

Table 10. **Employed persons by major occupation, annual averages, 1987-2000**

(In thousands)

Occupation	1987	1988	1989	1990 <sup>1</sup>	1991	1992	1993
Total .....	112,440	114,968	117,342	118,793	117,718	118,492	120,259
Managerial and professional specialty .....	27,742	29,190	30,398	30,602	30,934	31,085	32,231
Executive, administrative, and managerial .....	13,316	14,216	14,848	14,802	14,904	14,722	15,338
Professional specialty .....	14,426	14,974	15,550	15,800	16,030	16,363	16,893
Technical, sales, and administrative support .....	35,082	35,532	36,127	36,913	36,318	37,048	37,058
Technicians and related support .....	3,346	3,521	3,645	3,866	3,814	4,277	4,039
Sales .....	13,480	13,747	14,065	14,285	14,052	14,014	14,342
Administrative support, including clerical .....	18,256	18,264	18,416	18,762	18,452	18,757	18,677
Service occupations .....	15,054	15,332	15,556	16,012	16,254	16,377	16,821
Private household .....	934	909	872	792	799	891	928
Protective service .....	1,907	1,944	1,960	2,000	2,083	2,114	2,165
Service, except private household and protective .....	12,213	12,479	12,724	13,220	13,372	13,373	13,727
Precision production, craft, and repair .....	13,568	13,664	13,818	13,745	13,250	13,225	13,429
Mechanics and repairers .....	4,445	4,454	4,550	4,470	4,445	4,466	4,442
Construction trades .....	5,011	5,098	5,142	5,199	4,852	4,827	5,048
Other precision production, craft, and repair .....	4,112	4,112	4,126	4,076	3,953	3,931	3,939
Operators, fabricators, and laborers .....	17,486	17,814	18,022	18,071	17,456	17,247	17,341
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors .....	7,994	8,117	8,248	8,200	7,820	7,658	7,553
Transportation and material moving occupations .....	4,712	4,831	4,886	4,886	4,913	4,908	5,036
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers .....	4,779	4,866	4,888	4,985	4,723	4,682	4,753
Farming, forestry, and fishing .....	3,507	3,437	3,421	3,450	3,506	3,510	3,379
	1994 <sup>1</sup>	1995	1996	1997 <sup>1</sup>	1998 <sup>1</sup>	1999 <sup>1</sup>	2000 <sup>1</sup>
Total .....	123,060	124,900	126,708	129,558	131,463	133,488	135,208
Managerial and professional specialty .....	33,847	35,318	36,497	37,686	38,937	40,467	40,887
Executive, administrative, and managerial .....	16,312	17,186	17,746	18,440	19,054	19,584	19,774
Professional specialty .....	17,536	18,132	18,752	19,245	19,883	20,883	21,113
Technical, sales, and administrative support .....	37,306	37,417	37,683	38,309	38,521	38,921	39,442
Technicians and related support .....	3,869	3,909	3,926	4,214	4,261	4,355	4,385
Sales .....	14,817	15,119	15,404	15,734	15,850	16,118	16,340
Administrative support, including clerical .....	18,620	18,389	18,353	18,361	18,410	18,448	18,717
Service occupations .....	16,912	16,930	17,177	17,537	17,836	17,915	18,278
Private household .....	817	821	804	795	847	831	792
Protective service .....	2,249	2,237	2,187	2,300	2,417	2,440	2,399
Service, except private household and protective .....	13,847	13,872	14,186	14,442	14,572	14,644	15,087
Precision production, craft, and repair .....	13,489	13,524	13,587	14,124	14,411	14,593	14,882
Mechanics and repairers .....	4,419	4,423	4,521	4,675	4,786	4,868	4,875
Construction trades .....	5,008	5,098	5,108	5,378	5,594	5,801	6,120
Other precision production, craft, and repair .....	4,062	4,004	3,959	4,071	4,031	3,923	3,887
Operators, fabricators, and laborers .....	17,876	18,068	18,197	18,399	18,256	18,167	18,319
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors .....	7,754	7,907	7,874	7,962	7,791	7,386	7,319
Transportation and material moving occupations .....	5,136	5,171	5,302	5,389	5,363	5,516	5,557
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers .....	4,986	4,990	5,021	5,048	5,102	5,265	5,443
Farming, forestry, and fishing .....	3,629	3,642	3,566	3,503	3,502	3,426	3,399

<sup>1</sup> The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes. For an explanation, see the Explanatory Notes and

Estimates of Error section of *Employment and Earnings*, a monthly periodical published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.