

**Table 665. Labor Union Membership by State: 1985 and 2009**

[Annual averages of monthly figures (16,996.1 represents 16,996,100). For wage and salary workers in agriculture and non-agriculture. Data represent union members by place of residence. Based on the Current Population Survey and subject to sampling error. For methodological details, see source]

State	Union members (1,000)		Workers covered by unions (1,000)		Percent of workers					
					Union members		Covered by unions		Private sector union members	
	1985	2009	1985	2009	1985	2009	1985	2009	1985	2009
<b>United States . . . . .</b>	<b>16,996.1</b>	<b>15,327.3</b>	<b>19,358.1</b>	<b>16,903.6</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>7.2</b>
Alabama <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	226.6	191.3	254.9	211.6	15.7	10.9	17.6	12.0	13.5	6.0
Alaska . . . . .	47.7	65.2	53.4	69.2	25.0	22.3	28.0	23.6	17.0	10.3
Arizona <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	115.6	161.7	145.7	194.3	9.5	6.5	12.0	7.9	7.9	3.6
Arkansas <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	91.6	46.5	108.4	54.6	11.2	4.2	13.3	5.0	9.5	2.8
California . . . . .	2,123.1	2,453.4	2,485.8	2,622.3	20.4	17.2	23.9	18.3	15.8	9.5
Colorado . . . . .	165.2	153.2	191.1	180.7	11.8	7.0	13.7	8.3	8.9	4.5
Connecticut . . . . .	306.5	265.5	325.9	282.4	20.9	17.3	22.2	18.4	14.4	8.5
Delaware . . . . .	45.6	43.7	50.9	47.1	16.6	11.9	18.5	12.8	12.8	5.8
District of Columbia . . . . .	45.2	28.6	58.2	34.6	16.5	10.4	21.2	12.5	13.9	6.5
Florida <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	395.2	410.9	515.7	489.2	9.1	5.8	11.9	6.9	5.3	2.0
Georgia <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	239.5	176.7	273.1	226.5	10.0	4.6	11.4	5.9	9.1	2.8
Hawaii . . . . .	109.6	123.5	121.2	127.8	27.8	23.5	30.8	24.3	19.7	14.7
Idaho <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	41.7	36.3	48.4	45.6	11.7	6.3	13.6	7.9	9.8	3.2
Illinois . . . . .	1,031.7	950.6	1,124.9	996.5	22.2	17.5	24.3	18.3	19.2	10.9
Indiana . . . . .	476.7	277.3	524.4	318.8	21.3	10.6	23.4	12.2	20.8	7.6
Iowa <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	181.7	155.6	212.8	185.3	17.0	11.1	20.0	13.3	14.5	6.9
Kansas <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	129.0	77.2	157.3	104.4	12.8	6.2	15.6	8.4	11.4	4.0
Kentucky . . . . .	219.2	142.4	250.8	173.2	16.5	8.6	18.8	10.5	16.4	6.8
Louisiana <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	147.9	98.8	172.8	110.5	9.6	5.8	11.2	6.5	7.9	3.7
Maine . . . . .	77.5	63.4	90.0	74.2	17.1	11.7	19.8	13.7	11.2	5.1
Maryland . . . . .	329.9	322.8	412.9	366.5	16.7	12.6	20.9	14.3	13.0	7.3
Massachusetts . . . . .	495.4	476.0	548.4	515.6	18.5	16.6	20.4	18.0	13.0	8.8
Michigan . . . . .	1,004.5	710.0	1,071.0	751.7	28.4	18.8	30.3	19.9	23.5	12.2
Minnesota . . . . .	407.5	361.9	452.7	376.9	22.6	15.1	25.1	15.7	16.7	8.5
Mississippi <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	81.3	49.1	94.5	66.3	9.3	4.8	10.8	6.4	8.4	4.4
Missouri . . . . .	378.3	233.6	418.9	263.8	18.7	9.4	20.7	10.6	19.1	8.0
Montana . . . . .	57.3	52.1	66.9	67.6	19.4	13.9	22.7	18.1	14.9	6.5
Nebraska <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	78.8	75.8	99.0	94.0	12.7	9.2	16.0	11.4	10.3	4.2
Nevada <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	89.7	172.6	102.1	188.4	21.6	15.7	24.6	17.2	19.5	12.7
New Hampshire . . . . .	48.8	66.7	54.8	75.6	10.7	10.8	12.0	12.3	6.9	4.5
New Jersey . . . . .	821.0	721.0	937.2	741.5	24.9	19.3	28.4	19.9	19.0	10.5
New Mexico . . . . .	49.4	51.1	62.4	77.4	10.0	6.7	12.7	10.2	8.9	3.1
New York . . . . .	2,102.3	2,018.8	2,298.3	2,181.8	30.2	25.2	33.0	27.2	21.3	14.0
North Carolina <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	167.0	115.1	209.5	161.6	6.4	3.1	8.0	4.4	4.7	1.5
North Dakota <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	27.9	20.6	34.2	29.5	11.4	6.8	14.0	9.8	6.4	4.3
Ohio . . . . .	999.0	684.9	1,090.9	742.3	23.6	14.2	25.7	15.4	20.7	8.9
Oklahoma <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	128.4	83.1	151.0	106.6	10.5	5.7	12.3	7.3	8.2	2.7
Oregon . . . . .	231.6	250.3	260.8	272.2	22.7	17.0	25.6	18.5	16.7	8.9
Pennsylvania . . . . .	1,055.4	781.7	1,174.7	844.0	22.8	15.0	25.4	16.2	19.1	9.4
Rhode Island . . . . .	90.2	79.6	97.7	83.2	21.1	17.9	22.9	18.7	12.7	8.8
South Carolina <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	58.8	75.1	72.5	91.1	4.5	4.5	5.6	5.4	3.8	2.8
South Dakota <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	27.9	19.8	34.5	23.7	11.2	5.5	13.8	6.6	7.5	3.0
Tennessee <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	236.8	121.3	281.8	156.5	13.1	5.1	15.6	6.6	10.9	2.8
Texas <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	474.8	508.1	626.2	615.4	7.4	5.1	9.7	6.2	5.6	3.1
Utah <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	69.9	78.9	91.9	90.4	11.4	6.9	14.9	8.0	8.0	4.3
Vermont . . . . .	28.5	35.1	35.4	40.3	12.8	12.3	15.9	14.1	7.1	5.3
Virginia <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	236.0	165.9	296.7	190.8	9.7	4.7	12.2	5.4	8.6	2.6
Washington . . . . .	405.8	574.1	469.2	612.1	25.0	20.2	28.9	21.5	18.6	12.6
West Virginia . . . . .	134.7	97.3	148.3	107.9	22.7	13.9	25.0	15.4	22.2	10.3
Wisconsin . . . . .	435.9	384.7	463.9	400.4	22.3	15.2	23.8	15.8	17.8	8.3
Wyoming <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	26.8	18.5	34.2	19.9	13.8	7.7	17.6	8.3	11.2	5.2

<sup>1</sup> Right to work state. <sup>2</sup> Passed right to work law in 2001.

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