,224.8	3,303.2	3,257.6	3,342.9	172.0	171.1	176.3	169.8	5.3	5.2	5.4	5.1
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,324.8	1,356.2	1,330.1	1,371.8	67.5	66.9	66.8	65.0	5.1	4.9	5.0	4.7
West Virginia	784.0	801.3	786.5	803.0	33.1	39.0	35.0	35.8	4.2	4.9	4.4	4.5
Wisconsin	3,060.0	3,046.4	3,068.0	3,046.5	124.8	123.4	123.7	116.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.8
Wyoming	283.6	286.1	284.5	287.4	10.0	9.7	10.3	10.1	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.5
Puerto Rico	1,381.8	1,442.8	1,374.5	1,421.6	134.7	153.7	139.3	177.9	9.8	10.6	10.1	12.5

P = preliminary.

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

³ Estimates are not model-based as of September 2005 and are published with the other metropolitan areas.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey.

Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 04-03, dated February 18, 2004, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm> and in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*. Estimates for the latest month are revised the following month, and at least 3 years of estimates are subject to revision at the end of the year, to incorporate updated inputs and reestimation.

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

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P
Alabama	1,910.6	1,937.1	1,933.5	1,930.7	105.7	105.4	105.4	105.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	303.7	309.8	311.3	309.6	17.7	18.5	18.1	18.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Arizona	2,401.0	2,487.4	2,496.6	2,502.3	195.0	215.0	216.9	220.0	175.6	176.0	175.5	175.6
Arkansas	1,162.5	1,175.1	1,174.3	1,175.9	52.1	53.1	53.1	53.1	204.0	202.3	202.0	201.7
California	14,633.6	14,831.4	14,814.8	14,821.6	860.2	915.7	919.1	923.6	1,534.5	1,535.8	1,535.2	1,537.6
Colorado	2,192.8	2,229.2	2,234.7	2,234.4	152.2	162.3	163.8	162.3	154.8	153.4	152.9	152.6
Connecticut	1,662.1	1,671.2	1,670.0	1,674.8	67.6	71.1	70.7	71.0	197.7	196.8	196.7	196.8
Delaware ³	425.9	432.5	431.5	432.1	26.8	27.4	27.5	27.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia ³	672.5	683.1	680.4	683.2	12.0	12.2	12.2	12.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Florida	7,560.5	7,787.8	7,817.6	7,813.7	499.5	525.4	529.7	533.8	385.7	393.8	393.5	391.3
Georgia	3,895.7	3,939.3	3,930.0	3,947.8	199.9	201.4	201.2	203.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Hawaii ³	589.1	602.8	604.4	604.8	30.5	32.8	33.2	33.6	15.4	15.3	15.4	15.2
Idaho	590.4	613.3	613.3	612.8	40.0	46.1	45.7	45.8	61.3	62.4	61.6	61.6
Illinois	5,806.2	5,867.6	5,868.9	5,870.6	264.3	267.4	266.7	267.4	698.7	692.1	692.2	692.3
Indiana	2,944.9	2,959.6	2,970.7	2,956.9	149.5	153.3	153.1	151.4	575.4	570.5	570.9	570.5
Iowa	1,462.7	1,477.3	1,478.0	1,482.8	68.5	67.9	68.1	68.3	224.6	226.6	228.1	229.0
Kansas	1,330.1	1,338.2	1,352.3	1,356.6	64.3	66.8	67.3	67.7	177.6	178.0	177.3	180.8
Kentucky	1,801.0	1,821.1	1,822.9	1,822.5	83.5	86.9	86.8	87.1	265.5	265.7	265.5	265.8
Louisiana	1,919.3	1,935.6	1,695.6	1,699.4	116.4	117.1	86.5	91.6	151.6	149.5	139.3	140.3
Maine	614.9	620.6	616.5	618.2	30.9	31.6	31.0	31.5	63.1	61.7	61.7	61.5
Maryland ³	2,529.2	2,571.6	2,580.0	2,581.0	178.7	180.5	181.0	181.0	142.4	138.2	138.4	137.8
Massachusetts	3,186.2	3,209.8	3,208.3	3,201.2	140.0	143.5	142.6	142.0	313.4	314.6	313.0	312.5
Michigan	4,398.2	4,352.7	4,362.5	4,348.4	190.9	187.1	186.9	187.6	693.4	665.1	672.7	671.2
Minnesota	2,690.8	2,727.8	2,725.2	2,727.8	126.7	128.8	129.5	129.1	347.5	346.4	346.3	348.4
Mississippi	1,128.2	1,136.7	1,084.4	1,091.1	50.1	50.5	49.0	49.4	178.7	180.0	171.0	173.7
Missouri	2,692.9	2,742.5	2,722.7	2,718.0	138.6	137.6	138.1	142.0	313.2	315.4	316.1	316.5
Montana	413.9	421.7	420.5	421.4	25.1	26.3	26.2	26.4	19.0	19.3	19.2	19.0
Nebraska ³	924.1	934.9	940.5	935.1	47.3	48.4	49.6	49.5	99.6	100.5	100.6	100.8
Nevada	1,176.1	1,231.6	1,238.2	1,246.9	124.4	136.6	137.8	138.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Hampshire	630.7	644.7	642.5	642.5	30.2	31.3	31.1	31.6	81.1	82.2	82.0	81.7
New Jersey	4,017.8	4,058.9	4,064.5	4,059.8	168.7	166.7	167.7	165.6	338.1	327.1	327.1	324.9
New Mexico	795.1	806.3	809.4	811.7	50.7	54.2	54.0	54.4	35.8	35.3	35.6	36.2
New York	8,477.9	8,535.5	8,550.7	8,541.8	318.2	322.7	322.8	321.3	591.0	578.5	577.2	575.1
North Carolina	3,842.6	3,899.1	3,893.2	3,888.4	220.8	226.1	225.5	225.7	579.1	574.0	570.5	571.7
North Dakota	339.1	343.4	345.4	343.4	17.2	17.7	17.8	17.7	24.7	26.0	25.2	25.1
Ohio	5,415.7	5,436.3	5,434.9	5,428.4	236.3	235.2	233.8	233.5	826.7	819.9	820.9	822.2
Oklahoma	1,476.4	1,501.9	1,504.1	1,503.1	62.2	63.6	62.7	63.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Oregon	1,610.6	1,653.8	1,658.4	1,659.6	84.0	91.8	93.0	93.3	201.5	205.0	205.7	206.0
Pennsylvania	5,661.0	5,712.6	5,722.2	5,724.8	250.8	256.1	256.7	256.8	690.2	680.0	678.1	675.6
Rhode Island	489.2	495.6	495.3	494.7	20.8	21.4	21.4	21.6	56.7	54.8	54.5	54.6
South Carolina	1,832.7	1,836.2	1,835.3	1,839.4	112.8	111.0	111.7	112.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	384.7	391.4	393.1	391.2	19.7	20.9	20.8	20.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	2,712.6	2,722.7	2,729.9	2,734.9	118.1	119.0	119.1	120.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Texas	9,513.6	9,620.0	9,630.2	9,644.9	542.5	554.0	557.1	558.3	890.9	891.6	892.3	891.8
Utah	1,110.7	1,147.8	1,149.4	1,153.3	73.7	81.7	82.8	83.9	115.1	117.4	117.2	117.4
Vermont	305.1	308.8	309.6	309.4	16.7	17.7	17.7	17.8	37.2	37.4	37.6	37.6
Virginia	3,616.4	3,642.0	3,645.0	3,661.3	233.9	242.7	243.1	246.5	300.6	298.0	297.2	297.4
Washington	2,710.3	2,776.4	2,765.2	2,789.4	164.5	176.4	176.8	178.4	263.3	267.6	253.0	269.0
West Virginia	739.8	742.9	742.0	744.6	34.5	37.3	37.3	37.2	62.9	62.2	61.8	61.8
Wisconsin	2,816.0	2,831.9	2,832.8	2,834.6	125.9	131.4	130.8	131.0	503.5	501.4	500.1	499.9
Wyoming	255.9	263.0	263.0	263.5	18.6	20.6	20.5	20.1	(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. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P
Alabama	376.7	383.8	383.0	382.2	96.4	95.9	95.9	95.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	61.9	63.2	63.5	62.8	14.6	14.9	14.9	14.9	23.2	23.3	24.1	24.1
Arizona	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	165.4	171.4	172.3	172.2	340.5	352.3	354.1	356.6
Arkansas	241.8	244.5	244.9	245.1	51.1	52.0	51.9	51.9	108.1	108.2	108.6	109.5
California	2,771.3	2,783.6	2,783.1	2,786.6	911.2	922.5	923.0	922.8	2,130.2	2,156.0	2,157.6	2,153.4
Colorado	408.5	411.8	412.7	413.5	156.7	158.6	160.4	159.7	302.4	311.1	310.0	313.4
Connecticut	313.8	317.2	315.8	316.6	140.8	141.2	141.5	142.2	199.0	199.1	198.7	199.6
Delaware ³	81.0	82.3	82.0	83.2	44.8	45.0	45.1	45.3	62.3	62.3	62.1	62.9
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	142.6	147.2	147.5	146.8
Florida	1,504.3	1,538.7	1,541.5	1,538.9	503.0	516.2	516.9	518.6	1,307.4	1,375.6	1,386.4	1,381.5
Georgia	826.3	831.6	827.0	832.2	218.9	221.7	221.8	222.8	513.2	524.3	522.6	526.3
Hawaii ³	114.6	118.0	118.6	119.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	117.7	122.2	122.5	122.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	73.8	78.7	77.7	77.5
Illinois	1,179.9	1,184.4	1,187.8	1,188.3	399.7	404.2	403.0	403.7	800.5	828.7	828.9	832.5
Indiana	575.6	583.4	582.6	579.5	139.9	142.8	142.1	141.7	269.9	272.3	273.8	273.0
Iowa	307.3	307.7	307.1	309.3	97.0	100.1	100.3	100.6	106.3	107.6	106.1	105.9
Kansas	259.8	258.7	262.4	261.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Kentucky	373.1	377.0	376.1	376.1	86.2	85.4	84.6	84.5	164.9	168.6	168.5	169.4
Louisiana	379.6	386.0	340.5	335.4	103.2	103.6	94.4	95.2	182.6	184.6	156.8	156.8
Maine	126.0	126.7	126.2	126.3	34.3	34.7	34.3	34.2	49.7	49.6	49.7	49.8
Maryland ³	467.4	473.7	474.7	477.7	155.7	159.7	159.1	158.9	376.9	390.0	390.8	389.7
Massachusetts	573.9	576.8	575.4	575.3	218.7	220.3	219.7	219.3	452.2	459.3	458.1	460.9
Michigan	807.3	807.4	801.1	798.1	218.2	218.8	219.0	219.9	588.8	581.9	584.3	586.2
Minnesota	526.0	528.4	525.5	526.2	174.9	179.8	179.7	179.8	304.4	309.6	309.0	309.6
Mississippi	220.2	222.5	212.2	211.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Missouri	534.5	538.6	538.1	537.8	164.7	169.0	169.0	169.3	300.9	305.4	306.0	305.2
Montana	85.5	87.2	86.8	86.6	21.0	21.6	21.4	21.1	32.9	35.1	35.1	34.3
Nebraska ³	198.1	199.6	200.7	198.1	63.3	64.1	64.7	65.5	94.8	97.4	97.3	96.0
Nevada	206.0	211.4	211.5	214.3	62.1	65.9	65.9	66.6	136.3	146.1	147.1	149.7
New Hampshire	140.6	144.4	145.0	143.8	38.0	38.3	38.2	38.3	56.6	56.8	56.9	57.1
New Jersey	878.2	889.5	893.5	891.8	279.5	282.0	282.4	282.3	583.6	588.4	588.9	589.3
New Mexico	137.4	138.5	139.0	139.3	34.9	35.3	35.3	35.4	91.3	92.3	92.9	93.9
New York	1,493.1	1,495.2	1,494.7	1,495.5	704.8	715.8	716.9	717.9	1,058.7	1,083.7	1,080.4	1,081.6
North Carolina	723.7	729.4	723.6	723.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	436.1	449.5	452.3	452.9
North Dakota	72.6	74.2	74.5	73.9	18.6	18.8	18.9	18.8	24.0	25.0	24.7	24.7
Ohio	1,035.0	1,032.7	1,032.9	1,030.4	312.3	313.7	313.8	313.8	632.3	644.6	645.6	647.0
Oklahoma	274.2	277.9	279.8	278.8	84.7	86.1	86.4	86.4	163.1	168.1	167.3	166.9
Oregon	323.1	331.1	332.4	335.4	96.7	98.4	98.1	98.6	179.1	183.6	185.0	183.9
Pennsylvania	1,124.7	1,129.7	1,131.4	1,134.4	334.8	337.2	338.3	338.4	636.5	651.2	654.1	651.8
Rhode Island	79.5	79.0	79.0	78.7	34.0	35.5	35.3	35.3	54.3	55.6	55.3	55.2
South Carolina	353.2	358.2	360.0	360.8	94.1	94.7	94.5	94.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	76.9	79.1	78.7	78.6	28.0	28.8	28.8	29.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	590.1	594.3	596.6	598.2	142.1	143.9	143.7	144.1	303.5	304.3	304.0	304.8
Texas	1,950.3	1,970.4	1,969.0	1,971.8	597.9	602.6	604.7	606.7	1,093.2	1,107.6	1,110.1	1,115.4
Utah	220.6	224.6	225.4	225.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	138.9	146.3	145.1	148.2
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	21.3	22.1	22.2	22.2
Virginia	652.1	660.6	659.7	662.1	189.7	190.2	191.0	191.7	587.1	587.2	588.7	595.4
Washington	522.6	534.8	534.8	539.4	151.5	153.2	154.0	154.4	305.3	317.7	316.9	318.7
West Virginia	137.8	138.0	137.8	138.4	30.4	29.7	29.7	29.8	58.4	59.5	59.4	59.6
Wisconsin	542.3	540.0	537.7	537.7	157.0	158.9	158.8	158.4	253.0	257.7	258.5	258.2
Wyoming	49.6	50.5	50.4	50.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	15.3	16.0	15.6	15.7

See footnotes at end of table.

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. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P	Oct. 2004	Aug. 2005	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005P
Alabama	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	160.8	163.4	162.3	162.7	360.0	361.9	360.5	360.2
Alaska	34.6	35.8	35.7	35.7	30.2	31.6	32.0	31.1	80.8	81.1	81.5	81.2
Arizona	264.0	275.2	278.4	279.6	245.0	253.0	254.4	256.4	405.4	410.9	411.7	410.4
Arkansas	144.0	147.1	147.4	148.5	91.2	93.2	92.5	92.1	201.6	205.6	205.2	205.6
California	1,567.3	1,587.5	1,589.3	1,593.3	1,455.8	1,484.5	1,479.6	1,488.2	2,390.8	2,423.8	2,415.0	2,407.9
Colorado	220.8	225.5	225.7	226.3	253.5	258.0	257.4	256.7	362.2	367.4	371.3	370.5
Connecticut	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	129.0	131.1	131.2	129.7	241.2	244.5	241.7	242.8
Delaware ³	51.9	53.3	53.4	53.3	40.5	42.0	42.5	41.7	59.0	59.7	60.1	59.1
District of Columbia ³	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	51.0	54.0	53.8	54.0	230.8	234.4	229.2	230.7
Florida	926.7	953.1	959.1	955.4	862.4	891.1	896.6	895.9	1,075.9	1,091.0	1,093.8	1,096.5
Georgia	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	360.5	367.4	368.9	372.3	643.1	650.0	649.2	648.4
Hawaii ³	68.1	69.5	70.3	70.3	104.9	107.4	107.5	107.6	120.3	121.3	120.4	119.6
Idaho	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	55.9	57.5	57.4	57.7	115.7	113.8	115.1	115.2
Illinois	731.9	738.1	739.6	740.2	510.5	524.3	526.2	523.1	840.7	844.8	843.3	843.6
Indiana	373.5	379.3	380.8	380.8	274.5	281.3	281.3	279.7	428.3	420.1	427.5	422.7
Iowa	191.6	194.6	194.4	194.4	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	244.6	245.4	244.9	245.7
Kansas	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	111.3	111.7	111.9	111.8	253.6	251.7	259.9	259.5
Kentucky	231.5	235.4	235.6	235.7	160.7	166.2	166.2	165.6	308.7	306.9	310.8	309.7
Louisiana	253.0	257.9	208.4	209.7	204.3	207.1	161.2	161.3	382.9	383.9	378.5	375.8
Maine	112.2	113.9	113.3	114.2	59.8	60.0	60.6	60.9	105.3	107.5	105.2	106.0
Maryland ³	349.4	357.5	357.5	358.7	229.7	237.7	238.2	238.1	460.5	466.5	468.6	466.7
Massachusetts	582.7	587.7	587.9	587.1	294.0	297.9	297.5	296.5	405.1	407.0	410.0	404.9
Michigan	552.1	557.8	559.5	556.1	404.8	406.3	406.3	404.4	688.2	675.0	679.3	671.4
Minnesota	378.8	391.9	391.4	392.4	237.1	241.7	244.7	244.0	411.5	419.0	415.7	417.3
Mississippi	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	125.4	124.6	111.5	111.5	242.7	245.9	242.6	241.2
Missouri	357.3	371.1	367.3	366.4	266.9	277.1	270.9	265.3	428.6	438.1	425.3	423.6
Montana	54.7	55.5	56.2	56.1	55.8	56.3	56.6	57.6	87.3	87.3	86.1	87.5
Nebraska ³	127.1	128.4	128.4	127.4	77.9	80.8	80.1	80.2	160.1	159.3	162.9	161.6
Nevada	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	315.5	331.8	331.8	332.0	140.3	142.5	144.1	144.6
New Hampshire	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	64.9	67.1	66.8	67.4	90.7	91.9	90.9	91.0
New Jersey	550.3	561.3	561.8	561.4	326.3	343.3	340.7	344.4	639.3	642.6	644.4	642.6
New Mexico	103.8	104.9	104.8	105.4	82.5	83.9	83.8	83.3	199.8	201.3	202.9	202.5
New York	1,530.7	1,548.7	1,557.2	1,556.7	667.5	679.6	679.0	677.5	1,484.4	1,479.4	1,488.7	1,484.3
North Carolina	449.3	465.4	466.2	464.5	345.6	347.7	351.7	352.2	648.8	660.3	660.5	649.1
North Dakota	48.9	49.7	49.9	49.8	31.4	31.8	32.4	31.8	74.9	74.3	75.1	74.8
Ohio	747.7	755.7	757.9	754.0	494.5	499.6	499.0	497.8	799.9	802.8	798.6	797.8
Oklahoma	179.6	183.3	184.3	183.6	129.5	127.8	128.2	128.3	306.4	314.4	315.8	314.6
Oregon	195.5	204.3	203.8	204.2	158.9	163.3	164.3	161.3	271.1	272.5	272.0	272.2
Pennsylvania	1,003.1	1,017.9	1,019.6	1,025.8	480.0	491.4	493.2	492.0	748.5	752.8	755.2	756.2
Rhode Island	93.2	95.9	96.8	97.1	50.5	52.2	52.2	52.1	65.9	65.9	65.8	65.6
South Carolina	180.2	189.1	186.0	186.4	204.1	206.9	206.1	206.8	331.5	335.0	331.7	329.5
South Dakota	56.7	57.4	57.9	58.0	41.3	41.9	42.0	41.2	74.3	74.5	75.6	75.1
Tennessee	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	254.5	257.3	257.7	257.5	412.5	414.3	414.9	414.0
Texas	1,151.3	1,174.2	1,174.7	1,177.0	888.6	899.0	899.4	902.8	1,661.2	1,672.7	1,671.3	1,671.0
Utah	124.3	128.1	128.5	128.7	102.4	105.5	105.5	104.7	199.8	204.1	203.7	203.3
Vermont	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	53.2	52.8	53.2	53.1
Virginia	383.0	386.5	391.3	391.1	325.3	325.6	325.1	327.4	654.1	658.5	656.2	658.0
Washington	320.9	330.1	329.5	329.6	255.0	260.4	263.2	262.9	525.1	530.1	530.4	530.0
West Virginia	113.1	111.3	111.7	113.7	67.6	68.3	68.0	67.9	143.2	143.3	143.4	143.2
Wisconsin	379.9	381.7	385.6	387.0	252.3	257.7	257.5	258.5	412.6	412.7	414.6	413.4
Wyoming	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	31.1	32.1	31.5	31.6	64.4	65.4	65.3	65.2

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 2004 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	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	1,908.8	1,934.9	1,919.3	1,939.6	12.8	12.9	12.8	12.9	103.4	106.4	106.9	107.1	293.0	295.8	293.3	296.4
Alaska	319.6	325.4	304.8	310.6	10.3	10.9	10.1	10.8	20.9	21.7	19.7	20.3	14.3	14.6	10.9	10.9
Arizona	2,389.4	2,491.6	2,416.8	2,518.8	8.6	8.2	8.7	8.4	194.2	218.4	197.6	222.5	175.8	175.6	175.8	175.8
Arkansas	1,170.9	1,182.9	1,170.6	1,184.1	7.4	7.6	7.4	7.6	53.5	54.6	52.9	53.9	204.8	202.3	204.2	201.9
California	14,598.9	14,827.2	14,695.3	14,884.8	23.9	23.9	23.7	23.8	883.0	944.7	879.5	942.8	1,550.5	1,551.8	1,536.3	1,539.6
Colorado	2,196.8	2,241.0	2,198.4	2,240.2	15.5	16.8	15.3	16.6	156.9	167.9	156.1	166.3	155.6	152.9	155.3	153.1
Connecticut	1,655.9	1,673.2	1,671.9	1,684.5	.8	.8	.8	.8	69.7	73.9	69.9	73.3	197.2	196.8	197.9	197.1
Delaware	428.1	434.0	428.1	434.3	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	27.3	28.1	27.4	28.0	34.2	33.6	34.3	33.7
District of Columbia ..	670.8	680.7	674.5	685.4	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.3	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5
Florida	7,498.2	7,785.4	7,564.4	7,817.9	7.0	6.4	6.9	6.4	498.5	531.4	501.5	535.9	386.8	391.9	384.8	390.4
Georgia	3,898.2	3,944.5	3,914.0	3,967.9	12.2	11.9	12.1	11.9	198.8	202.6	200.7	204.2	444.9	443.6	443.9	443.3
Hawaii	582.7	598.9	588.8	604.6	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	30.2	33.3	30.6	33.8	15.6	15.3	15.4	15.2
Idaho	600.4	623.5	599.8	622.3	4.6	4.8	4.4	4.7	42.8	48.7	42.4	48.2	62.4	62.8	62.4	62.7
Illinois	5,843.1	5,902.9	5,858.0	5,923.4	9.5	9.5	9.2	9.4	281.8	284.0	278.4	281.7	699.8	692.2	697.4	690.8
Indiana	2,972.7	2,994.5	2,977.4	2,989.7	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.3	154.5	158.3	154.9	156.9	576.7	573.4	576.8	571.9
Iowa	1,466.1	1,485.5	1,478.7	1,499.4	2.2	2.4	2.2	2.3	73.2	73.0	72.7	72.5	224.7	228.8	225.5	229.9
Kansas	1,329.1	1,353.0	1,340.0	1,363.9	7.6	8.2	7.6	8.3	66.0	69.3	65.6	69.0	177.5	177.8	178.3	178.7
Kentucky	1,808.7	1,830.3	1,813.6	1,835.7	19.6	20.9	19.7	20.9	85.7	89.5	85.9	89.6	265.6	265.8	265.9	266.3
Louisiana	1,916.4	1,697.6	1,930.2	1,710.9	44.3	45.1	44.7	45.4	114.5	87.4	118.3	93.6	151.8	139.8	152.8	141.4
Maine	625.0	628.3	624.2	627.5	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	32.5	33.3	32.7	33.4	63.6	62.0	63.5	61.9
Maryland	2,530.7	2,588.9	2,549.8	2,601.4	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	183.0	185.3	182.4	184.7	143.4	138.7	142.5	137.9
Massachusetts	3,204.7	3,222.4	3,216.2	3,231.6	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	145.4	148.7	145.8	147.8	314.0	313.4	313.8	312.9
Michigan	4,429.1	4,392.8	4,458.3	4,408.6	8.3	8.5	8.3	8.6	203.2	199.7	202.5	199.2	700.0	676.9	694.5	672.1
Minnesota	2,697.3	2,732.8	2,715.3	2,752.5	6.1	6.4	6.0	6.5	138.8	142.0	137.1	139.5	346.9	348.7	348.4	349.3
Mississippi	1,132.1	1,086.7	1,133.5	1,096.5	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.3	50.5	49.6	50.8	50.2	179.5	170.7	179.3	174.2
Missouri	2,712.6	2,738.3	2,720.7	2,746.0	5.0	5.5	4.9	5.5	142.7	143.9	142.3	145.6	313.2	316.2	314.1	317.3
Montana	419.0	427.5	419.1	426.4	7.4	8.1	7.6	8.0	27.2	28.5	27.1	28.4	19.4	19.4	19.5	19.5
Nebraska	928.7	940.6	932.1	943.5	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	50.1	51.9	48.9	51.1	100.4	100.7	99.7	100.9
Nevada	1,174.9	1,245.4	1,185.4	1,256.9	10.0	10.6	10.0	10.7	125.2	140.6	126.9	141.4	46.3	48.0	46.6	48.1
New Hampshire	634.1	647.1	634.6	646.6	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	31.2	32.5	31.2	32.7	80.8	81.9	81.1	81.7
New Jersey	4,015.0	4,061.9	4,035.7	4,077.8	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	172.3	172.8	173.8	170.7	338.9	327.7	339.3	326.0
New Mexico	797.5	814.3	799.3	815.8	15.4	16.9	15.3	17.0	51.5	55.2	51.7	55.4	36.8	37.1	36.6	37.0
New York	8,462.6	8,540.7	8,545.2	8,609.5	6.2	6.6	6.2	6.6	336.9	341.3	334.7	337.8	598.1	582.2	595.5	579.5
North Carolina	3,880.2	3,916.0	3,876.3	3,921.2	6.7	6.3	6.7	6.3	220.9	228.1	222.3	227.2	582.7	572.5	580.9	573.2
North Dakota	343.3	349.5	345.1	349.7	3.8	4.2	3.8	4.1	19.5	20.2	19.0	19.6	25.2	25.5	25.3	25.7
Ohio	5,443.4	5,453.8	5,461.6	5,473.4	11.5	11.9	11.4	11.7	247.8	246.5	248.3	245.5	826.1	821.8	827.2	822.8
Oklahoma	1,479.8	1,507.5	1,484.7	1,511.5	31.3	32.4	31.2	32.6	63.3	64.2	62.8	64.3	142.6	142.2	141.8	142.2
Oregon	1,612.4	1,665.2	1,634.2	1,683.6	10.0	9.9	10.0	9.6	88.2	97.6	88.1	97.4	205.2	210.2	205.4	210.1
Pennsylvania	5,669.3	5,740.9	5,711.3	5,775.4	19.3	18.7	19.2	18.5	261.6	268.9	260.8	266.8	694.1	681.4	692.3	677.6
Rhode Island	493.8	499.5	495.5	501.0	.2	.2	.2	.2	22.1	22.7	21.8	22.6	57.2	54.9	57.2	55.1
South Carolina	1,836.4	1,842.5	1,845.1	1,851.0	4.4	3.8	4.4	3.7	112.3	112.8	114.1	113.8	269.5	263.9	268.3	264.3
South Dakota	388.5	394.8	387.7	394.3	.9	.9	.9	.9	21.5	22.4	21.0	22.0	39.2	40.1	39.2	40.4
Tennessee	2,717.2	2,742.3	2,724.9	2,747.1	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	120.0	122.2	119.9	122.1	412.7	412.1	412.9	411.5
Texas	9,522.9	9,650.4	9,546.7	9,678.7	154.9	157.7	153.8	157.3	546.5	560.8	543.9	559.8	892.7	893.5	891.9	892.7
Utah	1,117.0	1,157.3	1,119.5	1,162.5	7.4	8.2	7.3	8.3	77.6	86.5	76.6	86.8	116.0	118.3	116.3	118.6
Vermont	306.2	310.8	308.8	313.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	18.0	19.1	17.8	18.9	37.4	37.6	37.3	37.7
Virginia	3,608.8	3,650.8	3,634.1	3,678.9	10.3	10.4	10.2	10.3	236.5	247.9	237.3	250.1	299.9	297.9	301.2	298.1
Washington	2,727.5	2,782.3	2,734.1	2,813.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.3	172.9	185.6	172.0	185.9	268.0	257.2	267.2	272.9
West Virginia	741.1	745.4	746.0	750.8	24.5	25.4	24.5	25.5	36.7	39.4	36.7	39.4	63.0	62.0	63.0	61.9
Wisconsin	2,833.6	2,852.1	2,843.3	2,862.2	4.1	3.8	4.1	3.9	134.3	139.7	133.9	139.0	506.5	504.0	504.3	500.6
Wyoming	260.2	268.6	258.3	265.8	20.9	23.1	21.2	23.2	20.2	22.1	19.9	21.4	9.5	9.9	9.8	10.0
Puerto Rico	1,037.5	994.3	1,044.4	996.1	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	67.1	63.8	68.0	63.8	117.6	115.1	117.4	115.8

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	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	374.0	380.2	377.0	382.6	31.0	30.9	30.9	30.9	96.6	96.0	96.5	96.0	200.9	209.3	203.1	209.9
Alaska	65.2	66.1	61.6	62.5	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	14.9	15.2	14.7	15.0	24.5	25.0	23.3	24.2
Arizona	458.2	480.5	465.4	485.3	47.0	45.7	46.8	46.0	164.5	171.7	165.2	172.0	338.7	354.3	342.3	358.5
Arkansas	242.6	244.8	242.5	245.8	20.2	19.9	20.1	19.9	51.2	52.3	51.2	52.0	108.9	110.9	109.6	111.0
California	2,761.2	2,781.7	2,779.4	2,795.2	472.3	480.3	482.6	477.6	908.6	923.4	910.8	922.2	2,126.5	2,168.0	2,143.2	2,167.2
Colorado	407.6	412.7	409.7	414.8	79.4	75.5	78.8	74.4	155.3	159.3	155.9	158.9	304.9	315.6	305.0	316.1
Connecticut	307.4	313.2	312.3	315.0	38.7	38.7	38.9	38.8	140.8	141.6	140.8	142.2	200.1	200.7	200.7	201.3
Delaware	80.8	82.2	81.1	83.3	7.0	6.8	7.1	7.2	45.0	45.2	44.7	45.3	61.8	62.7	62.5	63.1
District of Columbia ..	27.4	27.8	27.8	28.1	23.5	23.5	23.1	23.6	30.4	30.9	30.4	30.8	143.4	147.5	143.5	147.7
Florida	1,489.1	1,530.4	1,502.3	1,537.2	168.9	168.4	168.9	168.9	502.7	516.3	502.0	517.6	1,288.1	1,380.9	1,306.6	1,380.4
Georgia	823.7	826.3	830.8	836.5	118.0	116.6	117.8	117.3	218.4	222.2	219.2	223.1	513.9	526.2	517.4	530.6
Hawaii	112.8	117.9	114.1	118.8	11.1	10.7	11.0	10.7	28.7	29.4	28.7	29.4	71.0	73.9	71.3	74.1
Idaho	118.6	123.6	119.0	123.8	10.2	11.1	10.2	11.0	28.4	29.8	28.3	29.7	75.6	79.9	75.5	79.3
Illinois	1,180.0	1,187.2	1,187.2	1,195.8	118.9	117.1	119.0	117.2	399.6	402.8	399.2	403.3	812.7	839.8	810.6	843.2
Indiana	575.9	581.4	577.1	580.9	40.3	40.8	40.4	40.6	140.1	141.9	139.7	141.4	272.6	277.1	273.2	276.3
Iowa	306.2	307.8	309.0	311.0	33.0	33.5	33.3	33.8	97.0	100.2	96.8	100.4	107.6	107.4	107.9	107.6
Kansas	259.0	261.5	261.6	263.2	40.9	40.1	40.9	40.4	69.7	71.7	70.0	71.7	128.4	134.1	129.5	134.8
Kentucky	371.8	375.4	374.3	377.5	28.6	27.7	28.4	27.6	87.1	85.0	86.5	84.8	165.8	170.2	167.6	172.1
Louisiana	377.1	339.6	380.7	336.4	28.8	26.5	28.5	27.5	102.7	94.7	103.2	95.2	182.8	157.0	183.0	157.1
Maine	126.9	127.6	127.8	128.2	11.5	11.7	11.7	11.8	34.6	34.3	34.2	34.1	50.1	50.1	50.0	50.1
Maryland	466.0	475.3	471.3	481.7	50.3	51.0	50.5	51.1	155.8	159.4	155.6	158.8	377.4	392.0	379.8	392.7
Massachusetts	573.4	574.7	577.5	579.0	85.7	83.9	85.5	83.8	219.4	219.5	218.6	219.2	453.6	462.7	455.4	464.2
Michigan	812.5	804.1	815.0	805.7	67.4	63.9	66.9	63.9	218.1	218.8	217.1	218.6	595.6	590.7	595.2	592.5
Minnesota	524.0	524.4	528.2	528.4	59.2	58.8	59.1	58.1	175.6	179.9	174.5	179.4	306.8	311.6	307.4	312.8
Mississippi	219.9	211.9	220.8	211.8	14.3	14.2	14.1	14.0	46.1	44.9	45.8	44.9	83.3	81.7	84.3	83.5
Missouri	533.1	537.2	537.0	540.3	63.0	64.5	62.8	64.4	164.0	168.9	164.5	169.0	303.3	307.8	303.2	307.5
Montana	86.3	87.4	85.9	87.0	7.8	7.9	7.6	7.7	21.2	21.4	21.0	21.1	34.1	35.6	33.3	34.7
Nebraska	197.0	199.6	199.5	199.6	21.5	21.7	21.7	21.6	63.0	64.6	63.2	65.4	94.9	97.5	96.5	97.8
Nevada	205.5	213.8	209.3	217.7	14.5	14.1	14.4	14.2	62.3	66.3	62.5	67.0	135.5	148.7	137.6	151.2
New Hampshire	140.5	144.4	141.5	144.7	12.6	12.9	12.6	12.9	37.7	38.2	37.9	38.2	57.3	57.3	56.9	57.4
New Jersey	873.9	890.6	882.6	896.5	97.4	95.3	97.0	95.6	278.5	282.2	279.3	282.1	587.2	593.0	585.4	591.0
New Mexico	137.6	139.1	137.9	139.8	14.2	14.6	14.2	14.7	34.9	35.3	34.8	35.3	91.6	93.5	91.4	94.0
New York	1,489.6	1,493.2	1,502.4	1,504.8	271.2	270.6	272.0	270.4	703.1	716.1	703.7	716.7	1,058.4	1,085.9	1,066.6	1,090.0
North Carolina	724.6	724.5	729.3	728.7	70.9	71.2	69.7	71.6	193.2	195.5	193.0	195.7	435.1	453.2	438.0	454.9
North Dakota	72.3	74.0	72.7	74.0	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	18.5	18.9	18.6	18.8	24.2	24.8	24.3	25.0
Ohio	1,035.5	1,030.2	1,041.8	1,037.1	91.9	91.3	92.1	91.1	312.4	314.1	312.1	313.5	637.6	650.7	637.8	652.8
Oklahoma	272.4	278.1	274.0	278.6	30.3	31.0	30.3	31.2	84.6	86.0	84.5	86.2	164.9	169.6	163.8	167.5
Oregon	323.4	334.6	326.2	338.6	32.9	34.8	33.0	35.5	97.8	99.3	97.3	99.2	181.3	187.9	182.6	187.5
Pennsylvania	1,118.2	1,129.3	1,133.3	1,143.1	111.2	108.4	110.6	107.8	335.0	337.8	333.6	337.1	639.2	658.2	643.3	658.8
Rhode Island	79.8	79.2	80.3	79.5	10.7	10.9	10.7	10.8	34.2	35.6	34.2	35.5	55.1	56.5	55.7	56.6
South Carolina	352.5	359.2	352.9	360.4	25.7	26.9	25.7	27.4	93.8	94.1	93.8	94.5	191.6	188.7	194.4	191.0
South Dakota	77.0	78.6	77.3	79.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	28.0	28.9	27.9	28.9	24.2	23.8	24.2	23.8
Tennessee	588.5	597.9	593.4	601.6	48.5	47.0	49.2	47.3	142.2	144.2	142.2	144.2	305.0	306.5	305.7	306.9
Texas	1,942.3	1,966.0	1,953.5	1,975.0	223.1	229.2	222.6	229.1	597.6	606.3	598.2	606.9	1,100.8	1,117.4	1,101.1	1,123.9
Utah	219.8	225.2	221.7	226.9	30.0	31.7	30.2	32.0	65.2	67.0	65.2	67.3	138.6	147.3	139.9	149.2
Vermont	58.4	59.1	59.3	59.6	6.2	6.0	6.2	6.1	13.3	13.6	13.4	13.7	21.6	22.5	21.6	22.5
Virginia	644.1	658.0	655.7	665.7	99.4	99.4	98.8	98.6	190.2	191.0	188.9	190.9	585.0	592.6	590.2	598.5
Washington	524.7	539.0	526.0	542.6	92.1	95.1	92.2	95.1	152.5	154.9	152.0	154.9	309.6	321.1	308.5	322.1
West Virginia	137.6	138.0	138.5	139.1	11.9	12.3	11.9	12.2	30.4	29.8	30.4	29.8	58.5	59.4	58.6	59.8
Wisconsin	542.8	538.5	546.7	542.1	49.7	49.8	49.4	50.2	157.2	159.0	156.8	158.2	256.8	263.6	256.7	262.1
Wyoming	49.7	51.2	49.7	50.7	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.4	10.5	10.9	10.5	10.7	15.5	15.8	15.3	15.7
Puerto Rico	180.4	175.4	182.5	176.1	23.8	23.0	23.5	23.2	46.2	46.6	46.1	46.9	101.8	100.9	102.1	100.4

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	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	September		October		September		October		September		October		September		October	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	193.3	197.4	194.5	197.9	162.6	164.0	160.0	161.9	81.1	80.5	80.8	80.3	360.1	361.5	363.5	363.7
Alaska	34.7	35.9	34.7	35.9	34.5	35.5	28.9	29.8	11.9	11.7	11.9	11.7	81.5	81.9	82.1	82.5
Arizona	262.7	277.9	264.3	279.9	239.5	250.1	243.2	254.6	89.9	92.3	89.9	93.1	410.3	416.9	417.6	422.7
Arkansas	144.0	148.3	145.1	149.6	93.2	93.8	91.0	91.9	41.5	41.3	41.1	40.9	203.6	207.1	205.5	209.6
California	1,558.7	1,583.3	1,579.9	1,606.0	1,461.7	1,493.2	1,451.7	1,484.2	506.2	509.5	508.0	508.9	2,346.3	2,367.4	2,400.2	2,417.3
Colorado	219.4	225.3	221.4	226.9	254.3	256.5	244.3	247.4	87.0	88.3	86.9	87.7	360.9	370.2	369.7	378.0
Connecticut	268.3	271.7	273.5	276.4	131.4	132.9	129.1	129.8	62.5	62.8	62.7	63.0	239.0	240.1	245.3	246.8
Delaware	51.9	53.3	52.1	53.5	42.7	44.2	40.5	41.6	18.7	18.5	18.6	18.7	58.7	59.4	58.8	59.9
District of Columbia ..	92.2	93.3	95.2	96.5	50.8	53.9	51.7	54.7	58.8	60.2	59.0	60.3	229.4	228.7	229.0	228.9
Florida	923.5	959.1	931.0	959.8	837.1	876.1	846.4	879.5	317.7	325.4	319.7	326.5	1,078.8	1,099.1	1,094.3	1,115.3
Georgia	405.8	417.4	409.9	419.9	361.5	371.6	358.1	369.9	155.5	155.8	154.6	156.3	645.5	650.3	649.5	654.9
Hawaii	67.8	69.9	68.3	70.5	104.6	107.4	104.8	107.5	24.2	24.6	24.1	24.8	116.7	116.5	120.5	119.8
Idaho	65.8	69.2	66.3	69.9	58.3	60.0	54.9	56.7	18.5	18.7	18.3	18.7	115.2	114.9	118.1	117.6
Illinois	728.5	738.1	734.5	742.9	521.8	537.0	514.7	527.3	256.8	258.3	255.3	256.5	833.7	836.9	852.5	855.3
Indiana	373.9	382.1	378.2	385.5	282.2	286.2	277.4	282.1	110.0	110.2	110.0	109.7	439.3	435.8	442.5	437.1
Iowa	190.2	192.9	196.0	198.8	132.1	138.9	129.7	136.0	56.5	57.0	56.2	56.6	243.4	243.6	249.4	250.5
Kansas	161.9	164.0	161.4	164.7	112.7	113.7	112.4	113.0	53.7	55.1	53.9	55.4	251.7	257.5	258.8	264.7
Kentucky	231.4	235.6	233.1	237.4	164.0	168.7	161.7	166.7	78.6	79.9	78.7	80.0	310.5	311.6	311.8	312.8
Louisiana	253.4	208.8	254.6	211.0	205.3	162.1	204.5	161.4	72.3	58.5	72.8	60.8	383.4	378.1	387.1	380.0
Maine	111.4	113.6	113.1	115.1	67.1	68.0	60.3	61.4	20.1	20.0	19.8	19.7	104.4	105.0	108.4	109.1
Maryland	347.2	356.2	351.7	360.9	234.2	244.7	228.4	236.5	114.3	118.0	114.6	117.8	459.1	468.3	473.0	479.3
Massachusetts	580.1	584.1	591.6	596.1	303.3	308.3	299.4	301.5	115.4	114.9	115.1	114.0	412.4	410.1	411.5	411.1
Michigan	547.4	555.0	556.4	560.4	415.2	417.0	407.2	407.1	179.1	181.2	180.5	182.1	682.3	677.0	714.7	698.4
Minnesota	373.2	387.3	381.4	395.1	244.8	252.4	236.7	243.6	118.5	117.8	119.2	116.8	403.4	403.5	417.3	423.0
Mississippi	120.5	116.6	120.7	119.9	127.2	112.8	125.6	111.9	37.5	32.3	37.3	33.4	244.4	243.2	246.0	244.4
Missouri	360.2	369.3	362.5	371.5	276.4	277.6	272.3	270.9	119.7	120.9	119.7	121.2	432.0	426.5	437.4	432.8
Montana	54.5	55.9	54.9	56.3	57.2	59.1	54.8	56.5	17.0	16.9	17.5	17.2	86.9	87.3	89.9	90.0
Nebraska	127.4	128.4	127.9	128.2	79.7	80.9	78.1	80.5	34.7	34.3	34.6	34.8	160.0	161.0	162.0	163.6
Nevada	81.1	85.9	81.5	86.6	317.3	334.1	315.5	332.0	37.4	39.9	37.3	39.9	139.8	143.4	143.8	148.1
New Hampshire	94.3	97.9	94.7	98.3	68.4	69.9	64.3	66.8	20.6	19.9	20.4	19.5	89.7	91.1	93.0	93.3
New Jersey	545.2	558.5	552.9	564.0	342.5	353.3	322.1	340.1	153.4	159.9	155.0	160.2	624.1	627.1	646.7	650.1
New Mexico	103.4	105.2	104.6	106.2	83.8	85.2	82.2	82.9	28.9	29.1	28.8	29.0	199.4	203.1	201.8	204.5
New York	1,515.1	1,546.0	1,547.4	1,573.7	682.5	694.3	671.0	681.1	350.6	355.1	354.4	357.9	1,450.9	1,449.4	1,491.3	1,491.0
North Carolina	450.8	465.1	454.0	468.6	352.5	358.4	346.5	352.8	169.9	174.6	168.4	174.4	672.9	666.6	667.5	667.8
North Dakota	48.8	49.8	48.9	49.8	32.0	32.9	31.8	32.3	15.1	14.9	15.2	14.9	76.2	76.6	77.8	77.9
Ohio	749.7	757.6	756.7	763.2	513.6	513.8	495.2	497.5	227.6	227.9	226.5	228.0	789.7	788.0	812.5	810.2
Oklahoma	179.3	184.2	180.4	184.4	131.4	130.2	130.5	129.3	73.4	74.2	73.4	74.8	306.3	315.4	312.0	320.4
Oregon	194.4	203.1	198.5	207.2	162.8	167.5	159.1	161.5	57.5	59.7	57.9	59.8	258.9	260.6	276.1	277.2
Pennsylvania	995.1	1,017.5	1,015.3	1,038.2	491.0	503.2	477.9	489.7	263.3	268.0	263.1	267.9	741.3	749.5	761.9	769.9
Rhode Island	92.7	96.2	94.6	98.5	53.2	54.8	50.7	52.3	23.1	23.5	23.2	23.3	65.5	65.0	66.9	66.6
South Carolina	182.6	187.9	183.5	189.8	204.2	207.0	202.3	205.0	67.8	66.1	69.0	66.5	332.0	332.1	336.7	334.6
South Dakota	56.3	57.6	56.8	58.1	43.3	44.1	41.6	41.5	16.6	16.5	16.4	16.5	74.8	75.2	75.7	76.5
Tennessee	321.6	328.0	323.6	330.1	260.1	263.2	254.5	257.4	101.8	102.7	102.2	103.2	412.8	414.5	417.2	418.7
Texas	1,155.3	1,179.2	1,156.1	1,181.7	893.6	906.1	881.7	895.7	359.9	364.1	358.3	360.7	1,656.2	1,670.1	1,685.6	1,695.9
Utah	125.2	129.8	126.4	130.9	104.1	106.2	100.8	103.0	33.0	33.6	32.6	33.4	200.1	203.5	202.5	206.1
Vermont	53.7	54.9	54.2	55.2	33.0	33.3	32.2	32.6	10.1	10.2	10.2	10.2	53.5	53.4	55.6	55.5
Virginia	385.5	390.9	386.1	394.0	329.6	331.1	321.7	323.7	180.6	180.9	179.5	180.6	647.7	650.7	664.5	668.4
Washington	318.8	328.9	322.9	331.5	266.0	273.7	255.0	263.2	101.2	103.4	100.5	102.7	512.3	514.1	528.4	533.2
West Virginia	111.2	111.5	114.0	114.6	69.8	70.2	68.0	68.3	55.6	55.3	55.5	55.3	141.9	142.1	144.9	144.9
Wisconsin	379.7	385.6	383.3	390.6	260.5	265.7	251.4	257.6	135.9	135.3	136.0	136.4	406.1	407.1	420.7	421.5
Wyoming	21.7	22.3	21.8	22.6	34.1	34.4	30.4	30.9	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.6	63.9	64.8	65.8	66.6
Puerto Rico	98.1	95.1	99.4	95.2	71.5	70.3	71.6	70.0	21.5	23.1	21.5	23.4	309.5	281.0	312.3	281.3

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 2004 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 2005

(U.S. rate = 5.0 percent)



